



The Gear Day 2017

MetAGEAR

Integrated framework for industrial gearbox design & manufacturing

A project within POR-FESR 2014-20



A bit of history...

- ❖ 2005 Simech project: “UOR 1.2 Gear transmission”
- ❖ 2010 Intermech project: “UOR 1.2 Gearboxes optimization”
- ❖ 2016 **MetAGEAR project**: fully focused on gears (1M€)
 - ❖ 10 years research experience on gears
 - ❖ multidisciplinary approach (thanks to our colleagues in Modena and Ferrara)
 - ❖ experimental facilities are available (thanks to the previous projects)

Who is involved?

❖ InterMech MO.RE.

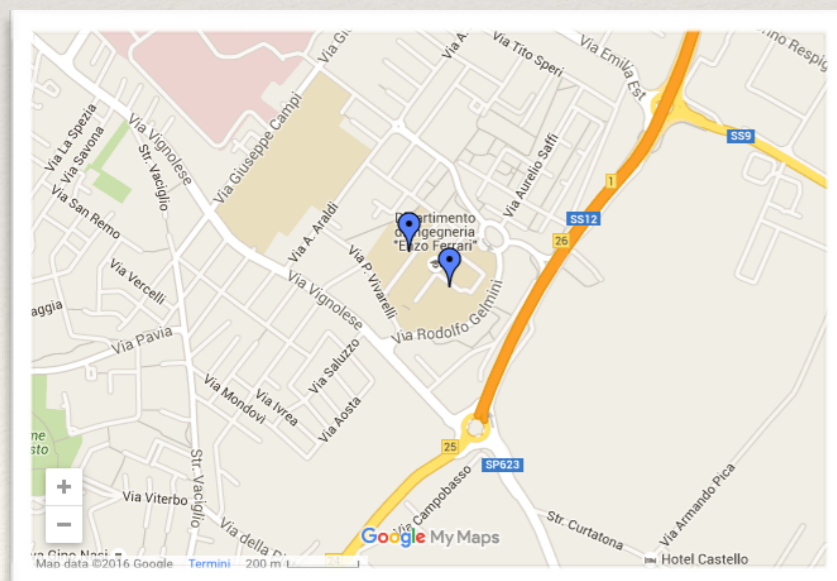
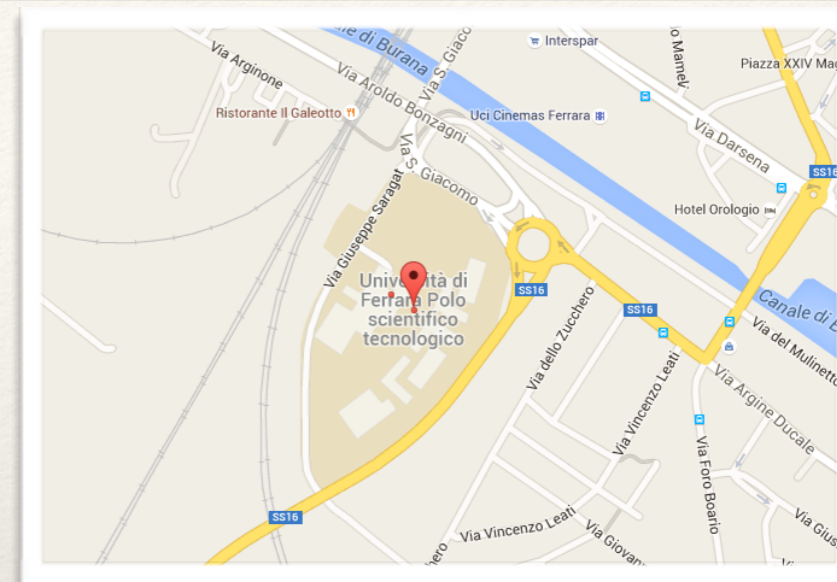
- ❖ Gear design & optimization - Prof. Francesco Pellicano
- ❖ Archetypal design - Prof. Francesco Leali
- ❖ Material science - Prof. Tiziano Manfredini
- ❖ Manufacturing - Prof. Marcello Pellicciari

❖ MechLav

- ❖ NVH optimization - Prof. Giorgio Dal Piaz

❖ Democenter

- ❖ Dissemination



Industrial partners:



MetAGEAR goals

- ❖ In Italy a large number of gear manufacturers is present, but there is not a large research center on gears (handicap with respect to Germany)
- ❖ MetAGEAR aims to **collect skills and facilities** shared by the two laboratories Intermech and Mechlav to create a large framework for performing **applied research on gears in Italy**
- ❖ In our vision, MetAGEAR will provide **new innovation opportunities and service** for Italian gear manufacturers

OR1 - Gear design, simulation and testing

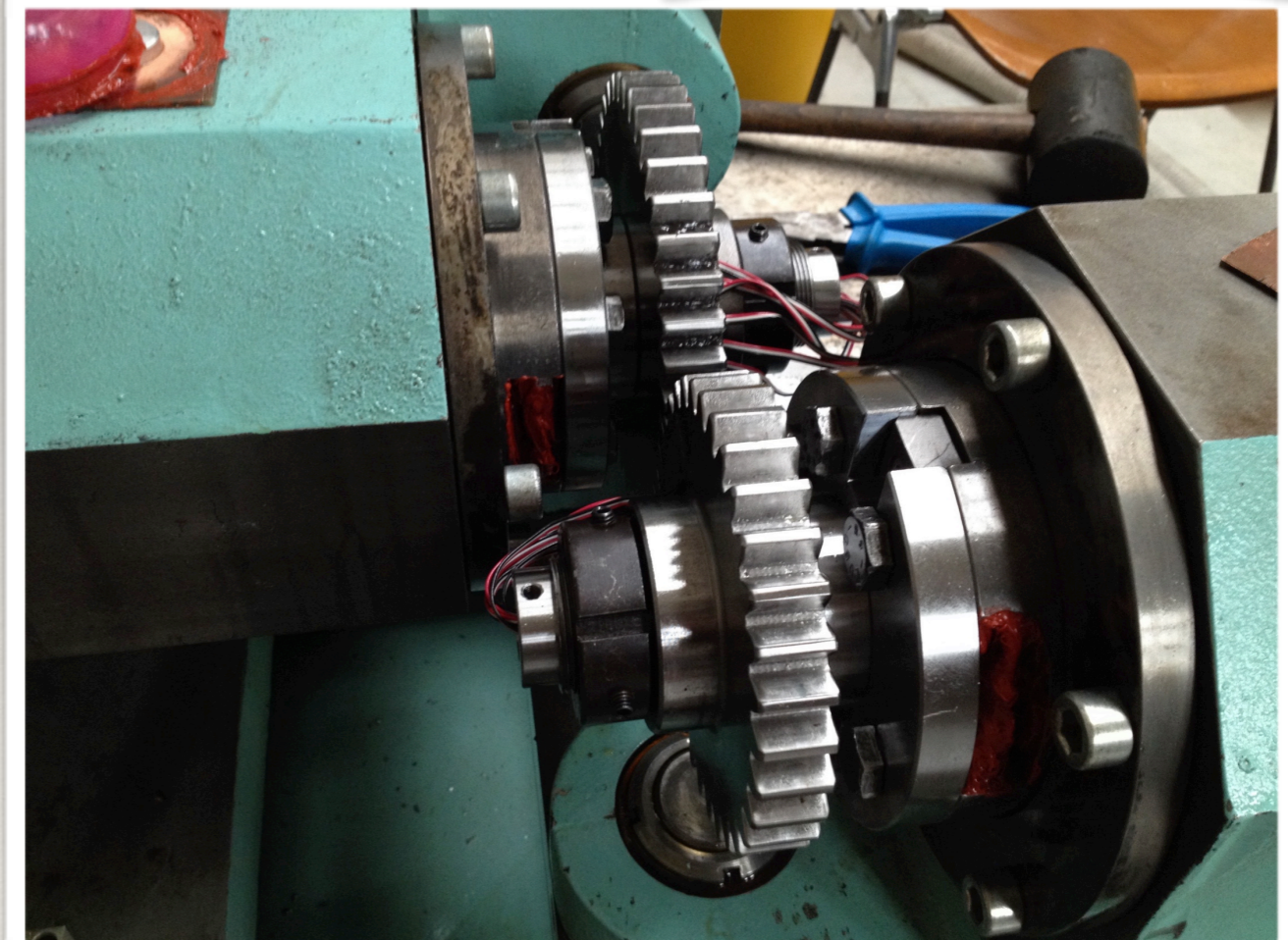
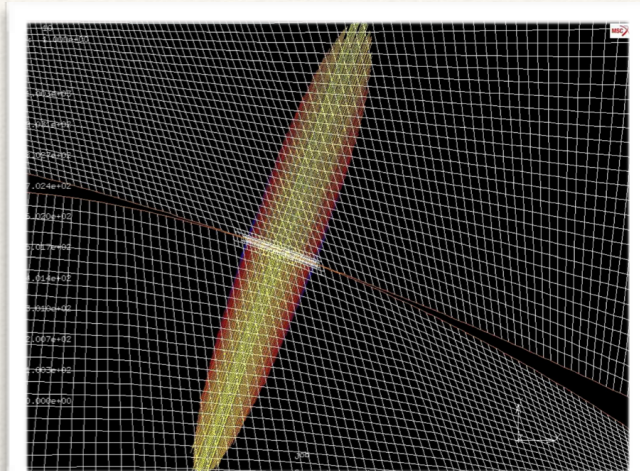
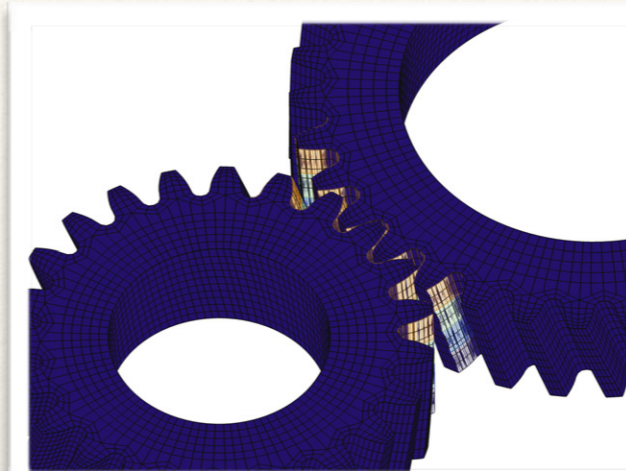
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OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Developing a **software for analysis and optimization** of gearboxes starting from design parameters and **material properties**
- ❖ Developing a **test rig** for experimental validation of models, and for assessment of optimal gear design solutions

ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Modelling static and dynamic behavior of gearboxes taking into account for new materials and coatings
- ❖ Validations by experiments (with accelerometers / strain gauges)
- ❖ The new test rig will be highly flexible / reconfigurable for:
 - ❖ model validation;
 - ❖ checking the effectiveness of new solutions (e.g. new materials / coatings / treatments OR3);
 - ❖ testing for industrial partners (service)

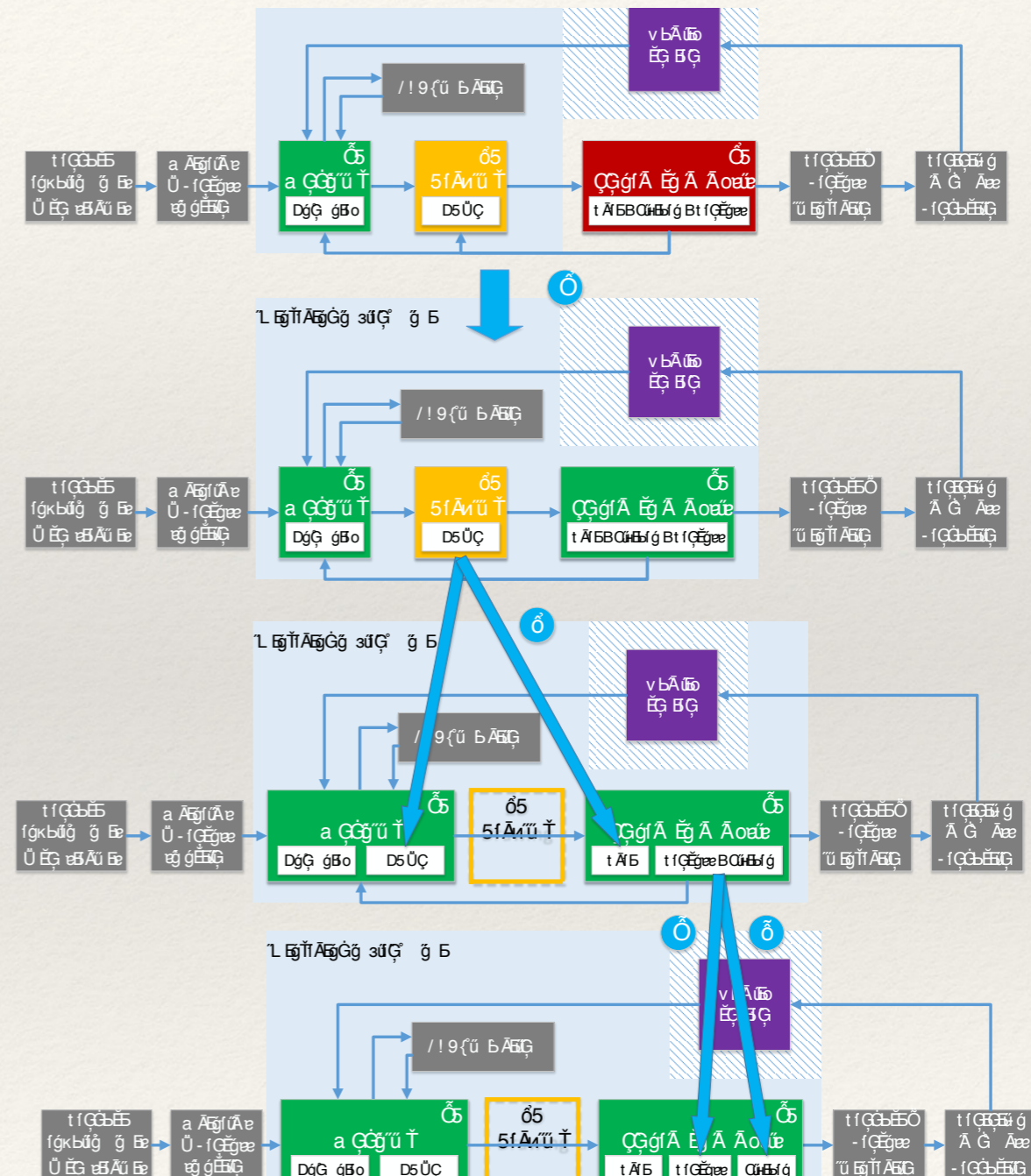


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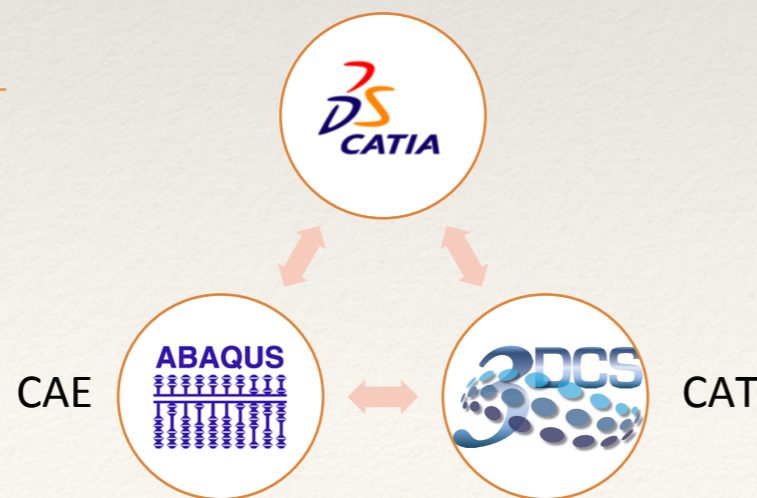
OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Integrated method to consider geometrical product specification in a 3D environment.
- ❖ Dimensioning and tolerancing method directly applied to 3D CAD models
- ❖ Description of a FE based simulation method for machining
- ❖ Innovative design method for fixture systems



Actions

- 1 Analysis method
- 2 Part
- 3 Assembly process
- 4 Fixture system

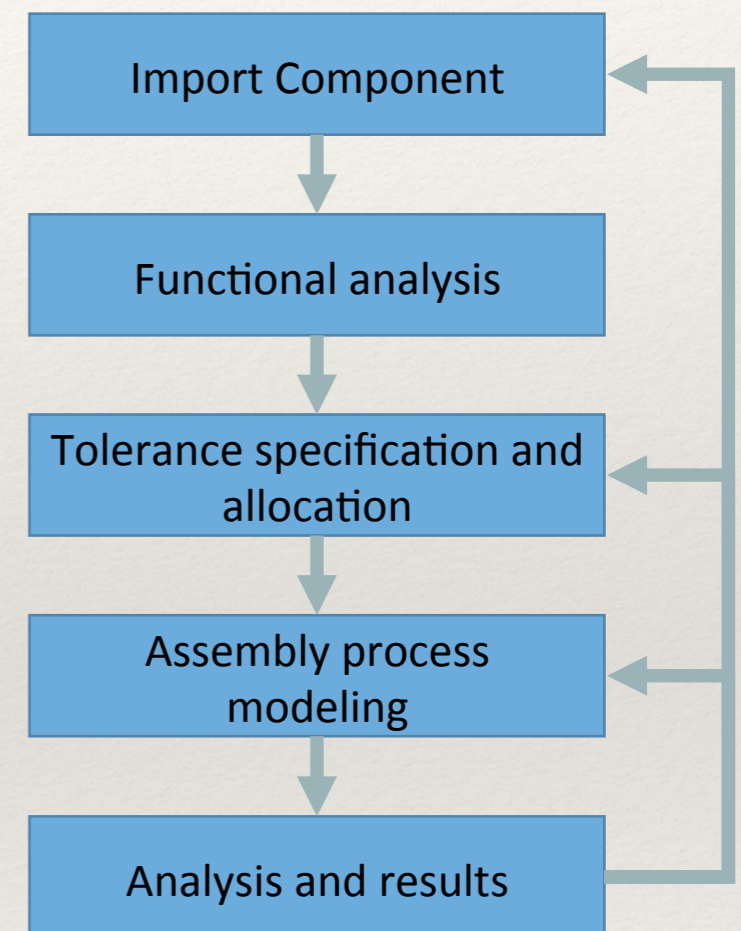


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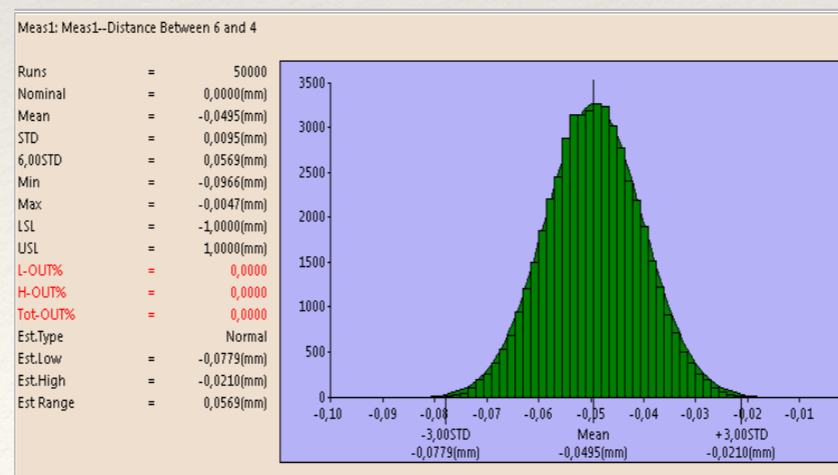
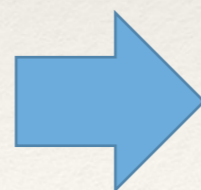
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- ❖ Tridimensional approach – Variational model
- ❖ Monte Carlo Analysis method
- ❖ Integrated on the design environment
- ❖ Implemented in the early design phases
- ❖ Identification of the contributors
- ❖ Simulation of assembly process point-based
- ❖ Fixture system modeling

Analysis method



Dettaglio catena tolleranze		Tol.	Range	Range2	Distr.	G	U	Note
T1	Tolleranza attrezzatura (maschera elemento)	+ 0.10 - 0.10	0.20	0.04	G	0.04		
T2	Tolleranza posizione + ripetibilità attrezzatura	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.40	0.16	G	0.16		
T3	Tolleranza tassello fisso su elemento	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.40	0.16	G	0.16		
T4	Tolleranza tassello mobile su elemento	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.40	0.16	G	0.16		
T5	Tolleranza Gioco perno-foro rif. (da STD 0,13)	+ 0.15 - 0.15	0.30	0.09	G	0.09		
T6	Tolleranza SLD (Punti)	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.40	0.16	G	0.16		
T7	Tolleranza di SLD (MIG)	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.40	0.16	G	0.16		
T8	Tolleranza di Chiodatura	+ 0.30 - 0.30	0.6	0.36	G	0.36		
T9	Tolleranze di Stampaggio	+ 0.50 - 0.50	1.0	1.00	G	1.00		
T10	Tolleranza Attrezzatura (perno mobile MP telajo)	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.4	0.16	G	0.16		Per Pallet Mobil
T11	Tolleranza Attrezzatura (perno fisso MP telajo)	+ 0.15 - 0.15	0.3	0.09	G	0.09		Per Pallet Fissi
T12	Tolleranza Perno-Foro MP Telajo	+ 0.20 - 0.20	0.4	0.16	G	0.16		FORO Lavorato di macchina H7
T13	Tolleranza forature di macchina post-welding telajo	+ 0.75 - 0.75	1.5	2.25	G	2.25		Viene dichiarato anche tol. ±0.3
T14	Svergolatura su Profilo Estruso (mm/M per largh. 50mm)	+ 1.50 - 1.50	3.0	9.00	G	9.00		Tab. UNEN7559
T15	Tolleranza Cancavità e Convessità (sp. 55mm Largh. Fino a 60mm)	+ 0.40 - 0.40	0.8	0.64	G	0.64		Tab. UNEN7559
QUADRATIC EQUATION						15.60		
RANGE						3.95		
+ 1.97								
- 1.97								

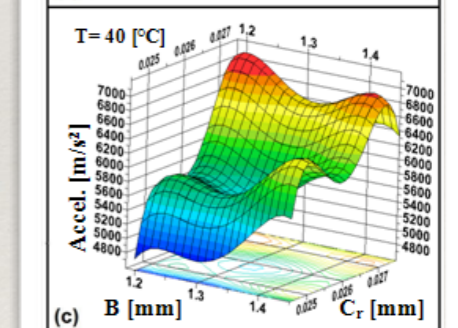
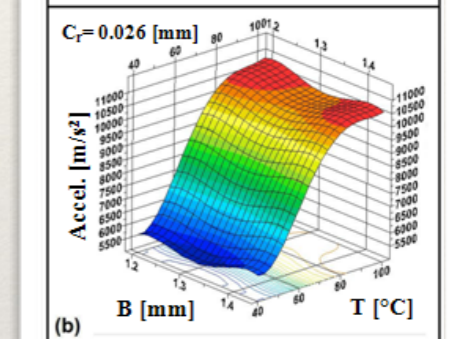
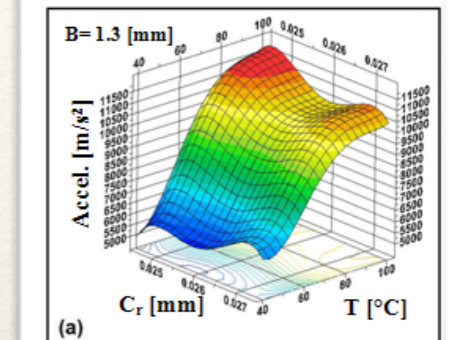


OR2 - NVH optimization of gearboxes

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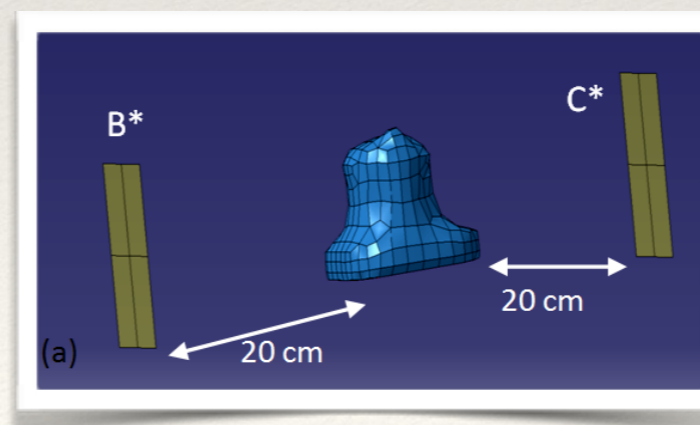
OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Developing a software instrument for **optimizing NVH** (Noise Vibration and Harshness) behavior of gearboxes
- ❖ Useful framework for gear design
- ❖ Developing a **suite of virtual instruments** to assess vibration and noise level in operating conditions
- ❖ Integration of models:
 - ❖ Lumped parameters LP
 - ❖ Finite elements FE
 - ❖ Boundary elements BE
- ❖ **Psycho-acoustic** models and **sound quality** measurements
- ❖ Statistical **modelling of tolerances** and their effect on vibration and noise



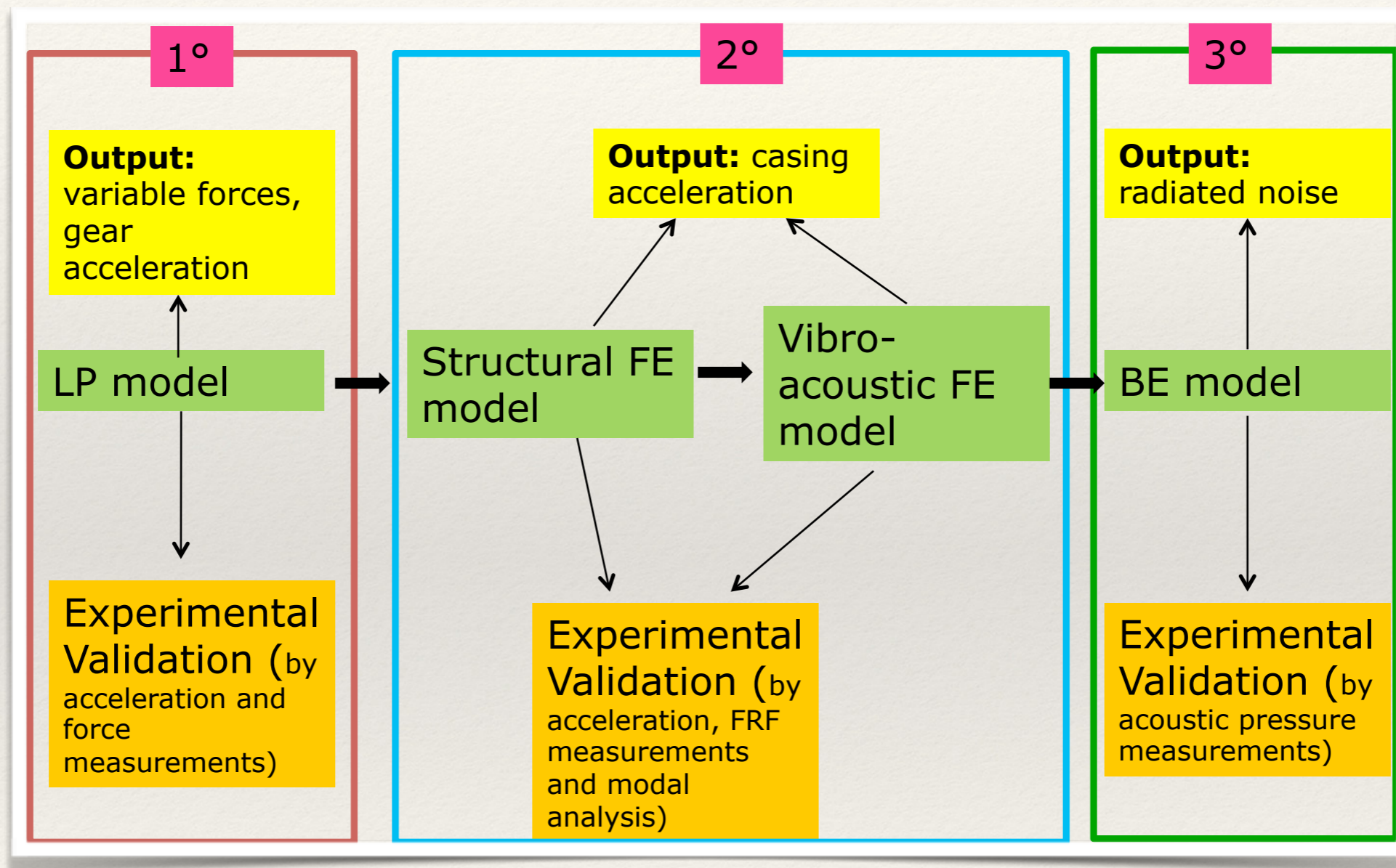
EXPECTED RESULTS

- ❖ Tolerance estimate
- ❖ Reduced time to market
- ❖ Lower vibration and better sound quality



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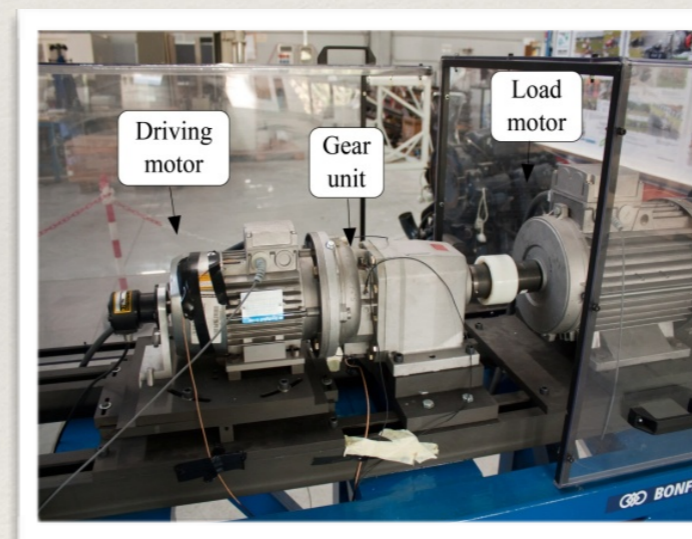


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FACILITIES

- ❖ Anechoic and hemi-anechoic chamber (50 Hz cut-off frequency)
- ❖ Complete instrumentation for acoustic and vibration measurements and modal analysis
- ❖ Test bench for rotating components (gears, bearings, joints)
- ❖ 3-Axis Electro-Dynamic Vibration System
- ❖ Contactless sensors: Laser Doppler vibrometers, Microflown
- ❖ Software MB, FEM, BEM, psychoacoustic for simulation and optimization

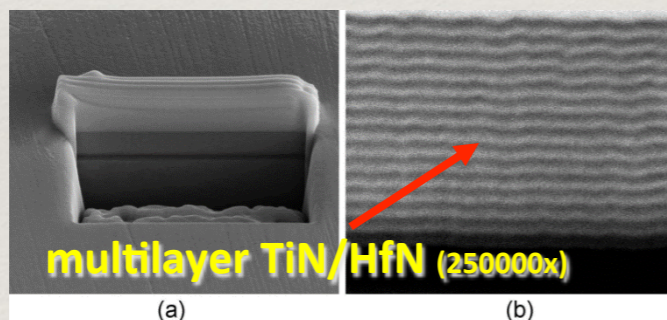


OR3 - Surface coatings and treatments for gears

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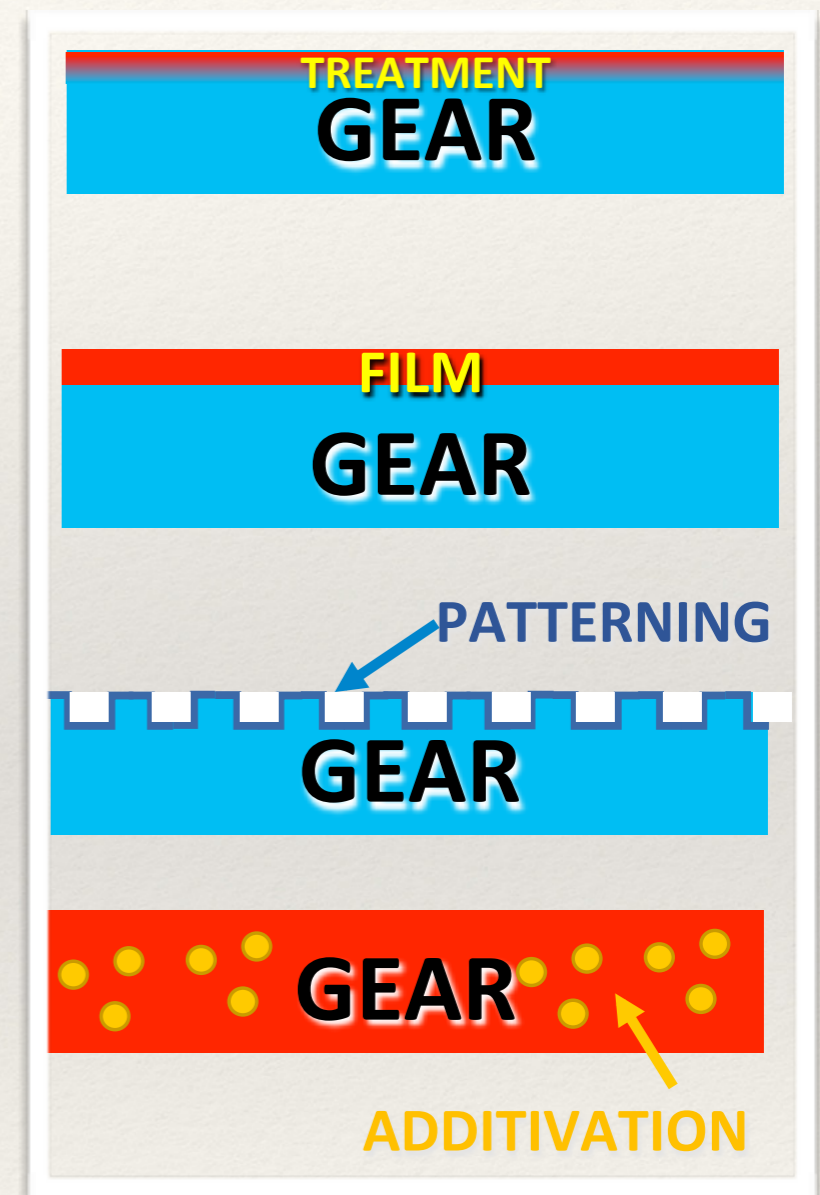
OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Developing / optimizing thermochemical treatments and tempering for optimal tribological performance
- ❖ Developing / optimizing Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD) and Plasma Enhanced CVD films to increase wear resistance and to reduce friction



binary or ternary nitrides PVD coatings
wear ↓ ↓

- ❖ Surface patterning to enhance tribological behavior
- ❖ Developing polymeric reinforced materials for optimal tribo-mechanical performance



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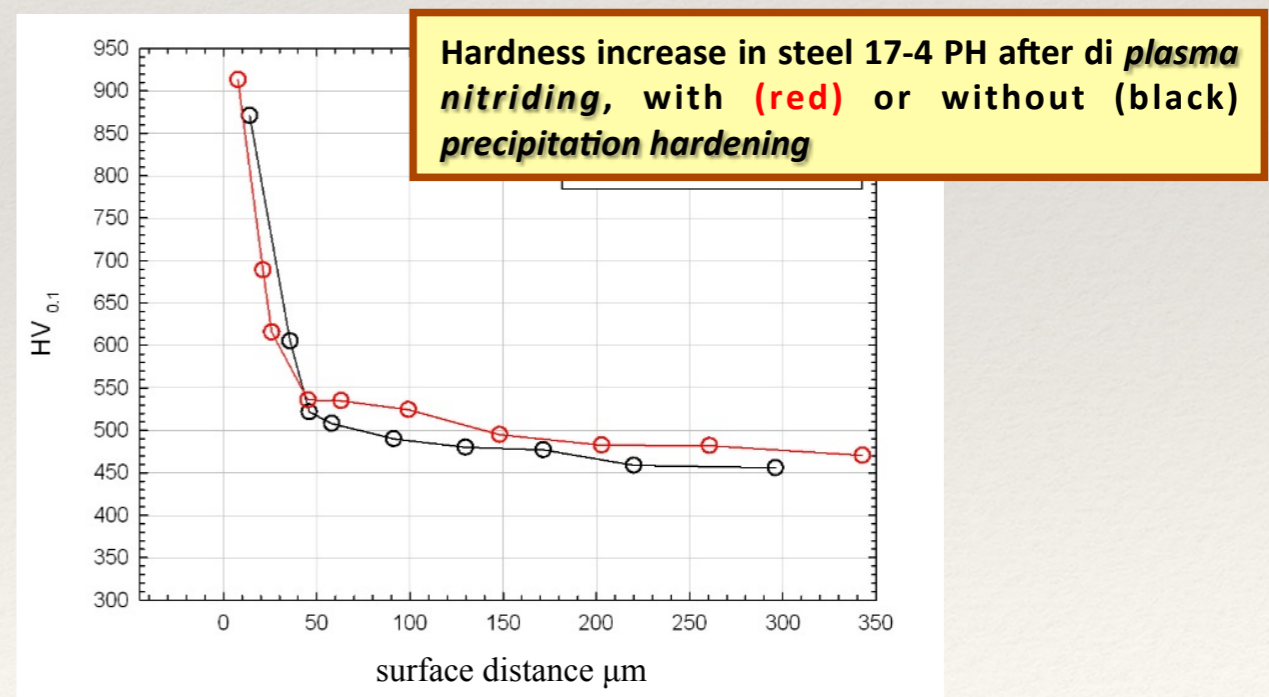
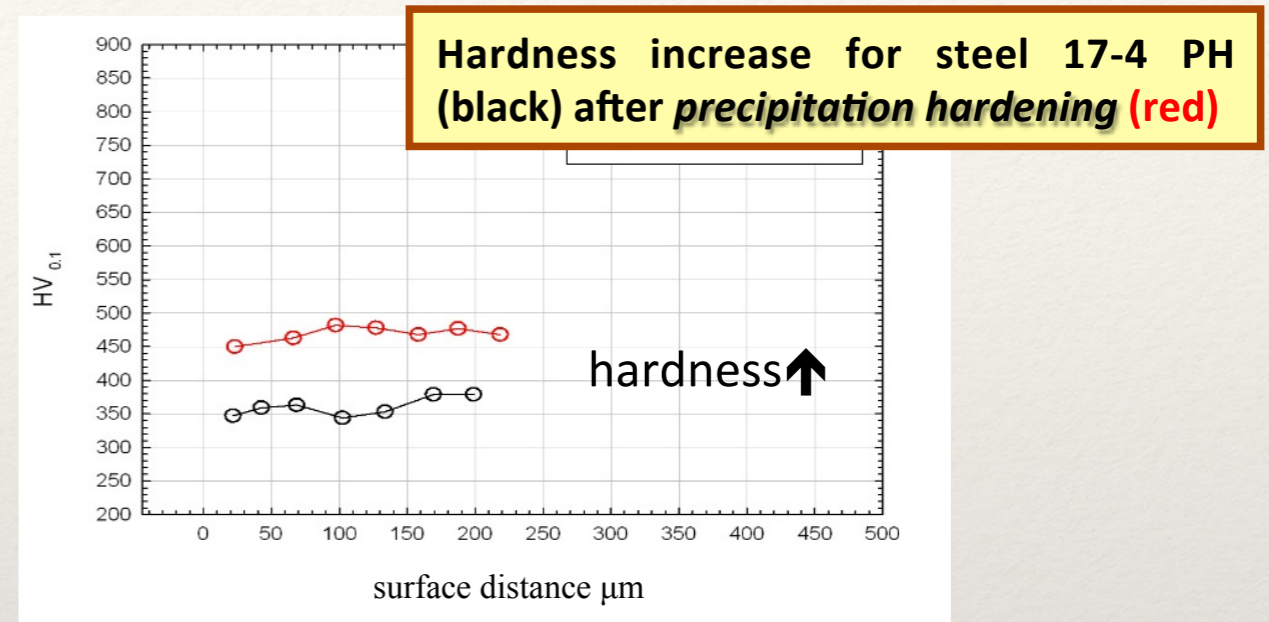
ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Use of special steel “**precipitation hardening**” for gears: inox steel reinforced by means of precipitation hardening
- ❖ **Unconventional nitriding/carburizing/tempering** to increase surface hardness (without reducing oxidation protection)
- ❖ **Micro/nano reinforced polymers** for reducing mass, costs and vibrations



10%
Portland cement
(low cost reinforced
polymeric material)

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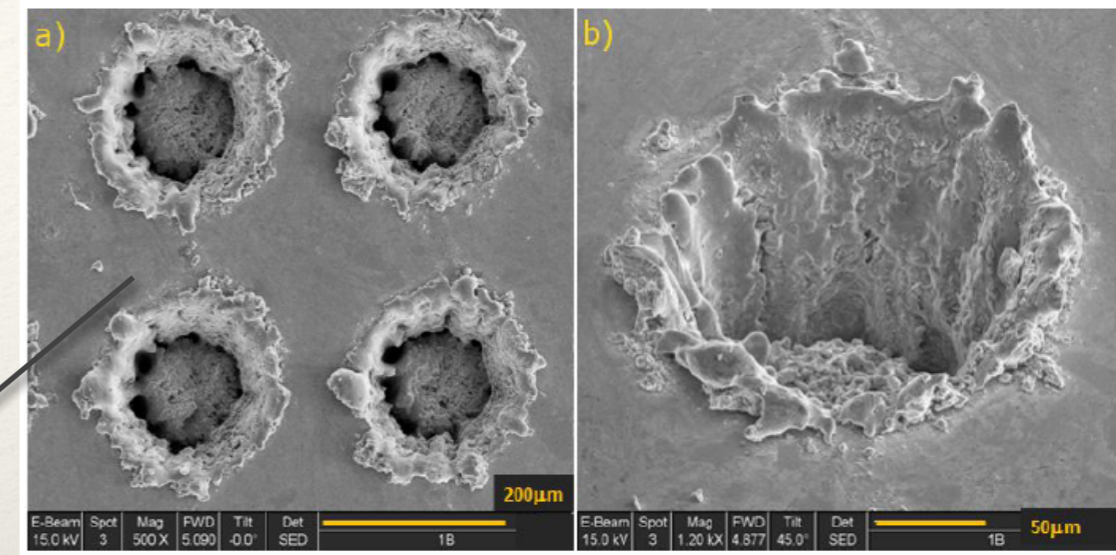
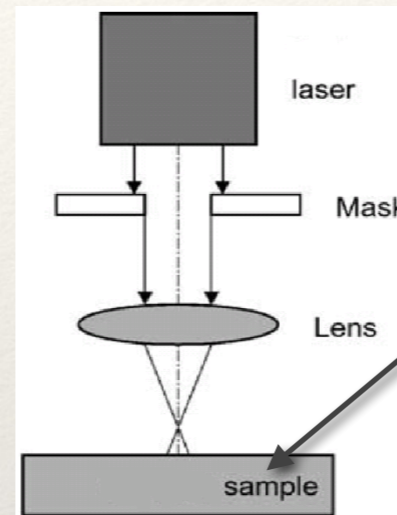


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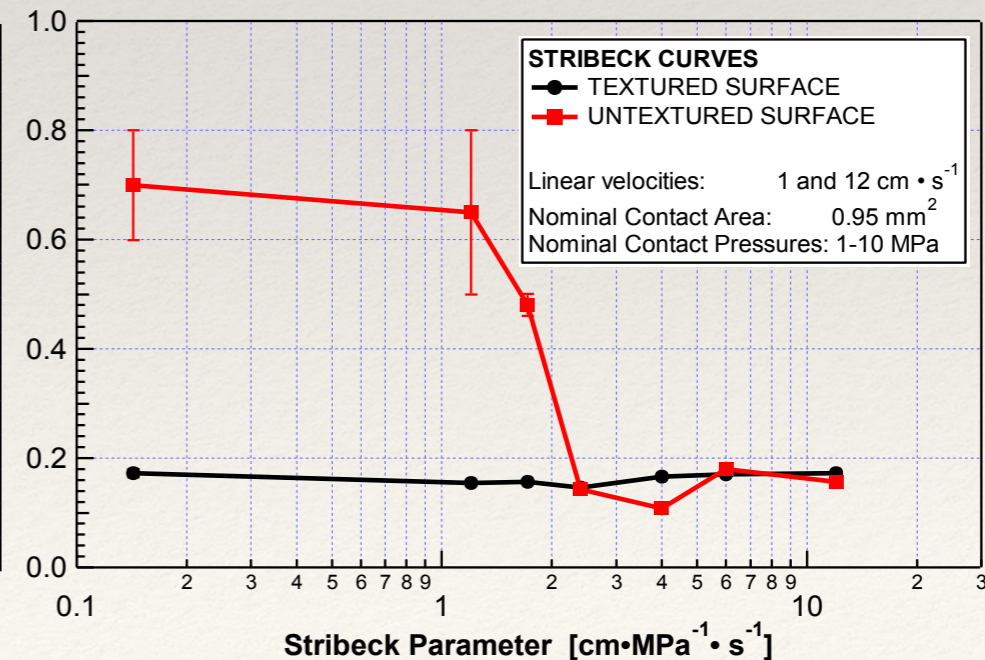
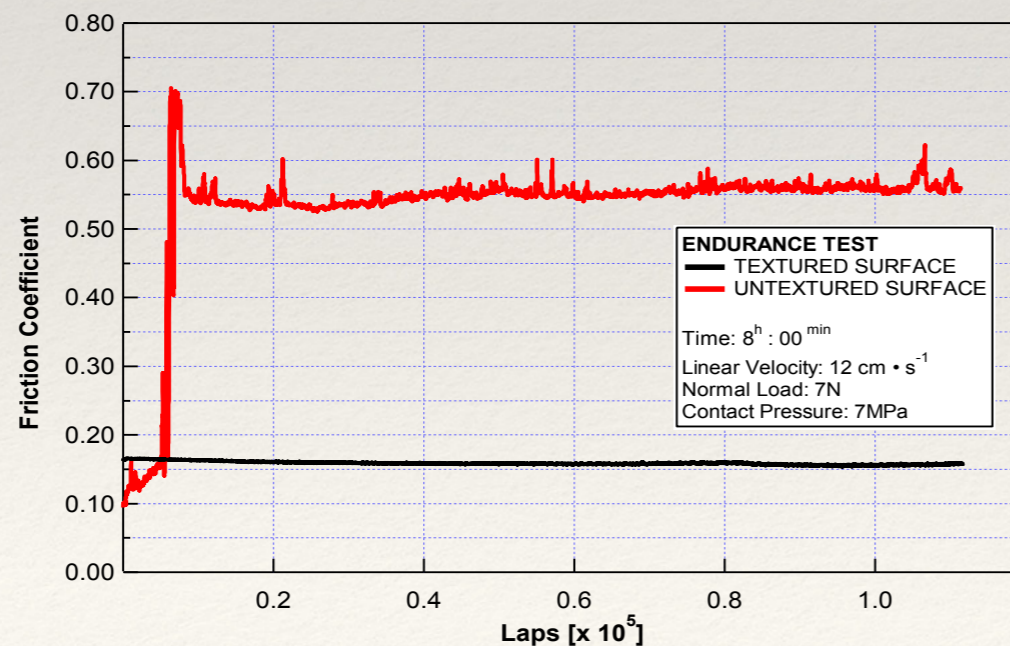
Prof. Sergio Valeri

ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Surface patterning reduces the coefficient of friction 4 times when lubricant is present
- ❖ Friction coefficient is low even for low values of the Stribeck parameter



Laser patterning



OR4 - Reconfigurable Manufacturing Systems for gearboxes

Prof. Marcello Pellicciari

CHALLENGE

- ❖ Gearboxes demand for careful and precise assembly; assembly should be automated to ensure optimal process control and efficiency

OBJECTIVES

- ❖ **Automated assembly** of gearboxes by means of force feedback
- ❖ Optimal process precision and quality (**customized and flexible**)

PARTNERS

- ❖ InterMech Mo.Re.
- ❖ SIR S.p.A.
- ❖ Bonfiglioli S.p.A.

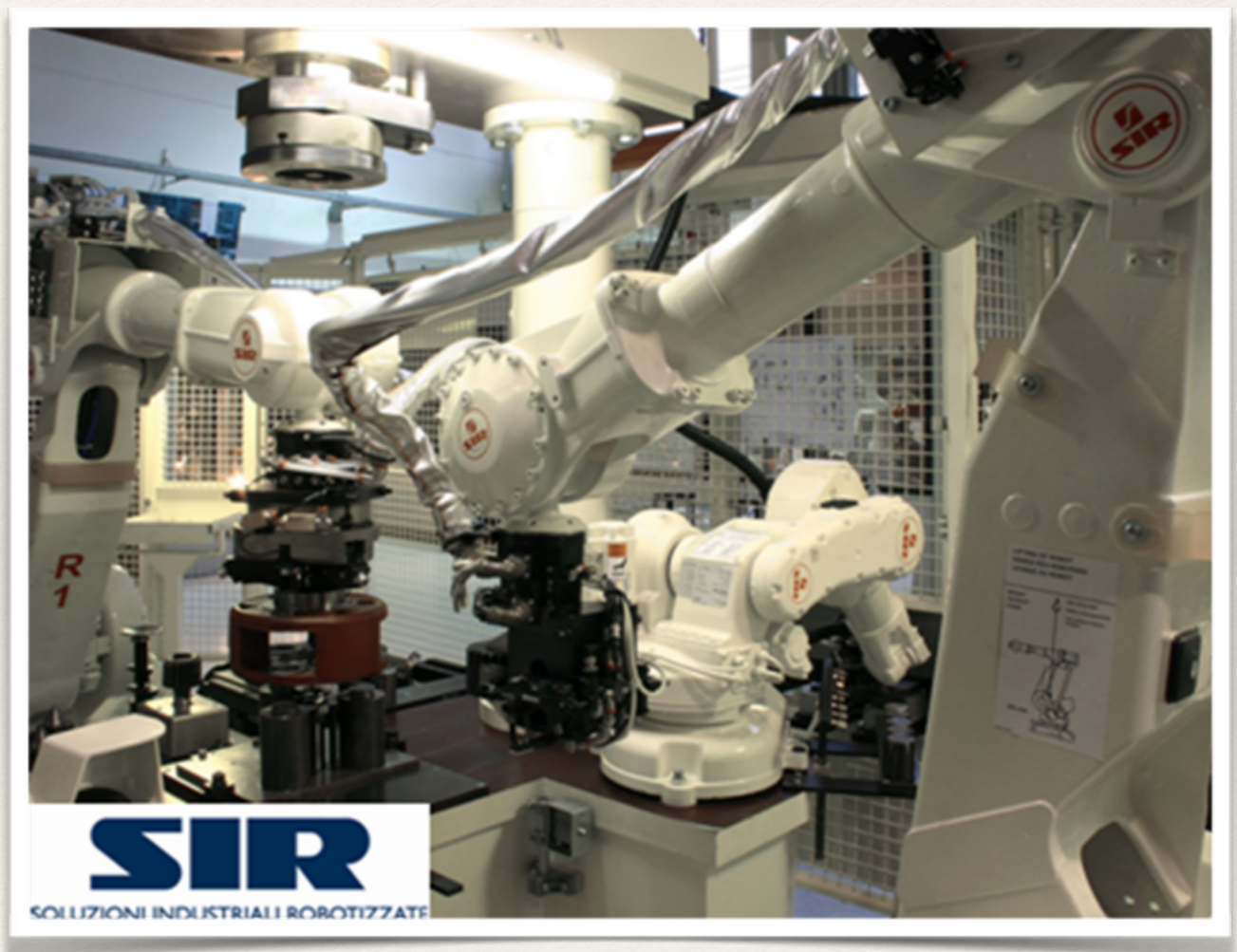


OR4 - Reconfigurable Manufacturing Systems for gearboxes

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ACTIVITIES

- ❖ “Zero-defect” automatic assembly by force feedback
- ❖ New generation of **robotic cells**, scalable and reconfigurable
- ❖ “One-piece-flow” production in a large product mix
- ❖ Process analysis and data management to monitor production quality (**smart factory**)





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