

## 35-7 EXPANSION AND FRAGMENTATION OF METAL CYLINDERS DRIVEN BY CYLINDRICALLY EXPLODING DETONATION GAS

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Cylindrically diverging detonation waves are generated using a wire-explosion technique, and they are applied to expand metallic cylinders (low-carbon steel and 304 stainless steel) axially almost uniformly at very high strain rates of above  $10^4 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . In this system, a column of high explosive PETN is installed coaxially inside a cylinder specimen and initiated at the central axis by exploding fine copper wires using an impulsive discharge current from a capacitor bank. Hydro codes have simulated the observed behavior of the cylinders, examining the dynamic stress-strain relations and the fracture criteria. Most of the fragments of the exploded cylinders are recovered successfully, and the circumferential fracture spacing is investigated using sizes of fragments and the Grady's fragmentation model.

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