
SPALLATION OBSERVED IN HARD METALS DURING TAYLOR-IMPACT-TESTS

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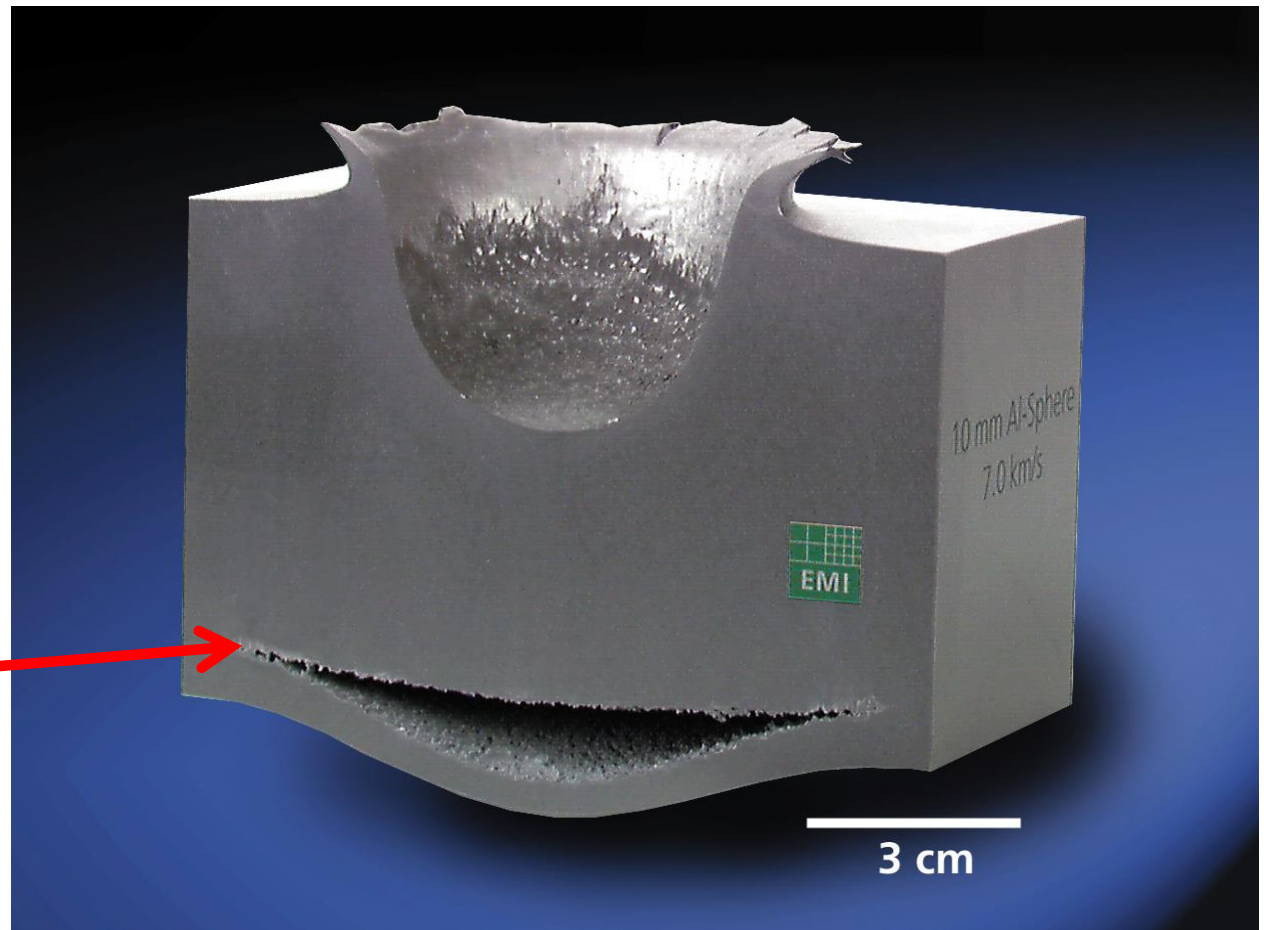


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Example of Spallation Sphere Impact

Aluminum target,
impacted by an
aluminum sphere of
10 mm diameter at
7 km/s

spall crack;
spall region



Strain Rate Regimes and Applications

Test Methods



Application

Explosion and
ballistic Impact



Bird impact

<http://www.airnation.net>



Crash

Test method

Planar Plate Impact

Taylor Impact Test

Split Hopkinson Bar
(Compression/Tension)

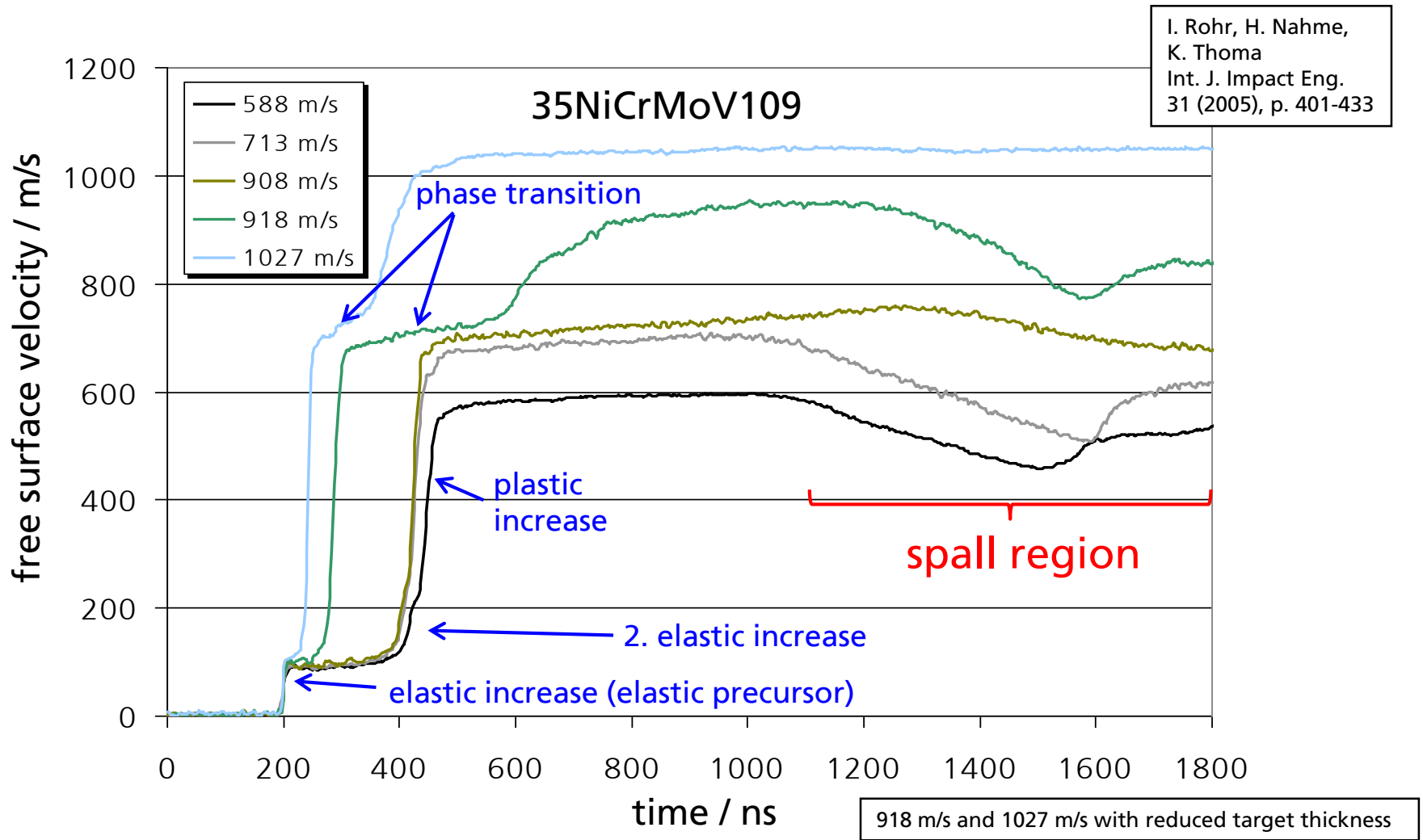
Drop tower

Servo-hydraulic
test machine

Strain rate [s^{-1}]

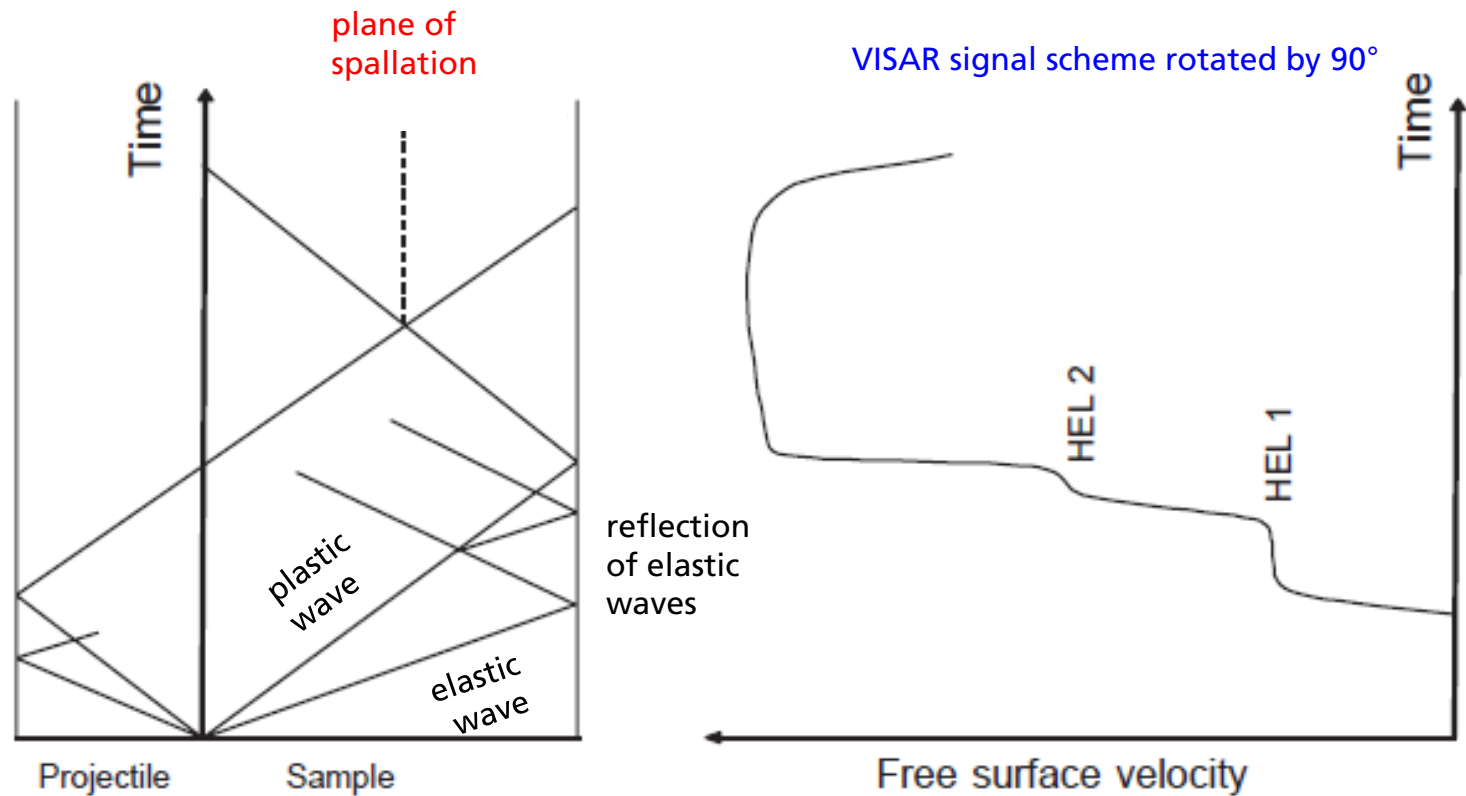
Planar Plate Impact Test

VISAR signals



Planar Plate Impact Test

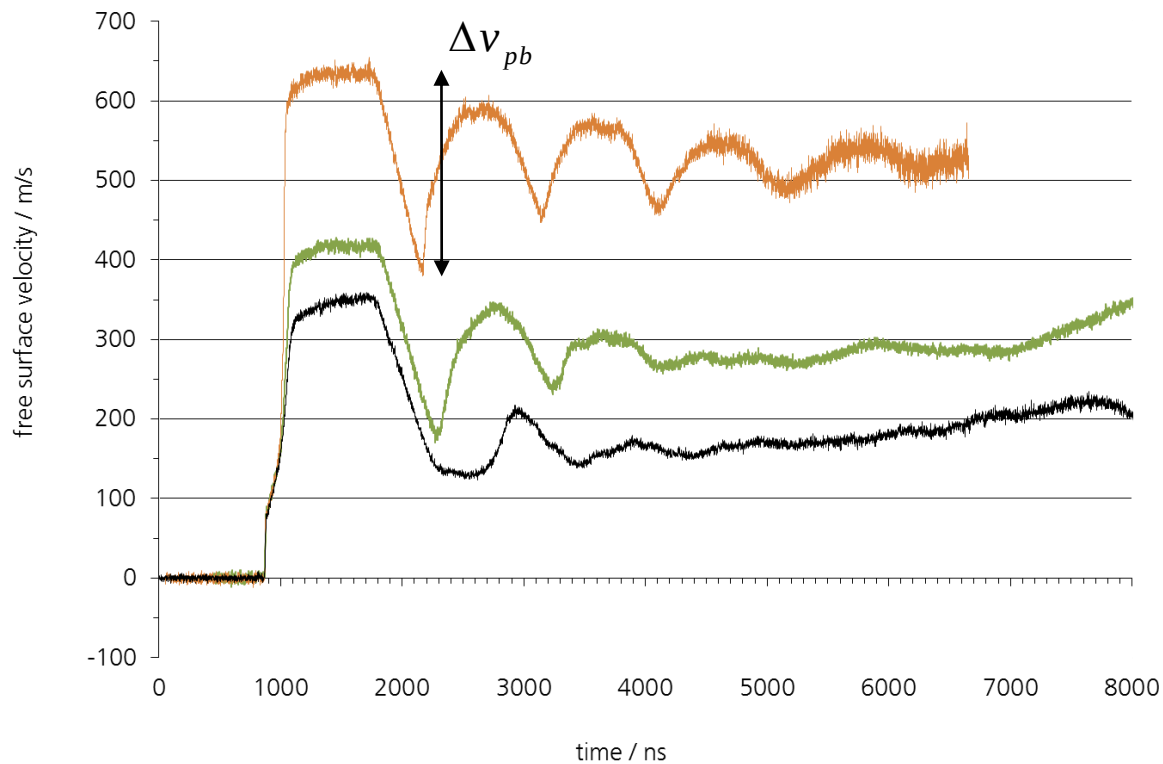
Wave processes



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Spallation in Planar Plate Impact Tests

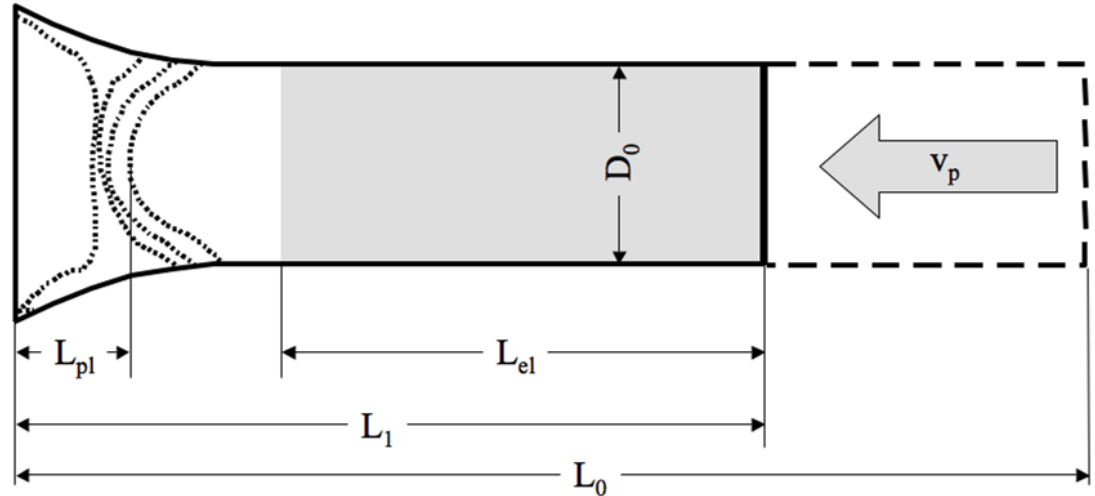
$$f_t^{dyn} \approx \frac{1}{2} \rho c \Delta v_{pb}$$



Classical Taylor Test

Determination of yield stress according to Taylor (1948)

$$\sigma_Y^T = \frac{(L_0 - L_{pl}) \rho v_p^2}{2(L_0 - L_1) \ln(L_0 / L_{pl})}$$

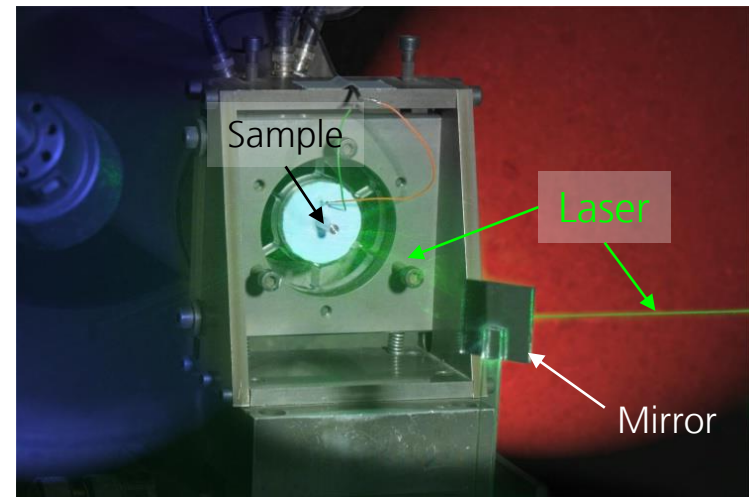
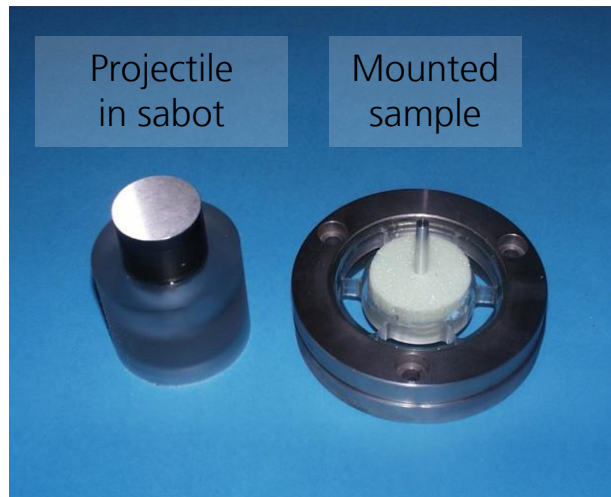
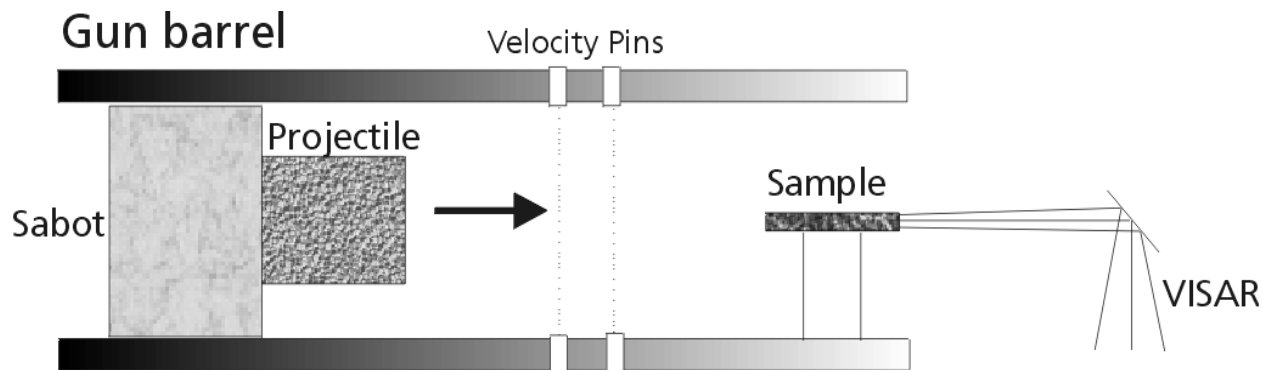


Assumptions:

- Constant velocities of plastic front and rod end
- Homogeneous deformation over cross section
- Strain rate as approximate global value

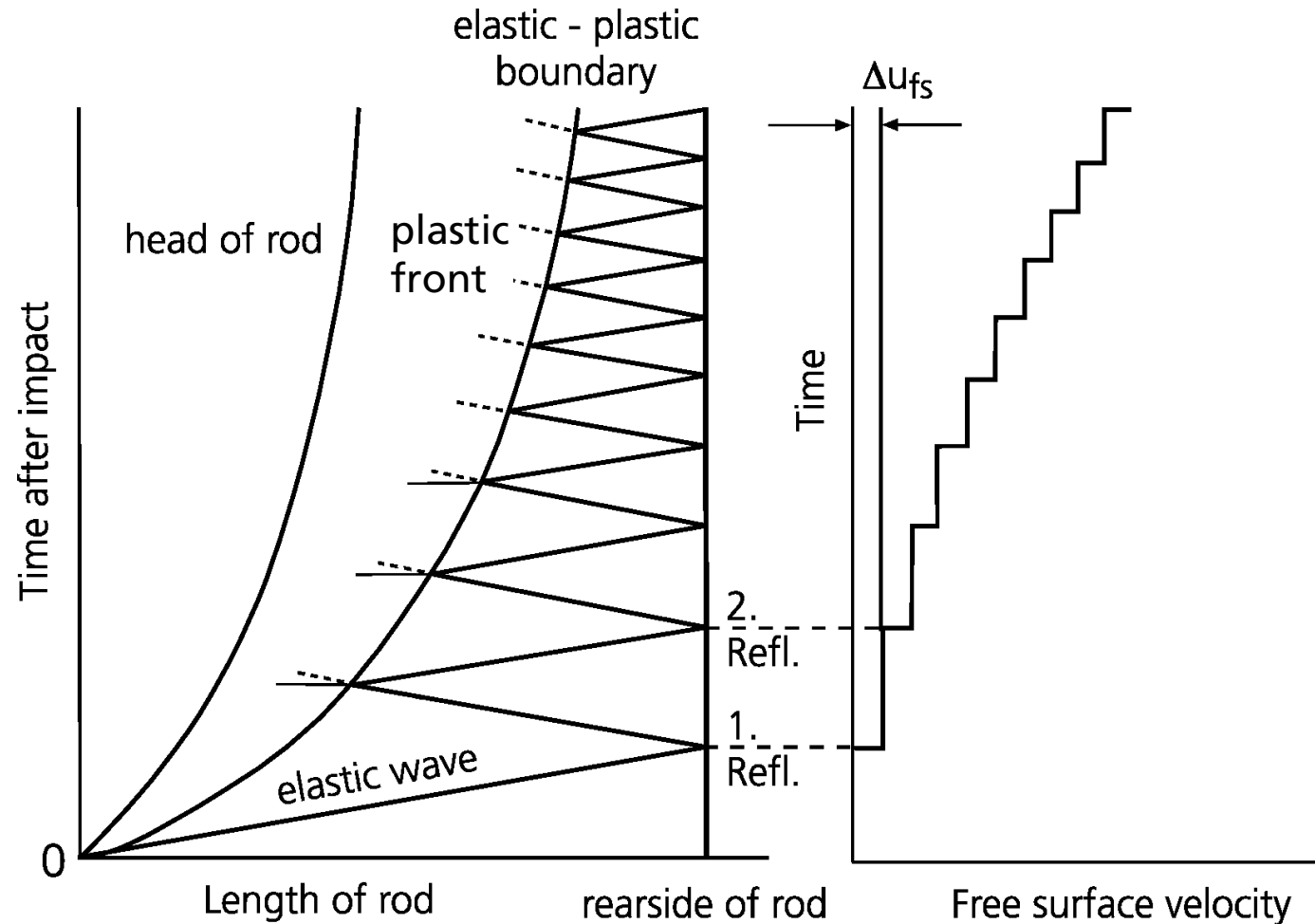
EMI Setup for Modified Taylor-Impact Test (MTT)

Inverse impact – anvil on rod



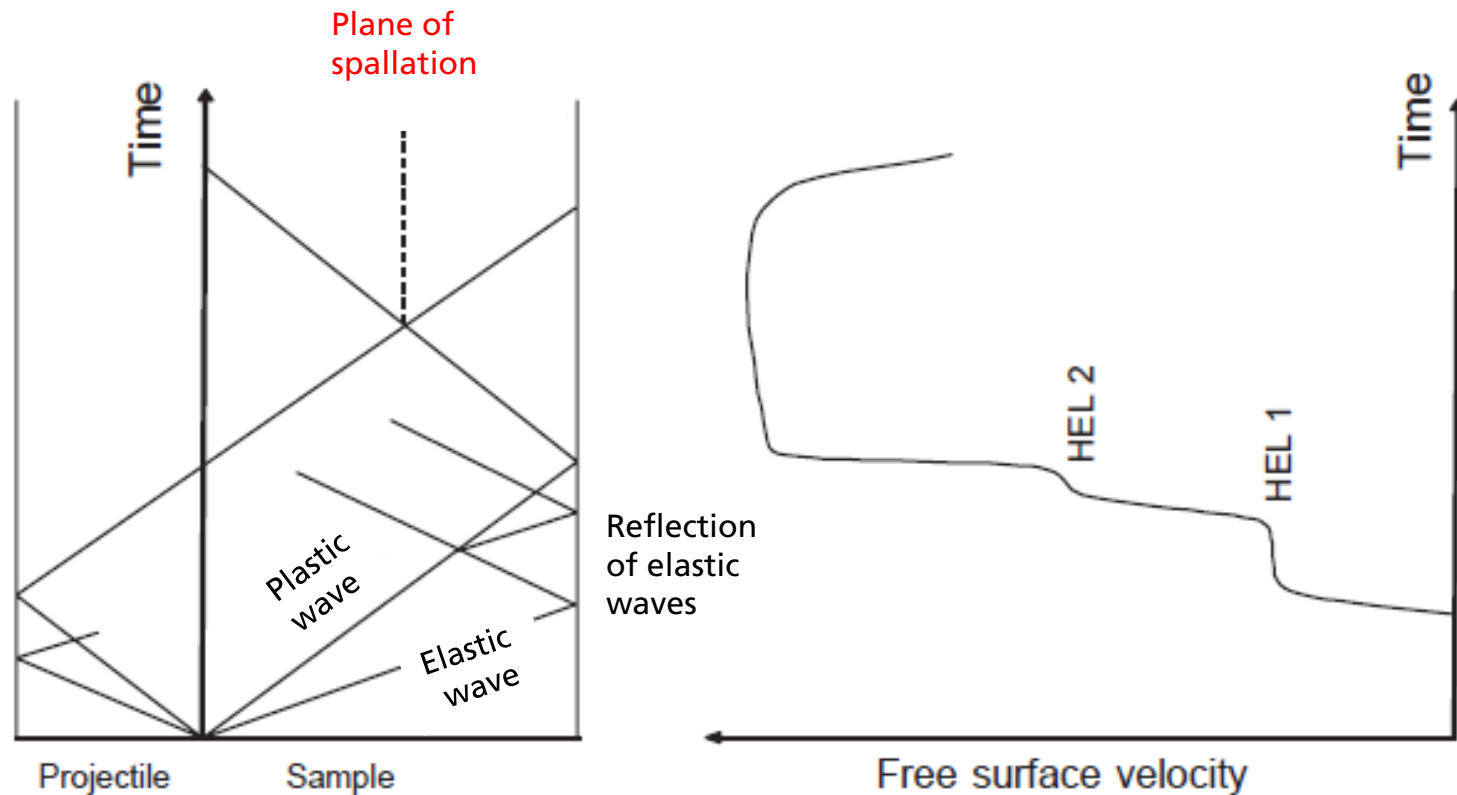
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MTT: Wave Propagation in Impacted Rods



Planar Plate Impact Test

-> Spallation also possible in case of MTT?



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HSS Steel Spall Cracking in Modified Taylor Test

Taylor Rod, HSS Steel, 6 mm diameter, 62.8 mm length, marked with black dots, impacted at 208 m/s

Video showing 128 frames from -12 μ s to 116 μ s



HSS Steel Spall Cracking in Modified Taylor Test

Taylor Rod, HSS Steel, 6 mm diameter, 62.8 mm length, marked with black dots

Elastic wave velocity c_L 5200 m/s

Impacted by hardened C45 steel projectile at 208 m/s

Observation: Shimadzu HPV-X high-speed video camera, 1 frame/ μ s,
and VISAR velocity measurement at the free end.

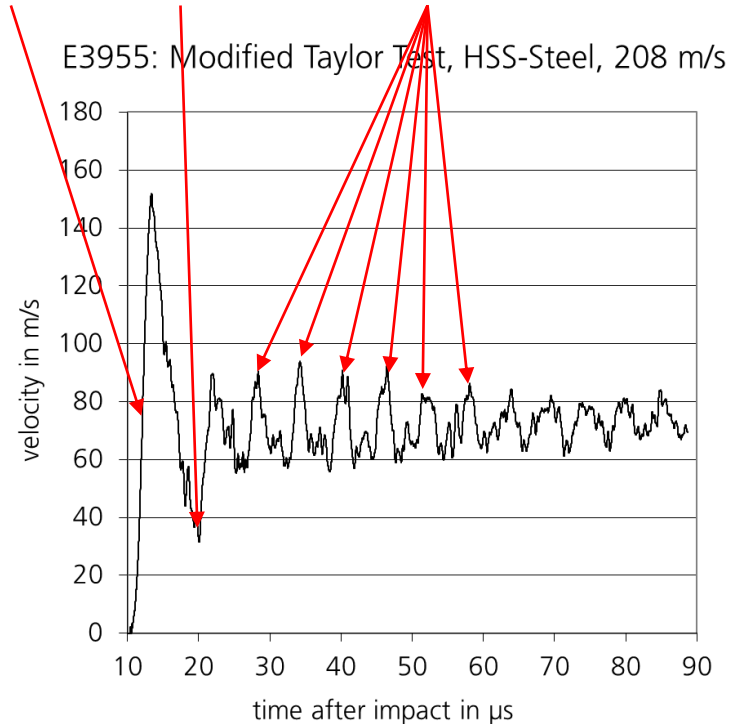
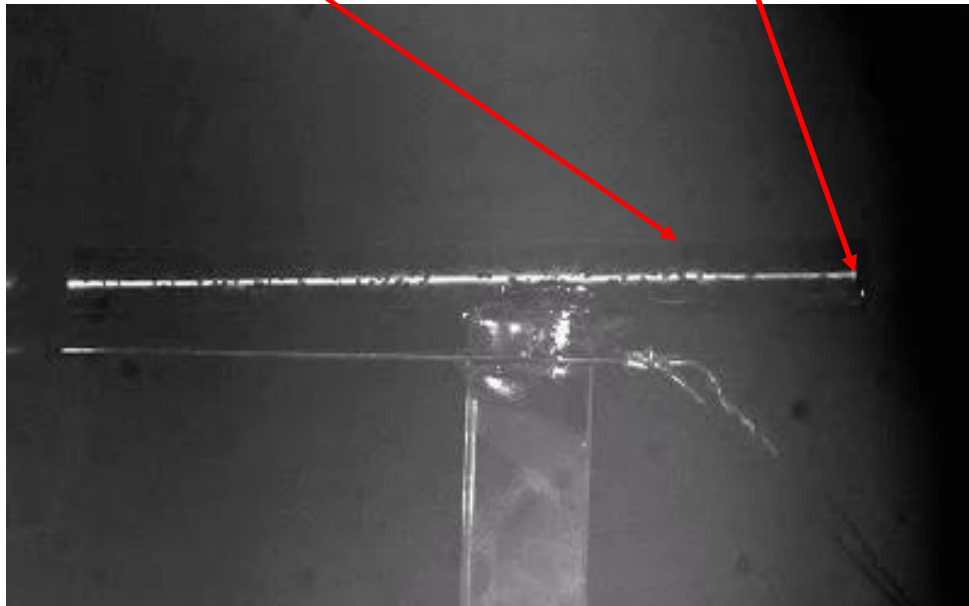
First orthogonal crack (spall)
visible 18 μ s after impact where
release waves from the front
and the free end meet

Elastic wave arrives
at free end 12 μ s
after impact

Elastic
wave
arrives

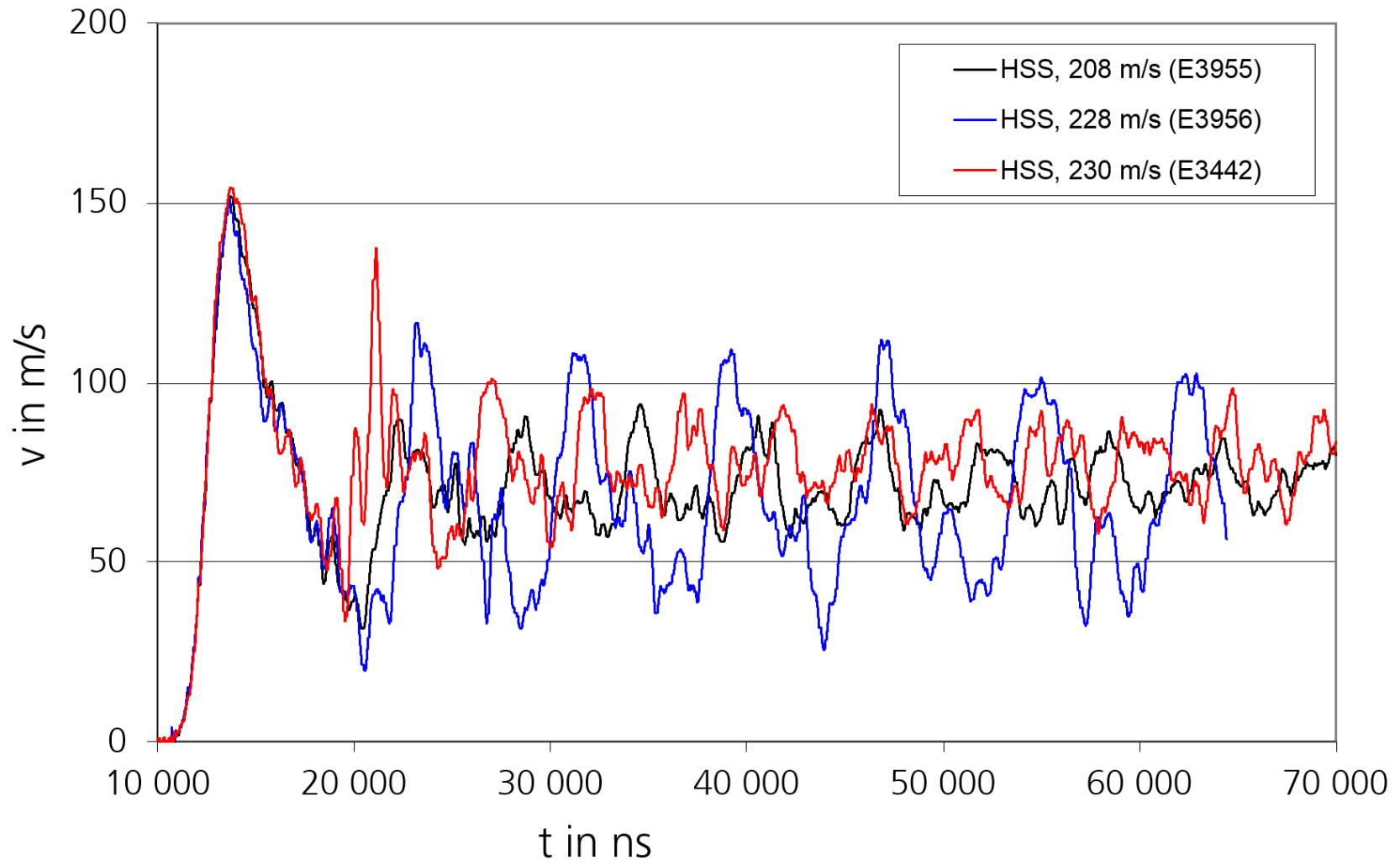
Spall
signal
arrives

Elastic oscillations
in the spalled
fragment



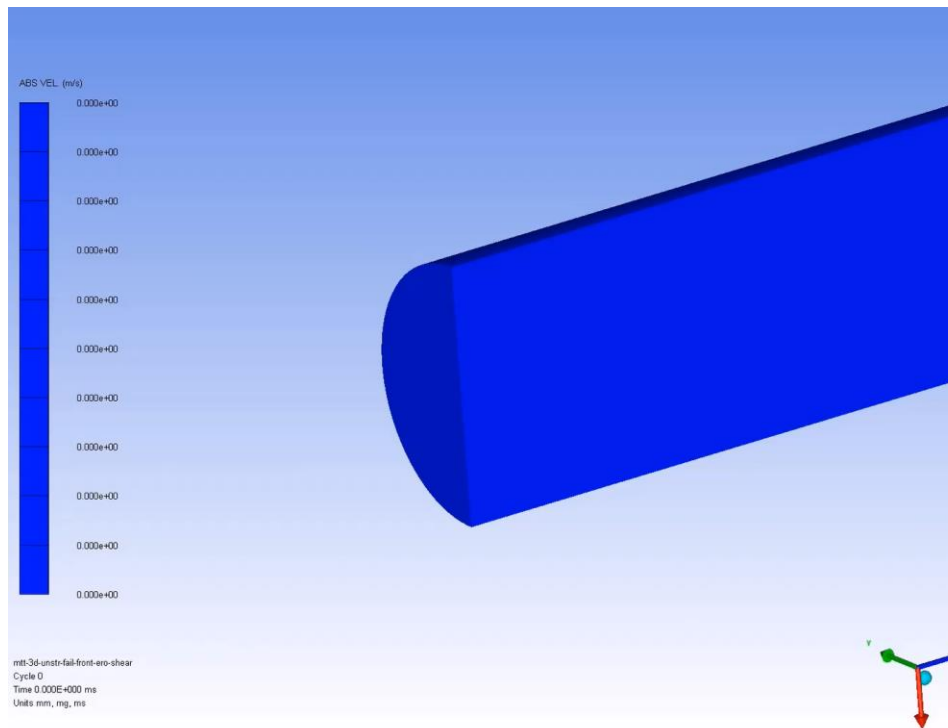
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Comparison of 3 Similar Tests with HSS Steel

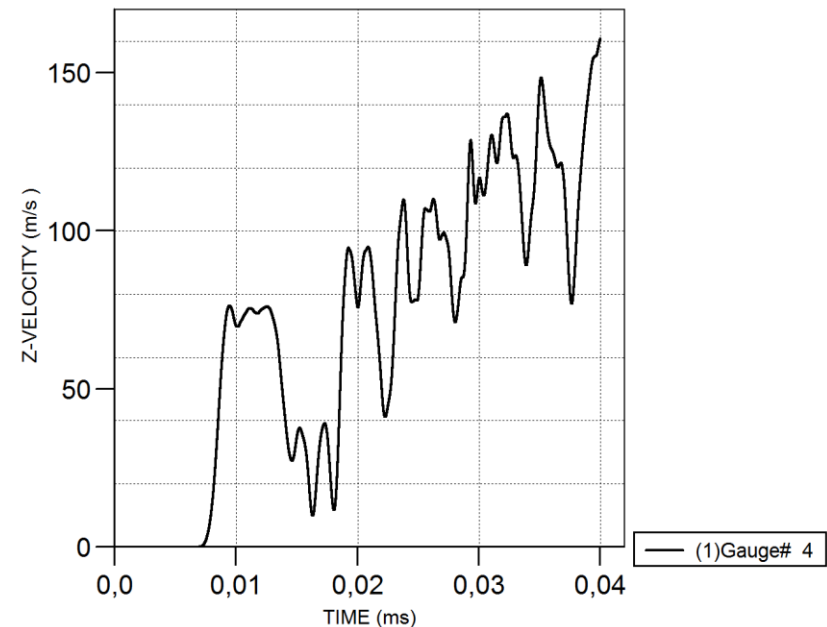


Phenomenological Simulation of Taylor Test with Generic Brittle Metal

- Unloading wave from the front is triggered from failure at the rod tip
- Attempt to simulate fragmentation and unloading effect

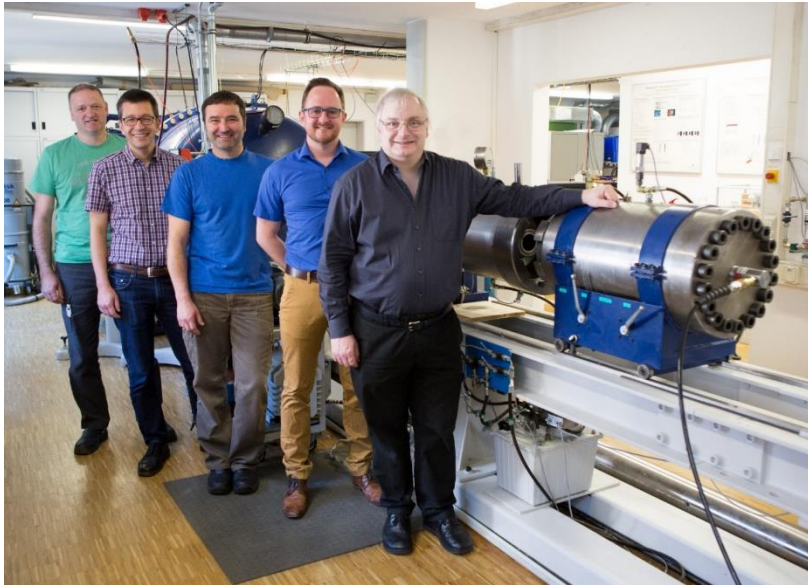


Gauge History (Ident 0 - mtt-3d-unstr-fail-front-ero-shear)



Conclusions

- Modified Taylor Test method presented
- In the past, failure occurred in Taylor Tests with brittle hard metals, which made interpretation of VISAR signals difficult
- First successful use of high-speed camera (> 1 Mio frames/sec) to observe failure processes in Modified Taylor Tests at EMI
- With the help of these camera observations, the VISAR measurements can now be correlated with fragmentation processes
- Development of quantitative evaluation method is ongoing, one option is to use DIC to evaluate strains on the rod surface
- First evaluation gives spall strength (1D-stress) of about 2 GPa
- The observation might be relevant for fragmentation of penetrator rods



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