

# Advances in thermo-mechanical characterization of steel using data fusion and inverse methods

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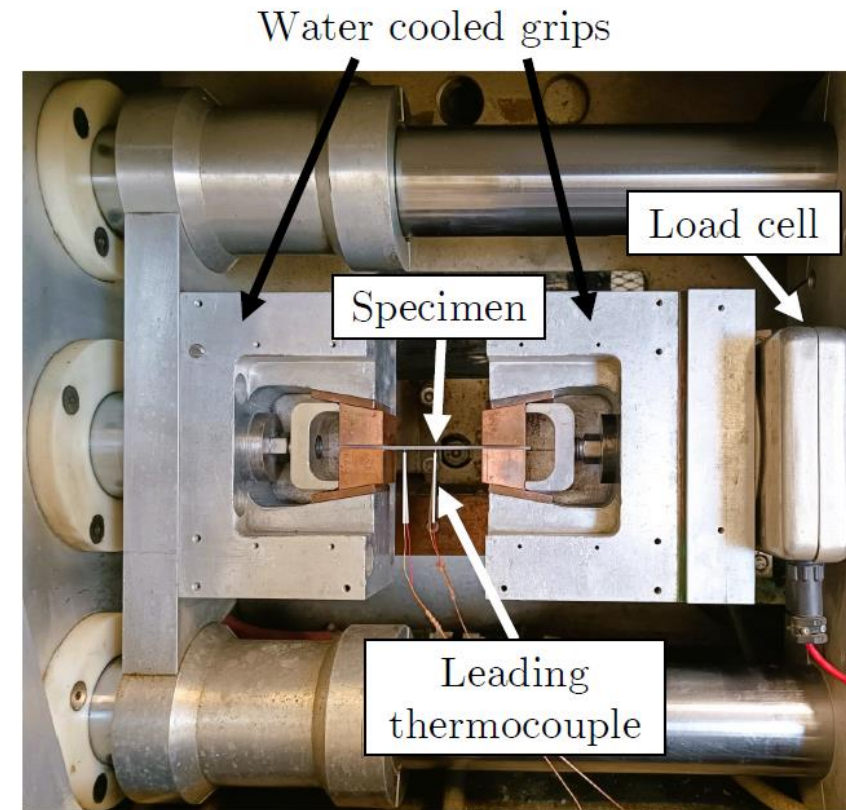
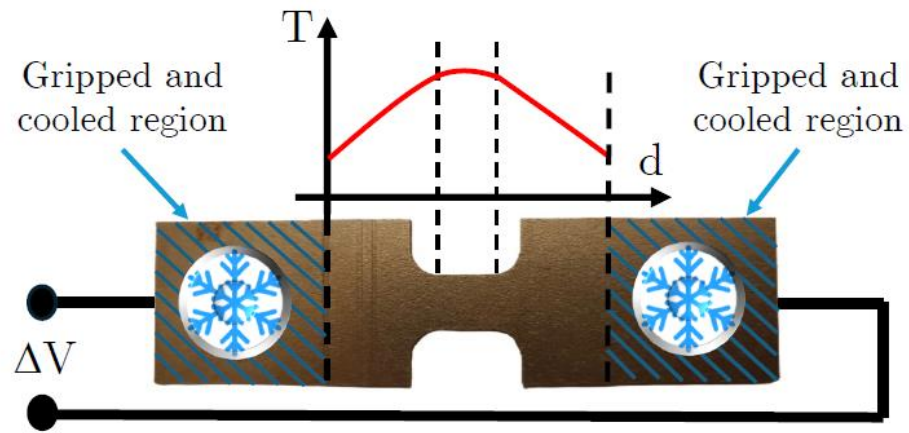
**Material Testing 2.0:** mechanical testing of materials that combines **full-field deformation** measurements (like DIC) and **inverse identification** to extract mechanical constitutive parameters from **heterogeneous (non-statically determinate) stress states**

**Data fusion:** process of integrating **multiple data sources** to produce more consistent, accurate and useful information than that provided by any individual data source

**Objective:** Use **heterogeneous stress and temperature fields** to identify the thermomechanical behavior of high strength steel

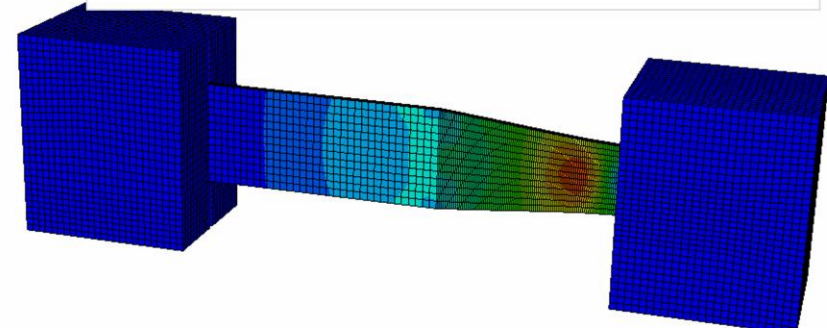
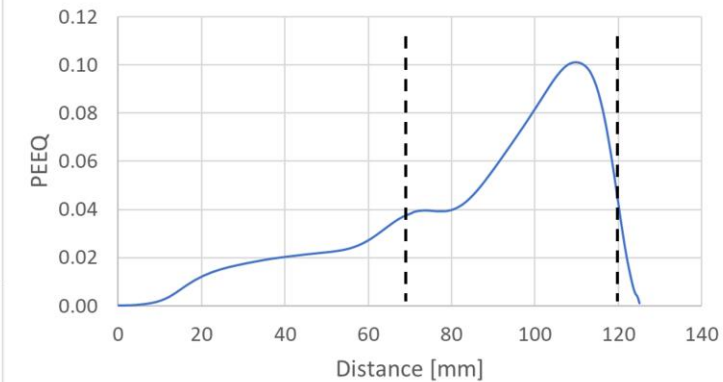
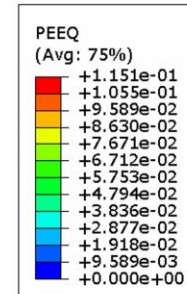
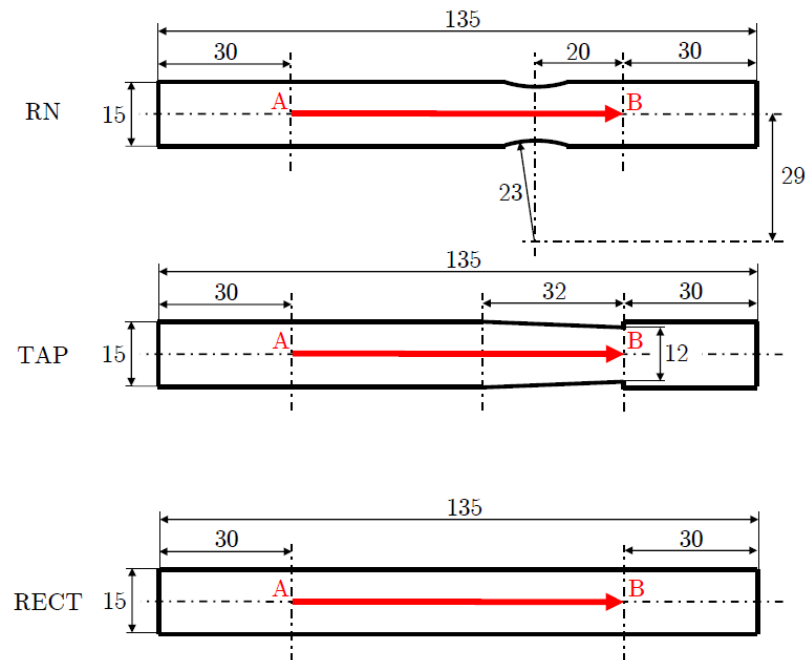
# Gleeble system

This system uses the Joule effect to heat a conductive specimen



# Specimen Optimization

The geometry of the specimen can be optimized to have both temperature and stress heterogeneity



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**Hardening model:** modified Johnson-Cook with no strain rate effect

$$\sigma(\varepsilon_p) = (A + B\varepsilon_p^n)(1 - \tilde{T}^m) \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{T} = \begin{cases} 0 & T < T_t \\ \frac{T - T_t}{T_m - T_t} & T_t < T < T_m \\ 1 & T > T_m \end{cases}$$

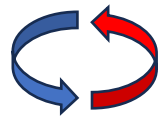
**Yielding model:** Hill48 with normal anisotropy

$$\sigma_{eq} = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \frac{2R}{1+R}\sigma_1\sigma_2 + (2+4R)\tau_{12}^2}$$

**5 parameters** to be determined from 1 test (A,B,n,m,R)

# Used Inverse Method: Virtual Fields Method

VFM exploits the equilibrium equation expressed using the principle of virtual work to identify  $n$  constitutive parameters  $\xi = [\xi_1, \dots, \xi_i, \dots, \xi_n]$



Minimization algorithm  
(Iterative solution)

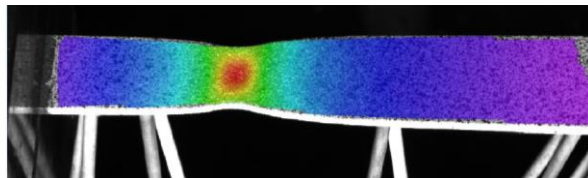
Solved! **Correct**  
material parameters

$$\Psi(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{VF}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{step}} \left| \underbrace{\int_V \mathbb{T}_j^{1PK} \cdot \delta F_i^* dV}_{\text{Internal Virtual Work}} - \underbrace{\int_{\partial V} (\mathbb{T}_j^{1PK} n) \cdot \delta v_i^* dS}_{\text{External Virtual Work}} \right|$$

$\mathbb{T}_j^{1PK} n$  = External forces measured with the load cells



$$\mathbb{T}^{1PK} = \det(F) \sigma F^{-T} = \det(F_{DIC}) \sigma(\epsilon_{DIC}, T, \xi) F_{DIC}^{-T}$$

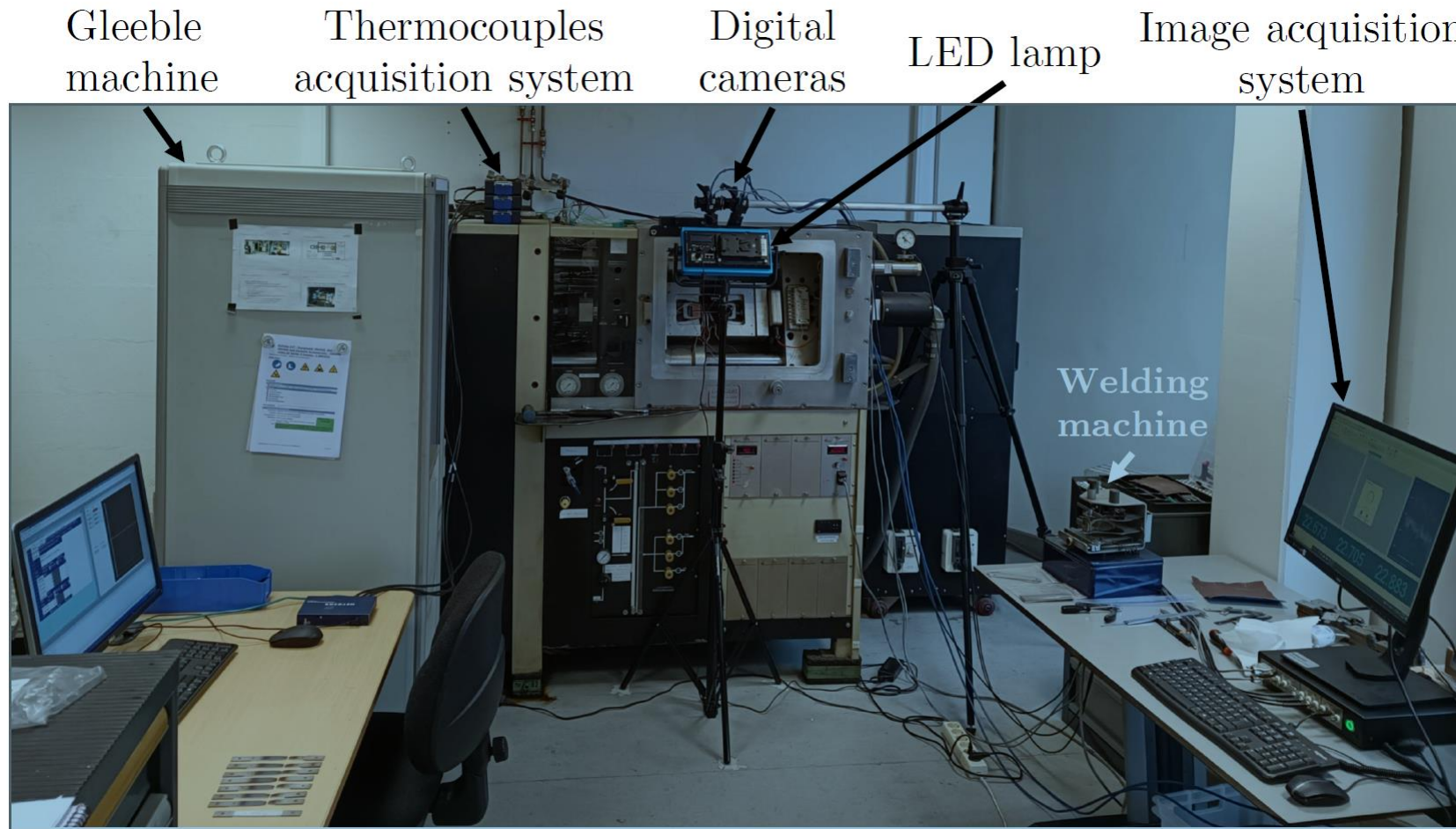


$\delta v^*, \delta F^*$  virtual fields (arbitrary functions)

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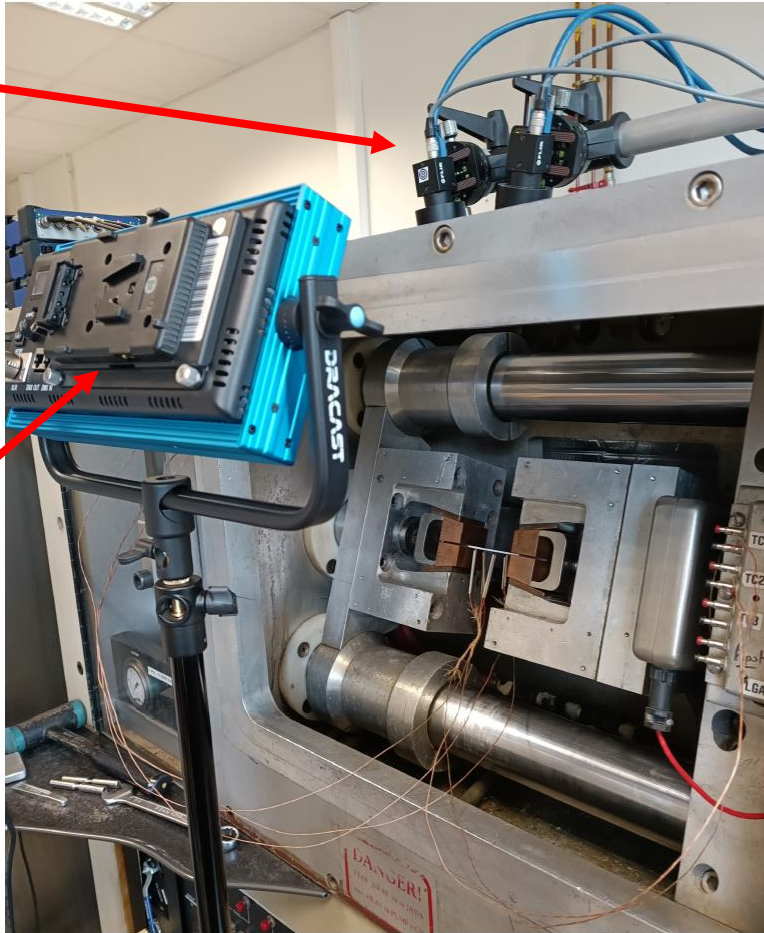


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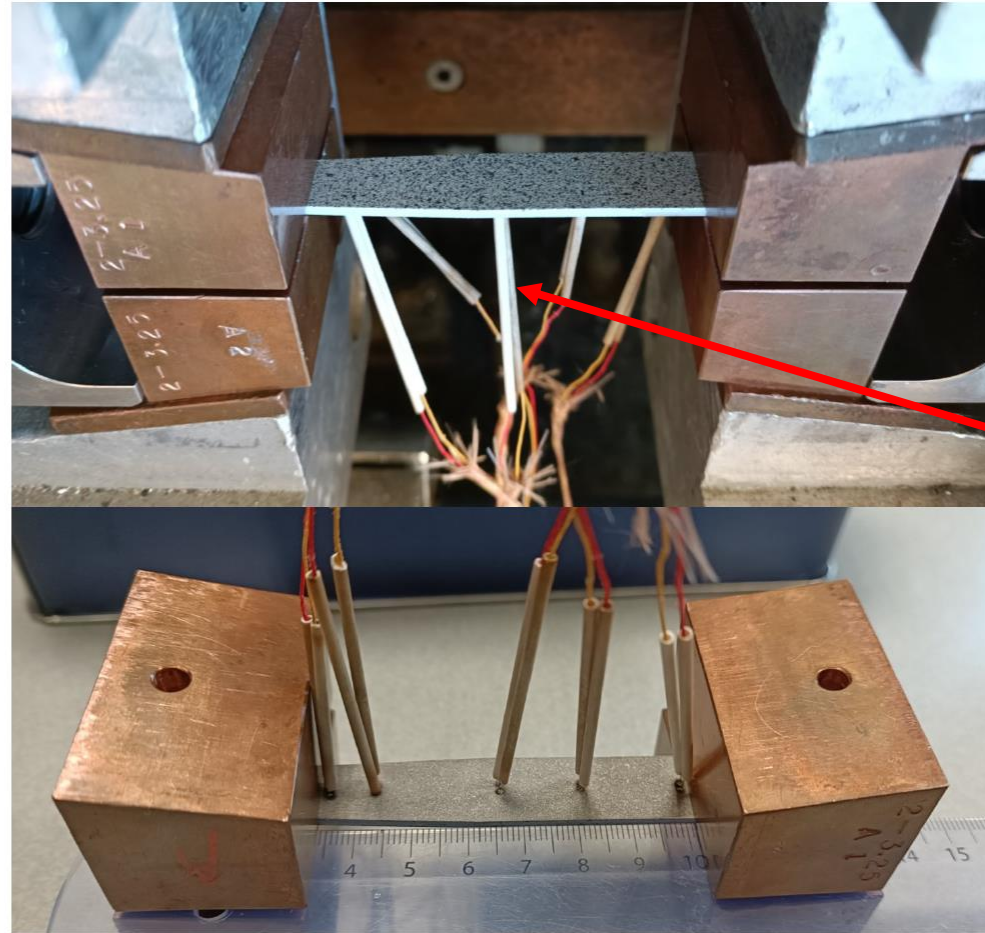


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Cameras



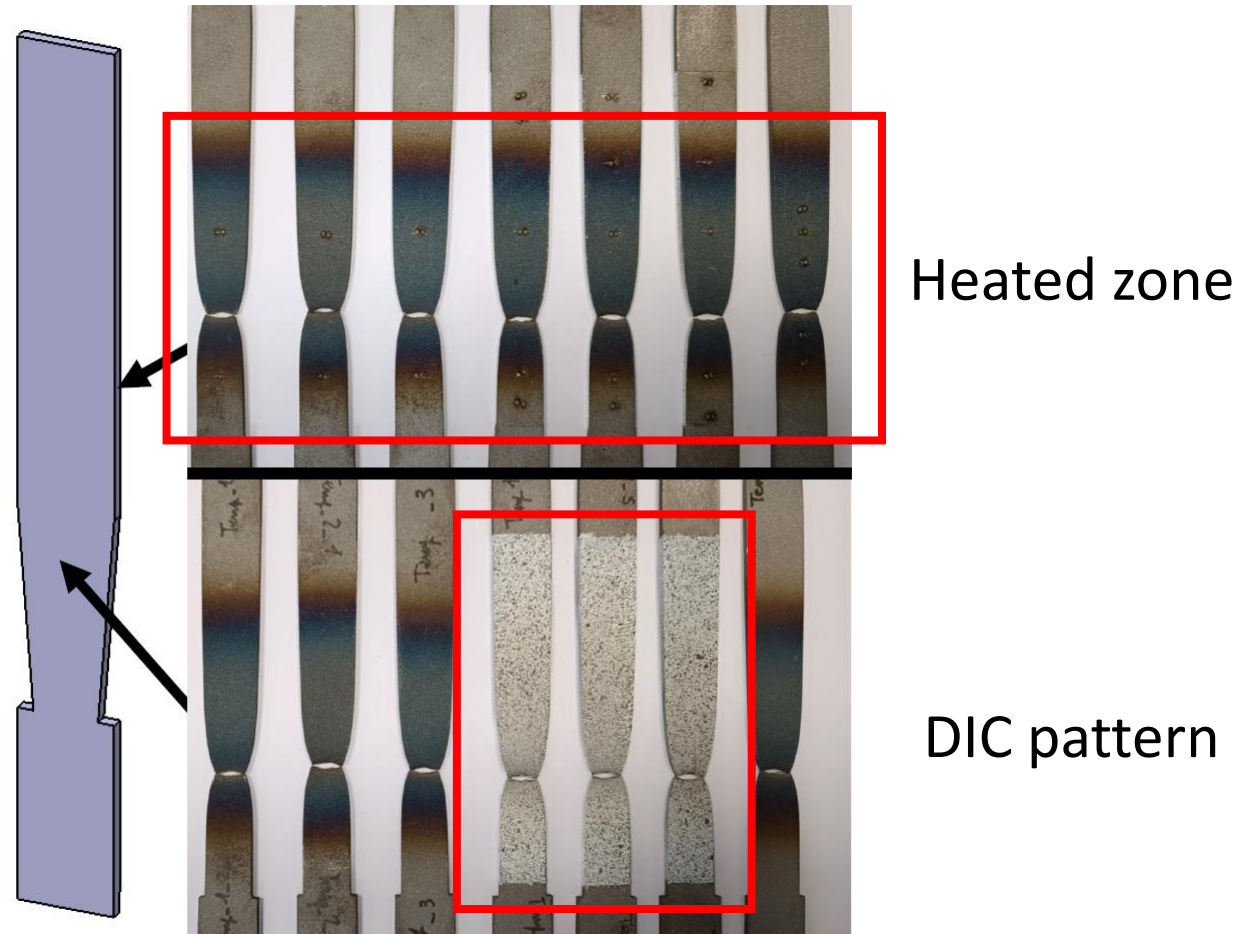
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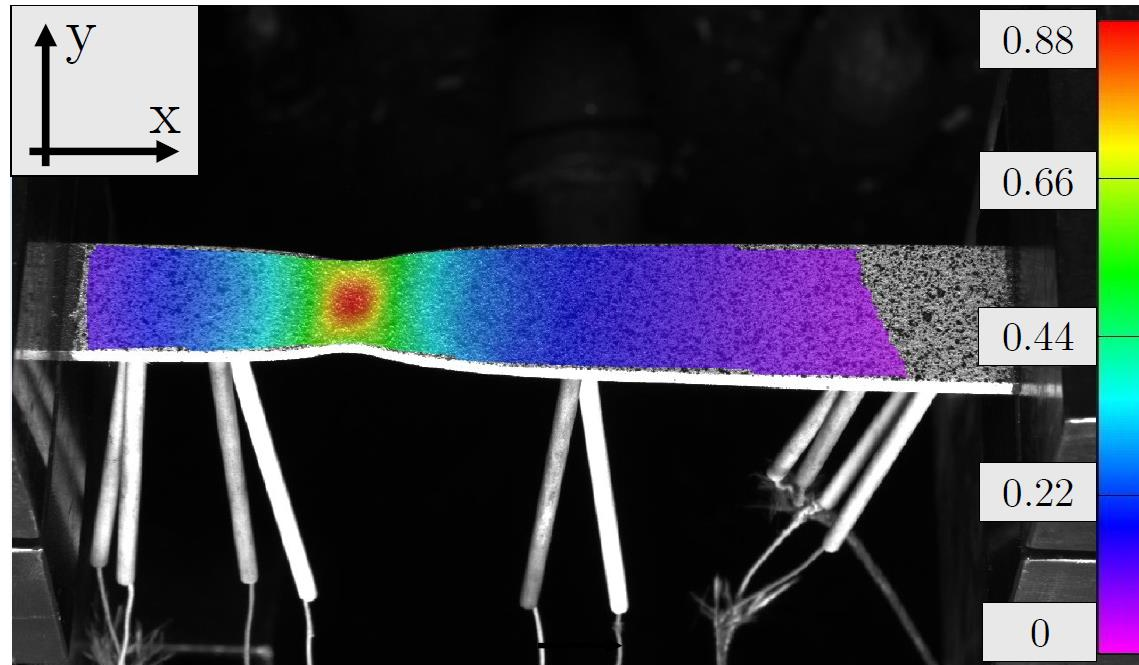
Thermocouples



# Tested Specimens

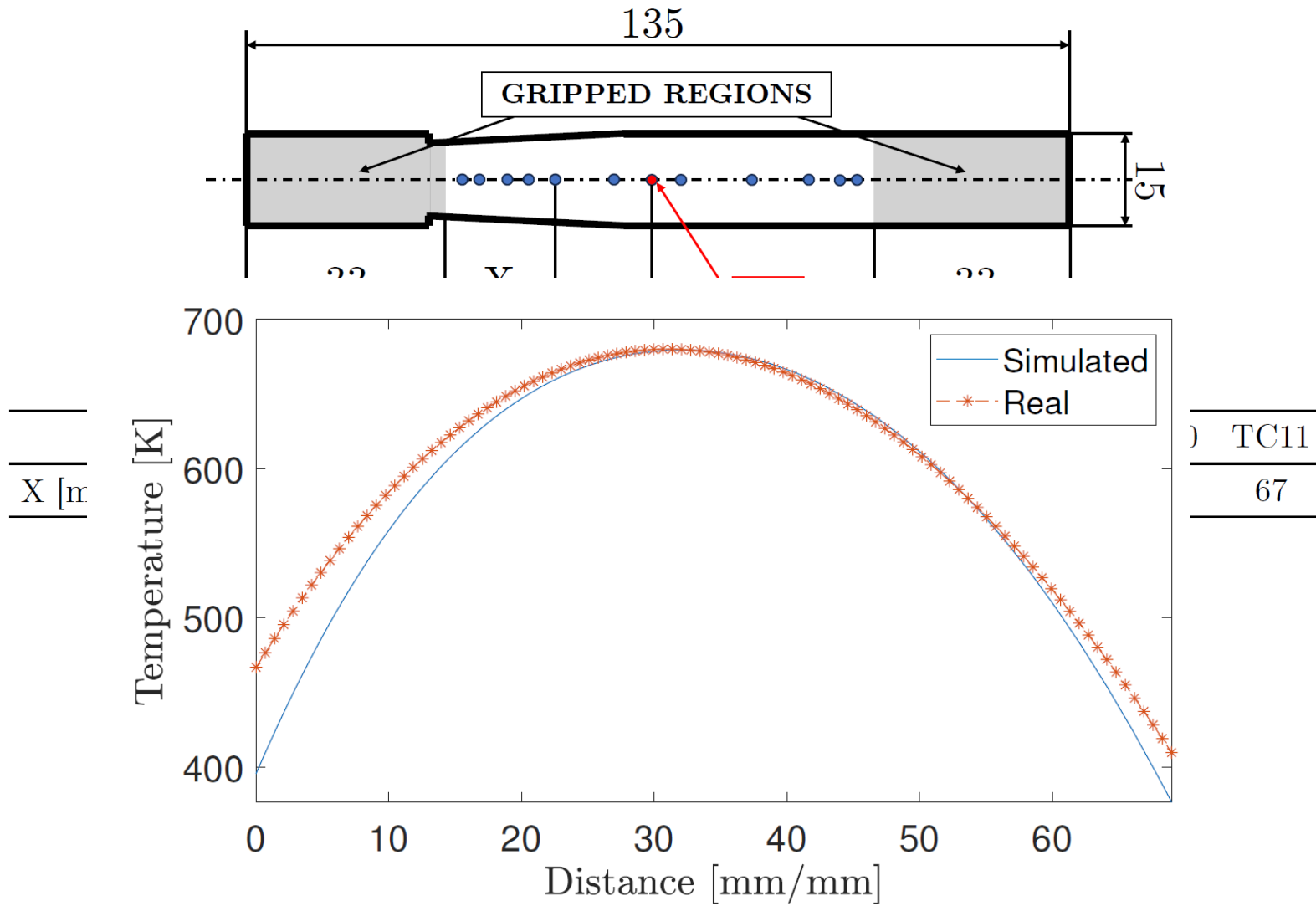


Images were acquired with two Flir Backfly S BFS-U3-51S5M-C

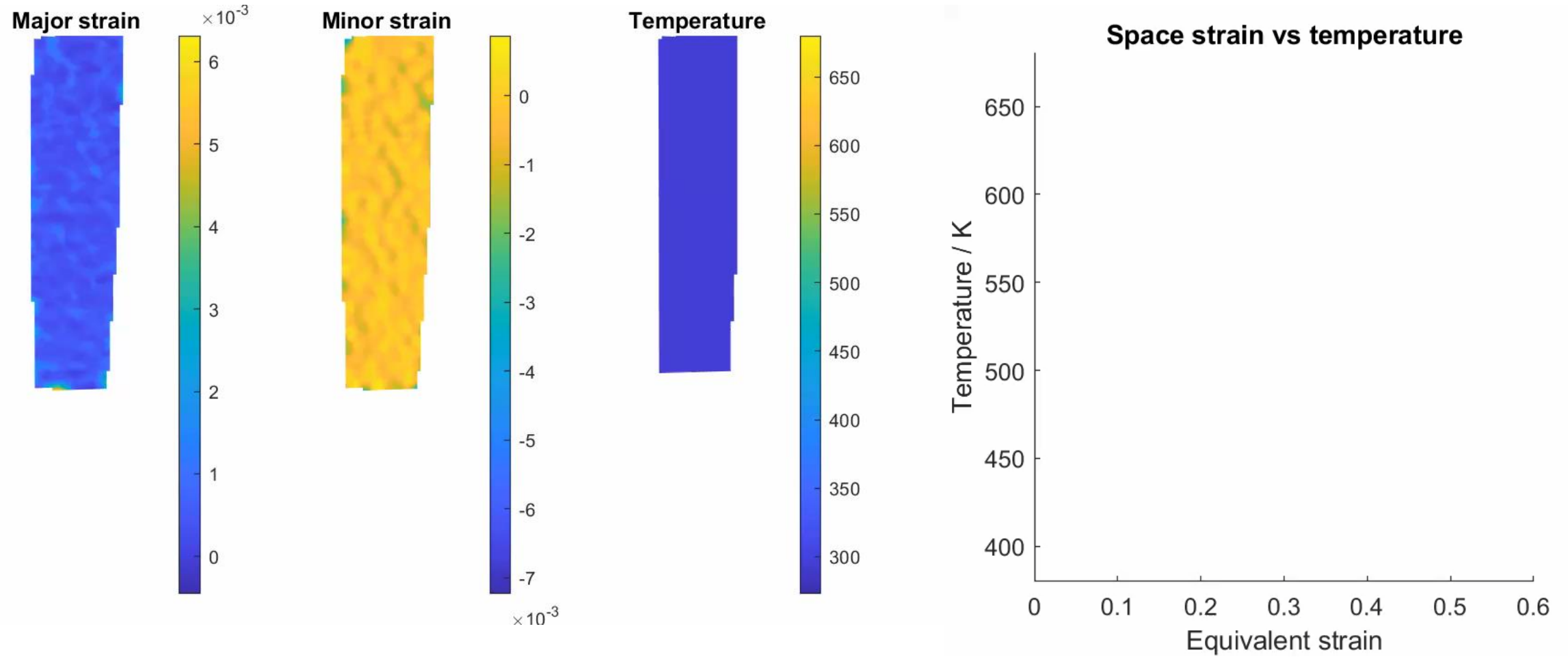


DIC measurement were conducted using MatchID (v2023.1), with stereo correlation, subset size: 27 pixels, step size: 10 pixels, no spatial smoothing (gradient function)

# Temperature measurement



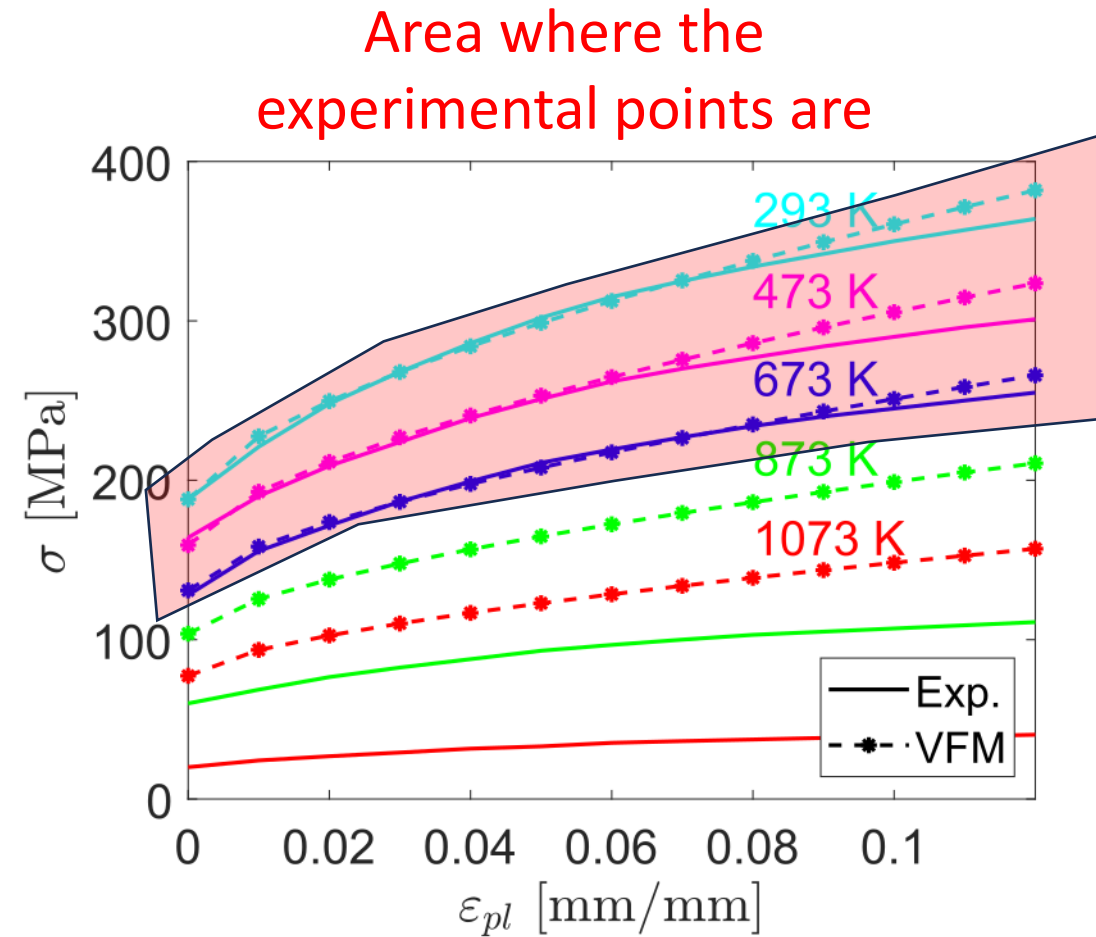
# Strain and temperature fields





# Identification results

	B [MPa]	n	m	R
Initial guess	500	1	1	1
Identified	754	0.64	0.92	1.98



- A single specimen with a heterogeneous temperature fields can be used to calibrate the thermal exponent of a J-C model and the anisotropy parameter  $R$
- Gleeble system was used with a specifically designed specimen type
- VFM was used to extract the parameters
- The identification is robust within the explored temperature range

## Future development

- Measure the temperature field with a IR-camera
- Extend the test to higher temperatures
- Try different constitutive models

# Simplified experimental set-up

