### Lecture 1

# Why fatigue is so important?

# Fatigue Design Overview



#### University of Padua (Italy)

The university is conventionally said to have been founded in 1222 (which corresponds to the first time when the University is cited in a historical document as pre-existing, therefore it is quite certainly older)[citation needed] when a large group of students and professors left the University of Bologna in search of more academic freedom ('Libertas scholastica')











### 15 February 1564 – 8 January 1642

The University of Padova was established in 1222, after a group of students and teachers decided to come here from Bologna.



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### Dual-beam platform microscopy: FIB-SEM Focused Ion Beam-Scanning Electron Microscope

FEI Helios NanoLab DualBeam FIB

Commonly used for:

- TEM sample preparation
- Computer chip repair
- Circuit modification
- 3D FIB tomography



FEI Titan G2 60-300





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JEOL 2100





### **Markus Lid**



Electron Crossing - This is a colorized SEM image taken with FIB Helios G4 during the fall of 2020. It is imaged a thin film metal-insulatorsemiconductor capacitor that was cut using Ga ion beam (also FIG G4), lifted out and placed on a separate chip where it was connected to the electrodes by Pt deposition. It is placed over a 3um wide trench which is necessary for experiments. The project which is led by Fritz Prinz at Stanford University, is studying properties of exited electronic states in semiconductor structures.

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### Erik Roede



Fe3Sn2 magnetic lamella - 300 nm thickness. SE micrograph from the G4 with overlaid MFM two-pass phase image of the magnetic domain structure. Prepared by plan view FIB liftout and attached to biasing chip made at NanoLab with the MLA for in-situ studies in AFM. The goal of this project is to study the influence of geometry, field and currents on the magnetic texture in the frustrated ferromagnet Fe3Sn2, ultimately aiming for stabilizing and controlling magnetic skyrmions for nanoelectronic device applications.

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### Ambra Celotto



Flexible graphite – also known as expanded graphite or exfoliated graphite – is produced from purified natural graphite flakes. The foils obtained by the compression of those result to be composed by several thin layers in a multiscale structure. By FIB slicing this material in a tilted direction, I found myself in front of a tiny (and highly populated) city under the moonlight.

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#### Shock Tube Facility



18,2 m long tube divided into six sections. The tube ends in a 5.1 m dump tank. Threaded holes in the tube floor enable mounting of test specimens in the test section. Windows in the test section and the dump tank allow high-speed cameras to investigate the structural response during an experiment.

Gas Gun



A compressed gas gun for ballistic impact studies. A variety of projectile geometries can be fired, with a maximum velocity of 1000 m/s.

#### Split-Hopkinson Tension Bar



A device for material testing at strain rates in the range between 100 and 1500 s–1. Data is recorded with strain gauges and high-speed cameras. An induction heater facilitates tests at elevated temperatures.

Pendulum Impactor



The pendulum accelerator, is a device for impact testing of components and structures. The test rig accelerates a trolley on rails towards a test specimen fixed to a reaction wall. The accelerating system consists of an arm that is connected to a hydraulic/pneumatic actuator system. The maximum energy delivered to the trolley is aproximately 500 kJ.





### **Research topics**

Advanced Design Criteria for Fatigue Assessment Degradation of Materials and Structures Interaction between Mechanical Performances and Manufacturing Processes Metamaterials



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## NTNU Fatigue Lab

#### **Fatigue laboratory**

Investments 2017-2019 3.5 MEuro Axial Capacity from 500 N to 500 kN Torque Capacity 10 Nm to 4000 Nm Temperature from -100 C to 2000 C Relative Humidity Control Infrared Camera Acoustic Emission Electro-drop voltage High speed camera Flexible set-up for components testing





https://www.ntnu.edu/mtp/laboratories/mechtestlab

### **The Initial Path of My Research**









$$(\sigma_{\theta})_{\theta=0} = \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} = C_1 (1+C_2) \frac{t+q}{q} \left[ \frac{t}{q} x^{\frac{t}{q}-1} - \frac{1-q}{q} x_0^{\frac{t+q-1}{q}} x^{\frac{1-2q}{q}} \right]$$

#### Local Approaches in Fatigue





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#### Local Approaches in Fatigue



### **Fatigue of Welded Joints**







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Properties and applications of additively manufactured metallic cellular materials: a review





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Layer-wise fracture

50 60 70 80 90 100

5

0

Cubic unit cell

10 20 30

40

Porosity (%)

0



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# Fatigue Design Overview

## Brittle fracture in an oil tanker



## Fracture in a welded joint



# Fatigue in a welded joint



Failure in mechnical components NSB train axle failures





### **Example Failure of a welded structure**





Place: Ekofisk field
Time: 27 March, 1980,
18.30 hrs
Persons killed: 123
Survivors: 89

10 similar platforms built ALK platform delivered in 1976 Time from first failure in brace D6 to capsizing: 15 to 20 min
### Example: The Alexander L. Kielland accident



# Fatigue fracture surfaces

#### Three characteristic features of fatigue fractures:

- **1. Initiation point or points**
- 2. Crack growth area
- **3. Final fracture**

**Beach marks** are lines visible to the naked eye, indicating changes in loading or corrosion conditions.

*Striations* indicate start-stop positions of the crack tip.

The presence of *beach marks* and striations

proves that fatigue caused the fracture.



#### ALK structural arrangement Pentagone design



## Brace D6 and hydrophone support tube



## Fracture in Brace D6



# Crack initiation in D6 at support pipe

When the weld around the support pipe is uncracked, the stress concentration factor at the weld is 1.6 When the weld around the support pipe is cracked, the stress concentration factor at the weld is 3.0, i.e. stress is almost doubled



#### Weld intact: SCF= 1.6

Weld fractured: SCF = 3.0

## Lamellar tear cracking



# Crack initiation in D6 at support pipe



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**Striations** indicate start-stop positions of the crack tip.

10 μm

**Beach marks** and striations prove that fatigue caused the fracture.





Figure 1 Overview jacket



Figure 4 Crack, location A (see Figure 5)



Figure 5 Crack, location A (see Figure 3)



Figure 6 Crack, location A (see Figure 3)

#### The fractures



#### Worries:

- Extent of damage
- Causes of cracking
- Repairs
- Similar structures



### Kvitebjørn fatigue problems



Fatigue cracks in guide pipes for production risers



































7. Accident to a drying tower at the Cherepovets chemical plant (December 1977).



















# FATIGUE IS LOCAL

# Multi-Scale Nature of Fracture



Individual atoms (atomic level, 0.1nm)

Individual defects (micro-level,  $<0.1 \mu m$ )



100 nm

20 nm

If you have a 'cold' you can go to a cold you can go to your family doctor if you have a 'fatigue problem' you need a specialist



Fatigue is a very local phenomenon and a structure of several meters in length can fail for a crack or a defect less than 1 mm!!!

### Fatigue design



### Stress (strain)-based fatigue design



Fracture Mechanics Pre-requisites



# Learn from Tensile

- Elastic and Plastic stress-strain components
- Key Properties E, YS, UTS,  $\varepsilon_{f}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{N}$
- Hardening law
- Plastic Instability

# Fatigue Life

Two stages

Unflawed body

 Two concepts in design **Crack propagation** Crack initiation **Stress-based HCF** Unflawed body Fatigue life is governed by crack initiation **Strain-based LCF** Crack initiation Crack propagation

Fatigue life is governed by crack propagation (defect tolerant approach)

Rupture

## Cyclic Deformation

#### Response



### Measurable – Cyclic Hysteresis Loop


# **Cyclic Hysteresis Behaviour**



### **Equations for Cyclic Stresses**

$$\Delta \sigma = \sigma_{\rm max} - \sigma_{\rm min} ,$$
$$\sigma_a = \frac{\Delta \sigma}{2}$$

$$\sigma_m = \frac{\sigma_{max} + \sigma_{min}}{2}$$

stress range

stress amplitude

mean stress

 $\sigma_{\max} = \sigma_m + \sigma_a$ ,  $\sigma_{\min} = \sigma_m - \sigma_a$  min, max stress in a cycle



 $\Delta \sigma = \sigma_{\max}(1-R)$ 

Stress ratio

### Equations for the cyclic hysteresis loops and CSSC





### Typical S-N diagram (Wohler curve)

Stress amplitude is kept constant – number of cycles to failure is counted



### Power law in fatigue

#### Power equation fit - straight line on a log-log plot



### Wohler (S-N) curve equation

Power law – Basquin equation (empiric)



### Statistical scatter of fatigue data



### Mean Stress Effect



### Mean stress correction



Morrow correction

 $\sigma_{f}, \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{fB} > \sigma_{u}$ 

$$\sigma_{a} = \sigma_{ar} \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma_{m}}{\tilde{\sigma}_{fB}} \right) \qquad \sigma_{a} = \sigma_{ar} \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma_{m}}{\sigma_{f}} \right)$$
  
True fracture stress

### Fatigue Limit – Modifying Factors

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- Temperature, k<sub>d</sub>
- Reliability factor, k<sub>e</sub>
- Miscellaneous effects (notch), k<sub>f</sub>

Fatigue limit of a machine part, S<sub>e</sub>

$$S_e = k_s k_b k_c k_d k_e k_f \cdot S_e'$$

# All Above Applies to Smooth Bodies! Real life assumes more complex shapes







### Stress (strain)-based fatigue design



Fracture Mechanics Pre-requisites



### Approximation to Simple Geometries









#### STRESS AND STRAIN CONCENTRATIONS AND GRADIENTS

- The degree of stress and strain concentration is a factor in the fatigue strength of notched parts.
- It is measured by the elastic stress concentration factor,  $k_t$ :

$$k_t = \frac{\sigma}{S} = \frac{\varepsilon}{e}$$

As long as  $\frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon}$  = constant = E Where:

 $\sigma$  or  $\epsilon$ = the maximum stress or strain at the notch

S or *e* = the nominal stress or strain

### Fatigue of Notched Members



S-N APPROACH FOR NOTCHED MEMBERS (Notch Sensitivity and Fatigue Notch Factor,  $k_f$ )

 Values of k<sub>f</sub> for R= -1 generally range between 1 and k<sub>t</sub>, depending on the notch sensitivity of the material, q, which is defined by:

$$q = \frac{k_f - 1}{k_t - 1}$$

- A value of q= 0 (or k<sub>f</sub>= 1) indicates no notch sensitivity, whereas a value of q= 1 (or k<sub>f</sub> = k<sub>t</sub>) indicates full notch sensitivity.
- The fatigue notch factor can then be described through the material notch sensitivity as

$$k_f = 1 + q(k_t - 1)$$

### S-NAPPROACH FOR NOTCHED MEMBERS (Notch Sensitivity and Fatigue Notch Factor, $k_f$ )

 Peterson has observed that good approximations for R= -1 loading can also be obtained by using the somewhat similar formula:

$$q = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{a}{r}} \quad \rightarrow \quad k_f = 1 + \frac{k_t - 1}{1 + \frac{a}{r}}$$

where *a* is another material characteristic length.

• An empirical relationship between UTS stress Su and a for steels is given as:

with  $S_u$  in MPa and a in mm

or

$$a = 0.001 \left(\frac{300}{S_u}\right)^{1.8}$$

 $a = 0.0254 \left(\frac{2070}{S_{11}}\right)^{1.8}$ 

with  $S_u$  in ksi and a in inches

• For aluminum alloys, *a* is estimated as 0.635 mm (0.025 in.).

# Notch Stresses and Strains

 The relation between and is given by the monotonic stressstrain curve, often represented by the Ramberg-Osgood equation:

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_e + \varepsilon_p = \frac{\sigma}{E} + \left(\frac{\sigma}{K}\right)^{1/n}$$

- Given nominal elastic stress S or strain e, the local stress  $\sigma$  and the local strain  $\epsilon$  at the notch root can be obtained by:
- experimental methods,
- finite element methods,
- analytical models

## Notch stress and strain: Neuber's Rule

Neuber's rule is the most widely used notch stress/strain model.

$$k_{\varepsilon}k_{\sigma} = k_t^2$$
 or  $\varepsilon\sigma = k_t^2 eS$   
local quantities global

- According to this relation, the geometrical mean of the stress and strain concentration factors under plastic deformation conditions remains constant and equal to the theoretical stress concentration factor,  $k_t$ .
- This rule agrees with measurements in plane stress situations, such as thin sheets in tension.
- the stress-strain equation is needed:

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_e + \varepsilon_p = \frac{\sigma}{E} + \left(\frac{\sigma}{K}\right)^{1/n}$$

### Application of Neuber's Rule

• For nominal elastic behavior, *e*= S/E:

 $\varepsilon \sigma = K_t^2 eS$   $\Longrightarrow$  Neuber's rule  $\Rightarrow$   $\varepsilon \sigma = \frac{(K_t S)^2}{E}$ 

Combining this equation with the stress-strain equation results in

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{E} + \sigma \left(\frac{\sigma}{K}\right)^{1/n} = \frac{(K_t S)^2}{E}$$

This equation can be solved for notch stress,  $\sigma$ , by iteration or numerical techniques

## Stages of Fatigue

- Crack initiation I
- Crack growth II
- Final rupture III



# Crack modes





### **Crack Tip Stress Solutions**

Mode I



In general 
$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{K_I}{\sqrt{2\pi r}} f_{ij}(\theta)$$
 and  $K_I = Y\sigma\sqrt{\pi a}$ 

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

Practical calculation of SIF depending on specimencrack geometry

$$K_I = Y\sigma\sqrt{\pi a} = \sigma\sqrt{\pi a} f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)$$

TABLE 2.4 K<sub>1</sub> Solutions for Common Test Specimens<sup>a</sup>



### Fatigue crack growth testing

#### **Compact tension (CT) specimen**



INCH

32

$$K_I = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} \ f\left(\frac{a}{W}\right)$$

1.25 W



Observe crack growth from the notch



$$\frac{2 + \frac{a}{W}}{\left(1 - \frac{a}{W}\right)^{3/2}} \left[ 0.886 + 4.64 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right) - 13.32 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^2 + 14.72 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^3 - 5.60 \left(\frac{a}{W}\right)^4 \right]$$

## Stages of fatigue crack growth



### Stable crack growth: Fatigue striations







### Life Calculations

To calculate the life for crack growth, an integration based on the crack growth rate curve is needed between initial and final crack sizes.

$$\frac{da}{dN} = f(\Delta K, R), \qquad N_f = \int_{a_i}^{a_f} \frac{da}{f(\Delta K, R)}$$

Although closed form integration is possible in some cases, numerical integration or an equivalent iterative summing procedure is often needed.

$$\Delta K = Y \Delta \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} \qquad (Y \approx \text{ constant})$$
$$\frac{da}{dN} = C(\Delta K)^m$$

If the geometry function Y is approximately constant, and for powerlaw behavior, a closed-form equation results.

#### **Closed-form equation**

$$N_{f} = \int dN = \int_{a_{i}}^{a_{f}} \frac{da}{CY^{m} \Delta \sigma^{m} \pi^{m/2} a^{m/2}} = \frac{1}{C \Delta \sigma^{m} \pi^{m/2}} \int_{a_{i}}^{a_{f}} \frac{da}{Y^{m}(a) a^{m/2}} = \frac{1}{CY^{m} \Delta \sigma^{m} \pi^{m/2}} \int_{a_{i}}^{a_{f}} \frac{da}{a^{m/2}}$$

- is not correct if Y significantly changes with a between the limits  $a_i$  and  $a_f$ .

$$N_{f} = \frac{a_{f}^{1-m/2} - a_{i}^{1-m/2}}{C(Y \Delta \sigma \sqrt{\pi})^{m} (1 - m/2)} \qquad (m \neq 2)$$

$$a_f = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{K_c}{Y \sigma_{\text{max}}} \right)^2$$

Can be obtained from FCG curve or calculated using  $K_c$  ( $K_{lc}$ ) fracture toughness data

$$(m=2)$$
  $\frac{da}{dN} = C(\Delta K)^2$   $\frac{da}{dN} \propto a$   $\frac{da}{dN} \propto (\Delta a)$ 

$$N_f = \frac{1}{\pi C Y^2 \Delta \sigma^2} \int_{a_i}^{a_f} \frac{da}{a} = \frac{1}{\pi C Y^2 \Delta \sigma^2} \ln\left(\frac{a_f}{a_i}\right)$$

$$a(N) = N_0 \exp\left(\pi C Y^2 \Delta \sigma^2 N\right)$$

$$\frac{da}{dN} \propto (\Delta a) \approx \delta_t = \beta \frac{\left(\Delta K\right)^2}{\sigma_y E'}$$

Advantages of models based on CTOD:
1. Physical justification including
dislocation-based modelling
2. Application to multiaxial fatigue

$$(m = 4) \qquad N_{f} = \frac{1}{C(Y \Delta \sigma \sqrt{\pi})^{m} (m/2 - 1)} \left( \frac{1}{a_{i}^{m/2 - 1}} - \frac{1}{a_{f}^{m/2 - 1}} \right) = \frac{1}{CY^{4} \pi^{2} \Delta \sigma^{4}} \left( \frac{1}{a_{i}} - \frac{1}{a_{f}} \right)$$



#### **Forman equation**

A commonly used equation depicting mean stress effects in regions II and III is the Forman equation:

$$\frac{da}{dN} = \frac{C\left(\Delta K\right)^m}{(1-R)K_c - \Delta K} = \frac{C\left(\Delta K\right)^m}{(1-R)\left(K_c - K_{\max}\right)}$$

C and m are empirical material fatigue crack growth rate constants and  $K_c$  is fracture toughness of the material.

The Forman equation is a modification of the Paris equation to incorporate mean stress and region III fatigue crack growth behavior.

As  $K_{max}$  approaches  $K_c$ , the denominator approaches zero, thus the crack growth rate, da/dN, gets very large. This describes region III crack growth.

Other forms of correction are also possible

$$\frac{da}{dN} = C_2 \left(\frac{\Delta K}{\left(1-R\right)^{1-\gamma_2}}\right)^{m_2} \frac{\left(1-\frac{\Delta K_{th}}{\Delta K}\right)^p}{\left(1-\frac{\Delta K}{\left(1-R\right)K_c}\right)^q}$$



Increasing crack length -> increasing damage



# Damage accumulation concept



It is clear that if a higher load level with a lower life along OA is first applied and followed by the lower load magnitude with a higher life along A'B', the sum of cycle ratios will be smaller than unity.


#### Palmgren-Miner Rule

S-N curves from constant amplitude testing can be used to estimate fatigue lives for irregular load-time histories

In 1945, M A Miner advanced a rule that had first been proposed by A. Palmgren in 1924.

The rule called *Miner's rule* or the *Palmgren-Miner linear damage hypothesis*, states that where there are k different stress magnitudes in a spectrum,  $\sigma_{ai}$  ( $1 \le i \le k$ ), each contributing  $N_i(\sigma_{ai})$  cycles, then if  $N_{fi}(\sigma_{ai})$  is the number of cycles to failure of a constant stress reversal  $\sigma_{ai}$  (determined by uni-axial fatigue tests), failure occurs when



#### Mean stress and cycle counting



## **Rainflow Cycle Counting**

The rainflow cycle counting method identifies small events as interruptions of larger events, while also capturing the large event.

The largest cycle counted will be between the highest peak and the lowest valley. The number of cycles is half the number of peak/valley events in the history, not counting the return to the starting point.



#### Comments on Palmgren-Miner Rule

- The Palmgren-Miner rule implicitly assumes that fatigue damage is uniquely related to the life fraction. It does **not** require that any physical measure of fatigue damage must increase linearly.
- A major limitation of the Palmgren-Miner rule is that it does not consider sequence effects, i.e. the order of the loading makes no difference in this rule. Sequence effects are definitely observed in many cases.
- A second limitation is that the Palmgren-Miner rule says that the damage accumulation is independent of stress level.

# Factors affecting fatigue

#### • Testing conditions

- Mean stress and its significance in fatigue design
- Frequency
- Temperature

#### Processing conditions

- Surface finish
- Residual stresses
- Desine factors
  - Notches
  - Joints
- Metallurgical factors
  - Purity
  - Uniformity
  - Texture
- Correction techniques

# Fatigue limit

- The fatigue limit has historically been a prime consideration for long-life fatigue design.
- For a given material the fatigue limit has an enormous range of factors depending on:
  - surface finish,
  - size,
  - type of loading (stress, strain, waveform, frequency),
  - mean stresses,
  - temperature,
  - corrosive, and other aggressive environments,
  - residual stresses
  - stress concentrations

Preparation

Operational

Metallurgical

#### Mean Stress effect

- SN curves are most often presented for a fully reversed test. This means that the stresses applied cycle between equal tensile and compressive states. In realistic structural loading, it is more common for the cyclic loads to oscillate around a non-zero mean state. This non-zero mean state has a significant effect on the life to failure.
- A method is required to account for the presence of a mean stress in the cycle when using the standard SN data for fatigue design



## Effect of R-ratio (mean stress)

- Fatigue life depends heavily on R ratio (ratio of maximum to minimum stress)
- High R ratio means maximum stresses are higher for same amplitude, hence faster crack growth
- Can use Gerber, Goodman, Soderberg or constant life diagrams to account for these effects
- Diagrams show life at various stress amplitudes and R- ratios

#### MEAN STRESS EFFECTS



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#### **Mean Stress Effect**



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Fatigue limit of a machine part, S<sub>e</sub>

$$S_e = k_s k_b k_c k_d k_e k_f S_e'$$

#### Size Effects on Endurance Limit

Fatigue is controlled by the weakest link of the material, with the probability of existence (or density) of a weak link increasing with material volume. The size effect has been correlated with the thin layer of surface material subjected to 95% or more of the maximum surface stress.

There are many empirical fits to the size effect data. A fairly conservative one is:

$$k_{b} = \frac{S_{e}}{S_{e}'} \begin{cases} 1.0 & d \le 8mm \\ 1.189^{-0.097} & 8 \le d \le 250mm \end{cases}$$

• The size effect is seen mainly at very long lives.

• The effect is small in diameters up to 50 mm (even in bending and torsion).

#### Size Effects on Endurance Limit

In the case of non-circular members the approach is based on so called effective diameter, d<sub>e</sub>. The effective diameter, d<sub>e</sub>, for non-circular cross sections is obtained by equating the volume of material stressed at and above 95% of the maximum stress to the same volume in the rotating-bending specimen.

$$\begin{split} A_{0,95\sigma} &= \pi \left( \frac{d^2}{4} - \frac{\left( 0.95d \right)^2}{4} \right) = 0.0766d^2 \\ d_e &= \sqrt{\frac{A_{0,95\sigma}}{0.0766}} \end{split}$$

#### Loading Effects on Endurance Limit

The ratio of endurance limits for a material found using axial and rotating bending tests ranges from 0.6 to 0.9.

$$S_{e(axial)} \approx (0.7 - 0.9) S_{e(bending)}$$
  
$$k_{c} = 0.7 - 0.9 \quad (suggested by Shigley k_{c} = 0.85)$$

The ratio of endurance limits found using torsion and rotating bending tests ranges from 0.5 to 0.6. A theoretical value obtained from von Mises-Huber-Hencky failure criterion is been used as the most popular estimate.

$$\tau_{e(torsion)} \approx 0.577 S_{e(bending)}$$

$$k_{c} = 0.57 (suggested by Shigley k_{c} = 0.59)$$

R. Budinas, J.K. Nisbett, Shigley's Mechanical Engineering Design, Mcgraw-Hill series, 2015

#### Temperature Effect

A plot of the results of 145 tests of 21 carbon and alloy steels showing the effect of operating temperature on the yield strength  $S_y$  and the ultimate strength  $S_{ut}$ . The ordinate is the ratio of the strength at the operating temperature to the strength at room temperature. The standard deviations were  $0.0442 \le \hat{\sigma} \le 0.152$  for  $S_y$ and  $0.099 \le \hat{\sigma} \le 0.110$  for  $S_{ut}$ . [Data source: E. A. Brandes (ed.), Smithells Metals Reference Book, 6th ed., Butterworth, London, 1983, pp. 22-128 to 22-131.]



From: Shigley and Mischke, Mechanical Engineering Design, 2001



#### Reliability factor k<sub>e</sub>

The reliability factor accounts for the scatter of reference data such as the rotational bending fatigue limit  $S_e$ .

The estimation of the reliability factor is based on the assumption that the scatter can be approximated by the normal statistical probability density distribution.

$$k_e = 1 - 0.08 \times z_a$$

The values of parameter  $z_a$  associated with various levels of reliability can be found (Shigley et.al.)

The scratches, pits and machining marks on the surface of a material add stress concentrations to the ones already present due to component geometry. The correction factor for surface finish is sometimes presented on graphs that use a qualitative description of surface finish such as "polished" or "machined".



Below a generalized empirical graph is shown which can be used to estimate the effect of surface finish in comparison with mirror-polished specimens [Shigley].

> R. Budinas, J.K. Nisbett, Shigley's Mechanical Engineering Design, Mcgraw-Hill series, 2015

Effect of various surface finishes on the fatigue limit of steel. Shown are values of the  $k_s$ , the ratio of the fatigue limit to that for polished specimens.

(from R. Stephens, A. Fatemi, Metal Fatigue in Engineering, Wiley &Sons 2012)







#### Effect of Different factors on Fatigue: Summary and Design Problem



+ Temperature, Environment Mean stress Notch

$$k = \prod_{i} k_i = k_B k_C k_S k_e \dots$$

 $S_e \equiv \sigma_{-1} = k_B k_C k_S k_e \dots S_{be}$ 

modifying factors are empirically based and usually range from 0.0 to 1.0.

## Stress based fatigue: Design Problem

Generate the *S-N* curve with 90% of reliability for a forged steel shaft under torsional loading. The shaft has a diameter of 20 mm and an ultimate strength UTS of 1000 MPa.

#### Fatigue Design Curve



#### Fatigue – UTS relation

TABLE 4.10Estimates of Baseline Bending Fatigue Limits for Various Materials (FromJuvinall, 1967)

	She	@ Cycles	Comments
Type of Material			
Microstructure of Steels			
Steel - Ferrite	$0.58 \times S_u$	106	
Steel – Ferrite + Pearlite	$0.38 \times S_u$	106	
Steel - Pearlite	$0.38 \times S_u$	106	
Steel – Untempered martensite	$0.26 \times S_u$	106	
Steel - Highly tempered Martensite	$0.55 \times S_{\mu}$	106	
Steel – Highly Tempered Martensite +	$0.5 \times S_u$	106	
Tempered Bainite			
Steel - Tempered Bainite	$0.5 \times S_u$	106	
Steel - Austenite	$0.37 \times S_{\mu}$	106	
Type of Material			
Wrought Steels	$0.5 \times S_u$	106	$S_u < 1400 \mathrm{MPa}$
Wrought Steels	700 MPa	106	$S_u \ge 1400 \text{ MPa}$
Cast iron	$0.4 \times S_{\mu}$	$5 \times 10^{7}$	-
Aluminum alloys	$0.4 \times S_u$	$5 \times 10^{8}$	$S_{\mu} < 336 \mathrm{MPa}$
Aluminum alloys	130 MPa	$5 \times 10^{8}$	$S_{\mu} \ge 336 \text{ MPa}$
PM cast aluminum	80 MPa	$5 \times 10^{8}$	•
Sand cast aluminum	55 MPa	$5  imes 10^8$	-

ref: Y-L. Lee, et al. Fatigue Testing and Analysis Theory and Practice, Elsevier (Netherlands), 2005



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#### Loading Mode Effect



#### Surface Effect



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## Reliability

Computed based on the assumption of Normality of fatigue strength distribution in the HCF regime

Reliability	Ке	
0.50	1.000	
0.90	0.897	
0.95	0.868	
0.99	0.814	
0.999	0.753	
0.9999	0.702	
0.99999	0.659	
0.999999	0.620	

See optional "Useful readings" for derivation

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#### Solution:

The fatigue strength at  $10^3$  cycles (S<sub>1000</sub>) depends on the reliability level and the type of loading. For example

$$S_{1000, RB} = S_{1000} \times K_{e}$$
 (Kc=1)

For torsional loading, the fatigue strength  $S_{1000}$  is estimated as

$$S_{1000.T} = 0.9 \times 0.8 \sigma_{UTS} K_e = 646 MPa$$

Ke=0.897

For torsional stress the fatigue limit is estimated as

 $S_e = KcKbKsKeS_{be}$ 

with the bending fatigue limit  $S_{be}$  for wrought steels with UTS = 1000 MPa is  $S_{be}$  = 0.5  $\sigma_{\text{UTS}}$  = 500 MPa

Load factor for ductile steels in torsion Kc=0.58 Size factor  $K_b$ =0.89 Surface Finish factor for forged steel having 1000 MPa UTS Ks=0.33 Therefore, the fatigue limit of the shaft under torsional loading is

Se = (500 MPa)(0.58)(0.89)(0.33)(0.897) = 76.4 MPa

After both S1000 and Se have been determined, they can be plotted to estimate the design S-N curve



Also, the fatigue strength at a specific fatigue life can be determined.

## Resume

"You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives".

Clay P. Bedford