



# New Observations on Fatigue Crack Growth Using Acoustic Emission

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## New Observations on Acoustic Emission

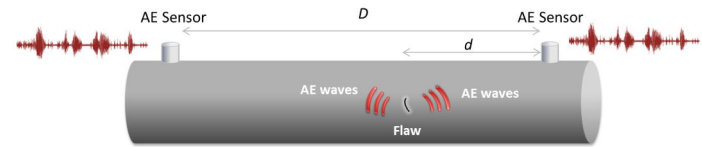
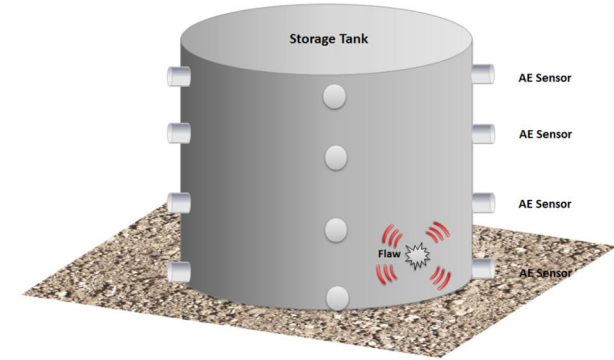
- Acoustic emission (AE)
- Analysis of AE source localisation possibilities  
*detecting of critical areas*
- Sensor configuration design  
*two case studies*
- AE source variable directivity problem  
*limited possibility of AE detection*  
*explanation of the phenomenon*



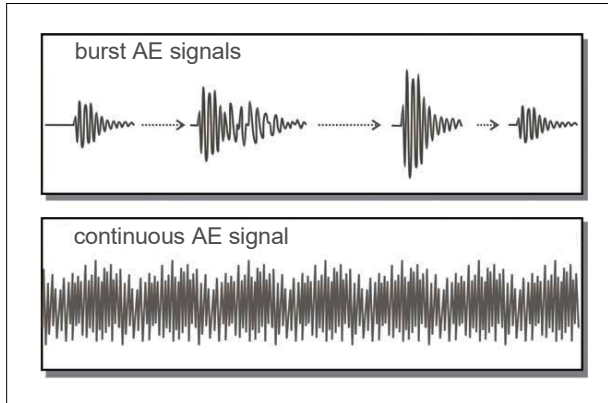
## ACOUSTIC EMISSION (AE) METHOD

Passive monitoring of ultrasonic elastic waves initiated by various processes in materials.

- Burst AE:** *plastic deformation of metals, crack growth, friction, material failure...*
- Continuous AE:** *leakage of liquids under pressure, machining, welding, monitoring of technological processes and devices...*



## MACHINE LEARNING APPLICATIONS



**Multilayer Back-propagation networks**

**Localization of material defects**  
*(especially for cases of complex structures)*

**Convolutional neural networks (CNN)**

**Condition monitoring of rotating mechanisms**  
*(bearings, gearboxes, etc.)*



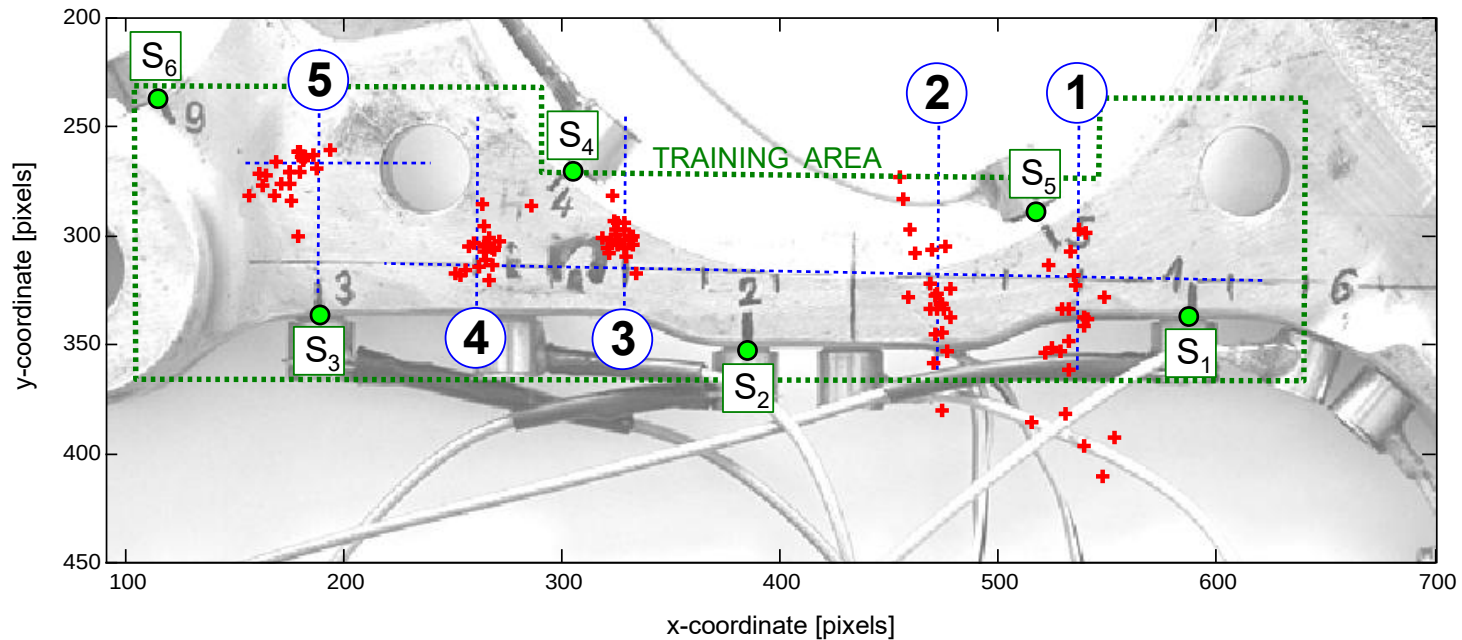
## AE SOURCE LOCALIZATION (*IDENTIFICATION*) PROBLEM

- where to place sensors?  
*(to enable good location results in evaluated area...)*
- location method?  
*(crossing of hyperboles, triangulation algorithm, database searching, ANN...)*
- sensitivity to experimental and numerical errors?  
*(robust method of arrival time estimate, shortest path finding...)*
- ambiguity?  
*(whether the selected configuration of sensors generate unique chronologies of arrivals...)*

## Diversity of AE source localisation errors

### How to explain diverse sensitivity to experimental and numerical errors?

- artificial neural network pen-tests localization results
- five sets of 25 pen-tests at the original locations 1-5  
(*cross points of blue dashed lines*)

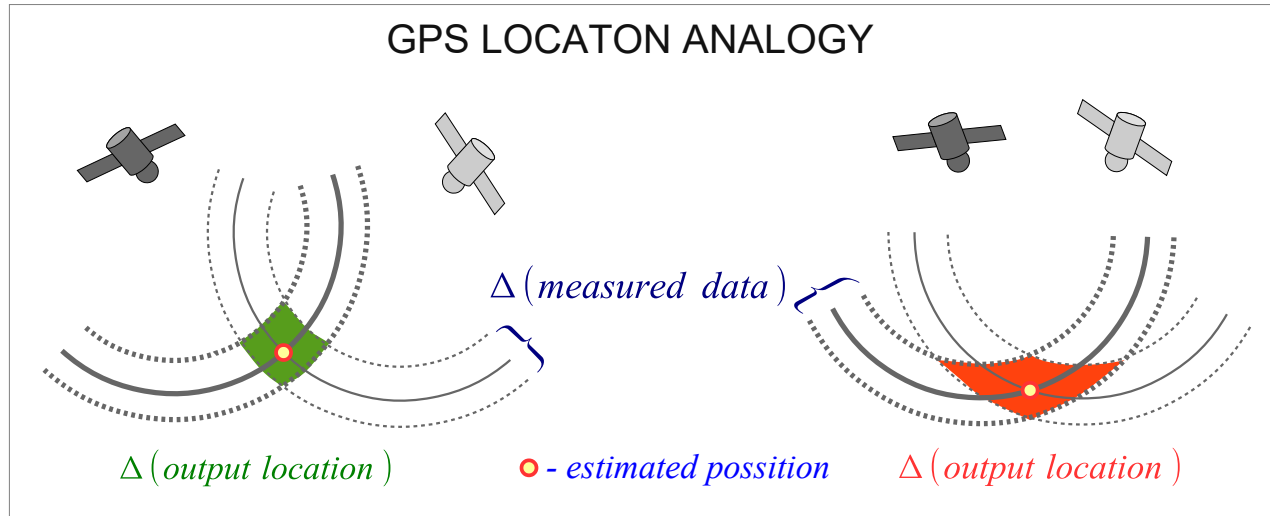




## Geometric Dilution of Precision (GDOP)

*GDOP - dimensionless parameter modeling expected location accuracy and how the errors in the measurement will affect the final location estimation*

$$GDOP = \frac{\Delta(\text{output location})}{\Delta(\text{measured data})}$$



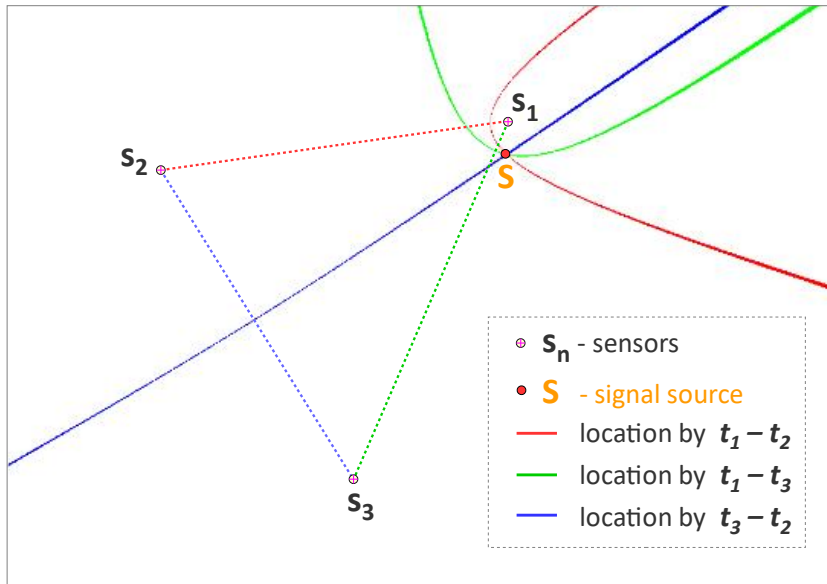
**Well spaced satellites**  
*Good GDOP - low uncertainty of position*

**Poorly spaced satellites**  
*Poor GDOP - high uncertainty of position*

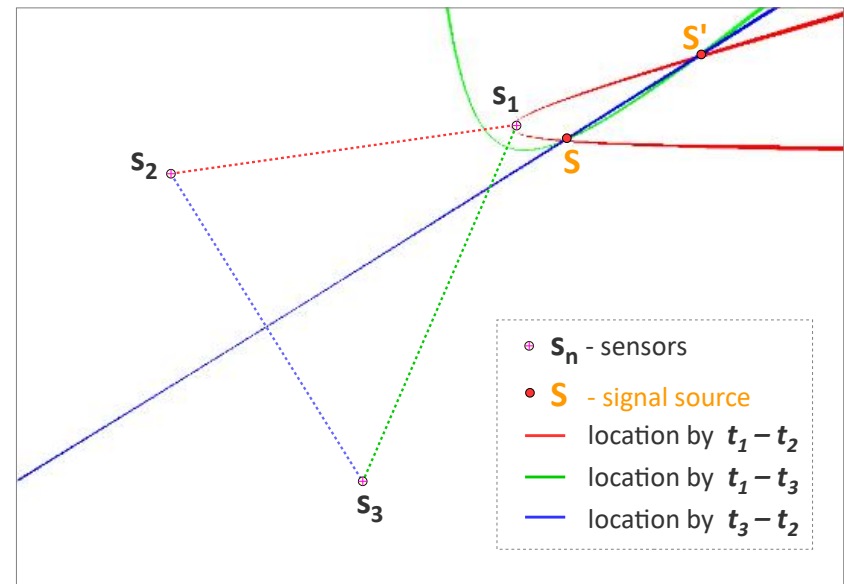
## BURST ACOUSTIC EMISSION (planar localization)

*Demonstration of AE source localization possibilities using signal arrival times to sensors ( $t_1, t_2, t_3$ )*

$\Delta t$  2D location method by intersection of hyperboles



$\Delta t$  2D location method by intersection of hyperboles

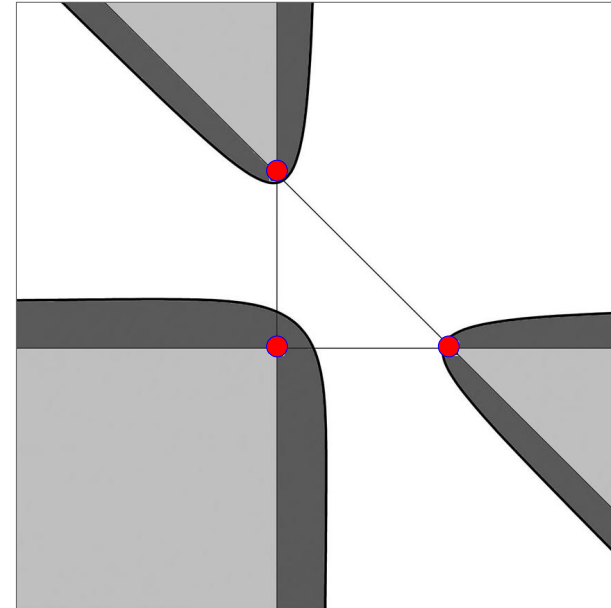
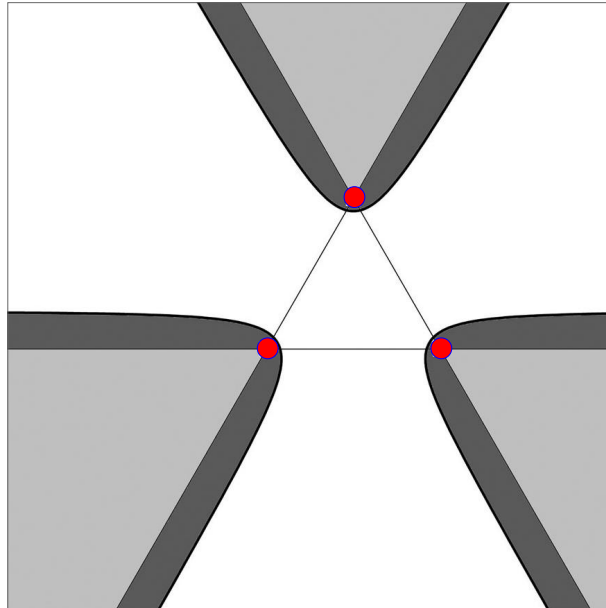




- Ambiguity of 2-D AE source location using 3 AE transducers**

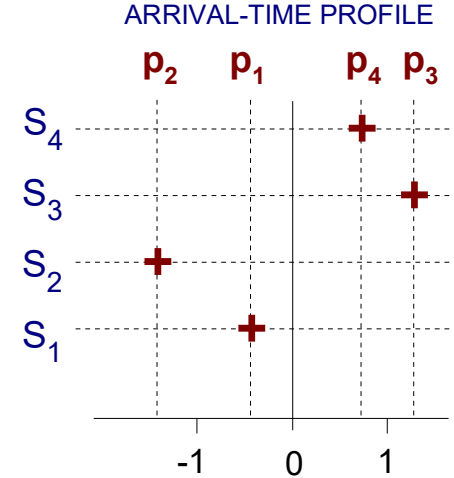
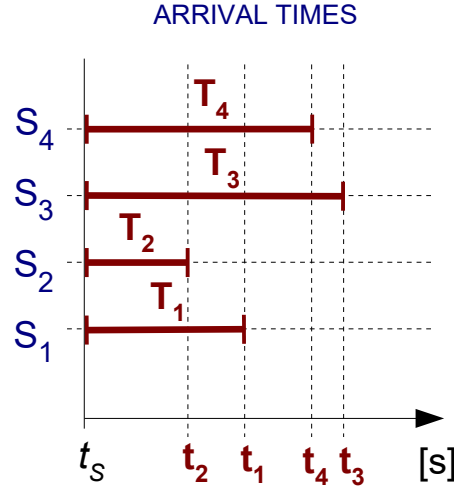
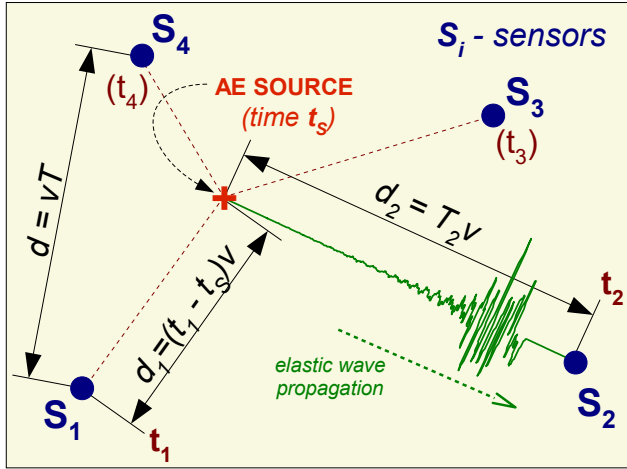
*(any AE source in dark grey area has the same time-differences corresponding to existing source in light grey area and vice versa)*

EXAMPLE OF TWO TRIANGLE CONFIGURATIONS OF TRANSDUCERS  
*(rectangular and equiangular)*





## Arrival-time chronology parametrization



### Notation:

- $t_s$  - time of AE source inception
- $t_i$  - signal arrival time
- $T_i$  - signal propagation time to sensor  $S_i$
- $T$  - normalization period
- $d_i$  - the distance between AE source and sensor  $S_i$
- $d$  - the distance between two appropriately selected points corresponding to  $T$
- $v$  - elastic wave velocity

**Arrival-time profile**  $P=(p_1, \dots, p_N)$  definition:

$$p_i = \frac{T_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N T_j}{T} = \frac{t_i - t_s - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (t_j - t_s)}{T} = \frac{t_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N t_j}{T}$$

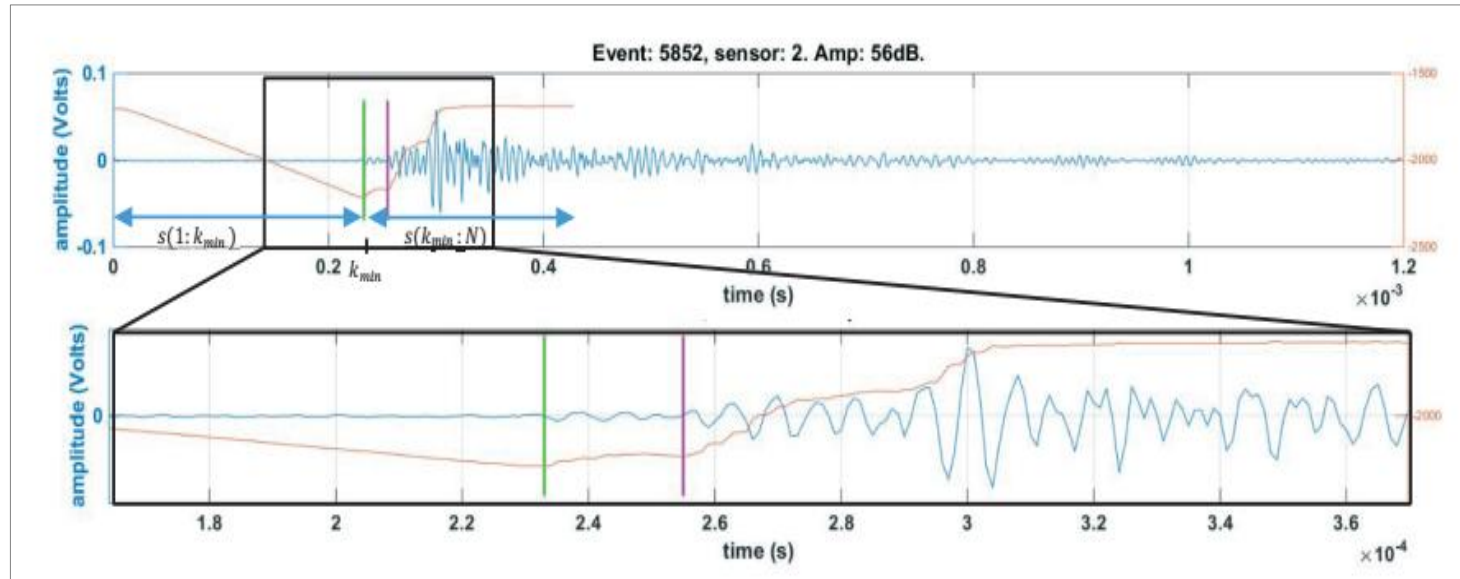
Independent on wave velocity and scale changes...

## (AE) signal onset estimate

### Akaike information criterion (AIC) picker

*The idea is to compare the difference between standard deviation passed and forthcoming at each point of the signal:*

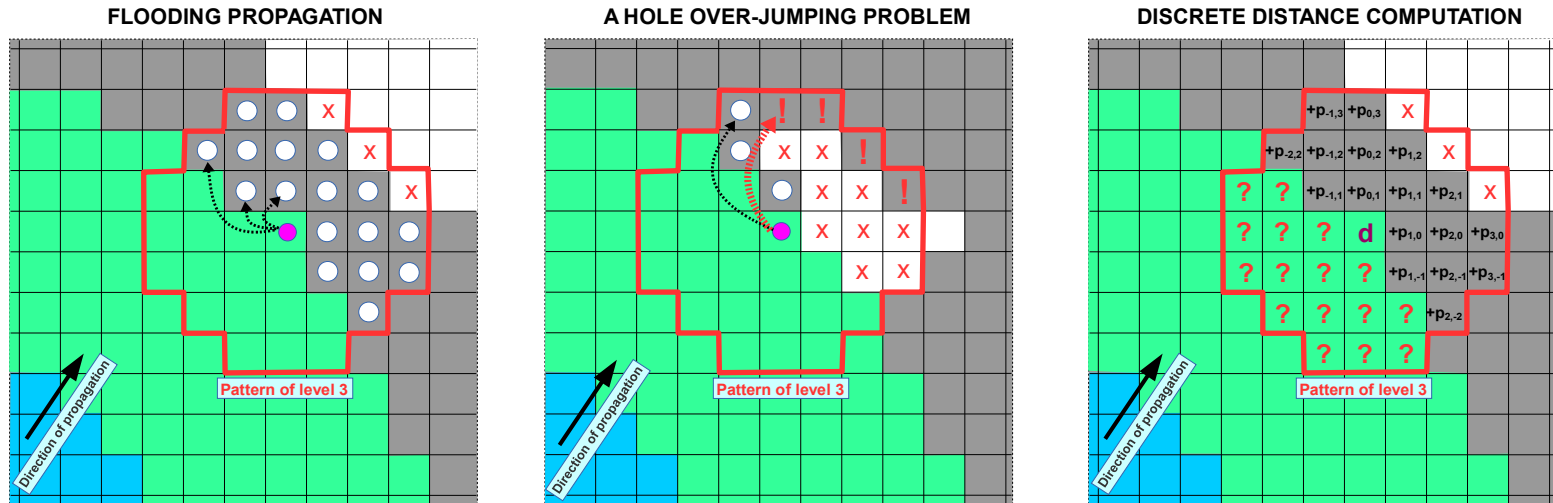
$$AIC(k) = k \cdot \log[STD(s(1:k))] + (N - k) \cdot \log[STD(s(k:N))]$$



*Typical acoustic waveform (blue) and results of two different picking techniques. Fixed threshold (magenta), AIC function (orange) and its minimum (green).*

## Shortest ways finding in discrete bodies („Flooding“ propagation)

The method was inspired by **Huygens' principle** as a simple to implement alternative suitable for **discrete bodies** derived from 2D or 3D bitmap pictures. Such approach also enables the **tracing of elastic waves** propagating through bodies of **complicated shape**.



$$p_{i,j} = \sqrt{i^2 + j^2} \quad - \text{distance of pixel } [i,j] \text{ from the center point of „next pixels“ pattern}$$

**if**  $(d+p_{i,j}) < d_{ACT}$  (actual value stored in pixel  $[i,j]$ ) **then**  $d_{ACT} := (d+p_{i,j})$



## LOCATION ANALYSIS (*detecting of critical areas*)

### ● Similarity Map

- illustrates the topology of time-differences space
- shows small regions of pixels with *similar time-differences*

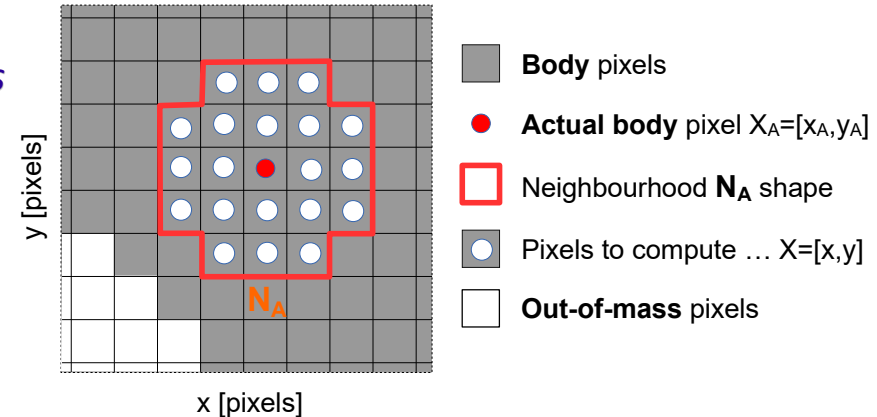
### ● Location Ambiguity Map (LAM)

- *Small numbers* detect *problematic areas* of pixels for which somewhere exist points with nearly the same signal arrival chronology.

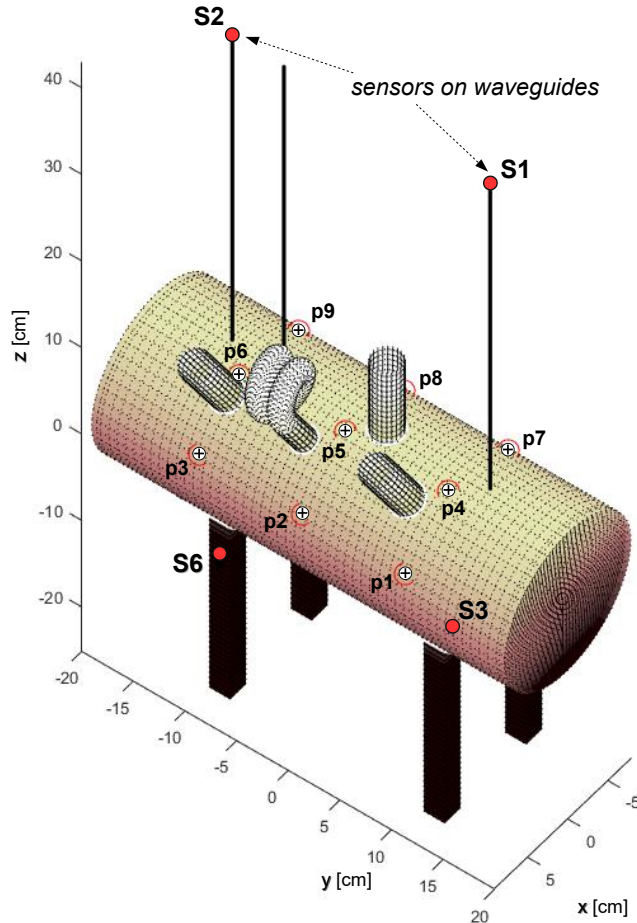
$P(X)$  is ATP for pixel  $X$

and  $d_E(\dots, \dots)$  is Euclidean distance

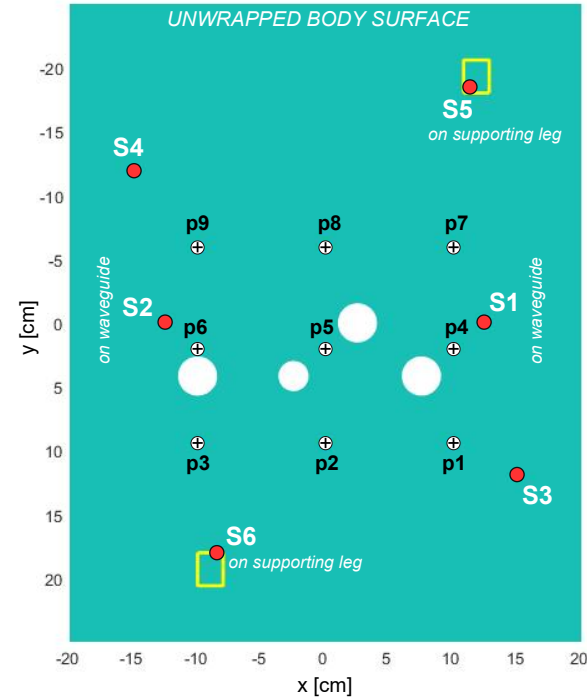
$$LAM(X) = MEAN \left\{ \frac{d_E(P(X), P(X_i))}{d_E(X, X_i)} \mid d_E(P(X), P(X_i)) < tol. \right\}$$



# Experimental setup scheme



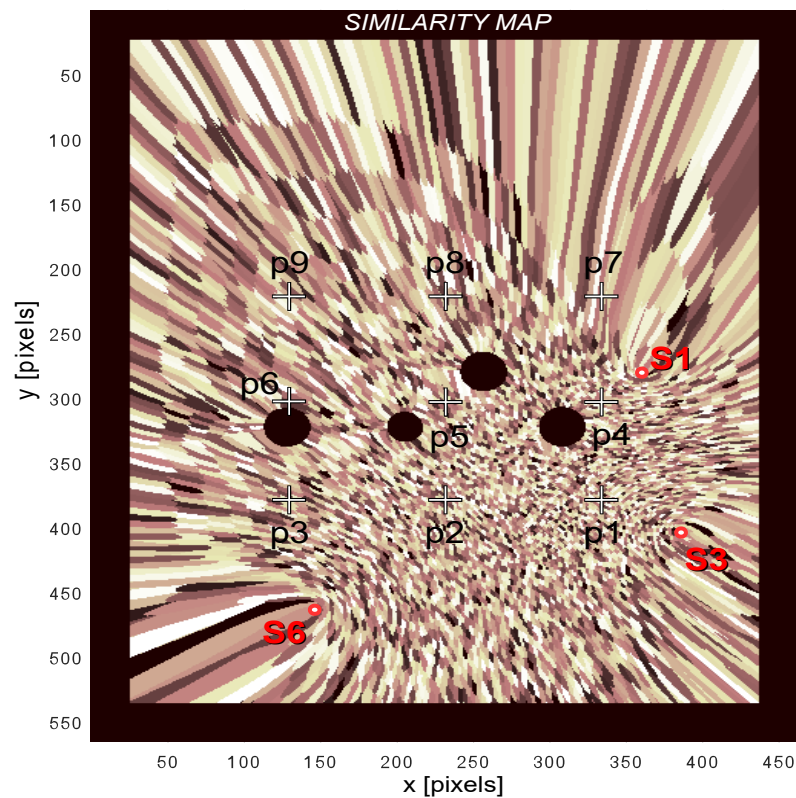
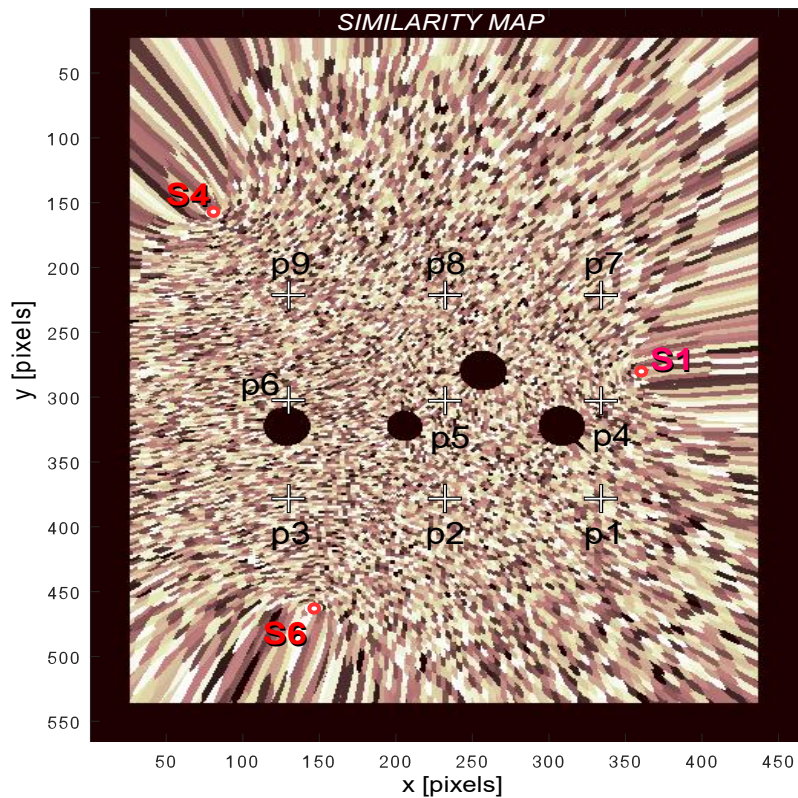
Goal: To predict the accuracy of AE source location for selected group of sensors.  
 The “numerical forecast” is then reviewed with nine sets of pencil-lead breaks.





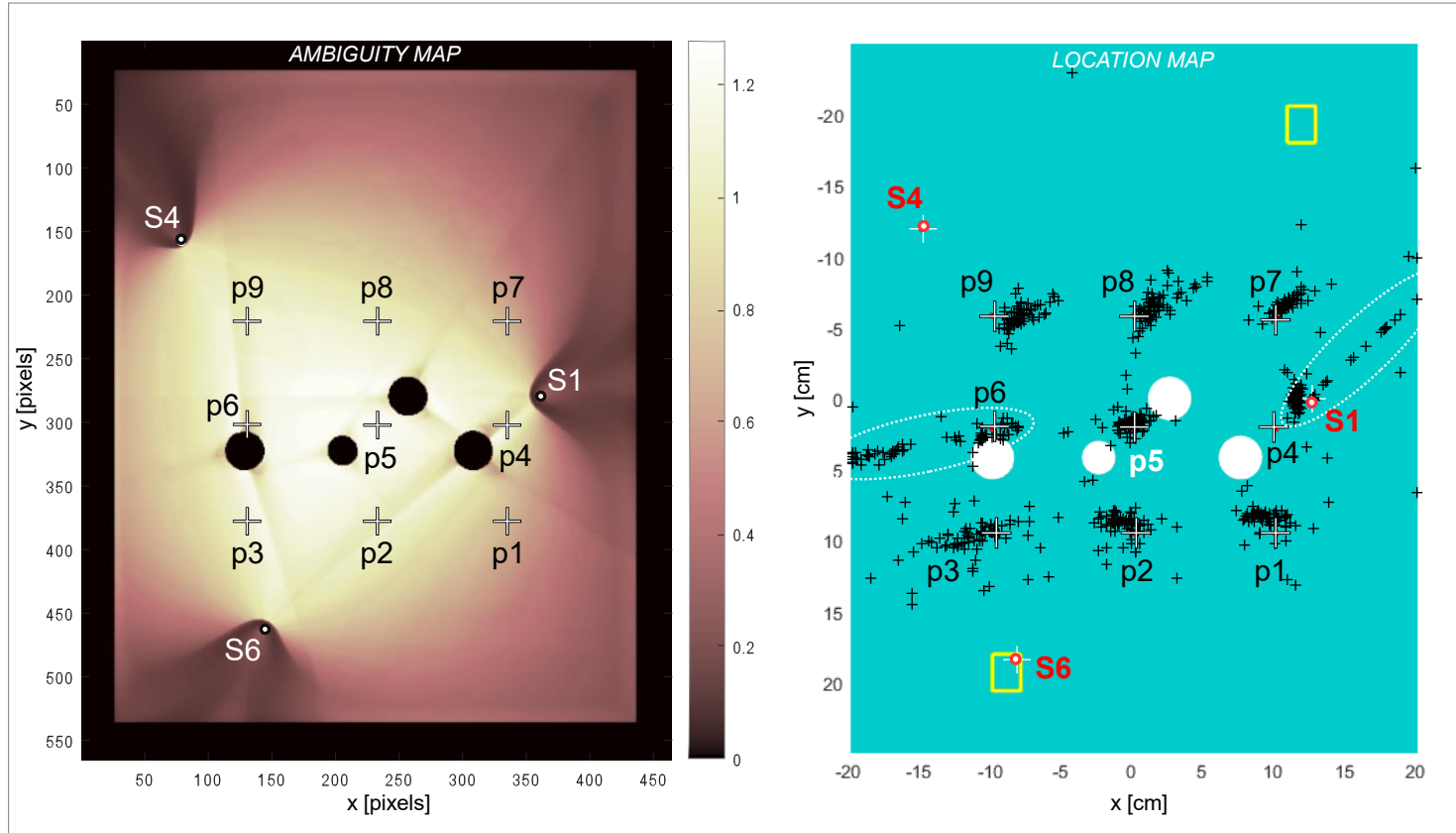
# Similarity maps

*(for two selected typical combinations of three sensors)*



# Results of experimental verification

*(localization of nine sets of pencil-lead breaks)*

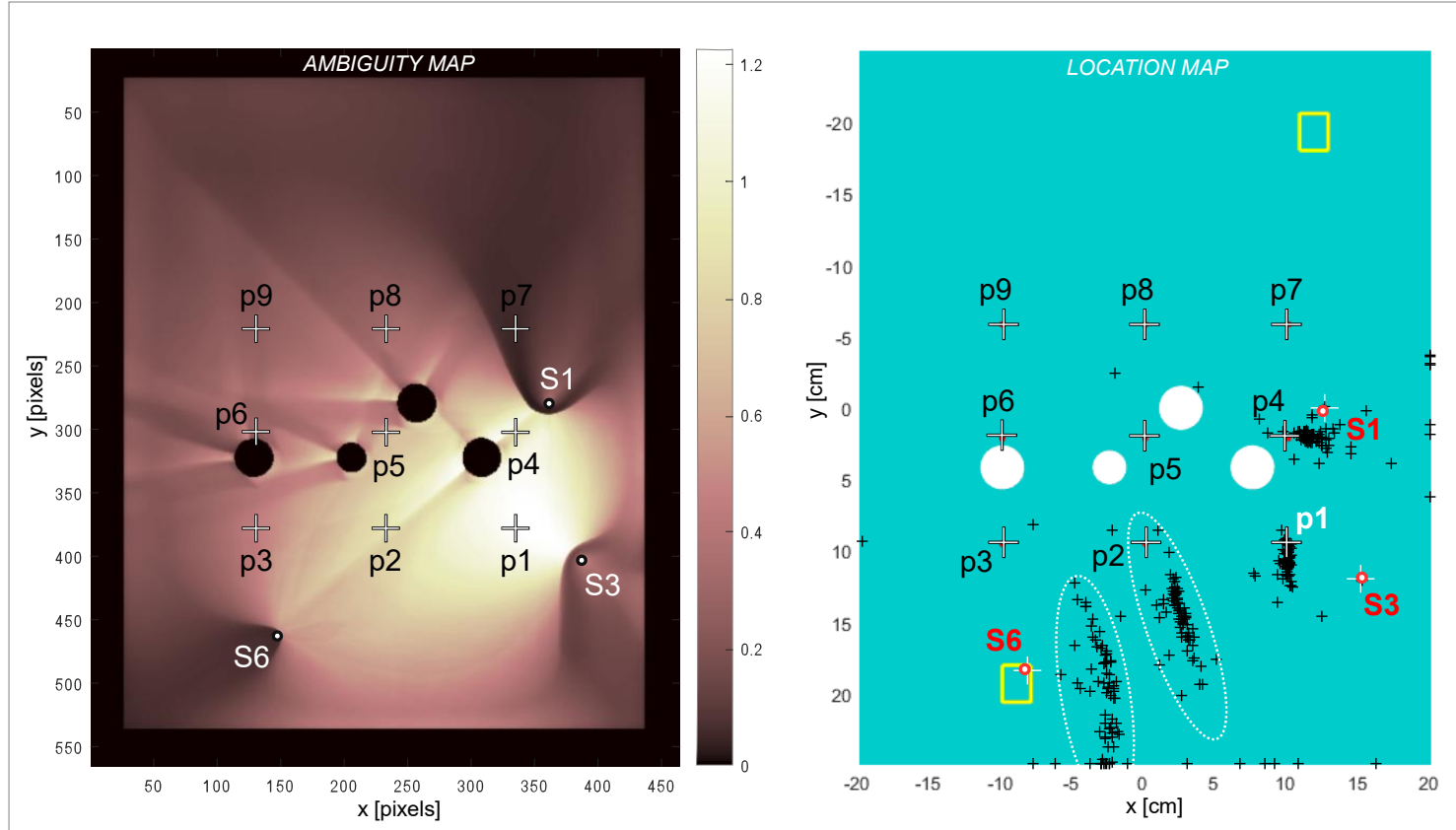


*Location **A**mbiguity **M**ap versus location results for sensor group 1-4-6.*



# Results of experimental verification

*(localization of four sets of pencil-lead breaks)*

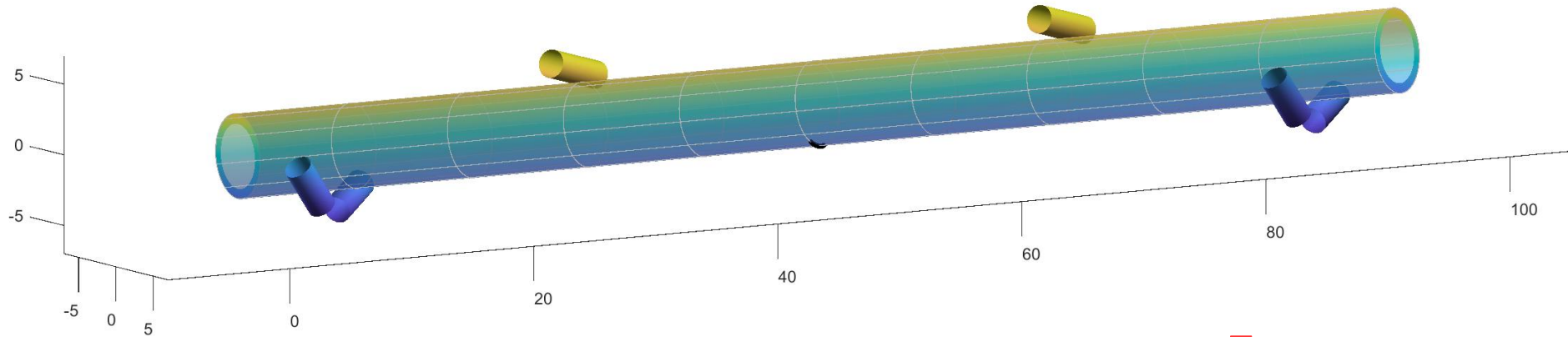


**Location Ambiguity Map versus location results for sensor group 1-3-6.**

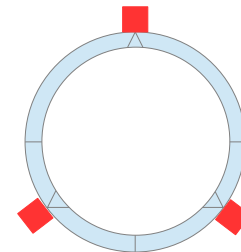




## Sensor configuration design

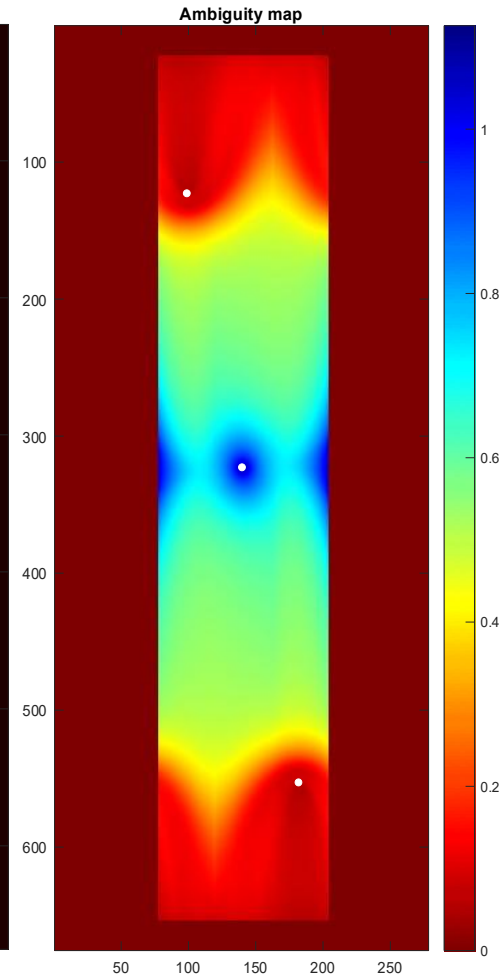
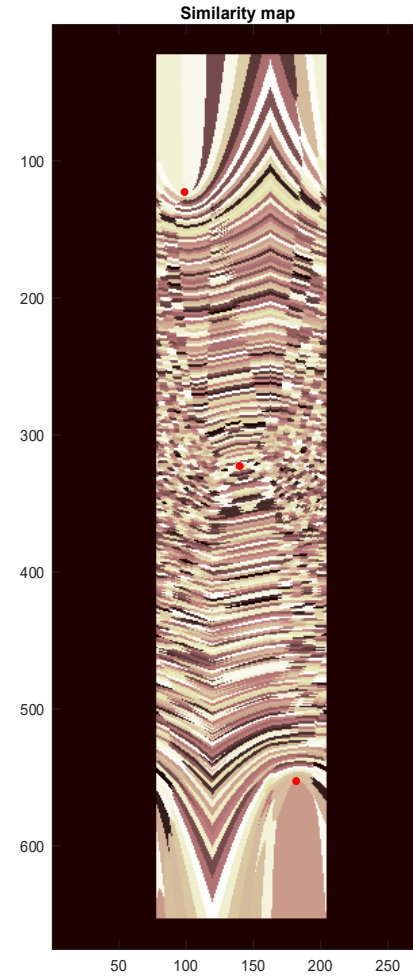
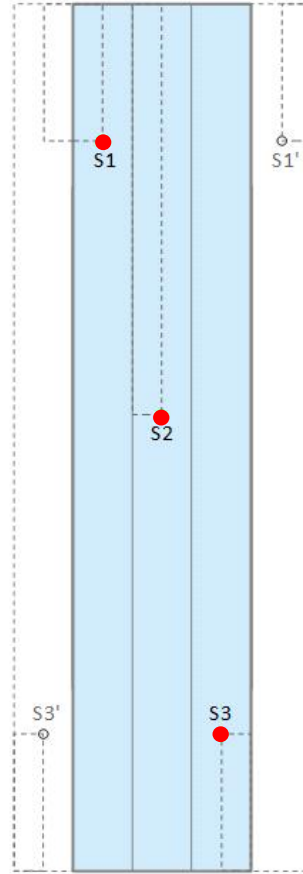
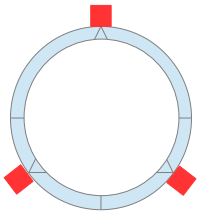


How many sensors needed?



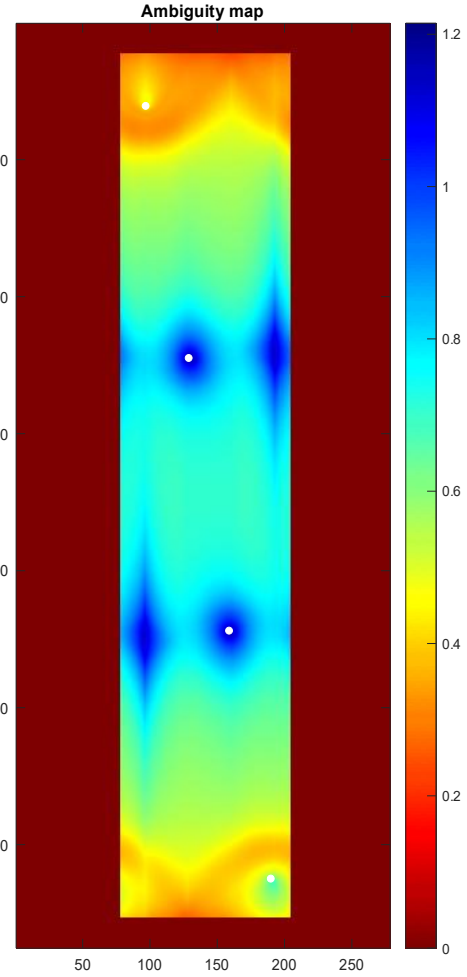
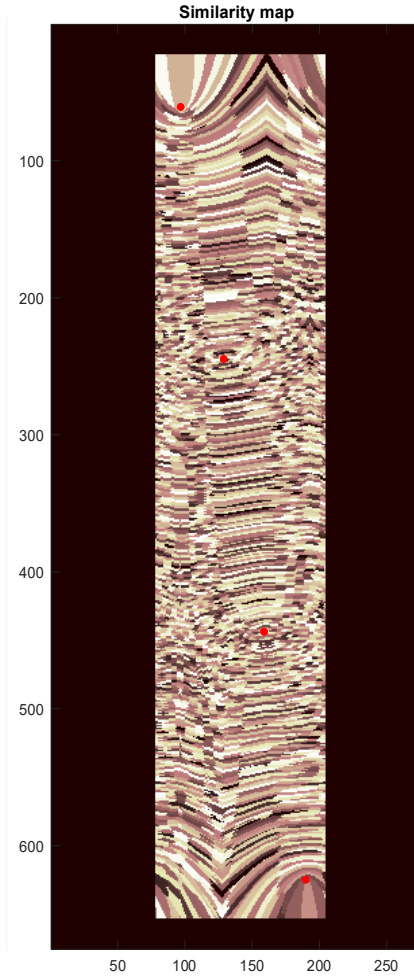
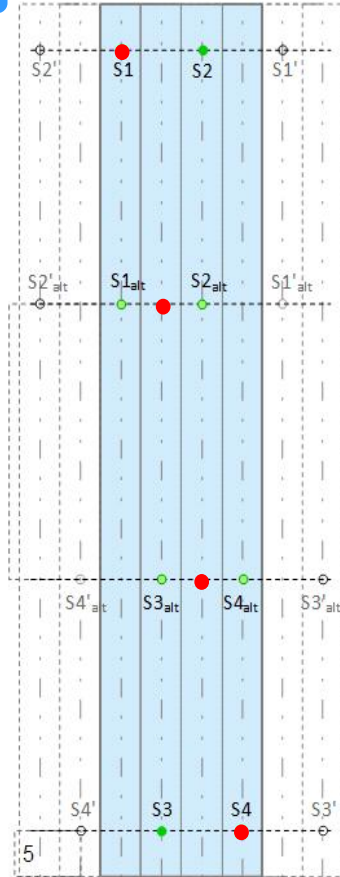
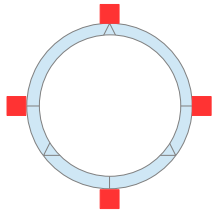


## Sensor configuration analysis



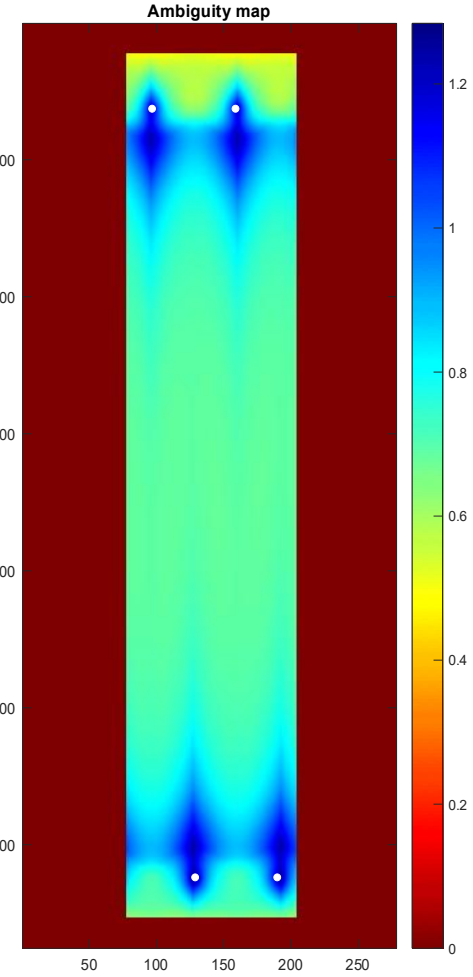
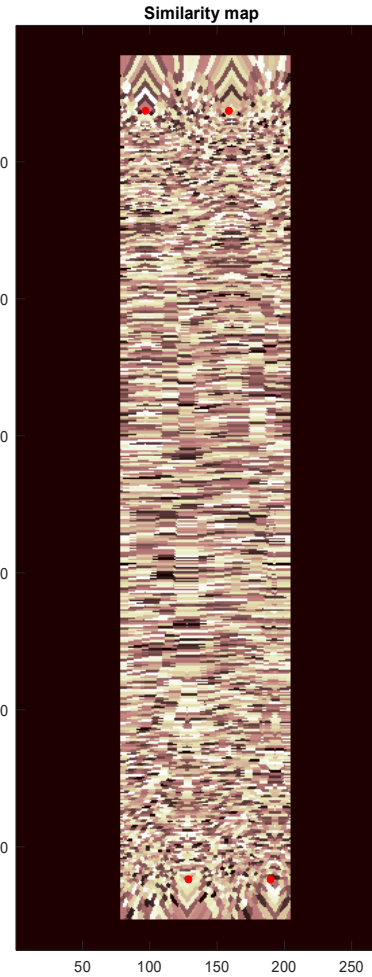
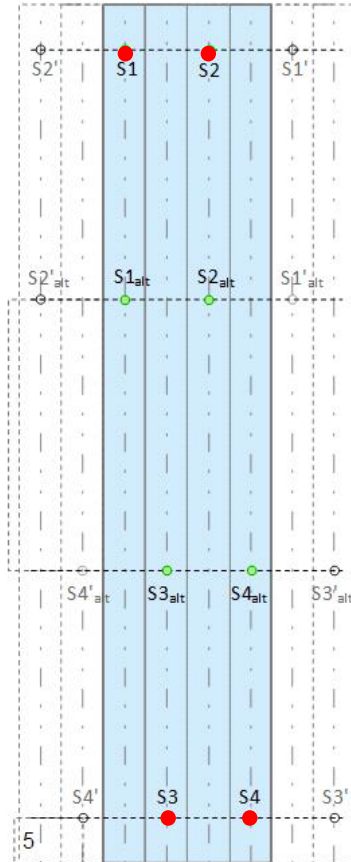
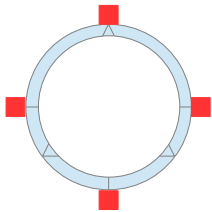


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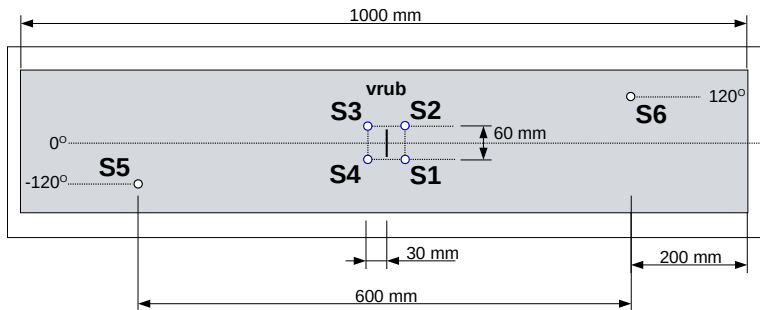
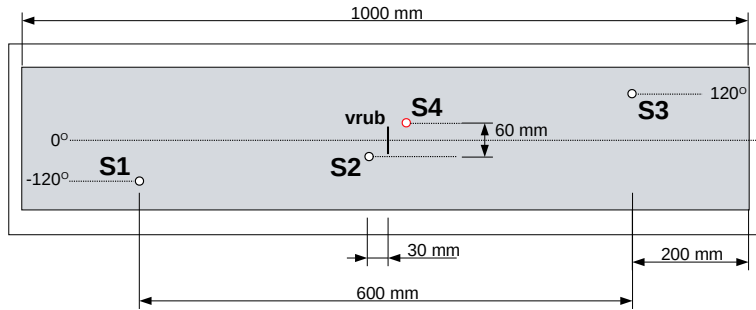


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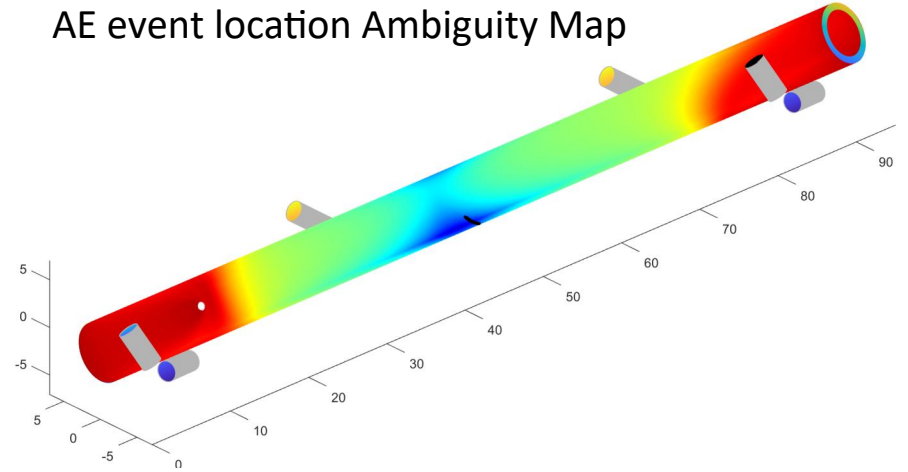




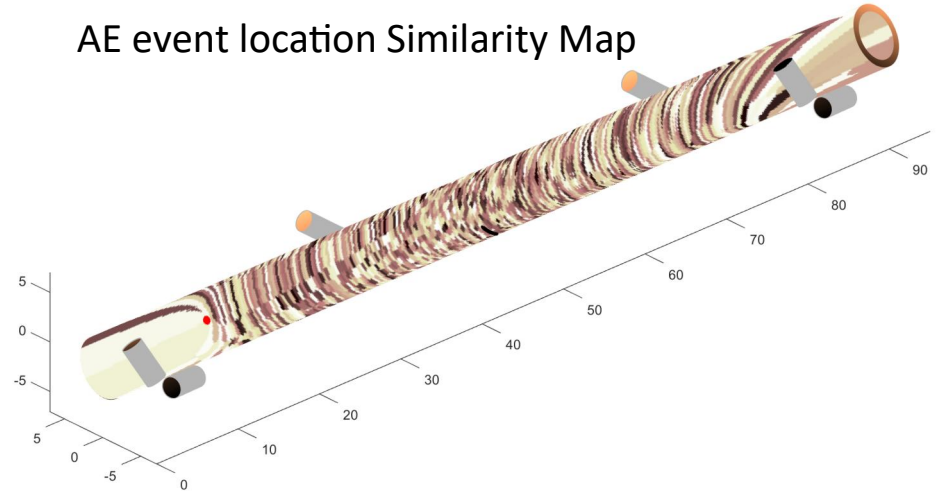
## Optimization of sensor placement



## AE event location Ambiguity Map

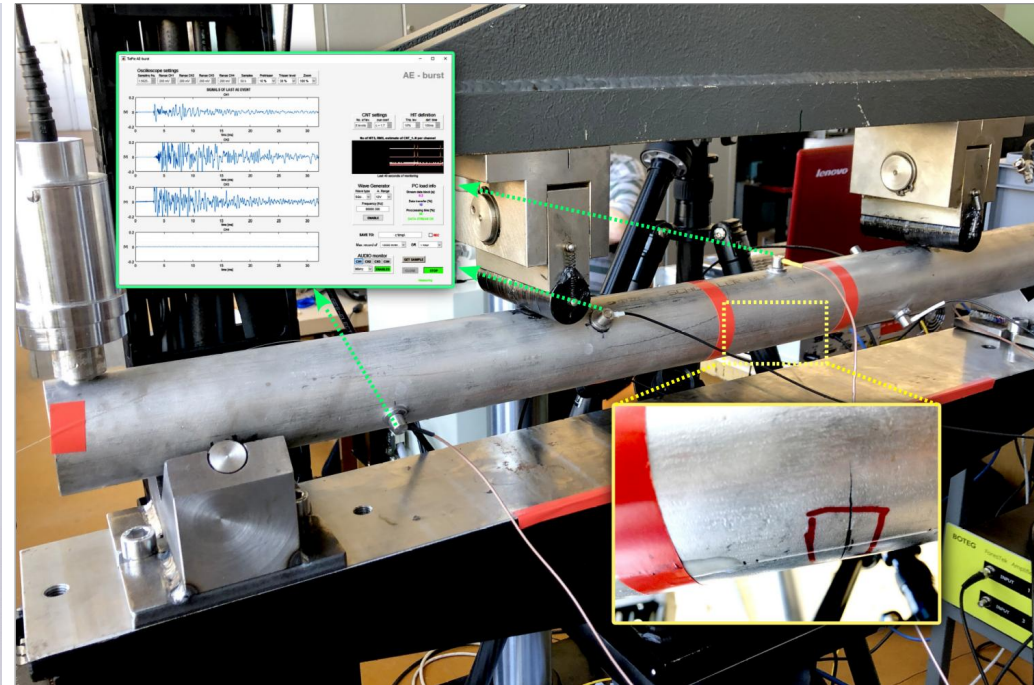
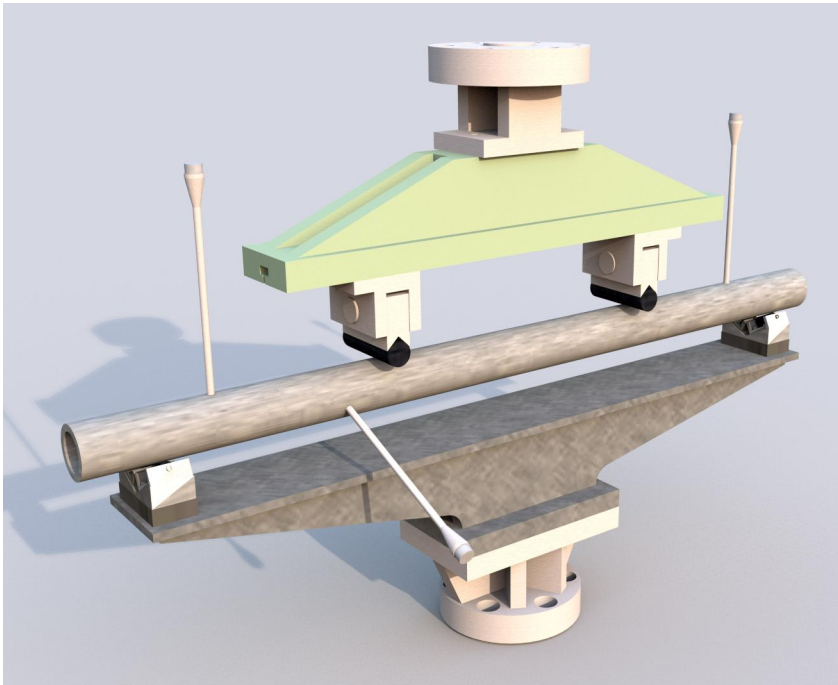


## AE event location Similarity Map

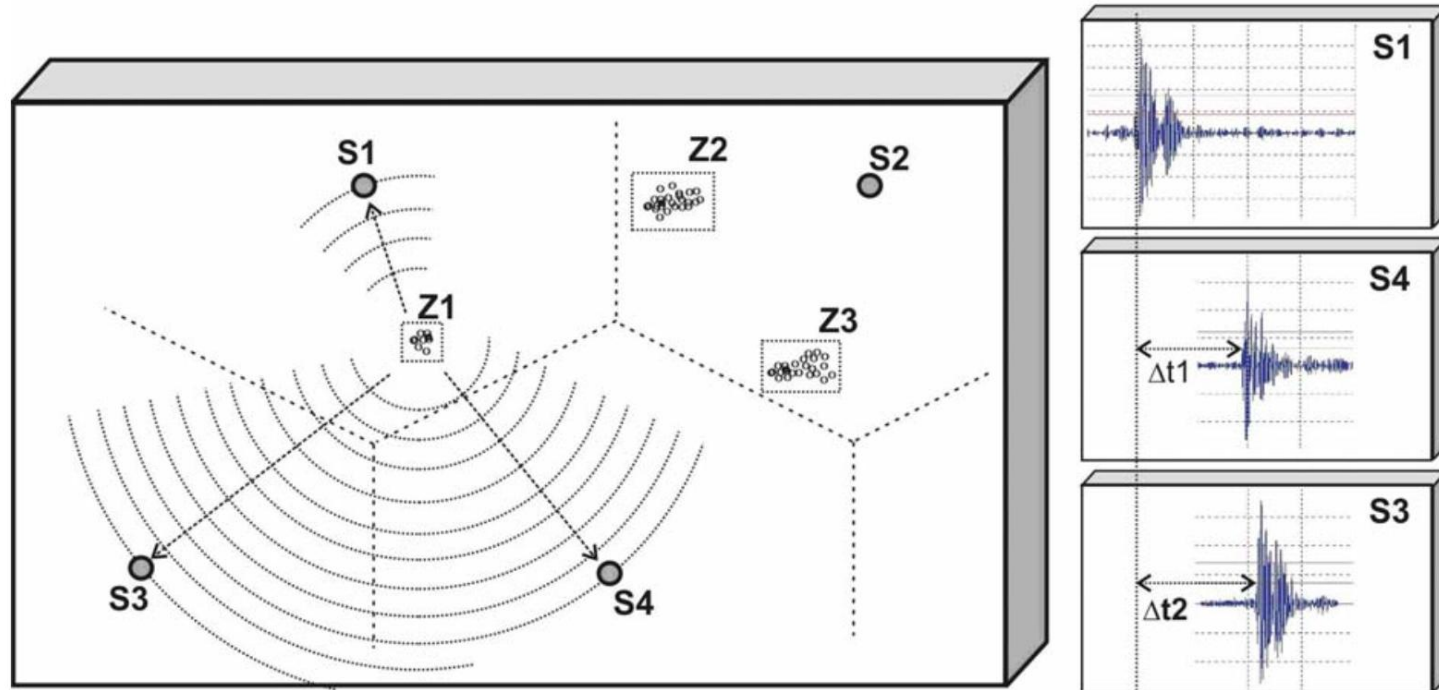




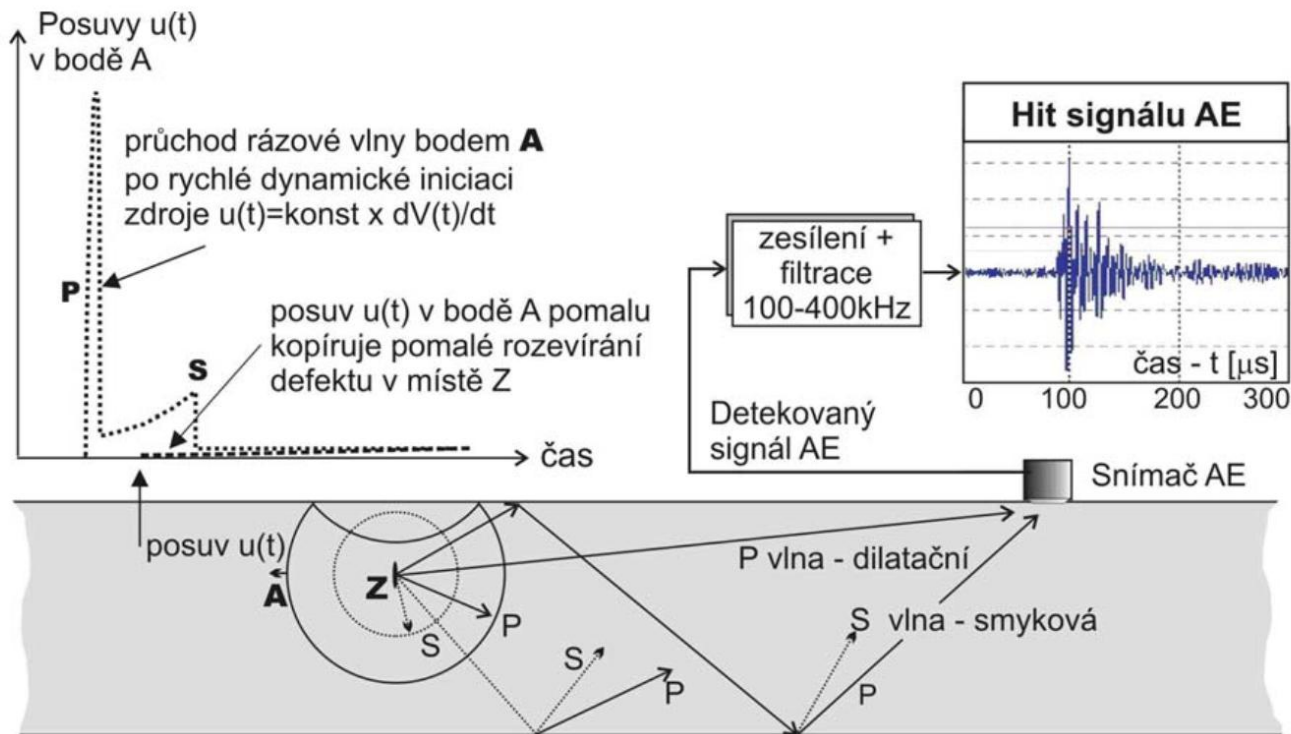
## EXPERIMENTAL SETUP



UČEBNICE AE



**Obr.1.3: Měřicí síť AE a princip planární (rovinné)  
 $\Delta t$  lokalizace události zdroje akustické emise Z1**



**Obr.1.4: Princip jevu a citlivosti detekce akustické emise**

Ze zdroje AE (Z) se šíří počáteční kulové vlnoplochy dilatační P a smykové S vlny, které můžeme zobrazit jako svazek paprsků, jež se následně v tělese šíří, odrážejí a rozpadají. Vytváří tak výslednou odezvu zdroje Z detekovaného v místě snímače AE.





# REAL AE SIGNALS

### Settings

Sampling frq.  HPF  dB/oct.  Samples  Pretrigger  Trigger level  X-Zoom

### SIGNALS OF LAST AE EVENT

Range CH1: 400 mV  conti

Range CH2: 400 mV  conti

Range CH3: 400 mV  conti

Range CH4: 400 mV  conti

### AUX channels

Range AUX: 20 V

Res. AUX: 0.01 s

Last [s] AUX: 10 s

### TPAE-uni

LOCALIZER:

#### CNT settings

No. of lev.  cue coef.

#### HIT definition

Trig. lev.  def. time

#### No of HITS, RMS, estimate of CNT\_1..N per channel

#### Wave Generator

Wave type  A. Range

Frequency [Hz]:

#### PC load info

Stream data block [s]:

Data transfer [%]:

Processing time [%]:

**DATA STREAM OK**

SAVE TO:   REC

Max. record of  OR

FIG  PNG  LOC.

#### AUDIO monitor

CH1	AUX1	96kHz
CH2	AUX2	
CH3		
CH4		

measuring / recording



# REAL AE SIGNALS

### Settings

Sampling frq. 1.5625... HPF 120 kHz dB/oct. 30 dB Samples 50 k Pretrigger 10 % Trigger level 20 % X-Zoom 10 %

LOAD CNF. SAVE CNF.

### SIGNALS OF LAST AE EVENT

Range CH1 400 mV  
Range CH2 400 mV  
Range CH3 400 mV  
Range CH4 400 mV  
Range CH5 2 V  
Range CH6 400 mV  
Range CH7 400 mV

Range AUX 8 V  
Res. AUX 0.01 s  
Last [s] AUX 10 s

### TPAE-uni

LOCALIZER: localizer\_linear

#### CNT settings

No. of lev. 6 cue coef. c = 1.7

#### HIT definition

Trig. lev. 15 % def. time 10ms

#### No of HITS, RMS, estimate of CNT\_1..N per channel

#### PC load info

Stream data block [s]: 0.5  
Data transfer [%]: 10  
Processing time [%]: 50  
DATA STREAM OK

SAVE TO: c:\tmp\  REC

Max. record of 1000 events OR 1 hour

FIG  PNG  LOC. capture figs

#### AUDIO monitor

96kHz

CH1	CH5
CH2	CH6
CH3	CH7
CH4	AUX1

ON

GET SAMPLE CLOSE STOP

measuring / recording



# REAL AE SIGNALS

### Settings

Sampling freq: 1.5625... | HPF: 120 kHz | dB/oct: 30 dB | Samples: 50 k | Pretrigger: 10 % | Trigger level: 20 % | X-Zoom: 5 % |

### SIGNALS OF LAST AE EVENT

Range CH1: 400 mV |  conti

Range CH2: 400 mV |  conti

Range CH3: 400 mV |  conti

Range CH4: 400 mV |  conti

Range CH5: 400 mV |  conti

Range CH6: 400 mV |  conti

### AUX channels

Range AUX: 8 V | Res. AUX: 0.01 s | Last [s] AUX: 10 s

### TPAE-uni

LOCALIZER: localizer\_linear

#### CNT settings

No. of lev.: 6 levels | cue coef.: c = 1.7

#### HIT definition

Trig. lev.: 15 % | def. time: 10ms

No of HITS, RMS, estimate of CNT\_1-N per channel

Last 100 seconds of monitoring

#### PC load info

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Data transfer [%]: 10  
Processing time [%]: 45  
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Max. record of: 10000 events | OR: 5 hours

FIG  PNG  LOC.

#### AUDIO monitor

CH1	CH5	96kHz
CH2	CH6	
CH3	AUX1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON
CH4	AUX2	

measuring / recording



# REAL AE SIGNALS

### Settings

Sampling freq. 1.5625... | HPF 120 kHz | dB/oct. 40 dB | Samples 50 k | Pretrigger 10 % | Trigger level 20 % | X-Zoom 5 % |

### SIGNALS OF LAST AE EVENT

Range CH1: 400 mV |  conti  
Range CH2: 400 mV |  conti  
Range CH3: 400 mV |  conti  
Range CH4: 400 mV |  conti  
Range CH5: 400 mV |  conti  
Range CH6: 400 mV |  conti

### AUX channels

Range AUX: 20 V | Res. AUX: 0.01 s | Last [s] AUX: 10 s

### TPAE-uni

LOCALIZER: localizer\_linear

#### CNT settings

No. of lev. 6 | cue coef. c = 1.7

#### HIT definition

Trig. lev. 15 % | def. time 10ms

#### No of HITS, RMS, estimate of CNT\_1..N per channel

Last 100 seconds of monitoring

#### PC load info

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Max. record of 10000 events OR 5 hours

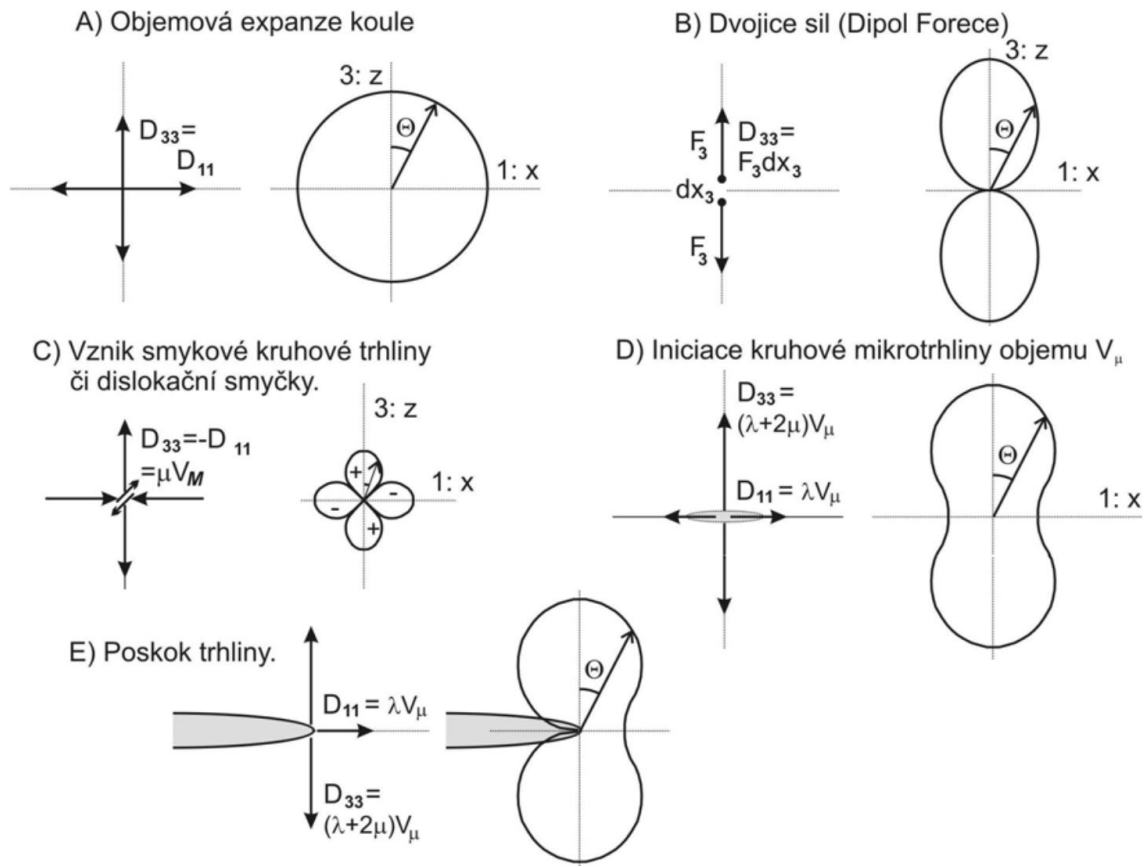
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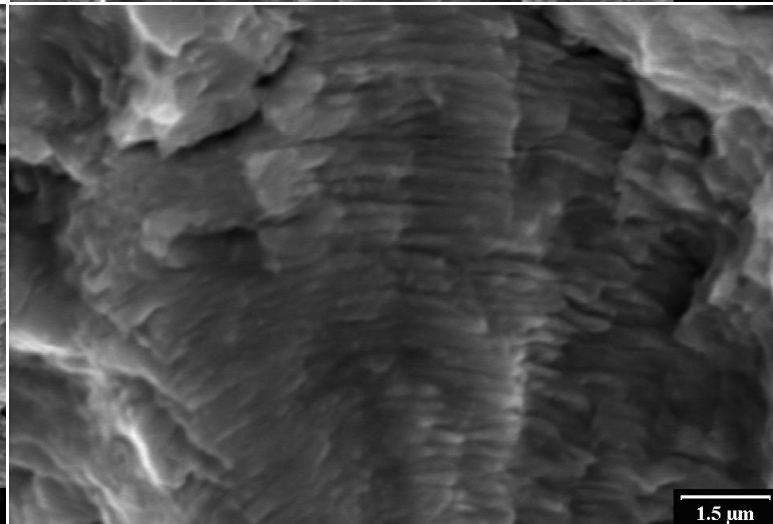
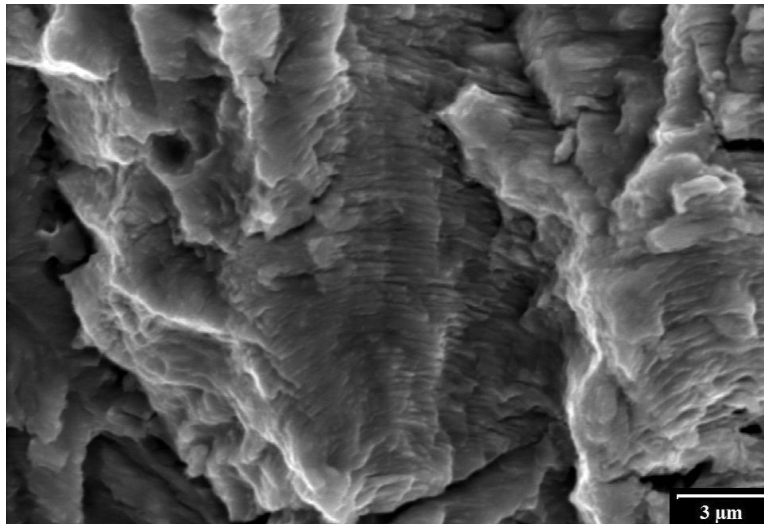
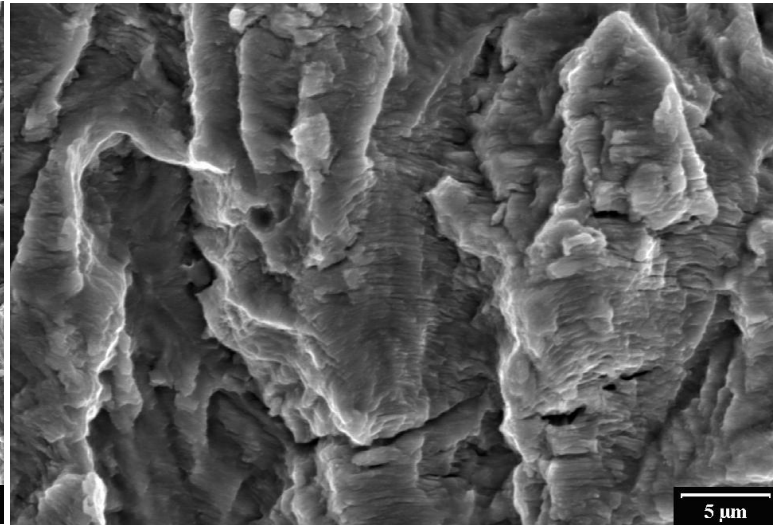
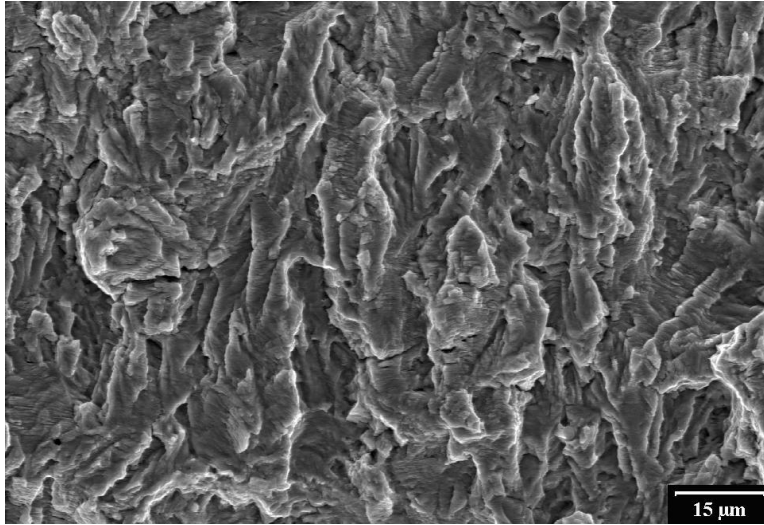
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CH3 I AUX1   
CH4 I AUX2

measuring / recording

**UČEBNICE AE**



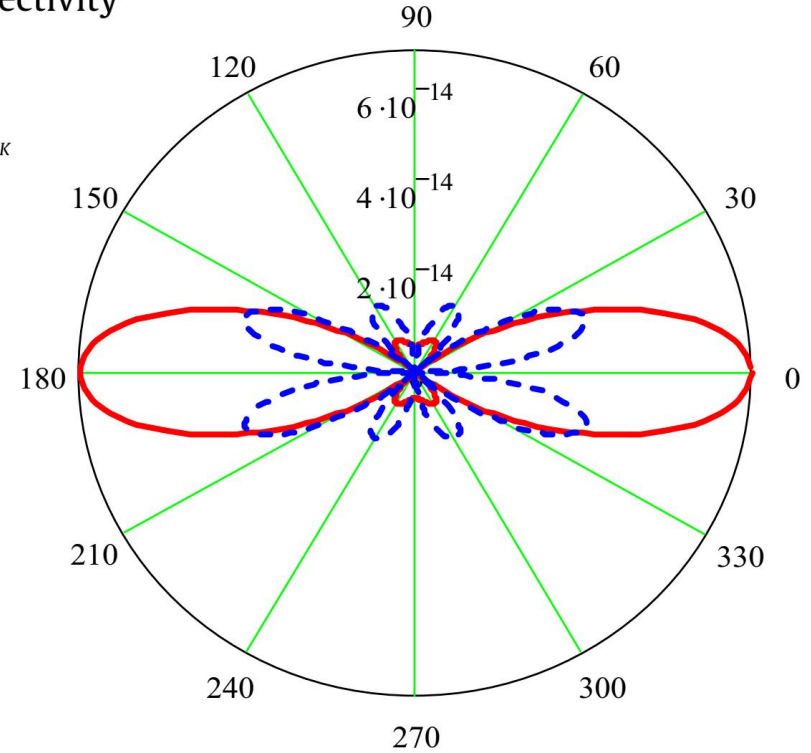
**Obr. 2.4** Směrové vyzařovací charakteristiky vybraných typů zdrojů AE. Rozložení velikosti posuvů ve směru paprsků na kulové vlnoploše v závislosti na směru (úhlu  $\Theta$ ).



# Acoustic emission from finite two-dimensional cracks: Directivity functions and frequency spectra

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Angular dependence of crack radiation

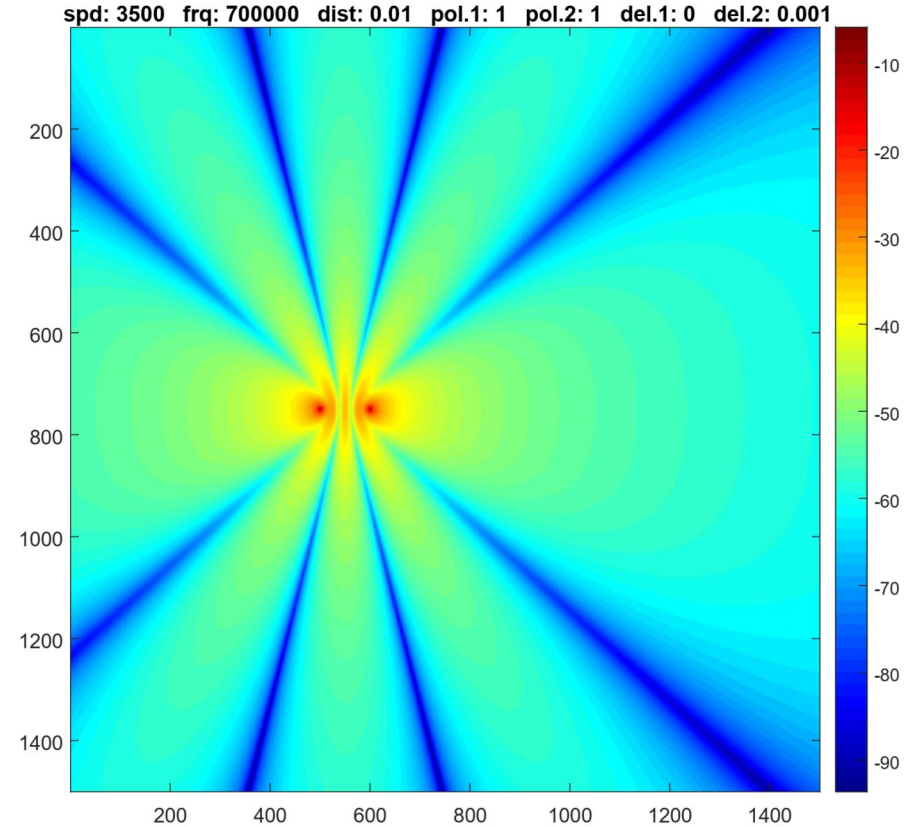
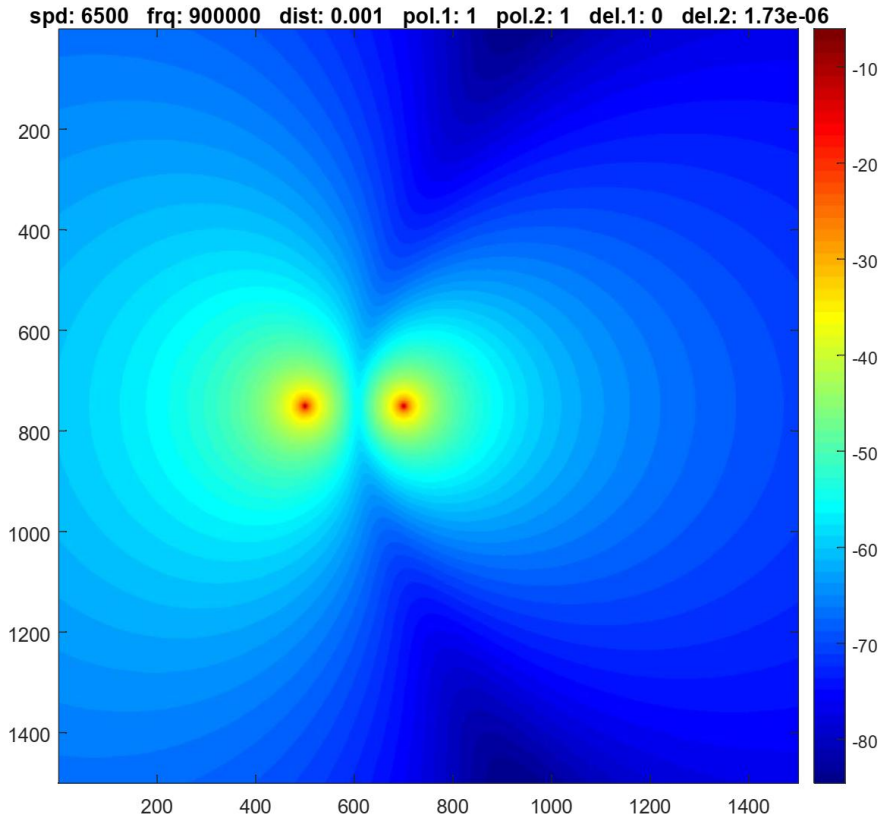
Variable directivity?

Theoretical model?

**Fig. 5.** Angular dependencies of longitudinal waves (solid curve) and shear waves (dashed curve) radiated by an opening crack at frequency  $f = 450$  kHz.



## Model of two sinusoidal sources







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Thank you for your attention...