

# CSMT

**Prova di impatto-trazione sui materiali  
polimerici con torre a caduta di grave:  
Recenti sviluppi strumentali**

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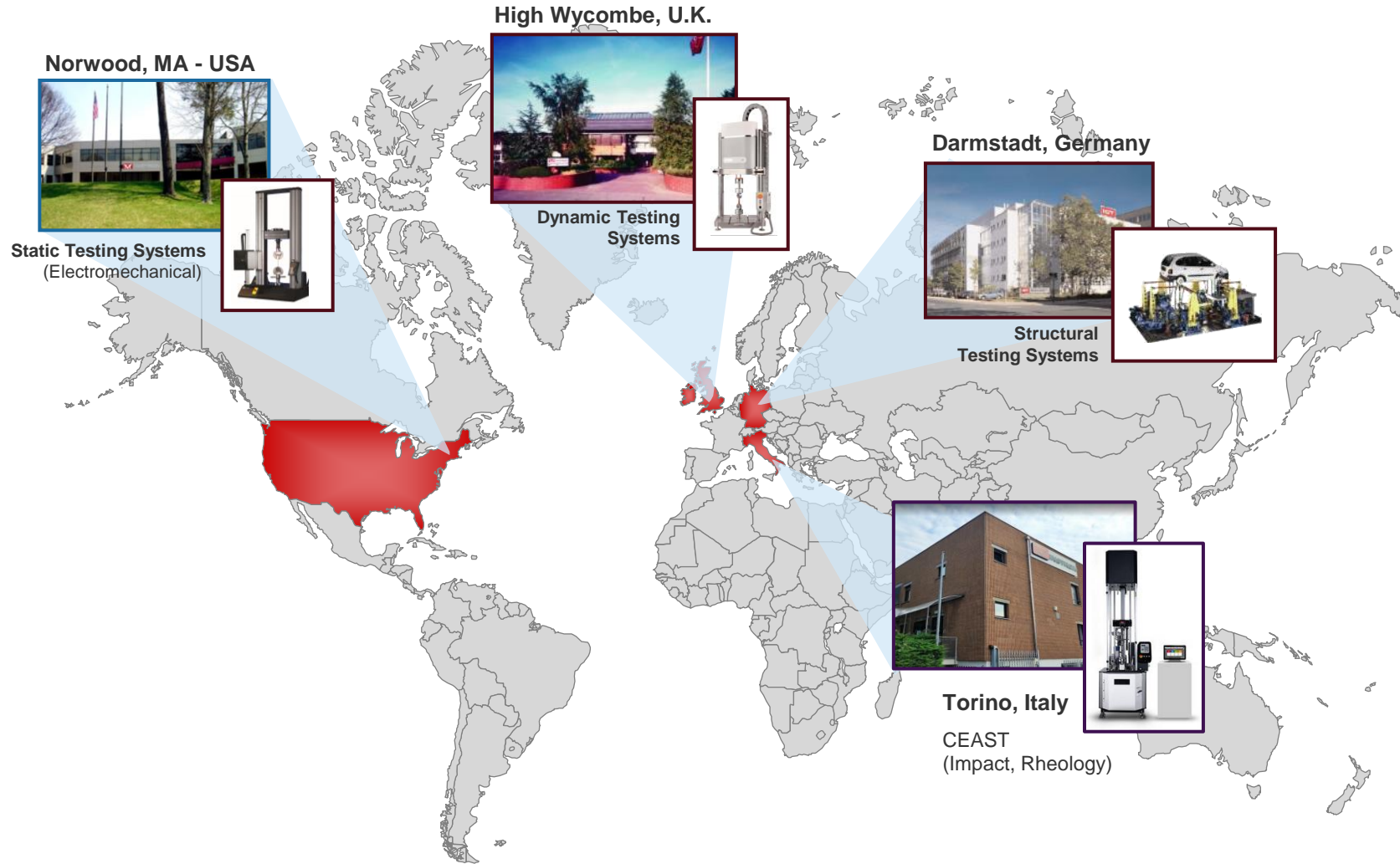
# | Agenda seminario



Proprietà dei materiali e trasferibilità da provino a manufatto: metodi, strumenti, successi nella caratterizzazione dei materiali polimerici

*Prova di impatto-trazione sui materiali polimerici con torre a caduta di grave: Recenti sviluppi strumentali – A. Incardona e A. Calzolari*

- INSTRON
- DROP TOWER
- TENSILE IMPACT
- HIGH SPEED CAMERA
- DIC ANALYSIS



## INSTRON/CEAST GROUP

- Instron® was founded in 1946 – material testing market leader
- CEAST (Italy) founded in 1953. In 2008 was acquired from INSTRON (*ITW Test and Measurement Division*)

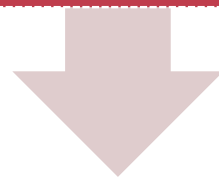
# | Why Impact Test?

## Computer Aided Engineering (CAE)

Disagreement between simulation and test results has been pointed out for drop and impact evaluations

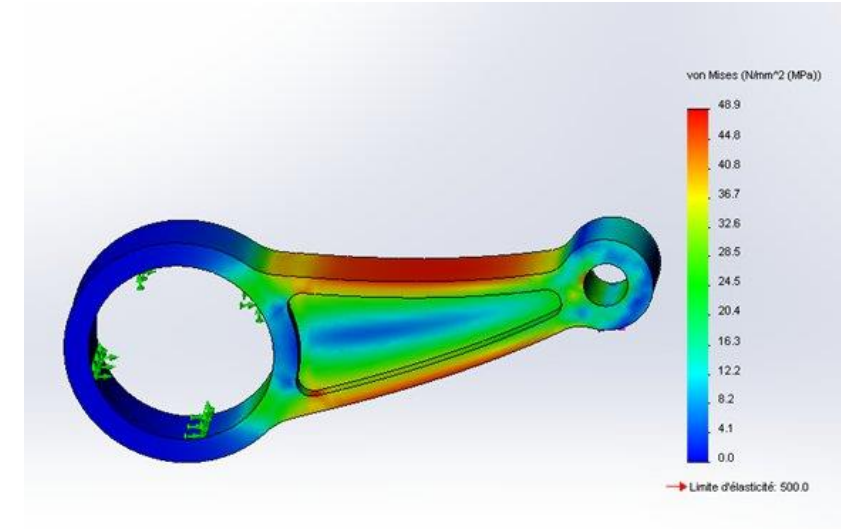
A wide variety of polymeric materials involved in the product development have a sensitivity to strain rate.

Quasi-static tensile tests are not enough to obtain the mechanical properties used for the CAE analysis

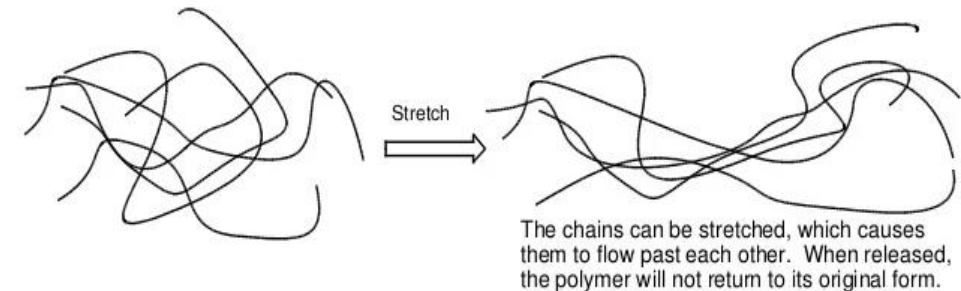


To make an evaluation of the mechanical properties at different strain rates is needed to:

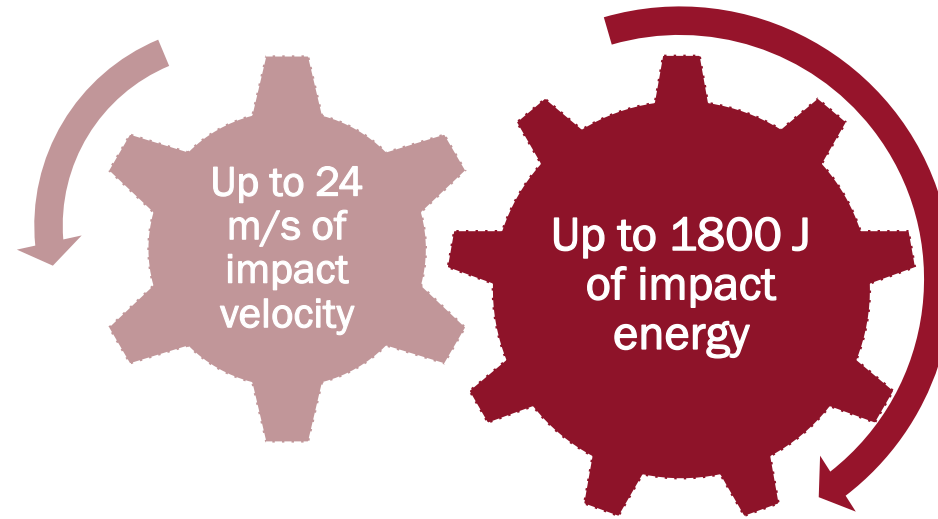
- Perform a tensile-impact test at a moderate-high or high velocities;
- Disclose all the effects that affects the Force acquisition;
- Understand how strain and strain rate is distributed throughout specimens



$$\sigma = E \cdot \varepsilon + \eta \cdot \dot{\varepsilon}$$

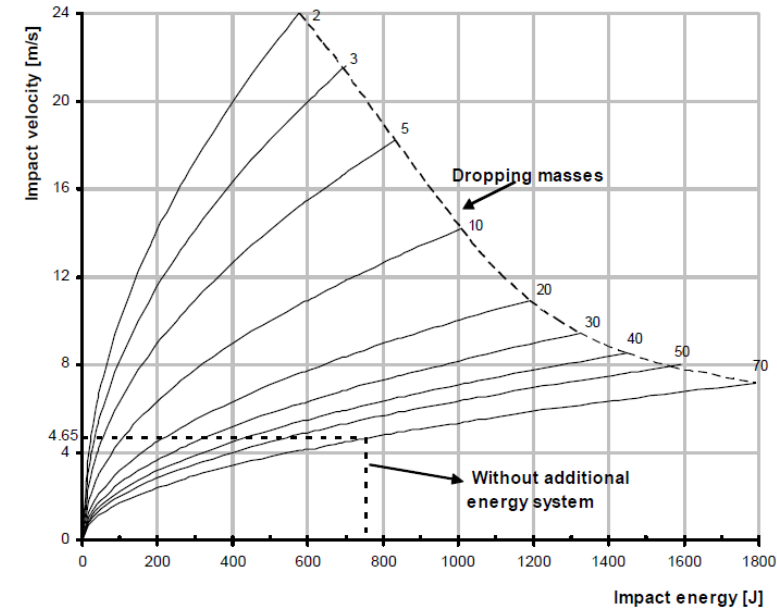
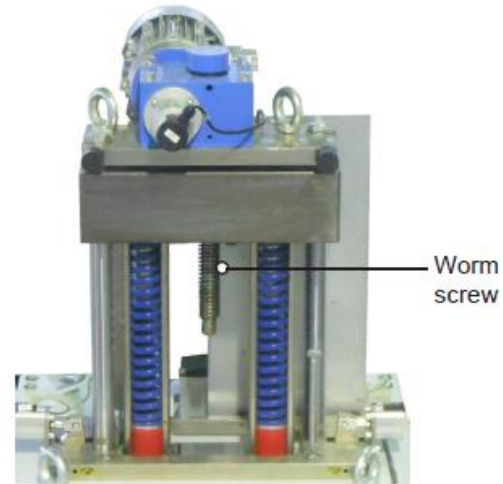


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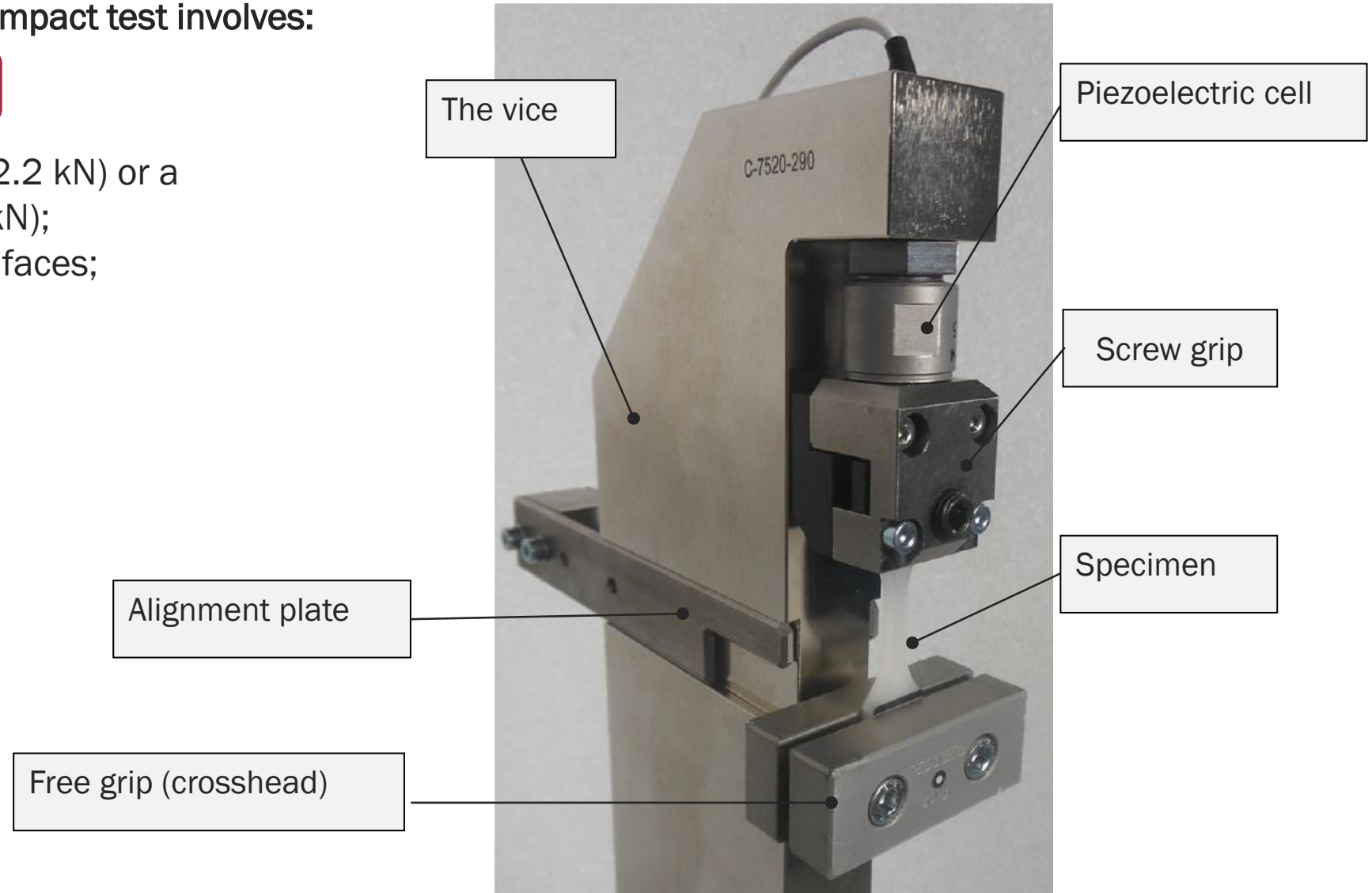
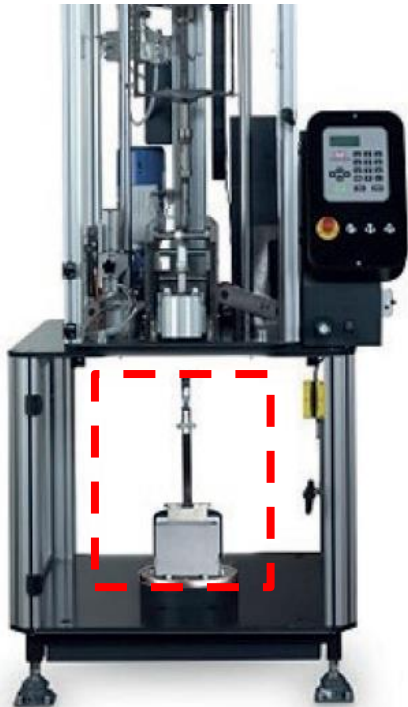


# | The Tensile Impact Test

The specific setup for the tensile-impact test involves:

## A Tensile Impact Vice, with:

- A piezoelectric load cell (up to 2.2 kN) or a strain-gauge sensor (up to 30 kN);
- A screw grip with V-shaped jaw faces;
- A calibrated free tensile grip;



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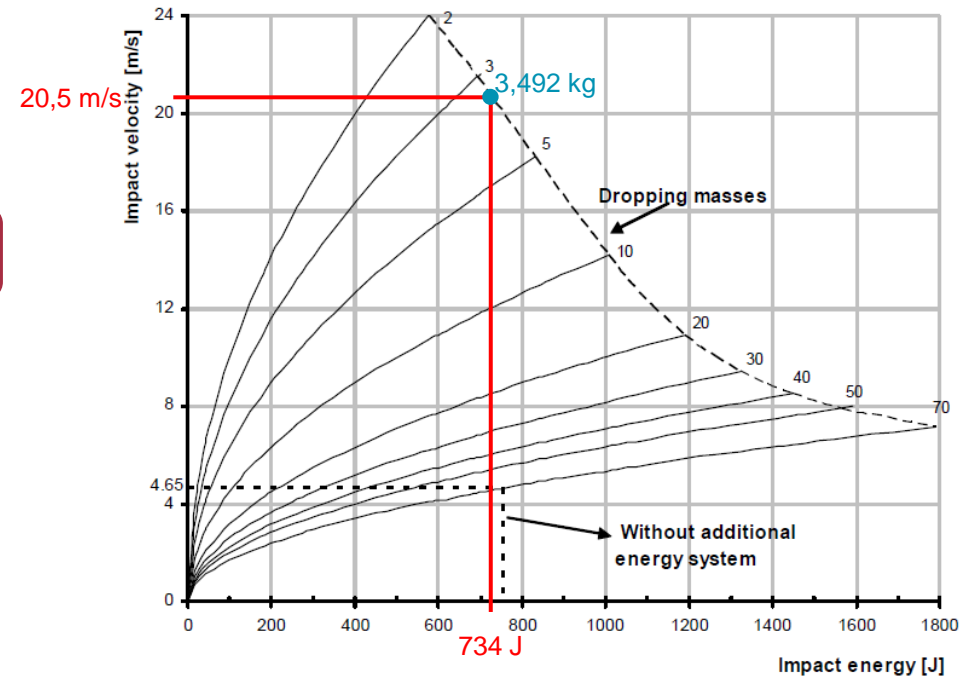
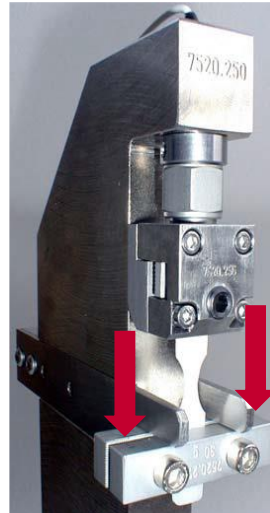
A dedicated striker for ISO 8256 method A



Light Tup holder: 1,3 kg



Striker for tensile impact:  
2,192 kg



Total falling mass: 3,492 kg

Maximum  
Impact Energy:  
734 J

Maximum  
Impact velocity:  
20,5 m/s





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## A Data Acquisition System



### DAS (Data Acquisition System)

- ✓ Max sampling frequency 4MHz, selectable
- ✓ Max N° points 64.000
- ✓ 4 channels of acquisition available
- ✓ Selectable Working Range 10-20-50-100%
- ✓ low noise: 0.04% of selected working range



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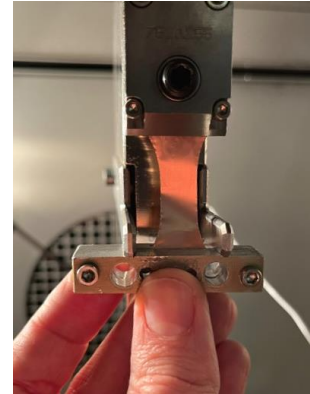
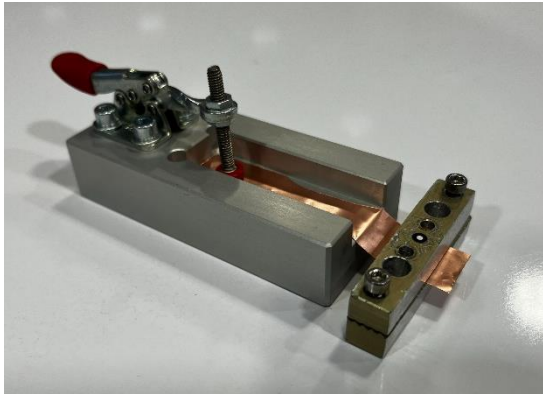
## The BlueHill Impact Software



# | Drop Tower System: How to get valid datas

## Repeatability:

To get repeatable results is very important to align properly the specimen and its free grip (crosshead) in the vice prior to impact. For this reason, the vice is equipped with an alignment plate. Use it to check carefully the specimen position.



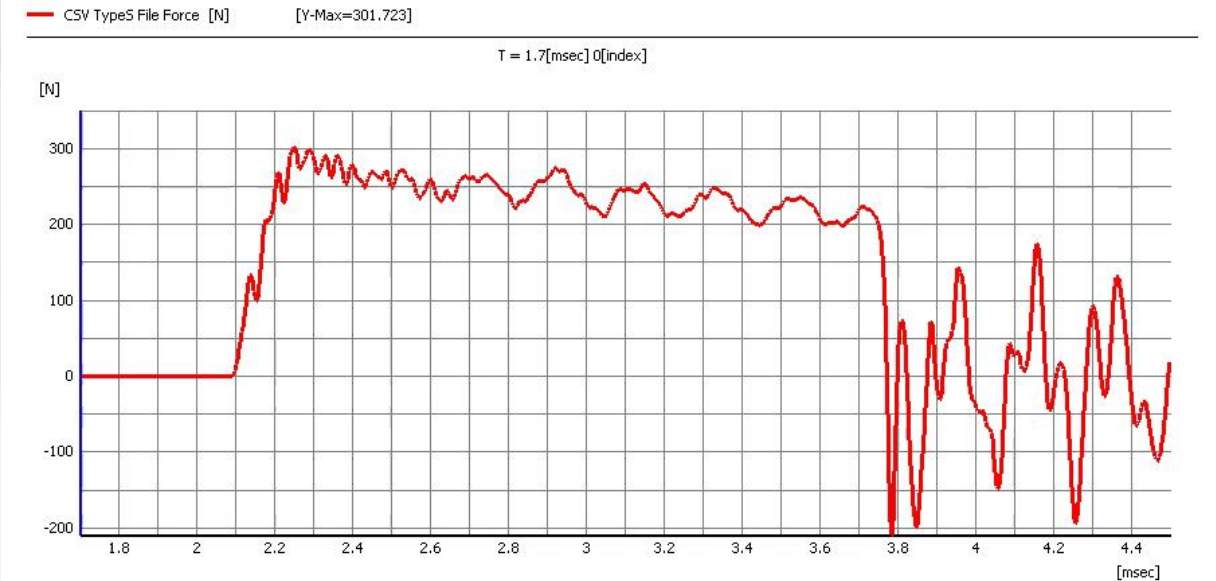
## High Speed Camera:

The design of the new striker allows to combine the use of the Drop Tower system with High Speed Camera acquisition. The 9450 model has a dedicated trigger output for an easy synchronization of the video and the force signal.

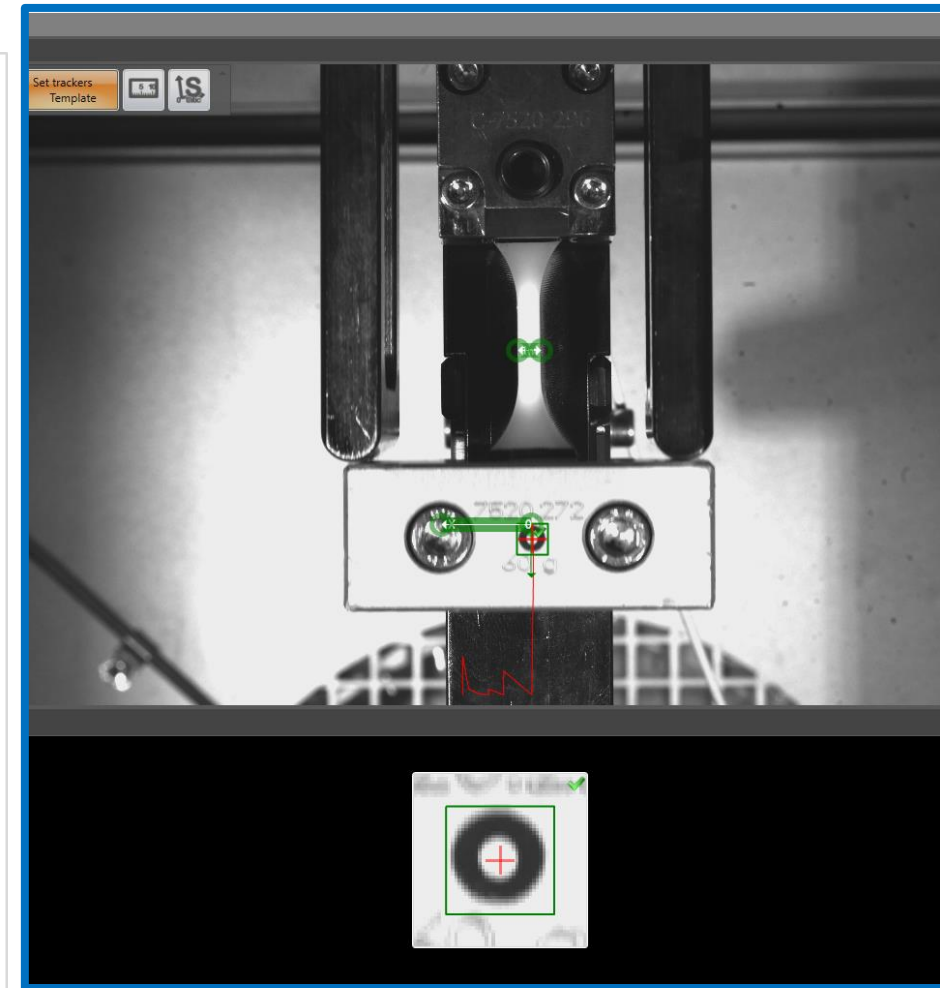
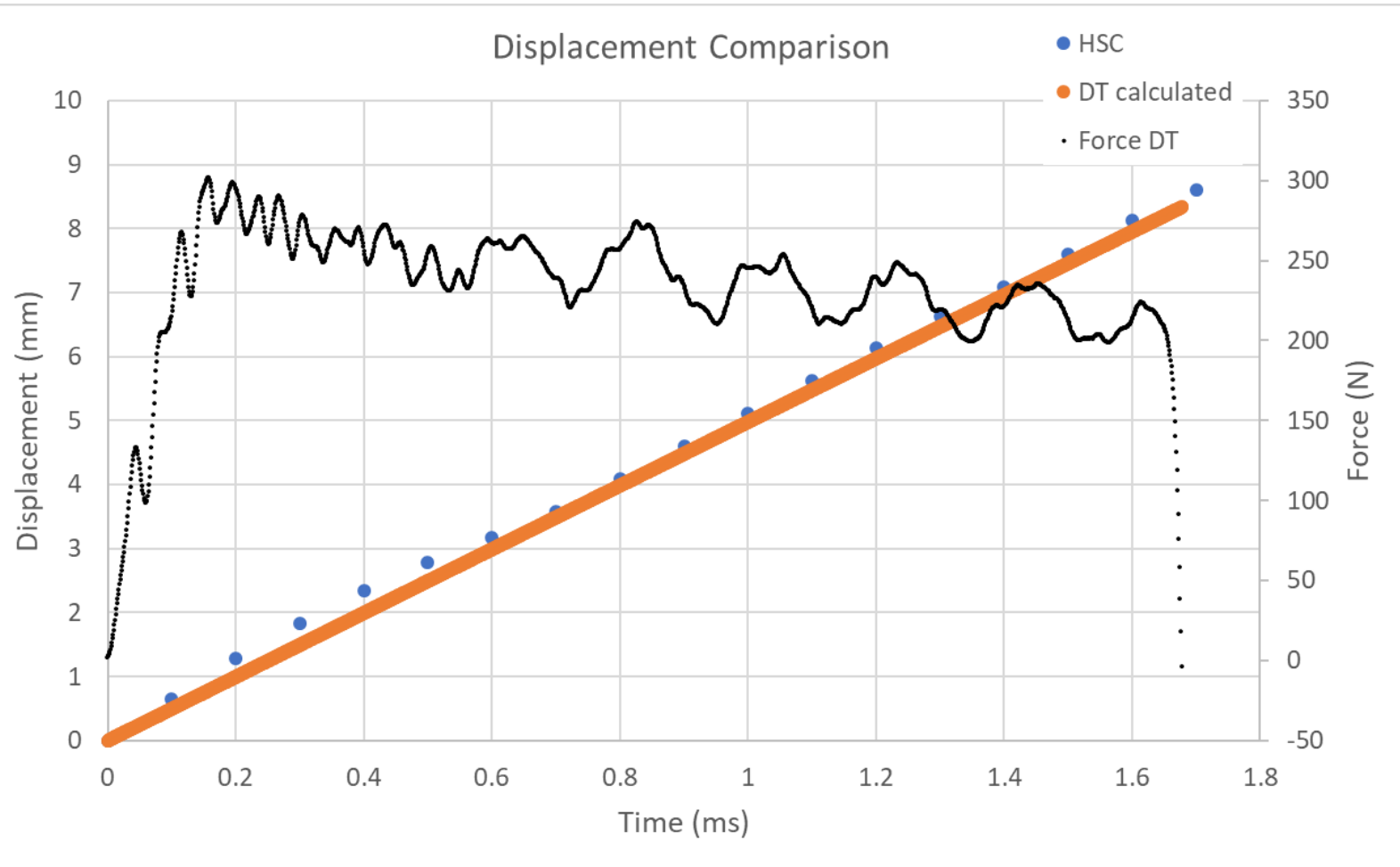


# High Speed Camera

Full control of the failure mechanism of the material combining the results of the Force sensor with the images: PP material at 5 m/s

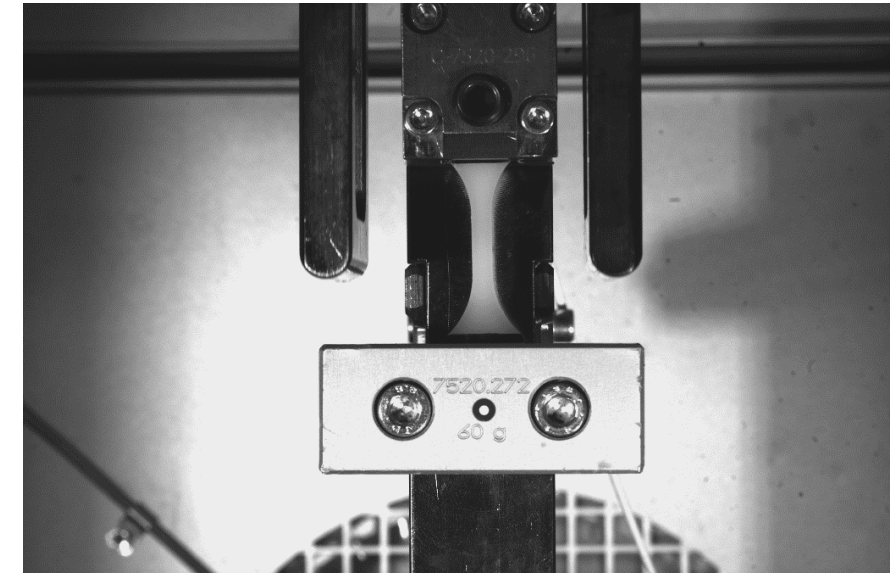
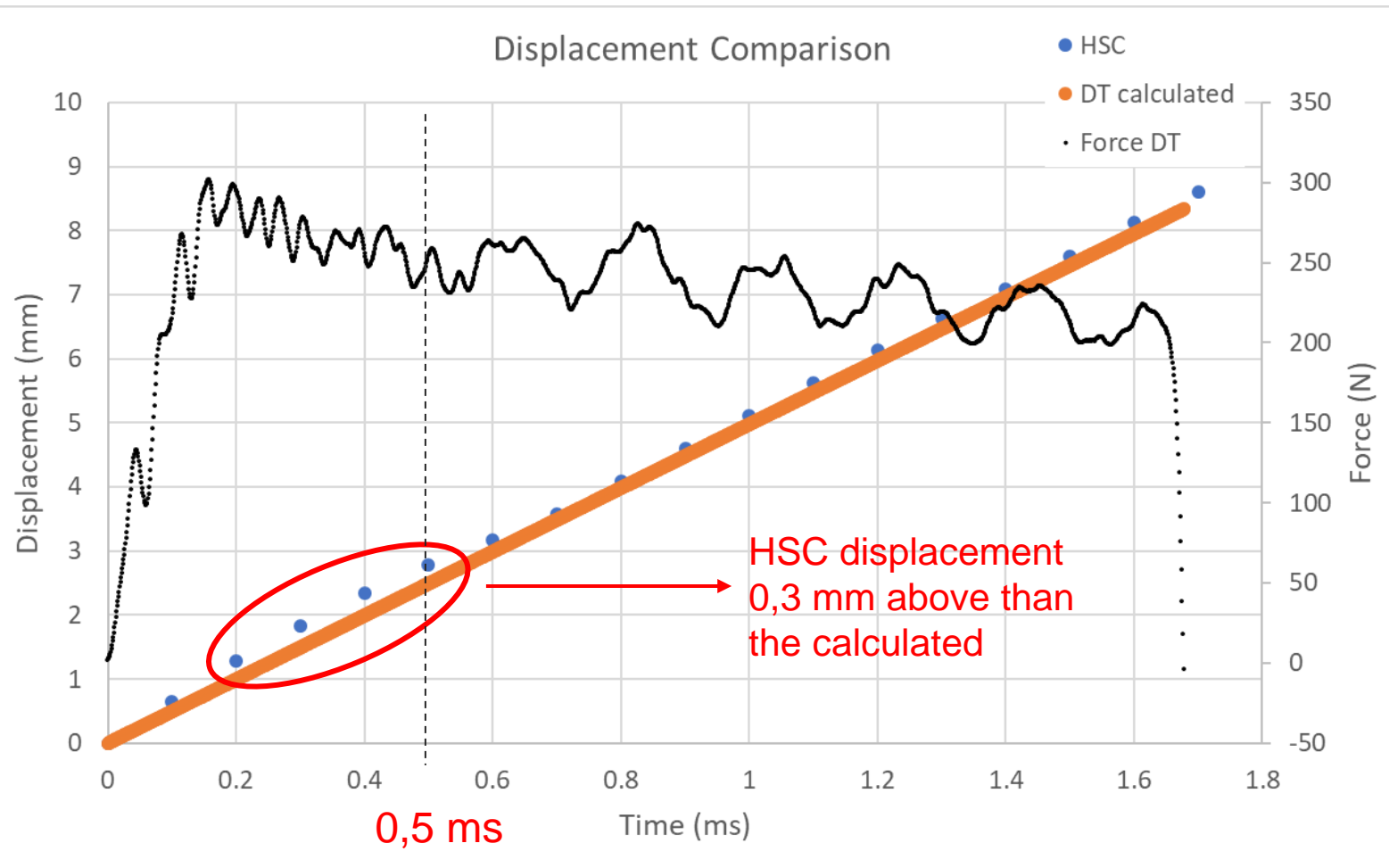


# Displacement: Calculated vs Evaluated



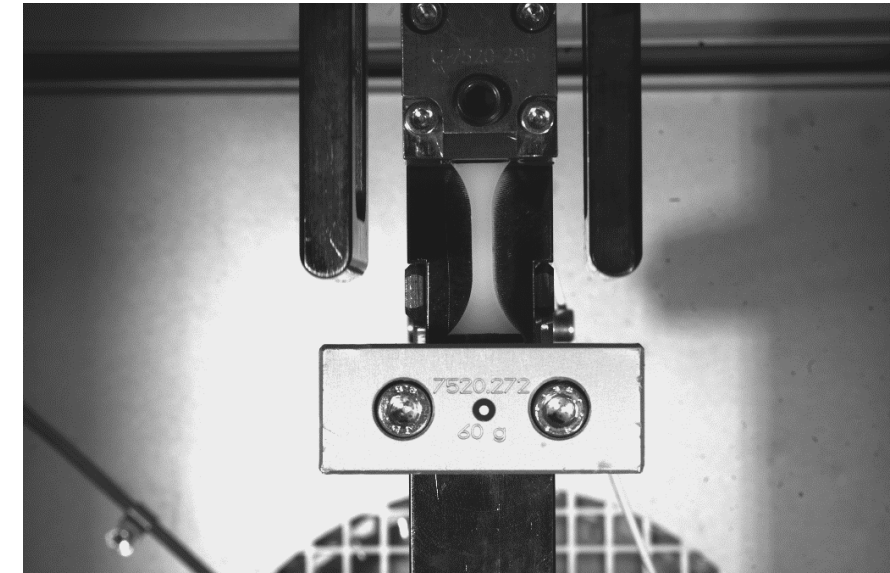
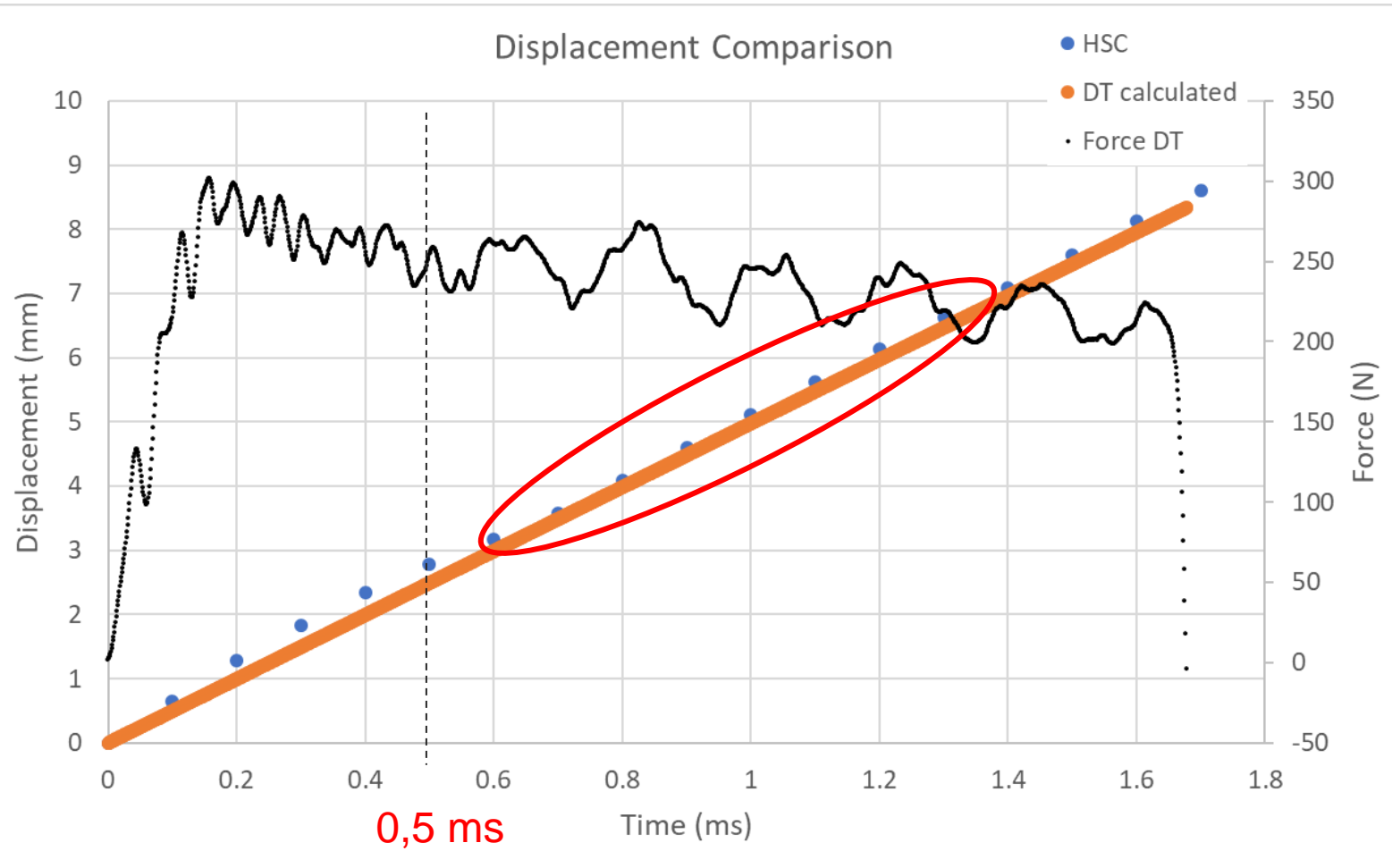


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At high impact velocity, before 0,5 ms, the inertia accelerates the free grip at a velocity slightly higher than the one of the striker

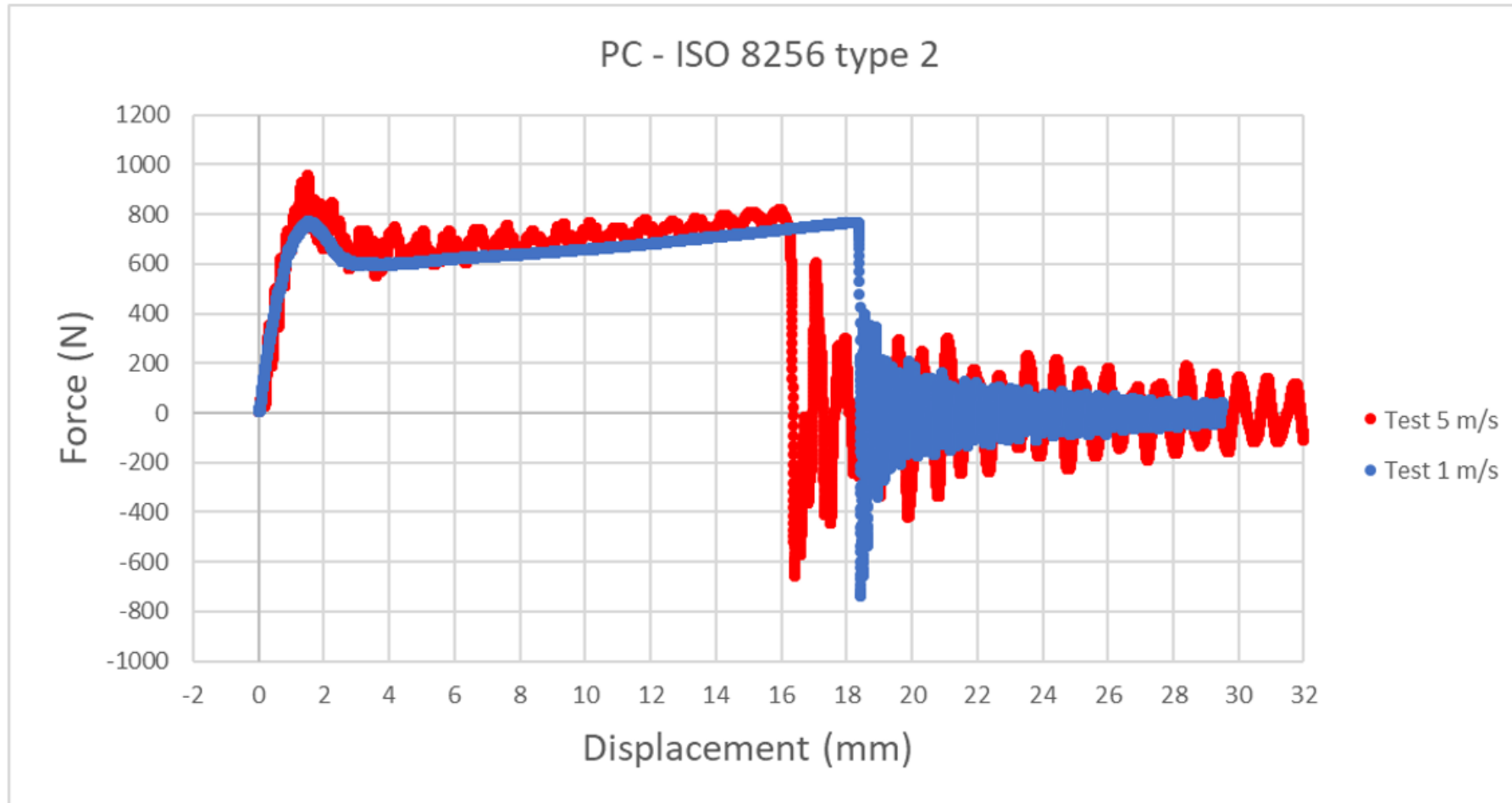
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After 0,5 ms, more dynamic effect occurs, optimal contact between striker and free grip is re-established

# Study Case

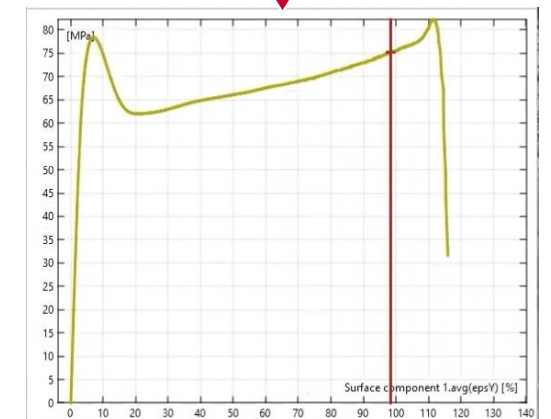
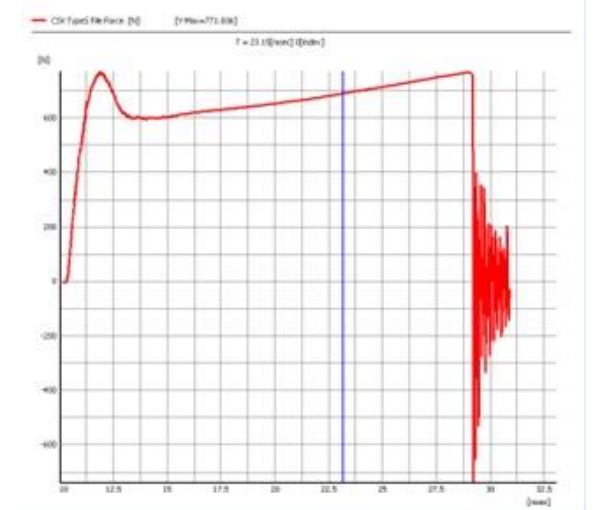
**Test Case:** PC specimen with shape in accordance with ISO 8256 type 2 compared for impact tests at different speeds



- The test at 1 m/s: lasts about 20 ms, thus a lower sampling frequency is enough.
- Test at 5 m/s: the same material fractures in less than 4 ms requiring much higher sampling frequency.

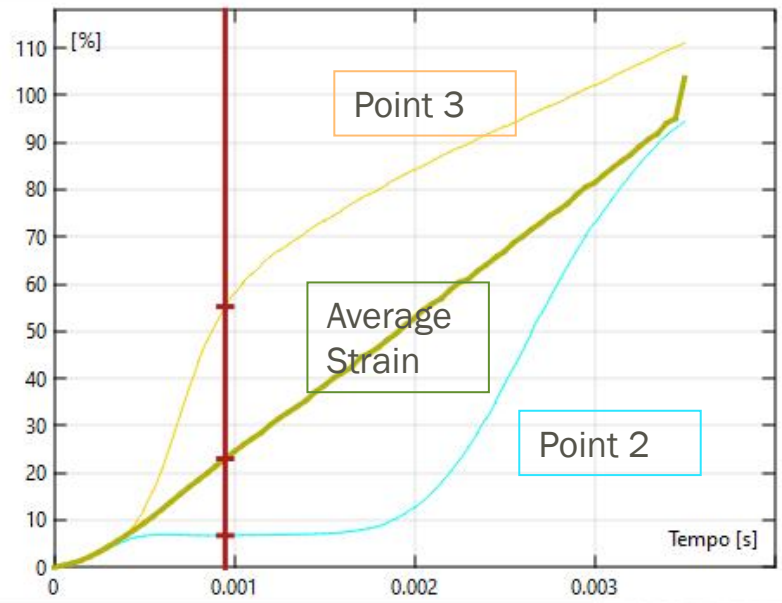
# High Speed Camera & DIC Analysis

Quantitative Analysis of the Mechanical Properties at high strain rate.

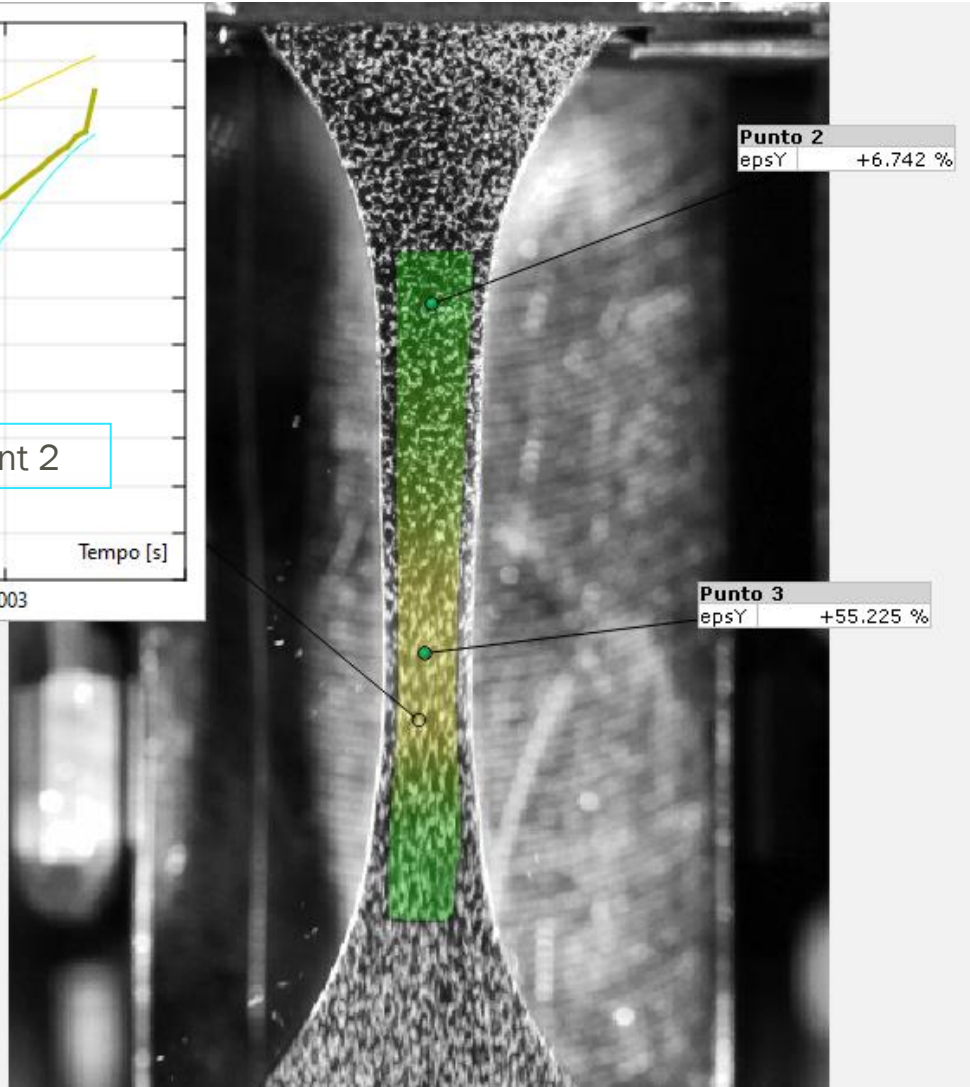


# DIC Analysis Study Case

## 1- Quantitative evaluation of local Strain.



PC material at 5 m/s  
According to ISO 8256  
Type 2



The strain evolution of:

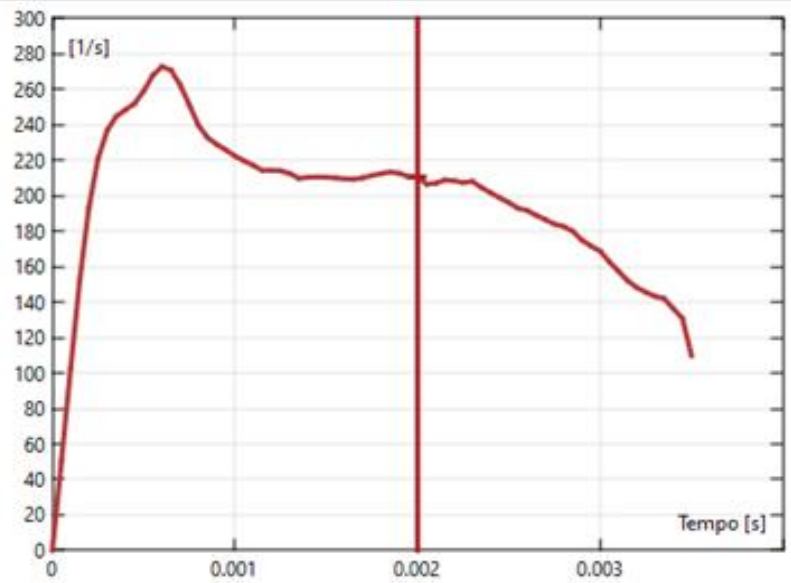
- The average Strain (thicker curve);
- the spot closer to the grip (cyan curve – Point 2);
- the spot closer to the failure point (orange curve – Point 3).

The plot presented is referred to the test at 5 m/s.

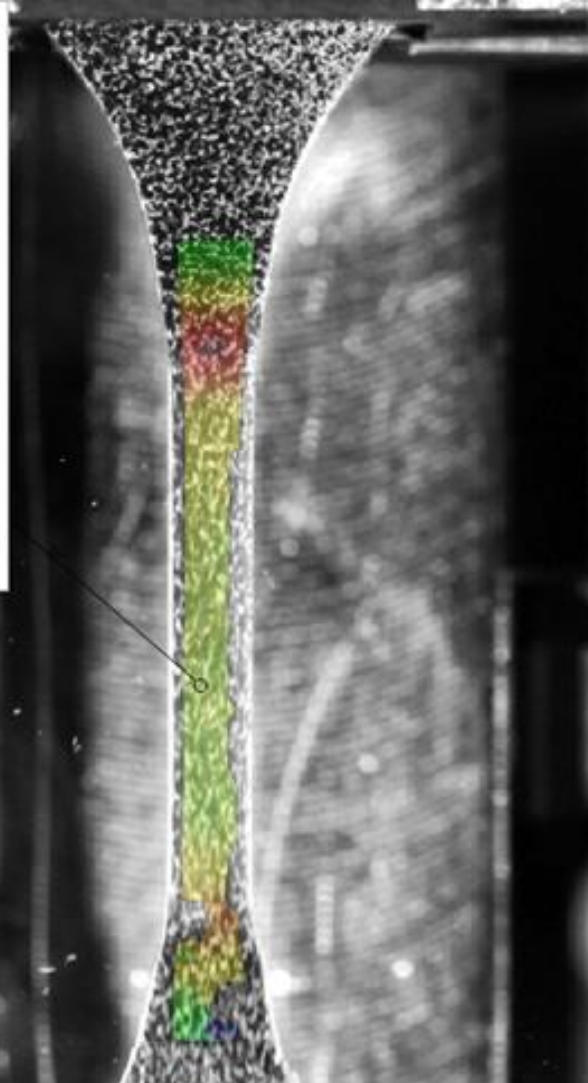


# DIC Analysis Study Case

## 2 - Quantitative evaluation of the Strain Rate.



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### Evaluated vs theoretical strain rate:

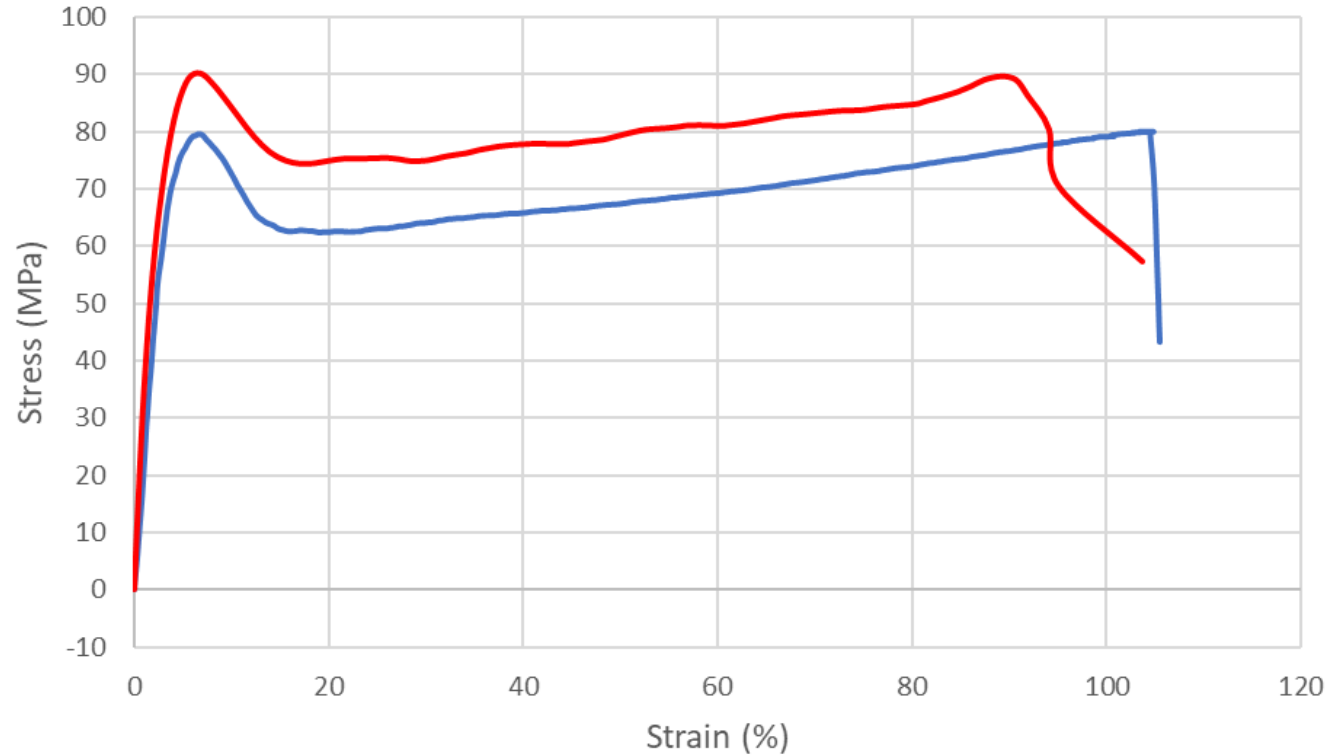
- Theoretical strain rate at 5 m/s =  $200 \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}/0,025\text{m}$ )

The strain-rate evaluated by using the Digital Image Correlation analysis shows that the nominal value is only achieved for a limited part of the test, at the beginning the specimen is subjected to higher values while in the last part we assist to a decrease.

# DIC Analysis Study Case

## 3- Stress - Strain Curve

PC - Stress-Strain comparison

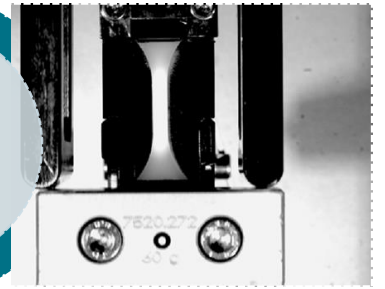


— Test 1 m/s  
— Test 5 m/s

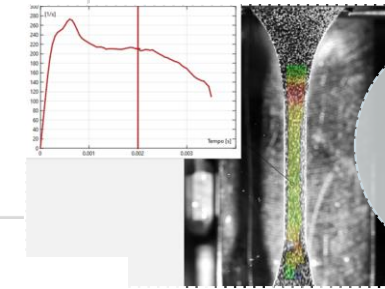


Force  
acquired  
during the  
impact

High Speed  
Camera  
Video  
Recorded



Direct  
Image  
Correlation  
Analysis



The stress is automatically calculated by the DIC software importing the raw force data and imposing the dimensions of the specimen tested



THANKS YOU FOR YOR ATTENTION