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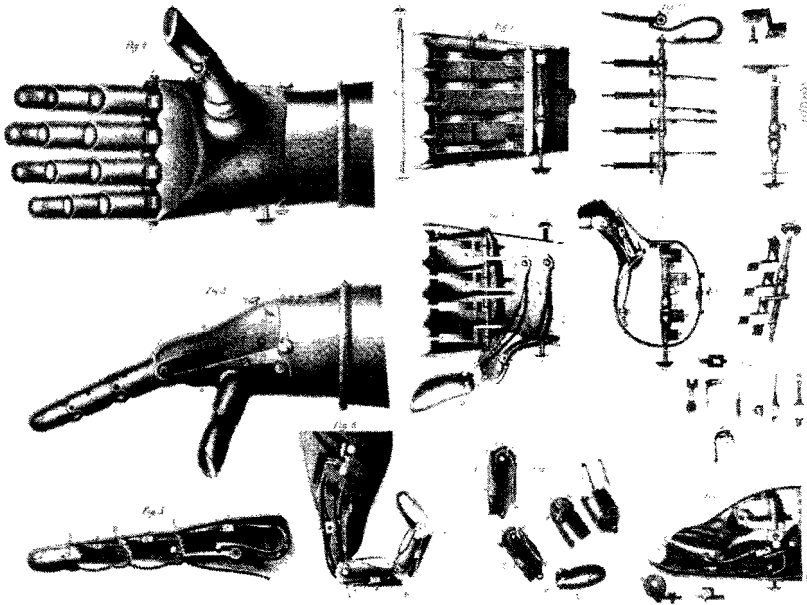
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The iron hand of the brave german  
knight Götze von Berlichingen~1535.

*Mutantur tempora, quae homines sentiunt non mutantur:  
A manu ferrea Godefridi, equitis Berlichingensis, ad artem  
plasmatis spargendi.*

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## 0 GENERAL INTRODUCTION

This thesis is dedicated to the technology of plasma spraying which is a method to apply coatings to a substrate. All thermal spray techniques, and plasma spraying is one of them, use the thermal and kinetic energy of a combustion flame or an electric arc discharge to accelerate and to heat solid powdered material which is to be projected onto a substrate. In this way machine parts (or constructions) can be improved regarding their surface properties, since very often a machine part fails due to surface attacks such as fatigue, wear, erosion, corrosion, oxidation or a combination of some of these phenomena. A coating also may be applied to insulate or to conduct heat and electricity. At last, thermal spray techniques are employed to produce free standing bodies, mostly made of refractory or ceramic materials. Plasma spraying is a technique where an inert, or partly inert gas is heated by a controlled arc discharge to such a temperature level ( $\geq 10.000$  K) that partly ionisation of the gas occurs. This gas has a very high enthalpy and is called a plasma, the fourth state of matter. The plasma generating device is called a plasma torch.

Apart from the high energy content an arc plasma for thermal spraying is characterized by its relatively high torch – outflow velocity ( $\geq 200$  ms<sup>-1</sup>). The plasma leaves the torch as a jet stream with an effective diameter of approximately 5 mm and a length around 45 mm. Powdered material, size 5 – 100  $\mu$ m, is injected side – on into the plasma jet which accelerates and heats the powder. The energy transfer from the plasma to the spray particles consists of a thermal part and a kinetic part. Both energies are strongly coupled. If the control setting of the torch is changed, the heat content and the velocity of the particles change simultaneously, which makes the tracing of optimum spray conditions for the achievement of pre – set coating properties rather elaborate, if

possible. The built up of a plasma sprayed coating can be reduced to the many fold repeated process of interaction of one single particle with the substrate as far as the adhesion to the substrate is concerned.

The subject of this thesis is the investigation of the relation between the input parameters velocity, size and heat content of a spray particle and the morphology of the spread particle. Subsequently, the relation between the morphology and the adhesion will be determined in order to find the optimum combination of the spray parameters with regards to the adhesion strength. The individual influence of heat content and particle velocity can be determined by the application of a rotating substrate support. Four polished substrates are fixed at the perimeter of a disk shaped substrate holder. The disk is mounted on the shaft of a grinding device, which permits the application of rotational speeds up to 24.000 revolutions per minute. With a disk diameter of 100 mm, the rotation velocity of the substrate amounts up to  $125 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . This velocity can be added to or subtracted from the standard flight velocity of a particle with a pre – set heat content. So, the impact velocity can be varied over rather a wide range, independent of the standard heat content. The third main input parameter is the particle size. It can be fixed within a narrow range by sieving. In this way it is possible to determine experimentally the particle morphologies and the related adhesion strengths as a function of the impact velocity or as a function of the heat content.

To back up these experiments, the thermal energy transfer of the particle to the substrate will be described. Subsequently, a collision theory elucidates the mechanical and thermodynamical effects which are coherent with a shock compression and the relaxation after the shock wave. The splash models, emanating from this theory, will be experimentally tested on the basis of photographic pictures of spread particles and their cross sections.

Finally adhesion tests will be carried out to determine the specific strength level of particular morphologies. The final aim of the whole work is to find the optimum combination of the three input parameters in order to design a new generation of plasma spray equipment with sufficient control over these parameters.

## CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION TO PLASMA SPRAYING.

### 1.1. Macro characterisation of the plasma spray process.

(Note: In this thesis the decimal comma is used in stead of the decimal point.)

For scientific purposes plasma spraying can be described appropriately as a connected energy transmission process, starting with the energy transfer from an electric potential field to the plasma gas, proceeding with the energy transfer from the plasma to the material particles which are to build up the coating and concluding with the energy transfer from the particles to the substrate.

Fig. 1.1. is a schematic drawing of plasma spraying as it will be considered in this

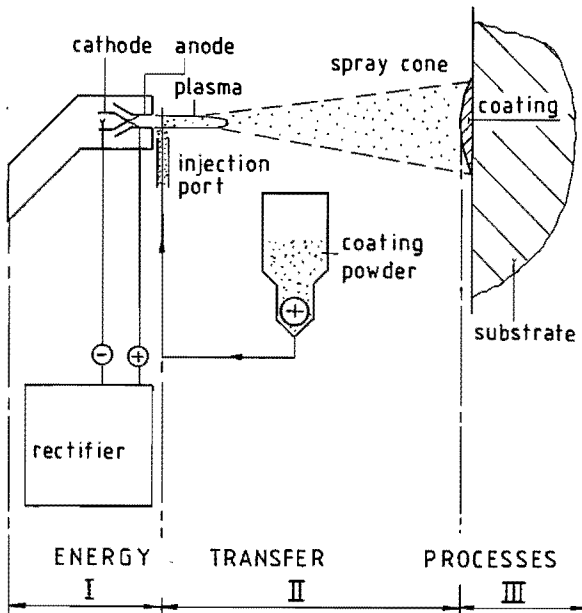


Fig. 1.1: Plasma spraying schematically represented as a sequence of three energy transfer processes.

thesis. The successive three processes have in common that the energy exchange consists of a simultaneously occurring thermal and kinetic part. Regarding the thermal part, a macroscopic energy balance can be set up.

A typical one reads:

-	Rectifier energy supplied to the torch	:	42,0
-	Cooling water losses 66%	:	<u>-27,7</u>
-	Remaining enthalpy of the exhausting plasma:		14,3
-	Losses due to convection and radiation to the surrounding atmosphere	:	<u>-13,3</u>
-	Net energy stored in the spray particles:		1,0 kw

The energy efficiency of this spray operation:

$$\eta = \frac{\text{Net energy stored in the spray particles}}{\text{Rectifier energy supplied to the torch}} \times 100\% =$$

$$= \frac{1,0}{42,0} \times 100\% \cong 2,4\%$$

The low energy efficiency may be considered as one of the characteristics of plasma spraying. It causes a low heat flow density through the substrate surface. To emphasize this feature it will be compared to a typical macroscopic thermal energy balance occurring with CO<sub>2</sub> welding and handwelding with a covered electrode.

On the basis of these data the heat flow densities through the substrate surface can be calculated. For the welding processes, the heat flow density is:

$$q_w = \frac{\text{efficiency} \times \text{current} \times \text{voltage} \times \text{time}}{\text{traverse speed} \times \text{weld width} \times \text{time}}$$

For plasma spraying, the heat flow density reads:

$$q_{pl} = \frac{\text{deposit mass flow rate} \times \text{heat content of the particles}}{\text{traverse speed} \times \text{weld width} \times \text{time}}$$

Table 1: Processvariables for CO<sub>2</sub>-welding, handwelding with covered electrode and plasma spraying [1].

Variable	Unit	CO <sub>2</sub> welding	Hand-welding	Plasma-spraying
Deposit mass flow rate	g min <sup>-1</sup>	42	40	40
current	ampere	200	200	400
voltage	volt	25	25	40
traverse speed	mms <sup>-1</sup>	5,5	3,6	40
weld/spray width	mm	11,5	10	25
heat content of the spray particles	kJ kg <sup>-1</sup>	—	—	1500

Assuming the welding energy efficiency 80% and substituting the data of table 1, it turns out.

For CO<sub>2</sub> welding:

$$q_{w-CO_2} = \frac{0,8 \times 200 \times 25 \times 1}{5,5 \times 11,5 \times 1} \approx 63 \frac{J}{mm^2}$$

for handwelding:

$$q_{w-hand} = \frac{0,8 \times 200 \times 25 \times 1}{3,6 \times 10 \times 1} \approx 111 \frac{J}{mm^2}$$

for plasma spraying:

$$q_{pl} = \frac{40}{60} \times 1500 = 1 \frac{J}{40 \times 25 \times 1 \text{ mm}^2}$$

Roughly one may say that the heat flow density with plasma spraying amounts 1% of the standard welding heat flow density. The fairly low heat flow rate involved with plasma spraying is the second characteristic that should be mentioned here.

From fig. 1.1 it is evident that a free standing distance between the plasma torch and the substrate is maintained. The plasma flame itself is not in contact with the surface to avoid heating up of the substrate, where in welding processes the heat of the welding arc is directed to the surface for the very reason of heating, thus creating the weld pool.

So, in plasma spraying the coating particles are thrown on their own energy basis and this is so because an excessive heating of the substrate material would generally cause severe damage to the coating due to the widely differing thermal dilatation of the coating and the substrate material, mostly inherent to a spray operation. The free standing distance is a third characteristic of plasma spraying implying a low heat transfer rate from the plasma to the surface. A plasma spray coating is built up by discrete particles without a weld pool. This phenomenon should be understood well in order to give judgement about the coating properties and their service performance. For this reason a standard plasma spray operation of e.g. Mo onto a steel substrate will be considered in detail [1]. On the basis of this consideration some interesting and possibly important insights may be gained.

The spray operation: Mo onto steel; spray rate  $m = 40 \text{ g min}^{-1}$ ; mean particle size  $d_p = 50 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ; specific mass  $\rho_{mo} = 10200 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ . With these data the

average number of injected particles can be calculated:  $N_1 = 10^6$  particles per second ( $\text{ps}^{-1}$ ). Some more data: The torch's traverse speed  $v = 40 \text{ mms}^{-1}$ , the spray width  $w = 25 \text{ mm}$ . Finally, let the splashed particle have a lamella diameter  $D = 125 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ . Now the following process properties can be determined:

The average number of lamella on top of each other after one pass of the torch:  $N_2$

$N_1$  parts per second are injected into the plasma. Assume that all of them stick to the substrate. Then  $N_1$  [ $\text{ps}^{-1}$ ] produce a total spray surface per unit time

$$A_p = N_1 \times \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \quad (1.1)$$

$$= 10^6 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 0,125^2 = 12.271 \quad [\text{mm}^2\text{s}^{-1}]$$

The covered substrate area per unit time

$$A_s = v \times w \times 1 \quad (1.2)$$

$$= 40 \times 25 \times 1 = 1000 \quad [\text{mm}^2\text{s}^{-1}]$$

Note: 1 stands for 1 second in order to maintain proper dimensions.

The average number of lamellae on top of each other

$$N_2 = \frac{A_p}{A_s} = \frac{N_1 \times \frac{\pi}{4} D^2}{v \times w \times 1} \quad (1.3)$$

$$= \frac{12271}{1000} \cong 12$$

In other words: a one pass coating is formed by 12 lamellae on top of each other.

Fig 1.2 visualizes the above mentioned data and calculations. Before carrying on with the determination of spray process properties, a simplification has to be made to keep the calculations formally correct. Assume the perpendicular



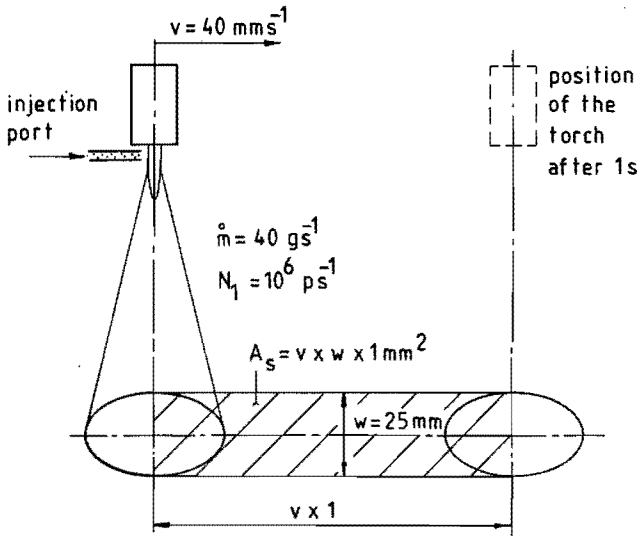


Fig. 1.2: Data for a standard plasma spray operation.

section through the spray cone to be square shaped instead of circular and maintain the same section area, see fig. 1.3 then, it holds:

$$\frac{\pi}{4} w^2 = w_*^2 \text{ or } w_* = \frac{1}{2} w \sqrt{\pi} \approx 0,9 w \quad (1.4)$$

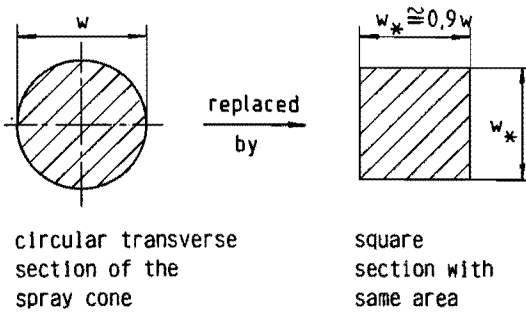


Fig. 1.3: Definition of  $w_*$ .

The definition of  $w_*$  enables us to make the following calculations formally right and simple without being bothered by second order geometrical effects conjugated with the circular geometry of a transverse section.

The deposition time is the time period during which a surface element is exposed to the bombardment with particles, see fig. 1.4

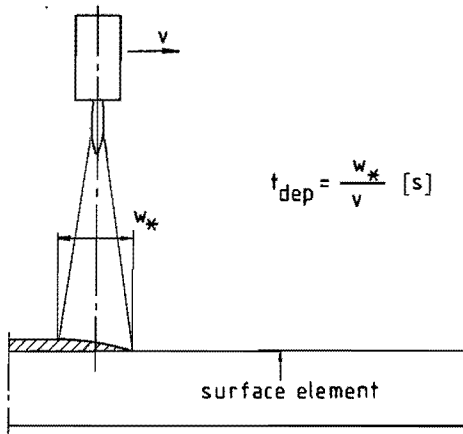


Fig. 1.4: Definition of the deposition time  $t_{\text{dep}}$ .

$$t_{\text{dep}} = \frac{w_*}{v} \text{ [s]} \quad (1.5)$$

The intensity of the bombardment is

$$n = \frac{N_1}{w_*^2} \text{ [ps}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}] \quad (1.6)$$

Thus, the surface receives per unit area

$$\dot{N}_2 = t_{\text{dep}} \cdot n = \frac{w_*}{v} \times \frac{N_1}{w_*^2} = \frac{N_1}{v \cdot w_*} \text{ [pm}^{-2}] \quad (1.7)$$

can also be defined in another way.

equals the number of lamellae on top of each other:  $N_2 = \frac{A_p}{A_s}$ ,

multiplied with the number of lamellae needed to cover one unit area:  $\frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} D^2}$

hence:  $\dot{N}_2 = \frac{A_p}{A_s} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} D^2}$  (1.8)

using e.q. (1.3) and (1.4)

$$\dot{N}_2 = \frac{N_1 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} D^2}{v \cdot w \cdot 1} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} D^2} = \frac{N_1}{v \cdot w_*} \text{ [p} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}]$$

(1.8a)

Eq. (1.7) and (1.8a) are identical, thus elucidating and backing the validity of the deposition time concept for a surface element.

The time elapse between the collision of two particles belonging to the  $i^{\text{th}}$  and the  $i + 1^{\text{th}}$  lamella plane:  $t_w$

The waiting time,  $t_w$ , can now be expressed in the foregoing terms.

The deposition time for  $N_2$  lamella planes is given in eq. (1.5):  $t_{\text{dep}} = \frac{w_*}{v}$  ;

$t_{\text{dep}}$  also equals the number of lamellae on top of each other multiplied with the waiting time between the collision of two particles:

$$t_{\text{dep}} = t_w \times N_2 \quad (1.9)$$

Equating (1.5) and (1.9) yields:

$$\frac{w_*}{v} = t_w \times N_2 \text{ and for the waiting time:}$$

$$t_w = \frac{w_*}{v \times N_2} \quad (1.10)$$

Numerically:

$$t_w = \frac{0,9 \times 25}{40 \times 12} \cong 0,047 \text{ [s]}$$

The solidification time for a 50  $\mu\text{m}$  Mo particle on a steel substrate is determined by [2b,2c], see also eq. 1.33:

$$t_{\text{sol}} = \frac{X^2}{4p^2a} \quad (1.11)$$

where  $X$  = lamella thickness

$p$  = constant

$a$  = thermal diffusivity of Mo

numerically:  $X = 7 \mu\text{m}$ ;  $p = 0,582$  for Mo on steel and

$$a_{\text{Mo}} = 5,61 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ [m}^2\text{s}^{-1}\text{]}.$$

Inserting these figures in eq. (1.11) yields:

$$t_{\text{sol}} \cong 6,5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ [s]}$$

$$\text{The ratio } \theta = \frac{t_w}{t_{\text{sol}}} \quad (1.12)$$

$$= \frac{0,047}{6,5 \cdot 10^{-7}} = 7,2 \cdot 10^4$$

indicates that the waiting time in between two collisions of particles onto each other is by far longer than the time needed for the solidification. The conclusion can be drawn that a splashing particle will not likely meet a liquid surface.

Thus, under normal conditions for spraying a weld pool does not exist.

The virtual flight distance of two particles in the same trajectory:  $S_v$ .

$S_v$  is the distance between two particles in the same trajectory and this distance can be calculated by multiplying the waiting time,  $t_w$ , with the flight velocity,  $U_p$ , of the particles. Assume this last one to be  $50 \text{ [ms}^{-1}\text{]}$ . With  $t_w = 0,047 \text{ [s]}$

$$S_v = U_p \cdot t_w \quad (1.13)$$

$$= 50 \cdot 0,047 = 2,35 \text{ [m]}.$$

The required flight distance between two particles in the same trajectory in order to meet a liquid foregoing particle should not be longer than:

$$S_L \leq U_p \cdot t_{sol} \quad (1.14)$$

$$= 50 \cdot 6,5 \cdot 10^{-7} = 3,25 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ [m]}$$

or  $S_L \leq 32 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ .

From the calculation of  $S_v$  and  $S_L$  it is evident, as is from the ratio  $\theta$ , e.q. (1.12), that a particle will not likely meet a liquid foregoing one.

The number of simultaneously solidifying particles per unit area.

During the solidification of one particle, there will arrive at the surface

$$N_3 = t_{sol} \times N_1 \quad (1.15)$$

$$= 6,5 \cdot 10^{-7} \cdot 10^6 = 0,65 \text{ particles}$$

These particles are spread over the surface area,  $A_0$ .

$$A_0 = \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot w^2 \quad (1.16)$$

So, per unit area there will arrive durring the solidification of one particle

$$N_4 = \frac{1}{A_0} \cdot N_3 \quad (1.17)$$

Substituting all length parameters in mm:

$$N_4 = \frac{10^6}{\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot 25^2} \cdot 0,65 = 1324 [\text{pm}^{-2}].$$

These  $N_4$  particles will start to solidify simultaneously. So, once more, the conclusion can be drawn that there will not likely be a great interaction between solidifying particles.

## 1.2 Micro characterization of the thermal interaction between a single plasma spray particle and the substrate.

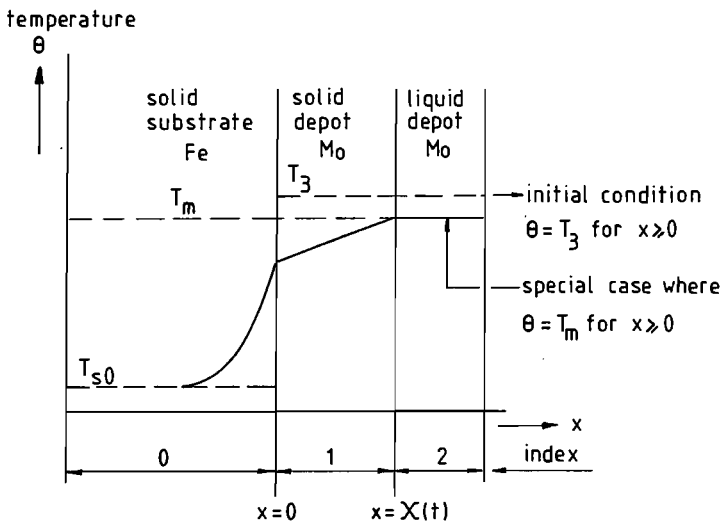
As seen in the foregoing section, a thermally sprayed coating is built up particle by particle, each having its own individual interaction with the substrate surface. This interaction can be split up into a thermal part and a kinetic – dynamic part. Before starting with the actual theme of this thesis, which is the kinetic – dynamical interaction, first the thermal phenomena in the contact zone between spray particle and substrate will be depicted. When this done, it will be clear that many of the mechanical collision effects can be described without taking into account a great deal of the thermal effects. The theoretical considerations of the following section will be applied to the practical cases of Mo and AISI–316 steel on Fe. The numerical calculations hold for these two systems. The thermal interaction has been discussed, [2a, 2b, 2c], assuming that the particles take a disk shape during solidification from the very first moment of contact with the substrate. (Mind that the working formula's as presented in [2b] are partly misprinted). Further assumptions to be made are:

- Absence of diffusion or heatbarriers in the interface.
- Heat transfer takes place only by conduction.
- The thermophysical properties are not temperature dependent.

- The Mo disk has a uniform temperature, equalling the melting temperature  $T_m$ .
- Supercooling or pressure dependent phenomena are absent in the contact area.
- Melting effects of the substrate material are to be neglected even if melting obviously will take place.

Basically the mathematical background is given by Neumann and Schwartz and can be found in ref. [3].

Fig. 1.5 defines the coordinate system to be used.



$x=0$  marks the position of the substrate  
 $x=X(t)$  marks the position of the surface of separation between the solid and liquid phases of the spraymaterial

Fig. 1.5: Coordinate system for heat transfer from disk to substrate.

The initial conditions:

Suppose the region  $x > 0$  to be initially liquid at uniform temperature  $T_3$  and the region  $x < 0$  to be initially solid at the uniform temperature  $T_{s0}$ . The formulation of these conditions is:

$$x < 0 : \theta_0 = T_{s0} \text{ for } t = 0$$

$$x > 0 : \theta_2 = T_3 \text{ for } t = 0$$

A simplified special case will be considered:

$$x > 0 : \theta_2 = T_3 = T_m = \text{melting temperature.}$$

The heat conduction equations:

$$x \leq 0 \quad : \quad \frac{\partial^2 \theta_0}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{a_0} \cdot \frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (1.18)$$

$$0 \leq x \leq X(t) \quad : \quad \frac{\partial^2 \theta_1}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{a_1} \cdot \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (1.19)$$

$$x \geq X(t) \quad : \quad \frac{\partial^2 \theta_2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{a_2} \cdot \frac{\partial \theta_2}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (1.20)$$

For the special case where  $\theta_2 = T_3 = T_m$

e.q. (1.20) falls due.

The boundary conditions:

$$\theta_0 = T_{s0} \text{ as } x \rightarrow -\infty \quad (1.21)$$

$$\theta_0 = \theta_1 \text{ as } x = 0 \quad (1.22)$$



$$\lambda_0 \frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial x} = \lambda_1 \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x} \text{ as } x = 0 \quad (1.23)$$

$$\lambda_1 \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x} - \lambda_2 \frac{\partial \theta_2}{\partial x} = L\rho \frac{dX}{dt} \text{ as } x = X(t) \quad (1.24)$$

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 \text{ as } x = X(t) \quad (1.25)$$

For the special case where  $\theta_2 = T_3 = T_m$  eq. (1.24) simplifies to :

$$\lambda_1 \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x} = L\rho \frac{dX}{dt} \text{ as } x = X(t) \quad (1.24a)$$

and eq. (1.25) changes into:

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2 = T_m \text{ as } x \geq X(t) \quad (1.25a)$$

Particular solutions to the equations:

SOLUTION 1 : For the substrate.

$$\text{ASSUME } \theta_0 = T_{s0} + \alpha \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}} \right) \quad (1.26)$$

where  $\alpha$  is a constant to be determined. Solution (1.26) satisfies eq. (1.18) and because  $\theta_0 \rightarrow T_{s0}$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ , also satisfies condition (1.21)

SOLUTION 2: For the solid depot.

$$\text{ASSUME } \theta_1 = T_{s0} + \beta + \gamma \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \quad (1.27)$$

where  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are constants.

Solution (1.27) satisfies eq. (1.19) and also satisfies condition (1.22) if  $\beta = \alpha$  because  $\theta_0 = \theta_1$  as  $x = 0$ .

Eq. (1.27) now can be written as:

$$\theta_1 = T_{s0} + \alpha + \gamma \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \quad (1.27a)$$

and this solution still has to satisfy condition (1.23).

The connection between  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  can be determined as follows: find expressions

for  $\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x}$  by differentiating the eq. (1.26) and (1.27) and substitute the result into condition (1.23).

$$\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial x} = \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}} = \alpha \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot e^{-x^2/4a_0 t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial x} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\pi a_0 t}} \cdot e^{-x^2/4a_0 t} \quad (1.28)$$

For  $x = 0$ :

$$\left(\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial x}\right)_{x=0} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\pi a_0 t}} \quad (1.29)$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x} = \gamma \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} = \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}} \cdot e^{-x^2/4a_1 t} \quad (1.30)$$

For  $x = 0$ :

$$\left(\frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x}\right)_{x=0} = \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}} \quad (1.31)$$

Substitution of eq. (1.29) and (1.31) into eq. (1.23) gives:

$$\lambda_0 \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\pi a_0 t}} = \lambda_1 \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}}$$

Introducing  $B = \frac{\alpha}{\gamma}$  and using the definition for the thermal diffusivity  $a = \frac{\lambda}{\rho c}$ , this relation can be written as:

$$B = \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_1 \rho_1 c_1}}{\sqrt{\lambda_0 \rho_0 c_0}} \quad (1.32)$$

So, if B is chosen according to eq. (1.32) the condition (1.23) will be satisfied.

Using (1.32), eq. (1.27a) may be expressed as:

$$\theta_1 = T_{s0} + \gamma \left( \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \right) \quad \text{or:}$$

$$\theta_1 = T_{s0} + \gamma \left( B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \right) \quad (1.26b)$$

Overlooking the equations it can be established that the solutions (1.26) and (1.27) are appropriate for the equations (1.18) and (1.19) and the conditions (1.21), (1.22) and (1.23) are satisfied. For the special case where  $\theta_2 = T_3 = T_m$  the remaining boundary conditions are (1.24a) and (1.25a) The condition (1.25a) requires  $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = T_m$  as  $x \geq X(t)$ . Using eq. (1.27b) at  $x = X(t)$ , condition (1.25a) gives:

$$\gamma \left( B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{X}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \right) = T_m - T_{s0} \quad (1.33)$$

Since this equation has to be valid for all values of the time, X must be proportional to  $\sqrt{t}$ , which is Neumann's assumption:

$$X = p \sqrt{4a_1 t} \quad (1.34)$$

where p is a numerical constant to be determined from the remaining condition (1.24a).

Using (1.30) for  $x = X(t)$ , condition (1.24a) gives:

$$\lambda_1 \cdot \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}} \cdot e^{-X^2/4a_1 t} = L \cdot \rho \cdot \frac{dX}{dt} \quad (1.35)$$

This equation is in fact the energy balance at the solidification front.

From (1.34) follows:

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = p \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{t}} \quad (1.36)$$

Substitution of (1.36) into (1.35) yields:

$$\lambda_1 \cdot \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \cdot e^{-X^2/4a_1 t} = L \cdot \rho \cdot p \cdot \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{t}} \quad (1.37)$$

From (1.33) and (1.34) follows:

$$\gamma = \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{X}{4a_1 t}} = \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \quad (1.38)$$

Inserting (1.38) and (1.34) into (1.37) yields:

$$\lambda_1 \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}} \cdot e^{-p^2 \cdot 4a_1 t/4a_1 t} = L \cdot \rho \cdot p \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{t}}$$

Suppose that the density of the liquid equals the density of the solidified material,

then  $\rho = \rho_1$  and the last equation can be rewritten as:

$$\lambda_1 \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi a_1 t}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{t}}} = L \cdot \rho_1 \cdot p \cdot e^{-p^2}$$

Finally:

$$(B + \operatorname{erf} p) p e^{p^2} = \frac{C_1 (T_m - T_{s0})}{L \sqrt{\pi}} \quad (1.39)$$

Recapitulation:

$$\text{Eq. (1.26):} \quad \theta_0 = T_{s0} + \alpha \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}}\right)$$

is the temperature profile in the substrate.

$$\text{Eq. (1.27b):} \quad \theta_1 = T_{s0} = \gamma \left(B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}}\right)$$

is the temperature profile in the solid depot.

$$\text{Eq. (1.32):} \quad B = \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_1 \rho_1 c_1}}{\sqrt{\lambda_0 \rho_0 c_0}} = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{Eq. (1.34):} \quad X = p\sqrt{4a_1 t}$$

is the location of the surface of separation between the solid and the liquid phases of the depot material.

$$\text{Eq. (1.38):} \quad \gamma = \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} p}; \quad = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{Eq. (1.39):} \quad (B + \operatorname{erf} p) p e^{\frac{p^2}{2}} = \frac{C_1 (T_m - T_{s0})}{L \cdot \sqrt{\pi}} \quad \text{is a}$$

relation to determine the constant  $p$  emanating from the energy balance at the solidification front.

From (1.32) follows:  $\alpha = \gamma B$ , using eq. (1.38) gives:

$$\alpha = \frac{B \cdot (T_m - T_{s0})}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \quad (1.40)$$

Inserting (1.40) into (1.26) gives the real substrate temperature profile:

$$\theta_0 = T_{s0} + \frac{B (T_m - T_{s0})}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}}\right) \quad (1.41)$$

Inserting (1.38) into (1.27b) gives the solid depot temperature profile:

$$\theta_1 = T_{s0} + \frac{T_m - T_{s0}}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \left( B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \right) \quad (1.42)$$

Rewriting (1.41) and (1.42) yields the formulations for the temperature profiles:

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{B}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{X}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}} \right) \quad (1.41a)$$

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \cdot \left( B + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1 t}} \right) \quad (1.42a)$$

Eq. (1.41a) and (1.42a) are purely analytical and strictly hold for two  $\frac{1}{2} \infty$  bodies. Nevertheless the formula's also describe exactly the temperature history of a disk shaped depot of limited thickness and of the substrate during the solidification. So if the time under consideration is restricted to  $t \leq t_{\text{sol}}$ , the equations hold fully under the registered assumptions.

From eq. (1.34) follows:

$$t = \frac{X^2}{4a_1 p^2} \quad (1.34a)$$

and since  $X$  in this equation gives the position of the solidification front, the equation may be read as:

$$t_{\text{sol}} = \frac{X^2}{4a_1 p^2} \quad (1.34b)$$

where  $t_{\text{sol}}$  is the solidification time for a lamella with thickness  $X$ .

In order to calculate the solidification time and the actual temperature profiles according to eq. (1.41a) and (1.42a) some numerical values of thermophysical properties must be introduced, see table 2, Iron is taken as substrate material and  $T_{s0} = 20\text{C}$ .

Table 2: Numerical values of some thermophysical quantities.

Quantity	Fe	Mo	AISI-316	Unit
$\lambda$	75	146	18	$\text{Js}^{-1}\text{m}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$
$\rho$	7870	10200	7670	$\text{kgm}^{-3}$
$C=C_p$	460	255	489	$\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$
$a$	$2,07 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$5,61 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4,8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$\text{m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$
$T_m$	1536	2610	1375-1400	C
$L$	$272 \cdot 10^3$	$288 \cdot 10^3$	$297 \cdot 10^3$	$\text{Jkg}^{-1}$
$\sqrt{\lambda\rho c}$	16478	19478	8217	$\text{Jm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}\text{s}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
$C (T_m - T_{s0})^*$				
$\frac{L \sqrt{\pi}}$	1,4464	1,2938	1,2707	[-]
$T_{s0}$	20			C
		Mo on Fe	AISI-316 on Fe	[-]
$B$		1,1826	0,4987	[-]
$(B + \text{erf } p) pe^{p^2}$		1,2938	1,2703	[-]
$p$		0,5487	0,6835	[-]
$p \cdot e^{p^2}$		0,7415	1,0905	[-]
$\text{erf } p$		0,5622	0,6662	[-]
$\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{a_0}}$		1,6463	0,4815	[-]

\* e.g. for Fe: 
$$\frac{C (T_m - T_{s0})}{L \sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{460 (1536 + 273 - 293)}{272 \cdot 10^3 \sqrt{\pi}} = 1,4464$$

The solidification time is proportional to the square of the disk thickness  $X$ , thus demonstrating that the particle size has a strong influence on the processes in the interface with the substrate during solidification. On the basis of eq. (1.34a) the solidification time for increasing lamella thicknesses and for two different materials, Mo and steel AISI-316, will be determined to gain a real impression about the order of time length that plays a role in solidification processes, see table 3 and fig 1.6.

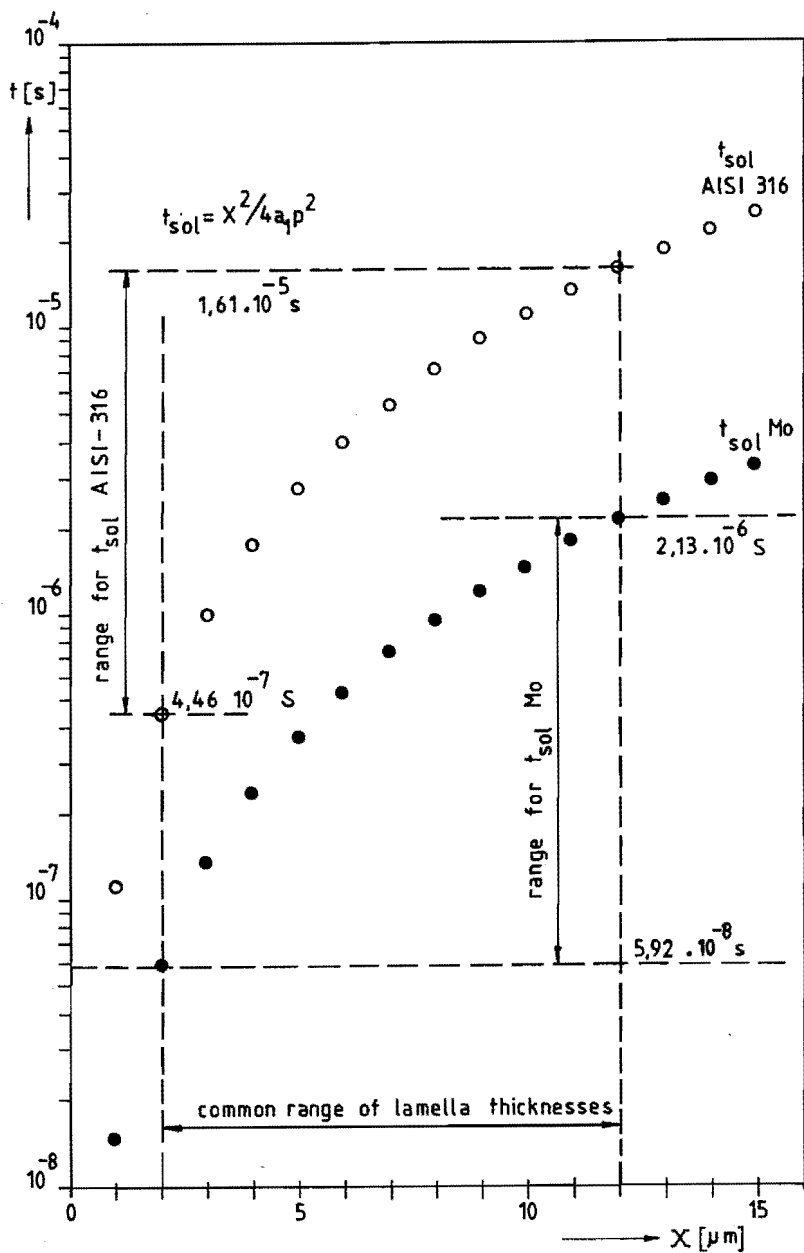


Fig. 1.6: Solidification time on a Fe substrate for Mo and AISI - 316 as a function of lamella thickness.



Table 3: Solidification time on an Fe substrate as a function of the lamella thickness for Mo and AISI-316.

$X \mu\text{m}$		$t_{\text{sol}} = X^2/4a_1 p^2$ [s]. (eq. 1.34a)	
		Mo on Fe	AISI-316 on Fe
COMMON RANGE	1	$1,48 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$1,11 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	2	$5,92 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$4,46 \cdot 10^{-7}$
	3	$1,33 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,00 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	4	$2,37 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,78 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	5	$3,70 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$2,79 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	6	$5,33 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4,01 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	7	$7,25 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5,46 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	8	$9,47 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7,14 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	9	$1,20 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9,03 \cdot 10^{-6}$
	10	$1,48 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,11 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	11	$1,79 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,35 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	12	$2,13 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,61 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	13	$2,50 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,88 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	14	$2,90 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,18 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	15	$3,33 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,51 \cdot 10^{-5}$

A common range of lamella thicknesses that occur is 2–12  $\mu\text{m}$ . From these figures it appears that the lower thermal conductivity of AISI-316 causes longer solidification times. As an average holds:

$$\frac{t_{\text{sol}} \text{ AISI-316}}{t_{\text{sol}} \text{ Mo}} \cong 7,55$$

Further more it is clear that very short solidification times only occur for extreme small particles. To keep in mind, a  $7 \mu\text{m}$  thick lamella of Mo has a

$t_{\text{sol}} = 7,25 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{s}$  and the same lamella of AISI-316 has a  $t_{\text{sol}} = 5,46 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{s}$ .

To gain some insight in the heat transfer to the surface due to one single lamella the temperature profiles in depot and substrate can be calculated just after the solidification of the lamella is completed. The procedure is the following one.

From eq. (1.34b) follows:

$$\sqrt{t_{\text{sol}}} = \frac{X}{p \sqrt{4a_1}} \quad (1.43)$$

Inserting (1.43) into eq. (1.41a) and (1.42a) gives the temp. profiles as a function of the lamella thickness at the time  $t = t_{\text{sol}}$ .

SUBSTRATE:

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{B}{B + \text{erf } p} \left( 1 + \text{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0}} \cdot \frac{p \sqrt{4a_1}}{X} \right)$$

So, the substrate temperature profile after solidification is:

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{B}{B + \text{erf } p} \left( 1 + \text{erf} \frac{x}{X} p \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{a_0}} \right) \quad (1.44)$$

DEPOT:

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{B + \text{erf } p} \left( B + \text{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_1}} \cdot \frac{p \sqrt{4a_1}}{X} \right)$$

The depot profile after solidification is:

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{B + \text{erf } p} \left( B + \text{erf} \frac{x}{X} p \right) \quad (1.45)$$

The actual temperature curves will now be calculated for a thin lamella having a thickness  $X = 2 \mu\text{m}$  and a thick lamella with  $X = 12 \mu\text{m}$ . They will be determined for both materials, Mo and AISI-316 on Fe. The numerical values are taken from

or based on table 2. The calculations are listed in appendix 1 – profile 1 to 8. The results are visualized in fig. 1.7. From the graphs of fig. 1.7 distinct differences appear regarding the thermal interaction between Mo and AISI-316 with Fe.

The most remarkable items are:

- Mo, having a high melting temperature causes melting of the substrate while the AISI-316 contact temperature remains far below the melting point of Fe.
- A thin lamella and a thick one of the same material exhibit the same contact temperature.
- The occurrence of a steep temperature gradient for Mo and a moderate one for AISI-316, see table 4.

Table 4: Average gradients after solidification for  $12\mu\text{m} \leq x \leq X = 12\mu\text{m}$ .

gra- dient	Mo	on Fe	AISI-316	on Fe
$\frac{d\theta}{dx}$	$\frac{2610-1775,5}{12 \cdot 10^{-6}}$	$\frac{1775,5-373,3}{12 \cdot 10^{-6}}$	$\frac{1115-488,7}{12 \cdot 10^{-6}}$	$\frac{488,7-320,9}{12 \cdot 10^{-6}}$
$\frac{d\theta}{m}$	$69,5 \cdot 10^6$	$116,9 \cdot 10^6$	$52,2 \cdot 10^6$	$14,0 \cdot 10^6$

The penetration of the latent heat after solidification extends over a substrate depth roughly equaling twice the lamella thickness. Thermal stresses are proportional to the temperature gradient, thus a thin lamella will suffer more than a thick one from the induced stress.

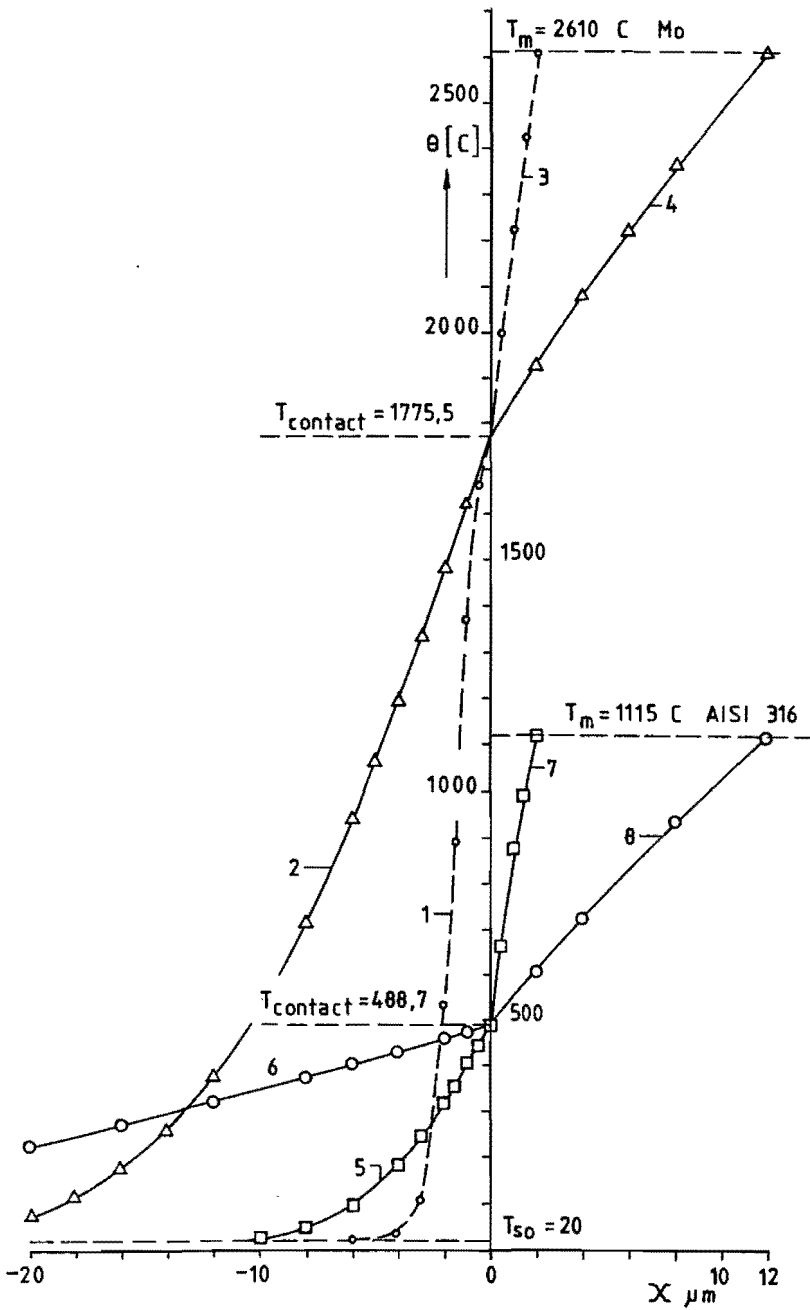


Fig. 1.7: Temperature profiles right after the solidification of a thin ( $2\ \mu m$ ) and a thick ( $12\ \mu m$ ) lamella of Mo and AISI – 316 steel on Fe.

Especially table 4 shows that the gradient in the Fe substrate is larger than the gradient in the Mo deposit and, on the other hand, the gradient in the Fe substrate is smaller than the gradient in the AISI-316 steel. Both phenomena can be explained on the basis of the property B, the ratio of the contact conductivities of the spray- and the substrate material. For Mo on Fe,  $B = 1,1826$  and for AISI-316 on Fe,  $B = 0,4987$ . The high value for B in the first combination is representing a system where the latent heat is set free fastly. To carry this heat away, the substrate has to adopt a steep gradient. When B is rather low, as is the case in the second combination, the latent heat is set free slowly and a moderate gradient within the substrate is sufficiently effective for the necessary heat conduction. To close this section an important question is put forward: how does the thermal interaction influence the adhesion between spray and substrate material? Fig 1.7 represents  $\theta_0 = \theta_0(x_1 t)$  on a micronscale. For the estimation of diffusion effects which possibly may occur in the contact area, it is necessary to go further into detail. The temperature-time field very close to the contact surface has to be considered on an Ångstrom scale as will be done in the next section.

### 1.3 Material transport across the interface between spray material and substrate.

The low contact temperature inherent to the combination AISI-316 on Fe eliminates large scale interdiffusion between these components. On the other hand, Mo on Fe causes very high contact temperatures, even exceeding the melting point of Fe. Therefore, this system will be examined closer. A basic assumption in this discussion is that melting of the substrate is ignored. This implies that only diffusion in solid Fe takes place, thus stating a lower limit to the diffusion effects than can be expected.

Heywegen [4] gives full details about the diffusion of Mo into Fe. Van Loo [5] and Heywegen report that the diffusion of Mo into Fe is by far more important than the reverse one which justifies the next simplification: only diffusion of Mo into Fe will be taken into account. The phase diagram Mo-Fe [6], see fig 1.8, shows an

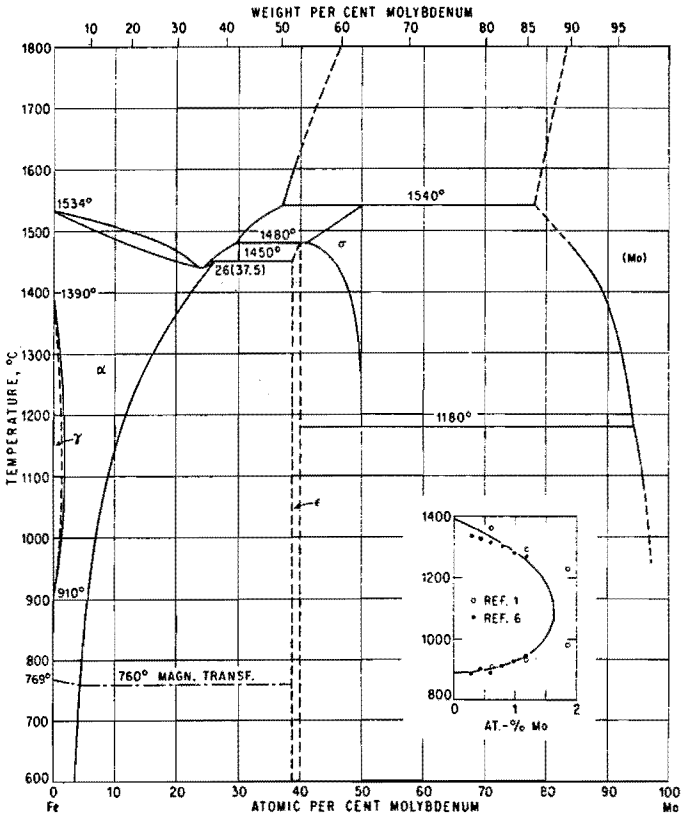


Fig. 1.8: Phase diagram Fe – Mo, [6].

$\alpha$ -solid solution of Mo in Fe, containing 2,71 <sup>W</sup>/o Mo at 1100 C. For  $T > 1390$  C the Mo content of  $\alpha$ -Fe runs from zero to more than 30 <sup>W</sup>/o. The formation of  $\alpha$  solid solution may guarantee a good bond between Mo and Fe. Suppose that the

bulk diffusion laws and data which were determined or used in [4] also hold for the spray situation, then for the development of  $\alpha$  solid solution can be written:

$$x_{\alpha}^2 = k t \quad (1.46)$$

which is the parabolic growth law for diffusion, where:

$x_{\alpha}$  = penetration of  $\alpha$  solid solution into the substrate.

$k$  = penetration "constant" depending on the temperature.

Penetration constant  $k$  as a function of the temperature  $\theta$ , taken from figure 8.3, ref. [4]:

$\theta$ [C]	1000	1200	1400 *	1600 *	1775,5 *
$k \left[ \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}} \right]$	$3.10^{-13}$	$7,5.10^{-12}$	$5,5.10^{-11}$	$3.10^{-10}$	$1,7.10^{-9}$

The \* marked values are obtained by extrapolation.

The  $\alpha$  solid solution penetration into the substrat can now be calculated as a function of time. Mind that the temperature is supposed to be constant during the variation of time. See table 5 and fig 1.9.

Table 5: Values for  $x_{\alpha} = \sqrt{kt}$ ;  $x_{\alpha}$  in  $10^{-10} \text{m} \hat{=} 1 \text{ \AA}$

$\theta_0$ [c]	$t$ [s]	$10^{-9}$	$10^{-8}$	$10^{-7}$	$10^{-6}$	$10^{-5}$
1000		0,17	0,54	1,73	5,47	17,3
1200		0,86	2,73	8,66	27,3	86,6
1400		2,34	7,41	23,4	74,1	234
1600		5,47	17,3	54,7	173	547
1775,5		13,0	41,2	130	412	1303
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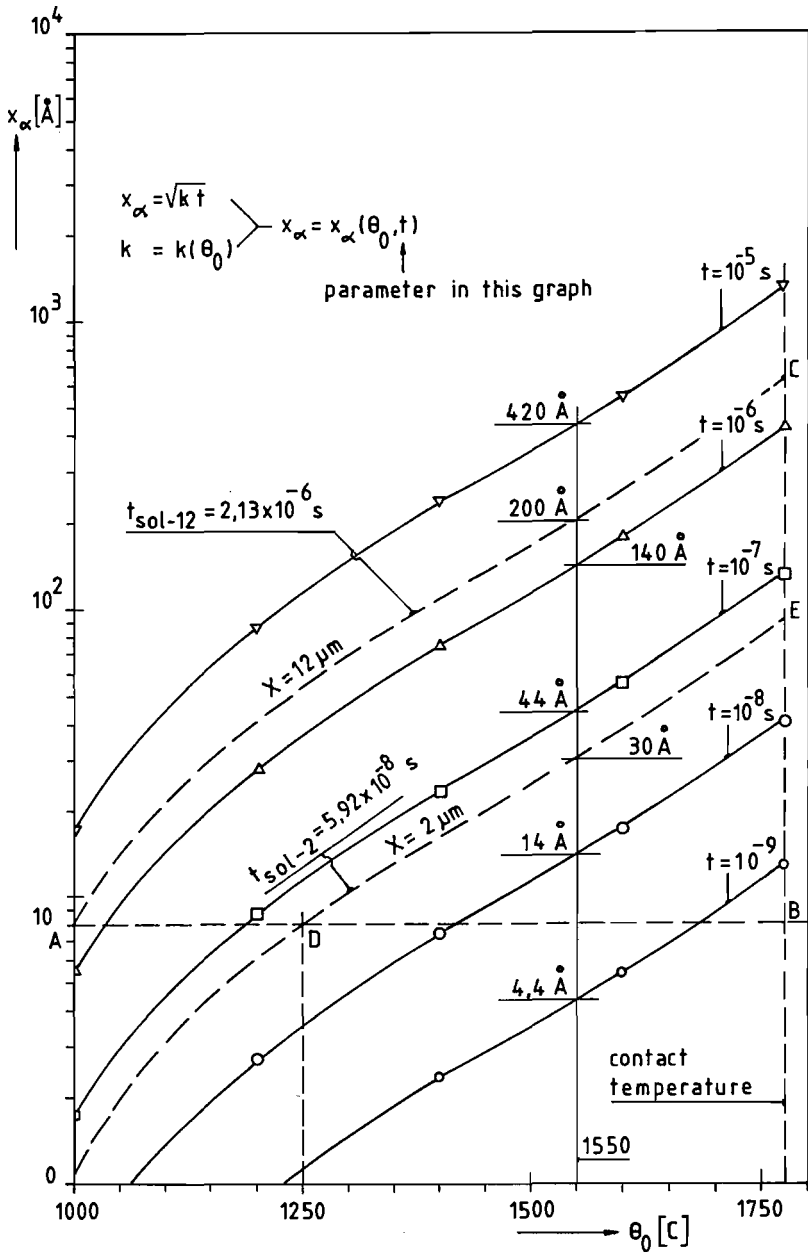


Fig. 1.9: Penetration of  $\alpha$  - solid solution into the substrate.



The time temperature conditions above the dotted line in table 5 do not permit large scale diffusion effects. Below that line the conditions are such that diffusion over a penetration range from 8,66 – 1303 Å can take place, which means that the  $\alpha$  solid solution abridges at least 3 atomic distances. The figures of table 5 are visualized in fig 1.9 where the time is taken as the parameter. If an 8 Å deep diffusion zone is chosen as the arbitrary lower limit for real diffusion, then the dotted line AB in fig. 1.9 marks this boundary. The vertical line at the contact temperature 1775,5 C is supposed to be the temperature limit for the estimation of diffusion effects in the system under consideration. The question now arises what time limit should be taken into account for the estimation of diffusion. To answer this question the temperature profiles  $\theta_0 = \theta_0(x,t)$  will be determined on sub-micron scale for x during the solidification of one lamella of Mo. The time variation for the calculation of the profiles will run from  $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-5}$  [s], thus including the solidification times for a thick lamella ( $t_{\text{sol-12}} = 2,13 \cdot 10^{-6}$  [s]) and for a thin one ( $t_{\text{sol-2}} = 5,92 \cdot 10^{-8}$  [s]). See appendix 2, profiles 1 to 6. The results are firstly compiled in fig 1.10 where the depth x below the surface is taken as parameter. Fig 1.10 shows that a temperature rise to e.g. 1000 C occurs to a depth of 1000 Å in the very short time of  $t_1 = 10^{-9}$ [s] while the same temperature rise to the depths of 5000 Å and 10.000 Å takes  $t_2 = 2,6 \cdot 10^{-8}$ [s] and  $t_3 = 1,1 \cdot 10^{-7}$ [s] respectively. In order to overlook the heat penetration as function of time, the figures of appendix 2 can also be grouped according to fig. 1.11 where  $\theta_0 = \theta_0(x,t)$  is given with t as parameter. From fig. 1.9 and 1.11 the following data regarding heat penetration and the penetration of  $\alpha$  solid solution can be read easily, see table 6.

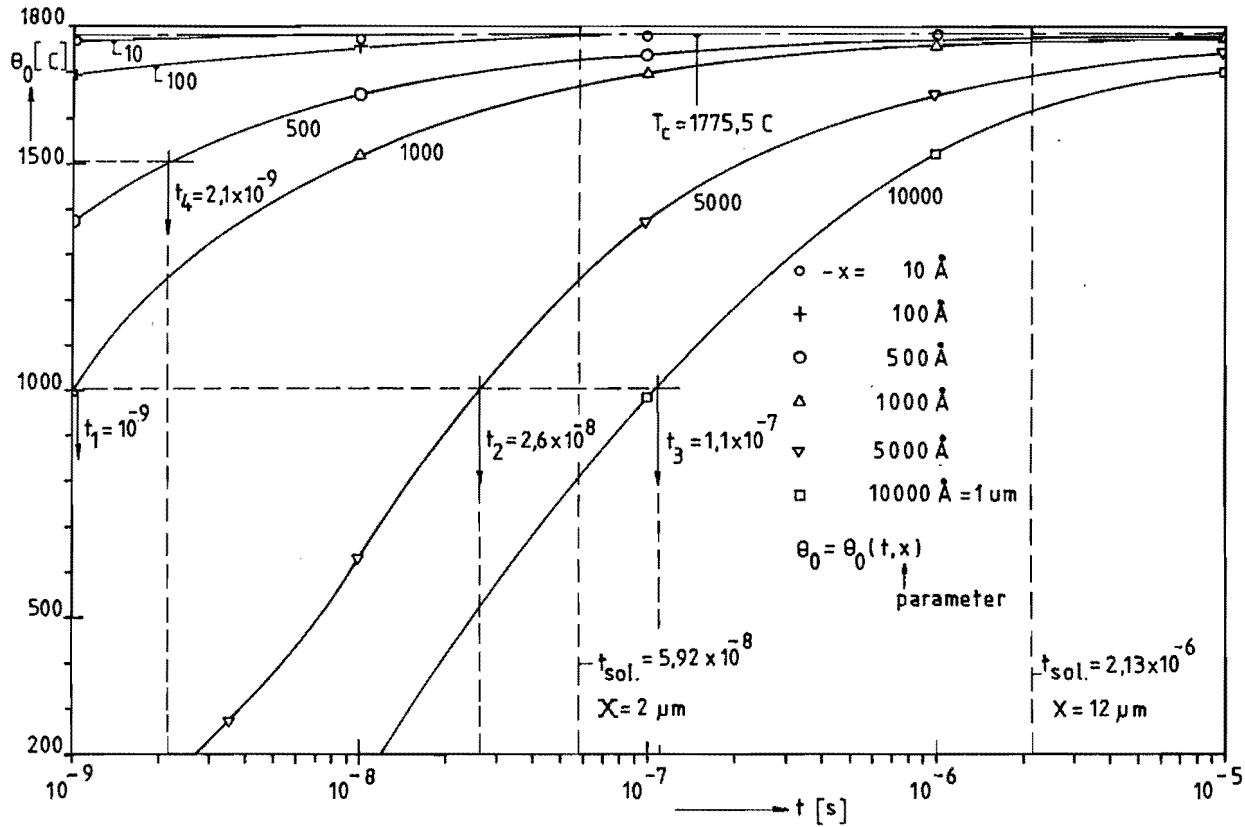


Fig. 1.10: Temperature profiles near to the contact surface as a function of time: Mo on Fe.

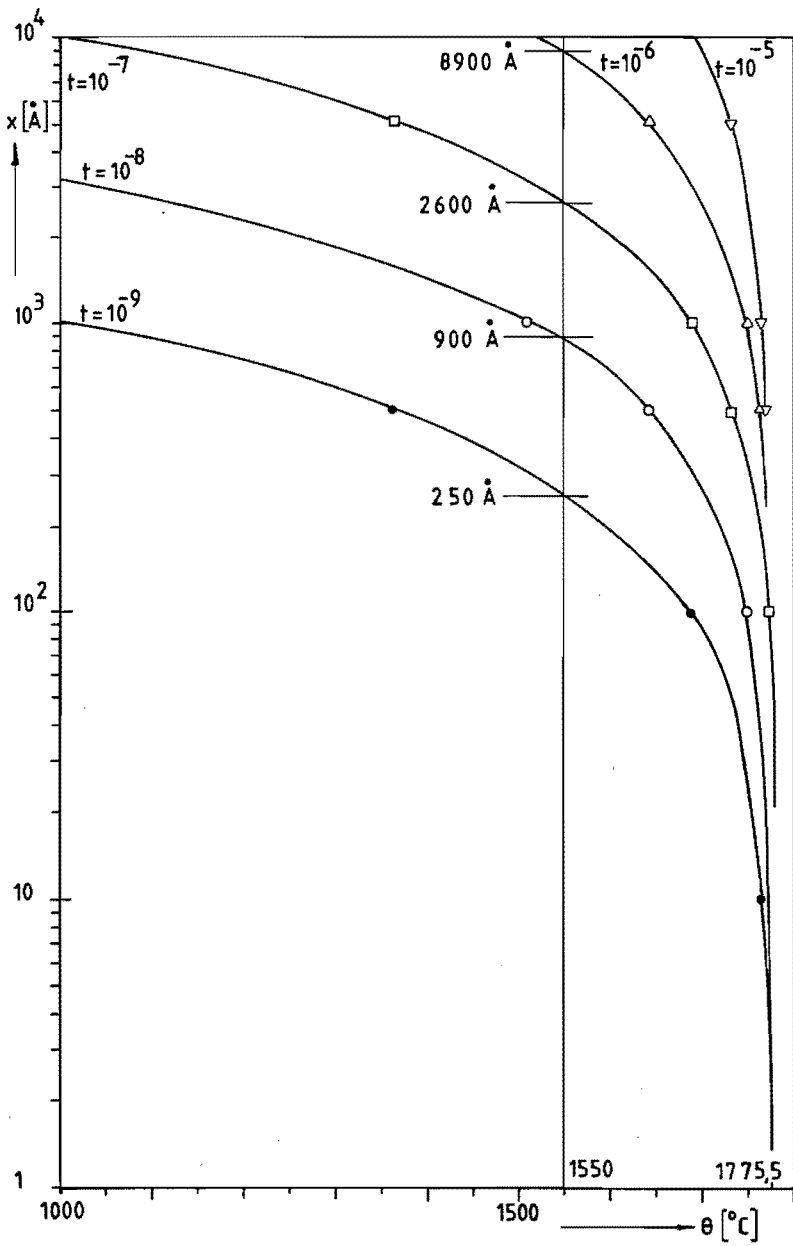


Fig. 1.11: Penetration of heat.

**Table 6:** Penetration of heat and  $\alpha$  solid solution into the substrate at a constant temperature of 1550 C.

T	$\theta_0$	x	$x_\alpha$	$x_\alpha/x$
[s]	[C]	[Å]	[Å]	[-]
$10^{-9}$	1550	250	4,4	0,0176
$10^{-8}$	1550	900	14	0,0155
$10^{-7}$	1550	2600	44	0,0169
$10^{-6}$	1550	8900	140	0,0157
$10^{-5}$	1550	25570*	420	0,0164

N.B. The \* marked value for x has been calculated from the averaged value  $\frac{x_\alpha}{x} = 0,0164$  which holds for the time elapse from  $10^{-9}$ - $10^{-6}$  [s]. It is not surprising that the factor  $x_\alpha/x$  has more or less the same value because heat and material penetration do obey analogous diffusion laws. The main conclusion that can be drawn from table 6 is that the temperature profile  $\theta = 1550$  C is well ahead of the material diffusion profile. There is no objection against adopting a constant substrate temperature of 1550 C close to the surface in order to estimate the lower limit of the really occurring diffusion layer thickness. The time period during which this temperature is maintained is  $t_{sol}$ , thus answering the open question about the time limit for diffusion. After inserting in fig. 1.9 the dotted inclined lines AC and DE for  $t = t_{sol-12} = 2,13 \cdot 10^{-6}$  [s] and  $t = t_{sol-2} = 5,92 \cdot 10^{-8}$  [s] respectively, the estimated diffusion layer thickness right after solidification is 30 Å for a thin lamella and 200 Å for a thick lamella of Mo. These data are based on the assumption that only solid material diffusion takes place. In fact the substrate will first melt over a certain depth during the solidification.

The heat absorption connected with the melting of the substrate is not included in the mathematical equations (1.18) to (1.25a). Concluding this section: melting of the substrate over a certain depth –  $1\mu\text{m}$ ? – and diffusion of Mo over a distance ranging from  $30\text{ \AA}$  to  $200\text{ \AA}$  is likely to occur. The time elapse during which solidification takes place is  $t_{\text{sol}}$ . However, the substrate undergoes physical and chemical changes in a shorter period of time, overall characterized by table 6. It is likely that a metallurgical bond comes into existence between Mo on Fe–or comparable systems – due to thermal interaction of the spraymaterial and the substrate. Allsop e.a. [7] reported already in 1961 about the existence of a  $1\mu\text{m}$  thick interfacial layer between Fe and Mo spray material, while in [8] details are given about the formation of reaction interfaces between Mo and Fe at elevated heat flow rates through the substrate surface. Steffens e.a. [9] describe the Niobium–steel interface sprayed under inert condition. The micro analysis of the interfacial area reveals a  $10$  to  $13\mu\text{m}$  thick intermediate zone which is also attributed to the thermal interaction. The remarkable thing now is that interfacial layer thicknesses exceeding  $1\mu\text{m}$  are not likely to occur during a standard plasma spray operation. Nevertheless they are determined by micro analysis by several authors which brings us to the background of this thesis.

#### 1.4 Background of this thesis.

As elucidated in the foregoing sections, thermal interaction plays a part in the adhesion phenomena between coating and substrate. If the substrate is converted to liquid heavy interdiffusion will occur and a good bond is assured. If diffusion into a solid substrate takes place, only very restricted diffusion patterns are to be expected, if any. It is common practice to roughen the surface by grit blasting, thus creating an ancre ground which mechanically locks the coating material.

Nevertheless bonding also can be created on a polished surface even with moderately heated particles. This thesis deals with the investigation of the kinetic–dynamic interaction part of spray material with the substrate. It is expected that some of the bonding phenomena occurring when spraying moderately heated particles can be understood.

## CHAPTER 2 COLLISION THEORY.

### 2.1 Introduction.

In a first round a theory will be depicted regarding the collision of a spherical particle onto a smooth and rigid substrate, see ref. [10]. A rigid substrate does not take part in the energy absorption mechanisms during the collision; it does either vibrate neither erode. Heat withdrawal from the particle will be considered apart from the other collision phenomena. The spherical particle may be solid or liquid, it's main property is to be initially spherical. The theory is in first instance applied to the arbitrary chosen spray material aluminium. Such a numerical application illustrates the theory and helps to identify weak places within the theory. The aim of this first round theory is to give a qualitative description of the collision phenomena which cause the final shape of the spread particle. In a second round of the theory the aim is to find out whether the deformation processes taking place during the collision, adds to the adhesion of the spray particle. The collision model will exist of two main parts: a thermodynamical part and a dynamical part.

### 2.2 Thermodynamical aspects of the collision of a spherical spray particle onto a rigid, smooth surface.

#### 2.2.1 Compression.

The very abrupt stop which a particle undergoes during the collision gives rise to the formation of shock waves in the particle material as well as in the substrate. From ballistic research it is known that material under high pressure loses its

typical relationship between either elastic or plastic stress and the strain. The stress – strain relation which rules the high pressure deformation during a collision is called the hydrostat or Hugoniot curve. An introduction to his matter is given in ref. [11] where Zukas describes a one dimensional approach related to the dilatation of material only. In such a shock wave regime high pressures are generated which can lead to considerable changes in density of the material. As long as no lateral deformation due to plastic flow of the material occurs, the one dimensional shock approach implying an uniaxial strain situation holds fully. The following derivation of the shock wave equations can basically be found in [11]. Consider a plate of compressible material that suddenly undergoes a pressure  $P_1$  at one face. The pressure pulse propagates at velocity  $U_s$  in the material initially at pressure  $P_0$ . The applied pressure  $P_1$  compresses the material, initially at the density  $P_0$ , to the density  $P_1$  and accelerates simultaneously the compressed material to a velocity  $U_p$ . Fig 2.1 depicts the situation under consideration. Under influence of the pressure  $P_1$ , material initially at location AA has moved to

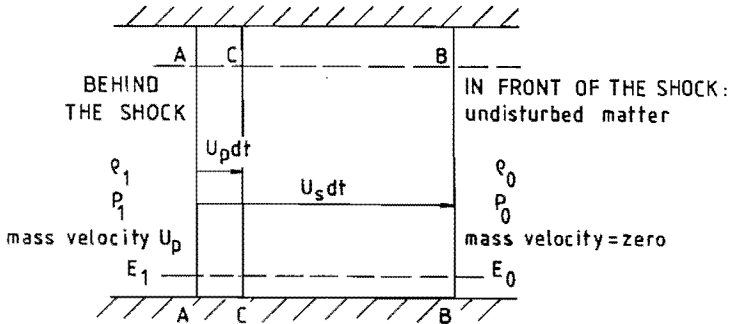


Fig. 2.1: Progress of a plane shock wave, [11]. Uniaxial strain situation, no lateral displacements.



CC after  $dt$  while the shock front has moved to BB. The conservation laws for mass, momentum and energy now can be applied across the shock wave.

Conservation of mass:

The matter initially within the space AABB has been forced by the shock wave into the space CCBB. Per unit cross-sectional area the initial mass of the control volume was  $\rho_0 U_s dt$  and after the shock the same mass is  $\rho_1 (U_s - U_p) dt$ , which leads to:

$$\rho_0 U_s = \rho_1 (U_s - U_p); \tag{2.1}$$

rewritten in terms of specific volume  $V$ :

$$V_1 U_s = V_0 (U_s - U_p) \tag{2.1a}$$

where  $V = \frac{1}{\rho}$

Conservation of momentum:

The mass  $\rho_0 U_s dt$  is accelerated in the time  $dt$  to the velocity  $U_p$  by the force  $P_1 - P_0$ . Newton's law applied to this mass gives:

$$P_1 - P_0 = \frac{\rho_0 U_s dt U_p}{dt} ; \quad \text{or:}$$

$$P_1 - P_0 = \rho_0 U_s U_p \tag{2.2}$$

Conservation of energy:

The work done by the shock wave equals the sum of the increase in both kinetic and internal energy of the system. The work done is  $P_1 U_p dt$ . The mass  $\rho_0 U_s dt$  is brought to a velocity  $U_p$ , so the increase in kinetic energy is:  $\frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U_s dt U_p^2$ . The specific internal energy changes from  $E_0$  to  $E_1$ , thus:

$$P_1 U_p dt = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U_s U_p^2 dt + \rho_0 U_s dt (E_1 - E_0)$$

or:

$$P_1 U_p = \frac{1}{2} \rho_0 U_s U_p^2 + \rho_0 U_s (E_1 - E_0) \quad (2.3)$$

$$\text{From (2.1) follows: } U_p = \frac{\rho_1 - \rho_0}{\rho_1} U_s \quad (2.1b)$$

Substitution of (2.1b) into (2.2) yields an equation for the shock velocity:

$$U_s^2 = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \left( \frac{P_1 - P_0}{\rho_1 - \rho_0} \right) \quad (2.4)$$

or:

$$U_s^2 = \frac{1}{\rho_0^2} \left( \frac{P_1 - P_0}{V_0 - V_1} \right) \quad (2.4a)$$

Substitution of (2.4) into (2.1b) gives:

$$U_p = \frac{\rho_1 - \rho_0}{\rho_1} \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \cdot \frac{P_1 - P_0}{\rho_1 - \rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (2.5)$$

Substitution of (2.4) and (2.5) into eq. (2.3) yields the Rankine-Hugoniot equation:

$$E_1 - E_0 = \frac{1}{2} (P_1 + P_0) \left( \frac{1}{\rho_0} - \frac{1}{\rho_1} \right) \quad (2.6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (P_1 + P_0) (V_0 - V_1) \quad (2.6a)$$

Survey of equations and parameters: Three conservation equations contain 8 parameters:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Parameter	$E_1$	$\rho_1$	$P_1$	$U_s$	$U_p$	$E_0$	$\rho_0$	$P_0$

Generally the parameters 6,7 and 8 are known. In the domain of high pressure physics parameter 4 and 5 can be measured. Then, there are available 3 equations to determine the unknown parameters 1, 2 and 3, which are the material properties right after the pass of the shock wave front. In the domain of thermal spraying parameter 5  $\hat{=}$   $U_p$  equals the spray particle velocity and is considered to be known. Parameter 4  $\hat{=}$   $U_s$  only can be determined by properly equipped laboratories, for the time being it is an unknown property. Now there are three ways to solve the system:

first: Find a theoretical formulation for  $U_s$  and add this equation to the three conservation laws. Then, with 4 independent equations,  $E_1$ ,  $\rho_1$ ,  $P_1$  and  $U_s$  can be determined.

second: Find a theoretical expression for  $E_1$  to state the fourth required equation.

third: The Rankine – Hugoniot curve or simply the Hugoniot, relates all pressure – density states of a material under shock load. Some of the Hugoniot  $\hat{=}$   $P = f\left(\frac{V}{V_0}\right)$  curves have been determined by ballistic laboratories and will be presented at a later phase of this thesis.

The first way to solve the equations can be deduced from Zukas [11] and Zwikker [12]. Zukas states:

$$U_s = a + bU_p \quad (2.7)$$

where the constant  $a$  represents the longitudinal wave velocity in an extended medium and  $b$  is related to the Grüneisen, parameter  $\Gamma$ . In appendix 3 eq. (2.7) is worked out. Two expressions have been derived, which basically should give the same value for  $U_s$ .

$$U_s = \left( \frac{K + \frac{4}{3} G}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha K}{2 \rho_0 C_v} \right) U_p \quad (2.7a)$$

and:

$$U_s = \left( \frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1 - \nu}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha E}{6(1 - 2\nu)\rho_0 C_v} \right) U_p \quad (2.7b)$$

(Mind:  $C_v$  acc. to (A<sub>3</sub>.14a)).

These lengthy equations can be written in a more convenient form by inserting the numerical values for the material properties.

Table 7: Material data for the calculation of  $U_s$ ;  $T_0 = 298$  K.

Quantity	Al	Fe	Mo	Unit
$\rho_0$	2700	7870	10200	$\text{kgm}^{-3}$
$\nu$	0,34	0,28	0,35	[-]
$E$	$7 \cdot 10^{10}$	$21,3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$30,05 \cdot 10^{10}$	$\text{Nm}^{-2}$
$\beta = \frac{1}{3}\alpha$	$26 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$12,0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6,5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$\text{K}^{-1}$
$C_p$	900	460	255	$\text{J kg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$
$K$	$7,219 \cdot 10^{10}$	$16,833 \cdot 10^{10}$	$27,458 \cdot 10^{10}$	$\text{Nm}^{-2}$
$G$	$2,63 \cdot 10^{10}$	$8,31 \cdot 10^{10}$	$11,57 \cdot 10^{10}$	$\text{Nm}^{-2}$
$C_v$	852	452	252	$\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$

Within this thesis eq.(2.7b) will be used only. It reduces to eq. (2.7b.1) when the proper material data are inserted.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{For Al:} & U_s = 6317 + 1,74 U_p \quad \} \\
 \text{For Fe:} & U_s = 5882 + 1,32 U_p \quad \} \quad (2.7b.1) \\
 \text{For Mo:} & U_s = 6876 + 1,77 U_p \quad \}
 \end{array}$$

The shock related material properties can be determined now in the following order,

SOLUTION SCHEME 1:

1. Take eq. (2.7b) to calculate  $U_s$  as a function of the input parameter  $U_p$ .
2. Substitute  $U_s$  into eq. (2.4). Then with eq. (2.5) two equations are available to calculate  $P_H$  and  $\rho_1$ .
3. Take eq. (2.6) and calculate  $\Delta E$

Mind that the equation system does not provide means to determine shock material temperatures.

The second way to solve the equations makes use of a theory published by Duvall and Zwolinski [14, 15], which permits the calculation of  $\Delta T$ , the increase in temperature during the pass of the shock front. D and Z introduce an equation of state for pressurized material:

$$P = f(V) + T \cdot g(V), \quad (2.8)$$

indicating that the pressure increase during the occurrence of shock compression, generally consists of a part  $f(V)$  and a part  $T \cdot g(V)$ . Notice that now another parameter, namely the temperature  $T$ , has turned up in the system of equations. This implies the necessity of finding an extra consistent equation in order to solve the system of equations. Duvall [15] introduced without further explanation:

$$E = \int_0^T C_V dt + \int_{V_0}^V \left\{ T \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V - P \right\} dV \text{ which can be converted into:}$$

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV \quad (2.9)$$

See appendix 4 for an elucidation of (2.9). The Hugoniot pressure  $\equiv$  shock pressure may be expressed in terms of eq. (2.8) as:

$$P_1 = P_H(V_1) = f(V_1) + T_1 g(V_1) \quad (2.10)$$

where:  $T_1$  is the Hugoniot temperature  $\equiv$  the shock temperature.

For an isothermal compression holds:

$$P_i(V_1) = f(V_1) + T_0 g(V_1) \quad (2.11)$$

where:  $T_0$  is the initial temperature.

Subtracting (2.11) from (2.10) yields after rewriting:

$$T_1 - T_0 = \frac{P_H(V_1) - P_i(V_1)}{g(V_1)} \quad (2.12)$$

Equating (2.6a) and (2.9) gives:

$$C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV = \frac{1}{2} (P_1 + P_0) (V_0 - V_1) \quad (2.13)$$

Substitution of (2.12) into (2.13) and setting

$P_1 = P_H(V_1) \equiv P_H$  and  $P_i(V_1) \equiv P_i$  gives:

$$C_v \cdot \frac{P_H - P_i}{g(V_1)} + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV = \frac{1}{2} P_H (V_0 - V_1) + \frac{1}{2} P_0 (V_0 - V_1) \quad (2.14)$$

State by definition:

$$\int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV \equiv F(V_1) \quad (2.15)$$

and set  $P_0 = 0$ , then eq. (2.14) may be written as:

$$C_v \cdot \frac{P_H - P_i}{g(V_1)} + F(V_1) = \frac{1}{2} P_H (V_0 - V_1) \quad (2.14a)$$

from which follows the relation between the Hugoniot pressure and the isothermal pressure.

$$P_H = \frac{P_i - \frac{F(V_1) \cdot g(V_1)}{C_v}}{1 - \frac{(V_0 - V_1) \cdot g(V_1)}{2 C_v}} \quad (2.16)$$

The generalized form of the equation of state, (2.8) encompasses the undefined functions  $f(V)$  and  $g(V)$ . To identify these expressions, the Murnaghan [14, 15] equation of state will be introduced:

$$P = -\frac{K}{s} \left[ \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)^s - 1 \right] + (\rho T - \rho_0 T_0) \frac{\alpha K}{\rho_0} \quad (2.17)$$

where:  $K =$  Bulk modulus  $= -V_0 \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \right)_T$

$\alpha =$  Coefficient of thermal expansion

$=$  3 x linear expansion coefficient

$=$   $3\beta$

$s =$  a parameter which Duvall has taken from data originated by Bridgman [17], see table 8.

\* Appendix 3 gives a formula for the bulk modulus which relates  $K$  to  $E$

and  $\nu$ : 
$$K = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)}$$

**Table 8:** Parameters for the Murnaghan equation of state after Duvall [14, 15] and Bridgman [17]; values determined at 298 K.

Material	K Nm <sup>-2</sup>	s [-]	$\alpha$ K <sup>-1</sup>	$\rho_0$ Kg m <sup>-3</sup>
Al*	7,219 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	4,2674	78 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	2700
Cu	13,755 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	4,6098	51 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	8890
Fe*	16,833 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	3,6996	36 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	7870
Pb	4,134 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	5,1263	90 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	11340
Sn	5,601 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,6028	69 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	7300
Mg	4,155 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,0406	78 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	1740
U	9,769 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	9,3360	51 · 10 <sup>-6</sup>	18700

Application of this formula (see table 7 for numerical values of  $\nu$  and E) yields,

For Al:  $K_{Al} = 7,29 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

For Fe:  $K_{Fe} = 16,136 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

thus illustrating the qualitative character of all in this thesis involved numerical calculations.

Equating both equations of state (2.8) and (2.17), defines  $f(V)$  and  $g(V)$ :

$$f(V) = \frac{K}{s} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)^s - 1 \right\} - \alpha K T_0 \quad (2.18)$$

$$g(V) = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} - \alpha K \quad (2.19)$$

For an isothermal compression to the density  $\rho_1$  at the temperature  $T_0$ , eq. (2.17) gives the isothermal pressure:

$$P_i = \frac{K}{s} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \right)^s - 1 \right\} + \alpha K T_0 \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} - 1 \right) \quad (2.20)$$

In eq. (2.16) now remains as undefined property  $F(V_1)$ .

$$F(V_1) \equiv \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV \quad (2.15)$$



and with (2.18):

$$F(V_1) = \int_{V_1}^{V_0} \left[ \frac{K}{s} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)^s - 1 \right\} - \alpha K T_0 \right] dV \quad (2.21)$$

The result of the integration is:

$$F(V_1) = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \left[ \frac{K}{s(s-1)} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \right)^{s-1} - 1 \right\} - \left( \frac{K}{s} + \alpha K T_0 \right) \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} \right) \right] \quad (2.22)$$

NB: Eq. (2.22) differs from that given by Duvall [15] the factor  $\frac{1}{\rho_0}$ , obviously a

misprint in [15]. A recapitulation of all equations developed thus far, leads to the conclusion that all shock related material properties can be determined in the following order:

#### SOLUTION SCHEME 2:

1. Take eq. (2.22) to calculate  $F(V_1)$   
with  $\rho_0/\rho_1$  as input parameter and  $s$  as a known quantity.
2. Take eq. (2.20) to calculate  $P_i$
3. Take eq. (2.19) to calculate  $g(V_1)$
4. Take eq. (2.16) to calculate  $P_H$
5. Take eq. (2.6) to calculate  $\Delta E$
6. Take eq. (2.9) to calculate  $\Delta T$
7. Take eq. (2.4) to calculate  $U_s$
8. Take eq. (2.5) to calculate  $U_p$

NB: 1 – The only variable that must be inserted into the equations system is  $\rho_1$ . If once the variable  $\rho_1$ , or preferably the input variable  $\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$ , has been chosen, all shock related properties can be determined consistently according to the given scheme.

- 2 – Remind that  $P_0 = 0$  in the eq. (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6) and that  $P_H = P_1$ .
- 3 – The theory makes use of the Murnaghan equation of state and this equation is based on the Bridgman parameter  $s$ . If for an arbitrary material,  $s$  is unknown the whole theory can not be applied. For such cases another solution philosophy must be developed. One possibility is to use experimentally determined data, different from  $s$ , as input parameter.

This leads to the third way to solve the equations.

In ballistic laboratories the loci of related  $P_H$  and  $\frac{V_1}{V_0} = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$  points have been determined. In other words the Hugoniot curves for a series of materials are known from experiment. Rice, McQueen and Walsh [18] produce for 27 materials

the Hugoniot curves  $P_H = P_H \left( \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} \right)$  and give for 25 materials the analytical

fittings of the Hugoniot data from the graphical relations in the form

$P = A\mu + B\mu^2 + C\mu^3$  where  $\mu = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} - 1$ . A, B and C are coefficients given in

table 9, ref. [18].

Nineteen analytically fit Hugoniot curves are added to this thesis as fig. 2.2.1 – 2.2.5. The original Hugoniot curve for Fe is added for the sake of completeness, see fig. (2.2.6)

The shock related material properties can now be determined in the following order.

Table 9: Analytical fits of Hugoniot Curves,  $P = A\mu + B\mu^2 + C\mu^3$ , with

$$\text{pressure in Kilobars [18]; } \mu = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} - 1$$

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Metal	A	B	C
Beryllium	1182	1382	0
Cadmium	479	1087	2829
Chromium	2070	2236	7029
Cobalt	1954	3889	1728
Copper	1407	2871	2335
Gold	1727	5267	0
Lead	417	1159	1010
Magnesium	370	540	186
Molybdenum	2686	4243	733
Nickel	1963	3750	0
Silver	1088	2687	2520
Thorium	572	646	855
Tin	432	878	1935
Titanium	990	1168	1246
Zinc	662	1577	1242
24St aluminum	765	1659	428
Brass	1037	2177	3275
Indium	496	1163	0
Niobium	1658	2786	0
Palladium	1744	3801	15230
Platinum	2760	7260	0
Rhodium	2842	6452	0
Tantalum	1790	3023	0
Thallium	317	938	1485
Zirconium	934	720	0

Fig. 2.2.1: *FIT HUGONIOT CURVES* Be; Cr; Cu; Pb.

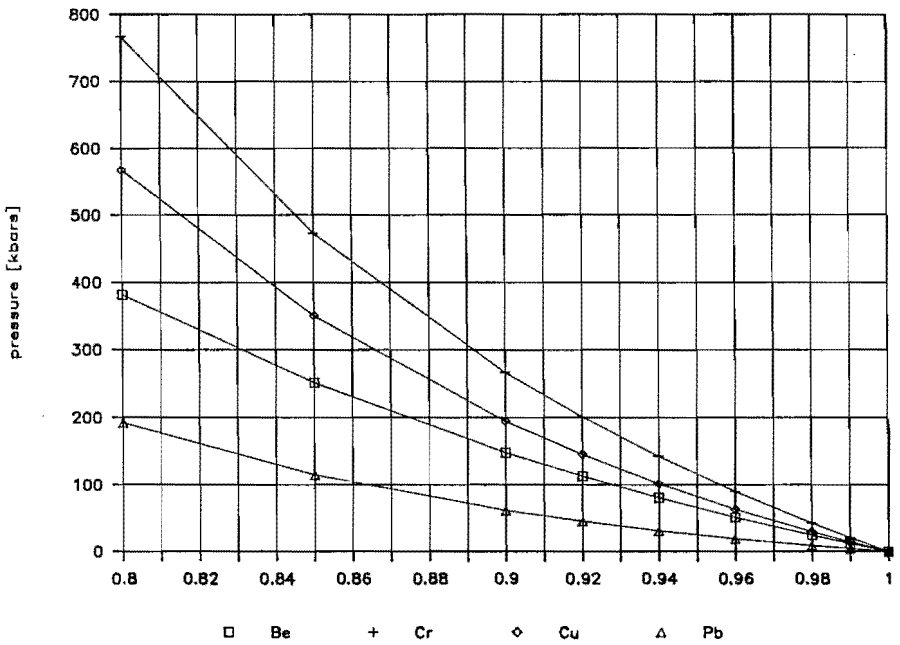


Fig. 2.2.2: *FIT HUGONIOT CURVES* Au; Sn; Ti; Zn.

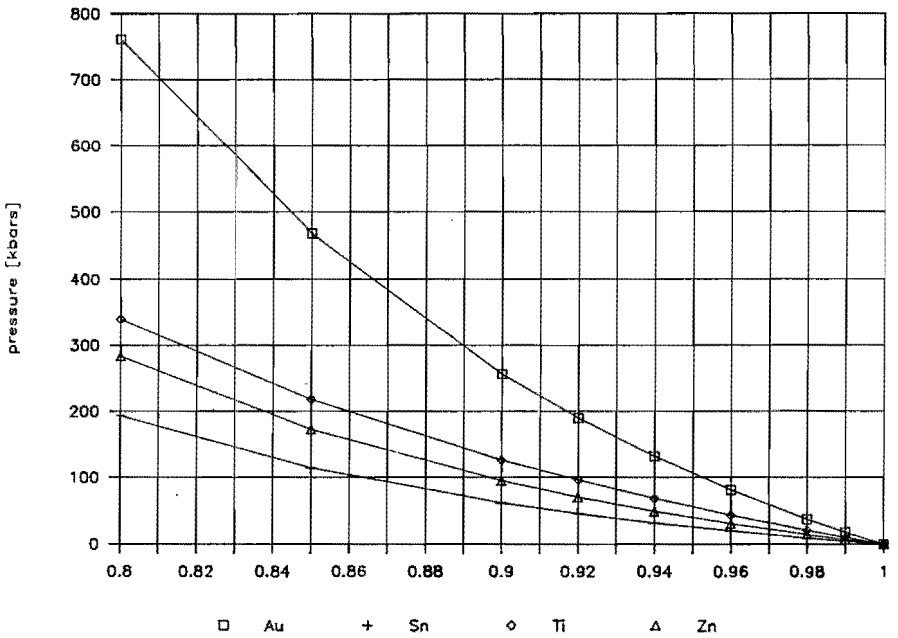


Fig. 2.2.3: *FIT HUGONIOT CURVES* Co; Mg; Mo; Ag.

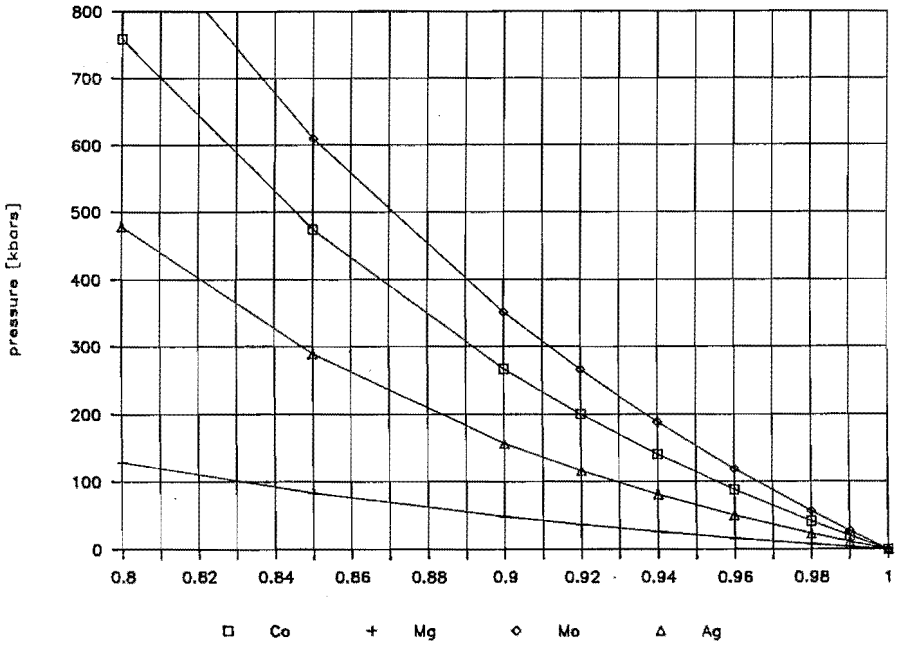


Fig. 2.2.4: *FIT HUGONIOT CURVES* Nb; Ta; Zr.

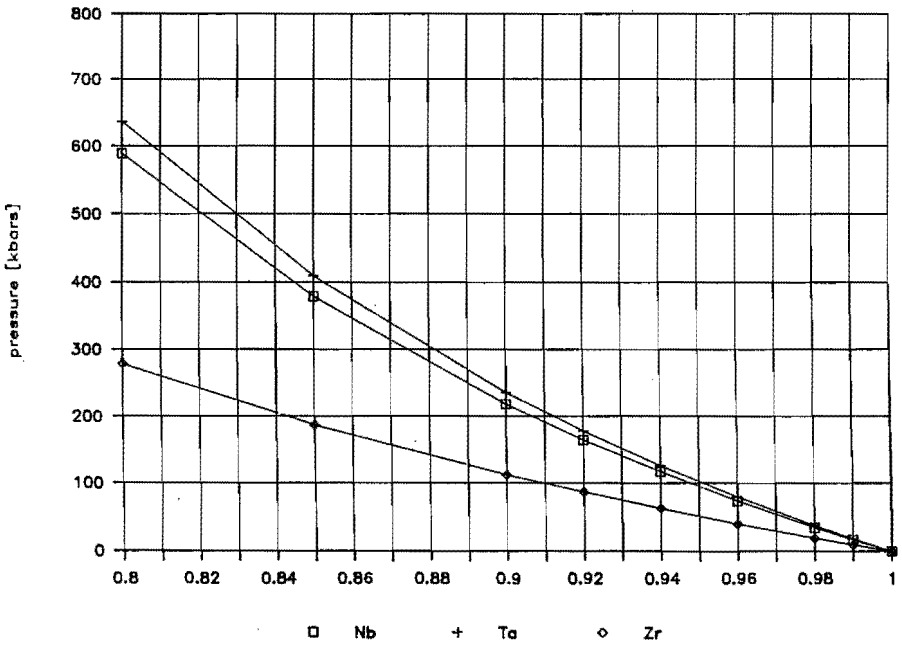


Fig. 2.2.5: **FIT HUGONIOT CURVES** Ni; Al; Brass; In.

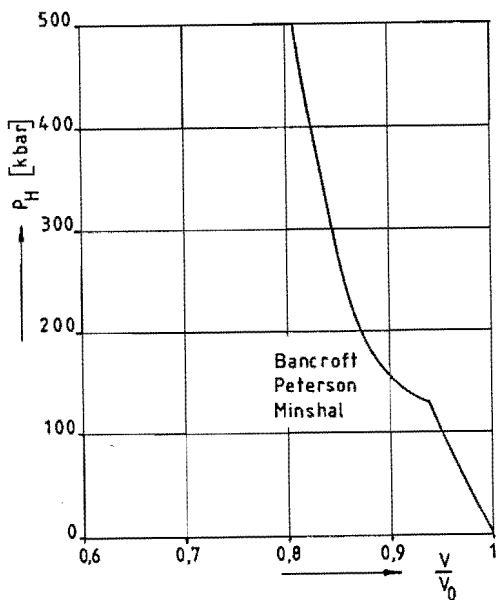
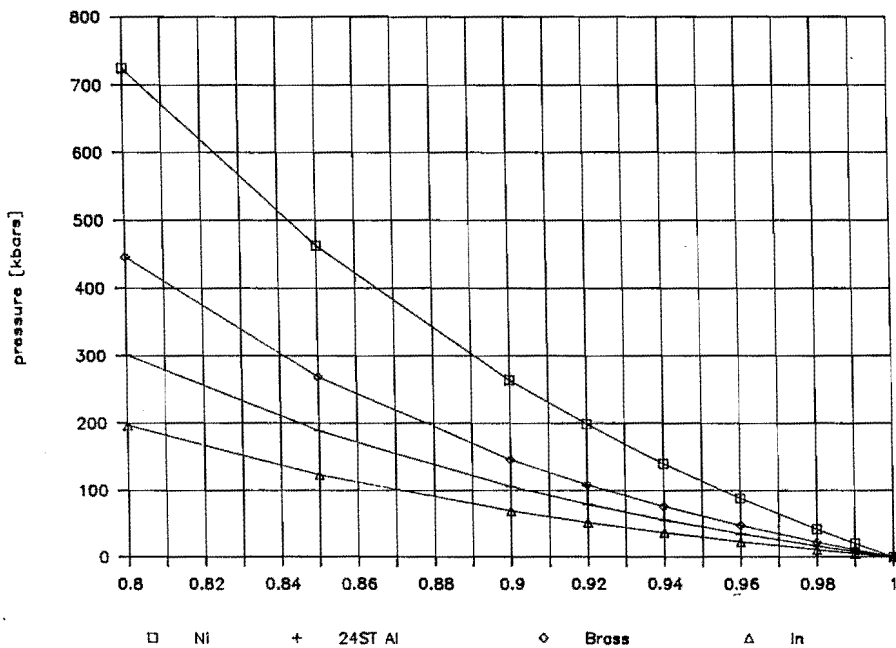


Fig. 2.2.6: Hugoniot curve for Armco iron.  $V/V_0$  [18].

### SOLUTION SCHEME 3:

1. Take  $P_H$  and  $\rho_1$  from the Hugoniot curves.
2. Take eq. (2.4) to calculate  $U_s$
3. Take eq. (2.5) to calculate  $U_p$
4. Take eq. (2.6) to calculate  $\Delta E$
5. Take eq. (2.19) to calculate  $g(V_1)$
6. Take eq. (2.16) and eliminate  $P_1$  with eq. (2.20) and  $F(V_1)$  with eq. (2.22). Thus, one equation remains with  $s$  as unknown quantity. Calculate  $s$ .
7. Take eq. (2.22) to calculate  $F(V_1)$
8. Take eq. (2.9) to calculate  $\Delta T$ .

The third way to solve the equations opens for many important spray materials those mentioned in fig. 2.2.1 – 2.2.2 – the possibility of a theoretical analysis of shock phenomena during spraying. Nevertheless a great deal of interesting materials such as oxides and ceramics can not be analysed before spraying, just because the parameter  $s$  is unknown or the Hugoniot curve is not yet determined. At this moment it is worth while to consider the first solution scheme once more, taking also into account the equations which have been developed to determine the shock temperature and which were not yet used at the moment of first consideration of solution scheme 1. The shock related material properties can now be determined in the following order.

### EXTENDED SOLUTION SCHEME 1:

1. Take eq. (2.7b) to calculate  $U_s$  as a function of  $U_p$ , which is considered to be a known input parameter.
2. Substitute  $U_s$  into eq. (2.4), then with eq. (2.5) there are two equations and two variables,  $P_H$  and  $\rho_1$ .  $P_H$  and  $\rho_1$  can be determined.
3. Take eq. (2.6) and calculate  $\Delta E$ .
4. Take eq. (2.19) and calculate  $g(V_1)$

5. Take eq. (2.16) eliminate  $P_i$  with eq. (2.20) and eliminate  $F(V_1)$  with eq. (2.22). Thus one equation remains with  $s$  as unknown property.

Calculate  $s$ .

6. Take eq. (2.22) and calculate  $F(V_1)$ .
7. Take eq. (2.9) and calculate  $\Delta T$ .

It turns out that the equation system now can be solved, purely theoretically.

Experiments to measure e.g.  $U_s$ ,  $s$ ,  $\rho_1$  or  $P_H$  are not necessary. The system holds for any material obeying the adopted equation of state. This is certainly an attractive basis for a first round analysis of the occurring shock phenomena.

Apart from that the theoretical basis is a good introduction to a realistic experimental approach. Recapitulation: The set of equations, developed so far permits the determination of the shock relevant properties  $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta T$  and  $U_s$  as a function of  $U_p$ .

### 2.2.2 Relaxation.

The previous section dealt with compression during a shock load. In this section the relaxation after the shock front will be considered in order to determine the remaining temperature. During the shock loading the material is heated up and during the relaxation it cools down. If the final temperature after the pass of the shock exceeds the temperature just before the shock loading, one may say that kinetic energy of the moving material has been transferred to thermal energy. For thermal spray processes, especially for those working at high particle velocities, it is important to gain insight in the energy conversion since it can determine widely the wanted optimum combination of particle size, velocity and temperature. In order to be able to calculate the temperature after relaxation a few other equations are required. Fig. 2.3 depicts a P-V cycle of shock loading and



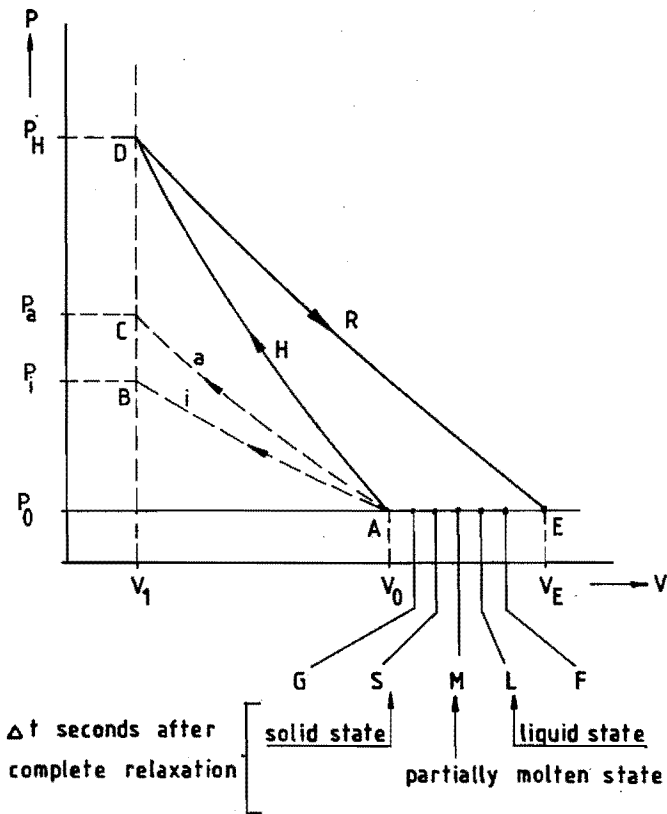


Fig. 2.3: P - V diagram.

relaxation. This figure plays an important part in understanding the derivation of the new set of equations. A careful description of all points and lines will facilitate the procedure of deduction.

- The curves:
- H  $\hat{=}$  Hugoniot
  - a  $\hat{=}$  adiabat
  - i  $\hat{=}$  isotherm
  - R  $\hat{=}$  Relaxation adiabat

The points:

A ( $V_0, T_0, S_0, E_0, P_0$ )  $\hat{=}$  starting point

B ( $V_1, T_0, S_B, E_B, P_i$ ) marks the end of an isothermal compression

C ( $V_1, T_c, S_c = S_A = S_0, E_c, P_a$ ) marks the end of an adiabatic compression

D ( $V_1, T_D, S_D, E_1, P_1 = P_H$ ) marks the end of the shock compression

E ( $V_E > V_0, T_E, S_E = S_D, E_E, P_0$ ) marks the non equilibrated relaxed state or the equilibrium final state if no phase changes occur during the shock and the relaxation.

G ( $V_G, T_G, S_G, E_G, P_0$ ) marks a final state at a temperature below the melting point.

S ( $V_s, T_M, S_s, E_s, P_0$ ) marks the ultimate possible state of solid material  $\hat{=}$  start of melting.

L ( $V_L, T_M, S_M, E_M, P_0$ ) marks a completely molten state.

M ( $V_M, T_M, S_M, E_M, P_0$ ) marks a partial molten state.

F ( $V_F > V_0, T_F, S_F, E_F, P_0$ ) marks generally the equilibrium final state. F may be located in between A and E.

Two basic rules, which both can be inferred from the first and second law of thermodynamics, will be applied in the following reasoning. These rules are for a change of state, at constant volume:

$$(S_2 - S_1)_V = C_v \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} \quad (2.23)$$

at constant pressure:

$$(S_2 - S_1)_P = C_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} \quad (2.24)$$

where  $S \hat{=}$  entropy.

The set of equations developed in section 2.2.1 permits to determine  $T_D$ , the shock state temperature. With eq. (2.23), this temperature is related to  $T_C$ , since

the path from C to D vice versa represents a change of state at constant volume.

So, the application of rule (2.23) leads to:

$$S_D - S_C = S_V \ln \frac{T_D}{T_C} \quad (2.25)$$

with  $S_C = S_0 = 0$

$$S_D = C_V \ln \frac{T_D}{T_C} \quad (2.25a)$$

Eq. (2.25a) encompasses two unknown variables: the entropy in the shock state,  $S_D$ , and the adiabatic compression temperature,  $T_C$ . The entropy  $S_C = S_A = S_0$  because AC represents an adiabatic, read isentropic, change. The entropy  $S_0$  is arbitrarily set zero (so  $S_D$  to be read as  $\Delta S_D$  etc.). The first step in determining  $S_D$  and  $T_C$  is to find a solution for  $T_C$ , as follows: The entropy change along the isotherm AB is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} S_B - S_A &= \int_{V_0}^{V_1} g(V) dV = \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \alpha K dV \\ &= \frac{\alpha K}{\rho_0} \ln \frac{V_1}{V_0} \end{aligned} \quad (2.26)$$

See appendix 5 for the derivation of (2.26). With  $S_A = S_0 = 0$ :

$$S_B = \frac{\alpha K}{\rho_0} \ln \frac{V_1}{V_0} \quad (2.26a)$$

$\frac{V_1}{V_0} \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$  is either an input parameter or can be calculated as shown in the

foregoing section, thus  $S_B$  is fixed.

Application of (2.23) on the path BC yields:

$$S_C - S_B = C_v \ln \frac{T_C}{T_0} \quad (2.27)$$

with  $S_C = S_0 = 0$ :

$$-S_B = C_v \ln \frac{T_C}{T_0} \quad (2.27a)$$

from which follows:

$$T_C = T_0 \exp \frac{-S_B}{C_v} \quad (2.28)$$

Substitution of (2.28) into (2.25a) with  $S_C = S_0 = 0$  yields:

$$S_D = C_v \ln \frac{T_D}{T_0 \exp \frac{-S_B}{C_v}} \quad (2.29)$$

Elimination of  $S_B$  from (2.26a) and (2.27a) gives:

$$\frac{-\alpha K}{\rho_0} \ln \frac{V_1}{V_0} = C_v \ln \frac{T_C}{T_0} \text{ from which follows:}$$

$$T_C = T_0 \exp \frac{-\alpha K \ln \frac{V_1}{V_0}}{\rho_0 \cdot C_v} \quad (2.30)$$

Eq. (2.30) is apart from (2.28) another equation to determine  $T_C$ , the adiabatic compression temperature. Consider eq. (2.25a) once again.

If  $T_D = T_C$  then  $S_D = 0$ . In words: as long as the shock temperature  $T_D$  equals the adiabatic temperature  $T_C$ , the entropy of the shock state will not increase. If this is the case, the permanent equilibrium temperature after relaxation will be  $T_0$ . The shock does not contribute to a conversion of kinetic energy to thermal energy. The temperature after relaxation,  $T_E$ , can be derived from the application of rule (2.24) to the change from A to E, thus:

$$S_E - S_A = C_p \ln \frac{T_E}{T_A} \text{ with } S_A = S_0 = 0:$$

$$S_E = C_p \ln \frac{T_E}{T_A} \quad (2.31)$$

If the relaxation is adiabatic and isentropic, then  $S_E = S_D$ ;  
with (2.31)

$$C_p \ln \frac{T_E}{T_A} = S_D; \text{ with } T_A = T_0:$$

$$T_E = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_D}{C_p} \quad (2.32)$$

Mind that  $T_E$  acc. to (2.32) is based on an assumed isentropic change of state along the path DE. A phase change during the relaxation invalidates eq. (2.32). If phase changes take place right after the relaxation, eq. (2.32) remains true. An important question rises now. During the compression the temperature has increased to  $T_D$ . Does melting occur? If melting occurs, what is the final state or final temperature of the material? To answer these questions, the phenomenon of melting under high pressure needs a closer examination.

The governing equation is given by Clapeyron, ref. [16], pg 177:

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{\Delta H_{\text{melt}}, \text{ m}}{T_f \Delta V_{\text{melt}}, \text{ m}} \quad (2.33)$$

where  $\Delta H_{\text{melt, m}}$  = molar enthalpy of fusion  
 $\Delta V_{\text{melt, m}}$  = molar volume change on melting  
 $T_f$  = Temperature at which melting occurs

Note that  $\frac{\Delta H_{\text{melt, m}}}{T_f}$ , is the molar entropy of melting.

Integration of (2.33) gives the equation of the solid – liquid equilibrium phase line:

$$P = P^* + \frac{\Delta H_{\text{melt, m}}}{\Delta V_{\text{melt, m}}} \ln \frac{T_f}{T^*} \quad (2.34)$$

where  $P^*$  and  $T^*$  are the pressure and temperature on a fixed point of the line, e.g. the melting temperature at standard pressure,

$$P^* = 10^5 \text{ Nm}^{-2} \text{ and } T^* = T_M.$$

A numerical illustration might elucidate the abstract formulas. For this reason eq (2.34) will be worked out for the arbitrarily chosen material Al. The relevant numerical quantities for Al are: Volume growth on melting ~ 6%, ref. [20], so,  $\Delta V_{\text{melt}} = 0,06 V_{T_M}$ , where  $V_{T_M}$  = Volume at  $T_M = 933\text{K}$ .

$$V_{933} = V_{298} (1 + \alpha \Delta T) = 3,38 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta V_{\text{melt}} = 0,06 V_{933} = 2,332 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1}$$

The latent heat  $\hat{=}$  enthalpy of fusion is:

$$L = 387 \cdot 592 \text{ J kg}^{-1}, \text{ ref. [21].}$$

Substitution of these values into eq. (2.34) yields:

$$P = 10^5 + \frac{387.592}{2,332 \cdot 10^{-5}} \ln \frac{T_f}{T_M},$$

or:

$$P = 10^5 + 1,662 \cdot 10^{10} \ln \frac{T_f}{T_M} \quad (2.35)$$

Eq. (2.35) is worked out numerically in table 10a and visualized in fig. 2.4. Next, on the basis of fig. 2.4, table 10b is determined. The reason for the choice of the temperature intervals as presented in table 10b will be justified later.

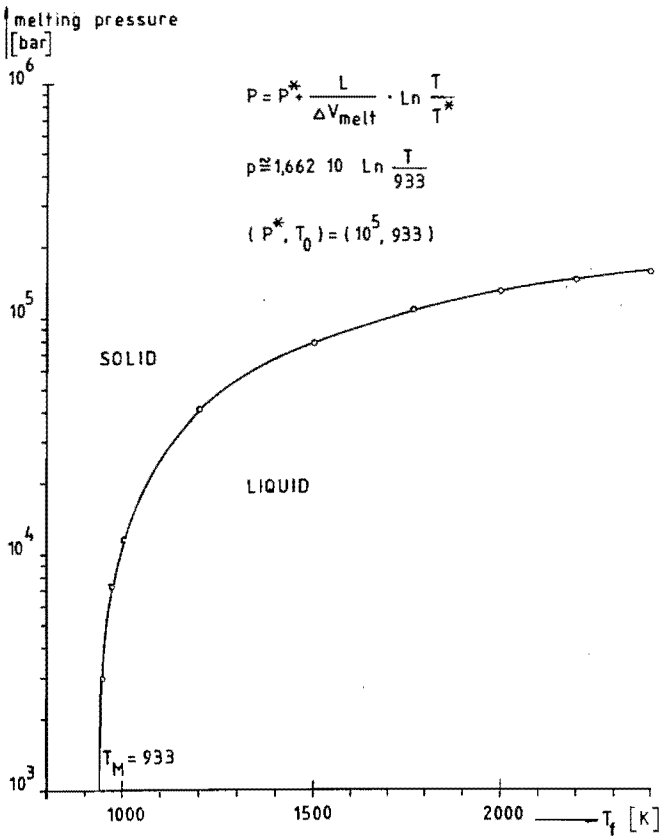


Fig. 2.4: Melting temp. of Al as a function of pressure.

From table 10 it may be concluded that the melting temperature increase due to the pressure rise amounts some 7 degrees per 1000 bar. A provisional conclusion could be that an initially liquified particle, partially can be converted into a solid during the collision. Probably this will be an amorphous solid, because the material has the entropy of a liquid at the moment that the shock wave passes by and causes the pressure increase in an extremely short time delay. It all depends on the magnitude of pressure increase which occurs during the collision.

From (2.35) follows for the melting temperature under increased pressure:

$$T_f = T_M^{\text{exp}} \frac{P_H}{1,662 \cdot 10^{10}} \quad (2.36)$$

**Table 10a:** Melting temperature of Al as a function of pressure.

$T_f$	P	
	[Nm <sup>-2</sup> ]	[bar]
933	$1 \cdot 10^5$	1
1000	$1,15 \cdot 10^9$	$1,15 \cdot 10^4$
1200	$4,18 \cdot 10^9$	$4,18 \cdot 10^4$
1500	$7,89 \cdot 10^9$	$7,89 \cdot 10^4$
2000	$1,27 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,27 \cdot 10^5$
2200	$1,43 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,43 \cdot 10^5$
2400	$1,57 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,57 \cdot 10^5$
2600	$1,70 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,70 \cdot 10^5$

If  $T_D \leq T_f$ , then melting does not occur during the compression. As will be shown the compression by shock takes actually place in the solid region of the phase diagram. This implies also for the relaxation process that no melting occurs during the pressure release.



Table 10b: Calculation of mean values  $\overline{\Delta T/\Delta P}$  for successive temperature intervals.

$\Delta T$	990–933 = 57	1070–990 = 80	1220–1070 = 150	1400–1220 = 180	K
$\Delta P$	9,5	10,5	25,0	22,0	kbar
$\frac{\overline{\Delta T}}{\overline{\Delta P}}$	6,0	7,6	6,0	8,2	$\frac{\text{K}}{\text{k bar}}$

Purely theoretical a pressure smaller than 1 bar can arise due to dynamical effects if the situation of uniaxial strain is maintained during the relaxation. As will be shown in the next section, the uniaxial strain situation during the compression will turn over in a plain strain situation when relaxation starts. For this reason it is further assumed that no melting occurs during the pressure release phase of the material. When the decompression along the line DE has been finished, the entropy in the pseudo – final state E equals the entropy in the shock state and the pseudo – final temperature  $T_E$  can be calculated according to eq. (2.32). If  $T_E$  surmounts  $T_M$ , the decompressed material will start to melt. The actual criterion which governs the melt phenomenon is the magnitude of the shock entropy  $S_D = S_E$ . If  $S_D = S_E > S_{M_s}$  then melting of the decompressed material sets in. Note that  $S_{M_s}$  is the maximum solid state entropy at pressure  $P_0$  as indicated in the description of the P – V, diagram. If melting occurs it will take place at the pressure  $P_0$  and the governing rule that relates the entropy states between point A and any other point of the horizontal line at pressure  $P_0$  is given in eq. (2.24). Application of this rule to the points A and S produces the lower entropy boundary for melting = the maximum entropy for a solid state

$$S_S - S_A = C_p \ln \frac{T_M}{T_A} \quad (2.37)$$

with  $S_A =$  arbitrarily zero and  $T_A = T_0 =$  the spray particle temperature;

$$S_S = C_p \ln \frac{T_M}{T_0} \quad (2.37a)$$

The upper entropy boundary for melting is:

$$S_L = S_S + \frac{L}{T_M} \quad (2.38)$$

where  $L =$  latent heat. A partially molten final state is characterized by the entropy:

$$S_M = S_S + \frac{\phi L}{T_M} \quad (2.39)$$

where  $0 \leq \phi \leq 1$  denotes the melting degree.

$$\phi = (S_M - S_S) \frac{T_M}{L} \quad (2.39a)$$

follows directly from (2.39). Mind that  $S_M = S_E = S_D$ .

The entropy  $S_0$  of a super - heated state  $\hat{=}$  liquid at the temperature  $T_0 > T_M$  is:

$$S_0 = S_L + C_p \ln \frac{T_0}{T_M} \quad (2.40)$$

The entropy of a liquid at temperature  $T_F > T_0$  is:

$$S_F = S_0 + C_{P_L} \ln \frac{T_F}{T_0} \quad (2.40a)$$

with  $C_{P_L} \hat{=} C_{P_S} = C_p$  and  $S_0$  arbitrarily set zero:

$$\frac{S_F}{C_p} = \ln \frac{T_F}{T_0}, \text{ from which follows directly:}$$

$$T_F = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_F}{C_p} \quad (2.40b)$$

Mind that in the case of shock loading  $S_F = S_D = S_E =$  the entropy produced during the shock.  $T_F$  is the temperature which the liquid adopts after relaxation. Note further that eq. (2.40b) is identical to eq. (2.32). A solid final state has the entropy:

$$S_S = C_p \ln \frac{T_G}{T_0} \quad (2.41)$$

from which follows directly:

$$T_G = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_G}{C_p} \quad (2.41a)$$

If the shock entropy  $S_D = S_E > S_L$ , then use eq. (2.40).

If  $S_S < S_D = S_E < S_L$ , then use eq. (2.39).

If  $S_D = S_E < S_E$ , then use eq. (2.41)

### 2.2.3 Final energy balance.

The formulation of the energy balance for a material that will undergo a shock load depends on its phase – state. Three main cases will be distinguished.

1. A solid material that hits the surface at a temperature  $T_0$  and is heated up, due to collision phenomena, to the temperature  $T_G < T_M$ .
2. A solid material, initially at temperature  $T_0$  which partly melts due to the collision.
3. A liquified material, initially at temperature  $T_0$  which is heated up to the temperature  $T_F$ .

The macro-energy balances are for.

Case 1:

$$E_0 + \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 = W_0 \quad (2.42)$$

where:  $E_0$  denotes the specific internal energy before the start of the collision.

$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$  is the kinetic energy before the collision.

$W_0$  is the total energy of the material right before the collision starts.

The internal energy is practically equal to the enthalpy so:

$$E_0 = \int_{298}^{T_0} C_{p_s} dT \quad (2.43)$$

where  $C_{p_s}$  denotes the specific heat capacity at constant pressure of the solid material. Substitution of (2.43) into (2.42) gives the energy balance before the collision:

$$\int_{298}^{T_0} C_{p_s} dT + \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 = W_0 \quad (2.44)$$

After the relaxation, the balance reads:

$$\int_{298}^{T_0} C_{p_s} dT + \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 = \Delta E_{\text{pot}} + E_1 = W_0 \quad (2.45)$$

where:

$$\Delta E_{\text{pot}} = \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 - \Delta E_{\text{th}} \quad (2.46)$$

and:

$$\Delta E_{\text{th}} = \int_{T_0}^{T_G} C_{p_s} dT = C_p (T_G - T_0) \quad (2.47)$$

In words:  $\Delta E_{\text{th}}$  is the kinetic energy which is converted to thermal energy due to shock phenomena.  $\Delta E_{\text{pot}}$  is the remaining kinetic energy, transformed to potential energy and available for creation of the final morphology of the spray particle.

$$E_1 = \int_{298}^{T_G} C_{p_s} dT \quad (2.48)$$

is the specific internal energy after relaxation. Check: Substitution of (2.48), (2.47) and (2.46) into (2.45) satisfies (2.45).

Case 2:

The energy balance right before the collision is given by eq. (2.42). After relaxation, the balance reads like (2.45) where:

$$E_1 = \int_{298}^{T_M} C_{p_s} dT + \phi L \quad (2.49)$$

(with  $\phi$  = melting degree and  $L$  = Latent heat)

$$\Delta E_{\text{pot}} = \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 - \Delta E_{\text{th}} \quad (2.46)$$

and

$$\Delta E_{\text{th}} = \int_{T_0}^{T_M} C_{p_s} dT + \phi L = C_p (T_M - T_0) + \phi L \quad (2.50)$$

Check: substitution of (2.50), (2.46) and (2.49) into (2.45), satisfies (2.45).

Case 3:

The energy balance before the collision is given by eq. (2.42). After relaxation the balance is like (2.45) where:

$$E_1 = \int_{298}^{T_M} C_{p_s} dT + \phi L + \int_{T_M}^{T_F} C_{p_L} dT \quad (2.51)$$

( $C_{p_L} = C_p$  for liquid material)

$$E_0 = \int_{298}^{T_M} C_{p_s} dT + \phi L + \int_{T_M}^{T_0} C_{p_L} dT \quad (2.52)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{pot}} = \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 - \Delta E_{\text{th}} \quad (2.46)$$

and

$$\Delta E_{\text{th}} = \int_{T_0}^{T_F} C_{p_L} dT = C_p (T_F - T_0) \quad (2.53)$$

Check: Substitution of (2.53), (2.46) and (2.51) into (2.45) satisfies (2.45)

Note: The energy balance has been set up to identify two portions of energy,

$\Delta E_{th}$  and  $\Delta E_{pot}$ . A complete survey of all equations required for the calculation of shock – relevant quantities may be of great help for the set up of the calculation program.

### SURVEY OF EQUATIONS REGARDING COMPRESSION

Nr.	Eq
1	$U_s^2 = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \frac{P_1 - P_0}{\rho_1 - \rho_0} \quad (2.4)$

2	$U_p = \frac{\rho_1 - \rho_0}{\rho_1} \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \cdot \frac{P_1 - P_0}{\rho_1 - \rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (2.5)$
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3	$\Delta E = E_1 - E_0 = \frac{1}{2} (P_1 + P_0) \left( \frac{1}{\rho_0} - \frac{1}{\rho_1} \right) \quad (2.6)$
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4	$U_s = \left( \frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left( \frac{1 - \nu}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha E}{6(1-2\nu)\rho_0 C_v} \right) \quad (2.7b)$
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5	$\Delta E = E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV \quad (2.9)$
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$$= C_v (T_1 - T_0) + F(V_1) \quad (2.9a)$$

$$6 \quad P_H = \frac{P_i - \frac{F(V_1) \cdot g(V_1)}{C_v}}{1 - \frac{(V_0 - V_1) \cdot g(V_1)}{2 C_v}} \quad (2.16)$$

$$7 \quad g(V_1) = \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \alpha K \quad (2.19)$$

$$8 \quad P_i = \frac{K}{s} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \right)^s - 1 \right\} + \alpha K T_0 \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} - 1 \right) \quad (2.20)$$

$$9 \quad F(V_1) = \frac{1}{\rho_0} \left[ \frac{K}{s(s-1)} \left\{ \left( \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} \right)^{s-1} - 1 \right\} - \left( \frac{K}{s} + \alpha K T_0 \right) \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} \right) \right] \quad (2.22)$$

mind:  $P_1 \equiv P_H$   
 $P_0 = 0$

## SURVEY OF EQUATIONS REGARDING RELAXATION.

Nr.

$$10 \quad S_D = C_v \ln \frac{T_D}{T_C} \quad (2.25a)$$

$$11 \quad S_B = \frac{\alpha K}{\rho_0} \ln \frac{V_1}{V_0} \quad (2.26a)$$

$$12 \quad T_C = T_0 \exp \frac{-S_B}{C_v} \quad (2.28)$$

$$13 \quad T_E = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_D}{C_p} \quad (S_D = S_E) \quad (2.32)$$

$$14 \quad S_S = C_p \ln \frac{T_M}{T_0} \quad (S_S = S_E) \quad (2.37a)$$

$$15 \quad S_L = S_S + \frac{L}{T_M} \quad (2.38)$$

$$16 \quad \phi = \frac{T_M}{L} (S_M - S_S) \quad (S_M = S_E) \quad (2.39a)$$

$$17 \quad T_F = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_F}{C_p} \quad (S_F = S_E) \quad (2.40b)$$

$$18 \quad T_G = T_0 \exp. \frac{S_G}{C_p} \quad (S_G = S_E) \quad (2.41a)$$

$$19 \quad \text{If } S_D = S_E < S_S:$$

$$\Delta E_{th} = \int_{T_0}^{T_S} C_{p_s} dT = C_p (T_G - T_0) \quad (2.47)$$

$$\text{If } S_S < S_D = S_E < S_L:$$



$$\Delta E_{th} = \int_{T_0}^{T_M} C_{p_s} dT + \phi L = C_p (T_M - T_0) + \phi L \quad (2.50)$$

If  $S_D = S_E > S_L$ :

$$\Delta E_{th} = \int_{T_0}^{T_F} C_{p_L} dT = C_p (T_F - T_0) \quad (2.53)$$

$$20 \quad \Delta E_{pot} = \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 - \Delta E_{th} \quad (2.46)$$

The calculation of all shock parameters can now take place. For Al, the Murnagham parameter  $s$  is a known quantity which permits to chose for solution scheme 2 regarding the compression.

Input parameters:  $\rho_0, K, s, \alpha, T_0, C_v, C_p, L, T_M, \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$

Step	Equation	Output
1	2.22	$F(V_1)$
2	2.20	$P_i$
3	2.19	$g(V_1)$
4	2.16	$P_H$
5	2.6	$\Delta E$
6	2.9	$\Delta T; T_D$
7	2.4	$U_s$
8	2.5	$U_p; \frac{1}{2}U_p^2$
Relaxation:		
9	2.26a	$S_B$
10	2.28	$T_C$

11	2.25a		$S_D$
12	2.32		$T_E$
13	2.37a		$S_S$
14.	2.38		$S_L$
15.1	if $S_D = S_E < S_s$	(2.41a)	$T_G$
15.2	if $S_s < S_D = S_E < S_L$	(2.39a)	$\phi$
15.3	if $S_D = S_E > S_L$	(2.40b)	$T_F$
16.1	2.47		$\Delta E_{th \cdot 1}$
16.2	2.50		$\Delta E_{th \cdot 2}$
16.3	2.53		$\Delta E_{th \cdot 3}$
17	2.46		$\Delta E_{pot \cdot}$

Appendix 6 gives the detailed calculations of the quantities  $F(V_1) \rightarrow S_L$ . A characteristic selection of calculated data is summarized in table 11a, 11b and 11c. The computational results are visualized in figures 2.5 – 2.10. The discussion will take place on the basis of these figures. Fig. 2.5 shows the compression band of Al as a function of the spray particle velocity  $U_p$ . As will turn out, the energy conversion of kinetic energy into thermal energy starts at about  $U_p = 240$  m/s. The compression than amounts  $\rho_0/\rho_1 \cong 0,96$ . The upper part of fig 2.5 shows the shock wave propagation velocity  $U_s$  as a function of  $U_p$ . The  $U_s$  lines are below the theoretical value as given by eq. (2.7b), thus demonstrating the qualitative character of all the calculations. Fig. 2.5 should give an overall impression about the thermal spray process for aluminium. Plasma spraying usually takes place in the region  $U_p \leq 200 \frac{m}{s}$ , while high velocity processes like Jet-Kote or D-Gun produce spray particles at velocities which usually exceed  $300 \frac{m}{s}$ . Note that also for  $U_p < 240 \frac{m}{s}$  a considerable compression can take place.

Table 11a: Survey of shock related quantities for Al,  $T_0 = 800$  K.

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,80	0,82	0,84	0,86	0,88	0,90
$F(V_1)$ Nmkg <sup>-1</sup>	4,711 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,217 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,027 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	1,105 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	4,207 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-5,384 · 10 <sup>3</sup>
$P_1$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	2,804 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,352 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,954 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,601 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,288 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,010 · 10 <sup>10</sup>
$g(V_1)$ Jm <sup>-3</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	7,038 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,866 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,703 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,547 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,398 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,256 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
$P_H$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	3,480 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,862 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,340 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,893 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,508 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,174 · 10 <sup>10</sup>
$\Delta E$ J kg <sup>-1</sup>	1,289 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	9,541 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,933 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	4,910 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,353 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,174 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
$\Delta T$ K	960	742	575	446	344	261
$T_D$ K	1760	1542	1375	1246	1144	1061
$U_s$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	8028	7674	7360	7078	6824	6594
$U_p$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	1605	1381	1177	990	818	659
$S_B$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-465,3	-413,8	-363,6	-314,5	-266,5	-219,7
$T_C$ K	1381	1300	1225	1157	1093	1035
$S_D=SE$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	206,4	145,4	98,3	63,3	38,2	21,2
$T_E$ K	1006	940	892	858	834	819
$S_S$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	138,4	138,4	138,4	138,4	138,4	138,4
$S_L$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	553,8	553,8	553,8	553,8	553,8	553,8
100 $\phi$ %	16,3	1,68	0	0	0	0
$T_F$ K	no superheated liquid					
$T_G$ K	933	933	892	858	834	819
$\Delta F_{th}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,828 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	1,262 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	8,280 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	5,220 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	3,060 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	1,710 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,288 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	9,535 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,926 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	4,900 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,345 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,171 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
$\Delta F_{pot}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,105 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	8,273 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,098 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	4,378 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,039 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,000 · 10 <sup>5</sup>

Continuation table 11a

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,92	0,94	0,96	0,98	0,99	Equation
$F(V_1)$ Nmkg <sup>-1</sup>	-3,149 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-4,638 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-4,374 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-2,782 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-1,532 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	2.22
$P_i$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	7,621 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	5,399 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	3,406 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	1,615 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	7,868 · 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.20
$g(V_1)$ Jm <sup>-3</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	6,120 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,990 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,865 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,745 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,687 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.19
$P_H$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	8,803 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	6,210 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	3,907 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	1,848 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	9,002 · 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.16
$\Delta E$ J kg <sup>-1</sup>	1,304 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,900 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,894 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	6,847 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	1,667 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	2.6
$\Delta T$ K	193	135	85	40	19	2.9
$T_D$ K	993	935	885	840	819	2.9
$U_s$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	6384	6191	6014	5851	5774	2.4
$U_p$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	510	371	240	117	57	2.5
$S_B$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-173,8	-129,0	-85,1	-42,1	-20,9	2.26a
$T_C$ K	981	930	884	840	819	2.28
$S_{D=SE}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	10,4	4,2	1,2	0,14	0,01	2.25a
$T_E$ K	809	803	801	800	800	2.32
$S_S$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	138,4	138,4	138,4	138,4	138,4	2.37a
$S_L$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	553,8	553,8	553,8	553,8	553,8	2.38
100φ %	0	0	0	0		2.39a
$T_F$ K						
$T_G$ K	809	804	801	800,12	800,008	2.41a
$\Delta E_{th}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	8,100 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	2,700 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	900	108	7,2	2.47
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,300 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,882 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,880 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	6844	1624	2.5
$\Delta E_{pot}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,219 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,612 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,790 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	6736	1617	2.46

Table 11b: Survey of shock related quantities for Al,  $T_0 = 933 \text{ K} \hat{=} T_M \text{ Al}$ .

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,80	0,82	0,84	0,86	0,88	0,90
$F(V_1)$ Nrmkg <sup>-1</sup>	4,157 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,718 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	1,583 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,170 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	8,793 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	-3,312 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
$P_i$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	2,823 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,369 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,986 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,613 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,298 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,018 · 10 <sup>10</sup>
$g(V_1)$ Jm <sup>-3</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	7,038 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,866 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,703 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,547 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,398 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	6,256 · 10 <sup>6</sup>
$P_{Hf}$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	3,573 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,939 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,404 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,946 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,551 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,207 · 10 <sup>10</sup>
$\Delta E$ J kg <sup>-1</sup>	1,323 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	9,799 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,123 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	5,046 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,447 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,235 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
$\Delta T$ K	1065	831	650	508	394	301
$T_D$ K	1998	1764	1583	1441	1327	1234
$U_s$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	8135	7777	7460	7175	6919	6686
$U_p$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	1627	1399	1193	1004	830	668
$S_B$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-165,3	-113,8	-363,6	-314,5	-266,5	-219,7
$T_C$ K	1610	1516	1429	1349	1275	1207
$S_D=SE$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	183,6	128,9	86,9	55,8	33,7	18,6
$T_E$ K	1144	1076	1027	992	968	952
$S_S$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0
$S_L$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	415,4	415,4	415,4	415,4	415,4	415,4
100φ %	44,19	31,02	20,91	13,43	8,11	4,47
$T_F$ K	no superheated liquid					
$T=T_M$ K	933	933	933	933	933	933
$\Delta E_{th}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,712 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	1,202 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	8,107 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	5,206 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	3,144 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	1,735 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,323 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	9,786 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	7,116 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	5,040 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,444 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,231 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
$\Delta E_{pot}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,152 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	8,583 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,305 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	4,519 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	3,130 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	2,057 · 10 <sup>5</sup>

Continuation table 11b

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,92	0,94	0,96	0,98	0,99	Equation
$F(V_1)$ Nmkg <sup>-1</sup>	-5,638 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	-6,302 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	-5,483 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	-3,337 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	-1,809 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	2.22
$P_i$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	7,686 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	5,447 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	3,438 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	1,630 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	7,943 . 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.20
$g(V_1)$ Jm <sup>-3</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	6,120 . 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,990 . 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,865 . 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,745 . 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,687 . 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.19
$P_H$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	9,054 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	6,389 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	4,020 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	1,902 . 10 <sup>9</sup>	9,266 . 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.16
$\Delta E$ J kg <sup>-1</sup>	1,341 . 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,099 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,978 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	7,048 . 10 <sup>3</sup>	1,716 . 10 <sup>3</sup>	2.6
$\Delta T$ K	223	157	99	47	23	2.9
$T_D$ K	1156	1090	1032	980	956	2.9
$U_s$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	6474	6280	6101	5936	5858	2.4
$U_p$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	517	376	244	118	58	2.5
$S_B$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-173,8	-129,0	-85,1	-42,1	-20,9	2.26a
$T_C$ K	1144	1085	1031	980	956	2.28
$S_D=SE$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	9,1	3,7	1,0	0,12	0,01	2.25a
$T_E$ K	942	936	934	933	933	2.32
$S_S$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	2.37a
$S_L$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	415,4	415,4	415,4	415,4	415,4	2.38
100φ %	2,19	0,89	0,24	0,028	0,002	2.39a
$T_F$ K						
$T=T_M$ K	933	933	933	933	933	
$\Delta E_{lh}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	8,490 . 10 <sup>3</sup>	3452	933	112	9	2.50
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,336 . 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,068 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,976 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	6962	1682	2.5
$\Delta E_{pot}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,251 . 10 <sup>5</sup>	6,723 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	2,883 . 10 <sup>4</sup>	6850	1673	2.46

Table 11c: Survey of shock related quantities for Al,  $T_0 = 1200$  K.

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,80	0,82	0,84	0,86	0,88	0,90
$F(V_1)$ Nmk $g^{-1}$	$2,338 \cdot 10^5$	$1,715 \cdot 10^5$	$6,923 \cdot 10^4$	$-6,247 \cdot 10^3$	$-5,802 \cdot 10^4$	$-8,880 \cdot 10^4$
$P_1$ Nm $^{-2}$	$2,624 \cdot 10^{10}$	$2,402 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,996 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,638 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,319 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,035 \cdot 10^{10}$
$g(V_1)$ Jm $^{-3}K^{-1}$	$6,951 \cdot 10^6$	$6,866 \cdot 10^6$	$6,703 \cdot 10^6$	$6,547 \cdot 10^6$	$6,398 \cdot 10^6$	$6,256 \cdot 10^6$
$P_H$ Nm $^{-2}$	$3,413 \cdot 10^{10}$	$3,095 \cdot 10^{10}$	$2,533 \cdot 10^{10}$	$2,051 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,636 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1,273 \cdot 10^{10}$
$\Delta E$ J kg $^{-1}$	$1,201 \cdot 10^6$	$1,031 \cdot 10^6$	$7,505 \cdot 10^5$	$5,319 \cdot 10^5$	$3,635 \cdot 10^5$	$2,359 \cdot 10^5$
$\Delta T$ K	1135	1009	799	631	494	381
$T_D$ K	2335	2209	1999	1831	1694	1581
$U_s$ ms $^{-1}$	8157	7980	7657	7367	7106	6868
$U_p$ ms $^{-1}$	1549	1436	1225	1031	852	686
$S_D$ Jkg $^{-1}K^{-1}$	-439,4	-413,8	-363,6	-314,5	-266,5	-219,7
$T_C$ K	2009	1950	1838	1735	1640	1553
$S_{D=SE}$ Jkg $^{-1}K^{-1}$	127,7	106,3	71,4	45,7	27,5	15,2
$T_E$ K	1383	1350	1299	1262	1237	1220
$S_S$ Jkg $^{-1}K^{-1}$	-	-	-	-	-	-
$S_L$ Jkg $^{-1}K^{-1}$	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 $\phi$ %	100	100	100	100	100	100
$T_F$ K	1383	1350	1299	1262	1237	1220
$T_G$ K	-	-	-	-	-	-
$\Delta E_{th}$ Jkg $^{-1}$	$1,646 \cdot 10^5$	$1,353 \cdot 10^5$	$8,917 \cdot 10^4$	$5,625 \cdot 10^4$	$3,350 \cdot 10^4$	$1,839 \cdot 10^4$
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg $^{-1}$	$1,199 \cdot 10^6$	$1,031 \cdot 10^6$	$7,503 \cdot 10^5$	$5,314 \cdot 10^5$	$3,629 \cdot 10^5$	$2,352 \cdot 10^5$
$\Delta E_{pot}$ Jkg $^{-1}$	$1,035 \cdot 10^6$	$8,956 \cdot 10^5$	$6,611 \cdot 10^5$	$4,752 \cdot 10^5$	$3,294 \cdot 10^5$	$2,169 \cdot 10^5$

Continuation table 11c

$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	0,92	0,94	0,96	0,98	0,99	Equation
$F(V_1)$ Nmkg <sup>-1</sup>	-1,009 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	-9,643 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-7,711 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-4,451 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	-2,366 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	2.22
$P_i$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	7,816 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	5,543 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	3,500 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	1,661 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	8,095 · 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.20
$g(V_1)$ Jm <sup>-3</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	6,120 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,990 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,865 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,745 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	5,687 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	2.19
$P_H$ Nm <sup>-2</sup>	9,559 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	6,748 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	4,248 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	2,011 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	9,796 · 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.16
$\Delta E$ J kg <sup>-1</sup>	1,416 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,498 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	3,146 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	7,449 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	1,814 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	2.6
$\Delta T$ K	284	201	127	60	29	2.9
$T_D$ K	1484	1401	1327	1260	1229	2.9
$U_s$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	6652	6454	6271	6103	6023	2.4
$U_p$ ms <sup>-1</sup>	532	387	250	122	60	2.5
$S_B$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-173,8	-129,0	-85,1	-42,1	-20,9	2.26a
$T_C$ K	1471	1396	1326	1260	1229	2.28
$S_D=SE$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	7,4	3,0	0,86	0,10	0,01	2.25a
$T_E$ K	1210	1204	1201,14	1200,13	1200,01	2.32
$S_S$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	
$S_L$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	
100φ %	100	100	100	100	100	2.39a
$T_F$ K	1210	1204	1201,14	1200,13	1200,01	2.40b
$T=T_M$ K	-	-	-	-	-	
$\Delta E_{th}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	8,916 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	3,606 · 10 <sup>3</sup>	1032	120	12	2.53
$\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,415 · 10 <sup>6</sup>	7,488 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	3,125 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	7442	1800	2.5
$\Delta E_{pot}$ Jkg <sup>-1</sup>	1,325 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	7,127 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	3,021 · 10 <sup>4</sup>	7322	1788	2.46



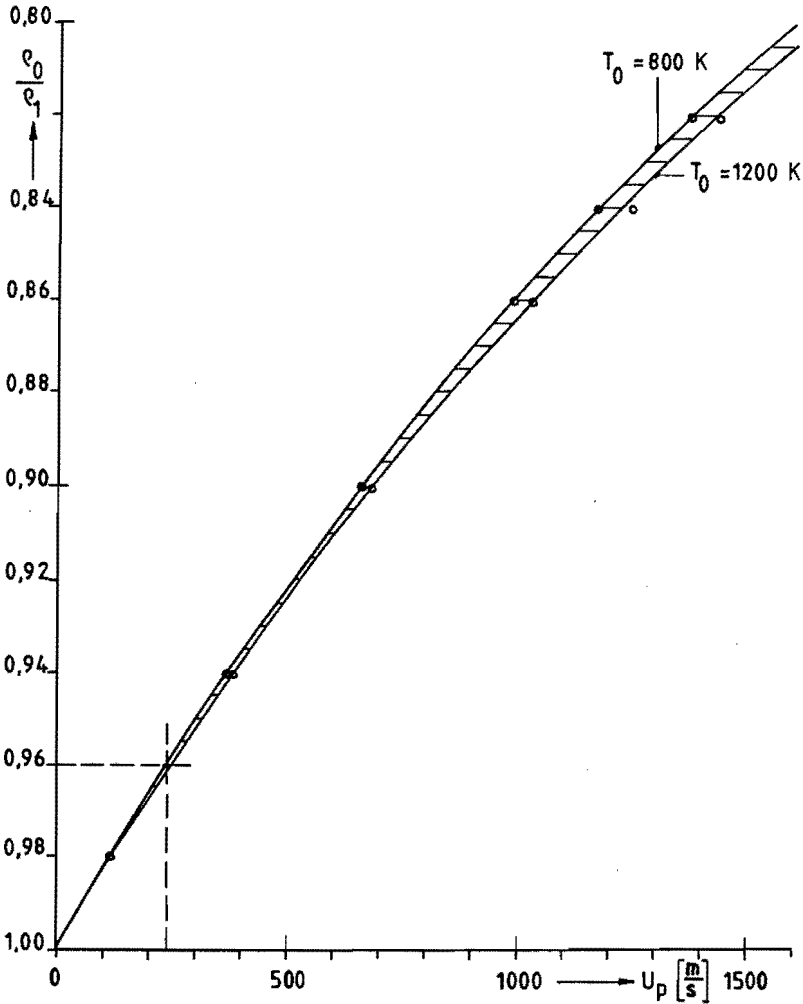
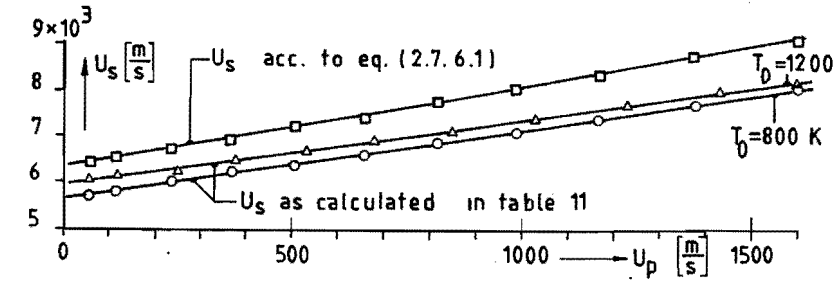


Fig. 2.5: Compression band and shock wave propagation velocity for Al.

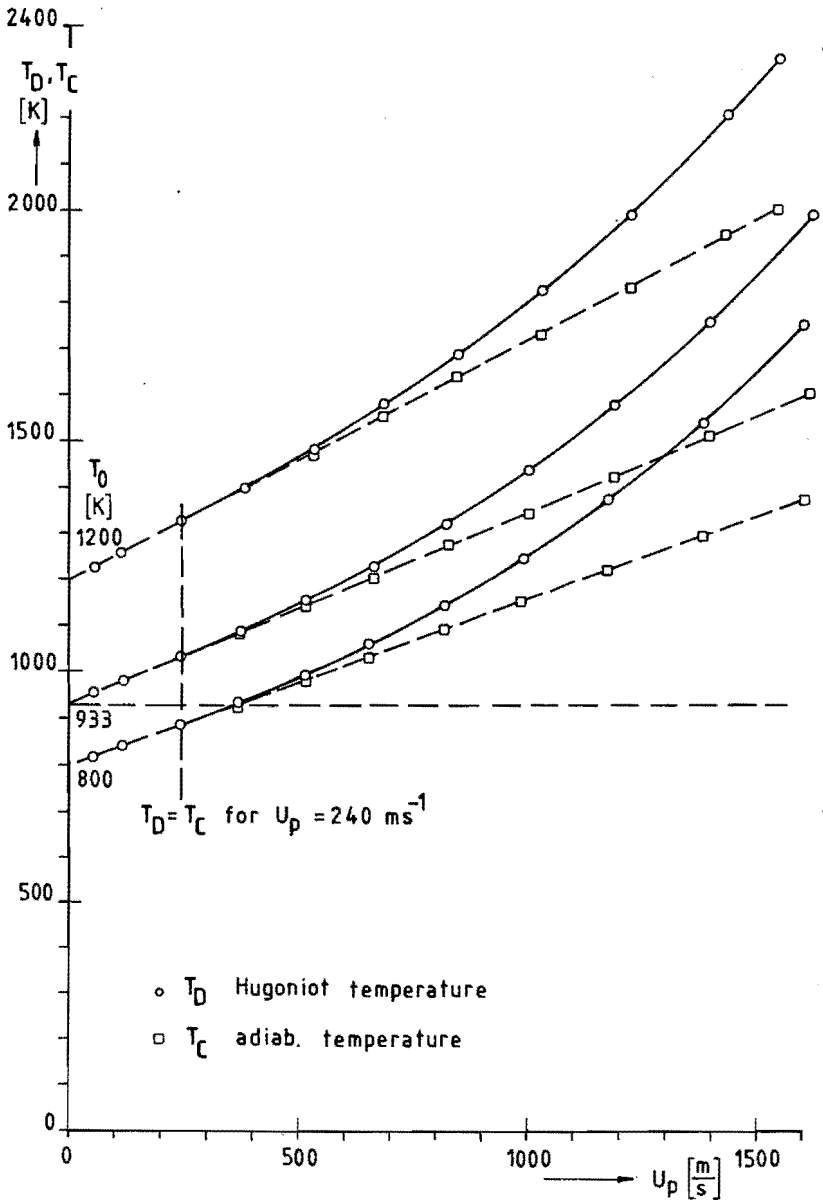


Fig. 2.6: Compression temperatures for Al.

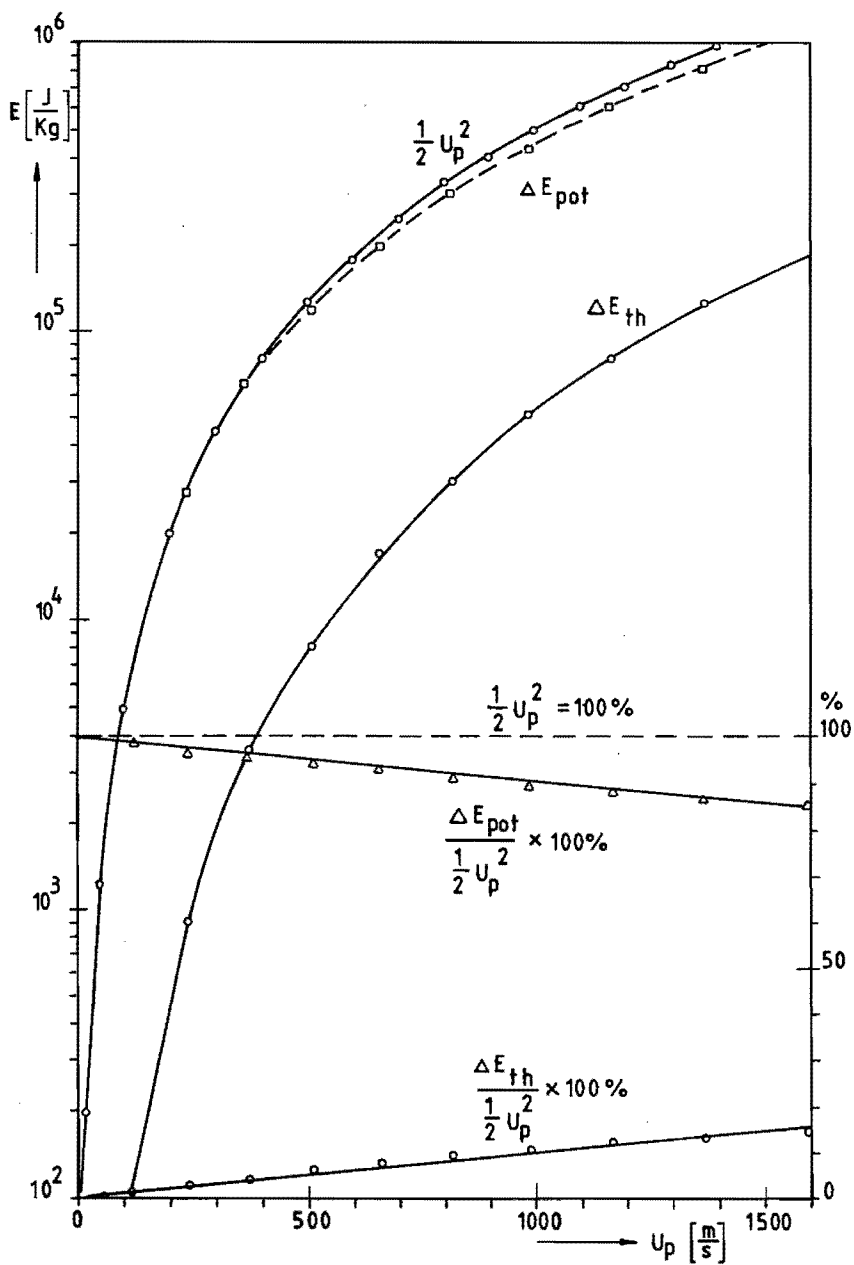


Fig. 2.7: Energy balance for Al,  $T_0 = 800 \text{ K}$ .

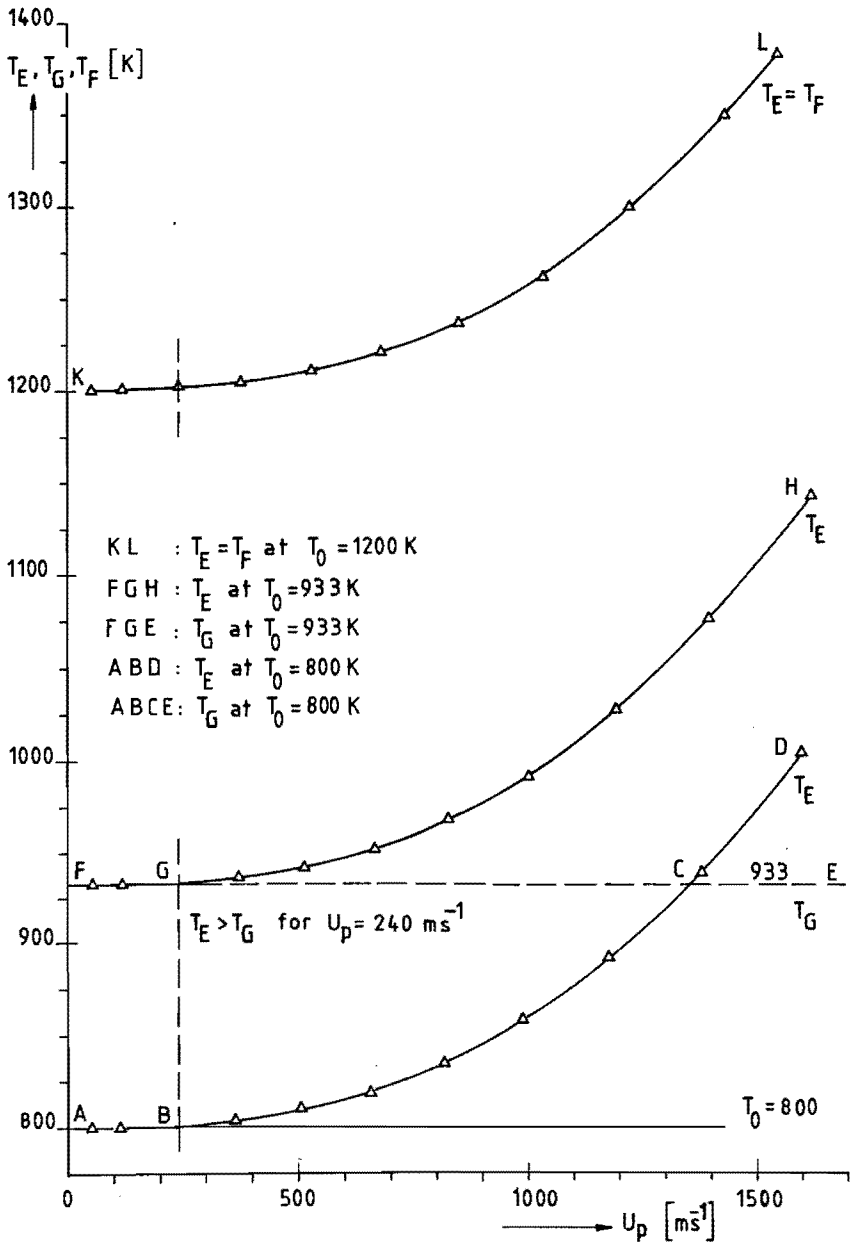


Fig. 2.8: Relaxation temperatures for Al.

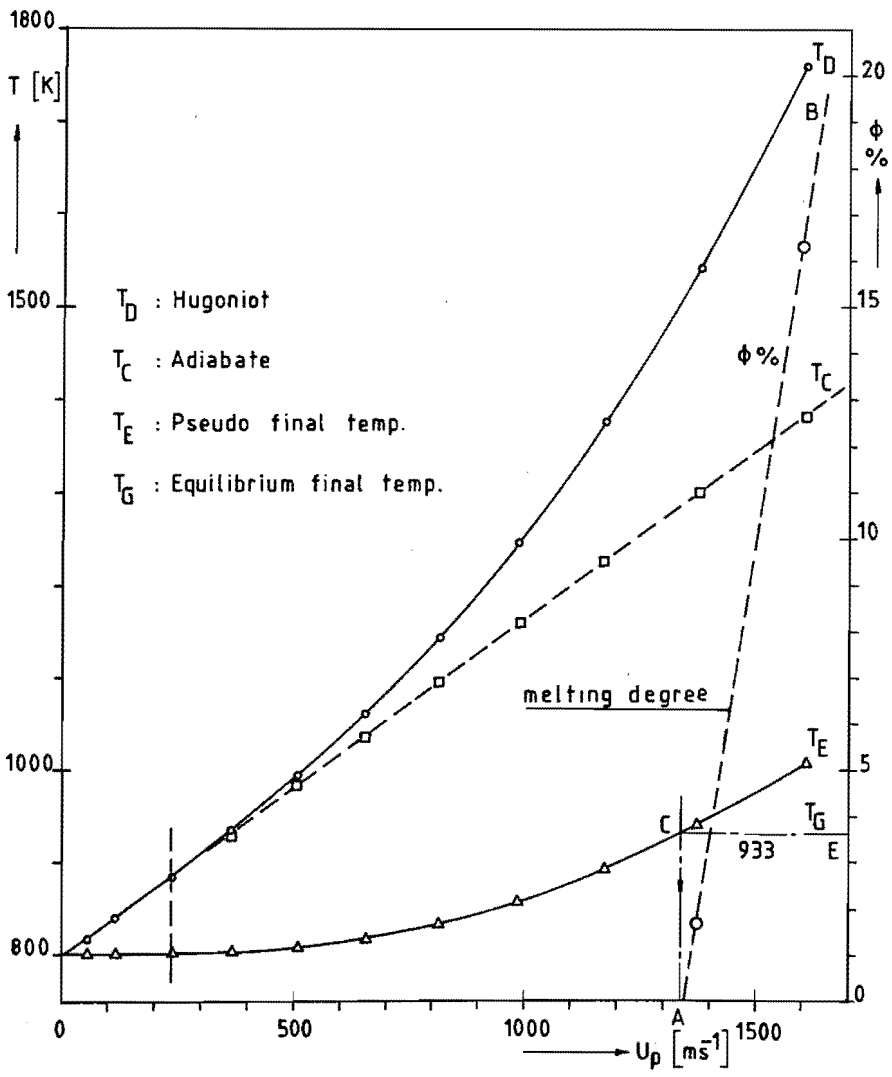


Fig. 2.9: Melting degree and characteristic temperatures during compression and after relaxation.

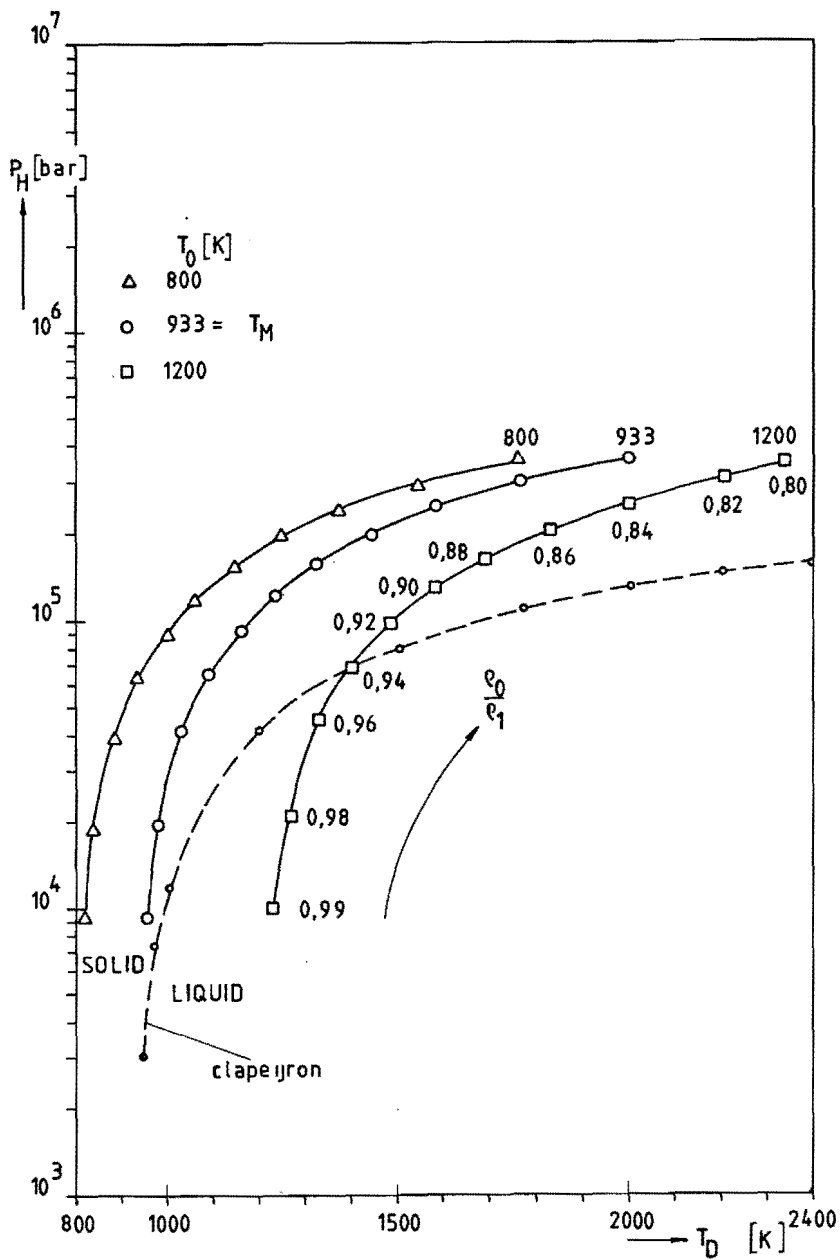


Fig. 2.10: Hugoniot pressure as a function of the shock compression temperature for Al.

Fig. 2.6 compiles the Hugoniot ( $T_D$ ) and adiabatic ( $T_C$ ) compression temperatures as a function of  $U_p$ . The  $T_D$  and  $T_C$  curves coincide for velocities up to  $U_p = 240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ; for  $U_p > 240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$   $T_D$  and  $T_C$  are divergent. According to eq. (2.25a), the shock entropy  $S_D = 0$  for  $T_D = T_C$ , so for relatively weak shocks ( $U_p < 240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ) holds, that no conversion of kinetic to thermal energy takes place. With a standard plasma spray operation the spray particle velocities do not exceed  $240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and conversion of kinetic to thermal energy due to the collision is not to be expected. For an increased collision velocity this picture changes drastically, see also fig. 2.7, showing the energy balance. Sometimes in the literature the idea turns up that all kinetic energy will be directly converted to thermal energy. This idea must be rejected completely. Furthermore it is clear from fig. 2.6 that the temperature increase during the shock can amount two hundred degrees for weak shocks. Fig 2.8 compiles the relaxation temperatures for Al, initially heated to 800, 933 =  $T_M$  and 1200 K respectively. These curves also show the thermal effects that may be expected for  $U_p > 240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . Curve KL represents both the non – equilibrium and the equilibrium final temperature for the case where the spray material is initially liquid. Curve FH represents the non equilibrium relaxed temperature and FGE the equilibrium final temperature for the case where the spray material is heated up to its melting point without being melted prior to the collision. The shock entropy production starts at a velocity of  $\sim 240 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . After relaxation this entropy is available for the liquefaction of the spray material. The temperature then remains  $T_M$ , which is represented by the straight line GE. Curve AD represents the non – equilibrium relaxation temperature for the case where the material initially is heated to a temperature below the melting point. The shock entropy production is first used to increase the temperature to the melting point, which is represented by point C, where the liquefaction starts and is continued along the straight line CE. Fig. 2.9 compiles

all characteristic temperature curves for both compression and relaxation for the case where  $T_0 = 800 \text{ K} < T_M = 933 \text{ K}$ . Curve  $T_D$  is the Hugoniot shock temperature. Curve TC is the adiabatic shock temperature; mind the point of coincidence with  $T_D$ . Curve TE is the non – equilibrium relaxation temperature. The straight line CE marks the final equilibrium temperature equalling  $T_M$ . The straight line AB represents the melting degree  $\phi$  in percent. The last figure regarding aluminium, fig. 2.10, compiles the relations between the Hugoniot temperatures and the Hugoniot pressures. Besides the equilibrium phase line indicating the boundary between the solid and the liquid phase according to Clapeyron has been drawn. (Fig. 2.4 shows this line previously). Now a remarkable conclusion can be drawn. Since the Clapeyron line intersects with the Hugoniot curves it can be expected that for moderate super heating temperatures liquified Al will be transformed to an amorphous solid during the compression phase of the collision. The relaxation will partly take place in the amorphous solid state. When the first (high) pressure release is over, the final release will come about in the liquid state of the material. A highly superheated liquid state of the material will not be changed into an amorphous solid, unless very high compression rates are applied. Consequently a highly super heated particle will spread as a liquid from the first begin of the collision. At this stage of the theory it is hard to imagine what differences will occur in the morphology of a moderately and a highly super heated particle. Experiments will have to clear this matter. The phenomenon of liquid – solid phase transformation occurring with Aluminium, gives rise to the question whether this symptom also appears for Molybdenum; a material with which many experiments have been carried out in the past decade [8, 10]. The final model on the spreading of a spray particle during the collision can be taken up after answering the question. First the equilibrium solid – liquid phase line for Mo according to Clapeyron's



equation is calculated. The relevant data for Mo are:

$$P^* = 10^5 \text{ Nm}^{-2}; T^* = T_M = 2883\text{K} \quad ;$$

$$\alpha = 19,5 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1} \quad ; \quad \rho_0 = 10200 \text{ kg m}^{-3};$$

$$\Delta H \text{ melt, kg} = L = 288 \cdot 10^3 \text{ Jkg}^{-1}$$

and the volume change on melting,  $\Delta V_{\text{melt}}$ , is estimated 4% (no exact figure available) ref. [20a]. Substitution of these data into eq. (2.34) yields for

Molybdenum:

$$P = 10^5 = 6,99 \cdot 10^{10} \ln \frac{T_f}{2883} \quad (2.54)$$

See table 12a and 12b for a numerical evaluation of (2.54).

**Table 12a:** Melting temperature of Mo as a function of pressure.

Tf [K]	P	
	[Nm <sup>-2</sup> ]	[bar]
2883	1 · 10 <sup>5</sup>	1
2900	4,11 · 10 <sup>8</sup>	4,11 · 10 <sup>3</sup>
3000	2,78 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	2,78 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
3100	5,07 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	5,07 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
3300	9,44 · 10 <sup>9</sup>	9,44 · 10 <sup>4</sup>
3500	1,36 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	1,36 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
4000	2,29 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	2,29 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
4500	3,11 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	3,11 · 10 <sup>5</sup>
5000	3,85 · 10 <sup>10</sup>	3,85 · 10 <sup>5</sup>

Table 12b: Calculation of mean values  $\Delta T/\Delta P$  for successive temperature intervals.

$\Delta T$	3030–2883 = 147	3190–3030 = 160	3320–3190 = 130	3490–3320 = 170	K
$\Delta P$	35	32,5	32,5	50	kbar
$\frac{\Delta T}{\Delta P}$	4,2	4,9	4,0	3,4	$\frac{\text{K}}{\text{kbar}}$

From table 12 it may be concluded that the average increase in melting temperature for Mo amounts some 4 degrees per 1000 bar pressure increase. Compared to Al the temperature rise per 1000 bar is lower by a factor  $4/7 = 0,57$ . Once again a provisional conclusion can be that the Clapeyron curve will intersect with the Hugoniot curves having the same consequences for the stability of the liquid phase as described for Al.

The set of equations as given in the previous survey has to be solved in a different way than it has been done for Al. The Murnaghan parameter  $s$  is for Mo an unknown quantity and must be determined prior to the solution of the equations

in the following way. Calculate for a certain compression, e.g.  $\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} = 0,8 P_i$  (eq. 2.20) and  $F(V_1)$  (eq. 2.22) as a function of  $s$ , where  $s$  is stepwise increased with eq. 0,0005. Substitute  $P_i$  and  $F(V_1)$  into the right hand side of equation (2.16) and find by iteration the intersection with the Hugoniot pressure  $P_H$ , which can be found by application of the given Hugoniot fit curves for Mo, see table 9, at the same compression. In fact this way of solution fits solution scheme three. Once, the parameter  $s$  is known, solution scheme 2, as applied for Al can be used to determine all wanted quantities, see appendix 7.1 – 7.4. In table 13, a restricted selection of these data, regarding  $U_p$ ,  $P_H$ , and  $T_D$  is compiled.

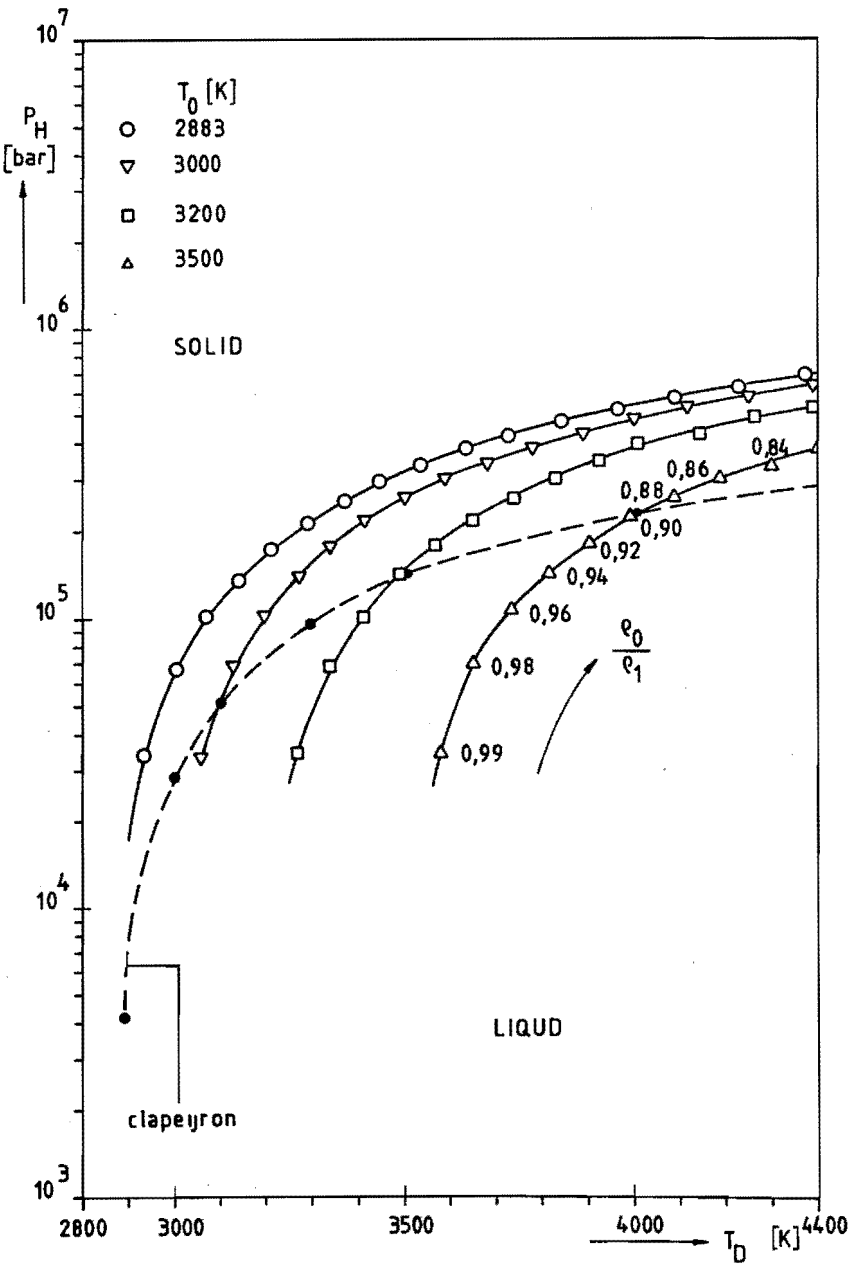


Fig. 2.11: Hugoniot pressure as a function of the shock compression temperature for Mo.

Table 13: Hugoniot Pressure versus compression Temperature for Molybdenum  $T_D$ ,  $T_0$ ,  $T_M$ , [°K];  $U_p$  [ $\text{ms}^{-1}$ ];  $P_H$  [ $\text{Nm}^{-2}$ ].

$T_0$	2883 = $T_M$			3000		
$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	$U_p$	$P_H$	$T_D$	$U_p$	$P_H$	$T_D$
0,80	1363	$9,48 \cdot 10^{10}$	5132	1368	$9,54 \cdot 10^{10}$	5323
0,81	1279	8,78	4916	1283	8,84	5101
0,82	1197	8,13	4719	1201	8,18	4899
0,83	1117	7,49	4540	1121	7,55	4716
0,84	1040	6,89	4377	1043	6,94	4547
0,85	964	6,32	4227	967	6,37	4393
0,86	890	5,78	4090	893	5,82	4251
0,87	818	5,26	3963	821	5,29	4120
0,88	748	4,76	3845	750	4,79	3999
0,89	679	4,27	3736	681	4,30	3886
0,90	611	3,81	3635	613	3,84	3781
0,91	545	3,37	3540	546	3,39	3682
0,92	480	2,94	3451	481	2,96	3590
0,93	416	2,53	3367	417	2,54	3503
0,94	353	2,13	3287	355	2,14	3421
0,95	292	1,74	3212	293	1,75	3342
0,96	232	1,37	3141	232	1,38	3268
0,97	172	1,01	3072	173	1,02	3197
0,98	114	$6,64 \cdot 10^9$	3007	114	$6,68 \cdot 10^9$	3129
0,99	56,6	$3,27 \cdot 10^9$	2944	56,8	$3,29 \cdot 10^9$	3063

Continuation table 13

$T_0$	3200			3500		
	$\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1}$	$U_p$	$P_H$	$T_D$	$U_p$	$P_H$
0,80	1376	9,66.10 <sup>10</sup>	5650	1388	9,82.10 <sup>10</sup>	6140
0,81	1291	8,95	5418	1302	9,10	5894
0,82	1208	8,27	5207	1218	8,41	5669
0,83	1127	7,63	5015	1137	7,76	5464
0,84	1049	7,02	4838	1058	7,14	5275
0,85	973	6,44	4676	981	6,55	5101
0,86	898	5,88	4527	906	5,98	4941
0,87	825	5,35	4389	832	5,44	4792
0,88	754	4,84	4261	760	4,92	4654
0,89	684	4,35	4142	690	4,42	4525
0,90	616	3,88	4030	621	3,94	4405
0,91	549	3,43	3926	554	3,48	4292
0,92	484	2,99	3828	488	3,04	4186
0,93	420	2,57	3736	423	2,61	4085
0,94	356	2,16	3648	359	2,20	3990
0,95	294	1,77	3565	297	1,80	3899
0,96	233	1,39	3486	235	1,42	3813
0,97	174	1,03	3410	175	1,04	3730
0,98	115	6,75.10 <sup>9</sup>	3337	115	6,86.10 <sup>9</sup>	3650
0,99	57,0	3,27.10 <sup>9</sup>	3267	57,5	3,37.10 <sup>9</sup>	3574

Fig. 2.11 visualizes the relation between  $P_H$  and  $T_D$ . Besides, the Clapeyron solid – liquid phase line has been drawn (on the basis of table 12). The foregoing provisional conclusion with regards to the possible intersection of Hugoniot pressure curves and the solid – liquid phase line, is now affirmed for the Hugoniot curves where the initial temperature is 3000, 3200 and 3500 K successively. From the position of the left hand curve, which holds for a solid material at melting temperature, it may be concluded that all Hugoniot curves for liquid have a position which implies an intersection with the Clapeyron line. Below the phase line those points are located which represent relatively weak shocks. For instance,

at  $T_0 = 3000$  K:  $\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} = 0,99$  and  $0,98$  corresponding to collision velocities

$U_p = 56,8$  and  $114 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  successively;

at  $T_0 = 3200$  K:  $\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} = 0,99; 0,98$  and  $0,96$ , corresponding to  $U_p = 57,0; 115$  and  $233 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ;

at  $T_0 = 3500$  K:  $\frac{\rho_0}{\rho_1} = 0,99; 0,98; 0,96; 0,94; 0,92$ ; and  $0,90$ , corresponding to  $U_p = 57,5; 115; 235; 359; 488$  and  $621 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

The collision velocities at which a liquid remains liquid increase with the initial temperature of the Molybdenum. In words: a slightly super heated Mo particle will be partly transformed to an amorphous solid, a more distinct super heated material will remain liquid. The behaviour of Mo does not differ greatly from that of Aluminium. According to this theory the spreading of a slightly superheated Mo particle must take place in an amorphous solid state and will not greatly differ from the spreading of an initially solid material slightly below melting temperature. This predicted phenomenon will be investigated experimentally. An amply super – heated Mo particle will spread completely in the liquid state. So, it

can be expected that a great difference exists in the spreaded morphology of an amply super – heated particle and a particle nearby the melting temperature. This theoretical predicted phenomenon will also be tested experimentally. The background of this thesis, as formulated in section 1.3 previously, can now be specified as an attempt to find a relation between the bond strength and the spreading phenomena occurring around the melting point and those, occurring in the superheated state. The model to be tested will now be extended to the domain of mechanical and kinematical effects which play an important role as will be depicted in the next section.

### 2.3 Mechanics of a colliding spherical particle.

The one dimensional approach regarding the deformation during the propagation of a shock wave implies a geometry as sketched in fig. 2.1. A spray particle mostly has a spherical shape when hitting the substrate. The question arises, what the consequences are for the validity of the previously described shock theory. The main feature of that theory is the adoption of dilatation only, or in other words the appearance of a uniaxial strain situation during the propagation of the shock front. It will be shown that this basic assumption can be kept up right for the front position of the shock wave. The basic ideas for the critical deformation are adopted from Bowden and Field [22], authors who dealt with the collision of rain drops on a solid surface and the accompanying damage of that surface. In [10] the basic considerations of the following section can be found. The basic geometrical relations between a sphere's radius  $r$  and a segment's base line  $BB$  are sketched in fig. 2.12, where  $b$  is the height of a sphere cap and  $a$  is the radius of a circle with  $BB$  as diameter. When a spherically shaped spray material collides with a rigid target at a velocity  $U_p$  the situation after a time elapse of  $t$

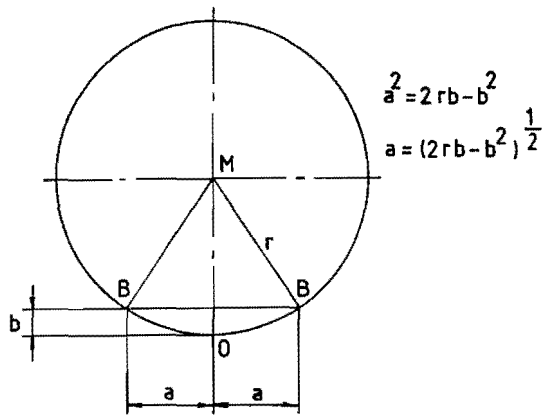


Fig. 2.12: Geometrical relation between a sphere, a sphere segment and a sphere cap.

seconds may be represented by fig. 2.13. The material initially within the volume

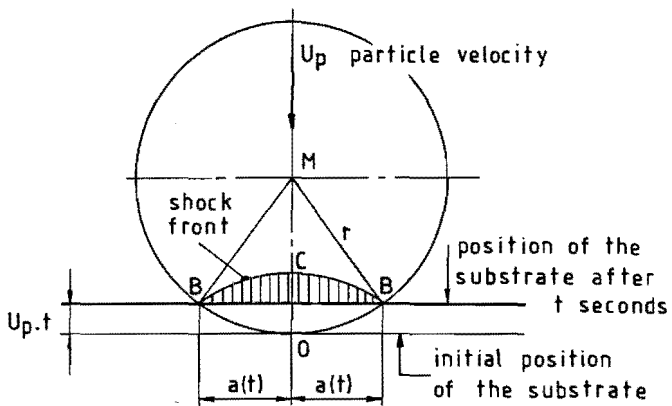


Fig. 2.13: Scheme of a colliding spherical particle after  $t$  seconds.



BOB has been pressed together with the material within the volume BCB, where the line BCB marks the position of the shock wave front at the moment  $t$ .

Analogous to fig. 2.12 it holds for the situation of fig 2.13:

$$a^2(t) = 2 r U_p \cdot t - (U_p \cdot t)^2 \quad (2.55)$$

where  $a(t)$  represents the contact area radius at the time  $t$ . Differentiation of eq. (2.55) yields:

$$\dot{a}(t) = \frac{U_p (r - U_p \cdot t)}{\{2r \cdot U_p \cdot t - (U_p \cdot t)^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{U_p (r - U_p \cdot t)}{a(t)} \quad (2.56)$$

where  $\dot{a}(t)$  denotes the velocity at which the perimeter of the contact area moves outwards. Both quantities –  $a(t)$  and  $\dot{a}(t)$  – have been computed as a function of time for two characteristic particles sizes:  $r = 5 \mu\text{m}$  and  $r = 25 \mu\text{m}$ , thus covering the size range from fine to middle – coarse.  $U_p$  has been taken into account as another parameter, varying from  $50$  to  $800 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , thus covering practically all common thermal spray processes. Table 14 summarizes the calculated data; fig. 2.14 and 2.15 show the results which give rise to the following remarks:

- The perimeter velocity  $\dot{a}(t)$  increases sharply with decreasing contact face radius. For the middle coarse particle size range,  $\dot{a}(t)$  even touches the range of shock velocities.
- The initial collision phase, arbitrarily marked by a contact – radius of  $1 \mu\text{m}$ , endures  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-9} \rightarrow 1,3 \cdot 10^{-10}$  seconds for a fine particle and  $5 \cdot 10^{-10} \rightarrow 3 \cdot 10^{-11}$  seconds for a middle coarse particle.

The time elapse to reach a contact radius which is half the particle radius, is for a fine particle  $\sim 10^{-8}$ [s] and for a middle coarse particle  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-8}$ [s]. The conclusion: the spreading velocity of a particle increases with it's size. The whole spreading process is about two orders of magnitude faster than the solidification, see table 3. On the one hand, this justifies the adiabatic conditions which were assumed in the

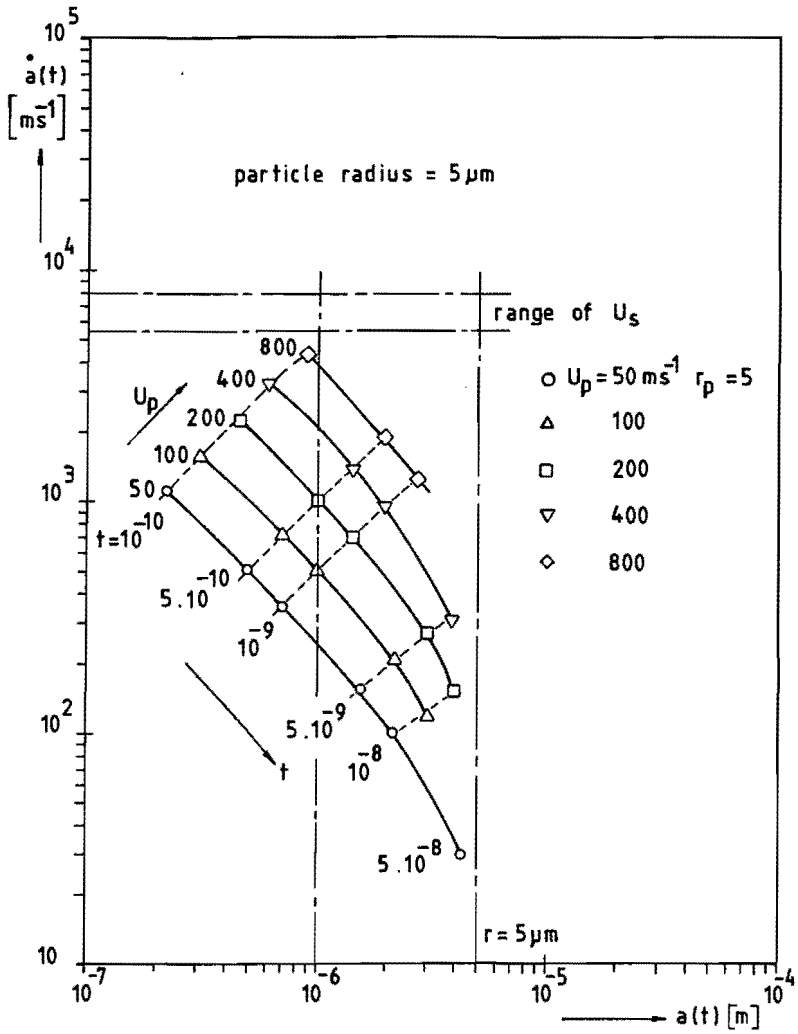


Fig. 2.14: Contact face perimeter velocity as a function of it's radius.

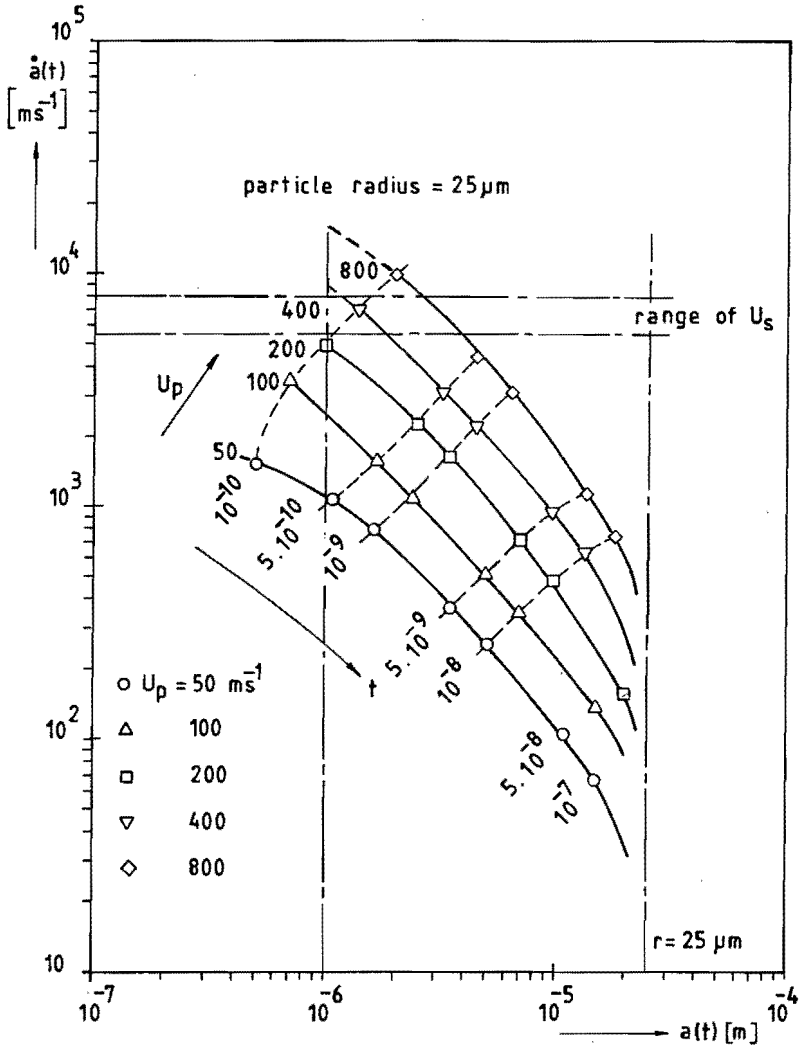


Fig. 2.15: Contact face perimeter velocity as a function of it's radius;  $r = 25\ \mu\text{m}$ .

**Table 14:** Contact face radius,  $a(t)$ , and perimeter velocity,  $\dot{a}(t)$ , as a function of  $U_p$ ,  $t$  and the particle radius,  $r$ .

$$[U_p, \dot{a}_t] = \text{ms}^{-1}; [t] = \text{s}; [a(t)] = \text{m}$$

Particle radius  $r = 5 \mu\text{m}$ .

$U_p$	$t$	$10^{-10}$	$5.10^{-10}$	$10^{-9}$	$5.10^{-9}$	$10^{-8}$	$5.10^{-8}$	$10^{-7}$
50	$a(t)$	$2,23 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4,99 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7,05 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,56 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,18 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,33 \cdot 10^{-6}$	
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$1,12 \cdot 10^3$	$4,98 \cdot 10^2$	$3,51 \cdot 10^2$	$1,52 \cdot 10^2$	$1,03 \cdot 10^2$	$2,88 \cdot 10^1$	
100	$a(t)$	$3,16 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7,05 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$9,95 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$2,18 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-6}$		
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$1,58 \cdot 10^3$	$7,02 \cdot 10^2$	$4,92 \cdot 10^2$	$2,06 \cdot 10^2$	$1,33 \cdot 10^2$		
200	$a(t)$	$4,46 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$9,95 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$		
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$2,23 \cdot 10^3$	$9,85 \cdot 10^2$	$6,86 \cdot 10^2$	$2,67 \cdot 10^2$	$1,5 \cdot 10^2$		
400	$a(t)$	$6,31 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,96 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$			
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$3,14 \cdot 10^3$	$1,37 \cdot 10^3$	$9,39 \cdot 10^2$	$3 \cdot 10^2$			
800	$a(t)$	$8,91 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,96 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,71 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,89 \cdot 10^{-6}$			
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$4,42 \cdot 10^3$	$1,88 \cdot 10^3$	$1,24 \cdot 10^3$	$1,63 \cdot 10^2$			

Particle radius  $r = 25 \mu\text{m}$

50	$a(t)$	$4,99 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,12 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,58 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,52 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,97 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,09 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1,5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$2,49 \cdot 10^3$	$1,12 \cdot 10^3$	$7,89 \cdot 10^2$	$3,51 \cdot 10^2$	$2,46 \cdot 10^2$	$1,03 \cdot 10^2$	$6,67 \cdot 10^1$
100	$a(t)$	$7,07 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,58 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,23 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,97 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$3,53 \cdot 10^3$	$1,58 \cdot 10^3$	$1,11 \cdot 10^3$	$4,92 \cdot 10^2$	$3,43 \cdot 10^2$	$1,33 \cdot 10^2$	
200	$a(t)$	$9,99 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$2,23 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,16 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9,79 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-5}$	
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$4,99 \cdot 10^3$	$2,23 \cdot 10^3$	$1,57 \cdot 10^3$	$6,86 \cdot 10^2$	$4,69 \cdot 10^2$	$1,5 \cdot 10^2$	
400	$a(t)$	$1,41 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,15 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,45 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9,79 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,35 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2,45 \cdot 10^{-5}$	
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$7,06 \cdot 10^3$	$3,14 \cdot 10^3$	$2,21 \cdot 10^3$	$9,39 \cdot 10^2$	$6,19 \cdot 10^2$	$8,16 \cdot 10^1$	
800	$a(t)$	$1,99 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,45 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6,27 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,35 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1,83 \cdot 10^{-5}$		
	$\dot{a}(t)$	$9,97 \cdot 10^3$	$4,42 \cdot 10^3$	$3,08 \cdot 10^3$	$1,24 \cdot 10^3$	$7,42 \cdot 10^2$		

foregoing section, on the other hand it may elucidate the existence of very thin, thermally instable layers, located in the contact area which were found by Safai and Herman [23]. S and H mention only the high solidification rate as the cause for the occurrence of the thin layers. This fact alone does not explain satisfactorily the existence of unstable thin films. They rather come into being by a fast cooling of highly compressed and consequently amorphous solid material. In ref. [22] Bowden and Field developed the initial concept of the critical contact radius for a liquid with curved profile. This concept is adopted here for a spherical particle, liquid or solid and will be elucidated in this part. An amplified model is shown in figures 2.16 and 2.17. In fig. 2.16 the propagation of wavelets, originating from the utmost frontside of the sphere, point O, is described. B is considered to be a surface location where a wavelet from O arrives simultaneously with the substrate. Then, from triangle OAB it appears that:

$$OB^2 = OA^2 + AB^2,$$

expressed in terms of system parameters:

$$(U_s t)^2 = a(t)^2 + (U_p t)^2 \quad (2.57)$$

Equating eq. (2.55) and eq. (2.57) yields:

$$t = \frac{2 r U_p}{U_s^2} \quad (2.58)$$

Also from triangle OAB appears:

$$\sin \varphi = \frac{U_p}{U_s} \quad (2.59)$$

Eq. (2.58) defines the time needed for a wave front originating from O to reach point B, where point B basically represents the edge between the trapped contact surface BB and the free surface of the sphere. Fig. 2.16 contains more information. Consider the situation a time  $\eta_1 t < t$  after the collision start. The

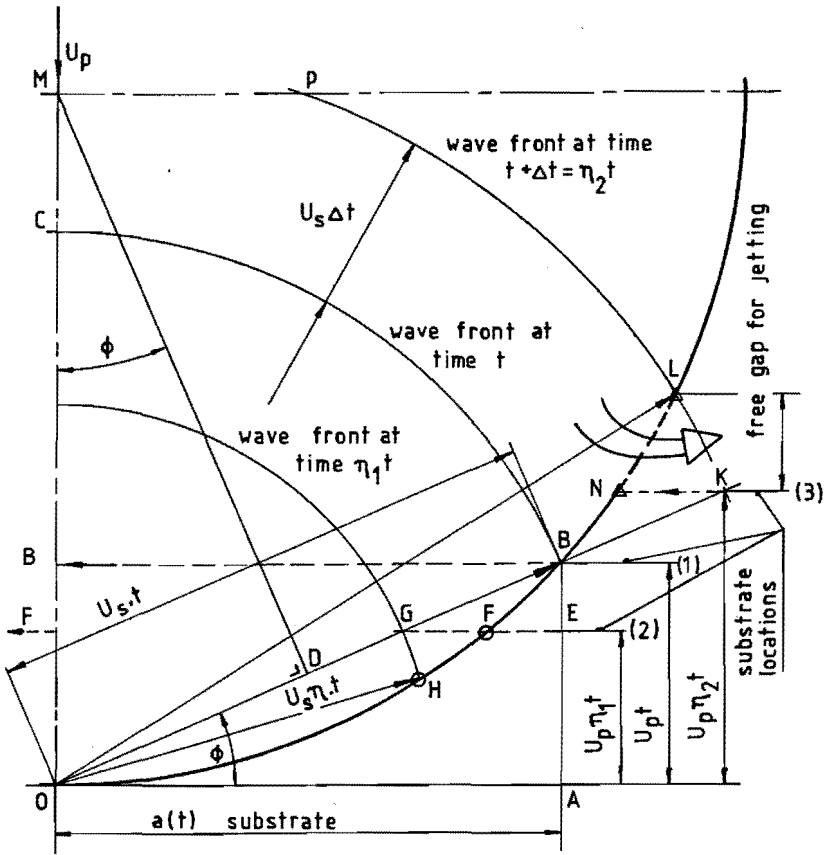


Fig. 2.16: Position of wave fronts originating from 0;  $0 < \eta_1 < 1$ ;  $1 < \eta_2$ .  
 B is a surface location where a wave from O arrives simultaneously with the substrate.  $\sin \phi = \frac{U_p}{U_s}$ .

substrate has moved into location (2) and the wavelet that started in O, should have reached point H of the surface if the material below the face FF were undeformed. Since the substrate has moved into position (2), the point H is a part of

the contact face between the particle and the substrate. Although location H will be under a high compressive stress, it will remain on its place by the equilibrium counter forces of the neighbour material. Consider the situation at  $\eta_2 t > t$  later than the moment of collision begin. Then, the substrate moved into position (3) and the wavelet from O has reached point L of the surface. The gap NL forms a gate for the compressed material below the wave front line LP, through which the material escapes more or less parallel to the substrate. The potential energy  $\Delta E_{\text{pot}}$ , as calculated in the foregoing section, is thus released and is used to give the spray material its final spread shape.

A more rigorous discussion of the propagation of wave fronts will now be carried out on the basis of fig. 2.17, taking into account that wavelets originating from points along the surface OB arrive at B before the wave from O. Point B represents a surface location identical to point B in fig 2.16: B is a surface point where a wave from O arrives simultaneously with the substrate. Consider a wavelet, starting in point  $O_1$ , corresponding to position (1) of the substrate that has been reached after  $t_0$  seconds. At the time  $t_1$ , the substrate has moved to position (2), and has abridged the distance

$U_p(t_1 - t_0)$ . The wavelet from  $O_1$  travelled in the same time over the distance  $U_s(t_1 - t_0)$ , implying that the wavelet and the substrate meet at point  $B_1$ . For triangle  $O_1 A_1 B_1$  holds:

$$\sin \gamma = \frac{U_p}{U_s} \text{ and with eq. (2.59) it turns out that } \phi = \gamma. \text{ So, to any point } O_1$$

between O and N along the surface curve belongs a point  $B_1$ , where the wave from  $O_1$  and the substrate meet simultaneously. An infinitesimal time delay later than  $t_1$ , say  $t_2$ , the wave from  $O_1$  overtakes the expanding perimeter of the contact face, thus creating a free gap, KL, through which the compressed material escapes laterally. The tangential point N marks the location where a wavelet

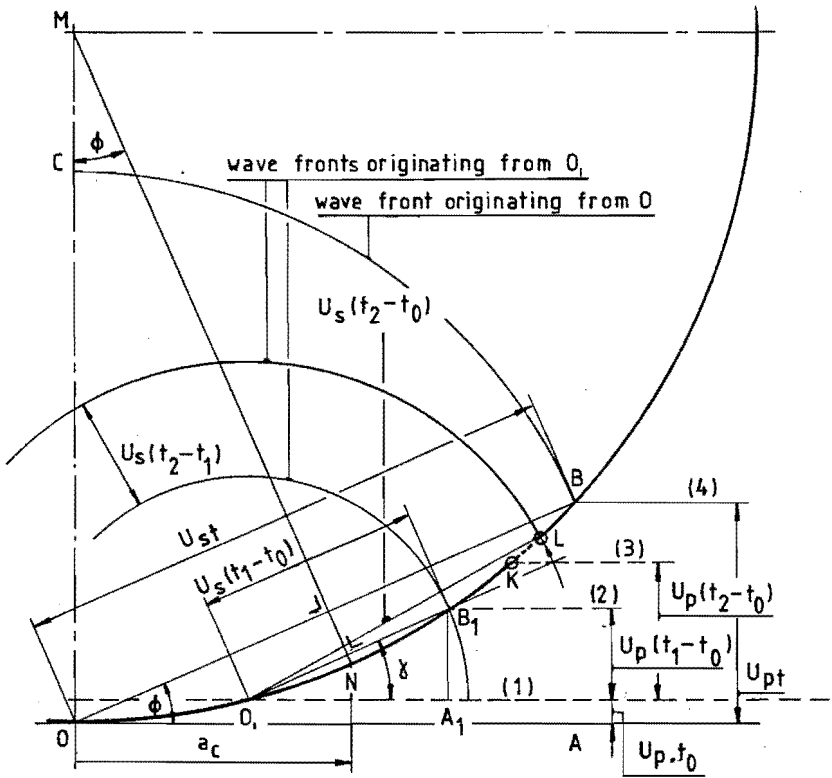


Fig. 2.17: Position of wave fronts originating from  $O_1$ ;  $t > t_2 > t_1 > t_0$ .  
 $B$  is a surface location identical to the one in fig 2.16.  
 $a_c$  = critical contact radius.

originating from  $N$  immediately reaches the free surface.  $N$  marks the critical radius of the contact surface. Beyond  $N$  the compressed material starts its relaxation. The main features of fig. 2.17 are shown once again in fig 2.18 to define the relation between the critical contact radius and the system parameters.



From this figure turns out that:

$$a_c = r \cdot \frac{U_p}{U_s} \quad (2.60)$$

when the contact face radius  $a_c$  is overtaken, lateral outflow of the material will occur in order to escape from the pressurized zone below the wave front line.

In addition to the critical radius, fig 2.18 shows another interesting feature.

Triangle NQR is built up by the components

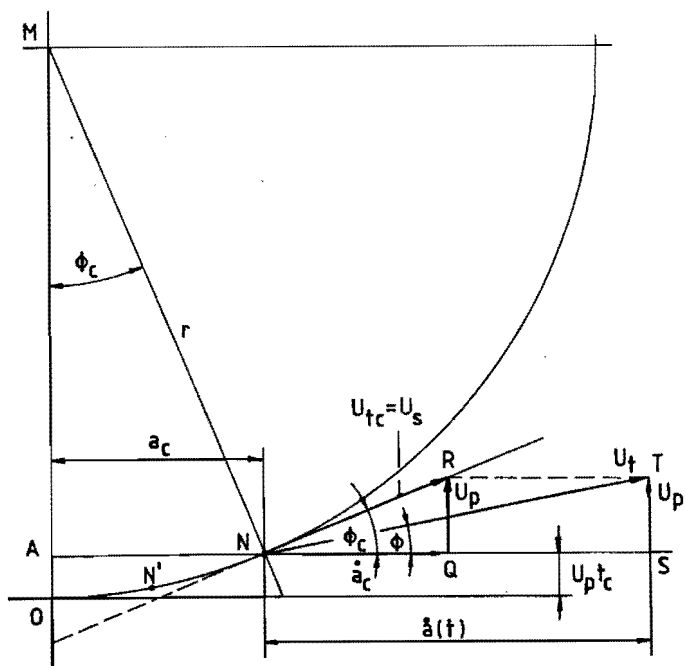


Fig. 2.18: Definition of the critical contact radius  $a_c \cong \overline{AN}$ .

$$\sin \phi_c = \frac{\overline{AN}}{\overline{MN}} = \frac{a_c}{r} = \frac{U_p}{U_s}$$

$\overline{NQ} = \dot{a}_c$ ,  $\overline{QR} = U_p$  and  $\overline{NR} = U_{tc} = U_s$ . The formal accuracy of this stated configuration can be proved as follows: For triangle NQR holds:

$$\tan \angle QNR = \tan \phi_c = \frac{U_p}{\dot{a}_c} \quad (2.61)$$

from eq. (2.56) follows:

$$\dot{a}_c = \frac{U_p (r - U_p \cdot t_c)}{a_c} \quad (2.56.1)$$

consequently:

$$\tan \phi_c = \frac{U_p}{U_p (r - U_p \cdot t_c)/a_c} = \frac{a_c}{r - U_p t_c} \quad (2.62)$$

This equation can be derived in another way, thus proving it's correctness: for triangle NAM (fig 2.18) holds:

$$\tan \angle AMN = \tan \phi_c = \frac{\overline{AN}}{\overline{AM}} = \frac{\overline{AN}}{\overline{OM} - \overline{OA}} = \frac{a_c}{r - U_p t_c}$$

which is exactly equation (2.62) q.e.d. For triangle QNR now holds:

$$\sin \phi_c = \frac{U_p}{U_{tc}} \text{ and on account of eq. (2.60)}$$

$U_{tc}$  must equal  $U_s$ . The concept of the critical contact radius can now be described in words. For a surface location  $\dot{N}$  along ON, where N denotes the critical radius location, the vector summation  $\dot{a}(t) + U_p$  equals  $U_t$ , the velocity at which the perimeter of the contact face moves tangentially to the sphere, see triangle NST fig. 2.18 (which in fact holds for a location  $\dot{N}$  where  $\phi \leq \phi_c$ .) For the critical radius  $a_c$ , the spreading velocity  $\dot{a}(t) = \dot{a}_c$  has decreased to such a level, that the vector summation with  $U_p$  equals  $U_s$ . The reduction of  $\dot{a}(t)$  with increasing contact radius has been described already in fig. 2.14 and 2.15. Once

the tangential velocity of the perimeter diminished to  $U_g$ , any wave that starts from a surface location beyond the critical radius, will overtake immediately the contactface perimeter, thus creating a free gap for lateral jetting of the compressed material which has been trapped between the frontline of the shock waves and the substrate. Herewith, the physical meaning of the critical contact radius concept may be rounded off and clear.

The lengthy section 2.2 may now be justified too, because it permits to estimate the stored potential energy in the compression zone which is set free, on from the moment  $t_c$ . The time  $t_c$  marks the start of release waves into the compressed material and since the wave propagation speed in material under pressure exceeds the wave propagation speed for undisturbed material, it might be possible that the wave front is overhauled by a release wave that started at time  $t_c$  prior to the moment that the front wave reaches the upper boundary of the sphere. This phenomenon certainly will have to be subject of a deeper analysis in next future. The critical radius also determines the volumetric expansion of the pressurized zone at the moment that lateral outflow starts. Eq. (2.60) describes the influence of the particle size on the contact radius. Coarse particles will build up more potential energy than small particles will do at the same impact velocity. From ref. [24] and [25] it is worth while to mention that experimentally determined lateral flow velocities of water obey the law:

$$U_j = k \cdot U_p \quad (2.63)$$

where  $k$  is a factor 3 approximately. This implies that the compressed material really will jet away laterally from the center of impact, even at low collision velocities. The time  $t_c$  marks also the moment when the uniaxial strain situation adopted as the theoretical basis of section 2.2 changes into a tri axial strain situation at the bottom side of the compressed zone. Finally the time  $t_c$  characterizes the duration of the time period for the thermodynamic effects which

take place in the contact zone with the substrate.  $T_c$  must be compared to the solidification time. It will be shown that the duration of the dynamical effects is so much shorter than the time span for the heat conduction, that both phenomena can be considered separately without degradation of the theoretical basis.

A working expression for the critical time  $t_c$  can be derived as follows. Eq. (2.60) defines  $a_c$ . The radius as a function of time is given by eq. (2.55). When  $t = t_c$ ,  $a(t) = a_c$  and  $\dot{a}(t) = \dot{a}_c$ . Substitution of (2.60) into (2.55) yields:

$$\left(\frac{r}{U_s}\right)^2 = 2r U_p t_c - (U_p t_c)^2. \quad (2.64)$$

Rewritten:

$$t_c^2 - \frac{2r}{U_p} t_c + \left(\frac{r}{U_s}\right)^2 = 0 \quad (2.64a)$$

The roots of this equation are:

$$t_{c1} = \frac{r}{U_p} + \frac{r}{U_p} \sqrt{\frac{1 - U_p^2}{U_s^2}} \quad (2.65)$$

and:

$$t_{c2} = \frac{r}{U_p} - \frac{r}{U_p} \sqrt{\frac{1 - U_p^2}{U_s^2}} \quad (2.65a)$$

The deformation model prescribes  $U_p t_c \leq r$  or  $t_c \leq \frac{r}{U_p}$ , so eq. (2.65a) is valid;

with  $t_{c2} = t_c$ :

$$t_c = \frac{r}{U_p} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{1 - U_p^2}{U_s^2}}\right) \quad (2.66)$$

Eq. (2.60) and (2.66) are expressions for the critical quantities  $a_c$  and  $t_c$  with eq. (2.7.b.1) for  $Mo$ ,  $U_s = 6876 + 1,77 U_p$ , a numerical evaluation of  $a_c$  and  $t_c$  can be carried out, see table 15. The critical time varies from  $2,6 \cdot 10^{-12}$  to  $4,3 \cdot 10^{-10}$  seconds over a wide span of particle velocity and size.

Table 15: Critical radius,  $a_c$ , and critical time,  $t_c$ , as a function of  $r$  and  $U_p$ .

$r$ $\mu\text{m}$	$U_p$	50	100	200	400	800	1600	$\text{ms}^{-1}$
5	$a_c$	$3,6 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$7,1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$2,6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4,8 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8,2 \cdot 10^{-7}$	m
	$t_c$	$2,6 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$5,0 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$9,6 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$1,7 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$2,9 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$4,3 \cdot 10^{-11}$	s
10	$a_c$	$7,2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$2,8 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5,3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$9,6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$5,2 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$1,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,9 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$3,5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$5,8 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$8,5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	s
20	$a_c$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$2,8 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5,5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1,9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$1,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$2,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$3,8 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$7,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,2 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$1,7 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s
25	$a_c$	$1,8 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3,5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$6,9 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$1,3 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$2,5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$4,8 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,0 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$1,5 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$2,0 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s
30	$a_c$	$2,2 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4,3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8,3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$1,5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$3,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$5,7 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,0 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$1,7 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$2,6 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s
35	$a_c$	$2,5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5,0 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$9,7 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5,8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$1,8 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$3,5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$6,7 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,2 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$2,0 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$3,0 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s
40	$a_c$	$2,9 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5,7 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3,9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6,6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$2,1 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$4,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$7,6 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$2,3 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$3,4 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s
50	$a_c$	$3,6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$7,1 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1,4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2,6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4,8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8,2 \cdot 10^{-6}$	m
	$t_c$	$2,6 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$5,0 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$9,6 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$1,7 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$2,9 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$4,3 \cdot 10^{-10}$	s

A comparison with the solidification time for Mo on Fe leads to the conclusion that a separate description of dynamic and heat conduction phenomena is justified due to the short lasting dynamic effects. The  $a_c$  values have been compiled in fig. 2.19 which shows that the initial compression stage encompasses only a slight mass of the sphere. For impact velocities up to  $100 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  the critical contact radius is even limited to less than one micron for all size of particles.

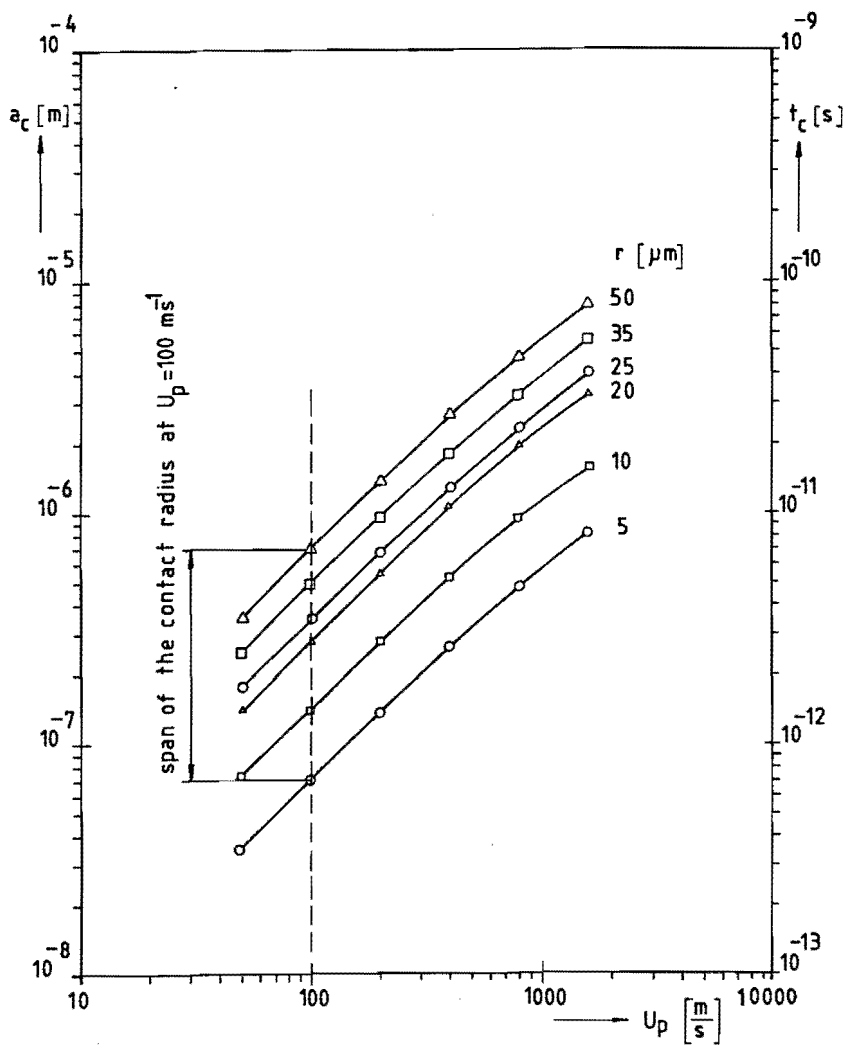


Fig. 2.19: Critical radius and critical time for Mo.

This restricted amount of mass will be squeezed away laterally. At the same moment release waves will start moving towards the propelling shock front. The final collision model can be split up into two stages, see fig. 2.20 a and b.

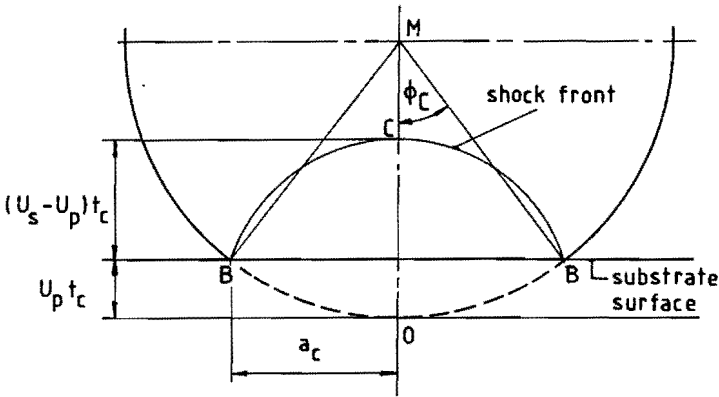


Fig. 2.20a: Initial stage of the collision.

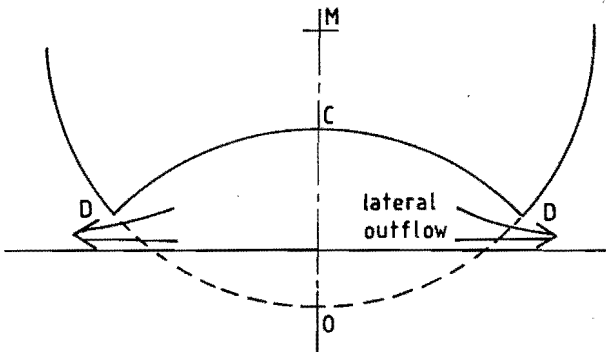


Fig. 2.20b: Post critical stage of the collision.

1. An initial stage where material, primarily located within the volume OBB, is pressed together with the mass within volume BBC. In this stage no outflow occurs.

2. A post – critical stage where the compressed material behind the shock wave laterally escapes from the pressurized zone and the spreading of the material actually takes place.

Apart from these two stages, another most important feature of the collision model turned up from the thermodynamic calculations: a liquid can be transformed into an amorphous solid by an exerted high pressure. If this is the case, the lateral deformation process will be dammed by the shear forces of the solid material. On the basis of the previous calculations, Al and Mo will spread partially in a solid amorphous state, even if they are super heated. It can be foreseen that such a spread morphology has a more explosive character than that occurring with an amorphous solid material. To conclude the theory chapter an estimation will be made of the explosive potential that is built up during the first stage of the collision. The volume encompassed by the shock wave, consists of two parts: volume OBB  $\hat{=}$   $V_1$  and volume BBC  $\hat{=}$   $V_2$ .

$$V_1 = \frac{\pi}{6} U_p t_c \{3a_c^2 + (U_p t_c)^2\} \quad (2.67)$$

$$V_2 = \frac{\pi}{6} (U_s - U_p) t_c \{3a_c^2 + (U_s - U_p)^2 t_c^2\} \quad (2.68)$$

Note: the shock front is assumed to be spherically shaped for an easy approximation. Summation of eq. (2.67) and (2.68) produces the total shock induced volume:

$$V_1 + V_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} a_c^2 U_s t_c + \frac{\pi}{6} (U_p t_c)^3 + \frac{\pi}{6} \{(U_s - U_p) t_c\}^3 \quad (2.69)$$

with  $a_c$  according to eq (2.60) and  $t_c$  according to (2.66) and disregarding the terms with a third power of  $t_c$ , eq. (2.69) can be approximated by:



$$V_1 + V_2 \approx \frac{\pi}{2} a_c^2 U_s t_c$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} r^3 \frac{U_p}{U_s} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{U_p^2}{U_s^2}}\right)$$

and with  $M = \frac{U_p}{U_s}$

$$V_1 + V_2 = \frac{\pi}{2} r^3 M (1 - \sqrt{1 - M^2}) \quad (2.70)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} f(M) \cdot r^3 \quad (2.70a)$$

where  $f(M)$  is a growing function with increasing  $M$ . The potential energy contained within the volume  $V_1 + V_2$  at the critical moment  $t_c$  is:

$$E_{\text{pot}_c} = \rho_0 (V_1 + V_2) \Delta E_{\text{pot}} \quad (2.71)$$

which can be rewritten with (2.46) and (2.53):

$$E_{\text{pot}_c} = \frac{\pi}{2} \rho_0 f(M) r^3 \left[ \frac{1}{2} U_p^2 - C_p (T_F - T_0) \right] \quad (2.72)$$

For weak shocks finally holds:

$$E_{\text{pot}_c} = \frac{\pi}{4} \rho_0 \cdot f(M) r^3 U_p^2 \quad (2.73)$$

Eq. (2.73) gives a survey of the parameters which really matter regarding the spreading of a spherical particle. The size is of extreme importance. A big particle builds up more potential energy than a small one. Of course the impact velocity plays an important part too. The spread morphology of a big particle tends easier to an explosive character than will be the case with a small one. In fact a small one at moderate impact velocity, will not have an essential explosiv potential.

## CHAPTER 3      EXPERIMENTS.

### 3.1      Introduction

The previous chapter describes the outlines of a thermo – dynamical and mechanical model with regard to the spreading of a spherical particle on a rigid substrate.

The main features of this model are:

1.      A two stage collision. During the first stage, kinetic energy is converted to potential energy, to be stored in the contact region with the substrate. In the second stage, first the stored potential energy is released and second, a continuous lateral outflow of compressed material will take place on the bottom side of the particle.
2.      A possible transformation of liquid to amorphous solid. An amorphous solid material will reduce the lateral outflow by shear forces, while a liquid can expand without being slowed down by strong counter acting forces.

It seems to be possible to test some aspects of the model by the application of a high speed electronic camera which produces more than 10 million pictures per second. Such a device is not available within the laboratory for thermal spraying. Consequently an indirect check is adopted: microscopical examination of spread particles.

### 3.2      First order of spread particle morphology.

A characteristic choice of Mo particle morphologies is shown in photo 1 to 9. Generally the deposits may be distinguished in a pancake type and a flower type deposit. The pancakes show cracks, the flower leaves have no fissures. Both types

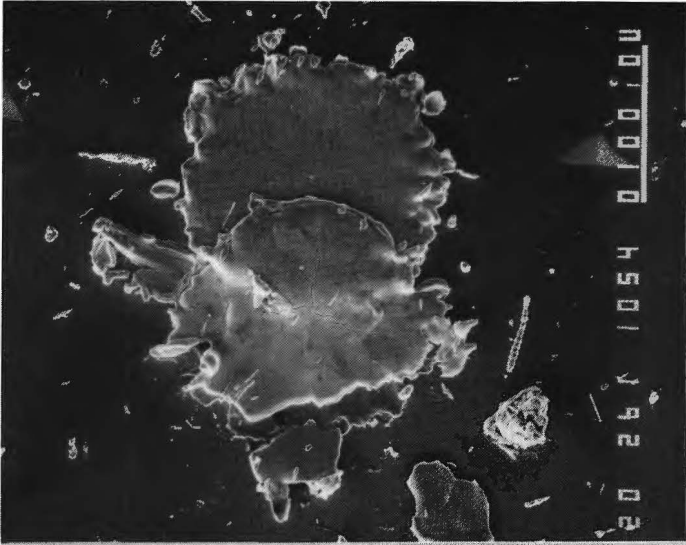


Photo 1: Two pancakes partly on top of each other; the deposit is cracked.



Photo 2: A SEM picture of one pancake with a typical corona around it.

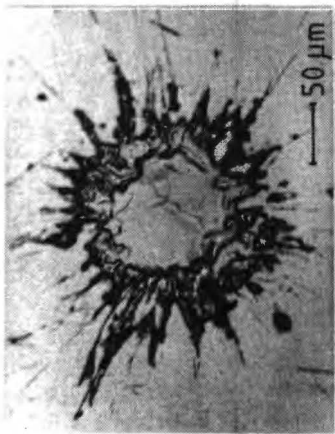


Photo 3: A pascake with a radially directed corona.

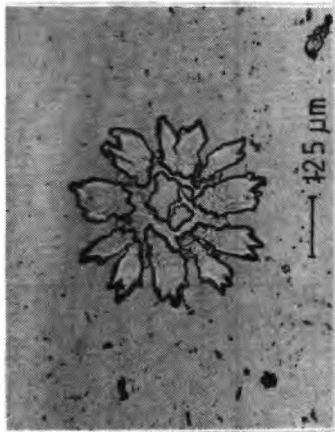


Photo 4: A flower type deposit.

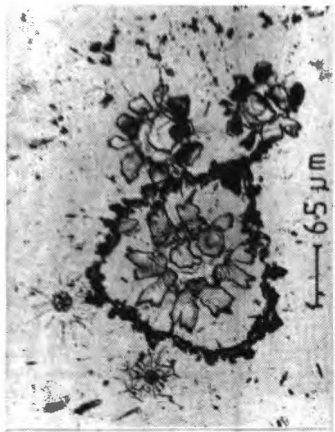


Photo 5: Flower type deposits with and without corona.

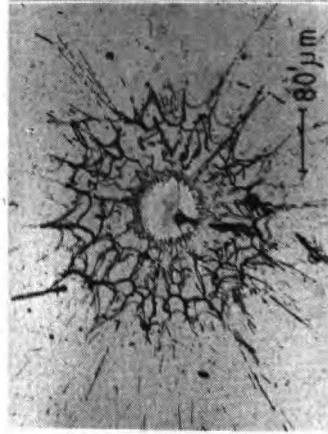


Photo 7: Typical appearance of a small particle.



Photo 8: Pascake and flowerleaves within one particle. Mind that the central pascake deposit is cracked.



Photo 6: SEM picture of a flower with corona.

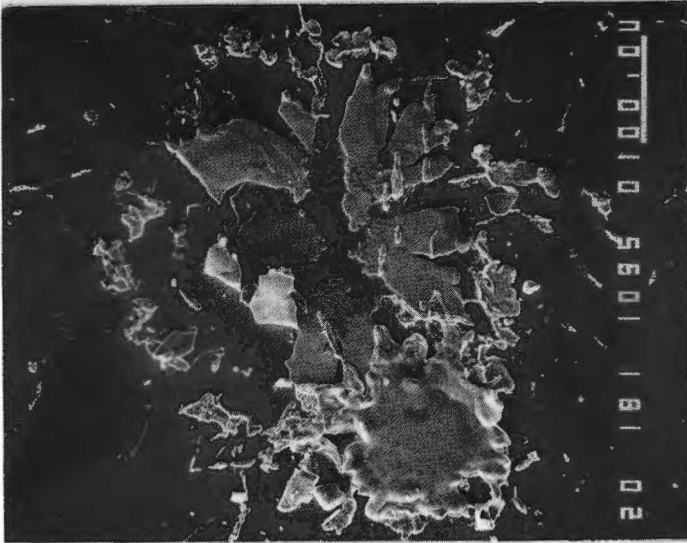


Photo 8: SEM picture of a pancake and a flower, overlapping each other.

can be accompanied by a corona around the central part of the deposit. The corona appears in three different forms sometimes overlapping each other. The first type exists of small upheavals, grouped as a chaplet around the central part at a certain distance from the outer boundary. The second type looks like a many times folded broken string, also enclosing at a certain distance the centrally located part of the deposit. The third type of corona exists of radially directed striations, emanating continuously from the center part; see fig. 3.1, 3.2 and 3.2a

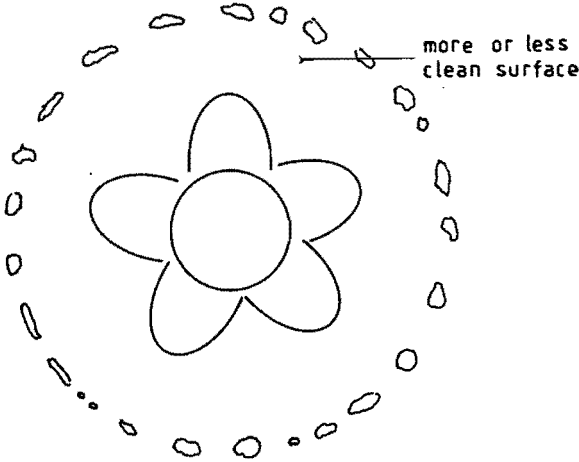


Fig. 3.1: Corona of upheavals around the central part.

for a basic sketch of the corona types. A small particle always coexists with the string and the striation corona, while a coarse particle can be accompanied by all three types. A cut through a single particle perpendicular to the surface, reveals that the pancake type deposits are in good contact with the substrate while the flower leaves turn out to be free standing partially. The cracks in the pancake are due to the good contact with the substrate during the heat transfer from particle to substrate. The flower leaves on the other hand shrink partially without being

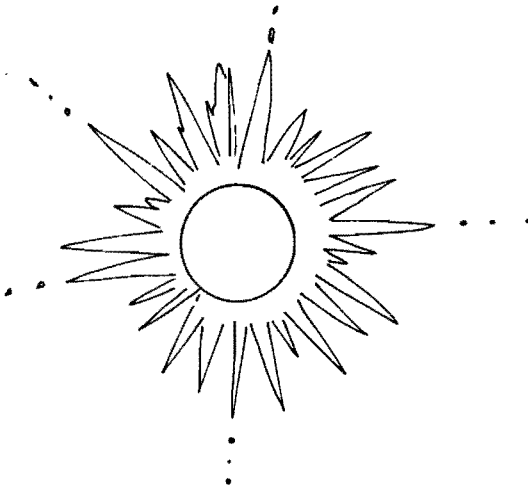


Fig. 3.2: Radial type of corona adjacent to the central part.

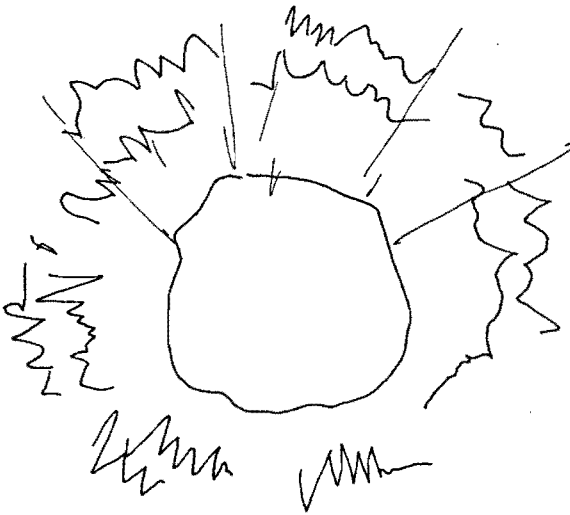


Fig. 3.2.a: String type corona.

hindered by contact forces. Therefore they are fissure free to a certain extent. A choice of characteristic metallographic cross sections is shown in photos 10, 11, 12, and 13, regarding flower types while photo 14 shows a typical pancake. Photo 13 especially demonstrates the corona in crosssection on the right hand side. From an electron probe microanalysis it turns out that the chaplet shaped corona exists of both substrate and spray material. The substrate mostly is heavily deformed. The material has moved laterally from the center of impact. Overlooking many cuts through single particles the characteristic form of a pancake and a flower type deposit may be presented as in fig. 3.3 and 3.4. Especially the metallographic

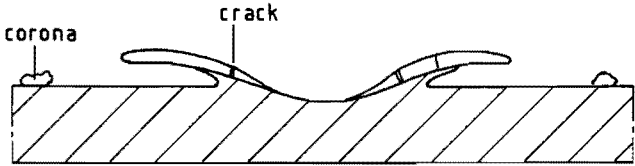


Fig. 3.4: Scheme of a cut through a flower type deposit with corona.

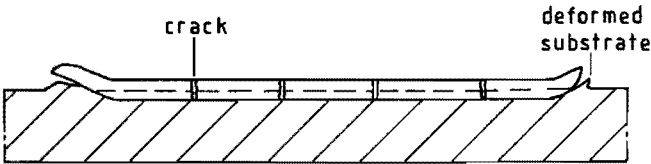


Fig. 3.3: Scheme of a cut through a pancake deposit.

cross sections demonstrate one of the main features of the model: the lateral flow of material, occurring both for pancake and flower deposits. A rather interesting question turns up while observing a lot of splashes.



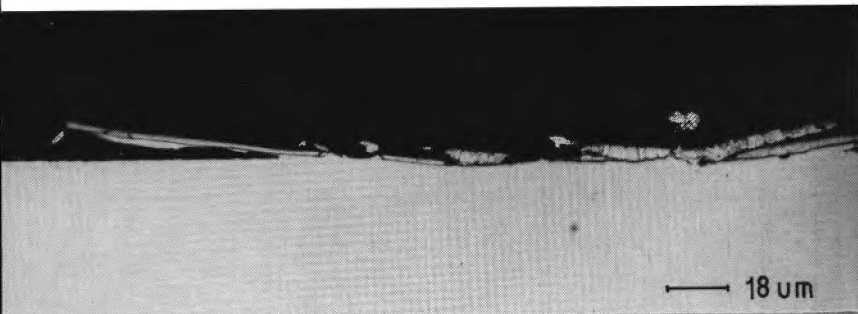


Photo 10: Cross section through flower type deposit; extreme standing leaf.

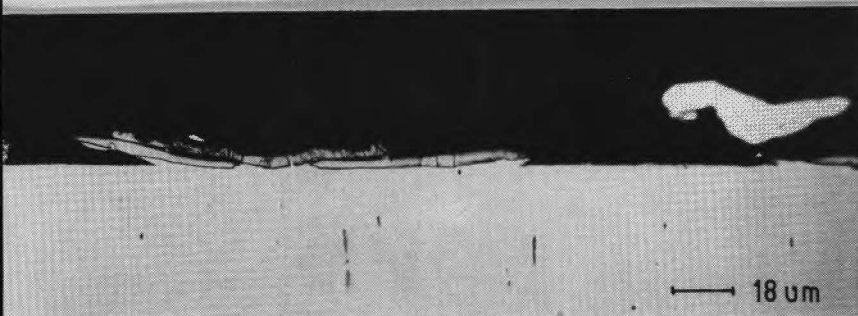


Photo 11: Overlapping flower and pancake.

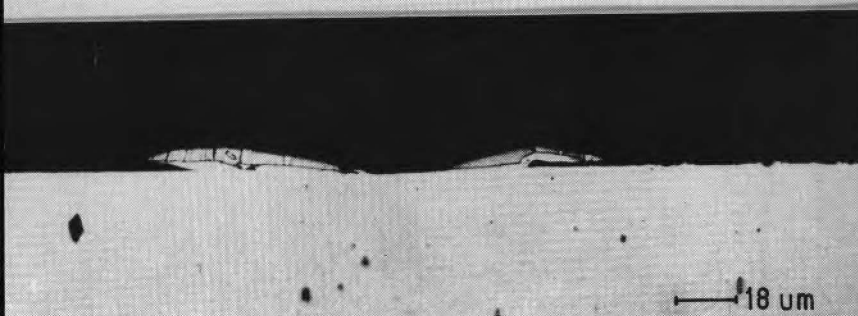
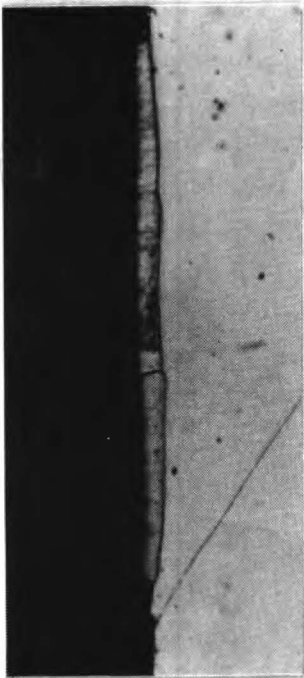


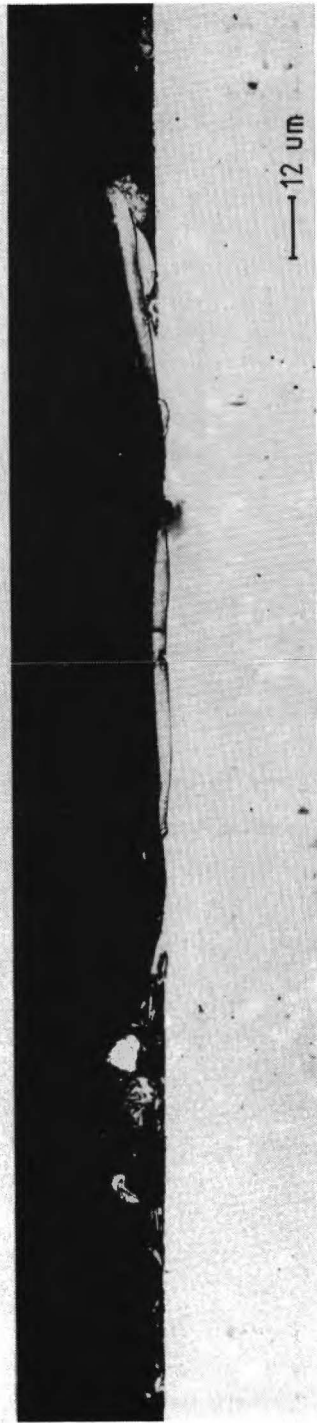
Photo 12: Spread particle without remaining spray material at the center of impact.



**Photo 13:** Cut through a flower type deposit with distinct corona on the right hand side.



**Photo 14:** Typical pancake with fissures and good contact to the surface.



**Photo 15:** Cut through two interfering particles.

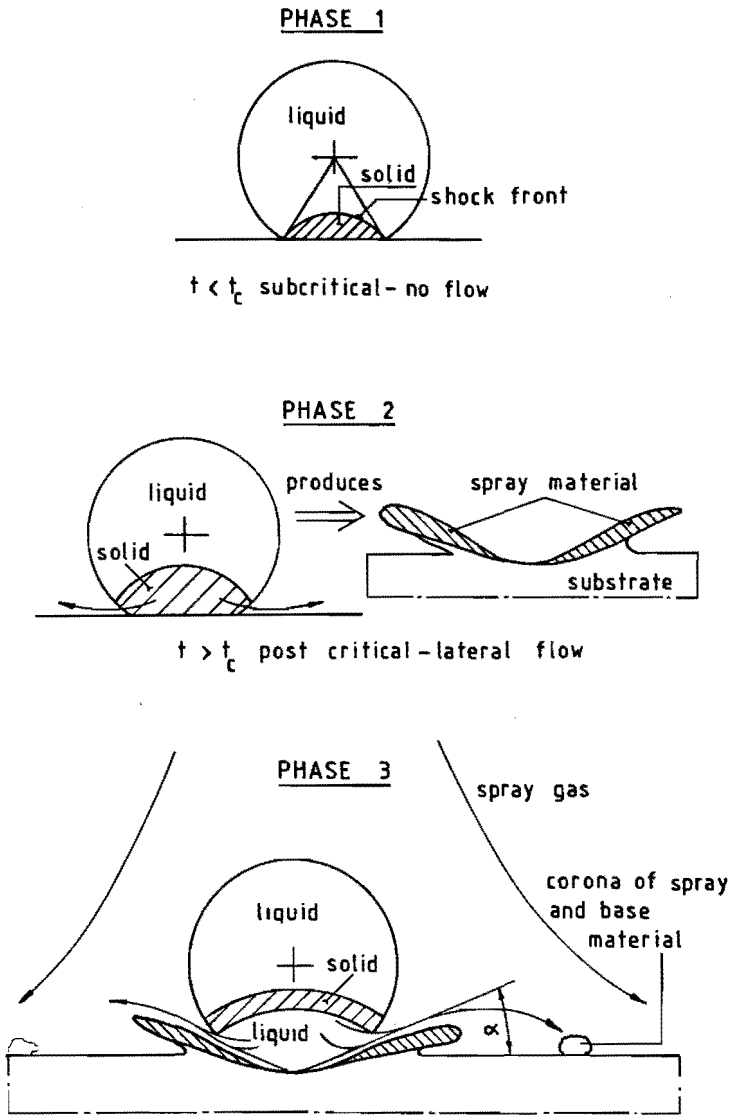


Fig. 3.5: Final model for the spreading of a spray particle.

How do the corona's come into existence and how are they related to the described model for spreading? Apart from this question, the second main feature of the model, the possible transformation of liquid to an amorphous solid, should still be backed up by experiment. The following reasoning gives a combined answer to both issues, see fig. 3.5. In phase 1, the subcritical phase, compression takes place but no flow occurs. In phase 2, the postcritical one, the shock wave front opens a free gap in the surface of the sphere through which solid amorphous material is squeezed out laterally, causing a cavity in the substrate and causing the flower leaves. The release wave which accompanies the lateral outflow moves towards the shock wave front, relaxes the compressed solidified material, thus retransforming it into the liquid state. This liquid flows out sidewardly in good contact with the crater bottom and forms the corona of spray and substrate material. In fact the liquid jumps away from the surface over the inclined side border of the crater, but the spray gases smash the material onto the substrate once again. The same phenomenon of secondary adhesion has been observed in the case of very fine rebounding particles [26].

The folded string corona type, always accompanying a small particle and sometimes also coexisting with a coarse one, must be attributed to spreading of some material in a liquid state. The radially directed striation corona must also be attributed to liquid or near liquid material flowing outwards over the surface of the central deposit.

At the end of this section it may be concluded that in first instance the experimentally found morphologies can be explained on the basis of the main features of the theoretical model. In a second round of experiments it will be tried to find a more specific relation between the three input parameters  $U_p$ ,  $r$  and  $T_0$  and the shape of the spread – material. Finally the mechanical properties of the various morphologies will be determined, if possible.

Prior to these intended actions very interesting details will be given regarding the build up of a sprayed coating.

### 3.2.1 How sprayed coatings are built up.

As has been depicted in the general introduction to the plasma spray process, a sprayed coating is built up particle by particle. This section gives some remarkable details on the interaction of particles with the substrate and with each other without using formula's. Photo 15 shows a section across two or three (not quite clear) interfering spread particles. On the right and the left hand side, impact craters are visible. In between them a pancake with fissures. On the right hand side the typical free standing flower leave, a heavily deformed substrate and corona material. The left side specifically shows the corona material. The section makes clear that zones where an excellent adhesion may be expected alternate with regions where heavily crushed material is present without a substantial bond to the substrate or even without any bond. The free gaps certainly will give rise to high stress intensities when the coating is loaded by a tensile force perpendicular to the surface. Photo 16 shows a section through two adjacent spread particles which have included a large zone of porosity in the centre of the picture. Photo 17 shows also such adjacent particles, but here the left one has filled up the free gap of the right hand sided one. This visual "repair" of binding faults occurs very often but it can not be expected to contribute essential to the strength of the coating in the as sprayed condition. For instance, photo 18 presents a well sprayed FeCrAlY coating [27] having a tensile strength of  $70\text{N mm}^{-2}$ . Although this strength may be considered as excellent for common practice, the nature of the fracture occurring in a tensile test is brittle. The apparent repair of binding faults due to the lateral movement of spreading

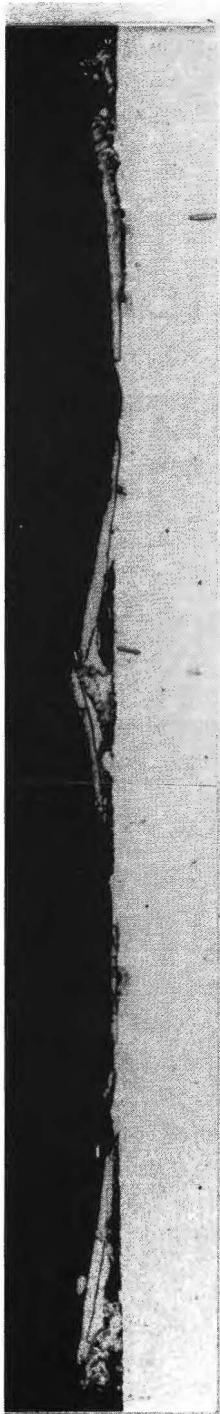


Photo 16: Cut through included porosity.

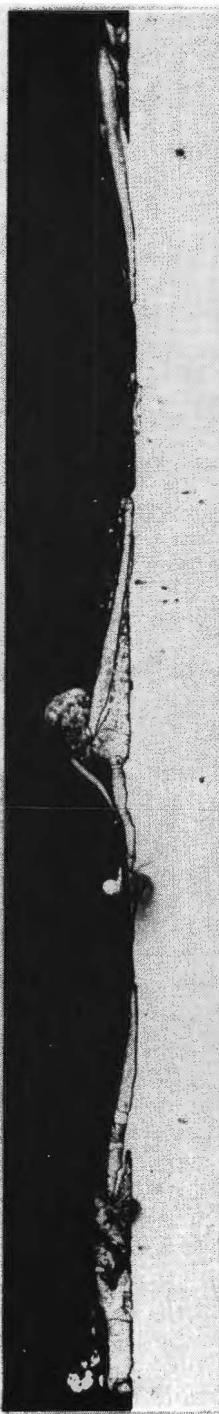


Photo 17: Cut through a free gap which has been filled up by the left particle.



Photo 19: Three particles on top of each other.

— 14  $\mu$ m

material is very delusive for the judgement of mechanical properties. Photo 19 shows a cross section where three particles are deposited on top of each other and a fourth one has moved into the scene from the left. Especially the left hand side is most interesting to investigate. A schematic picture of the left side of this photograph is shown in fig. 3.6, including the description of some details. An important feature which can be observed in the photo is enlarged and shown in photo 20: the wave pattern between particle 2 and the substrate and particle 1 and the substrate. Similar wave patterns can be found in the contact area of explosive – welded cladding material, where also a fast relative movement of the upper material with respect to the lower plate is the cause for a high strength bonding, see fig. 3.7 and ref. [25].

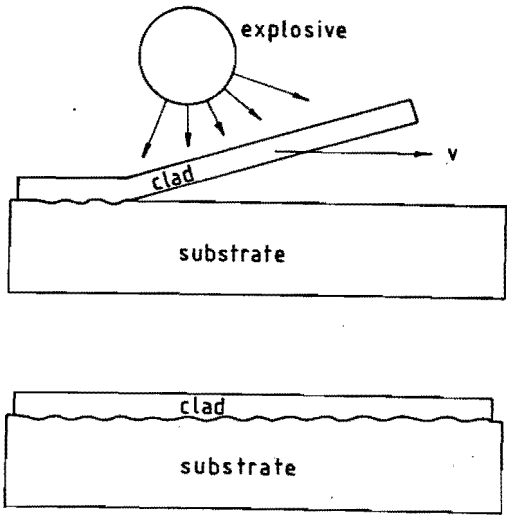


Fig. 3.7: Explosive welding scheme.

On the other hand, the presence of oxide layers does affect the overall strength considerably.

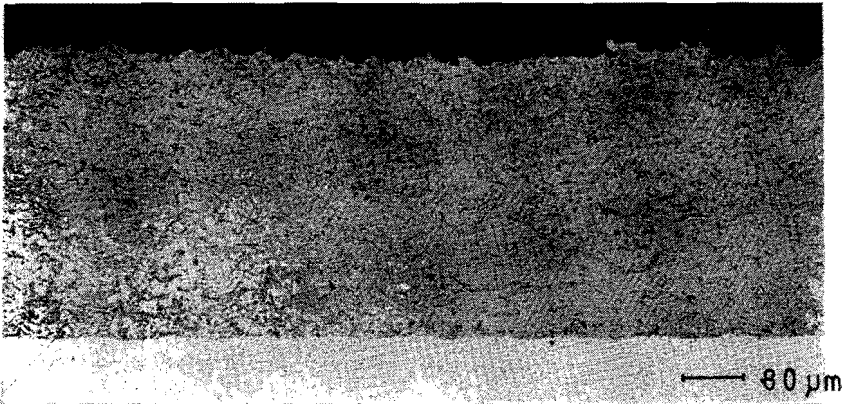


Photo 18: FeCrAlY coating without visible binding faults.

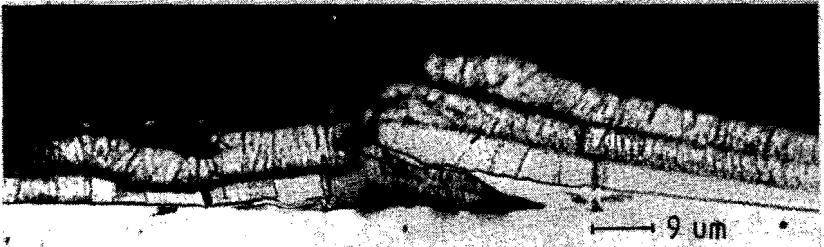


Photo 20: Enlarged part of photo 19 showing the wave pattern between particle and substrate.

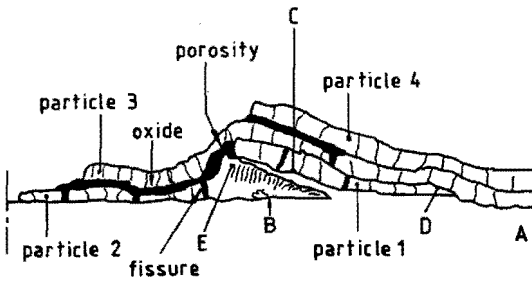


Fig. 3.6:

Schematic of the left side of photo 18.

A  $\cong$  crater of impact.

B and C  $\cong$  friction welds

D  $\cong$  place where the eroding liquid after relaxation has cut off the priorsly formed flower leave.

E  $\cong$  place where particle 2, while moving to the right has been blocked bij the substrate and particle 1.



The photographs of this section may also contribute to the confirmation of the lateral flow model feature and give insight in the structure of a sprayed coating. To conclude this section, attention should be paid to the columnar structure of the spread particles at those places, where contact exists between the spray – and the basematerial or between the spraymaterial and a previously deposited particle. The crystals are obviously grown in a direction perpendicular to the substrate, VIZ in the direction of the heat flow during the solidification. This effect implies that the spreading of the particle took place prior to the heat transfer, a feature of the spreading model which has been described previously.

### 3.3 Second round categorization of spread particle morphology

#### 3.3.1. Experimental approach.

The morphologies as described in the previous section belong to unclassified Mo spray particles, having a rather wide ( $22 - 75\mu\text{m}$ ) size range, arbitrary velocities and undefined heat contents. In this section a more severe experimental scheme is set up in order to trace the relation between the morphology and the input parameters  $U_p$ ,  $T_0$  and  $r$ . Mind that  $T_0$  stands for temperature but indirectly also for the heat content  $H$ . These three quantities do affect each other strongly and can not be controlled independently. A change of the operational control setting for the plasma torch implies a simultaneous change in heat and momentum transfer from the plasma to the particle, [2c]. The particle size is the only parameter which can be varied independently. For a scientific experiment regarding the influence of  $T_0$  and  $U_p$  on the morphology of the spread material, it is necessary to find a way to vary also the velocity and the heat content independent from each other. The problem has been solved as follows.

Four polished pieces of the substrate material are mounted symmetrically in slots at the perimeter of a disk which is rotated by a grinding spindle up to 24.000 revolutions per minute, see fig. 3.8. The used disk has a diameter of 100 mm, so

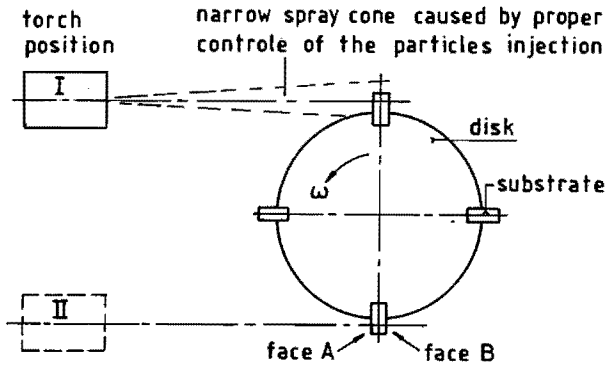


Fig. 3.8: Experimental set up for the variation of the impact velocity  $U_p$  at constant heat content of the spray particles.

the impact velocity can be increased or diminished, depending on the torch position, with a velocity up to:

$$\Delta V = \omega \cdot r = \frac{24.000 \times 2\pi}{60} \cdot 50 \cdot 10^{-3} \approx 125 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

The velocity variation can take place step wise or continuously. Now for a definite heat content, a wide range of impact velocities can be applied in order to trace the velocity influence on the morphology on one hand and the influence of the heat content on the other hand. The heat content,  $H$ , of the particles can be drawn as a function of the temperature. Basically such a picture looks like fig. 3.9. Position 1 indicates that the particle has been heated up near the melting point but it still is a solid. Position 2 marks a liquid state just above the melting point and positions 3 and 4 are representing a superheated liquid.

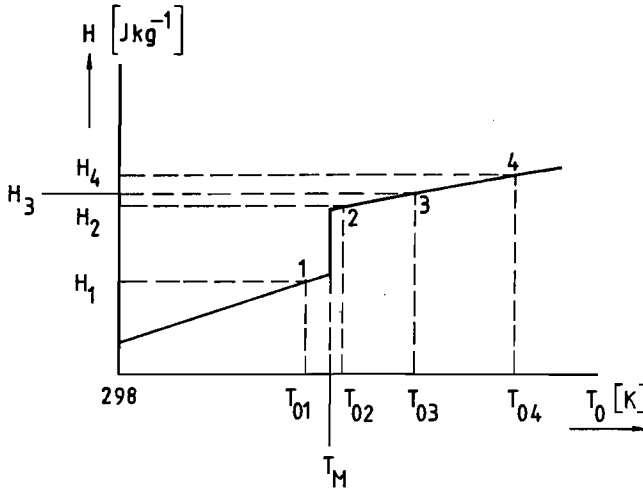


Fig. 3.9: Basic form of a heat content as a function of the particle temperature. Identification of experiments with several heat contents.

The torch can be operated in such a way that particles with a heat content according to position 1 to 4 can be produced. Each heat content is related to a basic impact velocity subsequently denoted by  $U_{p1}$ ,  $U_{p2}$ ,  $U_{p3}$  and  $U_{p4}$ . This basic velocity can be varied by  $\Delta V$  upwards and downwards. The last direction even offers means to determine the average basic velocity. Imagine the torch to be located in position II, fig 3.8. As long as the perimeter speed of the disk,  $\Delta V$ , is less than the basic velocity  $U_p$ , the particles will stick on face A of the substrate specimen. If the perimeter speed exceeds the basic velocity, the particles will be caught on face B. The disk acts like a fly swapper in that case. The moment that the relative velocity is approximately zero can be observed visually. This velocity measurement works simply and accurately but is rather elaborate and therefore powder consuming. For this reason in first instance, a photographic way for the determination of the basic velocity  $U_p$  has been applied.

**Table 18:** Identification of performed experiments

MAT./SIZE		Molybdenum / 53-63 $\mu\text{m}$						
HEAT CONT.		- $\Delta V$		$U_p$	+ $\Delta V$			
H1		23	48	73	98	123	148	IMPACT VELOCITY m/s
code	Mo	7	6	1	2	3	4	S.P.
	Mo	17	16	11	12	13	14	C.*
H2		27	52	77	102	127	152	IMPACT VELOCITY
code	Mo	27	26	21	22	23	24	S.P.
	Mo	37	36	31	32	33	34	C.
H3				79				IMPACT VELOCITY
code	Mo	57		41		53		S.P.
	Mo			51				C.
MAT./SIZE		AISI-316 / 63-75 $\mu\text{m}$						
H1		$U^*_{-50}$	$U^*_{-25}$	$U^*$	$U^*_{+25}$	$U^*_{+50}$	$U^*_{+75}$	IMPACT VELOCITY
code	A316	7	6	1	2	3	4	S.P.
	A316	17	16	11	12	13	14	C.
H2		34	59	84	109	134	159	IMPACT VELOCITY
code	A316	27	26	21	22	23	24	S.P.
	A316	37	36	31	32	33	34	C.
H3				$U^*$				IMPACT VELOCITY
code	A316			41				S.P.
	A316			51				C.
MAT./SIZE		Aluminium / 53-75 $\mu\text{m}$						
H2				$U^*$				IMPACT VELOCITY
code	Al			21				S.P.
	Al			31				C.
H3				$U^*$				
code	Al			41				S.P.
	Al			51				C.
H4				$U^*$				
code	Al			61				S.P.
	Al			71				C.

Note:  $U^*$  means undetermined velocity

\* S.P. = Single particles

\* C. = Coating

The method will be described in one of the following sections, as will be the case with the heat content measurement.

The experimental results are listed in table 18.

The added or subtracted support velocity  $\Delta V$  is known by measurement. Most of the experiments are performed on 4 polished substrate specimen, to be used either for metallographic or mechanical examination. Per heat content, the first series of test specimen is made to study the splash of single particles. The second series is intended to produce a coating with a thickness of approximately 0,1 mm.

Horizontally arranged experiments of table 18 permit the comparison of the results on the basis of a varying impact velocity and a constant heat content. The vertical arranged ones give insight in the influence of the heat content at the same velocity.

For a correct performance of the experiments it is required to determine the heat content and the velocity of the spray particles. The third input parameter, the size of the particle, can be fixed within a rather narrow range by sieving.

### 3.3.2 Determination of the particles' heat content, subsequently the temperature at the moment of impact.

The heat content of adhering spray particles can be measured by the following procedure, see fig. 3.10, [8]. An isolated steel strip, (size 14x3x120 mm) is placed in the centreline of the passing spray cone. The supplied heat causes a temperature rise. The heat capacity of the steel strip is a known quantity, thus the heat transfer can be determined. If first the plasma torch is passed by without

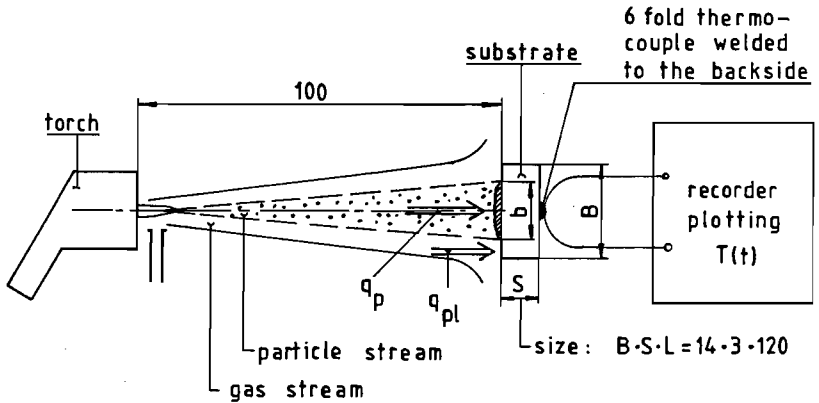


Fig. 3.10: Schematic set up for heat transfer determination.

spraying particles, the heat transfer to the strip is caused by the plasma gases alone:

$$q_{pl}^{(1)} = m_s \cdot C_s \cdot \Delta T^{(1)} + q_l^{(1)} \quad (3.1)$$

where:

$q_{pl}^{(1)} \hat{=}$  heat absorbed from the plasma

$C_s \hat{=}$  specific heat of the steel strip

$m_s \hat{=}$  mass of the steel strip

$\Delta T^{(1)} \hat{=}$  temperature rise of the steel strip due to the plasma heat

$q_l^{(1)} \hat{=}$  heat loss from the strip to the surrounding during the heat supply period

(1) refers to a pass of the torch without spraying particles.

If next a spray operation is carried out, the total heat absorbed by the strip is extracted from the plasma and from the particles.

For the sum of both thermal energies can be written:

$$\begin{aligned}
 q_{\text{sum}} &= q_{\text{pl}}^{(2)} + q_{\text{p}} = \\
 &= m_{\text{s}} C_{\text{s}} \Delta T^{(2)} + m_{\text{p}} C_{\text{p}} \Delta T^{(2)} + q_{\text{l}}^{(2)}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.2}$$

where:

$\Delta T^{(2)}$   $\hat{=}$  temperature rise due to the heat supply by plasma plus particles.

$m_{\text{p}}$   $\hat{=}$  mass of the deposit

$C_{\text{p}}$   $\hat{=}$  mean specific heat of the spray material over the temperature range  $\Delta T^{(2)}$

$q_{\text{l}}^{(2)}$   $\hat{=}$  heat loss from the test piece during the second pass of the torch.

(2) refers to a pass of the torch while spraying particles.

The test piece is kept in its place by four steel needles, thus restricting the heat loss to a negligible quantity, so:

$$q_{\text{l}}^{(1)} = q_{\text{l}}^{(2)} = 0 \tag{3.3}$$

Since the net thermal energy stored in the spray particles only amounts a few percent of the gas enthalpy, it can be assumed that the plasma gases deliver the same quantity of heat to the substrate in both cases (1) and (2), then:

$$q_{\text{pl}}^{(1)} = q_{\text{pl}}^{(2)} \tag{3.4}$$

Using (3.3) and (3.4) while subtracting eq. (3.1) from (3.2) yields:

$$q_{\text{p}} = m_{\text{s}} C_{\text{s}} (\Delta T^{(2)} - \Delta T^{(1)}) + m_{\text{p}} C_{\text{p}} \Delta T^{(2)} \tag{3.5}$$

an equation which determines the heat transfer due to the particles only.

If  $H$  is the specific heat content of the particles, then for  $q_{\text{p}}$  can be written also:

$$q_{\text{p}} = m_{\text{p}} \cdot H \tag{3.6}$$

Equating (3.5) and (3.6) yields:

$$H = \frac{m_s C_s}{m_p} (\Delta T^{(2)} - \Delta T^{(1)}) + C_p \Delta T^{(2)} \quad (3.7)$$

Eq. (3.7) relates the wanted specific heat content of the spray particles to measurable quantities. Another expression for H is:

$$H = \int_{T_s}^{T_M} C_{ps} dT + L + \int_{T_M}^{T_0} C_{pL} dT \quad (3.8)$$

where:

$T_s$  = surrounding temperature

$T_M$  = melting temperature of the spray material

$C_{ps}$  = specific heat of the spray material in solid state;  $C_{ps}$  is a function of the temperature.

L = latent heat of melting

$T_0$  = temperature of the spray particle at the moment of impact

$C_{pL}$  = specific heat of the spray material in the liquid state.

The integration of eq. (3.8) can be carried out if  $C_{ps}$  and  $C_{pL}$  are known quantities as functions of the temperature. Assume  $C_{pL} = C_{ps}$  for  $T = T_M$ ;  $C_{ps}$  can be found in the literature [28];  $C_p$  curves for Mo – AISI-316 and Al are presented in fig. 3.11. Integration of these curves according to eq. (3.8) yields the heat content curves of fig. 3.12. Now two equations for H are available, eq. (3.7) and (3.8). Equating them yields the temperature  $T_0$  of the spray particle.

Actually the measured heat content according to (3.7) is inserted in the curve of fig. (3.12) and the temperature can be read directly in this last figure.

The method can be applied reliably for well adhering spray material. The procedure becomes inaccurate when too many particles rebound from the surface. In that case, heat without the adequate mass is transferred and the resulting values for the heat content are too high.



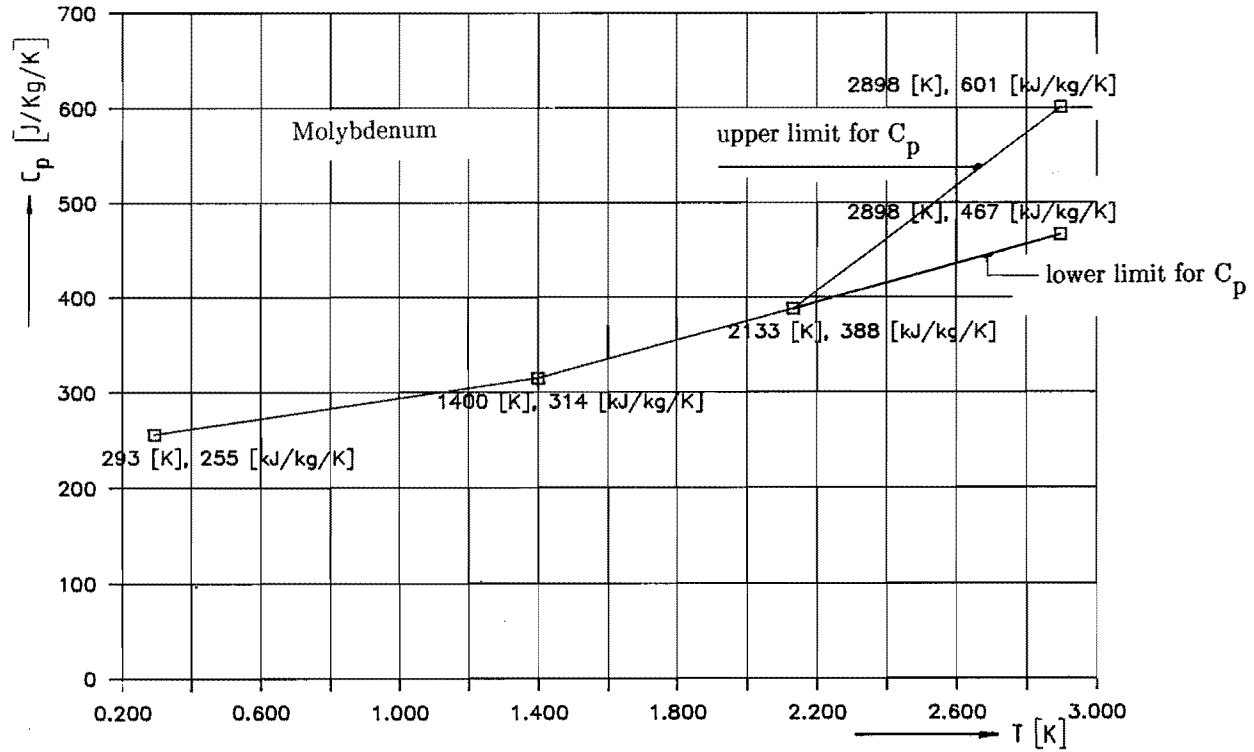


Fig. 3.11a:  $C_p$  versus  $T$  for Molybdenum [28].

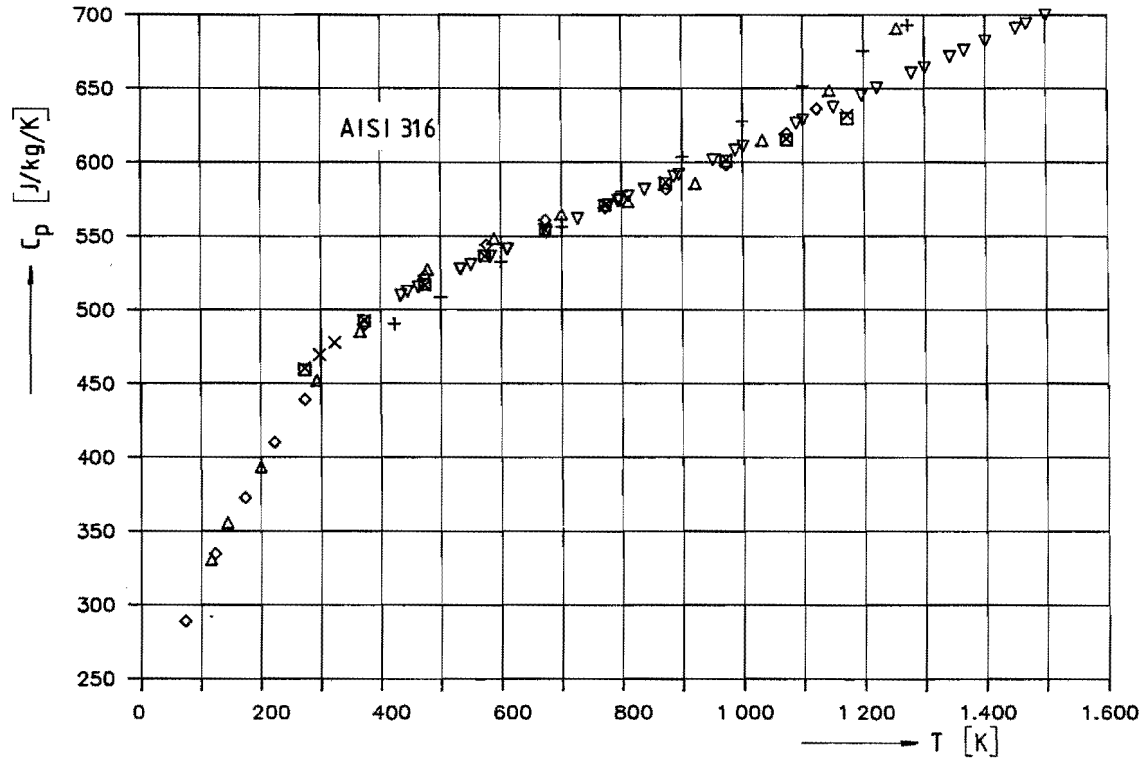


Fig. 3.11b:  $C_p$  versus T for AISI - 316 [28].

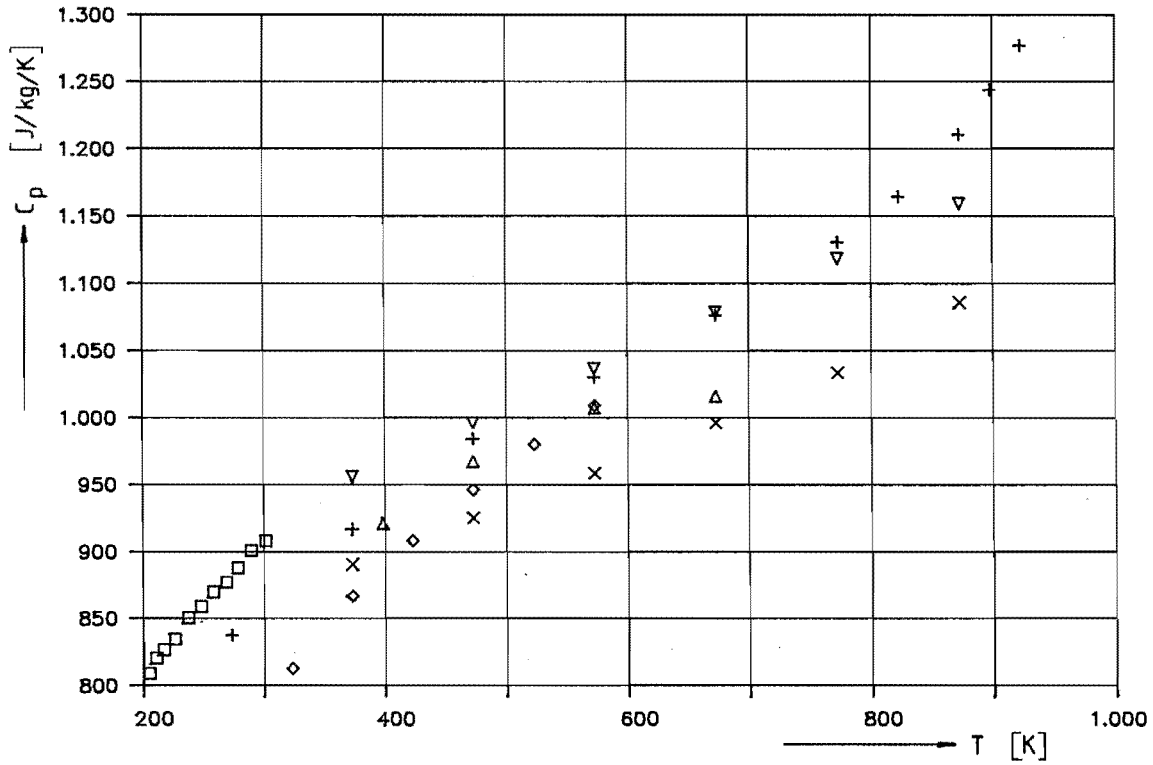


Fig. 3.11c:  $C_p$  versus  $T$  for Aluminium [28].

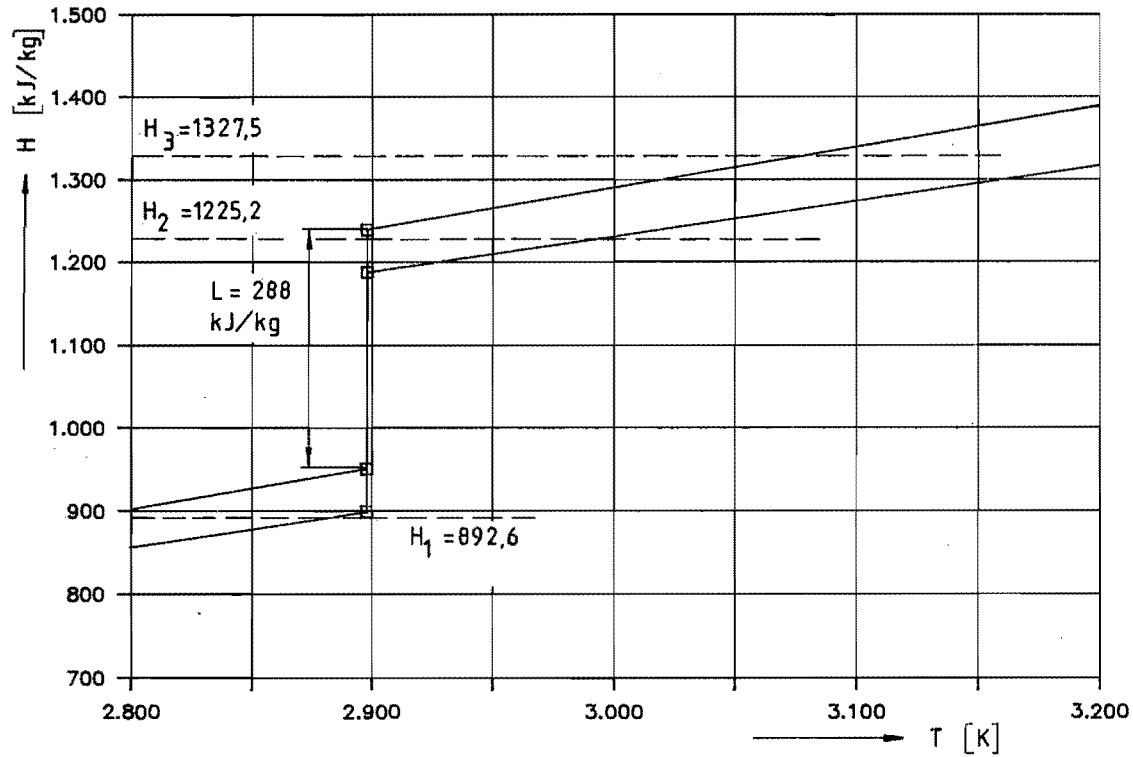


Fig. 3.12a:  $H$  versus  $T$  for Molybdenum, as can be achieved by integration of fig 3.11a.

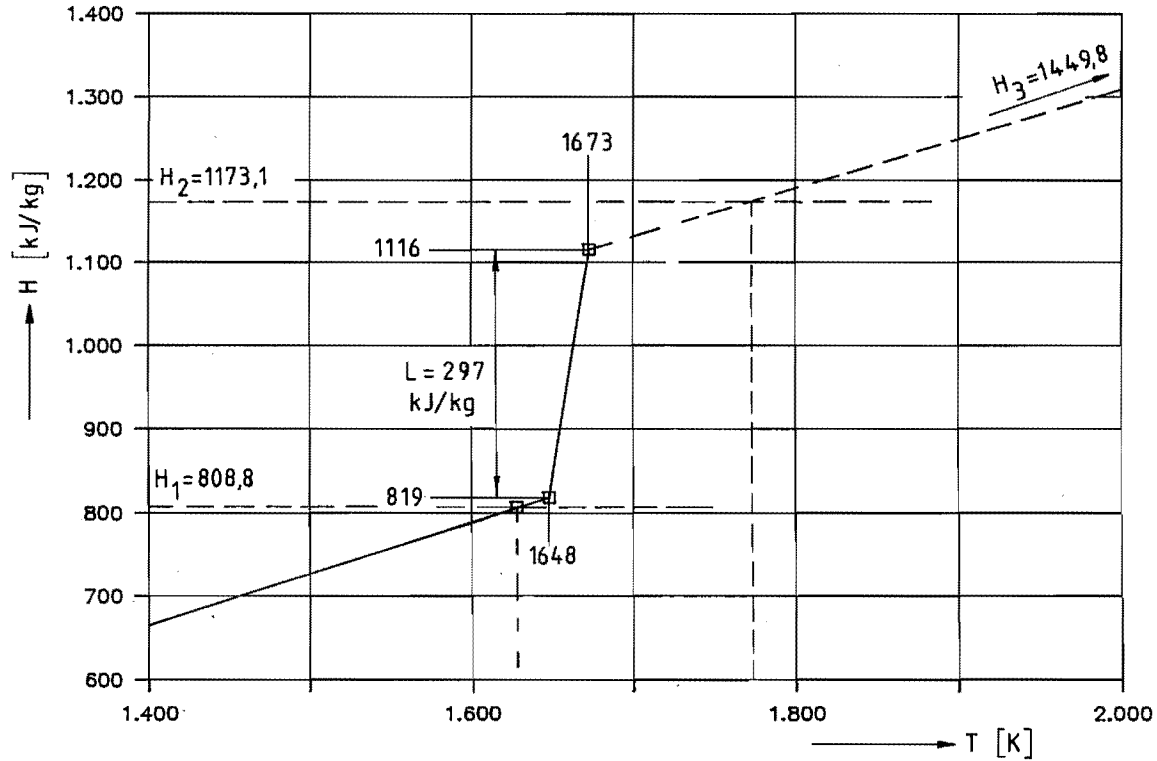


Fig. 3.12b:  $H$  versus  $T$  for AISI – 316 ( $L$  according to [30]).

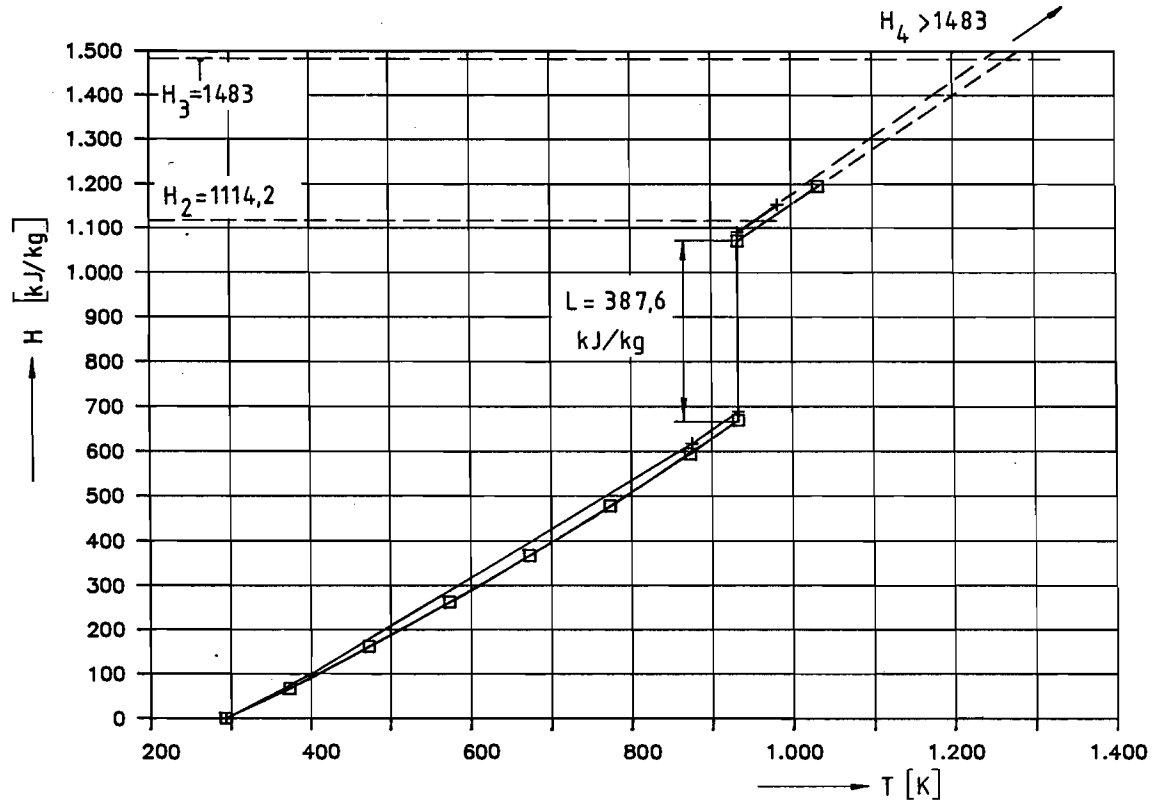


Fig. 3.12c:  $H$  versus  $T$  for Aluminium.

Another inaccuracy is to be ascribed to the various data for  $C_p$ , see fig. 3.11a for Mo;  $C_p$  is known with a maximum uncertainty of  $\pm 30 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ . Therefore the  $C_p$  curve of fig. 3.11a is integrated both over the lower values and the upper ones, thus deriving two lines for the specific enthalpy of a Mo spray particle. As a result the accuracy of the temperature of a Mo spray particle is not very great, while on the basis of the heat content more or less can be assured that a particle has an unmolten state, a molten state or a super heated state. The  $C_p$  values for AISI-316 and Al do not vary as much as for Mo, thus increasing the accuracy of the method. Table 16 contains the main spray conditions for the achievement of the heat content as given in the right hand column.

Spray Material	Powder size	Nozzle diam. [mm]	Current [A]	Primary Gas Argon		Secondary Gas Hydrogen		Heat content H kj kg <sup>-1</sup>	Location in fig. 3.9
	[ $\mu\text{m}$ ]			scales	l min <sup>-1</sup>	scales	l min <sup>-1</sup>		
Mo	53-63	7	400	150	72	4	1,8	892,6	H1
		7	450	100	50	5	2,4	1225,2	H2
		7	600	100	50	15	8,1	1327,5	H3
AISI-316	63-75	7	450	200	92	4	1,8	808,8	H1
		8	400	150	72	5	2,4	1173,1	H2
		7	500	100	50	15	8,1	1449,8	H3
Al	53-75	7	500	150	72	3	1,1	1114,2	H2
		7	500	100	50	15	8,1	1483,0	H3
		7	700	100	50	15	8,1	>1483	H4

Table 16: Plasma spray conditions and heat contents of the particles.



### 3.3.3 Estimation of the velocity of the particles

A photographic method is used [29] which comes down to taking pictures of the same particle at very distinct time intervals. The irradiated film length is a direct measure for the travelled distance of the particle during a distinct time elapse. Thus, the velocity may be calculated from the calibrated, irradiated film length and the time.

Two phenomena affect the applicability of this method. First, the overlapping irradiation of particles does not always permit to trace one single particle. Second, the radiation of poorly heated particles e.g. corresponding to location 1 in fig. 3.9 is too weak to be determined by standard photographic procedures. The final impact velocity is the sum of the basic velocity and the velocity at which the substrate is moved as described before.

**Table 17:** Estimation of the particles base velocity.

Spray material	Heat content acc. to the location in fig. 3.9	Base velocity $U_p$ $ms^{-1}$	$\overline{U}_p$ $ms^{-1}$
Mo	H1	69-77	73
	H2	88-89-70-61	77
	H3	92-97-96-99-92	79
AISI-316	H1	Too weak radiation	-
	H2	78-79-86-99-89-73	84
	H3	83-87-73-118-111-77	92
Al	H2	Too weak radiation	-
	H3	to be determined	-
	H4	photographically	-

The substrate velocity, to be added to or subtracted from the basic velocity, is a well known quantity by electronic measurement of the revolution speed of the rotating disk which serves as a support for the test pieces. In table 17, the estimated basic velocities are given for the spray conditions as listed in table 16 previously. Overlooking the performed experiments at this moment, table 18 can be drawn up.

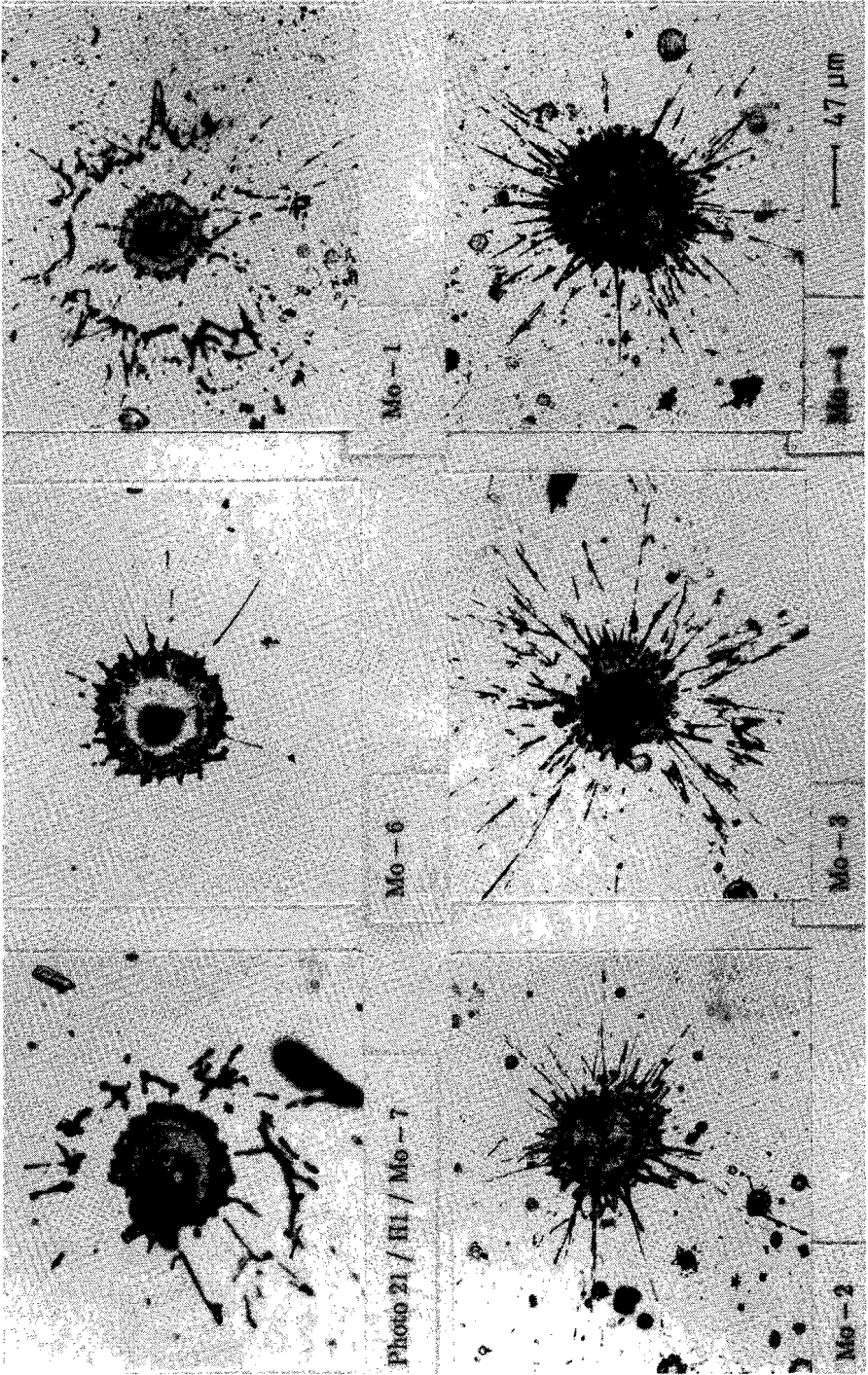
#### 3.3.4. Experimental results regarding the morphology.

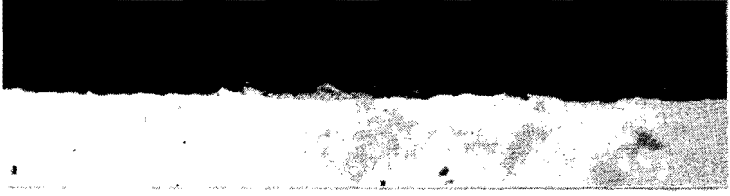
Overlooking so many spread particles as have been examined, it is hardly possible to produce a complete photographic picture of all morphologies which come across. Therefore only a selection will be shown that describes the reproducible experiments. It must be kept in mind that plasma spray particles, although belonging to the same population as regards size, heat content and velocity, may differ greatly. Nevertheless it will be possible to sketch the main features of the relation between the input parameters and the morphology.

#### FIRST MATERIAL: MOLYBDENUM.

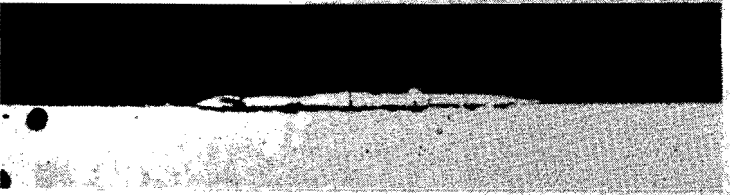
Photo 21 gives an overview of spread Mo particles, sprayed with a heat content  $H_1$ , which is projected just below melting point. The pictures are arranged in an array of increasing impact velocities according to table 18. Photo 22 contains an overview of four cross sections.

The spread particles form pancakes over the whole range of spray velocities. Any particle has a radial or a string corona. As will be described on the basis of splashed stainless steel particles. These two corona types are closely related regarding their origin. Here it can be mentioned, that the material which forms

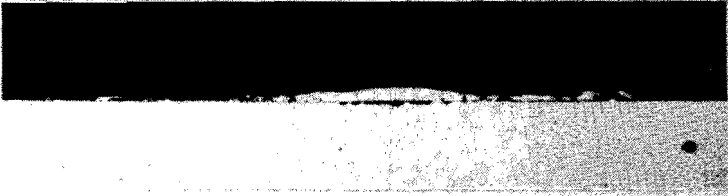




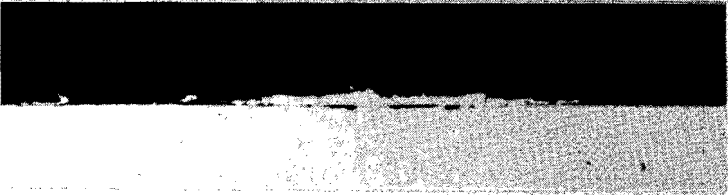
Mo - 1



Mo - 2



Mo - 3



Mo - 4

— 14  $\mu\text{m}$

Photo 22 / H1

the radial or string corona, comes from the surface of the spray particle, probably in a liquid state. Note that previously it was assumed that the radial and string corona material is squeezed out of the contact region between particle and substrate. So the model has to be corrected in accordance with the experimental findings. The particles flatten with increasing velocities as shown schematically in fig. 3.13. The contact with the surface is excellent; diffusion of Fe into Mo can be

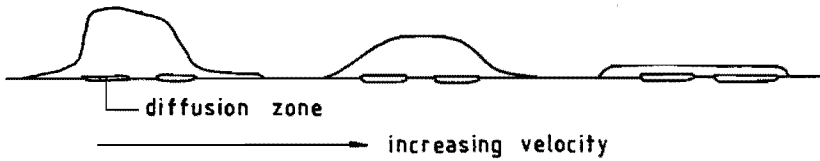


Fig. 3.13: Cross sections of spread Mo with heat content H1.

observed. The next series of photographic pictures photo 23 and 24, describes the morphology of particles with a heat content H2, projected just above the melting point. Again the pictures are arranged according to the experimental scheme of table 18.

For the low velocity domain the morphology is to be typified as a pancake with diffusion zones over the whole contact area.

For the realm of increased velocity the shape of the cross sections changes drastically as is sketched in fig. 3.14.

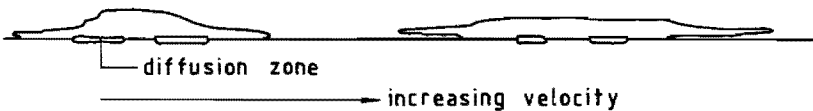


Fig. 3.14: Cross sections of spread Mo - 22 with heat content H2.

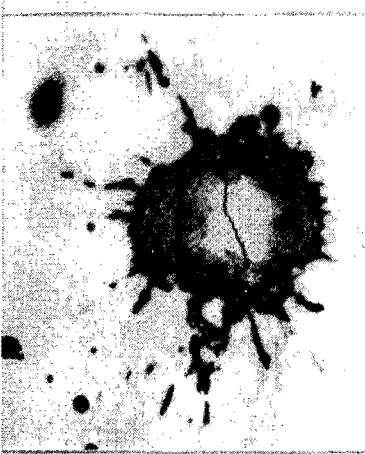


Mo - 21



Mo - 24

4.5 μm



Mo - 26



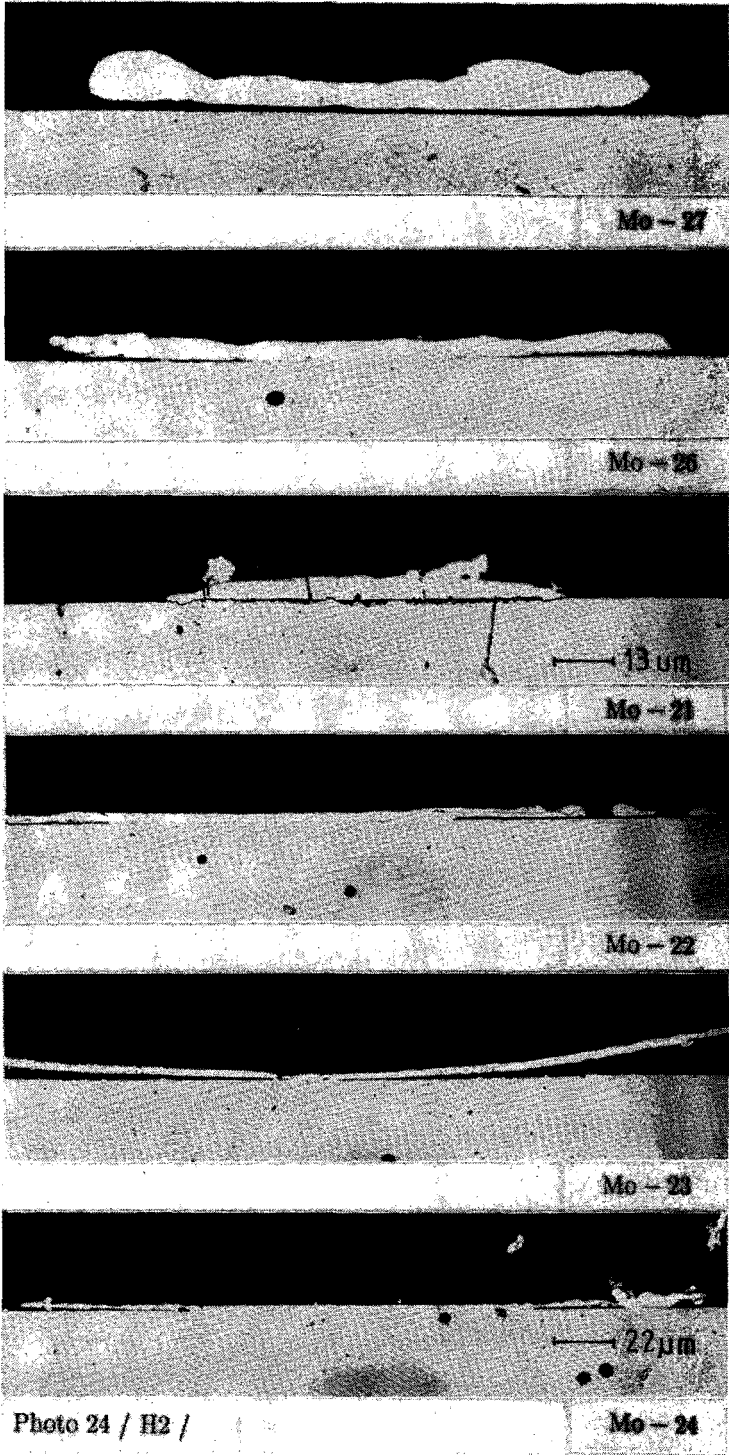
Mo - 23



Photo 23 / H2 / Mo - 27



Mo - 22



The central part exhibits an excellent contact to the surface while the edge is not in contact at all. Some of the particles have the flower type appearance. Photo 25 shows a very remarkable structure detail of photo 24 (Mo - 22).

The edge is built up as a two layer body. The lower layer is probably due to lateral flow of the compressed material in the contact zone, while the upper layer is formed by lateral movement of the particle's surface material. The flower type deposits, as shown in Mo - 21 and Mo - 23 have typical cross sections as shown in the previous section, see photo 26. Photos 27 and 28 describe a splashed super heated Mo particle, experiment code Mo - 41 according to table 18. This picture completely confirms the structure of previously depicted flower type deposits. However, not until now, this typical morphology can be ascribed to the super heated state of the spray material. Photo 29 is an arrangement of three pictures, taken from spread Mo with the successive heat content H1, H2 and H3 and with an unavoidable slight variation of the velocity from  $73 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to  $79 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , see table 18. This grouping shows quite clearly the strong influence of the heat content on the spreading of a particle. The shapes are successively pancakes, pancakes mixed up with flowers without distinct corona and flowers with chaplet corona.



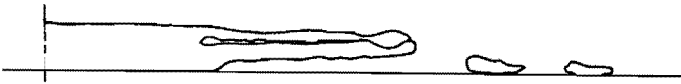
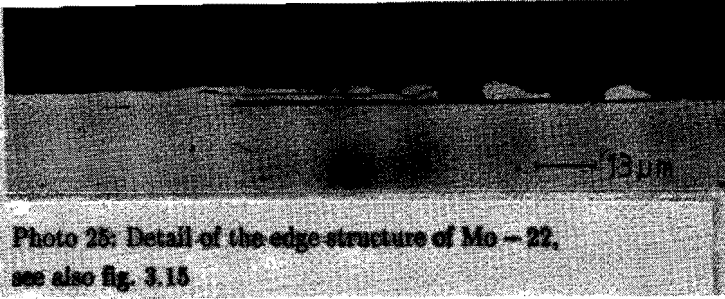


Fig 3.15: Detail of the edge of photo 25.

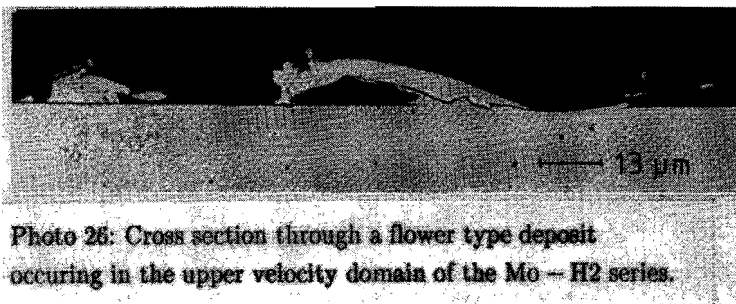




Photo 27: Flower type Mo deposit as typical for splashed super heated particles, heat content H3, experiment Mo 41.

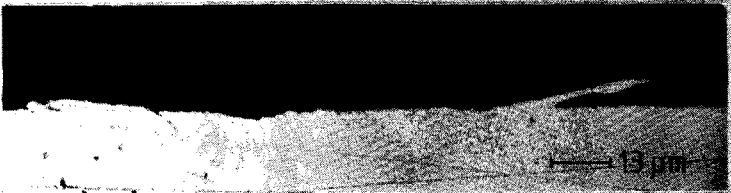
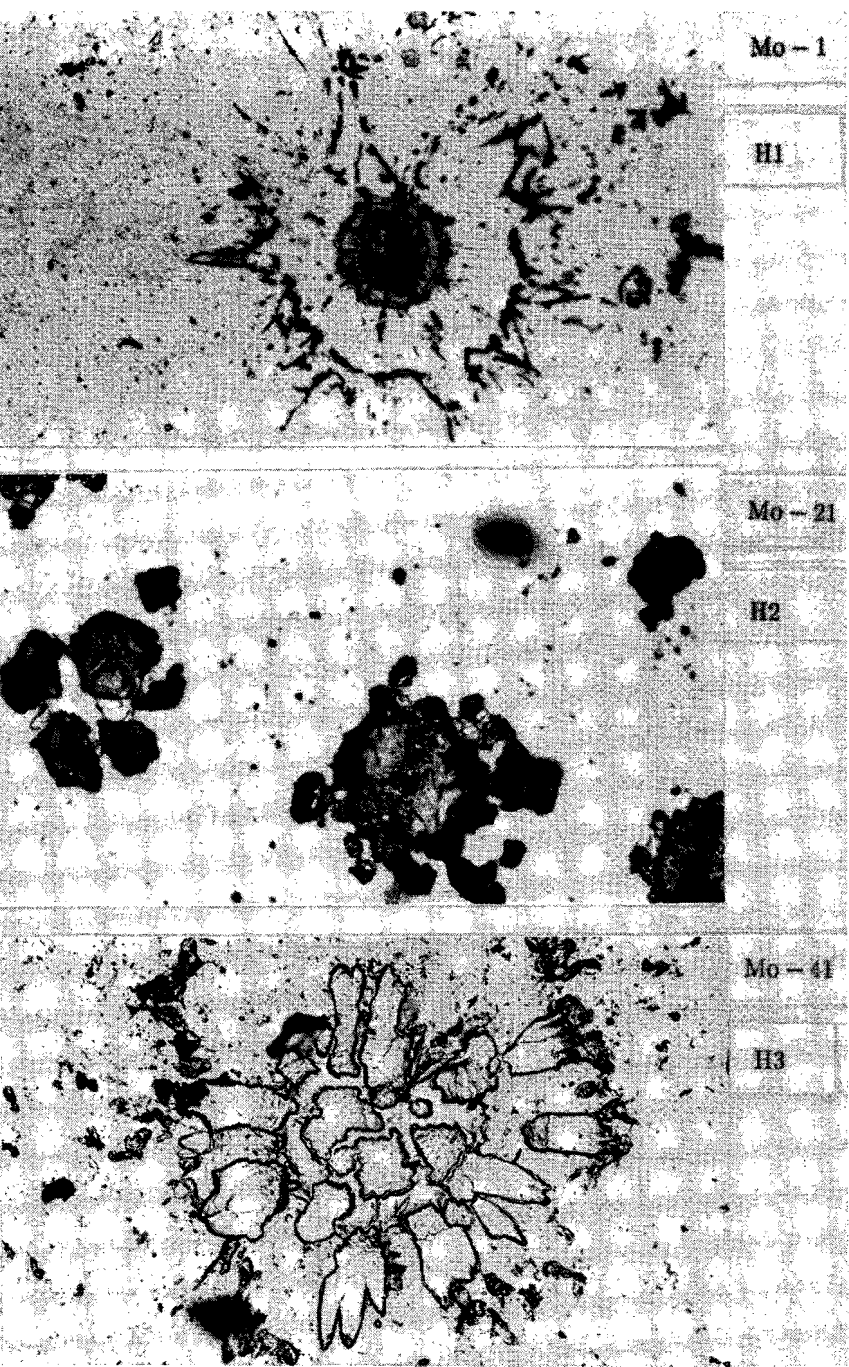


Photo 28: Cross section of the deposit of photo 27.



— 34  $\mu$ m      Photo 29: Mo morphology as a function of H.

SECOND MATERIAL: AISI – 316 stainless steel.

Photo 30 arranges an overview of spread material with the fixed heat content H1 (just below melting point) as a function of the impact velocity, see table 18. The typical shape is that of a pancake over the whole velocity range. In photo 31 the cross sections of this series are presented. Mind the bad bond between the moderately spread particle and the substrate. With this heat content it is impossible to build up a coating; it loosens from the surface while being sprayed. The detail picture of A 316 – 7 shows once again the lateral out flow of the material from the contact zone.

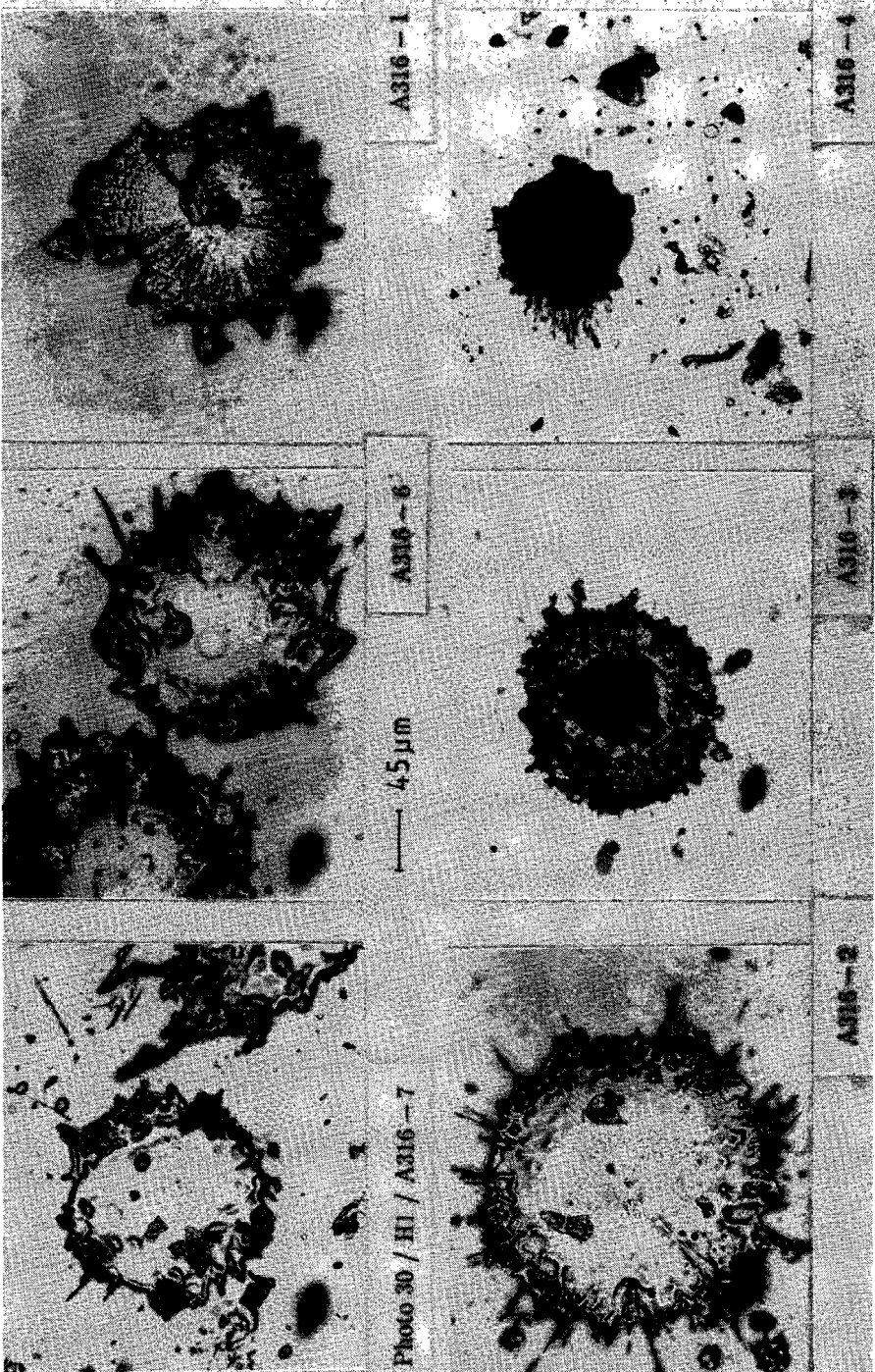
Photos 32a and 32b arrange the H2 heat content series as a function of the impact velocity. The shape can be characterized as a pancake without corona for the low velocities ending up with a distinct radial string at elevated velocity level.

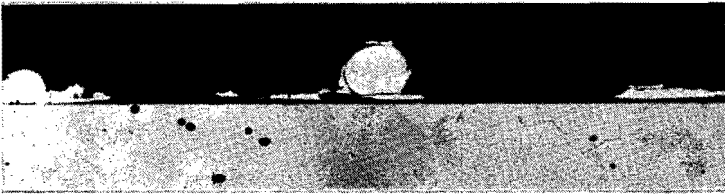
Photo 32b exposes clearly how the string type corona develops from the radial flow of particle surface material.

Figures 3.16, 3.17 and 3.18 show the schematic development of the string via the intermediate radial corona. The same phenomena can be observed microscopically with Mo.

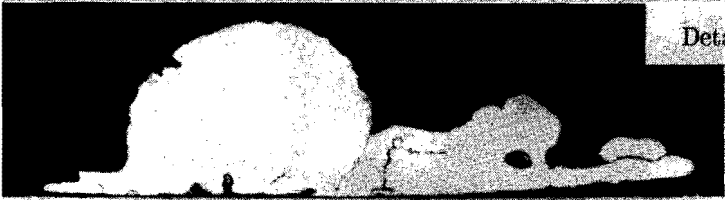
In photo 33 the cross sections through particles of the H2 series are arranged. In the central part, the typical pancake has a good contact with the substrate. Diffusion like bonding seems to be present. The edge of the spread particle is detached from the substrate.

Photo 34 shows the morphology of A316 – 41 particles with a heat content of level H3. At this level, most of the particles spread according to the flower type, photo 34a, with its cross section in photo 34b. Note that the material on the right hand side of photo 34a is closely in contact with the substrate. The wave pattern in the interface indicates the probability of a friction weld due to the lateral

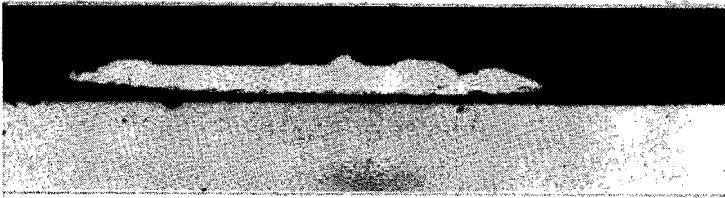




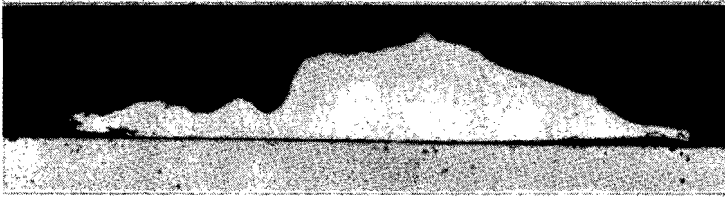
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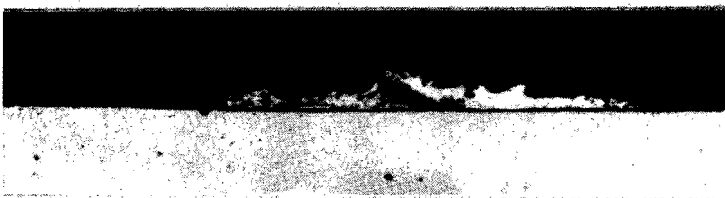
Detail of A316 - 7



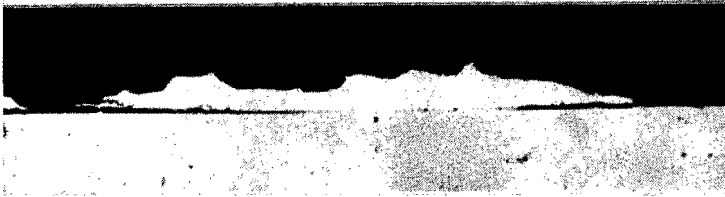
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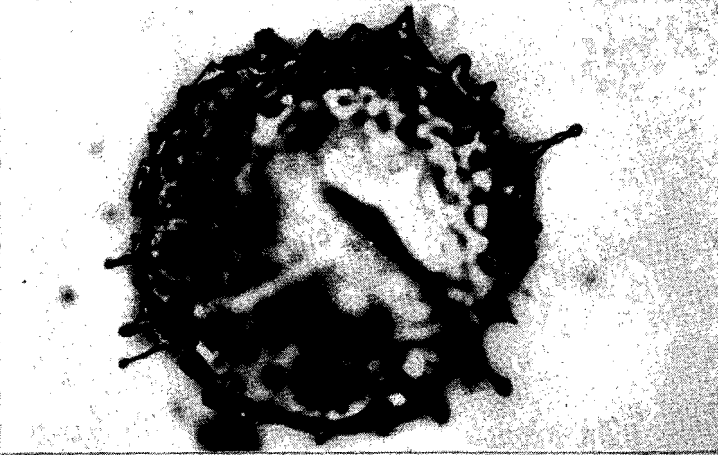
A316 - 3



A316 - 4

— 13 μm

Photo 31 / H1 /



A316-27



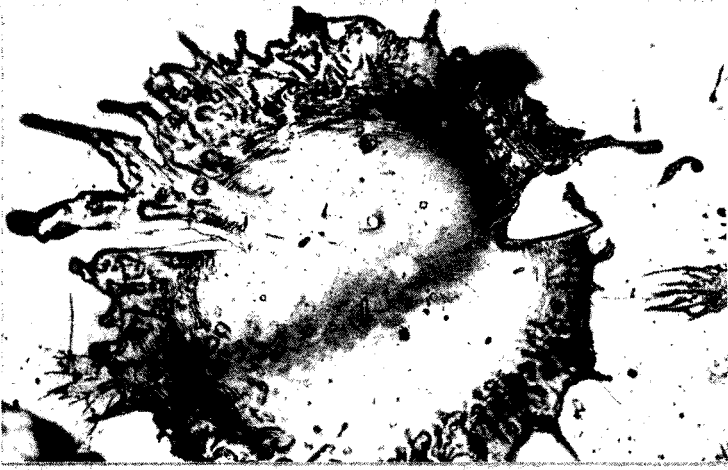
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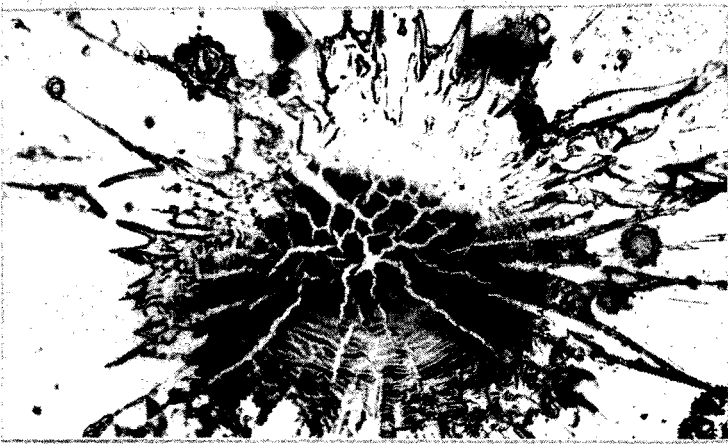
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— 35µm

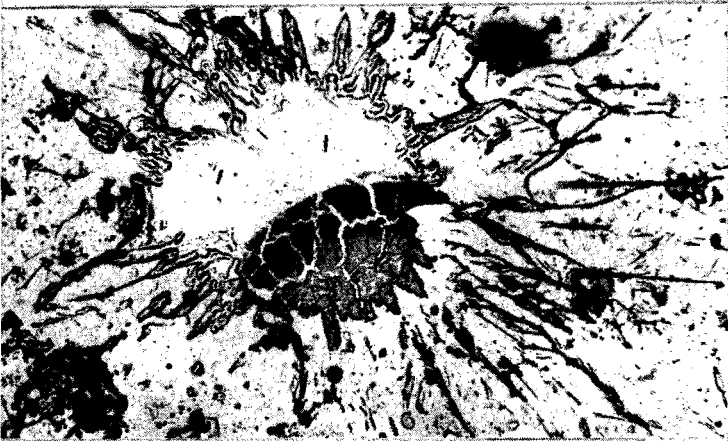
Photo 32a / H2



A316 - 22



A316 - 23

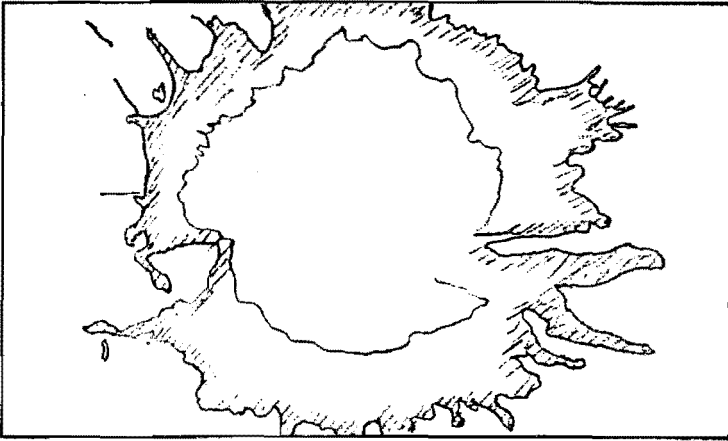


A316 - 24

— 35um

Photo 32b / H2





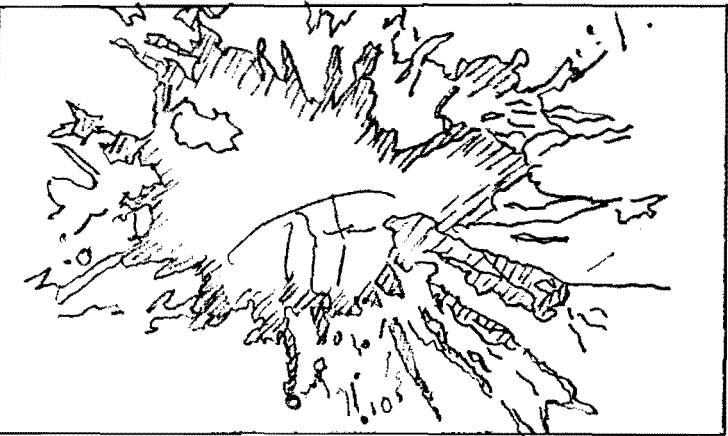
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Fig. 3.16



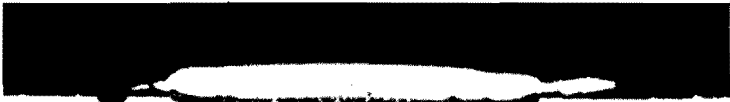
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Fig. 3.17



A316-24

Fig. 3.18



A316 - 27



A316 - 26



A316 - 21



A316 - 22



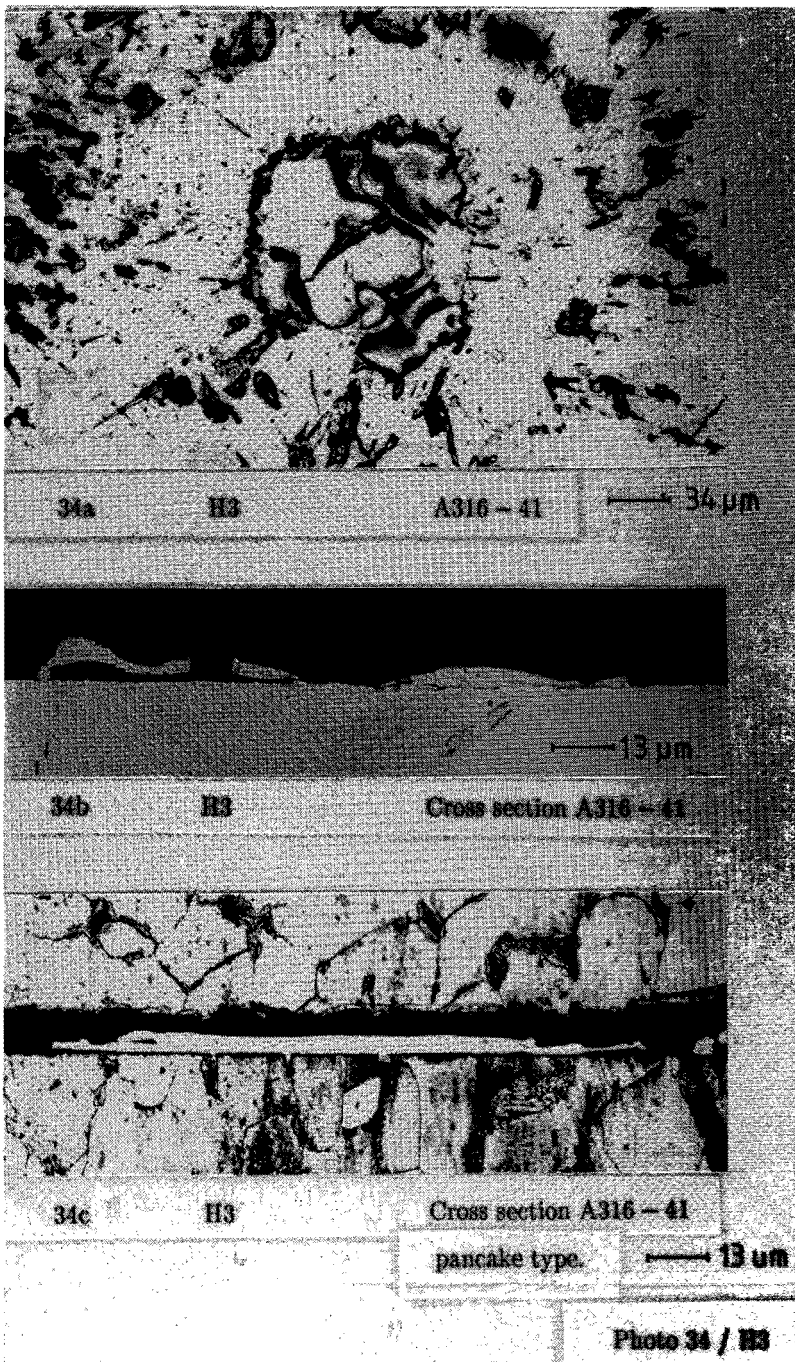
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A316 - 24

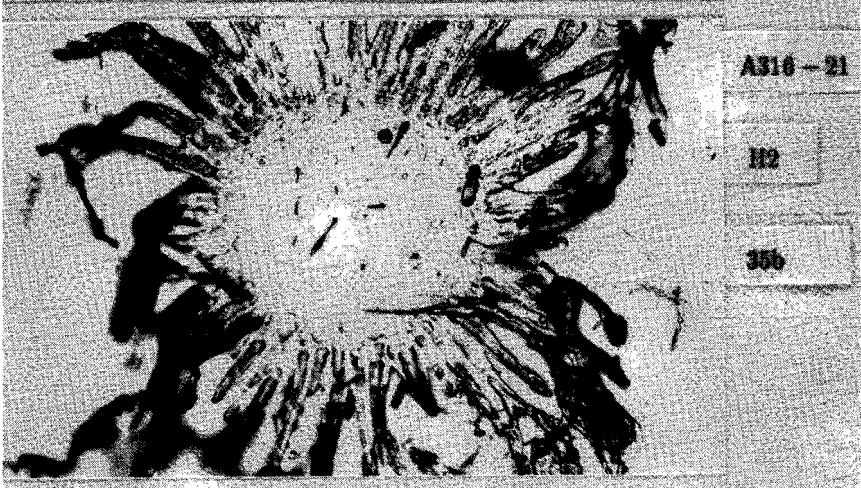
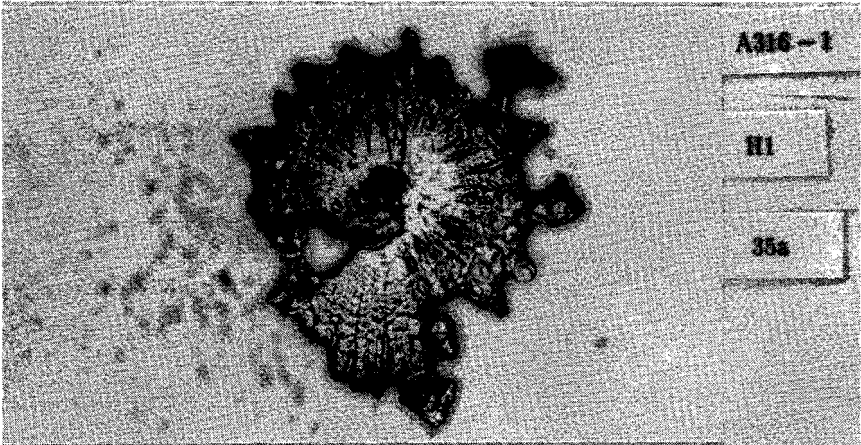
— 13  $\mu$ m

Photo 33 / H2



movement. The left hand side material is detached from the surface. The centre of impact can be recognized but the typical relatively deep crater as occurs with Mo, is absent. Also pancakes occur and their cross section is represented by photo 34c. The central part seems to be diffusion bonded to the substrate especially at the substrate grain boundaries. The specimen has been etched to make this effect visible. Photo 34c shows a double layer structure at the edges as is reported previously with Mo.

The edge is detached from the surface. The last arrangement of stainless steel splashes is presented in photo 35. With increasing heat content the splash expands from a pancake without corona to a flower type deposit with chaplet corona. As is the case with Mo, the influence of the heat content is apparently dominant over the influence of the velocity, at least within the experimental velocity variation which is applied in the course of this work.

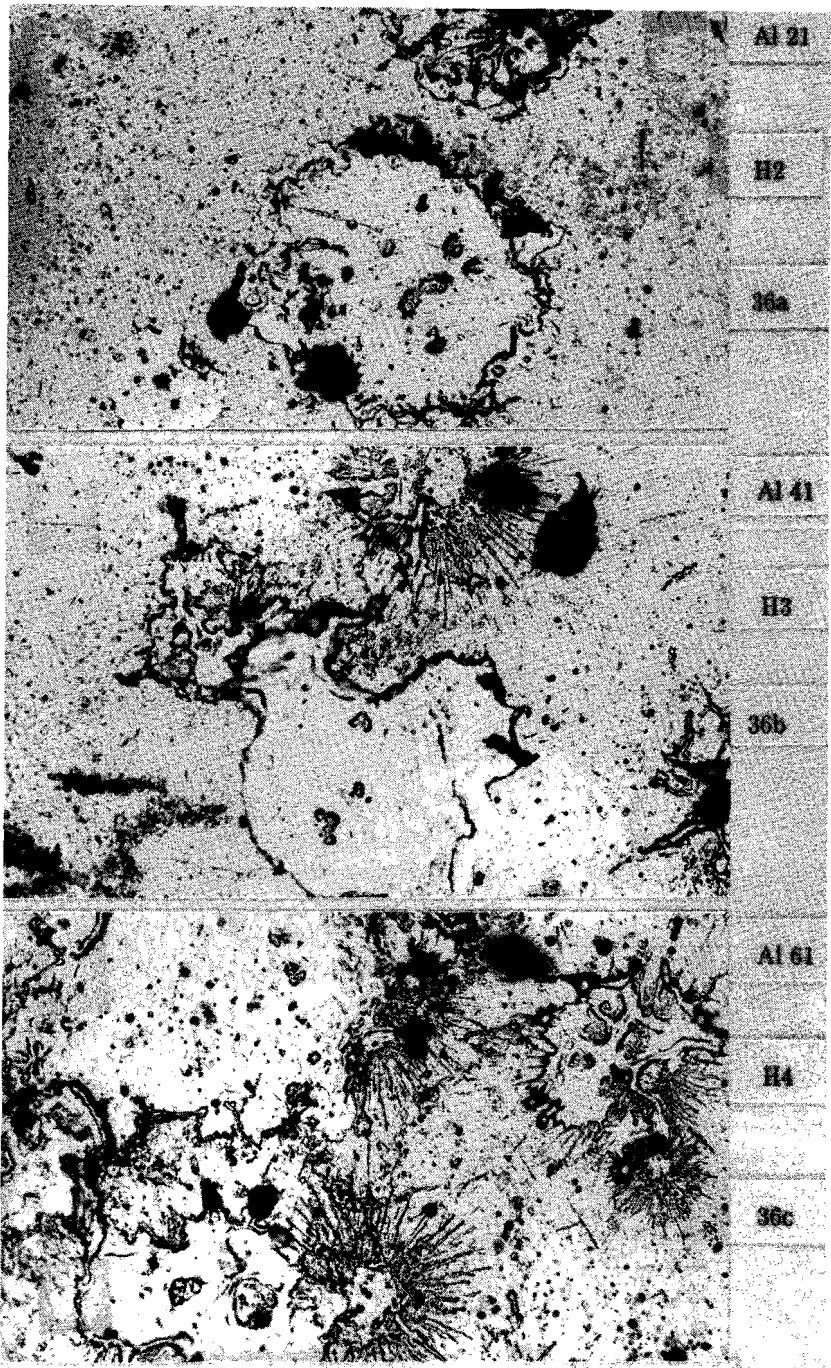


— 34  $\mu$ m

Photo 35

### THIRD MATERIAL: ALUMINIUM

Photo 36 gives an overview of aluminium splashes, all deposited in the liquid state. The material spreads stronger with increasing temperature. The appearance of the H4 example is like a solidified liquid which did not wet the substrate and therefore was contracted by its own surface tension prior to the solidification. Photo 37 gives an overview of relevant cross sections through Al particles; 37a and 37b demonstrate clearly a zone of good and bad contact with the substrate. The last one shows once more that spreading can take place by a ground flow out of the contact area and a top flow from the surface area of the particle. Photos 37c and 37d demonstrate the increasing splash diameter with increasing heat content. The one, sprayed at level H4, has no material left in its center. An impact crater is absent, the substrate remains flat. Fig. 3.19 compiles the experimentally found geometries of spread particles for three materials; the main types are given in fig. 3.20.



Al 21

H2

36a

Al 41

H3

36b

Al 61

H4

36c

— 34  $\mu$ m

Photo 36



Al - 21

H2

37a



Al - 21

H2

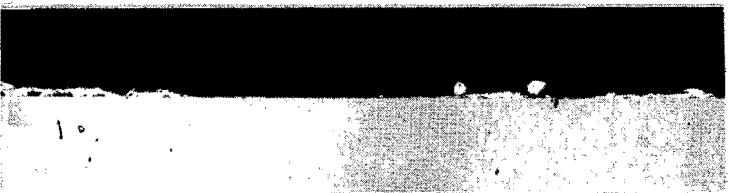
37b



Al - 41

H3

37c



Al - 61

H4

37d

Photo 37

— 22  $\mu$ m



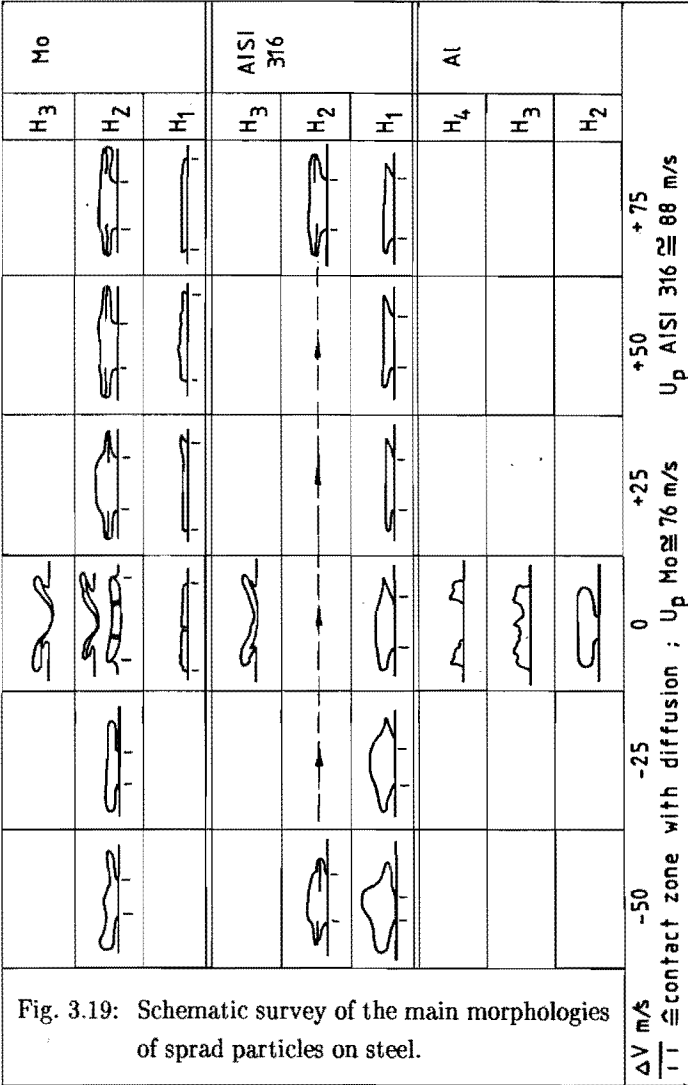
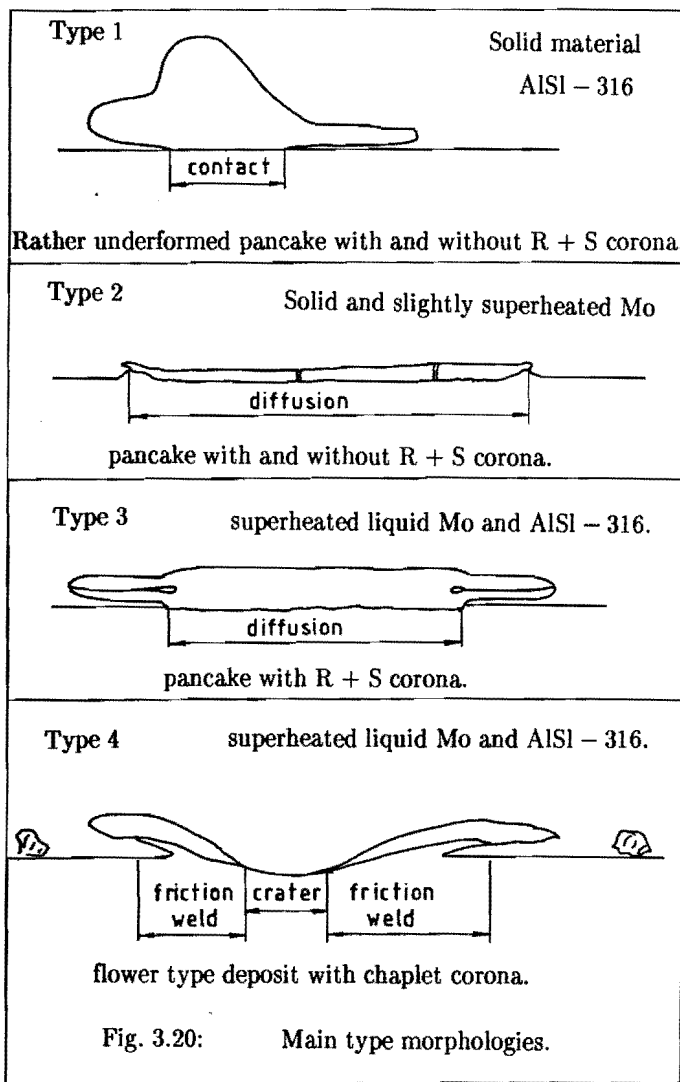


Fig. 3.19: Schematic survey of the main morphologies of sprad particles on steel.



### 3.3.5 Concluding remarks regarding the morphology

Some concluding remarks to this section are given as a basis for discussion:

- 1 – The formation of a flower type deposit is mostly connected with
  - a chaplet corona
  - an impact crater
  - friction welds
  - an elevated velocity level or
  - an elevated heat content level of liquid material
  
- 2 – The formation of a pancake type deposit is connected with
  - a moderate velocity of liquid material
  - a moderate heat content of the liquidand leads to diffusion bonding or partial friction welds
  
- 3 – The formation of pancakes of high melting solid material is connected with a firm bond to the substrate. The particles do not flatten completely at low velocity levels.
  
- 4 – A slightly superheated liquid material forms pancakes with detached, double layered edges. The material is diffusion bonded in the contact zone. A high velocity level creates the more distinct detached rim.
  
- 5 – The double layer structure of the rim may be attributed to the combination of a ground flow and a top flow of the spreading material.

- 6 – The material spreads by lateral flow.
- 7 – The string corona emanates from the radial corona. Both come from radial flow of spray material which is located on the surface of the particle.
- 8 – The chaplet corona comes into being in combination with flower leaf formation due to a liquid solid transformation vice-versa during the impact.
- 9 – Low melting point materials like Al do not form craters in the substrate High melting point materials benefit crater forming due to the softening of the substrate.

#### 3.4 Mechanical testing of sprayed coatings.

Mo is sprayed with the heat content levels H1, H2, H3 according to the experimental scheme of table 18.

To trace the influence of the particle size on the adhesion strength, one series of fine Mo-powder (5 – 15  $\mu\text{m}$ ) has been sprayed at the heat content level H3.

Shortage of time did not allow the determination of the related spray velocity.

However the found morphologies of small particles (always a pancake) made this rather undefined experiment interesting enough to add it to the foregoing series.

The first coatings were made with a stationary substrate. Subsequently the rotating support is applied to increase and decrease the standard flight velocity at the successive heat content levels with an amount of 50  $\text{ms}^{-1}$ .

Molybdenum 53 – 63  $\mu\text{m}$

Heat content level	$\Delta V$ $\text{ms}^{-1}$	$U_p$ $\text{ms}^{-1}$	Code table 19+16	Tensile strength $\sigma \text{ Nmm}^{-2}$	$\bar{\sigma}$	Remark
H1	-50	23	Mo-17	64,9-63,4-52,4-42,3	55,7	E.F. *
	0	73	Mo-11	73,3-70,1-67,6	70,3	E.F.
	+50	123	Mo-13	62,0-58,8-41,3-61,2	55,8	E.F.
H2	-50	27	Mo-37	42,8-34,5-35,8	37,7	C.F. *
	0	77	Mo-31			
	+50	127	Mo-33			
H3	-50	29	Mo-57	41,6-60-63,5-42,8	51,9	E.F./C.F.
	0	79	Mo-51	51,5-39,2-47,1	45,9	C.F.
	+50	129	Mo-53	37,2-52,2-54,8-50,0	48,5	E.F./C.F.

Molybdenum 5-15  $\mu\text{m}$

H3	-50	**	Mo-117	9,7-10,3-10,5-24,5	13,7	E.F./C.F.
	0		Mo-111	19,1-28,8-27,6	25,1	C.F.
	+50		Mo-113	8,1-9,7-17,7-8,1	10,9	C.F.

Stainless steel AISI – 316 63-75  $\mu\text{m}$

H3	0	~90	A316-51	45,6-45,9-45,9	45,8	A.F. * see photo 38
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E.F. = Epoxy Fracture

C.F. = Coating Fracture

A.F. = Adhesion Fracture

\*\* = unidentified

Table 19: Survey of performed tensile tests.

The production of stainless steel coatings on a polished steel substrate is not possible for heat contents lower than H3. A survey of the tensile tests is given in table 19

### 3.4.1 Test method.

A common electronically controlled tensile machine is used to apply a tensile force  $F$  to the test specimen. The set up is sketched in fig. 3.21.

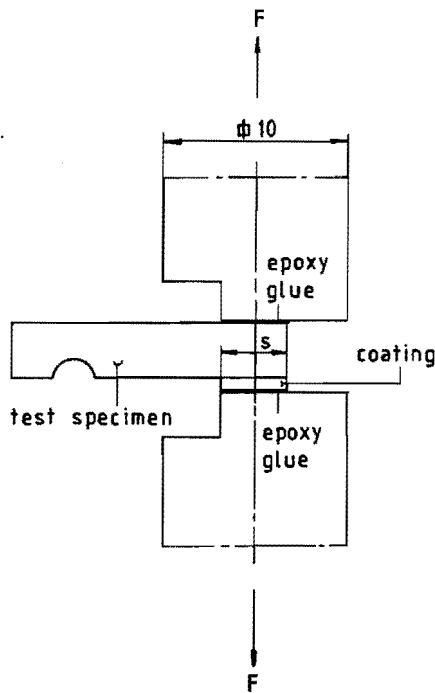


Fig. 3.21: Tensile test set up.

The force  $F$  is divided by the fracture surface  $A_f$  which is determined after the fracture. The quotient  $\sigma = F/A_f$  is taken as a measure for the tensile strength of the coating.

3.4.2 Test results.

The test results are listed in table 19 and visualized in fig. 3.22 and 3.23.

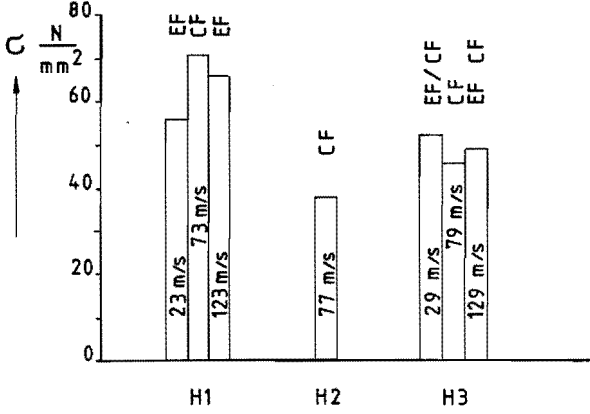


Fig. 3.22: Tensile strength of Mo 53 – 63  $\mu m$  as a function of heat content and velocity.

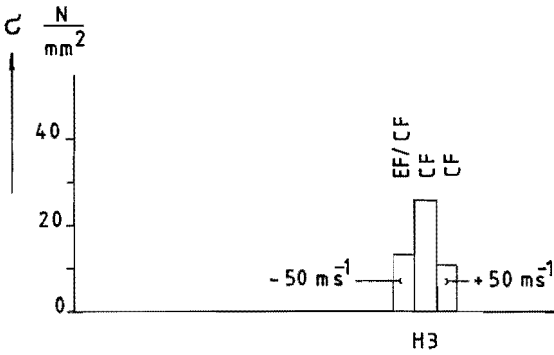


Fig. 3.23: Tensile strength of Mo 5 – 15  $\mu m$ .

Photo 38 demonstrates the typical failure mechanism for stainless steel particles. The fracture occurs at the polished surface. Mind the heavily deformed rim. The Mo (53 – 63  $\mu m$ ) specimen break within the coating with one exception: the

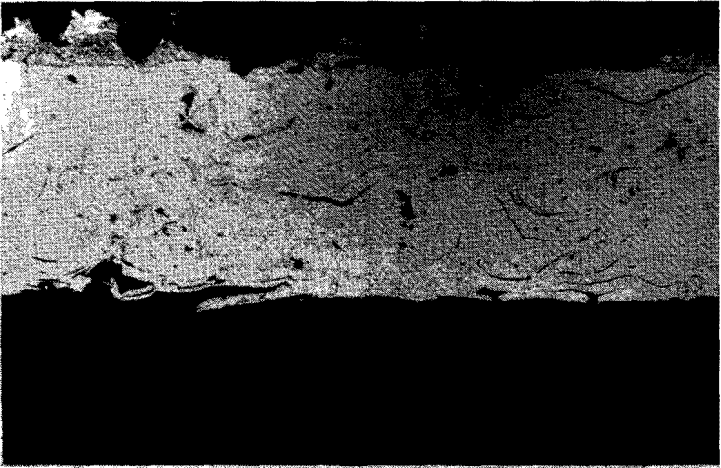


Photo 38a: Fracture on the coating side of testpiece A316 - 5  
(heat content H3)       $\longrightarrow$  42  $\mu$ m



Photo 38b: Fracture on the substrate side of  
testpiece A 316 - 5.       $\longrightarrow$  42  $\mu$ m



coating sprayed at a heat content H1. The test specimen ruptured in the epoxy film at the standard epoxy strength of approximately  $70 \text{ Nmm}^{-2}$ . The apparent strength of this coating and the adhesion to steel must be attributed to the pancake shaped deposits without a distinct loose rim. Pancakes with a loose rim or flower leaves with a free gap between the spray material and the surface, obviously suffer from high stress concentrations causing low fracture toughnesses and low nominal tensile strengths.

The measured tensile strengths for Mo 5 – 15  $\mu\text{m}$  are low compared to the values for the middle coarse particles. The fracture occurs in the coating.

For all tested specimens holds that the impact velocity is apparently not the determining factor regarding the strength. The coatings sprayed with a rotating substrate may be influenced in a negative way by the pick up of particles which first hit the rotating disk perimeter.

## 4. DISCUSSION

### 4.1 On the relation between the determined morphologies and the theoretical model.

Two model features have been emphasized in the theory chapter:

- The lateral flow out of the contact zone
- a possible phase transformation of initially liquid spray material into an amorphous solid during the compression.

The first model feature is confirmed by a great deal of the shown cross sections of spread particles. The lateral flow occurs both with liquid and with solid material. The double layered rim, which occurs for instance in all cross section of A316– H2 deposits, has turned up experimentally and was not foreseen with the theoretical model

The second model feature is hard to detect directly. The shape of the flower type deposits of Mo, including the existence of the chaplet corona, can be explained fully on the basis of the liquid–solid transformation during the compression. The same flower forming has been observed with relatively highly superheated stainless steel. The Hugoniot pressure – temperature relation for this material have not been determined. Therefore, the experiments with AISI–316 are not the major ones to confirm the theory. For Al however, a complete theoretical picture has been sketched and with Al no flower deposits occur within the applied experimental range of size, velocity and heat content. This does not mean that the concept of liquid – solid transformation only can be backed up by the Mo – experiments, on the contrary, as may be clear from the following reasoning.

The specific heat at a constant pressure nearby the melting point is for Al:  $1243 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$  and for Mo:  $500 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ . This large difference in  $C_p$  implies that a certain increase in the heat content of liquid Al is related to a smaller temperature rise of the liquid phase than is the case with Mo.

Let the heat content level H2 be characteristic for a just molten state of both Al and Mo.

Let the heat content level H3, at which experiments are carried out for both Al and Mo, represent a superheated state of the liquid.

The numerical values for H2 and H3 are given in table 16.

$$\text{For Al: } H3 - H2 = 1483 - 1114,2 = 368,8 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1}$$

$$\text{For Mo: } H3 - H2 = 1327,5 - 1225,2 = 102,3 \text{ kJ kg}^{-1}$$

The successive temperature rises above the melting points then are:

$$\text{For Al: } \Delta T = \frac{H3 - H2}{C_{pAl}} = \frac{36880}{1243} = 297 \text{ K}$$

$$\text{For Mo: } \Delta T = \frac{H3 - H2}{C_{pMo}} = \frac{102300}{500} = 205 \text{ K}$$

The superheated liquids then have the temperatures:

$$\text{For Al: } T = T_M + \Delta T = 933 + 297 = 1230 \text{ K}$$

$$\text{For Mo: } T = T_M + \Delta T = 2883 + 205 = 3088 \text{ K}$$

The nearest by Hugoniot pressure-temperature curves which have been determined by computation are (see fig 2.10 and 2.11) the curves where:

$$T_0 = 1200 \text{ K for Al and}$$

$$T_0 = 3000 \text{ K for Mo}$$

These curves, together with the Clapeyron lines for Al and Mo are given in fig. 4.1 where the Clapeyron lines coincide for  $T = T_M$ . So, the curves of fig 4.1 are basically the same as those presented in fig 2.10 and 1.11; only a horizontal

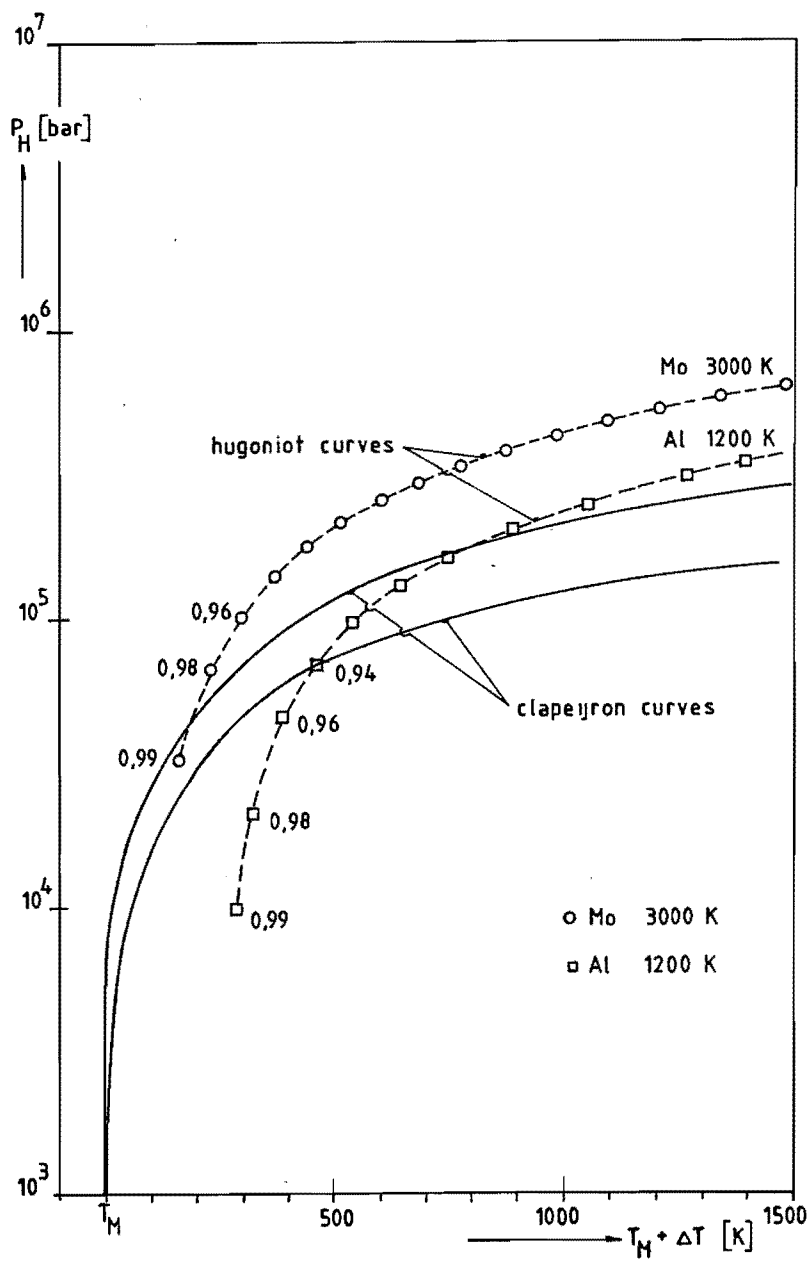


Fig. 4.1 Hugoniot pressure and Clapeyron curves as function of  $(T_M + \Delta T)$  for Al and Mo.

translation is applied. Now it turns out that the applied superheating level H3 implies for Mo a liquid–solid transformation at compression degrees between 0,99 and 0,98 and that a compression degree of 0,94 is required for Al, to make it undergo the same transformation.

In table 11c can be read that a compression degree for Al of  $\rho_0/\rho_1 = 0,94$  is reached for an impact velocity  $U_p = 387 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . Table 13 gives the necessary impact velocity for Mo to reach an compression rate between 0,99 and 0,98:  $U_p = 56,8 \rightarrow 114 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . In table 18 can be read that the applied and measured impact velocity for Mo at the H3 level is  $79 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , for Al however the impact velocity is unknown but certainly not at the required level of  $387 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in order to create a phase transformation.

The conclusion is that the absence of flower type deposits for Al is completely coherent with the theory. The available experimental equipment does not allow a quick prove on the concept at an impact velocity exceeding  $387 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . This experiment certainly will be carried out in next future.

#### 4.2 On the relation between the potential energy, or for weak shocks, the kinetic energy of a particle and the final surface energy of a spread particle

Let a  $60 \mu\text{m}$  Mo particle have a temperature of 3000 K at the moment of impact and let the compression degree be  $\rho_0/\rho_1 = 0,98$ . The specific potential energy of such a particle amounts  $6489 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$  (appendix 7.2). The mass of a  $60 \mu\text{m}$  Mo particle is  $1,15 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ kg}$ , so the total available potential energy to create the spread geometry is:  $1,15 \cdot 10^{-9} \cdot 6489 = 7,5 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ J}$ .

Assume that the particle takes a spread shape like a disk of  $2 \mu\text{m}$  thickness and diameter D. The volume of the spherical particle and the disk must be the same:

$$\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 h \quad (r = 30 \mu\text{m}, h = 2 \mu\text{m})$$

from which follows that  $D = 268 \mu\text{m}$ .

The total surface energy of such a liquid Mo disk is:

$$E_{\text{surface}} \approx 2 * \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 * \sigma$$

where  $\sigma$  = surface energy of liquid Mo =  $2 \text{ Nm/m}^2$  [21]

$$E_{\text{surface}} = 2 * \frac{\pi}{4} (268 \cdot 10^{-6})^2 * 2 = 0,2 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ J.}$$

The total surface energy amounts only  $\frac{0,2 \cdot 10^{-6}}{7,5 \cdot 10^{-6}} \cdot 100\% = 2,7\%$  of the total

available potential energy at the moment of impact.

The conclusion must be that energy consuming processes different from spreading in a liquid phase must be active during the collision. Such processes are: vibration and deformation of the substrate, heat extraction by the substrate and deformation of the particle in a solid state.

In this thesis, the substrate is assumed to be rigid. This model feature certainly is not true for high melting materials like Mo. An advanced analysis should have to take into account the energy interaction with the substrate as a fourth input parameter of the system.

## CONCLUSIONS.

The subject of this work describes a theory and experiments which relate the morphology of spread thermal spray particles to the input parameters velocity and heat content for a fixed narrow particle size range.

Both, the theory and the experiments, give insight in adhesion determining phenomena such as friction welding, diffusion and mechanically mixing.

The application of a rotating substrate support has turned out to be a powerful new method for the determination of the relation between the morphology of spread particles and the input parameters velocity and heat content.

The spreading of a spray particle basically starts in the highly compressed initial contact zone with the substrate. It results from the lateral flow of the spray material which develops during the flow a good contact with the substrate, culminating in atomic adhesion, friction welds, diffusion and mechanically mixing of substrate and spray material.

The lateral flow of spray material, out of the compressed contact zone, can be followed by a lateral flow of spray material which is located in the upper part of the colliding particle. Thus, a double layered loose rim in conjunction with pancake type deposits are formed.

The combination of a heat content, corresponding to a super heated liquid and a slightly elevated impact velocity, can be attended by a liquid – solid phase transformation. The spray material forms flower type deposits if the phase transformation occurs. Flower type deposits are related with mechanically mixing of the spray material and the substrate over a depth of several tens of micrometers.

- Adhesion generally appears in a combination of a high heat content with a wide range of impact velocities. High impact velocities advance the formation of loose rims of the pancake deposits which deteriorates the nominal adhesion strength.



APPENDIX 1: Temperature profiles in depot and substrate right after the solidification of one lamella with thickness X

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PROFILE 1: Substrate temperature – Mo on Fe – X = 2 μm.

Equation: (1.44)

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{B}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{X} \sqrt{\frac{a_1}{a_0}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1,1826}{1,1826 + 0,5622} \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2} \cdot 0,5487 \cdot 1,6463 \right)$$

$$= 0,6778 (1 + \operatorname{erf} 0,4517 x)$$

- MIND:
- For the substrate holds that x is negative.
  - x to be inserted in μm.
  - x = 0 represents the contact interface.

Results:

x μm	0,4517 x [-]	- erf 0,4517 x [-]	$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$ [-]	$\theta_0$	
				K	C
0	0	0	0,6778	2048,5	1755,5
-0,5	-0,2259	0,250631	0,7494	1940,9	1667,9
-1,0	-0,4517	0,477047	0,5230	1647,6	1374,6
-1,5	-0,6776	0,662074	0,3379	1168,2	895,2
-2,0	-0,9034	0,798610	0,2014	814,6	538,6
-3,0	-1,3550	0,944668	0,0374	390,0	117,0
-4,0	-1,8069	0,989392	0,0072	311,6	38,6
-6,0	-2,7102	0,999873	0,0001	293,2	20,2

**PROFILE 2:** Substrate temperature – Mo on Fe – X = 12 μm.

Equation: (1.44)

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1,1826}{1,1826 + 0,5622} \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{12} \cdot 0,5487 \cdot 1,6463\right)$$

$$= 0,6778 (1 + \operatorname{erf} 0,0753 x)$$

Remarks: see profile 1.

x	0,0753x	- erf 0,0753 x	$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_0$	
μm	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
-1	-0,0753	0,084807	0,6203	1899,6	1626,6
-2	-0,1506	0,168658	0,5635	1752,4	1479,4
-3	-0,2259	0,250631	0,5079	1608,5	1335,5
-4	-0,3012	0,329864	0,4542	1469,4	1196,4
-5	-0,3765	0,405587	0,4029	1336,4	1063,4
-6	-0,4518	0,477139	0,3544	1210,9	937,9
-8	-0,6024	0,605743	0,2672	985,1	712,1
-10	-0,7530	0,713080	0,1945	976,7	523,7
-12	-0,9036	0,798709	0,6778	646,3	373,3
-14	-1,0542	0,864003	0,0922	531,7	258,7
-16	-1,2048	0,911590	0,0599	448,2	175,2
-18	-1,3554	0,944740	0,0375	390,0	117,0
-20	-1,5060	0,966812	0,0225	351,3	78,3

**PROFILE 3:** Depot temperature – Mo on Fe –  $X = 2 \mu\text{m}$ .

Equation: (1.45)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} &= \frac{1}{B + \text{erf } p} \left( B + \text{erf } \frac{x}{X} p \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{1,1826 + 0,5622} \left( 1,1826 + \text{erf } \frac{x}{2} \cdot 0,5487 \right) \\ &= 0,5731 (1,1826 + \text{erf } 0,2744 x). \end{aligned}$$

Results:

x	0,2774 x	erf 0,2744 x	$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_1$	
$\mu\text{m}$	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
0,5	0,1372	0,153848	0,7657	2276,2	2003,2
1,0	0,2744	0,302029	0,8509	2496,8	2223,8
1,5	0,4115	0,439399	0,9296	2700,7	2427,7
2,0	0,5487	0,562239	1,0000	2883,0	2610,0

**PROFILE 4:** Depot temperature –Mo on Fe –X = 12 μm.

Equation: (1.45)

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{1,1826 + 0,5622} \left( 1,1826 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{12} \cdot 0,5487 \right)$$

$$= 0,5731 (1,1826 + \operatorname{erf} 0,0457 x)$$

Results:

x	0,0457 x	erf 0,0457 x	$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_1$	
μm	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
2	0,0914	0,102847	0,7367	2201,0	1928,0
4	0,1829	0,204102	0,7948	2351,4	2078,4
6	0,2742	0,301819	0,8507	2496,4	2223,4
8	0,3658	0,395067	0,9042	2634,9	2361,9
12	0,5487	0,562239	1,0000	2883,0	2610,0

**PROFILE 5:** Substrate temperature – AISI – 316 on Fe X = 2 μm.

Equation: (1.44)

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{0,4987}{0,4987 + 0,6662} (1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2} \cdot 0,6835 \cdot 0,4815)$$

$$= 0,4281 (1 + \operatorname{erf} 0,1646 x)$$

Results:

x	0,1646 x	$-\operatorname{erf} 0,1646 x$	$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_0$	
μm	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,4281	761,7	488,7
-0,5	-0,0823	0,092656	0,3884	718,3	445,3
-1,0	-0,1646	0,184067	0,3493	675,5	402,5
-1,5	-0,2469	0,273038	0,3066	628,7	355,7
-2,0	-0,3292	0,358469	0,2705	589,3	316,3
-3,0	-0,4938	0,515035	0,2046	517,0	244,0
-4,0	-0,6584	0,648208	0,1484	455,5	182,5
-6,0	-0,9876	0,837489	0,0685	368,0	95,0
-8,0	-1,3168	0,937430	0,0264	321,9	48,9
-10,0	-1,6460	0,980077	0,0085	302,3	29,3

**PROFILE 6:** Substrate temperature – AISI – 316 on Fe X = 12  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Equation: (1.44)

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{0,4987}{0,4987 + 0,6662} \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{12} \cdot 0,6835 \cdot 0,4815\right)$$

$$= 0,4281 (1 + \operatorname{erf} 0,0274 x)$$

Results:

x	0,0274 x	$-\operatorname{erf} 0,0274 x$	$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_0$	
$\mu\text{m}$	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,4281	761,7	488,7
-1	-0,0274	0,030910	0,4149	747,3	474,3
-2	-0,0548	0,061773	0,4017	732,8	459,8
-4	-0,1096	0,123177	0,3754	704,0	431,0
-6	-0,1644	0,183848	0,3494	675,6	402,6
-8	-0,2192	0,243436	0,3239	647,6	374,6
-12	-0,3288	0,358064	0,2748	593,9	320,9
-16	-0,4384	0,464736	0,2291	543,9	270,9
-20	-0,5480	0,561654	0,1877	498,5	225,5
-24	-0,6576	0,647622	0,1509	458,2	185,2
-28	-0,7672	0,718928	0,1203	424,7	151,7
-30	-0,8220	0,754961	0,1049	497,8	134,8

**PROFILE 7: Depot temperature –AlSi – 316 on Fe X = 2 μm.**

Equation: (1.45)

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{0,4987 + 0,6662} (0,4987 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2} \cdot 0,6835)$$

$$= 0,8584 (0,4987 + \operatorname{erf} 0,3418 x)$$

Results:

x	0,3418 x	erf 0,3418 x	$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_1$	
μm	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,4281	761,7	488,7
0,5	0,1709	0,190979	0,5920	941,3	668,3
1,0	0,3418	0,371173	0,7467	1110,7	837,7
1,5	0,5126	0,531502	0,8844	1261,4	988,4
2,0	0,6835	0,666263	1,0001	1388,0	1115,0

PROFILE 8: Depot temperature –AlSi – 316 on Fe X = 12 μm.

Equation: (1.45)

$$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{1}{0,4987 + 0,6662} \left( 0,4987 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{12} \cdot 0,6835 \right)$$

$$= 0,8584 (0,4987 + \operatorname{erf} 0,0570 x)$$

Results:

x	0,0570 x	erf 0,0570 x	$\frac{\theta_1 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_1$	
μm	[-]	[-]	[-]	K	C
0	0	0	0,4281	761,7	488,7
2	0,1140	0,128080	0,5381	882,2	609,2
4	0,2280	0,252881	0,6452	999,5	726,5
8	0,4560	0,480996	0,8410	1231,9	940,9
12	0,6840	0,666617	1,0003	1388,3	1115,3



APPENDIX 2: Temperature profiles in the substrate during solidification of one lamella of Mo, see fig. 1.9. The equation to be used is (1.41a).

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = \frac{B}{B + \operatorname{erf} p} \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{\sqrt{4a_0 t}}\right)$$

The numerical values are taken from table 2.

$$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}} = 0,6778 \left(1 + \operatorname{erf} 1,3351 \cdot 10^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

N.B: x to be inserted in [m]; x is negative.

Profile 1:  $-x = 10 \text{ \AA}$

$-x=10\text{\AA}$	$-1,3351 \cdot 10^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}$	$-\operatorname{erf} 1,3351 \cdot 10^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}$	$\frac{\theta_0 - T_{s0}}{T_m - T_{s0}}$	$\theta_0$	
				K	C
$t = 10^{-9} [\text{s}]$	0,0042	0,004739			
$10^{-8}$	0,0013	0,001467	0,6747	2040,2	1767,2
$10^{-7}$	0,0000	0	0,6768	2045,9	1772,9
$10^{-6}$	0,0000	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
$10^{-5}$	0,0000	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
			0,6778	2048,5	1775,5

Profile 2:  $-x = 100 \text{ \AA}$

$t = 10^{-9} [\text{s}]$	0,0422	0,047589	0,6455	1964,9	1691,9
$10^{-8}$	0,0133	0,015007	0,6676	2022,2	1749,2
$10^{-7}$	0,0000	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
$10^{-6}$	0,0000	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5
$10^{-5}$	0,0000	0	0,6778	2048,5	1775,5

Profile 3:  $-x = 500 \text{ \AA}$

$t = 10^{-9} [\text{s}]$	0,2111	0,234709	0,5187	1636,5	1363,5
$10^{-8}$	0,0667	0,075151	0,6268	1916,5	1643,5
$10^{-7}$	0,0211	0,023805	0,6616	2006,7	1733,7
$10^{-6}$	0,0066	0,007447	0,6727	2035,4	1762,4
$10^{-5}$	0,0021	0,002370	0,6761	2044,3	1771,3

Profile 4:  $-x = 1000 \text{ \AA}$

$t = 10^{-9} [\text{s}]$	0,4222	0,449547	0,3730	1259,3	986,3
$10^{-8}$	0,1335	0,149748	0,5763	1785,6	1512,6
$10^{-7}$	0,0422	0,047589	0,6455	1964,9	1691,9
$10^{-6}$	0,0133	0,015007	0,6676	2022,1	1749,1
$10^{-5}$	0,0042	0,004739	0,6745	2040,2	1767,2

Profile 5:  $-x = 5000 \text{ \AA}$

$t = 10^{-9}$	2,1110	0,997168	0,0019	297,9	24,9
$10^{-8}$	0,6675	0,654824	0,2339	898,9	625,9
$10^{-7}$	0,2111	0,234709	0,5187	1636,4	1363,4
$10^{-6}$	0,0667	0,075151	0,6268	1916,5	1643,5
$10^{-5}$	0,0211	0,023805	0,6616	2006,7	1733,7

Profile 6:  $-x = 10.000 \text{ \AA} = 1 \text{ \mu m}$

$t = 10^{-9} [\text{s}]$	4,2220	0,999999	0	293	20
$10^{-8}$	1,3351	0,940990	0,0399	396,6	123,6
$10^{-7}$	0,4222	0,449547	0,3730	1259,3	986,3
$10^{-6}$	0,1335	0,149748	0,5763	1785,6	1512,6
$10^{-5}$	0,0422	0,047589	0,6455	1964,9	1691,9

APPENDIX 3: Shock wave propagation velocity for longitudinal waves.

Zukas [11], pg. 2 table 1 states for an extended medium: ( $C_L$  = wave velocity)

$$C_L^2 = \frac{\lambda + 2\mu}{\rho} = \frac{E (1 - \nu)}{\rho (1 + \nu) (1 - 2\nu)} \quad (\text{A.3.1})$$

where  $E$  = Young's modulus  
 $\nu$  = Poisson's ratio  
 $\rho$  = density  
 $\lambda, \mu$  = Lamé parameters

According to Zwikker [12], pg. 85 and 90:

$$\lambda = \mu = G = \text{shear modulus.}$$

This implies for eq. (A.3.1):

$$C_L^2 = \frac{3G}{\rho} = \frac{E (1 - \nu)}{\rho (1 + \nu) (1 - 2\nu)} \quad (\text{A.3.2})$$

The relation between E and G is:

$$G = \frac{E}{2 (1 + \nu)} \quad (\text{A3.3})$$

Substitution of (A.3.3) into (A.3.2) reveals that eq. (A.3.2) holds for  $\nu = 0,25$  only. For this reason, eq. (A.3.1) is restricted to:

$$C_L^2 = \frac{E (1 - \nu)}{\rho (1 + \nu) (1 - 2\nu)} \quad (\text{A.3.4} \equiv \text{eq. 2.8})$$

which is in agreement with Zukas [11]. pg. 2 and Zwikker [12] pg. 190.

Eq. (A.3.4) can be transferred into a relation between G and the bulkmodulus

$$K \equiv -V_0 \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \right)_T = \frac{E}{3(1-2\nu)} \quad (\text{A.3.5})$$

$$C_L^2 = \frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \frac{E(1-\nu)}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} \quad (\text{A.3.1})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\rho} \left( K + \frac{4}{3} G \right) \quad (\text{A.3.6})$$

With  $L = K + \frac{4}{3} G$ , (A.3.7)

the elastic modulus in a uniaxial strain situation as is considered in this thesis.

So, for an extended medium under uniaxial strain:

$$C_L^2 = \frac{L}{\rho} \quad (\text{A.3.8})$$

while for a bounded medium under uniaxial stress:

$$C_L^2 = \frac{E}{\rho} \quad (\text{A.3.9})$$

Eq. (2.7) can be worked out in terms of K and G or in terms of  $\nu$  and E. Both expressions for  $U_s$  will be derived here.

$U_s$  in terms of K and G:

$$U_s = a + b U_p \quad (\text{2.7})$$

from (A.3.6) follows:

$$a = \left( \frac{K + \frac{4}{3} G}{\rho_0} \right) \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{A.3.10})$$

According to Zukas [11]

$$b = \frac{1 + \Gamma}{2} \quad (\text{A.3.11})$$

where  $\Gamma = \frac{3\beta K}{\rho_0 C_v}$  (A.3.12)

= Grüneisenparameter

with:  $\beta = \text{coefficient of linear thermal expansion} = \frac{\alpha}{3}$

$C_v = \text{specific heat capacity at constant volume.}$

$C_v$  data are difficult to find in the literature.  $C_p$  data are readily available in many materials handbook. The relation between  $C_p$  and  $C_v$  is, ref. [19] -pg 23:

$$C_{p_m} = C_{v_m} + \frac{\alpha^2 V_m T}{\kappa} \quad (\text{A.3.13})$$

where:  $C_{p_m} = \text{molar heat capacity at constant pressure}$

$\alpha = \text{volume coefficient of thermal expansion}$

$V_m = \text{molar volume}$

$T = \text{Temperature}$

$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{V_0} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_T = \text{compressibility}$$

$$= \frac{1}{K}$$

Substitution of  $\kappa = \frac{1}{K}$  into (A.3.13) yields for  $C_{v_m}$  :

$$C_{v_m} = C_{p_m} - \alpha^2 K V_m T_0 \quad (\text{A.3.14})$$

Substitution of  $3\beta = \alpha$  into (A.3.12) yields for  $\Gamma$ :

$$\Gamma = \frac{\alpha K}{\rho_0 C_v} \quad (\text{A.3.12a})$$

and the constant  $b = \frac{1 + \Gamma}{2}$  can be written as:

$$b = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha K}{2 \rho_0 C_v} \quad (\text{A.3.11a})$$

The shock propagation speed in terms of K and G is now determined by (2.7) (A.3.10) and (A.3.11a):

$$U_s = \left( \frac{K + \frac{4}{3} G}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha K}{2 \rho_0 C_v} \right) U_p \quad (\text{2.7a})$$

$U_s$  in terms of E and  $\nu$ :

$$U_s = a + b \cdot U_p \quad (\text{2.7})$$

with (A.3.1):

$$a = \left( \frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1 - \nu}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (\text{A.3.15})$$

Substitution of (A.3.5):

$$K = \frac{E}{3(1 - 2\nu)} \quad \text{into (A.3.12a) gives:}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\alpha E}{3(1 - 2\nu) \rho_0 C_v} \quad (\text{A.3.16})$$

and (eq. 2.7) can be written in terms of E and  $\nu$ :

$$U_s = \left( \frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{1 - \nu}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\alpha E}{6(1 - 2\nu) \rho_0 C_v} \right) U_p \quad (\text{2.7b})$$

where the value for the specific heat capacity  $C_v$  may be calculated from the molar heat capacity as given in (A.3.14):

$$C_v = \frac{1000}{\text{at wgt}} \cdot C_{v,m} \quad (\text{A3.14a})$$

APPENDIX 4: Defenition of Duvall's and Zwolinski's equation.

Duvall and Zwolinski [14] and Duvall [15] published a.o. two related reports on equations of state and on pressure – volume relations. In [14], 1955 D and Z give for the increase in internal energy of a shock front.

$$E = \int_0^T C_v dT + \int_{V_0}^V \left\{ T \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V - P \right\} dV \quad (A.4.1)$$

which may be converted into:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \left\{ T \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V - P \right\} dV \quad (A.4.2)$$

In [15], 1957, D gives for the increase in internal energy the equation:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_0}^{V_1} f(V) dV \quad (A.4.3)$$

In both reports use is made of the generalized form for the equation of state:

$$P = f(V) + T \cdot g(V) \quad (A.4.4)$$

From this equation follows:

$$\left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V = g(V) \quad (A.4.5)$$

So,  $f(V)$  can be written as:

$$f(V) = P - T \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V \quad (A.4.6)$$

and with (A.4.6) eq. (A.4.2) converts to

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_0}^{V_1} (-f(V)) dV,$$

rewritten:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV \quad (A.4.7)$$

A comparison of eq. (A.4.7) with (A.4.3) reveals that in the successive reports of

1955 and 1957 the integral boundaries are not consistent;  $V_0$  and  $V_1$  have exchanged their places. The question now is: what is the correct formula?

The answer is as follows:

The internal energy can be written as a function of two state variables:

$$E = E (V,T) \quad (\text{A.4.8})$$

In differential form:

$$dE = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial T}\right)_V dT + \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_T dV \quad (\text{A.4.9})$$

The first law of thermodynamics says:

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial T}\right)_V \equiv C_v dT \quad (\text{A.4.10})$$

Assuming  $C_v = \text{constant}$  (A.4.9) can be written as:

$$dE = C_v dT + \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_T dV \quad (\text{A.4.11})$$

In integral form:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_T dV \quad (\text{A.4.12})$$

Atkins, ref [16] –pg. 153 inferred from the first law of thermodynamics a so – called thermodynamic equation of state:

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_T = T \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V - P \quad (\text{A.4.13})$$

Using (A.4.13) eq. (A.4.12) can be converted into:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \left\{ T \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V - P \right\} dV \quad (\text{A.4.14})$$

and this is exactly the same equation as (A.4.2) which Duvall produced in 1955. So, it must be concluded that the equation (A.4.2) –1955– is correct and equation A (4.3) is incorrect. In this thesis, use is made of (A.4.2) and the rewritten form of it: eq. (A.4.7).



So:

$$E_1 - E_0 = C_v (T_1 - T_0) + \int_{V_1}^{V_0} f(V) dV$$

which goes into the text of the thesis as eq. (2.9).

**APPENDIX 5: Derivation of eq. (2.26).**

For the entropy in locus B on the isotherm AB holds:

$$S = S(V, T) \quad (\text{A.5.1})$$

in differential form:

$$dS = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T dV + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_V dT \quad (\text{A.5.2})$$

and for an isothermal change:

$$dS = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T dV \quad (\text{A.5.3})$$

Substitution of the Maxwell relation

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V \quad (\text{A.5.4})$$

into eq. (A.5.3) yields for the integral from A to B:

$$\int_{S_A}^{S_B} dS = \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V dV \quad (\text{A.5.5})$$

$$\text{with } g(V) \equiv \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \alpha K \quad (\text{2.19})$$

eq. (A.5.5) gives:

$$S_B - S_A = \int_{V_0}^{V_1} g(V) dV = \int_{V_0}^{V_1} \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \alpha K dV \quad (\text{2.26})$$





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## LIST OF SYMBOLS

$\eta$	energy efficiency; factor
$q''$	heat flow density
$m$	mass flow rate
$d_p$	diameter of a spray particle
$\rho$	density
$N$	number of particles
$N_1$	number of injected particles per second
$v$	velocity; traverse velocity of the torch
$w, w_*$	spray width
$D$	lamella diameter
$A_p$	surface per second, produced by $N_1$ spray particles
$N_2$	average number of lamellae on top of each other after one pass of the torch.
$A_s$	substrate area covered per second by the spray particles.
$t_{dep}$	deposition time
$n$	intensity of the particle bombardment
$\dot{N}_2$	number of particles per unit area of the substrate
$t_w$	waiting time in between two collisions of particles in the same trajectory
$t_{sol}$	solidification time
$X$	lamella thickness
$p$	Neumann and Schwartz parameter, constant.
$a$	thermal diffusivity
$U_p$	flight velocity of a spray particle
$S$	flight distance Index V: virtual Index L: liquid
$A$	area
$\lambda$	thermal conductivity
$c$	specific heat
$x$	coördinate

L	latent heat
$T_{s0}$	substrate temperature prior to the deposition of a particle
t	time
$T_M$	melting temperature
$\theta$	temperature
	Index      0:    substrate
	1:    solidified depot
	2:    molten spray material
$x_\alpha$	penetration depth of $\alpha$ -solid solution of Mo in Fe
k	penetration constant
$U_s$	shock wave propagation velocity
P	pressure
V	specific volume
E	specific internal energy
$\alpha$	volume coefficient of thermal expansion; $\alpha = 3\beta$
$\beta$	linear coefficient of thermal expansion
K	Bulk modulus
$\kappa$	Compressibility $\equiv 1/K$
E	Young's modulus
$C_v$	specific heat at constant volume
$\nu$	Poissons's ration
G	shear modulus
f(V)	function of V
g(V)	function of V
T	temperature
$T_0$	temperature of a spray particle at the moment of impact
$T_1$	temperature of compressed material
$V_1$	specific volume of compressed material
$V_0$	specific volume of spray material prior to the shock compression
$P_1 = P_H$	Hugoniot pressure
$P_i$	isothermal pressure
$P_a$	adiabatic pressure
s	Bridgeman parameter

$\rho, \rho_1$	density of the spray material in the compressed state
$\rho_0$	initial density
$S_1$	entropy in the compressed state
$S_0$	entropy in the initial state
$\Delta H_{\text{melt,m}}$	molar enthalpy of fusion
$T_f$	melting point of pressurized material
$\Delta V_{\text{melt,m}}$	molar volume change on melting
$\phi$	melting degree
$C_p$	specific heat at constant pressure
$\Delta E_{\text{th}}$	part of the kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ that is transformed into thermal energy
$\Delta E_{\text{pot}}$	part of the kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2} U_p^2$ that is transformed into potential energy
$a(t)$	contact face radius as function of time
$\dot{a}(t)$	contact face perimeter velocity as a function of time
$a_c$	critical radius of the contact face
$\dot{a}_c$	contact face perimeter velocity at the critical radius
$t_c$	critical time
$V$	Volume
$M$	Mach number = $U_p / U_s$
$\sigma$	surface tension
	adhesion strength

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## SUMMARY

This thesis is concerning with the process of plasma spraying of which some particular features are described as an introduction. Then the heat exchange of a spray particle with the substrate during the solidification is specified on the basis of commonly known heat conduction theory. For Mo on steel, the heat exchange is brought into relation with possible material transport across the contact interface.

In this thesis a theory is developed on the mechanical and thermodynamical collision phenomena which spray particles undergo during the deceleration at the substrate surface. The theory is based on the application of the Murnaghan equation of state and the entropic equations and the pressure – volume relations, developed by Duvall and Zwolinski.

The theory permits the determination of the relationship between the Hugoniot pressure and the temperature during the impact compression of the spray particle material.

From a comparison of the Hugoniot – temperature curves with the Clapeyron curve, which is the line that indicates the melting point of a material under increased pressure, it turns out that during the deceleration of a particle, a liquid solid transformation can take place. This transformation has a strong influence on the morphology of the spread particle and it's adhesion to the substrate.

The morphology of spread particles has been determined experimentally as a function of their velocity and the heat content, while the size range has been restricted to a certain sieve fraction. Impact velocity and heat content are varied independently from each other by the operation of a rotating substrate support. Four different types of spread particles are identified: incompletely deformed pancakes with a loose rim, flat firmly bound pancakes, pancakes with a loose

double layered rim and a flower type deposit. Mostly miscellaneous forms occur due to the random variation of the mentioned input parameter. The flower type deposits as the most complicated ones, are specifically observed to occur in relation with high thermal energy contents. The formation of these flowers can be explained on the basis of the produced theory.

The intrinsic strengths of the found morphologies have been measured. Diffusion bound pancakes appear to be superior to other geometries. They occur when high melting materials, such as Mo, are sprayed with a heat content corresponding to a state just below the melting point. This is not the case for materials such as stainless steel or Al. Stainless steel needs a high degree of super heating to reach a diffusion bond with the substrate.

The new method for the independent variation of impact velocity, heat content and particle size has been proven to be very elucidating.

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## SAMENVATTING

Dit proefschrift handelt over het plasma spuitproces waarvan karakteristieke bijzonderheden beschreven worden als inleiding tot de daarna volgende studie. Dan wordt de warmteuitwisseling van een spuitdeeltje met het substraat gedurende het stollen numeriek uitgewerkt voor de spuitmaterialen Mo en roestvrijstaal AISI – 316, op een stalen substraat. Hierbij wordt gebruik gemaakt van de algemeen gangbare theorie omtrent warmtegeleiding. Voor de combinatie van Mo op staal is nagegaan welke konsekventies de warmteuitwisseling heeft met betrekking tot een eventueel materietransport door diffusie over het contactvlak heen. In dit proefschrift wordt verder een theorie ontwikkeld die handelt over de mechanische en thermodynamische aspecten van de botsing die een spuitdeeltje ondergaat bij het treffen van het substraat. De theorie is gebaseerd op het gebruik van de Murnaghan toestandsvergelijking en de entropie en druk – volume relaties zoals ontwikkeld door Duvall en Zwolinski. De theorie leidt ertoe dat de relatie tussen de Hugoniot druk en de compressietemperatuur vastgesteld kan worden door berekening. Deze druk – temperatuur curven blijken snijpunten te vertonen met de Clapeyron curve, welke aangeeft hoe het smeltpunt verloopt bij stijgende druk. Het zich snijden van deze curven houdt in, dat er tijdens de compressiefase van de botsing een fasenovergang van vloeistof naar amorf vaste stof zal plaats hebben. Deze fasenovergang heeft een grote invloed op de vorm van de gedeformeerde spuitdeeltjes na de botsing en op hun adhesie met het substraat. De morfologie van uiteengespatte deeltjes is experimenteel bepaald als functie van hun snelheid en hun warmte inhoud. Daarbij is gebruik gemaakt van een nauw begrensde zeeffractie van het poeder om de derde belangrijke ingangs parameter, de afmeting van de poederkorrel, zo goed mogelijk vast te leggen. De botssnelheid en de warmte inhoud van de spuitdeeltjes zijn

onafhankelijk van elkaar gevarieerd door gebruik te maken van een roterende proefstukhouder. Vier verschillende typen van gespreide spuitmaterie kunnen worden onderscheiden: onvolledig gedeformeerde pannenkoeken met een los zittende rand, stevig aan het substraat gebonden pannenkoeken, pannenkoeken met een los zittende, uit een dubbellaag bestaande rand en een depot in de vorm van bloembladen. Meestal komen mengvormen voor die toe te schrijven zijn aan de onvermijdelijke variatie in de ingangs parameters. Het depot van het bloembladtype is het meest gecompliceerde. Het treedt op in relatie met een hoge warmte inhoud. De formatie van deze bloembladstructuur kan met behulp van de ontwikkelde model theorie verklaard en voorspeld worden. De intrinsieke hechtsterkten van de verschillende morfologieën zijn gemeten. Het blijkt dat de diffusie gebonden pannenkoeken superieur zijn. Zij treden op bij hoog smeltende materialen zoals Mo, als deze verspoten worden met een warmte inhoud die correspondeert met een temperatuur juist beneden het smeltpunt. Bij materialen met een laag tot gemiddeld hoog smeltpunt ten opzichte van het stalen substraat, treedt deze pannenkoek binding niet op. Deze materialen moeten hoog oververhit worden om hechting op staal tot stand te brengen. De nieuwe methode voor de onafhankelijke variatie van botsnelheid en warmte inhoud bij een nagenoeg vastgelegde korreldiameter, levert een goed inzicht op in de invloed van de parameters op het botsgedrag en derhalve in het tot stand komen van een plasma gespoten coating.



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## Stellingen

- 1 Een diffuse stroomdoorgang van een atmosferische boogontlading in argon wordt bevorderd door koeling van het anode materiaal.  
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Dit proefschrift.
- 3 De mechanische opmenging van deklaag- en substraatmateriaal die ontstaat bij thermisch spuiten wordt veelal aangeduid als een door diffusie bepaald verschijnsel.  
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- 4 Hechting van thermische spuitdeeltjes komt primair tot stand door laterale deformatie van het spuitmateriaal tijdens de botsing.  
Dit proefschrift.
- 5 Indien effectief rendement van ontwikkelingshulp gewenst is, dient overwogen te worden deze vooral op die landen te richten, die intellectueel in staat zijn om de geboden hulp te verwerken tot structurele verbeteringen van hun economische situatie. Een voorbeeld van een dergelijk land zou India kunnen zijn.
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