

# **Surface treatments for tribology**

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# 1. Objective

The main objective is to explore many potential techniques to minimize severe wear

### 2. Short summary of the main wear

If your boss provides you in the mechanical properties of

a tribo-pair, can you calculate the wear rate?

#### 3.1 Abrasive wear by plastic deformation

$$\frac{\frac{w_v}{s} = k_{ab} \cdot \frac{F_N}{H} *}{k_{ab}} = \frac{2 \cdot f_{ab} \tan \alpha}{\pi} *$$

$$\frac{k_{ab}}{H} = K \Rightarrow K = \frac{w_v}{S \cdot F_N} \quad \left[\frac{mm^3}{m \cdot N}\right]$$

W<sub>v</sub>: the volume loss due to wear, s is the sliding distance

F<sub>N</sub>: the normal load on the conical particle

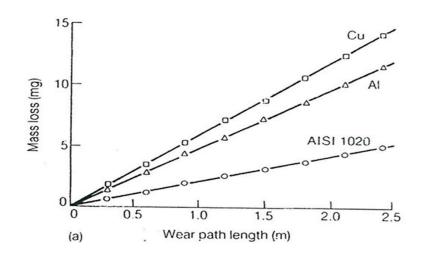
H: the hardness of the wearing surface

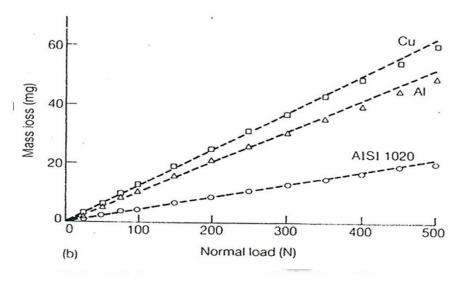
 $\alpha$ : the attack angle of the abrasive particle

K<sub>ab</sub>: the wear coefficient (dimensionless)

K: Wear rate  $\frac{mm^3}{m.N}$ 

$$f_{ab} = 1 - \frac{A_1 + A_2}{A_v}$$





- \* Rabinowich 1965
- \* Zum Gahr 1967

#### 3.2. Abrasive wear by brittle fracture

$$\frac{w_{v}}{S} = \alpha \cdot \frac{F_{N}^{5/4}}{K_{C}^{1/2} \cdot H^{5/8}}$$

W<sub>v</sub>: the volume loss due to wear

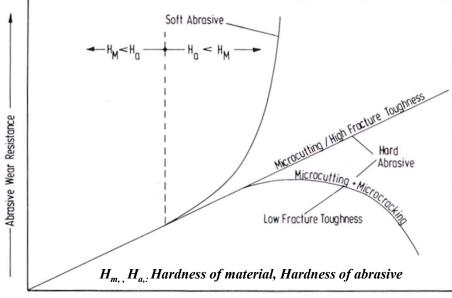
S: the sliding distance

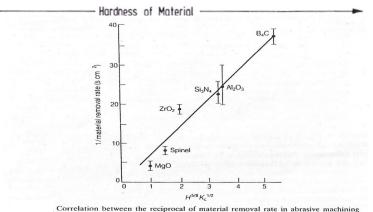
 $F_N$ : the normal load on the conical particle

H: the hardness of the wearing surface

 $\alpha$ : constant depends on the geometrical conditions

K<sub>c</sub>: the fracture toughness of material





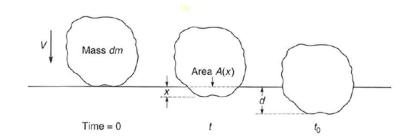
Correlation between the reciprocal of material removal rate in abrasive machining (i.e. two-body abrasion) and the quantity  $H^{SB}$   $K_c^{1/2}$ , for several ceramic materials (from Evans A G and Marshall D B, in Rigney D. A. (Ed.), Fundamentals of Friction and Wear of Materials, ASM, 1981, pp. 439–452)

<sup>\*</sup> Zum Gahr 1987 \*\* Hutchings 1992

#### 3.3. Erosion wear by plastic deformation

$$w_{v} = \frac{m_{er}.U^2}{2.H}^*$$

$$E = \frac{\text{mass of material removed}}{\text{mass of erosive particles striking}} = \frac{K}{H} \cdot \left[ \frac{\rho \cdot U^2}{2} \right]$$



$$E = \frac{K_1 \cdot \rho \cdot U^2}{H} \cdot f(\alpha)$$

m<sub>er</sub>: mass of erodent particle

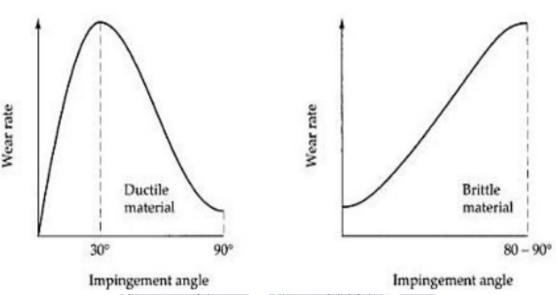
 $\boldsymbol{W}_{\boldsymbol{v}}$  : the volume loss due to wear

U : Particle velocity

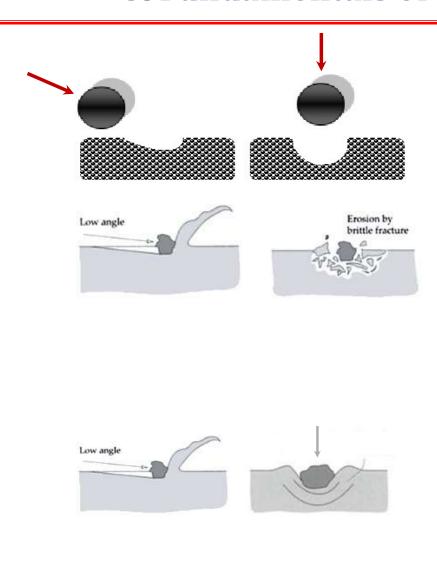
H: Material hardness

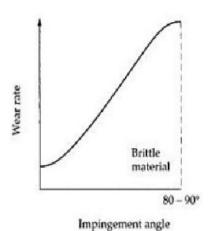
K: dimensionless wear coefficient

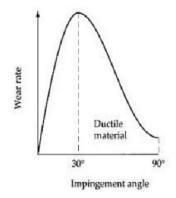
 $\rho$ : mass density wear material



Engineering Tribology (3rd Edition). Gwidon W. Stachowiak and Andrew W. Batchelor. Butterworth-Heinemann, Boston, 2001-Chapter 11







#### 3.4. Erosion wear by brittle fracture (semi-empirical)

$$\frac{E}{\rho} \propto \mathbf{r}^{0.7} \cdot U^{2.4} \cdot \frac{\sigma^{0.6} \cdot H^{0.1}}{K_c^{1.3}}$$

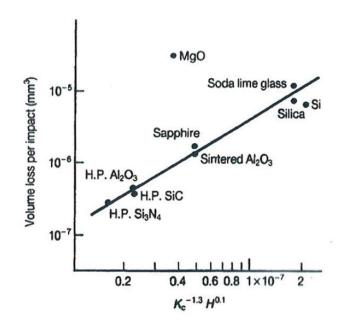
r : radius of particle U : Particle velocity

 $\sigma$ : density of erosive particle in time unite

H: Material hardness

Kc: the fracture toughness of material

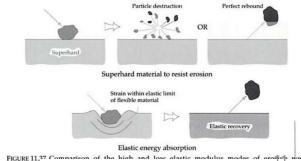
ρ : mass density of particle E: erosion rate (dimensionless)



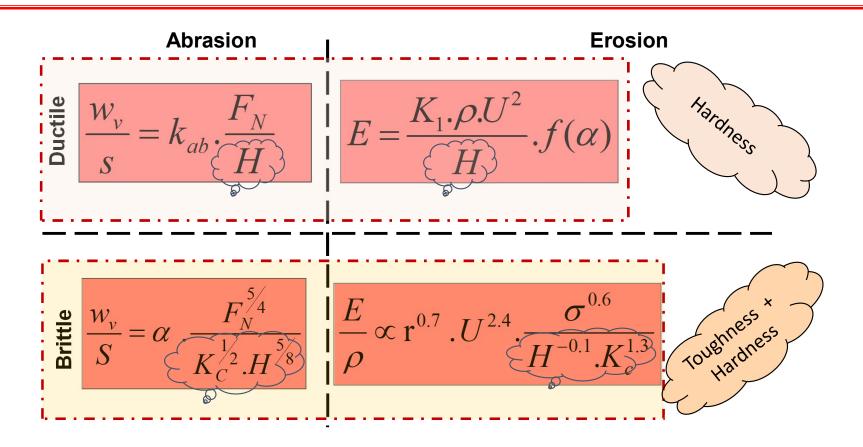
<sup>\*</sup> As for abrasion, a correlation with function of H and  $K_{\rm IC}$ . (this hold only for erodent particles which hard enough to cause a lateral fracture)

#### • Parameters selected in erosion wear models (Meng 1995)

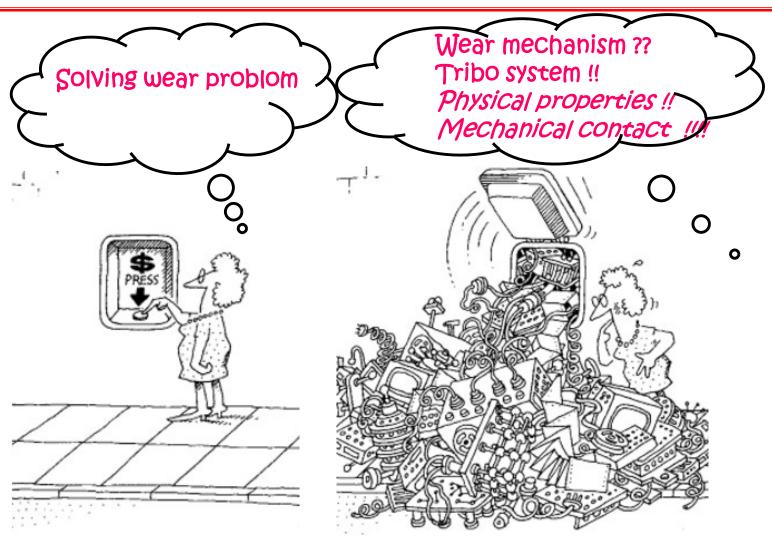
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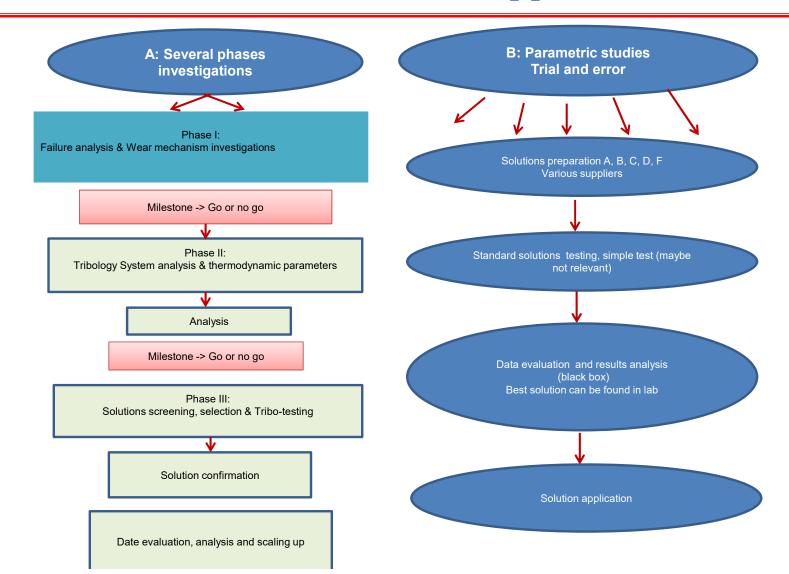
H.C. Meng, K.C. Ludema, Wear models and predictive equations: their form and content, Wear 181-183 (1995) 443-457



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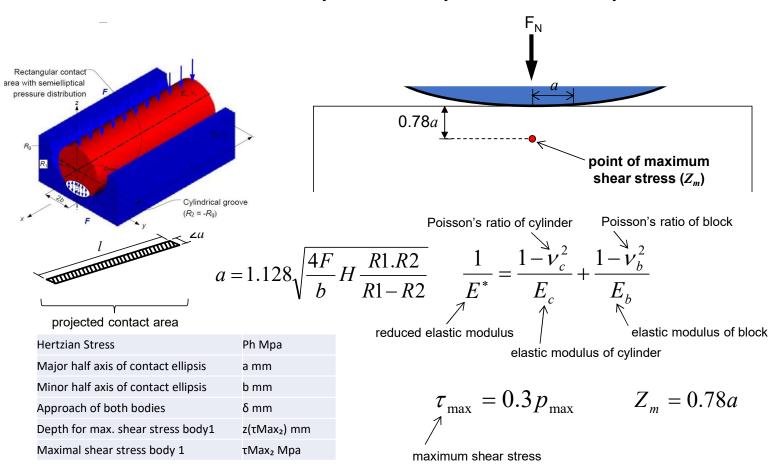


### Point of view of the problem provider

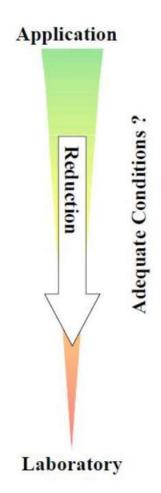


Wear is always an unwished event whatever is the mechanism

Elastic normal contact between a cylinder and a cylinder – Hertz theory



Category	Measurement an	d Testing Technology	System, Assembly, Model
I	Operational trials	field test	11101
П	and tests that are similar to operation conditions. Original system struture. Stress collective simplified.	bench test	
Ш		unit test	
IV		component test	
V	Model structure	test specimen test	<b>CO-</b>
VI	and simple stress.	model test	



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# **Example of wear events**



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# 5. Several techniques to minimize wear

#### **Abrasion wear:**

- √ Hardness of the stressed body at least 1.3 higher than the counter body
- √ Hard phases, e.g. carbides in tough matrix (e.g. cast iron)
- ✓ If counter material is harder: Tougher material

### Abrasive wear with brittle behaviour:

- ✓ Material with high toughness and hardness (compromise)
- √ Homogeneous materials (e.g. rolling bearing steel)
- ✓ Residual compressive stress in surface areas

# 5. Several techniques to minimize wear

### Adhesive wear:

- ✓ lubrication (EP additives, avoiding of starving lubricating film, ...)
- ✓ avoid metal/metal pairing; instead: plastic/metal, ceramic/metal etc.
- ✓ for metallic pairings: CFC with hex cell unite (solubility!)
- ✓ materials with heterogeneous microstructure

#### **Tribo-corrosion:**

- ➤ no metals, at most precious metals
- intermediate materials and surrounding medium without oxidising components

# 5. Several techniques to minimize wear

The pertinent question is: what kind of coating have I to apply to protect my component? Example in water turbine blades, can we avoid a brittle behaviour?





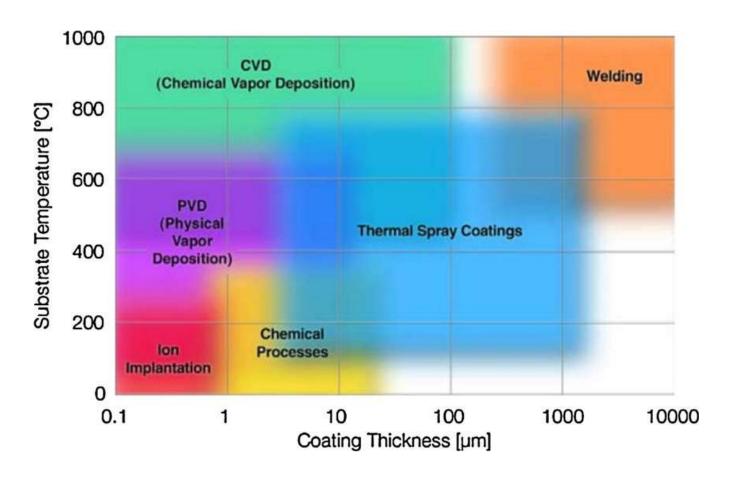


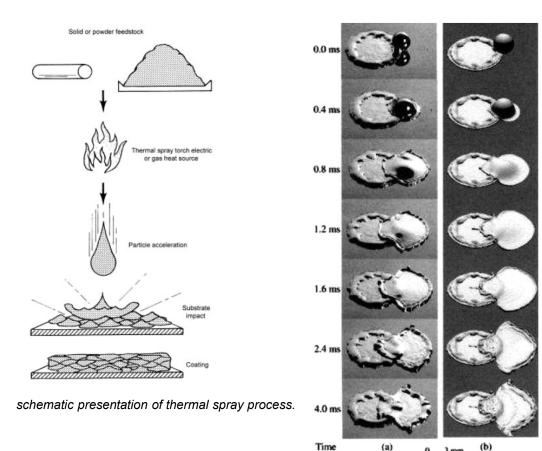
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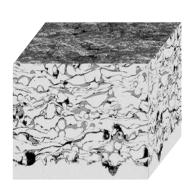
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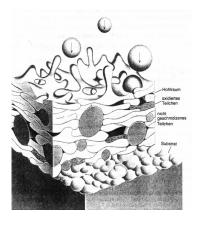
- I) where to apply it?
- II) what is the tribo-system dominated?

Different coating solutions: coating thickness vs. substrate temperature



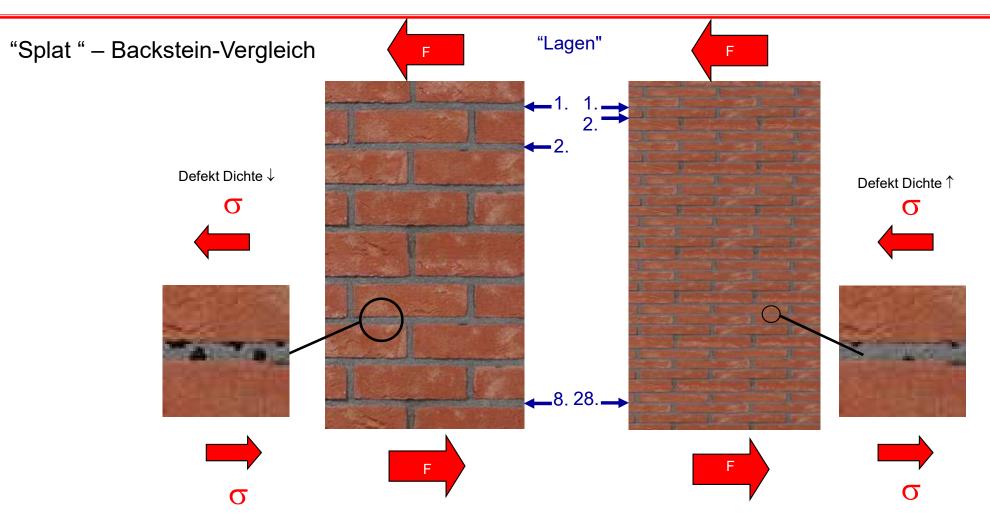




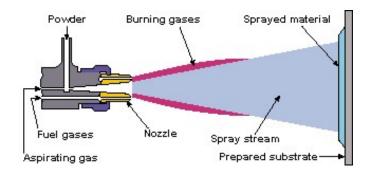


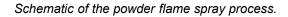
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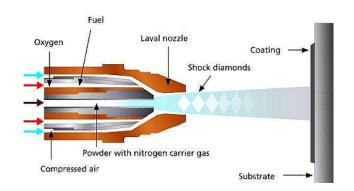
Comparison between experimental results (a) and numerical modelling (b) Obtained by Mostaghimi et al.



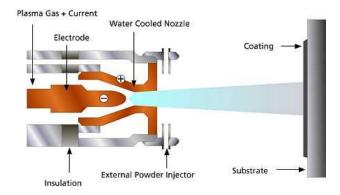
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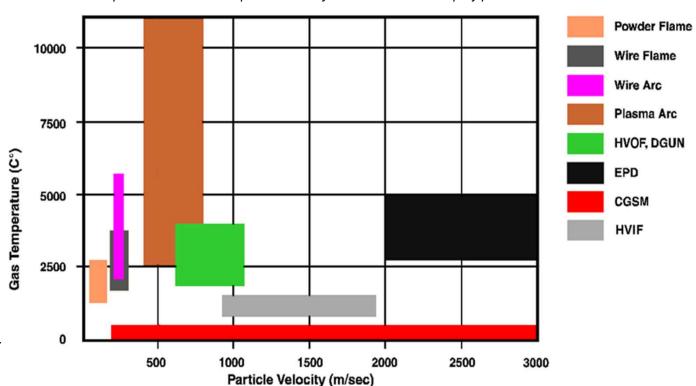


schematic presentation of High Velocity Oxy-Fuel spraying process.



schematic presentation of plasma spray process.

Gas temperature in function of particle velocity for different thermal spray processes.



 $HVOF: High-velocity\ oxygen/fuel.$ 

HVAF: High-velocity air/fuel.

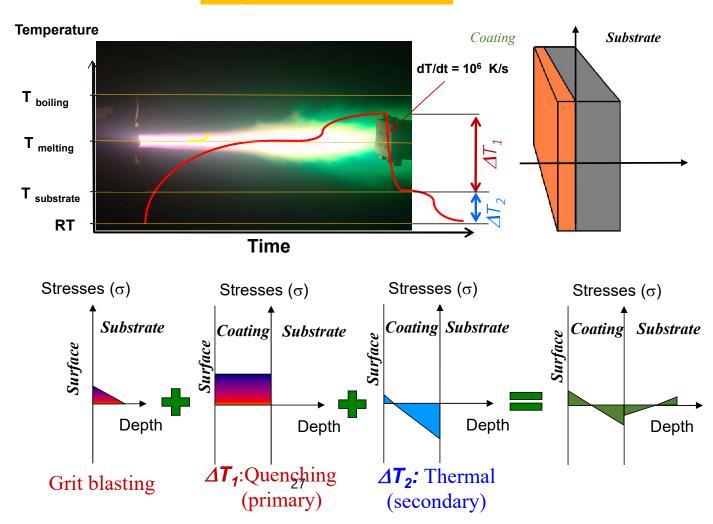
HVIF: High-velocity impact forging .

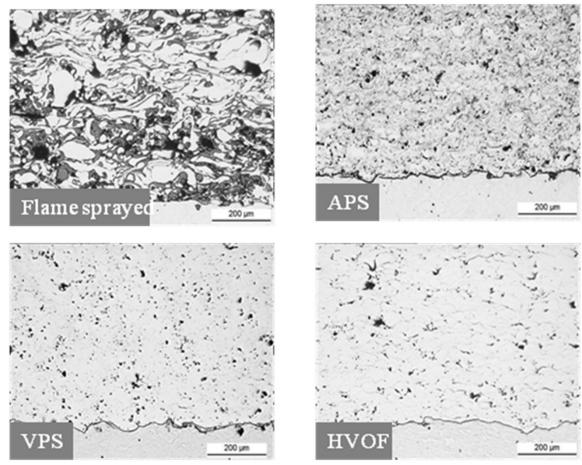
CGSM: Cold Gas Spray Method .

EPD: Electromagnetic Powder Deposition.

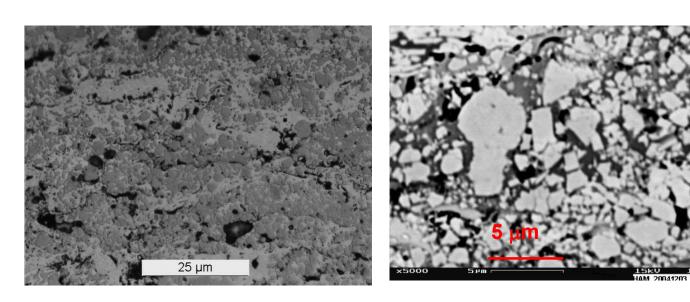
DGUN: Detonation- Gun spraying.

### Origine of residual stress





Microstructure of different coatings process of the same powder of NiCr 80-20 and steel substrate.



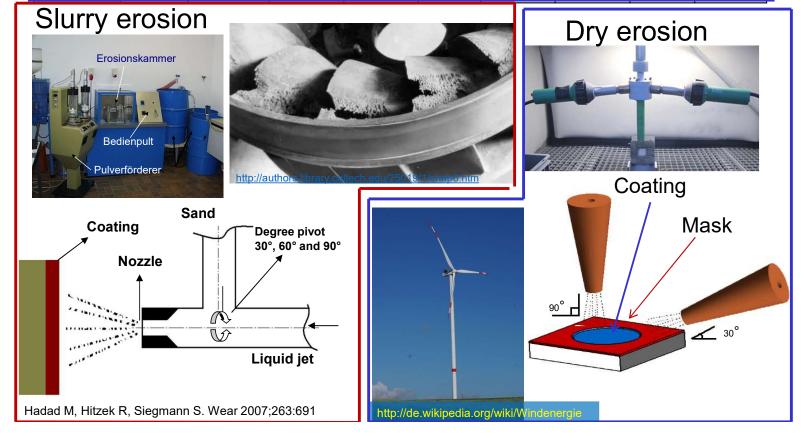


WC-Co thermally sprayed coating on a steel substrate

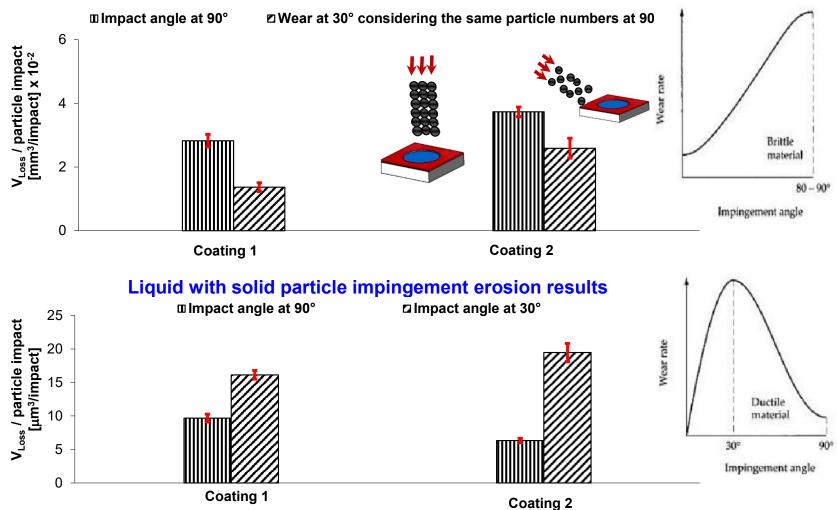




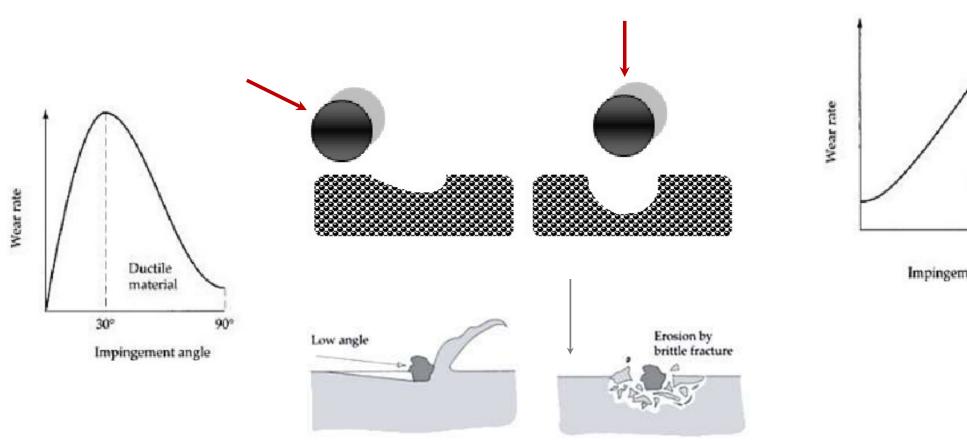
Test	Erodent	Erodent size	Flow rate (water)	Flow rate (erodent)	Velocity	Stand off distance	Nozzle diameter	Pressure	Exposure time
	material	μm	l/min	g/min	m/s	mm	mm	bar	min
Slurry erosion	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	45-75	13.6	9.52	147	100	1.4	250	38
Dry erosion	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	500-1000		378	12	70	7.5	3.5	25

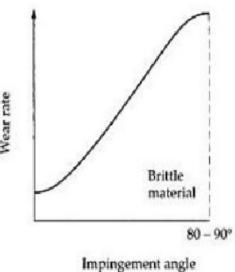


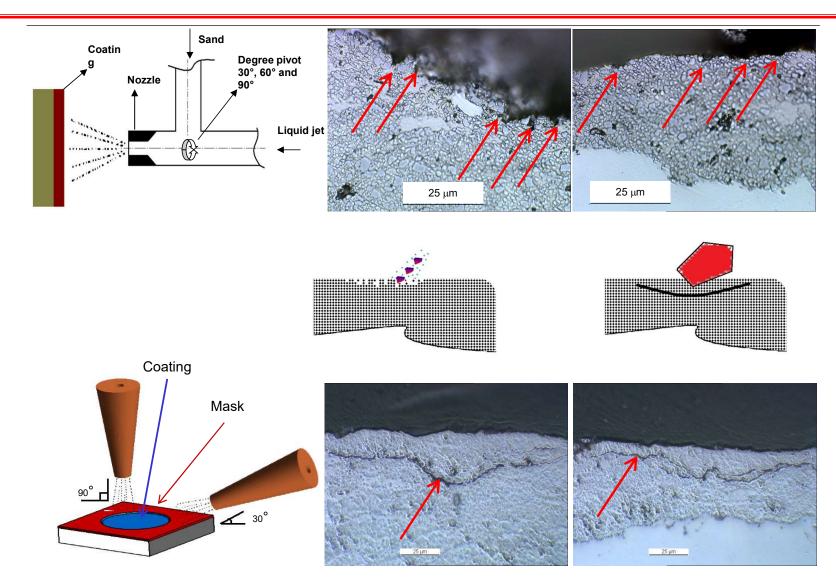
#### Dry erosion results at 30° and 90°



Hadad, 2007, wear

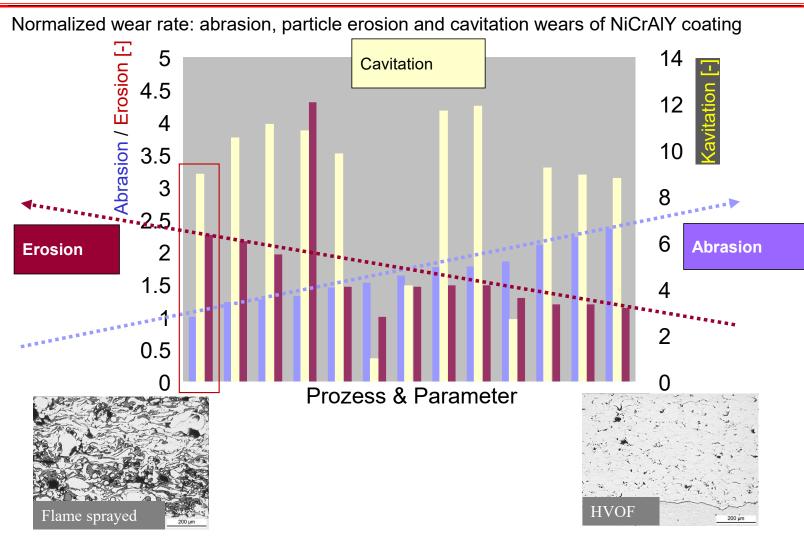




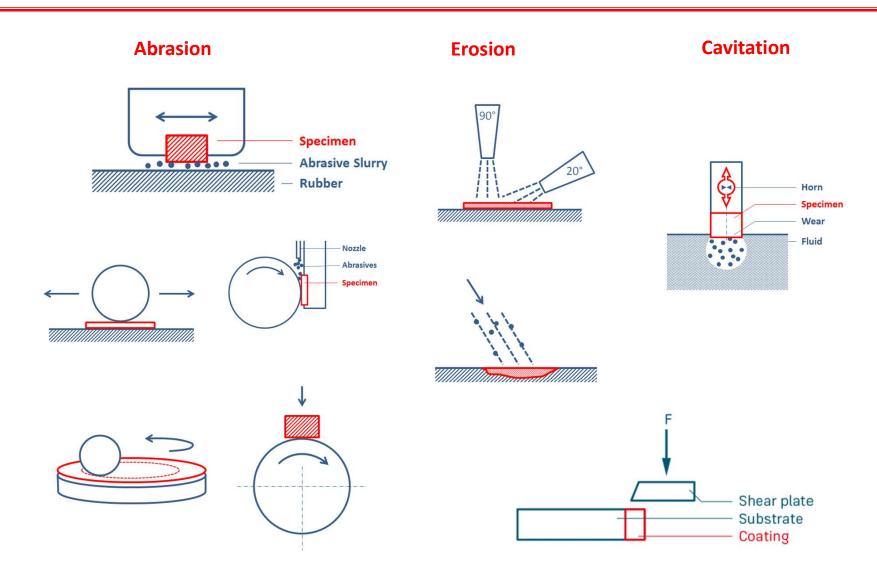


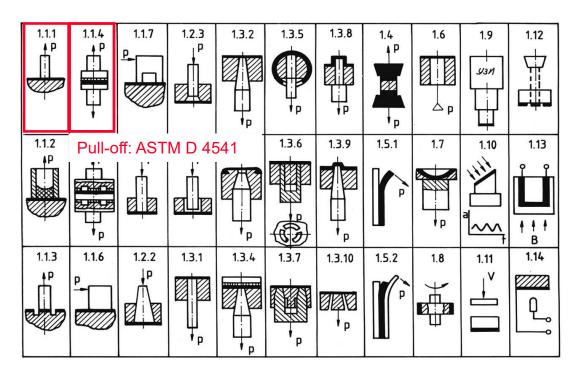
- **1. In abrasion:** the microstructural features of the TS coating is essential to accelerate wear, since the discrete interfaces of inter-splats could lead to weaken the coating cohesion compared to bulk
- **2. In erosion:** the difference in coating behaviors (ductile/ brittle) subjected to erosion was mainly due to **tribo-system** (particle size, and speed) and **wear mechanism** as a major factor. The mechanical properties of materials showed a minor influence.
- 3. These study cases are few extents to show that the wear is not only depending on the mechanical properties, but also strongly on the **hydrodynamic parameters** of the **tribosystem**, **microstructural** features, and **wear mechanism**

### 8. Wear of thermal spray coatings

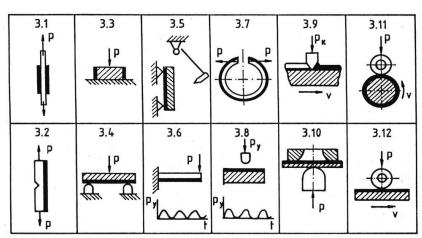


# 8. Wear of thermal spray coatings



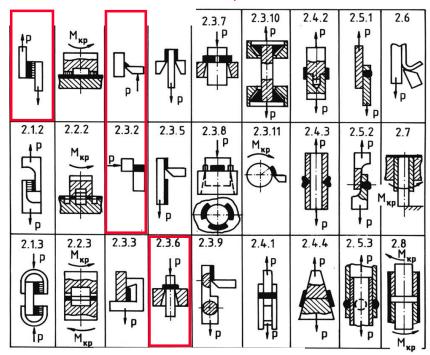


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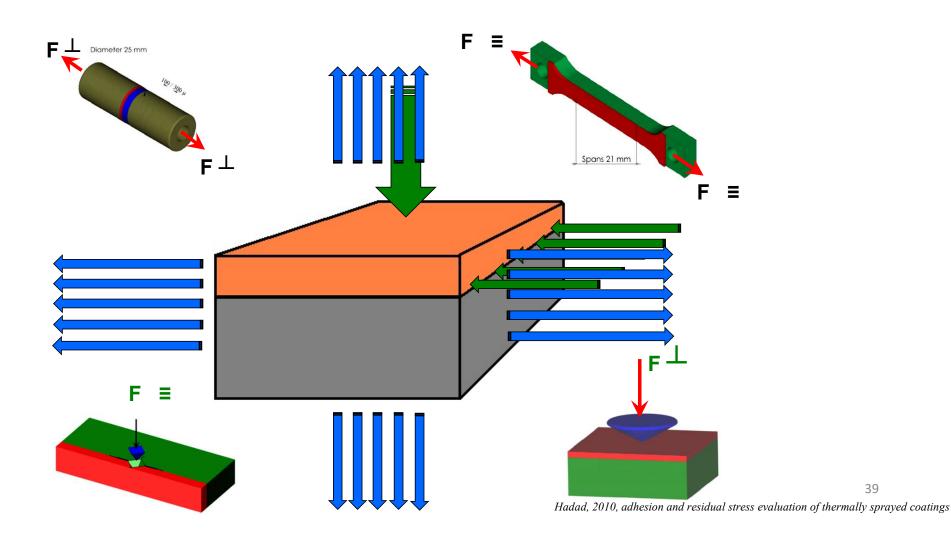


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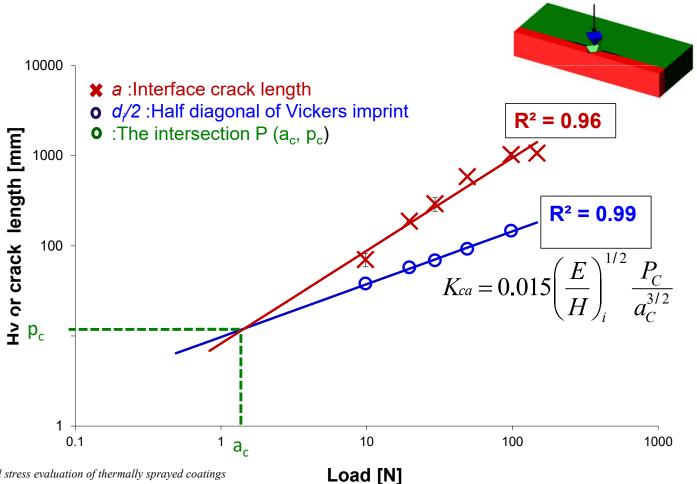
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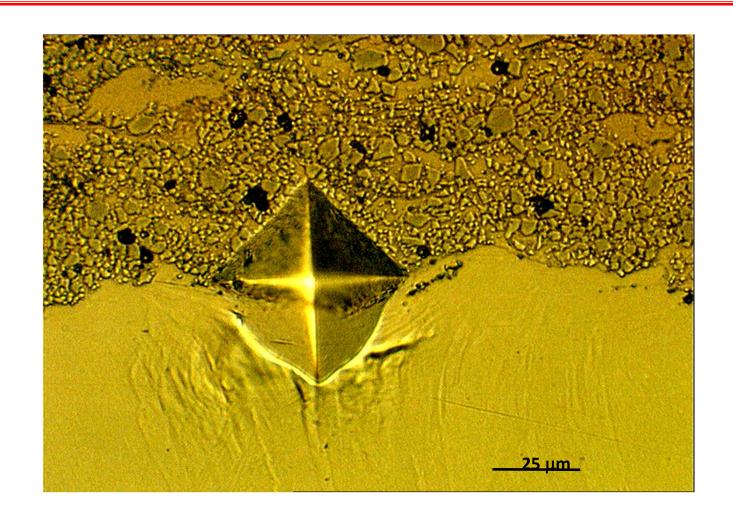


Alter Schertest: DIN 50161



Meaningful of adhesion values: Interface indentation tests





### **Questions?**





### **Swiss Tribology Symposium**

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