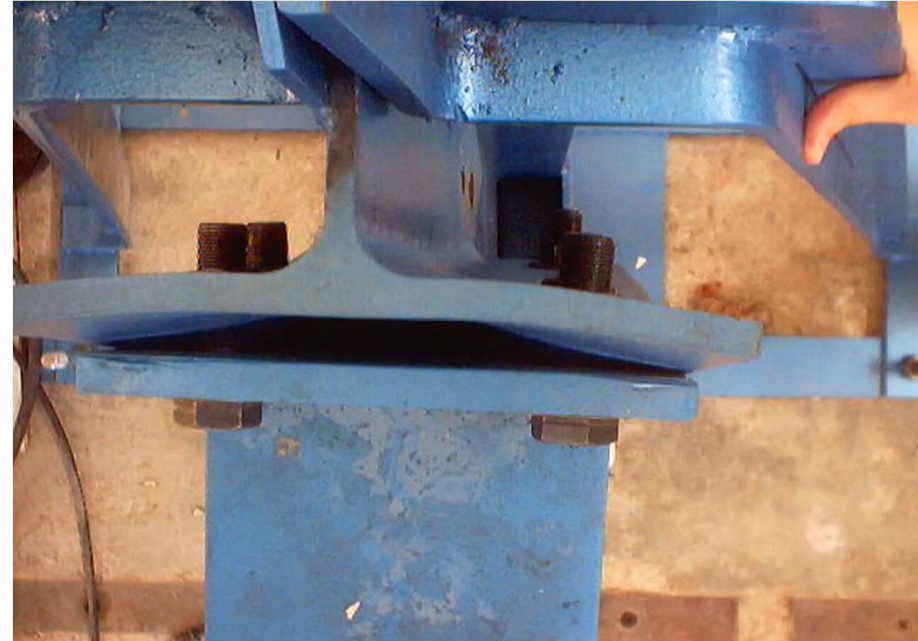
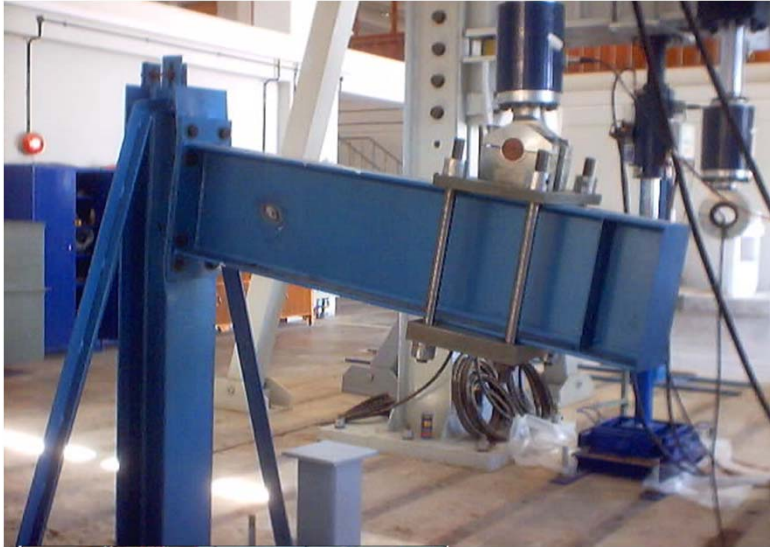




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Mechanical experiments

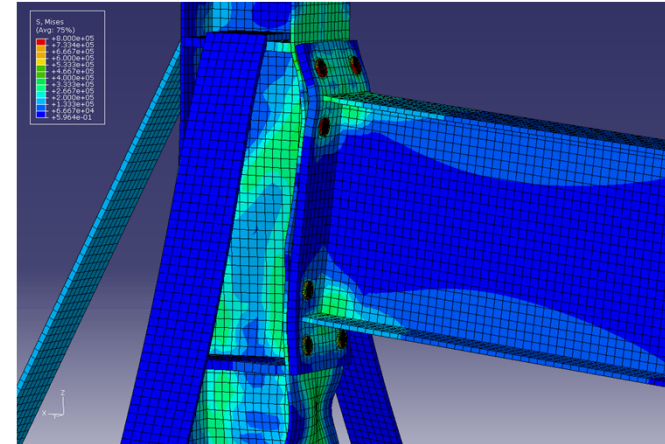
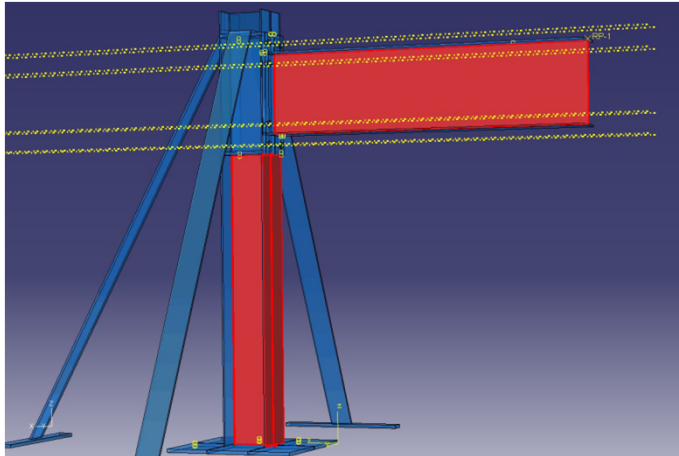


Interface opening as well as plastic deformation are clearly seen

Experiments conducted at JUST by Prof. K.M. Abdalla and his team

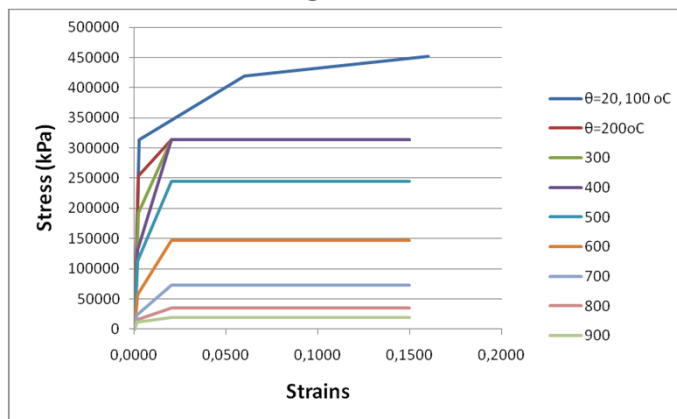


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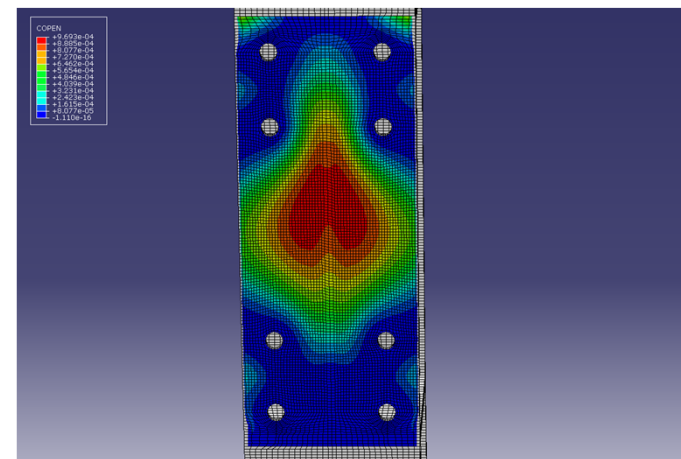


Unilateral effects due to mechanical loads

Thermal loading

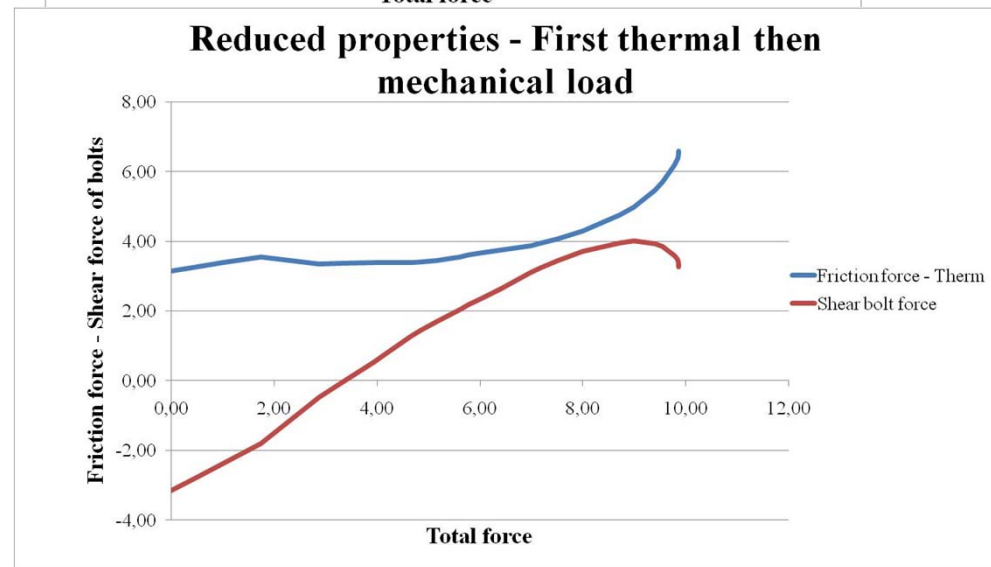
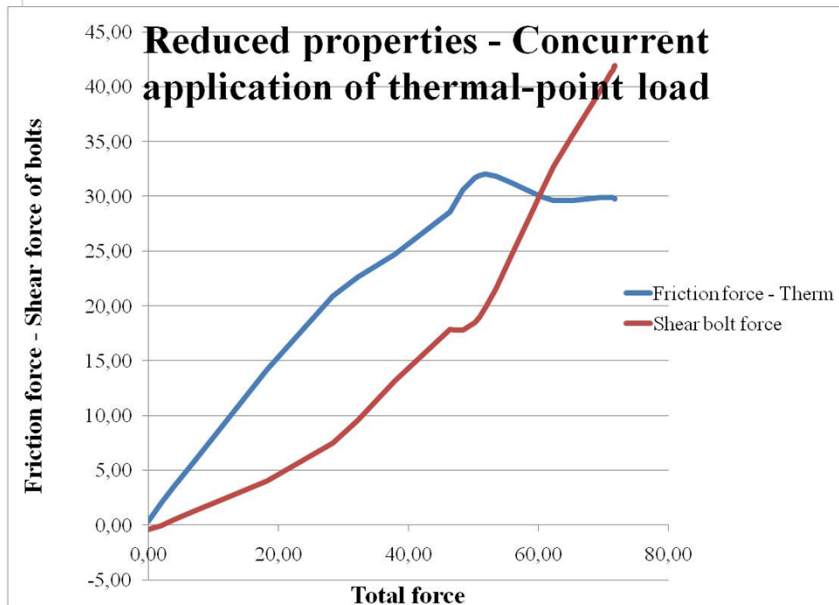
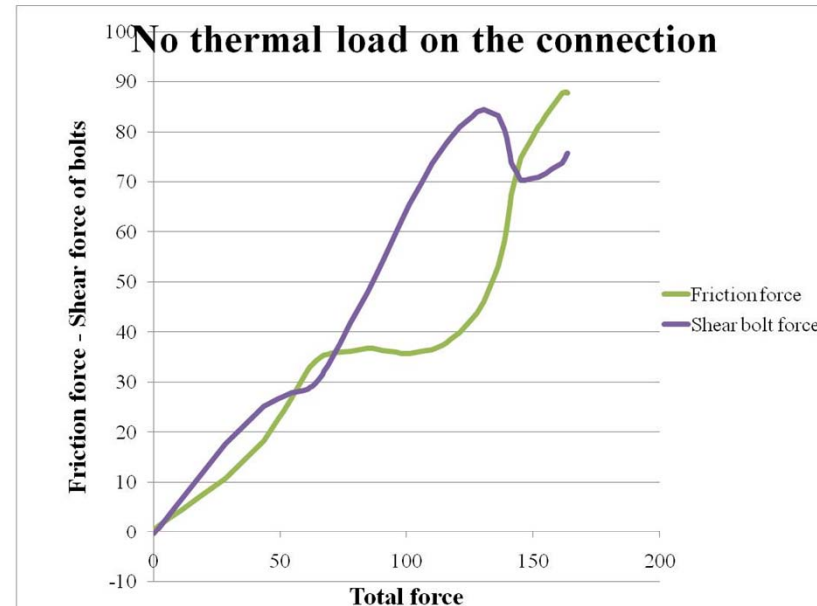
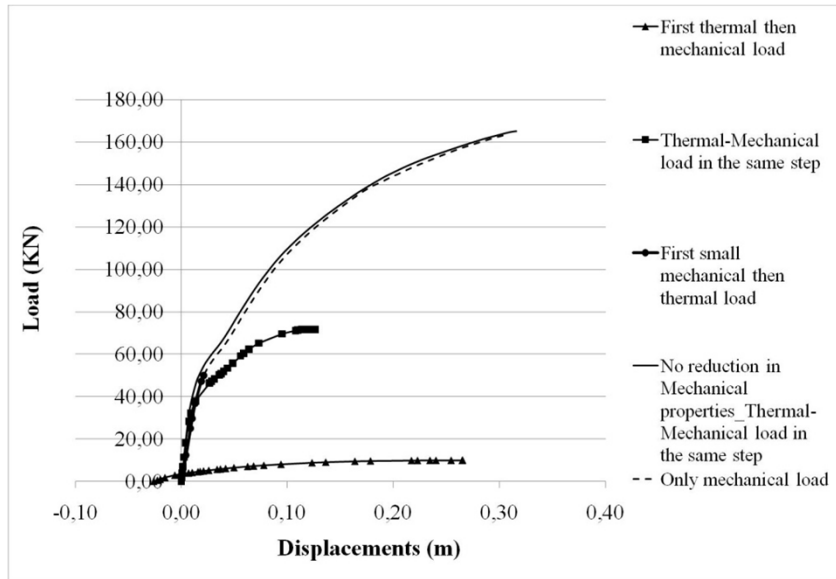


Thermal dependance of constitutive laws



Unilateral opening due to thermal loading

Results



Comparison of various diagrams: load-displacement curves, influence of heating on the friction_force – shear_bolt_force equilibrium