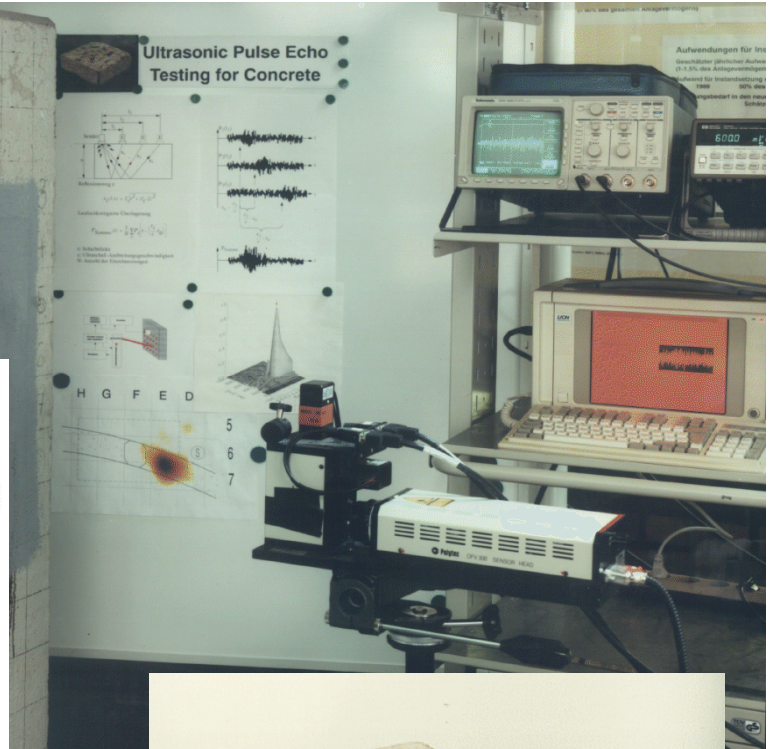


Applications 2

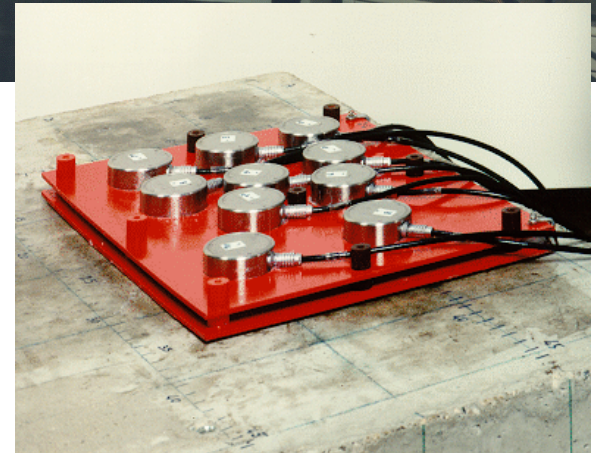
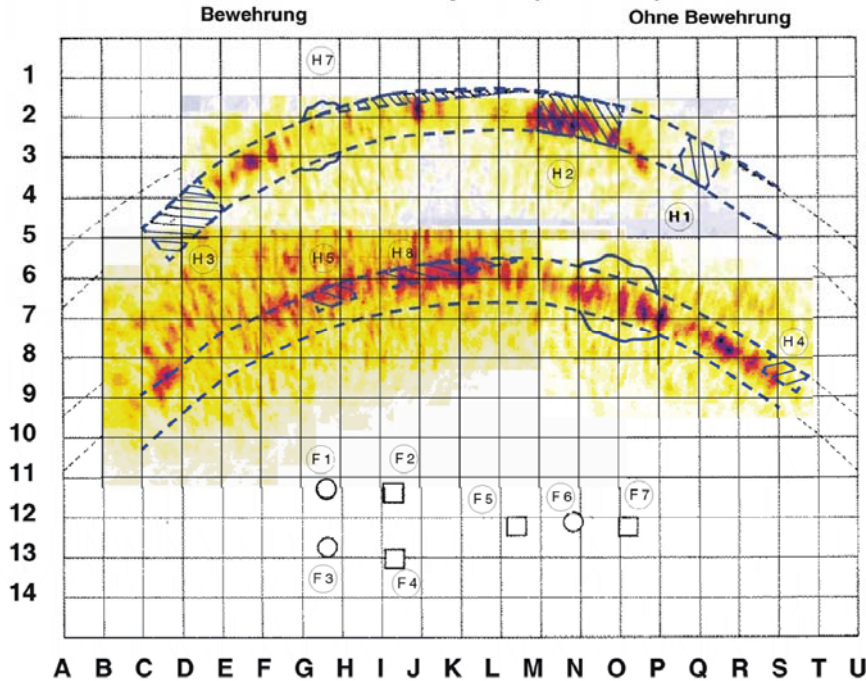
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History: Imaging Ultrasound (Pulse-Echo)

Round robin test
 BAST 1996
 Detection of voids in
 Tendon Ducts
 Use of coupled transducers
 Laservibrometer as sensor

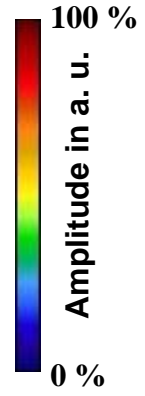
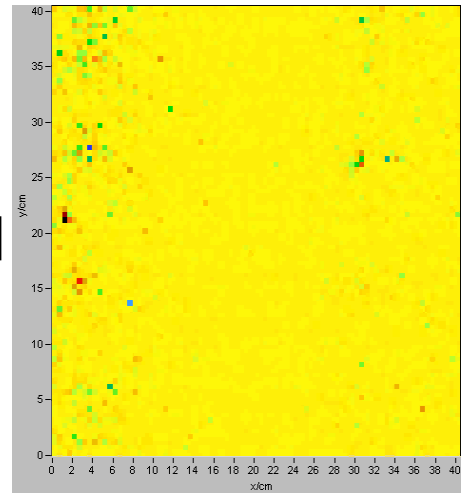


BAST Probekörper I (Seite A)



Visualization of the US wave propagation

Standard Low frequency probe

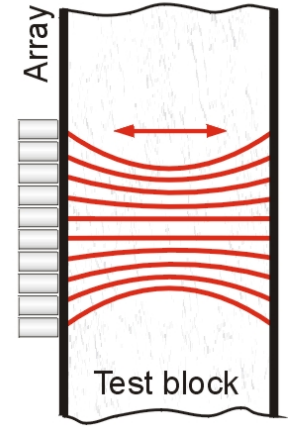
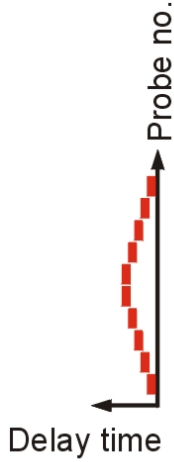
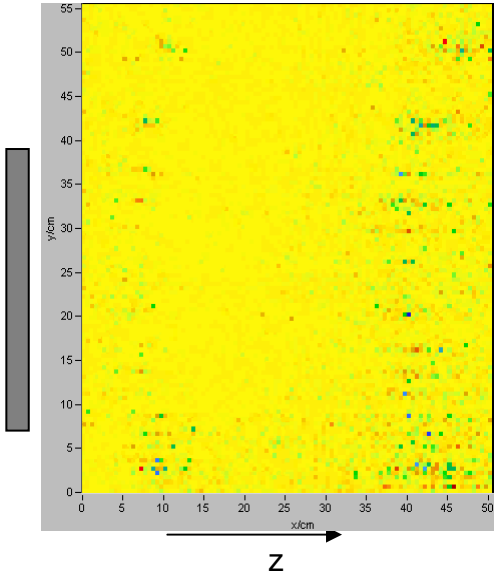


Sound beam control using a phased array

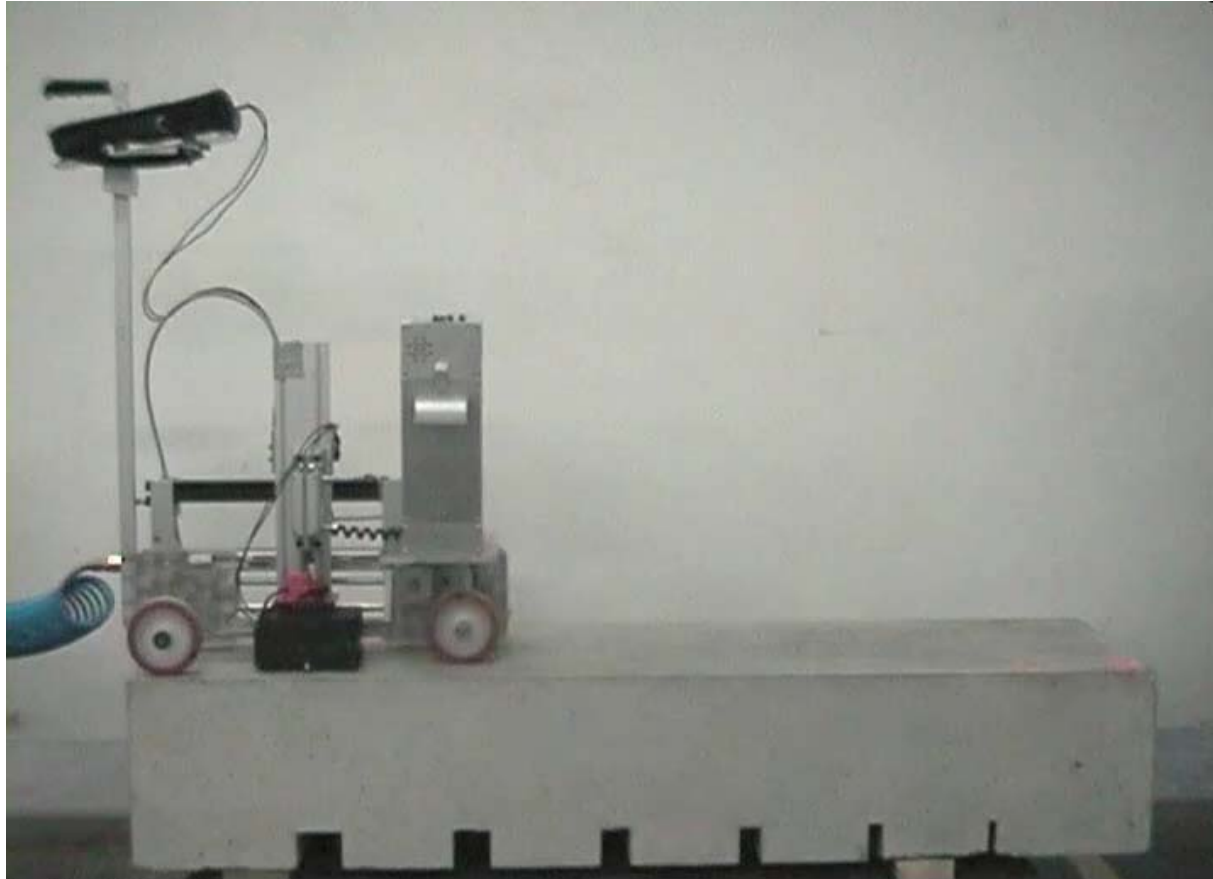


Array

Laservibrometer



BAM NDT Stepper with A1220 and Impact-Echo



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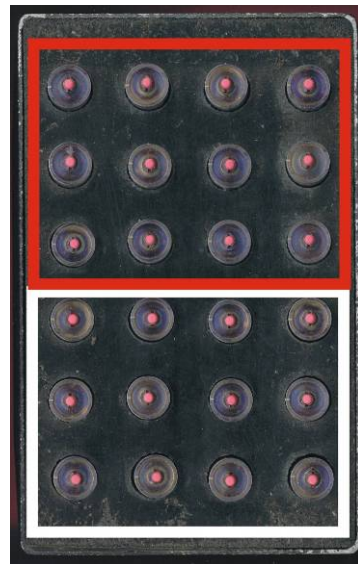
US Device with Dry Coupling



Hand Held Device A1220

Transmission
12 Shear Wave
Transducers

Reveiving
12 Shear Wave
Transducers



Frequency Range: 33 kHz - 250 kHz
Max Depth Range: 700 mm (B35)

Min Size of Defect for 500 mm Depth:
Air filled cylinder: 12 mm
Air filled sphere: 55 mm

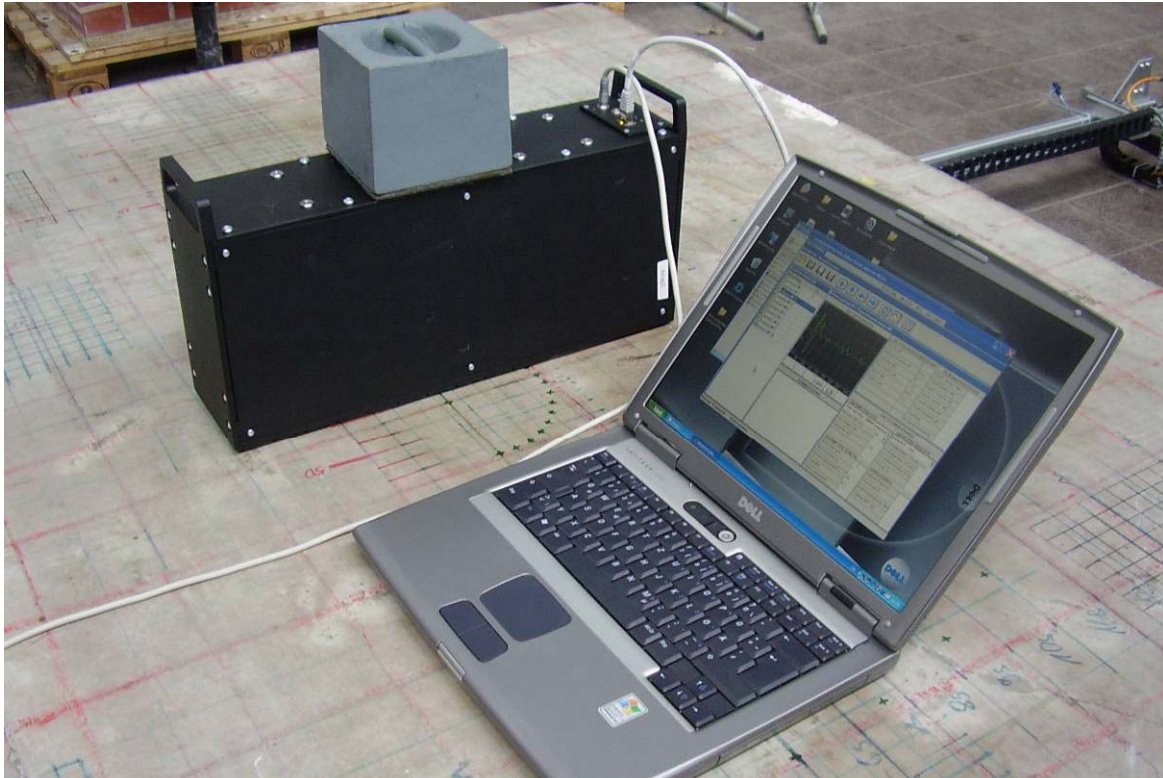
Accuracy: +/- 10%
Power supply: Battery

Dimensions:
Handheld: 235 x 98 x 33 mm
Sensor: 145 x 90 x 75 mm

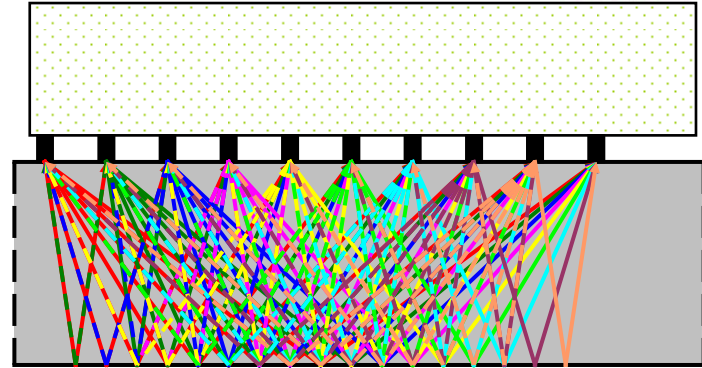
Weight:
Handheld 0,8 kg
Sensor: 0,76 kg

Dust and Water Class: Schutzart IP65

US Linear Array for Concrete (Sampling Phased Array)



Controlling Linear Arrays over TCP/IP

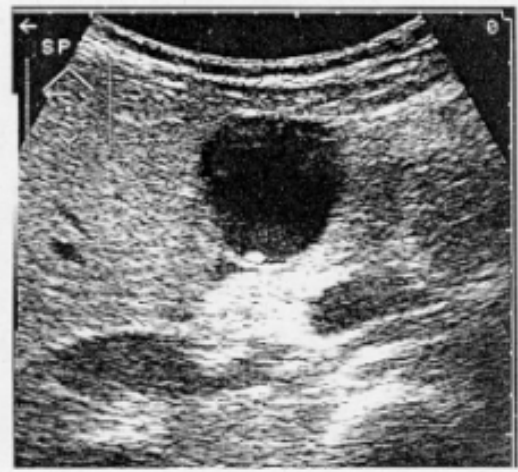


unit with 55 kHz shear wave transducers



Controller with 10 transducer units

Imaging Ultrasound on Concrete



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Linear array (Sampling Phased Array) with parallel sampling sensor elements
System commercially available with >10 elements and wireless data collection

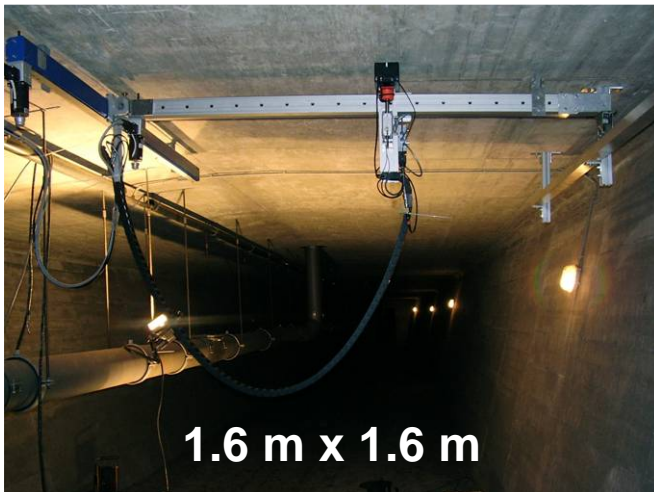
BAM Scanner Systems



1.6 m x 10 m

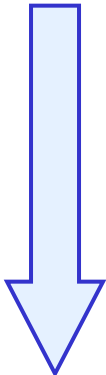
Scanning Area Speed:

- Ultrasonic Echo/Impact Echo
1m²/h, 0.02 m point grid
- Radar
15m²/h, 0.05 m line grid



BAM Scanner Systems: Data Processing

2-dimensional measurement on the surface of structures

- 
- B-Scan
plots perpendicular to the measurement surface (x-y plane)
 - C-Scan
plots parallel to the measurement surface (x-y plane)

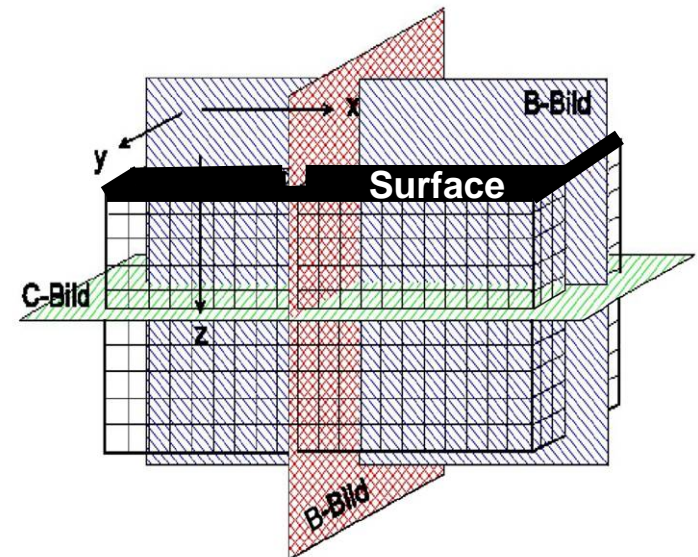
Projections and Animations of consecutive scans

3D-Reconstruction

Focusing of reflected signals using SAFT
(Synthetic Aperture Focusing Technique)

Data Fusion

Superposition of data



- SAFT (synthetic aperture focussing technique) has become a standard data analysis tool
- 3D reconstruction of large data sets is possible in minutes (compare to weeks 10 years ago)
- Data evaluation and reconstruction is being done during testing on site

Tasks

- Tendon ducts
 - Grouting defects
 - Position
 - Cover
- Reinforcement
 - Position
 - Cover
- Structure
 - Thickness
 - Honeycombs
 - Delaminations
 - Cracks
 - Bonding
- Material
 - Strength
 - Moisture

Applications

BAM has made a number of investigations on bridges and other structures in the past years

- Bridge Haiger
- Bridge Eichenzell
- Bridge Vienna
- Bridge Schwerte
- Foundation Horstwalde
- Large Concrete Specimen

Validation: Large Concrete Slab (LCS) of BAM



Facility for various tests and measurements for the improvement of NDT-CE methods

Reference specimen for comparison of different methods (=> Validation)

1. Section - Tendon ducts

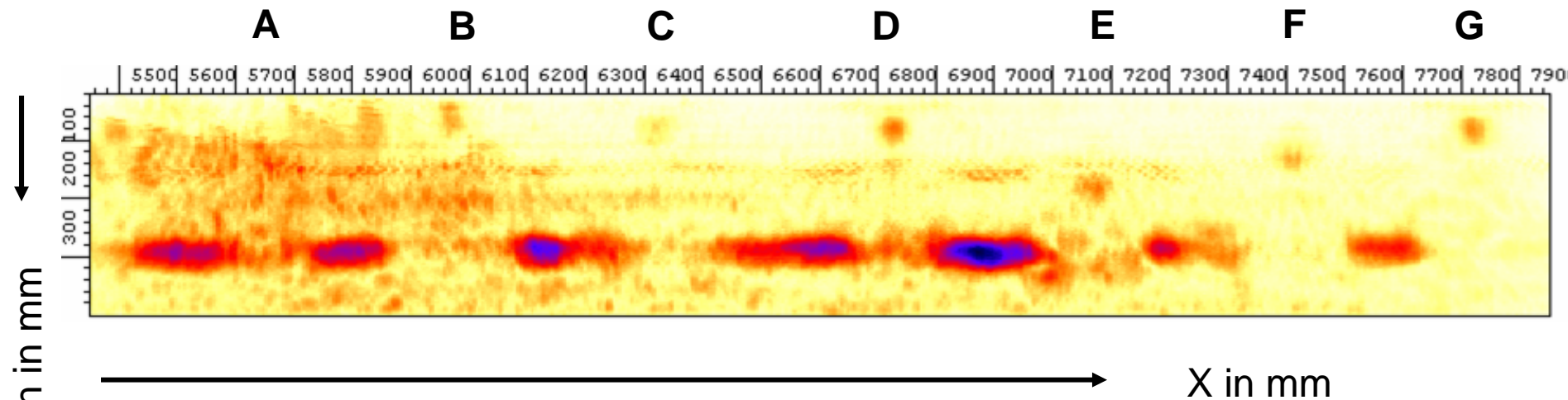


11 Tendon ducts with strands
(length 4 m, diameter 40 ... 100 mm)
Grouting defects, Grouting by DSI



LCS: Ultrasonic echo

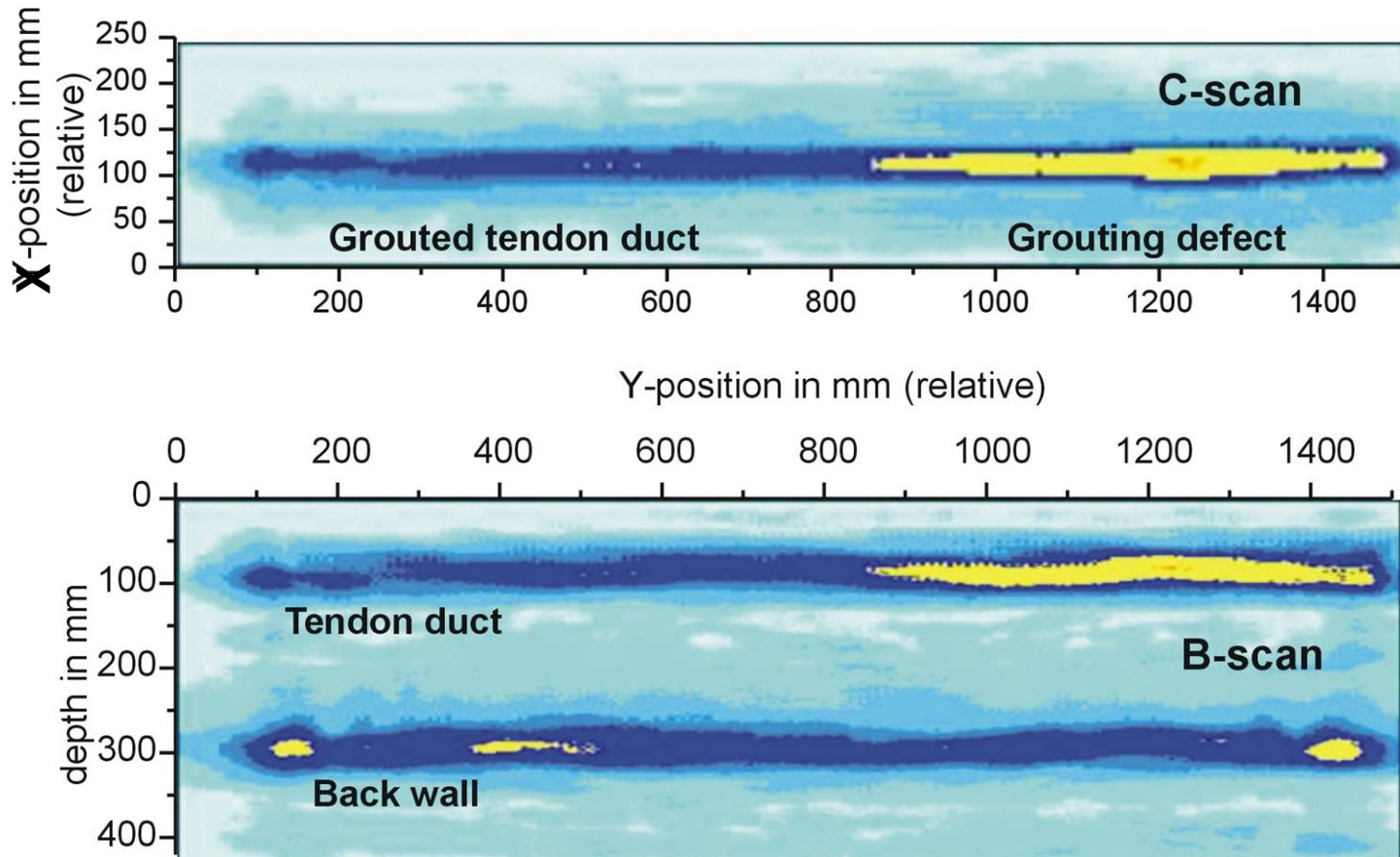
Acoustical imaging of 6 tendon ducts in LCS:
2 D Scanning and 3D-SAFT
(**S**ynthetic **A**perture **F**ocusing **T**echnique)



Depth distribution of reflection vs. X-axis (B-scan)
Shadowing additionally caused by reinforcing bar spacer

LCS: Localization of artificial grouting defects

LCS, Tendon duct G



Polarisation parallel to the duct, threshold value 6 dB



Bridge deck: Full field investigation
8 Measured areas for detailed
investigation with Radar, Ultrasonic echo,
impact-echo, (magnetic stray field) (1999)



Girder and Bridge deck:
Scanning echo methods for
tendon ducts and
honeycombing (2001)

Bridge Eichenzell

Construction

Cantilever unicellular box bridge

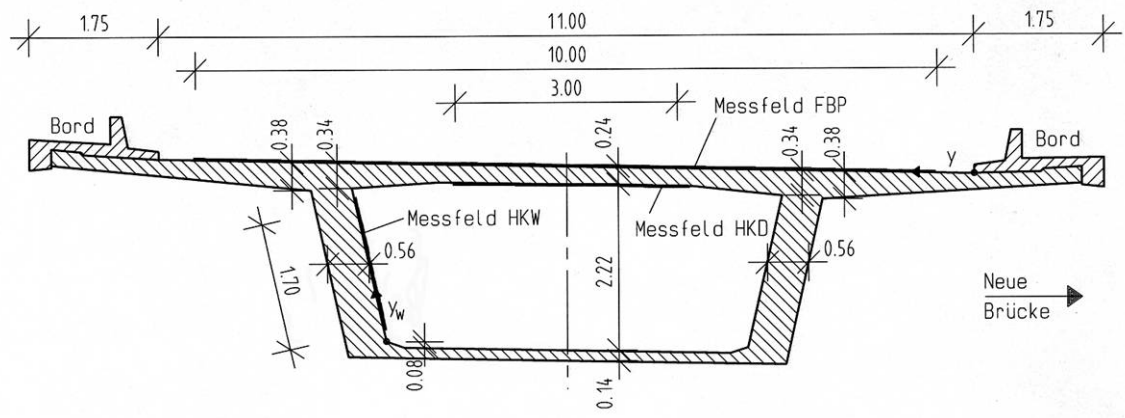
Length: 480 m

Prestressed in longitudinal and transversal direction

Constructed 1966, deconstruction 2004

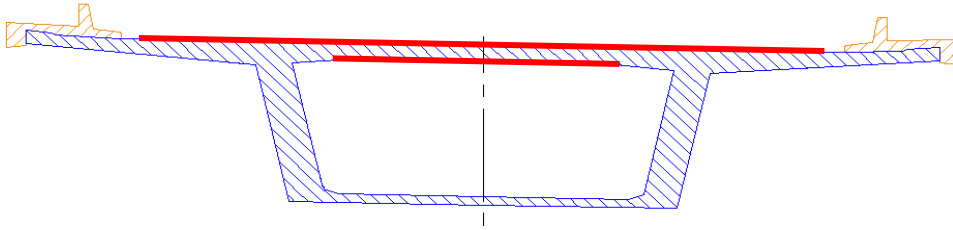


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bei km 7.0 + 04.00



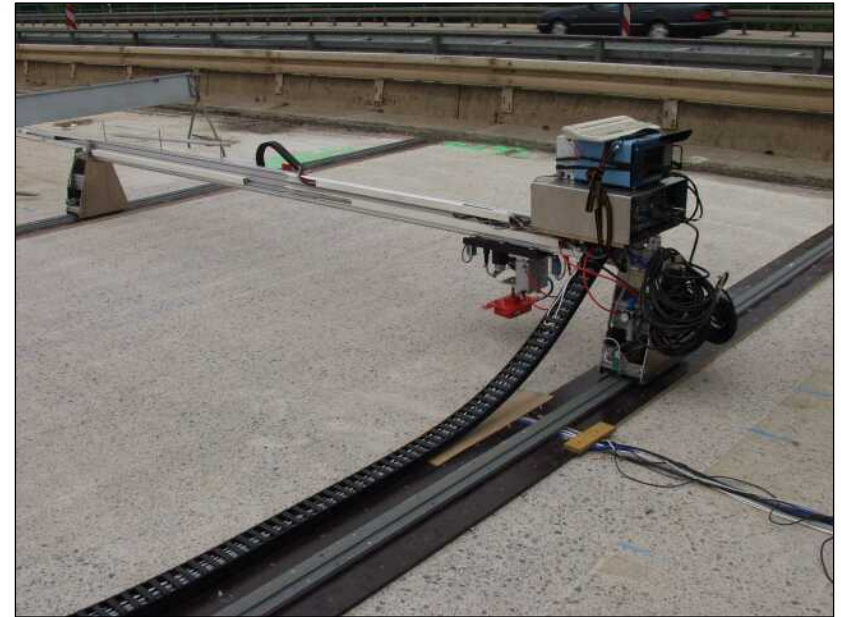
- Radar
- Impact-Echo
- Ultrasonic Echo

Bridge Eichenzell: Investigated Areas



Test Area on the top: 4.0 m x 10.0 m
Test Area on the bottom: 3.0 m x 10.0 m

- tendon ducts with diameters of 45 mm, each with 6 wires
- thickness of the deck 23 - 38 cm

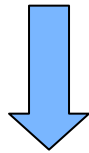


Bridge Eichenzell: Radar – Datafusion

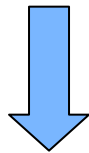
Radar-Visualization of the Results as 3D-Animation

2 Data Sets

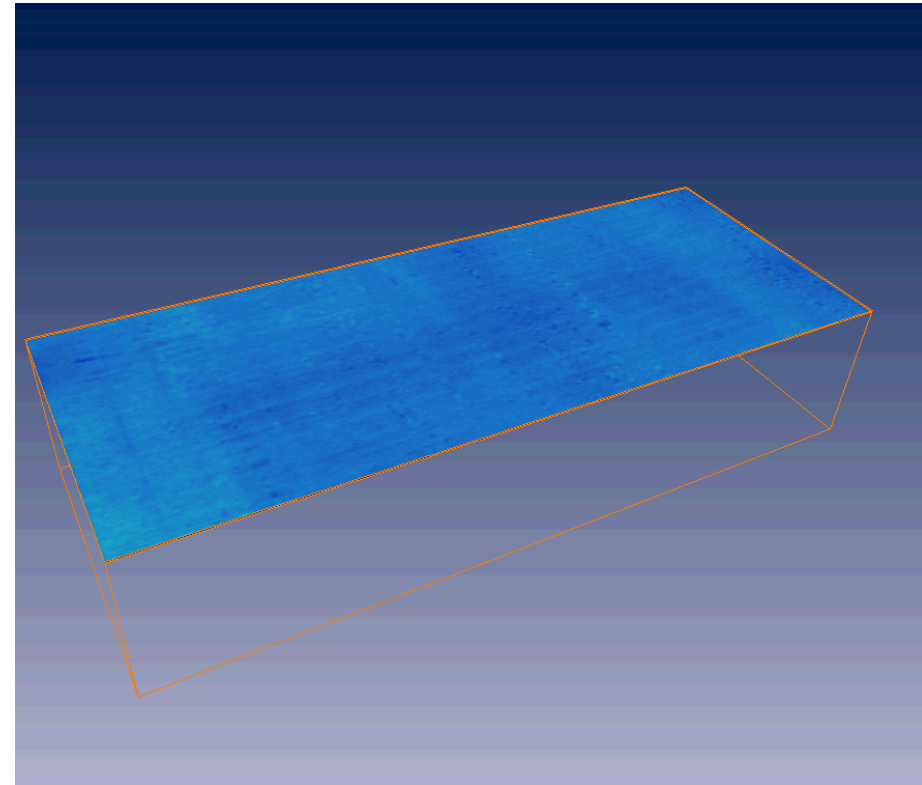
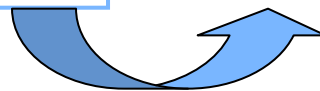
recorded with the 1.5 GHz-antenna
with polarization in x and y-direction



3D-Reconstruction with SAFT
(Synthetic Aperture Focusing Technique)



Data Fusion

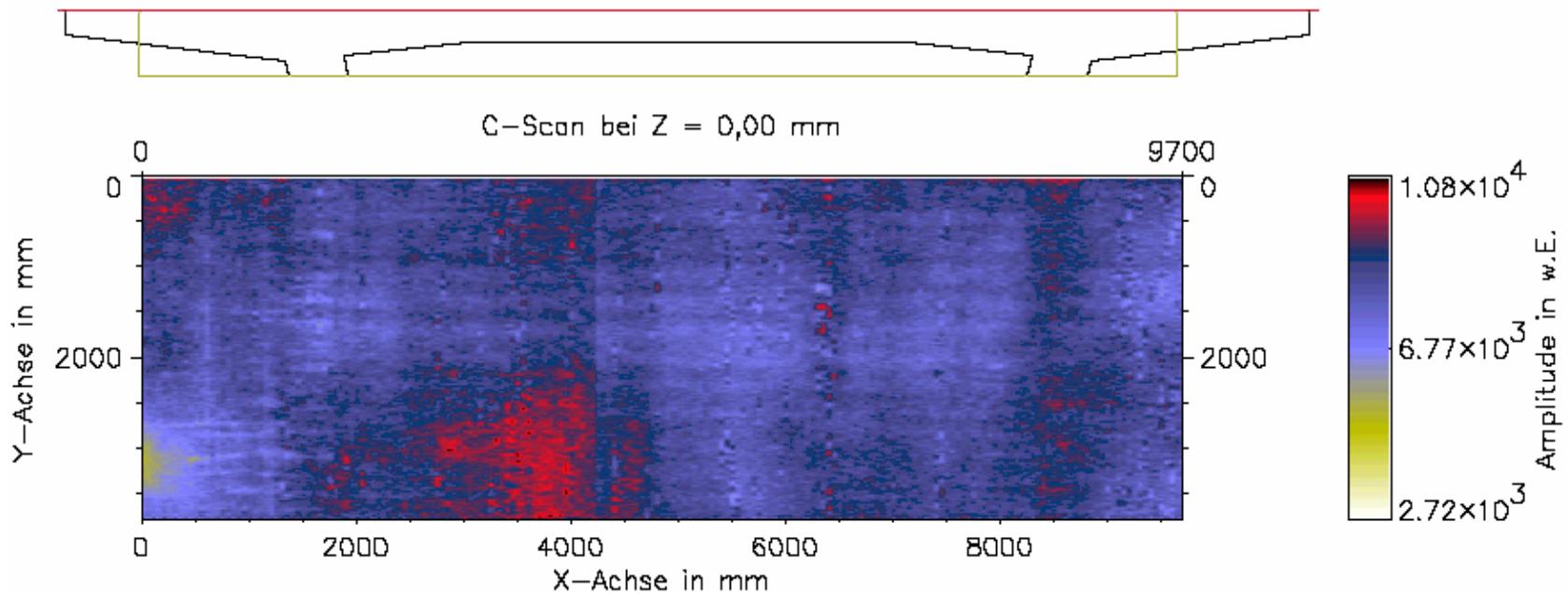


Test Area 4.0 m x 10.0 m

Bridge Eichenzell: Radar – Datafusion

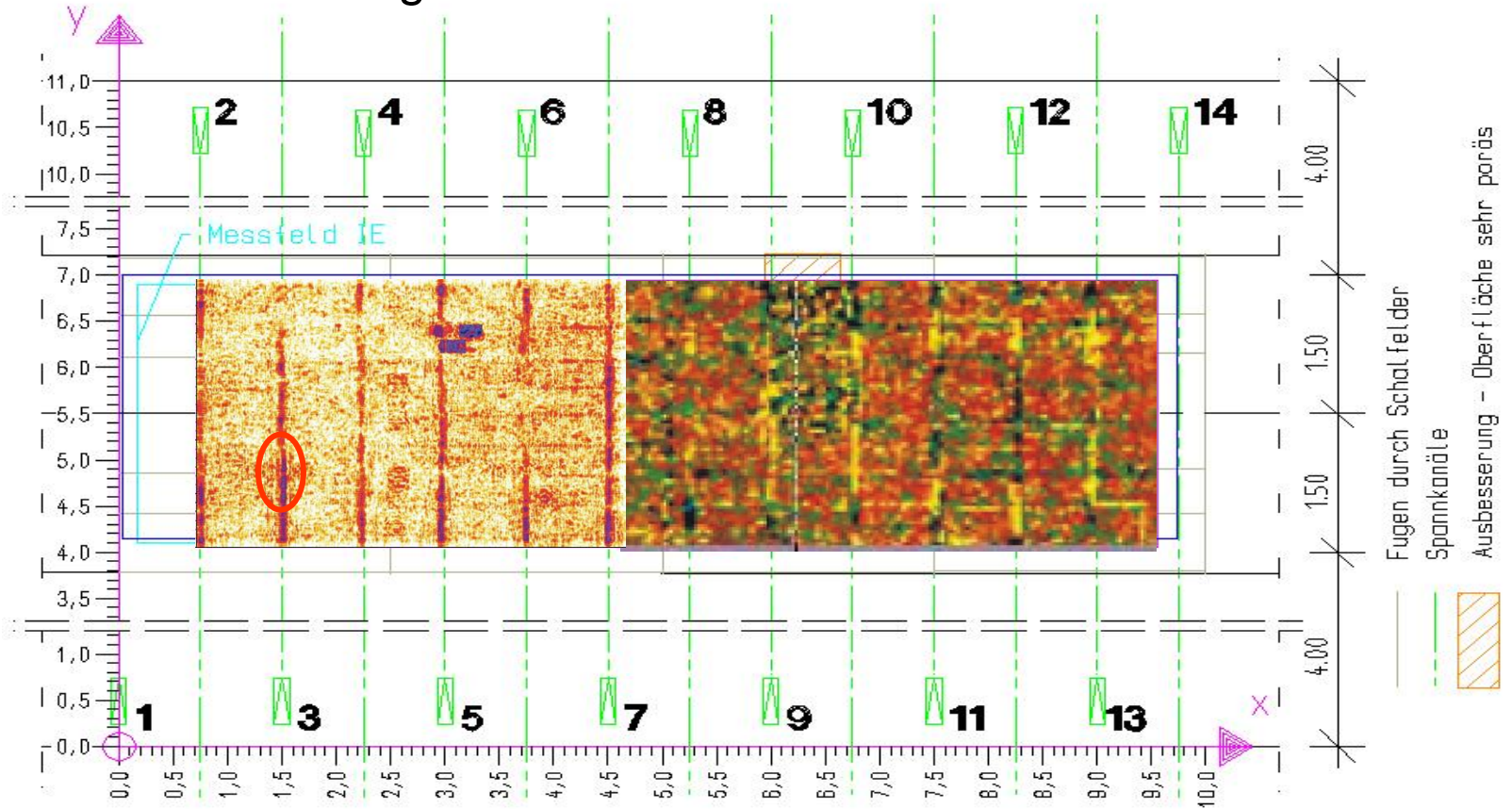
Bridge deck: Superposition of radar data from the top side and bottom side (Polarization in x- und y-direction, maximum of magnitude is represented)

Movie of slices parallel to the surface:




Bridge Eichenzell: Ultrasound: Duct investigation

Bridge deck bottom side



Left:
SAFT-C-Projection
depth 11,7 cm ... 12,1 cm
step width 2,5 cm

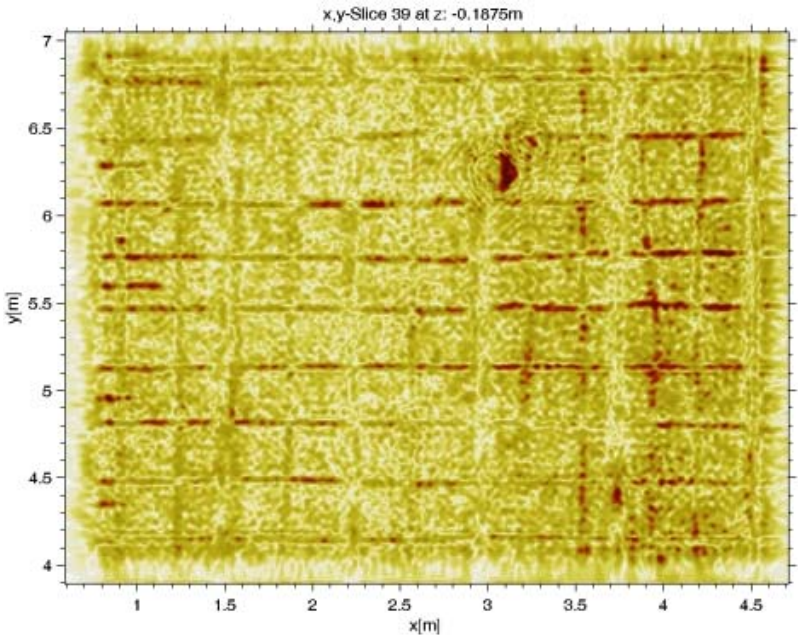
 High
reflection
intensity at
both sides

Right:
C-scan depth about 8 cm
step width 5 cm

Bridge Eichenzell: Ultrasound: Duct investigation

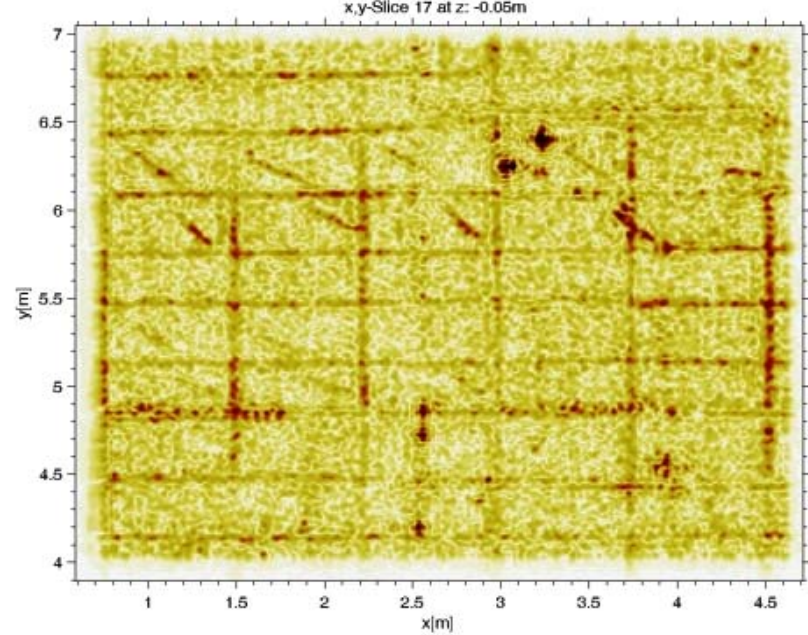
Ultrasonic Investigation from below bridge deck

Area ca. 3 m x 4,5 m Spacing 2,5 cm



Slice in depth 18,8 cm

Upper reinforcement layer

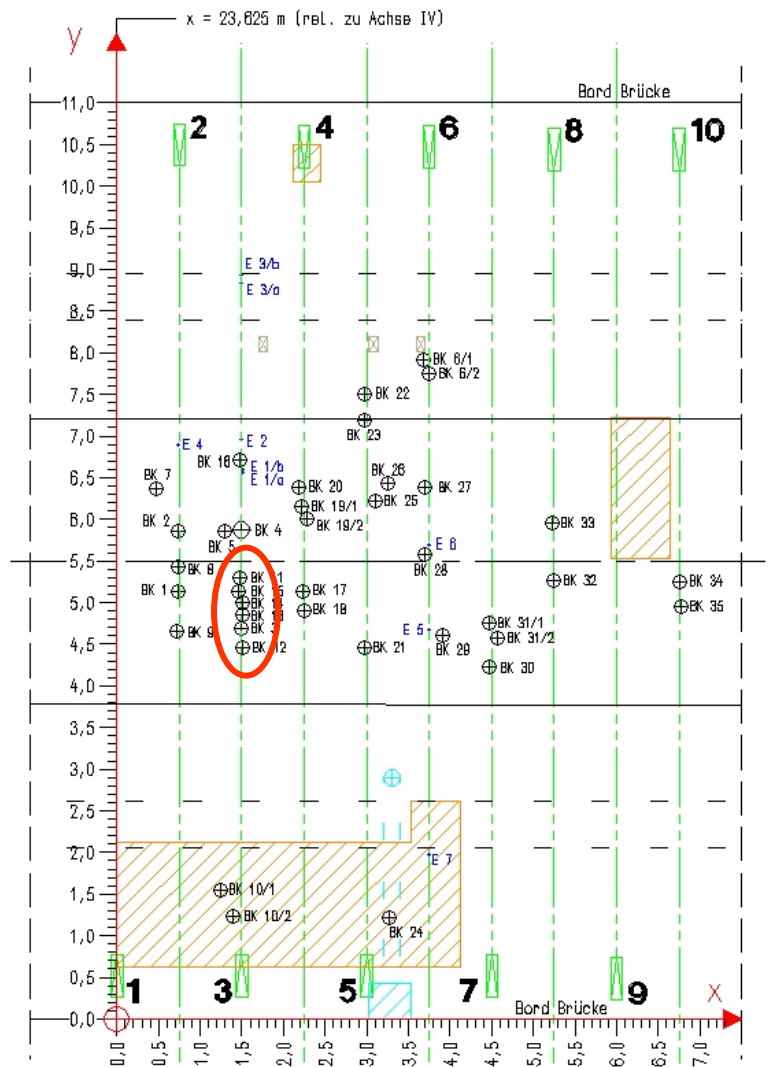


Slice in depth 5 cm

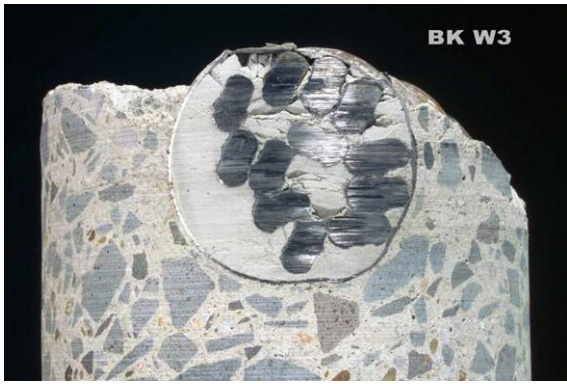
Upper reinforcement layer

Bridge Eichenzell: Verification

Destructive testing: 35 cores, endoscopy



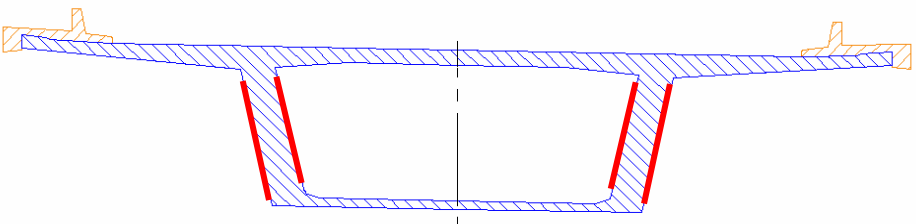
Bridge deck (transverse tendon ducts):
Very good grouting condition



Box girder wall (longitudinal tendon ducts)

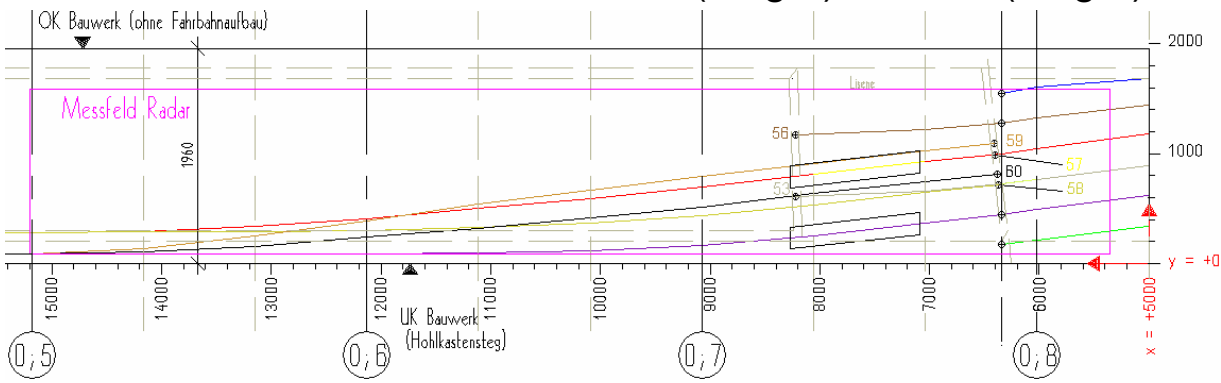
Bridge Vienna

Measurements on webs of box girder bridges



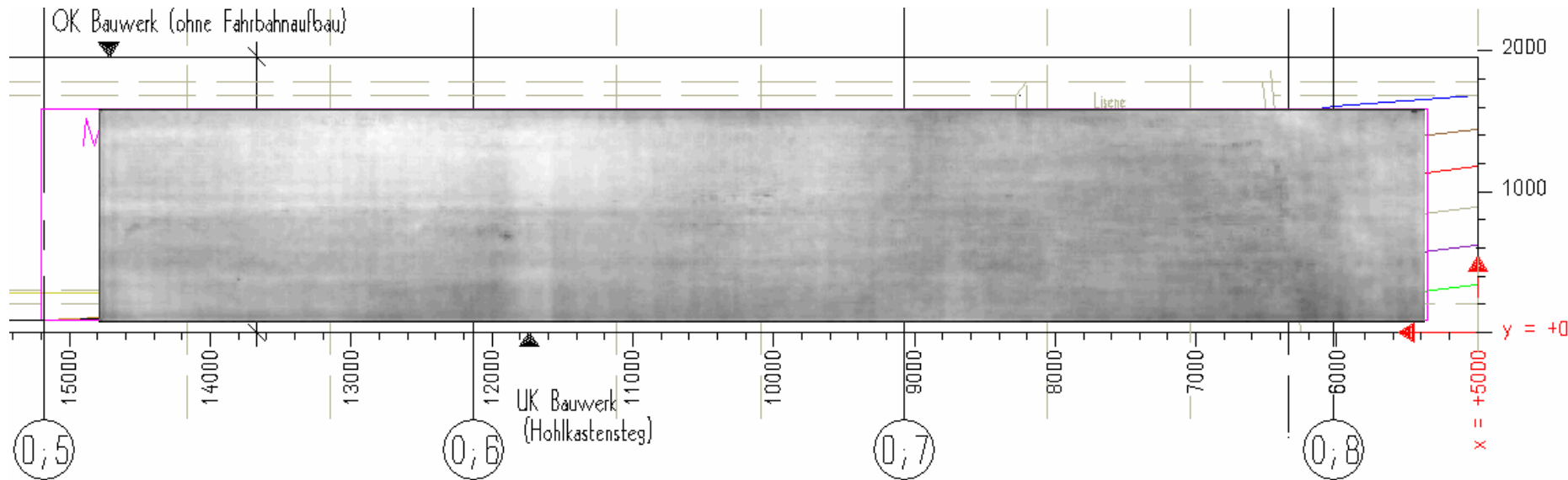
- thickness of the web 50 cm (83 cm in the area of anchoring of the pre-stressing)
- bridge under unaffected traffic
- simultaneous mounting of the impact-echo and ultrasonic sensors on the scanner

Test Area: 10 m (length) x 1.5 m (height)



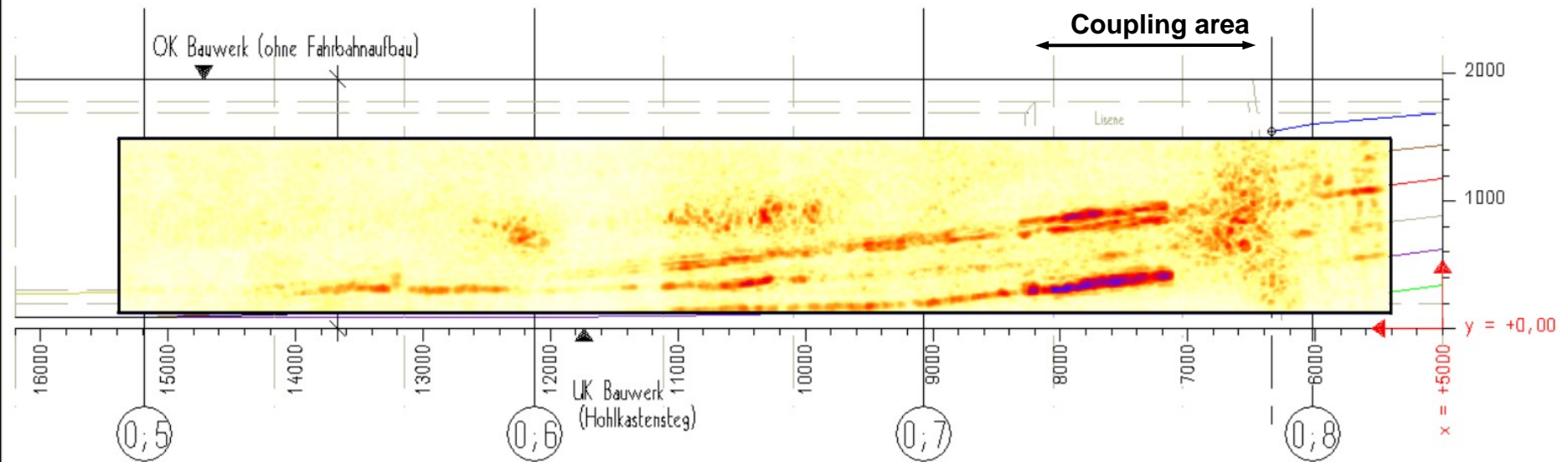
Data Fusion of Radar and Ultrasonic Echo

3D-reconstructed and fused radar data sets (1.5 GHz-antenna)
and
3D-reconstructed ultrasonic echo data set



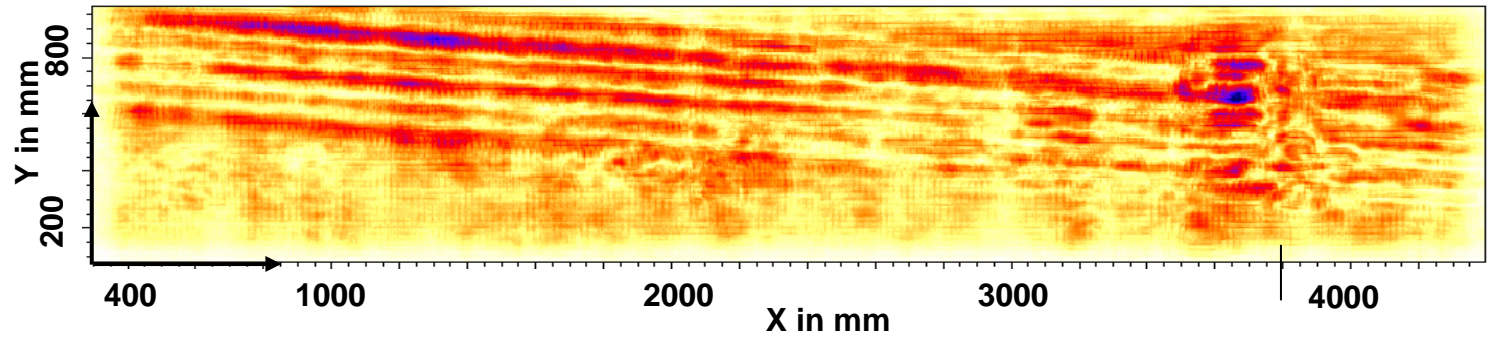
Animated sections parallel to the surface
through the measurement depths from 0 cm to 60 cm

Ultrasonic Echo

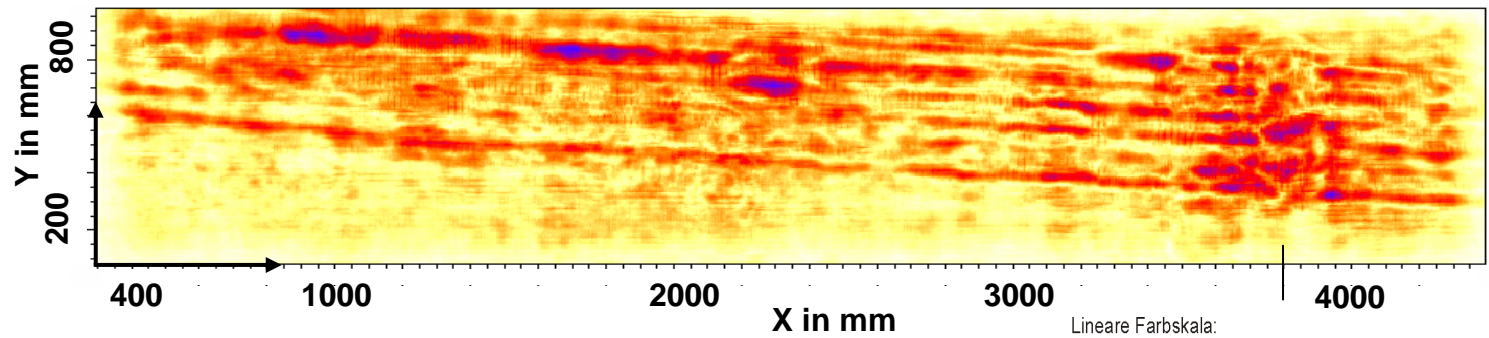


**SAFT-C-Projection parallel to the measurement surface
at the range of depth from 22 cm to 28 cm**

1. Layer of tendon ducts

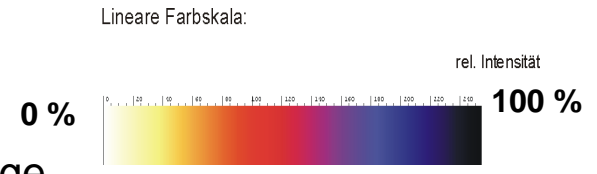


2. Layer of tendon ducts



SAFT-C-Projektions of parallel Slices

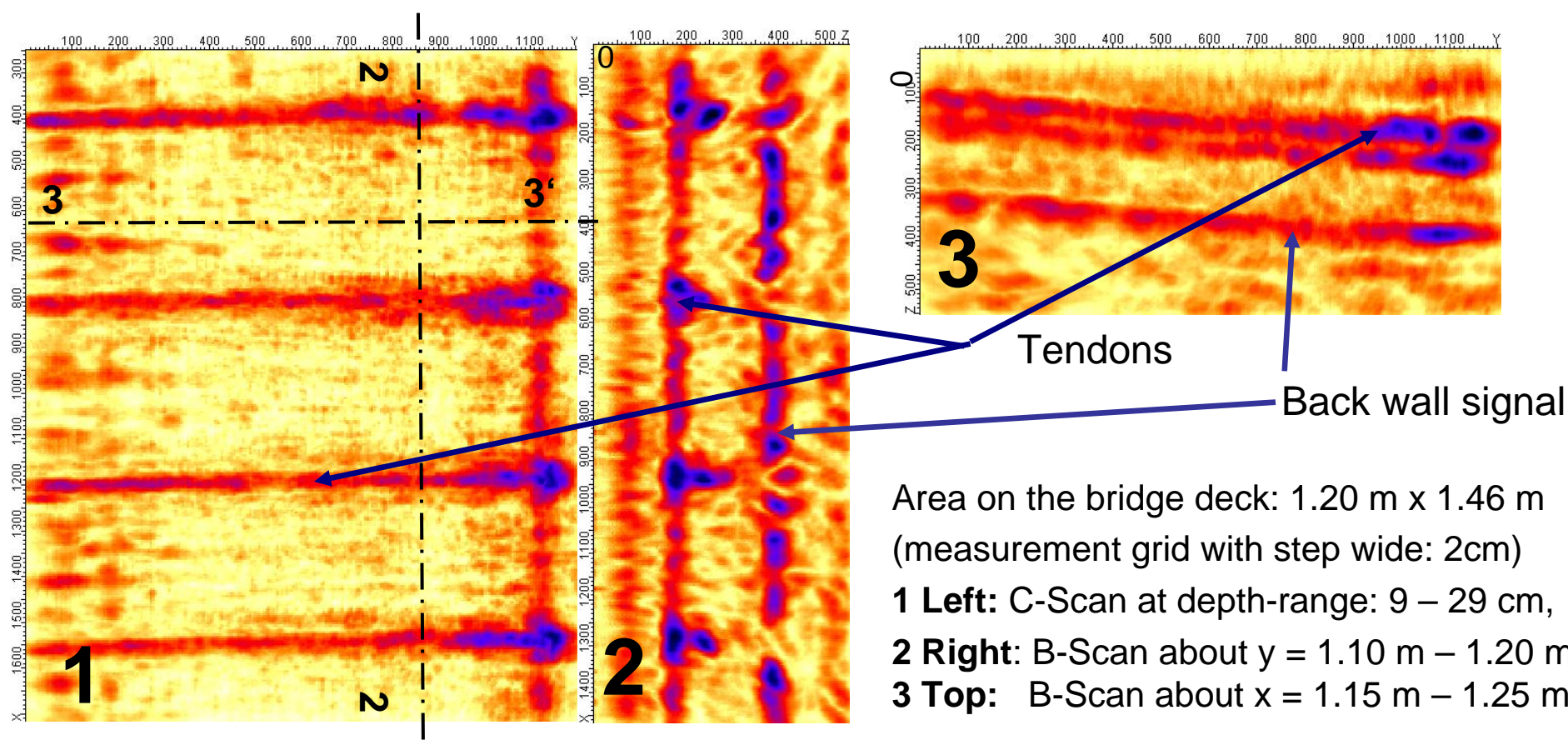
top: 5,2 – 9,5 cm depth range, bottom: 12,5 – 17,5 cm depth range



Bridge Duisburg

3-D-SAFT Reconstruction

Location of transverse prestressing in Railway Bridge RC-Track-Slab

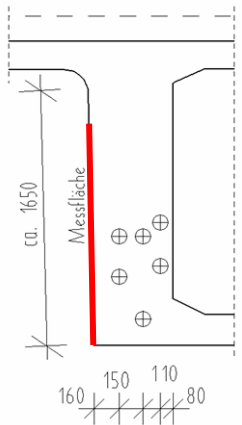


Area on the bridge deck: 1.20 m x 1.46 m
 (measurement grid with step wide: 2cm)

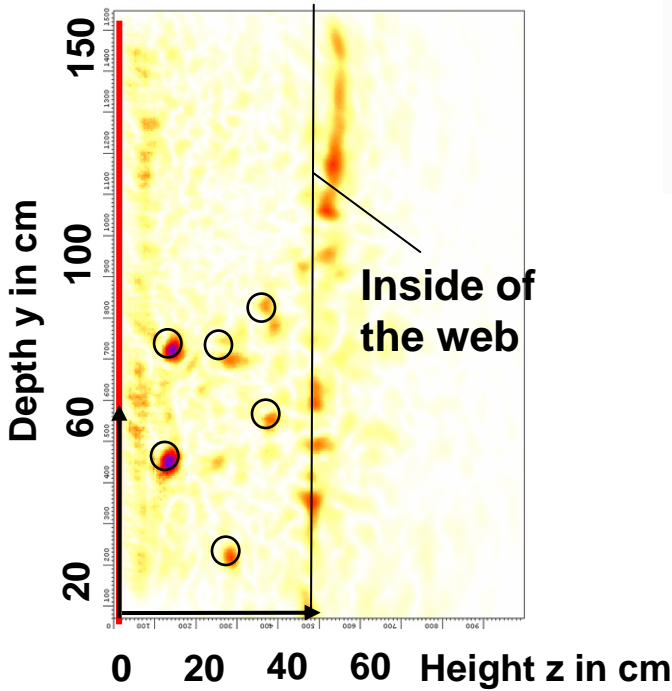
1 Left: C-Scan at depth-range: 9 – 29 cm,
2 Right: B-Scan about y = 1.10 m – 1.20 m,
3 Top: B-Scan about x = 1.15 m – 1.25 m

Ultrasonic Echo

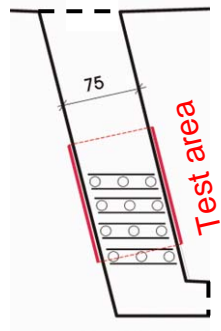
Box girder web
 Thickness: 50 cm
 Height of test area: 1.40 m



SAFT-B-Scan

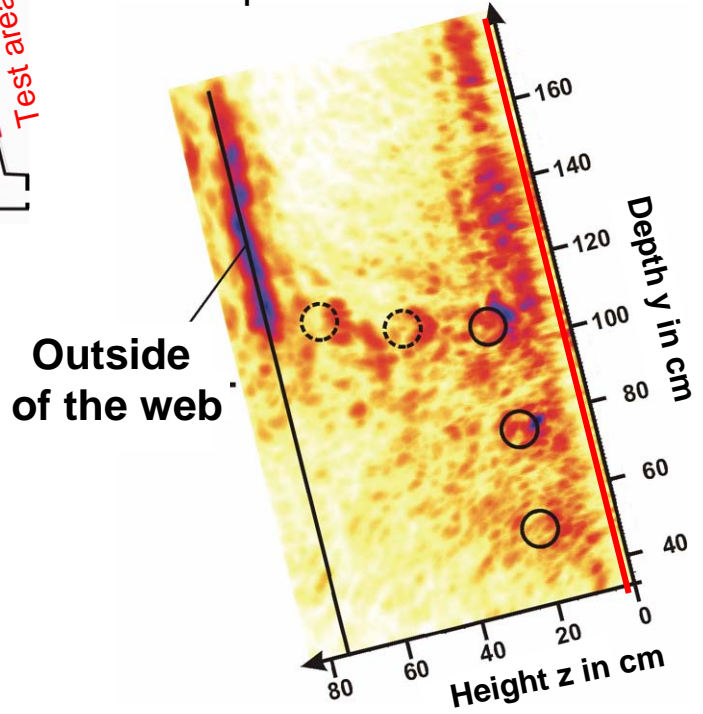


Box girder web
 Thickness: 75 cm
 Height of test area: 1.60 m



SAFT-B-Projection

Depth of test area: 1.20 m



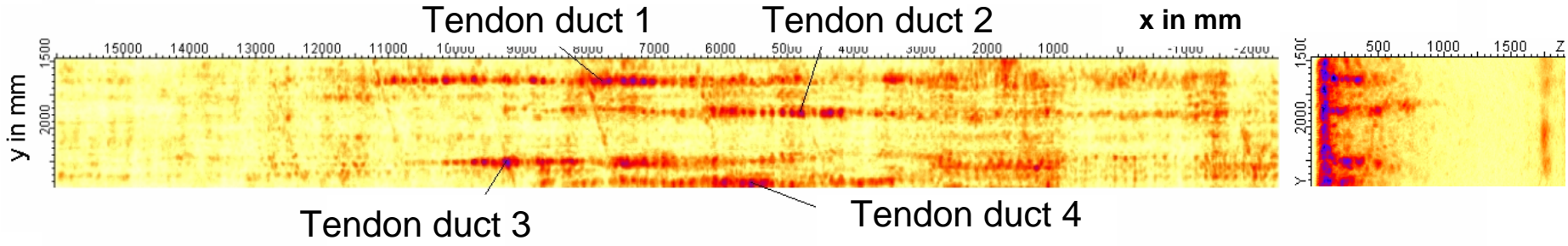
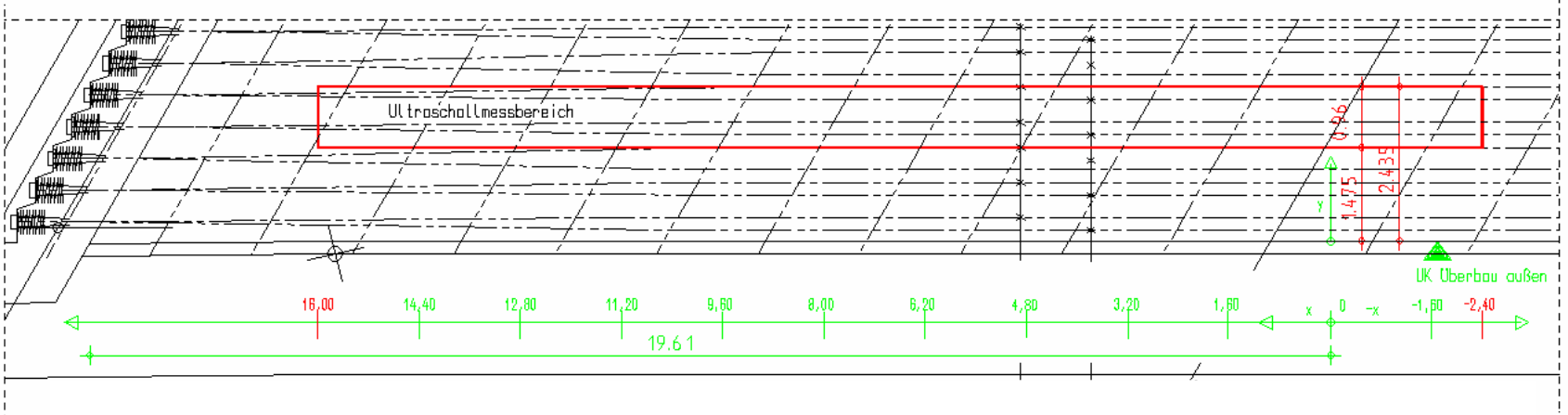
Measurements on a bridge deck, pre-stressed in longitudinal direction

Test Area on the bottom side of the deck, 0.96 m x 18.40 m:

ultrasonic echo measurements were done in 23 scanning areas length of 2 m x 0.40 m



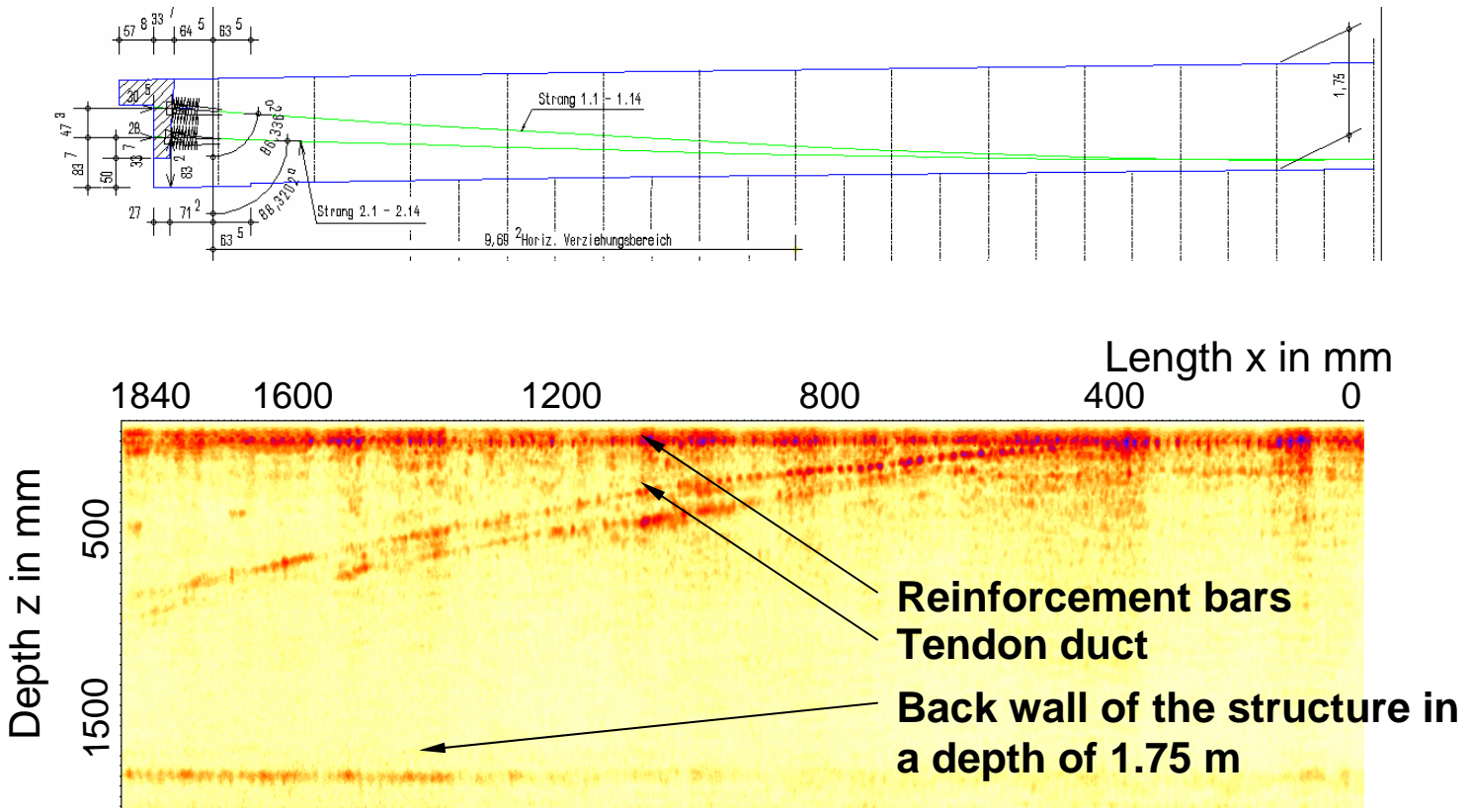
Ultrasonic Echo



SAFT-C-Projection in the depth range of $z = 200 - 400$ mm

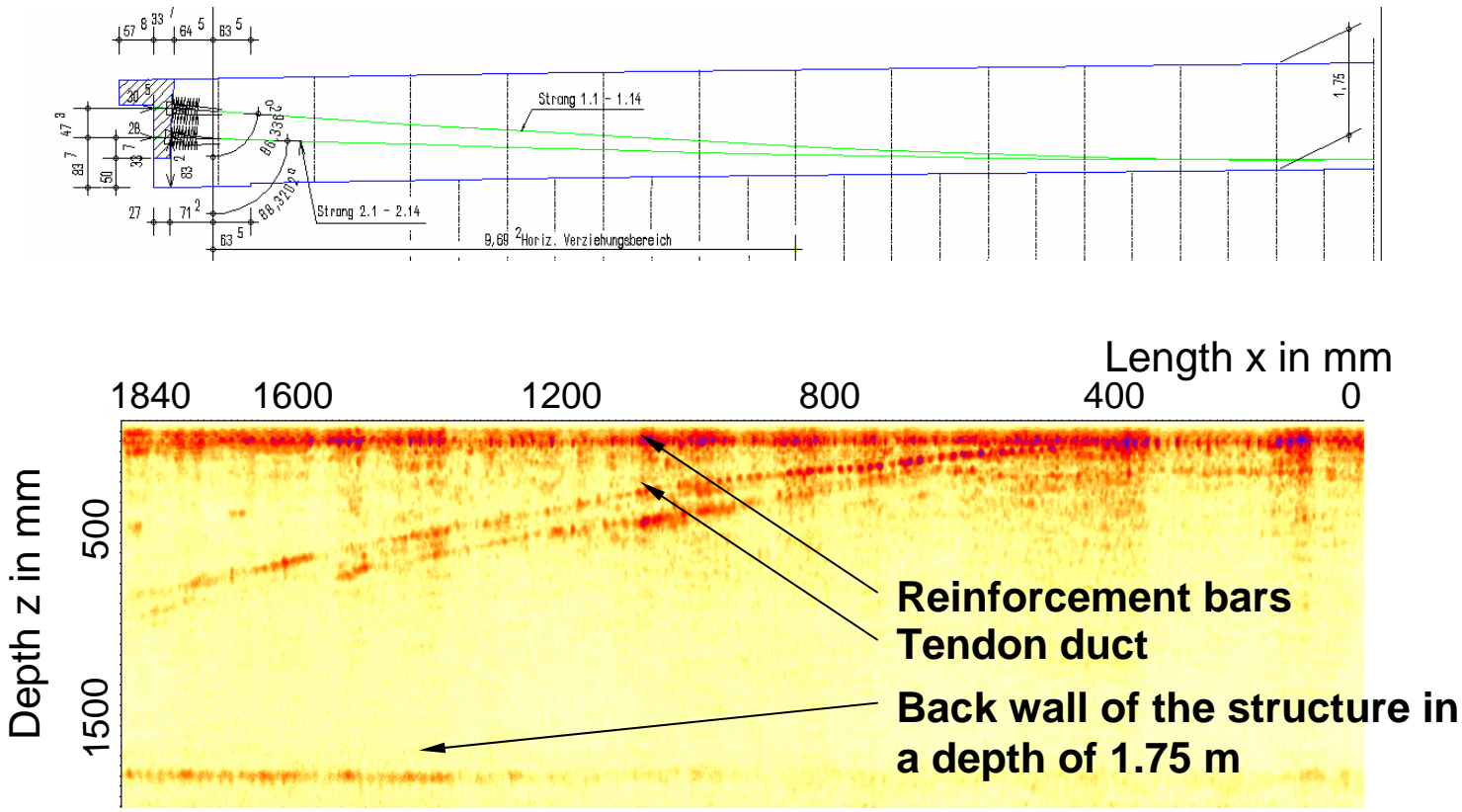
Right: SAFT-B-Projection about the whole length of 18.40 m

Evaluation of the Intensity of Ultrasonic Echo-Signals



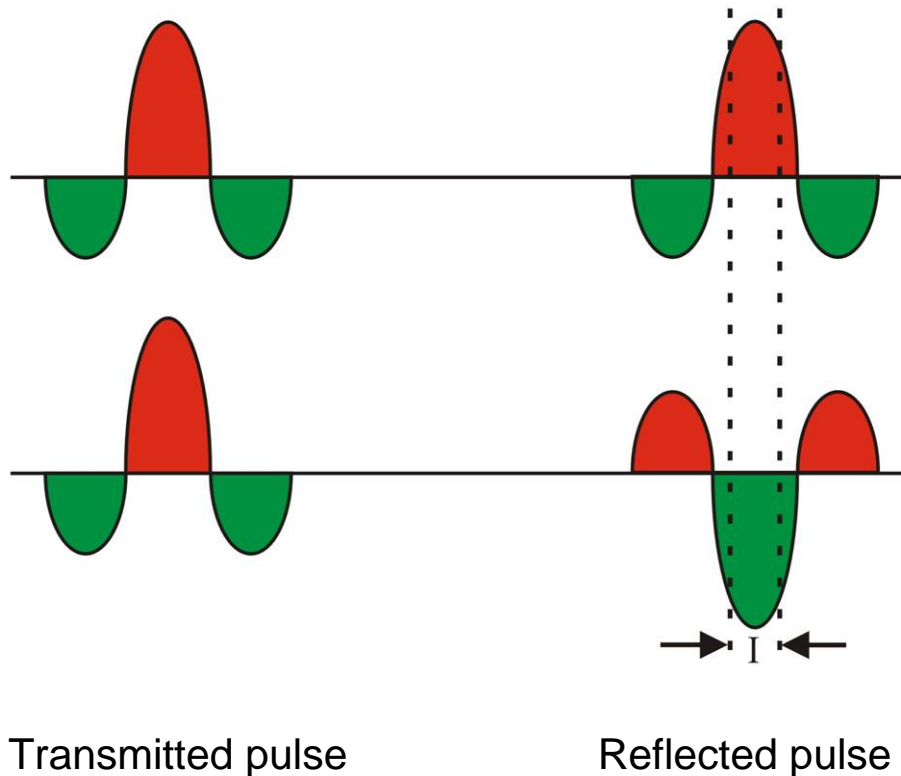
SAFT-B-Projection about the range with the tendon duct 2

Evaluation of the Intensity of Ultrasonic Echo-Signals



SAFT-B-Projection about the range with the tendon duct 2

Pulse Behaviour of Ultrasonic Echo-Signals



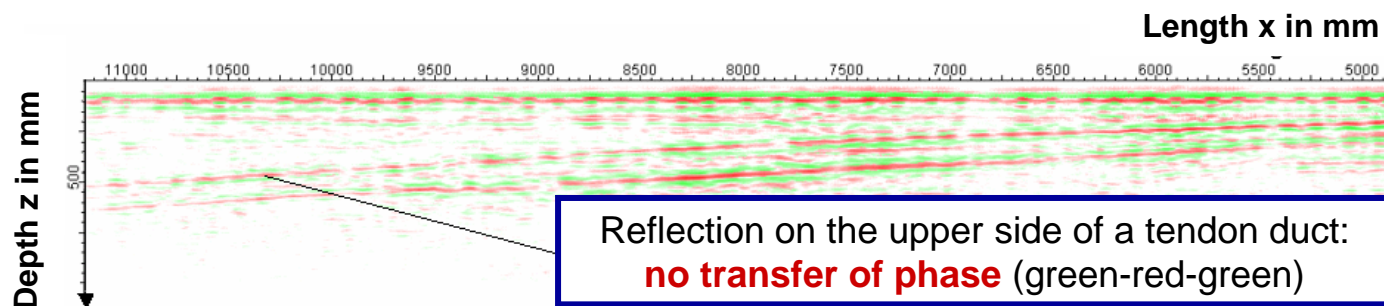
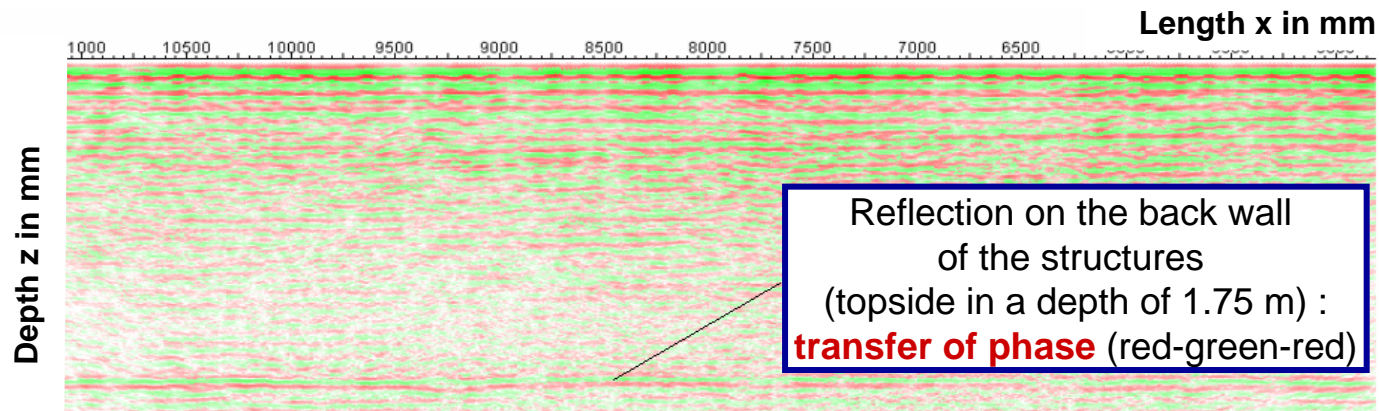
Reflections on steel in concrete

→ **No transfers of phase**

Reflection on air-inclusions in concrete

→ **Transfer of phase**

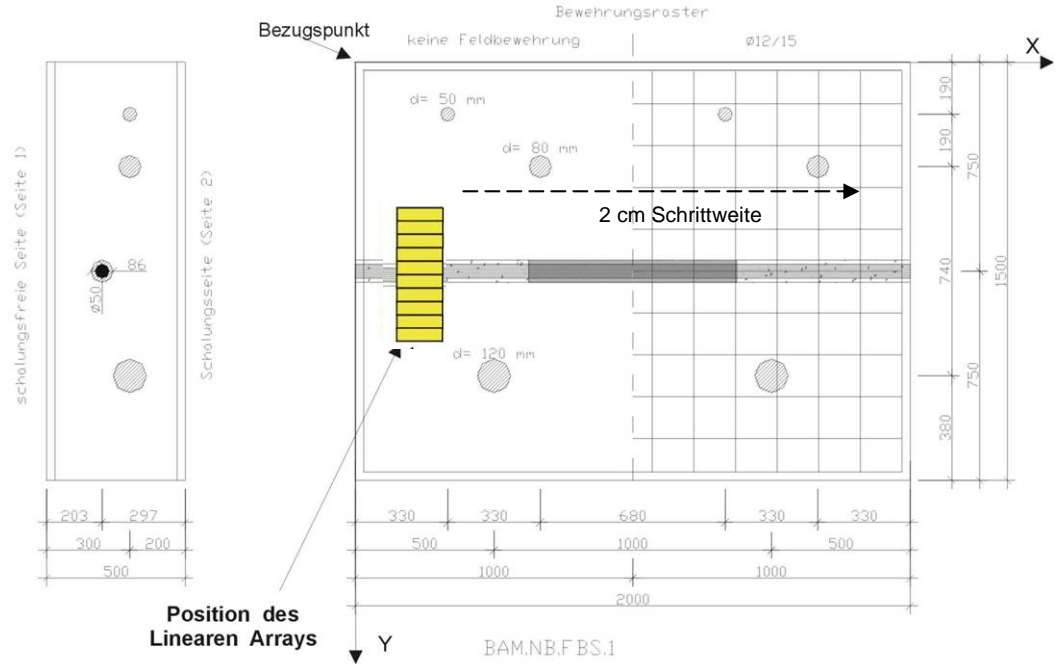
Evaluation of Pulse Behaviour of Ultrasonic Echo-Signals



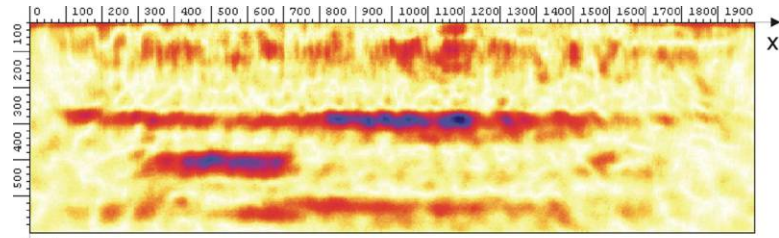
SAFT-B-Projection (Phase)

Top: about $y=1940-2100$ mm, Down: about $y=1828-1926$ mm (tendon duct 2)

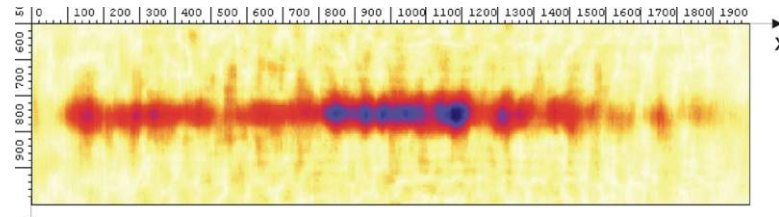
Linear Array – First Measurements



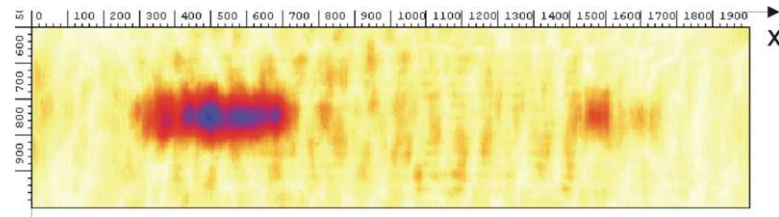
3D-Scan along duct



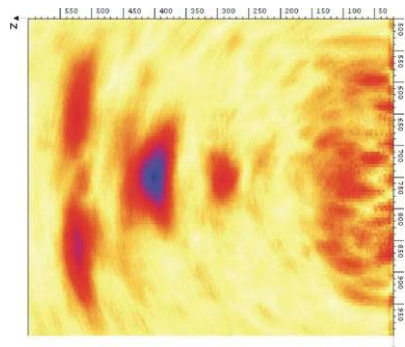
D-Scan in 751 mm



C-Scan at 267 mm to 307 mm



C-scan at 367 mm to 407 mm



Single B-scan at 400 mm to 600 mm

**What's needed?
Training, Validation,
Software simplification,
Experience**

Thanks You!

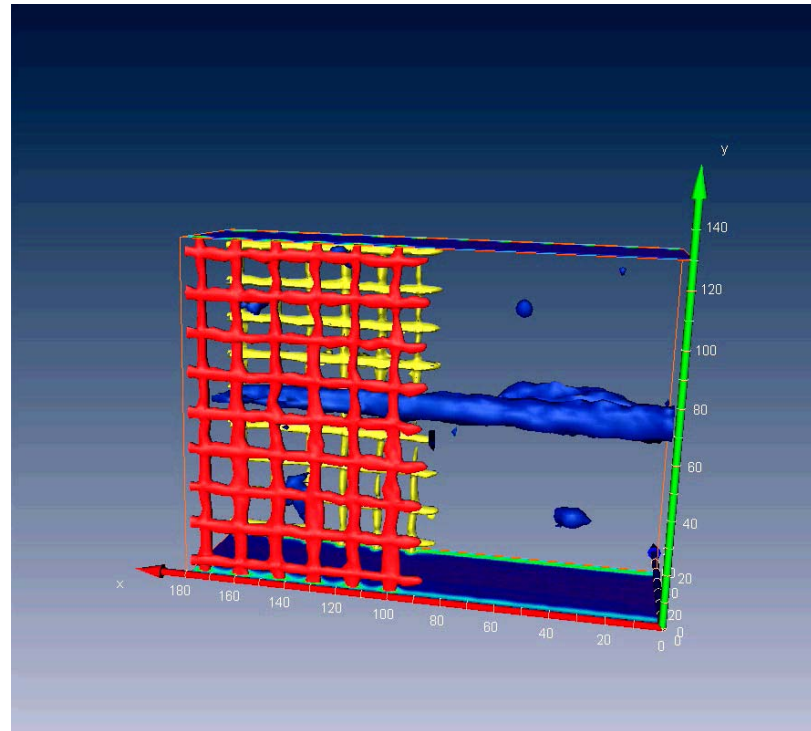
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