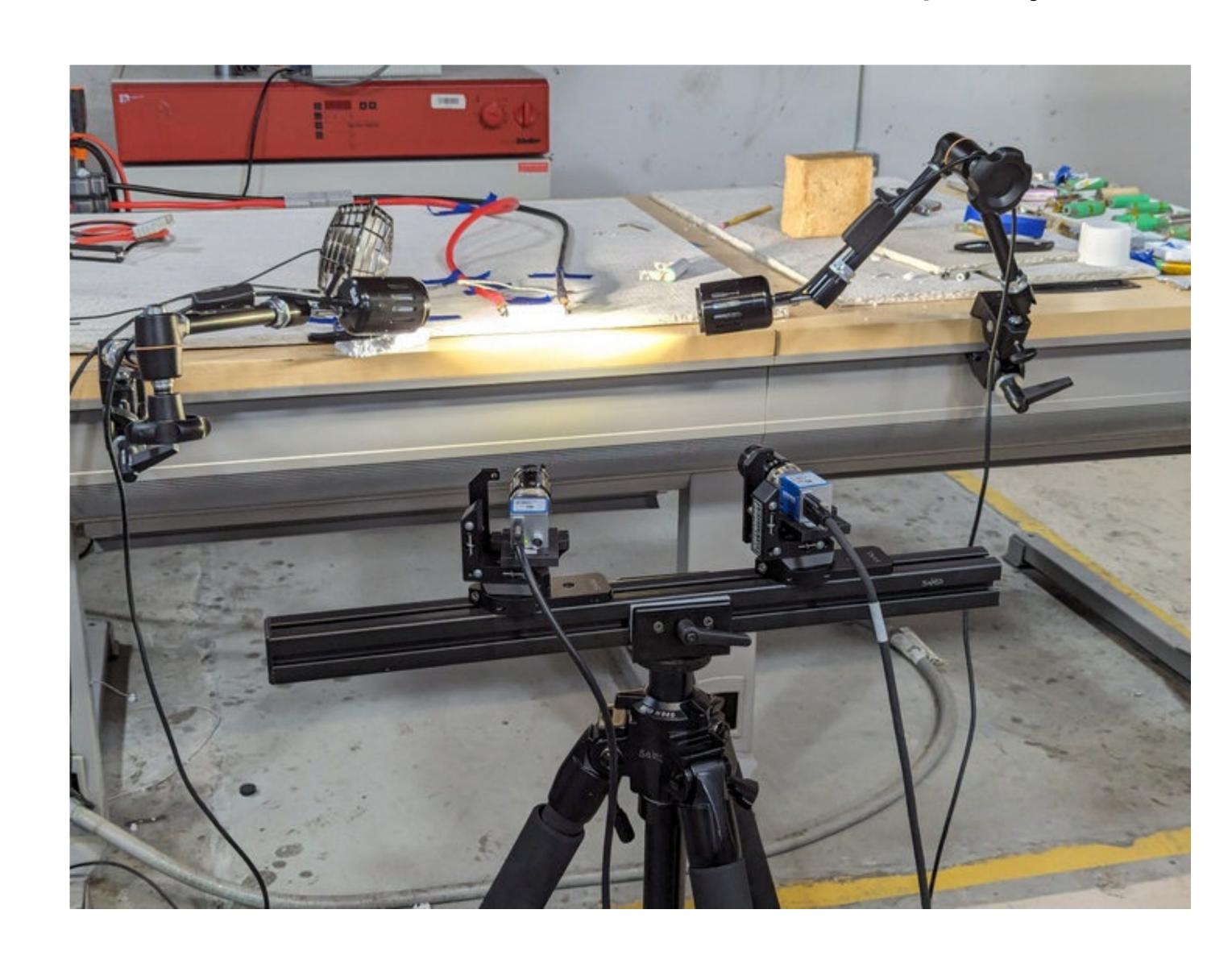
Battery Expansion Measured with Digital Image Correlation

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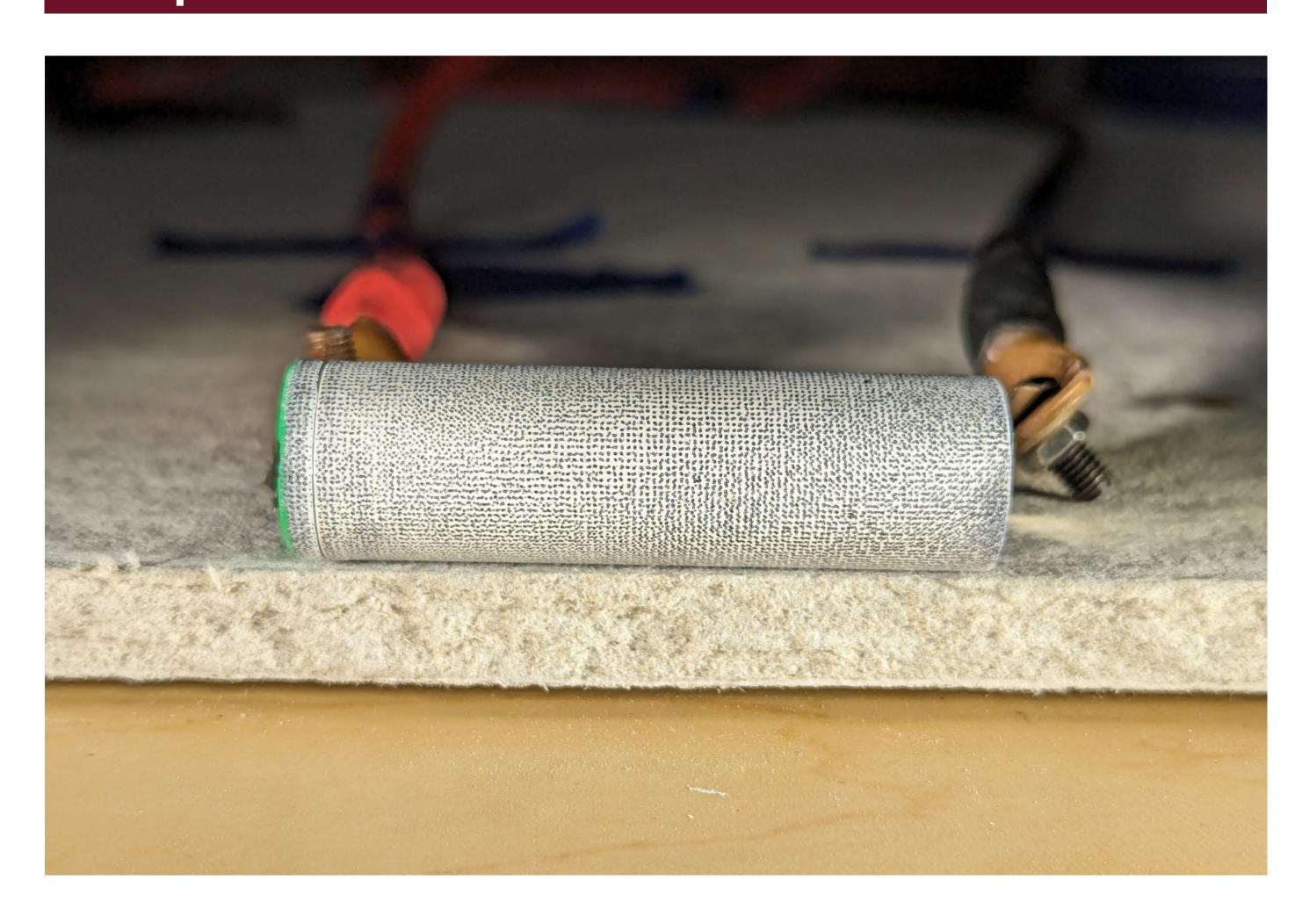
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Overview

- Digital Image Correlation (DIC) is a non contacting measurement method that produces full field strain and deformation readings.
- This test was performed using a 3D DIC system to monitor strain on a battery while it was discharged at high current causing the battery to heat up and expand.
- At a certain point the pressure inside the battery will cause the Current Interrupt Device (CID) to activate preventing the battery from combusting but also making it unusable.
- Understanding the limits of these batteries will allow them to be used to their full capacity.



Setup



- For a 3D DIC system two cameras are mounted in stereo to capture images while the battery was discharged.
- Two 5 megapixel cameras with 50mm lenses were used along with polarizing filters on the lights and lenses to reduce glare.
- A speckle pattern was applied to the battery using a stamp.
- The temperature of the battery was recorded as well using a thermocouple.

Results

- The battery reached a maximum stress of about 1500 micro strain and a maximum temperature of around 55° C.
- The Eyy data is shown below at 0 seconds and 160 seconds. The stress is greatest at the CID.

