

EQUATIONS

Axial stress

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{A}$$

Normal stress for beam in bending

$$\sigma = \frac{Mc}{I}$$

$$I = \frac{bh^3}{12} \text{ (rectangular cross-section)}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi r^4}{4} = \frac{\pi}{64} d^4 \text{ (circular cross-section)}$$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{4}(r_o^4 - r_i^4) = \frac{\pi}{64}(d_o^4 - d_i^4) \text{ (hollow round cross-section)}$$

Maximum transverse shear stress

$$\tau_{max} = \frac{3V}{2A} \text{ (rectangular cross-section)}$$

$$\tau_{max} = \frac{4V}{3A} \text{ (circular cross-section)}$$

$$\tau_{max} = \frac{2V}{A} \text{ (hollow, thin-walled round cross-section)}$$

$$\tau_{max} \approx \frac{V}{A_{web}} \text{ (thin-walled I-beam)}$$

Torsion

$$\tau = \frac{T\rho}{J}$$

$$\tau_{max} = \frac{Tr}{J}$$

$$J = \frac{\pi r^4}{2} = \frac{\pi}{32} d^4 \text{ (circular cross-section)}$$

$$J = \frac{\pi}{2}(r_o^4 - r_i^4) = \frac{\pi}{32}(d_o^4 - d_i^4) \text{ (hollow round cross-section)}$$

EQUATIONS (continued)

Ductile Coulomb-Mohr (DCM) theory

$$\frac{1}{n} = \frac{\sigma_1}{S_{yt}} - \frac{\sigma_3}{S_{yc}}$$

Maximum shear stress (MSS) theory for ductile materials

$$n = \frac{S_y}{2\tau_{max}} = \frac{S_y}{\sigma_3 - \sigma_1}$$

Distortion energy (DE) theory for ductile materials

$$n = \frac{S_y}{\sigma'}$$

$$\sigma' = \sqrt{\frac{(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_3)^2}{2}}$$

$$\sigma' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_x - \sigma_z)^2 + 6(\tau_{xy}^2 + \tau_{yz}^2 + \tau_{xz}^2)}$$

Brittle Coulomb-Mohr (BCM) theory

$$\frac{1}{n} = \frac{\sigma_1}{S_{ut}} - \frac{\sigma_3}{S_{uc}}$$

Modified Mohr (MM) theory for brittle materials (plane stress)

$$n = \frac{S_{ut}}{\sigma_A} \quad \text{for } \sigma_A \geq \sigma_B \geq 0 \text{ and for } \sigma_A \geq 0 \geq \sigma_B \text{ where } \left| \frac{\sigma_B}{\sigma_A} \right| \leq 1$$

$$\frac{1}{n} = \frac{(S_{uc} - S_{ut})\sigma_A}{S_{uc}S_{ut}} - \frac{\sigma_B}{S_{uc}} \quad \text{for } \sigma_A \geq 0 \geq \sigma_B \text{ where } \left| \frac{\sigma_B}{\sigma_A} \right| > 1$$

$$n = -\frac{S_{uc}}{\sigma_B} \quad \text{for } 0 \geq \sigma_A \geq \sigma_B$$

Road maps and important design equations for the Stress-Life Method

As stated in Section 6-16, there are three categories of fatigue problems. The important procedures and equations for deterministic stress-life problems are presented here, organized into those three categories.

Completely Reversing Simple Loading

- 1 Determine S'_e either from test data or

$$S'_e = \begin{cases} 0.5S_{ut} & S_{ut} \leq 200 \text{ kpsi (1400 MPa)} \\ 100 \text{ kpsi} & S_{ut} > 200 \text{ kpsi} \\ 700 \text{ MPa} & S_{ut} > 1400 \text{ MPa} \end{cases} \quad (6-10)$$

- 2 Modify S'_e to determine S_e .

$$S_e = k_a k_b k_c k_d k_e S'_e \quad (6-17)$$

$$k_a = a S_{ut}^b \quad (6-18)$$

Table 6–2 Curve Fit Parameters for Surface Factor, Equation (6–18)

Surface Finish	Factor <i>a</i>		Exponent <i>b</i>
	<i>S_{ut}</i> , kpsi	<i>S_{ut}</i> , MPa	
Ground	1.21	1.38	–0.067
Machined or cold-drawn	2.00	3.04	–0.217
Hot-rolled	11.0	38.6	–0.650
As-forged	12.7	54.9	–0.758

Rotating shaft. For bending or torsion,

$$k_b = \begin{cases} (d/0.3)^{-0.107} = 0.879d^{-0.107} & 0.3 \leq d \leq 2 \text{ in} \\ 0.91d^{-0.157} & 2 < d \leq 10 \text{ in} \\ (d/7.62)^{-0.107} = 1.24d^{-0.107} & 7.62 \leq d \leq 51 \text{ mm} \\ 1.51d^{-0.157} & 51 < d \leq 254 \text{ mm} \end{cases} \quad (6-19)$$

For axial,

$$k_b = 1 \quad (6-20)$$

Nonrotating member. For bending, use Table 6–3 for *d_e* and substitute into Equation (6–19) for *d*.

$$k_c = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{bending} \\ 0.85 & \text{axial} \\ 0.59 & \text{torsion} \end{cases} \quad (6-25)$$

$$S_T/S_{RT} = 0.98 + 3.5(10^{-4})T_F - 6.3(10^{-7})T_F^2 \quad (6-26)$$

$$S_T/S_{RT} = 0.99 + 5.9(10^{-4})T_C - 2.1(10^{-6})T_C^2$$

Either use the ultimate strength from Equation (6–26) to estimate *S_e* at the operating temperature, with *k_d* = 1, or use the known *S_e* at room temperature with *k_d* = *S_T*/*S_{RT}* from Equation (6–26).

Table 6–4 Reliability Factor *k_e* Corresponding to 8 Percent Standard Deviation of the Endurance Limit

Reliability, %	Transformation Variate <i>z_α</i>	Reliability Factor <i>k_e</i>
50	0	1.000
90	1.288	0.897
95	1.645	0.868
99	2.326	0.814
99.9	3.091	0.753
99.99	3.719	0.702

- Determine fatigue stress-concentration factor, *K_f* or *K_{fs}*. First, find *K_t* or *K_{ts}* from Table A–15.

$$K_f = 1 + q(K_t - 1) \quad \text{or} \quad K_{fs} = 1 + q_s(K_{ts} - 1) \quad (6-32)$$

Obtain *q* from either Figure 6–26 or 6–27.

Alternatively,

$$K_f = 1 + \frac{K_t - 1}{1 + \sqrt{a/r}} \quad (6-34)$$

Bending or axial:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{a} &= 0.246 - 3.08(10^{-3})S_{ut} + 1.51(10^{-5})S_{ut}^2 - 2.67(10^{-8})S_{ut}^3 & 50 \leq S_{ut} \leq 250 \text{ kpsi} \\ \sqrt{a} &= 1.24 - 2.25(10^{-3})S_{ut} + 1.60(10^{-6})S_{ut}^2 - 4.11(10^{-10})S_{ut}^3 & 340 \leq S_{ut} \leq 1700 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned} \quad (6-35)$$

Torsion:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{a} &= 0.190 - 2.51(10^{-3})S_{ut} + 1.35(10^{-5})S_{ut}^2 - 2.67(10^{-8})S_{ut}^3 & 50 \leq S_{ut} \leq 220 \text{ kpsi} \\ \sqrt{a} &= 0.958 - 1.83(10^{-3})S_{ut} + 1.43(10^{-6})S_{ut}^2 - 4.11(10^{-10})S_{ut}^3 & 340 \leq S_{ut} \leq 1500 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned} \quad (6-36)$$

- 4 Apply K_f to the nominal completely reversed stress, $\sigma_a = K_f \sigma_{a0}$.
- 5 Determine f from Figure 6-23 or Equation (6-11). For S_{ut} lower than the range, use $f = 0.9$.

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 1.06 - 2.8(10^{-3})S_{ut} + 6.9(10^{-6})S_{ut}^2 & 70 < S_{ut} < 200 \text{ kpsi} \\ f &= 1.06 - 4.1(10^{-4})S_{ut} + 1.5(10^{-7})S_{ut}^2 & 500 < S_{ut} < 1400 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned} \quad (6-11)$$

$$a = (f S_{ut})^2 / S_e \quad (6-13)$$

$$b = -[\log(f S_{ut} / S_e)] / 3 \quad (6-14)$$

- 6 Determine fatigue strength S_f at N cycles, or, N cycles to failure at a reversing stress σ_{ar} .

(Note: This only applies to purely reversing stresses where $\sigma_m = 0$.)

$$S_f = aN^b \quad (6-12)$$

$$N = (\sigma_{ar}/a)^{1/b} \quad (6-15)$$

Fluctuating Simple Loading

For S_e , K_f or K_{fs} , see previous subsection.

- 1 Calculate σ_m and σ_a . Apply K_f to both stresses.

$$\sigma_a = |\sigma_{\max} - \sigma_{\min}| / 2 \quad \sigma_m = (\sigma_{\max} + \sigma_{\min}) / 2 \quad (6-8), (6-9)$$

- 2 Check for infinite life with a fatigue failure criterion. Use Goodman criterion for conservative result, or another criterion from Section 6-13.

$$\sigma_m \geq 0 \quad n_f = \left(\frac{\sigma_a}{S_e} + \frac{\sigma_m}{S_{ut}} \right)^{-1} \quad (6-41)$$

$$\sigma_m < 0 \quad n_f = \frac{S_e}{\sigma_a} \quad (6-42)$$

- 3 Check for localized yielding.

$$n_y = \frac{S_y}{\sigma_{\max}} = \frac{S_y}{\sigma_a + |\sigma_m|} \quad (6-43)$$

- 4 For finite-life, find an equivalent completely reversed stress to use on the S - N diagram with Equation (6–15). Select one of the following criterion. Discussion of merits is in Section 6–14.

$$\text{Goodman: } \sigma_{ar} = \frac{\sigma_a}{1 - \sigma_m/S_{ut}} \quad (6-59)$$

$$\text{Morrow: } \sigma_{ar} = \frac{\sigma_a}{1 - \sigma_m/\bar{\sigma}_f} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_{ar} = \frac{\sigma_a}{1 - \sigma_m/\sigma'_f} \quad (6-60)$$

$$\text{Estimate for steel: } \sigma'_f = S_{ut} + 50 \text{ kpsi} \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma'_f = S_{ut} + 345 \text{ MPa} \quad (6-44)$$

$$\text{SWT: } \sigma_{ar} = \sqrt{\sigma_{\max}\sigma_a} = \sqrt{(\sigma_m + \sigma_a)\sigma_a} \quad (6-61)$$

$$\text{Walker: } \sigma_{ar} = \sigma_{\max}^{1-\gamma}\sigma_a^\gamma = (\sigma_m + \sigma_a)^{1-\gamma}\sigma_a^\gamma \quad (6-62)$$

$$\text{Estimate for steel: } \gamma = -0.0002S_{ut} + 0.8818 \quad (S_{ut} \text{ in MPa}) \quad (6-57)$$

$$\gamma = -0.0014S_{ut} + 0.8818 \quad (S_{ut} \text{ in kpsi})$$

If determining the finite life N with a factor of safety n , substitute σ_{ar}/n for σ_{ar} in Equation (6–15). That is,

$$N = \left(\frac{\sigma_{ar}/n}{a} \right)^{1/b}$$

Combination of Loading Modes

See previous subsections for earlier definitions.

- 1 Calculate von Mises stresses for alternating and mean stress states, σ'_a and σ'_m . When determining S_e , do not use K_c nor divide by K_f or K_{fs} . Apply K_f and/or K_{fs} directly to each specific alternating and mean stress. For the special case of combined bending, torsional shear, and axial stresses

$$\sigma'_a = \{ [(K_f)_{\text{bending}}(\sigma_{a0})_{\text{bending}} + (K_f)_{\text{axial}}(\sigma_{a0})_{\text{axial}}]^2 + 3[(K_{fs})_{\text{torsion}}(\tau_{a0})_{\text{torsion}}]^2 \}^{1/2} \quad (6-66)$$

$$\sigma'_m = \{ [(K_f)_{\text{bending}}(\sigma_{m0})_{\text{bending}} + (K_f)_{\text{axial}}(\sigma_{m0})_{\text{axial}}]^2 + 3[(K_{fs})_{\text{torsion}}(\tau_{m0})_{\text{torsion}}]^2 \}^{1/2} \quad (6-67)$$

- 2 Apply stresses to fatigue criterion [see previous subsection].
- 3 To check for yielding, apply the distortion energy theory as usual by putting maximum stresses on a stress element and calculating a von Mises stress.

$$n_y = S_y/\sigma'_{\max}$$

Or for a conservative check, apply the yield line with the von Mises stresses for alternating and mean stresses.

$$n_y = \frac{S_y}{\sigma'_a + \sigma'_m} \quad (6-43)$$