



INNOVATIVE DEVELOPMENT OF COMPOSITE MATERIALS USING GEODICT

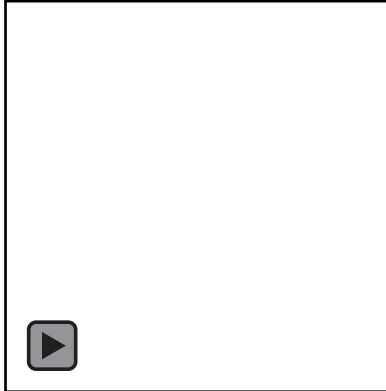
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Get unique insights into the material

Micromechanics with plastic deformation and damage

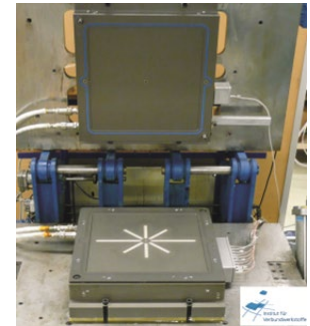
-  Simulation
-  Experiment



Reduce experimental effort



Replace time consuming experiments

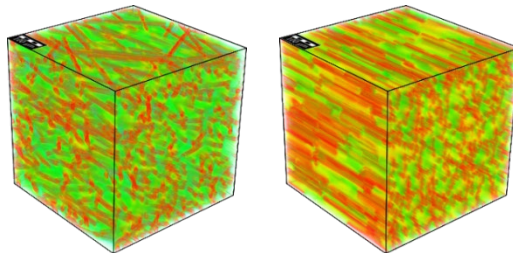
- Predict physical and mechanical properties
- Run parameter studies



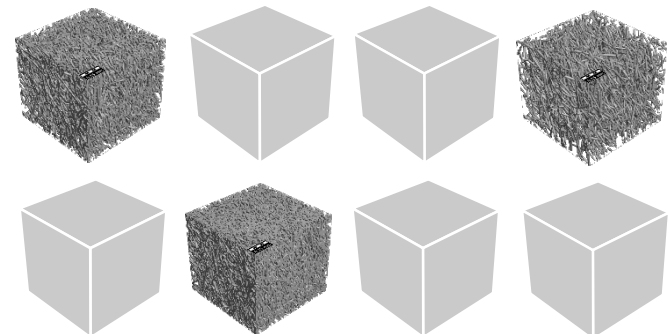
Single parameter studies

E. g. change fiber volume fraction without changing laminate thickness

-  Simulation
-  Experiment



Manufacture only the most promising prototypes



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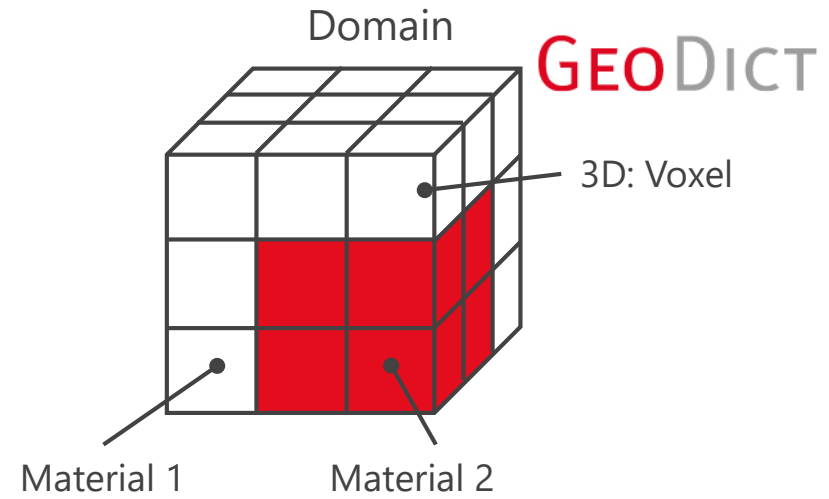
Summary and outlook

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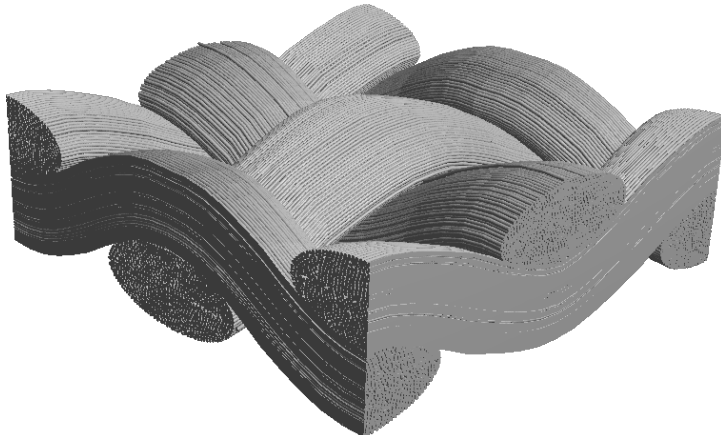
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- Entire domain consists of voxel grid

Voxel advantages:

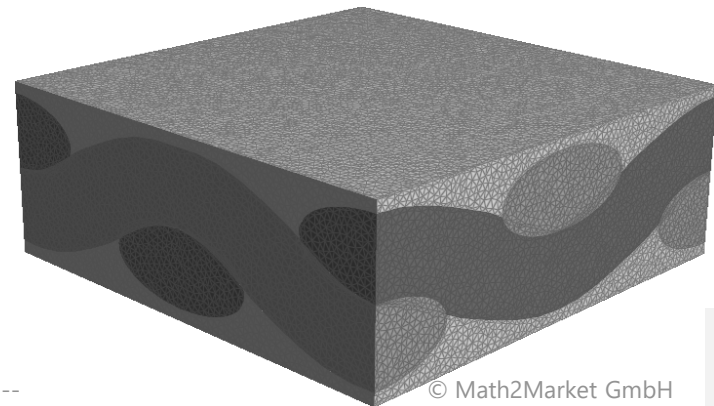
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- No meshing necessary
- Models > 1 000 000 000 voxels can be solved on standard workstations
- Delicate structures can be modeled based on voxels



Voxel model - plain weave unit cell with 1000 filaments in each thread



Standard FE model - plain weave unit cell

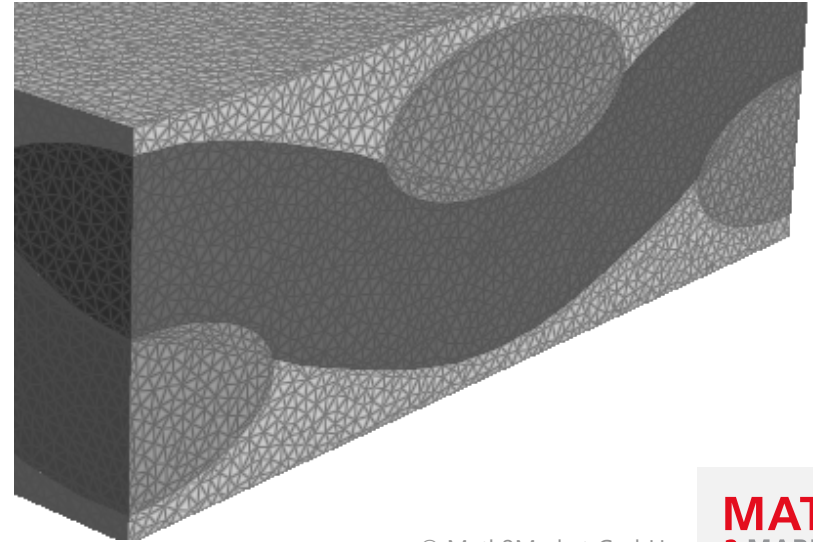
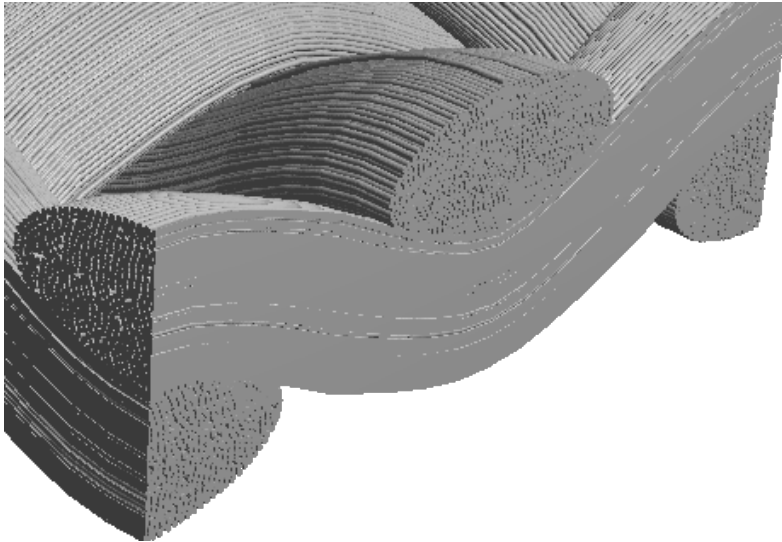
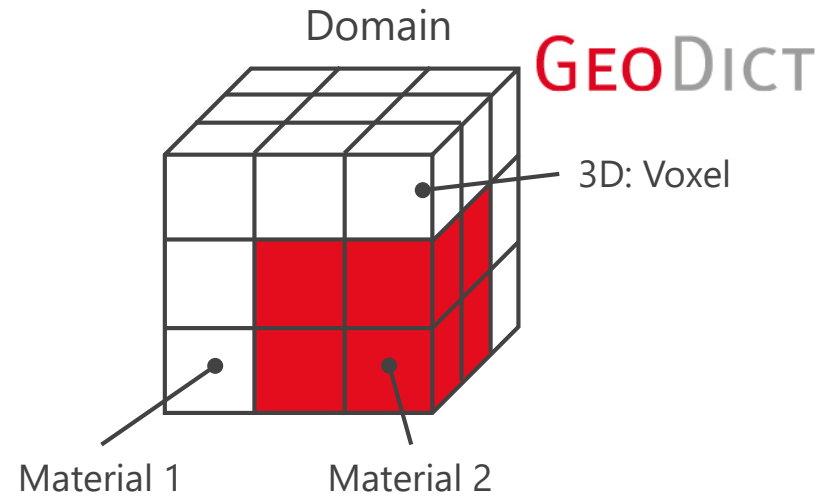


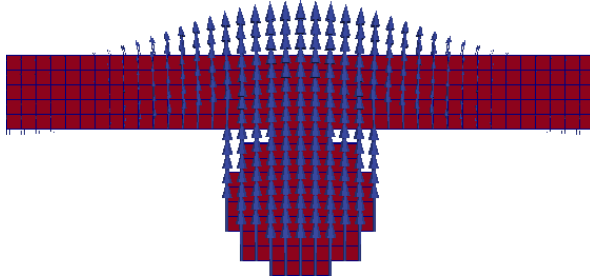
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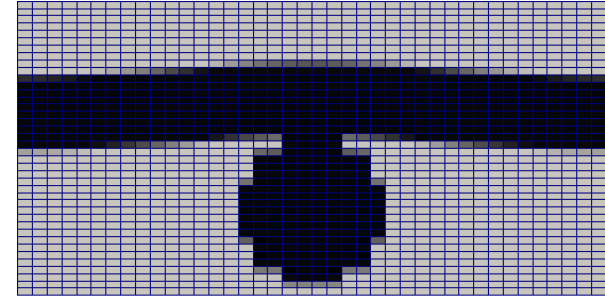
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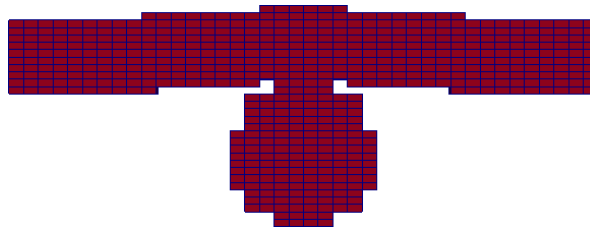
Step 1

- Solve one iteration of mechanical problem
- Integrate strain field to obtain displacement vector field on the undeformed geometry



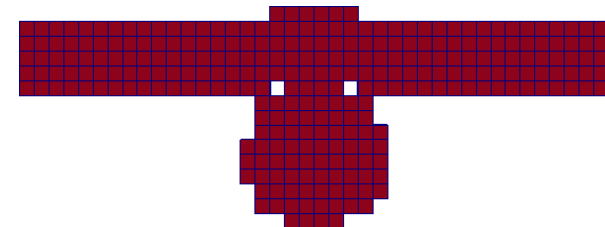
Step 2

- Move voxel according to displacement field
- Cut voxel with deformed mesh



Step 3

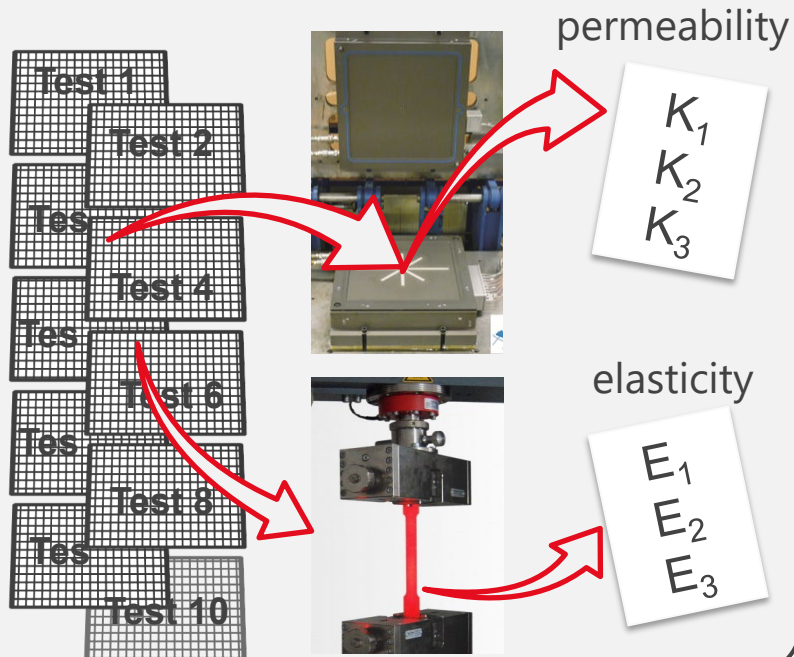
- Determine optimal threshold
- Perform segmentation of the grey value image
- Result: "boxel" image



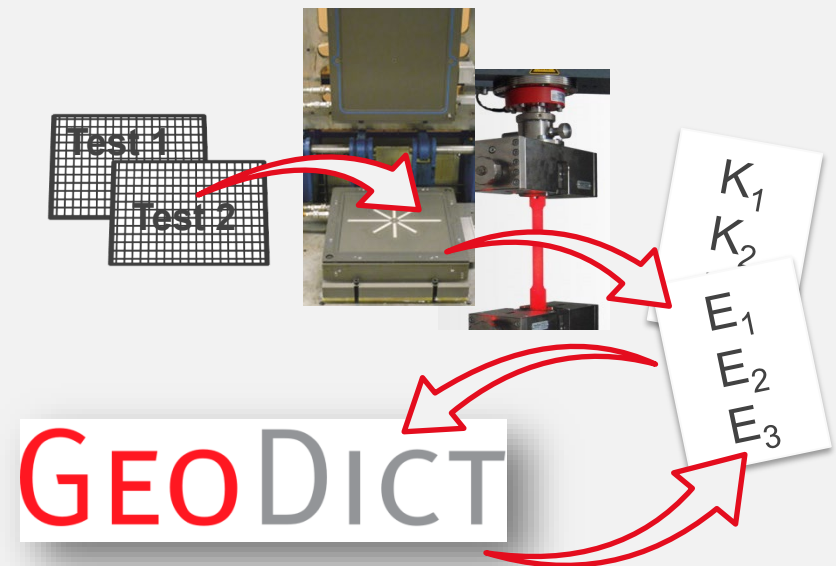
Step 4

- Resample the "boxel" image to obtain a voxel image (with the original resolution)

Large amount of experiments
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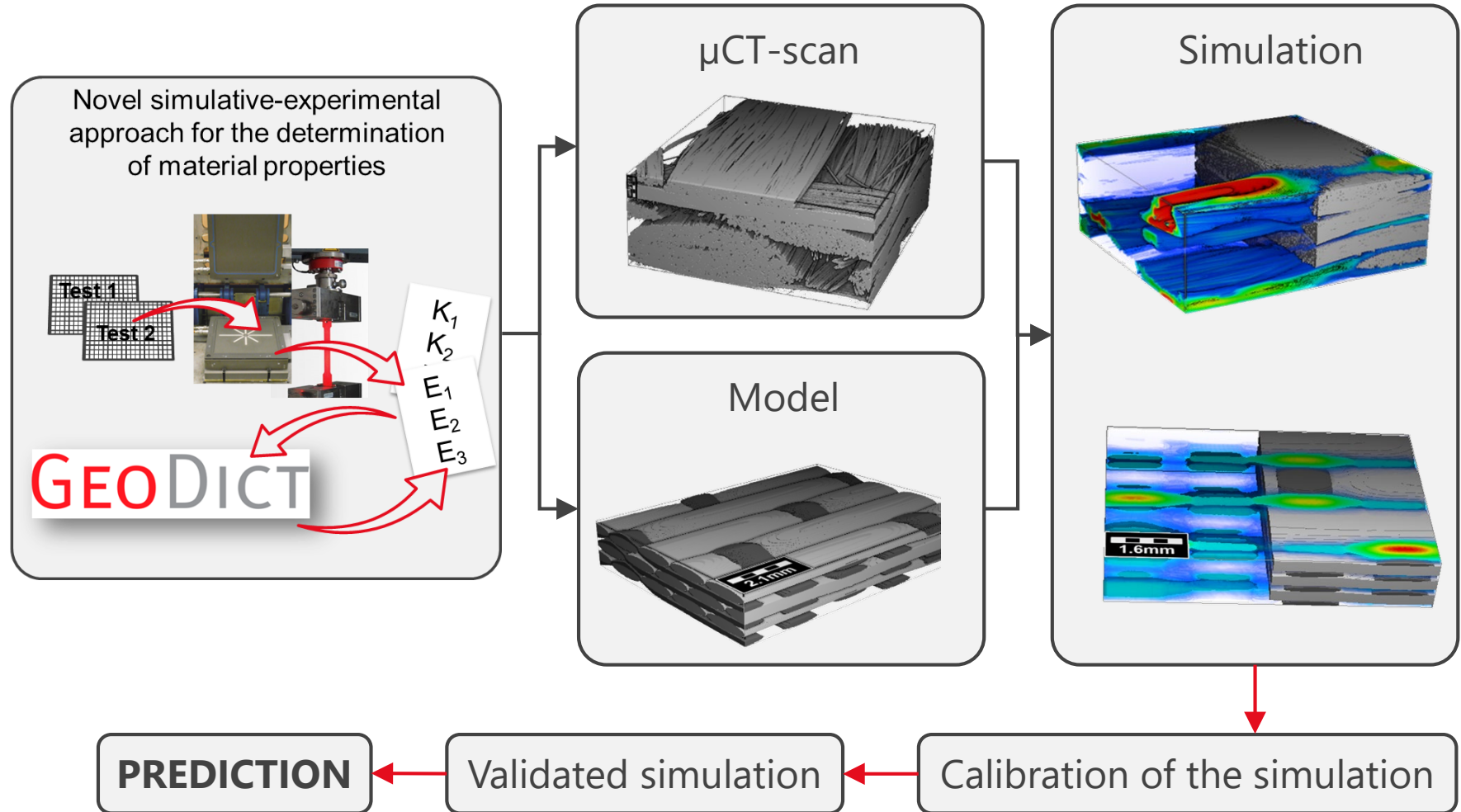


Novel simulative-experimental
approach for the determination
of material properties

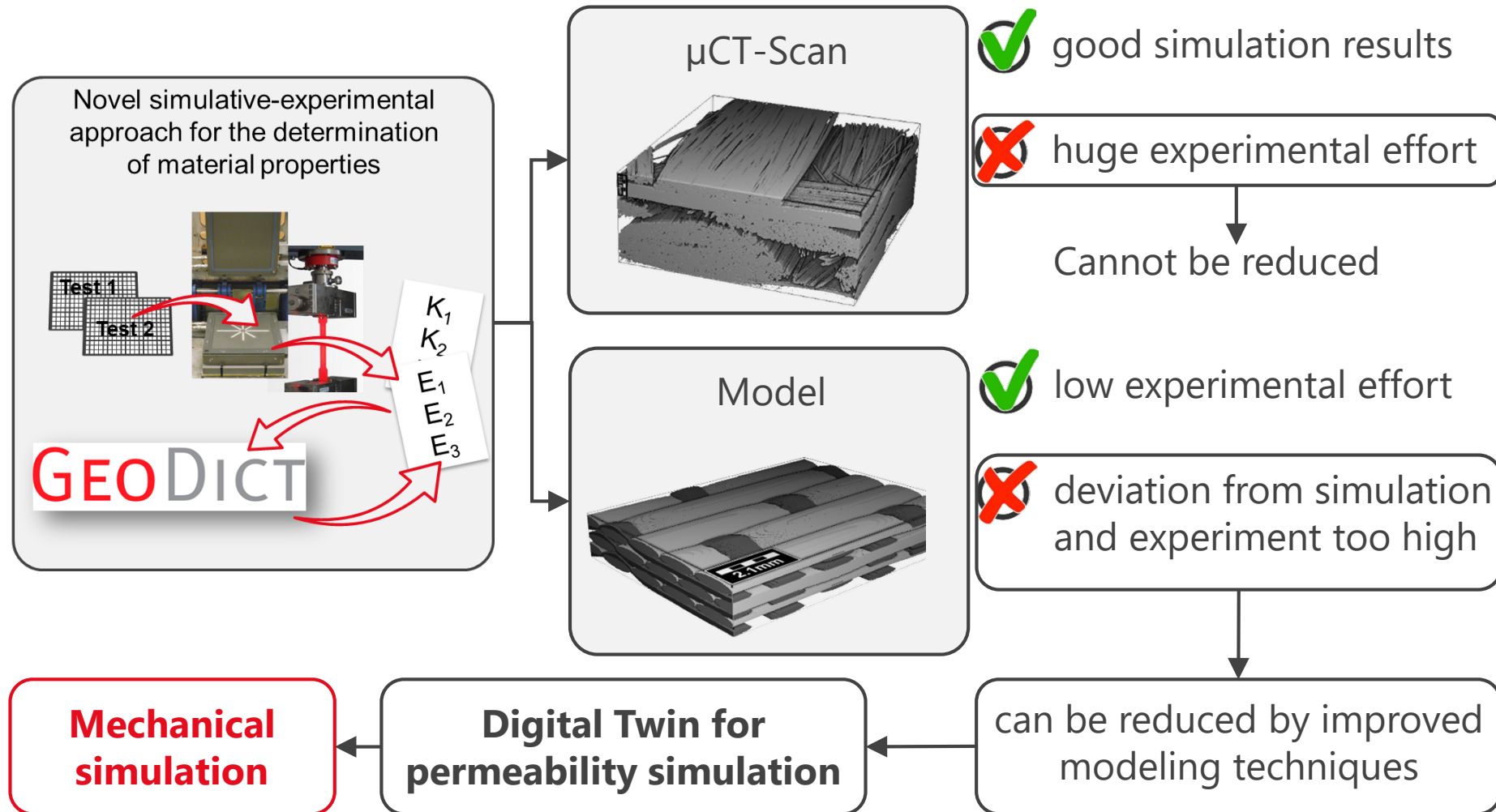


Replace a large amount of experiments by validated simulations

RESEARCH PROJECT „MATH2COMPOSITES“



NEW ACHIEVEMENTS IN RESEARCH PROJECT „MATH2COMPOSITES“



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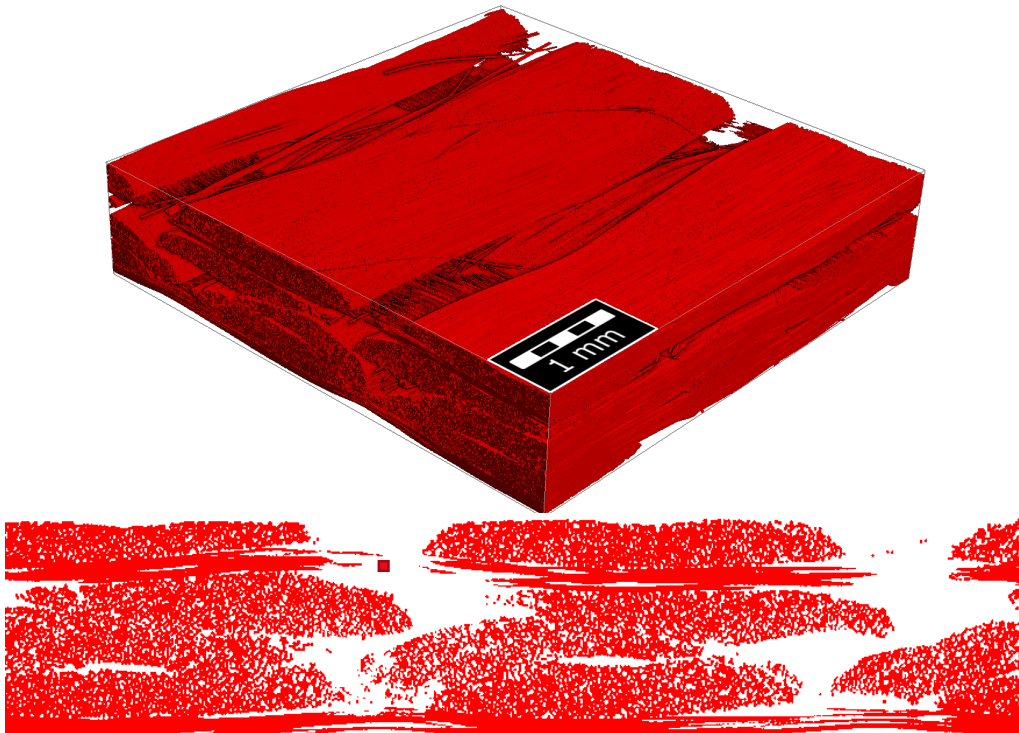
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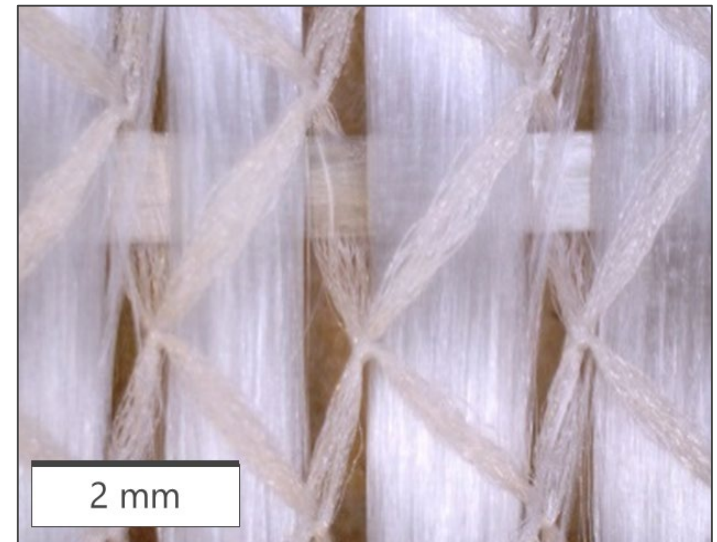
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Summary and outlook

- **Microstructure of non-crimped fabric Hacotech G300U-1270mm**

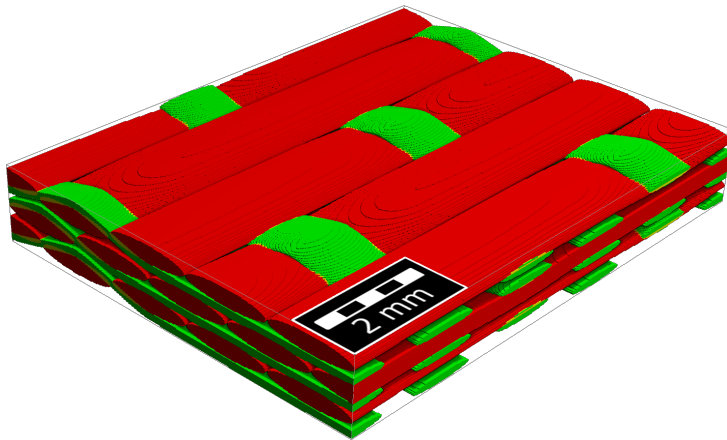


μCT-scan image

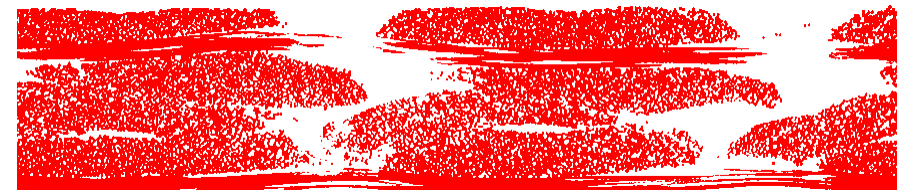


Microscopy image

- **Generation of a model with WeaveGeo**
- Properties of homogenized modes are predicted with GeoDict

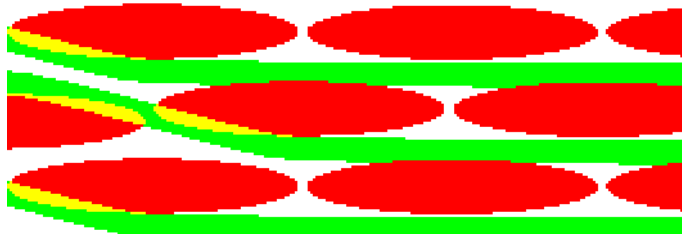
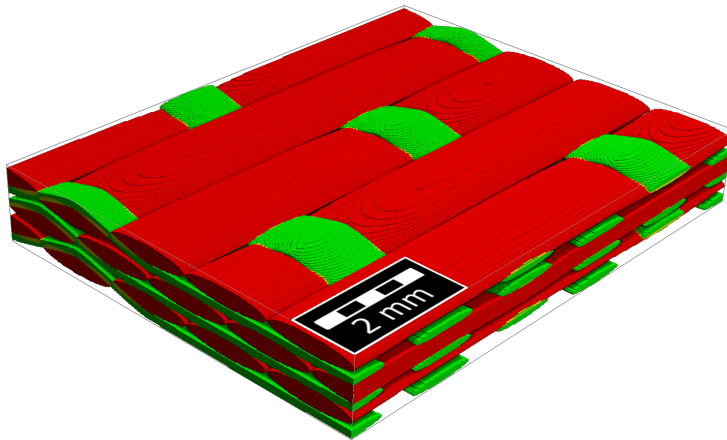


First model

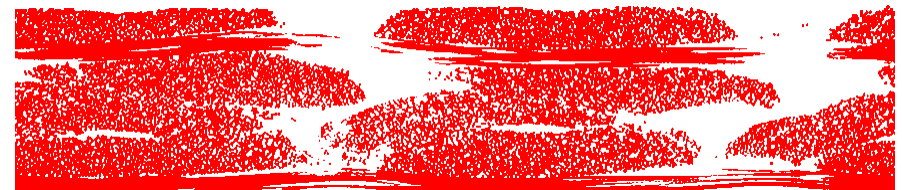


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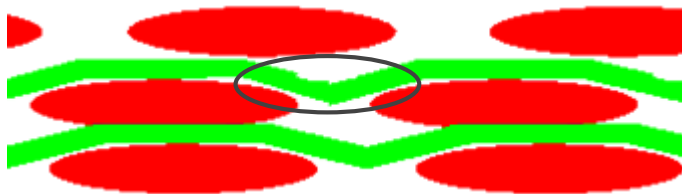
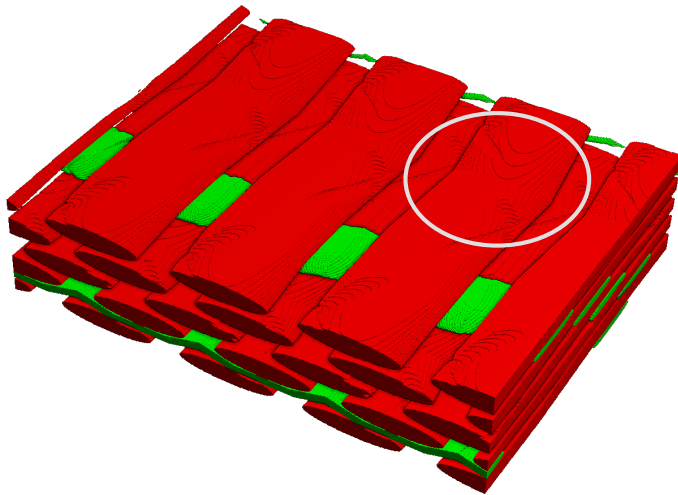


3rd cousin

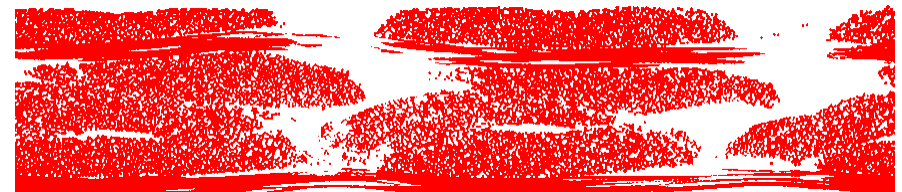


μ CT-scan

- Implementation of roving undulation

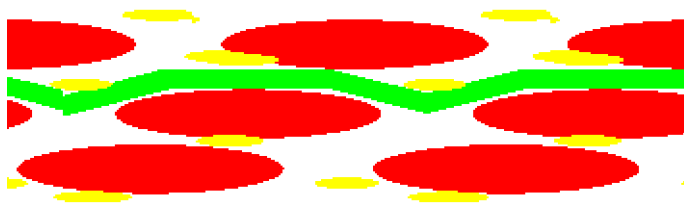
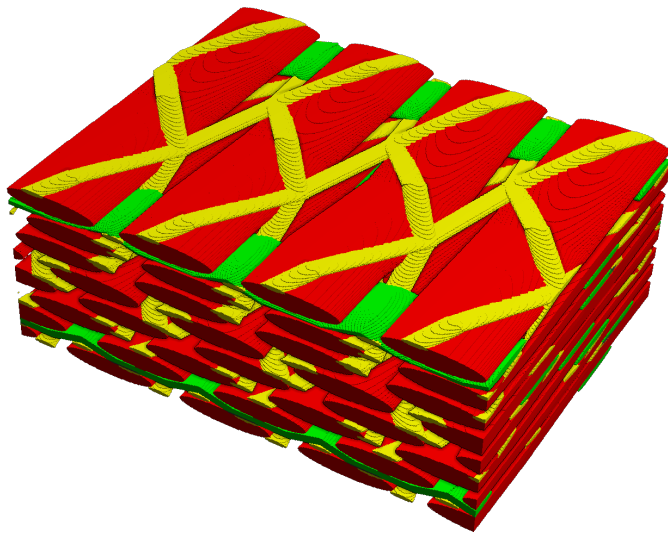


"2nd cousin" model

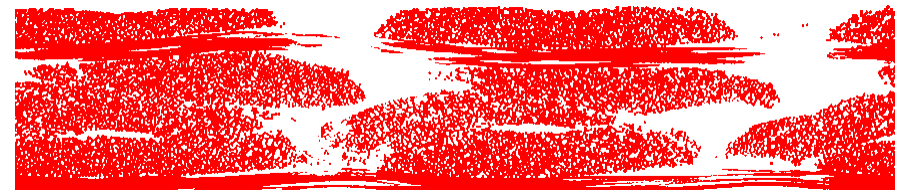


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- Modeling the PET stitching (yellow)

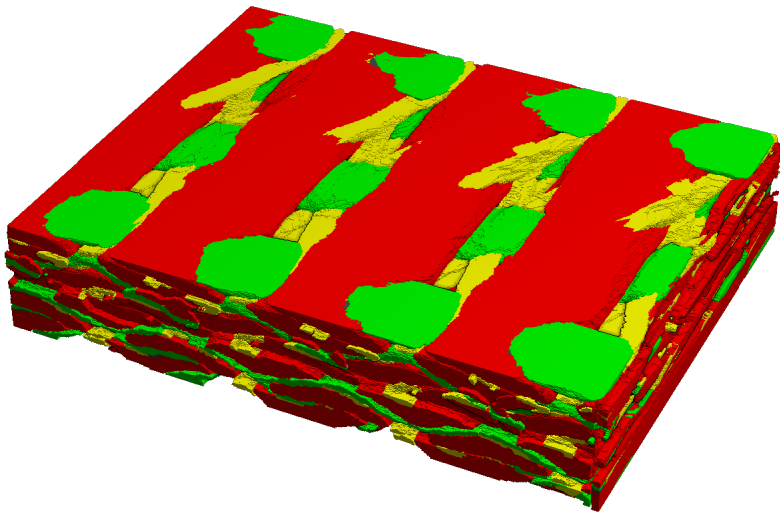


"1st cousin" model

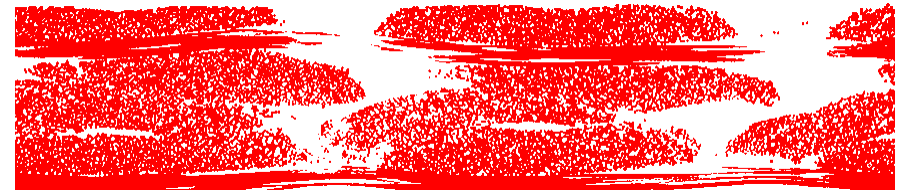


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- **Compaction of the modeled structure with FeelMath-LD**

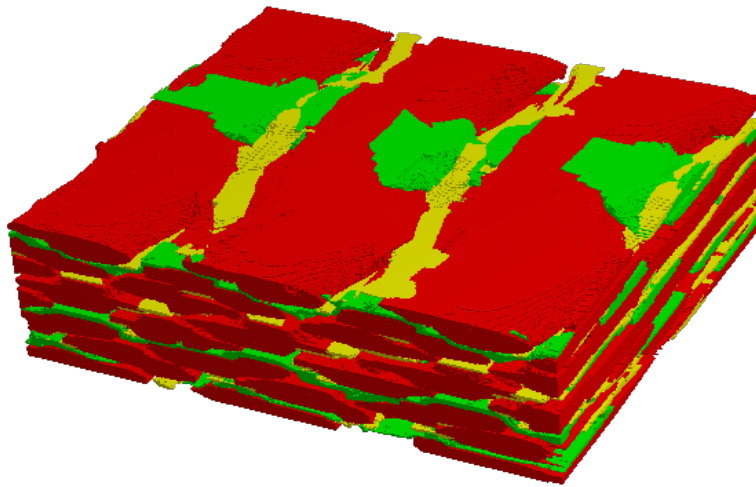


"brother / sister" model



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- Optimization of the model by calibration with permeability experiment at IVW



Digital Twin



μCT-scan

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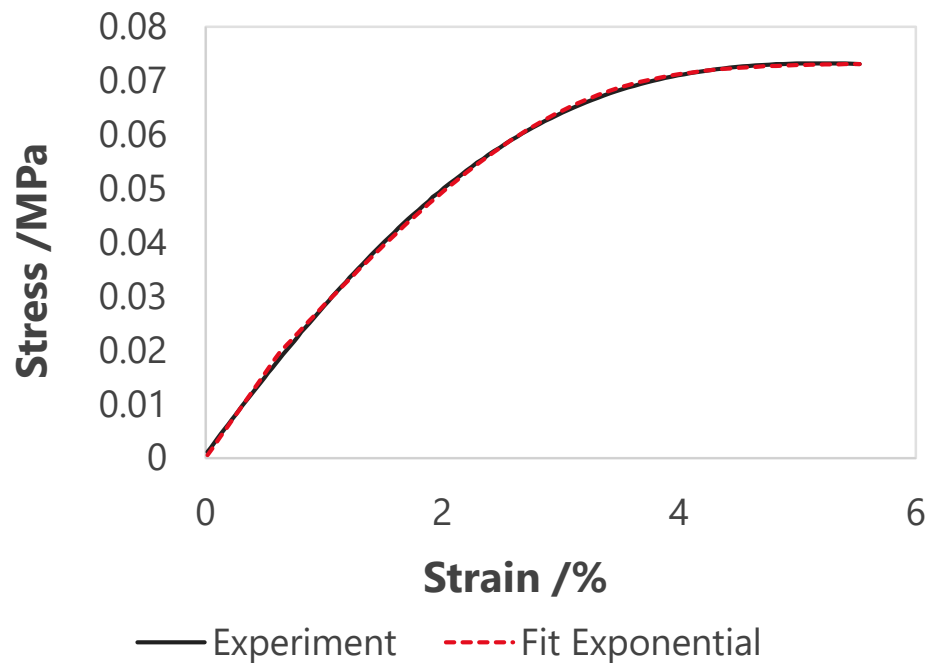
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Experiments and simulations:

- Experiments were performed at IVW on a Zwick universal testing machine
- Strain measurement with Aramis
- Mechanical simulations were performed by Math2Market using GeoDict 2019

Materials

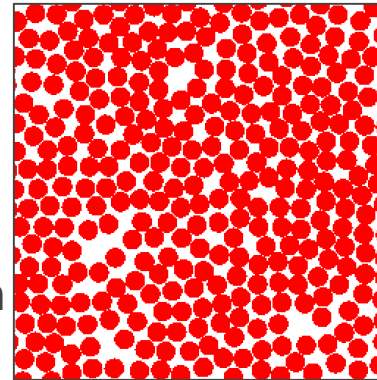
- Epoxy resin:
 - Epikote RIM935 + RIMH 936
 - Material model for elastic-plastic deformation of epoxy fitted to experimental data
- Non-crimp fabric
 - Hacotech G300U 1000 1270
 - Properties of glass fibers:
 - $E_{Glass} = 72000 \text{ MPa}$
 - $\sigma_{max,Glass} = 2000 \text{ MPa}$
 - $\nu = 0.22$



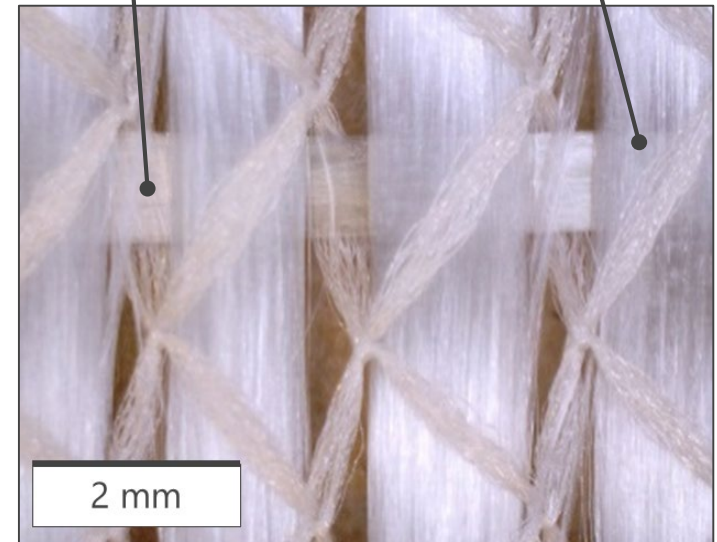
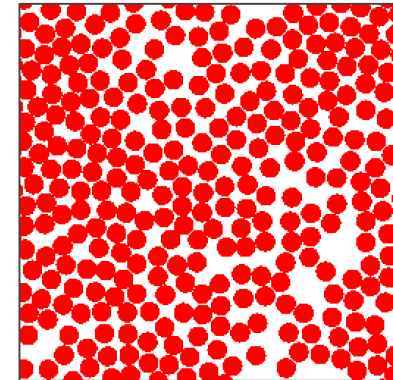
STEP 1: PREDICTION OF HOMOGENIZED PROPERTIES

- Homogenized material properties for impregnated rovings
- Epoxy resin: Material model fitted to experimental data
- Glass fibers: Linear elastic deformation with failure at maximum stress
- $E_{0^\circ} = 51362 \text{ MPa}$, $E_{90^\circ} = 54816 \text{ MPa}$

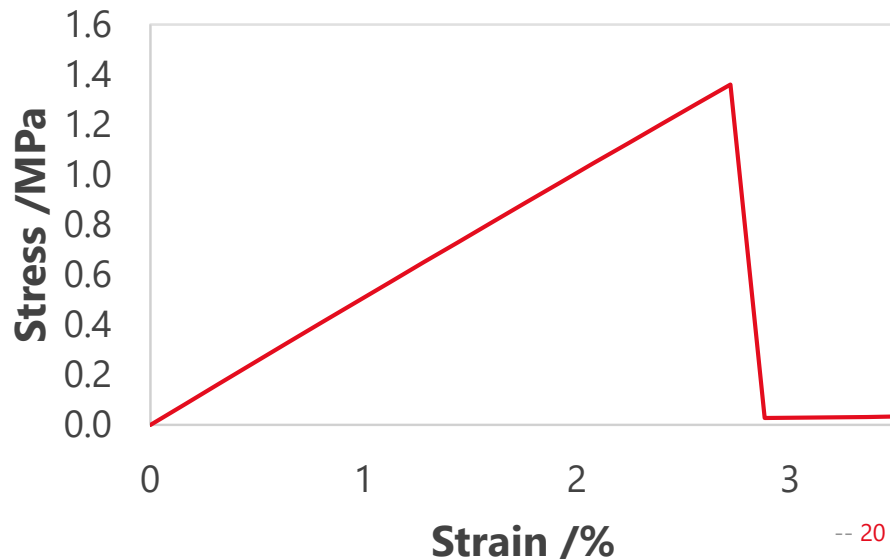
90°-roving
70% fiber vol.%



0°-roving
63% fiber vol.%



Stress-strain-curve of 0°-roving in fiber direction



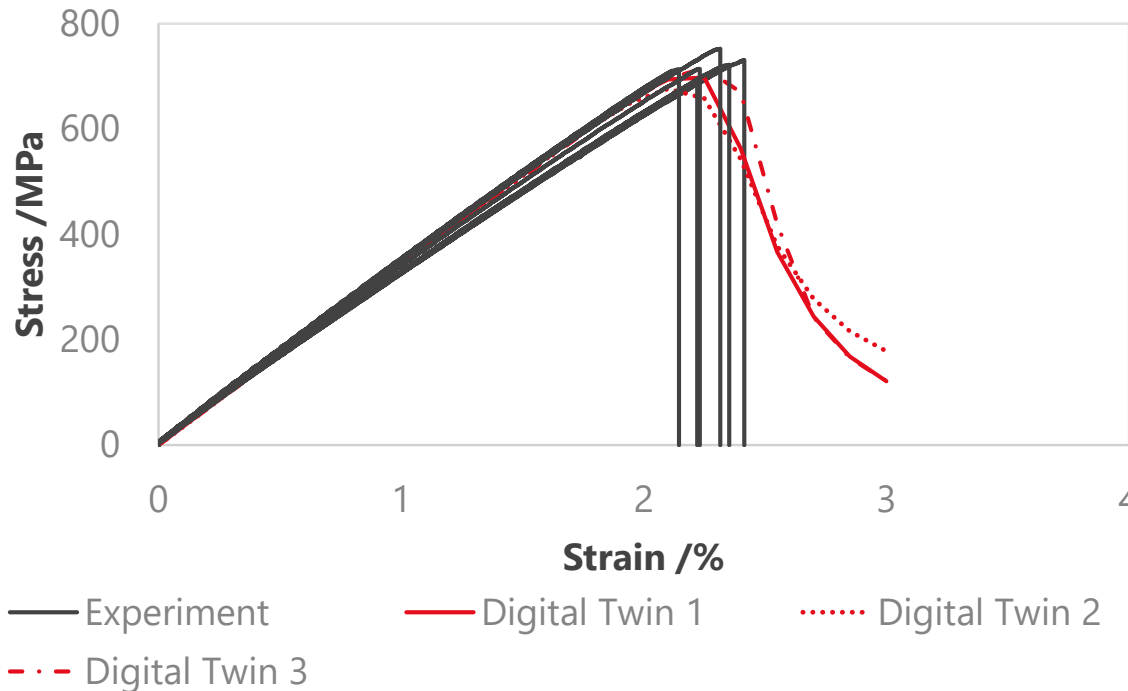
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Stress in fibers during loading in fiber directions

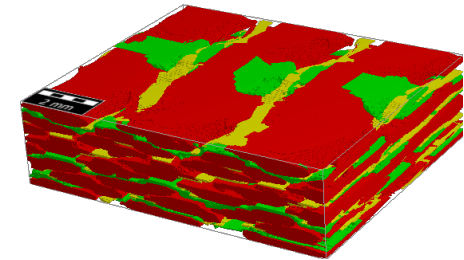


STEP 2: EXPERIMENT VS. SIMULATION OF TENSILE TEST OF DIGITAL TWINS

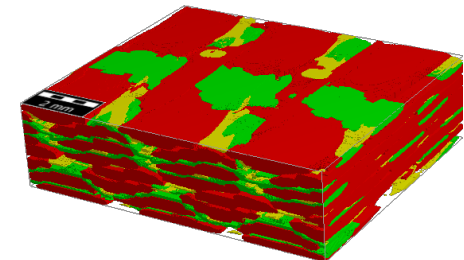
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- All twins have same statistical properties but are different
- Comparison with tensile tests in direction of 0°-rovings



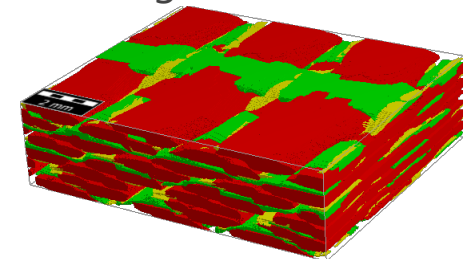
Digital Twin 1



Digital Twin 2



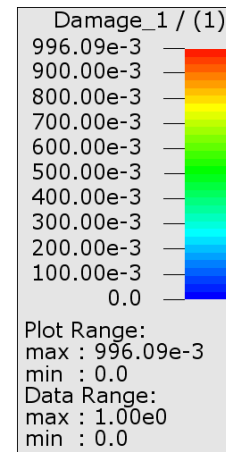
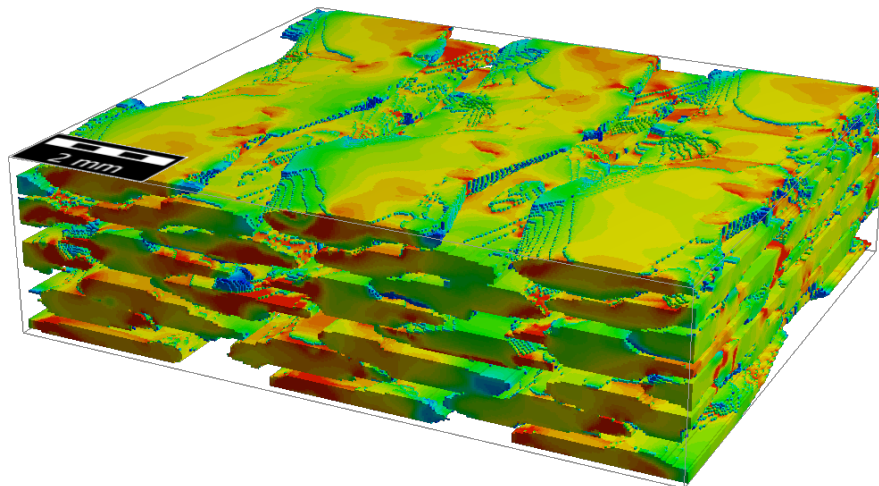
Digital Twin 3



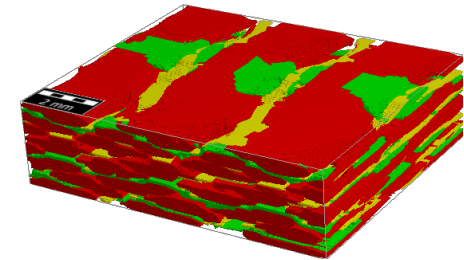
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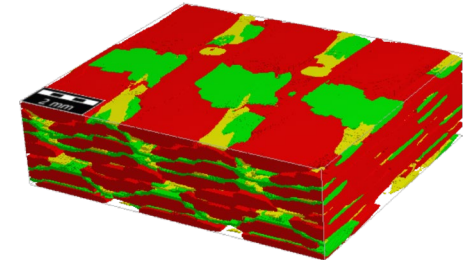
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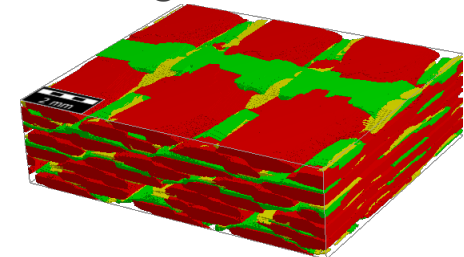
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Summary:

- Microstructure simulation unlocks new possibilities for material development
- Voxel-based FEA allows simulation of detailed models without meshing
- A Digital Twin can drastically reduce the number of μ CT-scans needed, but it must include all important features
- Calibrated Digital Twins can be used for mechanical simulations
- Reliable material datasheets and material models are crucial for a successful simulation

Outlook:

- Validation of this workflow with Digital Twins of weaves
- Extension and improvement of plastic deformation and damage models in cooperation with IVW

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