

Failure under variable loading

- Mechanical components are subjected to loads which vary with time
 - Shafts, connecting rod, push rods etc.
- The stresses fluctuate between some level and continue for long periods
- Parts subjected to such variable loading has been observed to fail after some number of load cycles even when the stresses are **well below that required for yielding or failure- Fatigue failure**
- Fatigue failure is **sudden** in nature
- Parts have to be designed to avoid fatigue failure during their expected service life

Mechanism: Stage 1

- One or more micro-cracks initiate at sites of stress concentration
 - Holes, section changes, scratches, tool marks
 - Material defects like voids or inclusions
- The cracks form due to cyclic plastic deformation at a microscopic level: **Strain hardening leads to loss of ductility and crack formation.**
- These cracks are too small to be detected

Mechanism: Stage 2

- The micro cracks after many load cycles grow into a major macro-crack
- This crack extends in size with every load cycle
- This leads to formation of striations on the fracture surface
- The fracture surfaces also have parallel markings, **beach marks** which clearly converge to the point of initiation of the crack

Mechanism: Stage 3

- After many cycles, the crack reaches a size large enough that the remaining cross-section cannot withstand the load
- This leads to sudden fracture often in a brittle manner
- **Design for variable loading:** Given the loads and the expected life (number of load cycles) design the part such that it will not fail by
 - Fatigue failure before its expected life
 - Yielding or rupture at the first load cycle

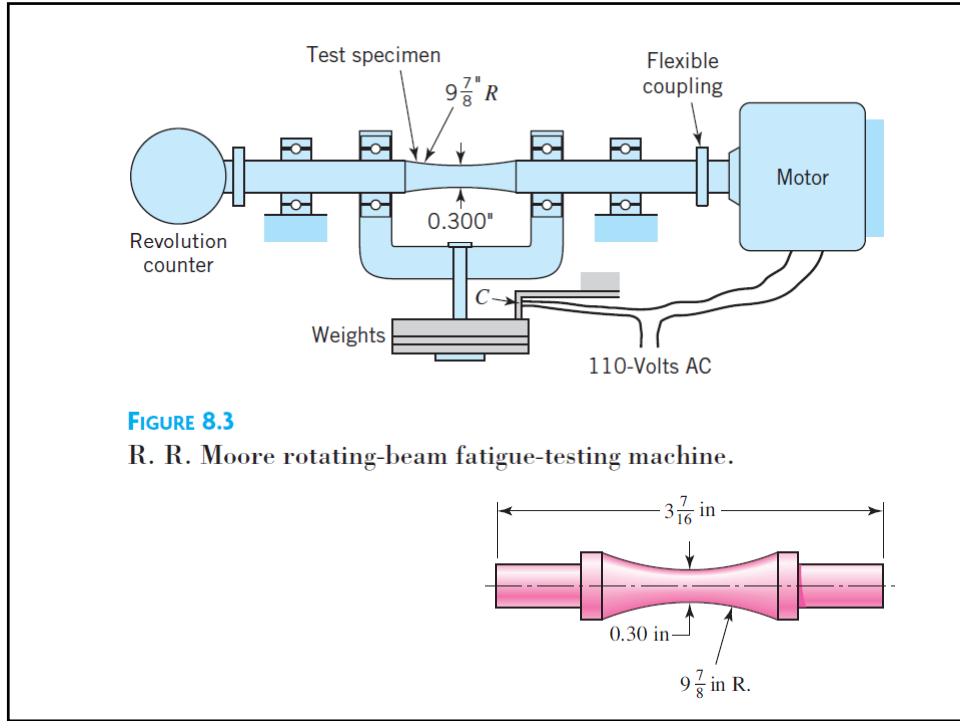
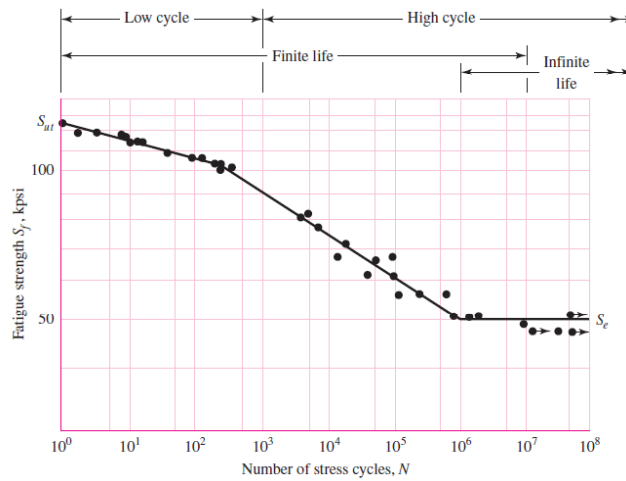


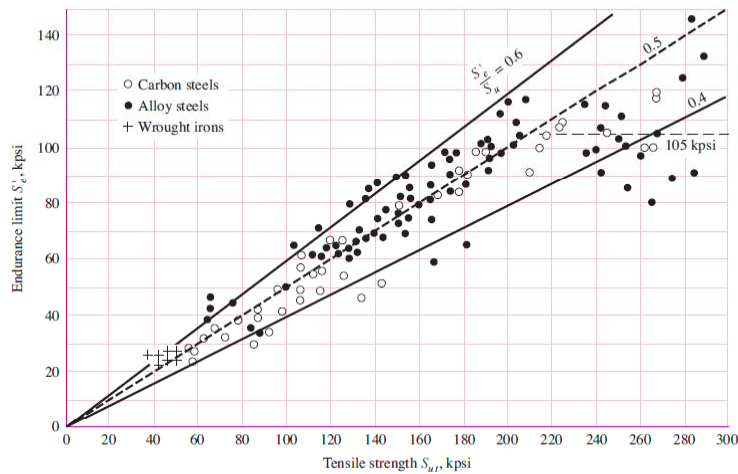
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R. R. Moore rotating-beam fatigue-testing machine.

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An $S-N$ diagram plotted from the results of completely reversed axial fatigue tests. Material: UNS G41300 steel, normalized; $S_{UT} = 116$ kpsi; maximum $S_{UT} = 125$ kpsi. (Data from NACA Tech. Note 3866, December 1966.)





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Surface factor

$$k_a = aS_{ut}^b$$

Surface Finish	Factor a S_{ut} MPa	Exponent b
Ground	1.58	-0.085
Machined or cold-drawn	4.51	-0.265
Hot-rolled	57.7	-0.718
As-forged	272.	-0.995

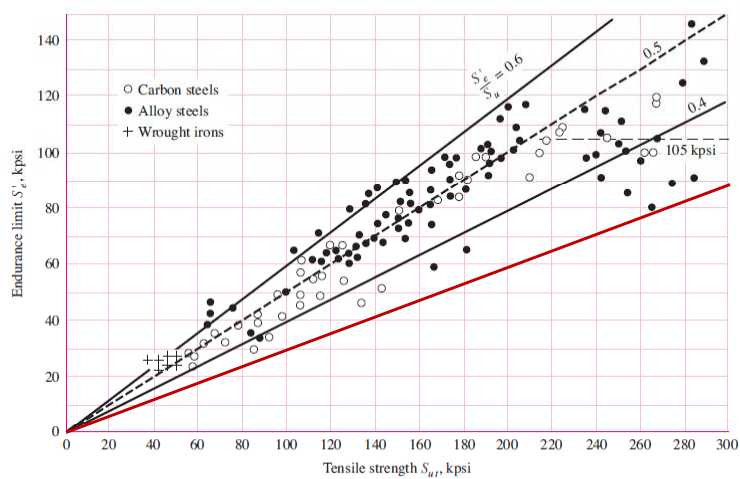
Size factor

For Bending and Torsion

$$k_b = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{d}{7.62} \right)^{-0.107} = 1.243d^{-0.107} & ; 2.79 \leq d \leq 51 \text{ mm} \\ 1.51d^{-0.157} & ; 51 < d \leq 254 \text{ mm} \end{cases}$$

For axial loading, $k_b = 1$

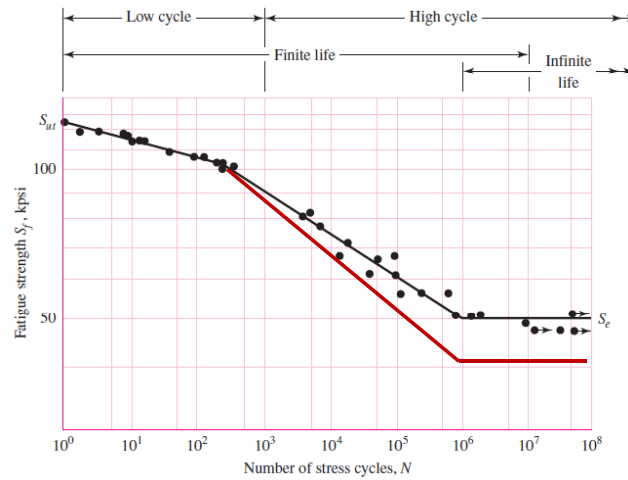
Reliability, %	Reliability Factor k_e
50	1.000
90	0.897
95	0.868
99	0.814
99.9	0.753
99.99	0.702
99.999	0.659
99.9999	0.620



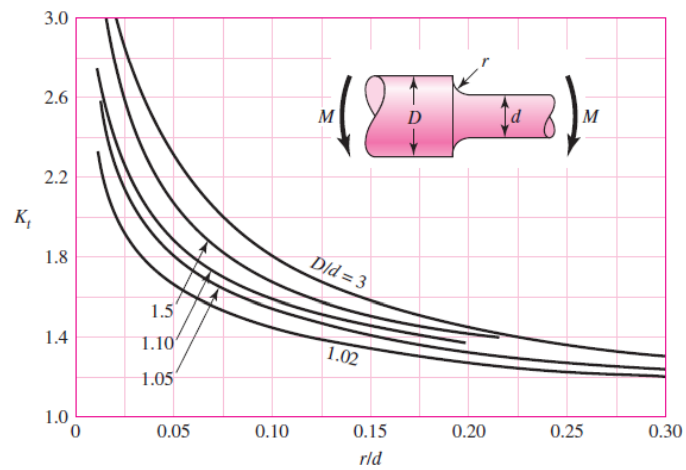
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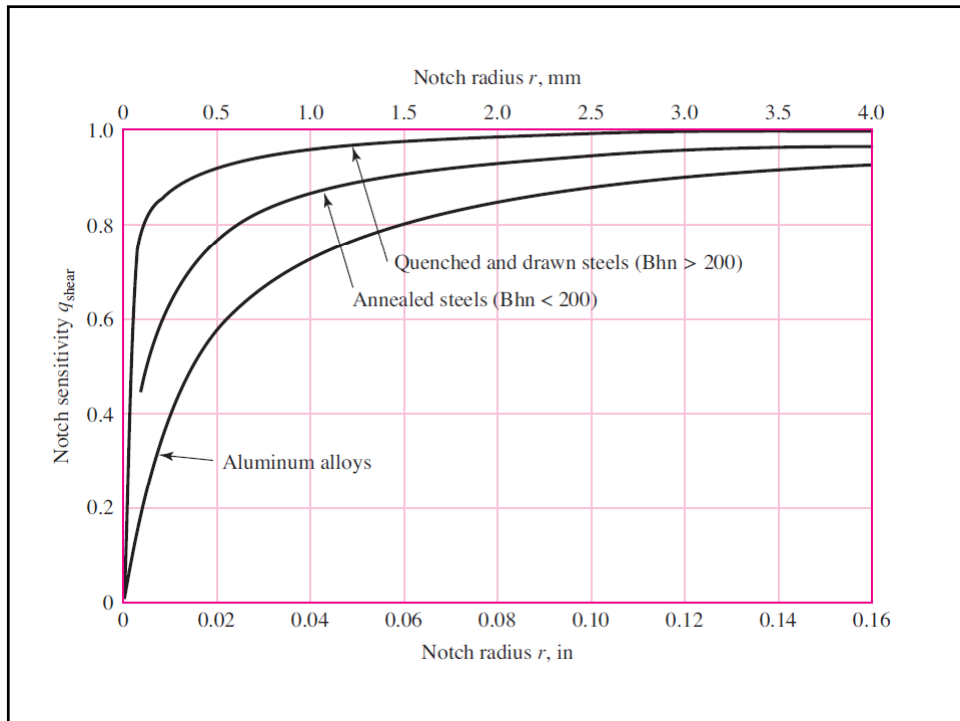
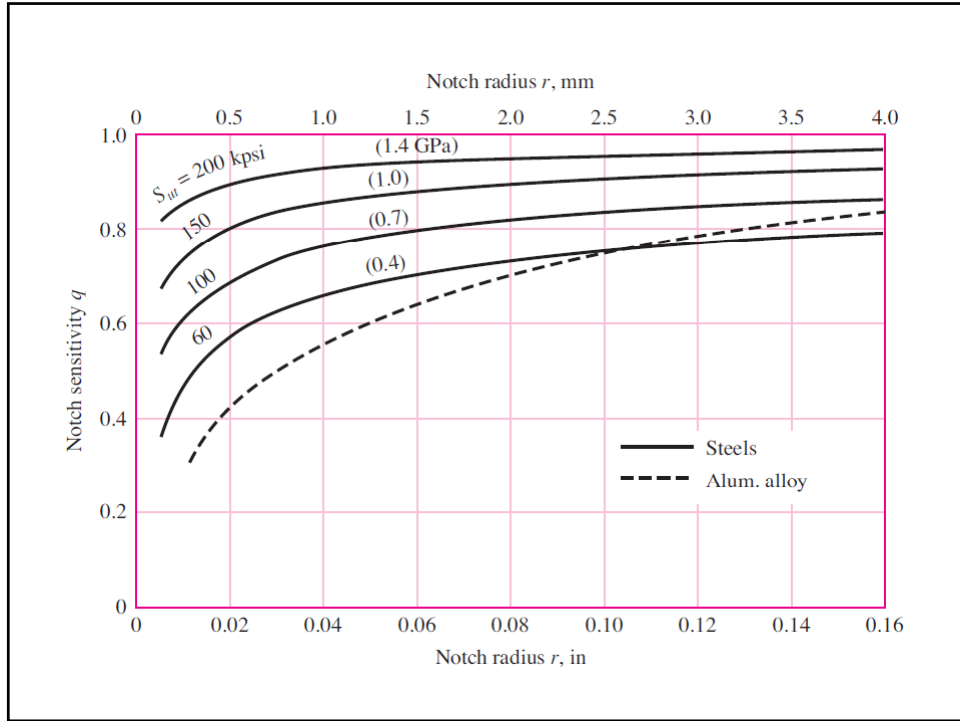
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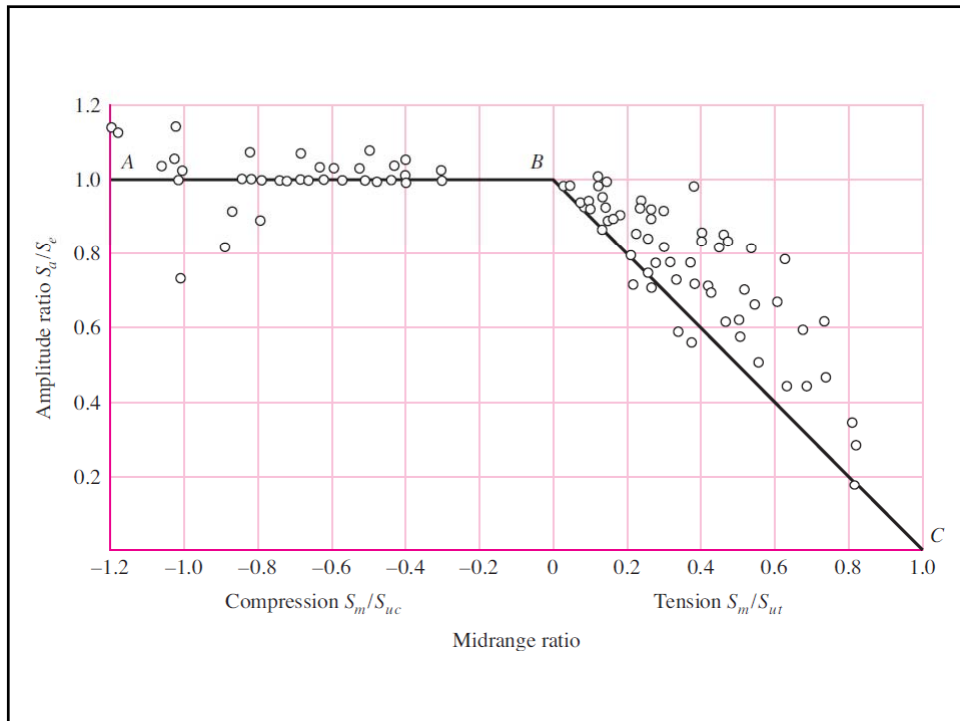
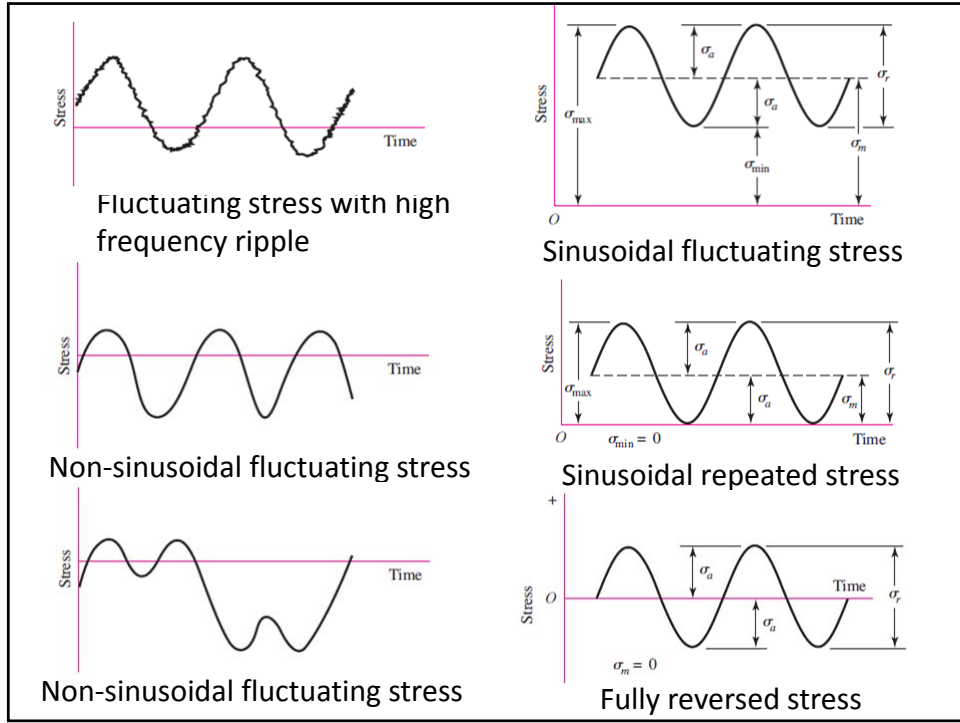
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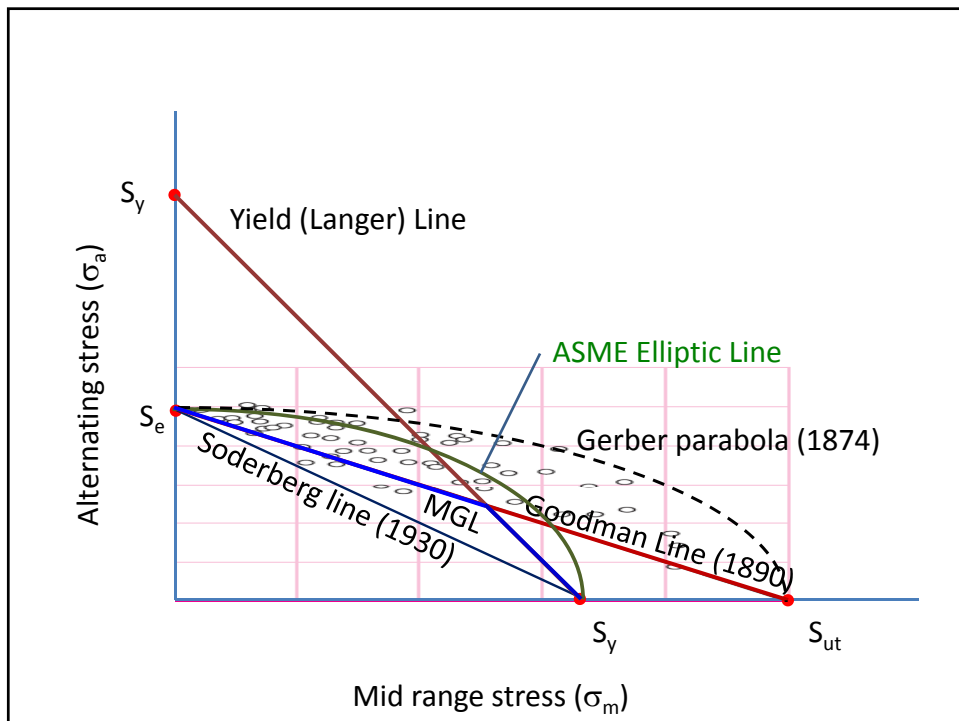
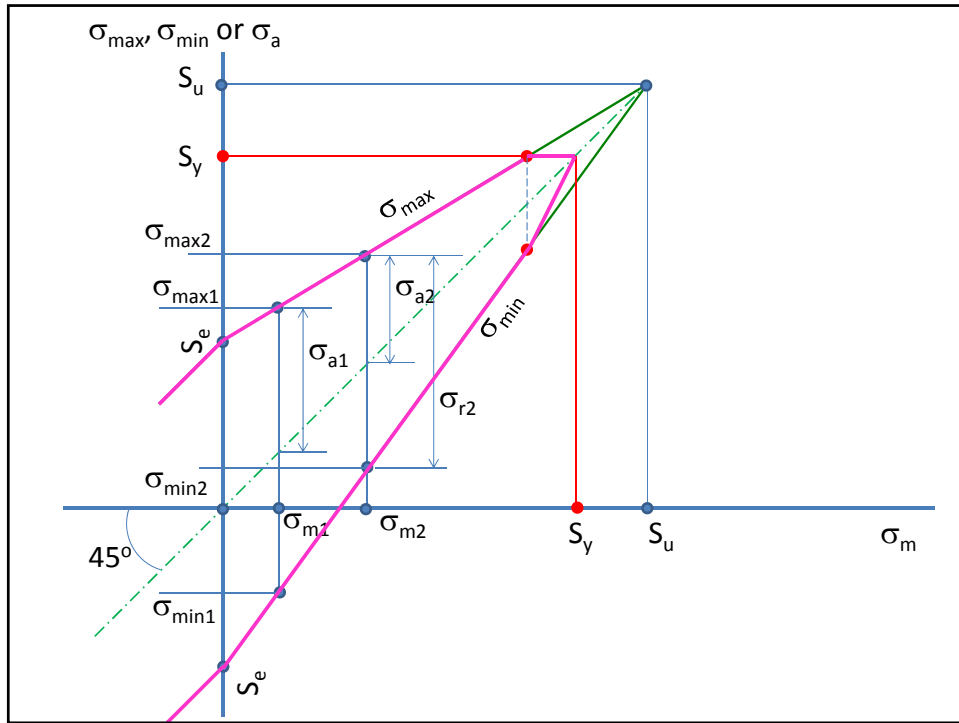


Grooved round bar in bending. $\sigma_0 = Mc/I$, where $c = d/2$ and $I = \pi d^4/64$.

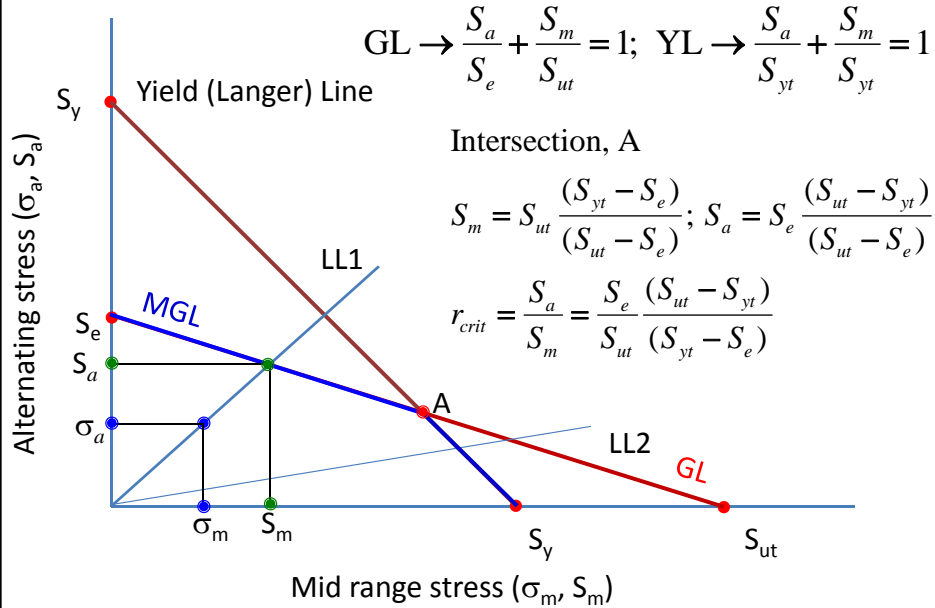








For infinite life



Combined stresses

Calculate the mid range component of stress due to axial load ($\sigma_{m-axial}$), bending, ($\sigma_{m-bending}$) and torsion (τ_m)

Calculate the amplitude component of stress due to axial load ($\sigma_{a-axial}$), bending, ($\sigma_{a-bending}$) and torsion (τ_a)

Determine $K_{t-axial}$, $K_{t-bending}$ and $K_{s-torsion}$

Determine q and q_s and calculate $K_{f-axial}$, $K_{f-bending}$ and $K_{fs-torsion}$

Increase the mid range component and amplitude component of each stress by multiplying with respective fatigue SCF

Calculate the von-Mises stress for mid-range component,

$$\sigma'_m = \left(\left(\sigma_{m-axial} \times K_{f-axial} + \sigma_{m-bending} \times K_{f-bending} \right)^2 + 3 \left(\tau_m \times K_{fs-torsion} \right)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

Calculate the von-Mises stress for mid-range component

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Use these in MGL

