

# Structural Health Sensing & Monitoring

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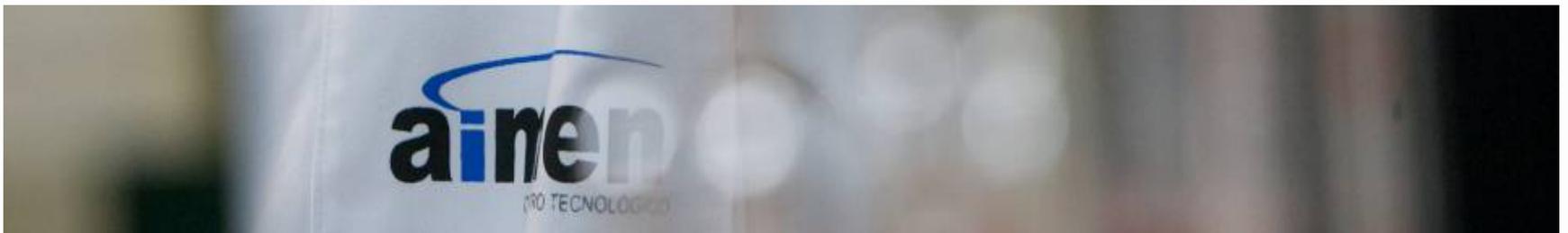
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❖ SHM

- ❖ Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS) & DC-dielectric sensors  
towards manufacturing and SHM of composites



## ❖ SHM

- Definition
- Past Catastrophic Failures
- SHM Applications
- SHM Advantages
- SHM Steps



❖ Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS) & DC-dielectric towards manufacturing and SHM (NERO project)

## Structural *Health* *Monitoring* (*SHM*)

the process of implementing a damage detection that can affect the system's performance and characterization strategy for engineering structures.

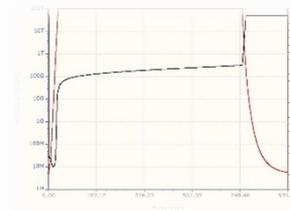
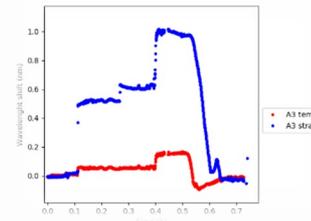
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Sensors

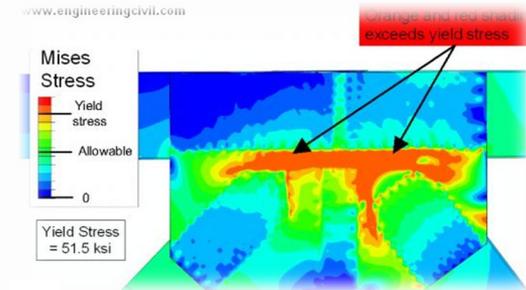


Signal



Analysis





I-35 bridge collapse (Minneapolis, US, 2007)  
Need of repair – failure of gusset  
13 killed  
+145 seriously injured

Sampoong department store collapse due to overload (Seoul, South Korea, 1995)  
502 killed people  
937 injured



Chevron Oil Explosion (Richmond, California, 2013)  
Old pipe - Crude oil leaking  
+15000 residents needed medical attention

- **Civil engineering**

Buildings  
Bridges  
Dams  
Tunnels  
Mining



- **Energy**

Oil&gas installations and pipelines  
Wind turbines  
Nuclear plants  
Tidal wave generators

- **Chemical installations**

Piping  
Tanks

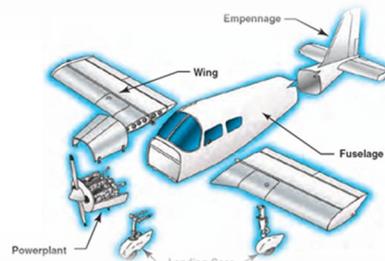


- **Transportation**

Automotive  
Trains  
Ships/boats

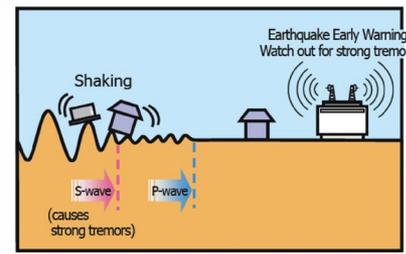
- **Aerospace**

Civil and military airplanes  
Space craft  
Helicopters



- **Geophysics**

Soil mechanics  
Volcanoes  
Earthquakes



✓ **Sensing damage** due to: strain, rotation, temperature, corrosion, leakage, etc.

✓ **Manufacturing control:**

- curing control
- defect control
- reduce rejection

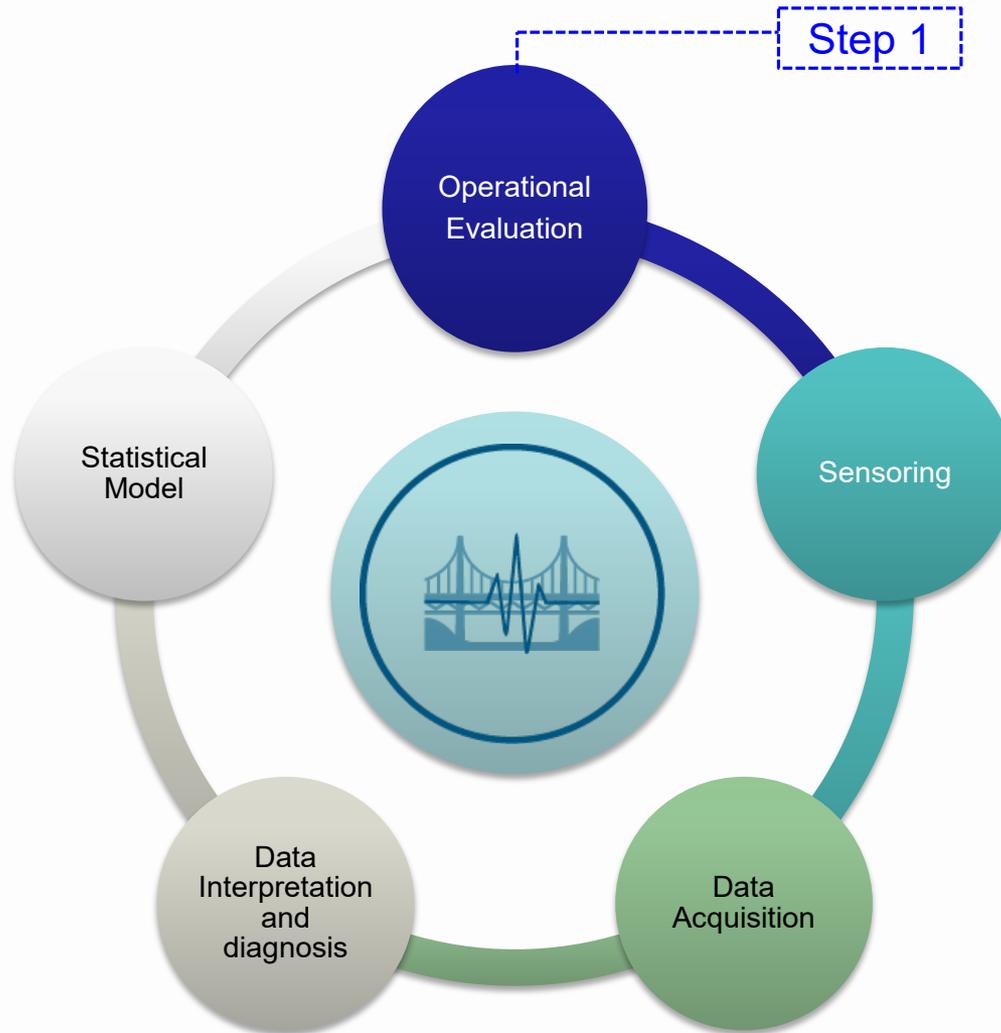


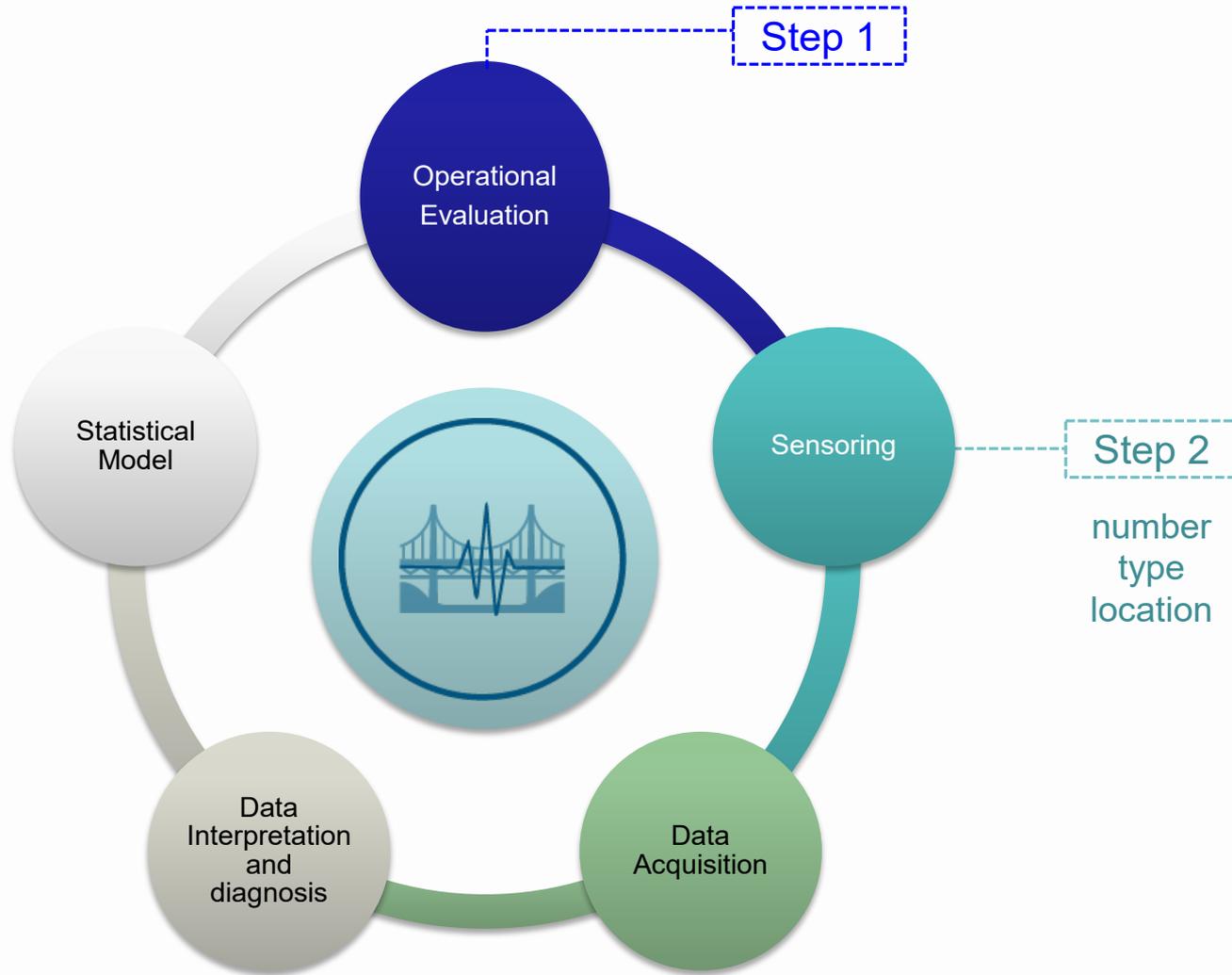
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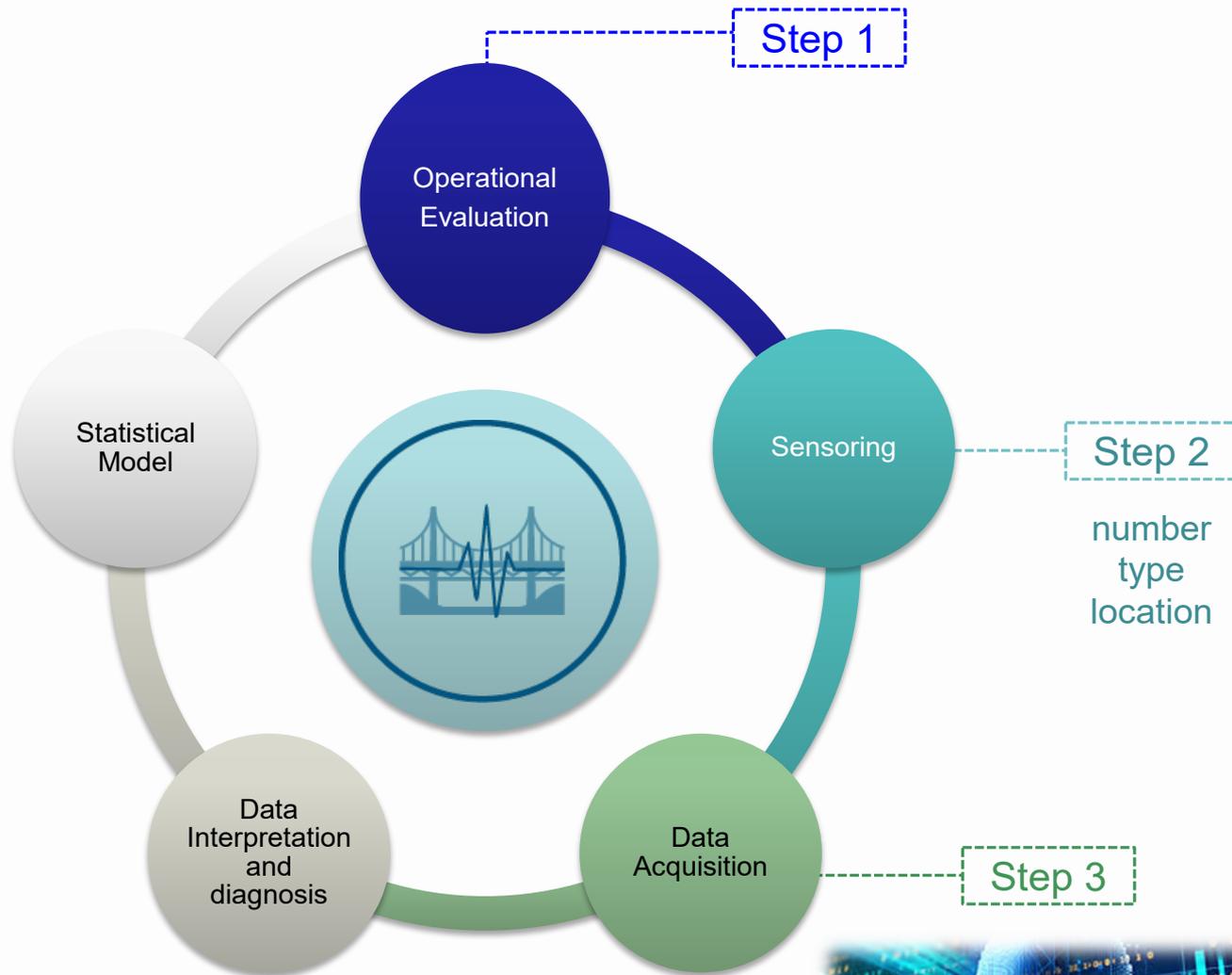
- detecting damage in early stage to enable proactive responses
- replacing schedule-driven maintenance with condition-based maintenance
- timely warning of impending failures

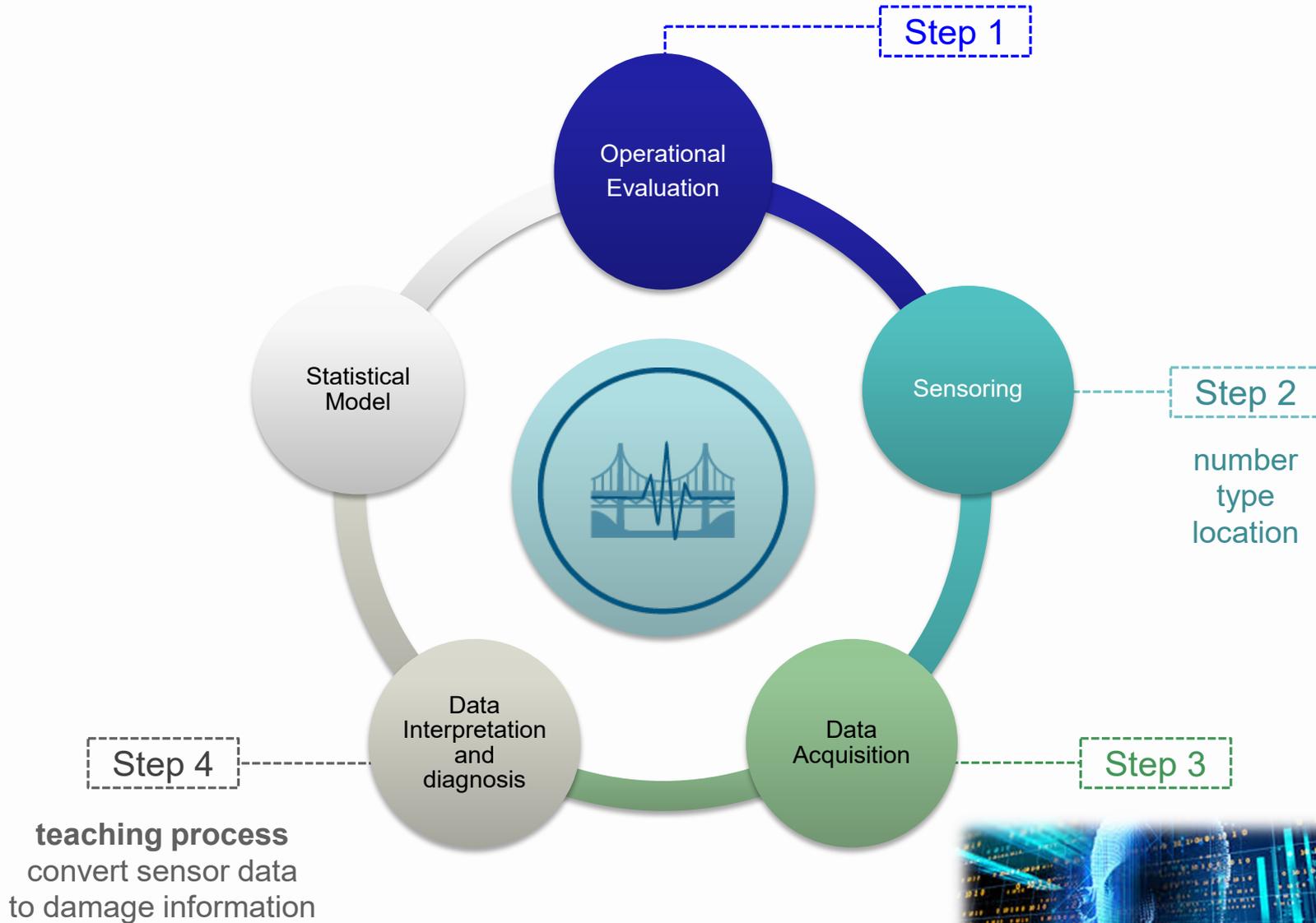
✓ Increase structures **lifetime**

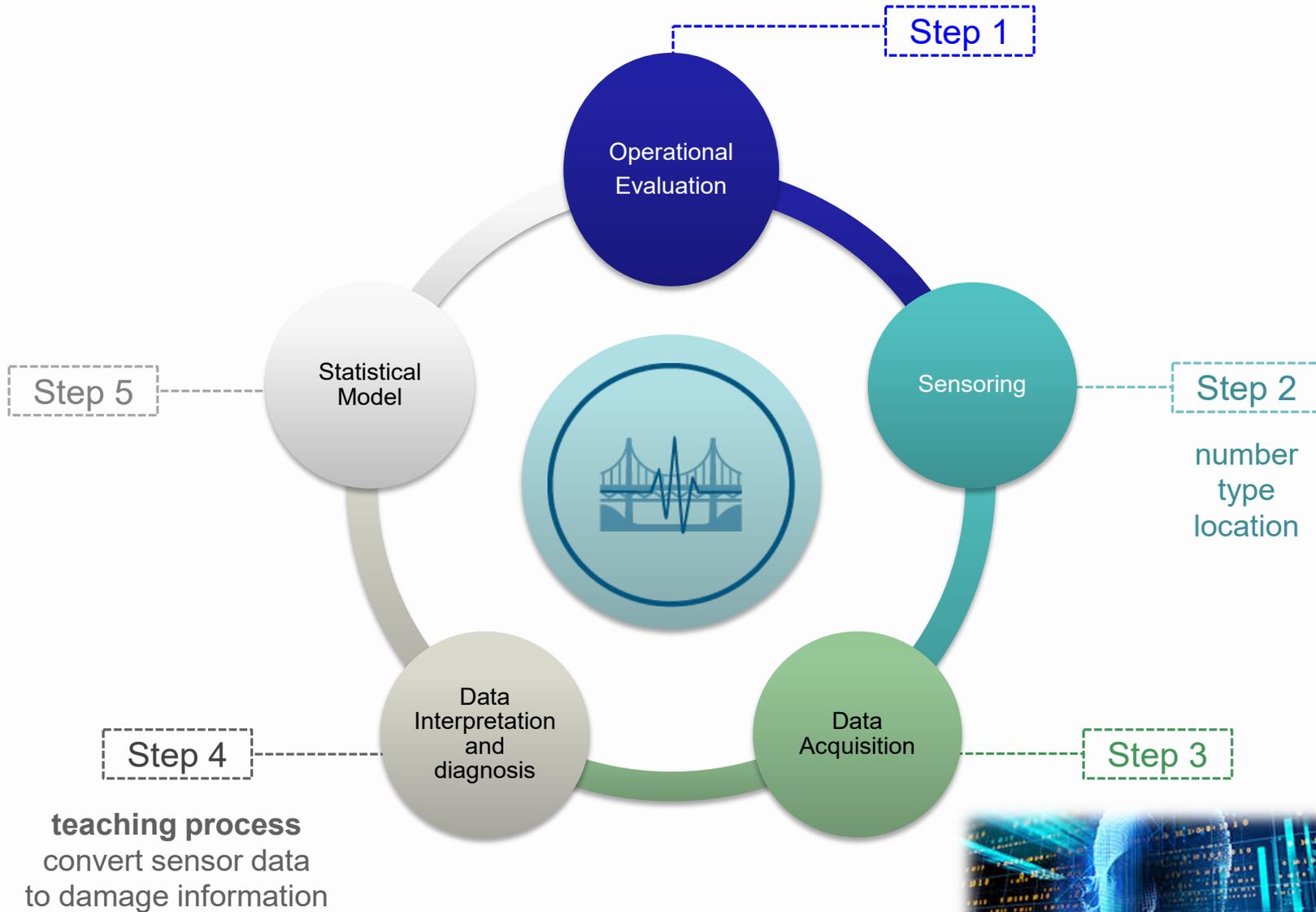
✓ **Time and cost effective**











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- Aim
- Technologies & Materials
- Technology A: DC-Dielectric sensors



- Technology B: Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS)
- Real case at Galventus



**ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEMS  
DEVELOPMENT FOR MANUFACTURING  
PROCESSING AND SERVICING OF  
COMPOSITES BASED ON  
NON-INVASIVE EMBEDDED SENSORS**



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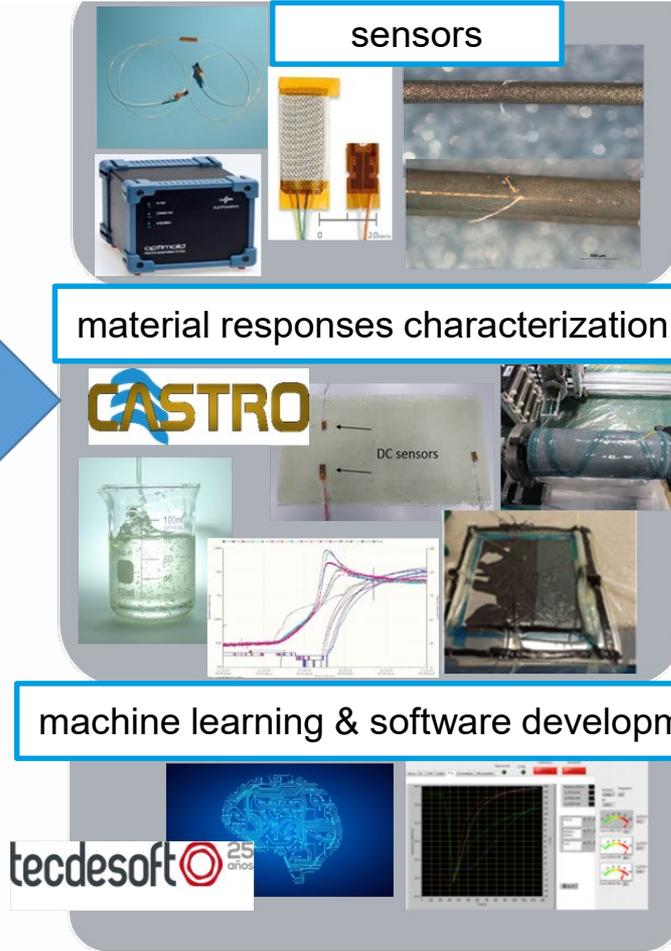
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## SECTORS INVOLVED



## TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT



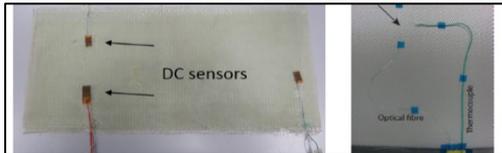
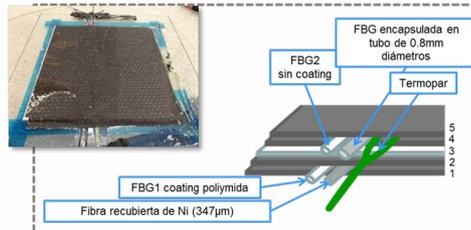
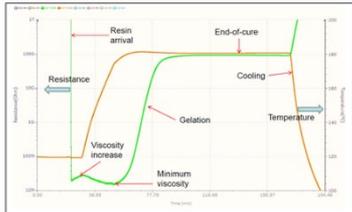
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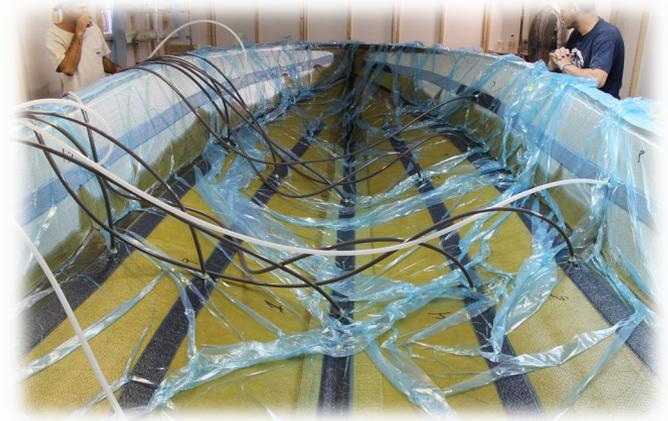
## CUTTING-EDGE CONTROL SYSTEMS

- Greater control in curing process
- New leaking detection

- Ensuring product quality
- Reducing rejection rates in production
- Minimizing manufacturing time



## Validation of technology in materials and structures employed by each user



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## Advanced Materials

Thermoset & thermoplastic composites  
Process out of autoclave  
Monitoring manufacturing of composites

### Technology A

#### DC-DIELECTRIC SENSORS

Resin flow and cure evolution  
Monitoring based on ion mobility or dielectric  
measurement



**Invasive**  
**% curing degree signal**

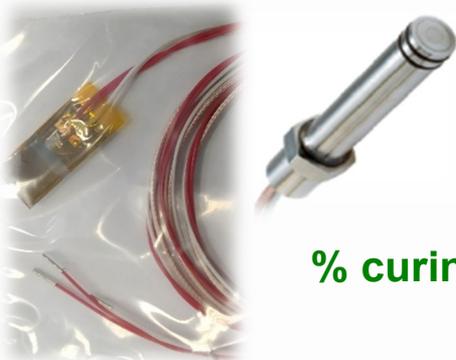
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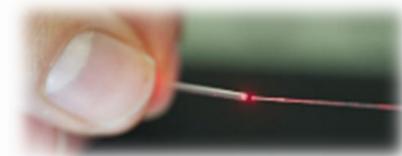
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**Invasive**  
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**TEACH**

**Non-invasive**  
 Unknown signal



## Robotic & Control

Photonic sensors  
 Smart manufacturing – Machine Learning  
 Manufacturing process control  
 Structural Health Monitoring (SHM)

### Technology B

#### FIBER OPTIC SENSORS (FOS)

Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG) – localized  
 Distributed - continuous

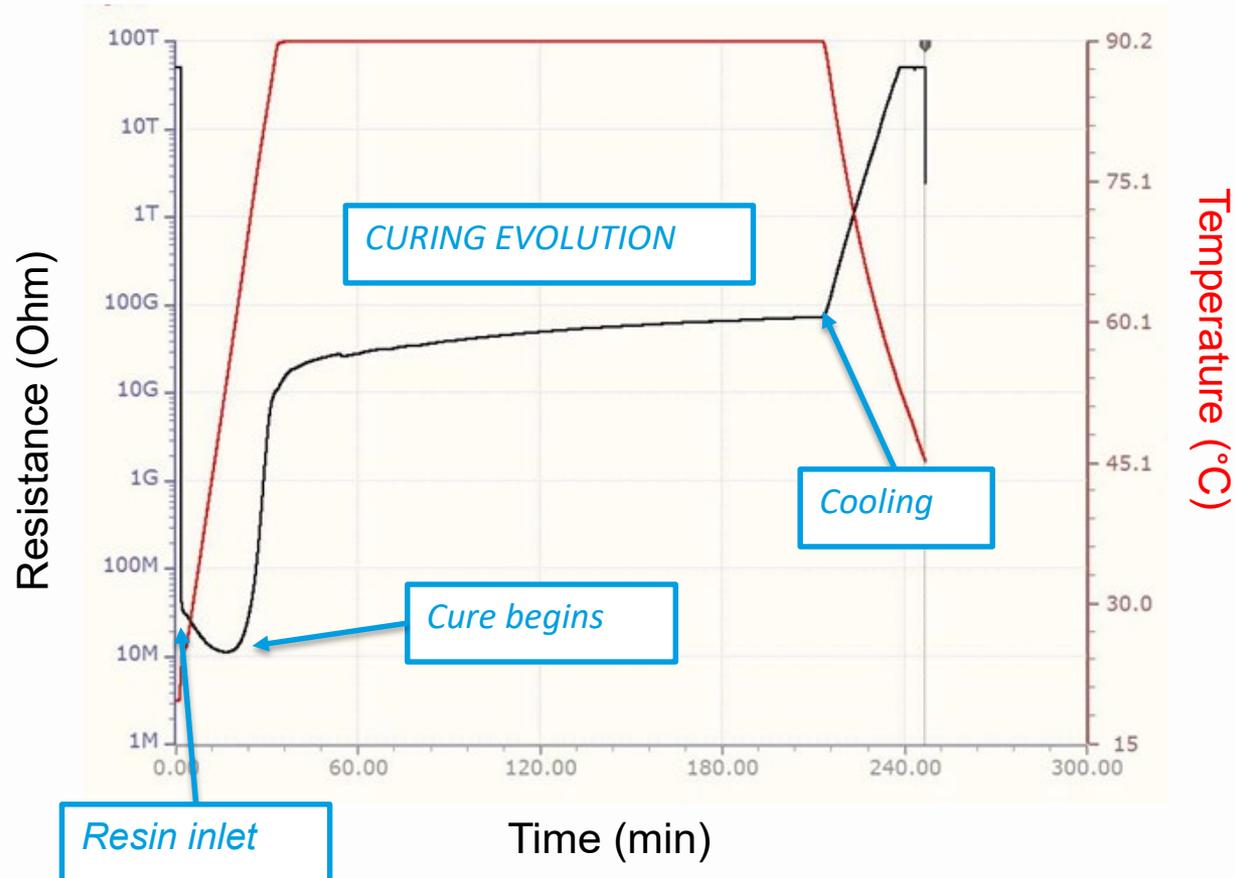
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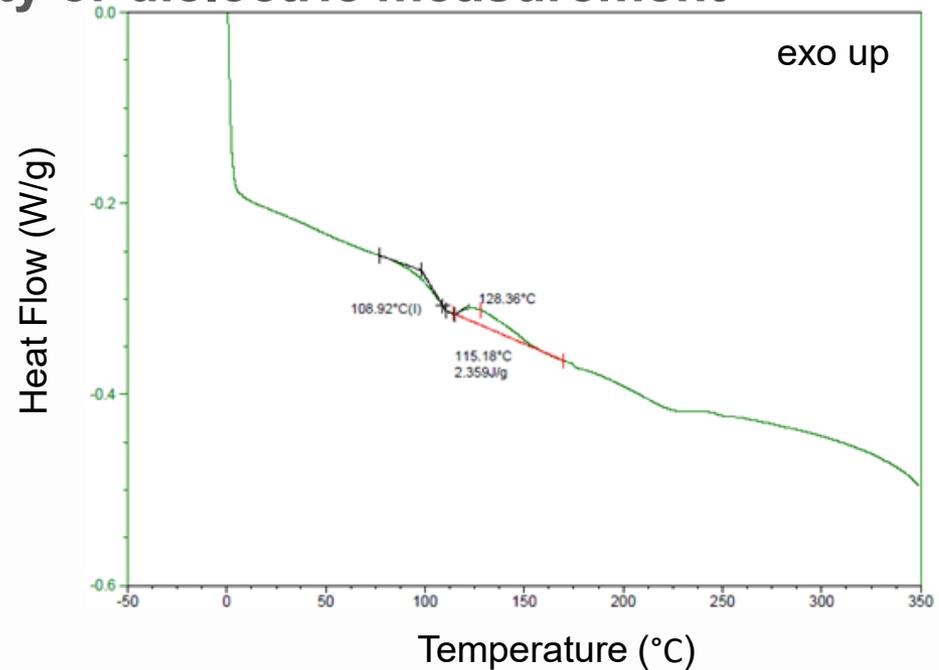
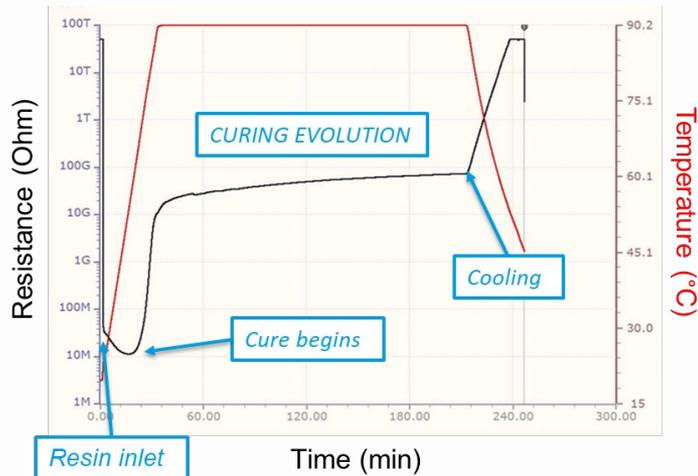


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## Monitoring Manufacturing Resin flow and cure evolution based on ion mobility or dielectric measurement



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$$\alpha = \frac{H_T - H_r}{H_T} \times 100$$

$\alpha$  (%): curing degree  
 $H_R$ : heat reaction  
 $H_T$ : heat 100% cure

curing degree =  $(307.3 - 2.4) / 307.3 = 99\%$

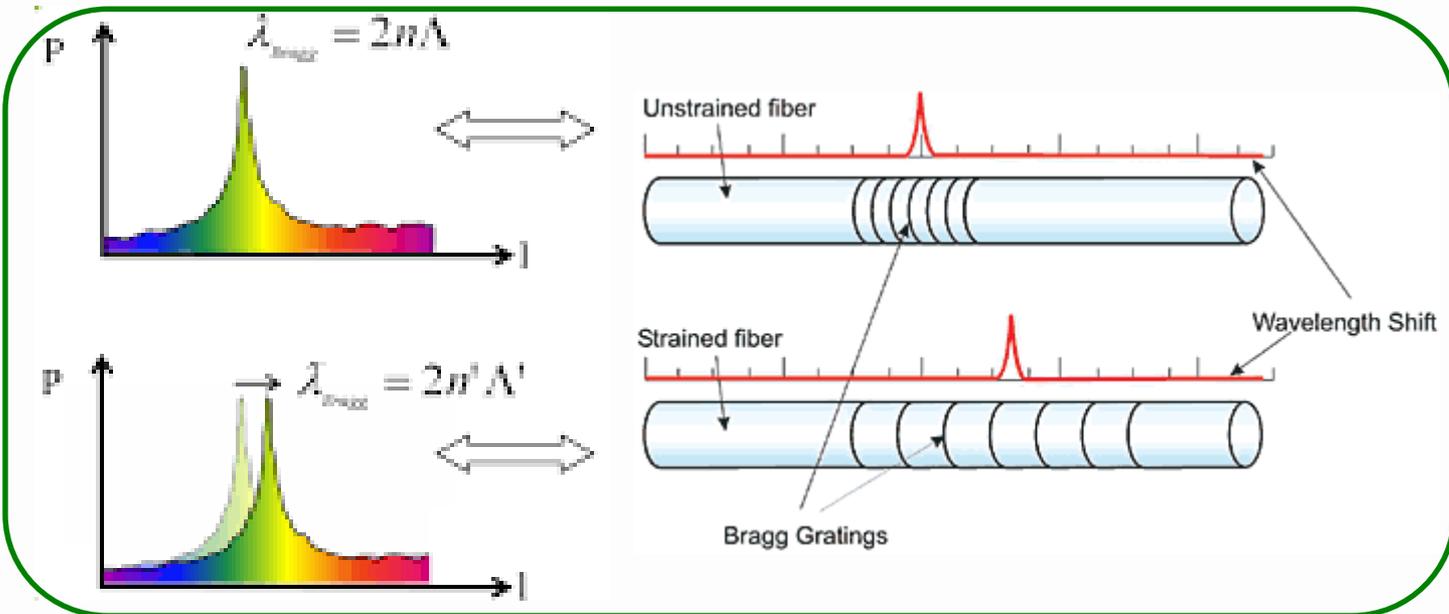
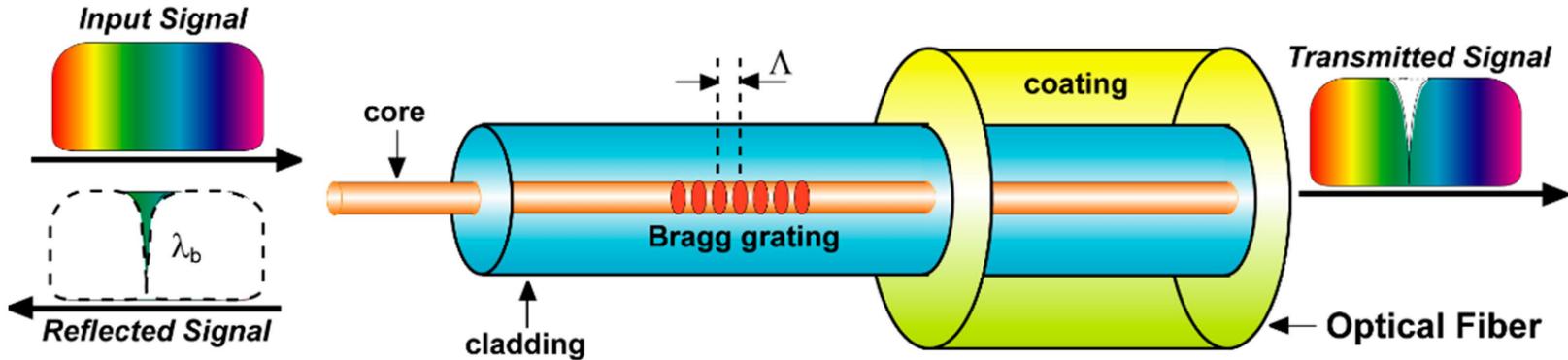
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In SHM, most commonly used Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS) is Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG) sensors, with Multiplexing capacity



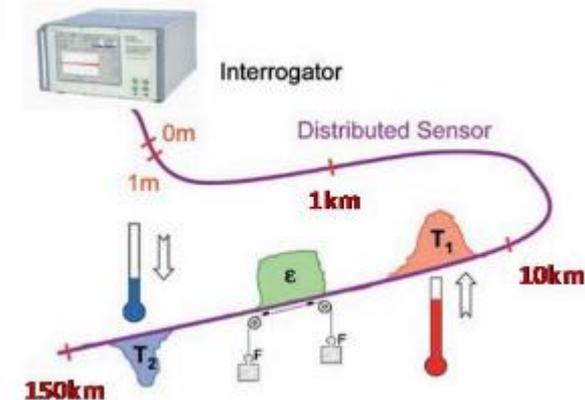
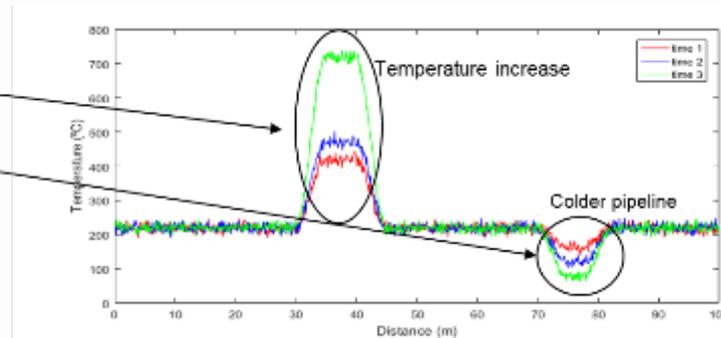
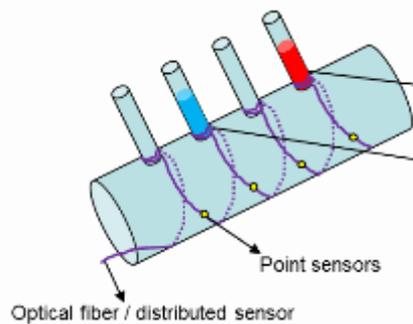
## Fiber optic **point** sensors interrogator development (**FBG**)

- ✓ High resolution and accurate measurements in localized locations (**critical points**)



## Fiber optic **distributed** sensors interrogator development (**Brillouin** or Rayleigh)

- ✓ Distributed (continuous) measurements along distance



## Advantages:

- ✓ Small size 125 $\mu$ m of diameter
- ✓ Light weight
- ✓ Passive: immune to electric and electromagnetic fields
- ✓ Easy integration into a wide variety of structures and materials, including composite materials, with little interference due to their small size and cylindrical geometry
- ✓ Resistant to harsh environments and high temperatures (<1000°C)
- ✓ High sensitivity and resolution
- ✓ Multiplexing capability to form sensing networks
- ✓ Remote sensing capability
- ✓ Single ended remote operation over several km
- ✓ Can monitor a wide range of physical and chemical parameters: **temperature, strain, humidity, pressure, pH, acoustic emissions, vibrations**, etc.



## Disadvantages:

- ✓ NOT mature technology
- ✓ Fragile
- ✓ Necessary to know its fundamentals

**I+D+i Opportunity**

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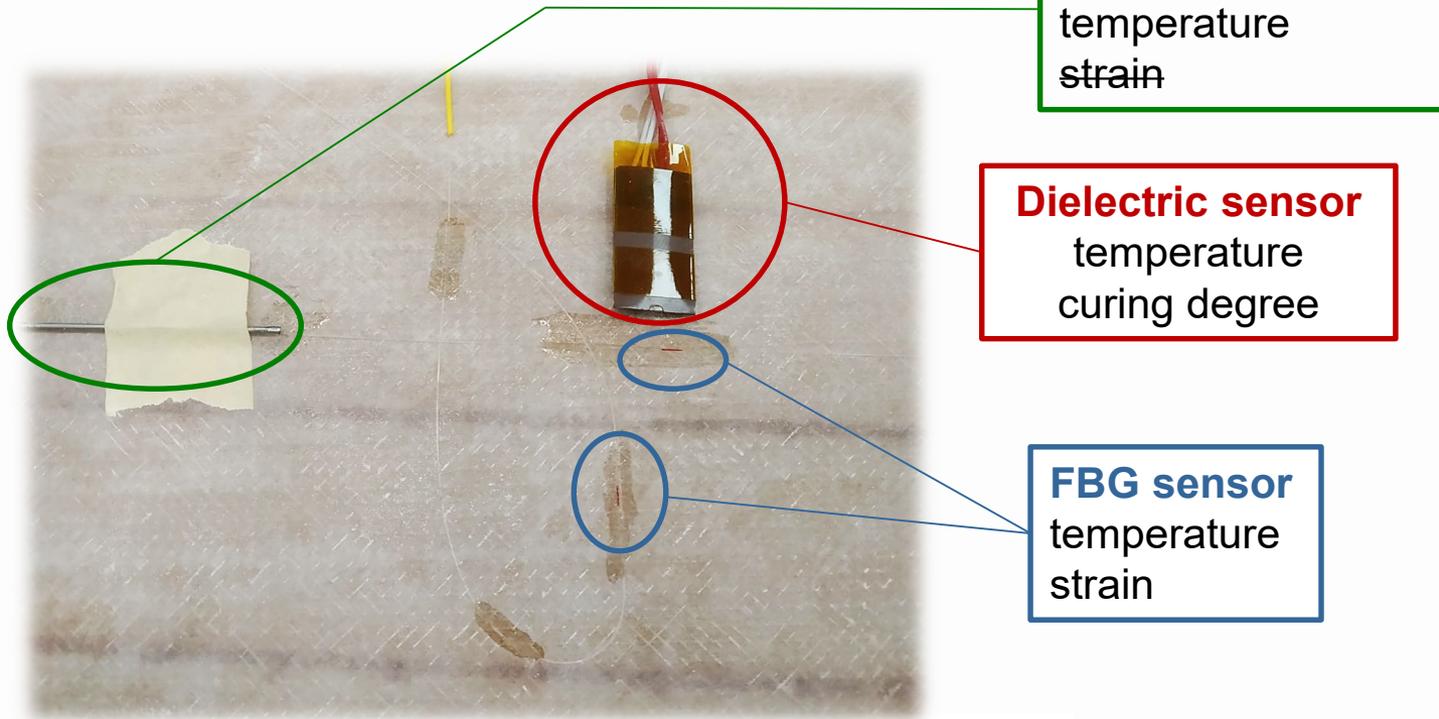


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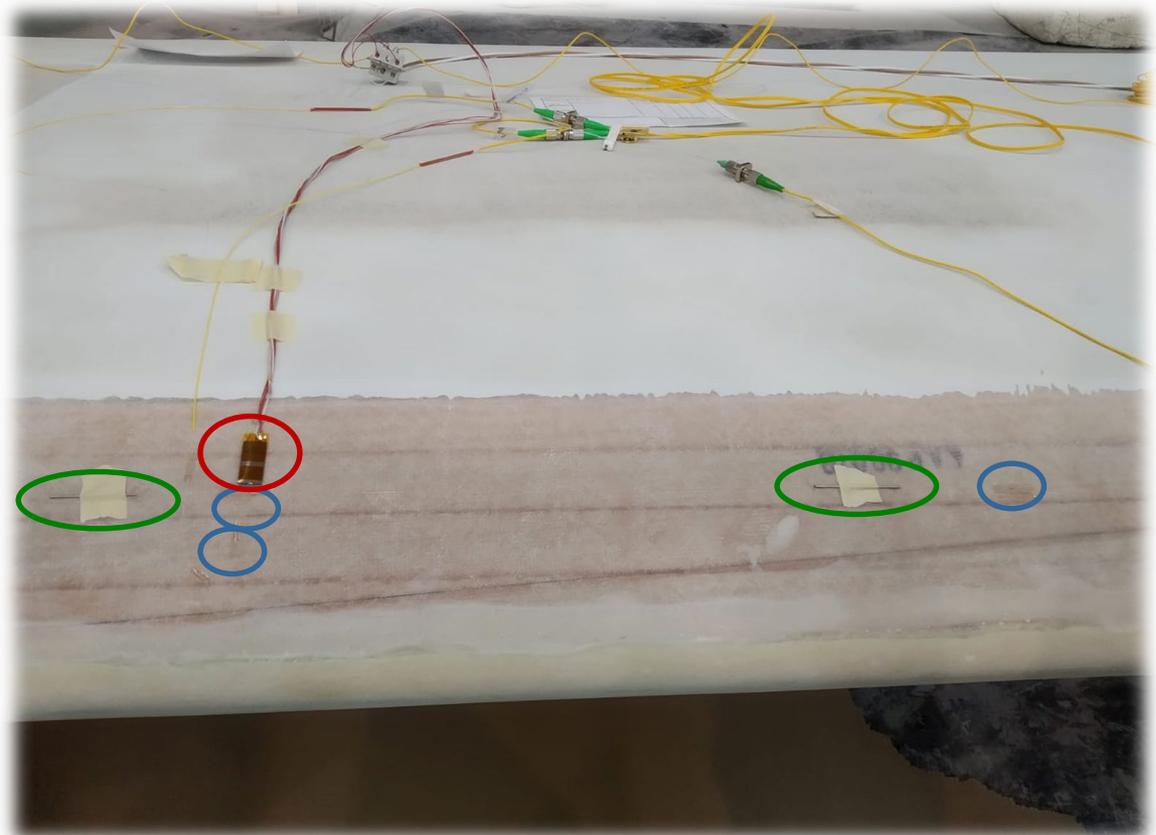
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**FBG sensor**  
**steel protection**  
temperature  
strain

**Dielectric sensor**  
temperature  
curing degree

**FBG sensor**  
temperature  
strain



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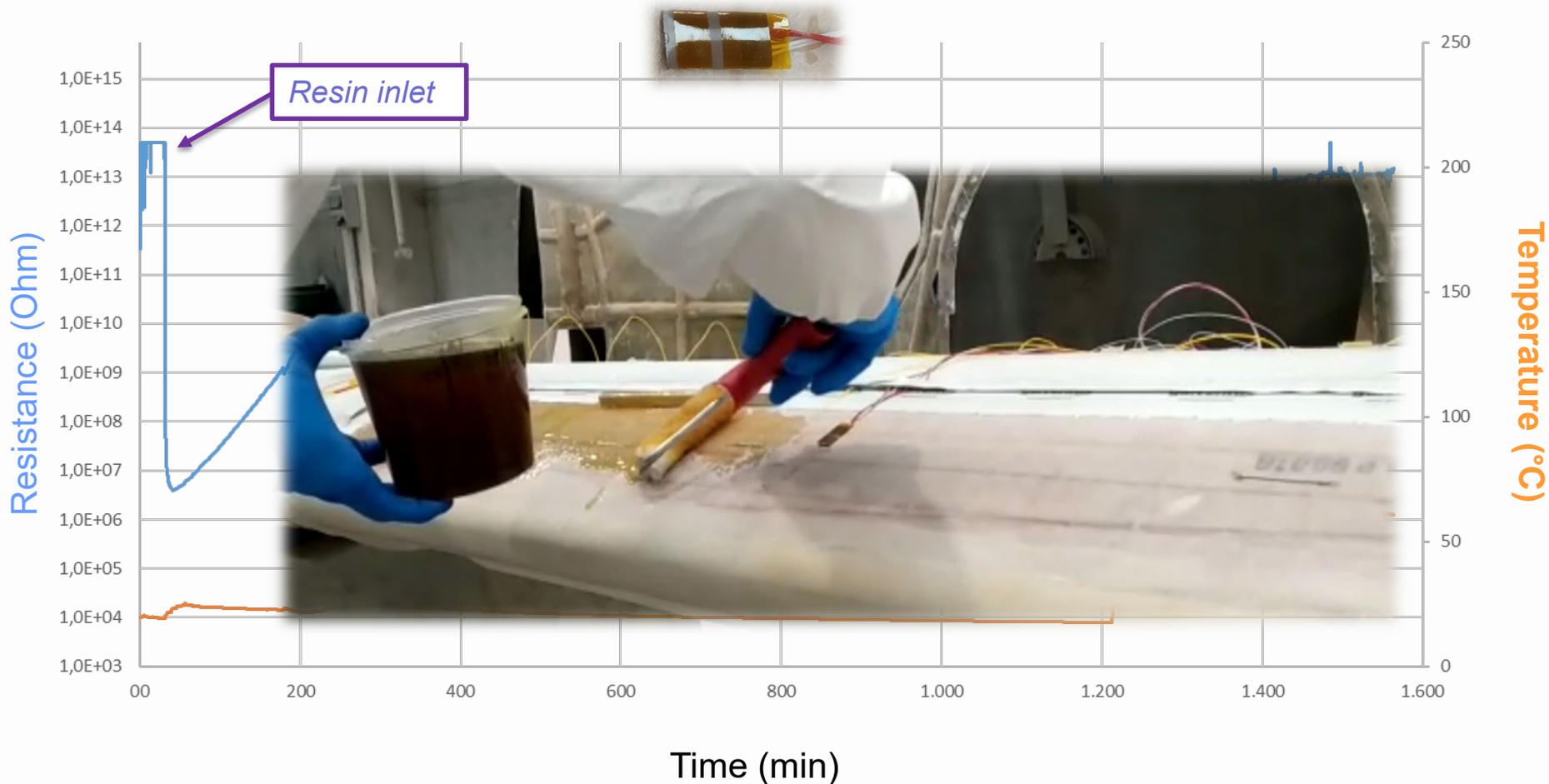
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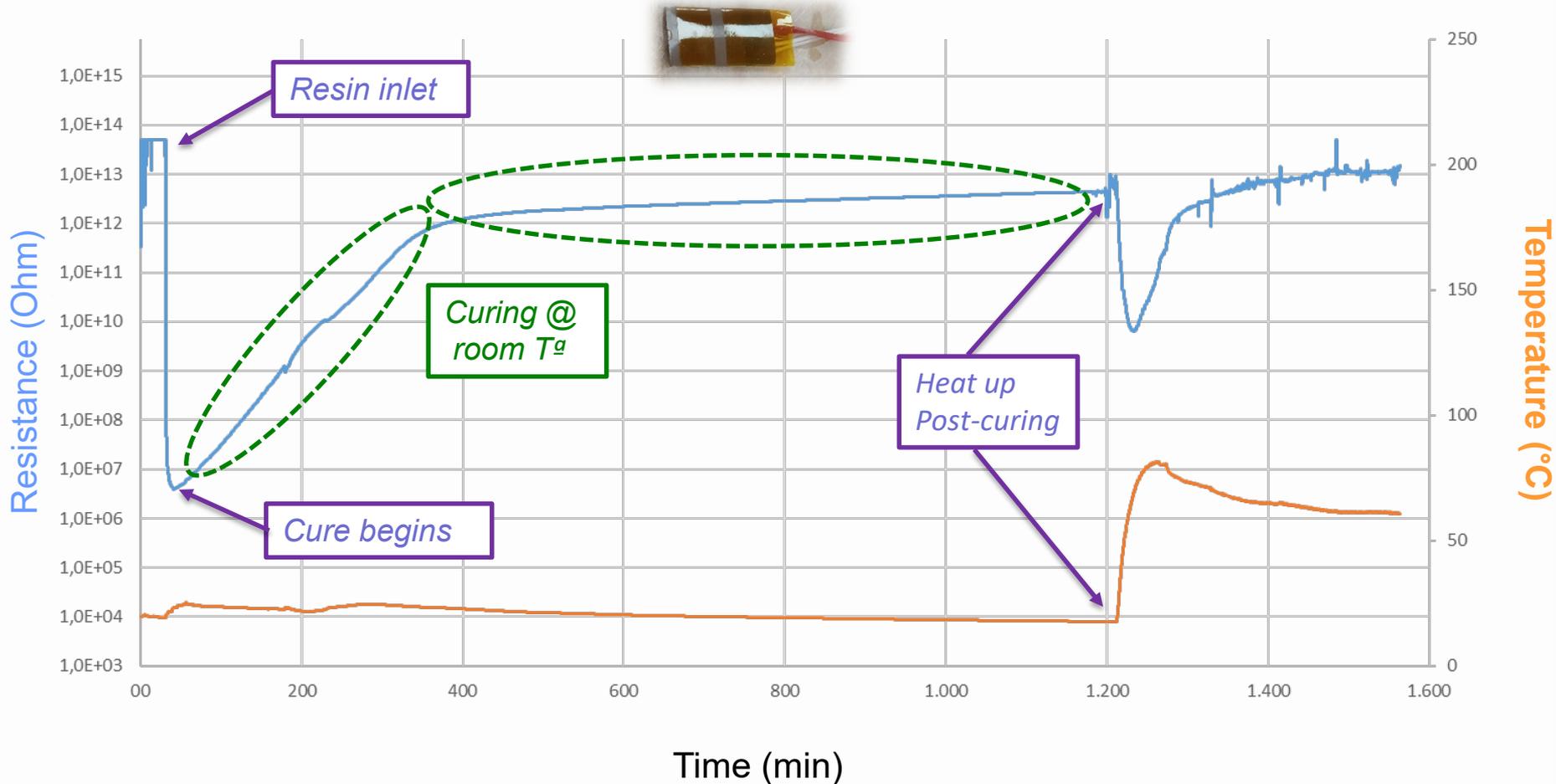
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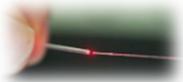




Tracking the flow of resin infusion is easy, just look for the dark areas to see the progress.

Manufacturing control by monitoring the full process

Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS) + DC-Dielectric sensors =



- ✓ Teaching process from DC to FOS
- ✓ Control of manufacturing process:
  - Vacuum level
  - Resin inlet
  - Wetting of the layers
  - Resine curing degree
  - Defect control
  - Reduce rejection
- ✓ Embedded sensors for in service monitoring (SHM):
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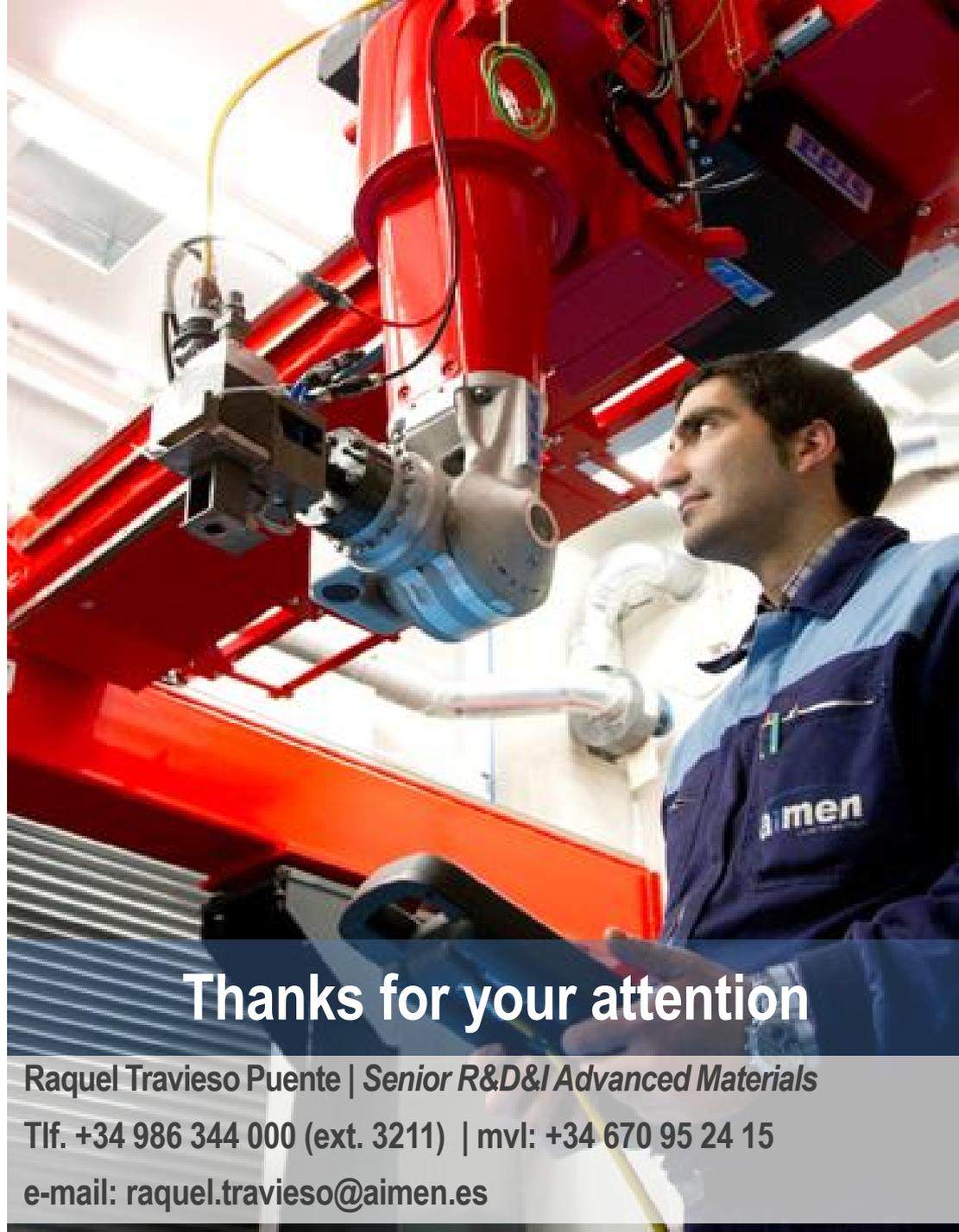
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# Technology A – DC-Dielectric sensors

Corroborar que los durables son esos dos los que tenemos

## Available Cure/ Viscosity Sensors

Durable sensor



High Temp RTM

- Resin arrival
- Viscosity rise
- Gelation
- End-of-cure

Flexible sensor



VI and RT cure

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Inline sensor



- Avoid pipe cleaning
- Adjust cycle
- Mixing ratio check

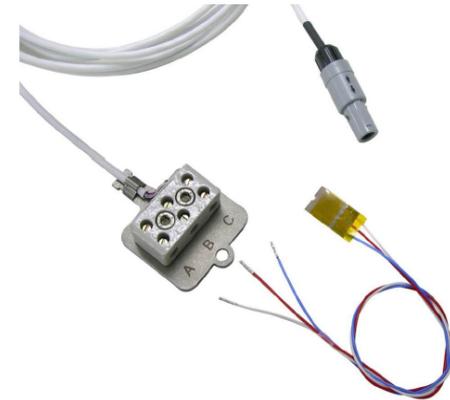
Pot sensor



- Mixing ratio
- Resin Quality
- Resin aging
- Adjust cycle

## FLEXIBLE RESIN ARRIVAL/TEMPERATURE SENSORS

The dimensions of the standard resin arrival sensor are 22x12x1.2 mm approx., however in most areas the sensor thickness is ~0,6mm. Each sensor has two wires for sensing of resin arrival, and two or three wires if additional temperature sensor has been integrated. The diameter of each wire is ~1,0mm.



Each adaptor has:

- 1) **A plastic plug end:** suitable for the OPTIFLOW unit connection as shown in the picture above. This plug is push-pull quick connect as shown in page 8 of this manual.
- 2) **A white ceramic screw terminal end:** suitable for the connection of the RAT (resin arrival and temperature) sensor's wires. Each RAT sensor comes with 3 wires (white, red and blue as shown in the photo below).

In-mould Durable



- High Temp RTM

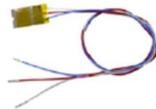
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Gate Durable



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Flexible Disposable



- Infusion and RTM
- Curved surfaces
  - In the laminate for development
  - Over the peel-ply
  - Suitable for very long parts
  - no extra protection for Carbon Fibre Preforms

FloWire Disposable



# Sensors for SHM - Types

Buscar defin básica de cada tipo de sensor:

Piezoelectricos, ultrasonic, MEMS, wireless and embedded

Mirar en que consisten los wireless y RFID

## Old SHM Technology

MEMS (microelectromechanical systems)

Piezoelectric

Ultrasonic

## New SHM Technology

FOS (Fiber Optic Sensors)

Wireless sensors network

Embedded RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) systems

**PROCESS MONITORING** - resin flow and cure evolution: DC-Dielectric sensors and FOS

**STRUCTURAL HEALTH MONITORING:** Fiber optic sensors (FOS)

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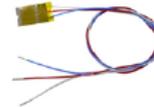
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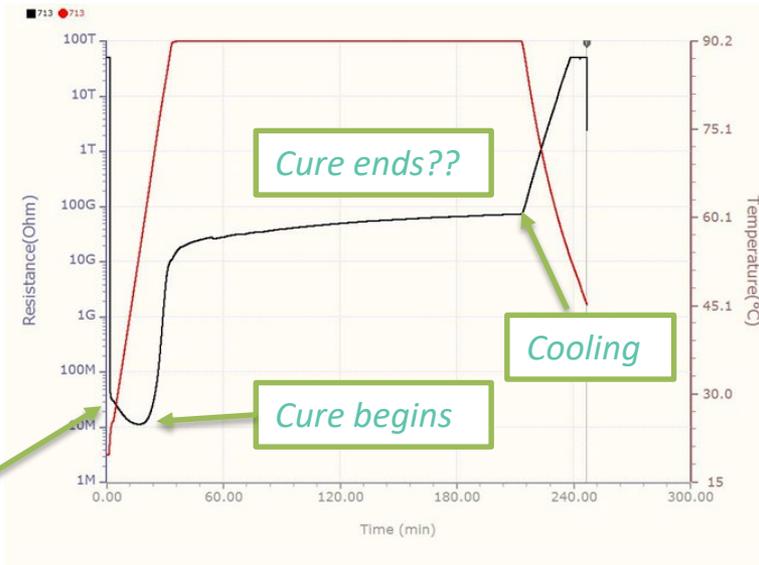
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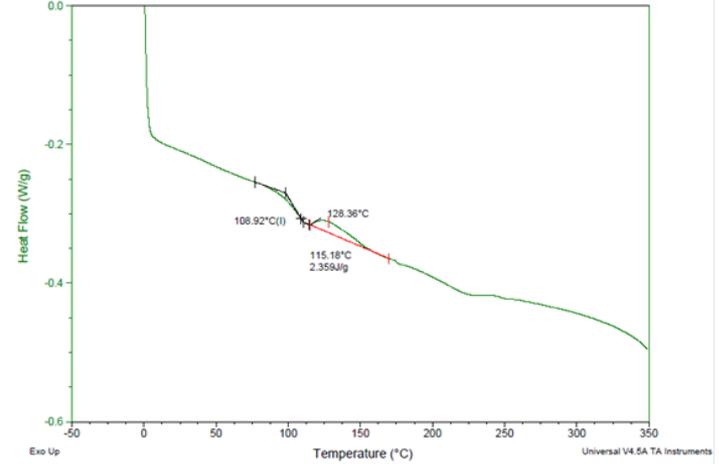
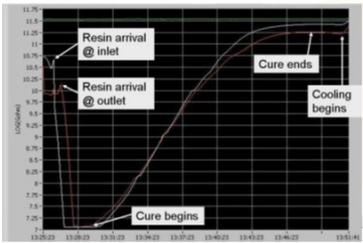
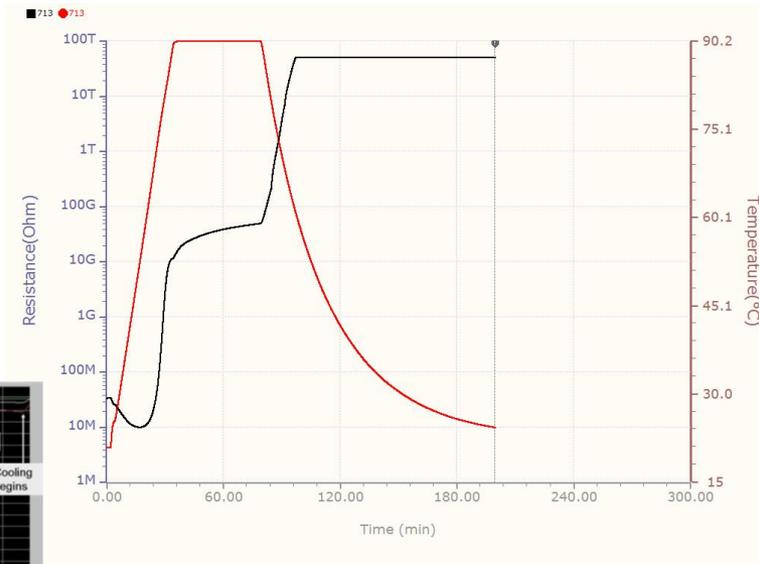
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**180 min \_90°C**

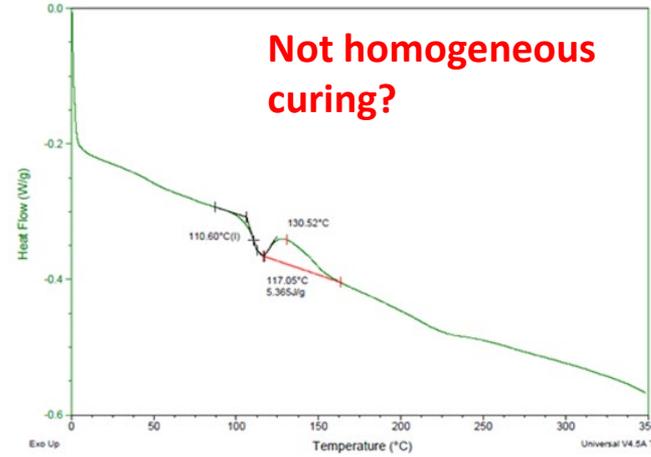


*Resin inlet*

**45 min \_90°C**



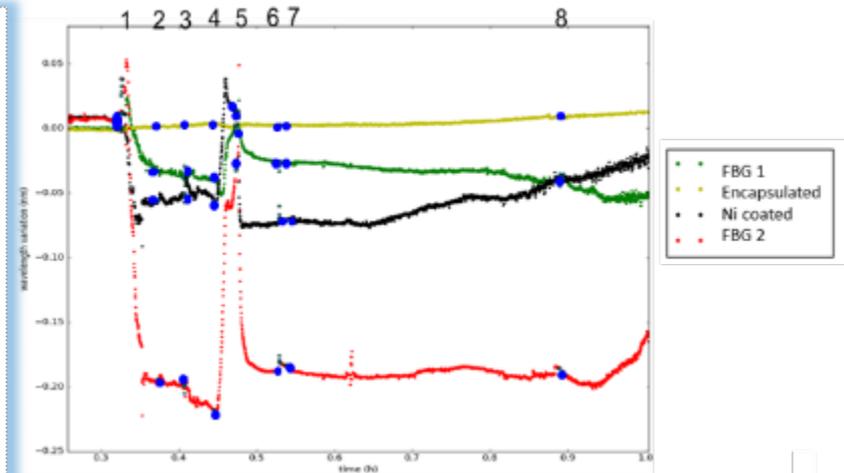
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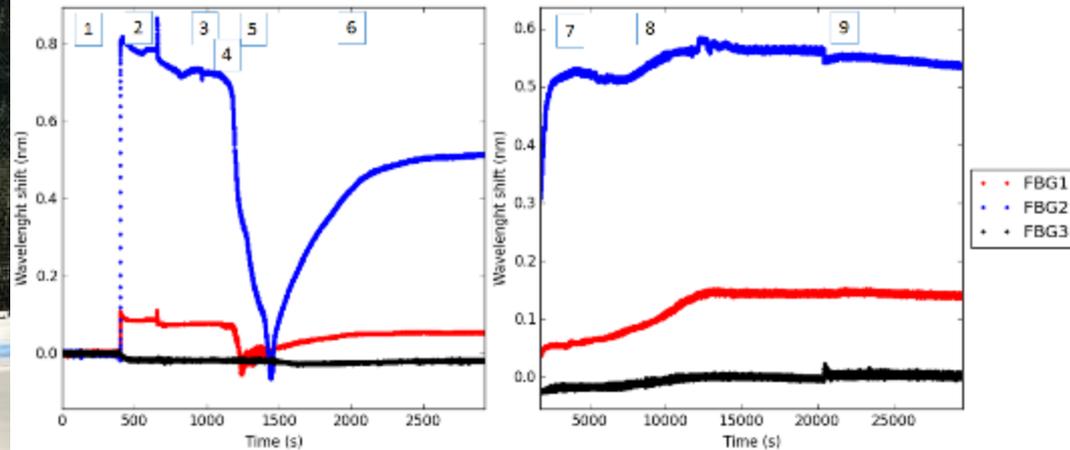
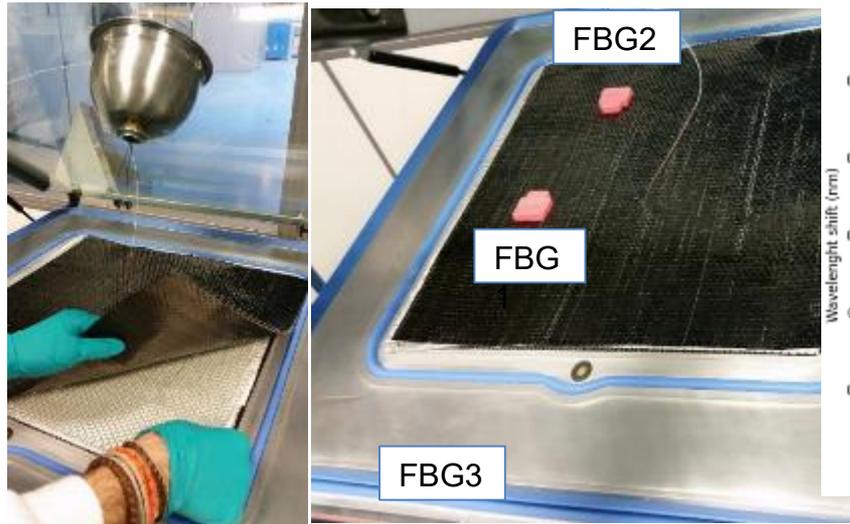


**1-5 Vacuum pump on and off**  
**6-7 Resine ingress to the composite**  
**8. Resine reach the sensors**

Poner todo el set up de diferentes capas y sensores

## *Monitoring of composites manufacturing based on optic sensors*

- Embeddement of sensor into the laminate.
- Advantages: Not invasive – not affect the material properties, multiplexing capability, on-line measurements.
- Monitoring of flow arrival and curing process.
- Once the sensor is embedded in the component, it can act as strain sensor in service



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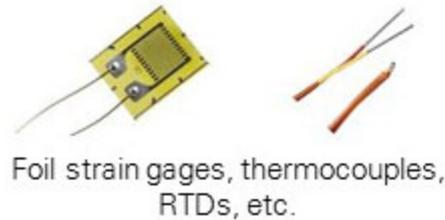
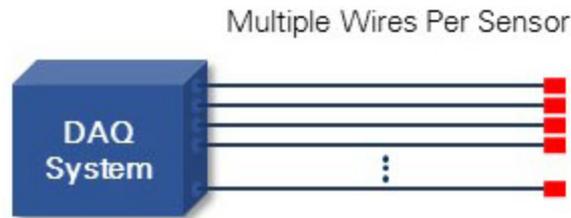
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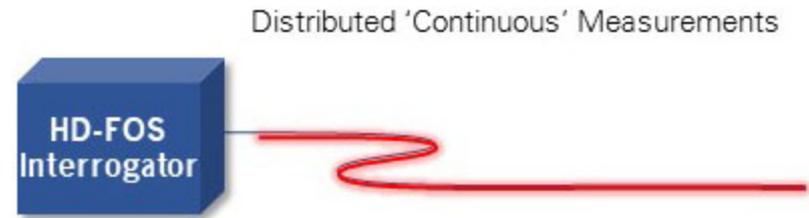
## 7. Conclusion

## Traditional (Legacy) DAQ System Electrical Sensors



- Standard method for basic measurements
- Electrical – sensitive to EMI, etc.
- Bulky, metallic wiring

## High-Definition Fiber Optic Sensing (HD-FOS)



Utilizes the naturally occurring  
Rayleigh backscatter in fiber core

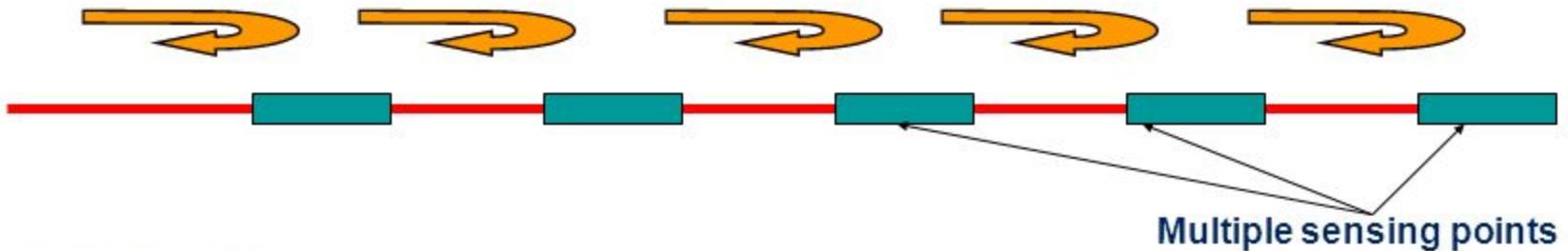
- Optical sensing
- Passive and chemically inert
- Lightweight, embeddable
- High resolution, < 1 mm
- Thousands of gages per meter
- Fast and easy to install

# Types of Fiber Optic Sensors

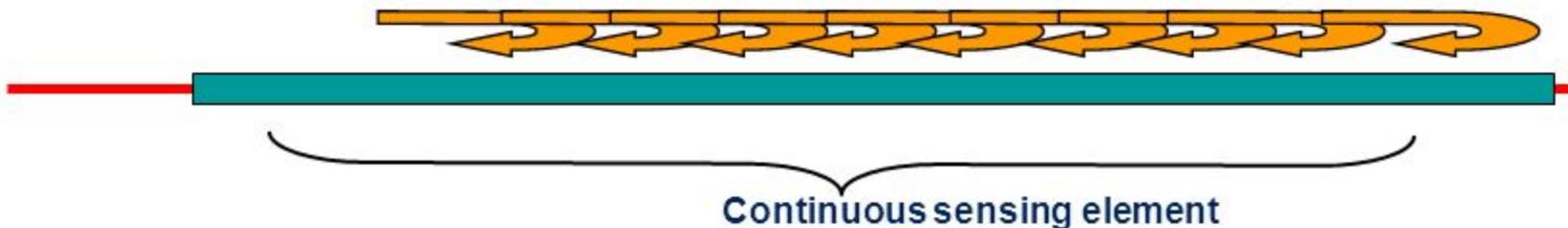
Single-point sensor



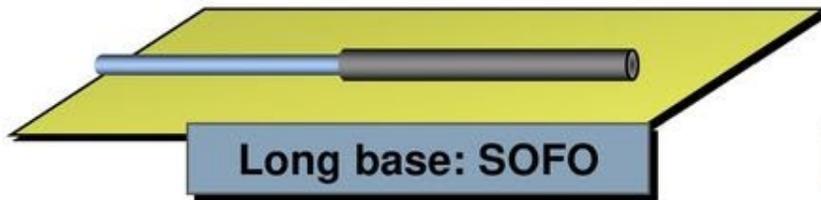
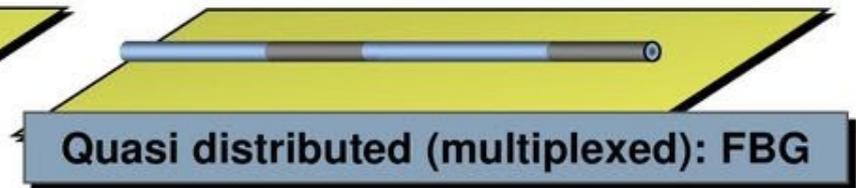
Multiplexed (quasi-distributed) sensor

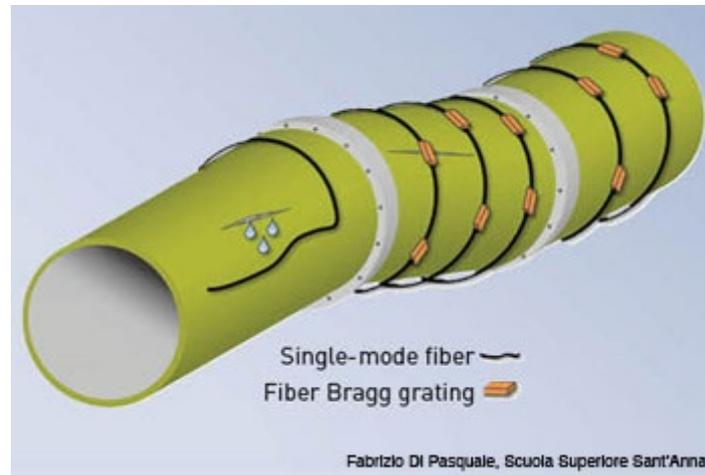


Distributed sensor



# Fiber Optic Sensor Types

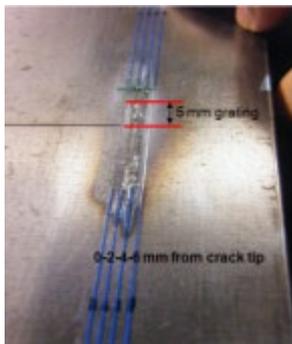




Shipbuilding sector:

Structural health monitoring based on fiber optic sensors (FBGs):

Back side steel monitoring



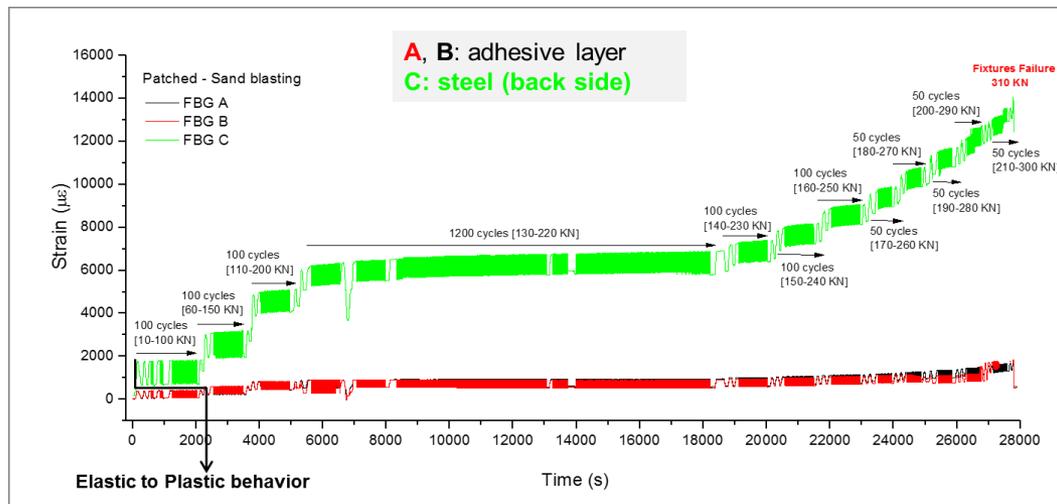
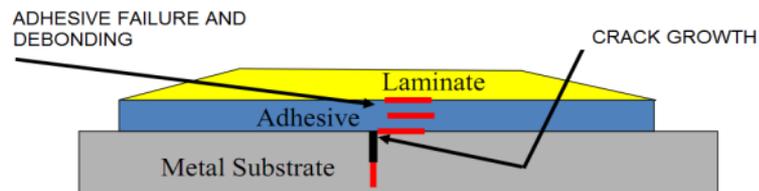
Composite laminate monitoring



Adhesive layer monitoring

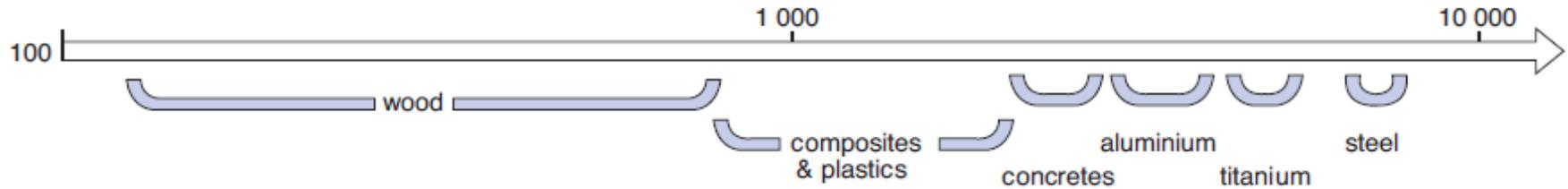


*Damaged steel repaired with composite over-laminated*

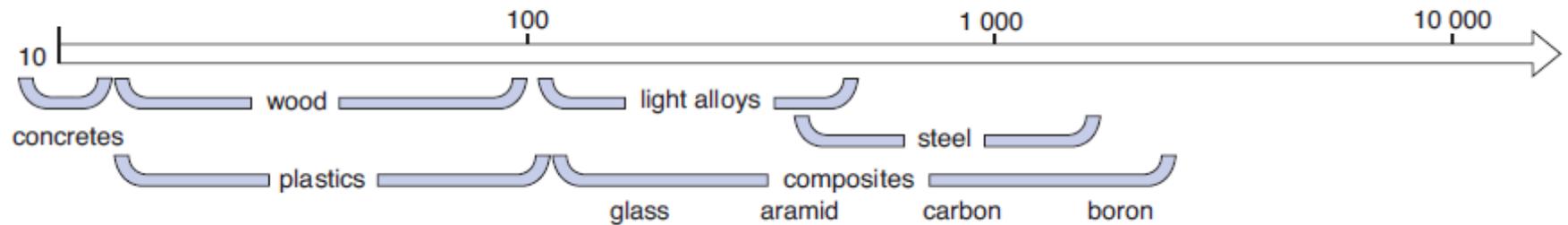


# AM - Composites vs. other materials

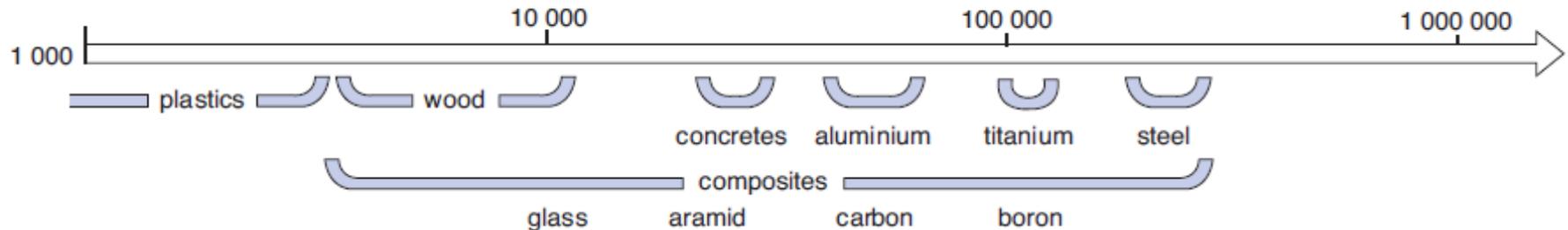
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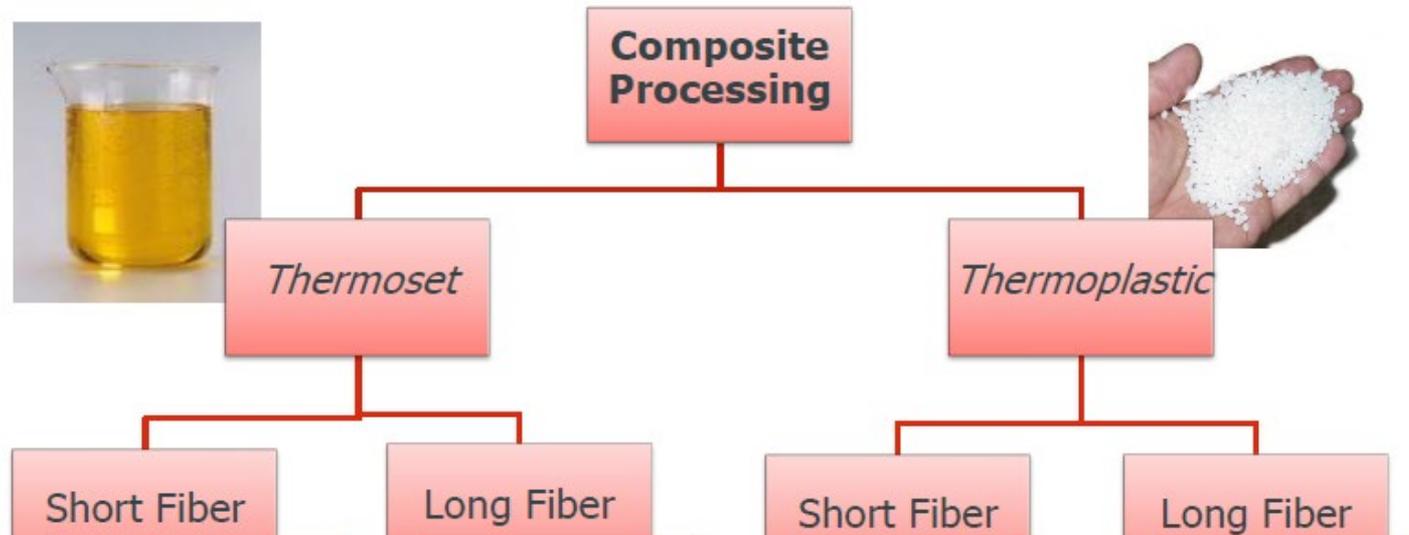
Tensile strength (MPa)



Tensile modulus (MPa)

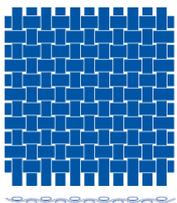


Low density, high resistance & stiffness

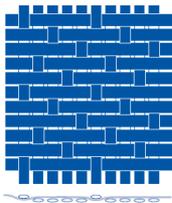


**Long fiber:** Unidirectionnel, fabrics or multi-axial (bear the load)

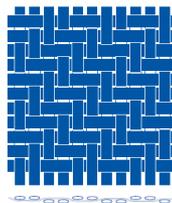
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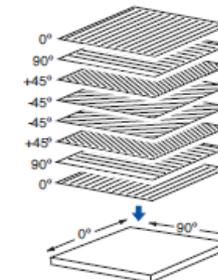
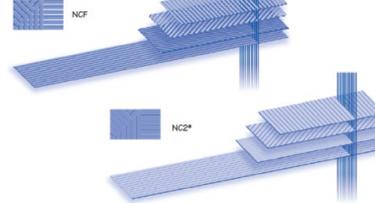
SATIN WEAVE  
(4, 5, 8, 11)



TWILL WEAVE  
(2/1, 3/1, 2/2)

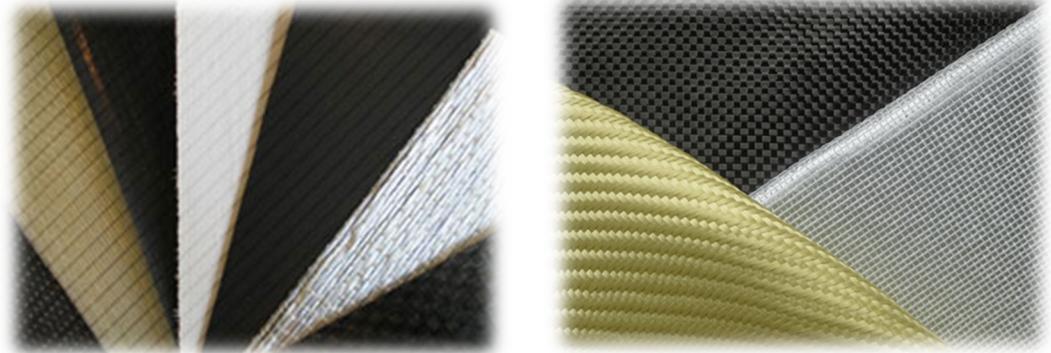


NON CRIMP FABRICS  
Unidirectional layere assembled and stitched  
Average drapability/no crimp



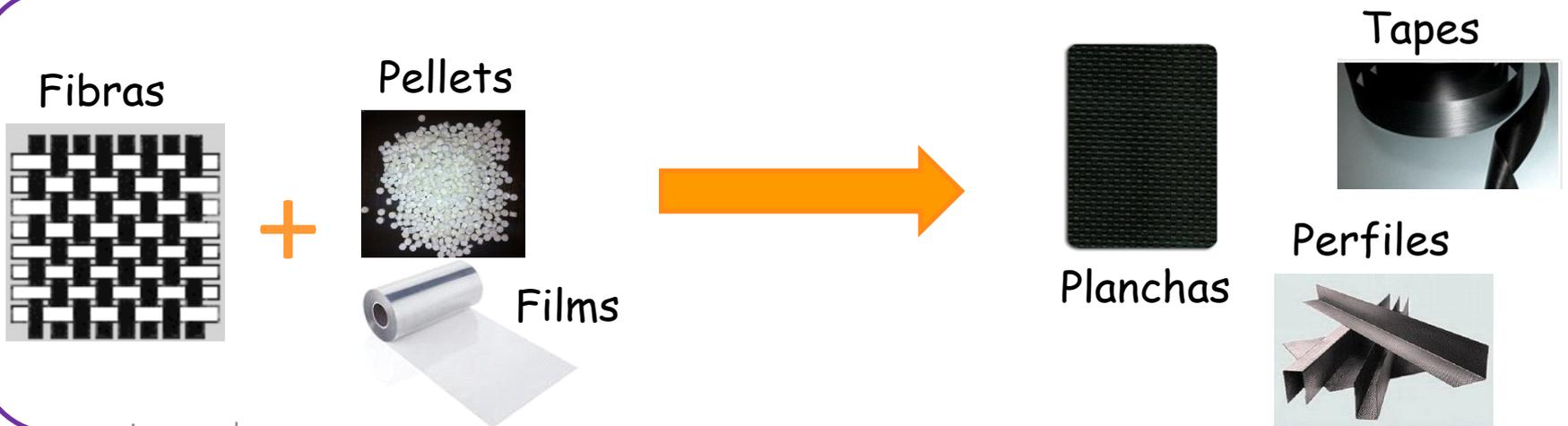
# AM - Materials

- ✓ Polymer and composites
  - **Thermosetting** (polyester, vinyl ester, epoxies, phenolic, prepregs)
  - **Thermoplastic** (polyolefin, PA, PET, ABS, PMMA, etc...)
- ✓ **Biopolymers** thermosetting and thermoplastics
- ✓ **Textiles:** glass fiber, carbon fiber, aramid, natural fibers
- ✓ Development of new polymer by modification with particles and fibers (TP & TS)
- ✓ Elastomeric and TPEs
- ✓ Sandwich structures
- ✓ PUR foams



# AM - Thermoplastic composites

- ✓ **Matrices poliméricas:** poliolefinas (HDPE), polieter-eter-quetona (PEEK), poliamidas (PA), polietilenimida (PEI), polietilentereftalato (PET), poli(p-fenilen sulfuro) (PPS)
- ✓ **Fibras:** Vidrio, carbono
- ✓ **Ejemplos comerciales:** TWINTEX, FORTRON, VECTRA, CELSTRAN, TEPEX, CETEX, FULCRUM...



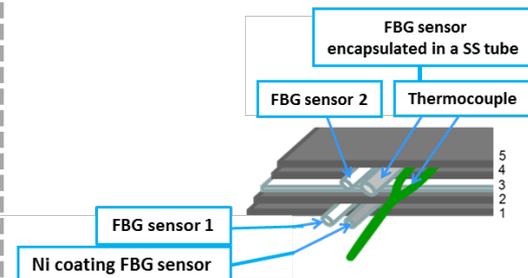
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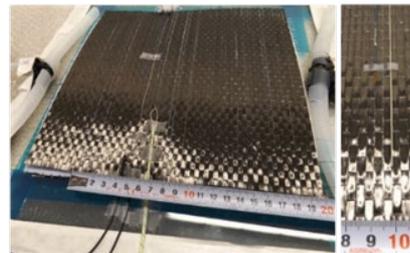


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## Infusion technique



*Integration of the FBG sensors between the layers of the composite*



**FBG sensors embedded by filament winding Multimaterial tube of 8m of length**

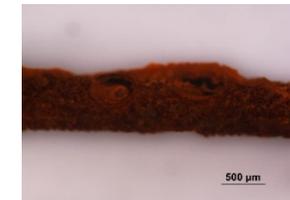


**Fe coating FBG sensor for marine corrosion**

Before corrosion



After corrosion

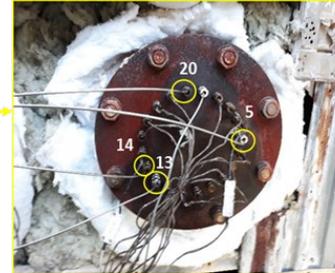


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Ingress of FBG sensors through a flange



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Flange hole:13  
File 2, tube 42

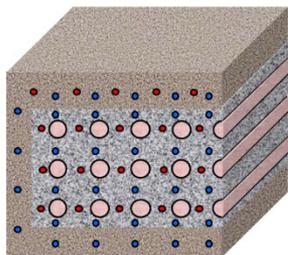
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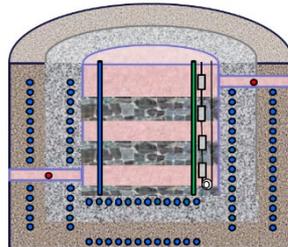
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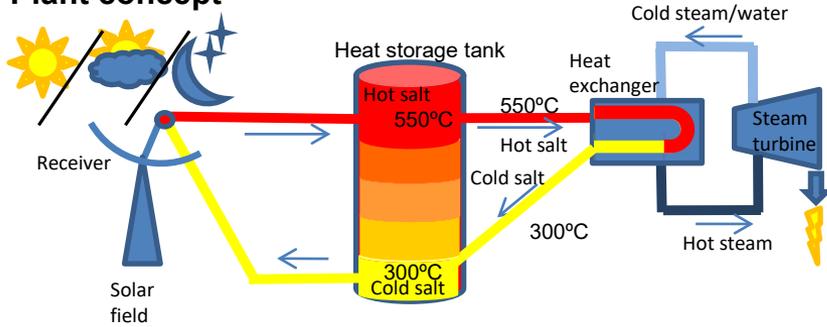
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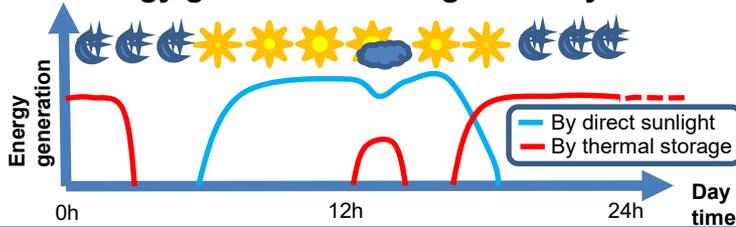
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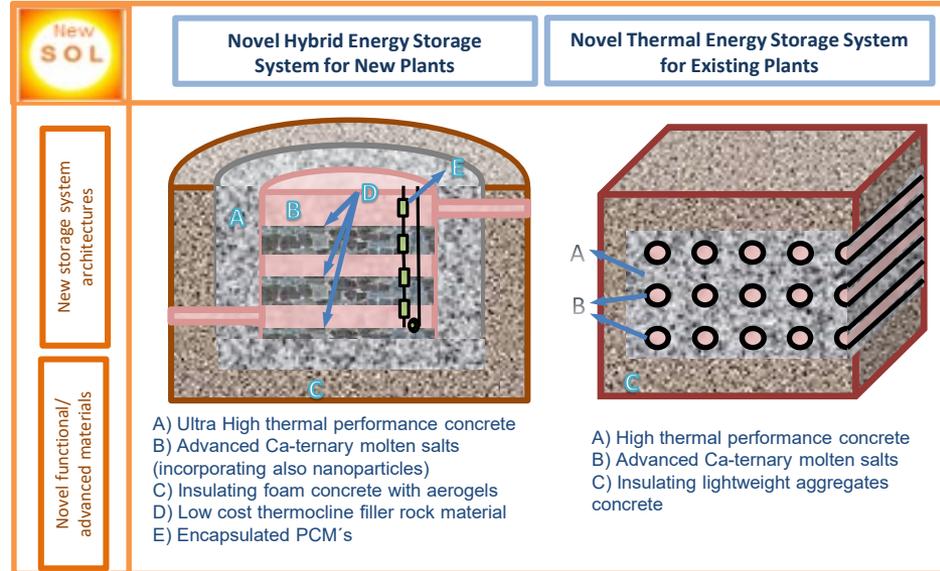
### Plant concept



### Electric energy generation through the day



### New heat storage system concept



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- Molten salt penetration in concrete wall (corrosion sensor)



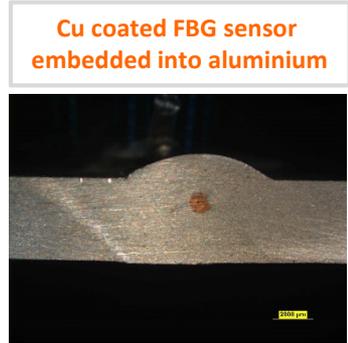
✓ **Embedding of FBG sensors into metallic structures by several techniques – NEXT-BEARINGS and FLEXIRAPIDMAN projects.**

- Laser Cladding
- Automatic and Manual TIG welding
- Casting



**Embedded Materials:**

- Antifriction (tin alloy) material for monitoring its erosion and detect cracks.
- Aluminium.



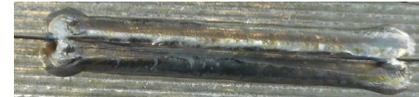
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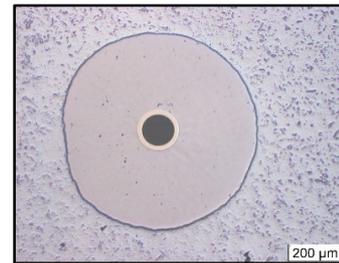
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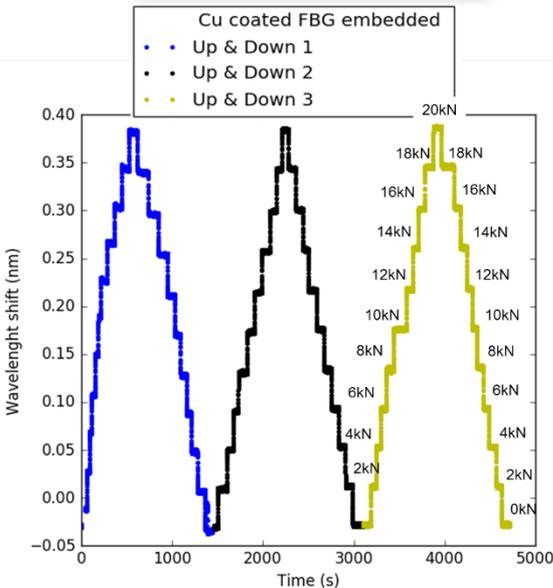
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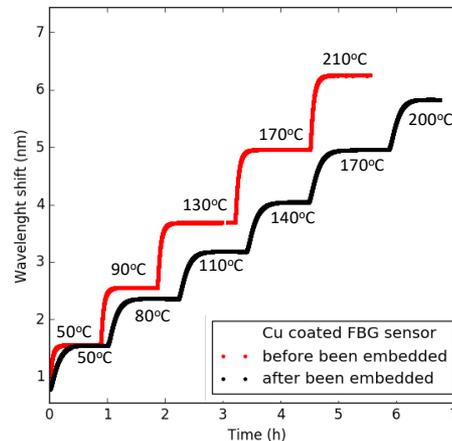
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**Thermal characterization**

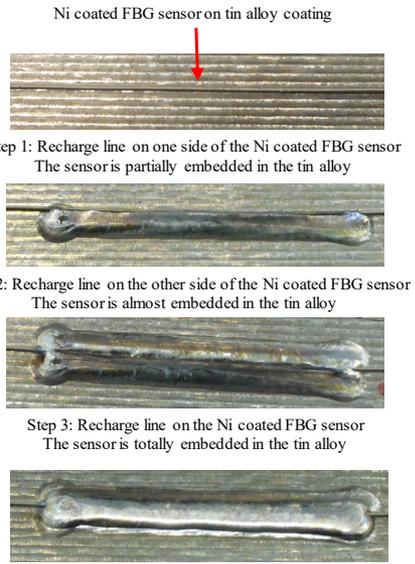
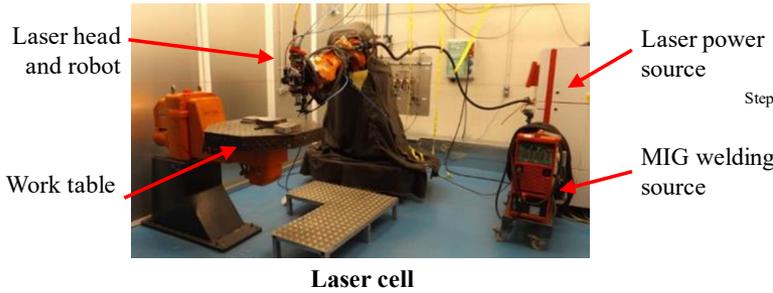


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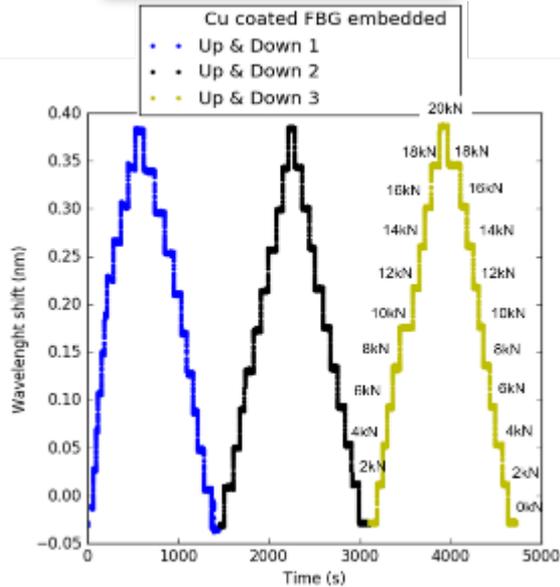
## Embedding of FBG sensors into metallic structures by:

- ✓ *Laser Cladding*
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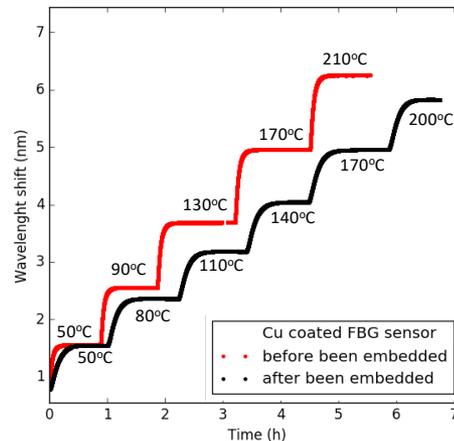


Coating	Thickness (μm)	Loss (dB)	Embedded length (cm)	Coating fiber	Cross-section
Cu	518	3.44	4.2		
Cu	586	20.2	3.5		
Cu	624	2.24	3.7		
Cu	685	14.6	4		
Ni	525	2.62	3.6		
Ni	590	2.44	3.5		
Ni	761	1.38	3.2		
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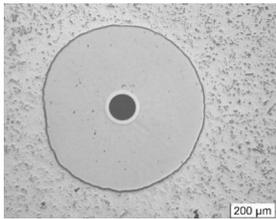
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*To monitoring, strain, load, temperature, abrasion*



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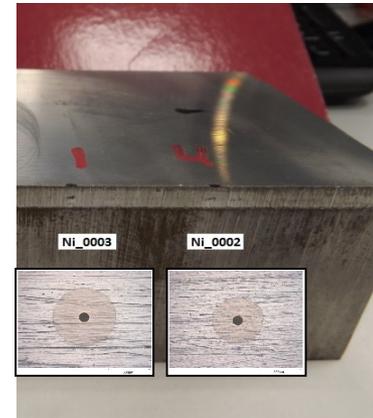
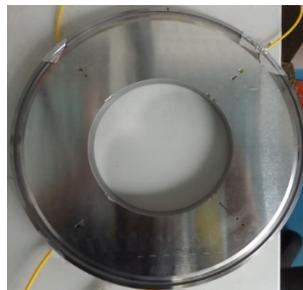
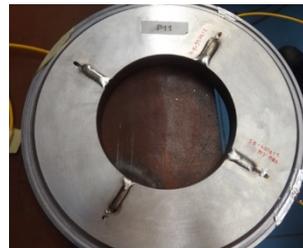
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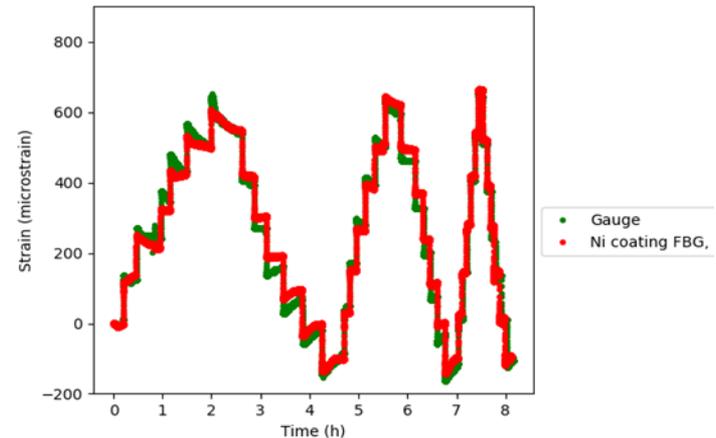
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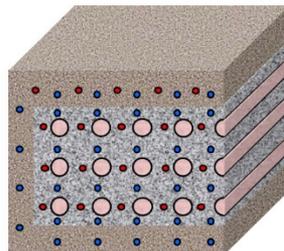
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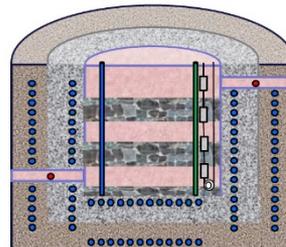
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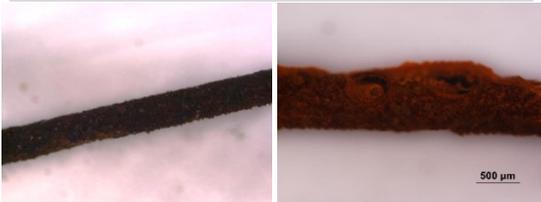
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- Possible use the embedded sensors for monitoring the composite life: temperatura, strain, load, corrosión.



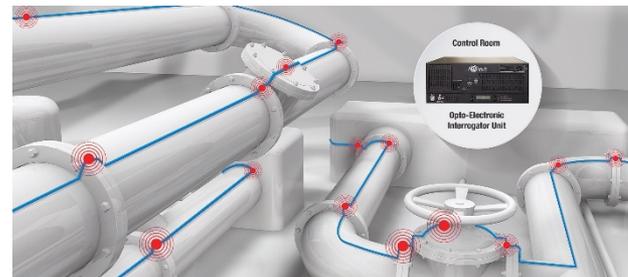
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## ✓ Geothermal Emission Gas Control – GECO project.

To lower emissions from geothermal power generation by capturing them for either reuse or storage.

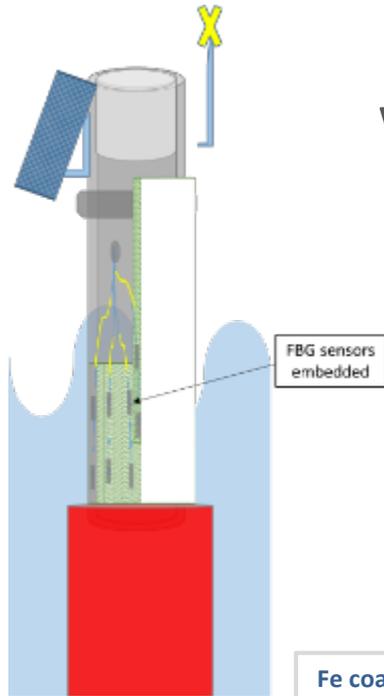
- AIMEN will design and development of an architecture of distributed fiber optic sensors for in-situ temperature (350°C) and corrosion monitoring in a constructed “closed loop” well testing unit.



Source:fi-ops

# Monitoring Corrosion in Composite Material

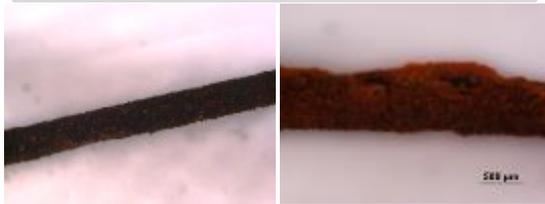
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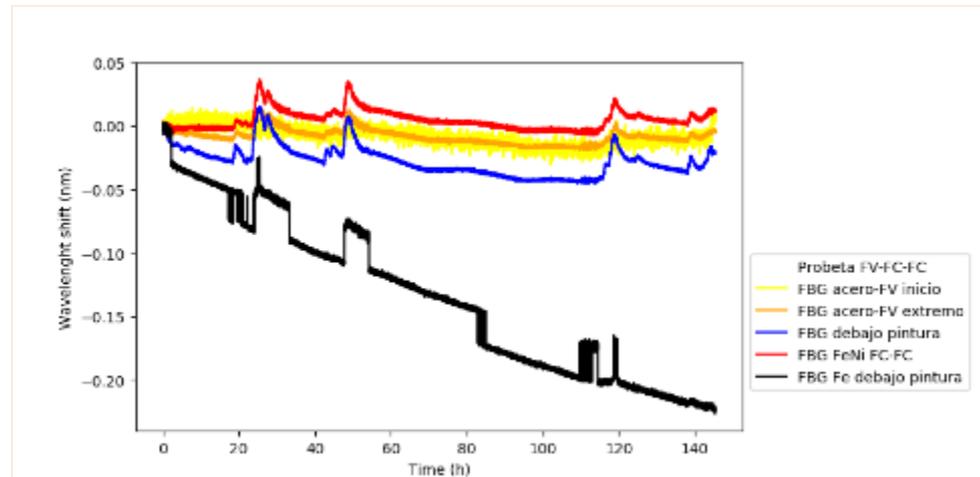
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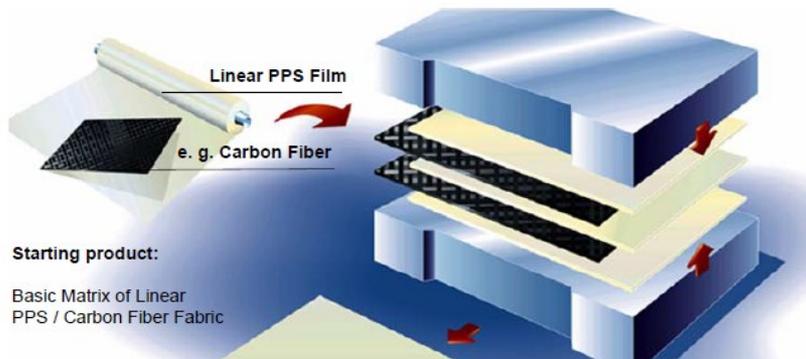


Fe FBG sensors embedded  
Between carbon layers and steel-carbon layer.

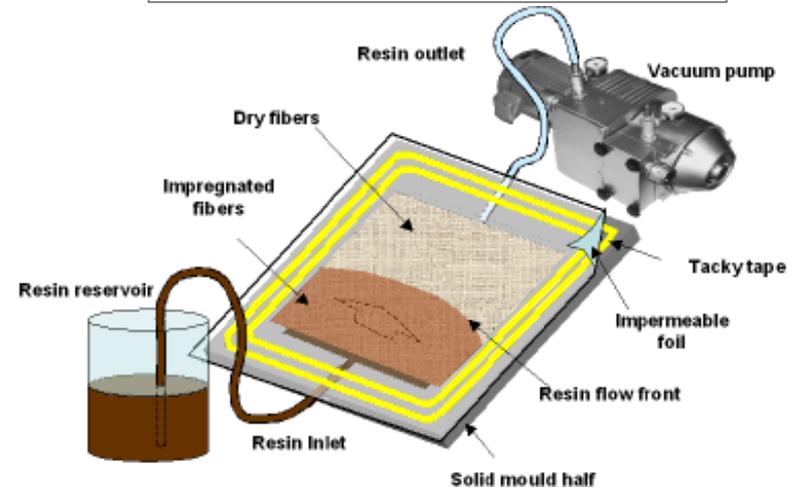


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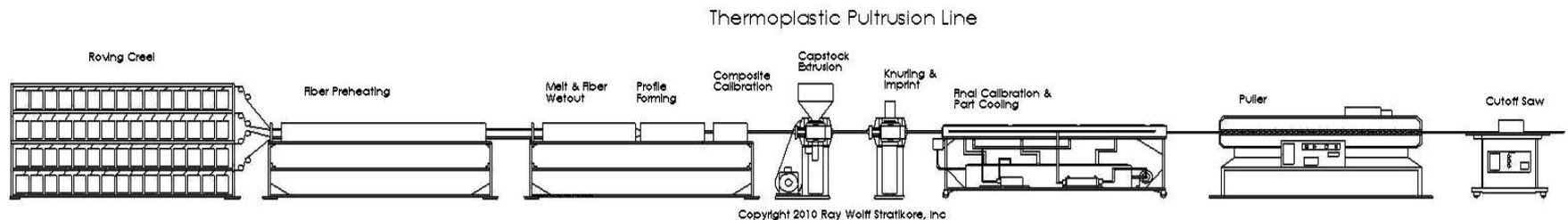
## Vacuum Infusion of TPC



Reactive processing of thermoplastic composites (Anionic Polyamide-6)

## TPC Pultrusion

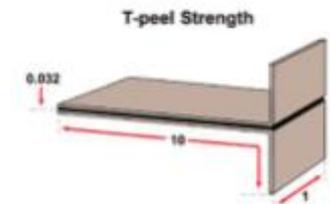
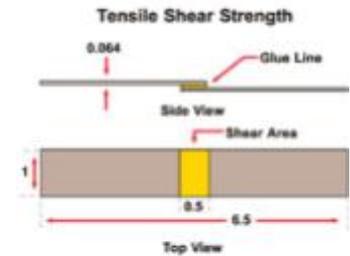
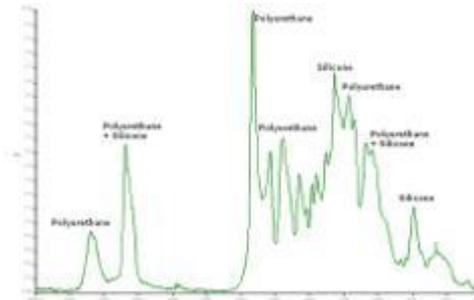
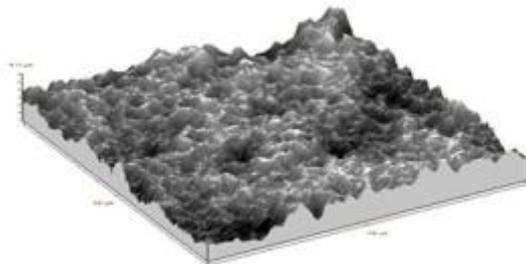
Thermoplastic Pultrusion Process Using Commingled Glass/Polypropylene Twintex® Roving



# R&D. Advanced Materials

## Characterization

- ✓ FTIR, fluorescence RX, SEM, optical microscopy
- ✓ Mechanical characterization: tensile, compression, bending, resiliency, peel, impact, hardness, fatigue.
- ✓ %fiber-matrix
- ✓ Water and solvents absorption
- ✓ Durability, salt chamber, climate chamber
- ✓ Migration (total)
- ✓ Thermal characterization: DSC, TGA, DMA, Vicat



# Technology B - Fiber Optic Sensors (FOS)

## Possibilities for Structural Health Monitoring (SHM) with FOS:

Gluing or embedding the FOS in **multiple materials** (concrete, composite, metals, polymers, composites, metals, etc.) for monitoring:

- strain
- temperature
- load
- corrosion
- abrasion
- vibration

