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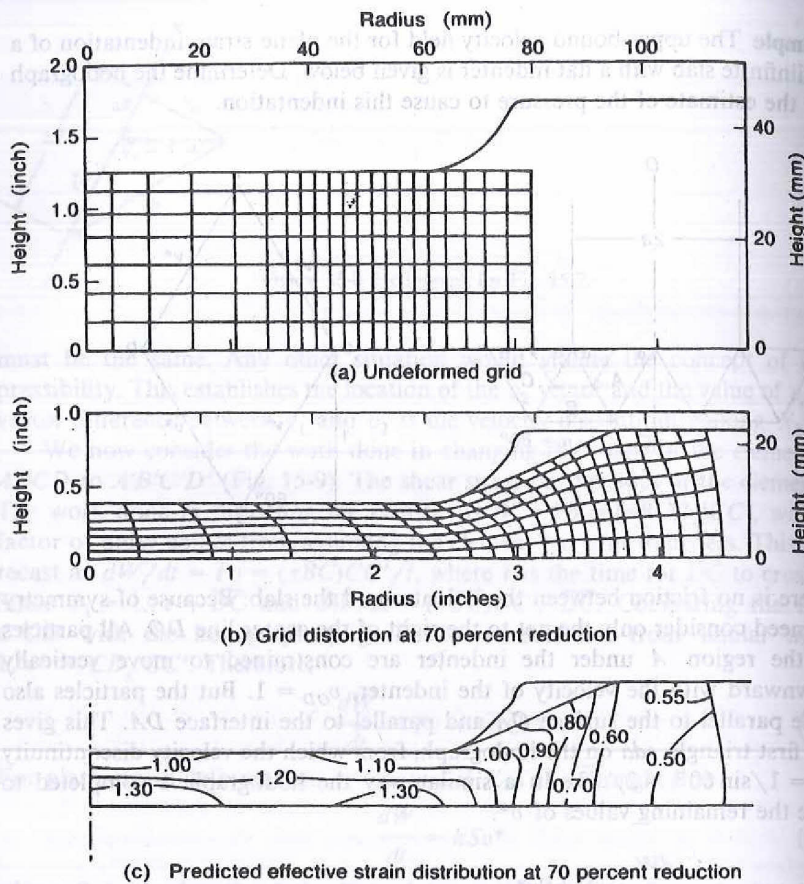


Figure 15-10 Distortion of FEM grid in forging of a compressor disk. Because of symmetry only one-quarter of the cross section need be considered. (From T. Altan, S. I. Oh, and H. L. Gegel, "Metal Forming," p. 336, American Society for Metals, Metals Park, Ohio, 1983.)

problems concentrated on elastic-plastic solutions. Because these problems require the use of very small increments of strain, with elastic calculations made at each increment, a very large amount of computer capacity is required.

A practical adaptation of the FEM to metalworking analysis was achieved by Kobayashi¹ in a technique called the *matrix method*. This method neglects elastic strains compared with the larger plastic strains and assumes rigid plastic behavior. Therefore, relatively large strain increments can be used and the computer

¹ C. H. Lee and S. Kobayashi, *Trans. ASME Ser. B., J. Eng. Ind.*, vol. 93, pp. 445-454, 1971; S. Kobayashi and S. N. Shah, "Advances in Deformation Processing," J. J. Burke and V. Weiss (eds.), pp. 51-98, Plenum Press, New York, 1978.

requirements are reduced considerably. The material is input into a computer code called ALPID² (analysis of large plastic deformation). It assumes a rigid viscoplastic material in which the effects of strain, strain rate, and temperature are considered. ALPID calculates particle velocity, and temperature at any location. Figure 15-10 shows the distortion calculated by the FEM. Effective strain has been calculated at each node. The values of $\bar{\epsilon}$ at the bottom of the figure. Because of the nature of metalworking processes the initial FEM mesh is not a reliable information. When this happens it is necessary to create a new mesh within the boundary of the deformed material. The values of ϵ , $\dot{\epsilon}$, v , and T to the new grid system.

FEM analysis can be used to simulate deformation processes. When combined with real time computer graphics output, preform design, friction, and material properties, the analysis of die fill and defect formation can be investigated. This technique has been applied to two-dimensional metal deformation. This technique can be expanded to simulate three-dimensional deformation.

15-3 FLOW-STRESS DETERMINATION

The various expressions that will be developed for the flow stress, or pressure, in a particular deformation process consist of three terms:

$$p = \bar{\sigma}_0 g(f) h(c)$$

where $\bar{\sigma}_0$ = the flow resistance of the material for a given uniaxial, plane strain, etc. It is a function of the strain rate.

$g(f)$ = an expression for the friction at the interface.

$h(c)$ = a function of the geometry of the deformation. This term may or may not be a redundant deformation.

It is obvious from the above relationship that the accuracy of predictions of forming loads and stresses, and flow resistance (flow stress). The experimental problems under metalworking conditions are more severe. Therefore, the design processes for structural or mechanical design processes involve large plastic strains, it is desirable to use the FEM.

² S. I. Oh, *Int. J. Mech. Sci.*, vol. 17, pp. 479-493, 1979; Proc. NAMRC-X, 1982; T. Altan, H. L. Gegel, and S. I. Oh, *Trans. ASME Ser. B., J. Eng. Ind.*, vol. 105, pp. 1-10, 1983.

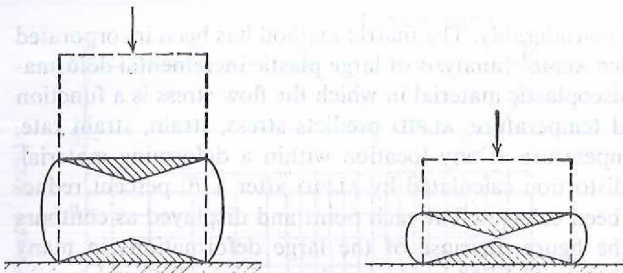


Figure 15-11 Undeformed regions (shaded) due to friction at ends of a compression specimen.

to a true strain of 2.0 to 4.0. In addition, many of these processes involve high strain rates ($\dot{\epsilon} \approx 100 \text{ s}^{-1}$), which may not be obtained easily with ordinary test facilities. Further, many metalworking processes are carried out at elevated temperatures where the flow stress is strongly strain-rate sensitive but nearly independent of strain. Thus, tests for determining flow stress must be carried out under controlled conditions of temperature and constant true-strain rate.¹

The true-stress-true-strain curve determined from the *tension test* is of limited usefulness because necking limits uniform deformation to true strains less than 0.5 (see Sec. 8-3). This is particularly severe in hot-working, where the low rate of strain hardening allows necking to occur at $\epsilon \approx 0.1$. The formation of a necked region in the tension specimen introduces a complex stress state and locally raises the strain rate.

The *compression* of a short cylinder between anvils is a much better test for measuring the flow stress in metalworking applications. There is no problem with necking and the test can be carried out to strains in excess of 2.0 if the material is ductile. However, the friction between the specimen and anvils can lead to difficulties unless it is controlled. In the *homogeneous upset test* a cylinder of diameter D_0 and initial height h_0 would be compressed in height to h and spread out in diameter to D according to the law of constancy of volume:

$$D_0^2 h_0 = D^2 h$$

During deformation, as the metal spreads over the compression anvils to increase its diameter, frictional forces will oppose the outward flow of metal. This frictional resistance occurs in that part of the specimen in contact with the anvils, while the metal at specimen midheight can flow outward undisturbed. This leads to a *barreled* specimen profile, and internally a region of undeformed metal is created near the anvil surfaces (Fig. 15-11). As these cone-shaped zones approach and overlap, they cause an increase in force for a given increment of deformation and the load-deformation curve bends upward (Fig. 15-12). For a fixed diameter,

¹ H. J. McQueen and J. J. Jonas, Hot Workability Testing Techniques, in A. L. Hoffmann (ed.), "Metal Forming: Interrelation Between Theory and Practice," Plenum Publishing Corporation, New York, 1971.

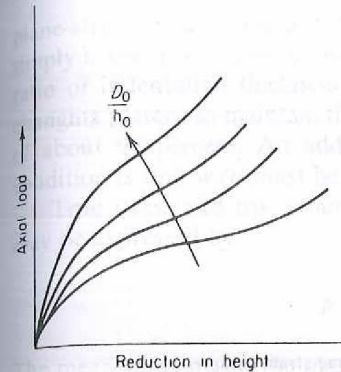


Figure 15-12 Load tests with different D_0/h_0 ratios.

a shorter specimen will require a greater axial force for a given percentage reduction in height because of the relative increase in friction (Fig. 15-11). Thus, one way to minimize the barreling is to use a low value of D_0/h_0 . However, for $D_0/h_0 \approx 0.5$, for below this value the specimen buckles before true flow stress in compression without friction can be reached versus D_0/h_0 for several values of reduction in height and $D_0/h_0 = 0$.

The friction at the specimen-platen interface can be minimized by using smooth, hardened platens, grooving the ends of the specimen, and carrying out the test in increments so that the deformation occurs in small intervals.³ Teflon sheet for cold deformation and especially effective lubricants. With these techniques, a true strain of about $\epsilon = 1.0$ with only slight barreling. The uniaxial compressive force required to produce yield is

$$P = \sigma_0 A$$

The true compressive stress p produced by this force is

$$p = \frac{4P}{\pi D^2}$$

and using the constancy-of-volume relationship

$$p = \frac{4Ph}{\pi D_0^2 h_0}$$

¹ M. Cooke and E. C. Larke, *J. Inst. Met.*, vol. 71, pp. 31-34, 1963.
² G. T. van Rooyen and W. A. Backofen, *Int. J. Mech. Sci.*, vol. 10, pp. 1-10, 1972.
³ Standard Methods of Compression Testing of Metallic Materials, ASTM Standards, pt. 31, Designation E9-70; for elevated temperatures, ASTM Standards, pt. 31, Designation E9-70; for elevated temperatures, ASTM Standards, pt. 31, Designation E9-70.

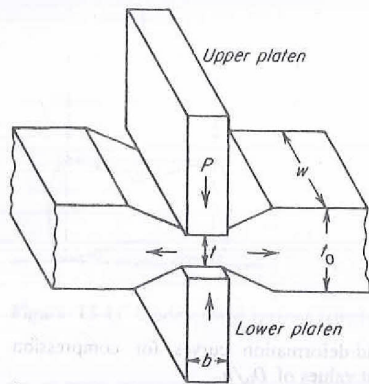


Figure 15-13 Plane-strain compression test.

where D_0 and h_0 are the initial diameter and height, and h is the height of the cylindrical sample at any instant during compression. The true compressive strain is given by

$$\epsilon_c = \ln \frac{h_0}{h} \quad (15-24)$$

In a compression test at constant crosshead speed, the true-strain rate continuously increases with deformation [see Eq. (9-33)]. At strain rates up to 10 s^{-1} a servocontrolled testing machine can be modified to maintain a constant true-strain rate. For metalworking strain rates of 1 to 10^3 s^{-1} the only equipment capable of providing a constant true-strain rate is the cam plastometer.¹

A compression test, such as that shown in Fig. 15-11, would be very difficult to conduct on a thin sheet, since it might be impossible to machine the specimens. A much more suitable test for sheet metal is the *plane-strain compression test*.² In this test a narrow band across the width of a strip is compressed by narrow platens which are wider than the strip (Fig. 15-13). The constraints of the undeformed shoulders of material on each side of the platens prevent extension of the sheet in the width dimension. There is deformation in the direction of platen motion and in the direction normal to the length of the platen, as occurs in the rolling process. In addition to its suitability with thin sheet, other advantages of this test are that it simulates the stress state in rolling, eliminates problems with barreling, and because the area under the platen is constant, the total deformation force does not rise as rapidly as in the compression of a cylinder. On the other hand, unless good lubrication is maintained, a dead metal zone will form in the specimen next to the face of the platens. Therefore, the test usually is carried out incrementally, measuring the sheet thickness after each increment and relubricating for the next higher load. Slip-line field theory has been used to analyze the

¹ J. F. Alder and V. A. Phillips, *J. Inst. Met.*, vol. 83, pp. 80-86, 1954-1955; J. E. Hockett, *Am. Soc. Test. Mater. Proc.*, vol. 59, pp. 1309-1319, 1959.

² A. B. Watts and H. Ford, *Proc. Inst. Mech. Eng.*, vol. 169, pp. 1141-1156, 1955.

plane-strain compression test. It has been found simply is the applied load divided by the contact ratio of indentation thickness to platen width. Changing platens to maintain this t/b range, it is of about 90 percent. An additional requirement condition is that w/b must be greater than 5.

True stress and true strain determined in this test may be expressed by

$$p = \frac{P}{wb} \quad \epsilon_{pc} = 1.15 \epsilon_c$$

The mean pressure on the platens is 15.5 percent of the corresponding uniaxial compression test (see Fig. 15-11). The strain curve in uniaxial compression (σ_0 versus ϵ_c) and the corresponding plane-strain compression curve are related by the following relations:

$$\sigma_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} p = \frac{p}{1.155}$$

$$\epsilon_c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \epsilon_{pc} = 1.15 \epsilon_{pc}$$

The *hot torsion test* (see Sec. 10-6) is capable of strain rates of the order of 20. Since the dimensions of the specimen are small, the strain rate remains constant for a constant rpm.¹ Strain rates up to 10^3 s^{-1} are readily achieved. The chief difficulty is that the stress and strain vary with radial distance in the specimen. The values at the surface are reported, but this may lead to errors if the surface strain-hardens more than the core. The error in stress and strain is largely eliminated by using a specimen of uniform thickness. It must be exercised to use a short specimen or buckling may occur. The excessive material reorientation that may occur in the test is not an accurate simulation of metalworking processes. The test for workability studies, but not for flow stress and strain are obtained from the torsional test. The stress and strain are obtained from the torsional test by the following relations based on the von Mises

$$\sigma_0 = \sqrt{3} \tau \quad \epsilon = \frac{\epsilon_t}{\sqrt{3}}$$

The variation of flow stress with strain can be obtained from the torsional test (see Fig. 10-8) or for a highly cold-worked metal. If work hardening is present, the best approach to selecting a flow

¹ J. A. Bailey and S. L. Haas, *J. Mater.*, vol. 7, pp. 8-13, 1962.

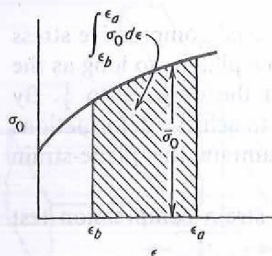


Figure 15-14 Definition of mean-flow stress.

calculations is to use the mean flow stress as given by

$$\bar{\sigma}_0 = \frac{1}{\epsilon_a - \epsilon_b} \int_{\epsilon_b}^{\epsilon_a} \sigma_0 d\epsilon \quad (15-27)$$

Figure 15-14 shows the interpretation of this equation. This is considered a better choice than the flow stress based on $\epsilon = (\epsilon_a + \epsilon_b)/2$. When analytical expressions for the flow curve are required, it is usually possible to fit the data to either Eq. (8-21) or Eq. (8-24). Extensive data for flow stress under metalworking conditions have been published.¹ However for large strains ($\epsilon > 1$) it has been proposed² that the flow stress is best given by

$$\sigma_0 = A + B\epsilon \quad (15-28)$$

where $A = K(1 - n)$
 $B = Kn$

15-4 TEMPERATURE IN METALWORKING

Forming processes are commonly classified into *hot-working* and *cold-working* operations. Hot-working is defined as deformation under conditions of temperature and strain rate such that recovery processes take place simultaneously with the deformation. On the other hand, cold-working is deformation carried out under conditions where recovery processes are not effective. In hot-working the strain hardening and distorted grain structure produced by deformation are very rapidly eliminated by the formation of new strain-free grains as the result of recrystallization. Very large deformations are possible in hot-working because the recovery processes keep pace with the deformation. Hot-working occurs at an essentially constant flow stress, and because the flow stress decreases with increasing temperature, the energy required for deformation is generally much less for hot-working than for cold-working. Since strain hardening is not relieved in cold-working, the flow stress increases with deformation. Therefore, the total

¹ T. Altan, S. I. Oh, and H. L. Gegel, "Metal Forming," pp. 56-72, American Society for Metals, Metals Park, Ohio, 1983.

² M. C. Shaw, *Int. J. Mach. Tool Des. Res.* vol. 22, no. 3, pp. 215-226, 1982.

deformation that is possible without causing fracture for hot-working, unless the effects of cold-work are considered.

It is important to realize that the distinction between hot-working and cold-working does not depend on any arbitrary temperature. For most commercial alloys a hot-working operation is carried out at a relatively high temperature in order that a range of deformation can be obtained. However, lead and tin recrystallize rapidly at large deformations, so that the working of these metals constitutes hot-working. Similarly, working tungsten at room temperature for steel, constitutes cold-working because the recrystallization temperature above this working range is high.

The temperature of the workpiece in metalworking depends on (1) the temperature of the tools and the material, (2) the amount of plastic deformation, (3) heat generated by friction at the interface, and (4) the heat transfer between the deforming material and the environment. For a frictionless deformation process the temperature is

$$T_d = \frac{U_p}{\rho c J} = \frac{\bar{\sigma} \bar{\epsilon} \beta}{\rho c J}$$

where U_p = the work of plastic deformation per unit volume
 ρ = the density of workpiece
 c = the specific heat of the workpiece
 J = the mechanical equivalent of heat, 778 ft-lb/Btu
 β = fraction of deformation work converted to heat

The remainder is stored in the material as a defect structure.

The temperature increase due to friction is given by

$$T_f = \frac{\mu p v A \Delta t}{\rho c V J}$$

where μ = friction coefficient at material/tool interface
 p = stress normal to interface
 v = velocity at the material/tool interface
 A = surface area at the material/tool interface
 Δt = time interval of consideration
 V = volume subjected to the temperature rise

Usually the temperature is highest at the interface where friction generates the heat and it falls off toward the center of the workpiece. For simplicity we can neglect the temperature gradient and consider the deforming material to be a thin plate.

¹ T. Altan, S. I. Oh, and H. L. Gegel, op. cit., p. 90.