## **Composite NDT Requirements in Sports Cars**

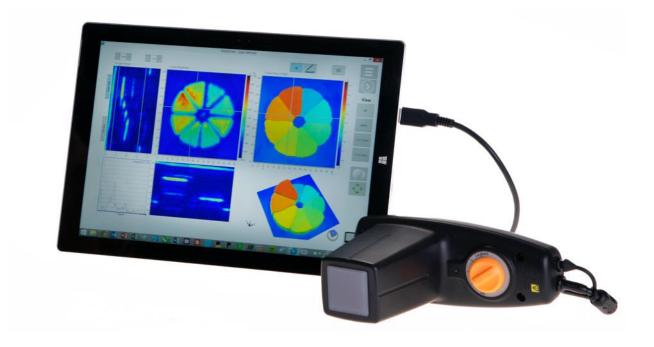
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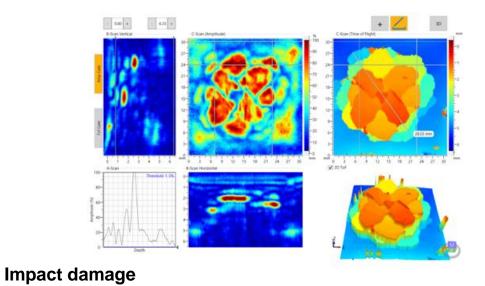
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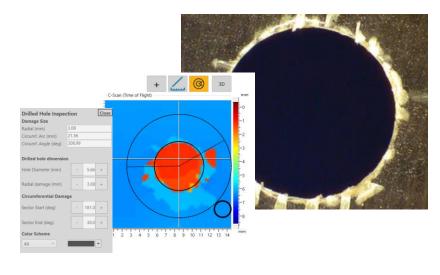
With material from Felix Matthes, Audi AG

## DolphiTech

- DolphiCam Ultrasound Camera
- 2D matrix transducer technology
- Ultrasound imaging for multimaterial structures
- Some customers
  - VW, Audi, Lamborghini
  - Boeing, Airbus, Cessna
  - Education & Research



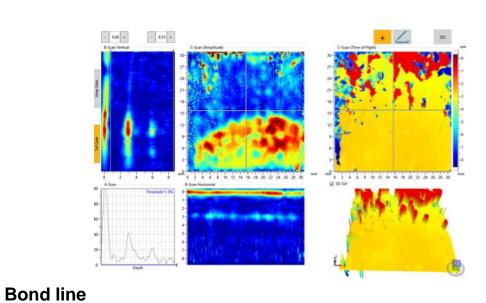




#### **Drilled hole delamination**

File Tools Help DevFeatures

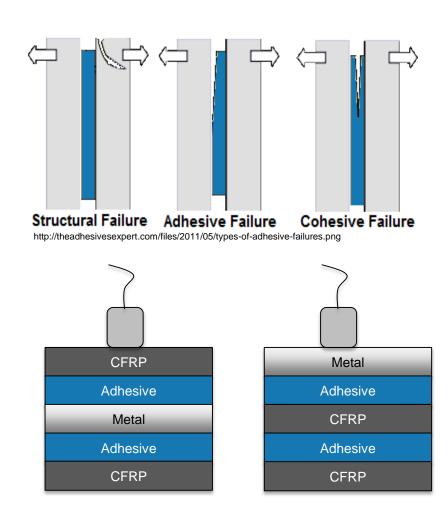
Time of Flight Amplitude
C-Scan (Time of Flight)



Laminate to core disbond

### **Materials**

- Types
  - CFRP
  - CFRP bonded to [CFRP, core or metal]
  - [C+G]FRP hybrid
  - GFRP
  - Thin metal adhesive joints
- Thickness
  - CFRP typically 2-4 mm
  - Full penetration with 3.8 MHz system
- Could be challenging:
  - High material porosity
  - Thick material
  - C+GFRP hybrids
  - Adhesive material properties, glass beads
  - Multi-layer sandwiches

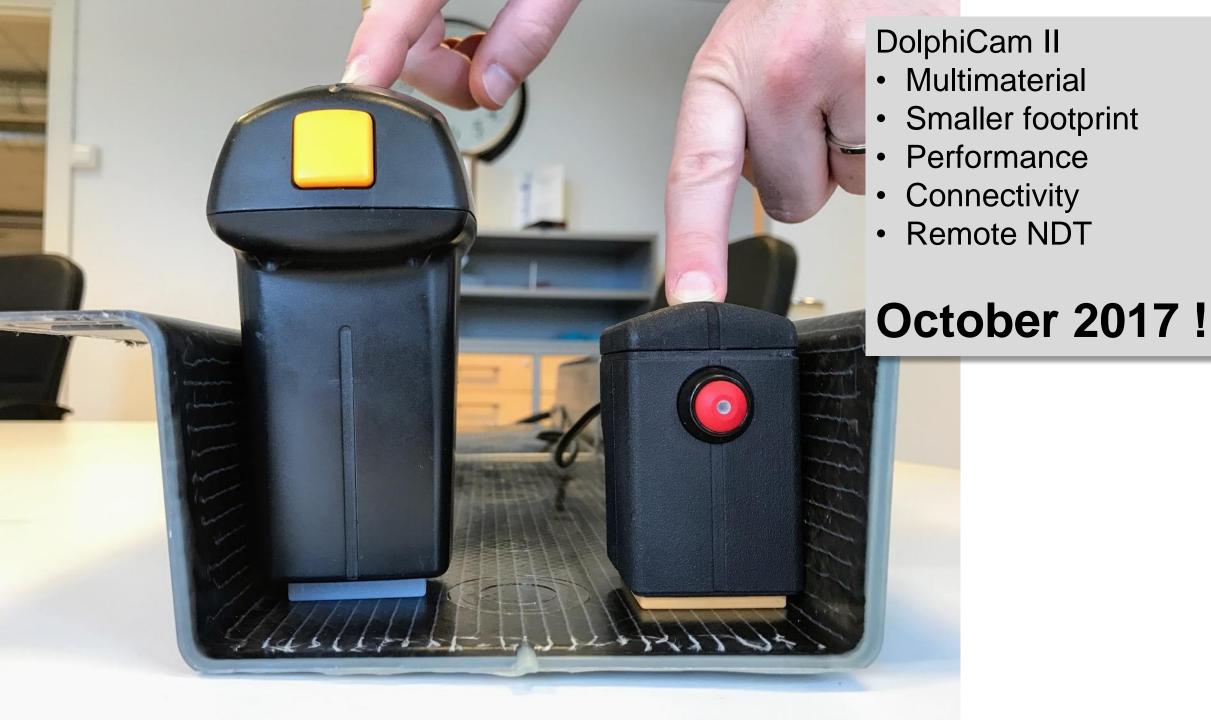


### **Surface Contact**

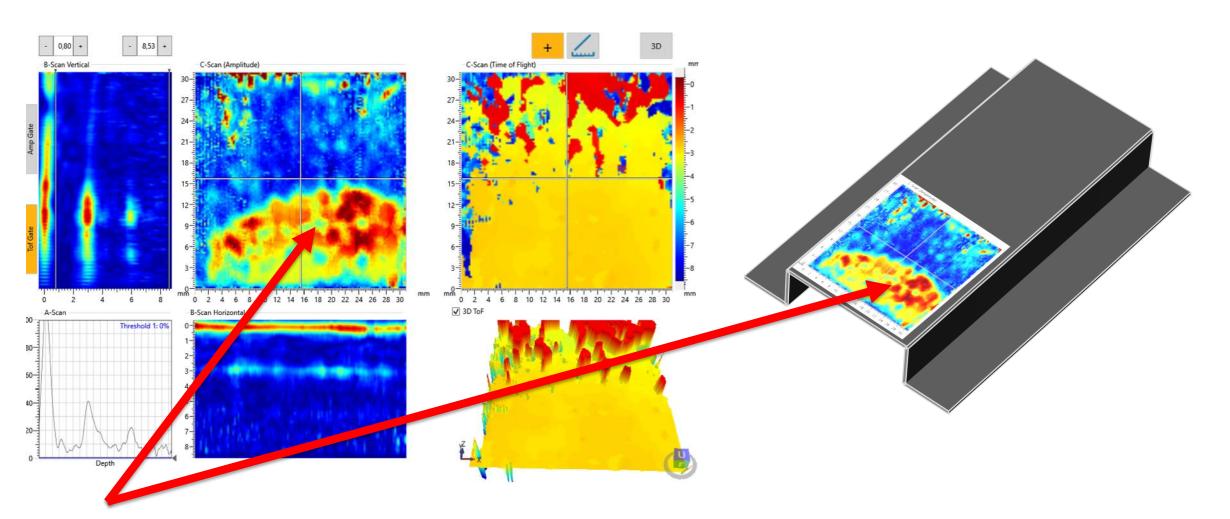
- 100% access impossible
  - Few flat, easy to access surfaces
  - But can get pretty close
- Large probe
  - Great image where access
  - Faster inspection
- Small probe
  - Improved access, more difficult to get overview
  - Slower inspection



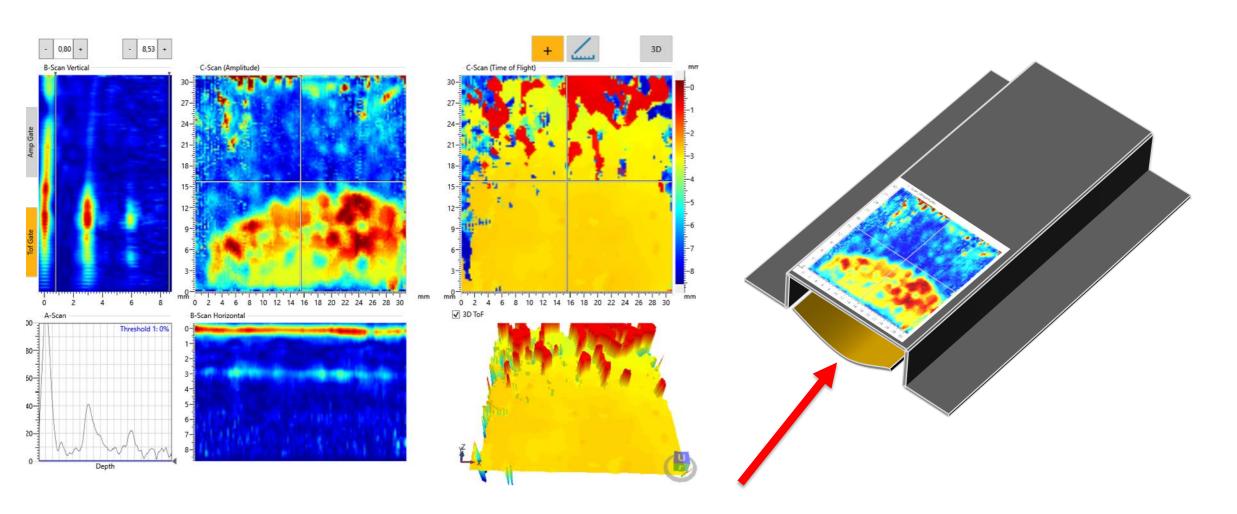




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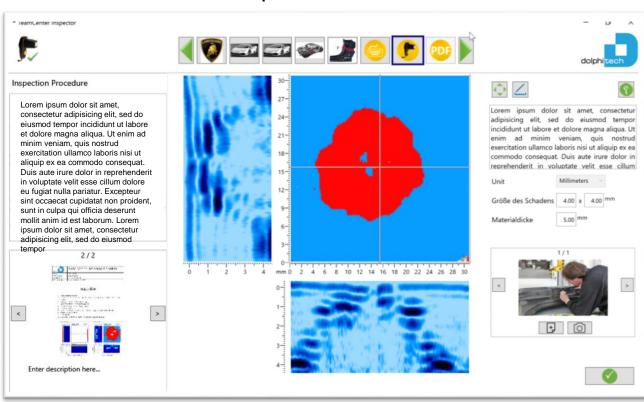


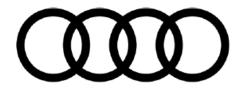
## **NDT for Repair Shops**

#### Lamborghini Huracan



#### DolphiCam TeamCenter





#### NDI for composites in the automotive industry

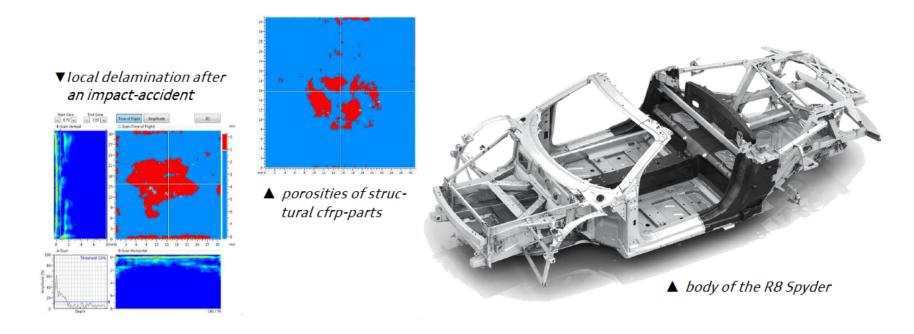
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#### NDI for composites in the automotive industry - current applications and future problems

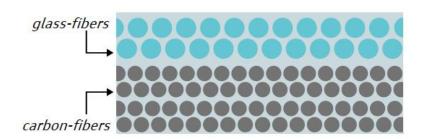
- Ultrasound inspection on structural CFRP-Parts after an accident
- suppliers final part inspection with Ultrasound or Thermography

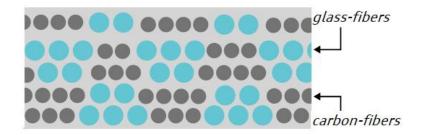


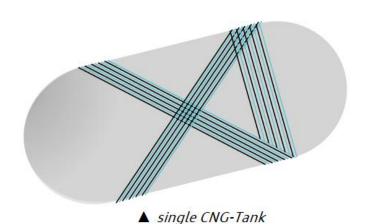
some other more like X-Ray or Computertomography

# NDI for composites in the automotive industry - current applications and future problems

- Ultrasound inspection on structural FRP-Parts with an multi-fibre-mix like glass/carbon
  - > e.g. Type 4 CNG-Tanks after ECE R 110
  - > different Types of Composites and thicknesses up to 25mm
  - > pole winding surface of the composite





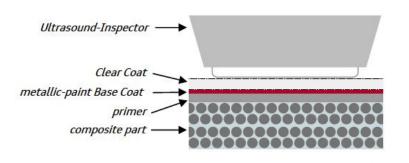




▲ CNG-unit of Audi A4

#### NDI for composites in the automotive industry - current applications and future problems

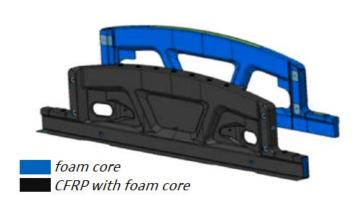
Inspection of painted FRP-Parts, especially with metallic-paint

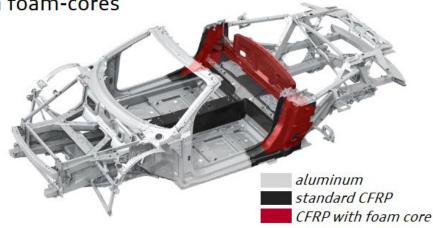




- > current situation: metallic-paint Base Coat is blocking the Ultrasound-Signal
- > inspection of the composite with Ultrasound is not possible

Inspection of complex CFRP-Parts with foam-cores





## Summary

- Design for Inspectability
- Include NDT supplier early!
- **Determine Critical Areas**
- Determine Critical Defect Size (CDS)
- Improve Probability of Detection
  - Test samples with artificial defects
  - Know your structure
  - Training
  - Deployment
  - Make it simple!

	Below CDS	Above CDS
Inspector calls "Defect"	£ out window	Repair or replace
Inspector calls "No defect"	Go!	Danger!

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