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## A Hand-Held Instrument for both Eddy Current Arrays (ET) and Magnetoresistive (MR) Arrays

**jET<sup>®</sup>**  
for ET Arrays



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**& MR Arrays**



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## What is next for Eddy Current Testing of Structures?

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- More **accessible** ET array tech
- More **portable** handhelds for arrays
- More **adaptable** by operators
- More **predictable** performance
- Plus
  - Reduced false indication rates
  - Less training requirements
  - Inspection through paint and other coatings
  - Reliable 2<sup>nd</sup> layer crack and corrosion detection
  - On-aircraft inspection in difficult to access areas
  - Support for complementary installed sensors
  - Reliable inspection of cold worked holes
  - Improved manufacturing and sustainment inspections for Alcad coatings, cold work quality, and additive manufactured part inspection for porosity, metallurgical condition, geometric feature dimensions, and cracks.

**Challenges  
that must be met**

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## Presentation Outline for Hand-Held jET® Applications

- Hand-held jET with ET and MR MWM-Arrays ▶
  - jET configurations and end-effectors
  - MWM-Array sensors for jET
  - DOP Charts for varied drive-sense gap
  - Kits and methods for easy adaptation to new applications
  - **Introducing jAI (JENTEK A.I.)**
- Surface breaking crack detection (see PS&S Presentation)
  - Rescaling of crack response with variable liftoff, Grid Methods
  - Air calibration and Reference Calibration (per ASTM E2884)
  - Shaped filters used for improved POD and false indication performance
- Hidden corrosion imaging (first and second layer)
- Subsurface crack
  - 2-D and 3-D Modeling
  - HyperLattice Multivariate Inverse Method (MIM).
  - Landing gear inspection thru coatings
- SHM (permanently installed eddy current sensors)

**jET MR-Array  
Module  
Not Yet  
Available  
Unanticipated  
Delay**

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## Hand-Held Instrument for both ET and MR Arrays

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### jET

- < 1 pound (without laptop)
- 3 frequencies simultaneously
- 7 Parallel Channels
- 10x improved Signal-to-noise
- >1000 samples per second per channel
- Support for MWM-Array ET
  - MR-Array support soon
  - Conventional ET support also coming soon



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## Introducing jAI (JENTEK Artificial Intelligence)

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### Modeled Deterministic Part

- Sensor design for predictable response using iterative model-based optimization
- Precomputed sensor response databases for model based Multi-variate Inverse Methods (MIMs)
- Instruments, such as the jET, designed to deliver data that is suitable for MIMs:
  - Simultaneous frequencies
  - Simultaneous Real and Imaginary transimpedance parts
  - Parallel channels
  - Accurate transimpedance with very low signal to noise
  - High data rates for rapid scanning
- Very rapid data analysis

### Unmodeled Deterministic & Stochastic Part

- After removal of deterministic part (using model based MIMs), remaining data can be more appropriately processed using traditional AI pattern recognition or filtering methods.
- Shape filters (like wavelet analysis)
- Libraries of signatures for selective shape filtering based on apriori or logically determined metadata/information.
- Other pattern recognition, that takes advantage of
  - Simultaneous frequencies
  - Simultaneous Real and Imaginary transimpedance parts
  - Parallel channels
- **User AI guidance for new apps (in early development)**

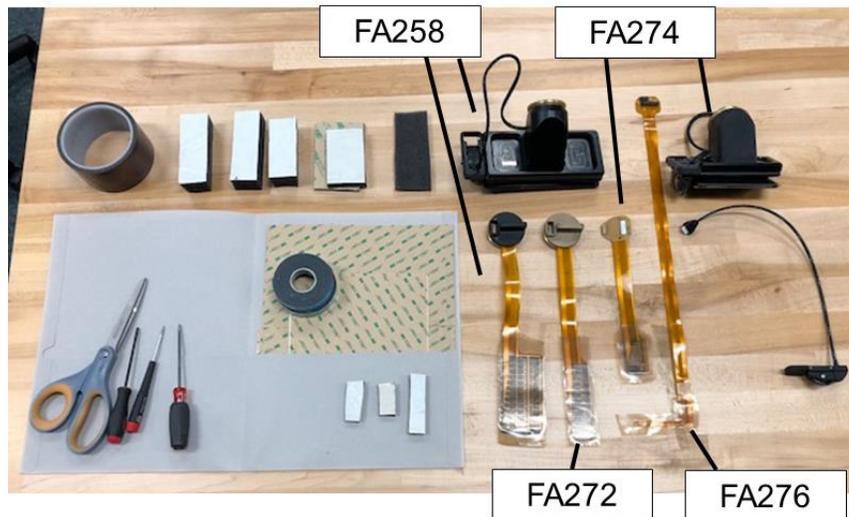
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## Sensor Kits for adaptation to new applications

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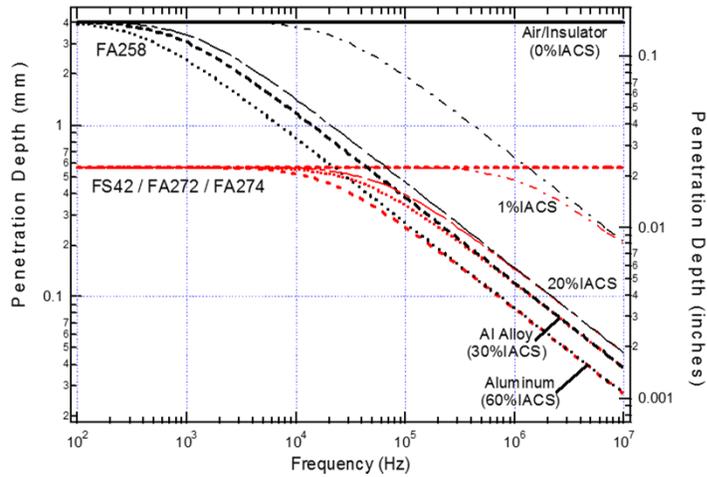
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## Depth of penetration comparison

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FA258 at lower frequencies (~100 kHz) can provide improved sensitivity to subsurface flaws in the Ti-6Al-4V alloys compared to FA272/FA274 due to larger drive sense gap.



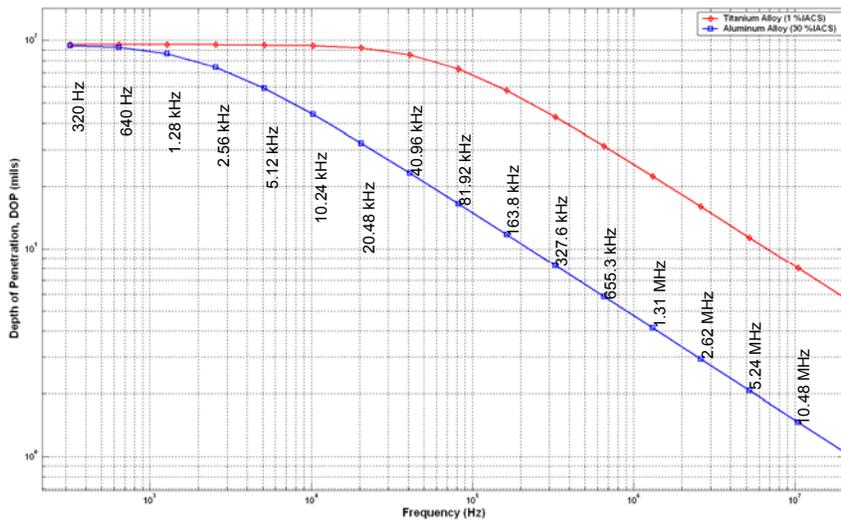
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## FA258 Depth of Penetration

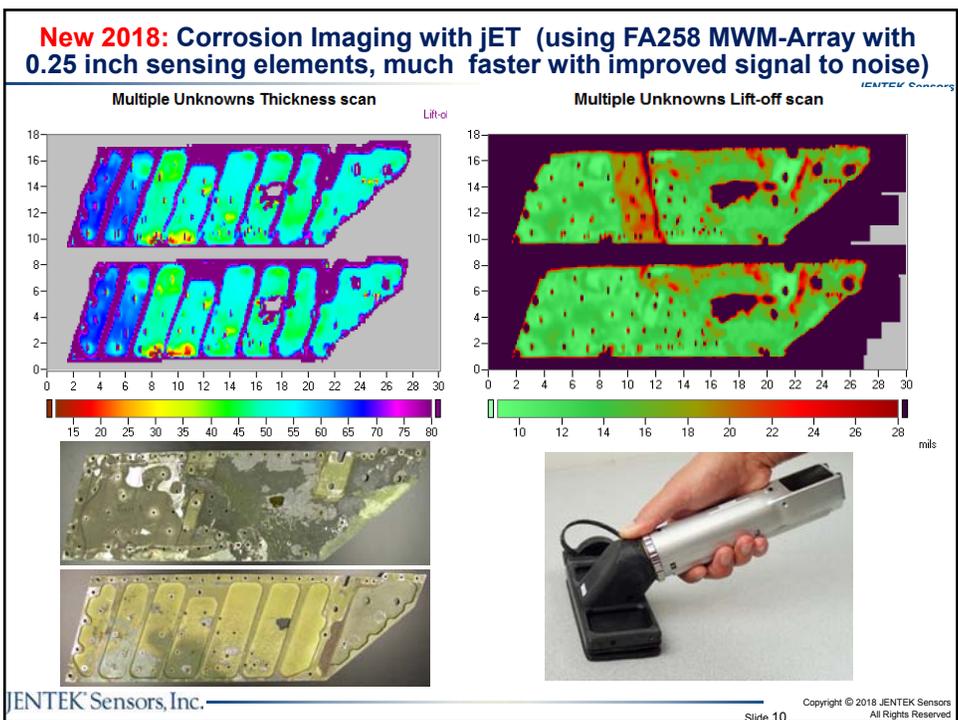
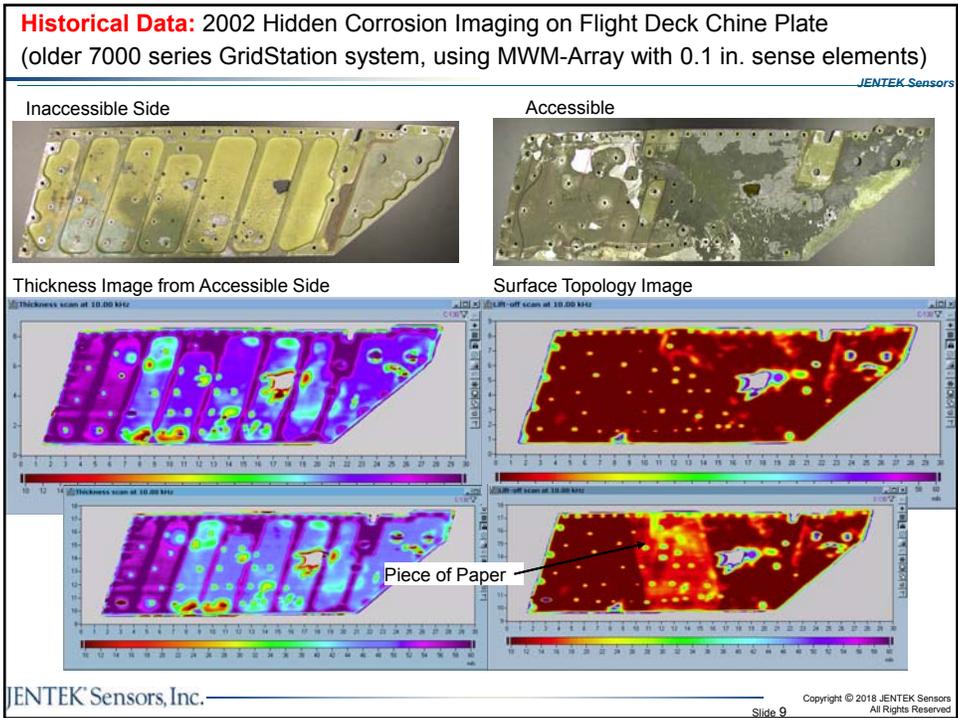
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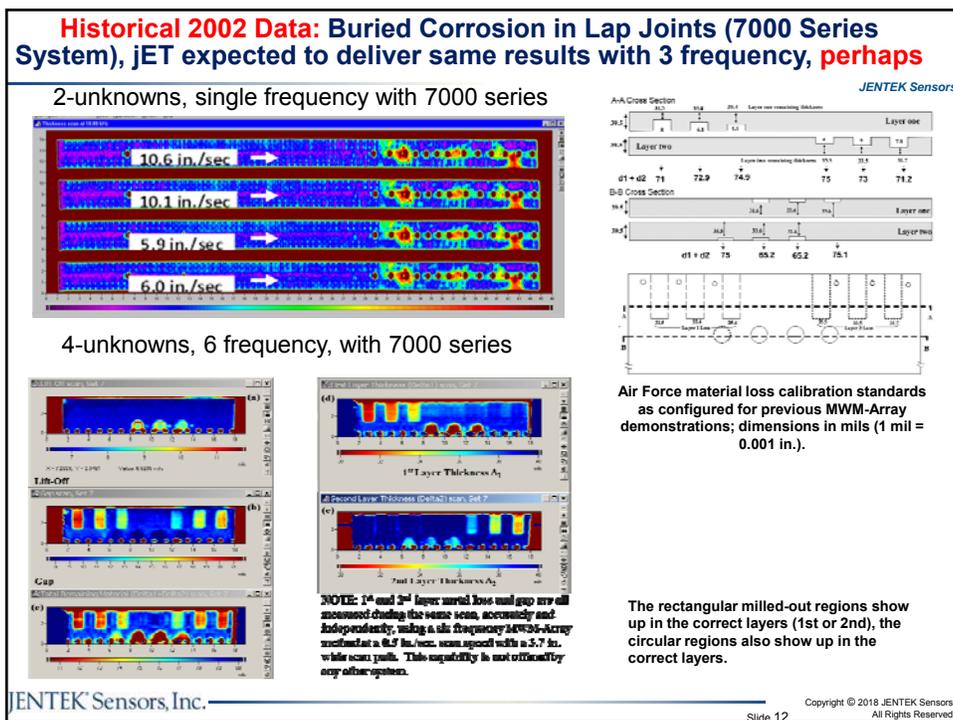
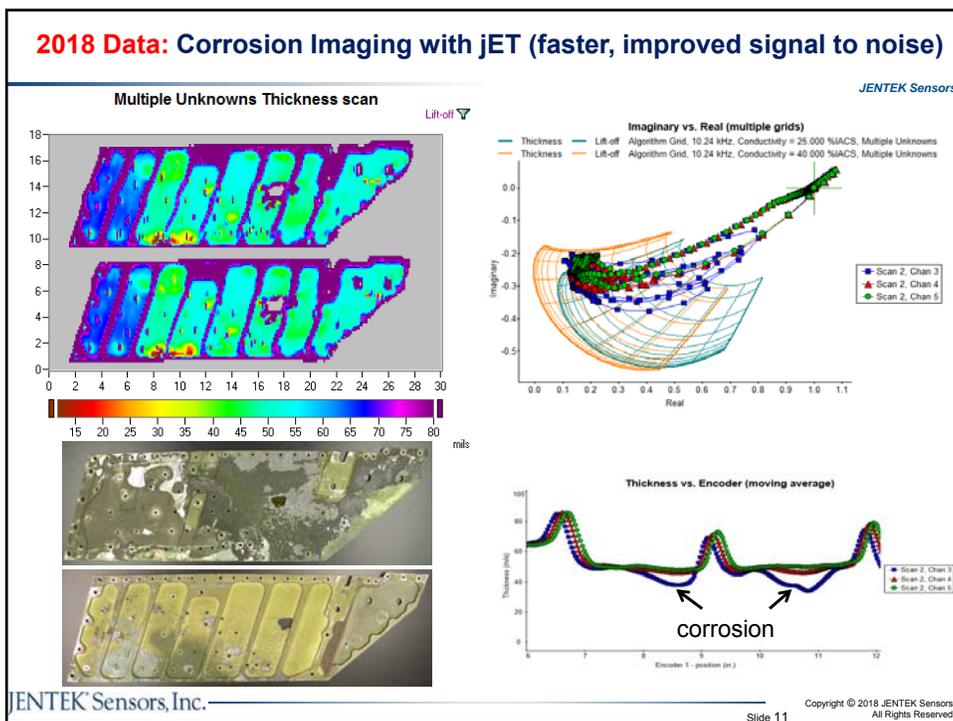


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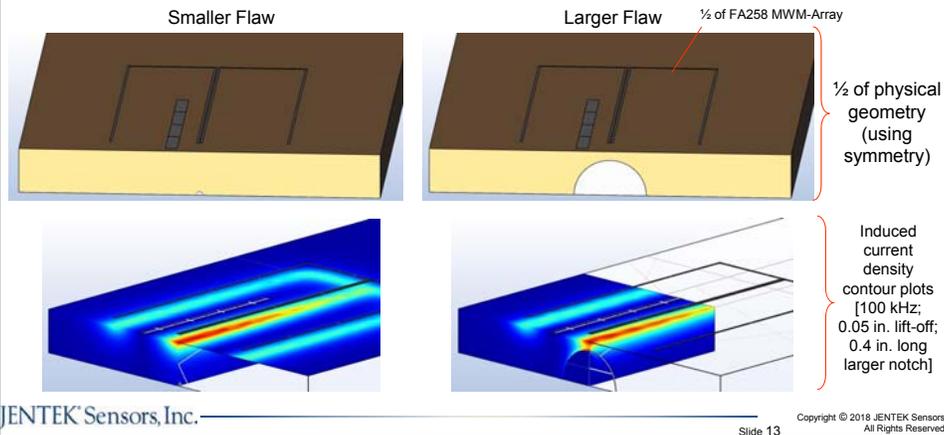




## Subsurface crack modeling option

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- Standard 2D models for sensor response
  - Use JENTEK Grid Methods to obtain conductivity values for several frequencies
  - Higher frequencies will provide a measure of near surface region conductivity
  - Lower frequencies provide higher sensitivity to subsurface cracks
- 3D models to better correlate scan information to crack dimensions
  - Example: FA258 over a 0.25 in. plate with small and large cracks (for 1% IACS)



## HyperLattice Multivariate Inverse Methods (MIMs)

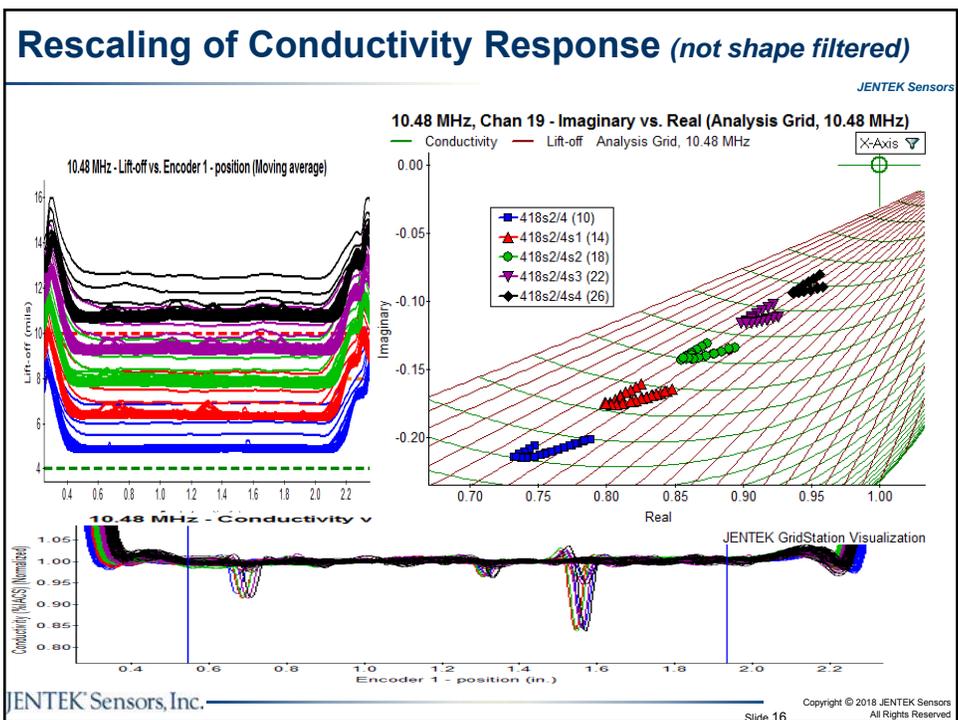
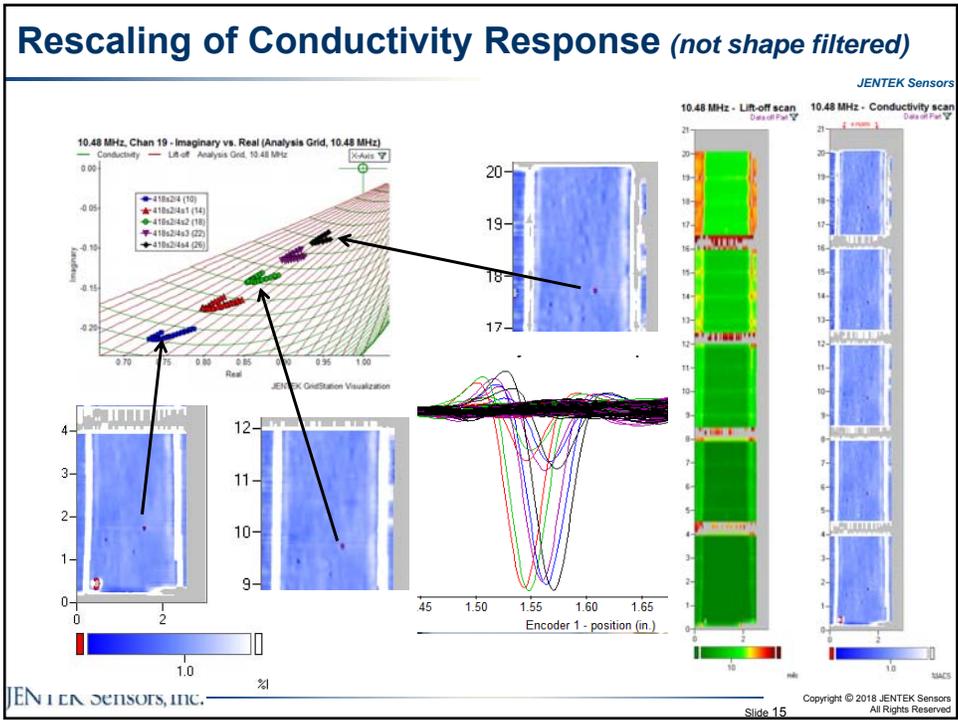
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- Surface breaking flaws – Two unknown Grid Method for conductivity/liftoff at single frequency
  - Rescaling of crack response with variable liftoff
  - Enables air calibration
  - Modified reference calibration used to tune air-cal for improved crack detection and surface anomaly suppression
  - Shaped filters used for improved POD performance and false alarm suppression
- Subsurface crack detection – HyperLattice Multivariate Inverse Method (MIM). Need Lattices for three unknown method to correct for variable layer thickness.

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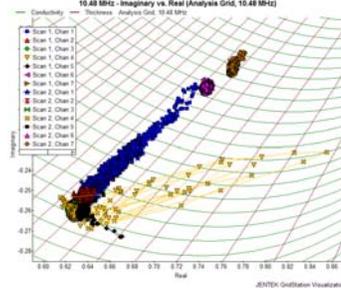
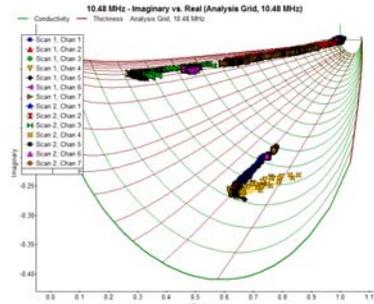
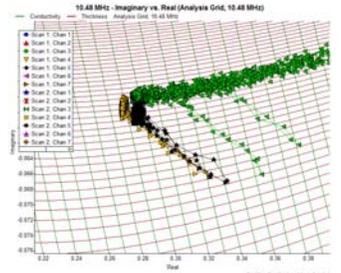
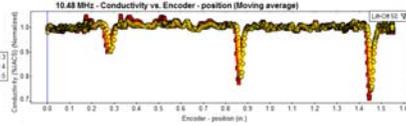
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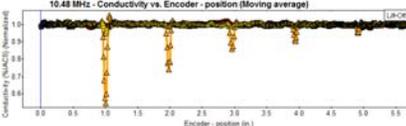


# Titanium and Aluminum Alloy Inspection after Air Calibration, Using GridStation Software

Aluminum Alloy Standard



Titanium Alloy Fillet Sample



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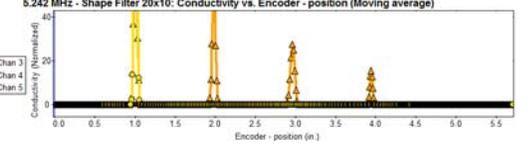
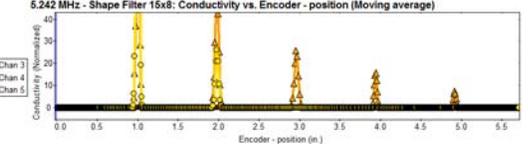
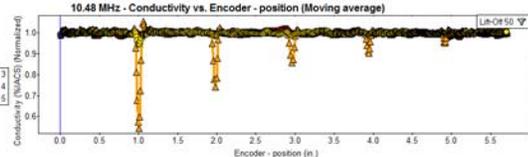
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# Titanium Alloy Unfiltered and Filtered Results

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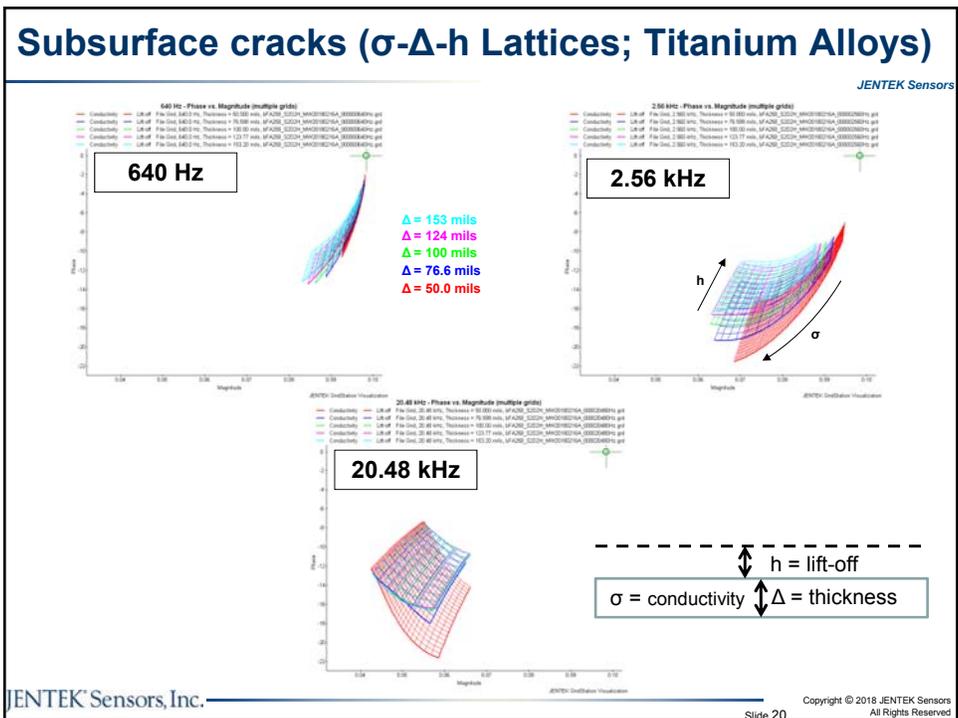
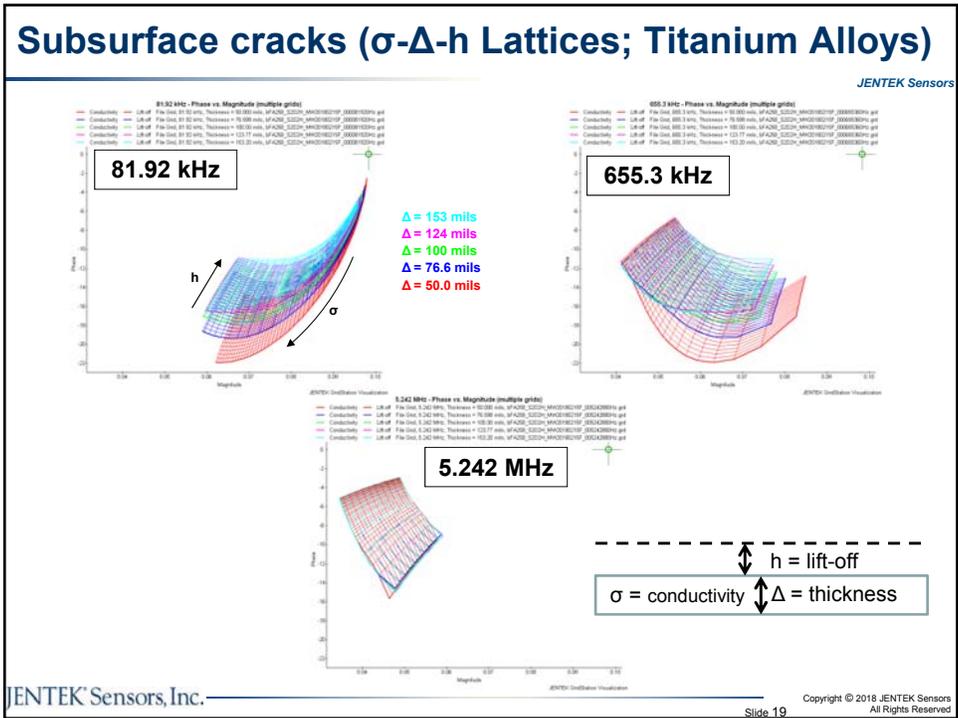
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depth	x0.03	x0.02	x0.015	x0.01	x0.0075



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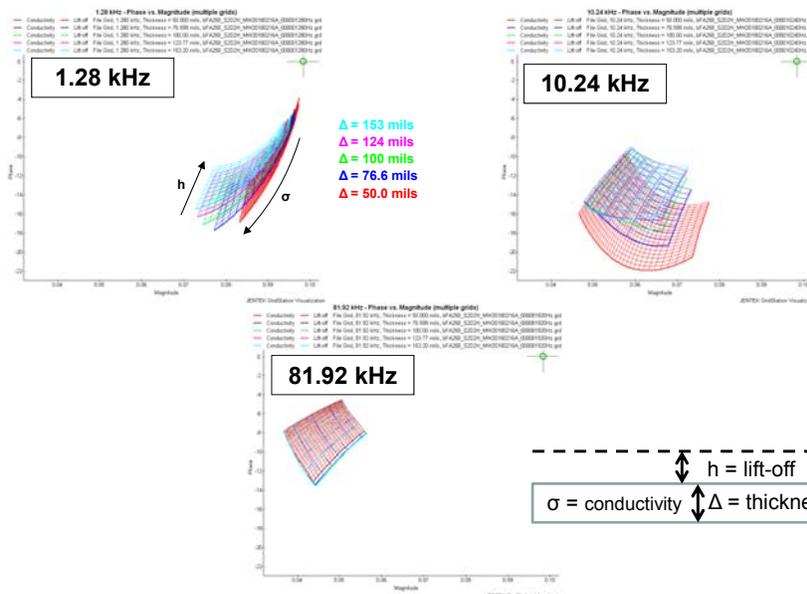
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## Subsurface cracks ( $\sigma$ - $\Delta$ -h Lattices; Aluminum Alloys)

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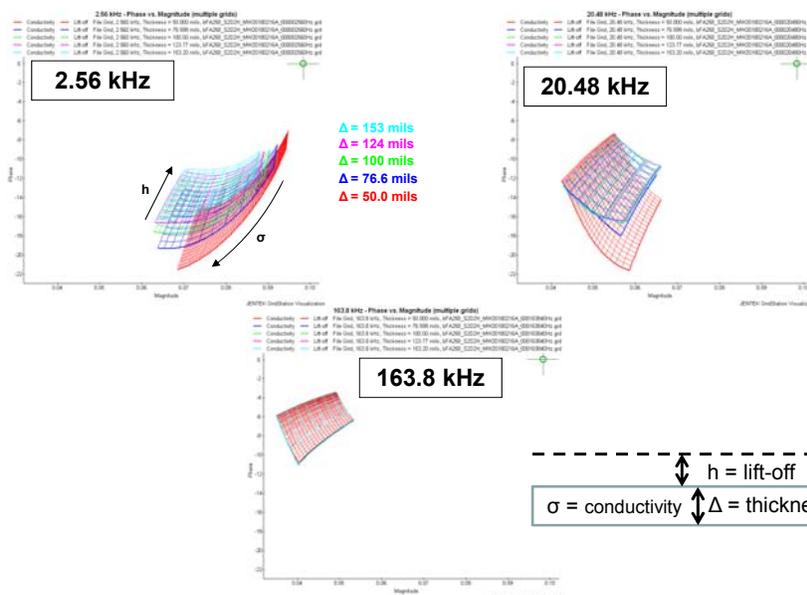
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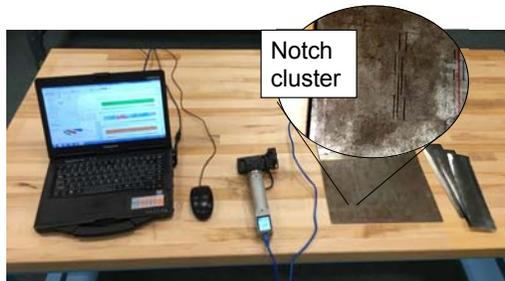
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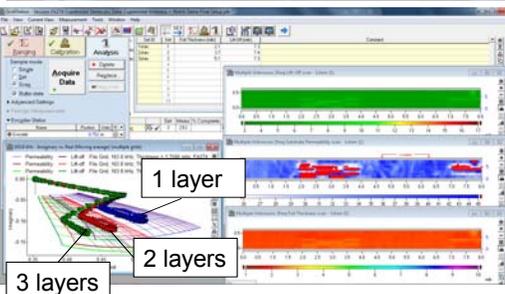
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## Simultaneous Coating Thickness Measurement and Subsurface Flaw Detection with new jET

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- FA274 MWM-Array
- 3 frequency approach
- EDM notch detection through cupronickel shims
- Simultaneous coating thickness measurement and EDM notch detection



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## MWM-Array Scanning

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Layer	Thickness (mm)	Permeability	Flaw Size
1	0.15	0.05	0.02
2	0.25	0.10	0.05
3	0.35	0.15	0.10
4	0.45	0.20	0.15

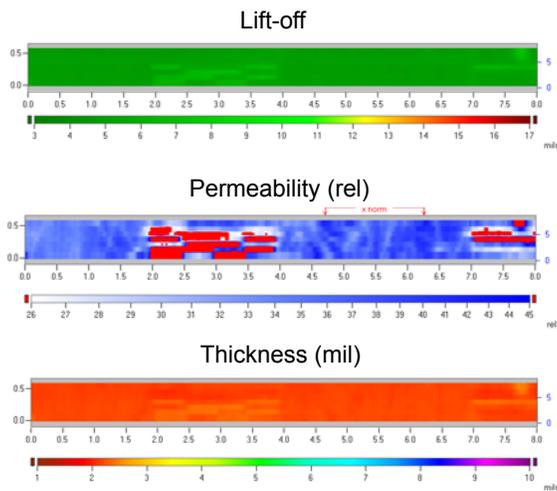


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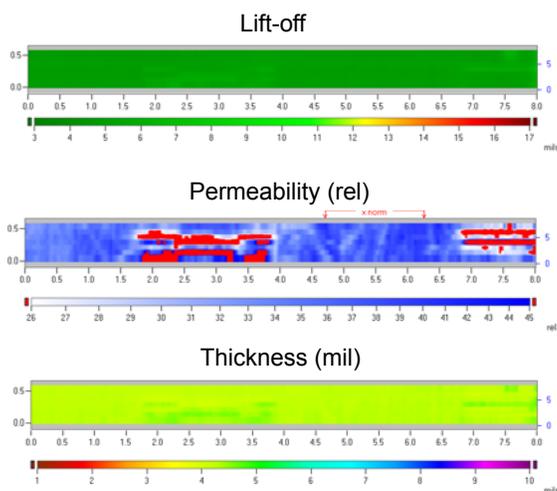


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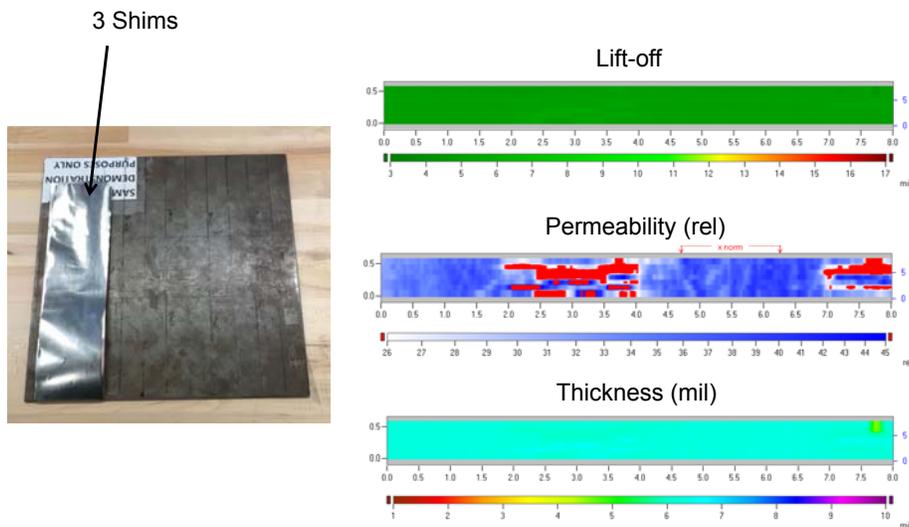


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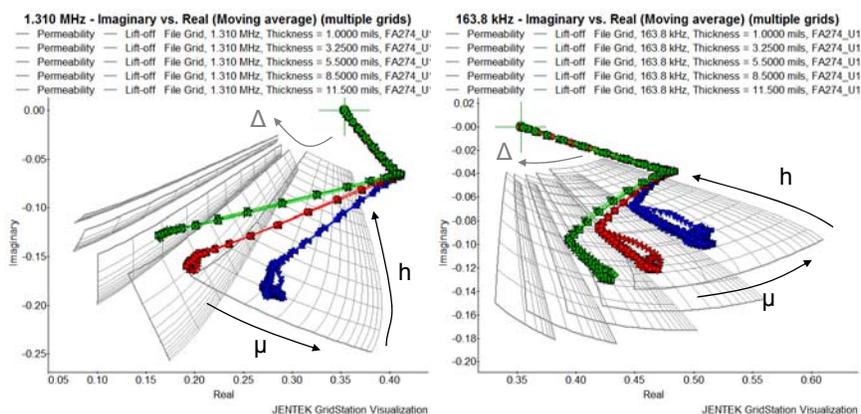


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## $\mu$ - $\Delta$ -h Lattices

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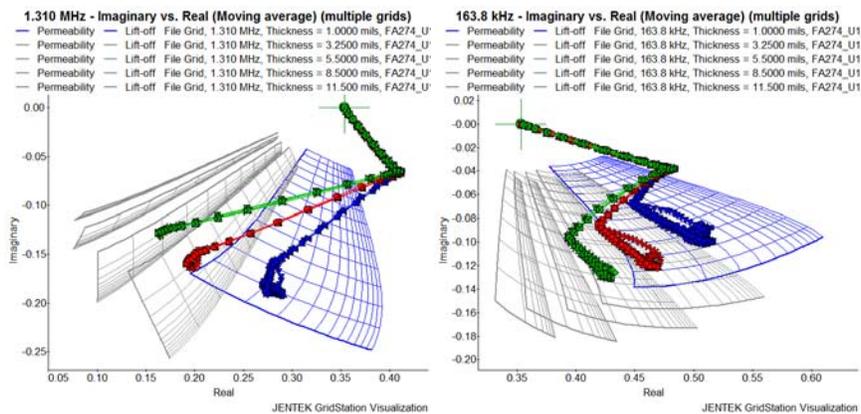


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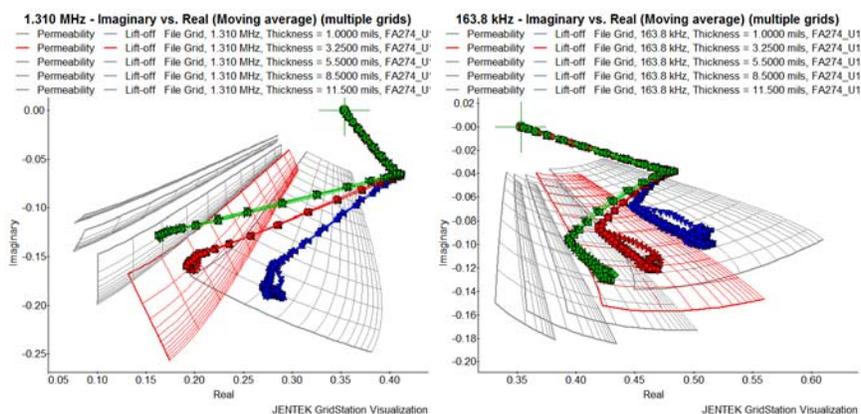


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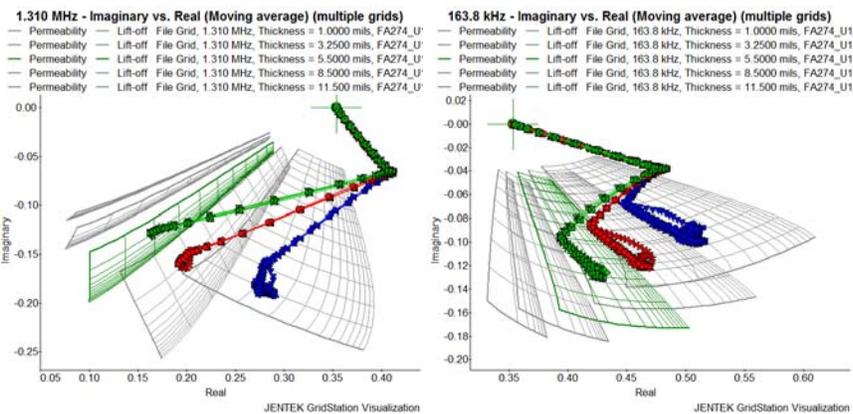


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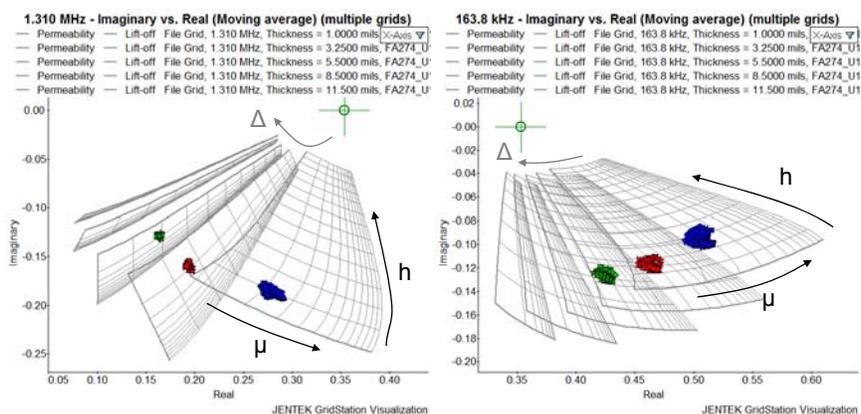


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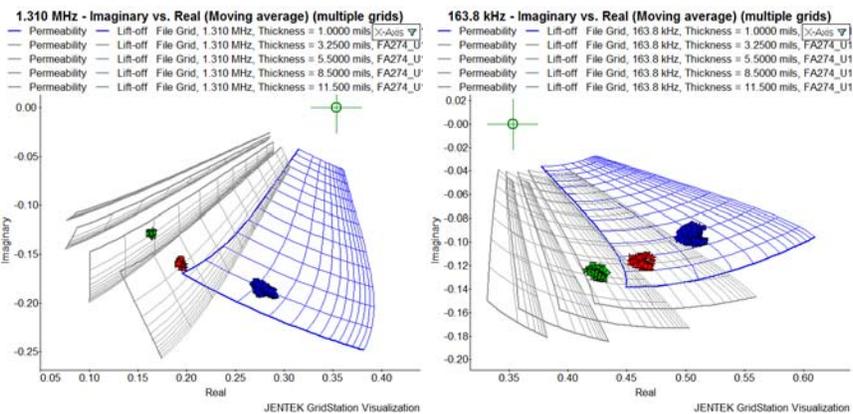


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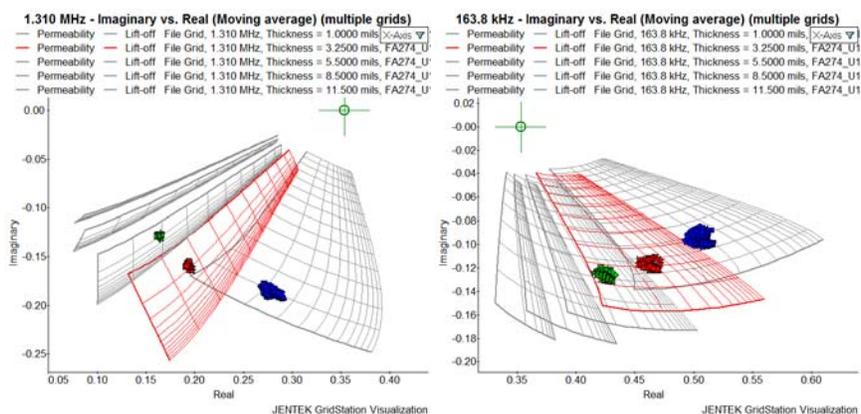
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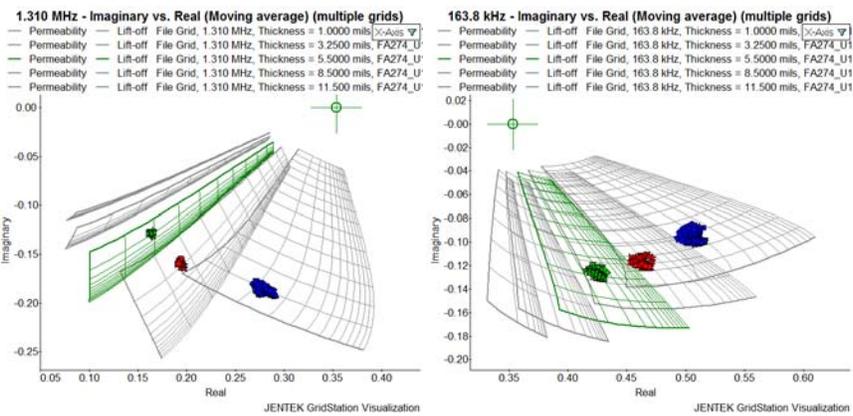
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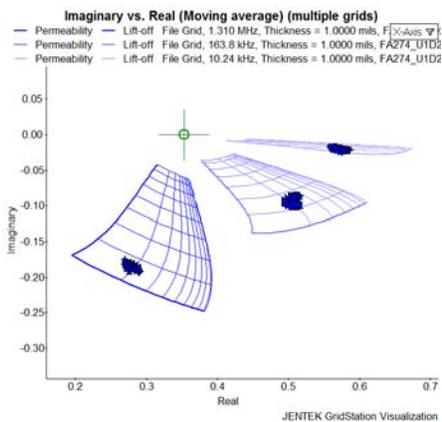
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# 1 Shim Data at 10.2kHz, 164kHz and, 1.31MHz

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## Permanently Installed MWM-Rosette Fatigue Gages

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2000-2002

Lockheed Martin  
P-3 Fatigue Critical Areas<sup>1</sup>



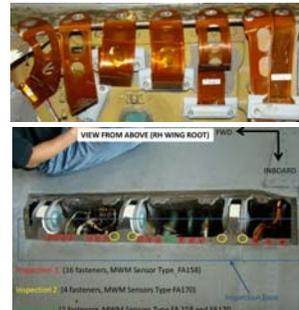
2006-2007

Northrop Grumman  
Full-Scale Testing of EA-6B  
Outer Wing Panels<sup>2</sup>



2013 - 2014

US Navy Fighter Aircraft



Now also installed on the Air Force Airframe digital twin (ADT) test article.  
**Note the new jET hand-held and improved cabling designs will substantially reduce implementation costs for laboratory and full-scale tests.**

Sources:

<sup>1</sup>Neil J. Goldfine, et al, "Surface Mounted Periodic Field Current Sensors for Structural Health Monitoring," SPIE Conference: Smart Structures and Materials NDE for Health Monitoring and Diagnostics, Newport Beach, California; March 2001

<sup>2</sup>[http://adt.larc.nasa.gov/files/2013/01/ADT\\_Sept2012\\_NorthGrum.pptx](http://adt.larc.nasa.gov/files/2013/01/ADT_Sept2012_NorthGrum.pptx)

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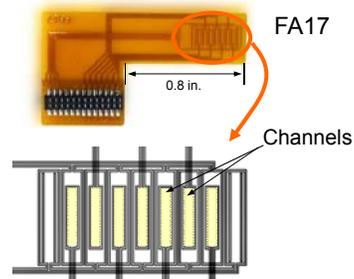
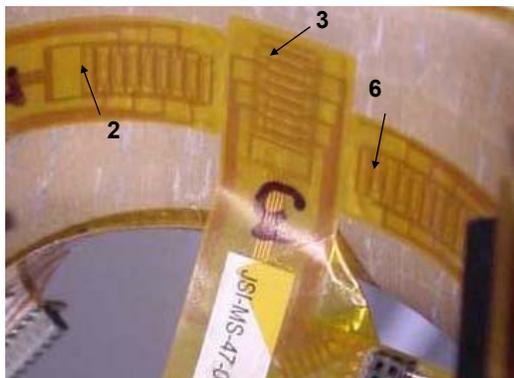
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## Historical data: Landing Gear Overload & Residual Stress Monitoring

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Note this can be supported by jET with either  
- permanently installed MWM-Arrays as shown or  
- bidirectional MWM point measurements

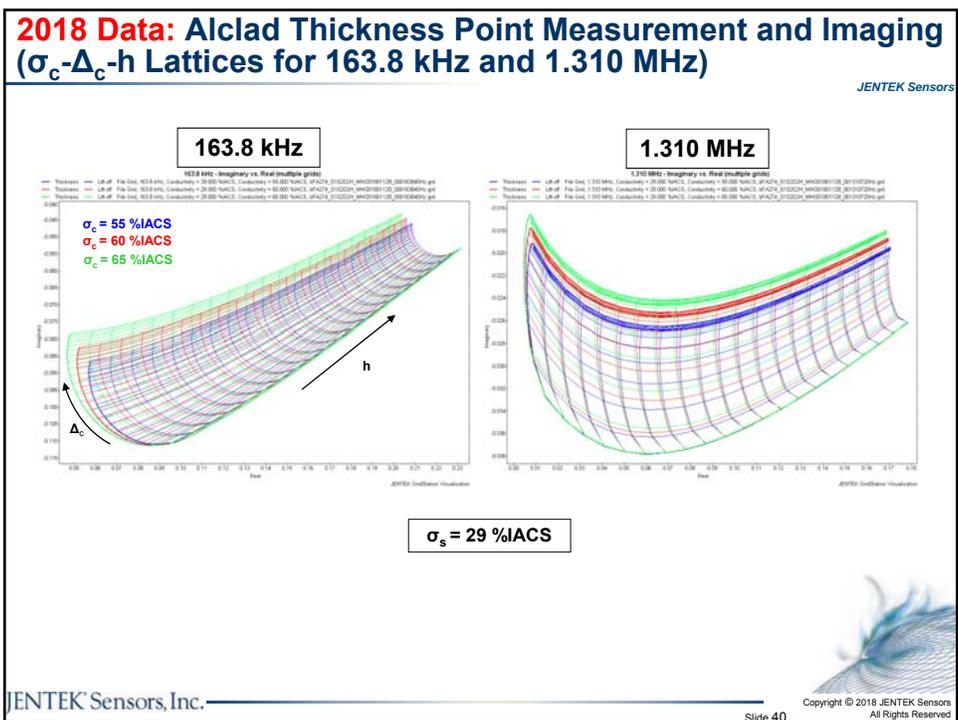
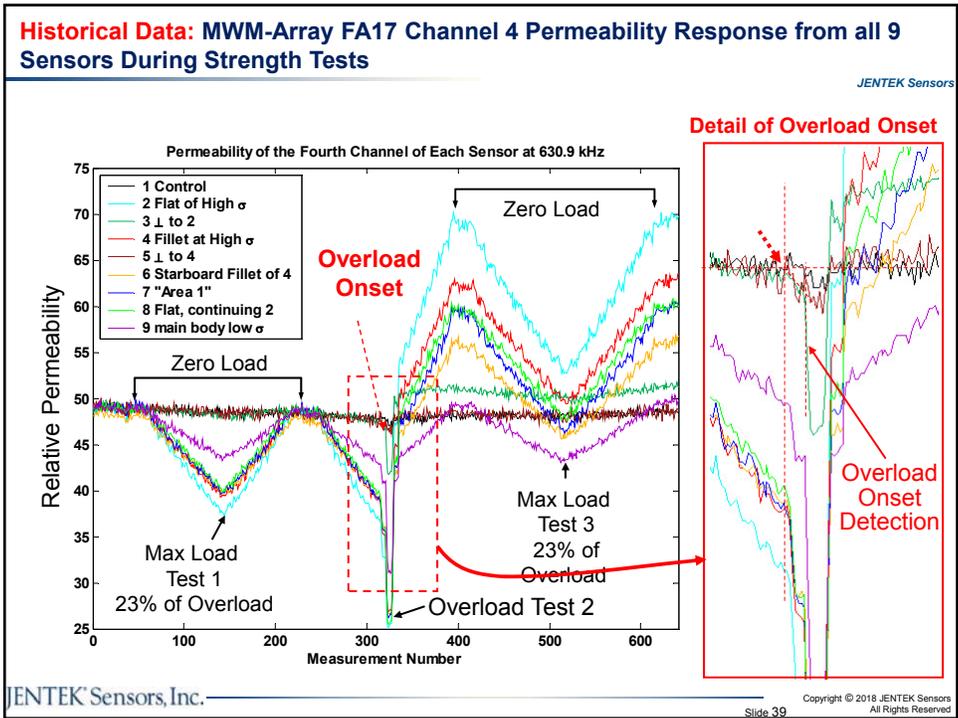
- Bi-directional permeability
- Detect onset of overload event
- Load/stress monitoring



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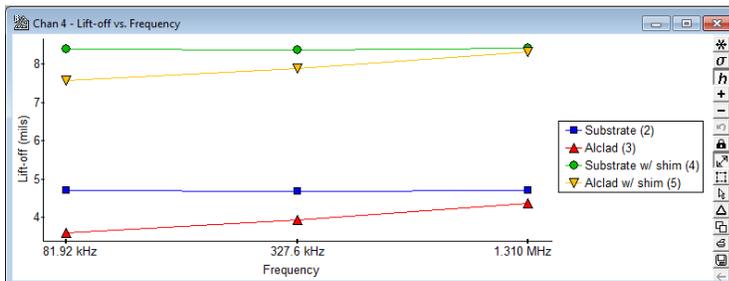
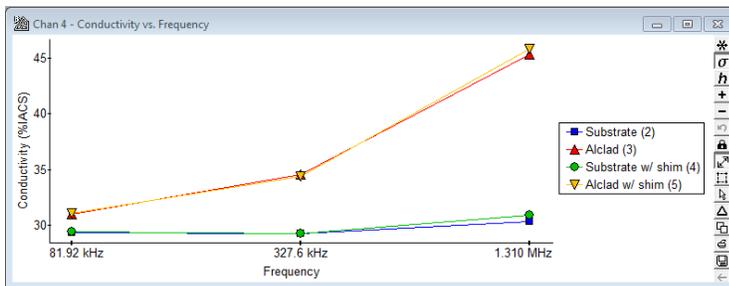
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### 2018 Data: Frequency Set 1 – 81.92kHz, 327.6kHz, 1.310MHz

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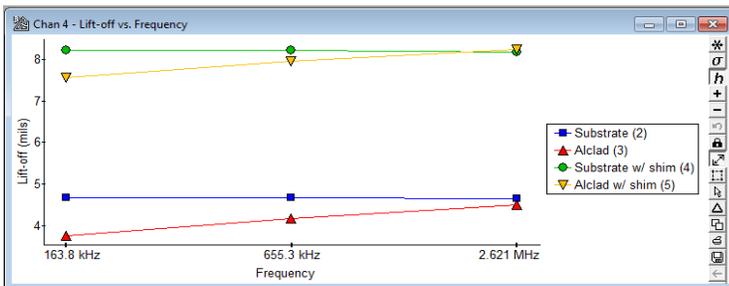
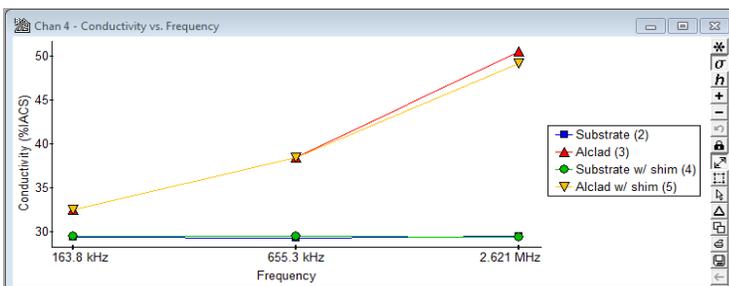
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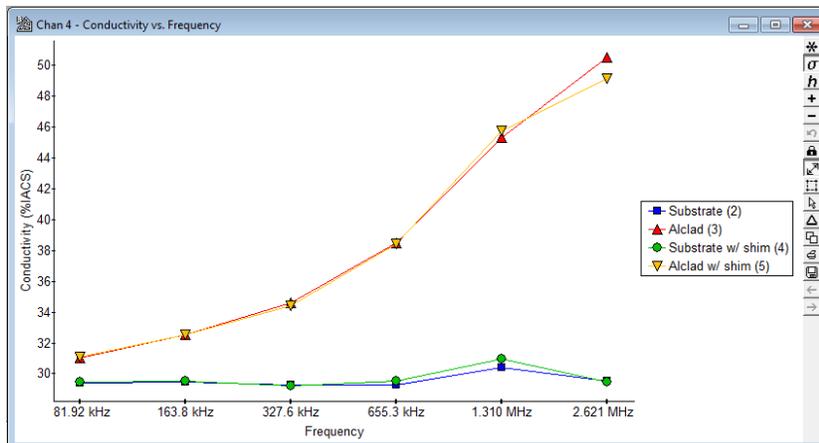
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## 2018 Data: All Frequencies – Conductivity vs. Frequency

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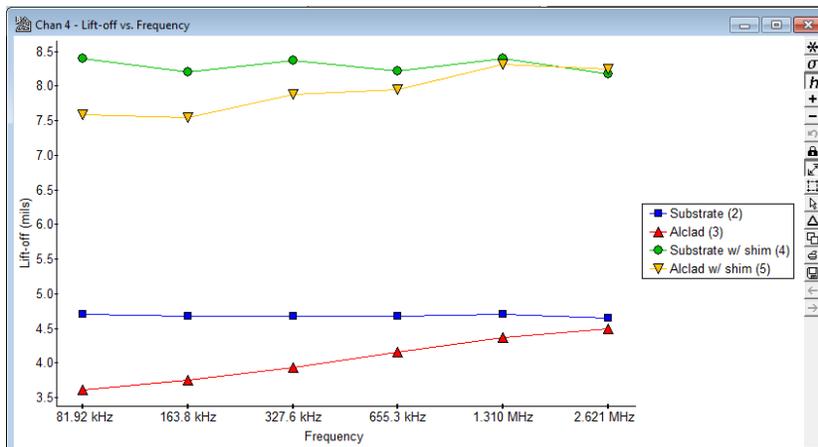
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## 2018 Data: All Frequencies- Lift-off vs. Frequency

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## 2018 Data: 4-Unknown Method (using 6 frequencies)

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Chan 4 - Multiple Unknowns: Estimated Data

Set ID	Set	Conductivity (%ACS)	Conductivity (%ACS)	Thickness (mils)	Lift-off (mils)	Comment
	1					
Alclad	2	29.42	58.63	1.655	4.669	
Alclad w/ shim	3	29.61	58.06	1.575	8.491	
	4					
	5					
	6					
	7					
Average		29.52	58.35	1.615	6.580	

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## Summary and Future Work

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### jET with MWM-Array ET

- Surface crack detection demonstrated and available
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> layer subsurface cracks development ongoing (Air Force and Navy funding)
- Subsurface corrosion development ongoing (U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy funding)
- Coating characterization demonstrated and available
- Crack detection under coatings demonstrated and available (ongoing U.S. Army funding)
- Landing gear overload detection, demonstrated
- Permanently installed sensors for crack detection in difficult to access locations demonstrated (installed on Air Frame digital twin test article, now supportable with jET).

jET with MR-MWM-Arrays **not yet available**, development ongoing, delay due to unexpect electronics issue.

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