

Simulation of a ballistic impact of a deformable bullet upon a multilayer fabric package

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Problem formulation

- ballistic protection textiles: 10-15 layer multilayer textile package;
- each layer made of woven paraaramyde yarns;
- 9mm lead or full-metal jacket bullets;
- impact velocity $\sim 300\text{m/s}$;
- large deformations and failure of textiles accompanied by large deformations of the bullet

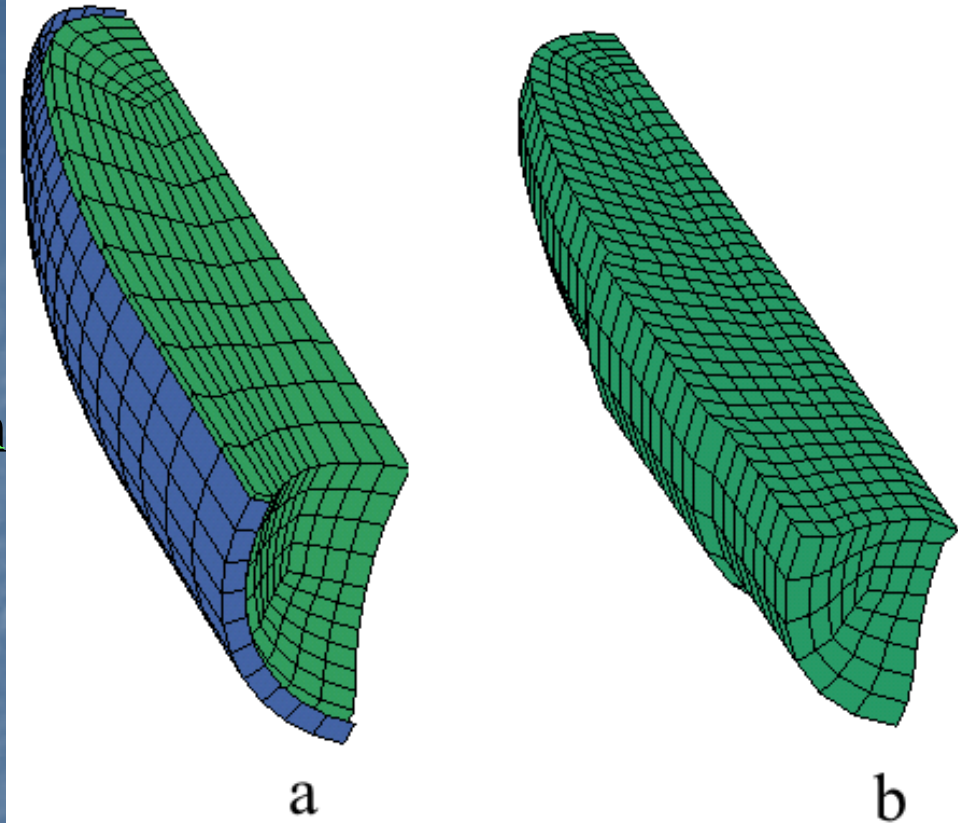


The protection level is defined by

- **Yarns:** the number and properties of filaments comprising a yarn;
- **Fabrics:** weave type, surface density, isotropy of the weave, tensile characteristics, trimming;
- **Fabrics package:** number of layers and their interconnection technique

Bullets

- Quarter symmetry models in Truegrid
- Contact interaction between the jacket and the stuff
- Brass jacket (shell):
 $\rho = 8800 \text{ kg/m}^3$;
 $E = 117 \text{ GPa}$; $\nu = 0.3$;
 $\text{Yield_stress} = 80 \text{ MPa}$
- Lead stuff (solid):
 $\rho = 10880 \text{ kg/m}^3$;
 $E = 17 \text{ GPa}$; $\nu = 0.41$;
 $\text{Yield_stress} = 8 \text{ MPa}$



a - 9mm full metal jacket bullet;
b - Balle22 lead bullet

Paraaramyde Twaron Textiles

- TwaronCT:

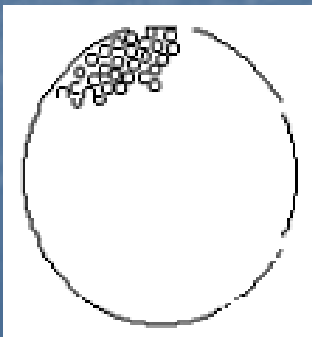
Rho=1440 kg/m³; E=90GPa; nu=0.33;

Yield stress = failure_limit = 0.6GPa

- Step of the weave 0.95mm

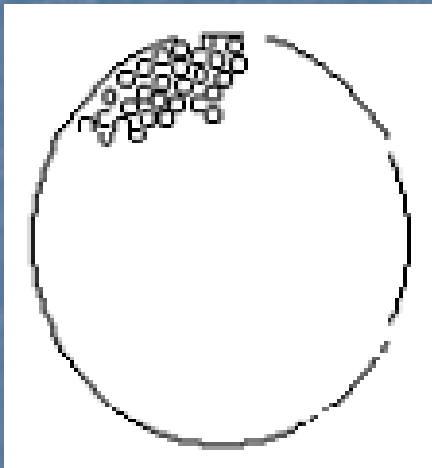
- Thickness 0.3mm

- Multi-filament yarns (100-10000 filaments)



Multi-filament yarn deformed in a weave

Neutral



Circular cross-section

Woven in a fabrics



Cross-section shape
as two circular arcs

$a=0.95\text{mm};$
 $b=0.15\text{mm}$

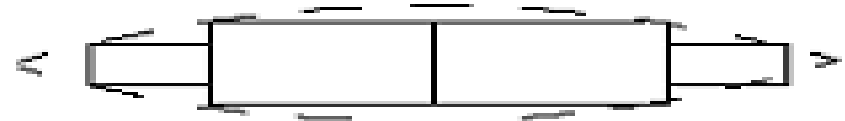
Model levels of a single fabrics layer

- “Micro-mechanical”: a filament as primary component

Not used: too large, probably unrealistic today

- “Mezzo-mechanical”: a yarn as primary component

Cross-section modeled by solid or shell elements

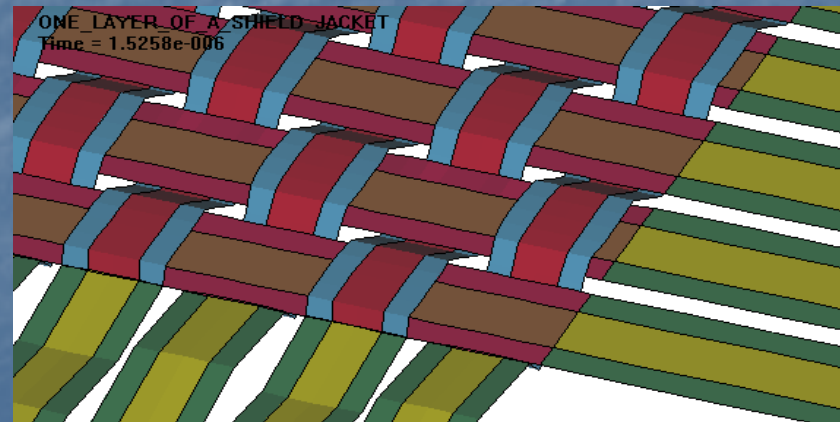
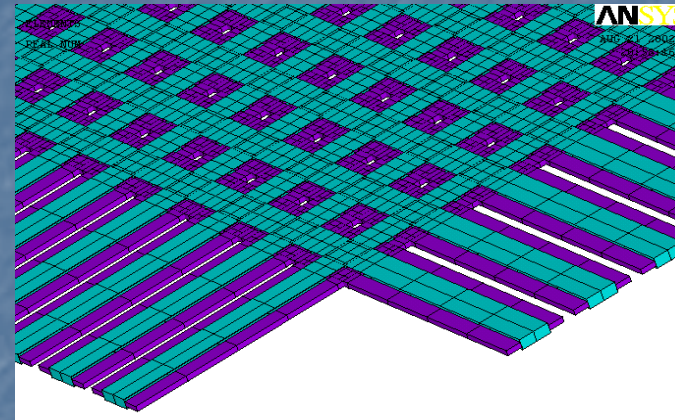


- “Macro-mechanical”: fabrics as primary component

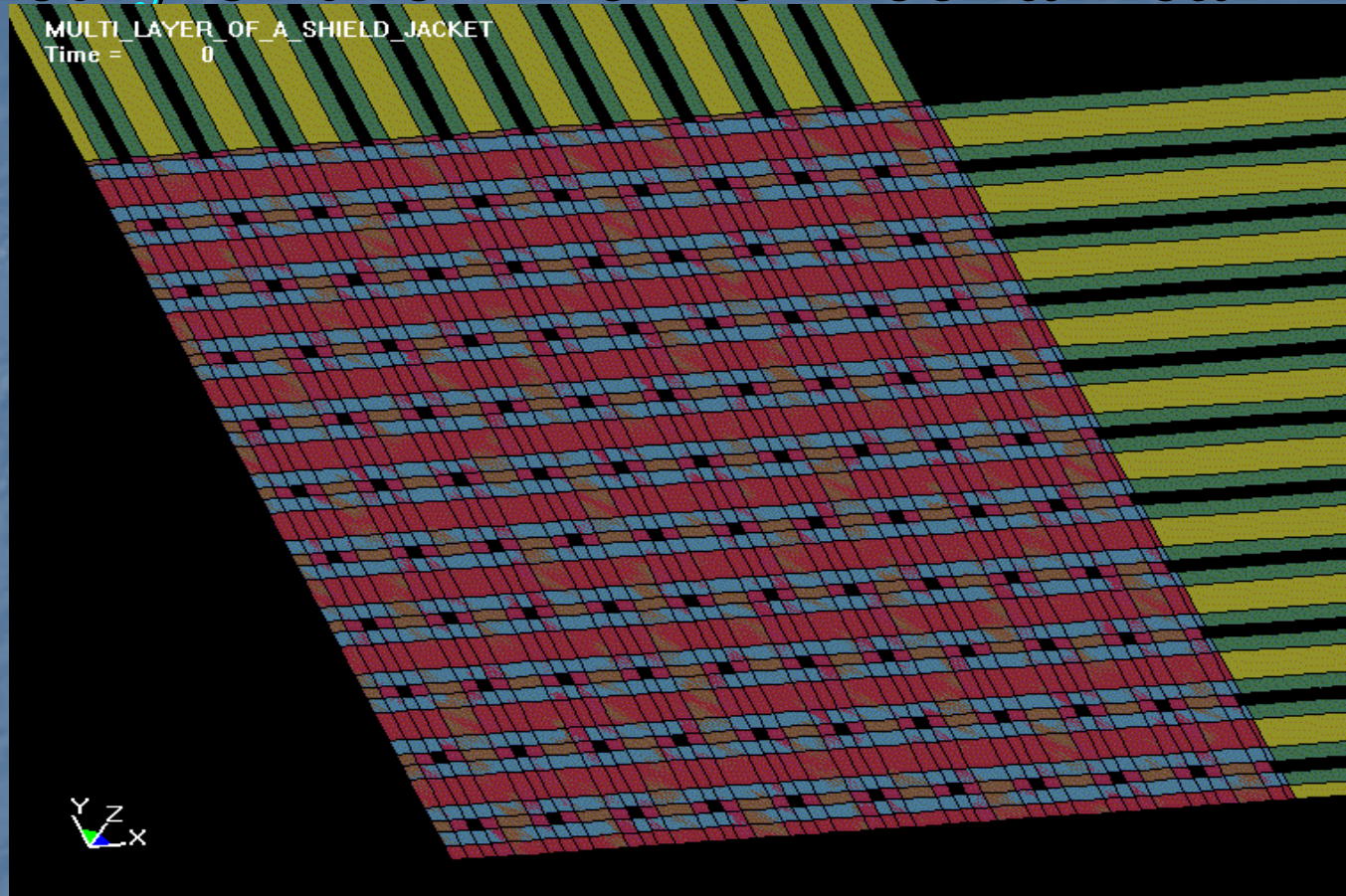
Cloth modeled as a thin membrane

One Layer of TwaronCT Textiles: geometry of the mezzo-mechanical model(1)

- Yarns modeled by one integration point shell elements (*SECTION SHELL,, ELFORM=11,,NIP=1)
- The weave gapes created by prescribing displacements of warp yarns followed by activation of contact search with the weft yarns



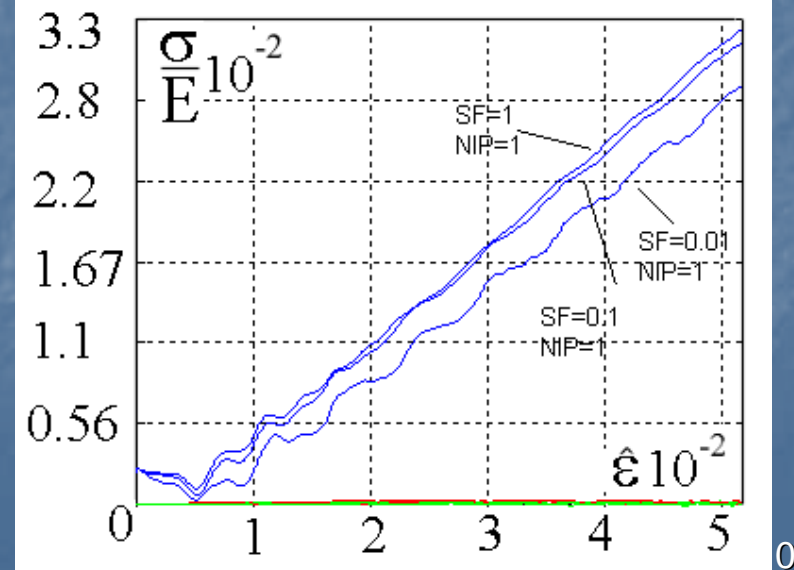
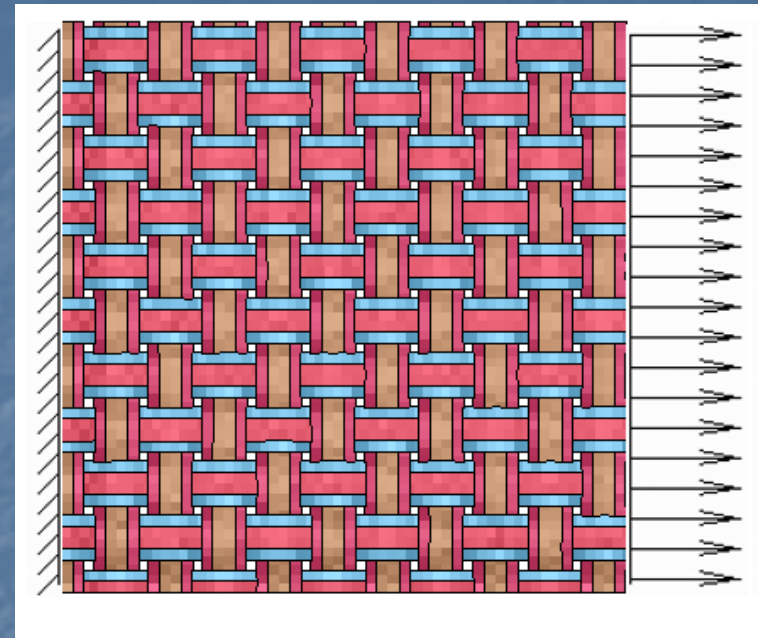
Single Layer of Fabrics : geometry of the “mezzo-mechanical” model(2)



- The system left in a free condition to return elastically to equilibrium;
- Equilibrium stresses removed – imitation of the relaxation of stresses in multi-filament yarns

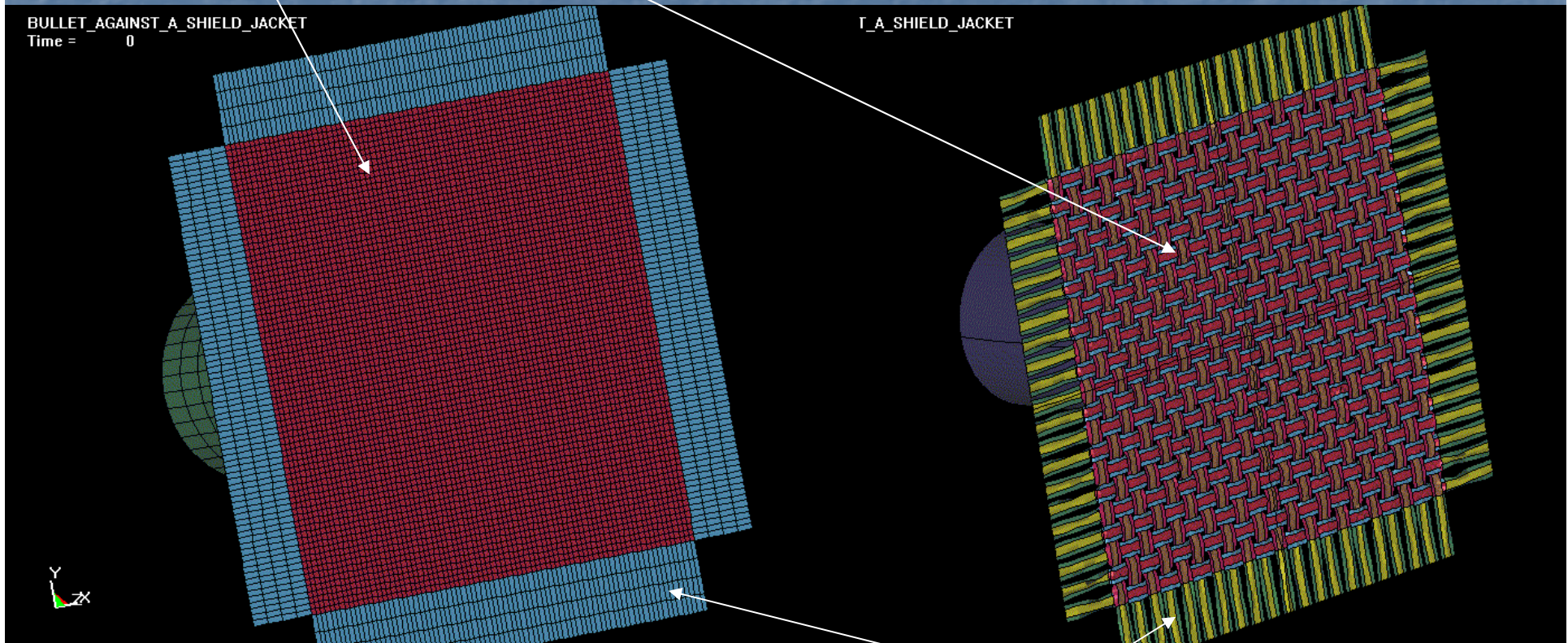
Simulation of the static tension test

- Failure limit at ~3% elongation of yarns and ~5% elongation of the fabrics – results close to experimental
- proper value of the slave contact stiffness scale multiplier in the range 0.01 - 1 makes the curve closer to experimental



Single Layer of Fabrics Penetrated by a Bullet at 300m/s:

Macro- and Mezzo-mechanical models



"Infinite" textile layer modeled by elastic supports

Fabrics package model: combining “mezzo” and “macro-mechanical approaches

“Infinite” textile layer
modeled by membrane
elements, *MAT_FABRIC

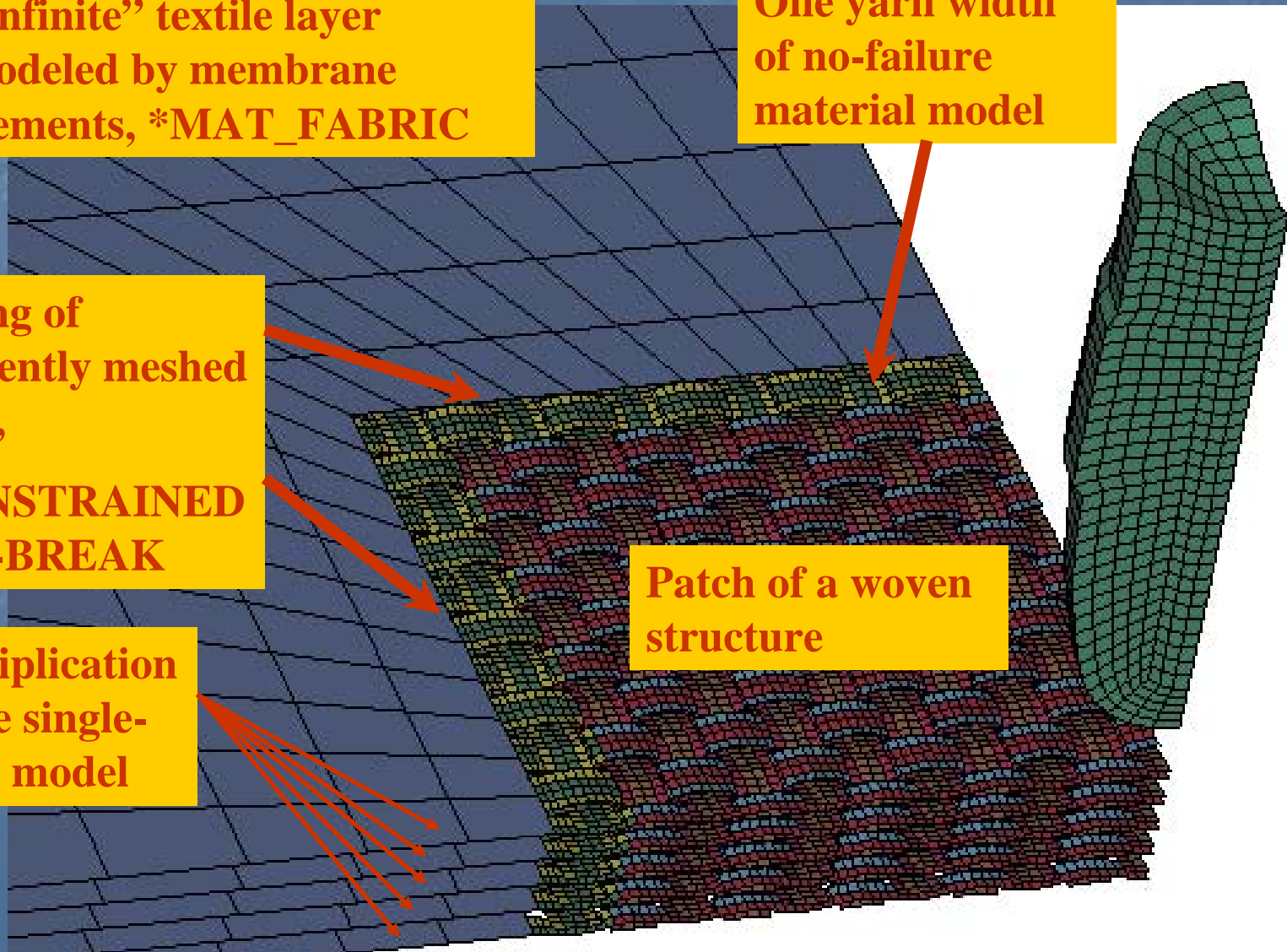
One yarn width
of no-failure
material model

Joining of
differently meshed
zones,

*CONSTRAINED
_TIE-BREAK

Multiplication
of the single-
layer model

Patch of a woven
structure



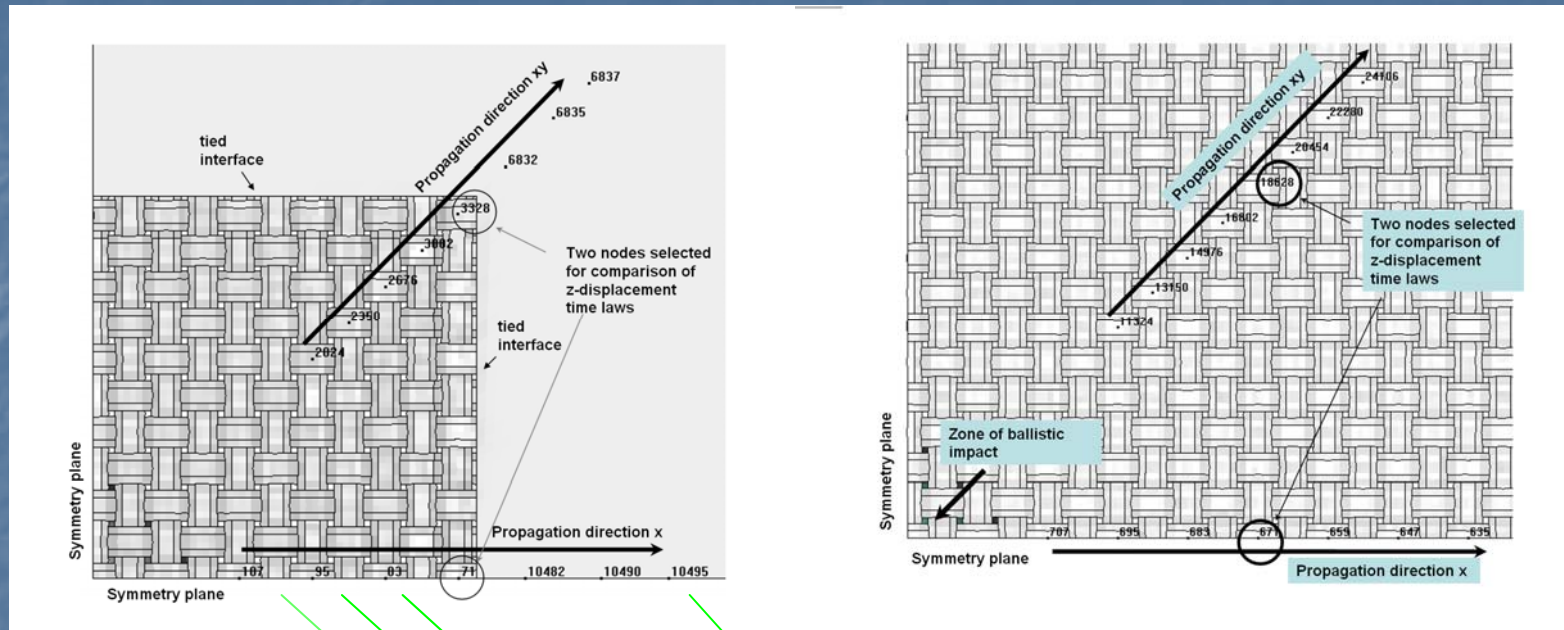
Sources of possible inadequacy of the model:

adjusting the material constants values
in the process of the model validation

- Very approximate model of a yarn;
- Lack of a full set of material constants (mostly dynamic ones);
- Limited size of a patch presented by a woven structure model

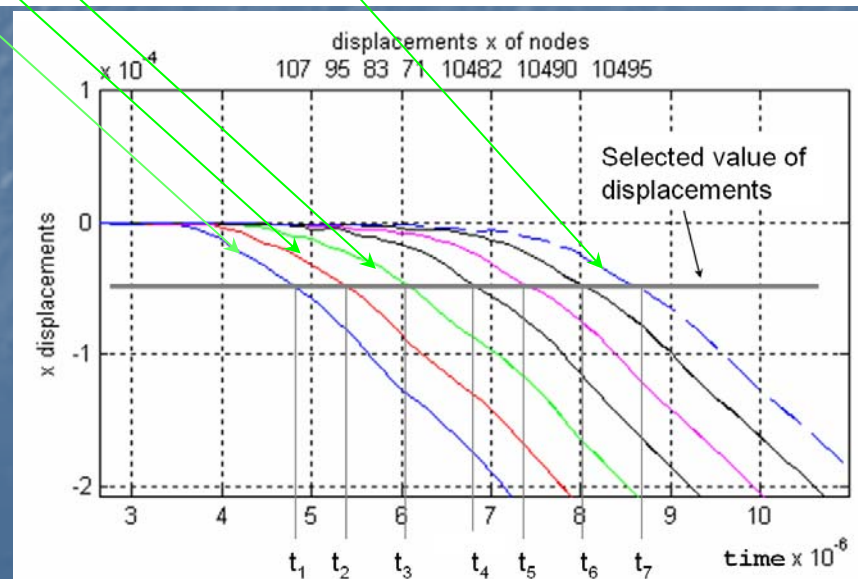
adjusting the *MAT_FABRIC constants
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Verification of the single-layer model: adjustment of parameters of the membrane layer (1)



time laws of
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displacements of
nodes:

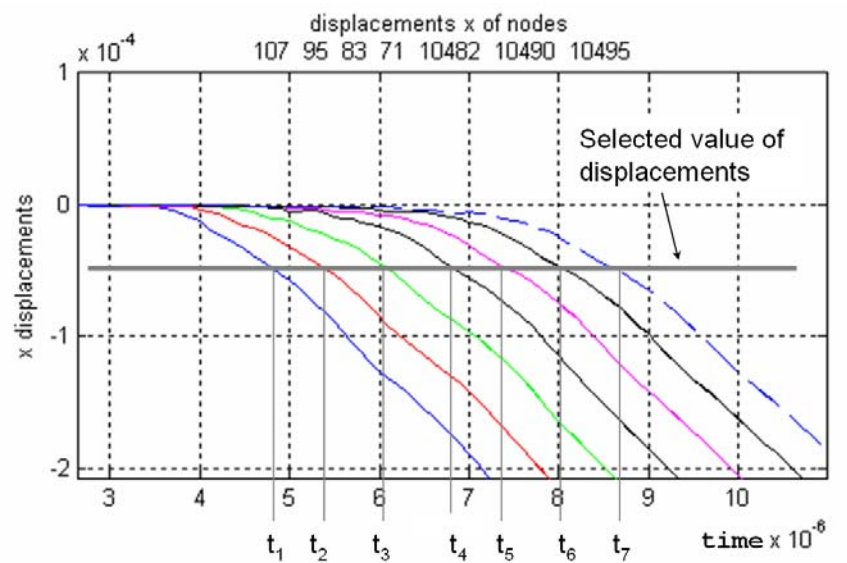
Required: No change
in wave propagation
velocity after
crossing the tie-
boundary



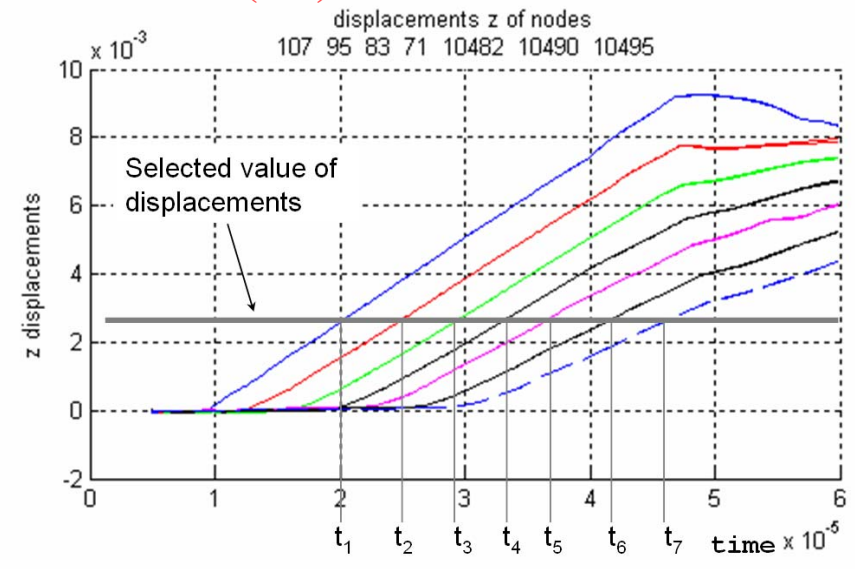
Propagation of the impact-
excited longitudinal
component of the wave
across the tie boundary

Verification of the single-layer model: adjustment of parameters of the membrane layer (2)

Longitudinal(Ox):

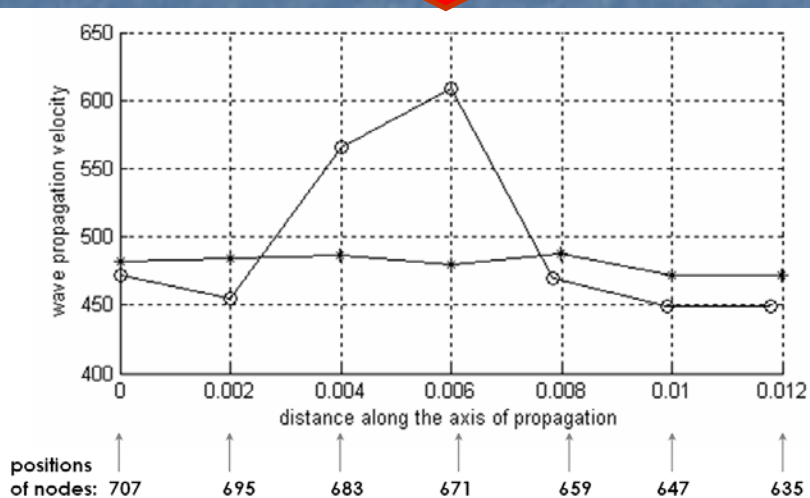
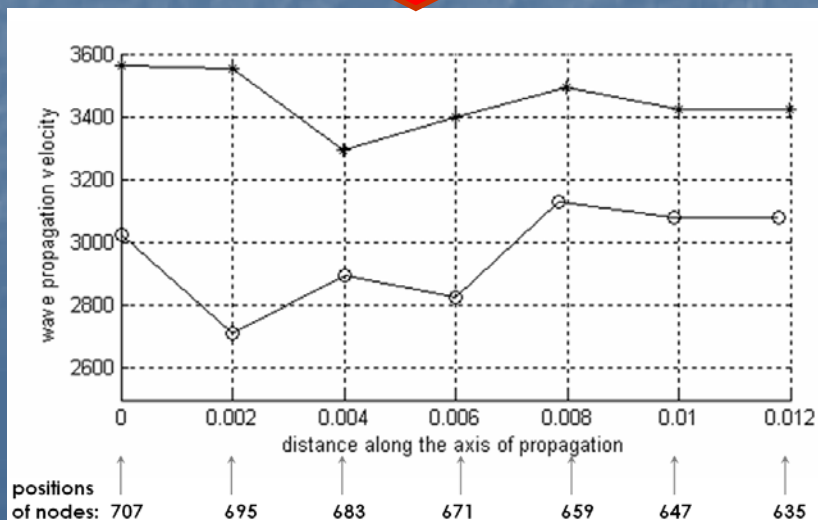


Transversal(Oz):



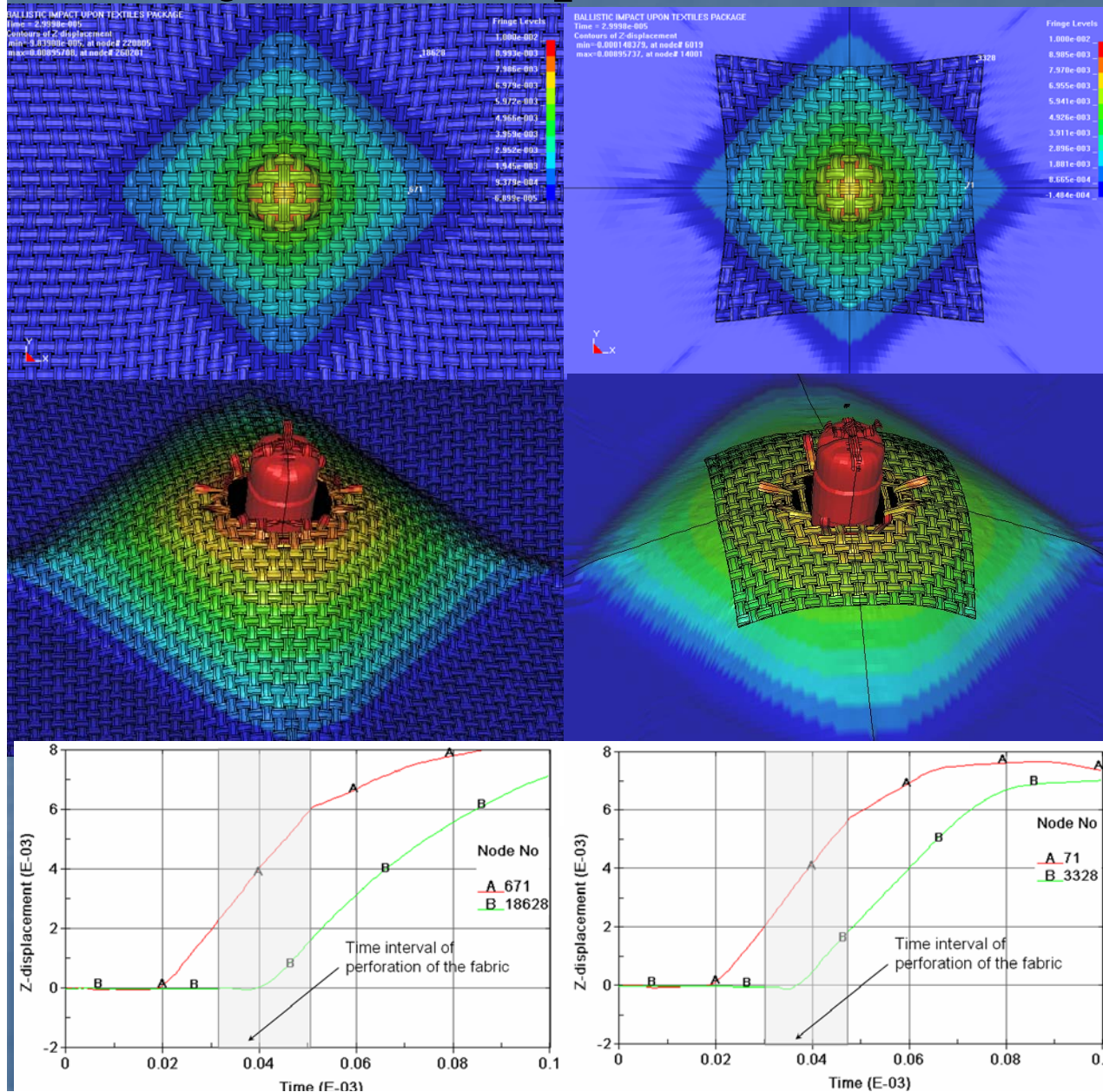
Displacements:

Propagation velocities:

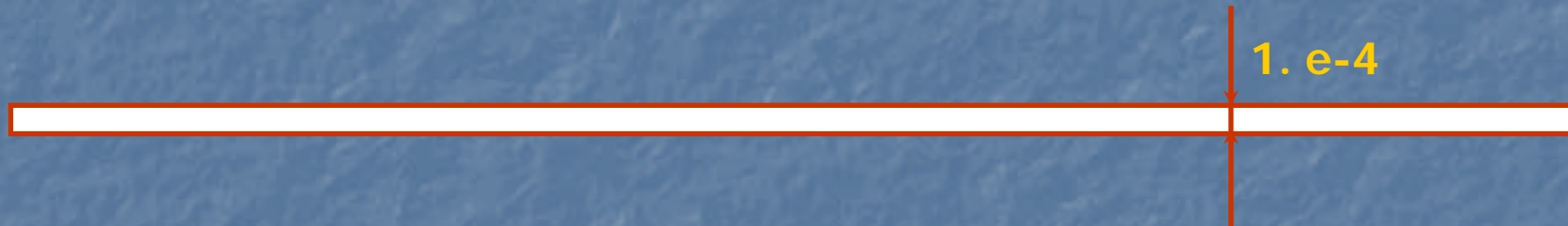
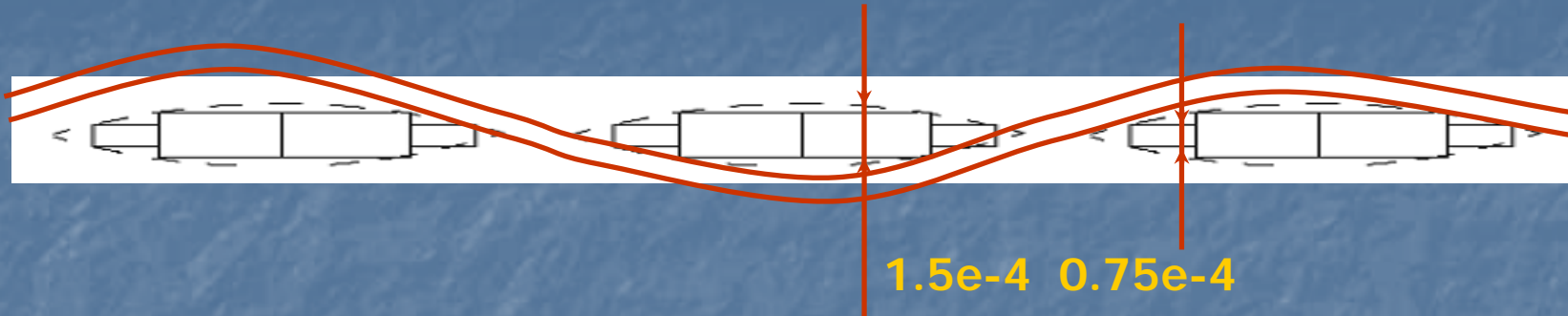


Verification of the single-layer model: adjustment of parameters of the membrane layer (3)

Propagation of the
impact-excited
transversal
component of the
wave across the tie
boundary



Verification of the single-layer model: adjustment of parameters of the membrane layer (4)



$$\frac{\rho_m}{\rho} = \frac{2250}{1400};$$

$$\frac{E_m}{E} = \frac{2.75 \times 10^{10}}{9 \times 10^{10}};$$

$$G = 2 \times 10^8$$

Material models

- brass and lead are elastic-plastic materials (*MAT_PLASTIC_KINEMATIC)
- paraaramyde assumed to be perfectly elastic up to failure limit
- in high velocity impact interaction the yield stress is dependent upon the strain rate (Symonds-Couper model):

$$\sigma_Y = \sigma_{Y0} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{C} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right]$$

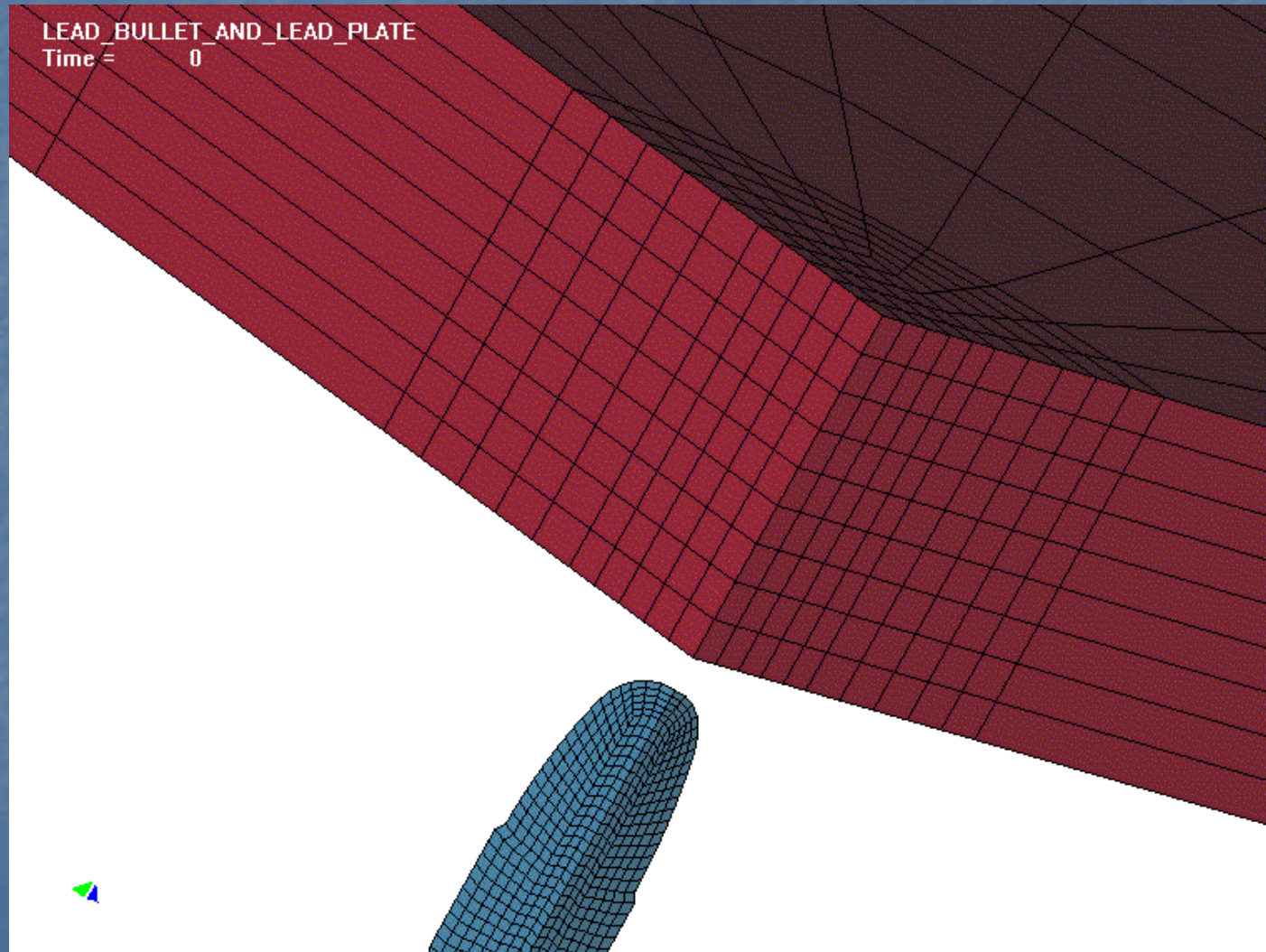
Bullet model validation:

Determining the lead material dynamic parameters

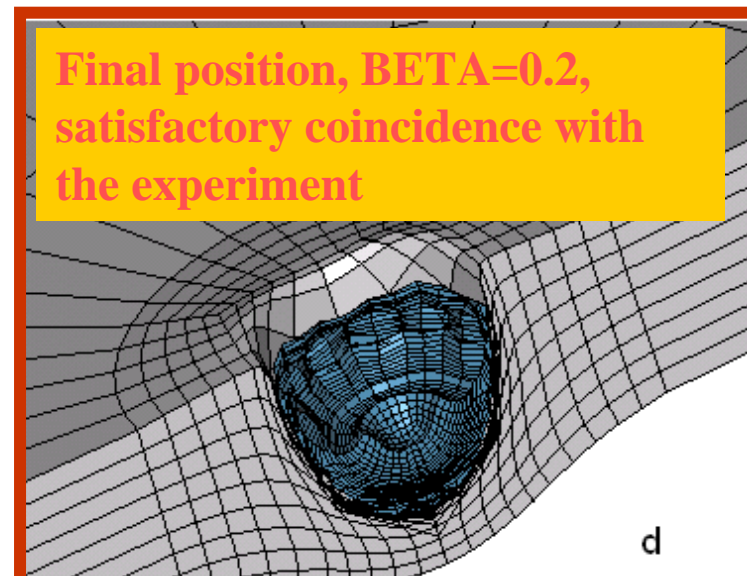
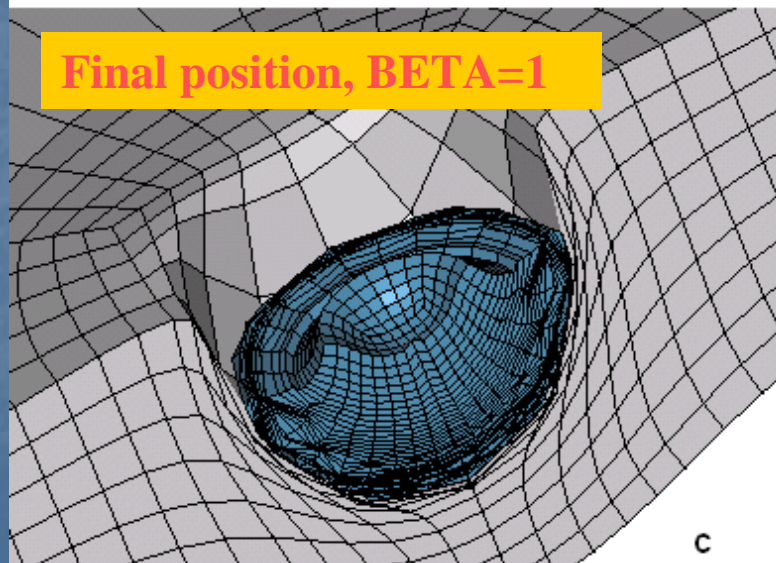
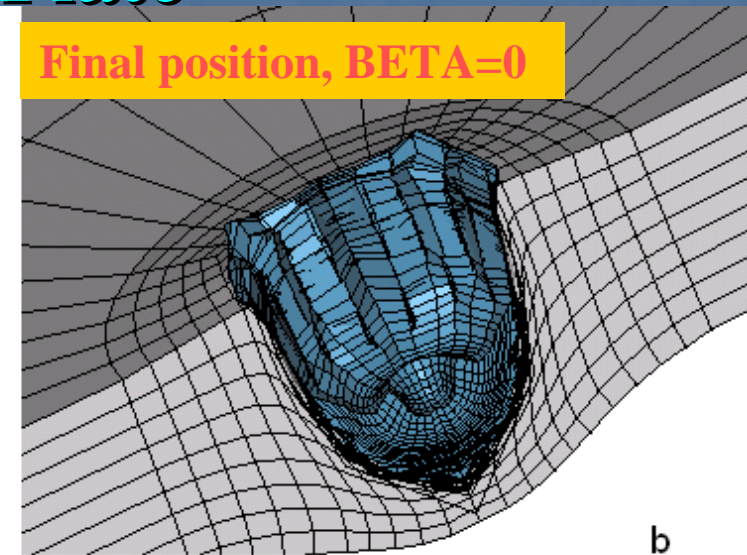
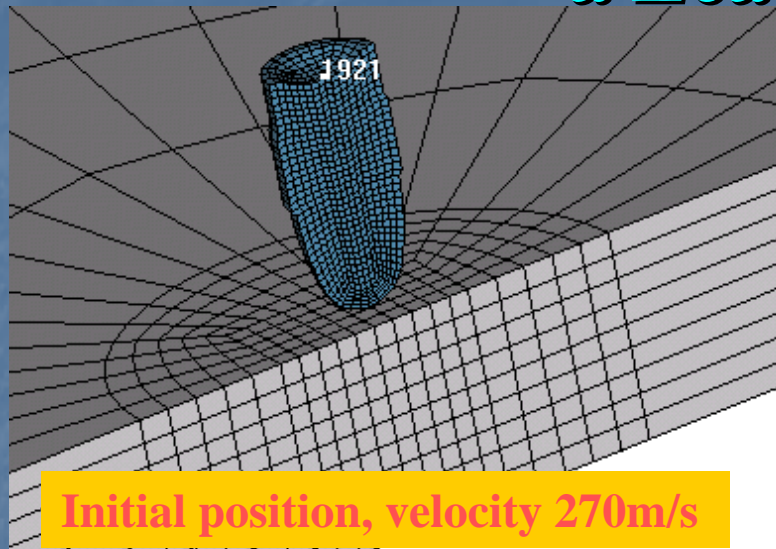
- numerical and physical experiments of shooting the lead bullet into 10mm thickness lead plate;
- The data obtained from the physical experiment:
 - the measured linear momentum supplied to the plate
 - the deformed shape of the bullet imbedded into the target

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1	11270	1.7E+10	0.4	8.00E+06	1.5E+07	0.1-0.2
\$SRC	SRP					
600	3					

Simulation of Impact of a Lead Bullet Against a Lead Plate

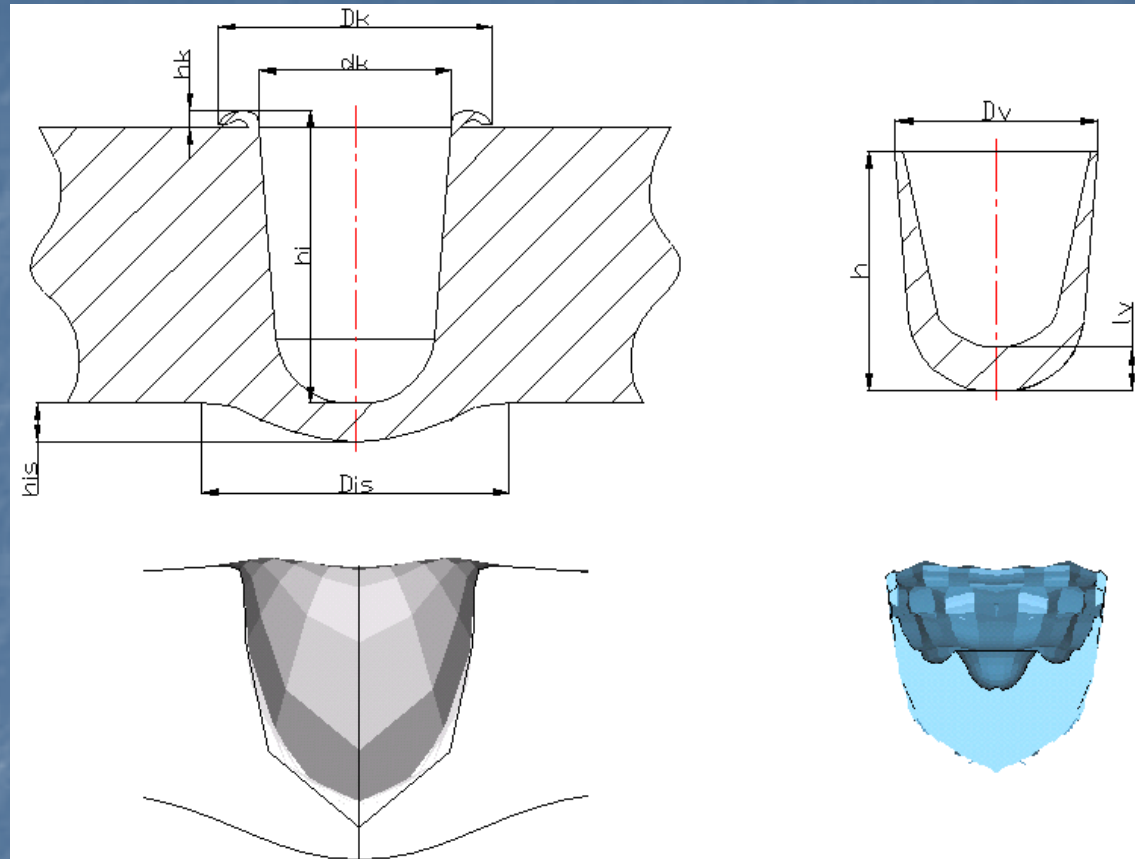


Simulation of Impact of a Lead Bullet Against a Lead Plate



Scheme of experimentally measured dimensions

- the pit punched in the plate (a)
- the remains of the bullet (b)



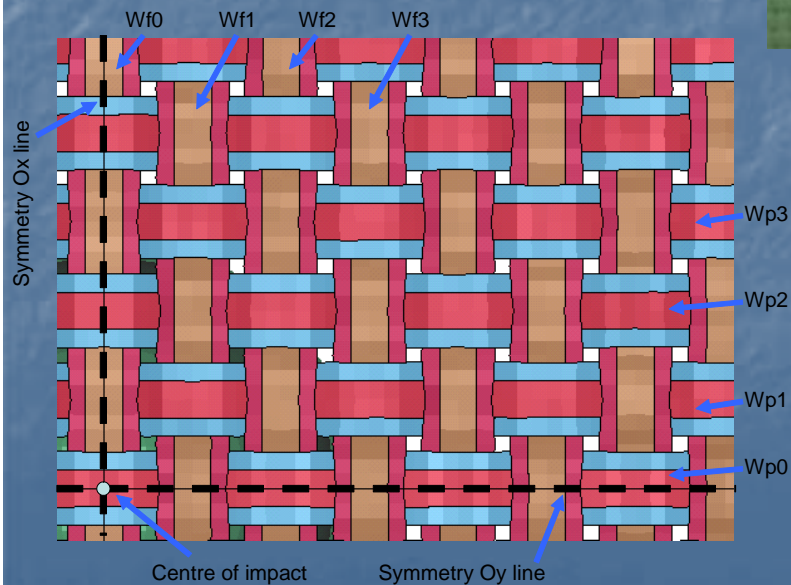
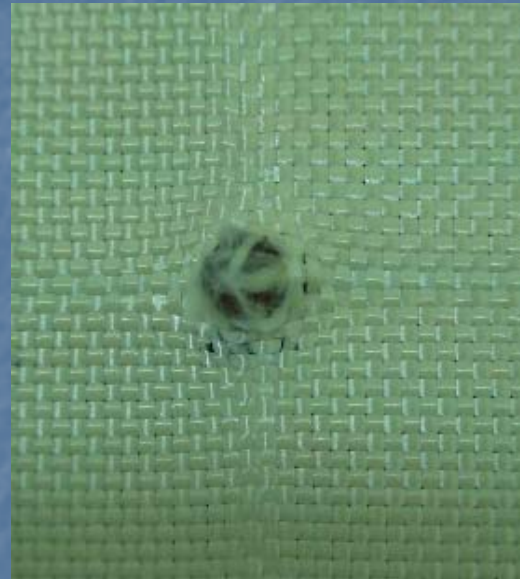
measured value	D_k	d_k	h_k	h_i	D_{is}	h_{is}	m_l	D_v	h	l_v
experimental	13,27	9,34	1,82	13,34	14,89	4,77	2,36	8,93	9,75	3,03
simulated		11,00		11,30	19,00	3,20	2,23	10,20	9,40	3,80

Single fabric layer model validation:

- numerical and physical experiments of shooting the lead bullet through a single fabric layer;
- The data obtained from the physical experiment:
 - the number and pattern of failed threads;
 - maximum transverse deflection of the fabric;
 - plastic deformation of the tip of the bullet;

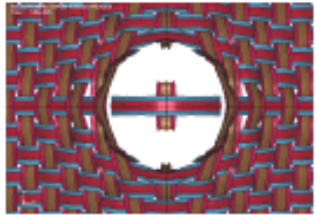
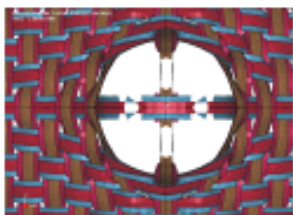
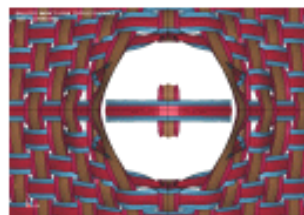


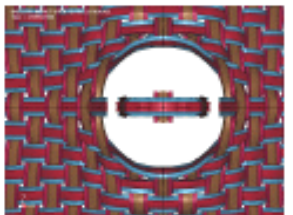

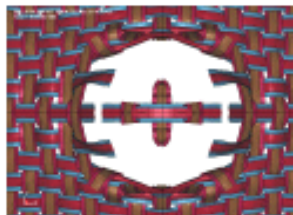
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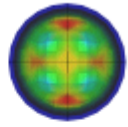
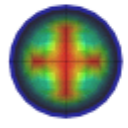
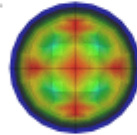
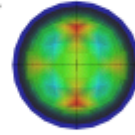
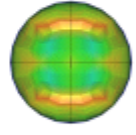
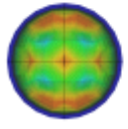
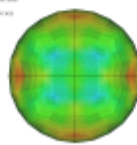
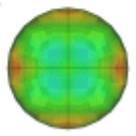
Single fabric layer model validation: experimental data



Notation of failing threads:

W_{pi}(warps) and **W_{fi}**(wefts)

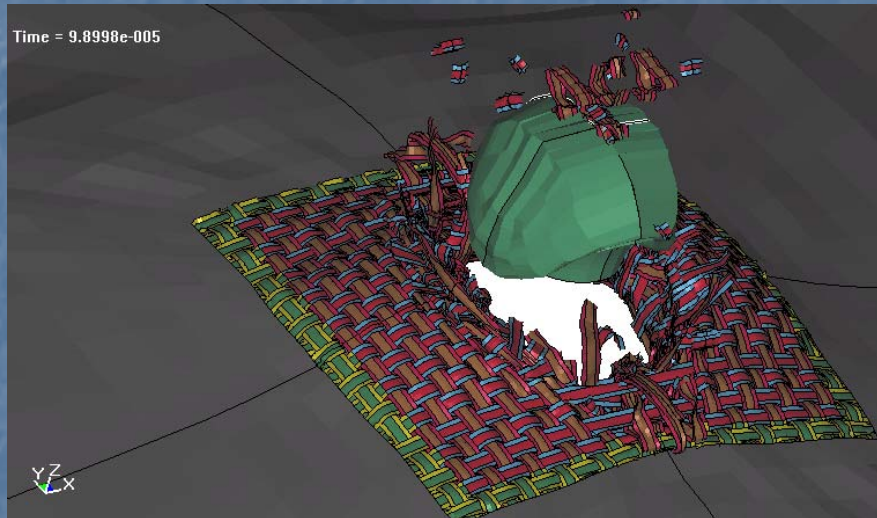
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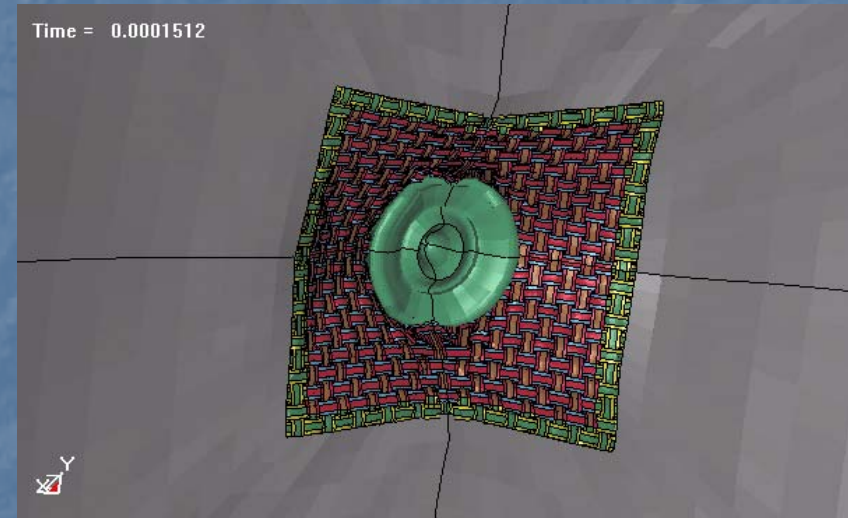
Future task: validation of the model of the full metal jacket bullet and identification paraaramyde fabric model parameters

- Experiments of shooting the full metal jacket bullet into lead or brass targets;
- Measurement of the shape of the pit and of the remains of the bullet
- Shooting experiments against paraaramyde fabric packages

Simulation of 300m/s velocity lead bullet impact upon a multi-layer fabric package

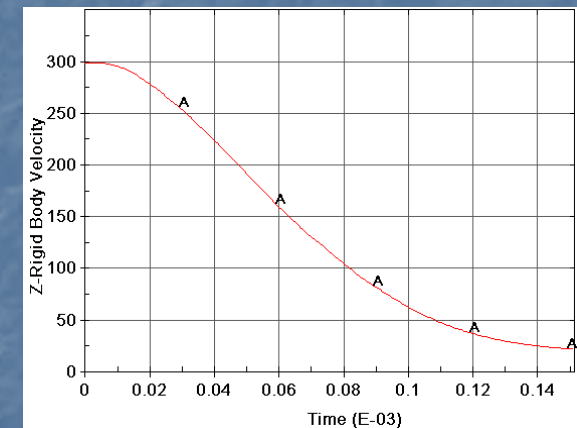
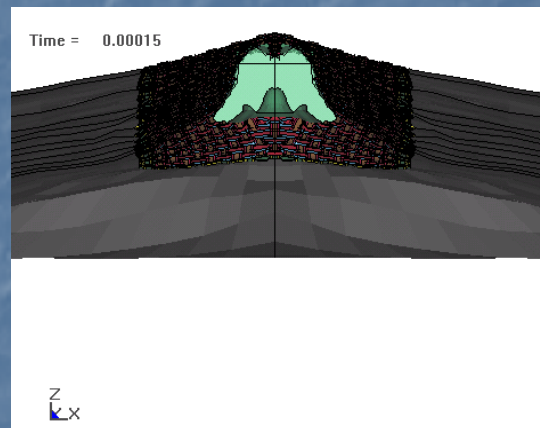
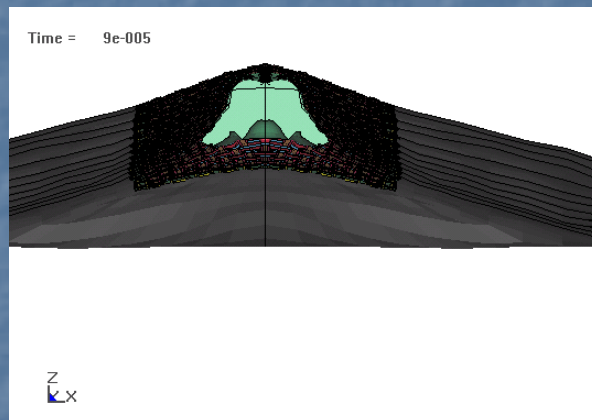
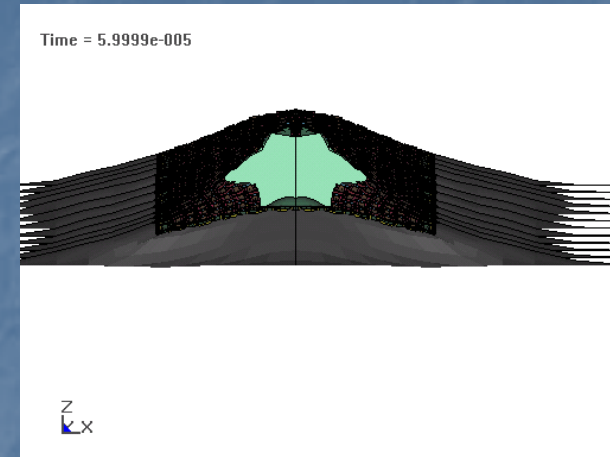
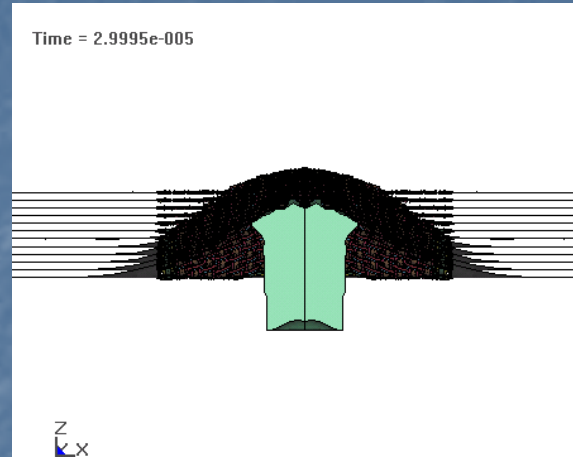
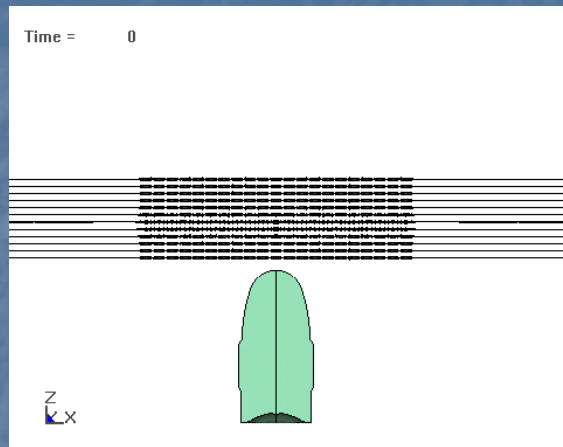


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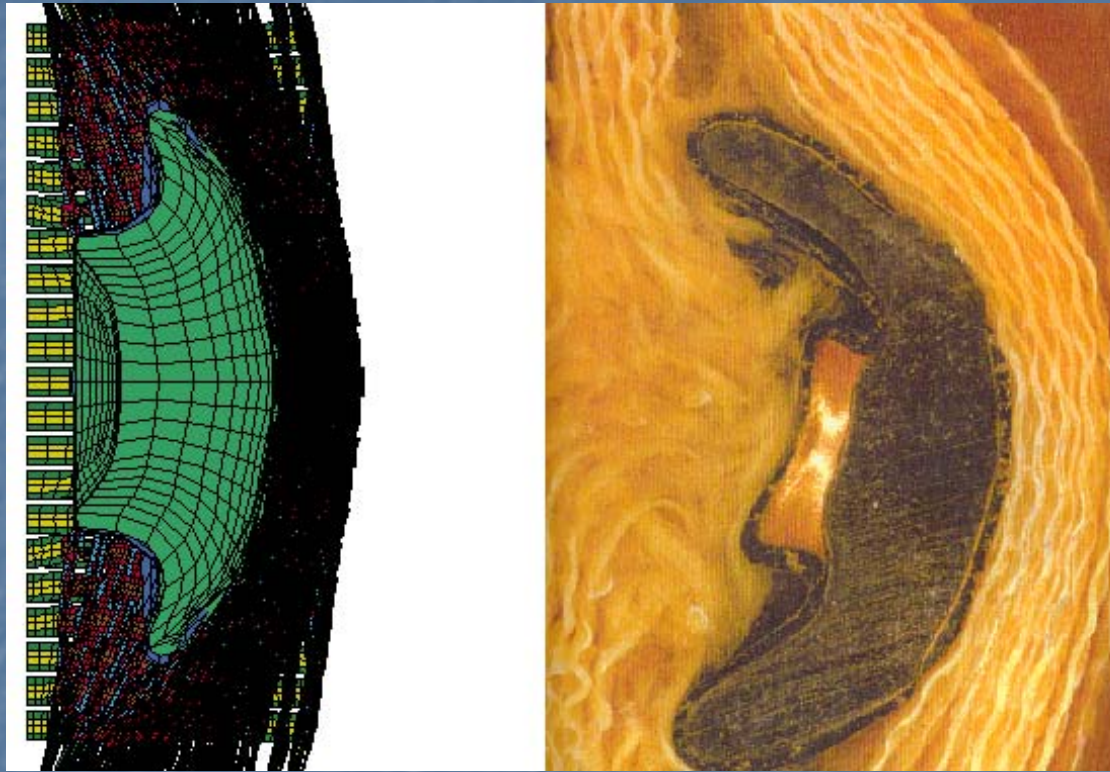


12 layers

Simulation of 300m/s velocity lead bullet impact upon a 12-layer fabric package



The impact of the full metal jacket bullet multi-layer package : bullet stopped



a

b

a - simulation result;

b - experimental result (photo taken from the circular of TwaronCT textile)

Conclusions (1)

- The finite element analysis of the interaction process of the paraaramyde multi-layer fabric package against 9mm bullets has been performed in LSDYNA;
- Real geometries of interacting parts and real material properties have been taken into account;
- The size of the model was reduced to reasonable dimensions by presenting the yarns of the textiles as narrow bands of a prescribed cross-section
- The size of the domain presented by the woven structure reduced by connecting it to a membrane model by using *CONSTRAINED_TIE-BREAK constraint

Conclusions (2)

- This work is devoted mainly to the validation of the model. The check-points between simulated and experimental results have been selected;
- for obtaining models close to reality it is not sufficient to use the material properties determined by static or quazi-static experiments only. The model can be improved considerably by scaling the yield stress limit against the strain rate value.

End of the presentation