Proposal on development of short-term and long-term Structural Health Monitoring(SHM) Systems

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What are current NDTs?

Visual

- Dual-Pass Light Reflection (D-Sight)
- Edge of Light TM (EOL)

Eddy Current

- Magneto-Optics Imager (MOI)
- Pulsed Eddy Current (PEC)
- Superconducting Quantum Interference Device (SQUID)

Radiography

- Compute Tomography Scan
- Reverse Geometry X-Ray (RGX) Imaging
- Microfocus X-Ray Microscopy

Ultrasonics

- Dry coupling techniques
- Air-Coupled transducers
- Electromagnetic acoustic transducer (EMAT)
- Laser induced ultrasound
- Oblique Insonification NDE of composites
- Portable Real-time images

Shearography

Thermography



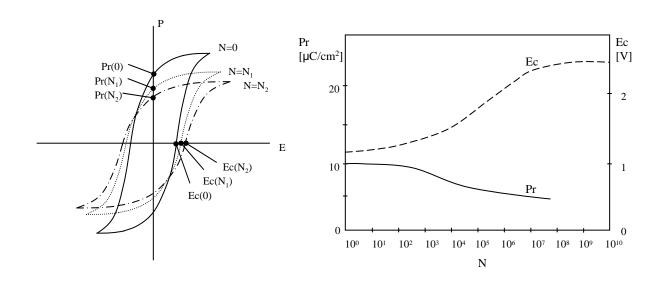
Short-term SHM

- Autonomous Piezo-sensor array to monitor a loading history of a structural component subjected to only larger loading during a flight or flights.
- Pros: compact, autonomous, bondable and removable, wireless data acess, energy harvesting (autonomous)
- Cons: bonding, where to attach these



Concept of piezo-sensor array-1

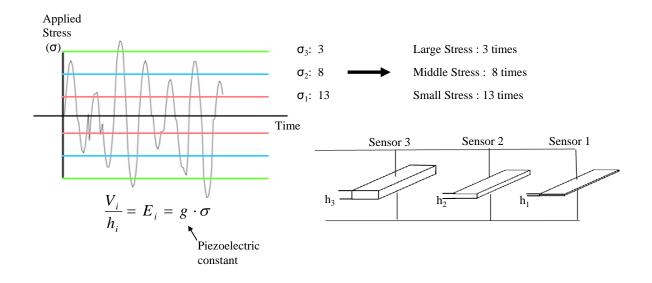
 Piezoelectric ceramic subjected to domain switching results in the change in the remnant polarization and Ec.





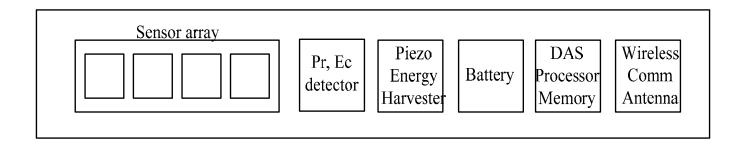
Concept of piezo-sensor-2

 Various loading can be sensed by array of piezo-sensors with different thickness



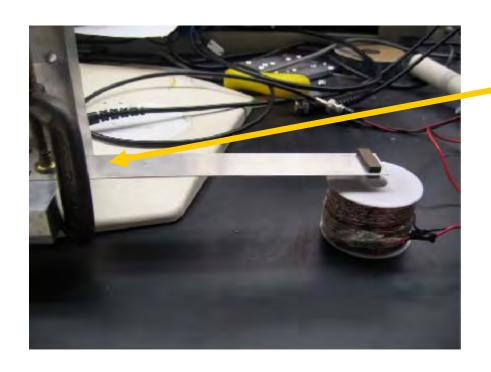
Autonomous SHM board

 The sensor bard composed of several chip-based components.



Experimental method

Vibration for devices



Strain

 $\delta = \pm 0.3 \%$

(electromagnetic induction)

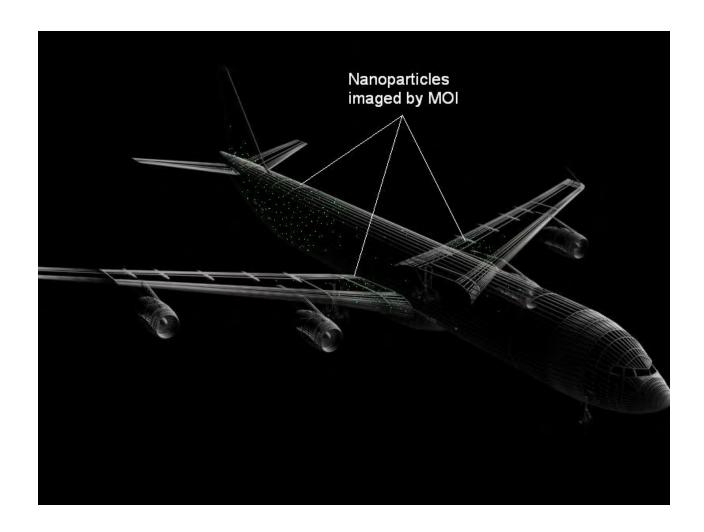
Long-term SHM

- development of magnetically tagging prepregs for use in monitoring any damage(cracking and dilaminations) of composite panels.
- If the matrix material contains voids, cracks or regions of delaminations, the MOI(Magneto-Optic Image) scanner will pick up the disturbed magnetic field.
- If the amount of nano-magnetic particles is minimum in a prepreg, this would not alter the original structural composite properties.



Embedded nanoparticles

Tagged Composites



Detection using MOI(in Aluminum)

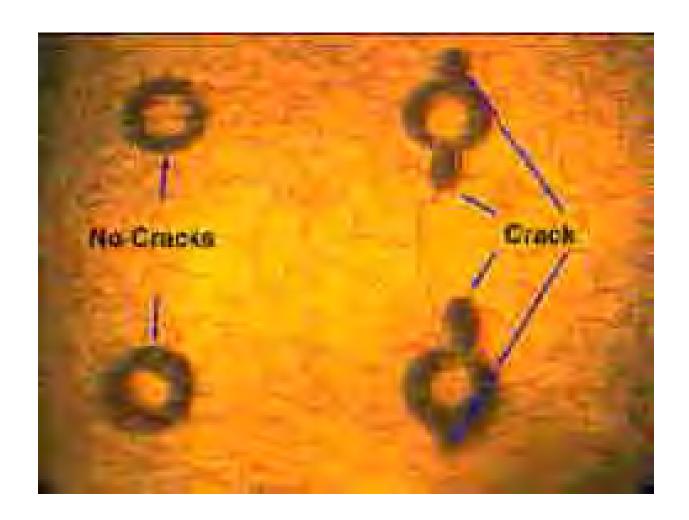
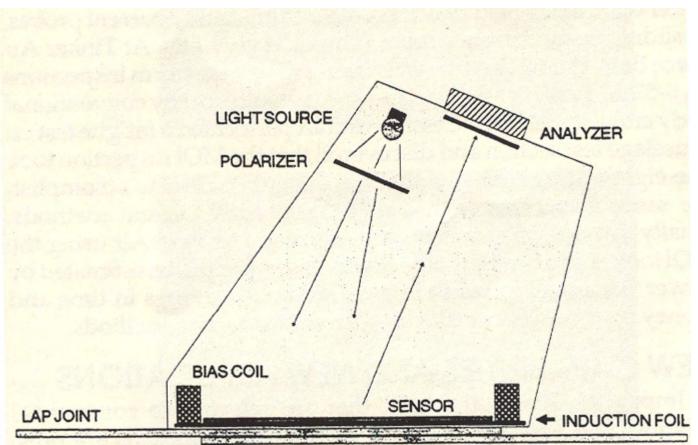


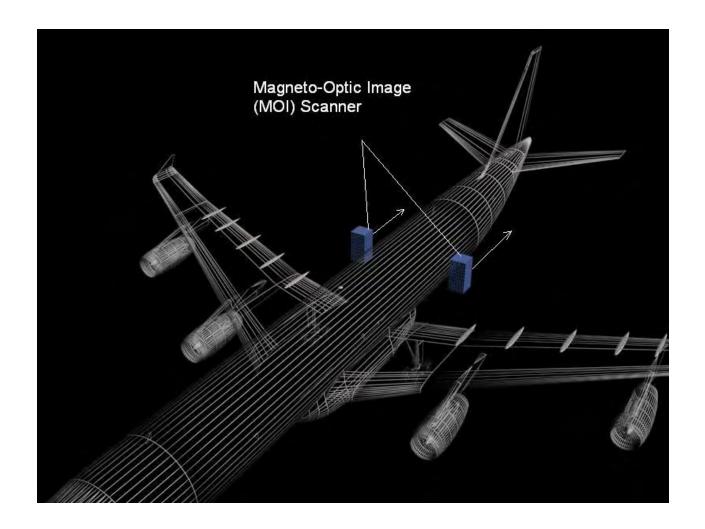
Image Development of Magnetic Fields Associated with Eddy Currents



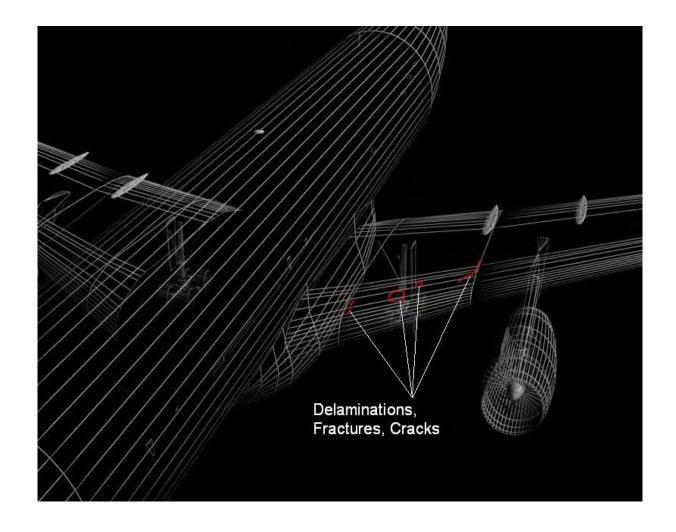
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MOI Scanner



Failure Detection



Summary

- Combination of both short-term and long-term SHMs would make sense as both will provide future SHM tailored for structural components, particularly composite panels.
- Both SHMs are acceptable for airplane companies, as this is cost-effective.
- FAA is asked to examine this and to authorize use of such SHM systems to mitigate periodic inspections of most fatigued structural composite panels by airpliner ground crews.

