Fatigue Made Easy

Historical Introduction

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# **Shakespheare Made Easy**

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# Romeo and Juliet



#### Original

Nurse Now God in heaven bless thee! Hark you sir.

Romeo What say'st thou, my dear nurse?

Nurse Is your man secret? Did you ne'er hear say Two may keep counsel, putting one away?

**Romeo** I warrant thee my man's as true as steel.

#### Translation

Nurse May God in heaven bless you! But listen, sir – [She beckons him to come nearer]

Romeo Yes, dear Nurse?

Nurse Is your man trustworthy? Did you never hear it said, "Two can keep a secret if one doesn't know it"?

Romeo I guarantee my man's as true as steel.

Shakespheare Made Easy, Alan Durband, Hutchinson & Co Ltd, London, 1985

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# 19<sup>th</sup> Century

| 1829 | Albert          | Repeated Loads            |
|------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1839 | Poncelet        | "fatigue"                 |
| 1843 | Rankine         | Stress Concentrations     |
| 1860 | Wohler          | Systematic Investigations |
| 1886 | Baushinger      | Cyclic Deformation        |
| 1890 | Goodman         | Mean Stresses             |
| 1903 | Ewing & Humfrey | Fatigue Mechanisms        |



## The first major transportation disaster-Versailles accident of May 11, 1842

## Versailles



### 'The Times', May 11, 1842

"I have this day to announce to you one of the most frightful events that has occurred in modern times.... The train of the left bank was unusually long; ... from 1500 to 1800 passengers. On arriving between Meudon and Bellevue the axle tree of the first engine broke. ... The second engine ... passed over it, and the boiler burst ... The carriages arrived of course, and passed over the wreck, when six of them were ... instantly ignited. Three were totally consumed, ... without the possibility of escape to the unhappy inmates, who were locked up ... The number of killed is variously estimated (between 40 and 80)."





## Typical broken axle of the 1840s



#### Fig 1. Classic appearance of a fatigue cracked railway axle from Glynn, 1844.

## Expert opinions of the time

- "I never met one which did not present a crystallization fracture..."
- "the principal causes ... are percussion, heat and magnetism"
- "the change ... may take place instantaneously"
- "steam can speedily cause iron to become magnetic"

### Rankine 1820 - 1872



#### Trained as a civil engineer

## William Rankine's second paper

- Stated that deterioration of axles is gradual
- "the fractures appear to have commenced with a smooth, regularly-formed, minute fissure, extending all round the neck of the journal, and penetrating on an average to a depth of half an inch. ... until the thickness of sound iron in the center became insufficient to support the shocks to which it was exposed."



- "In all the specimens the iron remained fibrous; proving that no material change had taken place in the structure"
- He noted that fractures occurred at sharp corners
- He recommended that the journals be formed with a large curve in the shoulder (which is exactly right!)

### Wöhler 1819 - 1914



**Prussian Railway Service** 

Work done before the development of the metallurgical microscope

Critical value of stress below which failure will not occur





Wöhler circa 1850



Fatigue Dynamics circa 2000

### Wöhler Observations

- Steel will rupture at stress less than the elastic limit if the stress is repeated a sufficient number of times
- Stress range rather than maximum stress determines the number of cycles
- There appears to be a limiting stress range which may be applied indefinitely without failure
- As the maximum stress increases, the limiting stress range decreases

## Bauschinger 1834 - 1893





Cyclic Behavior of Materials Bauschinger Effect Natural Elastic Limit



Mechanics Applied to Engineering John Goodman, 1890

"... whether the assumptions of the theory are justifiable or not .... We adopt it simply because it is the easiest to use, and for all practical purposes, represents Wöhlers data.



FIG. 517.

### 1903 - Ewing and Humfrey



Cyclic deformation leads to the development of slip bands and fatigue cracks



N = 10,000 N = 40,000  $N_f = 170,000$ 

Ewing and Humfrey (1903) The Fracture of Metals Under Repeated Alterations of Stress, *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society*, A, Vol 221, 241-253

## Their Description of Fatigue

The course of the breakdown was as follows: The first examination, made after a few reversals of the stress, showed slip lines on some of the crystals ... after more reversals of stress additional slip lines appeared ..... After many reversals they changed into comparatively wide bands with rather hazily defined edges ... some parts of the crystals became almost covered with dark markings .... at this stage some of the crystals had cracked.

Once an incipient crack forms across a set of crystals, the effect of further reversals is mainly confined to the neighborhood of the crack tip.



| 1920 | Griffith        | Fracture Mechanics |
|------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1945 | Miner           | Cumulative Damage  |
| 1954 | Coffin & Manson | Plastic Strains    |
| 1961 | Paris           | Crack Growth       |
| 1963 | Peterson        | Strain-Life Method |
| 1967 | Endo            | Cycle Counting     |

# Circa 1910 Data Acquisition







### Griffith 1893-1963



Circa1920 studied scratches and the effect of surface finish on fatigue for the Royal Aircraft Establishment

$$\sigma\sqrt{\pi a} = \sqrt{2\gamma E}$$

Griffith (1920) The Phenomena of Rupture and Flow in Solids, *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society*, A, 221, 163-198





The phenomenon of cumulative damage under repeated loads was assumed to be related to the net work absorbed by a specimen

"proved" linear damage rule

Miner (1945) Cumulative Damage in Fatigue, Journal of Applied Mechanics, Vol. 12, 1945, A159-A164

### 1954 - Coffin and Manson



Manson (1953) Behavior of Materials Under Conditions of Thermal Stress, NACA Technical Note 2933 Coffin (1954) A Study of the Effects of Cyclic Thermal Stress on a Ductile Metal, *Transactions ASME*, Vol. 76, 931-950





Paris (1963) The Fracture Mechanics Approach to Fatigue, Proceedings of the Tenth Sagamore Army Materials Conference, 107-132

#### **1963 Peterson**



Peterson (1963) Fatigue of Metals: Part 3 Engineering and Design Aspects, *Materials Research and Standards*, 122-139







图6. 重量滥实顶值。系列值。



# What could be more basic than learning to count correctly?

Matsuishi and Endo (1968) Fatigue of Metals Subjected to Varying Stress – Fatigue Lives Under Random Loading, Proceedings of the Kyushu District Meeting, JSME, 37-40

### 1980's – Software Development



Development of the local strain approach.

Fatigue crack growth modeling established





- Integrated Systems
- Gigacycle Fatigue
- Micro/nano Fatigue
#### **Integrated Systems**







Fig. 2 A typical stepwise S-N curve for a carburized steel.<sup>3</sup>

Murakami, Nomoto, and Ueda, "Fracture Mechanisms and Fracture Mechanics at Ultrasonic Frequencies" *Fatigue and Fracture of Engineering Materials and Structures*, Vol. 22, No. 7, 1999, 581-590 **Fatigue Seminar** © 2002-2011 Darrell Socie,, All Rights Reserved

### Micro/ Nano Fatigue





Takashima and Higo, "Fatigue and Fracture of a Ni-P Amorphous Alloy Thin Film on the Micrometer Scale",Fatigue and Fracture of Engineering Materials and Structures, Vol. 28, No. 8, 2005, 703-710Fatigue Seminar© 2002-2011 Darrell Socie,, All Rights Reserved

## **Things Worth Remembering**

- The physics of fatigue has been well known for over 100 years
- Application of this knowledge still poses challenges

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#### **Physics of Fatigue Damage**

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## Size Scale for Studying Fatigue



#### The Fatigue Process

- Crack nucleation
- Small crack growth in an elastic-plastic stress field
- Macroscopic crack growth in a nominally elastic stress field
- Final fracture

#### 1903 - Ewing and Humfrey



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N = 40,000  $N_f = 170,000$ 

Ewing, J.A. and Humfrey, J.C. "The fracture of metals under repeated alterations of stress", *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society*, Vol. A200, 1903, 241-250

N = 10,000

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## Slip Band in Copper



Polak, J. Cyclic Plasticity and Low Cycle Fatigue Life of Metals, Elsevier, 1991

#### **Slip Band Formation**







Ma, B-T and Laird C. "Overview of fatigue behavior in copper sinle crystals –II Population, size, distribution and growth Kinetics of stage I cracks for tests at constant strain amplitude", Acta Metallurgica, Vol 37, 1989, 337-348

#### **Crack Initiation at Inclusions**



Langford and Kusenberger, "Initiation of Fatigue Cracks in 4340 Steel", Metallurgical Transactions, Vol 4, 1977, 553-559

#### Subsurface Crack Initiation



Y. Murakami, Metal Fatigue: Effects of Small Defects and Nonmetallic Inclusions, 2002

### Fatigue Limit and Strength Correlation



From Forrest, Fatigue of Metals, Pergamon Press, London, 1962

#### **Crack Nucleation Summary**

- Highly localized plastic deformation
- Surface phenomena
- Stochastic process

#### Surface Damage



# 20-25 austenitic steel in symmetrical push-pull fatigue (20°C, $\Delta \epsilon_p/2=\pm 0.4\%$ ) : short cracks on the surface and in the bulk

From Jacques Stolarz, Ecole Nationale Superieure des Mines Presented at LCF 5 in Berlin, 2003

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#### Stage I Crack Growth





Stage I crack is strongly affected by slip characteristics, microstructure dimensions, stress level, extent of near tip plasticity



Crack growth controlled by the notch plastic strains

#### Small Crack Growth









Inconel 718  $\Delta \varepsilon = 0.02$  $N_f = 936$ 

N = 900

#### **Crack Length Observations**



### **Crack - Microstructure Interactions**



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#### Strain-Life Data



Most of the life is spent in microcrack growth in the plastic strain dominated region



Locally, the crack grows in shear Macroscopically it grows in tension





Plastic zone size is much larger than the material microstructure so that the microstructure does not play such an important role.

#### **Crack Growth Rates of Metals**



Material strength does not play a major role in fatigue crack growth





#### **Crack Closure**





#### Mode I, Mode II, and Mode III





#### Mode I Growth









— crack growth direction


#### 1045 Steel - Torsion



# Things Worth Remembering

- Fatigue is a localized process involving the nucleation and growth of cracks to failure.
- Fatigue is caused by localized plastic deformation.
- Most of the fatigue life is consumed growing microcracks in the finite life region
- Crack nucleation is dominate at long lives.

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#### **Characterization of Materials**

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Stress Life Curve
Fatigue Limit
Strain Life Curve
Cyclic Stress Strain Curve
Crack Growth Curve
Threshold Stress Intensity





Bending stress:  $\sigma = \frac{Mc}{I}$ 





The fatigue limit is usually only found in steel laboratory specimens





Damage 
$$\propto \Delta S^{10}$$

## Fatigue Limit Strength Correlation



From Forrest, Fatigue of Metals, Pergamon Press, London, 1962

## Fatigue Limit Strength Correlation



### **SN** Materials Data



## **Strain Controlled Testing**





# Cyclic Hardening / Softening





### Strain-Life Data $\sigma - \epsilon$



During cyclic deformation, the material deforms on a path described by the cyclic stress strain curve

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## **Cyclic Stress Strain Curve**





## **Elastic and Plastic Strain-Life Data**





### **Transition Fatigue Life**



From Dowling, Mechanical Behavior of Materials, 1999



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## **Crack Growth Testing**



# Stress Concentration of a Crack



Traditional material properties like tensile strength are not very useful for cracked structures

### **Stress Intensity Factor**



$$\mathsf{K} = \sigma \sqrt{\pi \mathsf{a}}$$

K characterizes the magnitude of the stresses, strains, and displacements in the neighborhood of a crack tip

Two cracks with the same K will have the same behavior

### **Crack Growth Measurements**



#### **Crack Growth Data**





#### **Threshold Stress Intensity**



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Non-propagating Crack Sizes

Small cracks are frequently semielliptical surface cracks

$$\Delta K_{TH} > \Delta \sigma 1.12 \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{\pi a}$$
$$a_{c} = 0.63 \left(\frac{\Delta K_{TH}}{\Delta \sigma}\right)^{2}$$

Smooth specimen fatigue limit  $\approx \frac{\sigma_u}{2}$ 

$$a_{c} = 2.52 \left( \frac{\Delta K_{TH}}{\sigma_{u}} \right)^{2}$$

#### Non-propagating Crack Sizes



#### Stable Crack Growth



#### **Crack Growth Data**



Ferritic-Pearlitic Steel:

 $\frac{da}{dN} = 6.9 \times 10^{-12} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{3.0}$ 

Martensitic Steel:

$$\frac{da}{dN} = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{2.25}$$

Austenitic Stainless Steel:

$$\frac{da}{dN} = 5.6 \times 10^{-12} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{3.25}$$

Barsom, "Fatigue Crack Propagation in Steels of Various Yield Strengths" Journal of Engineering for Industry, Trans. ASME, Series B, Vol. 93, No. 4, 1971, 1190-1196

# Things Worth Remembering

<u>Method</u> Stress-Life Strain-Life Crack Growth Physics Crack Nucleation Microcrack Growth Macrocrack Growth <u>Size</u> 0.01 mm 0.1 - 1 mm > 1mm
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### Similitude

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# Why Fatigue Modeling Works !

The "Similitude Concept" allows engineers to relate the behavior of small-scale cyclic material test specimens, defined under carefully controlled conditions, to the likely performance of real structures subjected to variable amplitude fatigue loads under either simulated or actual service conditions.

### Fatigue Analysis Techniques

Stress - Life BS 7608, Eurocode 3 Strain - Life Crack Growth



<u>Method</u> Stress-Life BS 7608 Strain-Life Crack Growth Physics Crack Nucleation Crack Growth Microcrack Growth Macrocrack Growth <u>Size</u> 0.01 mm 1 - 10 mm 0.1 - 1 mm > 1mm

## **Stress-Life Fatigue Modeling**







The Similitude Concept states that if the instantaneous loads applied to the 'test' structure (wing spar, say) and the test specimen are the same, then the response in each case will also be the same and can be described by the material's S-N curve. Due account can also be made for stress concentrations, variable amplitude loading etc.





#### Major Assumptions:

- Most of the life is consumed nucleating cracks
- Elastic deformation
- Nominal stresses and material strength control fatigue life
- Accurate determination of K<sub>f</sub> for each geometry and material



#### Advantages:

- Changes in material and geometry can easily be evaluated
- Large empirical database for steel with standard notch shapes



#### Limitations:

- Does not account for notch root plasticity
- Mean stress effects are often in error
- Requires empirical K<sub>f</sub> for good results

### **BS 7608 Fatigue Modeling**







The Similitude Concept states that if the instantaneous loads applied to the 'test' structure (welded beam on a bulldozer, say) and the test specimen (standard fillet weld) are the same, then the response in each case will also be the same and can be described by one of the standard BS 7608 Weld Classification S-N curves.





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Major Assumptions:

- Crack growth dominates fatigue life
- Complex weld geometries can be described by a standard classification
- Results independent of material and mean stress for structural steels



#### Advantages:

- Manufacturing effects are directly included
- Large empirical database exists



#### Limitations:

Difficult to determine nominal stress and weld class for complex shapes

No benefit for improving manufacturing process

### Strain-Life Fatigue Modeling







The Similitude Concept states that if the instantaneous strains applied to the 'test' structure (vehicle suspension, say) and the test specimen are the same, then the response in each case will also be the same and can be described by the material's e-N curve. Due account can also be made for stress concentrations, variable amplitude loading etc.





- Major Assumptions:
  - Local stresses and strains control fatigue behavior
  - Plasticity around stress concentrations
  - Accurate determination of K<sub>f</sub>



- Advantages:
  - Plasticity effects
  - Mean stress effects



#### Limitations:

- Requires empirical K<sub>f</sub>
- Long life situations where surface finish and processing variables are important

### **Crack Growth Fatigue Modeling**





The Similitude Concept states that if the stress intensity (K) at the tip of a crack in the 'test' structure (welded connection on an oil platform leg, say) and the test specimen are the same, then the crack growth response in each case will also be the same and can be described by the Paris relationship. Account can also be made for local chemical environment, if necessary.







- Major Assumptions:
  - Nominal stress and crack size control fatigue life
  - Accurate determination of initial crack size



#### Advantage:

Only method to directly deal with cracks



#### Limitations:

Complex sequence effects

Accurate determination of initial crack size

### **Choose the Right Model**

- Similitude
  - Failure mechanism
  - Size scale



- Safe Life
- Damage Tolerant





Choose an appropriate risk and replace critical parts after some specified interval





Cycles

Inspect for cracks larger than a<sub>1</sub> and repair



#### A Boeing 777 costs \$250,000,000

A new car costs \$25,000

For every \$1 spent inspecting and maintaining a B 777 you can spend only 0.01¢ on a car

# **Things Worth Remembering**

- Questions to ask
  - Will a crack nucleate ?
  - Will a crack grow ?
  - How fast will it grow ?
- Similitude
  - Failure mechanism
  - Size Scale

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Variability

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Take a loading history that produces "average" fatigue damage and multiply it by a scale factor to obtain the distribution of loads.

#### **Gumble Probability Plot**



#### **Maximum Load Correlation**



## Variability in Fatigue Lives



### Variability in Loading



#### Statistical Variability of Fatigue Life



Sinclair and Dolan, "Effect of Stress Amplitude on the Variability in Fatigue Life of 7075T6 Aluminum Alloy" Transactions ASME, 1953

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### Variability in Strength and Life

$$\frac{\Delta S}{2} = S'_{f} (N_{f})^{b} \quad b \approx 1/10$$

Suppose  $S'_{f}$  has a COV = 0.1

The variability in N<sub>f</sub> will be:

$$\text{COV}_{N_{f}} = \sqrt{\left(1 + \text{COV}_{S_{f}}^{2}\right)^{2} - 1} = \sqrt{\left(1 + (0.1)^{2}\right)^{10^{2}} - 1} = 1.3$$

A 10% variation in strength results in a factor of 20 in fatigue life

#### Strain Life Data for 980X Steel





#### σ<sub>f</sub> Distribution







- Pit Size
- Bolt Preload Force
- Surface Roughness

### **Pits That Initiated Cracks**



#### 7010-T7651

#### **Pre-corroded specimens**

300 specimens

246 failed from pits

Crawford et.al."The EIFS Distribution for Anodized and Pre-corroded 7010-T7651 under Constant Amplitude Loading" *Fatigue and Fracture of Engineering Materials and Structures*, Vol. 28, No. 9 2005, 795-808

#### **Pit Size Distribution**



#### Variability in Bolt Force



#### Preload force in bolts tightened to 350 Nm

#### Surface Roughness Variability



#### Variability Summary



COV 
$$C = \sqrt{\prod_{i=1}^{n} (1 + C_{X_i}^2)^{a_i^2} - 1}$$

Largest variability dominates



## **Things Worth Remembering**

- Fatigue data inherently contains a lot of variability
- The variability is predictable and quantifiable

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#### **Mean Stress**

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- Tensile mean stresses reduce the fatigue life or decrease the allowable stress range
- Compressive mean stresses increase the fatigue life or increase the allowable stress range







Fatigue damage is a shear process

Tensile mean stresses open microcracks and make sliding easier





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$$S_{\text{ultimate}} = S_{\text{min}} + 2 \Delta S$$



FIG. 517.







# Modified Goodman (no yielding)



#### Mean Stress Influence on Life



#### **Stress Concentrations**



The elastic material surrounding the plastic zone around a stress concentration forces the material to deform in strain control


Nominal mean stress is less than notch mean stress

Nominal mean stress is greater than notch mean stress

# **Morrow Mean Stress Correction**



# **Smith Watson Topper**



# **Mean Stress Relaxation**



FIG. 7—Cyclic softening and relaxation of mean stress under Neuber control (Ti-8Al-1Mo-IV,  $K_t = 1.75$ ).

Stadnick and Morrow, "Techniques for Smooth Specimen Simulation of Fatigue Behavior of Notched Members" ASTM STP 515, 1972, 229-252





Load History A



Load History B

# **Test Results**







ASTM STP 1389,2000, 3-38

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### Crack open



#### Crack closed



Compressive stresses are not very damaging in crack growth

# Sources of Mean/Residual Stress

- Loading History
- Fabrication
- Shot Peening
- Heat Treating



Tension overloads produce favorable compressive residual stress

Compressive overloads produce unfavorable tensile residual stress



## Fabrication



# **Cold Expansion**

### 1965 Basic Cx process conceptualized (Boeing)



Courtesy of Fatigue Technology Inc.

# **Theory of Cold Expansion**



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# Fatigue Life Improvement



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Residual stress in a shot peened leaf spring

# **Shot Peening Results**



www.metalimprovement.com





50 mm diameter induction hardened 1045 steel shaft

# **Things Worth Remembering**

- Local mean stress rather than the nominal mean stress governs the fatigue life
- Mean stress has the greatest effect on crack nucleation

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## **Stress Concentrations**

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# **Stress Concentration Factor**



# Define $K_{\sigma}$ and $K_{\epsilon}$ after Yielding









**Nominal Stress** 









Stress calculated with elastic assumptions

# Neuber's Rule for Fatigue

Stress and strain amplitudes

|                         | $K_t \Delta S K_t \Delta e$ |                       | $\Delta \sigma \Delta \epsilon$ |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
|                         | 2                           | 2                     | 2 2                             |
| Elastic nominal stress  |                             | _                     |                                 |
|                         | $\Delta$                    | $\Delta e = \Delta S$ |                                 |
|                         |                             | 2 2E                  |                                 |
| Substitute and rearrang | е                           |                       |                                 |

$$K_t \frac{\Delta S}{2} = \sqrt{E \frac{\Delta \sigma}{2} \frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{2}}$$

The product of stress times strain controls fatigue life

# **SN** Materials Data









Stress analysis and stress concentration factors are independent of size and are related only to the ratio of the geometric dimensions to the loads

Fatigue is a size dependent phenomenon

How do you put the two together ?





# Fatigue of Notches



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Large Notch

**Small Notch**




#### Low Strength

**High Strength** 



Low K<sub>t</sub>

High K<sub>t</sub>

















Stress concentrations are not very important at short lives

#### **Crack Growth Data**



Nonpropagating cracks

$$\Delta K_{TH} > \Delta \sigma 1.12 \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{\pi a}$$





Frost, "A Relation Between the Critical Alternating Propagation Stress and Crack Length for Mild Steel" Proceedings of the Institute for Mechanical Engineers, Vol. 173, No. 35, 1959, 811-836

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For  $K_t > 4$ , the notch acts like a crack with a depth D

$$S_{fl} = \frac{\Delta K_{th}}{\sqrt{\pi D}}$$

K<sub>t</sub> does not play a role for sharp notches !

A stress concentration behaves like a crack once a stress concentration becomes large (Kt > 4)









Once a crack reaches 10% of the hole radius, it behaves as if the hole was part of the crack

## **Specimens with Similar Geometry**



#### Ultimate Strength 780 MPa Yield Strength 660 MPa





# **Things Worth Remembering**

- Fatigue may be thought of as a failure of the average stress concept, consequently, fatigue usually begins at stress concentrators which are most frequently located on the surface
- The severity of a stress concentrator in fatigue is size dependent
- Small stress concentrators are more effective in high strength materials

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#### **Surface Effects**

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### Modern View of the Fatigue Limit

The fatigue limit is the stress where a crack may nucleate but will not grow through the first microstructural barrier such as the grain size, pearlite colony size, prior austenite grain size, eutectic cell size or precipitate spacing.





**Slip Bands** 

Crack







Little effect of surface pit because it is smaller than the grain size Large effect of defect because it is larger than the grain size

#### Surface Finish Influence

<u>Method</u> Stress-Life Strain-Life Crack Growth Physics Crack Nucleation Microcrack Growth Macrocrack Growth <u>Size</u> 0.01 mm 0.1 - 1 mm > 1mm Influence of Surface Finish Strong Moderate None

## Sources of Surface Effects

- Machining
  - Cutting
  - Grinding
- Corrosion
  - General
  - Pitting
- Processing
  - Cutting/Shearing
  - Casting
  - Forging
  - Plating
- Foreign Object Damage
  - Nicks
  - Scratches







# Cracks start in machining marks not in the direction of the maximum principal stress





 $100 \ \mu m$ 

Surface flaw in gray cast iron

## Nodular Iron Surface



#### Flake graphite formed on the surface of a nodular iron casting

Starkey and Irving, "A Comparison of the Fatigue Strength of Machined and As-cast Surfaces of SG Iron" International Journal of Fatigue, July, 1982, 129-136

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#### **Surface Reduction Factors**



#### Noll and Lipson 1945



## Hiam and Pietrowski 1978



Driven for 1 or 2 years in Southern Ontario before making specimens to evaluate corrosion effects

Strain controlled fatigue testing

Hiam and Pietrowski, "The Influence of Forming and Corrosion on the Fatigue Behavior of Automotive Steels", SAE Paper 780040, 1978



|              | Hot Rolled<br>Surface | Corroded<br>Surface |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 950X         | 1.12                  | 1.49                |
| 0.06% C HSLA | 1.18                  | 1.65                |
| 0.18% C HSLA |                       | 1.90                |

Surface finish factor predicts  $K_f = 1.6$  for a Hot Rolled Surface

from Hiam and Pietrowski

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### Pit Depth Effects on Life



# Fatigue Notch Factor for Pits







## **Spring Failures**






#### **Corrosion Pits**

#### **Chrome Plating**



Almen, "Fatigue Loss and Gain by Electroplating", Product Engineering, Vol. 22, No. 5, 1951, 109-116

## Hard Chrome Plating



In addition to cracks, coatings frequently have high tensile residual stresses

Metals Handbook, Volume 9, Fractography and Atlas of Fractographs



Vogt, Boussac, Foct, "Prediction of Fatigue Resistance of a Hot-dip Galvanized Steel" Fatigue and Fracture of Engineering Materials and Structures, Vol. 23, No. 1, 2001,33-40

# Fatigue Limit for Galvanized Steel



Coatings can be modeled with a crack equal to the coating thickness

### Foreign Object Damage



http://www.eng.ox.ac.uk/~ftgwww/frontpage/fod2.html

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# Upper Control Arm







# **Things Worth Remembering**

- Fatigue crack nucleation is a surface phenomena and everything about the surface affects the fatigue life
- Most of the design rules are conservative having been developed for materials of the 1950's

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#### Variable Amplitude Loading

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#### How to you identify cycles ?

How do you assess fatigue damage for a cycle ?

# **Rainflow Cycle Counting**





图6. 重量源尖顶值。陈列值。



# What could be more basic than learning to count correctly?

Matsuishi and Endo (1968) Fatigue of Metals Subjected to Varying Stress – Fatigue Lives Under Random Loading, Proceedings of the Kyushu District Meeting, JSME, 37-40



#### **Rainflow and Hysteresis**









Miner's Rule:

$$Damage = \sum \frac{n}{N_F} = \frac{n_H}{N_{f H}} + \frac{n_L}{N_{f L}}$$



#### **Periodic Overload Results**



Bonnen and Topper, "The Effects of Periodic Overloads on Biaxial Fatigue of Normalized SAE 1045 Steel" ASTM STP 1387, 2000, 213-231

## **Fatigue Damage Calculations**



Damage  $\propto \Delta S^{10}$ 

#### **Crack Growth Data**







Which cycles do the most fatigue damage?

(a) a few large cycles

(b) a moderate number of intermediate cycles

(c) a large number of small cycles



# Loading History









# Mechanisms and Slopes





Equivalent constant amplitude loading

$$\Delta \overline{S} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta S_i^{n}}{N}}$$

Typically n ranges from 4 to 6 for structures

N cycles at an amplitude of  $\Delta \overline{S}$  does as much damage as the entire loading history

# SAE Keyhole Specimen





### SAE Keyhole Test Data



# How Many Cycles ?

Engine:

- 2 starts/day for 10 years = 7000 cycles
- 3000 rpm for 100,000 miles (2000 hrs) =  $3.6 \times 10^8$  cycles

# How Many Cycles ? (continued)



#### **Bracket Vibration:**

0.5 per minute for 100,000 miles (2000 hrs) = 60,000 cycles 12 hz continuous vibration for 2000 hrs =  $8.6 \times 10^7$  cycles
# **Things Worth Remembering**

- Rainflow counting is employed to identify cycles
- The slope of the fatigue curve (damage mechanism) has a large influence on how much damage is caused by smaller cycles

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Nominal Stress

Structural or Hot Spot Stress

Local Stress Strain

Crack Growth

### **Nominal Stress**



Nominal stress approaches are based on extensive tests of welded joints and connections. Weld joints are classified by type, loading and shape. For example, a transversely loaded butt weld. It is

assumed and confirmed by experiments that welds of a similar shape have the same general fatigue behavior so that a single design SN curve can be employed for any weld class. The designer need only determine the nominal stress and select a weld class. There is no need to directly consider the stress concentration effects of the weld.

### **Structural Stress**



Structural stress approaches are often referred to as "hot-spot methods". The structural stress includes the macroscopic stress concentrating effects of the weld detail but not the local peak stress caused by the notch

at the weld toe. There are various methods used to determine the structural stress. They involve extrapolating the computed or measured stresses from two points near the weld to a structural stress at the weld toe. This method works in situations where there is no clear definition of the nominal stress.

#### Local Stress Strain



Local stress or strain approaches include both the macroscopic stress concentration due to the weld shape and the local stress concentration at the weld toe. To

apply traditional methods of fatigue analysis to welds, an appropriate value of the stress concentration factor and residual stress must be selected. Although the smallest radius produces the largest stress concentration factor, its effect in fatigue is smaller because of the gradient effect. As a result there is a critical radius for fatigue that can be used to compute the fatigue notch factor.

#### **Crack Growth**



Many weld details have planar lack of fusion defects. This is particularly true of fillet welds. In this case fracture mechanics

models for crack growth are the most appropriate fatigue technology.

#### **Nominal Stress Weld Classifications**



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#### **Crack Growth Data**



Ferritic-Pearlitic Steel:

 $\frac{da}{dN} = 6.9 \times 10^{-12} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{3.0}$ 

Martensitic Steel:

$$\frac{da}{dN} = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{2.25}$$

Austenitic Stainless Steel:

$$\frac{da}{dN} = 5.6 \times 10^{-12} \left( \Delta K M Pa \sqrt{m} \right)^{3.25}$$

Barsom, "Fatigue Crack Propagation in Steels of Various Yield Strengths" Journal of Engineering for Industry, Trans. ASME, Series B, Vol. 93, No. 4, 1971, 1190-1196

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#### **Nominal Stress - Aluminum**



Sharp, "Behavior and Design of Aluminum Structures", McGraw-Hill, 1992

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#### **Crack Growth Data**



Steel welds are 3 times stronger than aluminum

# **Residual Stress from Welding**







## Weld Toe Residual Stress





As welded structures usually have the maximum possible mean stress

Stress relief, peening, etc. will have a substantial effect on the fatigue life

## Butt and Fillet Weld Test Data





## **Sources of Inherent Scatter**

- Weld quality
- Mean, fabrication and residual stresses
- Stress concentrations (geometry)
- Weldment size
- Material properties

#### Opportunities for Improvement !



#### Good weld design





#### Bad weld design







## **Stress Distributions in Weldments**



Various stress distributions in a T-butt weldment with transverse fillet welds;

- Normal stress distribution in the weld throat plane (A),
- Through the thickness normal stress distribution in the weld toe plane (B),
- Through the thickness normal stress distribution away from the weld (C),
- Normal stress distribution along the surface of the plate (D),
- Normal stress distribution along the surface of the weld (E),
- Linearized normal stress distribution in the weld toe plane (F).

## **Finite Element Models**



Stress magnitudes and distributions obtained from various FE models



## **Physical Meaning of Hot Spot Stress**



## Hot Spot SN Curves

| Joint        | Description                                               | Quality                                                                                       | FAT | $\Delta \sigma_{R,L}$ | п   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|
| <u>- 8</u> ) | Butt joint                                                | As-welded, NDT.                                                                               | 100 | 74                    | 0.2 |
| ×            | Cruciform or<br>T-joint with<br>full penetration<br>welds | K-butt welds,<br>no lamellar tearing.                                                         |     |                       |     |
|              | Non-load<br>carrying fillet<br>welds                      | Transverse non-load<br>carrying attachment,<br>not thicker than the main<br>plate, as-welded. | 100 | 74                    | 0.3 |
|              | Bracket end,<br>welds either<br>welded around<br>or not   | Fillet weld(s) as-welded                                                                      |     |                       |     |
|              | Cover plate<br>ends and<br>similar joints                 |                                                                                               |     |                       |     |
|              | Cruciform joint<br>with load-<br>carrying fillet<br>welds | Fillet weld(s) as-welded                                                                      | 90  | 66                    | 0.3 |
| *            | Lap joint with<br>load-carrying<br>fillet welds           |                                                                                               |     |                       |     |
| L ≤ 100 mm   | Type "b" joint<br>with short<br>attachment                | Fillet or full penetration weld, as-welded.                                                   | 100 | 74                    | 0.1 |
| L > 100 mm   | Type "b" joint<br>with long<br>attachment                 | Fillet or full penetration<br>weld, as-welded.                                                | 90  | 66                    | 0.1 |

Table 3. Hot spot S-N curves for steel plates up to 25 mm thick.

# **Typical Butt Weld**







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Even good welds contain initial crack like flaws 0.1 to 1 mm long. Reducing the size or eliminating these flaws will substantially improve fatigue lives.



- Reduce weld toe stresses
- Stress relieve
- Improve local geometry

## **Macroscopic Shape**





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Things Worth Remembering

Local weld toe stresses, geometry and flaws control the life of weldments
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