

# IMPACT SIMULATION ON THE REAL PART OF AIRCRAFT STRUCTURES

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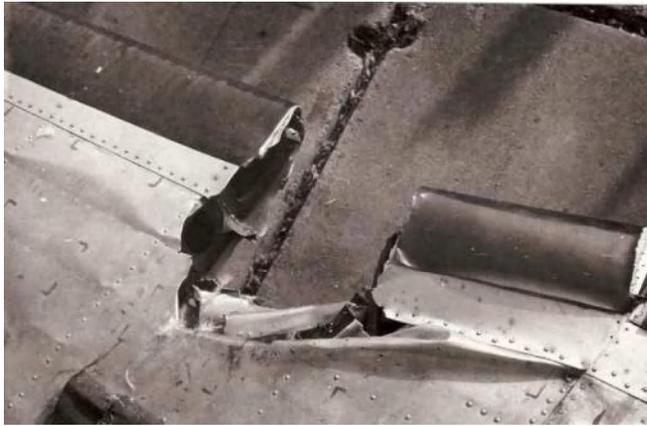
**Aim:** prediction of the impact behavior of hard and soft body immediately after the impact to part of aircraft structures.

- Description of problem
- Projectile impact
  - Measurement
  - FE simulation
  - Comparison between measurement and FE simulation
- Bird strike
  - Measurement
  - FE simulation
  - Comparison between measurement and FE simulation
- Conclusions



## Description of problem

In the service of an aircraft has been possibility risk of emergency cases from point of view unforeseeable circumstances (e.g. bird strike, sucked impurities to the engine etc.), or owing to human factor (e.g. projectile, missiles etc).



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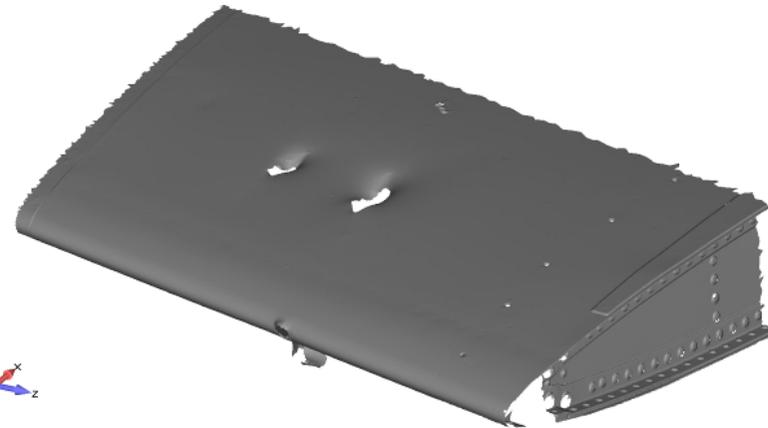


# Projectile Impact

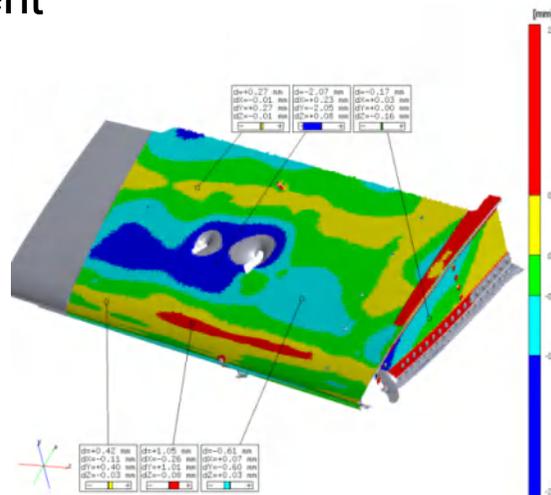
## Aircraft surface scanning



ATOS measurement

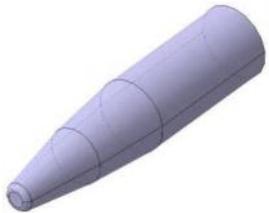


Result of scanning



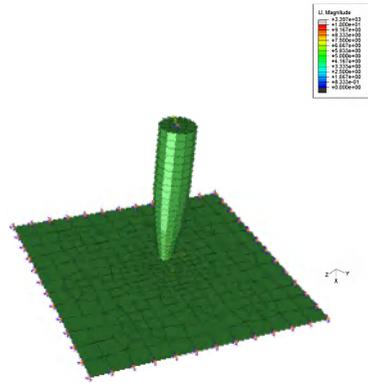
Comparison between real damage and non-damage (CAD) surface

# Projectile Impact Numerical simulation

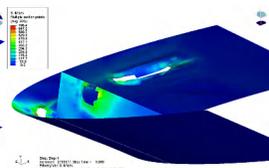
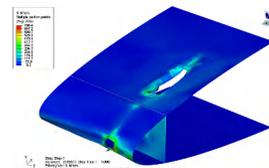
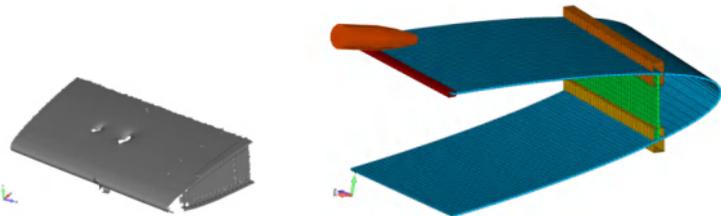
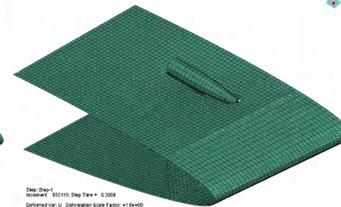
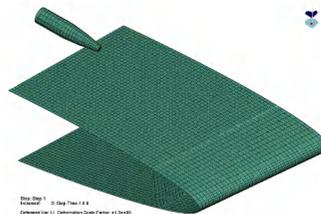
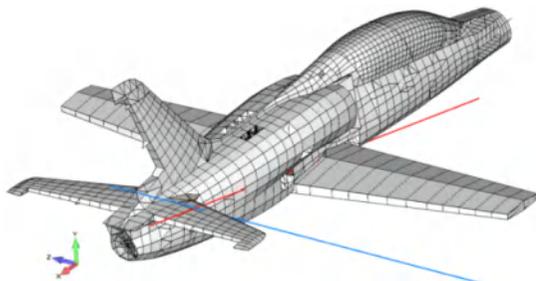
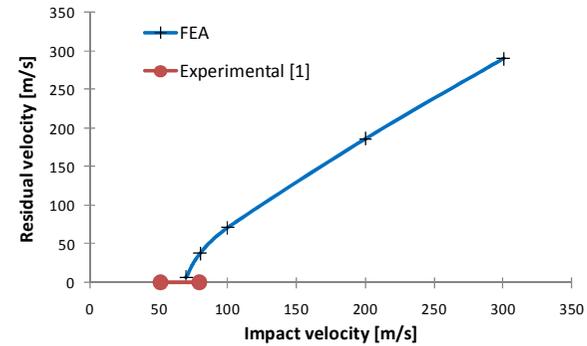
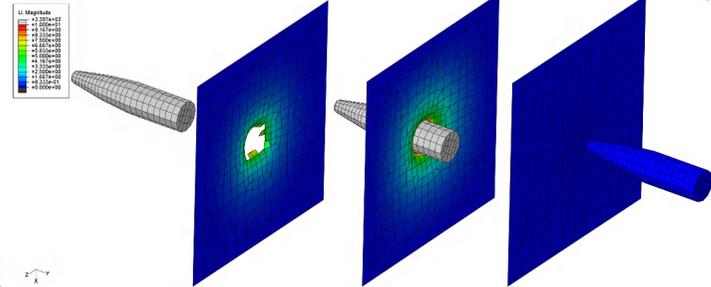


Model of real projectile

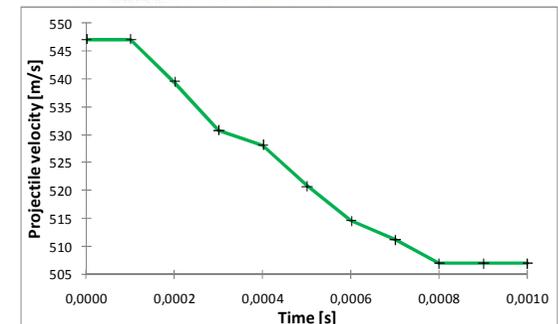
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Elastic	E=	74000	MPa
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	$\rho$ =	2,77E-09	t/mm <sup>3</sup>
Johnson-Cook constants	A=	368,9	MPa
	B=	683,9	MPa
	C=	0,0083	
	m=	1,7	
	n=	0,73	
Johnson-Cook failure	D <sub>1</sub> =	0,112	
	D <sub>2</sub> =	0,123	
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FE model



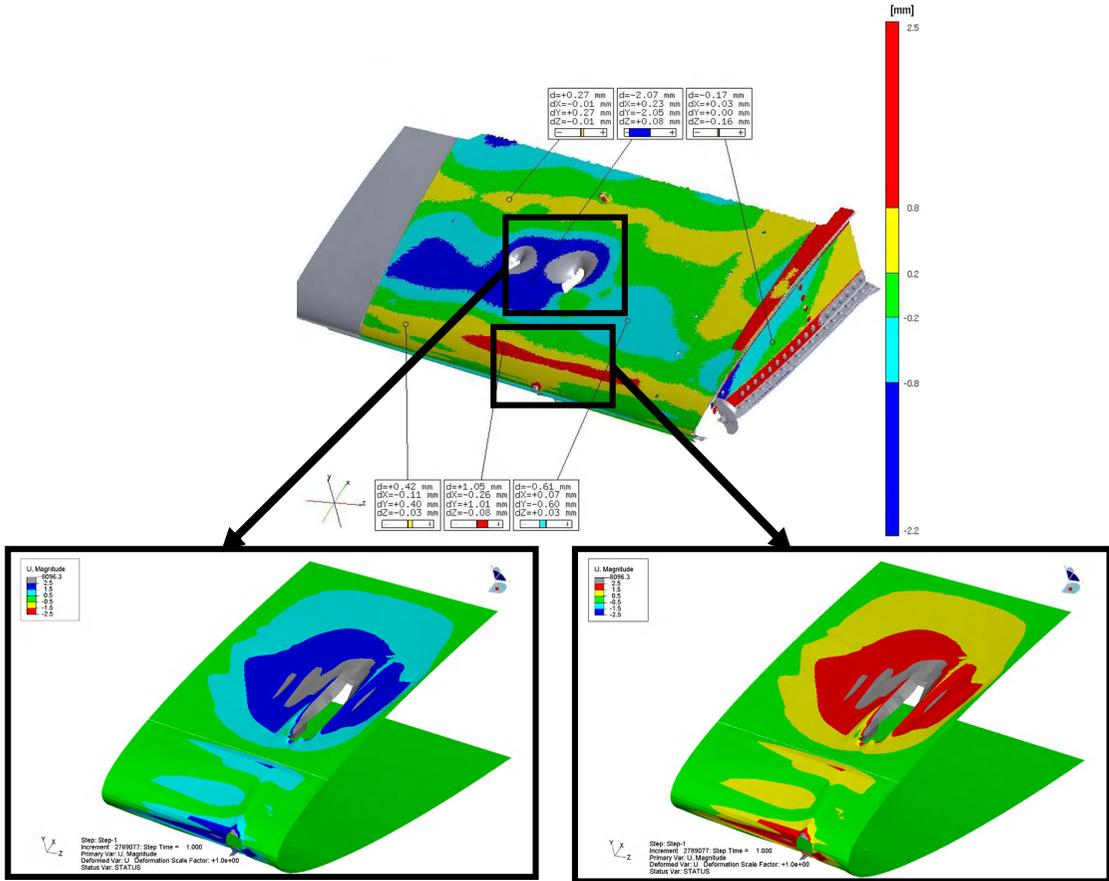
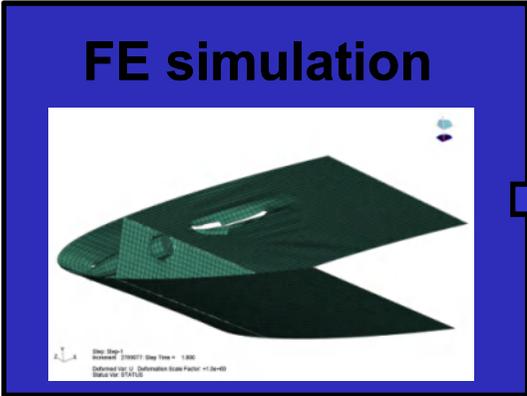
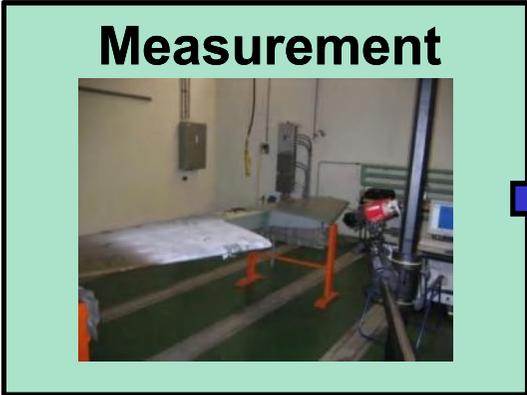
Results of FE simulation





# Projectile Impact

## Comparison between measurement and FE simulation



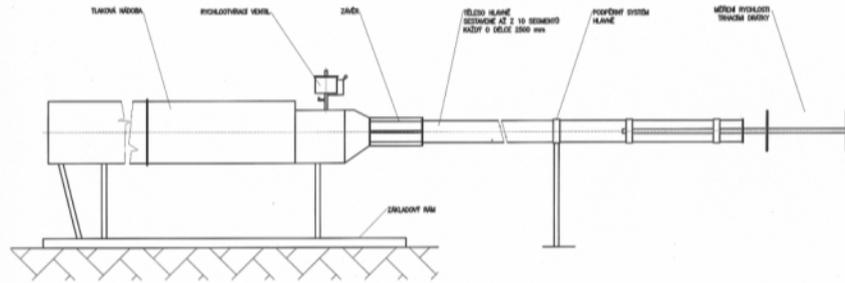
Skin results between ribs.

Leading edge results.

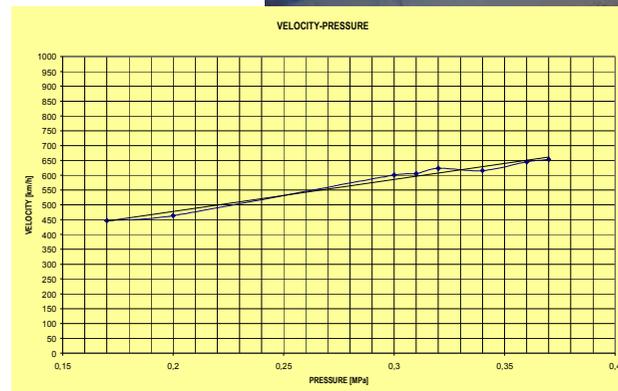


# Bird strike

## Test Method and Facility



Diametr of muzzle [mm]	length of muzzle [m]	weight of bird	velocity of bird [km/h]
125	25	2lb (0,91kg)	650
125	25	4lb (1,81kg)	450

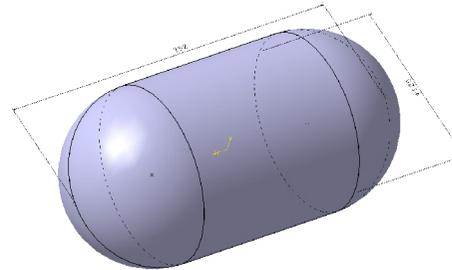
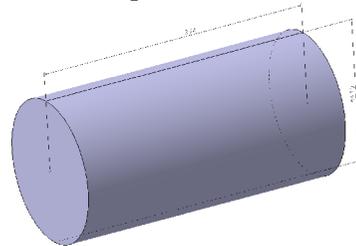




# Bird strike

## FE simulation

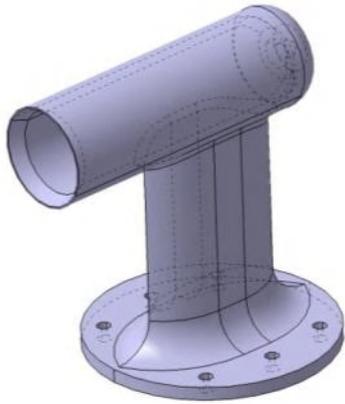
- The ABAQUS/Explicit has been used for impact simulation onto the part of aircraft structure
- the bird for sharp parts such as pitot probe was modeled as a cylinder with refine mesh on the contact surface for point of view some numerical singularities elimination. For oblique parts has been used standard bird model (cylinder with spherical ends)



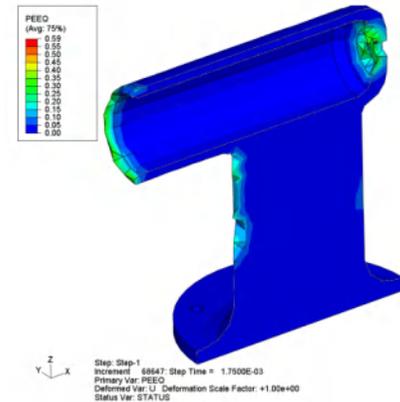
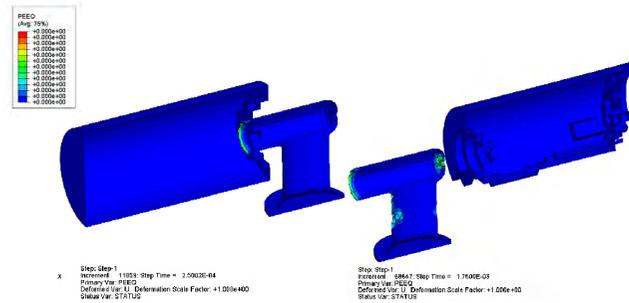
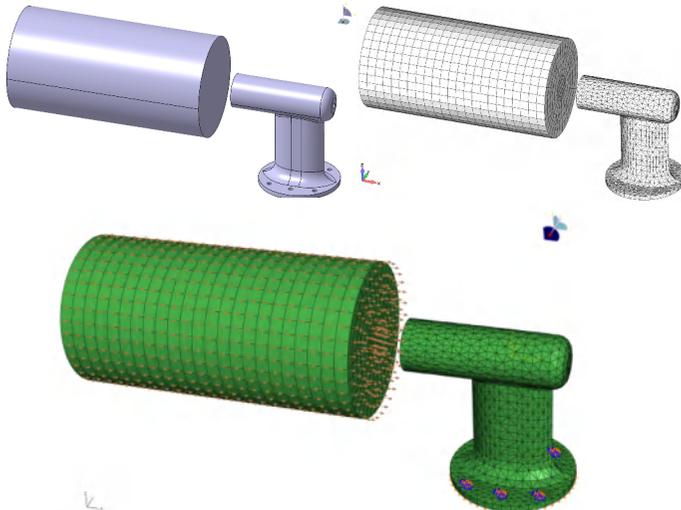
- In the simulation, the bird adopts an elastic-plastic model with shear and tensile failure
  - \*TENSILE FAILURE
  - \*SHEAR FAILURE
- The bird nodes are charged with an initial velocity



# Bird strike Pitot probe



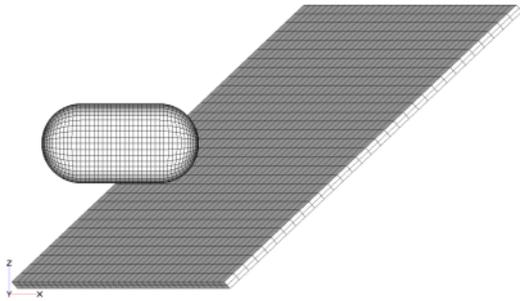
Bird mass = 2lb (0,91kg)  
Velocity = 180 m/s (648km/h)



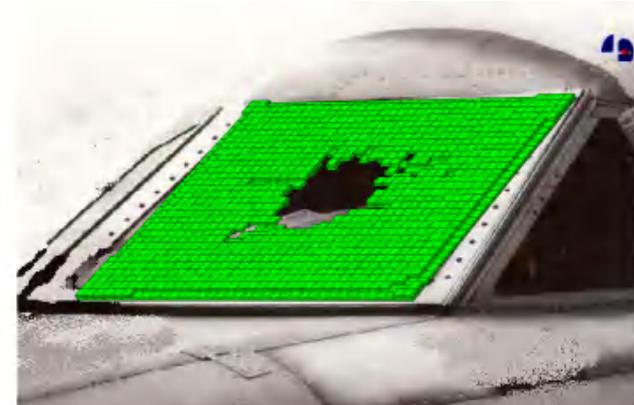
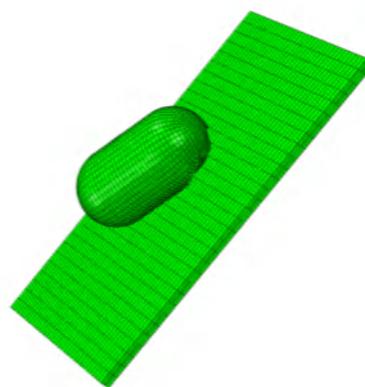
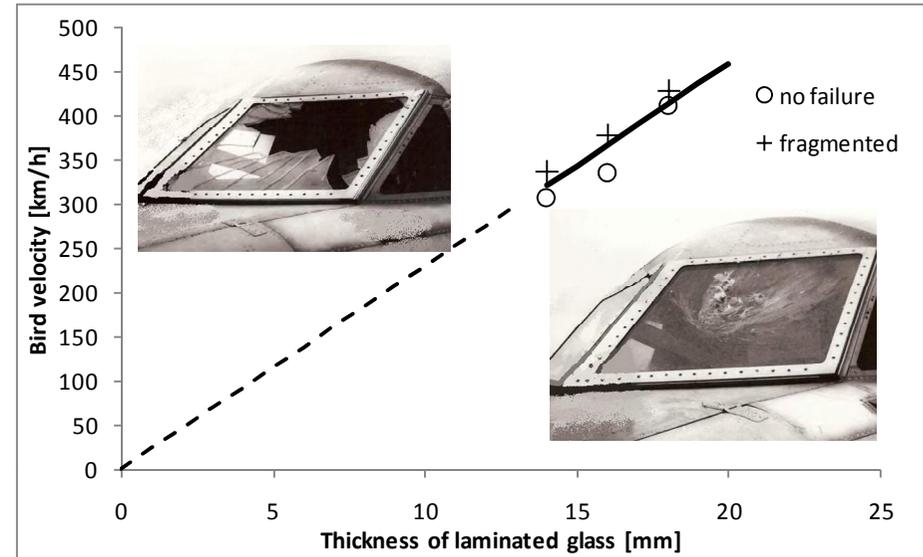
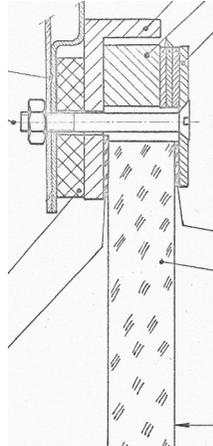


# Bird strike

## Windshield glass of civil aircraft



Bird mass = 4 lb (1,82 kg)  
Velocity = 300 - 450 km/h



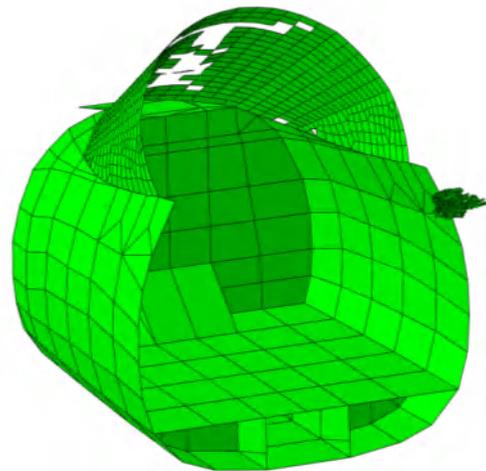
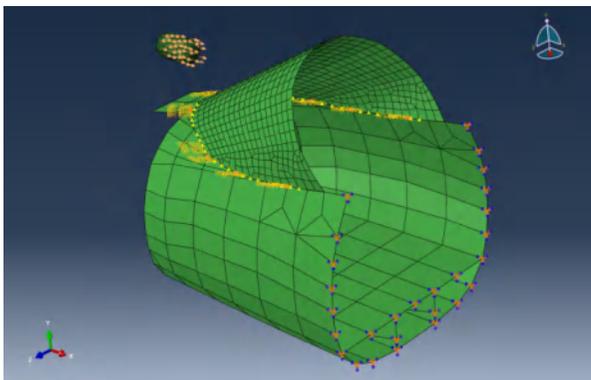


# Bird strike

## Windshield glass of military aircraft



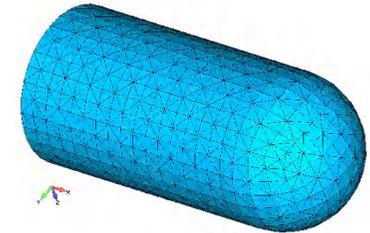
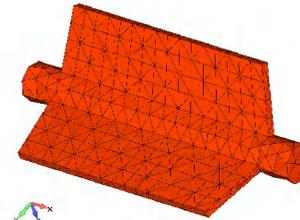
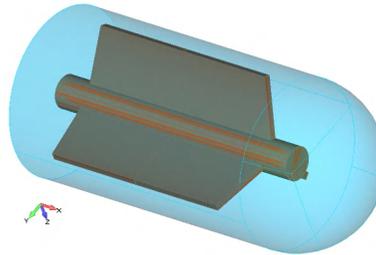
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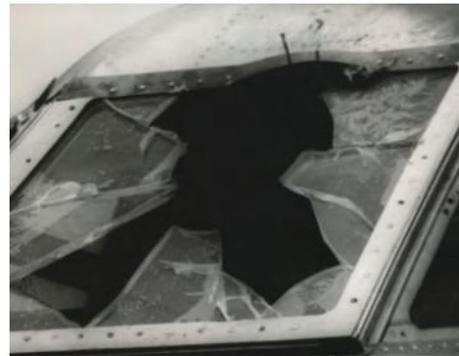


## Future works

- development of the new synthetic model of bird with inner skeleton stiffness simulation



- simulations will be increased about CEL (Coupled Eulerian –Lagrangian) technique
- improve boundary conditions (frame, gasket etc.)



- improve material properties



## Conclusions

The result shows good agreement between measurement and FE calculation. Although this work is only a first approximation, and implemented in relatively simplified terms, this method of finding damage propagation is applicable for:

- diagnostics of airframe damage - scanning of aircraft surface, photogrammetric system application etc.
- application for structure repair evaluation – damage of inner structure, composite path application etc.
- service operations – visual inspection
- performance of airworthiness from point of view bird strike



**Thank you for your attention**