

# *Integration of Validated Methods for Virtual Product House*

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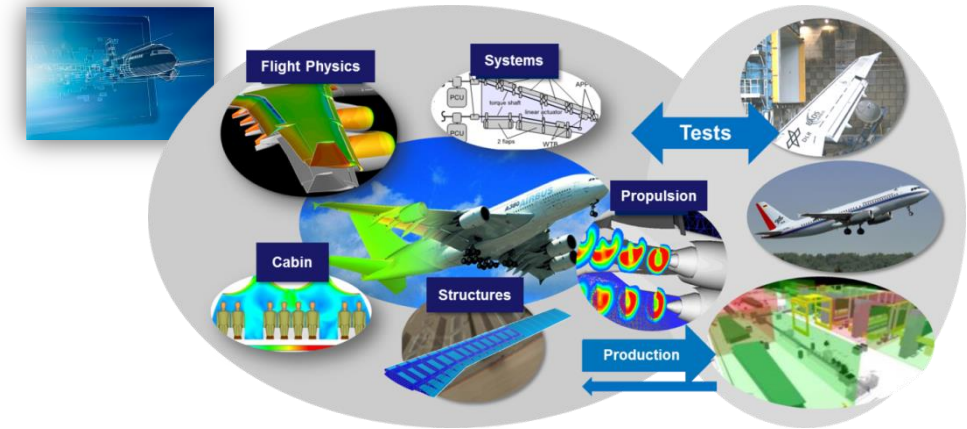


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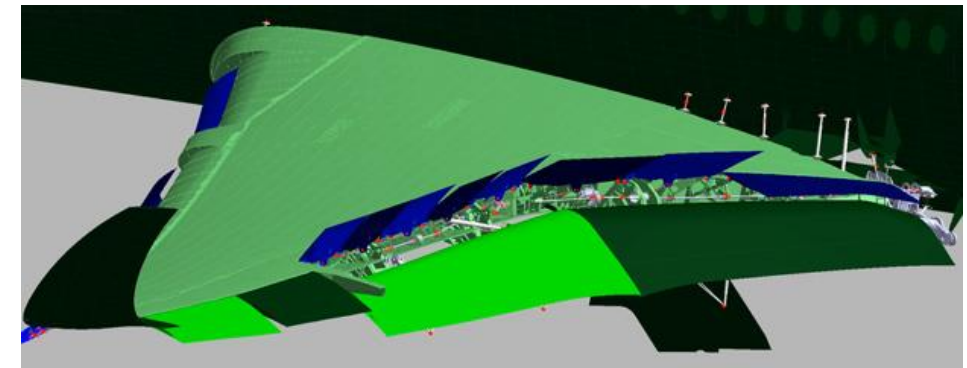


# DLR Strategy on Digitalisation of Aeronautics

- Virtual Product as platform
  - Virtual design, testing, certification, production & MRO (connecting all disciplines along aircraft life cycle)
  - Starting point for digital twin
- Simulation-based certification
  - Reduce time, cost, risks
  - E.g. Airbus A350-1000 virtual wing bending test
    - simulated effects of deflection on the flight controls
    - validated models from A350-900 flight tests
  - Challenge to prove validity of simulations as Means of Compliance (MoC)



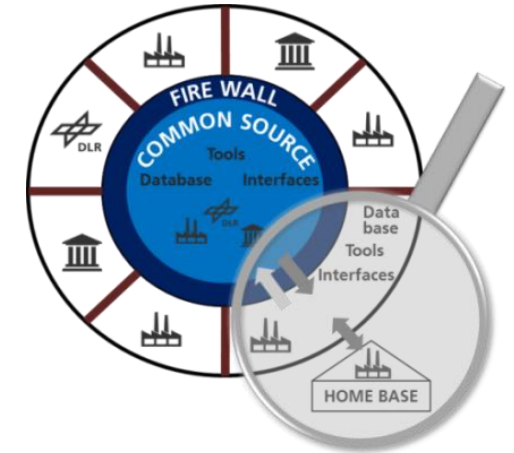
DLR Guiding Concept "Virtual Product "



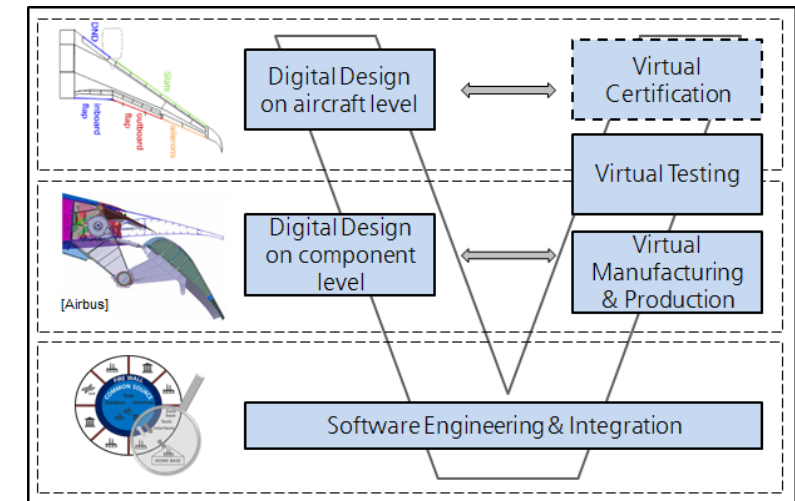
Physical A350-1000 wing bending test replaced by simulation; Image courtesy of Airbus

# Virtual Product House (VPH) – Integration and Test Centre

- VPH for simulation-based development of aircraft configurations and components
- Motivation
  - Demands & technology assessment (OEM, supplier, research)
  - Complement competences
  - Virtual testing and effective test design
  - Preparing simulation-based certification
- Technological Objectives
  - Common source framework
  - Validated simulation methods and reference data
  - Uncertainty quantification and validity range
  - Processes and tools for simulation-based testing and certification



VPH common source framework

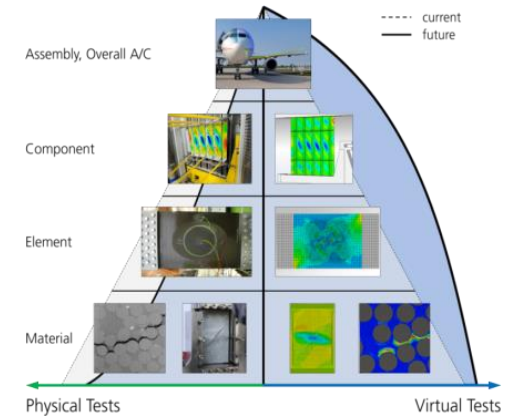
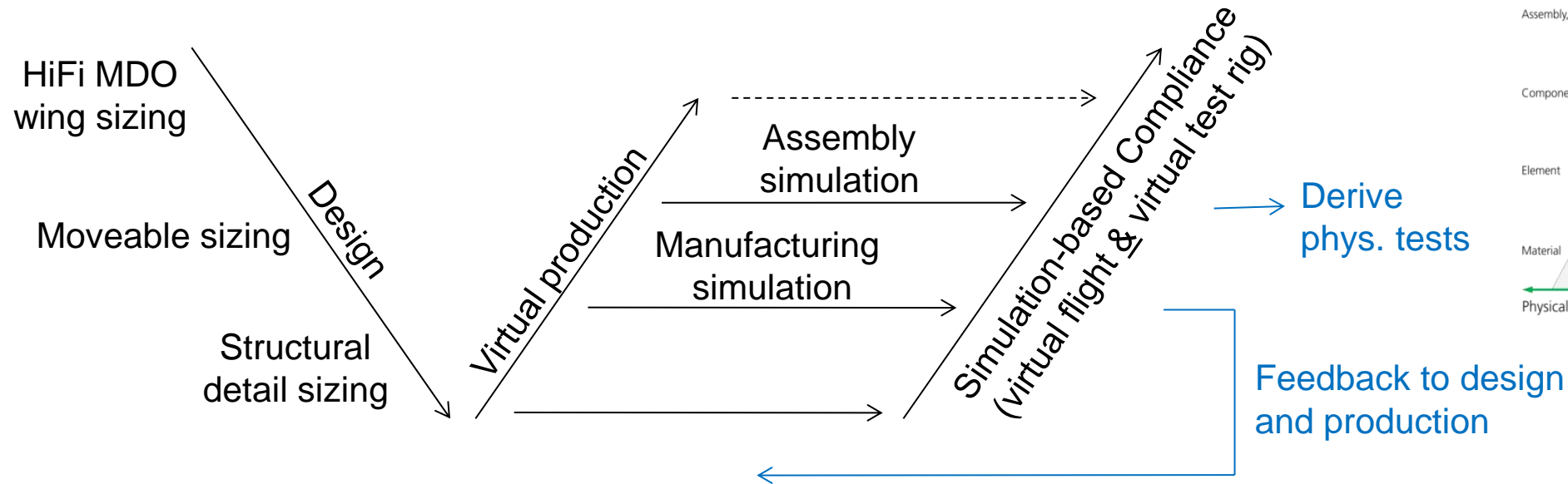
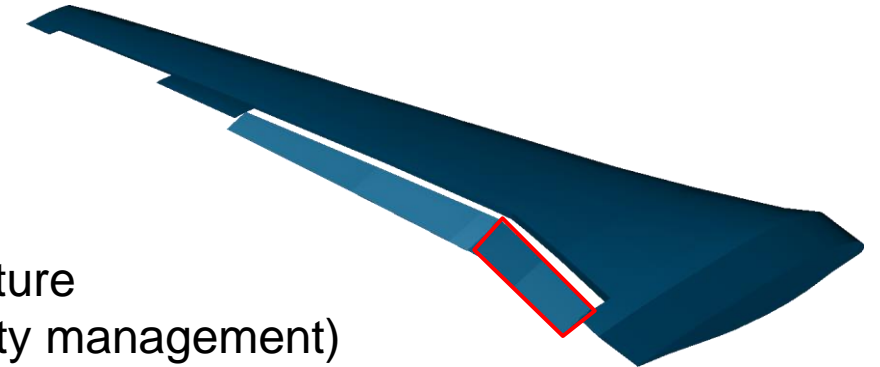


VPH-approach according to V-model

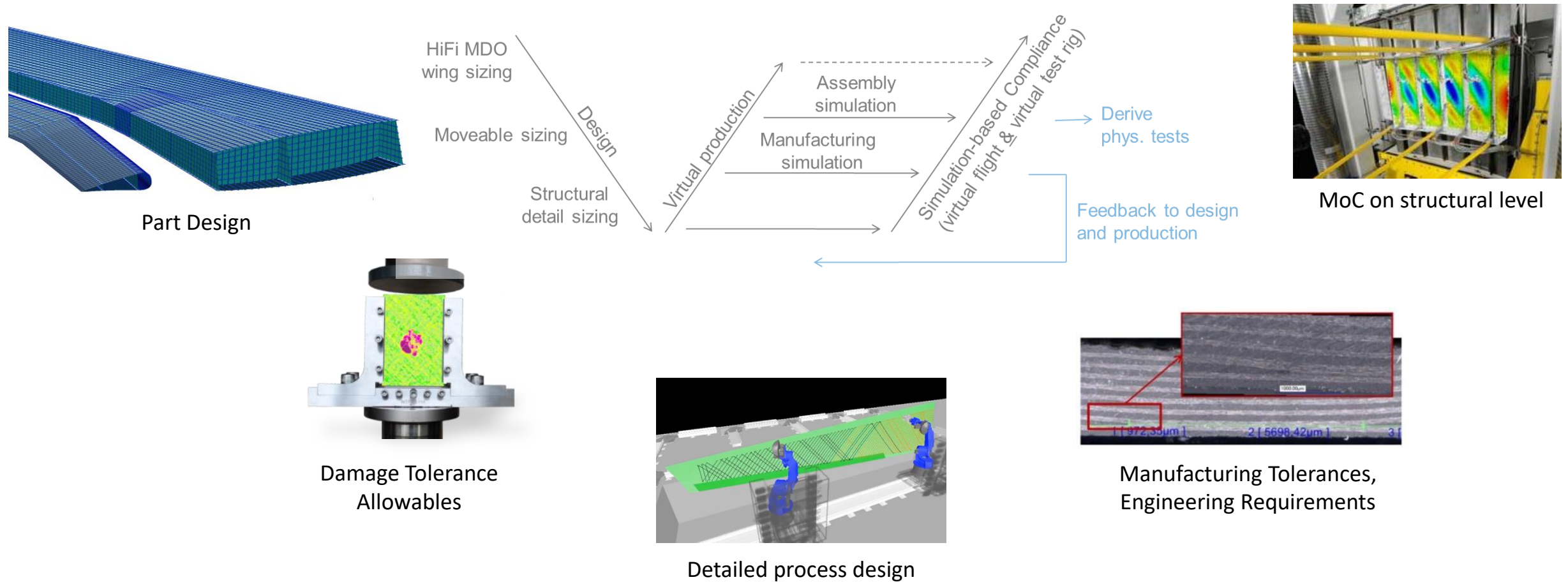


# Use Case „Multifunctional Moveable“

- Work flow based on classical V-process
  - Involving methods and tools from flight physics, systems, structure
  - Software-framework integration (traceability, provenance, quality management)
  - Evaluation and demonstration incl. uncertainties

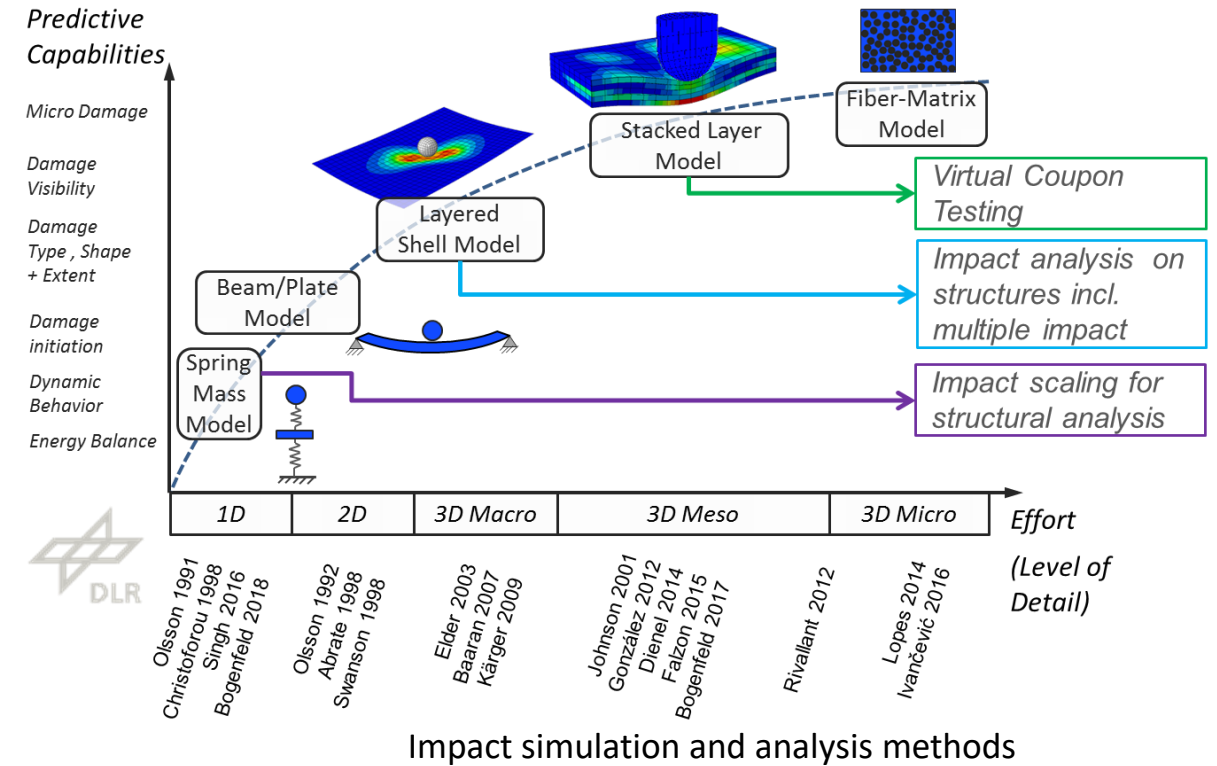


# Selected Aspects for Detailed Analysis and Virtual Testing



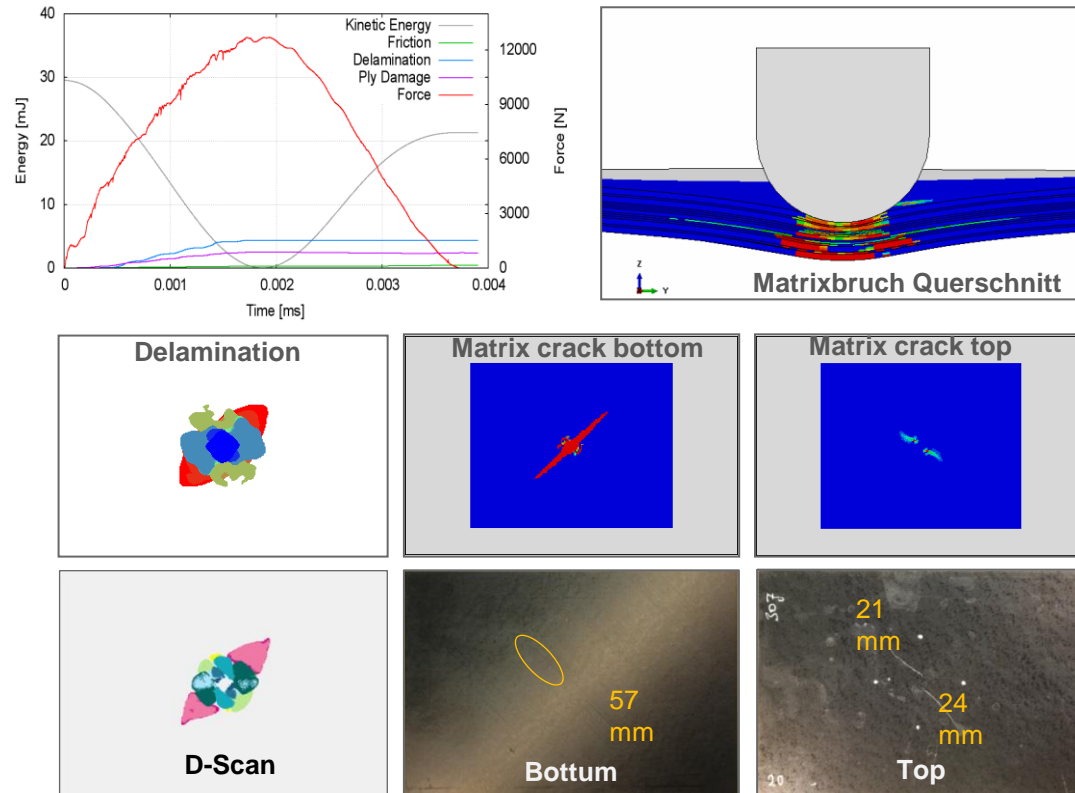
# Impact and Damage Tolerance Assessment

- BVID Assessment on Coupon Level
  - Determine conservative KDF and strain limits (incl. damage interaction, conditioning, scatter)
  - Mainly experimentally, supported by simulation
- Structural assessment
  - Use of strain limits from BVID
  - Detailed high fidelity structural analysis
  - Experimental validation
- Challenges for increased exploitation of simulations
  - Capture uncertainties (modelling, material)
  - Validity of models for new materials or designs
  - Robust simulation chains



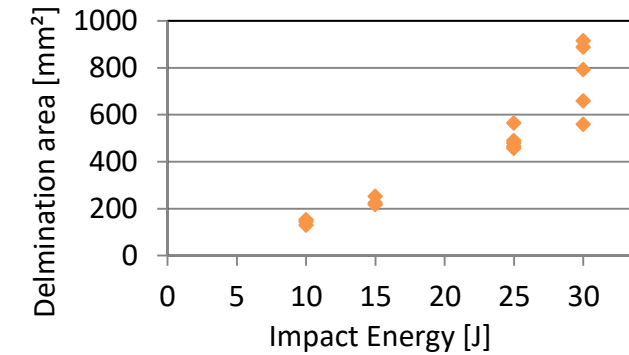
# Impact Simulation for CAI Coupon

- FE-based impact simulation

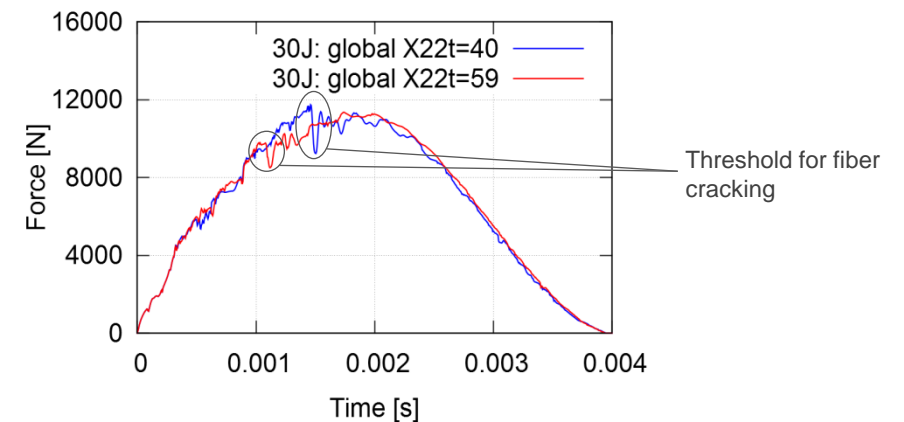


→ High validation level for specific tests [2]

- Testing may show strong scatter of damage



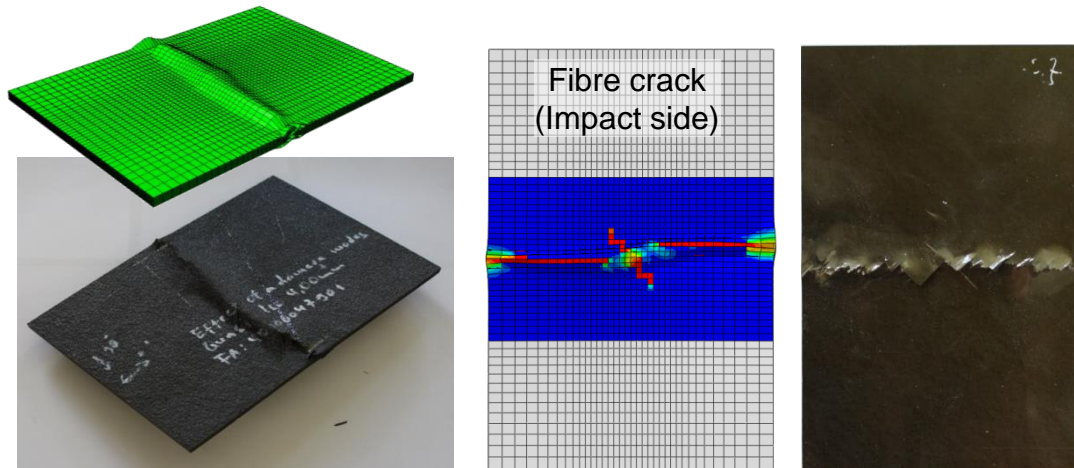
→ Requires uncertainty analysis and conservatism



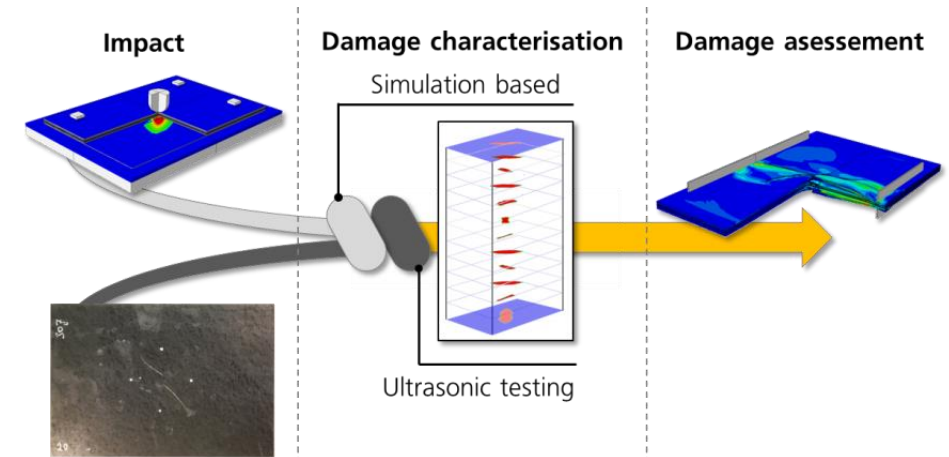


# Residual Strength of CAI Coupon

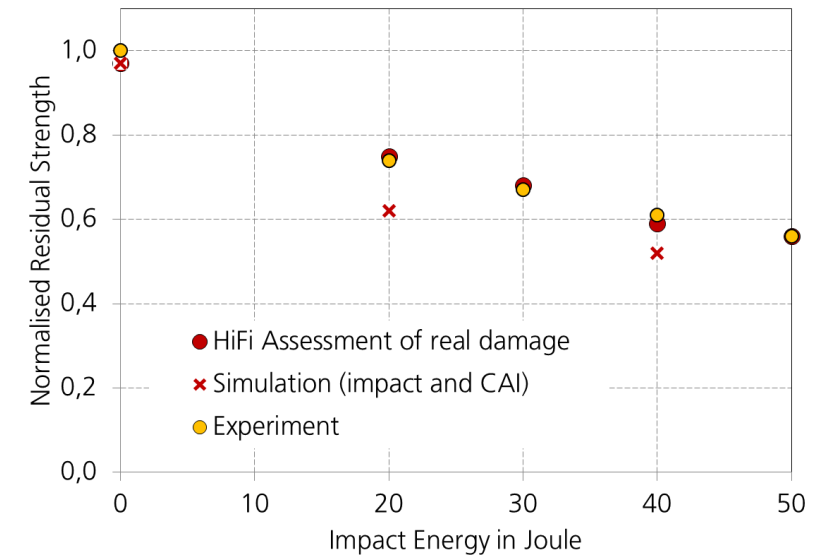
- Residual Strength Analysis
  - Follow-up simulation after impact simulation
  - Result transfer (DaMapper) between analysis steps to increase efficiency



- High level of CAI validation for known damage [3]
- Remaining uncertainty rather to predict impact damage



Impact and CAI simulation chain

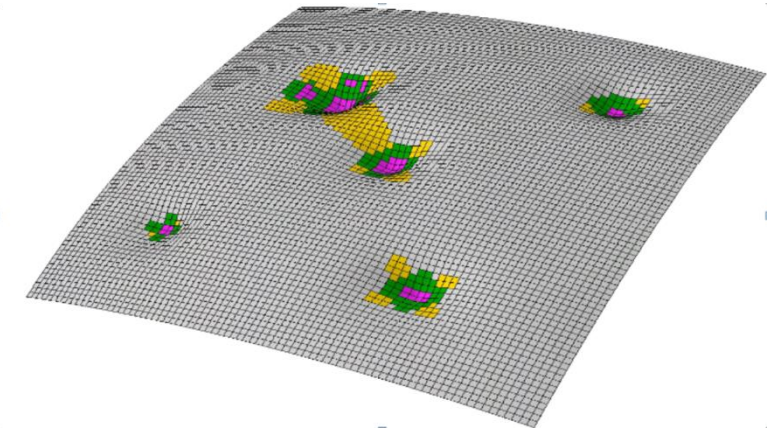


Validation of impact and CAI simulation results

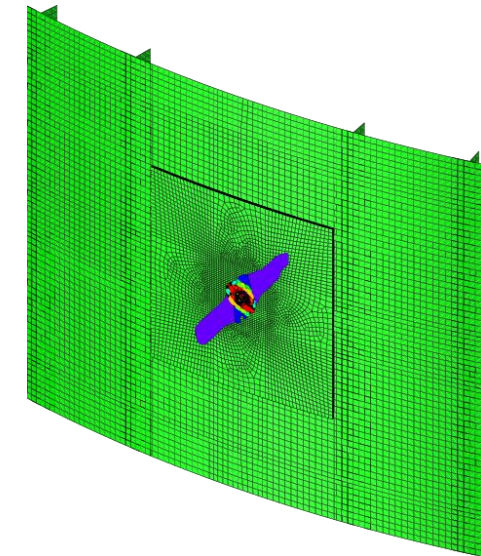


# Damage Assessment on Structural Level

- Application of CAI strain criteria
- Layered shell based modelling and simulation [4]
  - Contact laws, single layer shell
  - 3D stress state, 3D failure criteria, material degradation
- High DOF models, refinements, sub-modelling
  - Verification
  - Testing specific cases
- Analytical local-to-global Method [1]



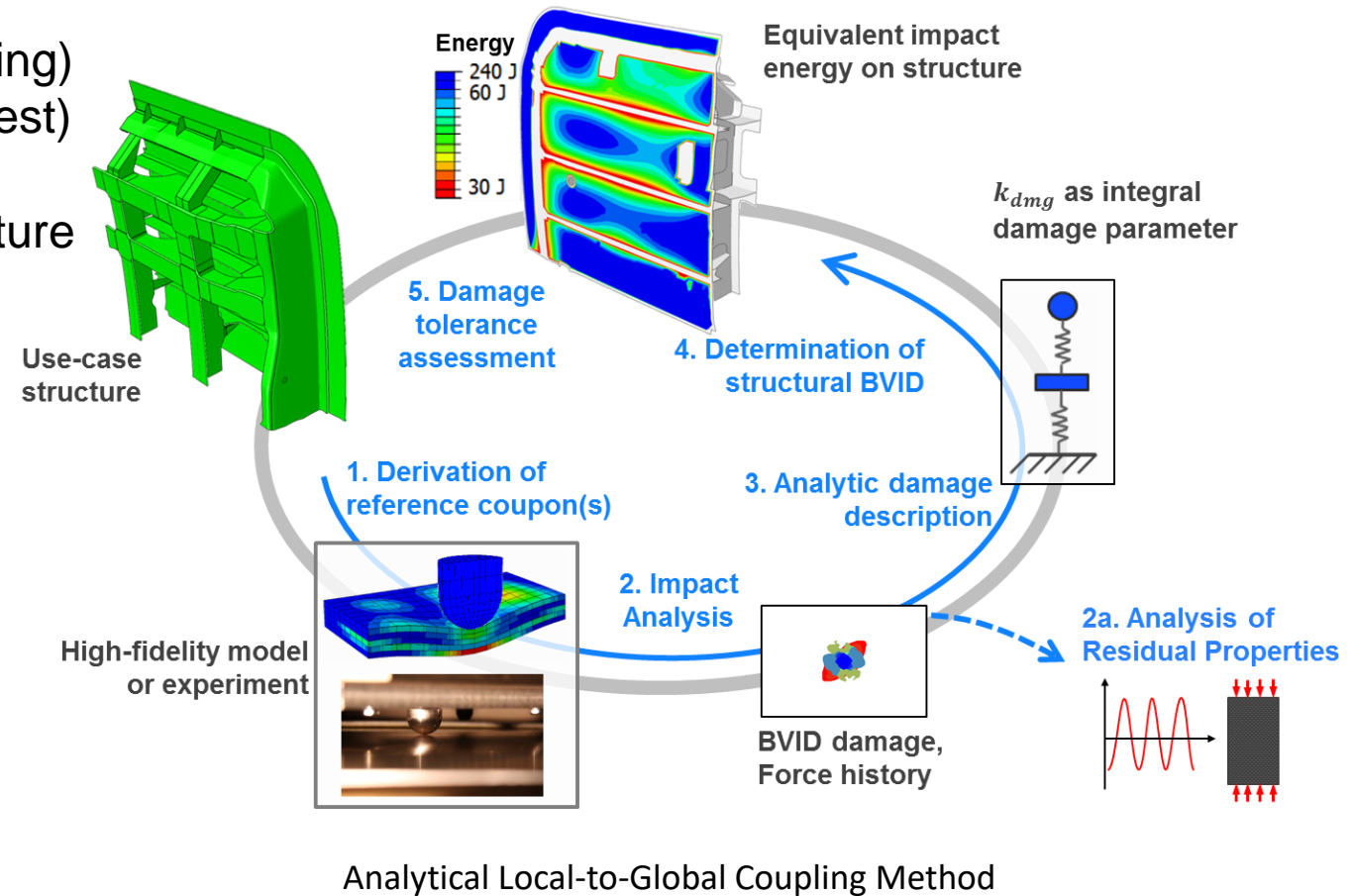
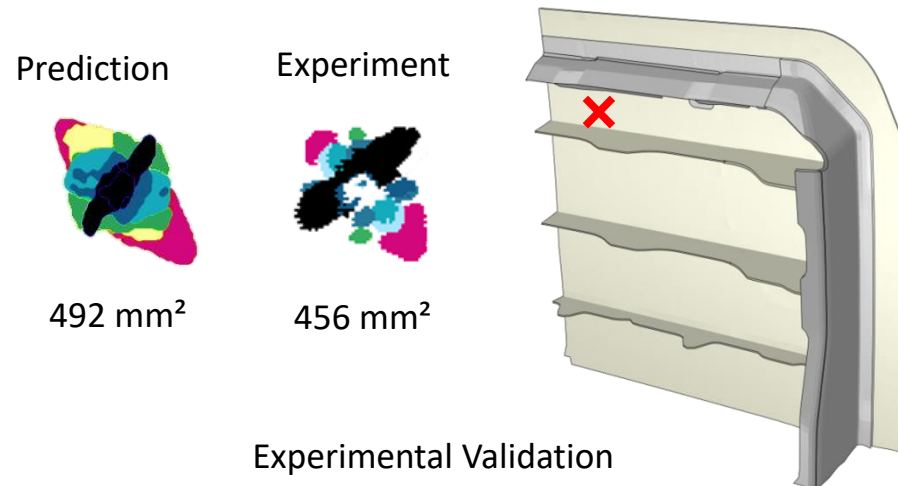
Multiple impact assessment (5 impactors 25-60J)



Sub-modelling to assess critical impacts on structural level

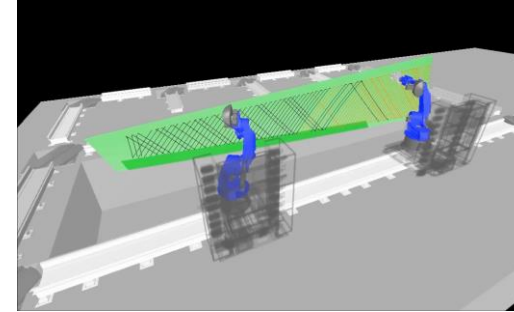
# Impact Scaling Method for Analytical Local-to-Global Coupling

- Impact Scaling Method [1]
  - Representative substructures (layup, stiffening)
  - BVID limits from CAI results (simulation or test)
  - Determine damage variable
  - Analytical scaling of impact energy on structure
    - BVID-equivalent impact energy or
    - Damage for given impact energy

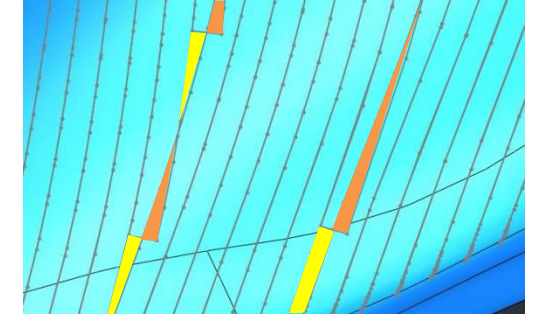


# Definition of Manufacturing Tolerances for Fibre Deposition

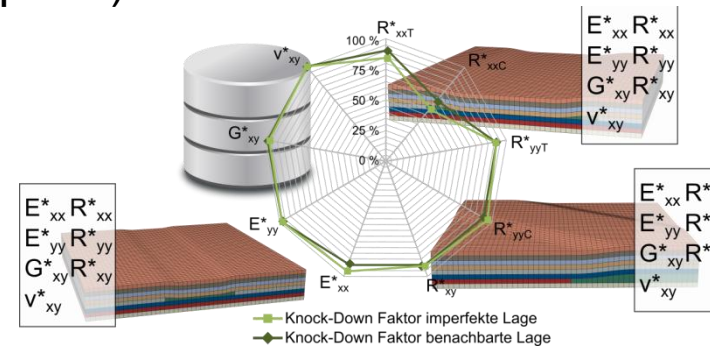
- AFP Simulation
  - Courses, fibre orientation
  - Gaps and overlaps e.g. due to double curvature
- Effects-of-defects analysis [6], [7]
  - Coupon assessment
    - Gaps, overlaps, waviness (simulation & empirics)
    - Analytical & numerical analysis & testing
  - KDF feedback for structural analysis
- Benefits
  - Derive tolerances (engineering requirements)
  - Limited experimental characterisation
    - Reproducibility
    - High amount of samples by combinatorics
  - Baseline for Digital Twin and in-situ assessment



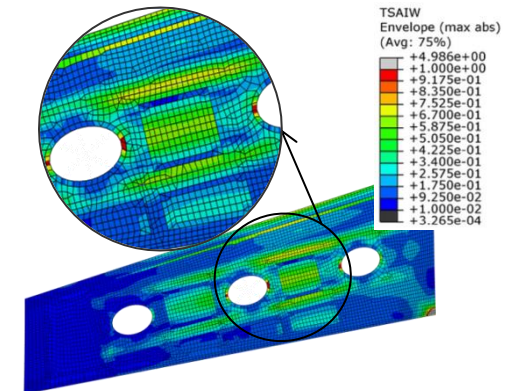
AFP simulation and planning



Gap/ overlaps from AFP simulation



Effects-of-defects database

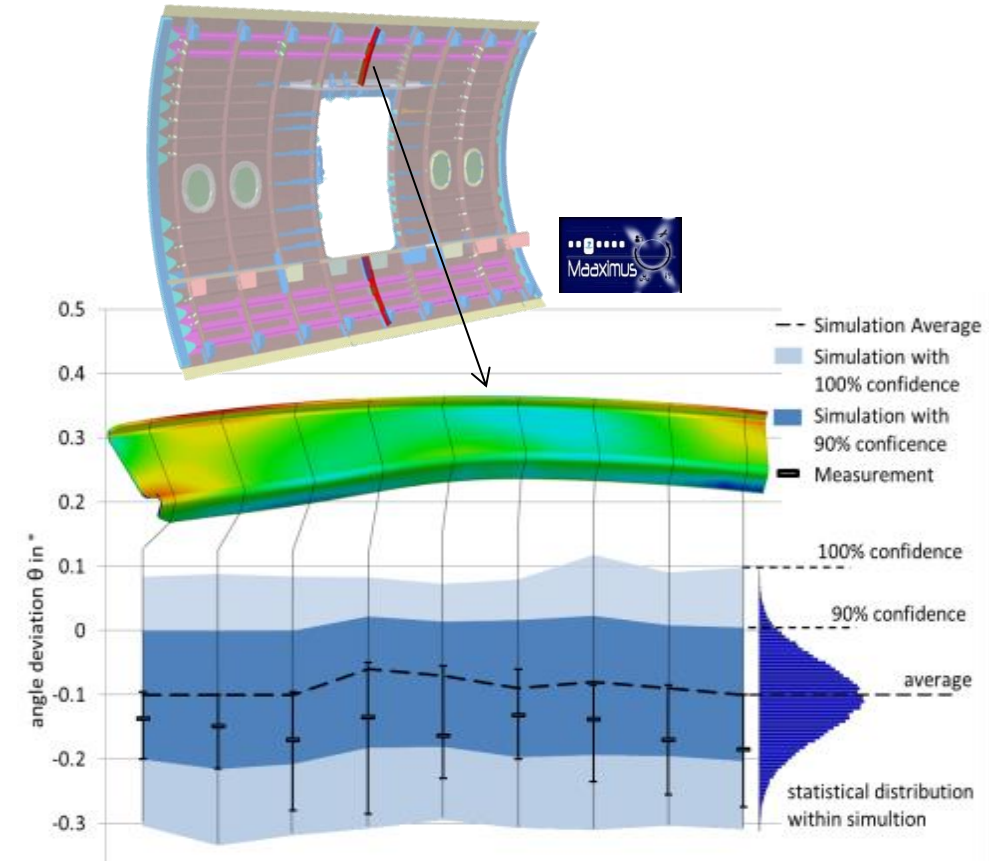


Structural assessment



# Predicting Part Distortions and Deriving Robust Process Windows

- FE-based process simulation
  - Temperature, degree of cure, gelation, glass transition
  - Distortion, residual stresses
- Probabilistic prediction based on surrogate models [5]
  - Quantification of simulation uncertainties
  - Geometrical tolerances required for assembly
  - Residual stresses
- Robustness optimisation of process parameters
- Derive hot spots for process monitoring
  - (temperature, cure, strain)



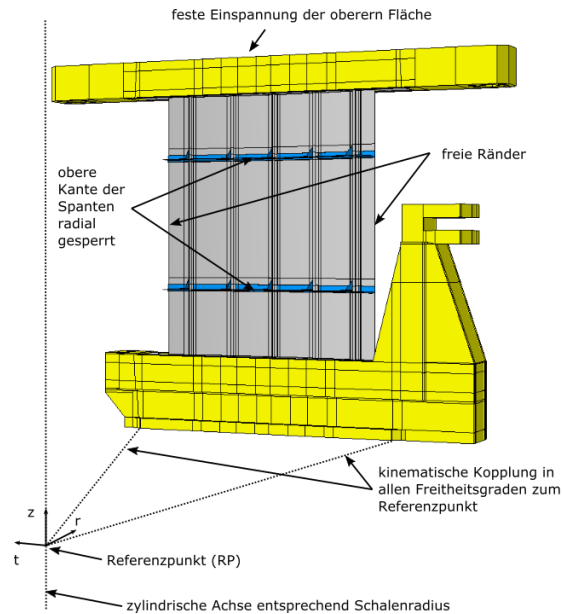
Probabilistic distortion prediction of C73 frame [5]

# Simulation-based Structural Testing

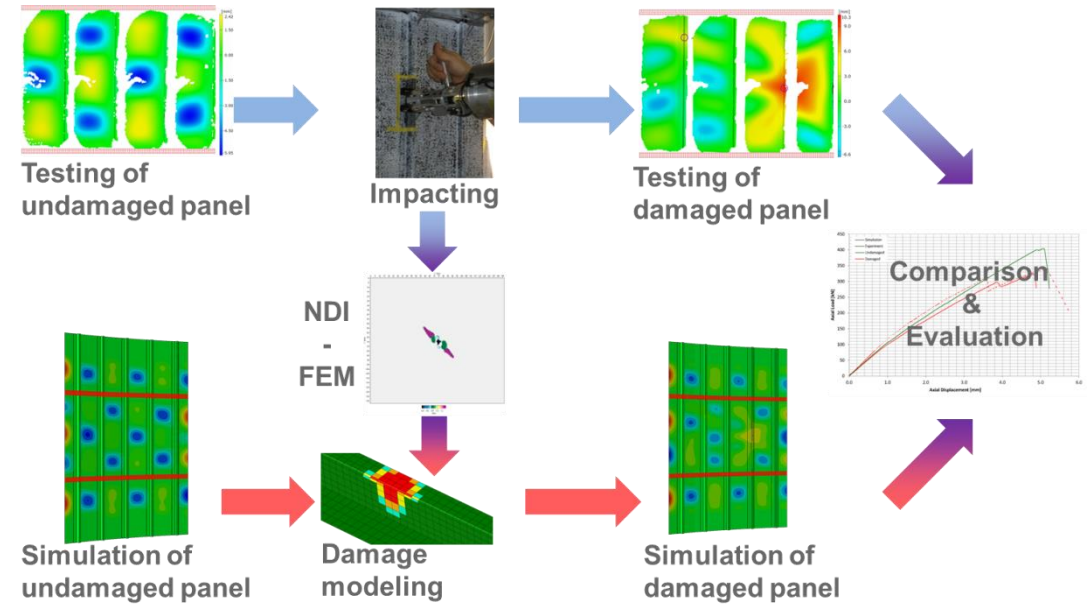
- Transfer of findings and methods from coupon to structural level
- Assessment of generic and specific damages during virtual testing
- Evaluation of structural behaviour under combined loading
- Test matrix definition



Physical Test Rig



Virtual Test Rig



Damage Tolerance Assessment

# Summary and Next Steps

- VPH tasks
  - Integrating available tools according to requirements
    - Interfaces
    - Software testing
    - Automated reporting of simulation
  - Continuous verification and uncertainty quantification
  - Methods and processes for simulation-based certification
  - Multifunctional Moveable demonstration
- Parallel research projects on
  - Development and validation of enhanced methods and tools
    - Individual analysis steps where required
    - Scale transfer and mapping
  - Assessment and development of new technologies



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