Worldwide patented PA UT

FAAST-PA delivers high speed inspection for Tubes, Plates, Bars/Billets, Rail, Turbine discs and more...

Automated UT Industrial applications



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SUMMARY

Inspection of Bars & Billets

Inspection of Titanium & Aluminium Plates

Socomate International Overview

THE PHASED ARRAY FAAST-PA TECHNOLOGY

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INDUSTRIAL REFERENCES USING FAAST-PA

Socomate International overview

• Created in 1977, based in France

40 years
experience in
NDT
environment for
UT inspection

• Core Business: development of high-end UT Electronics

• Worldwide Sales: over 40 countries

• Design, manufacture and provide OEM UT Electronics

 Conventional UT and PA UT Instruments for custom systems manufacturers

Socomate International product range

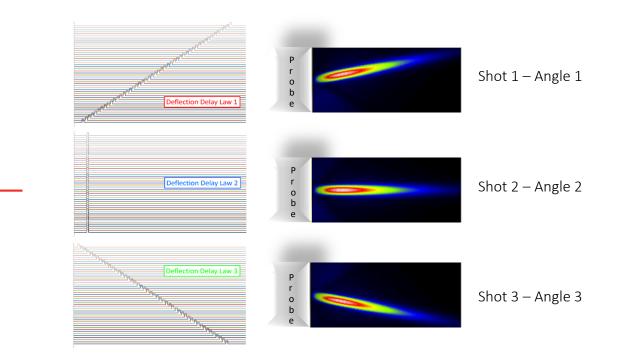


Common DLL for Conventional and PA UT working with any languages on Windows 7 and 10

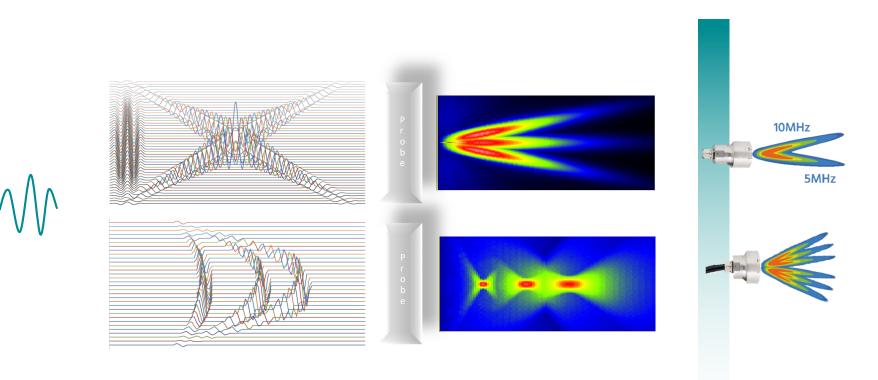
OEM stand alone products, working with Ethernet connection

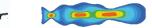
Worldwide patent on FAAST-PA

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Bars and Billets Inspection using FAAST-PA

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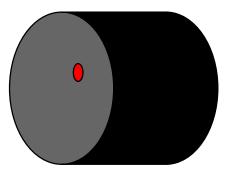
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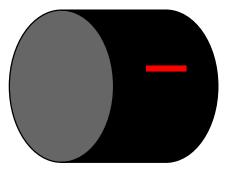
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Bars/Billets Inspection - Context

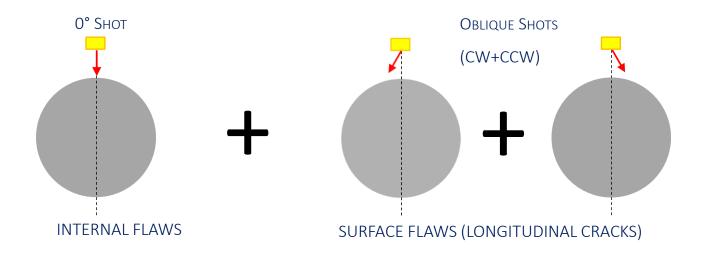
INTERNAL FLAWS



SURFACE FLAWS (LONGITUDINAL CRACKS)



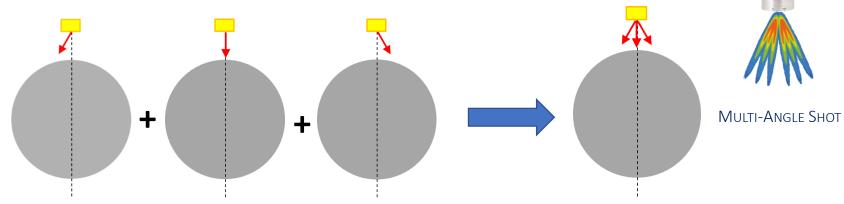
Bars/Billets Inspection – Inspection's Principles



A CONVENTIONAL PHASED ARRAY INSTRUMENT WILL REQUIRE 3 SEQUENTIAL SHOTS TO COVER THE FULL INSPECTION

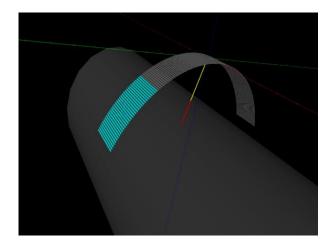
Bars/Billets Inspection – FAAST-PA Solution

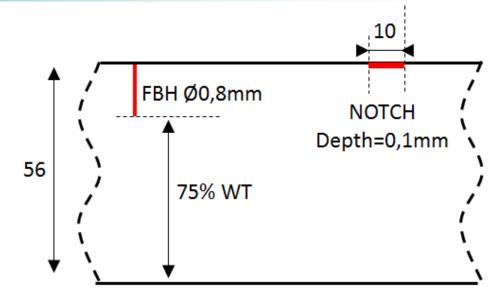
FAAST-PA INSPECTION : ONLY **ONE SHOT** IS REQUIRED FOR MULTIPLE ANGLES



➢ IN THIS CONFIGURATION, FAAST ACQUISITION IS3 TIMES FASTER THAN CONVENTIONAL PA

Bars/Billets Inspection – Comparison between solutions

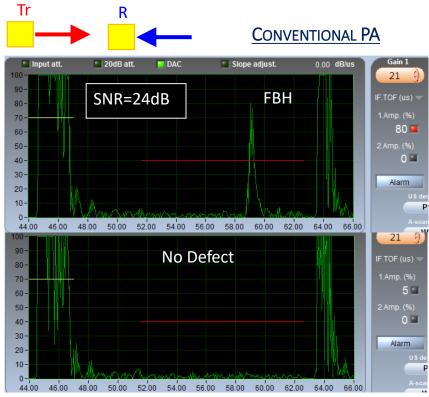


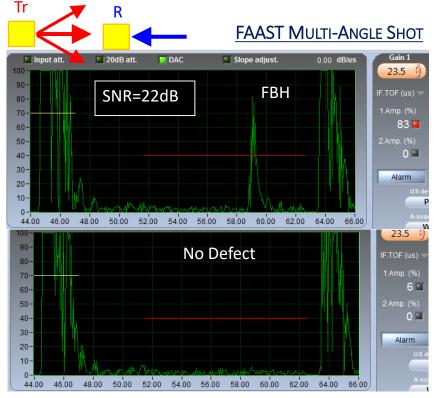


Use of a 1D Linear probe R60

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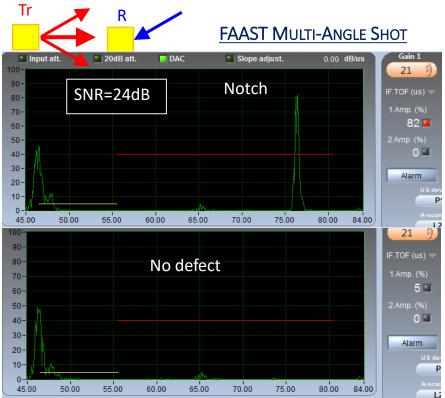
FBH detection





Bars/Billets Inspection – Comparison between solutions Notch detection



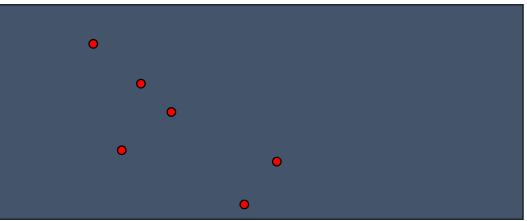


Titanium Plate Inspection using FAAST-PA

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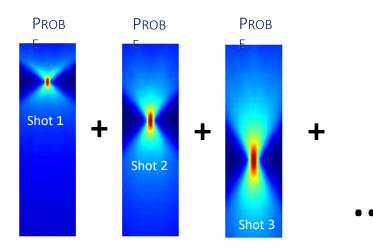
Titanium Plate- Context

- DETECTION OF FLAWS AT DIFFERENT DEPTHS
- ► LOOKING FOR 0,8MM FBH
- FROM 15MM TO 185MM WITH DEFECTS AT : 15, 25, 40, 80, 135, 185



- MATERIAL: TITANIUM TA6V
- PROBE: 1D LINEAR PA, 10MHz

Titanium Plate- Inspection using conventional PA



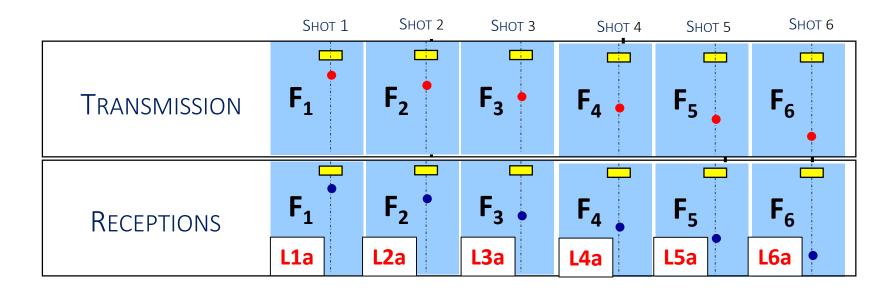
➤ THE PRINCIPLE OF CONVENTIONAL PA IS THE USE OF DIFFERENT US FOCUSED BEAM FOR EACH ZONE

This require several sequential shots which lead to time consuming

Titanium Plate – Inspection using conventional PA

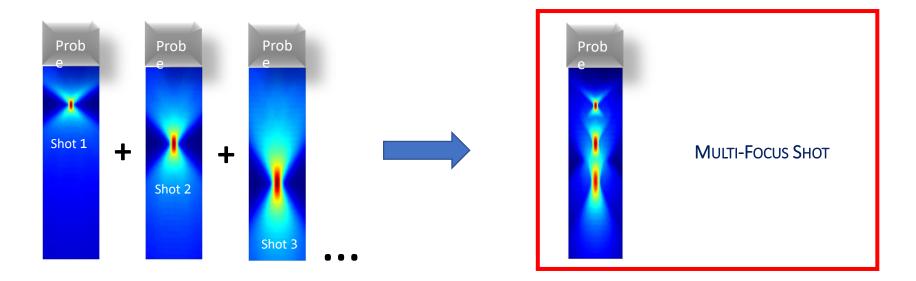
SEQUENTIAL UNIFOCAL SHOTS

FI = OPTIMAL FOCALE FOR FBH N° I



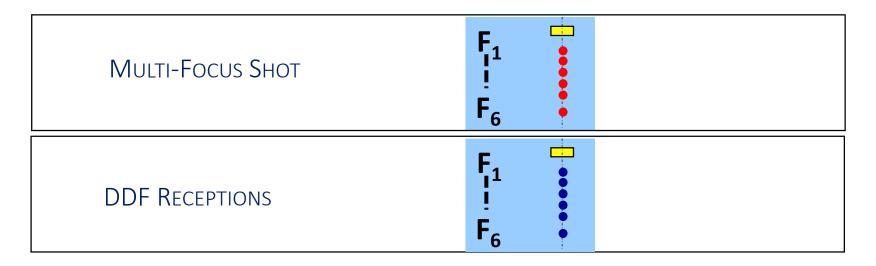
Titanium Plate- Inspection using FAAST-PA

▶ BASED ON FAAST-PA, ONE SHOT IS REQUIRED FOR MULTIPLE DEPTH FOCUSING

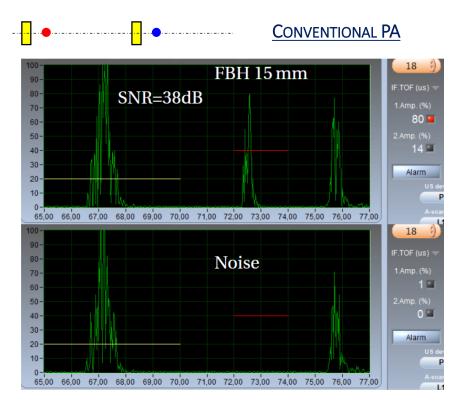


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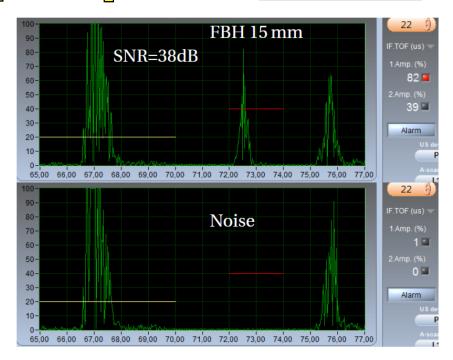
- ► EXAMPLE OF FAAST-PA USING MULTIPLE FOCAL WITHIN 1 US SHOT
- ► MULTI-FOCUS TRANSMISSION + DDF RECEPTION ► Advanced DDF



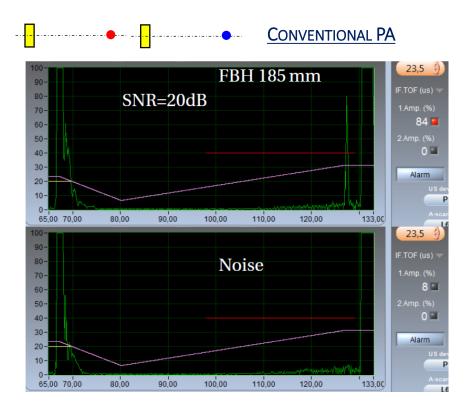
Titanium Plate – Results Comparison

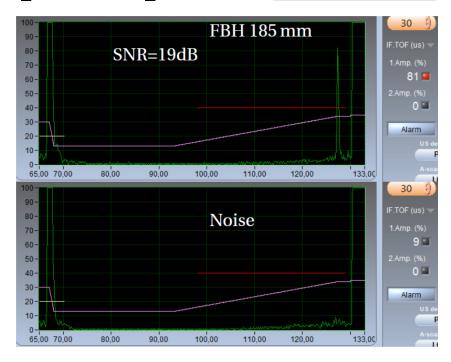


FAAST ADVANCED DDF



Titanium Plate – Results Comparison





Aluminium Plate Inspection using FAAST-PA

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Aluminium Plate- Context

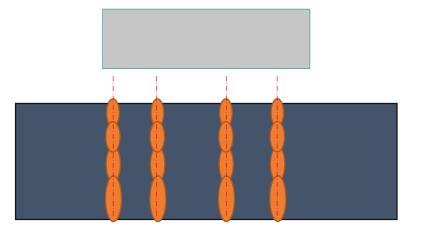
MECHANICAL SCANNING SPEED: 700mm/s

- MAXIMUM PRF 800Hz (LIMITED BY GHOST ECHOES)
- PITCH: 1MM WITH 3 DB REPEATABILITY

Specification:

1,2мм FBH

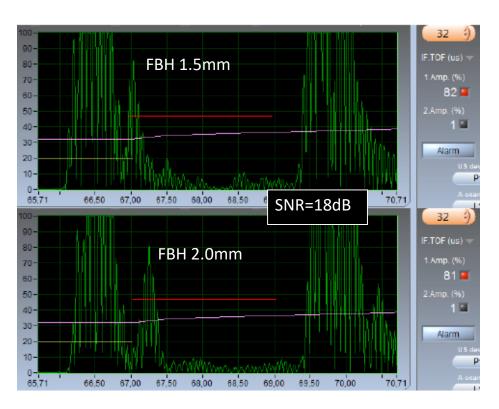
From 1,5MM to 190MM



Aluminium Plate – Laboratory results

► Aluminium bloc test with FBH Ø1.2mm

NEAR ZONE DETECTION



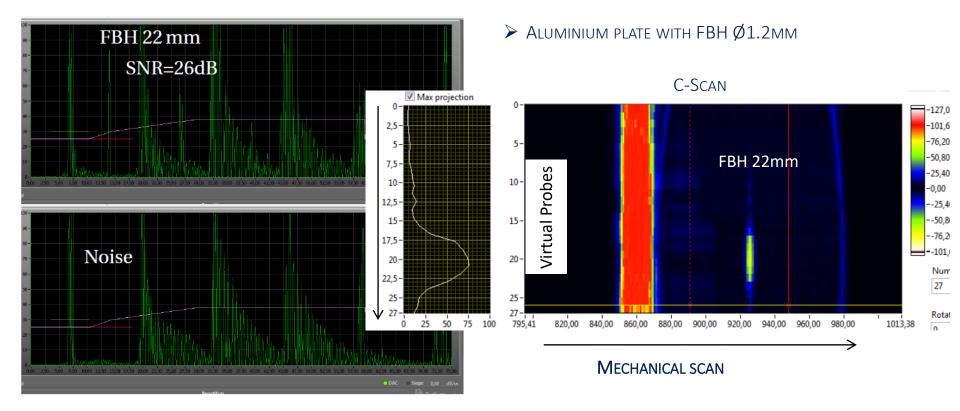
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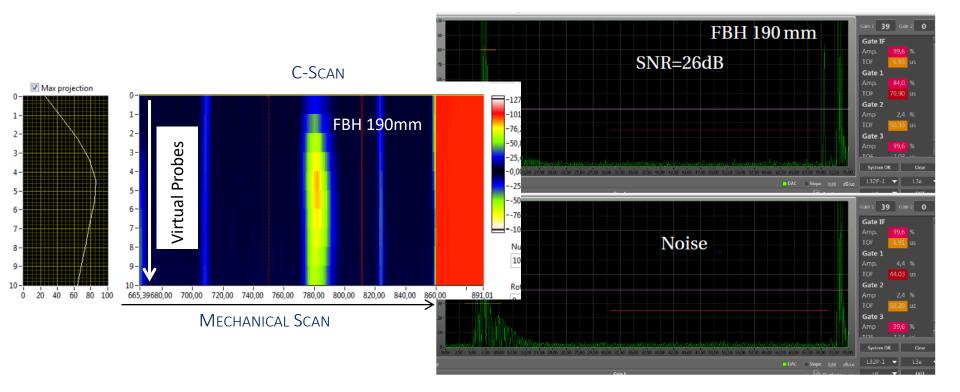
DEEP ZONE DETECTION



Aluminium Plate – On-site results



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Aircraft turbine discs using Multi-zone process

- Use of multi-focus and multi frequency with only one 128 elements 2D matrix PA probe 10MHz
- High speed rotating inspection
- Specification:
 - Titanium
 - ➢ 0,4mm FBH
 - From 2, 5mm to 140mm
 - Inspection of 7 zones in 2 shots

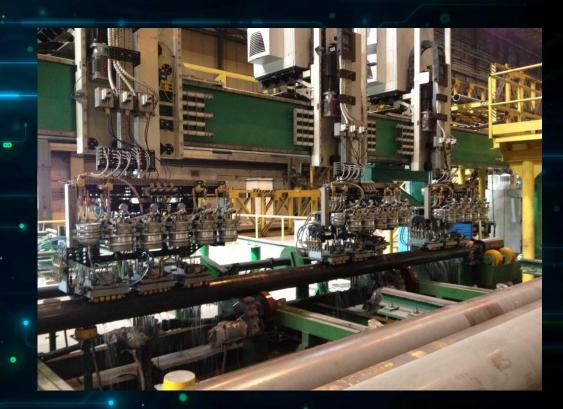


OCTG seamless tubes overview

- Use of Multi-angle, Multi-frequency and Multi-beam acquisition mode using 1D & 2D Matrix PA probe
 - 1D: Lamination and Wall thickness
 - 2D: Flaw detection

Specification:

- Transverse, Longitudinal, all oblique flaws inner and outer
- Real time to inspect 100%
- 1,5m/s rotating tube
- 58mm pitch



Rail inspection at high speed

Use of Multi-angle acquisiton mode using 1D Linear probe and conventional

I probe, up to 16 directions in one single shot and processing signals in real time

Specification:

- ➢ 72 km/h
- Inspection pitch: 4mm
- 1 Linear probe for 8 directions,

1 conventional for 0°, 55° and 70° offset



High precision tube

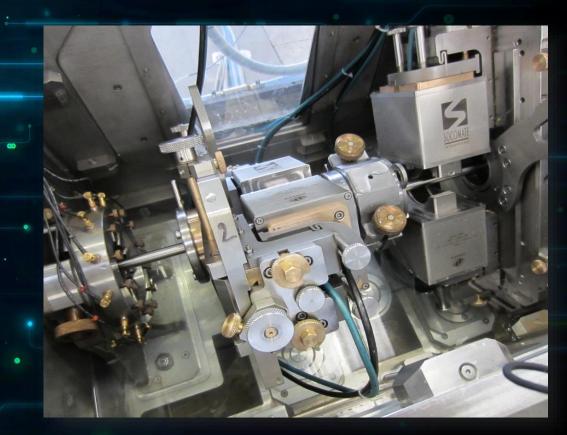
Use of Multi-angle acquisition mode using Bi-linear Phased Array ring probe

1 probe for Transverse, Longitudinal, inner and outer flaw detection

Specification:

Minimum flaw depth of 5% of Wall thickness

- Range from 15 to 50mm
- Thickness range from 1 to 4mm
- Linear speed of 15m/min
- 4 ring probes to fully inspect the tube



Thank you for your attention & participation

Any Questions