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Theoretical and numerical study of strain localization under high strain rate sollicitation

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Introduction

Objectives of the study :

- Simulate the initiation and the propagation of adiabatic shear bands (ASB).
- To understand the effect of the roughness of the specimen on the band initiation and propagation

Case of the titanium alloy TA6V during dynamic torsion solicitation

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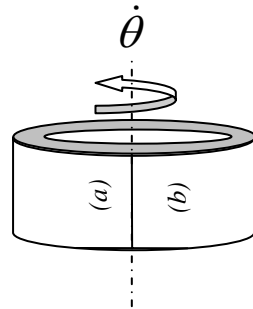
- Geometry of the problem and the thermomechanical model
- Choice of a behavior law and identification of the parameters
- Numerical simulation of ASB formation

Model of a torsion specimen

- Geometry

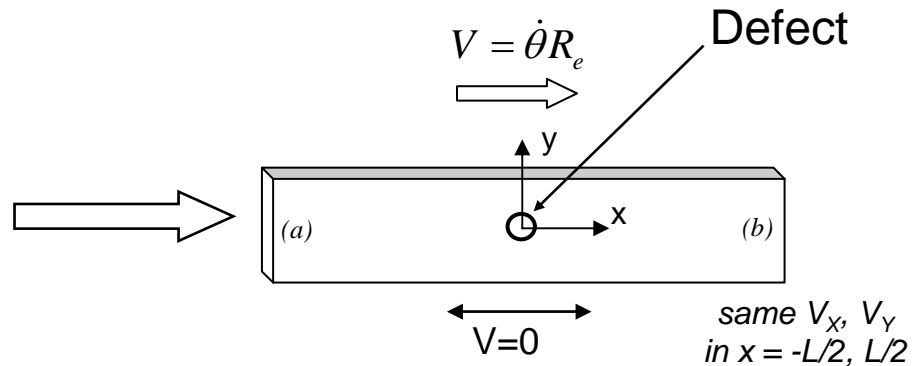


Classical thin wall tubular specimen



3D Problem

Wall thickness : 0.4mm
Diameter : 9mm
Length : 2mm



2D Problem

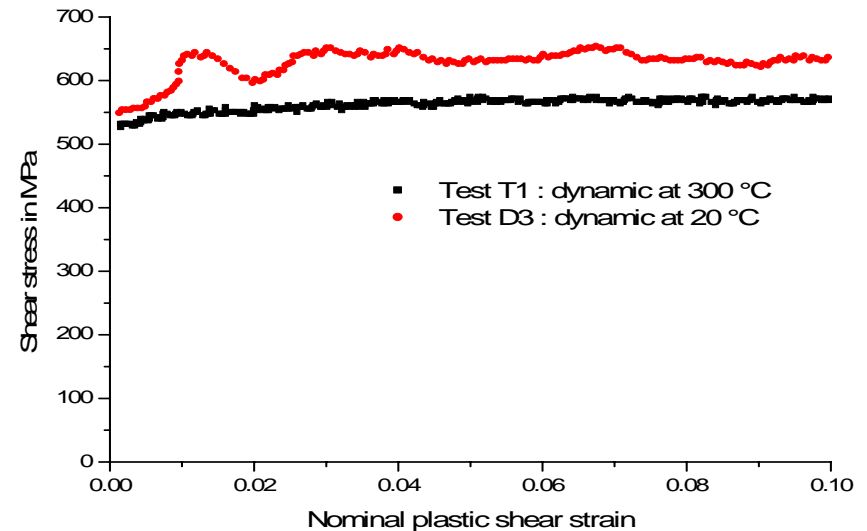
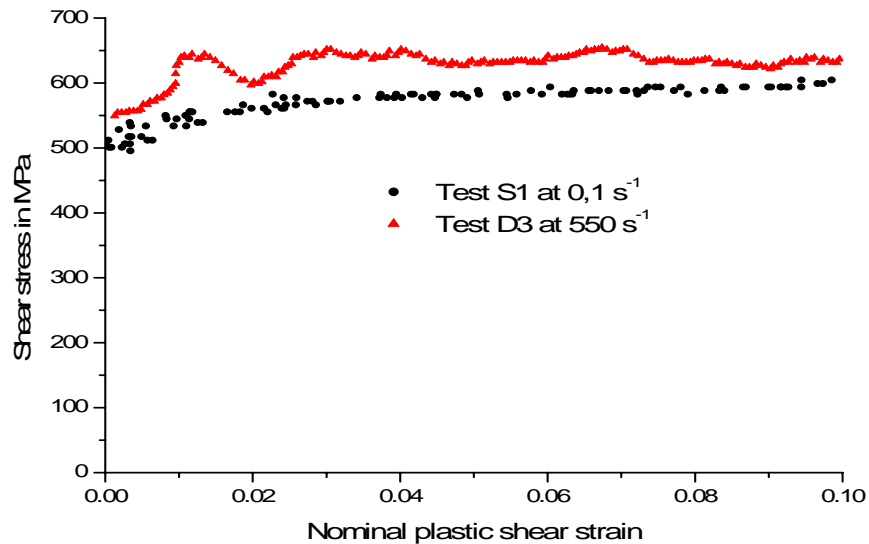
- Defect :

- Small reduction of the specimen thickness on a circular zone
- Defect diameter : between 20μm and 100μm
- Defect amplitude $\Delta e/e$: between 1% and 5%

Behavior of the material

- A serie of torsion tests were performed

Test reference	S1	S2	S3	D1	D2	D3	D4	T1	T2	T3
Shear strain rate in s^{-1}	0.097	0.0104	0.101	776	571	565	406	365	222	301
Temperature in $^{\circ}C$	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	300	300	230



Strain hardening, Strain rate hardening

Thermal softening

⇒ We chose a Johnson Cook behavior law

Identification of the parameters of behavior law

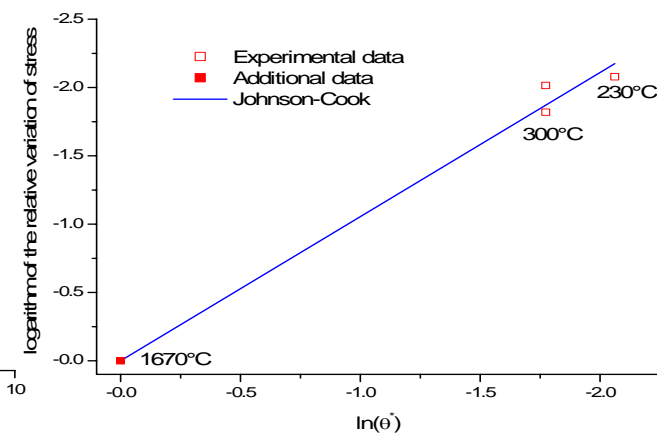
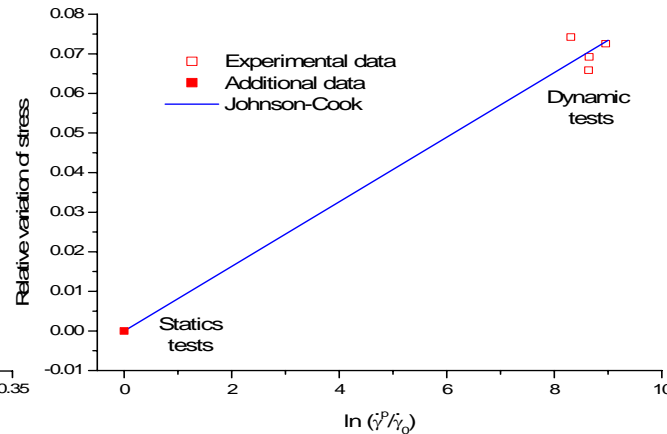
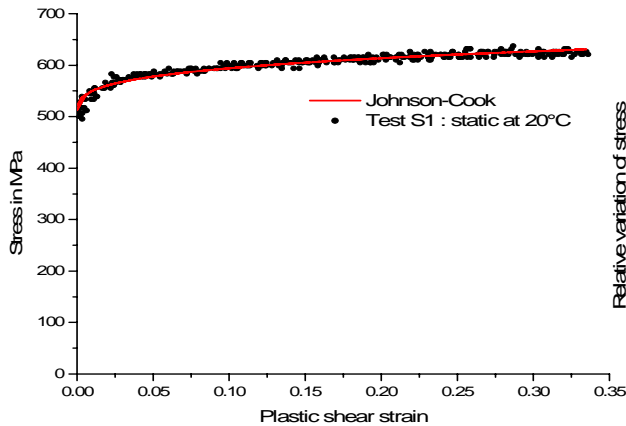
Johnson Cook plastic law :

$$\tau(\gamma, \dot{\gamma}_{eq}, T) = \underbrace{(A + B\gamma^n)}_{\text{Strain hardening}} \underbrace{\left(1 + C \ln\left(\frac{\dot{\gamma}}{\dot{\gamma}_0}\right)\right)}_{\text{Strain rate hardening}} \underbrace{\left(1 - \left(\frac{T - T_t}{T_f - T_t}\right)^m\right)}_{\text{Thermal softening}}$$

We chose :

- a reference strain rate ($\dot{\gamma}_0$) of 0.1 s⁻¹.
- a transition temperature (T_t) of 20°C.

The melting point of TA6V is 1650°C



$A = 500 \text{ MPa}; B = 160 \text{ MPa}$
 $n = 0.25$

$C = 0.008$

$\theta^* = \frac{T - T_t}{T_f - T_t}$
 $m = 1.055$



Resolution of the problem

- **Finite Elements Method :**

- Abaqus[®] Explicit
- Fully coupled thermomechanical model taking into account of inertia and heat conductivity.

Heat equation :
$$\rho C \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\beta \sigma : \dot{\epsilon}_p}_{\text{Dissipation}} + \underbrace{\lambda \Delta T}_{\text{Conduction}}$$

ρ : density

C : heat capacity

β : Taylor Quinney coefficient

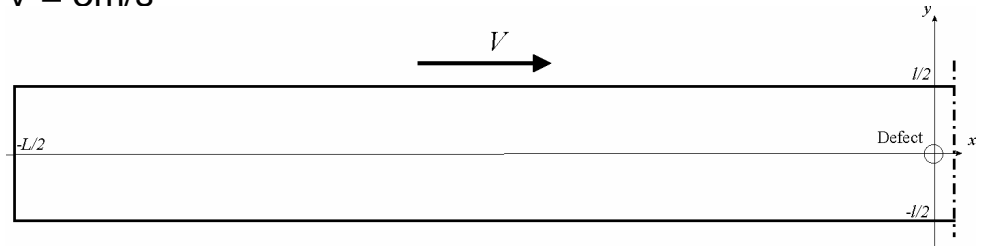
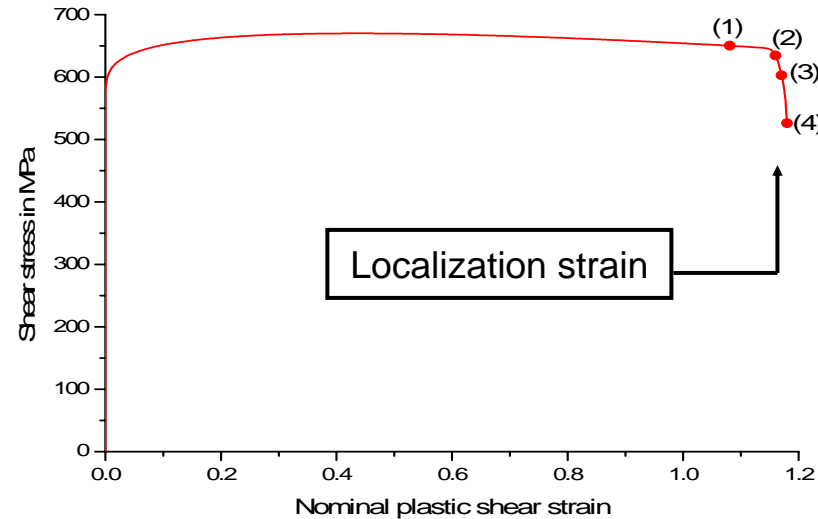
λ : thermal conductivity

- **Mesh characteristics**

- Size of the elements located in the area of the ASB propagation : 10 μ m ;
- Number of elements : around 4000
- Same mesh for the different defects diameter

Results of the model

- ASB initiation and propagation : $V = 3\text{m/s}$



$$\gamma = 1,08; t = 746\mu\text{s}$$



$$\gamma = 1,16; t = 804\mu\text{s}$$



$$\gamma = 1,17; t = 816\mu\text{s}$$

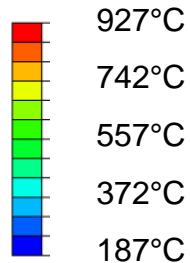


$$\gamma = 1,18; t = 840\mu\text{s}$$

Defect :

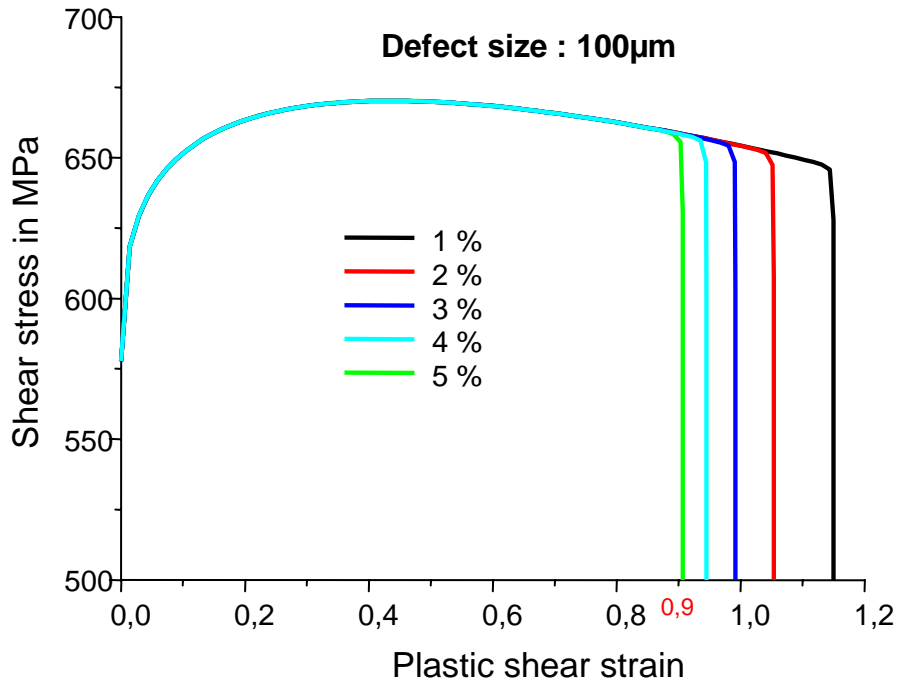
- Diameter of $40\mu\text{m}$
- Amplitude of 5%

Temperature

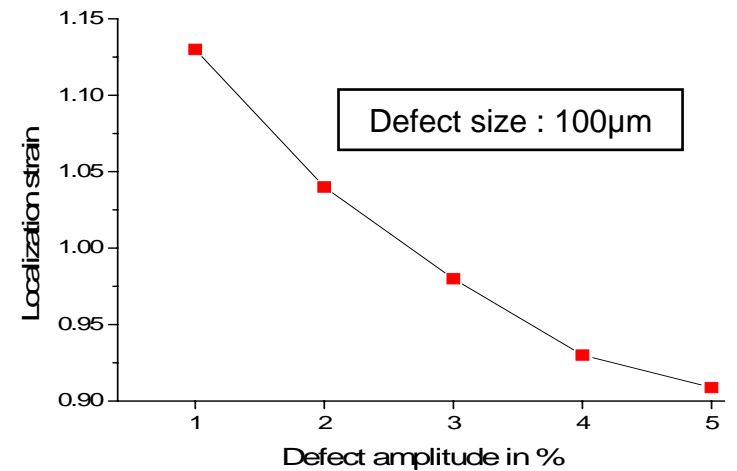
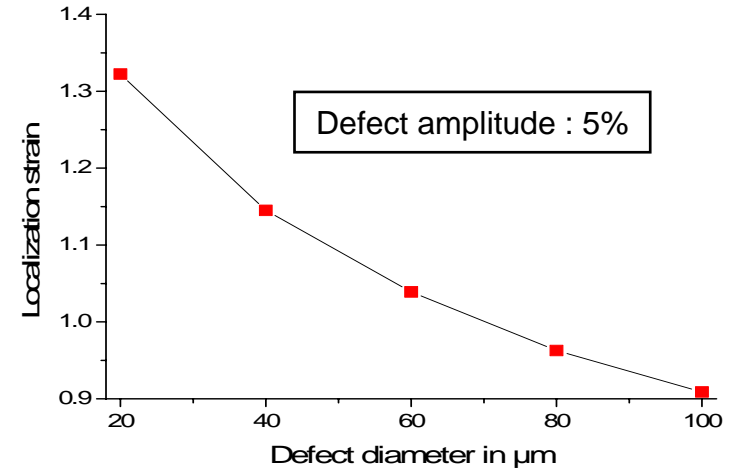


Results of the model : effect of the defect size

- Release of the shear stress



- Effect of the defect size on the strain localization



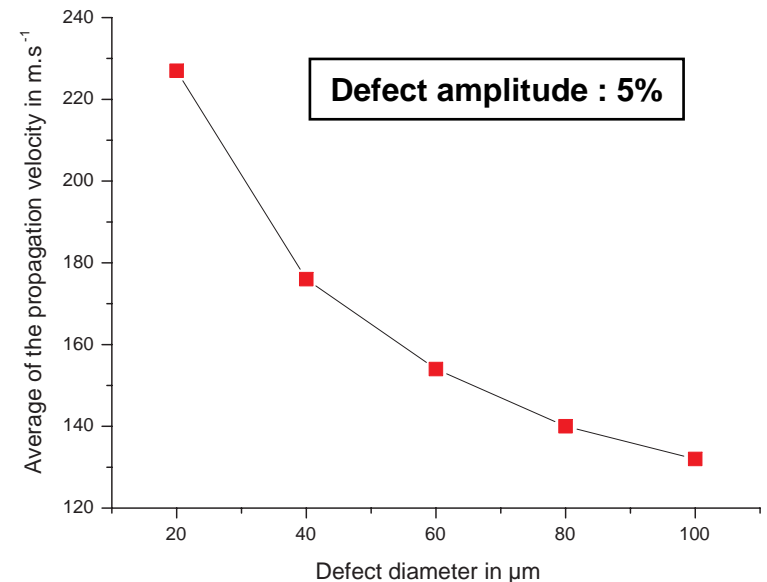
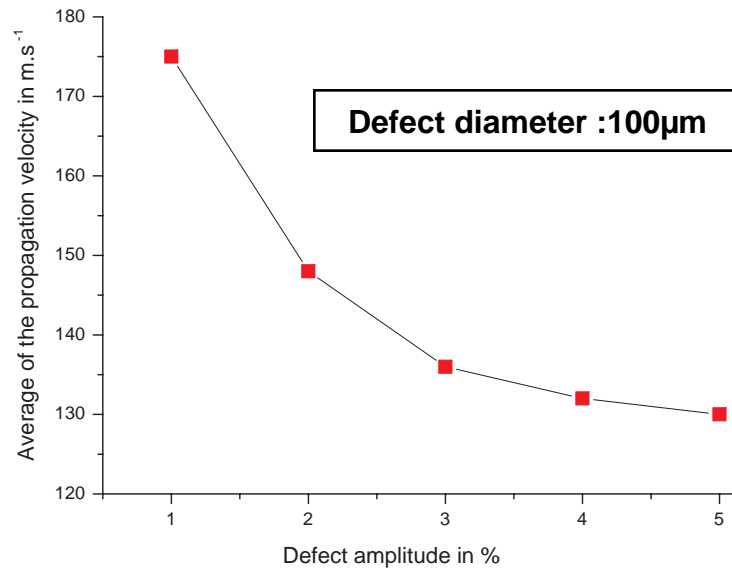
Increase of the size and the amplitude of the defect



Decrease of the strain localization

Results of the model : effect of the defect size

The average of the propagation velocity of the ASB between the defect and the quarter of the specimen :



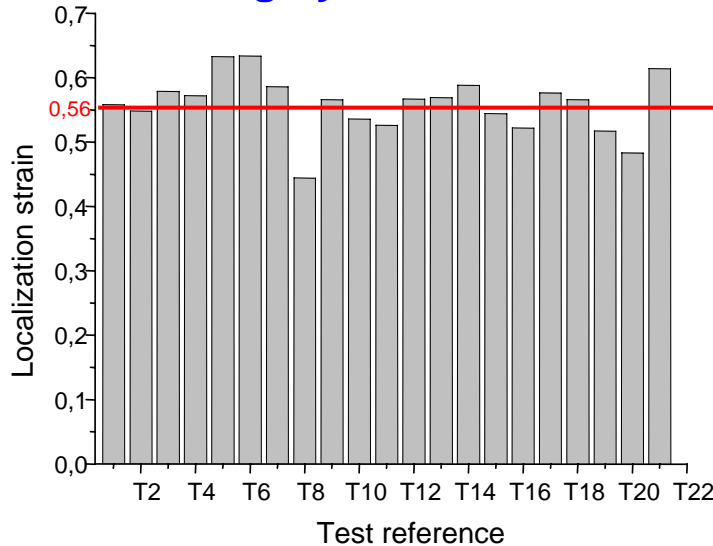
Increase of the size and the amplitude of the defect



Decrease of the average propagation velocity

Comparison with experimental data

Experimental determination of localization strain during dynamic torsion tests



Mean of the localization strain : 0.56

Measure of the roughness :

Defect amplitude : 0,6%

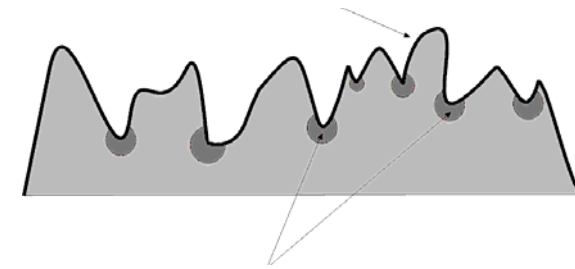
Characteristic size : 10 μ m to 100 μ m

Prediction of the localization strain :

Localization strain higher than 0.9 (defect : 5%;100 μ m)

Overestimation of the localization strain

Surface roughness



Zone of plastic strain concentration

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Conclusion :

- Underestimation of the plastic strain concentration (3D strain distribution)
- multiple initiation site? Interaction between defects

Conclusion

- The model allows :
 - to simulate the initiation and the propagation of ASB
 - Determination of the effect of the defect on the strain localization
- The magnitude of the localization strain is higher than those found in experiments
 - (several defects, 3D simulation)