

Preface

Dynamic Behavior of Materials, Volume 1: Proceedings of the 2014 Annual Conference on Experimental and Applied Mechanics represents one of the eight volumes of technical papers presented at the 2014 SEM Annual Conference & Exposition on Experimental and Applied Mechanics, organized by the Society for Experimental Mechanics and held in Greenville, SC, June 2–5, 2014. The complete proceedings also includes volumes on: *Challenges In Mechanics of Time-Dependent Materials; Advancement of Optical Methods in Experimental Mechanics; Mechanics of Biological Systems and Materials; MEMS and Nanotechnology; Composite, Hybrid, and Multifunctional Materials; Fracture, Fatigue, Failure and Damage Evolution; and Experimental and Applied Mechanics.*

Each collection presents early findings from experimental and computational investigations on an important area within Experimental Mechanics Dynamic Behavior of Materials being one of these areas.

The Dynamic Behavior of Materials track was initiated in 2005 and reflects our efforts to bring together researchers interested in the dynamic behavior of materials and structures and provide a forum to facilitate technical interaction and exchange. In the past years, this track has represented an ever growing area of broad interest to the SEM community, as evidenced by the increased number of papers and attendance.

The contributed papers span numerous technical divisions within SEM, which may be of interest not only to the dynamic behavior of materials community but also to the traditional mechanics of materials community.

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