CAHRS Workshop

Testing for Crash & Safety Simulation

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Research quality material testing
ISO 17025 production environment
Results in 5 days (48 hour RUSH service)
Web-based quotation & data delivery
Domain expertise in CAE material calibration





- TestPaks[®] = Materials testing + CAE material parameter conversion
 - metal, plastic, foam, rubber, composites...

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over 20 CAE software codes

Topics

- A test philosophy for representing rate dependency of materials
- Experimental technique including sampling and specimen geometries
- Assessment of crash material data quality, expected trends & validation
- Specific comments for unfilled and fiberfilled polymers, foams, rubber and metals.



Getting pertinent properties

- Importance of measuring the right property
- Artifact free data
 - Properly designed experiments
 - eg. not using crosshead displacement to calculate strain
- Traceable data (ISO 17025)
 - NIST traceable instruments
 - Certified trained technicians



Getting the right samples

- Spatial variation
 Properties vary with location
 Forming, stretching, molding...
 Environmental variation
 Ageing and conditioning
 Process variation
 Degradation from processing
 - Recycled materials



Metals

Relatively well behaved
Models designed to match behavior
Challenges lie with post yield non-Mises failure envelopes
Scaling of yield surface with strain rate
Work of Nakajima, Dubois, Hooputra



Plastics

- Not well behaved
 Models not designed for plastics crash simulation
 Complex models are expensive
 Can we develop best practices for
 - adapting common models to plastics



Plastics Behavior - Basics



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Plastics Rate Effects

Modulus may depend on rate

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Plastics Rate Effects

• Fail strain may be rate dependent



Material Testing

- Instron servo-hydraulic UTM
 Dynamic load cell
 Test at 0.01, 0.1, 110, 100/s
 strain rates
- Temperatures: -40 to 150C

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Test Specimens

ASTM D638Type V⁻⁻ Preparation CNC from plaque CNC from part Molded Variability processing orientation thickness



gate region



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Modeling simple ductile plastics

- Modulus is not rate dependent
- Large strains to failure
- Post-yield necking
- Plasticity curves vary with strain rate
- Failure strain independent of strain rate
- LS-DYNA, ANSYS, ABAQUS, PAMCRASH



Choosing EMOD



Engineering Strain (%)

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Post-yield with necking (Deihl)



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Fail Limitations

When FAIL f(strain rate)



Modeling Rate Dependency

Does not correlate well with plastics Appendency Cowper Symonds LCSR Capture model independent behavior





Eyring Model

- Eyring Model
 - Yield stress v. log strain rate is linear
 - Best form for plastics
- Fit yield stress v. log strain rate data to Eyring equation
- Can submit to LSDYNA MAT24 as table using LCSR



MAT24 validation



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Brittle plastics

- Modulus is rate dependent
 Small strains to failure
 Brittle failure
 Failure strain decreases with
 - increasing strain rate
- LSDYNA MAT19



Methodology for MAT 19

- Determine elastic limit at quasi-static strain rate
 Use elastic limit for von-Mises yield
 Define failure
 - failure stress v. strain rate table



Ductile-brittle transitions



True Tensile Stress-Strain Curves



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Fiber Filled Plastics

- Digimat MX
 Material model reverse engineered from standard experiment
- Perform-injection-molding simulation
- Apply Digimat material model to transfer data to crash simulation
- Crash model has spatially oriented properties



Basic Digimat TestPak Protocol

Mold 100X300X3.16mm plaques

- Edge gated on 100 mm end
- Long flow length
- Fully developed flow
- Highly fiber orientation
- Cut test specimens by CNC
- 5 specimens each (0°, 90°)
- Obtain true stress-strain data

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Advanced Models

- MATSAMP (LS-DYNA)
- Standard rate dependent model
- Add non-mises failure envelope
 - Compression
 - Shear
- Add triaxiality
 - Post yield transverse strain
- Add unloading

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Pros and Cons

- Better failure envelope modeling
- Greater cost
- More complex model
- Greater simulation accuracy in difficult cases
- Cost-benefit not certain for general use



Foams

Different deformation modes

- Crushable
- Elastic with or without damage
- Visco-elastic

Large volumetric strain component



Effect of Poisson's Ratio = 0

- Material compacts by eliminating air.
- No lateral deformation
- Poisson's Ratio -> 0
- Axial strain ≅ volumetric strain
- True for
 - open cell foams
 - crushable foams
- May not be true for
 - closed cell foams
 - elastomeric foams









Typical Stress-Strain Data



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Test Strategy

- Compressive stress-strain
 5 decades of strain rate

 .01, .1, 1, 10, 100 /s
 Temperatures
 .100 to 150C

 Optional tests
 Tensile (for cut-off stress)
 - Shear (as required)



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Test Instruments





PU Foam-stress strain



PU Foam- rate effects



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PU Foam recovery



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Conclusions

- Choice of material model depends on
 - material
 - test data
 - situation complexity
- Proper selection = reasonable model
- Simple improvements can add power
- Validated models represent baseline
- Models can be tuned for multi-axial loadings















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