Fundamentalas of Thermoelastic Stress Analysis

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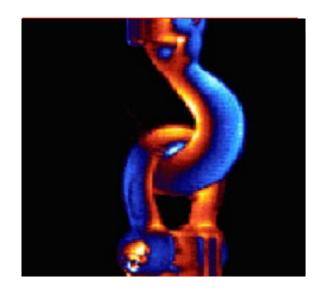


What is TSA?

- √ Non-contacting technique
- ✓ Full-field stress maps
- √ Temperature changes

Applications

- ✓ NDE in aerospace industry
- ✓ Composite damage evaluation
- ✓ Crack analysis
- ✓ Contact stress distribution measurement
- ✓ Others: automotive industry, aerospace industry...



Source Stressphotonics' website (2013)

The thermoelastic effect

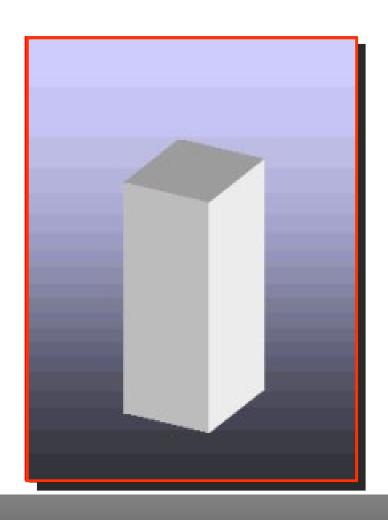
First reported by Lord Kelvin in 1853

....if cyclic loading is applied, then a change in temperature happens at the surface of the component

Under elastic conditions:

Increase in load = cooling

Decrease in load = heating



The thermoelastic effect

Temperature variations from the surface of a cyclically loaded component △T

Are proportional

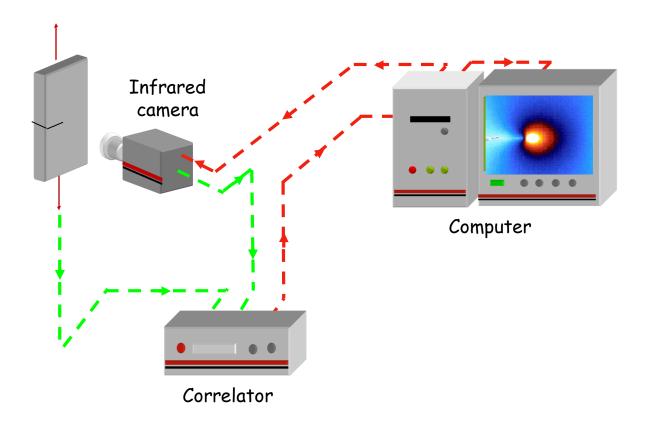


To the variation of the sum of principal stresses

$$\Delta(\sigma_1+\sigma_2)$$

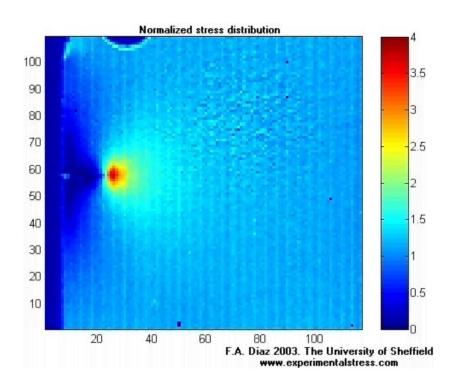
$$\Delta T = -\left[\frac{\alpha T}{\rho C_p}\right] \Delta (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$

Schematic arrangement of the apparatus



Fatigue tests using TSA

2D distribution of the sum of principal stresses at the crack tip



3D distribution of the sum of principal stresses at the crack tip

