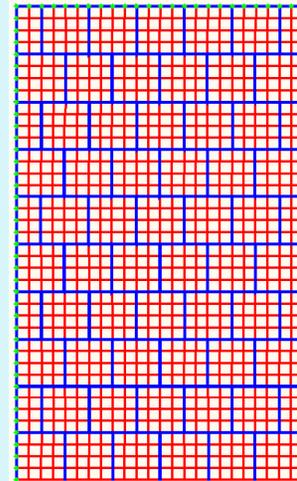
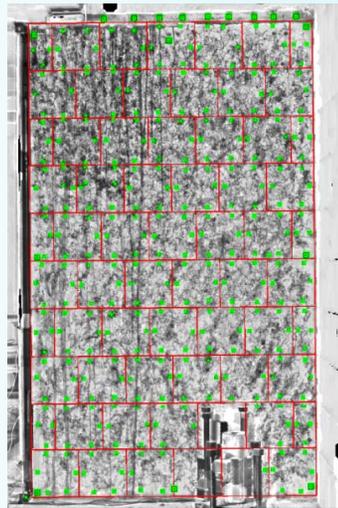




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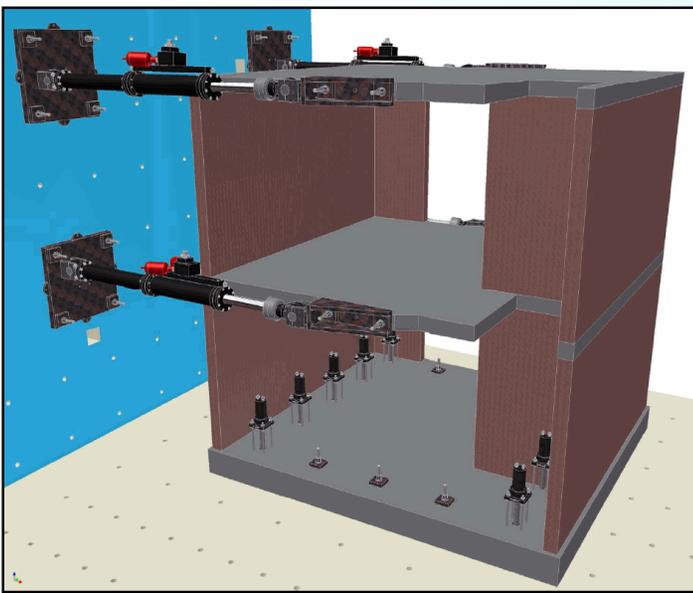
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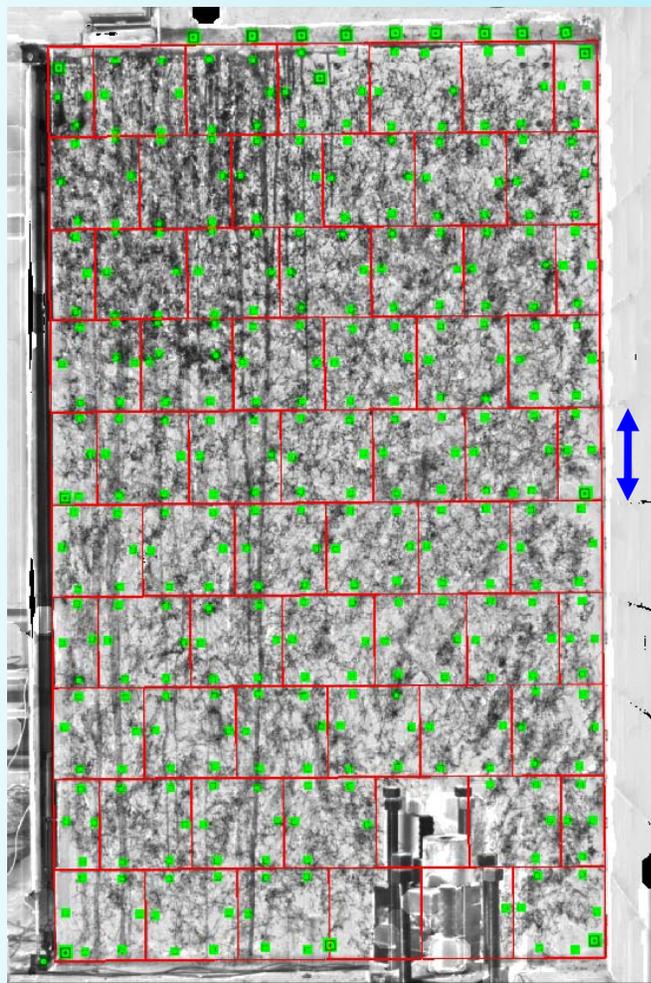
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The structure ESECMASE



The wall



The camera



4096 grey levels, S/N 64 dB,
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+1.3mm/pixel

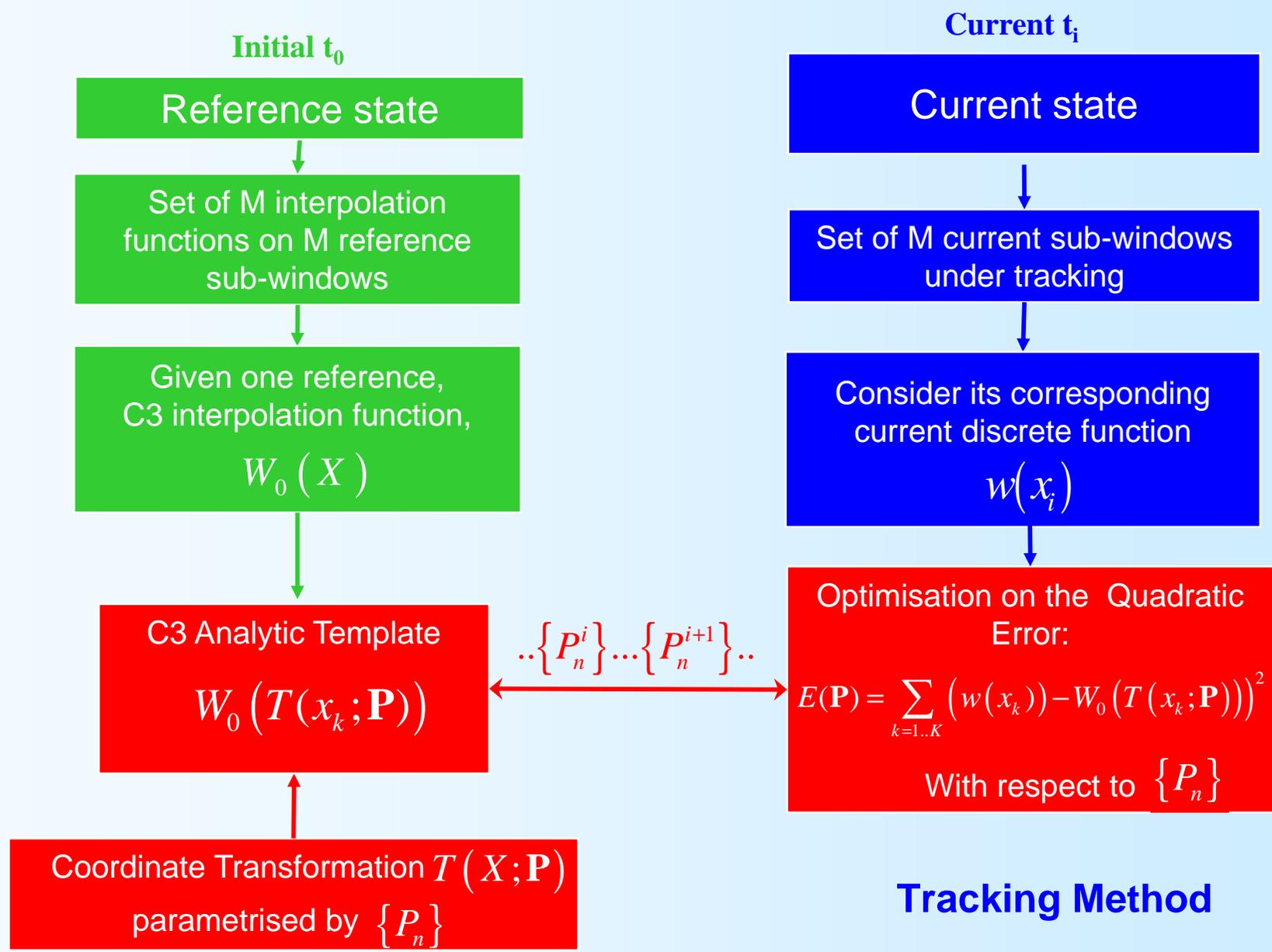
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Tracking Method

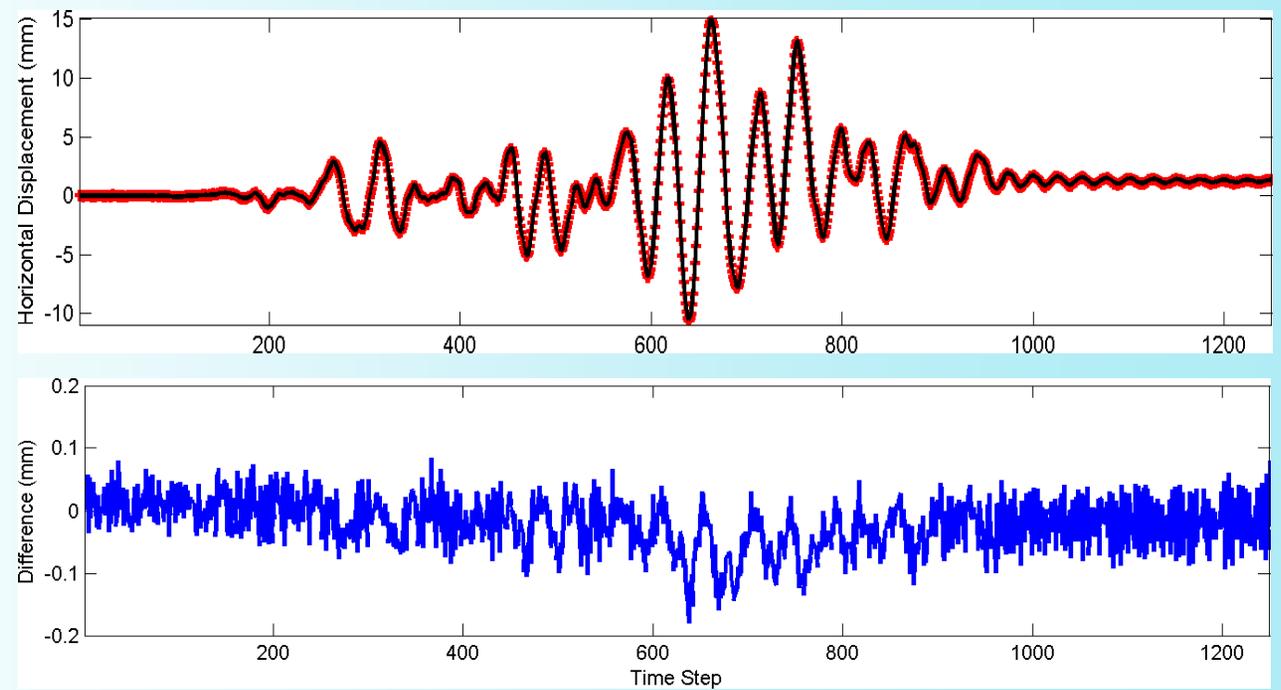
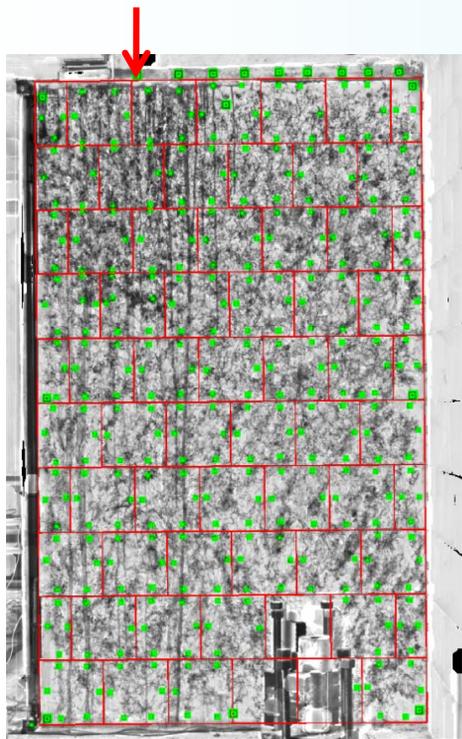


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Comparison with Heidenhain measurement (K14 - 0.16g)

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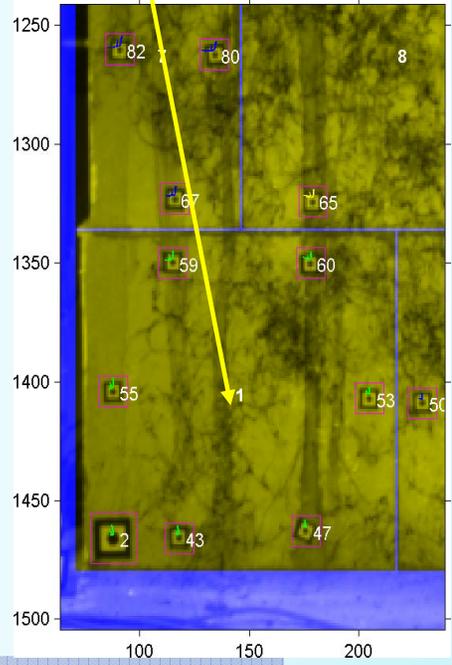
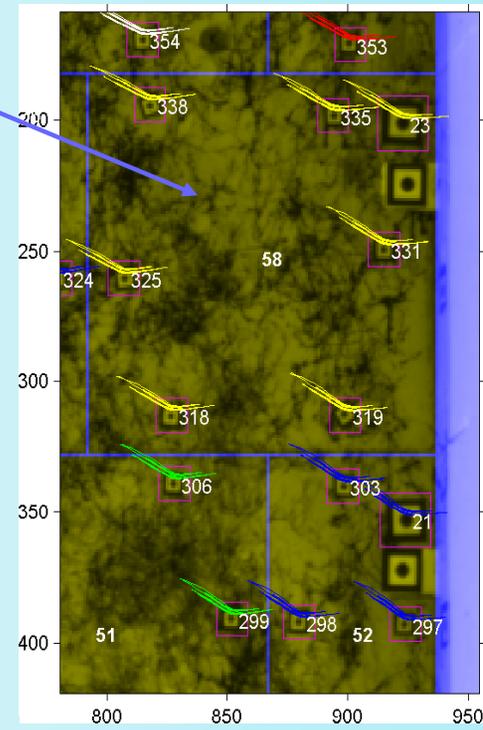
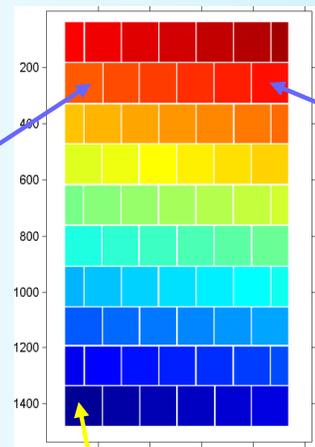
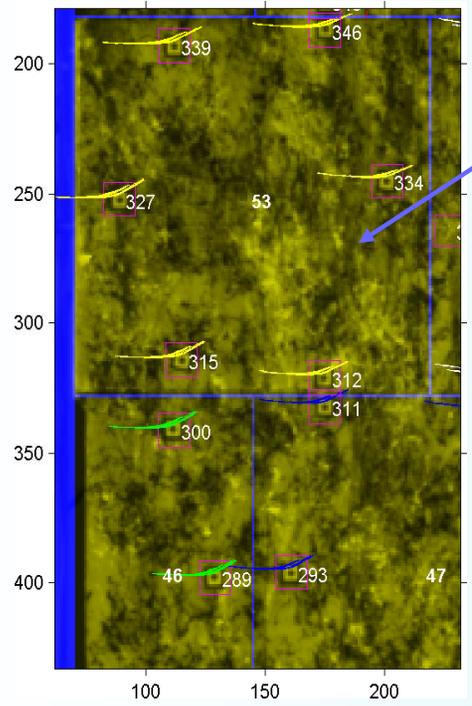
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Displacement on targets



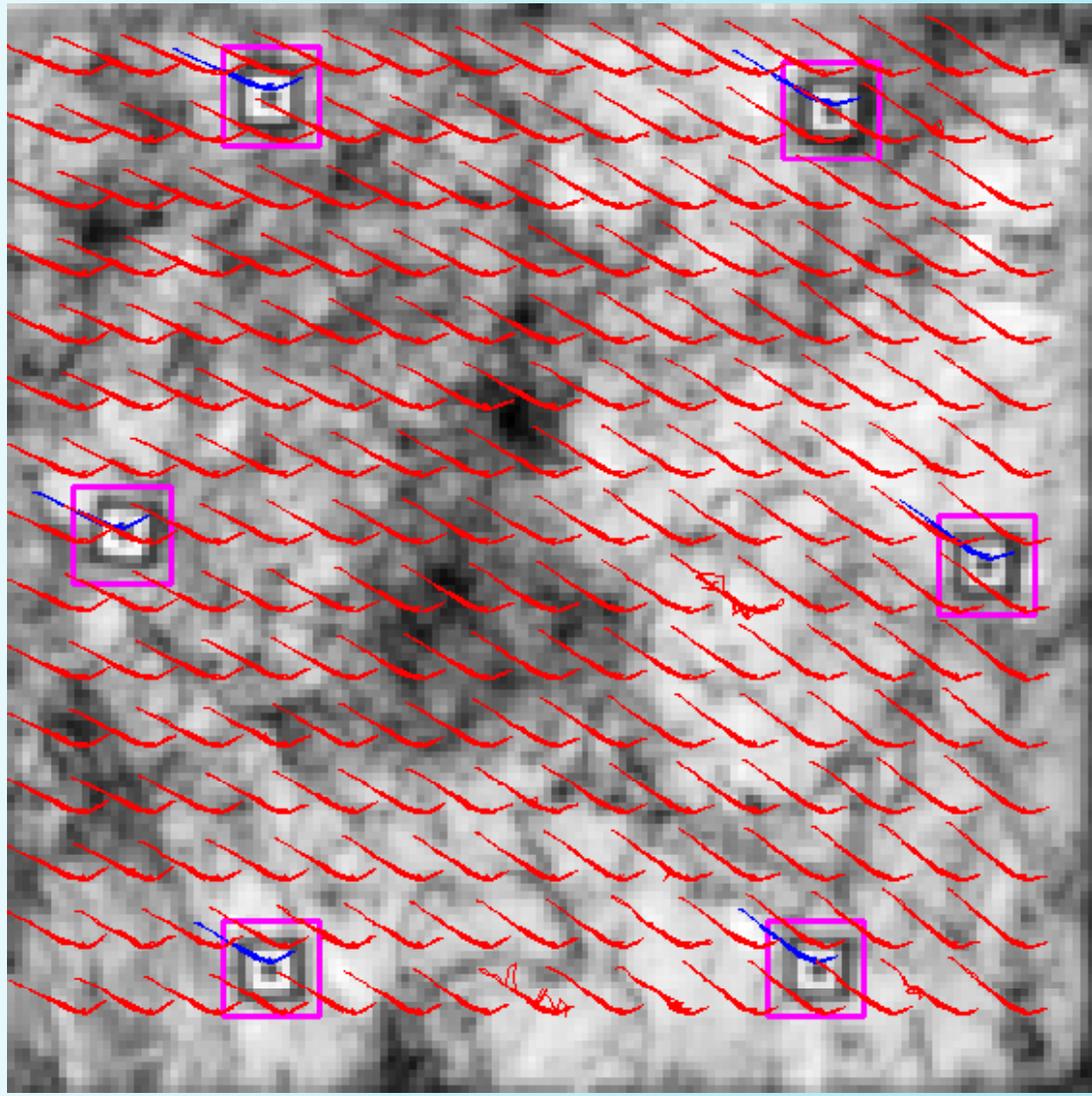
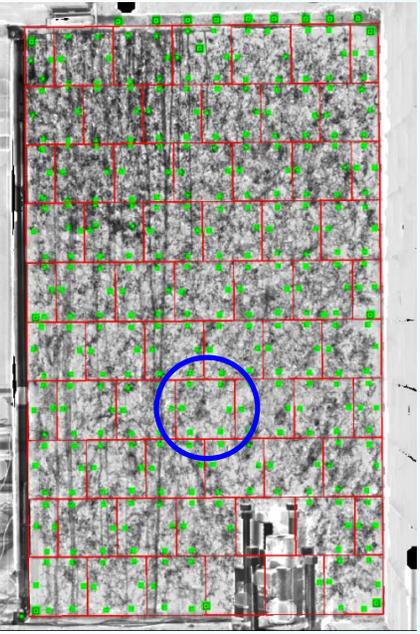
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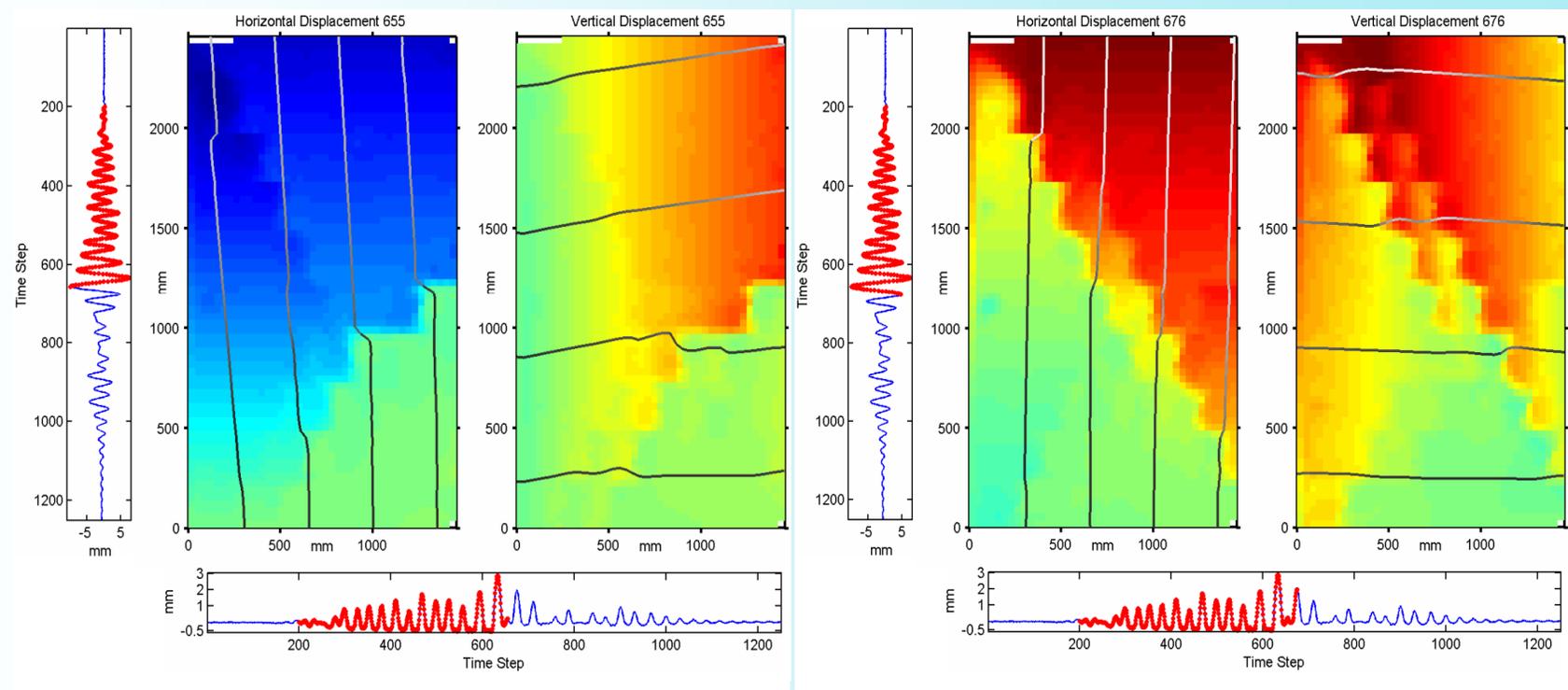
Displacement on texture





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Displacement fields (K12 - 0.12g)





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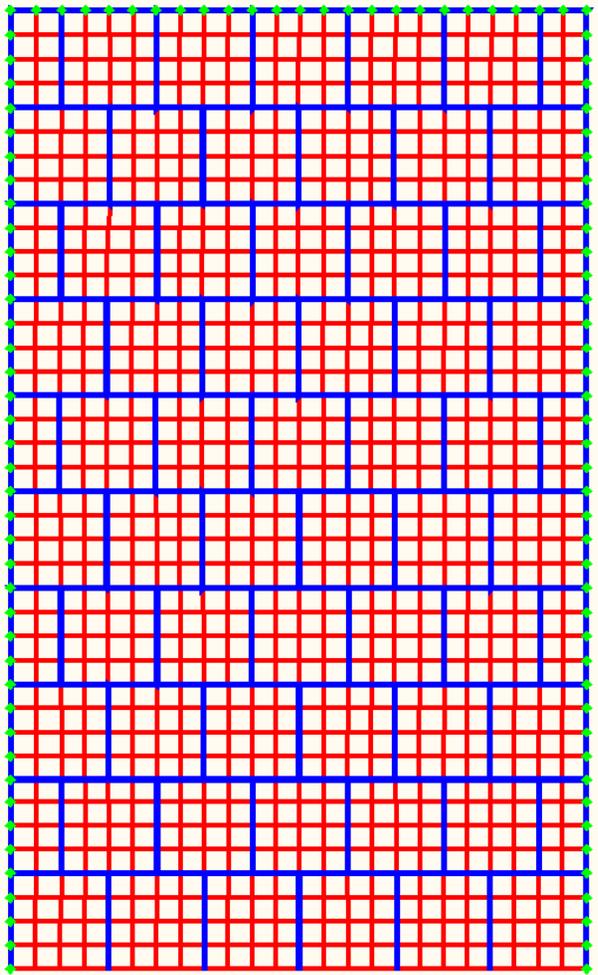
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In the elastic case...

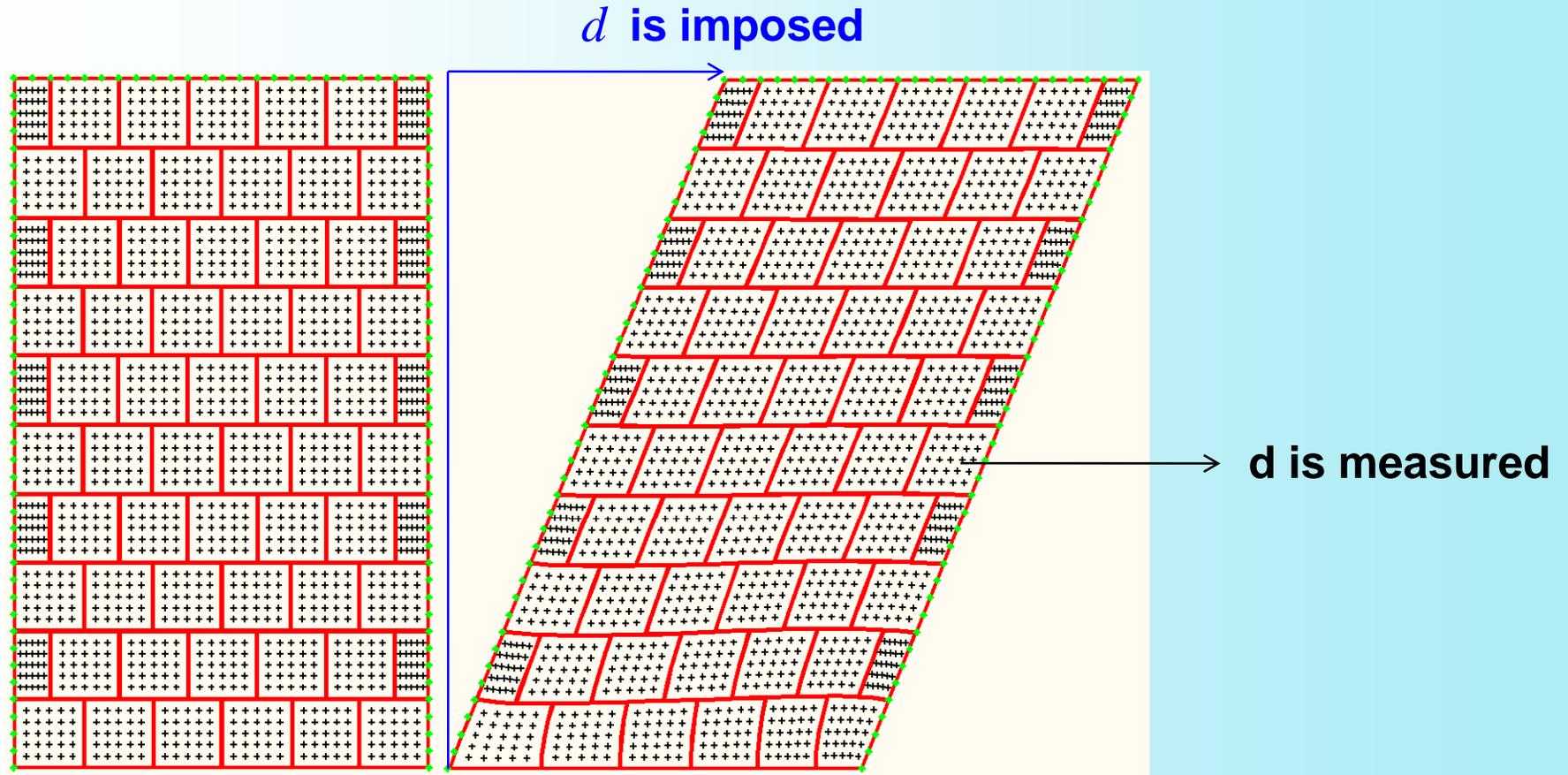
65 bricks $\rightarrow E_i, i = 1, \dots, 65 \quad \nu = 0.3$

Joints $\rightarrow E_{66} \rightarrow K_n = \frac{E_{66}}{e}, K_s = \frac{E_{66}}{2e(1+\nu)}$

Identification of **E** ???



The (VERY) simplified optimisation problem



The reference solution $\mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)$ is obtained with $\bar{\mathbf{E}}^+ = 1$ and $\sigma(\mathbf{E}^+) = 5\%$



The (VERY) simplified optimisation problem

Find

$$\mathbf{E}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{E}} \{ F(\mathbf{E}) \}$$

Where

$$F(\mathbf{E}) = \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E}) = \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)$$

(first) problem $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) = \mathbf{d}(\lambda\mathbf{E})$!!!



The (VERY) simplified optimisation problem

Numerical derivation of the gradients

$$\frac{\partial F(\mathbf{E})}{\partial E_i} \approx \frac{F(E_1, \dots, E_i + \delta E, \dots, E_n) - F(E_1, \dots, E_i - \delta E, \dots, E_n)}{2\delta E}$$

And also (later)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})}{\partial E_i} \approx \frac{\mathbf{f}(E_1, \dots, E_i + \delta E, \dots, E_n) - \mathbf{f}(E_1, \dots, E_i - \delta E, \dots, E_n)}{2\delta E}$$



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EXCE, steepest descent, conjugate gradient & BFGS

EXCE

The EXCELL operator computes the minimum of a function $F(X_i)$, the use method is the well-known MMA (Method of Moving Asymptotes) proposed by K.Svanberg. The purpose is to find the minimum of a function $F(X_i)$ with $i=1,N$ given that :

- the relations $C_j(X_i) < C_{jmax}$ ($j>0$ and $j=1,M$) must be satisfied
- there are relations on each unknown $X_{imin} < X_i < X_{imax}$

The functions F and C_j are defined by the function values and by their derivatives at the starting point X_0 .

$$F(E_i), C_j(E_i) \quad ??????$$



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EXCE

$$F(\mathbf{E}) = \|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)\|$$

1st case

$$C_1(\mathbf{E}) = \sigma(\mathbf{E}) - \sigma(\mathbf{E}^+) < 0$$

$$C_2(\mathbf{E}) = \bar{\mathbf{E}} - \bar{\mathbf{E}}^+ < 0, \quad C_3(\mathbf{E}) = \bar{\mathbf{E}}^+ - \bar{\mathbf{E}} < 0$$

2nd case

$$F(\mathbf{E}) = \|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)\|$$

$$C_1(\mathbf{E}) = \sigma(\mathbf{E}) - \sigma(\mathbf{E}^+) < 0, \quad C_2(\mathbf{E}) = (\bar{\mathbf{E}} - \bar{\mathbf{E}}^+)^2 < (\bar{\mathbf{E}}^+ / 100) \text{ or } 0$$

3rd case

$$F(\mathbf{E}) = \sigma(\mathbf{E})$$

$$C_1(\mathbf{E}) = \|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)\| / \|\mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)\| < 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$$

... but no
convincing results



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Descent method: general format

Descent direction \mathbf{E}_d^i **with** $\mathbf{E}_d^{iT} \nabla F|_{\mathbf{E}^i} < 0$

Line search $\alpha^i = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha > 0} \{ F(\mathbf{E}^i + \alpha \mathbf{E}_d^i) \}$ **Robust line search???**

$\mathbf{E}^{i+1} = \mathbf{E}^i + \alpha \mathbf{E}_d^i$ **and loop on i until convergence**

Meaning of convergence???

Here we concentrate on \mathbf{E}_d^i !!!!!!!

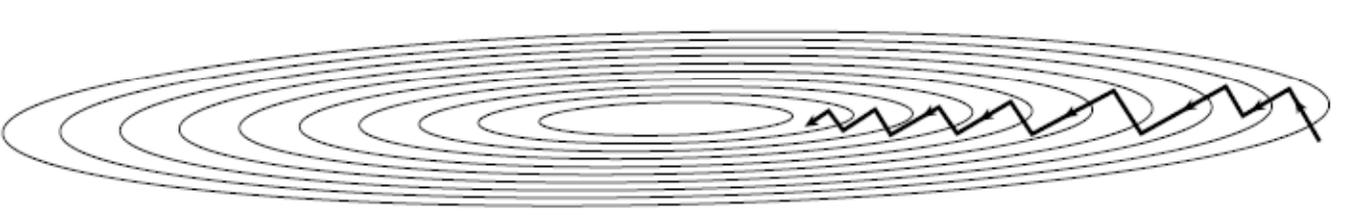
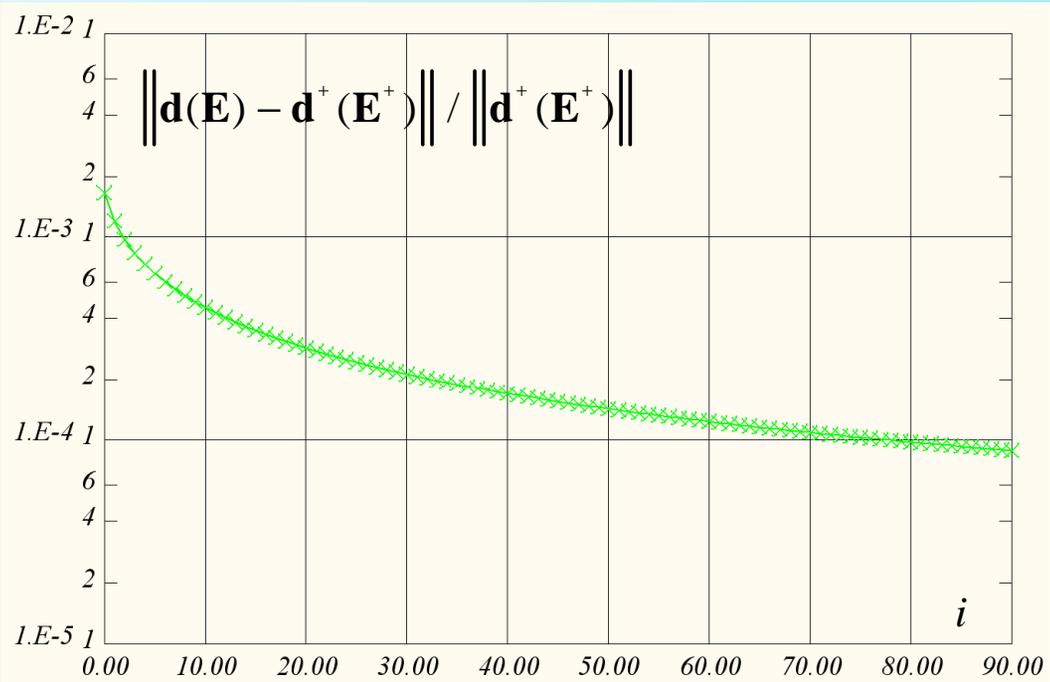
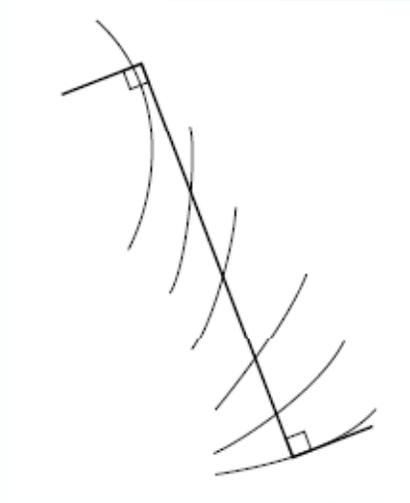


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Steepest descent

$$\mathbf{E}_{st}^i = -\nabla F|_{\mathbf{E}^i}$$



The convergence can be very slow!

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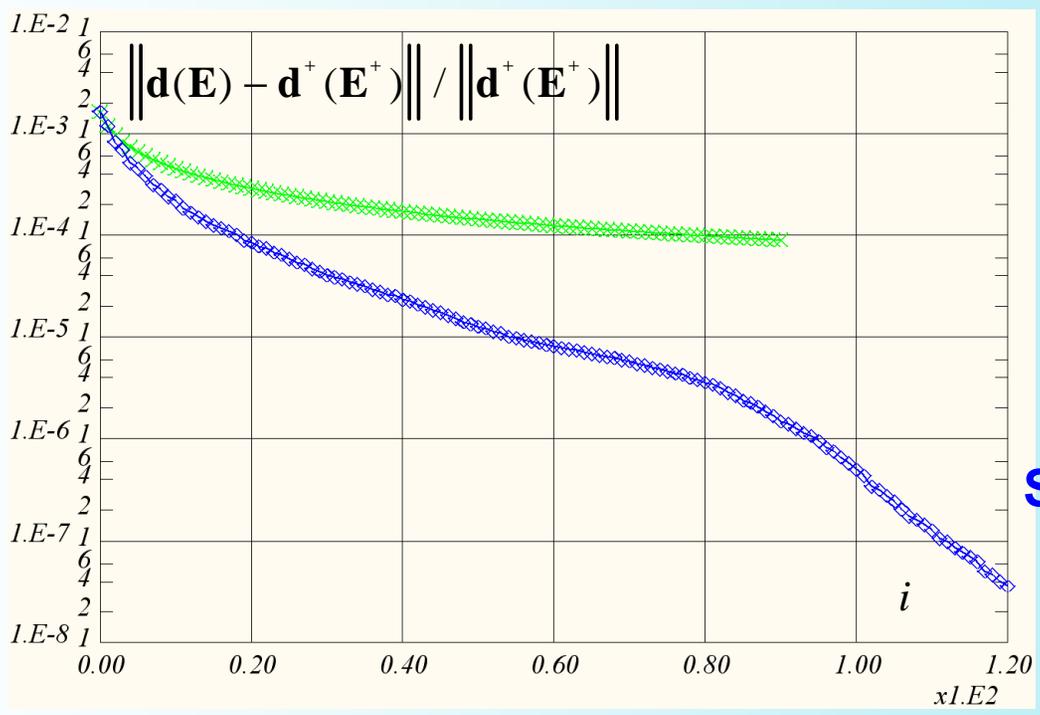


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Conjugate gradient : the descent directions are mutually orthogonal

$$\mathbf{E}_{gc}^i = \mathbf{g}^i + \gamma^i \mathbf{E}_{gc}^{i-1} \quad \mathbf{g}^i = -\nabla F|_{\mathbf{E}^i} \quad \gamma^i = \frac{(\mathbf{g}^i - \mathbf{g}^{i-1})^T \mathbf{g}^i}{\|\mathbf{g}^{i-1}\|^2} \quad (\text{with precise line search})$$



Surprisingly slow convergence

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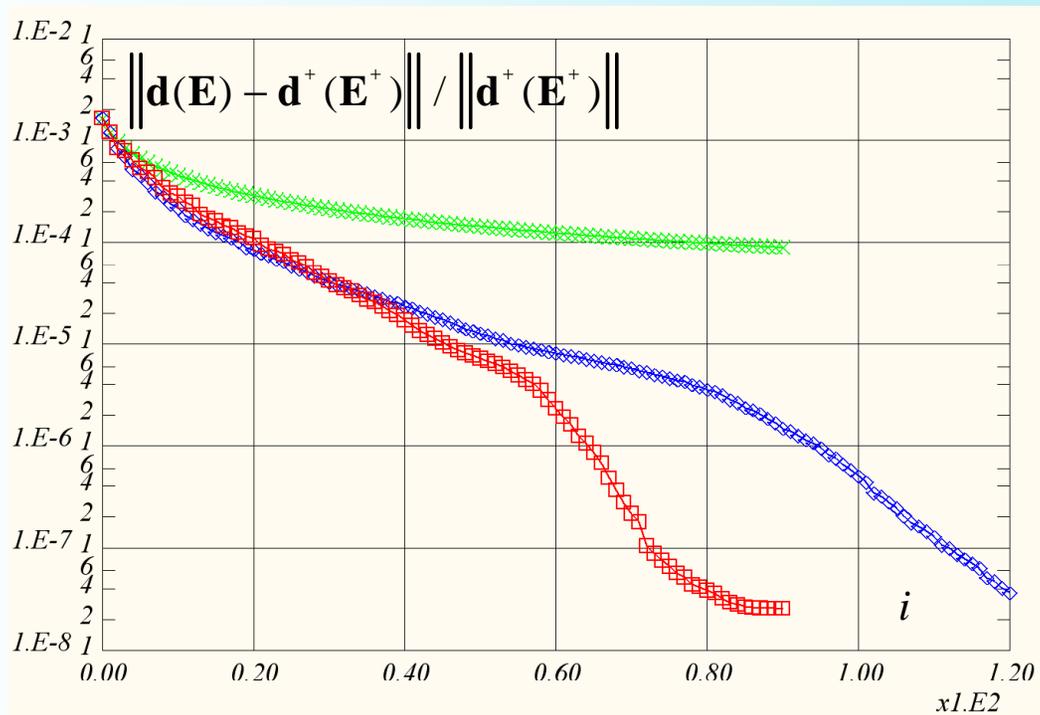




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BFGS: the Hessian matrix is iteratively constructed

$$\mathbf{E}_{bfgs}^i = -\mathbf{H}_{bfgs}^i \nabla F|_{\mathbf{E}^i} \quad \mathbf{H}_{bfgs}^i = \mathbf{H}_{bfgs}^{i-1} + \dots$$



Surprisingly slow convergence

BFGS=Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno



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Summary:

- Very slow convergence
- “High” level asymptotic convergence plateau

Conclusion: we need to do better!



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The Gauss-Newton method (+ new operator GANE)

Write the problem as a least square problem...

Find $\mathbf{E}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x}} \{F(\mathbf{E})\}$

Where
$$F(\mathbf{E}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (f_i(\mathbf{E}))^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E})$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E}) = \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{d}^+(\mathbf{E}^+)$$

... and use it!



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The Gauss-Newton Method

Same cost as computing $\partial F / \partial E_j$

Using $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E} + \delta\mathbf{E}) \approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{E}) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{E})\delta\mathbf{E}$ with $[\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{E})]_{ij} = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial E_j}(\mathbf{E})$

$\mathbf{E}_{gn} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\delta\mathbf{E}} \{F(\mathbf{E} + \delta\mathbf{E})\}$ is given by $(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J})\mathbf{E}_{gn} = -\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{f} = -\nabla F$

→ Use \mathbf{E}_{gn} as a descent direction

Warning: no indetermination if the columns of \mathbf{J} are linearly independent



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Operator GA(us-)NE(wton)

```
TAB2=GANE TAB1;
```

```
CHPO1 RIGI1=GANE TAB1 'MATR';
```

Description:

The function to minimize is $2F(X)=f(X).f(X)$, and $J(X)=df/dX$

The descent direction is H solution of:

$$\text{transpose}(J)J \ H = -\text{transpose}(J) f$$

Contents:

```
TAB1   : Table of type 'VECTEUR' containing
        TAB1 . 0 = f(X)
        TAB1 . 1 = df/dX1
        .
        TAB1 . n = df/dXn
```

```
CHPO1  : -transpose(J) f
RIGI1  : transpose(J) J
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TAB2   : TABLE of type 'VECTEUR' containing
        TAB2 . 1 = H1
        .
        TAB2 . n = Hn
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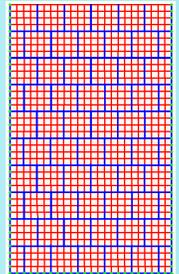


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There is a second problem!!! (first problem $d(\mathbf{E}) = d(\lambda\mathbf{E})$)

• $(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J})$ is almost always rank 1 deficient (use of RESO 'ENSE')

• For instance: $\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_{66}} = \sum_{i=1}^{65} a_i(\mathbf{E}_{66}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_i}$ ($a_i = -1$ for $\mathbf{E} = \{1\}$)



BUT

• GANE can be used to find out the a_i ($(\mathbf{J}_{65}^T \mathbf{J}_{65}) \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{J}_{65} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_{66}}$)

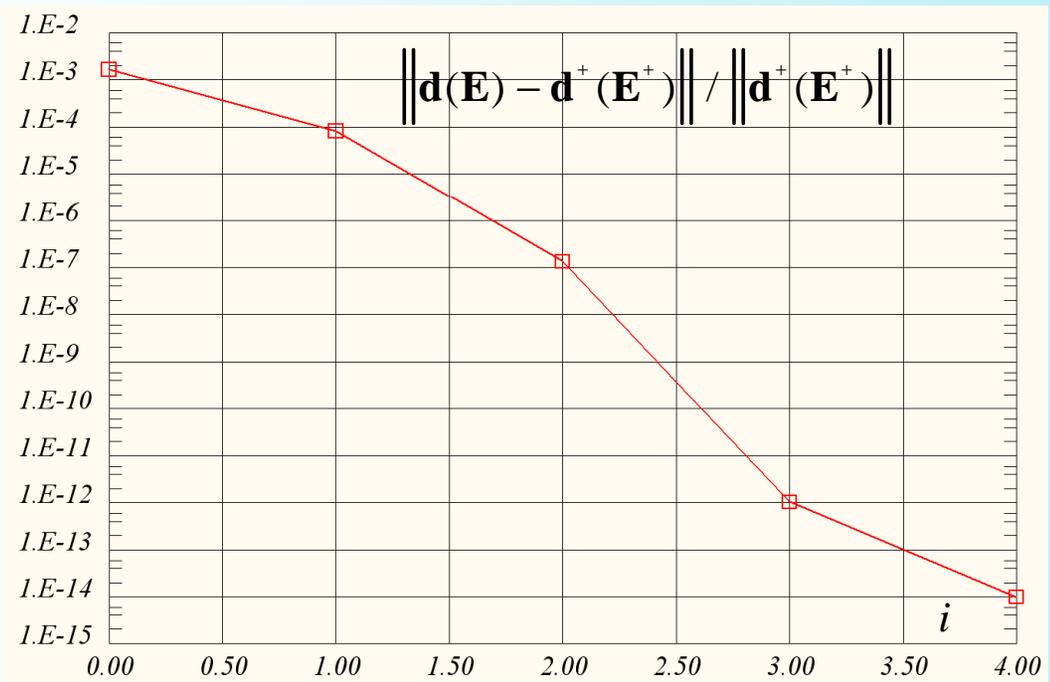
• Assuming $E_{66} = g(\mathbf{E}_{65})$ with $\partial g / \partial E_i = a_i \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{J}}_{65}$ with $\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_i} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_i} + a_i \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial E_{66}}$

• Use GANE again for finding \mathbf{E}_{gn65} and complete with $E_{gn66} = \sum_{i=1}^{65} a_i E_{gni}$



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And finally!



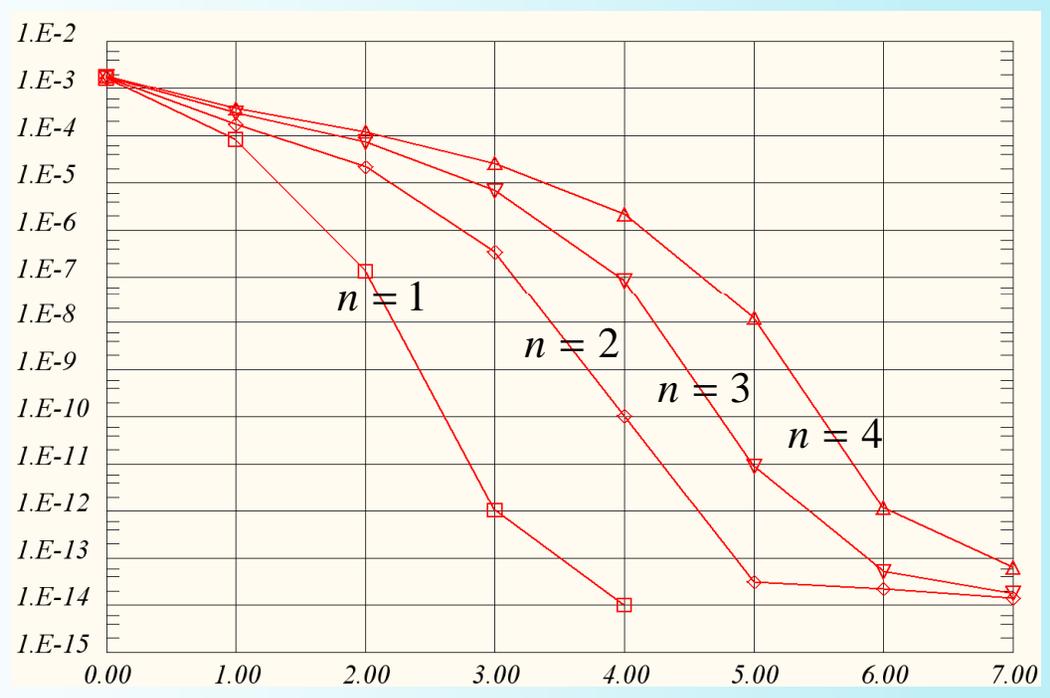
... with $\max(|E_i - E_i^+|) \approx 10^{-7}$



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Substituting E_{66}^+ with nE_{66}^+ , $n = 1, 2, 4, 8$ (and still starting from $\mathbf{E} = \{1\}$)



WARNING

- Sometimes RESO takes care itself of the indetermination...
- $\max\left(\left|\frac{E_i}{\bar{\mathbf{E}}} - \frac{E_i^+}{\bar{\mathbf{E}}^+}\right|\right) \approx 10^{-7}$ with $\bar{\mathbf{E}} \neq \bar{\mathbf{E}}^+$

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- Nothing is given for free!
- Cast3M demonstrates again its ability to help to understand (and solve) problems!
- Gauss-Newton is the root for other classical methods
 - Damped Gauss-Newton = Levenberg-Marquardt method
 $(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \mu \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{E}_{lm} = -\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{f} = -\nabla F$ (already in GANE)
 - Powell's Dog Leg Method
- Use of noisy experimental data
- Identification of non-linear models with more refined meshes
- Line search, convergence tests...

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