

Mechanisch testen *van polymeer en
composiet structuren aan UGent:
praktische handleiding voor bedrijven*

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Group: Mechanics of Materials and Structures (MMS)

- **Expertise**

- Experimental testing

- (structures / components)

- (static / dynamic / fatigue)

- Simulation (FE-analyse)

- Material characterization

- (polymers / composite / metals)

- Non-Destructive testing (NDT)

- (Ultrasound / Polar scan / Micro-CT / SEM)

- **Application areas:**

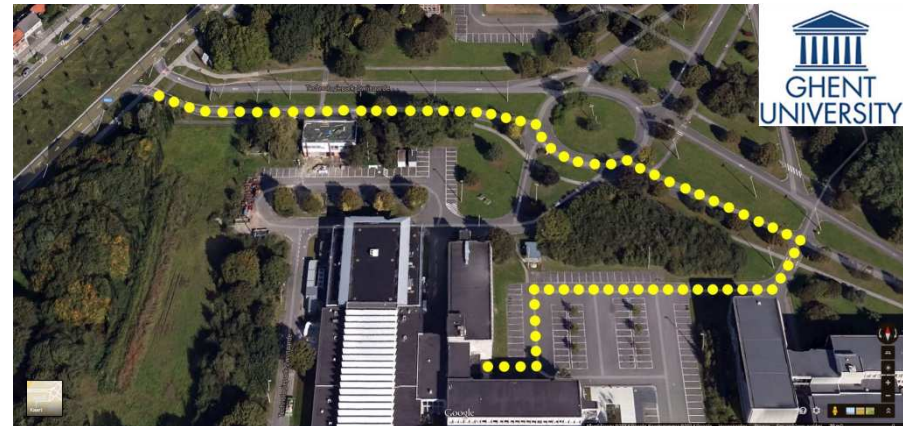
- Aerospace, Automotive, Wind energy,

- Sport, Plastics, ...

- **Focus: Research and services**

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

1. Mechanical testing in the design process

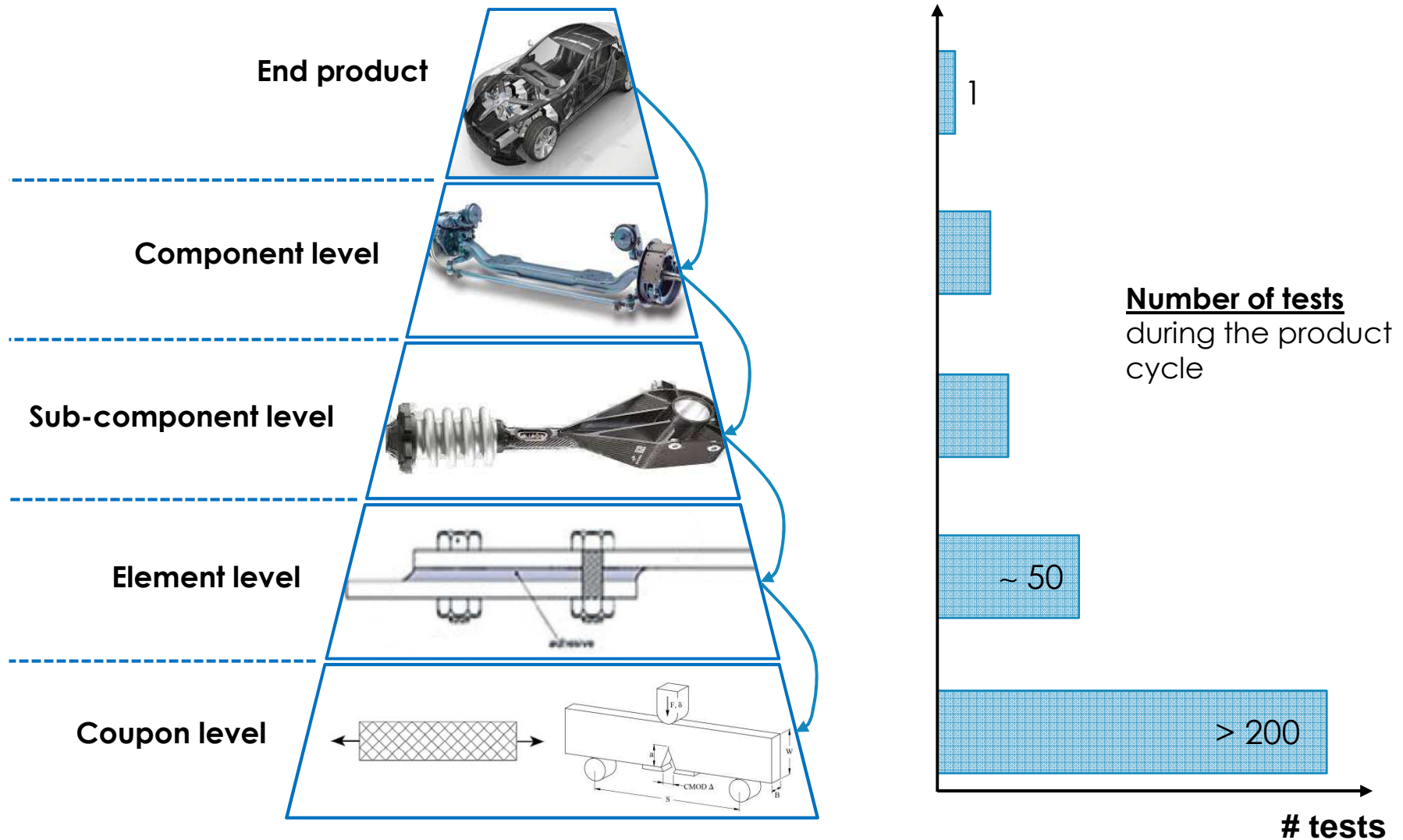


2. Test facilities at MMS

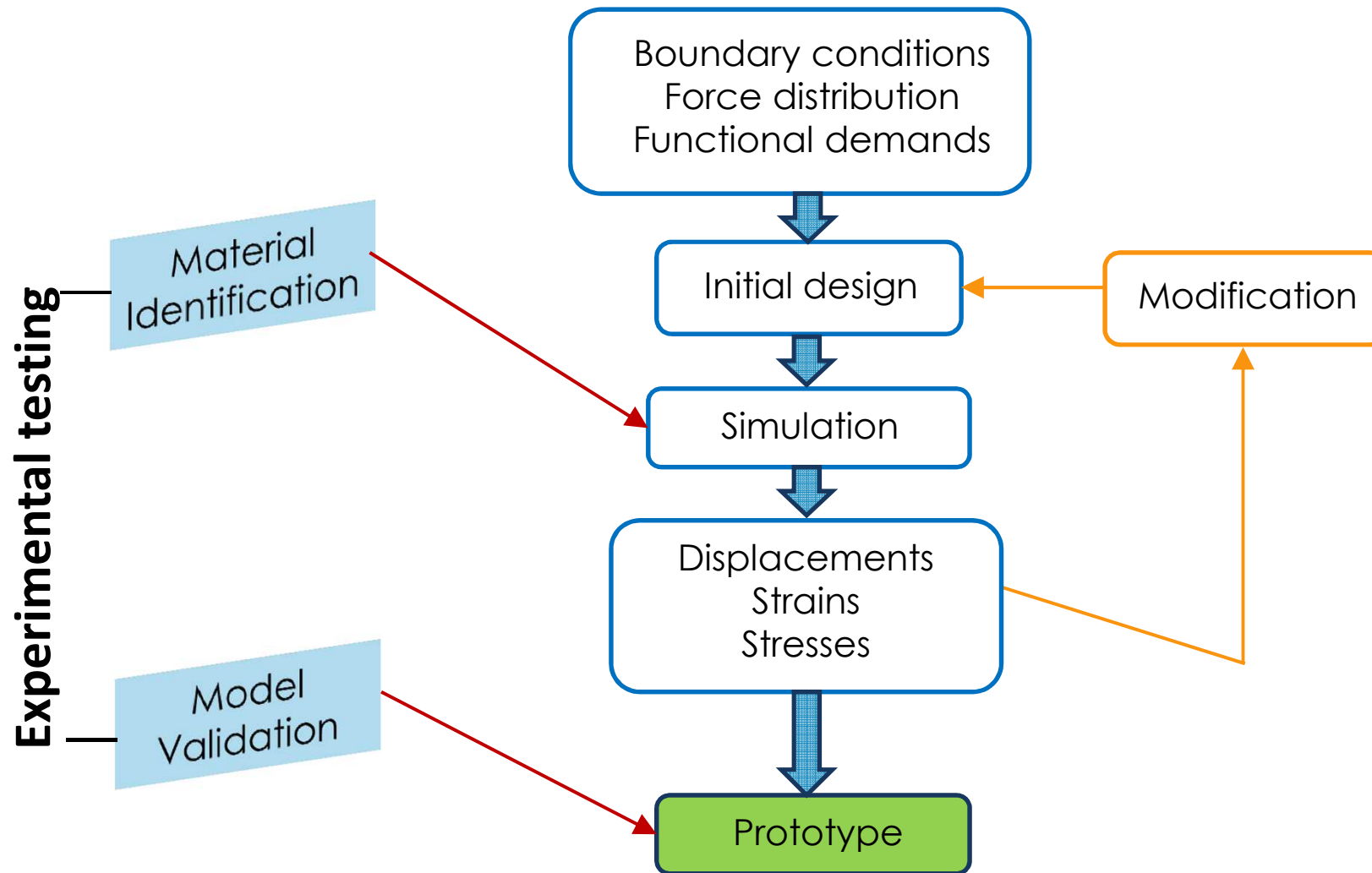
3. Case studies

Building blocks in design – Need for testing

Vb.: Automotive

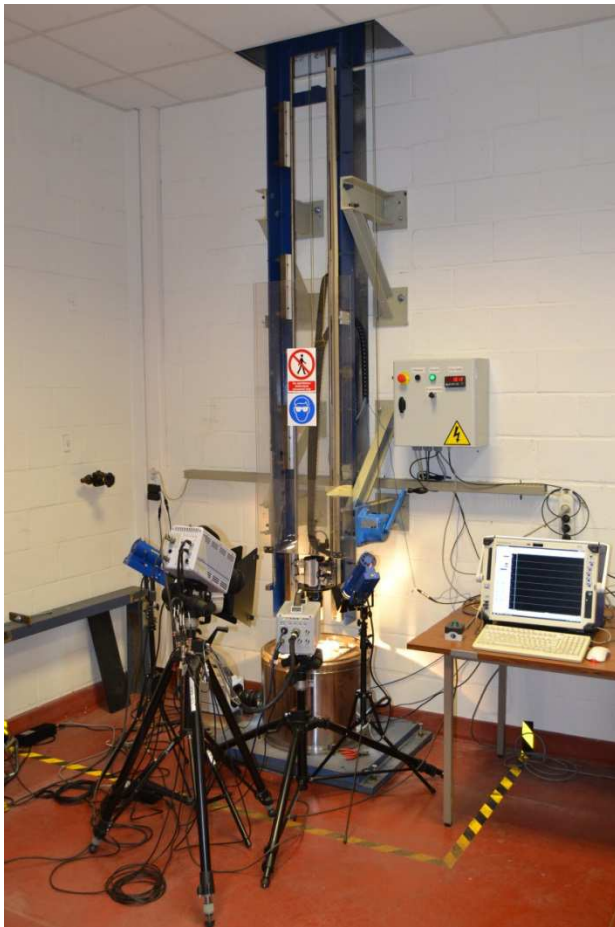


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Facilities for mechanical testing

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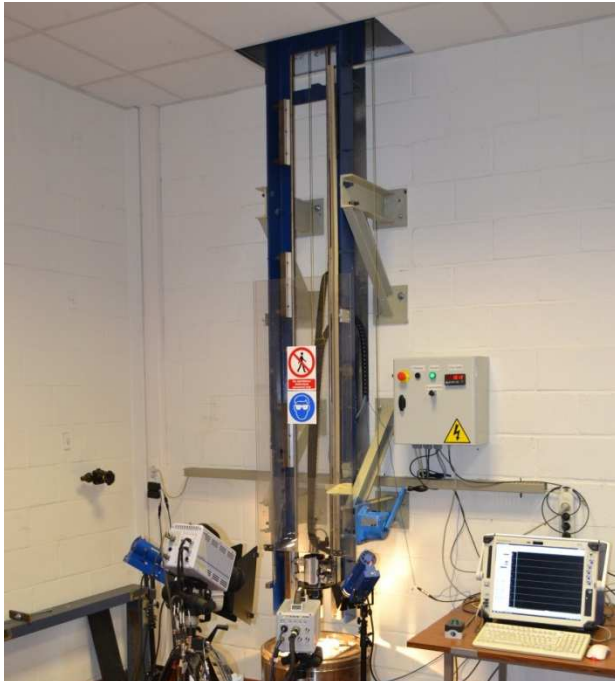
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PROPERTIES

Drop height	10 – 3000 mm
Drop mass	6.57 kg
Velocity range	0.4 – 7.0 m/s
Energy range	0.6 – 200 J
Peak force	22 kN
Data acquisition	Tot 1.000.000 samples/sec
• Force	
• Displacement	
• Acceleration	
• Strains	

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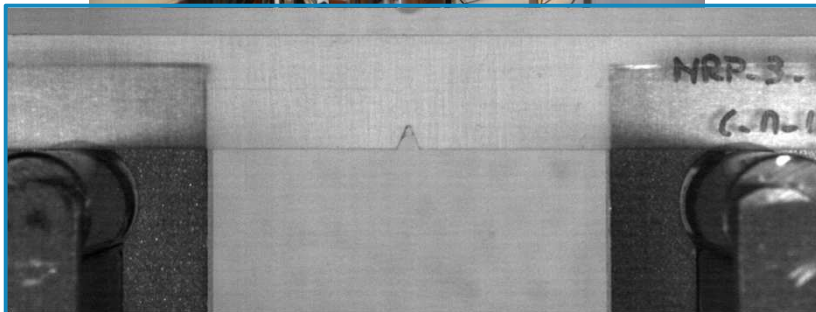
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ADDITIONAL ACQUISITION

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Facilities for mechanical testing

TENSION, COMPRESSION, BENDING



Force range	10 N – 100 kN
Climate chamber	-100 °C → +350 °C

Setups	Tension / compression Fracture toughness 3P en 4P bending Compression after impact Custom design
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ADDITIONELE ACQUISITIE

Measuring strain	Extensometers Strain gauges Optical fibres Online camera monitoring (Digital Image Correlation)
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Instron 5800R



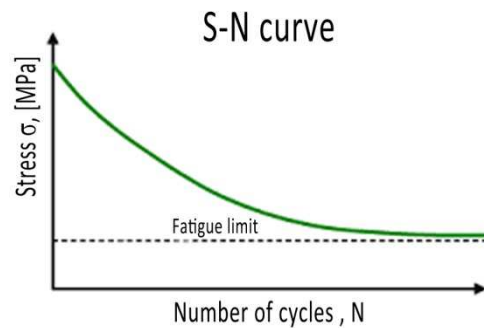
Instron 5569

+ **Preparation** of samples
(dogbones, Charpy notch, ...)

Facilities for mechanical testing

FATIGUE

(TENSION, COMPRESSION, BENDING, CRACK GROWTH)



Instron 8801



Force range

5 kN – 100 kN

Setups

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Fracture toughness
Crack growth
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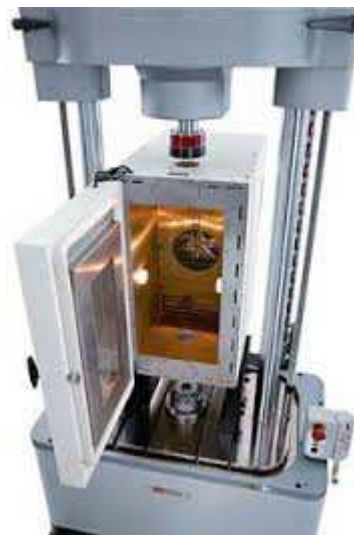
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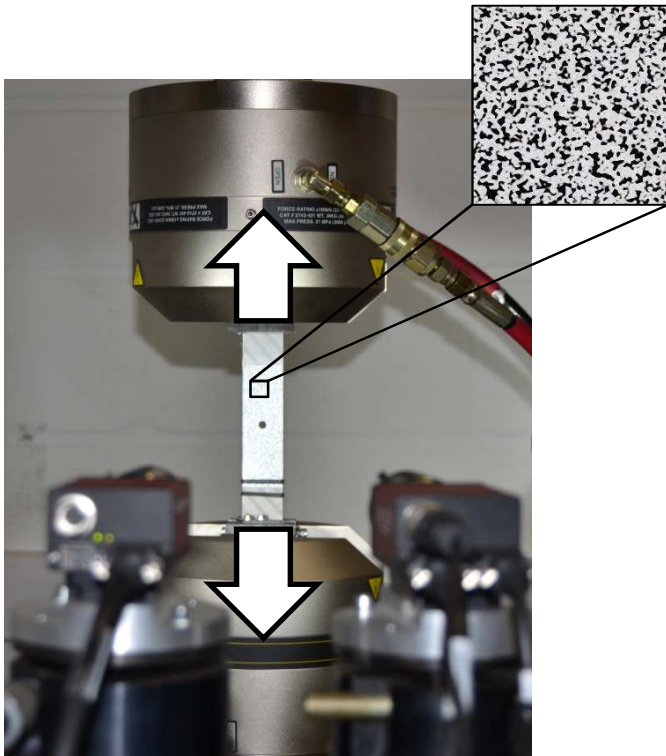
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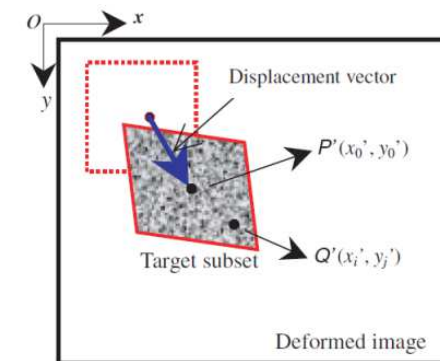
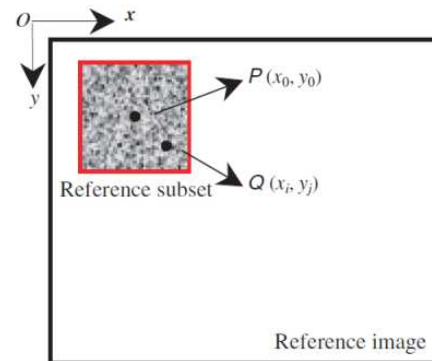
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	Static and dynamic
	Contactless



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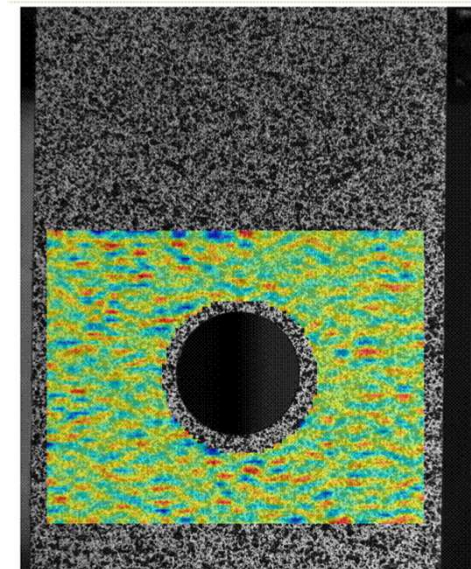
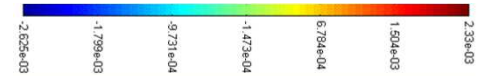
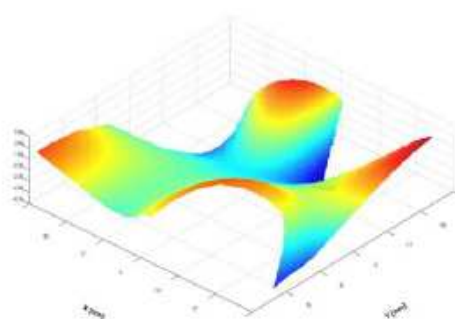
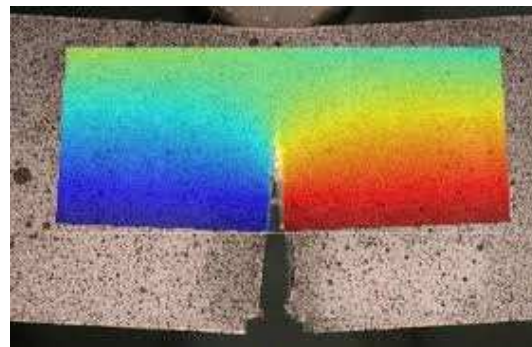
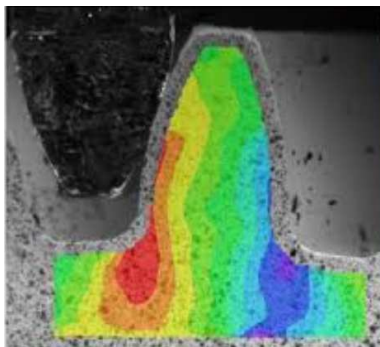
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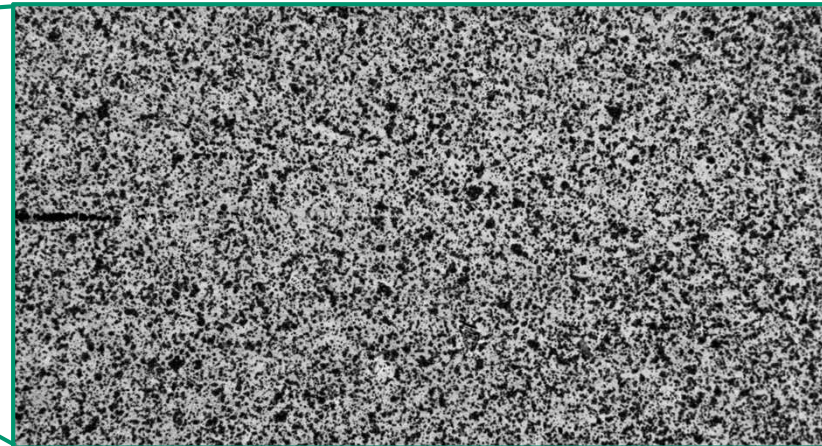
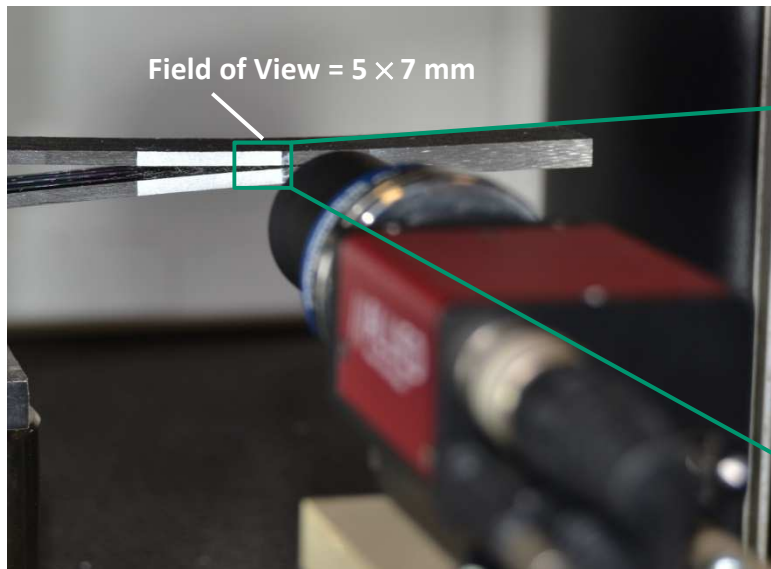
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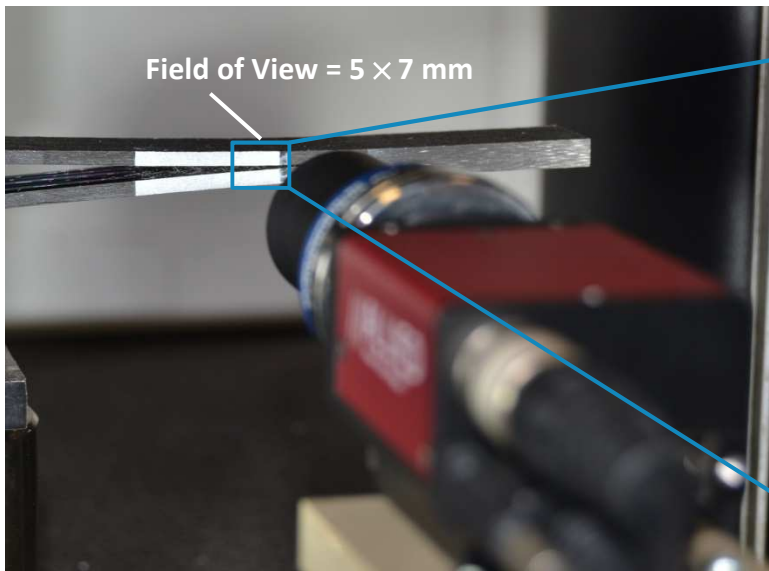
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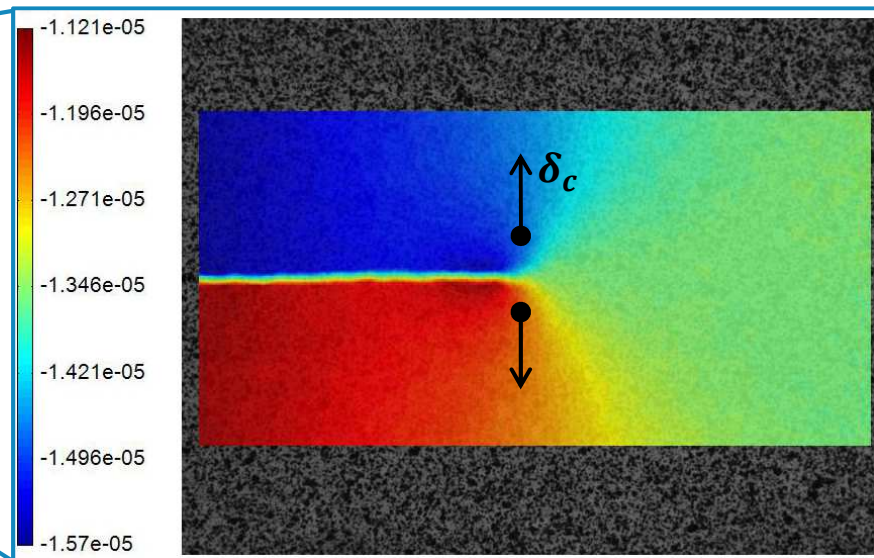
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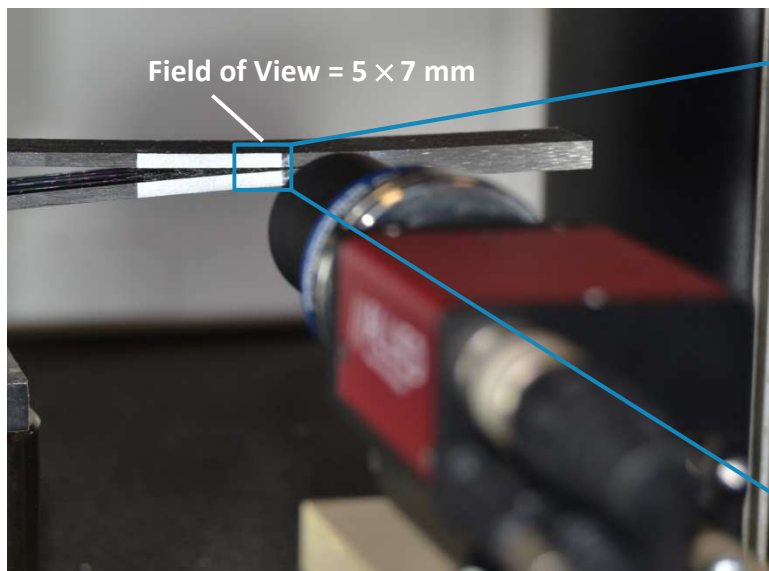
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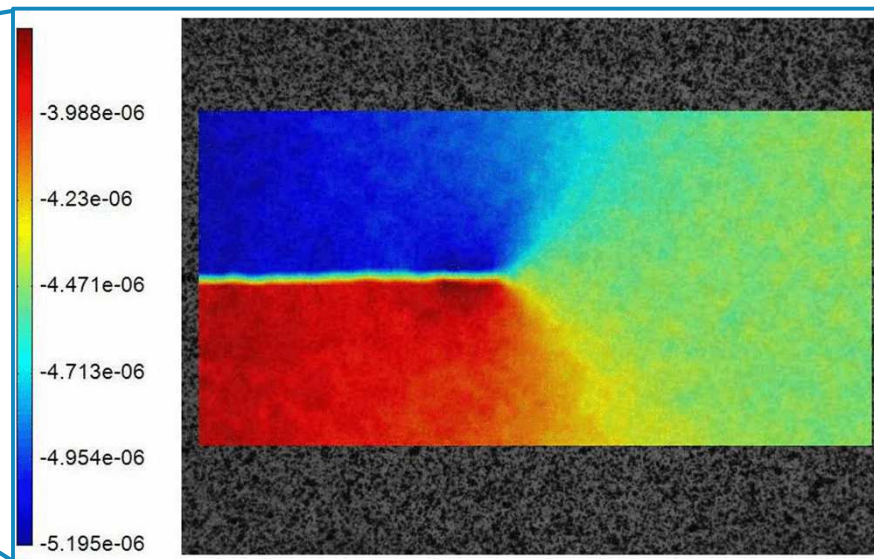
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CASE STUDIES

HOW WE MADE IT HAPPEN



CASE STUDY #1: **LAZER**[®] HELMETS

Impact tests on EPS foams

CASE STUDY #2: **BEKAERT**

Compression tests on steel wires

CASE STUDY #3: **HONDA**

Impact tests on carbon reinforced epoxy composites

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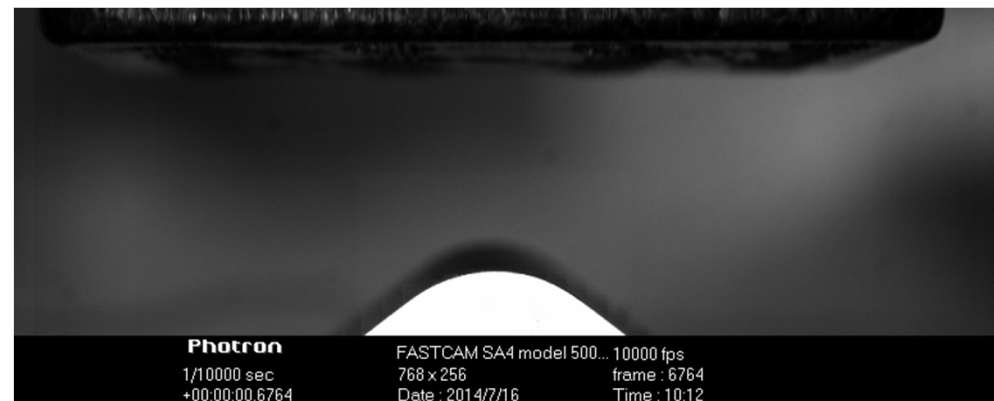
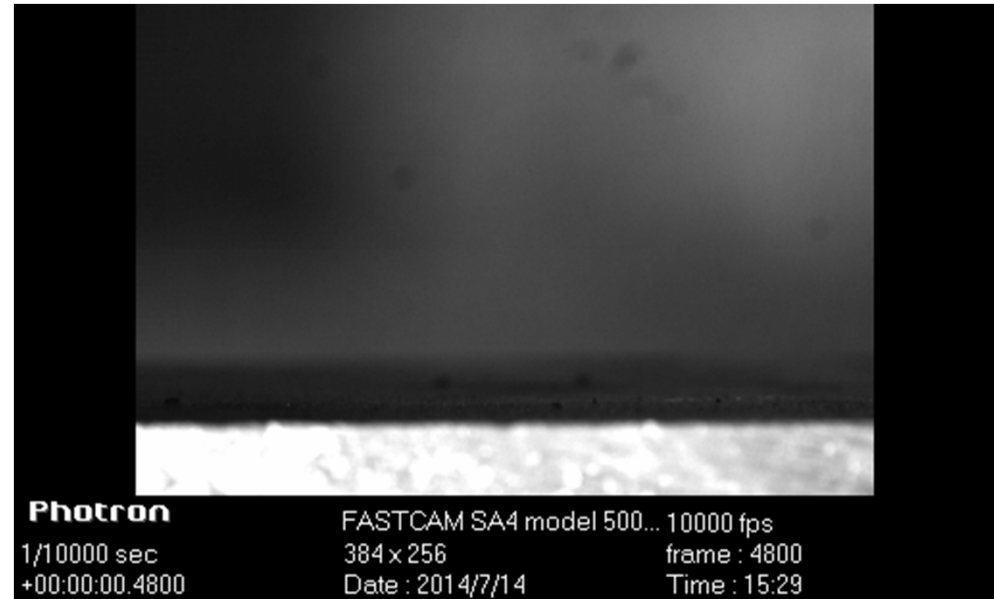
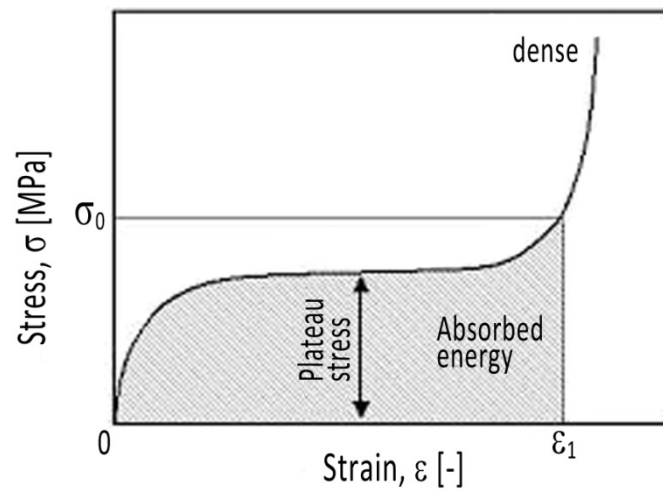


Material choice?

Foams with the **highest level of energy absorption**

Dynamic impact testing
at different energy levels.

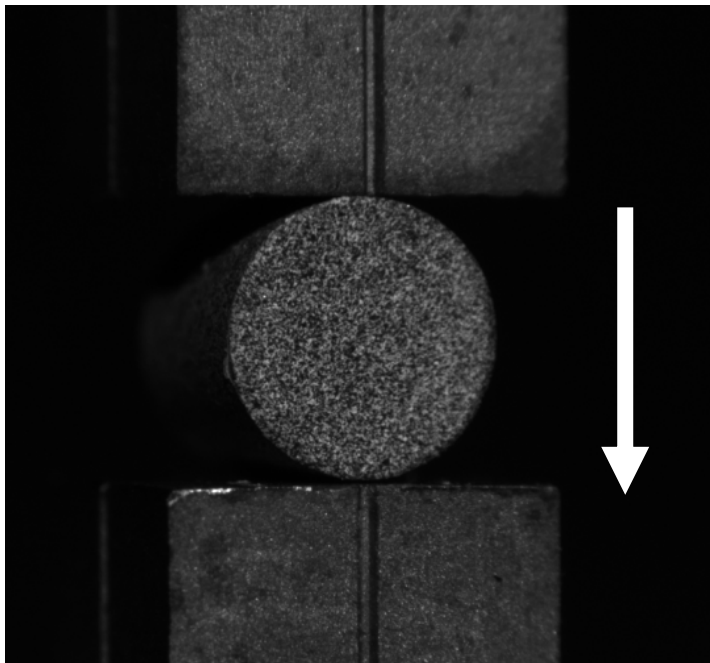
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Material behaviour?

Deformation of steel wires
under compressive loading
conditions?

Online full-field measuring
of 3-dimensional strain
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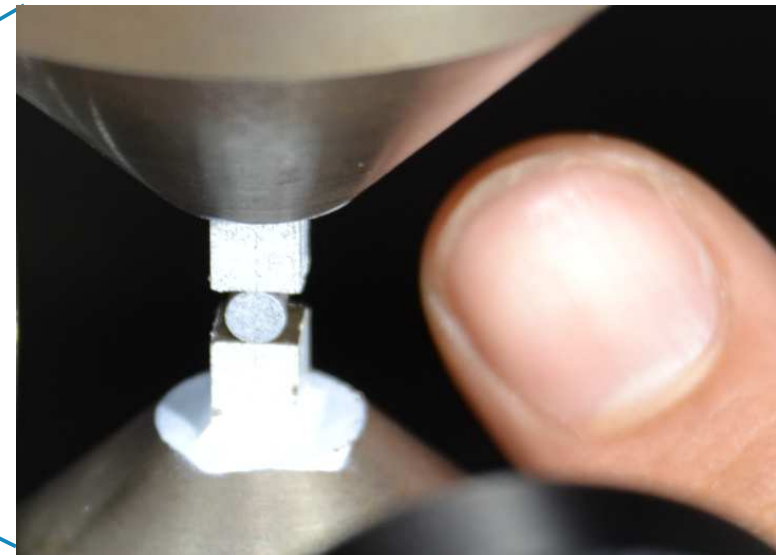
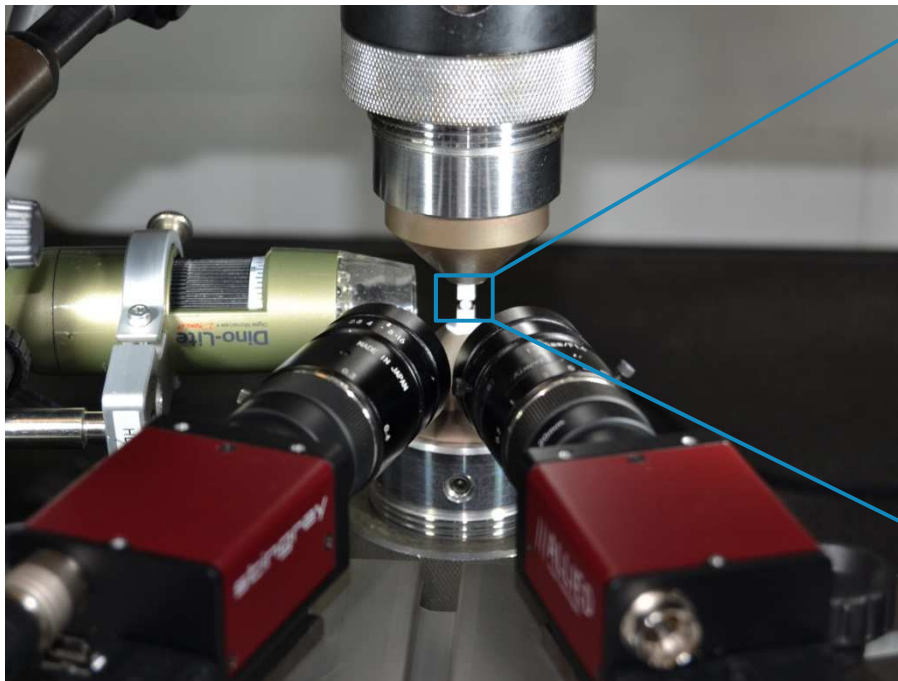
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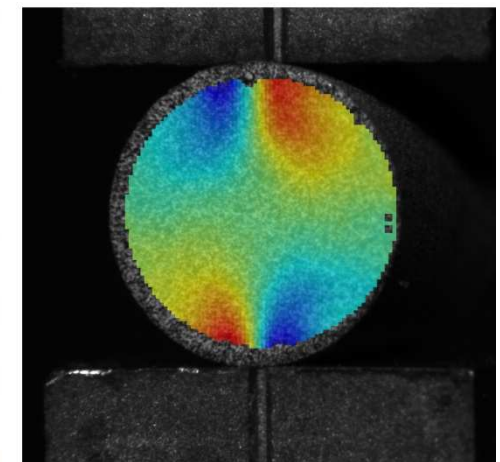
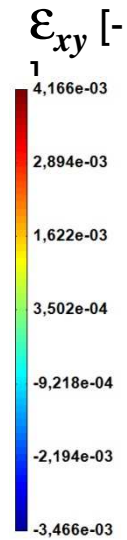
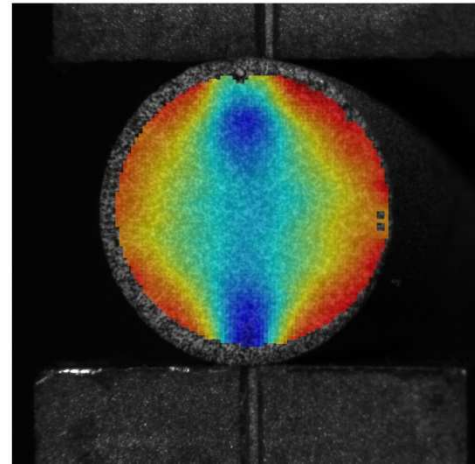
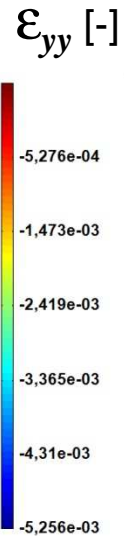
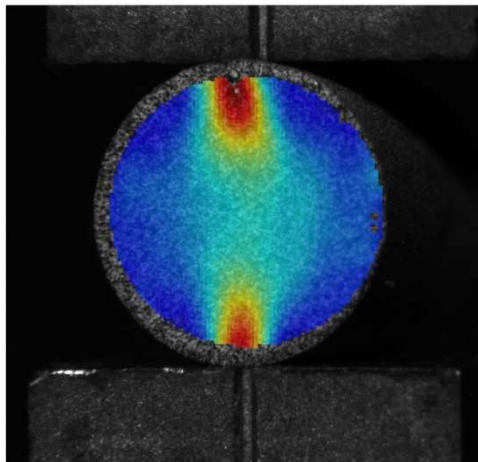
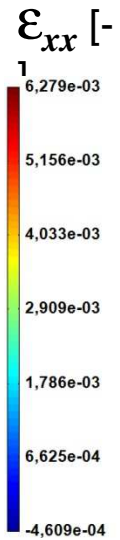
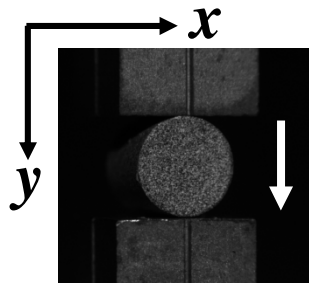


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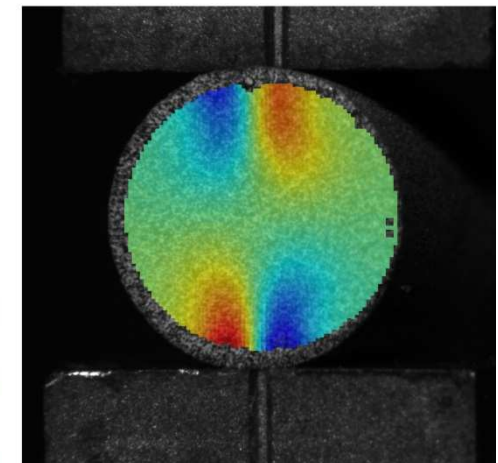
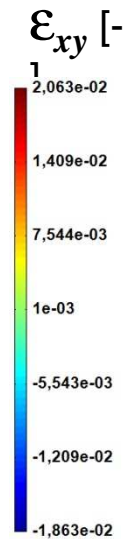
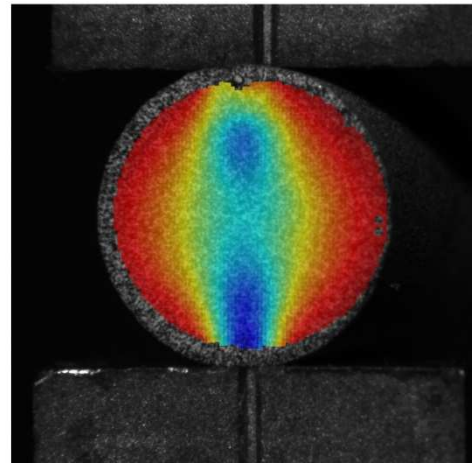
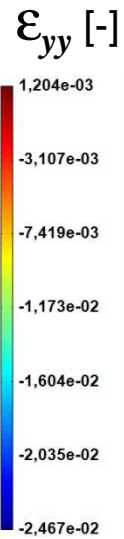
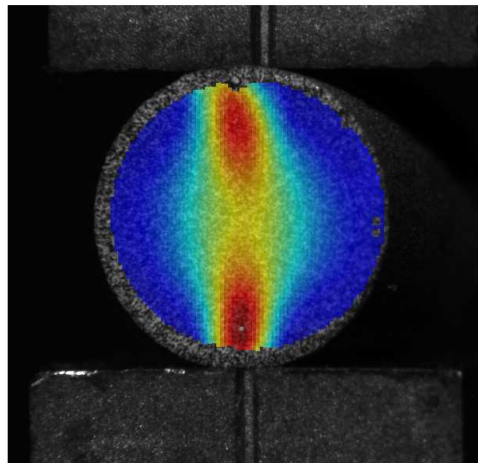
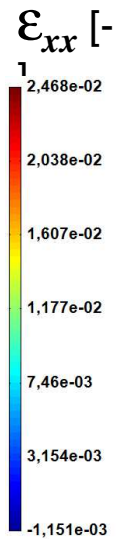
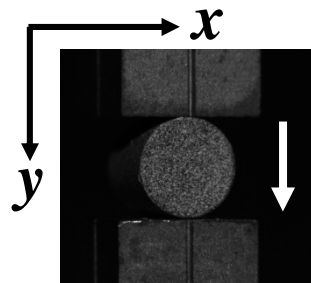


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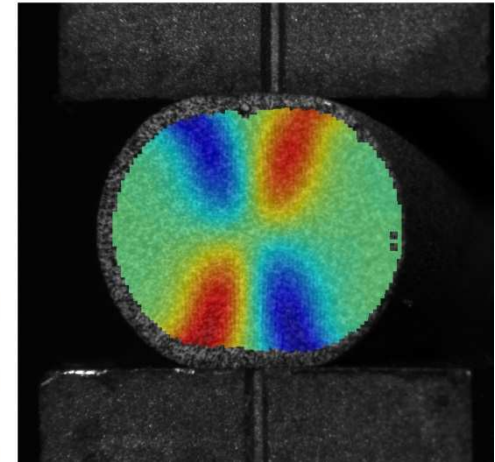
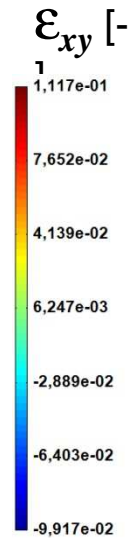
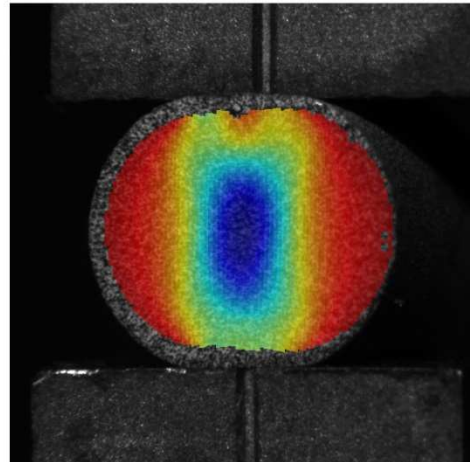
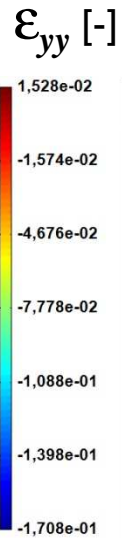
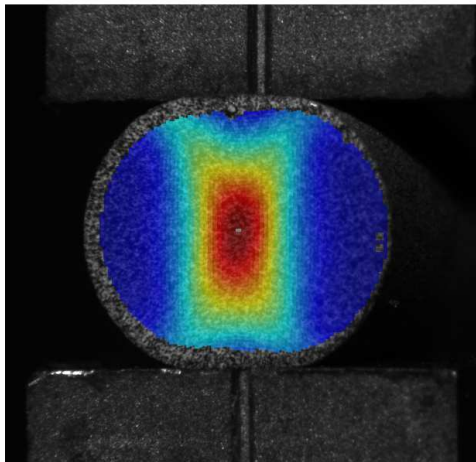
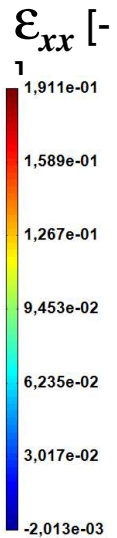
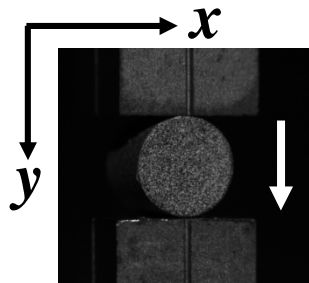


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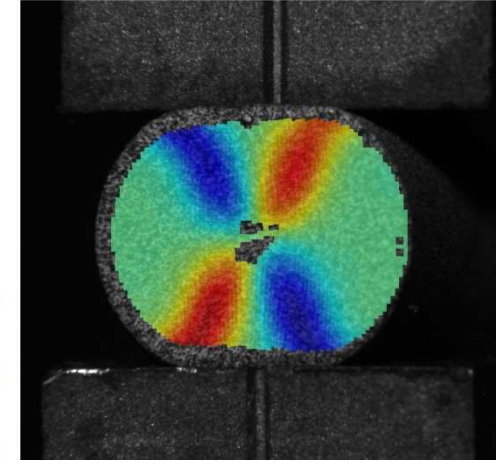
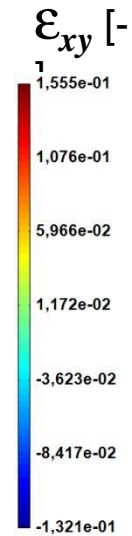
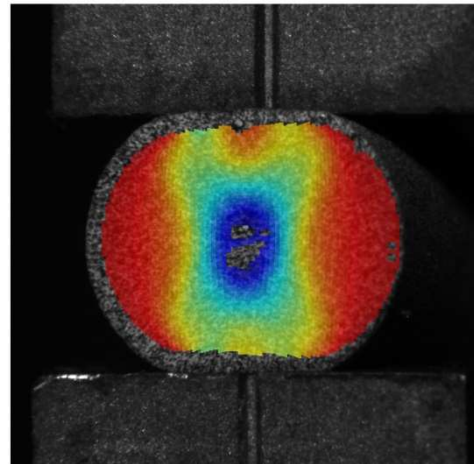
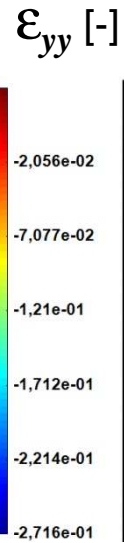
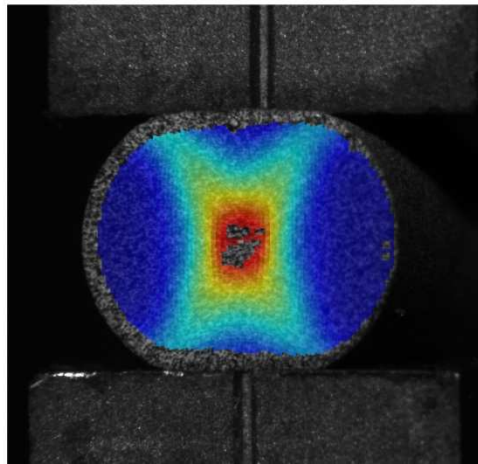
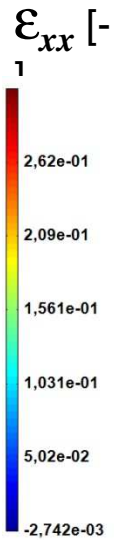
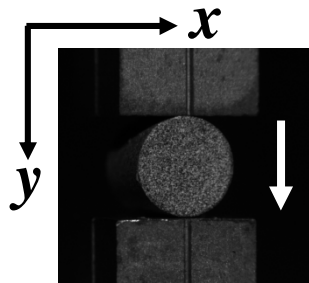


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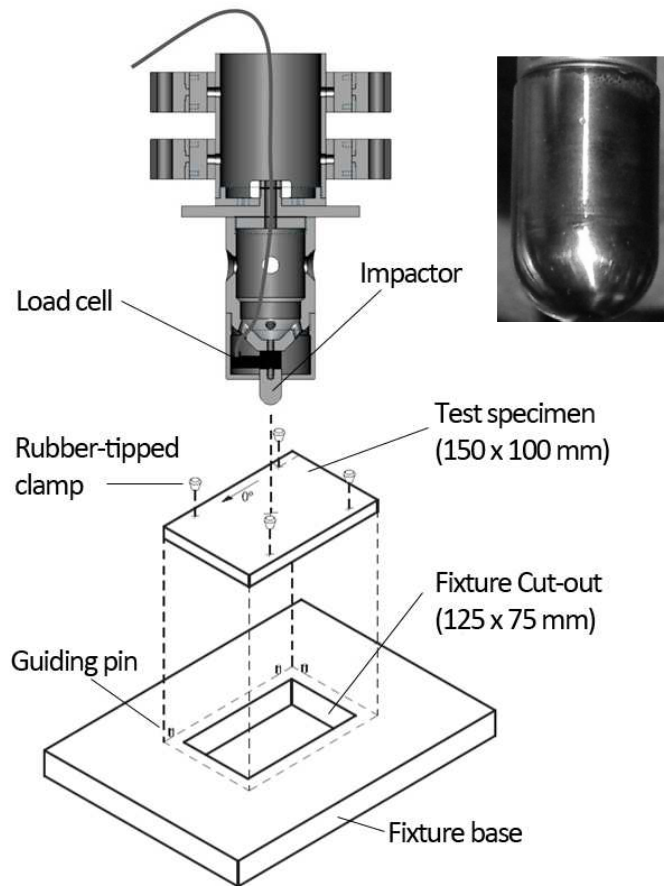
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Effect of low-velocity impact on CFRP composite laminate?

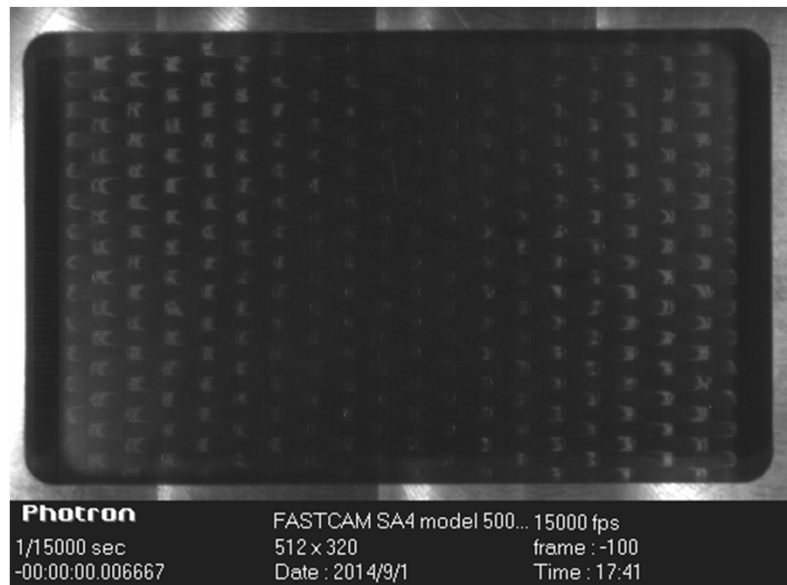
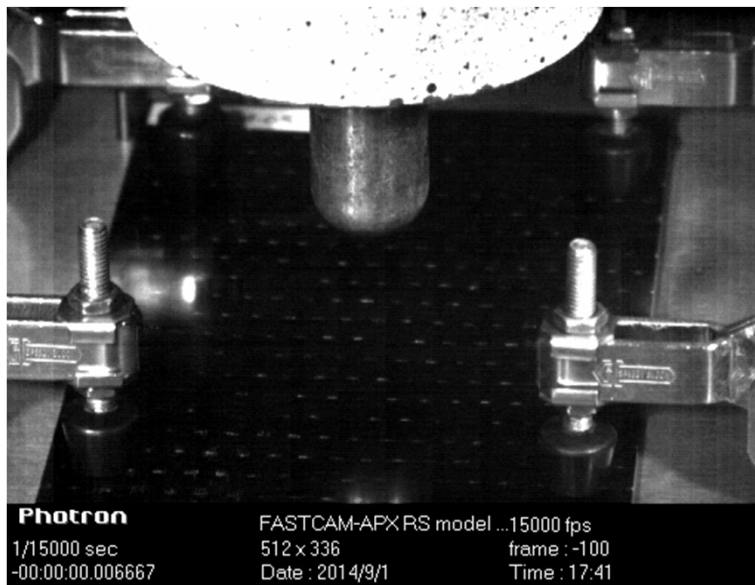
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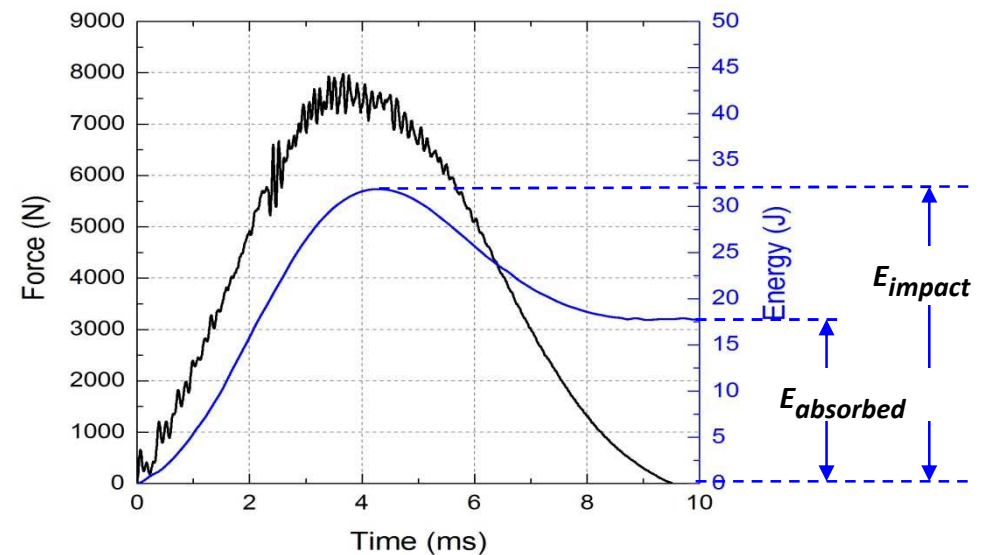
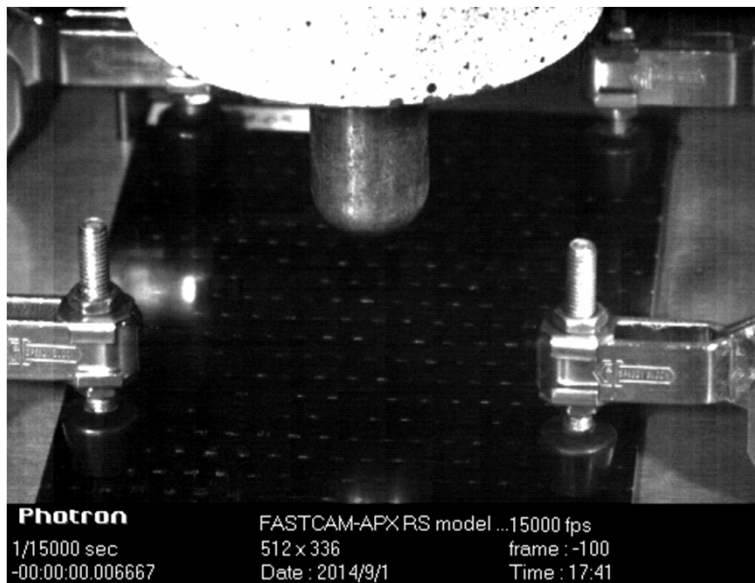
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Cross-ply – 32 Joule impact energy
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Test Methods

TENSILE:

- Composite materials ASTM D3039
- Sandwich Core Materials ASTM C297
- Open-Hole ASTM D5766
- Plastics ASTM D638

COMPRESSION:

- Composite materials ASTM D3410
- Plastics ASTM D695
- Open Hole ASTM D6484

FLEXURAL:

- Composite materials ASTM D7264
- Four-point bending ASTM D6272
- Plastics D790

SHEAR:

- Composite in-plane shear ASTM D3518
- Short beam shear ASTM D2344
- Shear by Puncture ASTM D732
- Real shear ASTM D7078

PEEL:

- Peel adhesion to rigid substrates ASTM D3330
- T-peel of adhesives ASTM D1876

LAP SHEAR:

- Lap shear adhesively bonded plastics ASTM D3163
- Lap shear adhesive joints ASTM D3528
- Lap shear adhesion for fiber reinforced plastics ASTM D5868

IMPACT:

- Damage resistance ASTM D7136
- Impact testing ASTM D3736
- Charpy impact resistance of plastics ASTM D6610
- IZOD impact resistance of plastics ASTM D256
- Compression After Impact testing ASTM D7137

FRACTURE TOUGHNESS:

- Composite materials Mode I ASTM 5528
- Composite mixed-mode ASTM D6671
- Fatigue crack growth ASTM E399

ANALYTICAL:

- Density of materials ASTM D792
- Fibre volume fractions
- Ignition loss ASTM D2584
- Void content ASTM D2734

Making use of UGent expertise?

- Via dienstverlening
- Via bedrijfsprojecten rechtsreeks bilateraal of via het IWT
- Via KMO-portefeuille voor technologieverkenning
- Via Baekelandmandaten, SBO's, ...
- Via deelname aan Europese projecten



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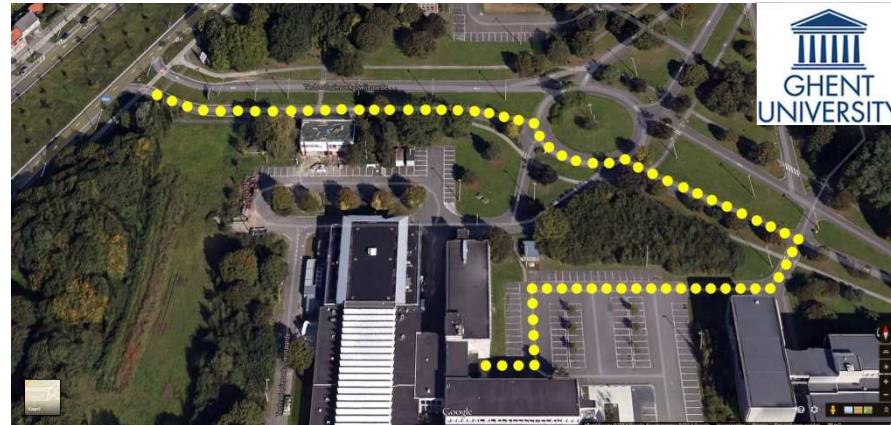
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