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Nonlinear Ultrasonic NDE

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Outline





- Need for Nonlinear Ultrasonic NDE Methods
- Nonlinear Imaging Method
- 3D Multiscale Model for Nonlinear Wave Propagation
- Experimental and Numerical Results

Need for Nonlinear Ultrasonic NDE Methods

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- Reflection and scattering of primary waves at heterogeneities and discontinuities are measured
 - They work satisfactory for high acoustic impedance contrast
 - No changes of input frequency but only amplitude and phase variations



Delamination in multi-layered materials



 Micro-damages and changes in constitutive parameters (elastic moduli, sound speed) are too sensitive to be detected by linear ultrasonic techniques



Material Anharmonic Effects



- Materials such as aluminium steel, glasses, single crystals and numerous others exhibits *anharmonic effects* when damaged (**classical nonlinear theory**, CNL)
 - They can be expressed by a nonlinear strain-stress relationship (Landau's Theory)
 - Using mono- or bi-harmonic excitation the interaction of the ultrasonic waves with the structural damage generates new frequency components (<u>Even</u> <u>Harmonics</u>)



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Material Hysteretic Effects



- Materials such as rock, soil, ceramics, concrete, but also damaged composite and metal structures manifest *biphasic nature* (hard grains and soft bond systems), i.e. micro-damage zones with *hysteretic nonlinearity* (**non-classical nonlinear theory**, NME)
- Physical dynamic models attribute this nonlinear behaviour to friction of crack surfaces (closure and opening of crack or a bond system)
- The nonlinear effect on the wave propagation is to create **Odd Harmonics**



Nonlinear NDE Ultrasonic Imaging Method





Damaged zone "focusing area" divided in a grid of *M*=7 x 6 "excitation points"

• <u>Third order nonlinear response</u> using **Phase Symmetry Analysis** (PSA) with **chirp** excitation and **Inverse Filtering** (IF)⁵



⁵Ciampa, F., Meo, M. Nonlinear elastic imaging using reciprocal time reversal and phase symmetry analysis. *Journal of Acoustical Society of America*, 130 (6), pp. 4316-4323, 2012

Nonlinear Inverse Filtering



• In a Inverse Filtering (IF) process an input signal is *focused back* on the nonlinear source if the output received by the transducer is *reversed* in time and emitted back to the excitation point



- The *reverberant diffuse wave field* (boundary reflections, mode conversion) in a geometrically complex medium enhances the spatial focusing of the reemitted signals (*Kaleidoscopic effect*)
- Only one receiver sensor can be used for optimal refocusing

Nonlinear Third Order Imaging Results



Receiver and damage coordinates

	X-coordinates [cm]	Y-coordinates [cm]
Receiver position (case T1)	60	17
Receiver position (case T2)	4	22
Damage location	38	24



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Nonlinear Second Order Imaging Method



153 x 106 x 3 mm

[0/45/90/-45],

BVID @ 10 J

CFRP



Second order Nonlinear Response using Phase Symmetry Analysis



Nonlinear Second Order Imaging Results



Receiver and damage coordinates

	X-coordinates [mm]	Y-coordinates [mm]
APC sensor (case S1)	30	50
MFC sensor (case S2)	90	48
Damage location	59	53



Multiscale FE Model for Nonlinear Wave Propagation



• **Multiscale material model** implemented in Finite Element (FE) able to simulate the nonlinear interaction of ultrasound waves with cracks/damage precursors



In the Multiscale model, intermediate (**mesoscopic**) material elements are introduced between the **microscopic** mechanics (micro-cracks, grain size, etc...) and the **macroscopic** structural behaviour



- Nonlinear effects can be simulated:
 - Odd harmonics material hysteresis and discrete memory such as concrete, ceramics, sandwich structures, etc...
 - Even Harmonics material anharmonic effects such as fatigue damage in metallic materials and delamination in multi-layered structures

Numerical Results – Composite Bar



3D Numerical Results for a composite bar with in-plane harmonic wave propagation ($f_0 = 100 \text{ kHz}$)



Numerical Results – Isotropic and Composite Bar





Numerical and Experimental Results – Composite Panel





X-Ray Tomography









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Thank you for your attention!!

