

The analysis of different damage accumulation models for simulation of hot and warm working of $\alpha+\beta$ titanium alloys

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Damages in the finished parts and during manufacturing

The majority of research works is concentrated on the fracture analysis and strength prediction of the parts during their exploitation.

In this analysis the material of the parts is assumed to be in some “ideal initial state”.



How can we estimate the performance of critical parts like these carabiners in case of loading?



Simulation of climbing carabiner pull test: elastic-plastic material model

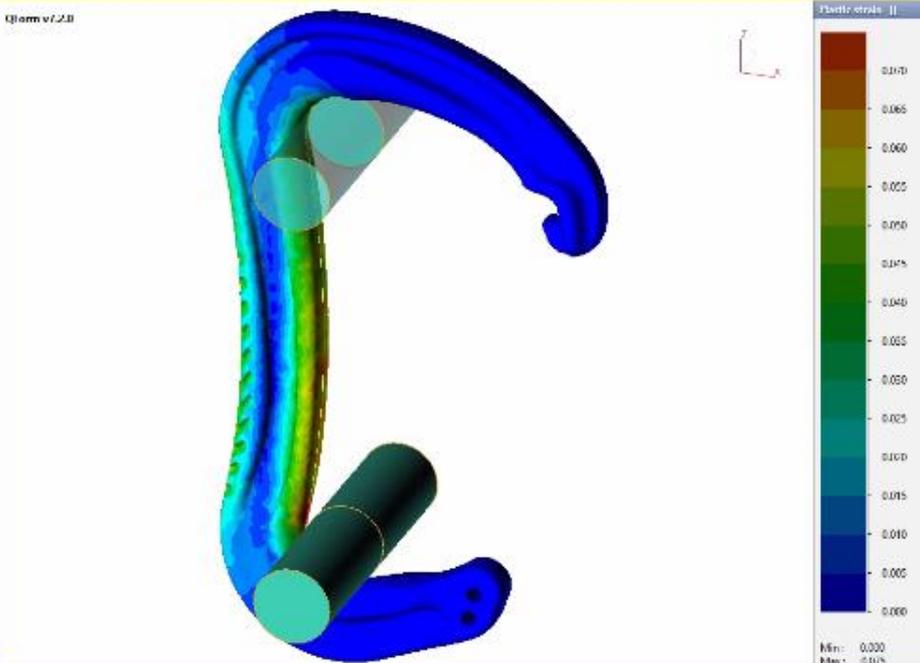
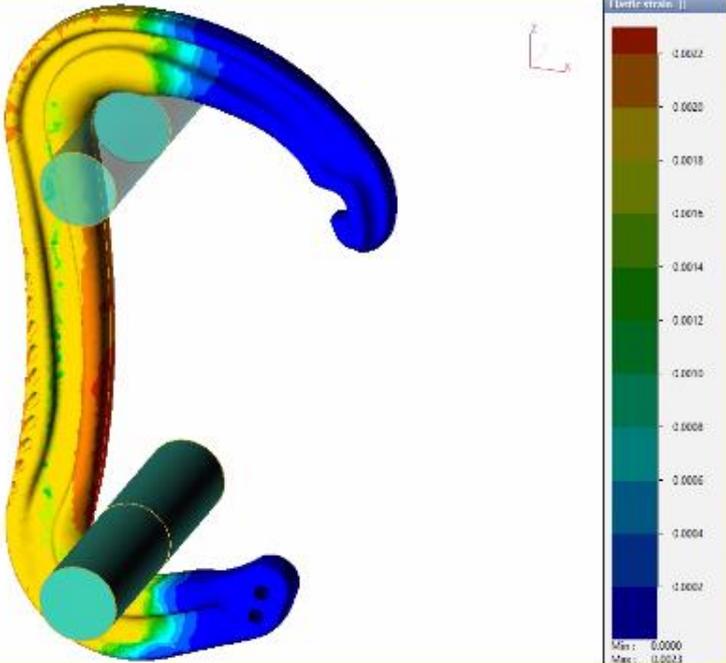


In his test we usually presume that the material has uniform and known properties.

Courtesy of DMM, Llanberis, Wales, QForm 7 simulation

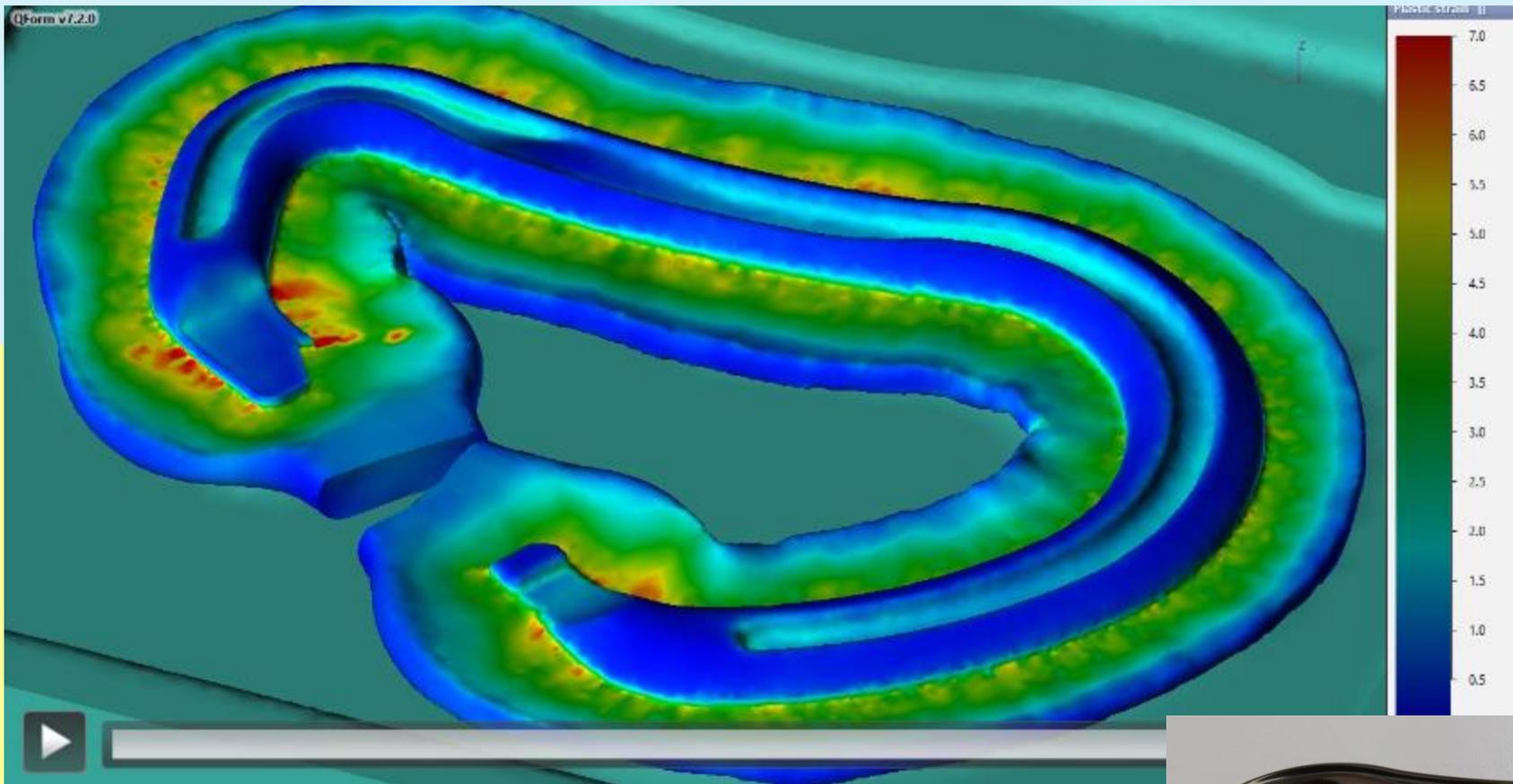
Elastic component of strain

Plastic component of strain

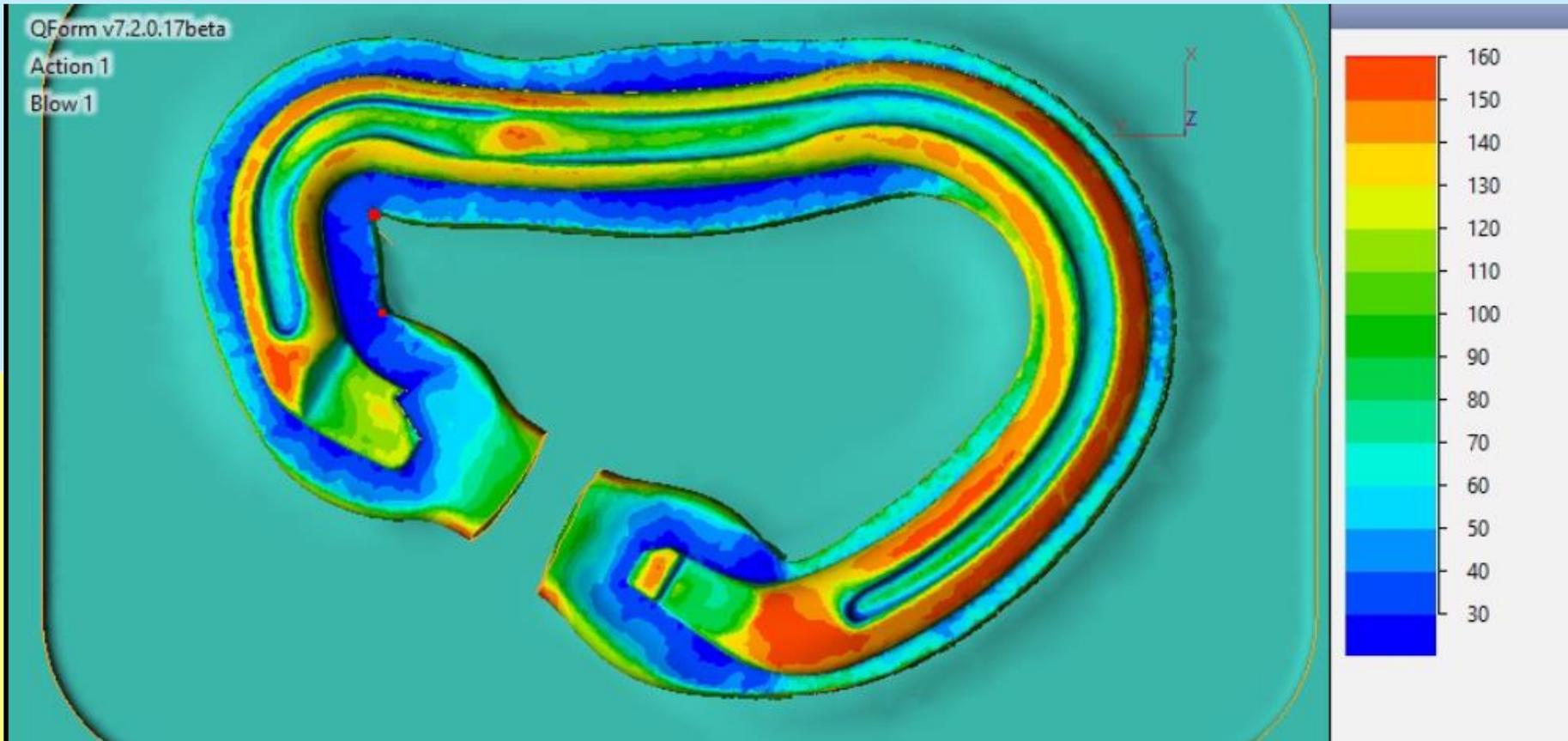


Forging of carabiners. Strain distribution in simulation

Meanwhile during manufacturing different parts of the product subject to different deformation



Because deformation is performed in hot state different parts of the product have different grain size and texture that also influence the product performance



Forging of carabiners. Grain size distribution prediction (mkm)

Damages in the finished parts and during manufacturing

The damage accumulation starts from the very beginning of the manufacturing process.

In less lucky cases the fracture may happen during forming of the part.

The parts even without evident cracks and defects have certain accumulated damage like microcracks and pores occurred during forming, machining, welding etc. that cannot be healed by heat treatment.

The aim of the work

To analyze the applicability of different approaches for prediction of fracture and assessment of workability in hot and warm technological metal forming processes

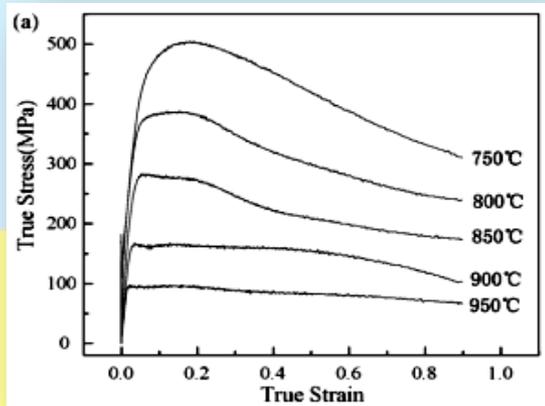
Find out possibilities of their utilization in FEM simulation

The specific features in simulation of technological processes of metal forming

- *Technological process normally consists of several operations*
- *Variable stress state, complex loading trajectories, different ranges of the strain rates can be used at different operations,.*
- *The maximum workability of the material significantly depends on the temperature and strain rate*
- *The microstructure of the material can undergo transformation*
- *Microstructure transformation can result in the softening of the material.*

Main Requirements to a Fracture – Damage Model

- *To be able to take into account temperature and strain rate sensitivity*
- *To be suitable for the materials with the deformation softening*
- *To be able to assess the remaining resource of workability at the any stage of the chain of technological operations*
- *To be easy and robust calibrated with the standard tests*



TC11 titanium alloy
(Ti-6.5Al-3.5Mo-1.5Zr-0.3Si)

Y.Y. Zong, D.B. Shan, M. Xu, Y. Lv Flow softening and microstructural evolution of TC11 titanium alloy during hot deformation *Journal of Materials Processing Technology* 209 (2009) 1988–1994

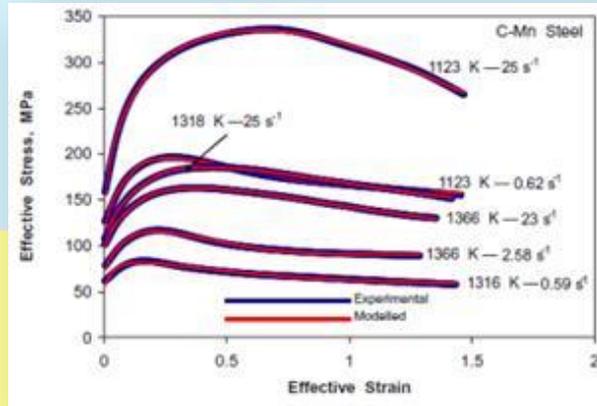
E.S. Puchi-Cabrera, M.H. Staia, J.D. Guřrin, J. Lesage, M. Dubar, D. Chicot

An experimental analysis and modeling of the work-softening transient due to dynamic recrystallization *International Journal of Plasticity* 54 (2014) 113–131

H. Yuan, W.C. Liu Effect of the δ phase on the hot deformation behaviour of Inconel 718

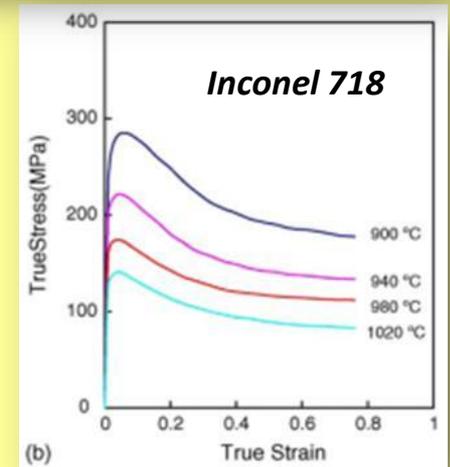
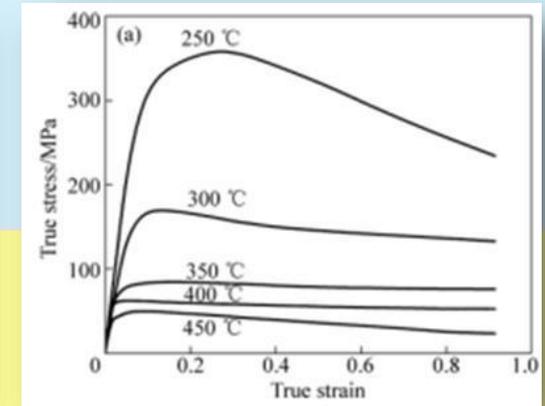
Materials Science and Engineering A 408 (2005) 281–289

QUAN Guo-zheng, LIU Ke-wei, ZHOU Jie, CHEN Bin Dynamic softening behaviors of 7075 aluminum alloy *Trans.Nonferrous Met.Soc.China* 19 92009) 537-541



C-Mn steel

7075 aluminum alloy

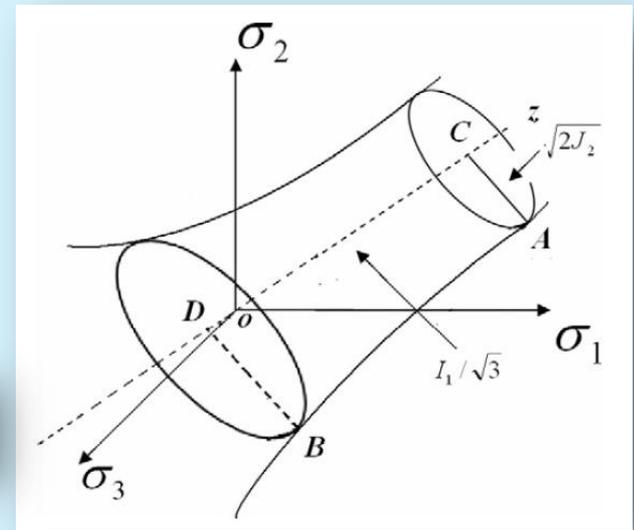


Strength based criteria

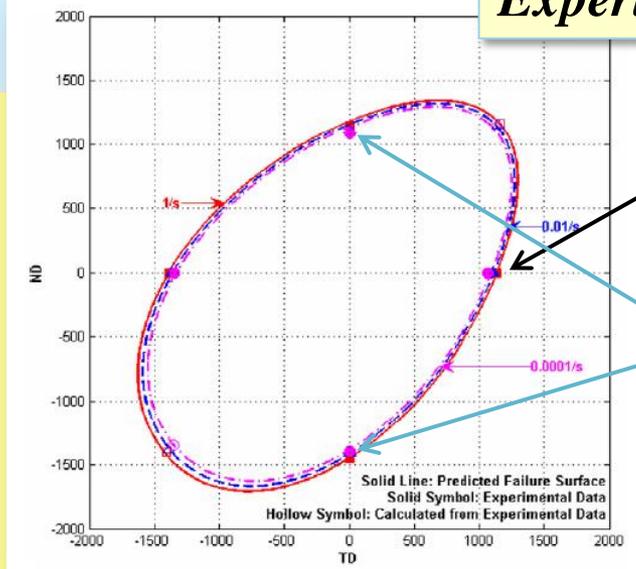
In the space of stresses (full stress tensor, stress deviator or principal stresses) there exist some fracture surface and fracture happens when stress vector reaches it.

$$\sqrt{e^{C(\xi+1)}(F\sigma_1^2 + G\sigma_2^2 + H\sigma_3^2 + L\sigma_1\sigma_2 + M\sigma_1\sigma_3 + N\sigma_2\sigma_3)} = e^{c_1 I_1/\sqrt{3}} \dot{\epsilon}^n T^{*m}$$

Model Akhtar S. Khan, Haowen Liu, 2012



Experiments used for surface construction



Uniaxial:

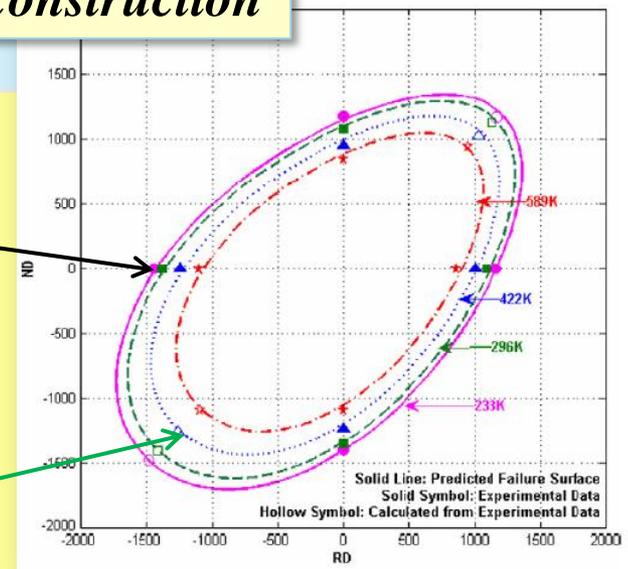
tension
compression

Plane:

torsion

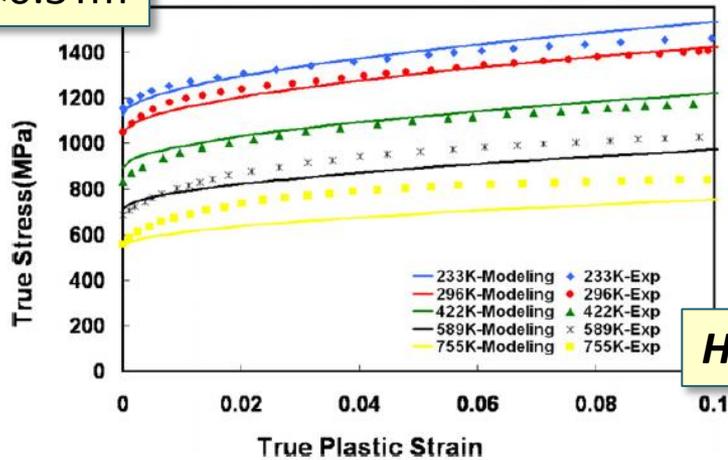
Triaxial:

Compression +
hydrostatic pressure



Khan, A.S., Liu, H., 2012. Strain rate and temperature dependent fracture criteria for isotropic and anisotropic metals. Int. J. Plast. 37, 1-15
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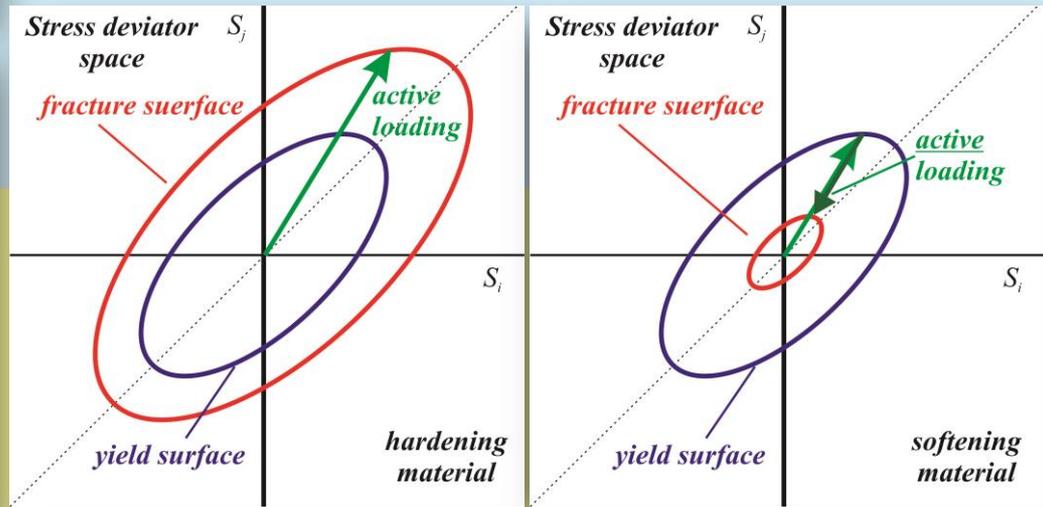
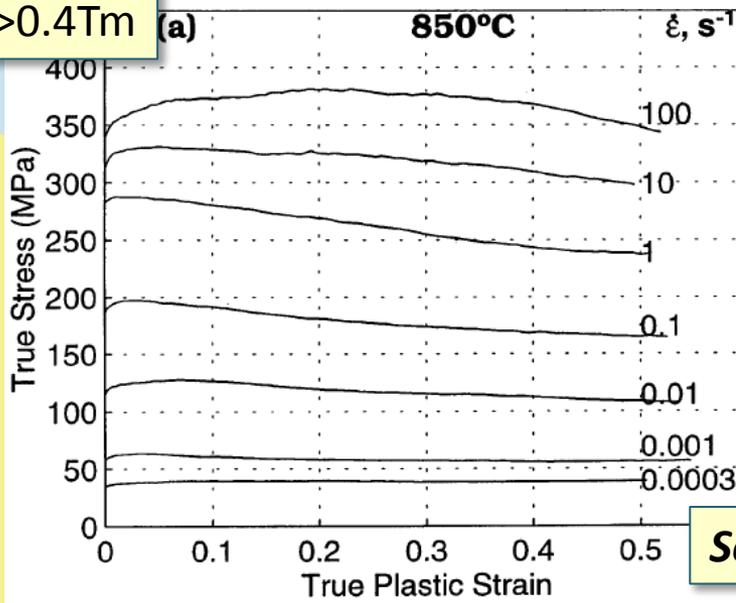
$T < 0.3T_m$



The range of applicability...
Hardening and Softening
e.g., Ti-6Al-4V

Hardening – strength-based criteria can be applied

$T > 0.4T_m$



Softening – strength-based criteria are not applicable

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 Seshacharyulu, T., et al., 2000. Hot working of commercial Ti-6Al-4V with an equiaxed α - β microstructure: materials modeling considerations. *Materials Science and Engineering A284* 184-194

Hardening materials:
Maximum Shear Stress Theory

$$\sigma_1 - \sigma_3 \leq 2\tau_{\max}$$

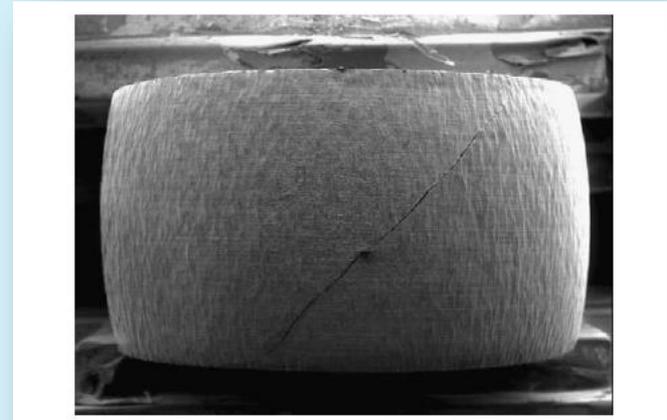
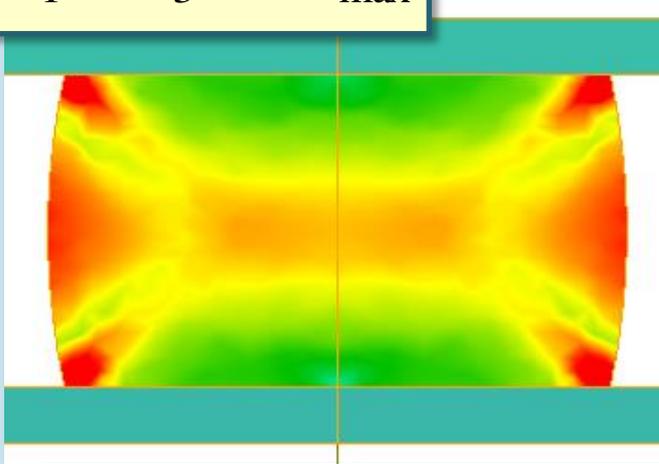


Fig. 2. Shear fracture in an upsetting test of 2024-T351 Al.

Softening materials: ???????

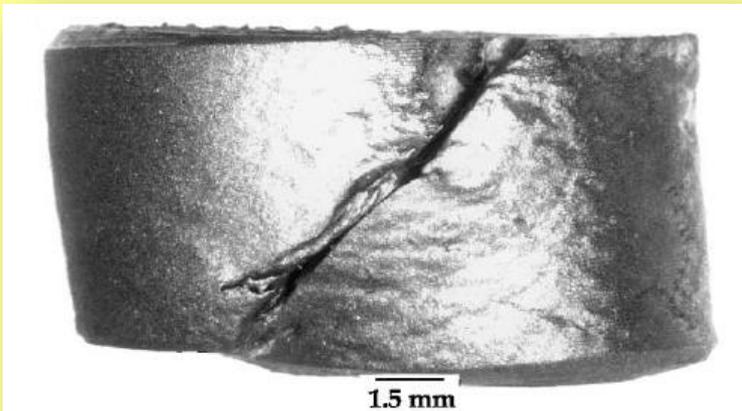
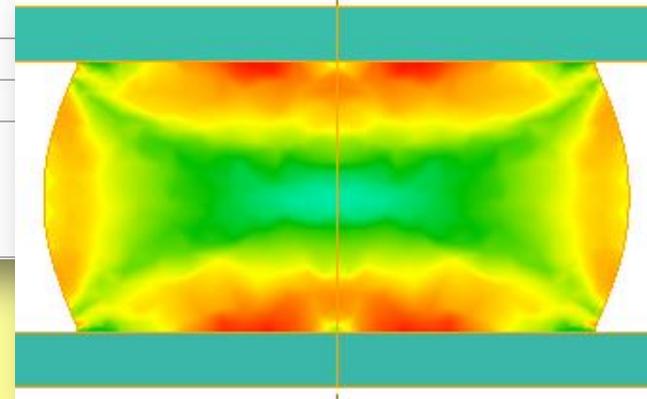
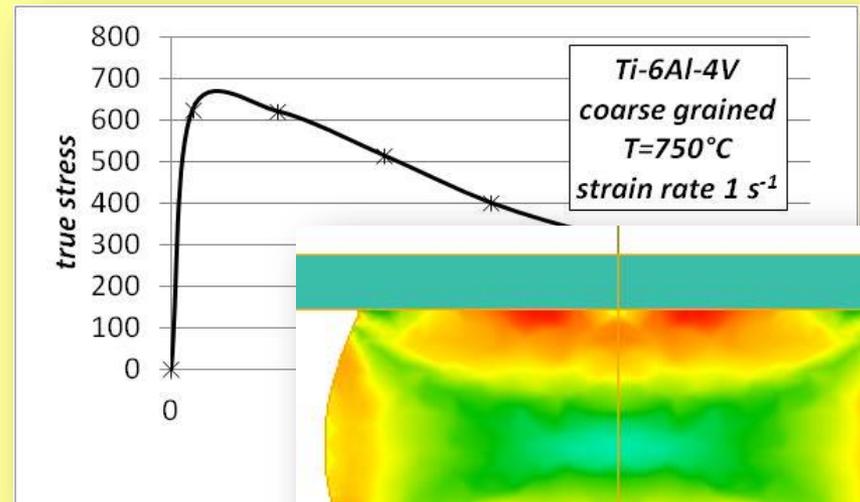


Fig. 4. Macro picture of Ti-6Al-4V specimen deformed at 750 °C/
10 s⁻¹ exhibiting cracking. The compression axis is vertical.



Deformation based criteria

Constant Equivalent Strain (ES)

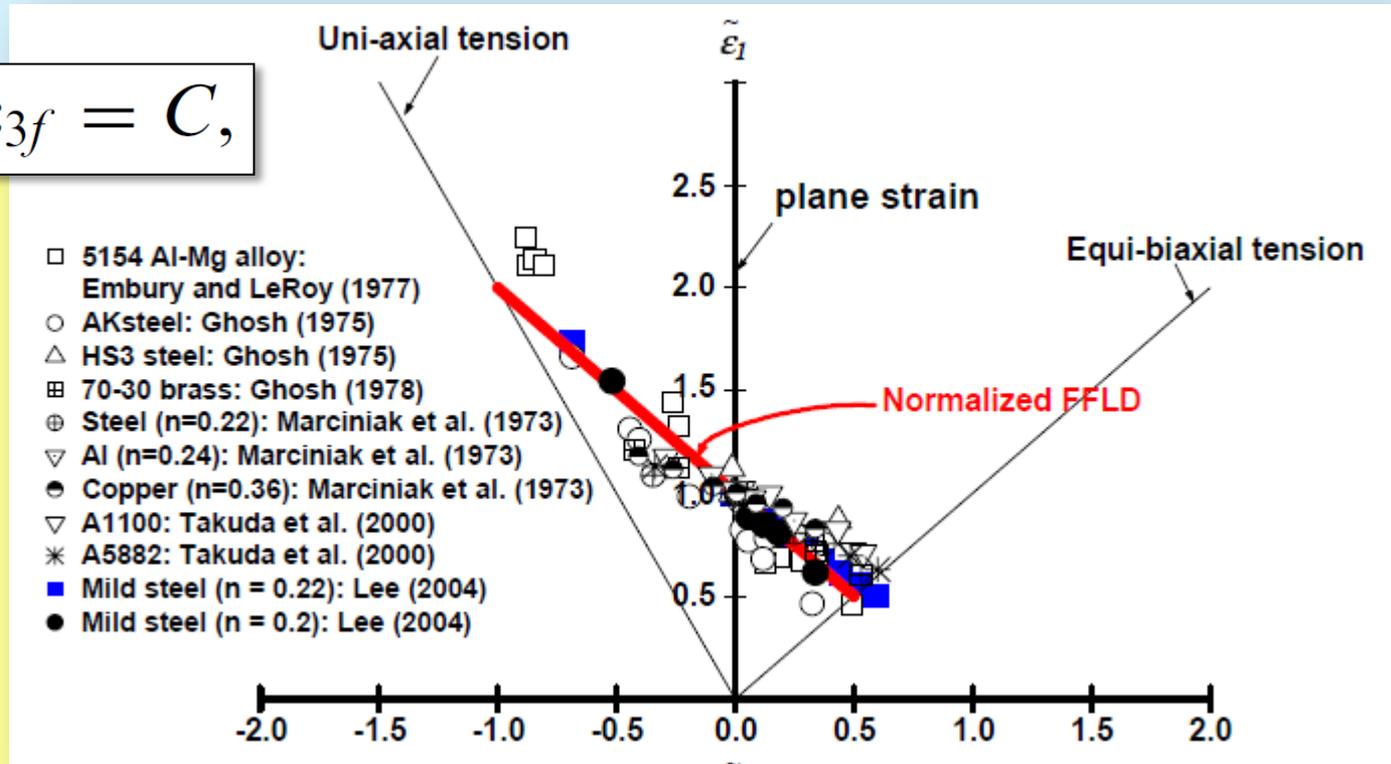
$$\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}_f.$$

For incompressible materials

$$\bar{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sqrt{\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_2^2 + \varepsilon_3^2},$$

Fracture Forming Limiting Diagram (FFLD)

$$\varepsilon_{1f} + \varepsilon_{2f} = -\varepsilon_{3f} = C,$$



Deformation based criteria + triaxiality factor

Johnson-Cook (J-C)

$$\bar{\epsilon}_f = C_1 + C_2 \exp(C_3 \eta),$$

$$\eta = \frac{\sigma_m}{\bar{\sigma}} \quad \text{Triaxiality parameter}$$

$$\sigma_m = \frac{1}{3}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)$$

$$\bar{\sigma} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sqrt{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2}$$

G.D.Kozlov

$$\bar{\epsilon}_f = \bar{\epsilon}_{ft} \cdot e^{-3\eta}$$

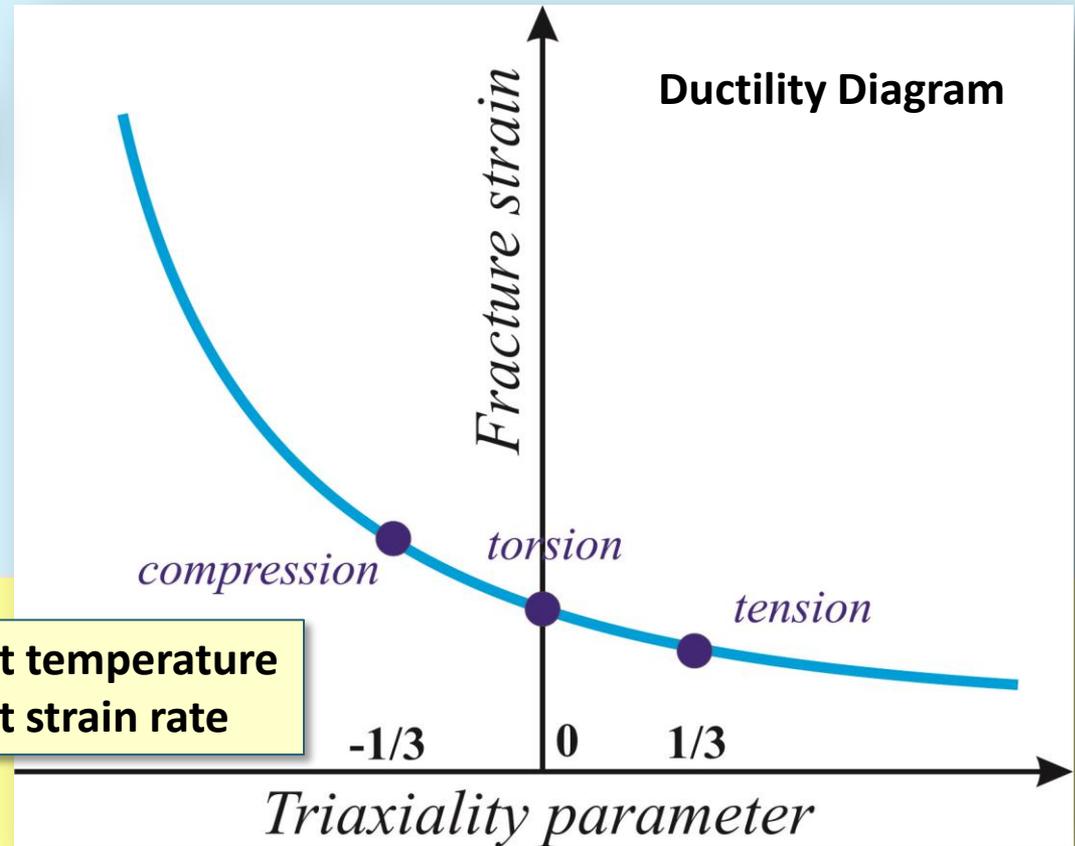
G.D.Del'

$$\bar{\epsilon}_f = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}_{ft}}{\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} + 3\eta(\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} - 2.72\bar{\epsilon}_{ft})} \cdot e^{-3\eta}$$

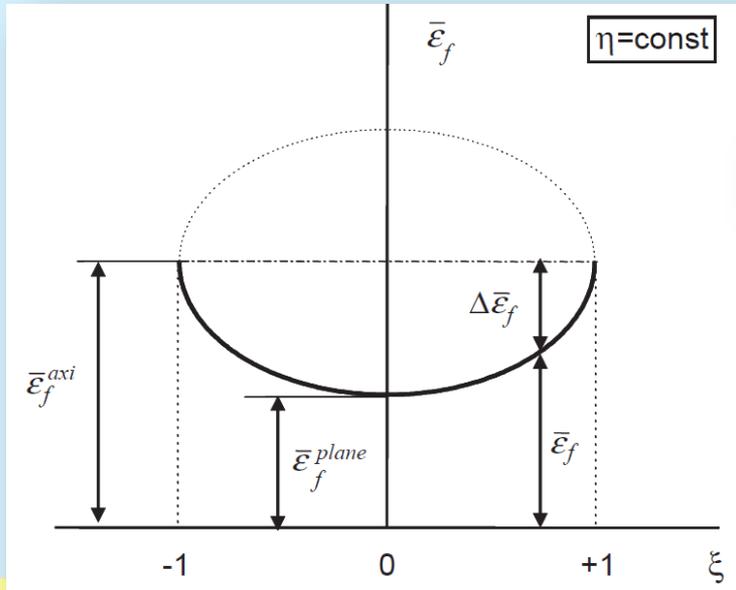
$\bar{\epsilon}_{fc}$ - Fracture strain in compression

$\bar{\epsilon}_{ft}$ - Fracture strain in torsion

Constant temperature
Constant strain rate



Material ductility dependence on triaxiality and deviatoric state



Xue-Wierzbicki

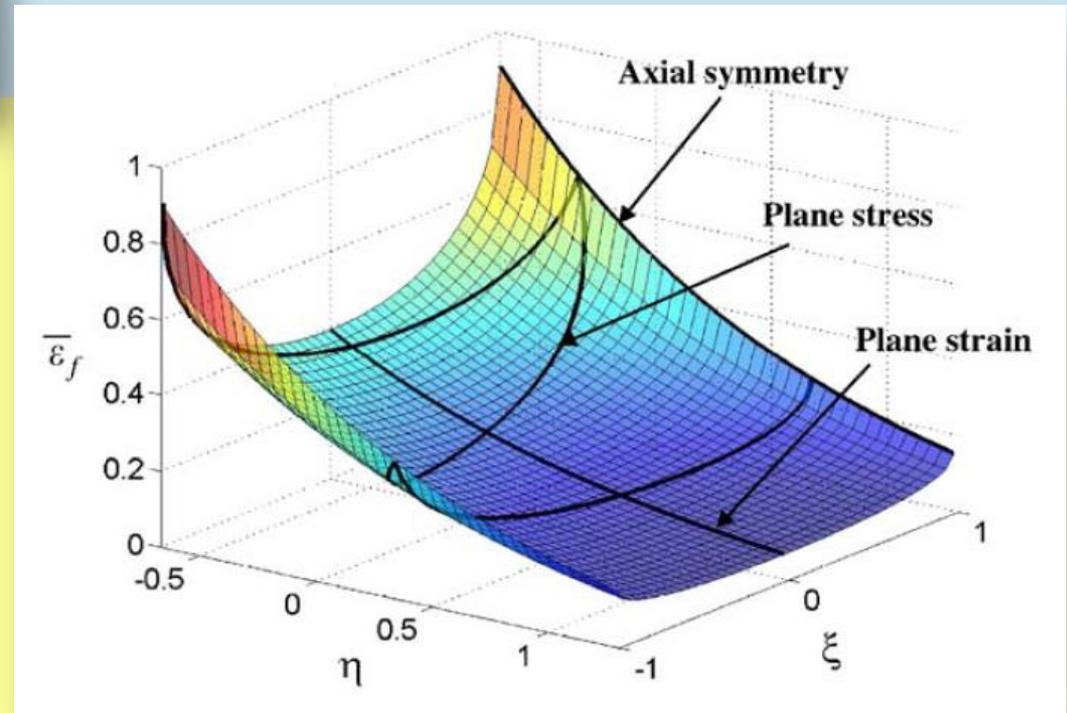
$$\bar{\varepsilon}_f = F(\eta, \xi) = C_1 e^{-C_2 \eta} - (C_1 e^{-C_2 \eta} - C_3 e^{-C_4 \eta}) (1 - \xi^{1/n})^n.$$

$$\xi = \frac{27}{2} \frac{J_3}{\bar{\sigma}^3} \quad \text{Deviatoric state parameter}$$

$$J_3 = s_1 s_2 s_3.$$

The fracture criteria

$$\int_0^{\bar{\varepsilon}_f} \frac{d\bar{\varepsilon}}{F(\eta, \xi)} = 1,$$



Workability Resource of the Material and its Assessment

Main ideas:

- *Any plastic deformation is accompanied by creation and development of the micro-defects.*
- *The process of creation , development or recovery of the defects depends on the loading history.*
- *Every material has certain Resource (Reserve) of Workability (RW) which reduces during the plastic deformation due to Damage Accumulation .*
- *Resource of Workability depends on the material properties and conditions of loading.*
- *The state of the material at any stage of the deformation process can be assessed by the Resource Utilization Parameter (RUP)*
- *Material fails when Resource of Workability is exhausted (RUP=1).*

V.L.Kolmogorov

$$\Psi(\bar{\varepsilon}) = \int_0^{\bar{\varepsilon}} \frac{d\bar{\varepsilon}}{\bar{\varepsilon}_f(\eta)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Resource Utilization} \\ \text{Parameter (RUP)} \end{array}$$

Resource Utilization Parameter

V.L.Kolmogorov

$$d\psi = d\psi_1 + d\psi_2$$

$$d\psi_1 = c_1 \frac{d\bar{\varepsilon}}{\bar{\varepsilon}_f}$$

Related to the development of the defects

$$d\psi_2 = -c_2 d\bar{\varepsilon}$$

Related to the recovery of the defects

V.A.Ogorodnikov

$$d\psi = \frac{n\psi^{1-\frac{1}{n}} d\bar{\varepsilon}}{\bar{\varepsilon}_f(\eta)} - b(\psi - \psi_m^2)$$

Yu.G.Kalpin et al. (combined criteria)
material hardening is assumed

$$d\psi = \left[c(\bar{\sigma} - \bar{\sigma}_0)e^{-c\bar{\varepsilon}} + \frac{1 - (\bar{\sigma} - \bar{\sigma}_0)e^{-c\bar{\varepsilon}_f}}{\bar{\varepsilon}_f} \right] d\bar{\varepsilon}$$

Kalpin, Yu.G., Perfilov, V.I., Petrov, P.A., Ryabov, V.A., Filipov, Yu.K., 2011. Deformation resistance and plasticity in metal forming. Mashinostroenie, Moscow, 243p.

V.G. Burdukovsky , V.L.Kolmogorov

$$d\psi = \frac{c \cdot d\bar{\varepsilon}}{(1-\psi)^\beta \bar{\varepsilon}_f(\eta)}$$

V.G. Burdukovsky et al. Journal of Materials Processing Technology 55 (1995) 292 295

R.A.Vasin, P.A.Mossakovsky
(tensor variant of the model)

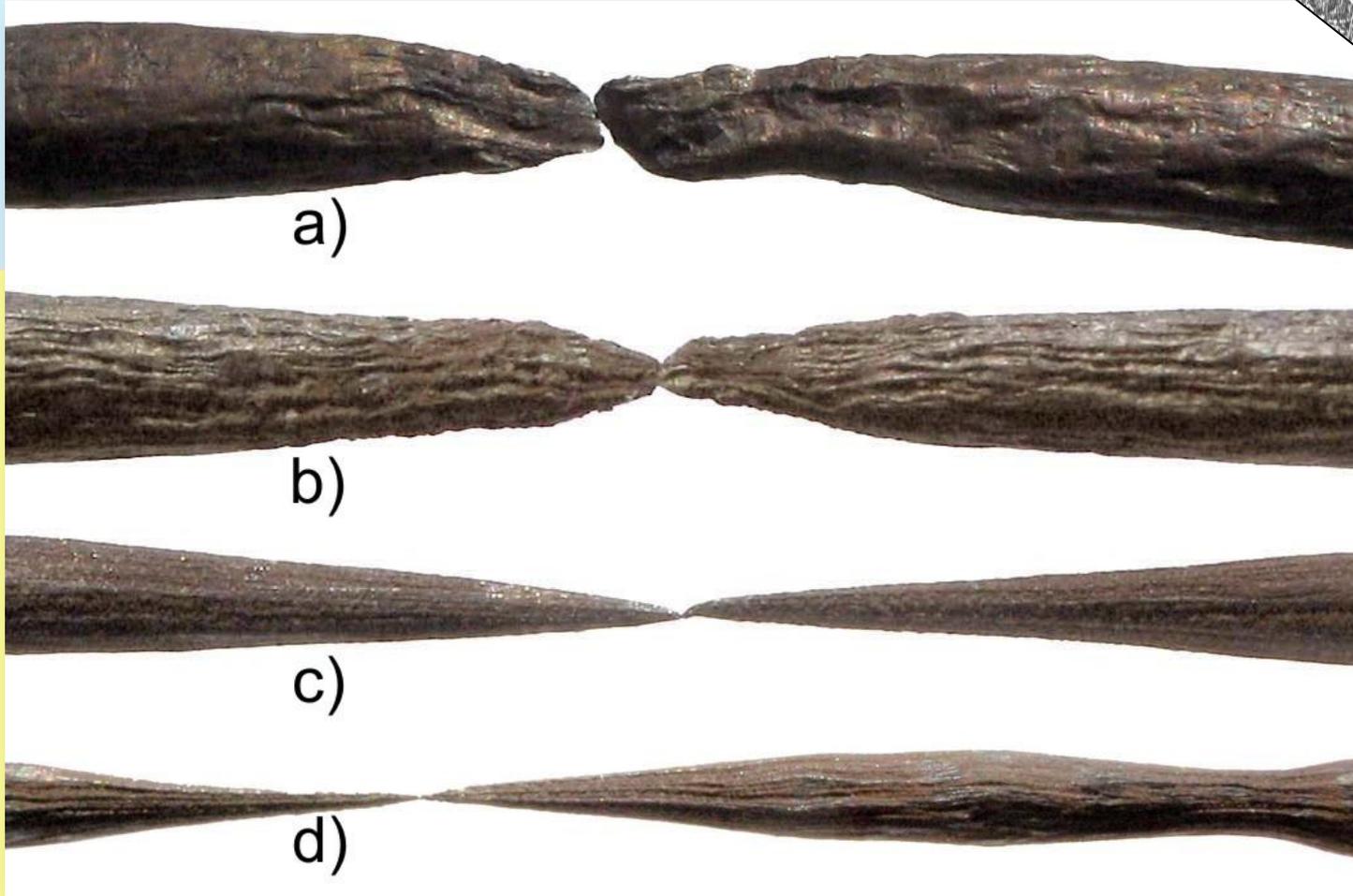
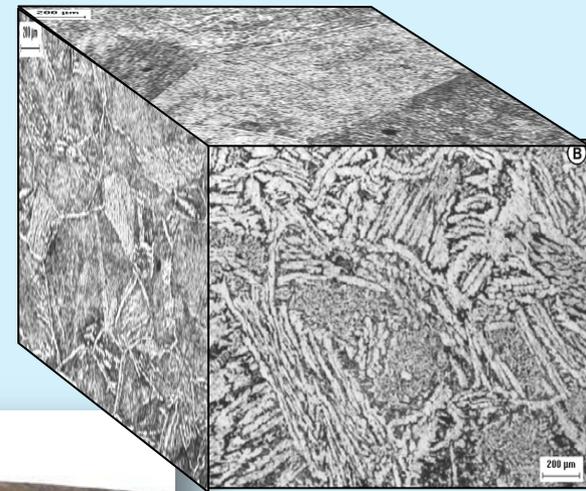
$$\dot{\psi}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2W} (\alpha_{ij} \dot{\varepsilon}_{kj}^p + \alpha_{kj} \dot{\varepsilon}_{ij}^p) - \lambda \psi_{ij}$$

Vasin, R.A., Mossakovskii, P.A., 2011. Journal of Applied Mathematics and Mechanics 75, 5– 9

*W – fracture energy
 α_{ij} – deviator of residual microstress
 ε_{ij}^p – inelastic strains*

The effect of the Temperature and Strain Rate

Material: Ti-6Al-4V, Isothermal tension, const. strain rate.
Initial microstructure: Widmanstätten, pr. β gr. $\sim 200\mu\text{m}$



T=950°C

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 120\%$

T=900°C

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 170\%$

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 200\%$

T=850°C

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 190\%$

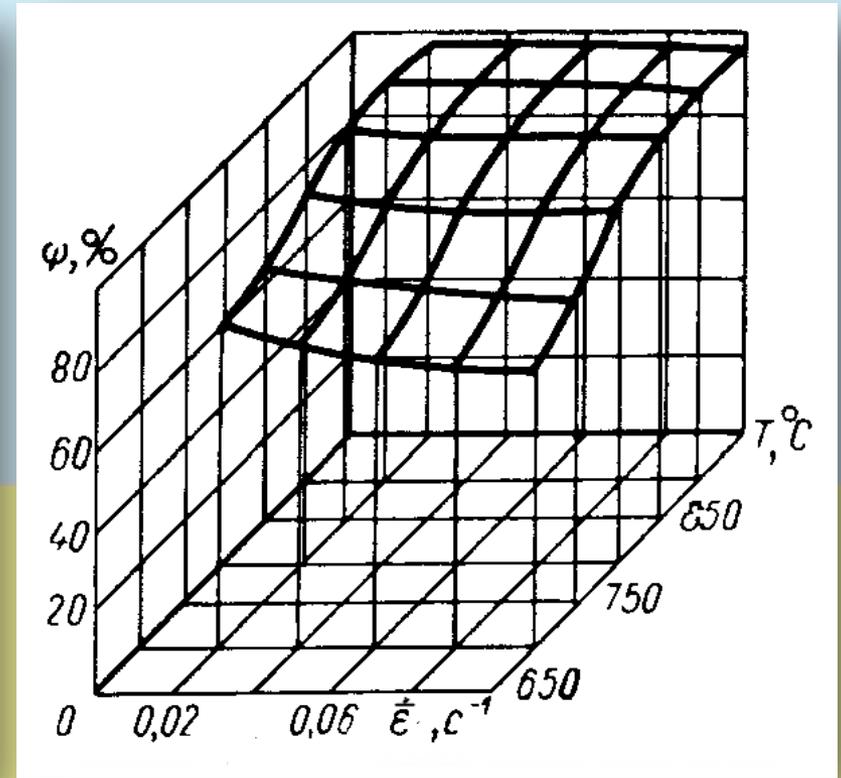
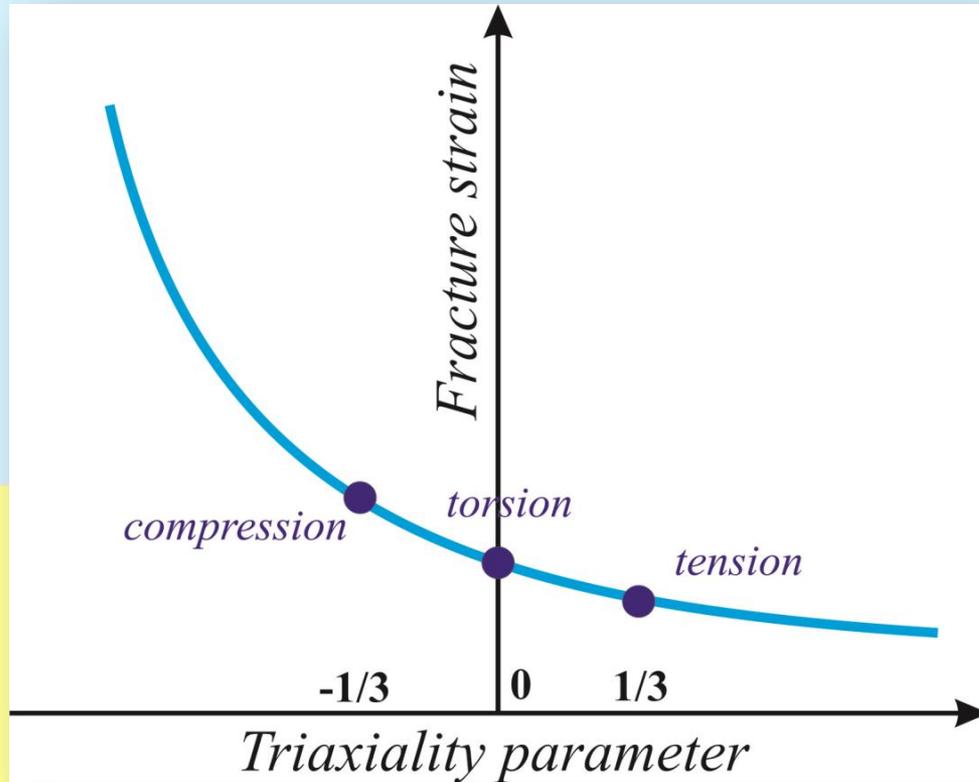
$$\dot{\epsilon} = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 240\%$

$$\dot{\epsilon} = 5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$\delta \sim 170\%$

Proposed approach for taking into account temperature and Strain Rate

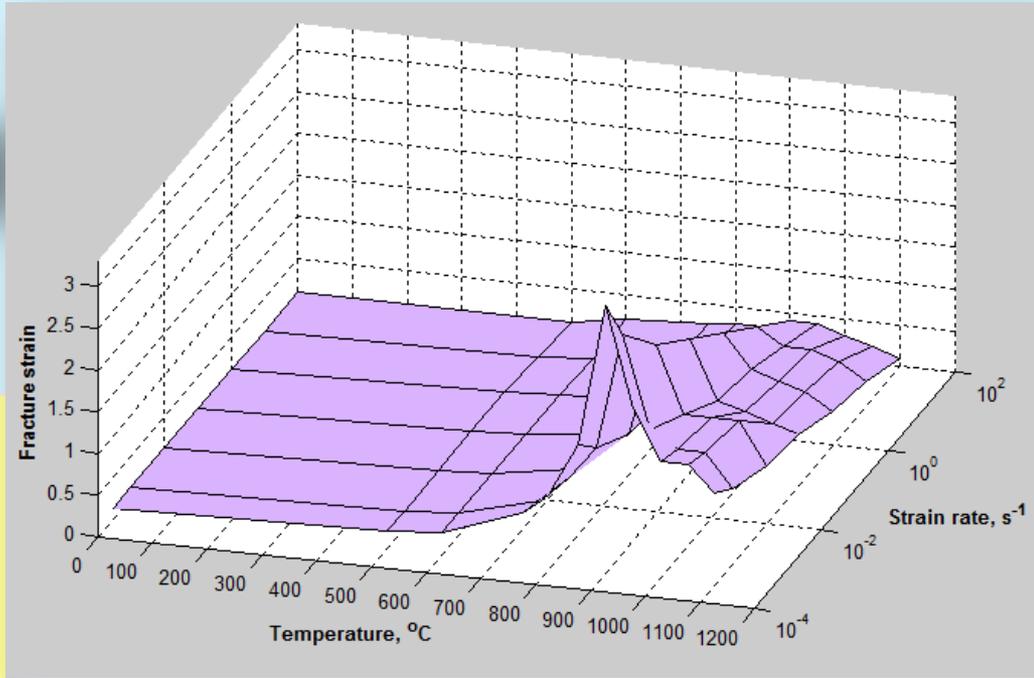
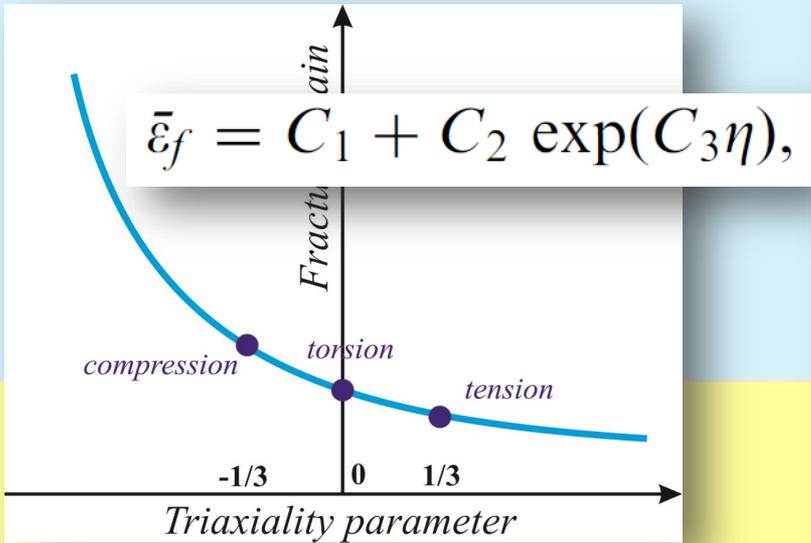


$$\bar{\epsilon}_f = f(\eta, T, \dot{\epsilon}, \dots) \quad \text{Hypothesis} \quad \bar{\epsilon}_f = f(\eta, T, \dot{\epsilon}) = \chi(\eta) \cdot \phi(T, \dot{\epsilon})$$

$$\text{or} \quad \bar{\epsilon}_f = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} \cdot \bar{\epsilon}_{ft}}{\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} + 3\eta(\bar{\epsilon}_{fc} - 2.72\bar{\epsilon}_{ft})} \cdot e^{-3\eta}, \quad \bar{\epsilon}_{fc[t]} = \phi_{c[t]}(T, \dot{\epsilon}) \quad \text{Possible modification of G.D.Del' approximation}$$

Simulation of the modified deformation-based criteria

Calibration of the fracture strain equation



3 tests: tension, compression, torsion

Fracture strain $\bar{\epsilon}_{ften}$ $\bar{\epsilon}_{fc}$ $\bar{\epsilon}_{ftor}$

$$C^* = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_{ftor} - \bar{\epsilon}_{ften}}{\bar{\epsilon}_{fcomp} - \bar{\epsilon}_{ftor}} \quad C_3 = 3 \ln \left(\frac{\bar{\epsilon}_{ftor} - \bar{\epsilon}_{ften}}{\bar{\epsilon}_{fcomp} - \bar{\epsilon}_{ftor}} \right)$$

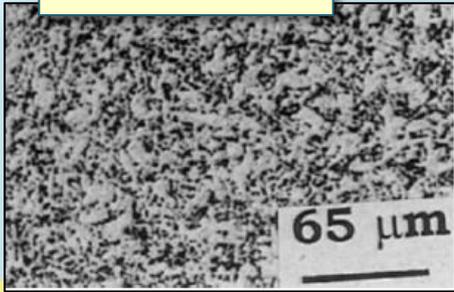
$$C_2 = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_{ftor} - \bar{\epsilon}_{ften}}{1 - C^*} \quad C_1 = \bar{\epsilon}_{ftor} - C_2$$

$$\bar{\epsilon}_f = \frac{(C_1 + C_2 \exp(C_3 \eta))}{\bar{\epsilon}_{ften}} \cdot \epsilon^*(T, \dot{\epsilon})$$

The range of applicability... The effect of microstructure

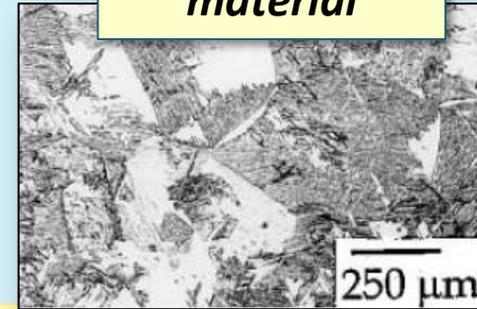
e.g., Ti-6Al-4V

Fine-grained material



Seshacharyulu, T. et al, 2000, Mat. Sci. Eng. A284 184–194
Seshacharyulu, T. et al., 2002, Mat. Sci. Eng. A325 112–125

Coarse-grained material

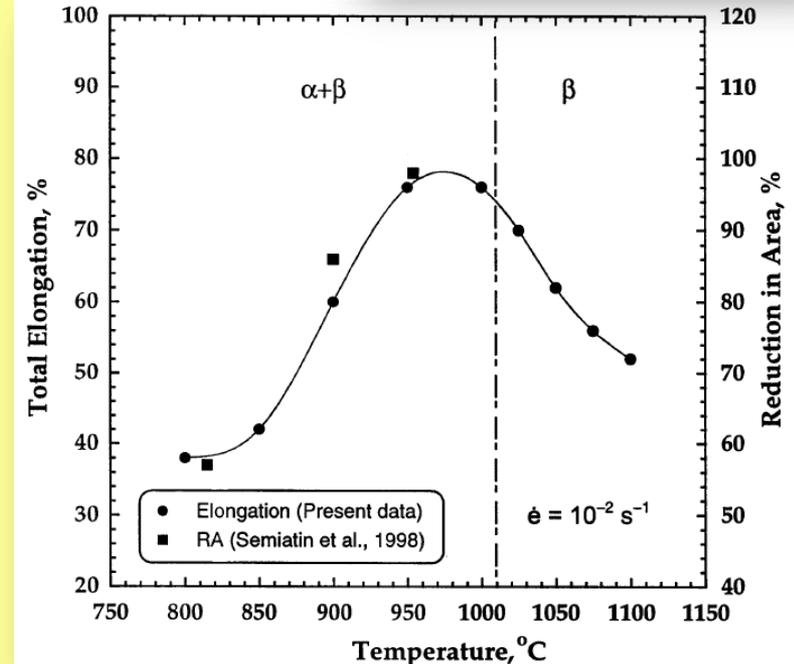
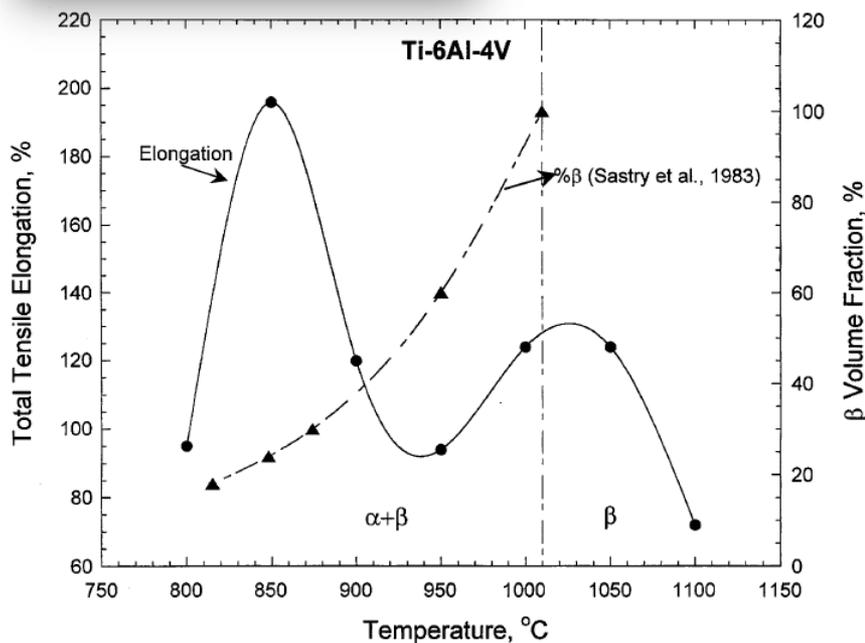


Tension, constant strain rate 0.01 s^{-1}

Required modifications

$$\epsilon_f = f(\eta, T, \dot{\epsilon}, D \dots)$$

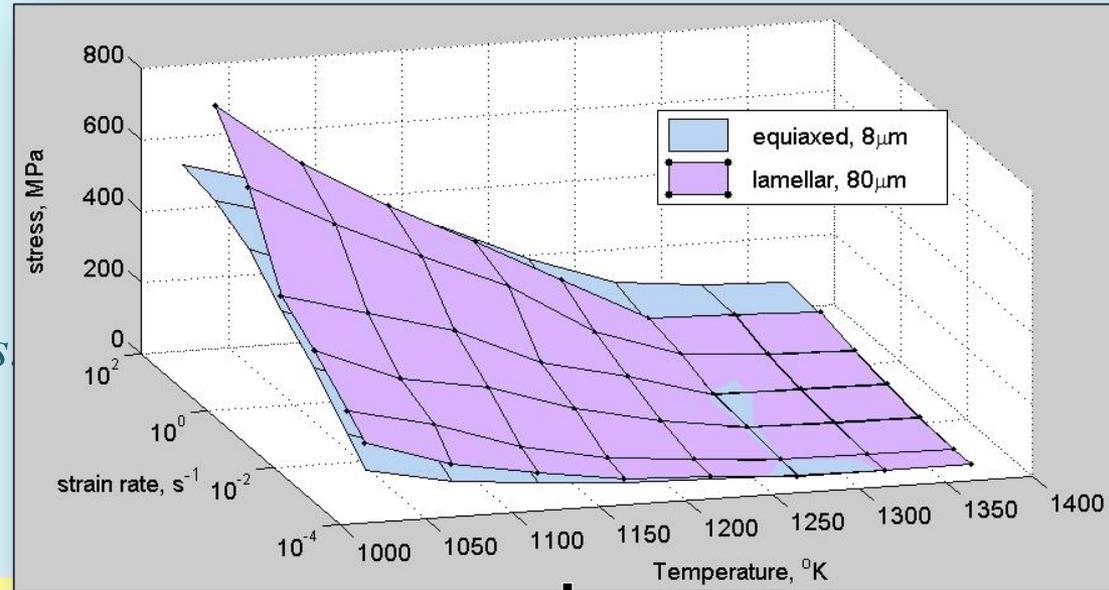
$$A = A(\eta, T, \dot{\epsilon}, D \dots)$$



Rheological model

$$\sigma = A \dot{\varepsilon}^m \exp\left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right) \left(\frac{D}{d_0}\right)^k$$

A, m, Q & k – dynamic parameters for each temperature and strain rate different set of parameters



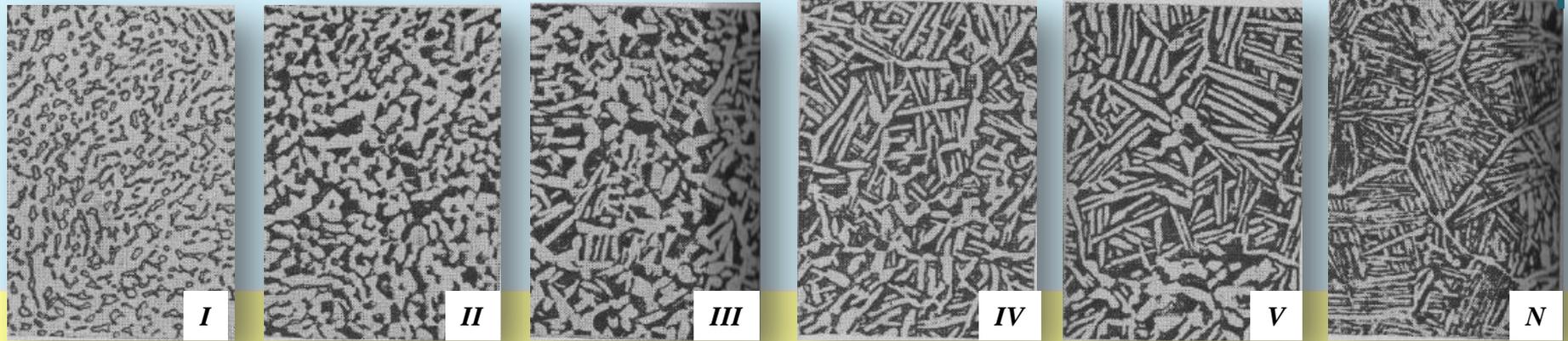
$$\dot{D} = \begin{cases} t_g \exp\left(-\frac{Q}{RT}\right) & \text{if } D \leq D_m & \text{for the static growth} \\ \left(C \frac{\sigma}{D^2} + t_d\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{Q}{RT}\right) & \text{if } D_m \leq D \leq D_{cr} & \text{for the deformation growth} \\ 0, \quad D = 0.7 \cdot D_{cr}, & \text{if } D \geq D_{cr} & \text{for the integral refinement} \end{cases}$$

$$D_{cr} = D_1 + D_{cr0} \exp\left(-B_1 \int \sigma \cdot \dot{\varepsilon} \cdot dt\right)$$

D_{cr} determines the critical effective grain size for the start of refinement

What is the meaning of the “Effective Grain Size” for two-phase alloys?

All morphologies appearing during the process are divided into N grades



and associated with the continuous scale of effective grain sizes



$D_I \leq D \leq D_{II}$ $D_{II} < D \leq D_{III}$ $D_{III} < D \leq D_{IV}$ $D_{IV} < D \leq D_V$ $D_V < D \leq D_{VI}$ $D_N < D \leq D_0$

$X_{P\alpha}^I$
 $X_{S\alpha}^I$
 $t_{S\alpha}^I$

$X_{P\alpha}^{II}$
 $X_{S\alpha}^{II}$
 $t_{S\alpha}^{II}$

$X_{P\alpha}^{III}$
 $X_{S\alpha}^{III}$
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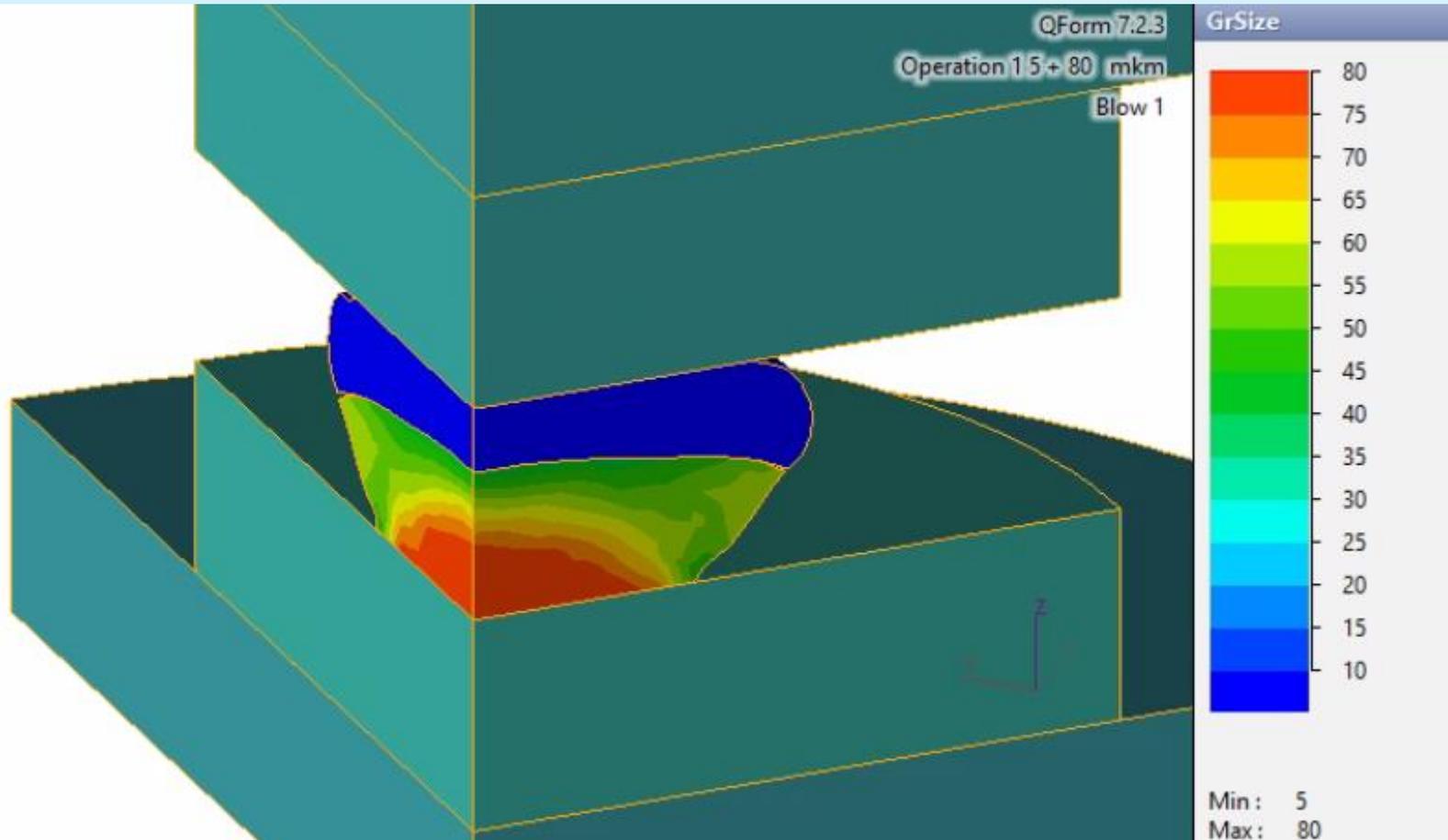
$X_{P\alpha}^N$
 $X_{S\alpha}^N$
 $t_{S\alpha}^N$

Supplementary parameters:
 $X_{P\alpha}$ and $X_{S\alpha}$ - fraction of primary and secondary α -phase;
 $t_{S\alpha}$ - thickness of secondary α lath; ...

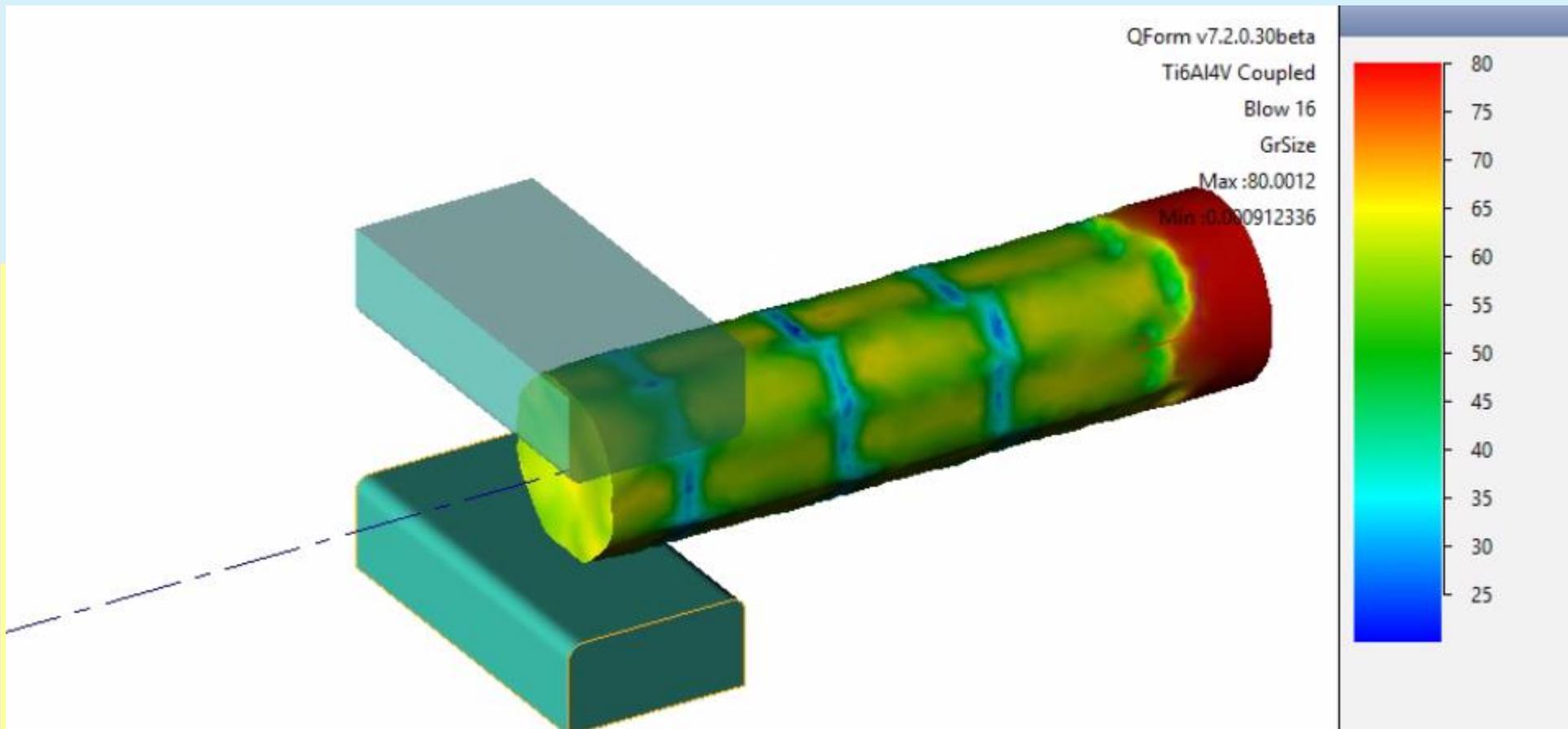
Influence of the grain size on the flow stress (Ti6Al4V).

Inverse Hall-Petch effect in hot forming

Initial grain size:
top billet 5 micron,
bottom billet 80 micron



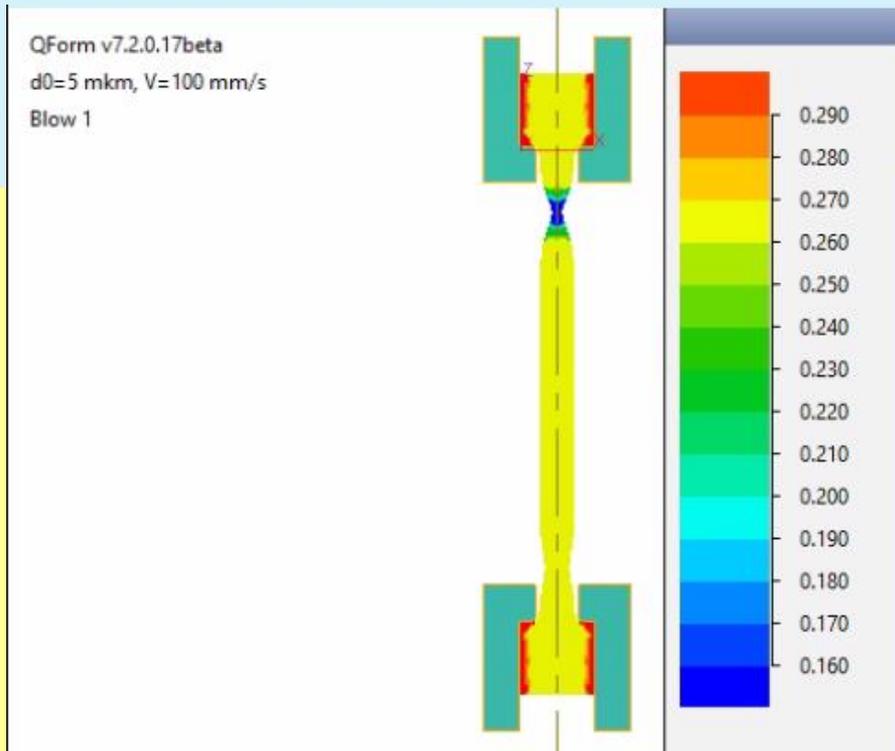
Grain size distribution in cogging of Ti6Al4V bar (μm)



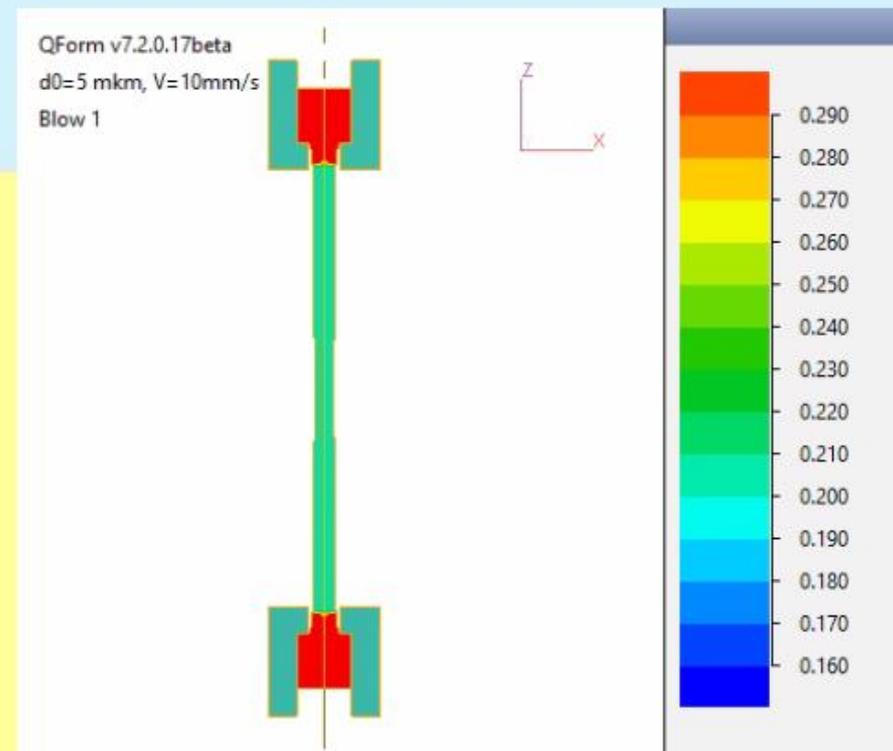
Microstructural modelling of Ti6Al4V

Strain rate sensitivity depends both on strain-rate and microstructure

High tool velocity

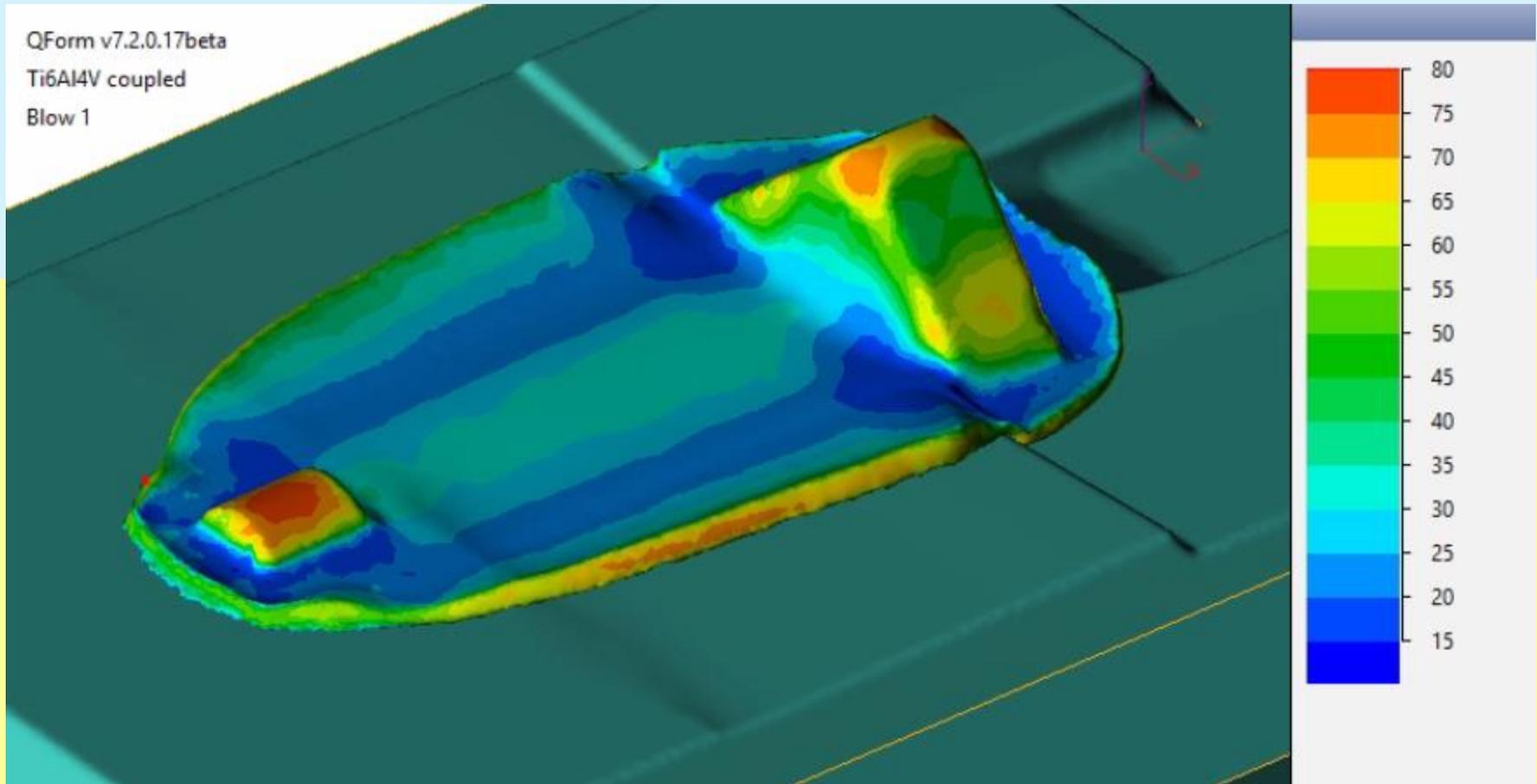


Low tool velocity



Fully coupled model (equipment-die-workpiece-microstructure)

Grain size distribution in the blade Ti6Al4V, μm



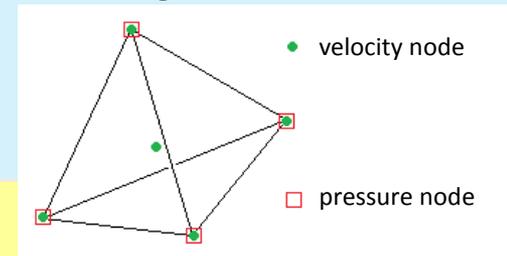
Finite element mesh for coupled deformation and thermal problem



Mesh information:

plastic problem

low-order tetrahedron element
with 24 degree of freedom



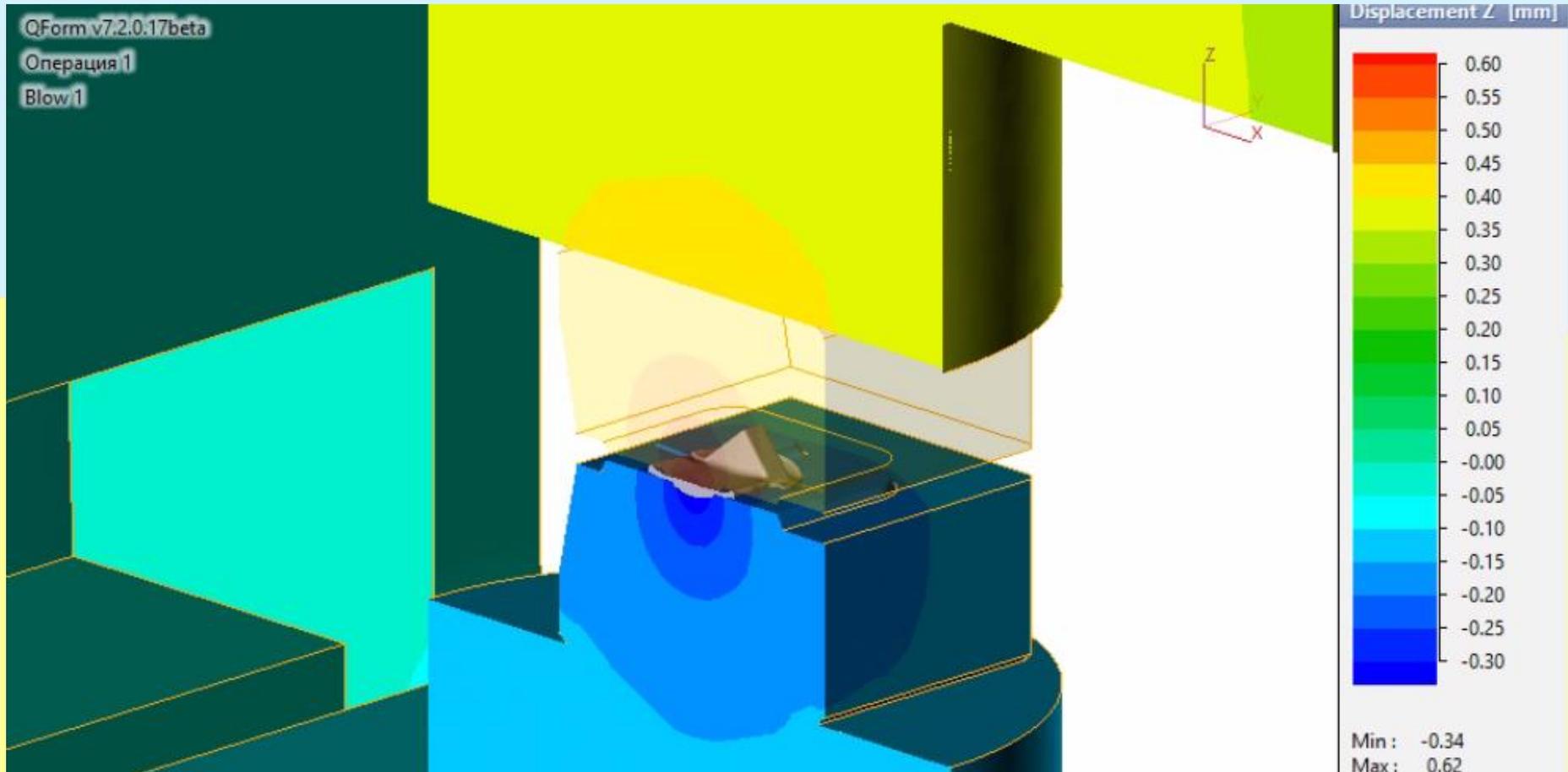
elastic problem

ordinary linear 4-node tetrahedron
element with 12 degrees of freedom
(3 displacements in node)

Simulation part	Number of nodes	Number of elements
merged ram	6449	23152
merged frame	14888	52021
upper die	25169	118057
bottom die	37810	185346
workpiece	3045... 26934	12158... 11677

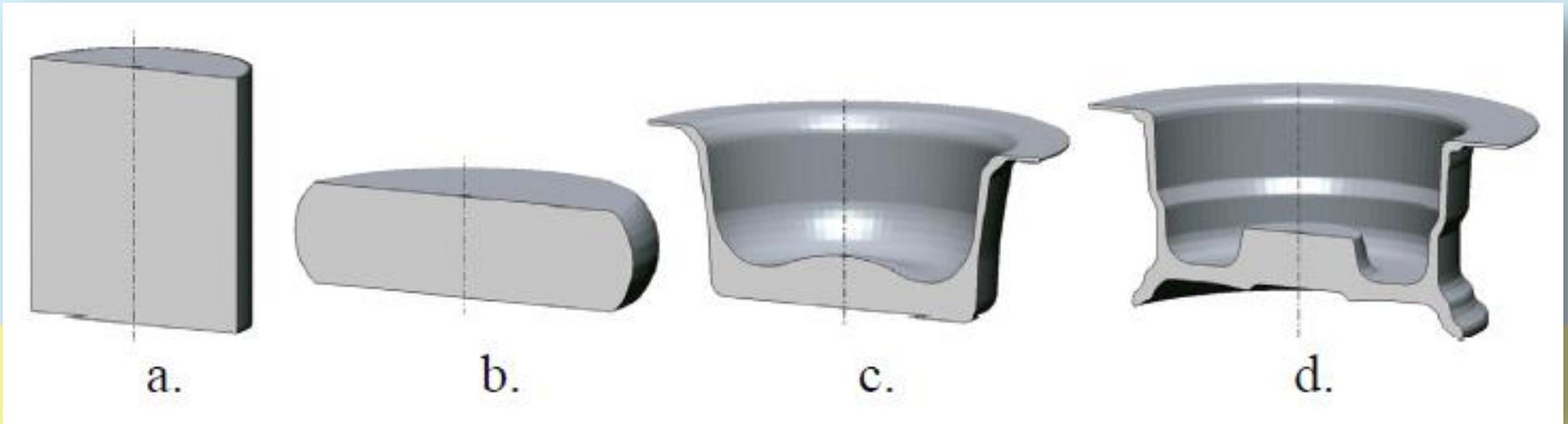
Totally coupled model (equipment-die-workpiece-microstructure)

Vertical displacement distribution in the die and die holder, mm



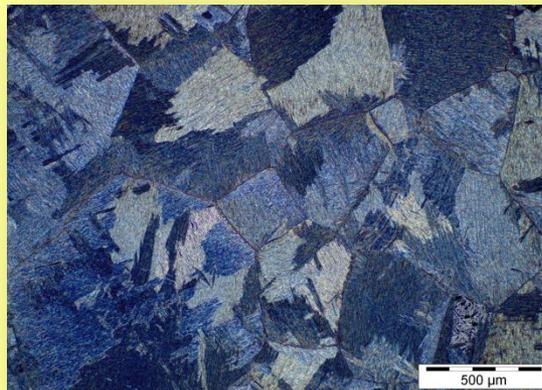
Rough example of modified resource assessment approach

The problem of wheel disk forging (3 operations)



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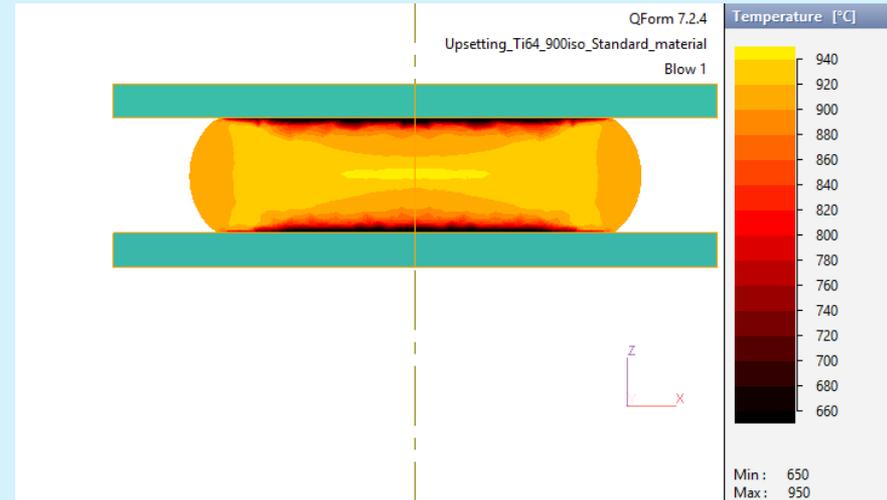
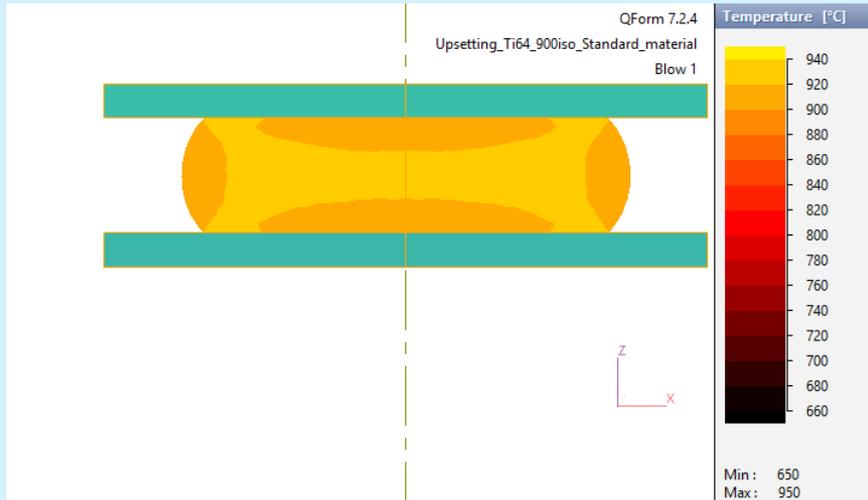
Investigation of the perspectives of utilization of coarse grained materials in hot working



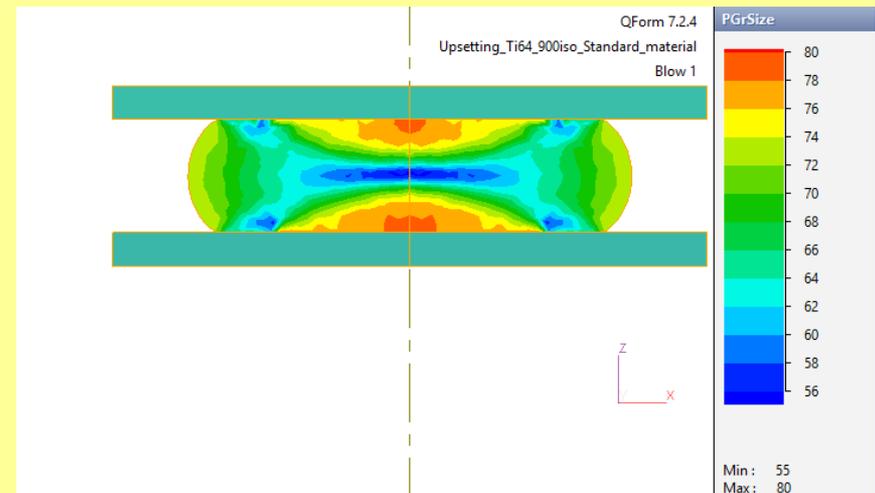
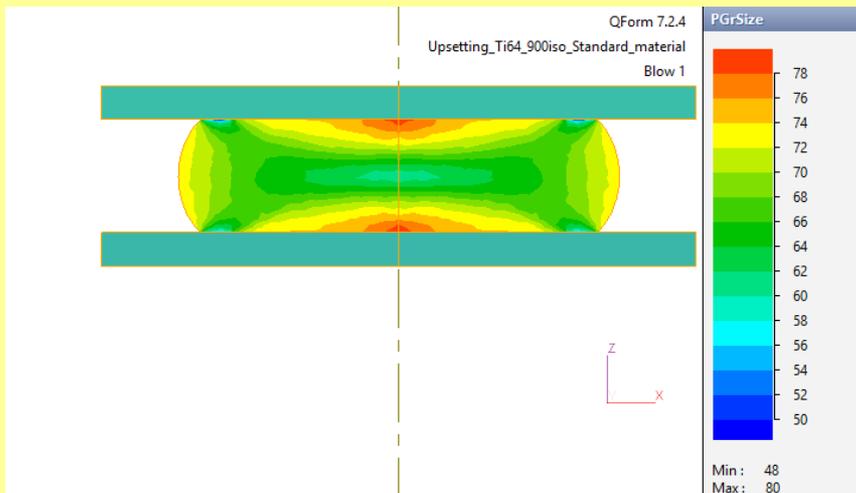
Isothermal compression

Non-isothermal compression

Temperature distribution (initial temp=900C)



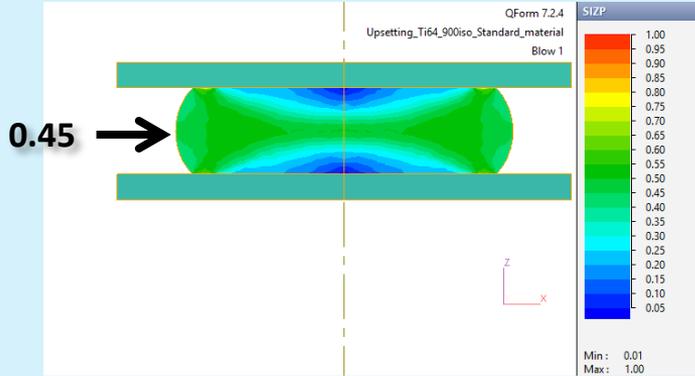
Grain size distribution (initial grain size 80 mkm)



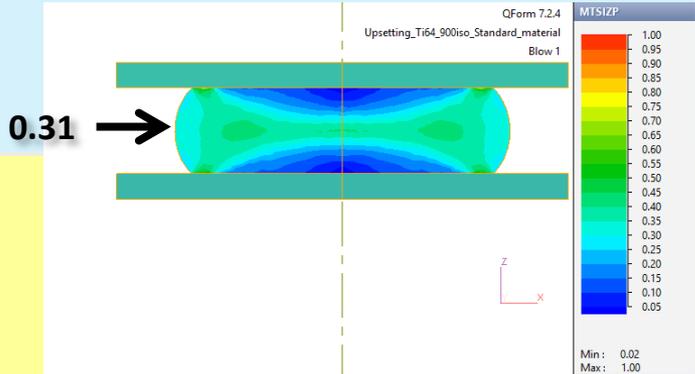
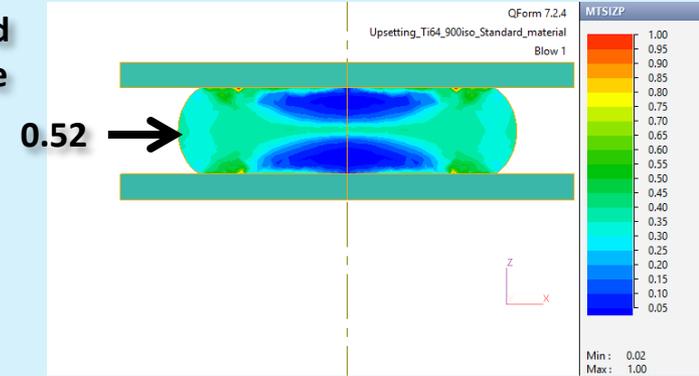
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Workability Resource Utilisation Parameter (RUP)

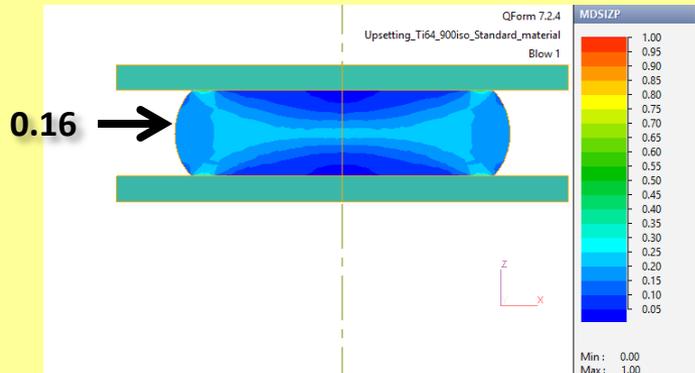
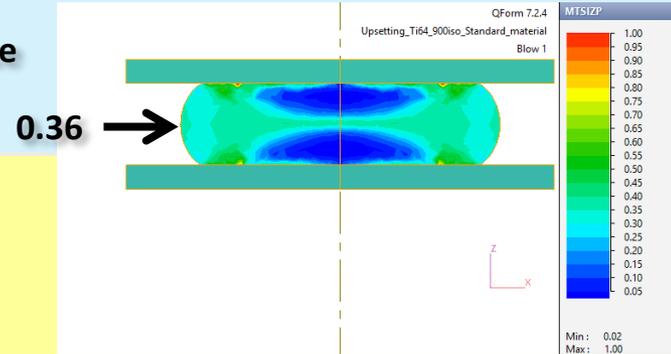
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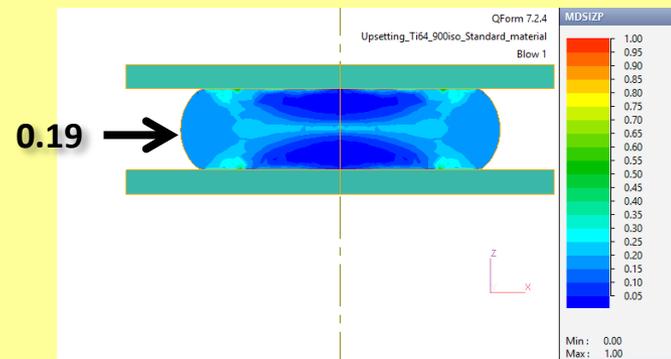
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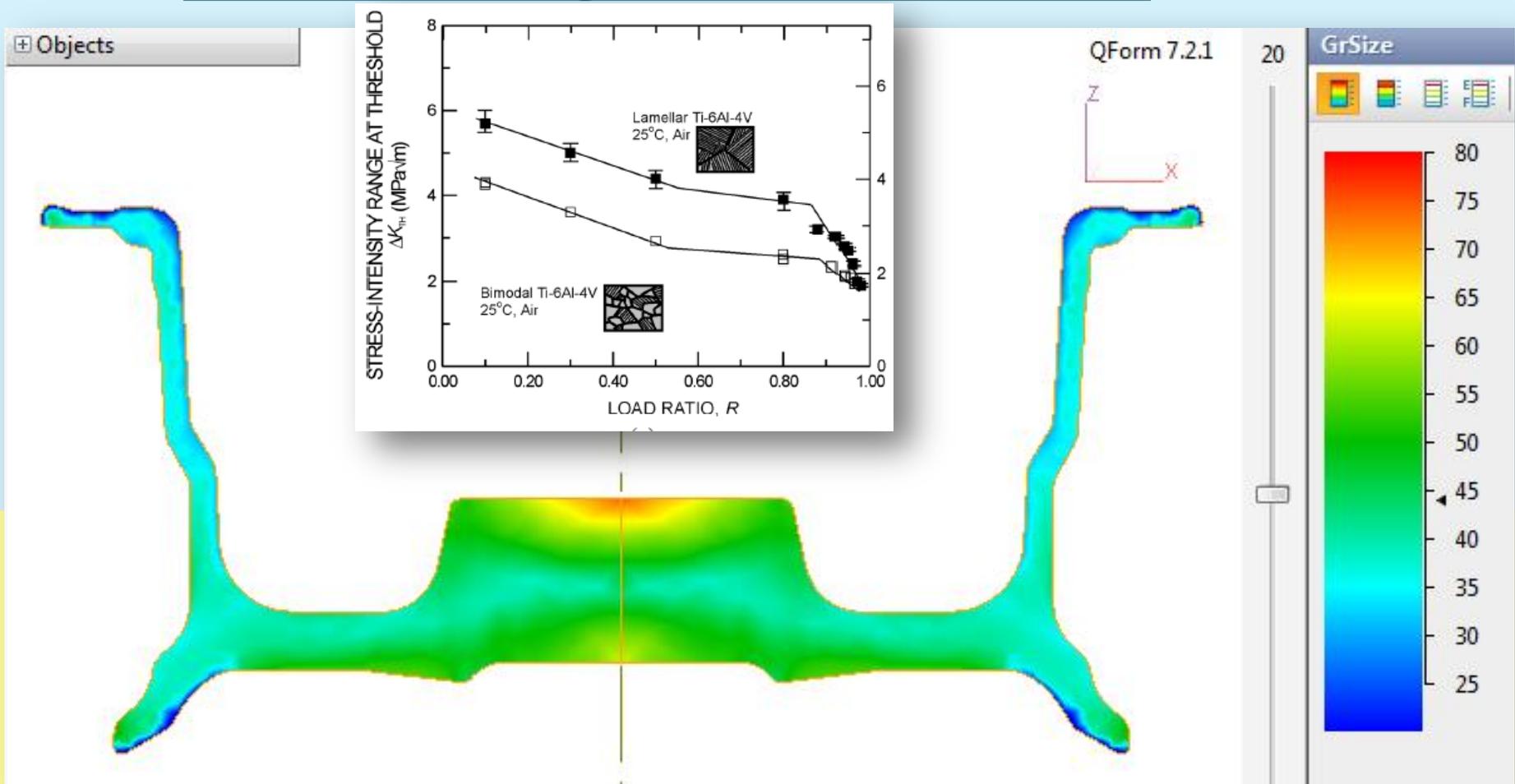
Temperature and strain-rate influence



Temperature and Strain-rate and grain size influence



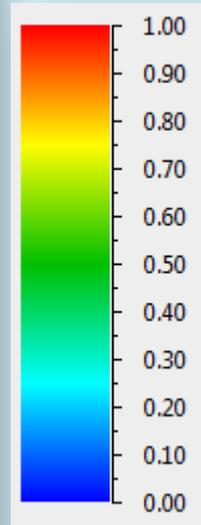
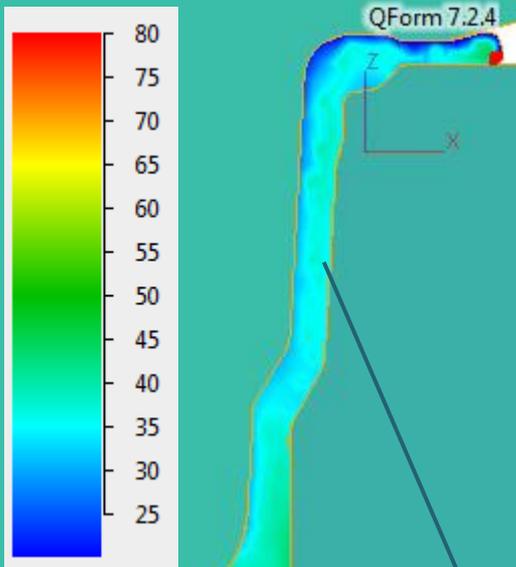
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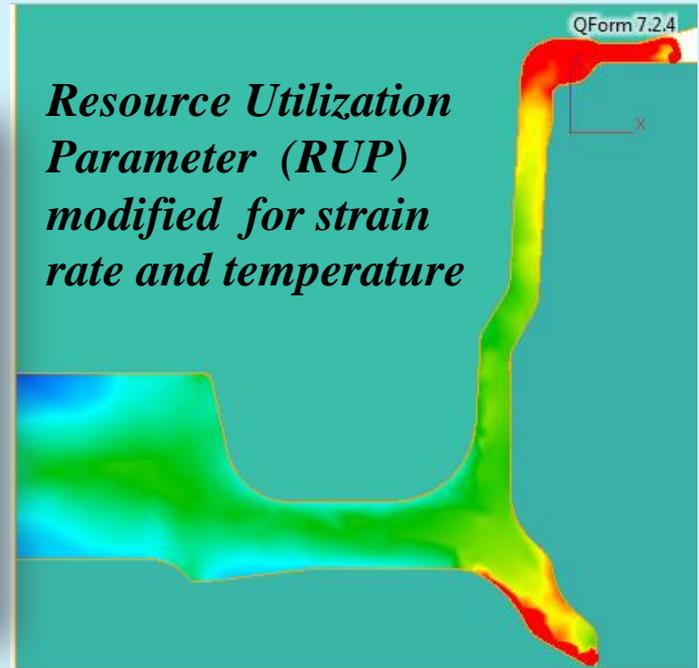
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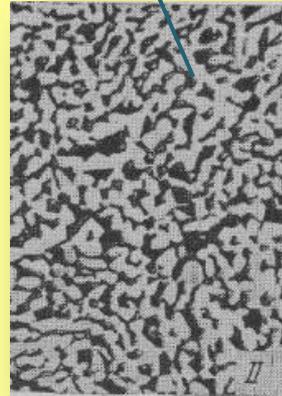
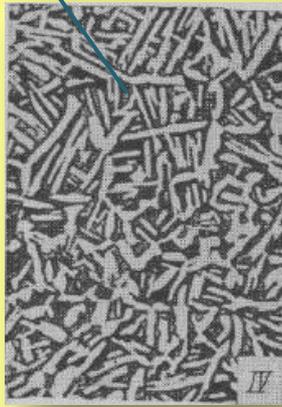
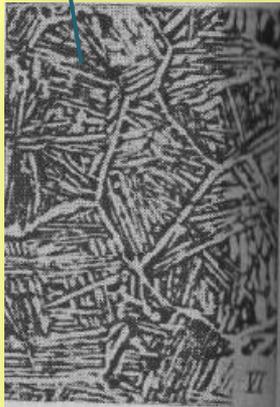
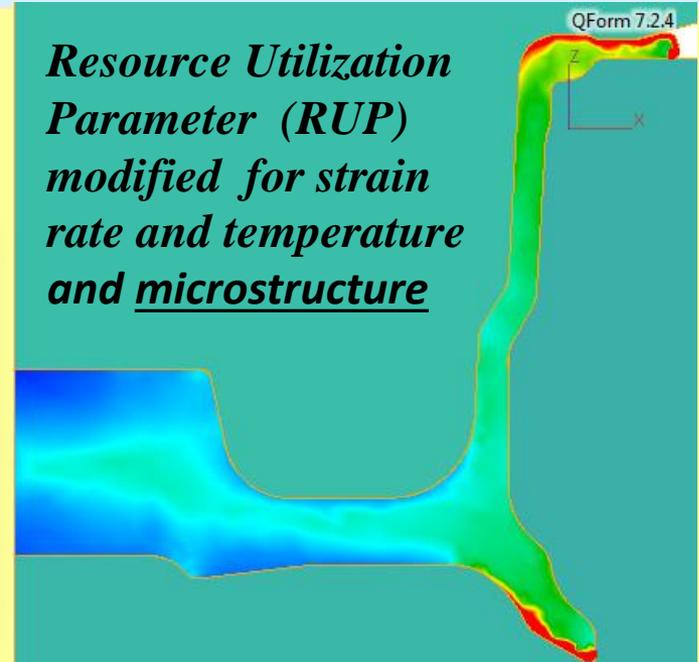
Effective grain size



Resource Utilization Parameter (RUP) modified for strain rate and temperature



Resource Utilization Parameter (RUP) modified for strain rate and temperature and microstructure



Conclusions

- *Strength-based criteria can be modified for accounting the influence of the temperature and strain rate, but they can't be applied if deformation softening can take place.*
- *The strain-based criteria type of Formability Limiting Curve don't take into account the history of loading and hardly can be used for the processes with significant change of the triaxiality.*
- *The models based on the idea of the Workability Resource and the Level of its Utilization look promising for the purpose of Continues Damage Accumulation Assessment*

Conclusions

However following issues have to be theoretically and experimentally investigated:

- ✓ *Which parameter characterizing the stress state (triaxiality, Lode-Nadai or deviatoric state parameter) is the most appropriate for HOT WORKING processes, whether it is possible to use a single parameter.*
- ✓ *What should be chosen as the measure of the Material Resource for the hot working – Fracture Strain, Energy Dissipation (Plastic Work) or something else.*
- ✓ *The problem of additivity in non-linear models of RUP kinetics.*
- ✓ *The hypothesis that the influence of triaxiality is independent from the effect of temperature and strain rate. This hypothesis has to be theoretically and experimentally investigated.*

Good news: this work can be done much faster in case if community joins the efforts

New program QForm 7

The screenshot displays the QForm 7 software interface. The main window shows a 3D model of a forging process with a color-coded stress/strain field. The interface is divided into several panels:

- Operations Panel:** Contains a tree view of actions (Action 1 to Action 9) and a 'Create new operation' button.
- Objects Panel:** Lists objects such as W1 - Workpiece [0], T1 - Tool 1 [1], T2 - Tool 2 [2], T3 - Tool 3 [3], and T4 - Tool 4 [4].
- Simulation Results Panel:** Shows a color scale for 'strainEff' ranging from 0.02 (blue) to 0.32 (red). It also displays 'Max. 0.3567' and 'Min. 0'.
- Workpiece fields Panel:** Lists various fields like Plain surface, Velocity (vX, vY, vZ), Displacement (dispX, dispY, dispZ), Stress (stressMean, stressEff, Stress tensor, Principal stresses), Strain (strainEff, strainPlast, strainVol, Strain tensor, Principal strain, strainRate, density, contactDist), and Debug.
- Simulation Control Panel:** Shows 'Operation: Blow', 'Time, ms: 105', 'Step, ms: 9.131', and a 'Simulated' progress bar at 100.0%.
- Log Panel:** Displays simulation steps and parameters, such as 'load step:6 lt:24 st:7 ext:0 kbps:12786'.

What is new?

1. New architecture
2. New data structure
3. New interface
4. New computational methods, models, algorithms

What it gives?

1. Much faster
2. Much more robust
3. Much more flexible
4. More productive
5. More fun

Easy programming of User's Defined Function (UDF) using Lua language

New technology **just-in-time compilation (JIT)**, also known as **dynamic translation**

UDF can be used

- **In post-processor mode**
- **In coupled mode influencing the material flow pattern and properties**

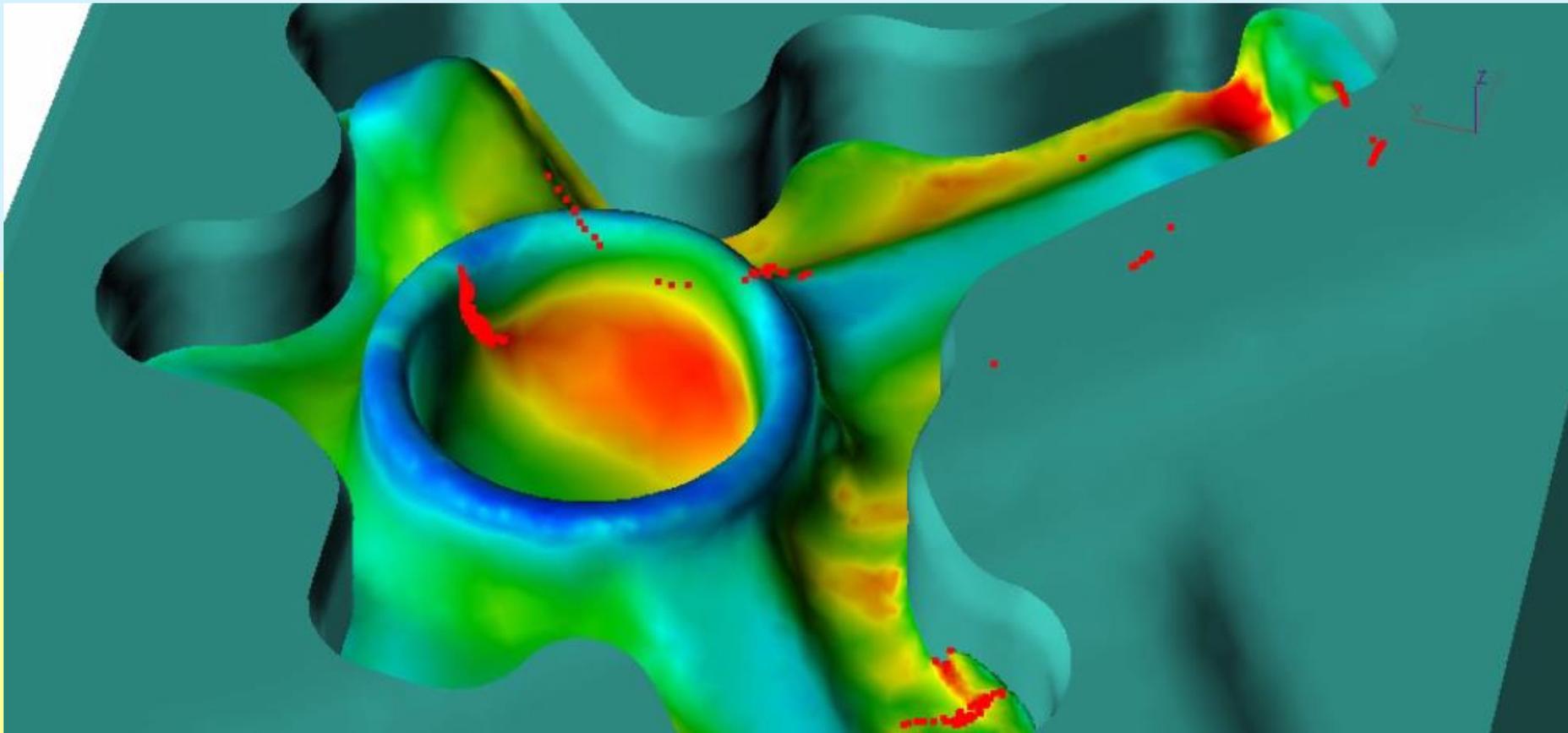
Advantages:

- User's subroutine are accepted by QForm 7 just as text files with program codes
- No compiler required
- Fast as the main program code
- Results of UDF appear in a line with standard variables and fields
- Free software

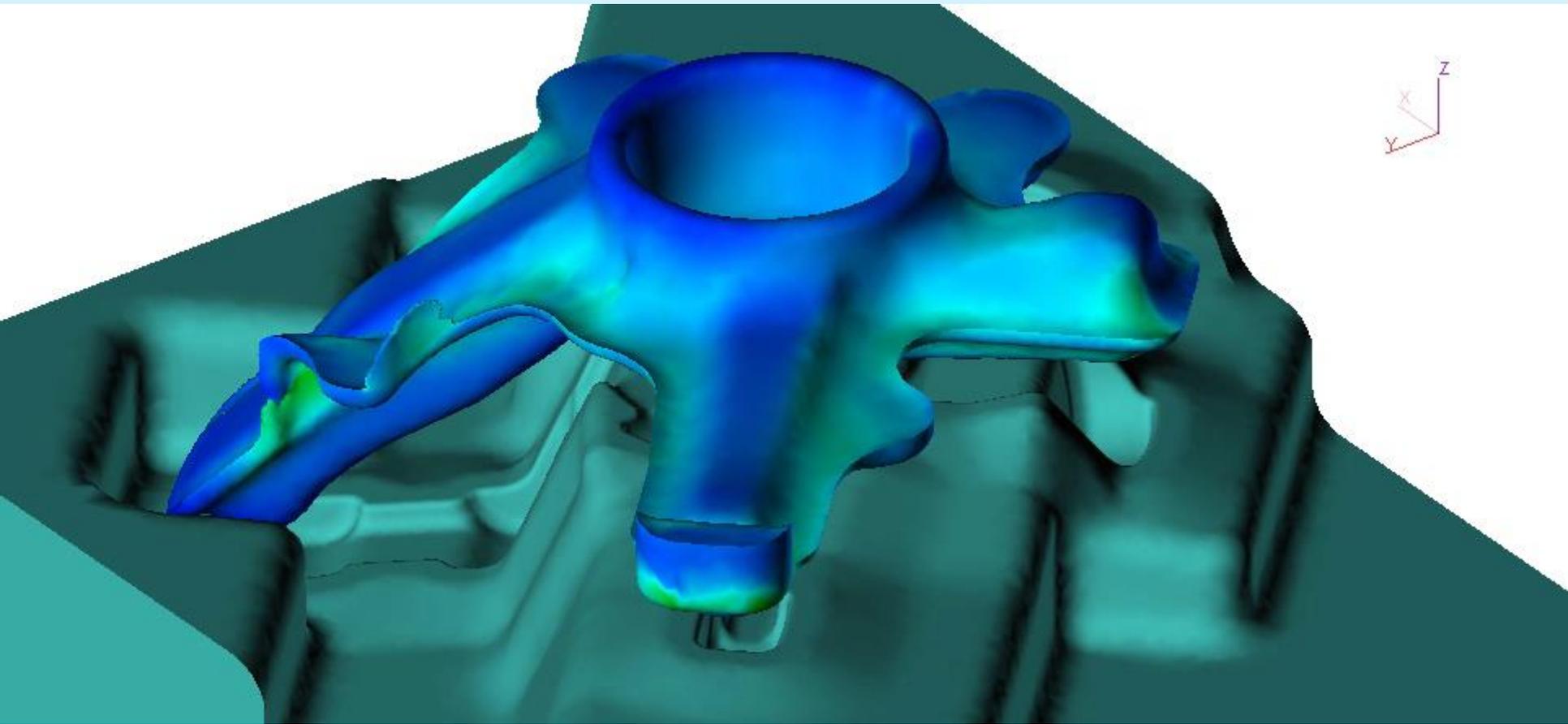
QForm 7 possesses full range of methods and models for R&D

- **Mechanically and thermally and microstructurally coupled simulation**
- Explicit and implicit solvers
- Thermo-elastic-plastic simulation
- Material removal during forming and between operations
- Distortion and residual stress analysis due to thermal shrinking/expansion
- Multi-body unilateral contact (bimetallic billets and assembled dies)
- Load or gravity controlled tools (manipulators, idle rolls, mandrels etc)
- Dual mesh method for incremental forming processes

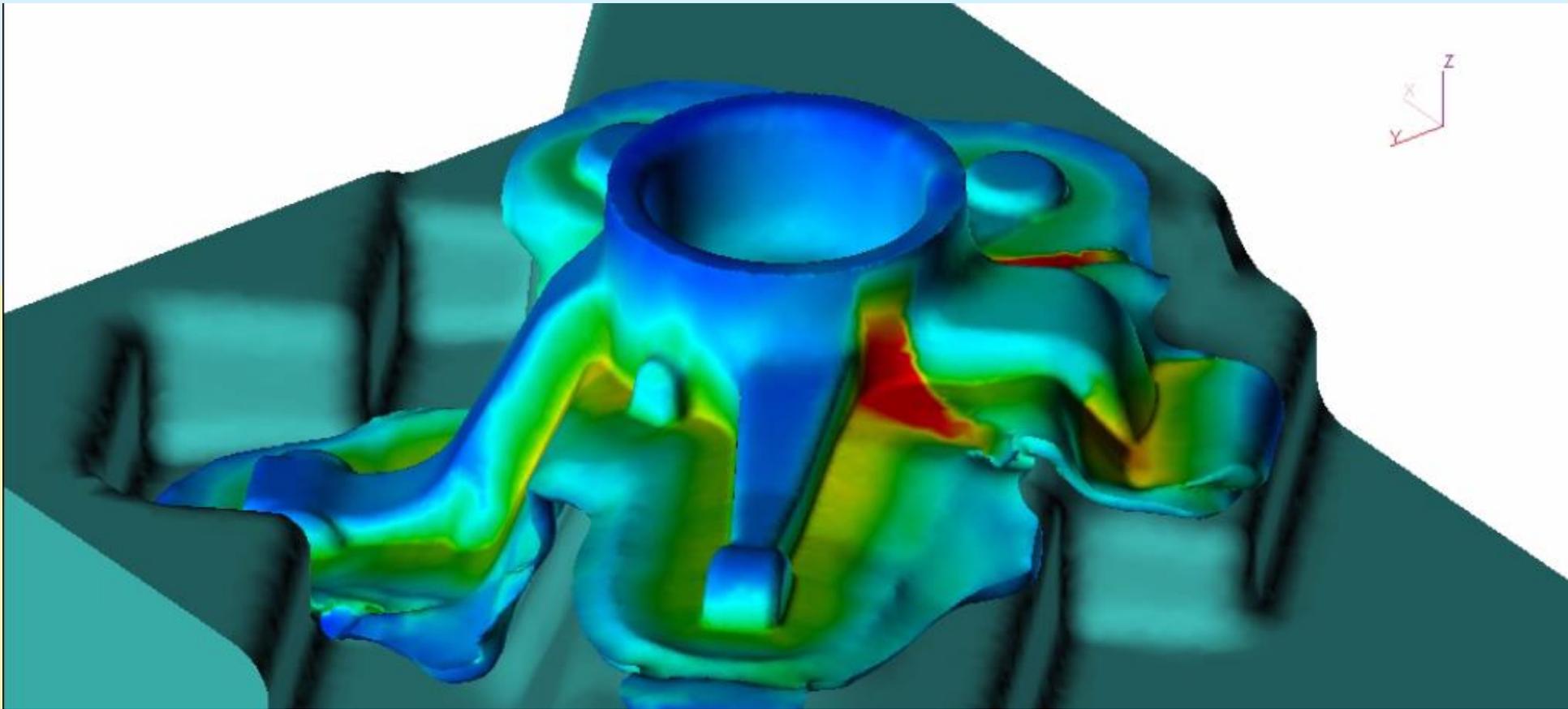
**Advanced mesh generation method that easily works folds and laps
and never crashes**



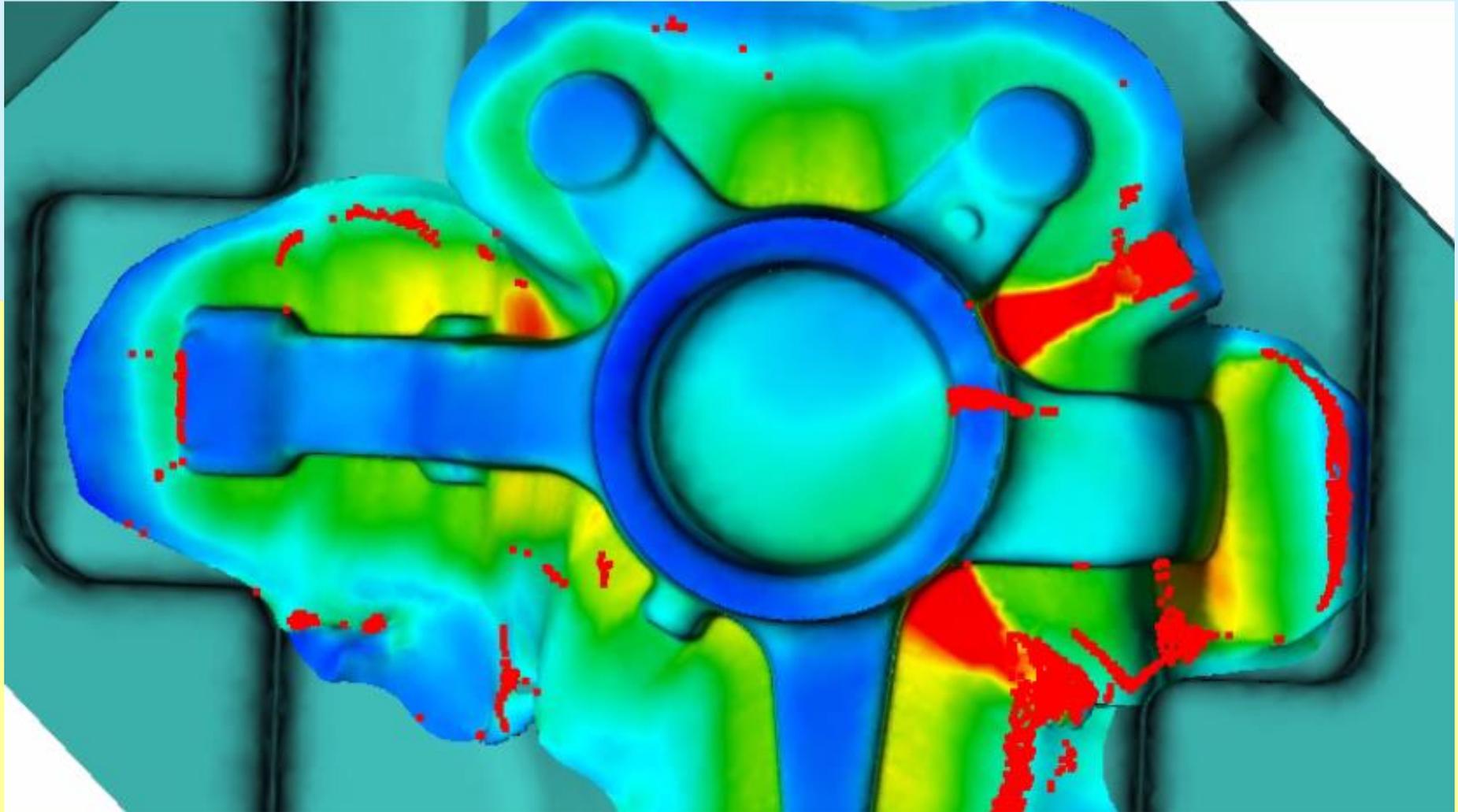
Tracking folds and laps from blow to blow



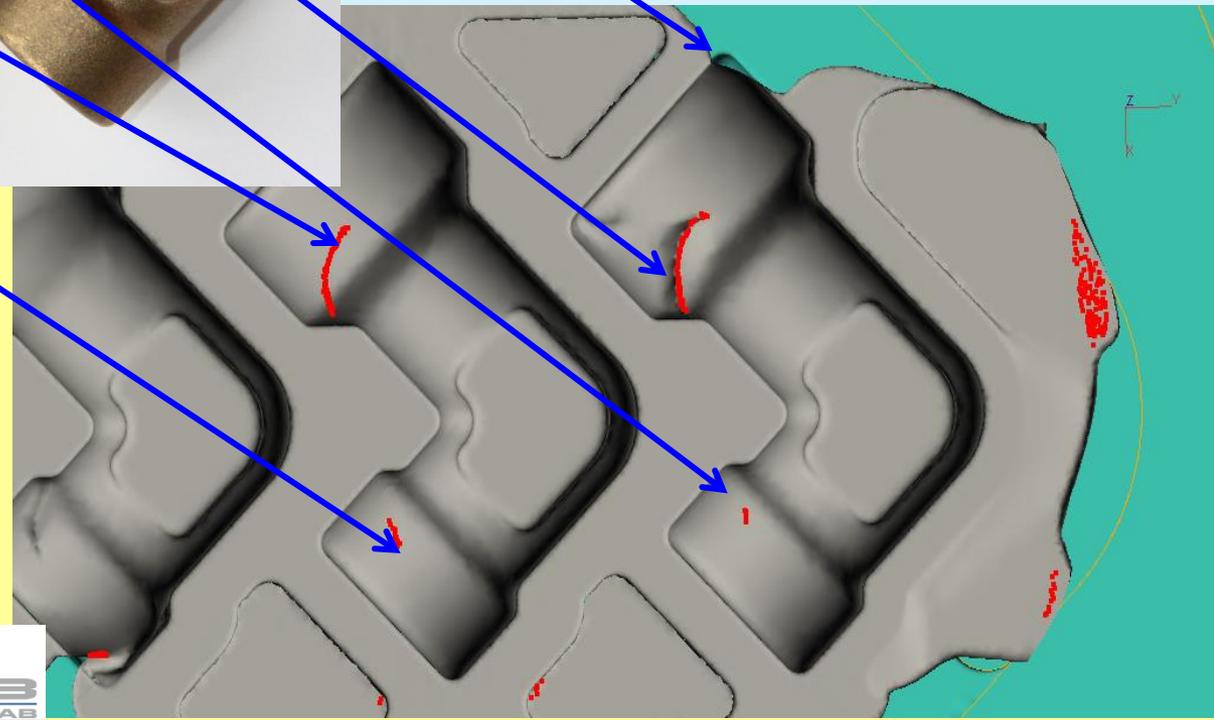
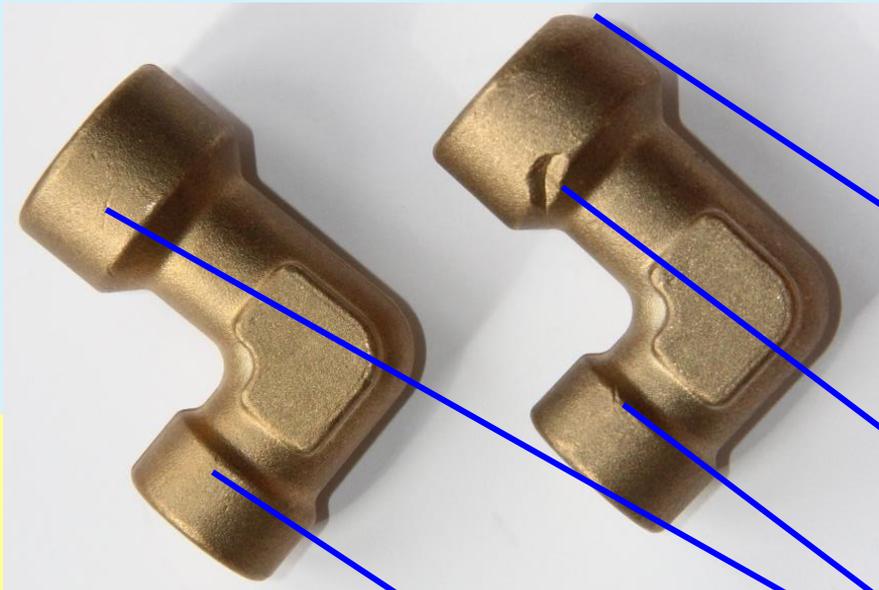
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Best performance in predicting forging defects



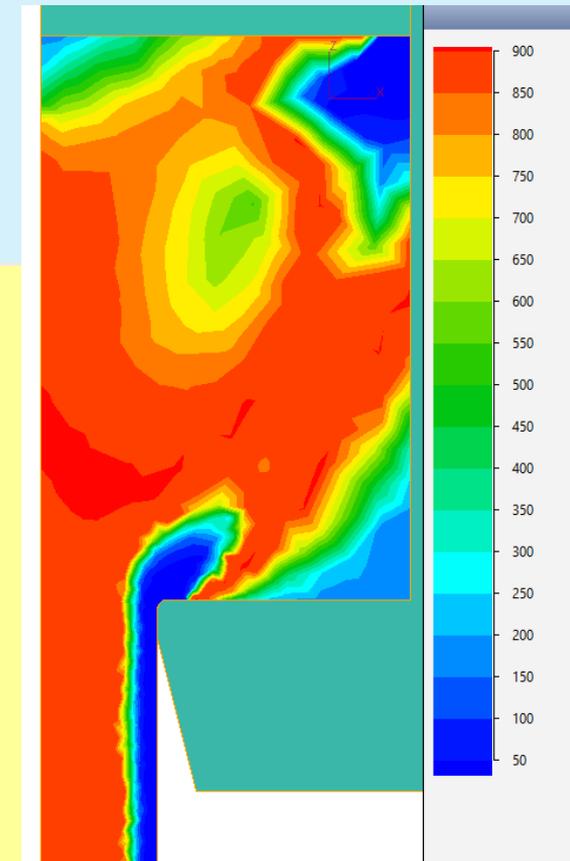
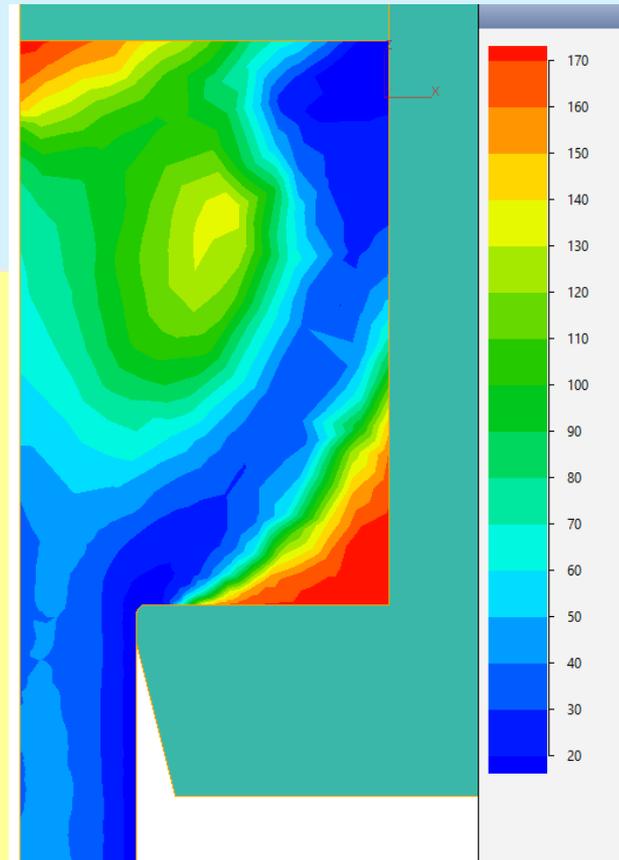
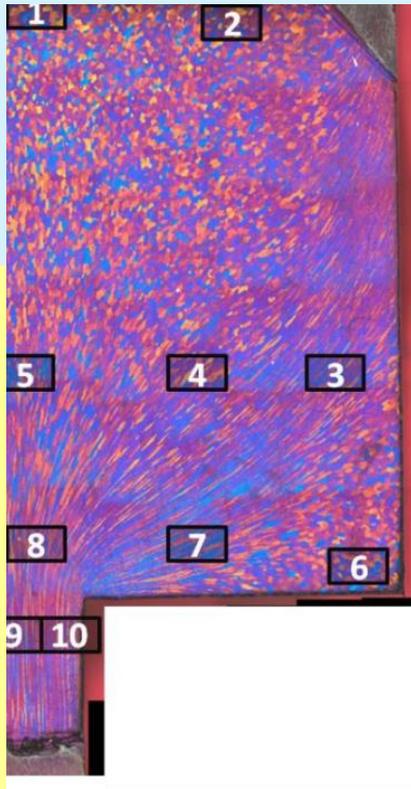
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Variety of material models has been already developed in QForm 7 environment and they can be shared within community for use and modifications

Example: Microstructural modelling of aluminium alloy AA6060 (extrusion)

Grains thickness (mkm)

Grain length (mkm)



The next QForm 7 simulation seminar is on 23-24 of October 2014 in Oxford



Details on www.qform3d.co.uk

Thank you!

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