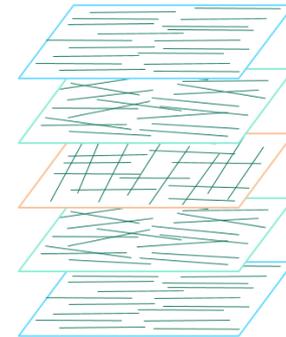
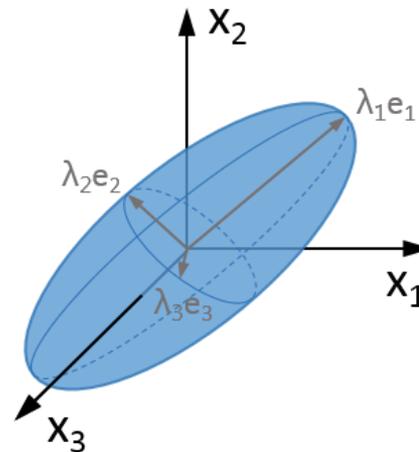
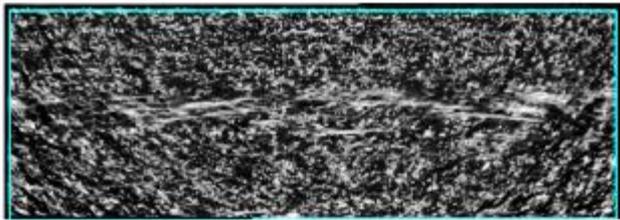


# MODELING OF FIBER-REINFORCED PLASTICS TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS



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# OVERVIEW

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- Modeling method
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# Introduction and motivation

## The challenge of a modern lightweight construction material

Special requirements on a construction material in the automotive industry

- Decrease vehicle weight
- Absorb kinetic energy / stay intact after crash
- Large production volume
- ...



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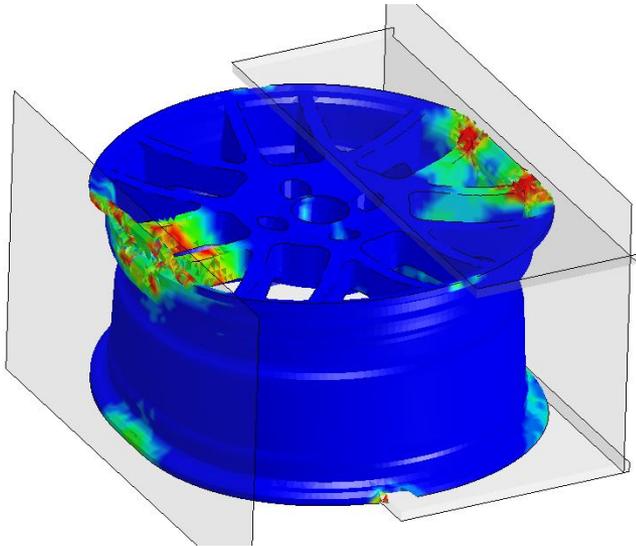


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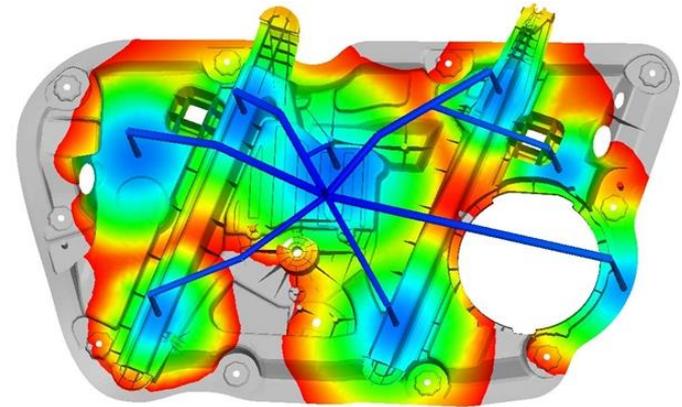
# Introduction and motivation

## FE-simulation in the automotive industry

### Structural simulation



### Process simulation (injection molding)



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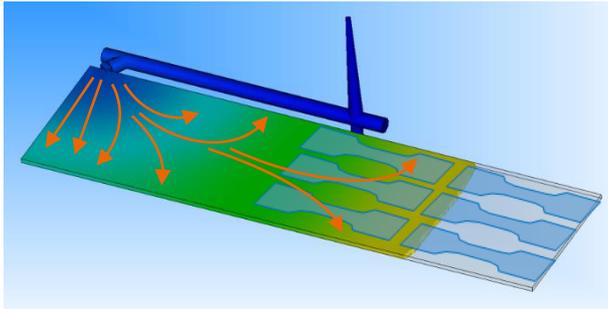
- Reduce cost and time
- Virtual manufacturing and component testing

➔ Predictive power depends on appropriate modeling of load case, geometry and material model

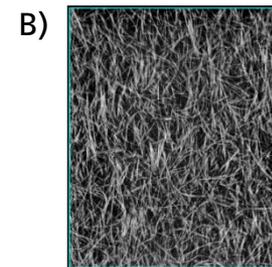
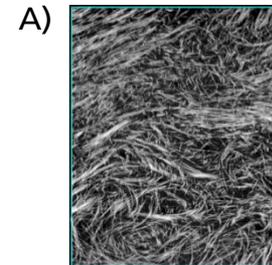
# Modeling of long glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP)

## Characteristic due to production process

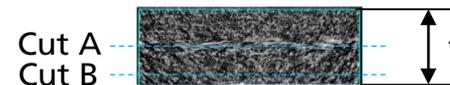
Injection molding simulation



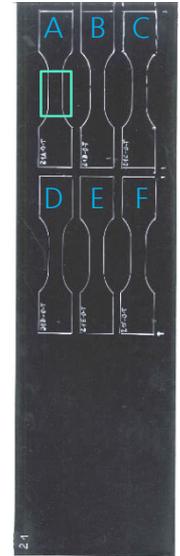
CT-Scan



1.5 mm



Sample plate



- Different flow directions in component  
→ Mechanical behavior depends on position
- Flow velocity varies between surface and core  
→ Various layers are formed

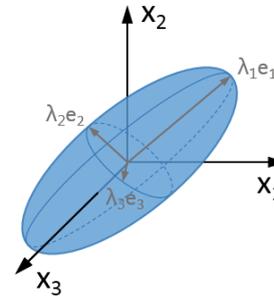
# Modeling of GFRP

## Fiber orientation and degree of freedom

Second order orientation tensor

$$a_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ \text{sym.} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ & & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Eigenvectors: } e_i \\ \text{Eigenvalues: } \lambda_i \end{array}$$

Orientation ellipsoid

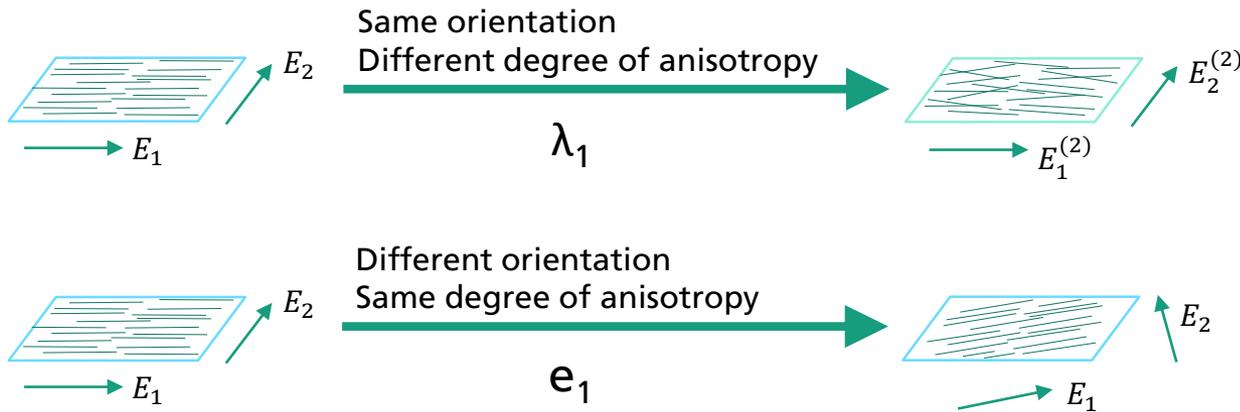


Assumption for long fiber reinforced material

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 1$$

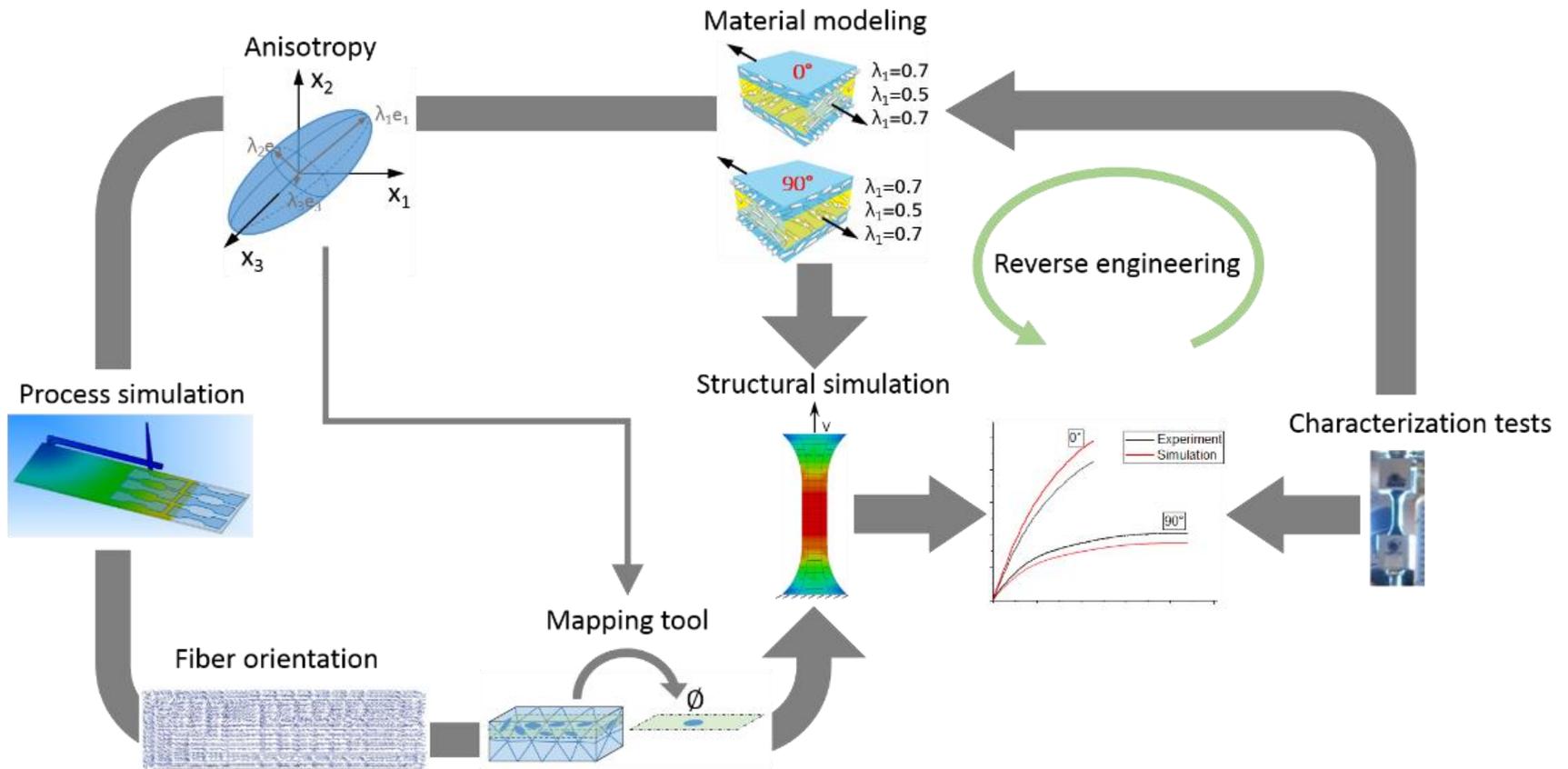
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$$\approx 0$$



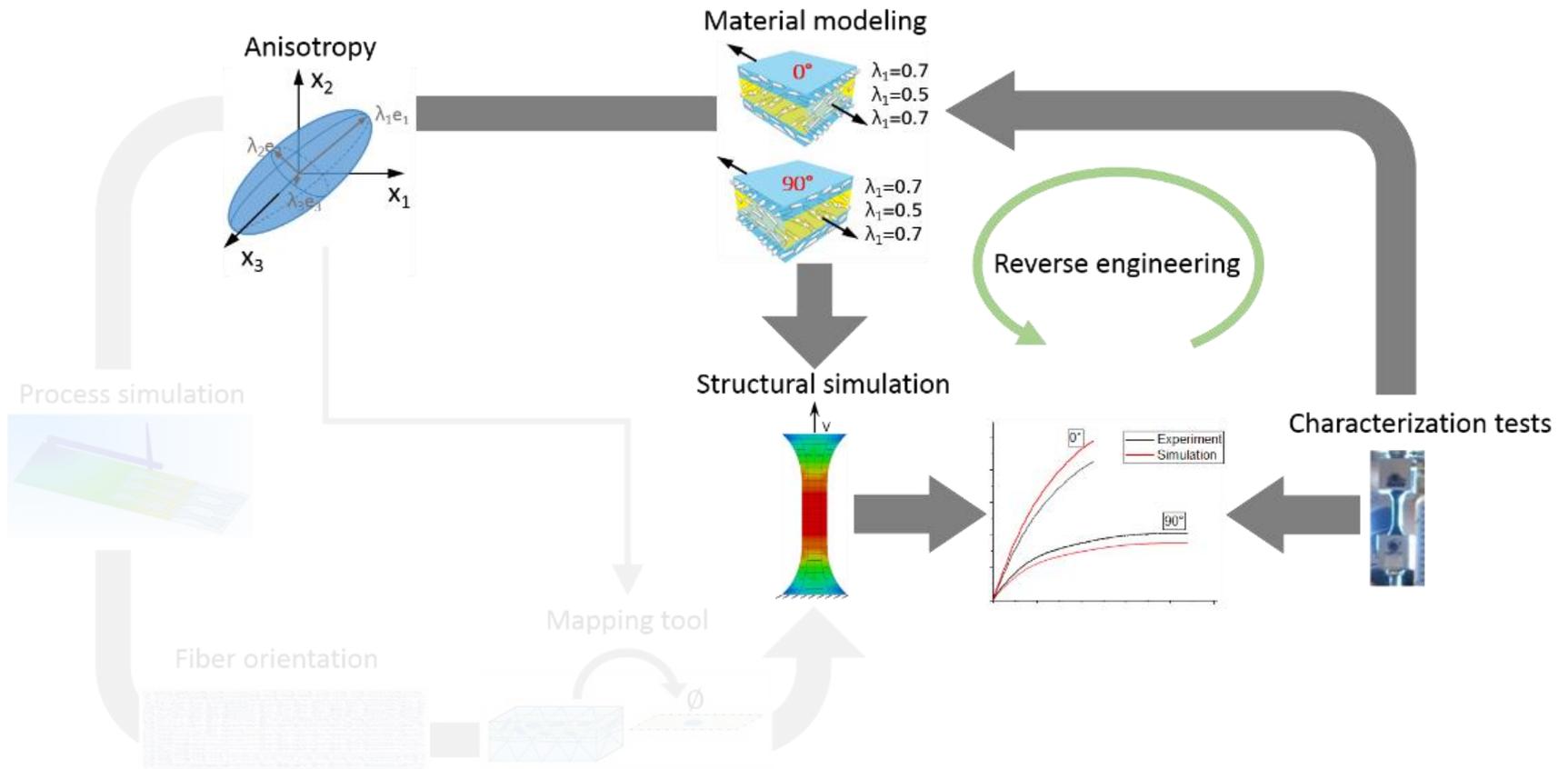
# Modeling of GFRP

## Methodology of the realized integrative simulation



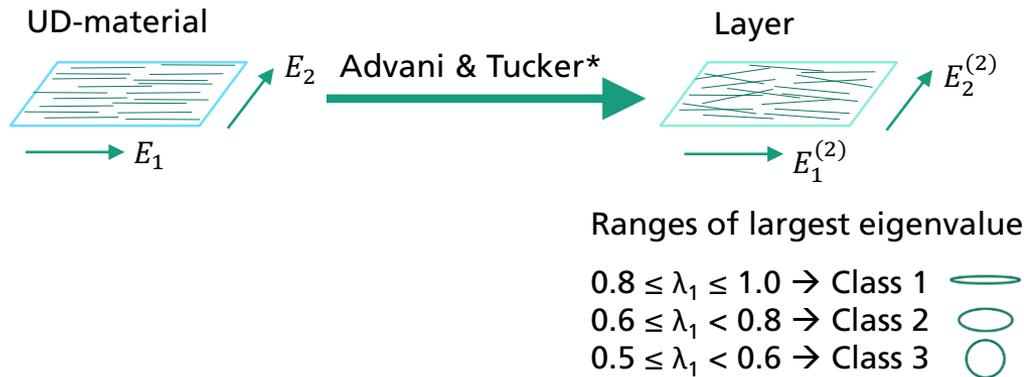
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# Elastic properties of various orientation states

## From UD to real material

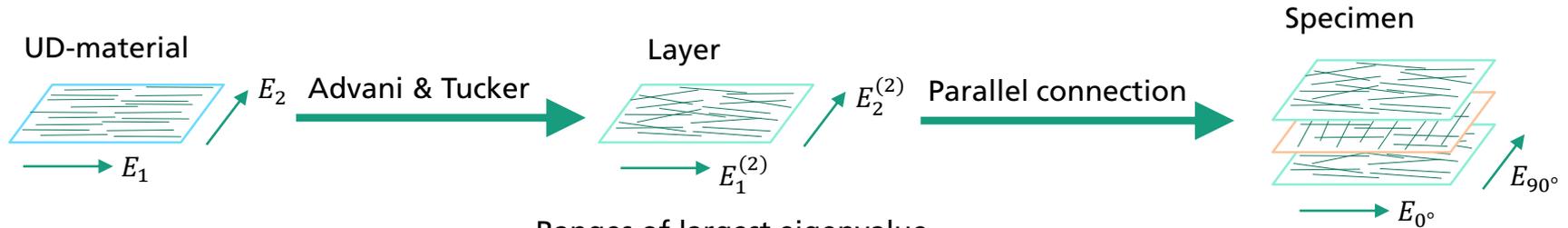


- Property of UD-material and orientation tensor known
- Calculation of mechanical properties of layer with arbitrary orientation state
- One material card per class

\*S.G. Advani, C.L. Tucker, The Use of Tensors to Describe and Predict Fiber Orientation in Short Fiber Composites. Journal of Rheology, 31(8), 751-784, 1987

# Elastic properties of various orientation states

## From UD to real material



Ranges of largest eigenvalue

$0.8 \leq \lambda_1 \leq 1.0 \rightarrow$  Class 1 

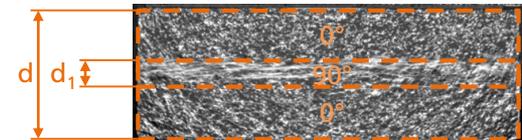
$0.6 \leq \lambda_1 < 0.8 \rightarrow$  Class 2 

$0.5 \leq \lambda_1 < 0.6 \rightarrow$  Class 3 

$$E_{0^\circ} = \eta E_2^{(3)} + (1 - \eta) E_1^{(2)}$$

$$E_{90^\circ} = \eta E_1^{(3)} + (1 - \eta) E_2^{(2)}$$

$$G_{0^\circ/90^\circ} = \eta G_{12}^{(3)} + (1 - \eta) G_{12}^{(2)}$$

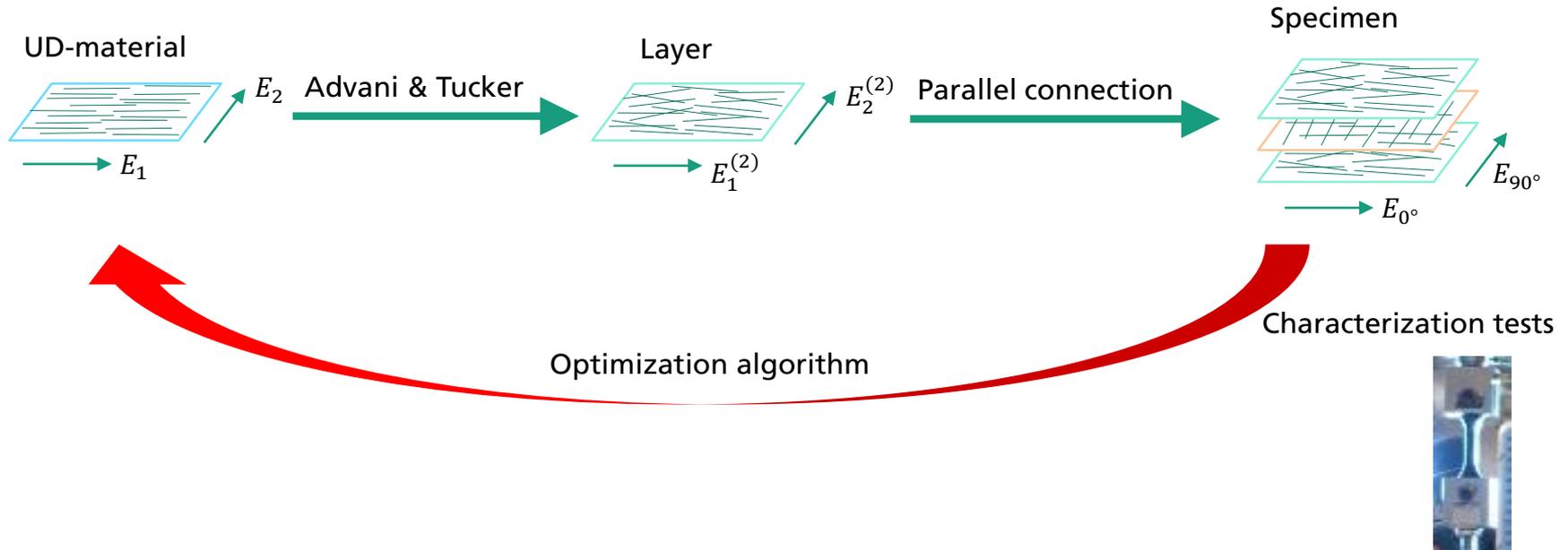


$$\eta = \frac{d_1}{d} = \frac{1}{5}$$

■ Parallel connection of various layers yields specimen property

# Elastic properties of various orientation states

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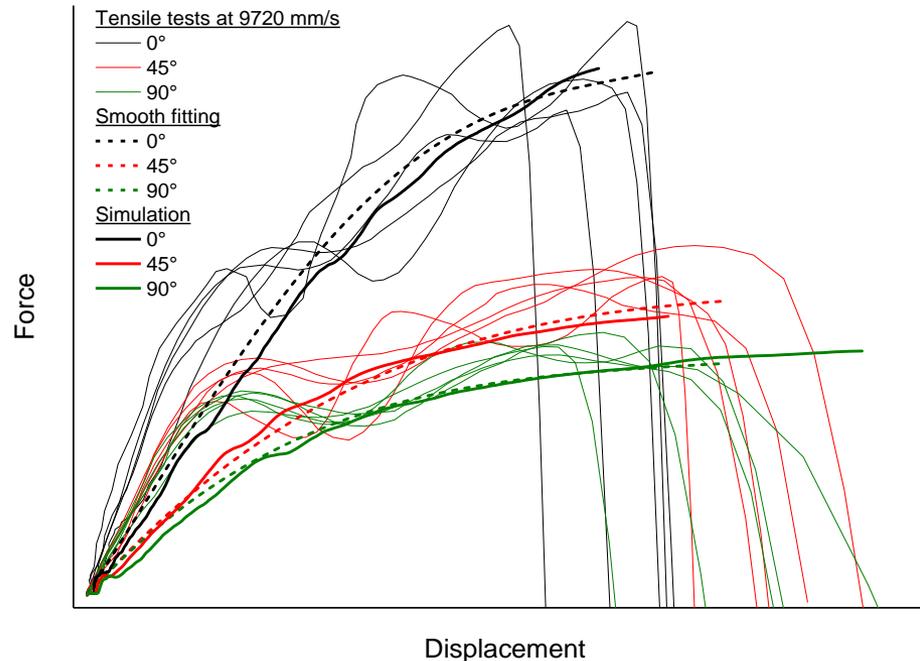


- Solving of the inverse problem: From characterization test to UD-material

# Plastic and failure parameters

## Material parameters for MAT\_108 in LS-DYNA

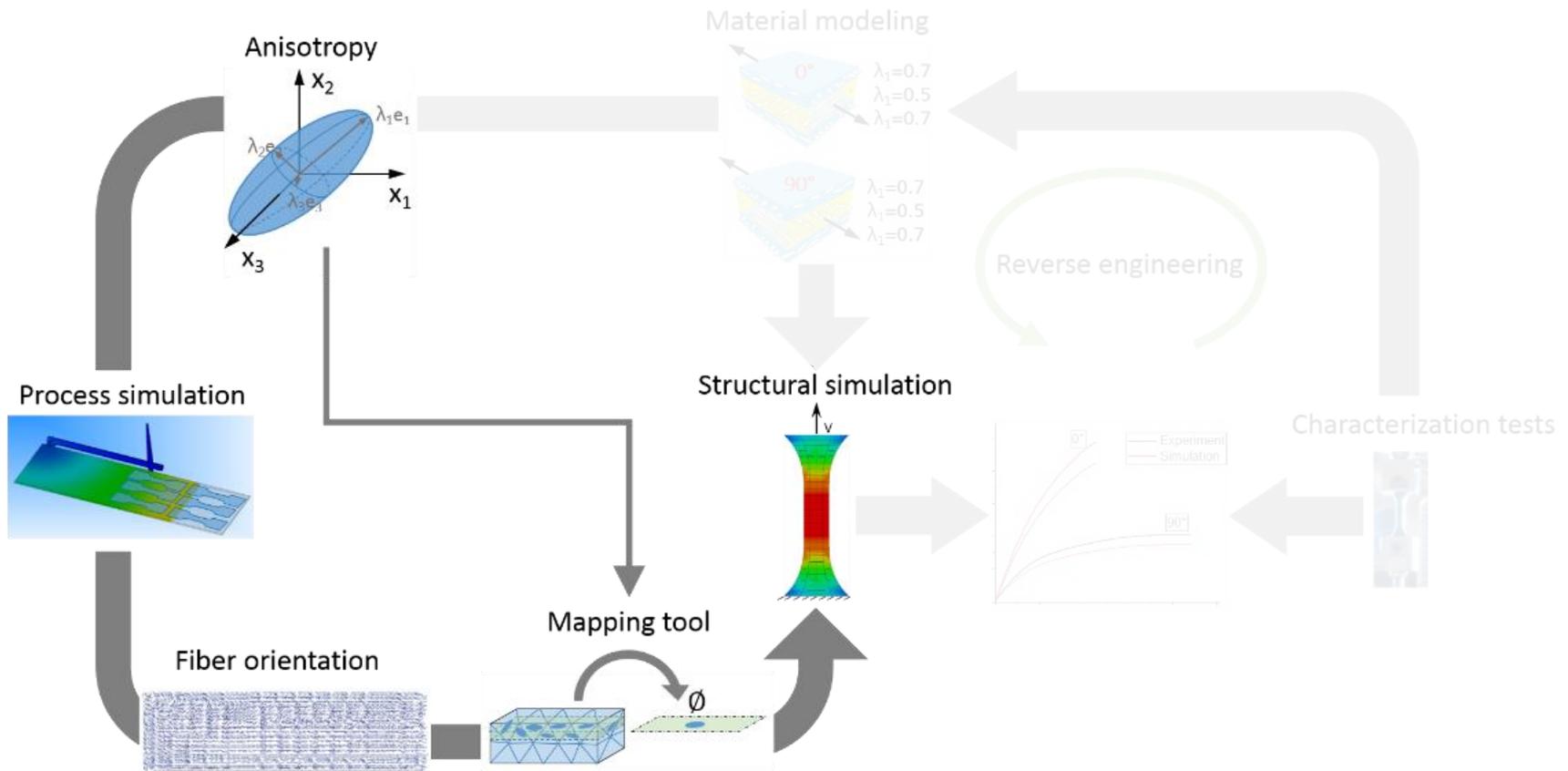
Simulation of tensile tests in 0°, 45°, and 90°-direction



- Plastic parameters determined using LS-OPT
- Failure modeled with MAT\_ADD\_EROSION
- For all material classes the same plastic and failure parameters are used

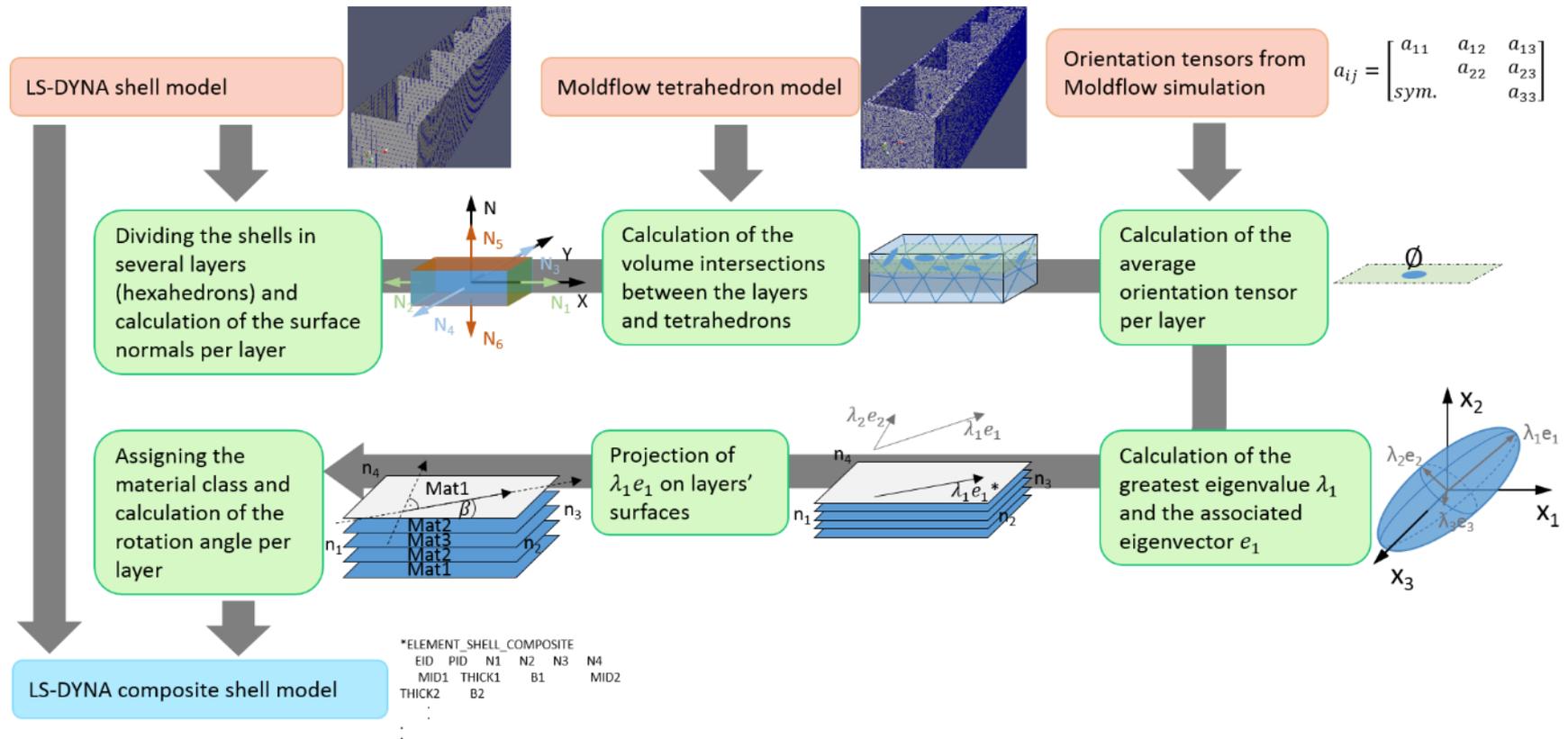
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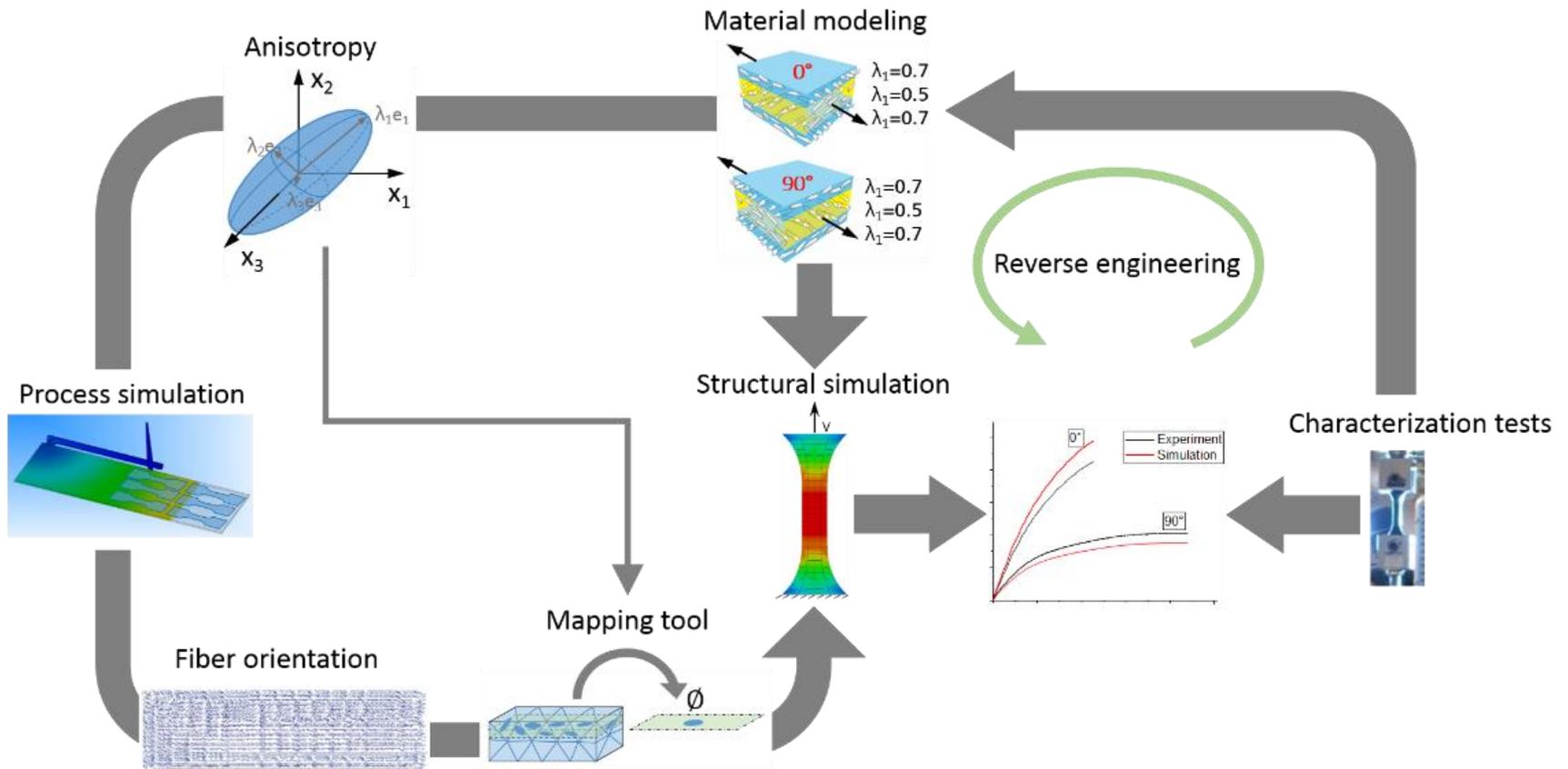
# Mapping of orientation and degree of anisotropy

## Flow-chart of developed mapping-tool



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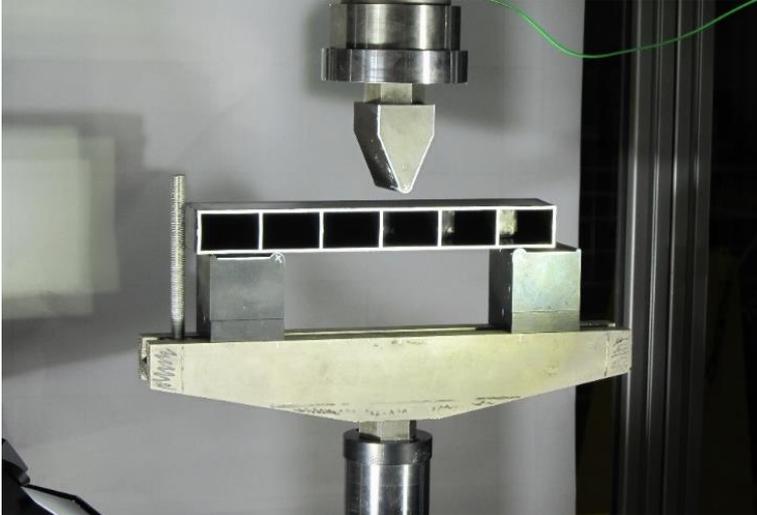
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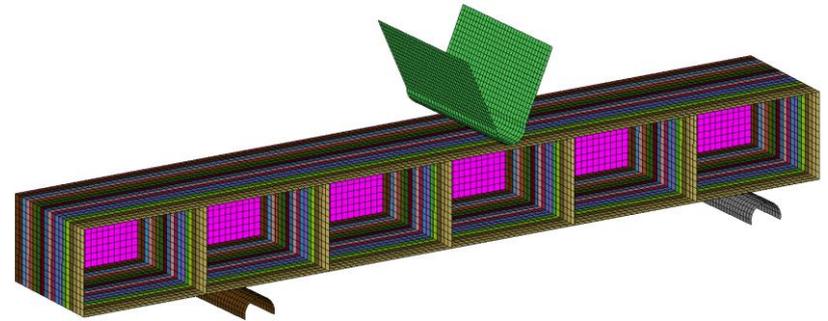
# Validation of the method

## Dynamic three-point bending test

Test set-up



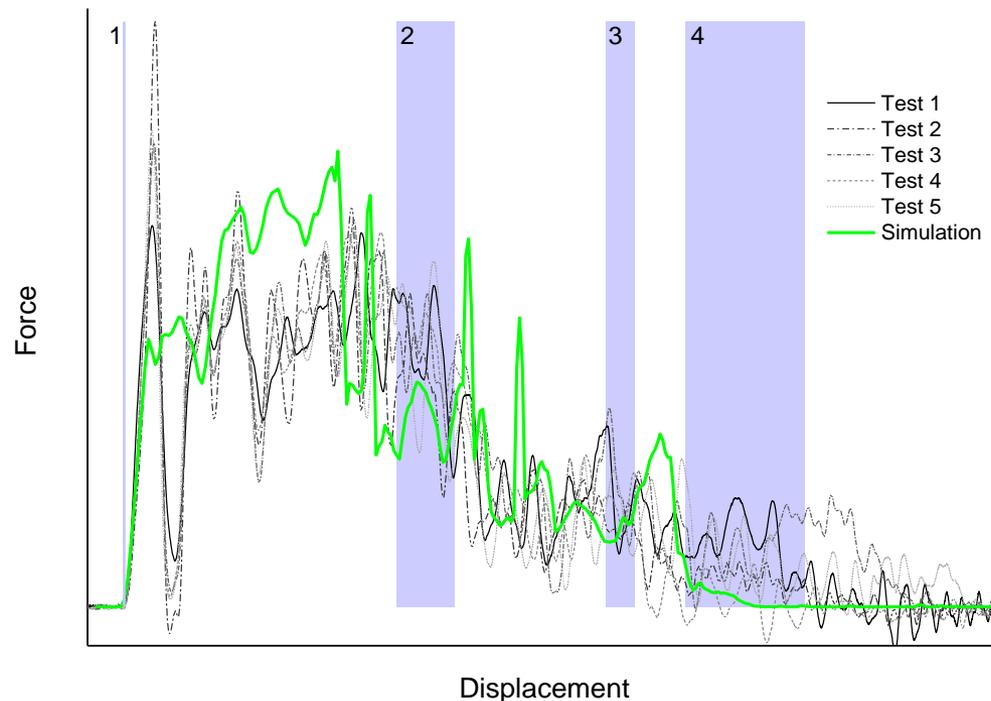
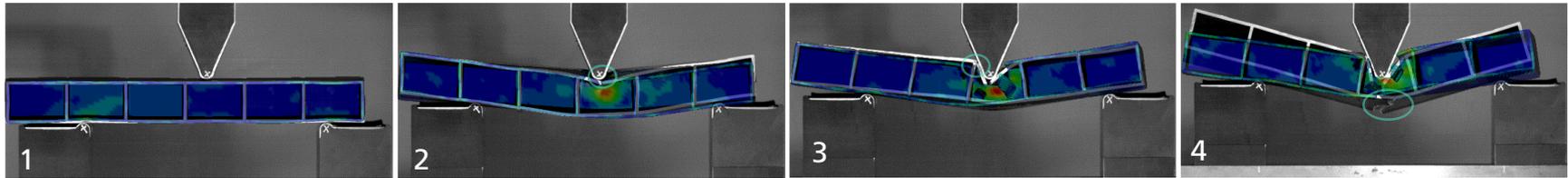
Simulation model



- Haul-off speed 7000 mm/s

# Validation of the method

## Force-displacement curve and deformation behavior



- Good agreement of experiment and simulation
- Simulation sensitive to additional numerical and friction parameters

# Impact of considering degree of anisotropy

## Comparison with less complex modeling approaches

Considering only fiber orientation

- Without Advani and Tucker / Only one material card
- Elastic and plastic parameters derived directly from characterization tests
- Tensile tests in  $0^\circ$ -direction  $\rightarrow$  Parameters in longitudinal direction
- Tensile tests in  $90^\circ$ -direction  $\rightarrow$  Parameters in transversal direction

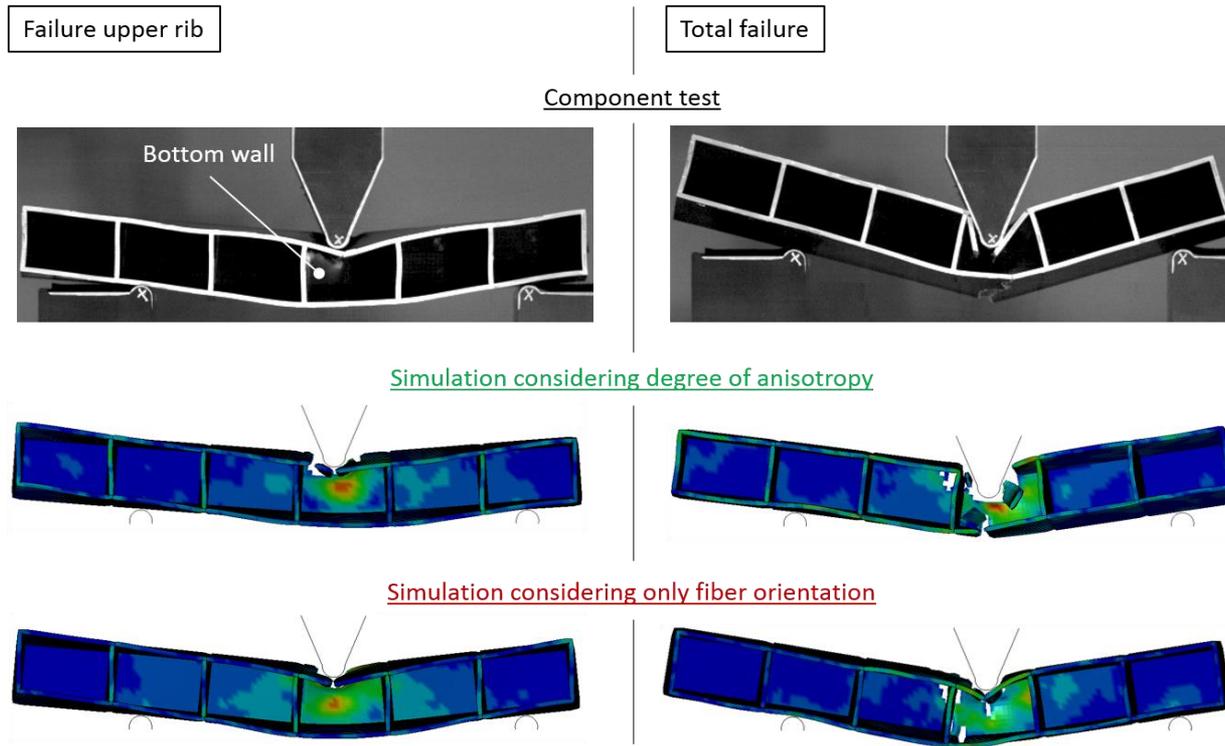
Isotropic material behavior

- Material parameters derived from average stress-strain curves in  $0^\circ$ - and  $90^\circ$ -direction

$\rightarrow$  Simulation of dynamic three-point bending test using same values for additional numerical and friction parameters

# Impact of considering degree of anisotropy

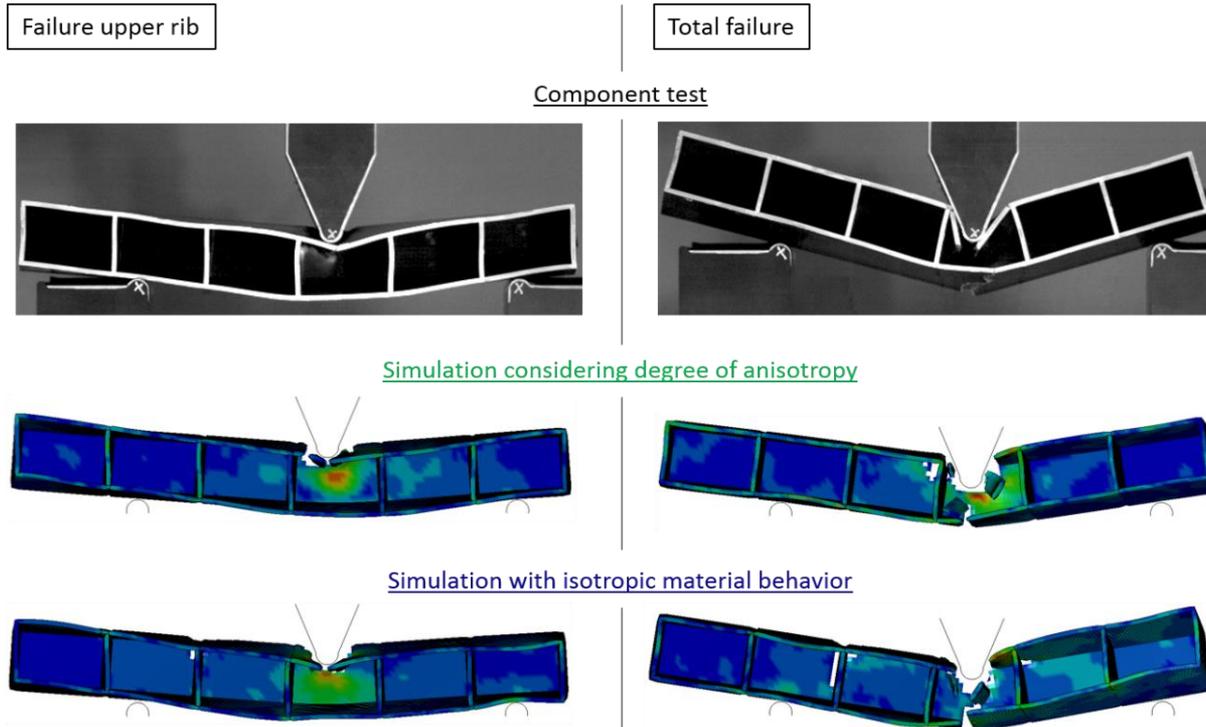
## Simulation considering only fiber direction



- Upper part of bottom wall remains intact longer
- Upper rib is not bent

# Impact of considering degree of anisotropy

## Simulation using isotropic material behavior



- Upper part of bottom wall fails in a larger region
- Edge between upper and bottom wall is not impressed

# Summary and conclusion

- Approach for considering fiber orientation distribution in material model
- Development of a mapping tool
- Validation by means of dynamic three-point bending test
- Impact of degree of anisotropy on simulation results