



Macro-scale Materials Characterization for Hard and Soft materials

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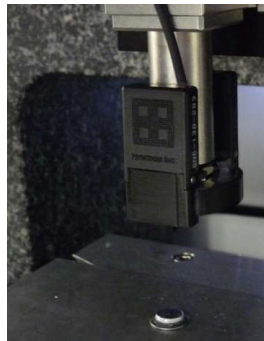
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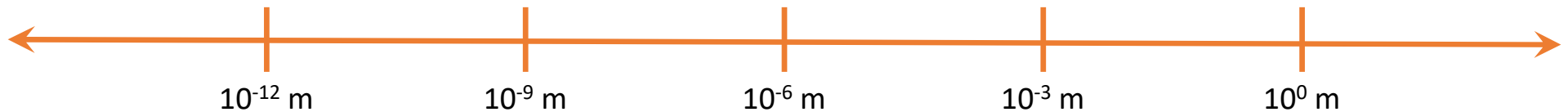
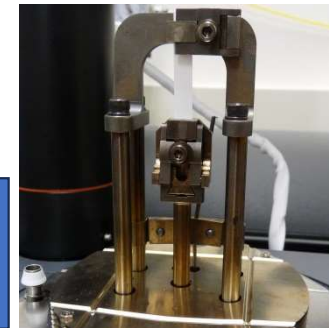
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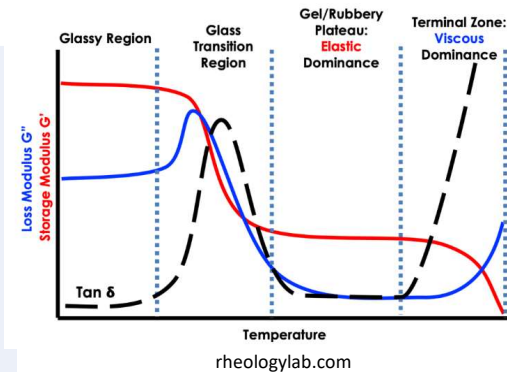
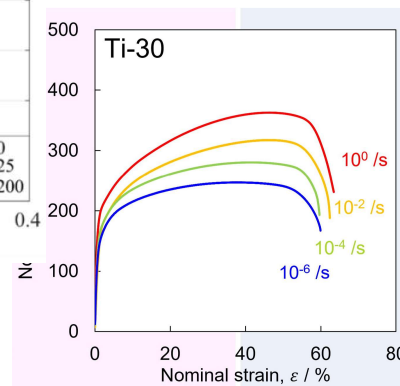
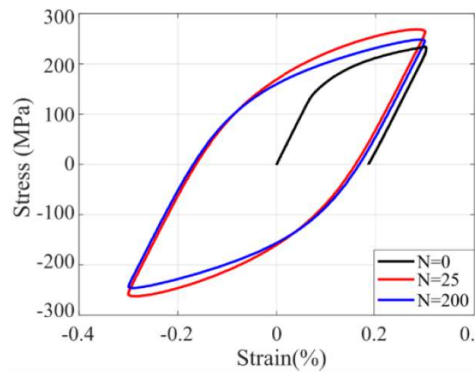
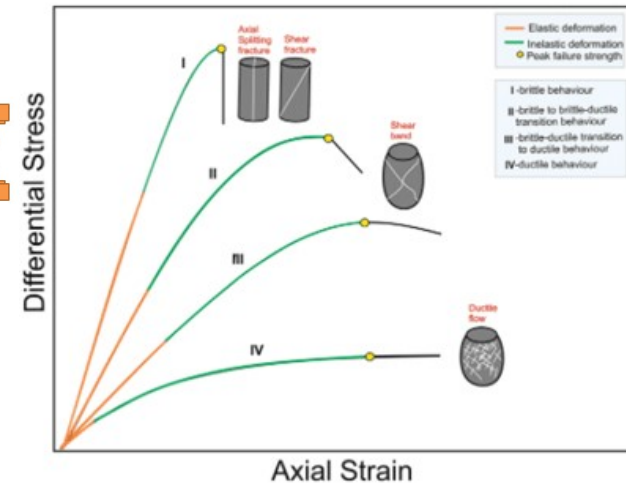
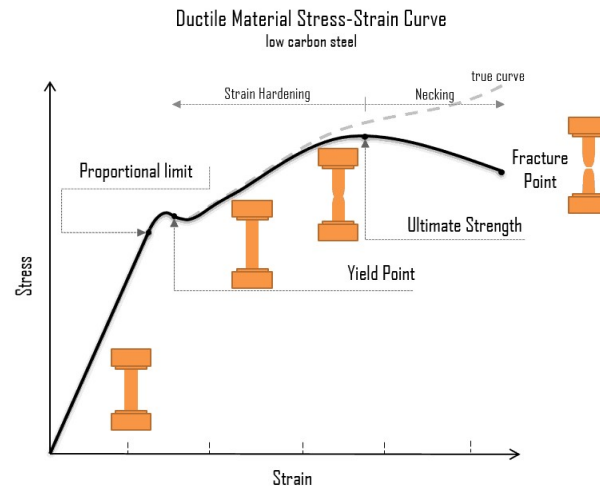
Characterization of Soft
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Goals of Mechanical Testing



- Stress/Strain behavior
 - Material response (strain) to an external force (stress)
- Properties
 - Quasi-static
 - Elastic Modulus
 - Yield Strength
 - Ultimate Strength
 - ...
 - Dynamic
 - Cyclic fatigue
 - Rate sensitivity
 - Viscoelastic properties
 - Storage modulus, loss modulus, tan delta
 - Crack growth
 - ...

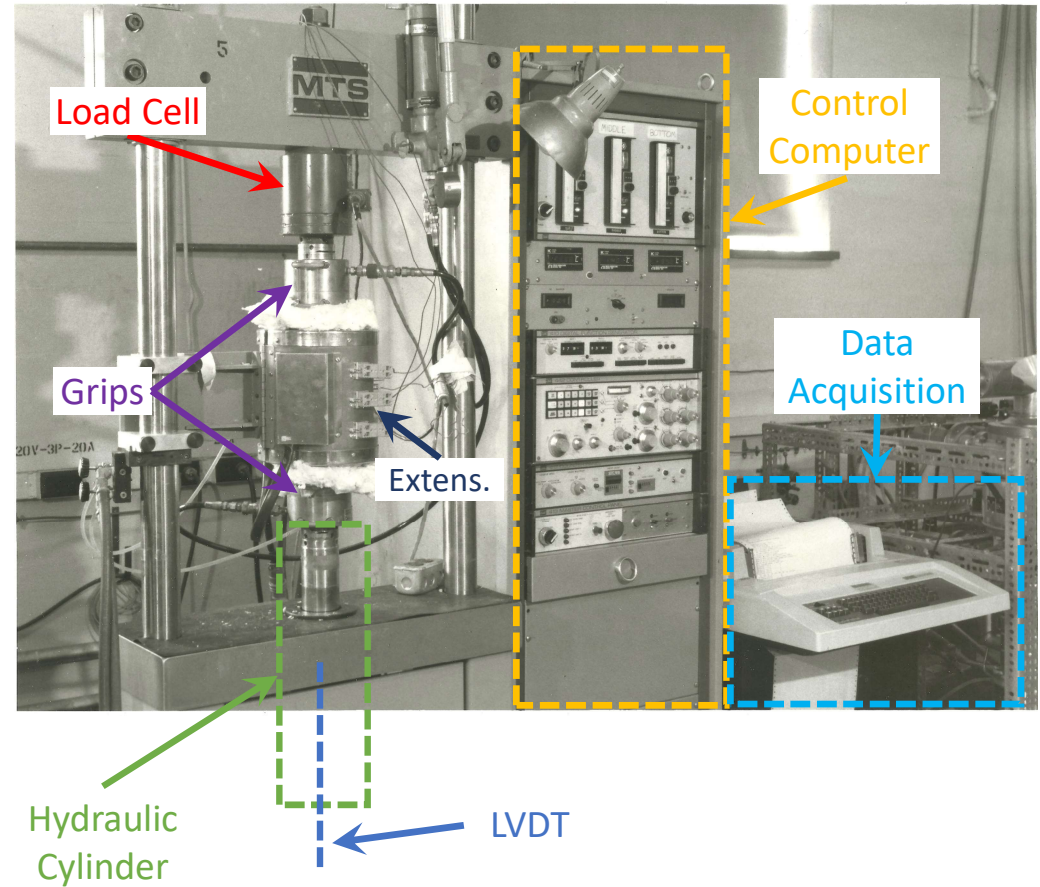
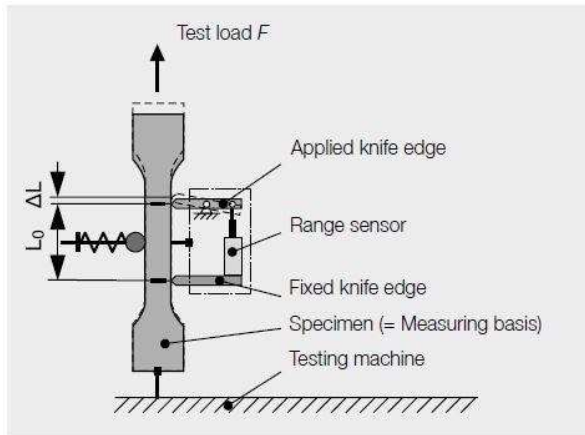
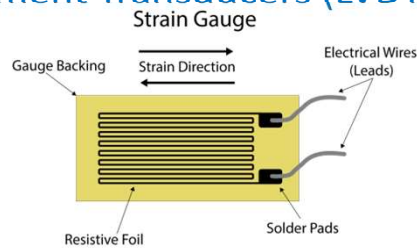


Traditional Test Instrumentation



- Components

- Load Cells
- Hydraulic Cylinder
- Linearly Var. Displacement Transducers (LVDT)
- Extensometers
- Strain gauges
- Control Computer
- Data Acquisition

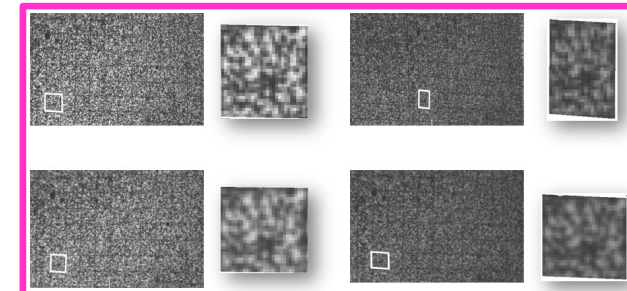
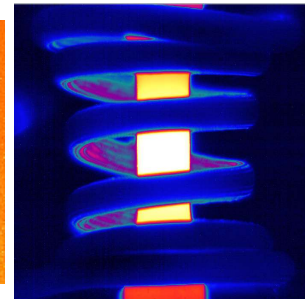
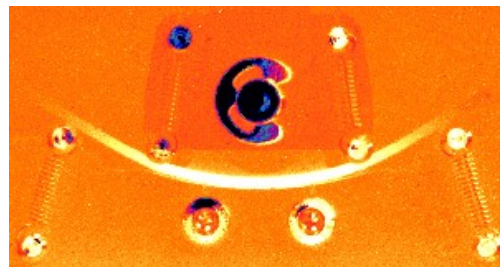
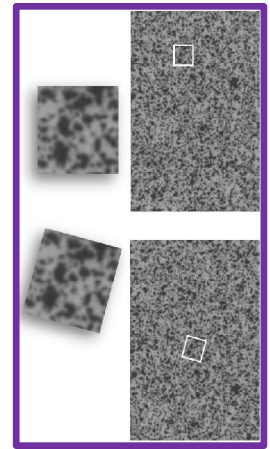
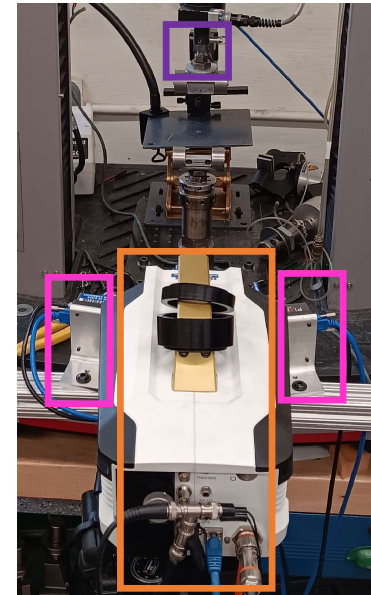
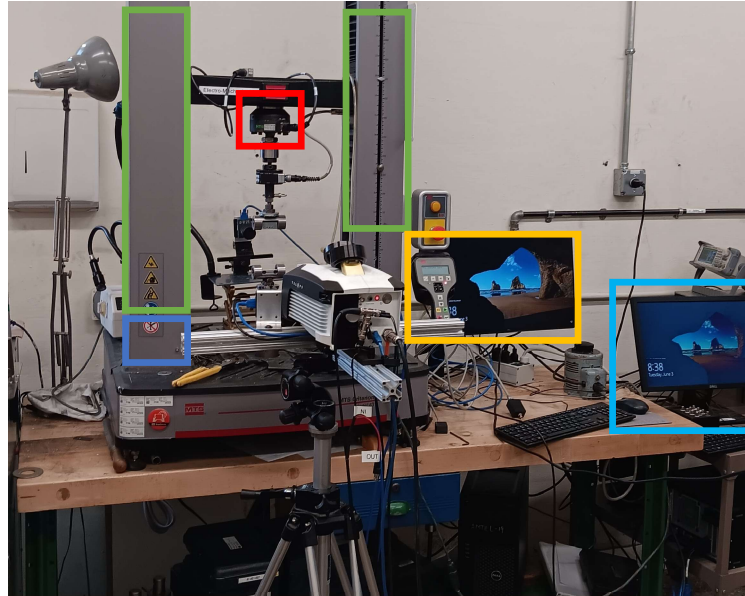


Modern Test Instrumentation

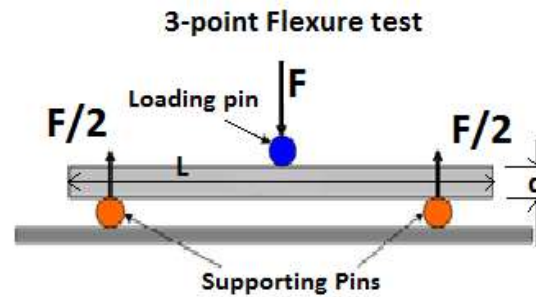
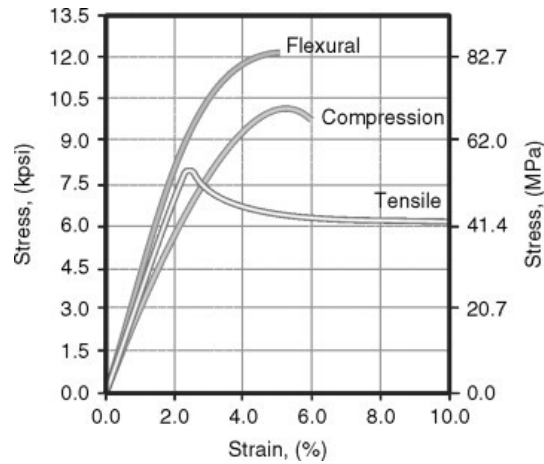


- Components

- Load Cells
- Screw Drive
- Calibrated Servo
- Extensometers
- Strain gauges
- Control Computer
- Data Acquisition
- Optical Strain
 - Point tracking
 - Digital Image Correlation
 - 2D and Stereo
- Thermography



Types of Tests



F = Force
b = width of the specimen
L = length
d = thickness

$$\sigma = \frac{3FL}{2bd^2}$$

If $L_i = 1/3 L$

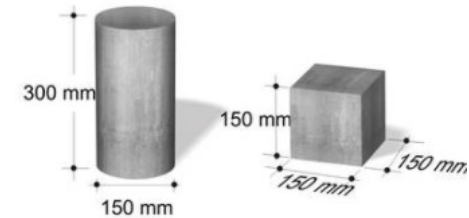
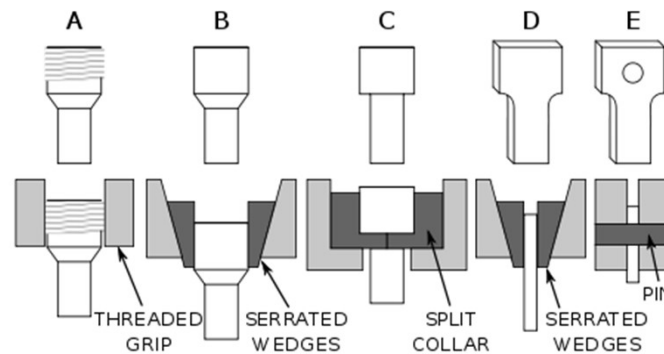
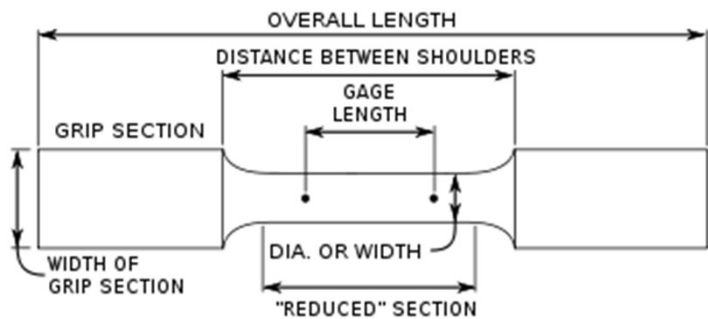
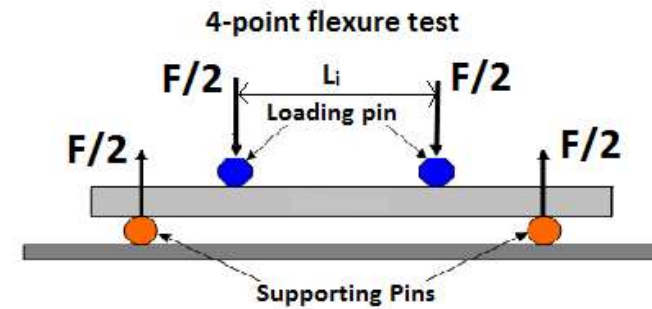
$$\sigma = \frac{FL}{bd^2}$$

If $L_i = 1/2 L$

$$\sigma = \frac{3FL}{4bd^2}$$

If $L_i = L_i$

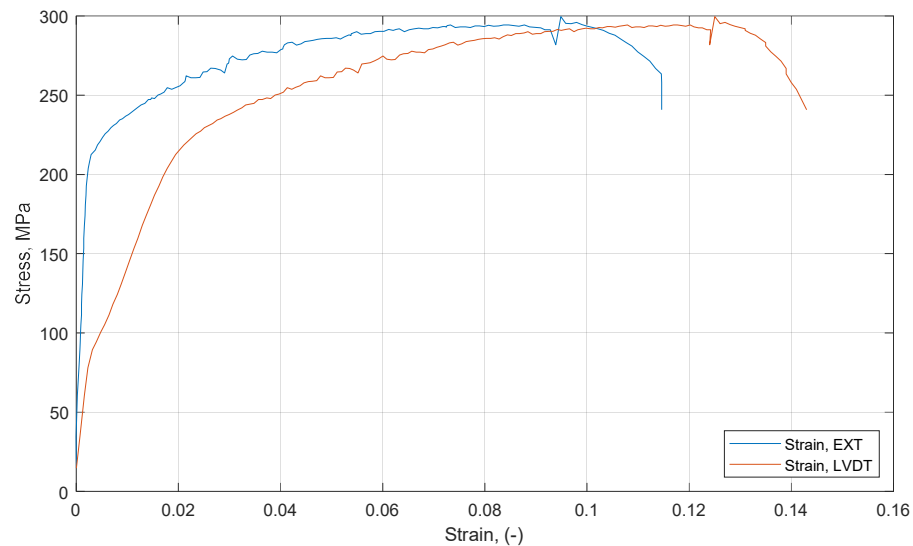
$$\sigma = \frac{3F(L-L_i)}{2bd^2}$$



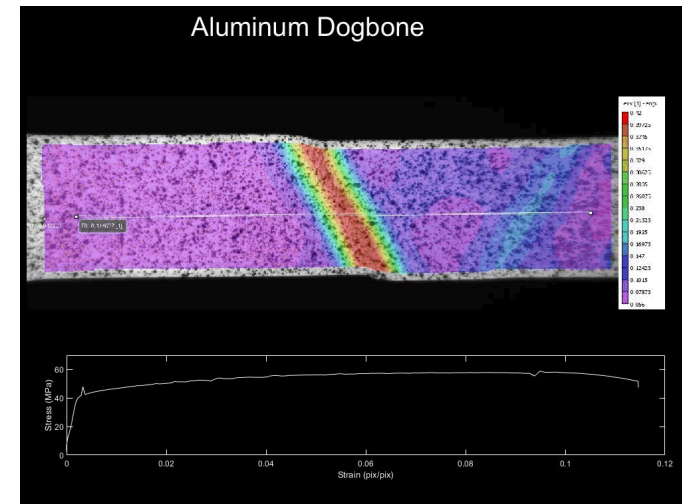
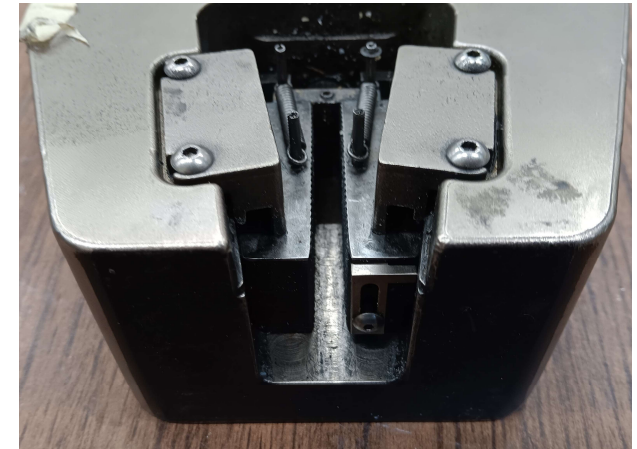
Tensile Test: Aluminum Example



- Test Equipment
 - 2D Digital Image Correlation
 - Electro-mechanical uniaxial machine (30kN max)
 - Mechanical Grips
- Test article
 - Cross section: 1 mm x 10 mm
 - Gage section: 40 mm



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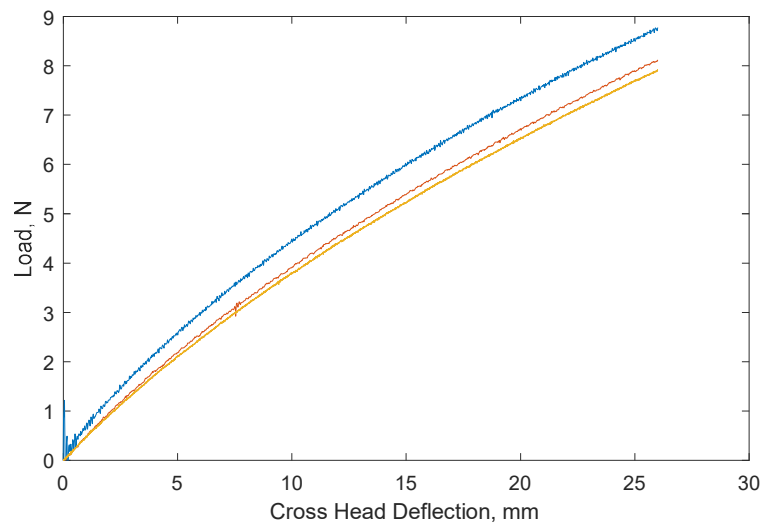


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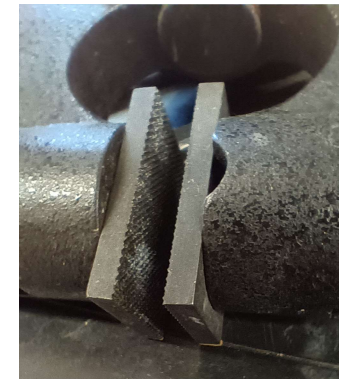
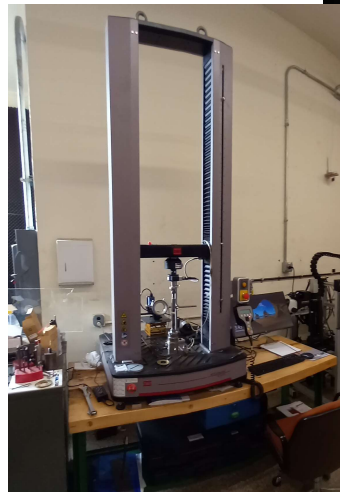
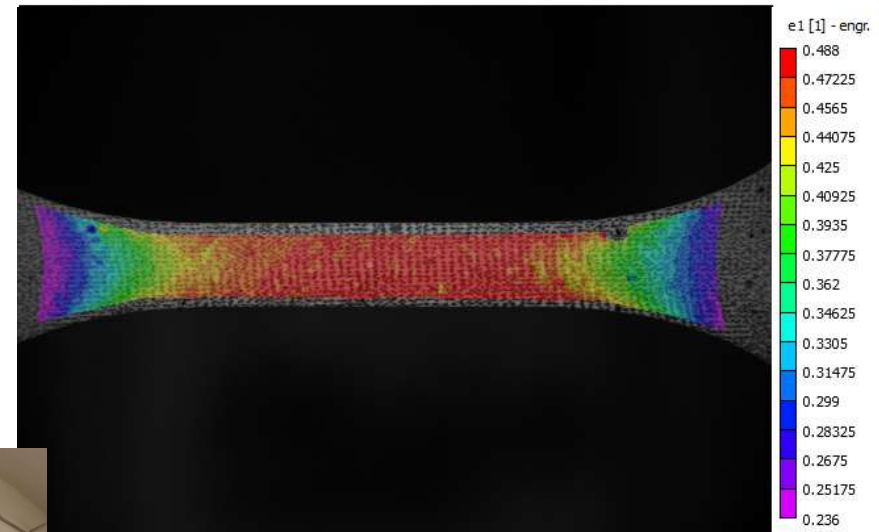
Tensile Test: Elastomer Example



- Test Equipment
 - 2D Digital Image Correlation
 - Electro-mechanical uniaxial machine (5kN max)
 - Pneumatic grips
- Test article
 - Cross section: 3 mm x 15 mm
 - Gage section: 40 mm



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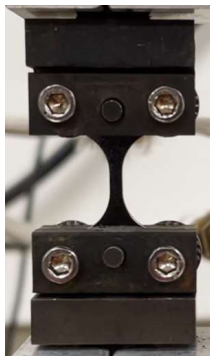
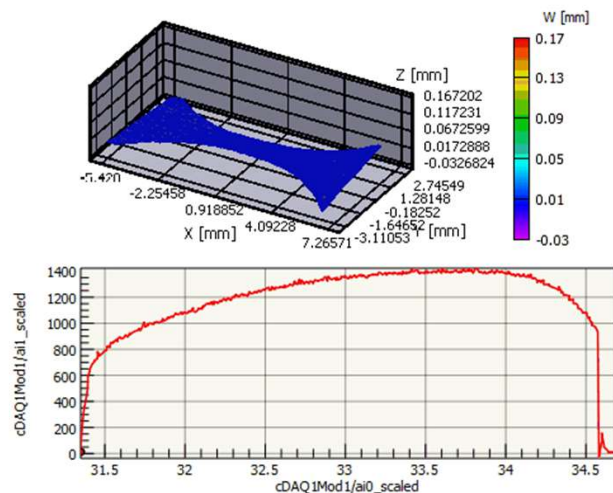
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Hard Materials under Tensile Loading



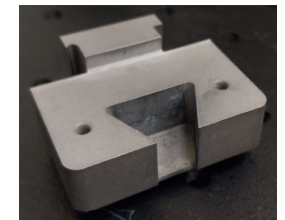
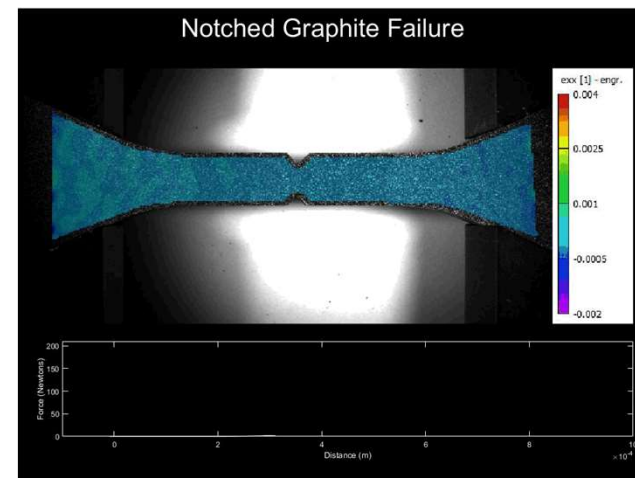
Plasticity Model Calibration

- Prof: John Lambros, PhD
- Student: Samuel Fayad
- Project: Measure high resolution full-field elastoplastic deformation as input for FEM
- Test Equipment
 - 3D Digital Image Correlation
 - Servo-Hydraulic uniaxial machine



Failure in Graphite

- Prof: Francesco Panerai, PhD
- Student: Henry Varona
- Project: Characterize material properties and failure in graphite for applications in Hypersonics
- Test Equipment
 - 2D Digital Image Correlation
 - Electro-mechanical uniaxial machine



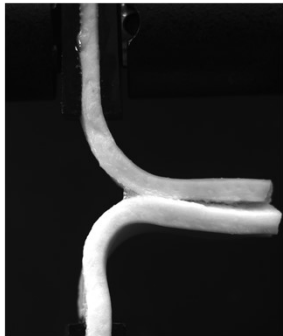
Soft Materials/Structures under Tensile Loading



Adhesion Measurements on Porcine Skin

- Prof: **Hua Wang, PhD**
- Student: Joonsu Han
- Project: Analyze adhesion energy of bio-adhesive hydrogel on porcine skin
- Test Equipment
 - Electro-mechanical frame

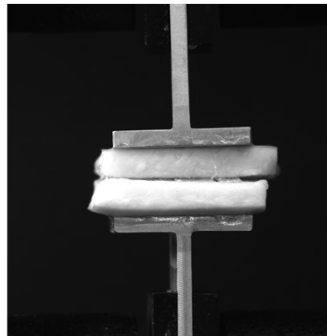
T peel test
(ASTM D1876)



Lap-shear test
(ASTM D5868)

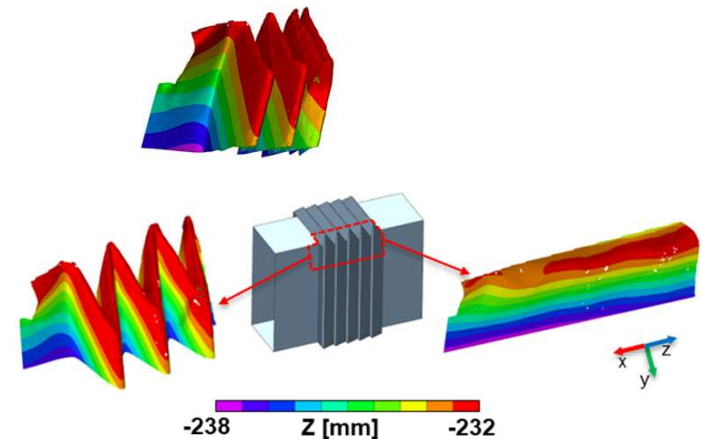


Tensile test
(ASTM D897)



Mechanical Characterization of Origami Bellows

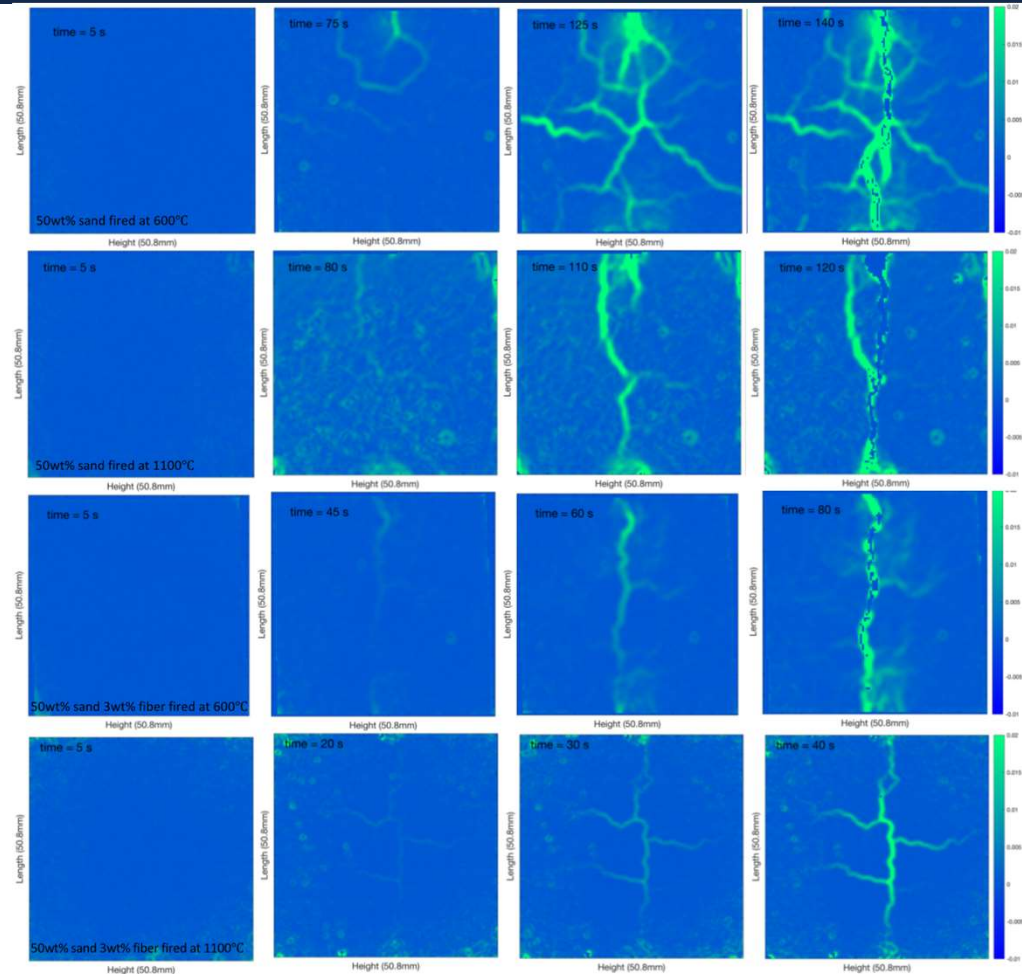
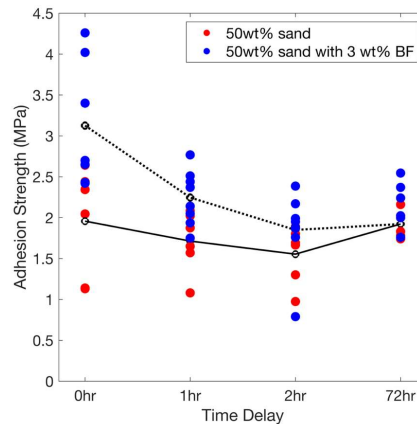
- Prof: **Xin Ning, Ph.D.**
- Student: Nikhil Ashok
- Project: Foldable, Deployable, and Shape-Reconfigurable Origami Electromagnetic Waveguides
- Test Equipment
 - Electromechanical universal testing machine in uniaxial tension
 - Digital Image Correlation
 - 3D – Two cameras – Coordinate map



Splitting of Geopolymer



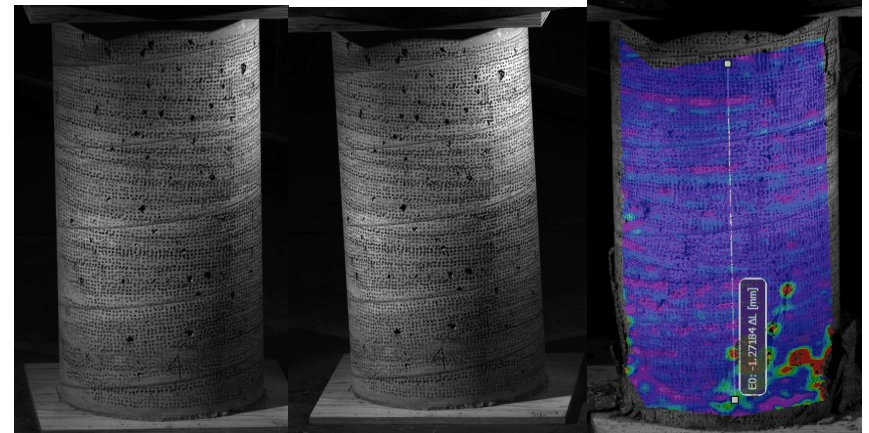
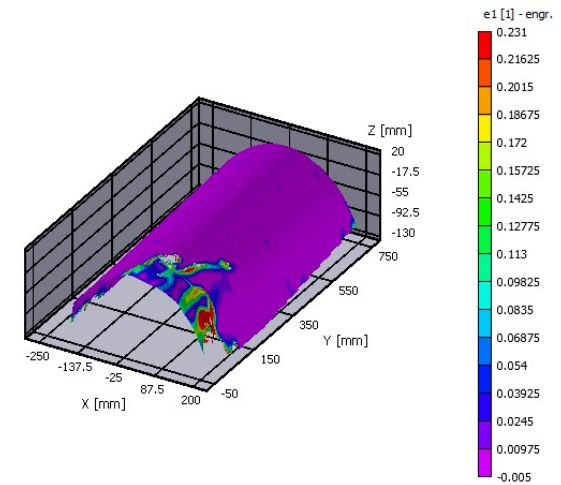
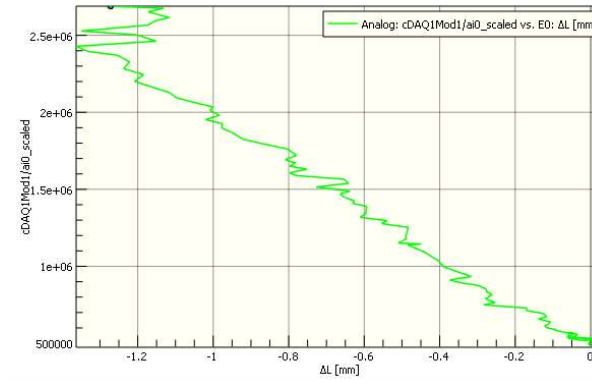
- Prof: **Waltraud M. Kriven, PhD**
- Student: Ally Brandvold
- Project: Investigation of adhesion strength between 3D printed layers of chopped basalt fiber-reinforced geopolymer, via tensile splitting
- Test Equipment
 - Universal mechanical testing instrument (Alliance RT/30)
 - Digital Image Correlation
 - 2D – single camera – Von mises strain map



Large Scale Compression



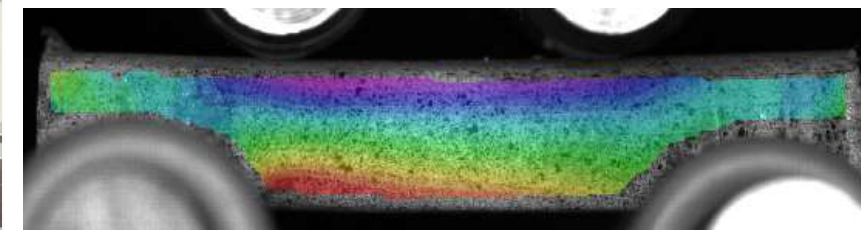
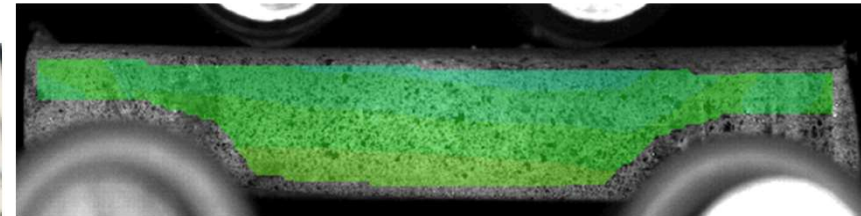
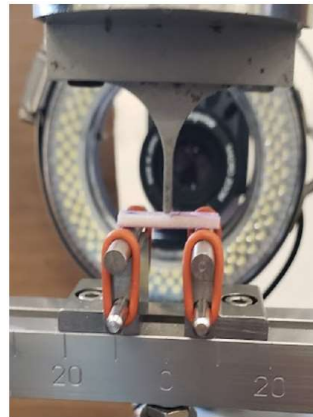
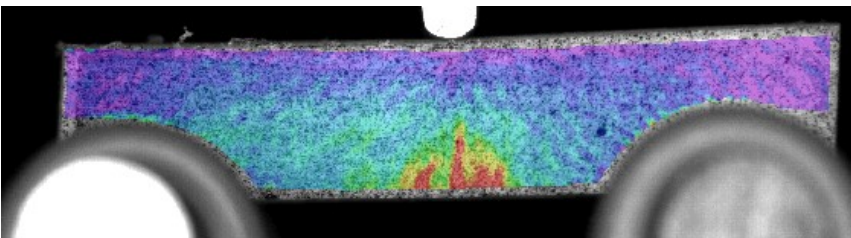
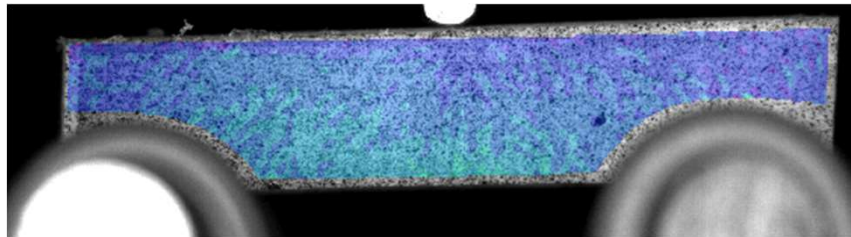
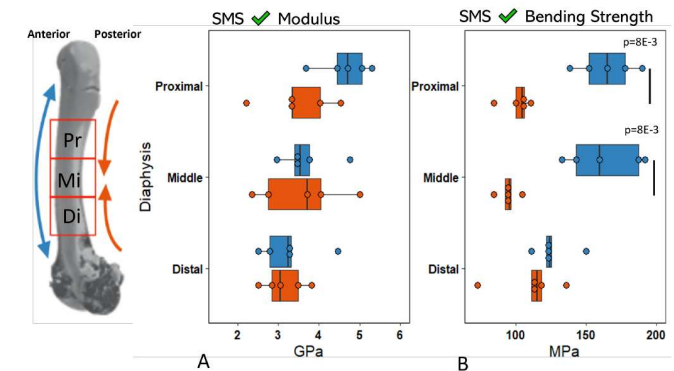
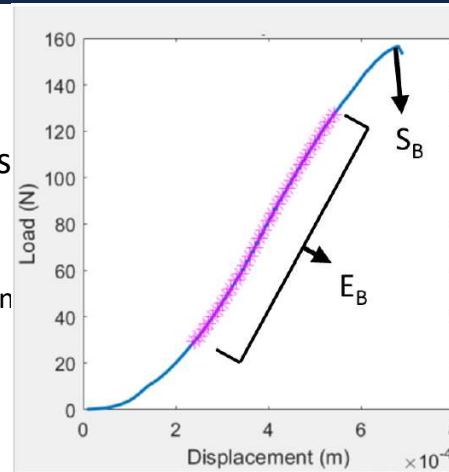
- Test Equipment
 - Engineering Open House Demonstration
 - Stereo Digital Image Correlation
 - Servo-hydraulic uniaxial machine (13MN max)
 - Compression Platons
- Test article
 - Cross section: 600 mm diameter
 - Height: 1 m
- Test Results
 - Max deflection: 1.27 mm
 - Max load: 12MN



Bending of Sheep Bone



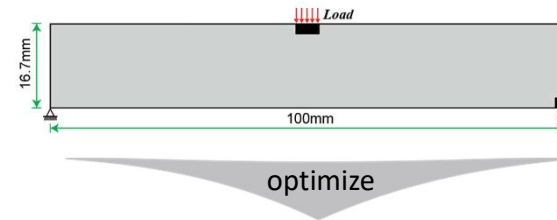
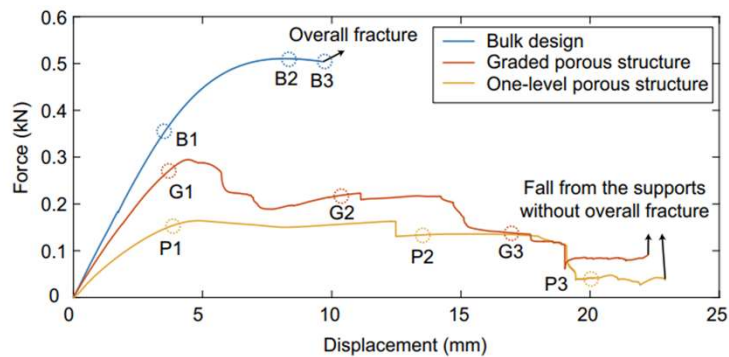
- Prof: Mariana E. Kersh, PhD
- Student: Sony Manandhar
- Project: Examining material properties of different sections of sheep femurs
- Test Equipment
 - Electromechanical universal testing machine in Compression
 - Digital Image Correlation
 - 2D – single camera



Bending of Graded Polymer Porous Structures



- Prof: X. Shelly Zhang, PhD
- Student: Zhi Zhao
- Project: Experimentally investigate the failure modes of topology-optimized graded porous structures, comparing them to bulk and one-level porous structures [1]
- Test Equipment
 - Electromechanical universal testing machine in 3 point bending



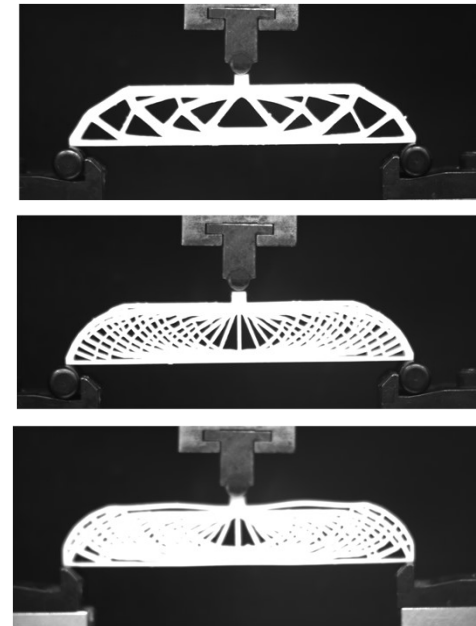
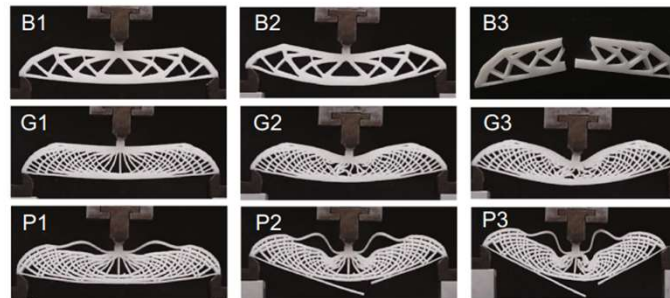
Bulk



Graded porous



One-level porous



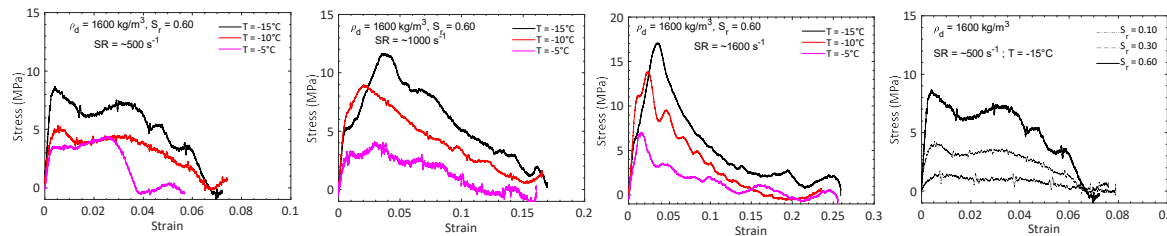
High Strain Rate – Split-Hopkinson Bar



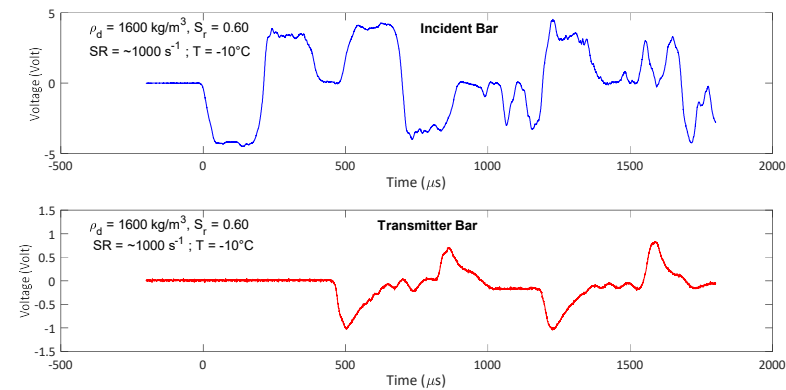
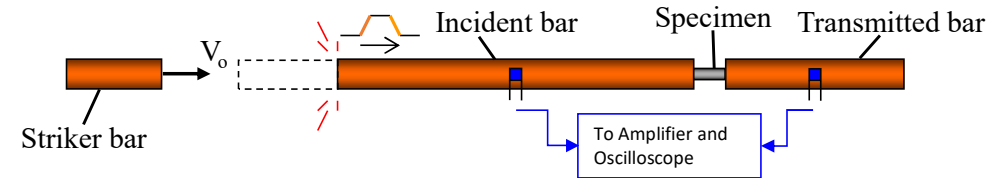
- High strain rate material properties

- Maximum rates

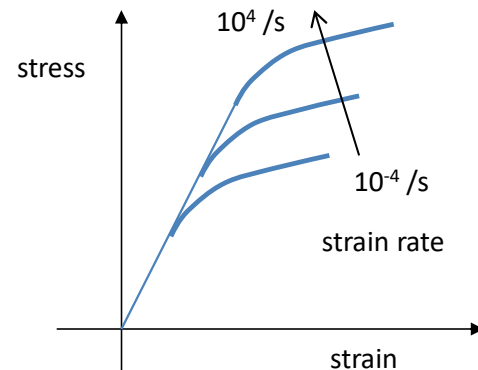
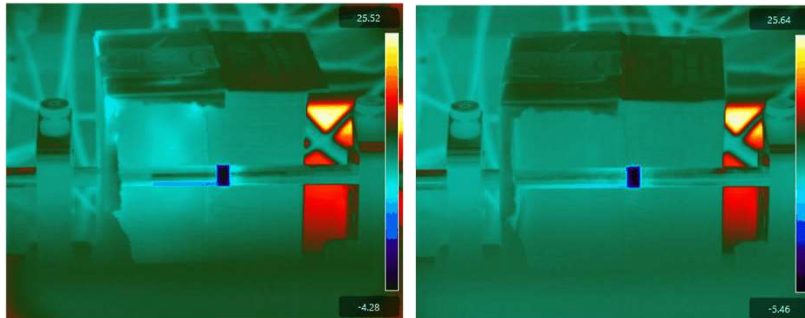
- Electromechanical – 1 mm/s
 - Servo Hydraulic – 50-100 mm/s
 - SH Bar – 10^4 m/s



Stress vs Strain curves at different strain rates under various thermal conditions for frozen sand at specific initial degrees of saturation



Prof: Tugce Baser, PhD
Student: Cocou Davis



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