

Problem 2

- Perform a Rainflow counting for the following load history (see Figure 1)

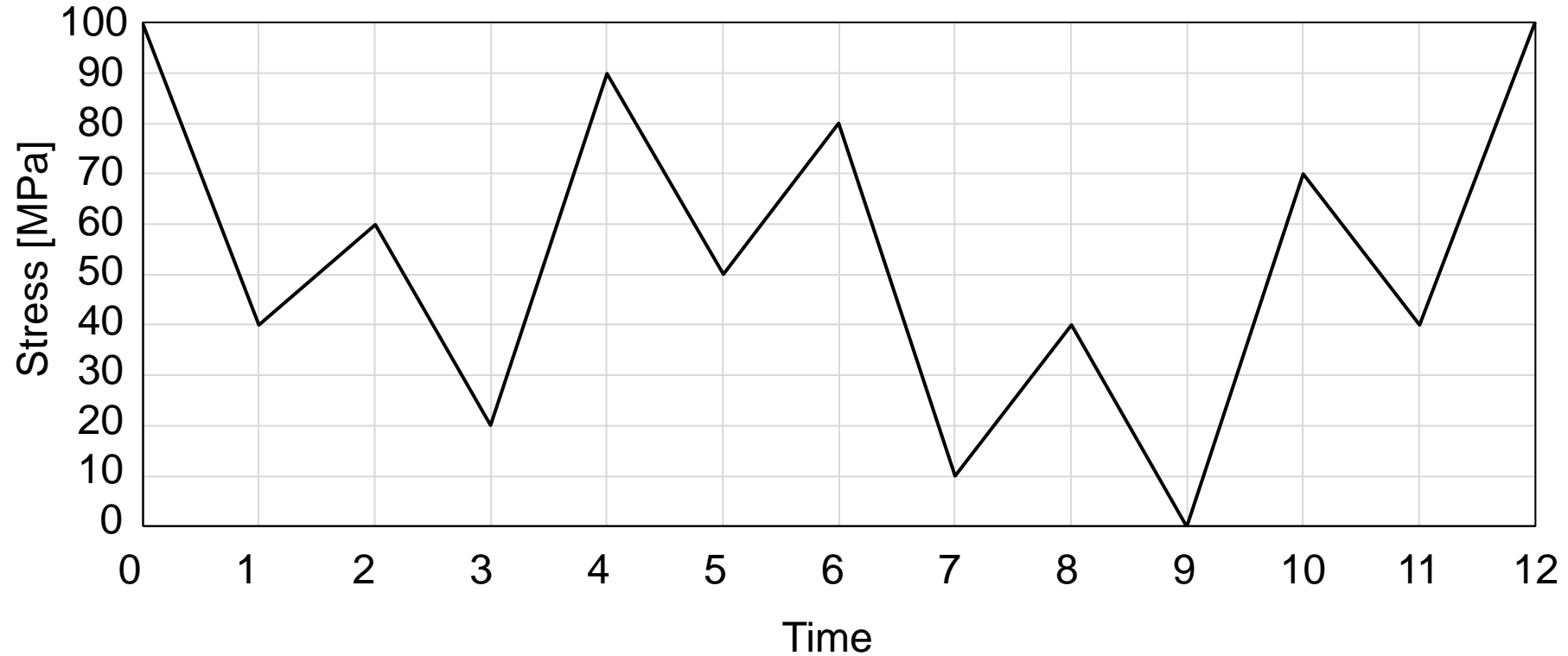
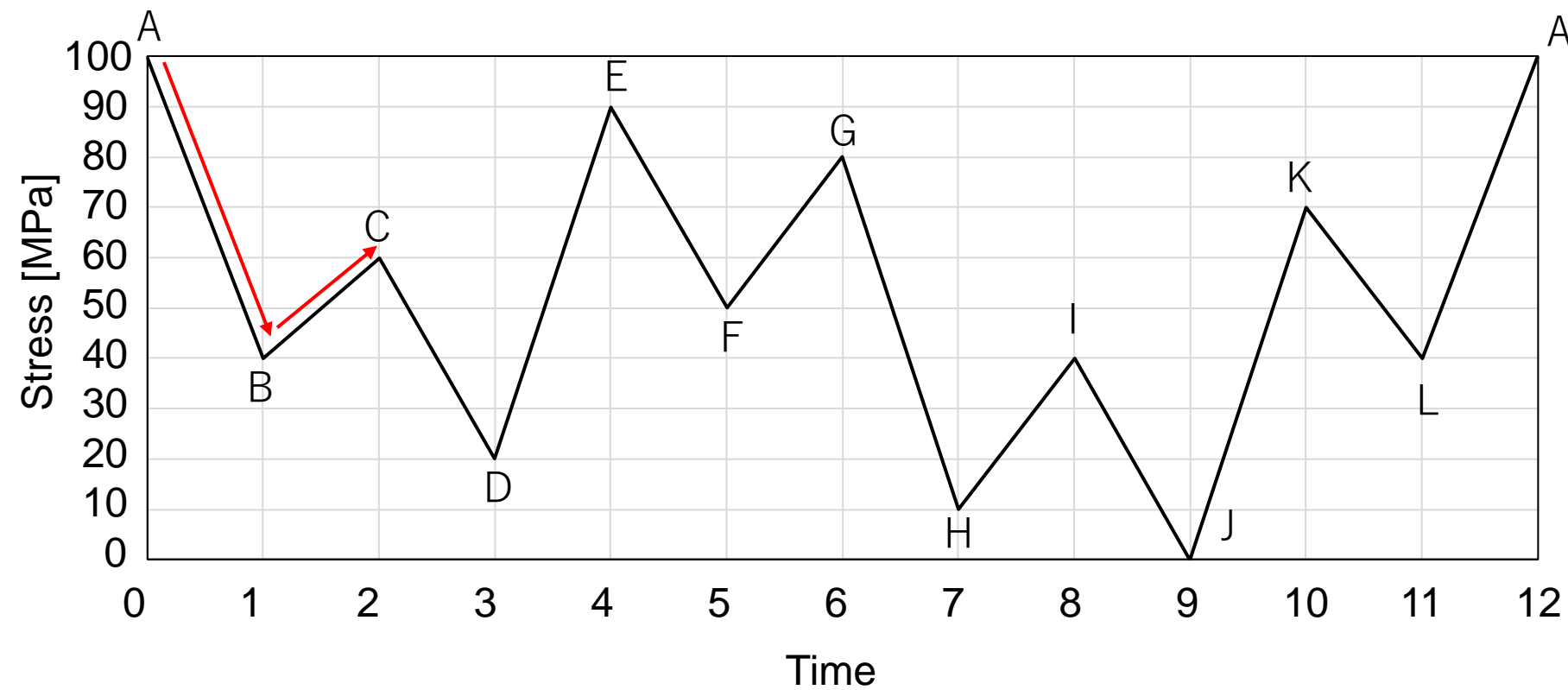


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 1

Stress range **AB** > **BC**
→ then move to the next segment

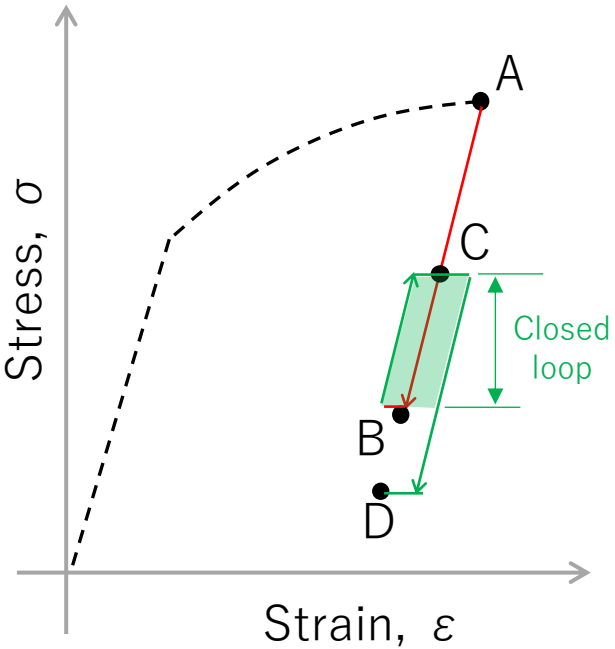
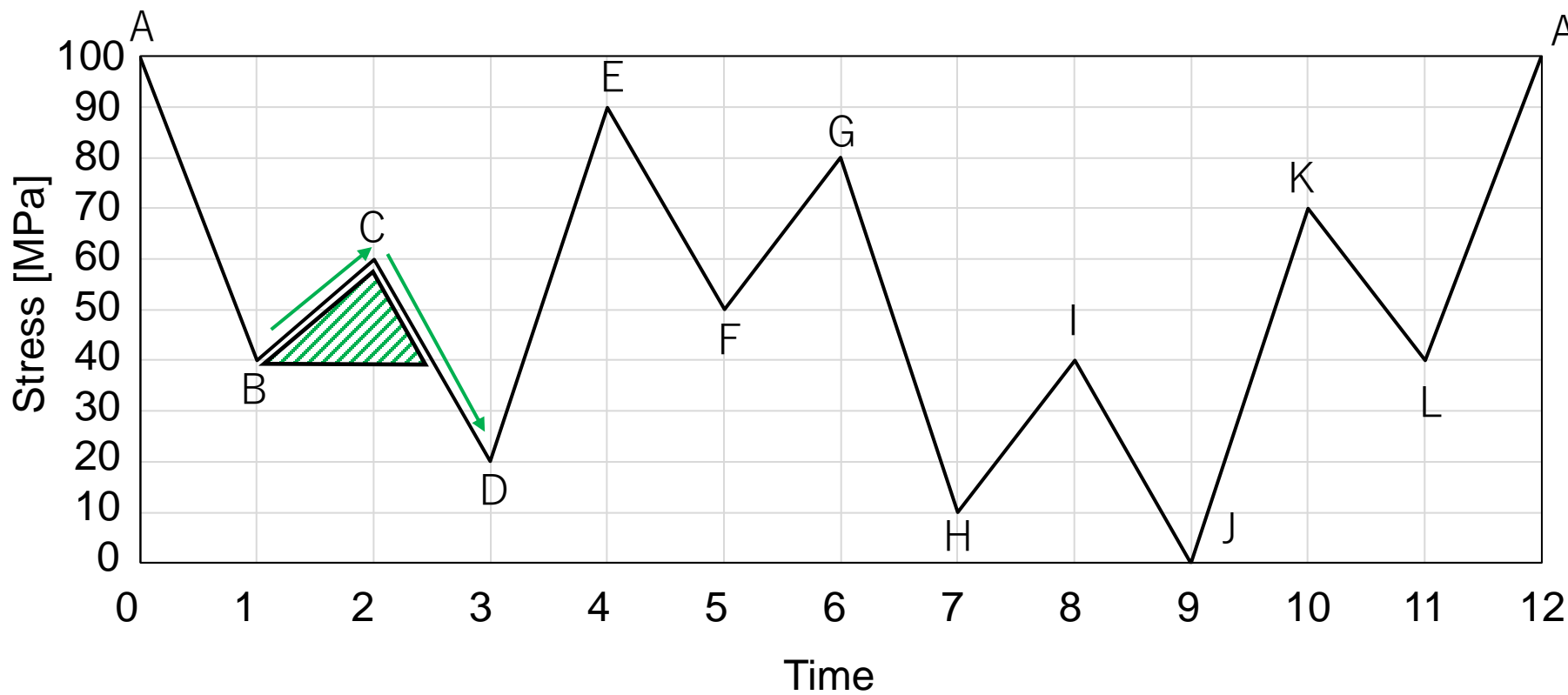


Step 1

Stress range **BC < CD**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa



Step 2

Stress range **AD** > **DE**
→ then move to the next segment

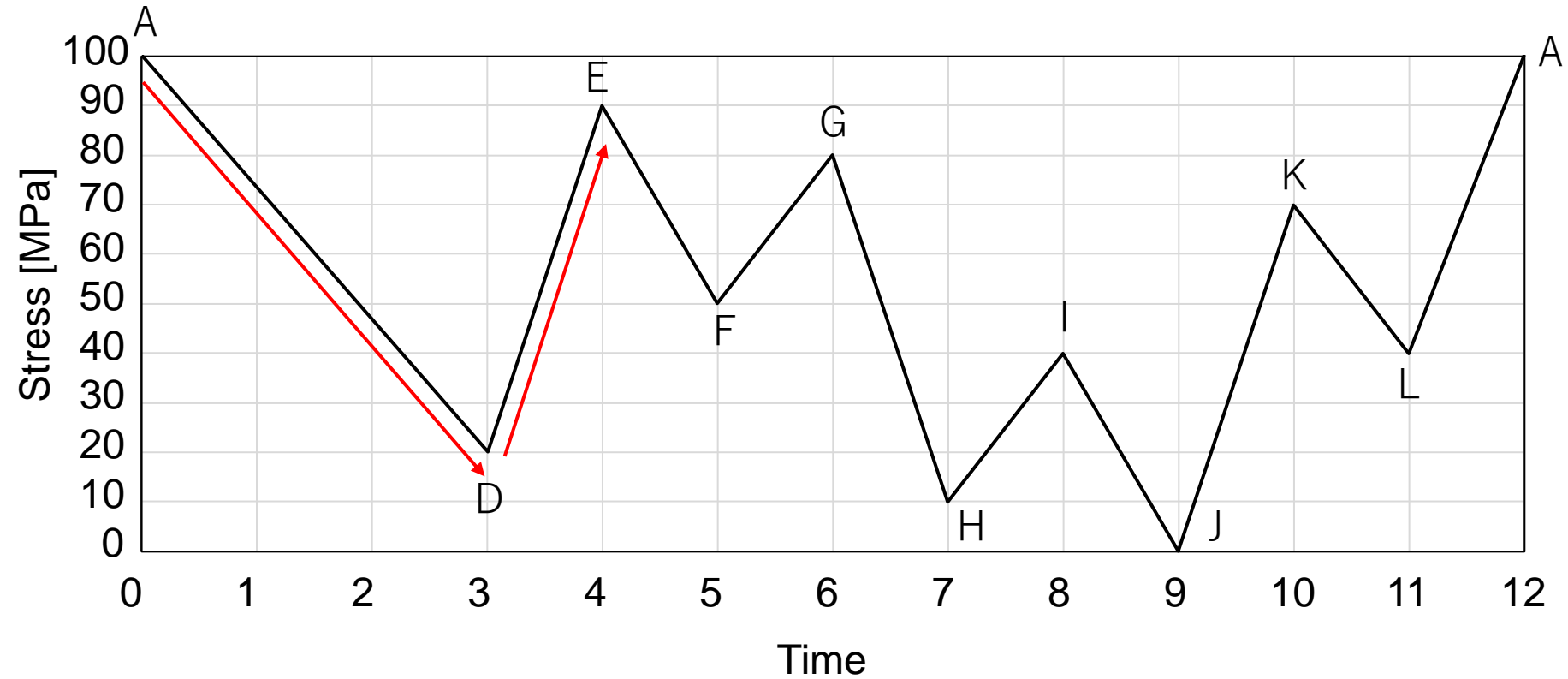


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 2

Stress range **DE** > **EF**
→ then move to the next segment

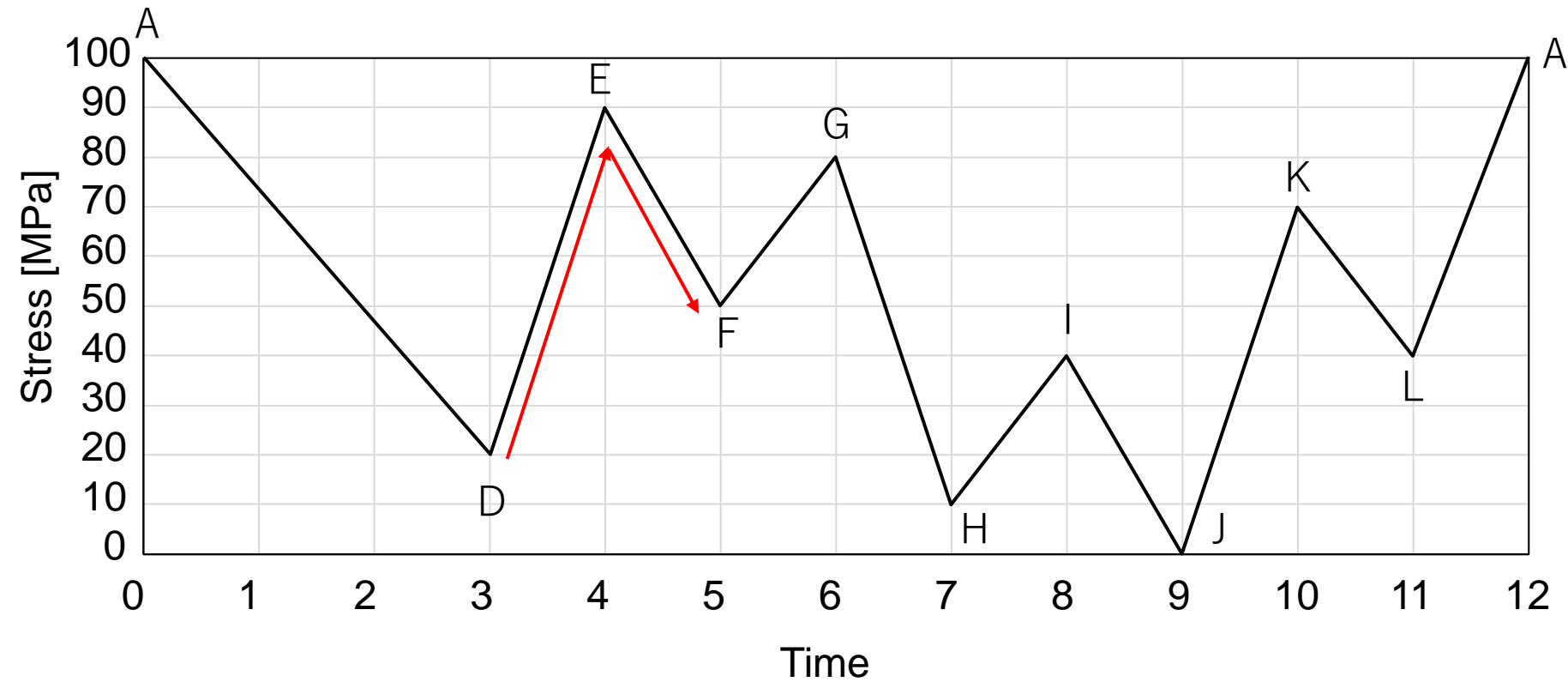


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 2

Stress range **EF** > **FG**
→ then move to the next segment

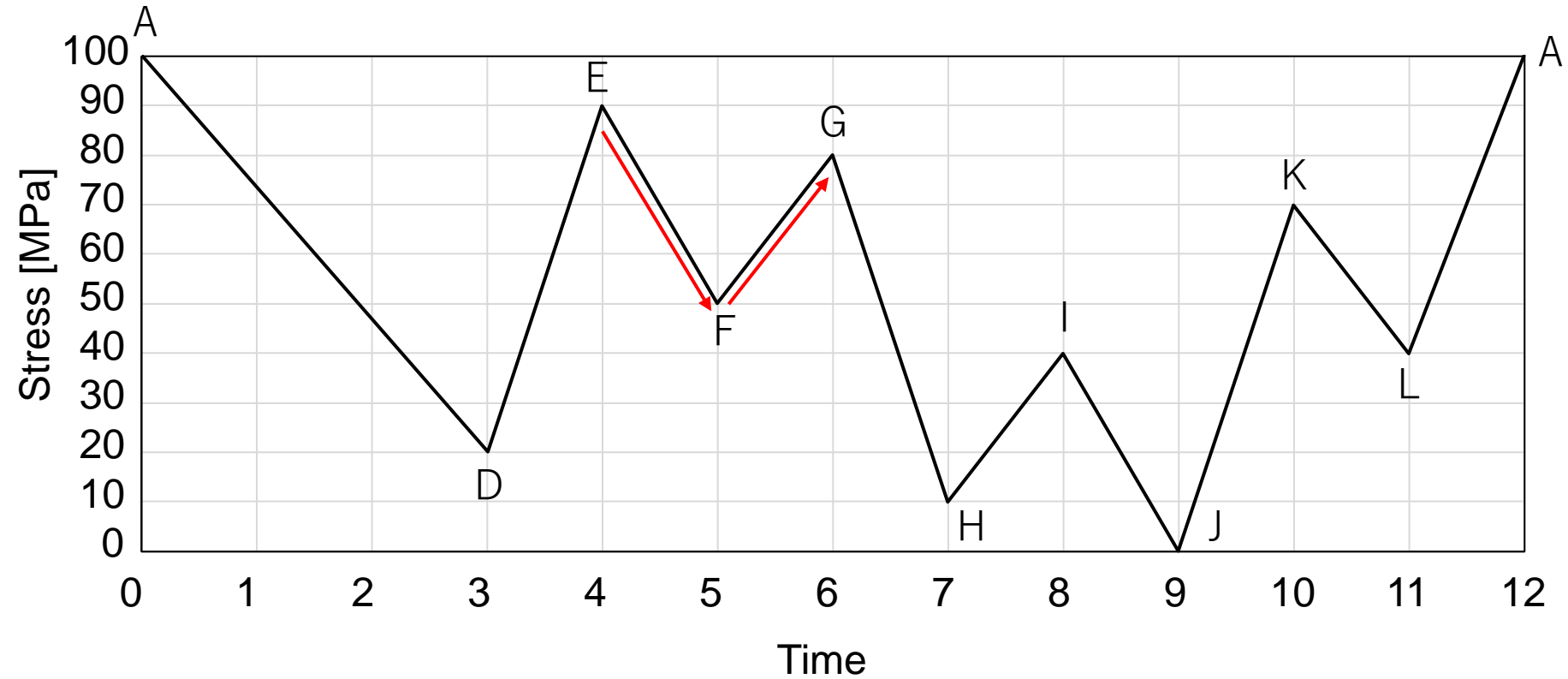


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 2

Stress range **FG** < **GH**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa

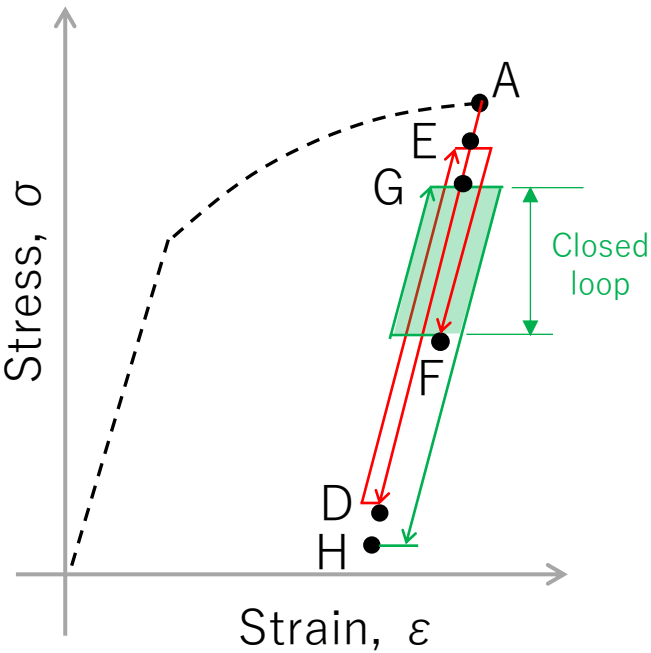
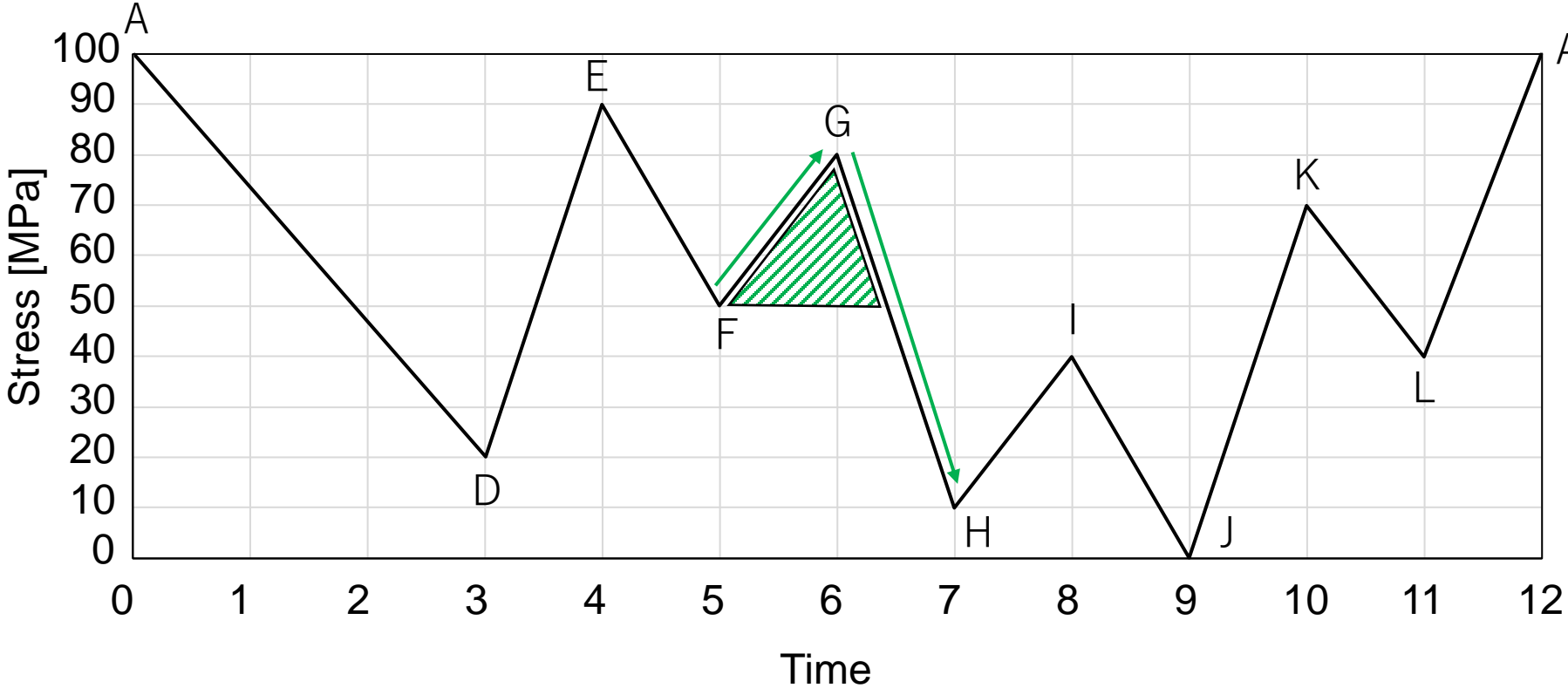


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 3

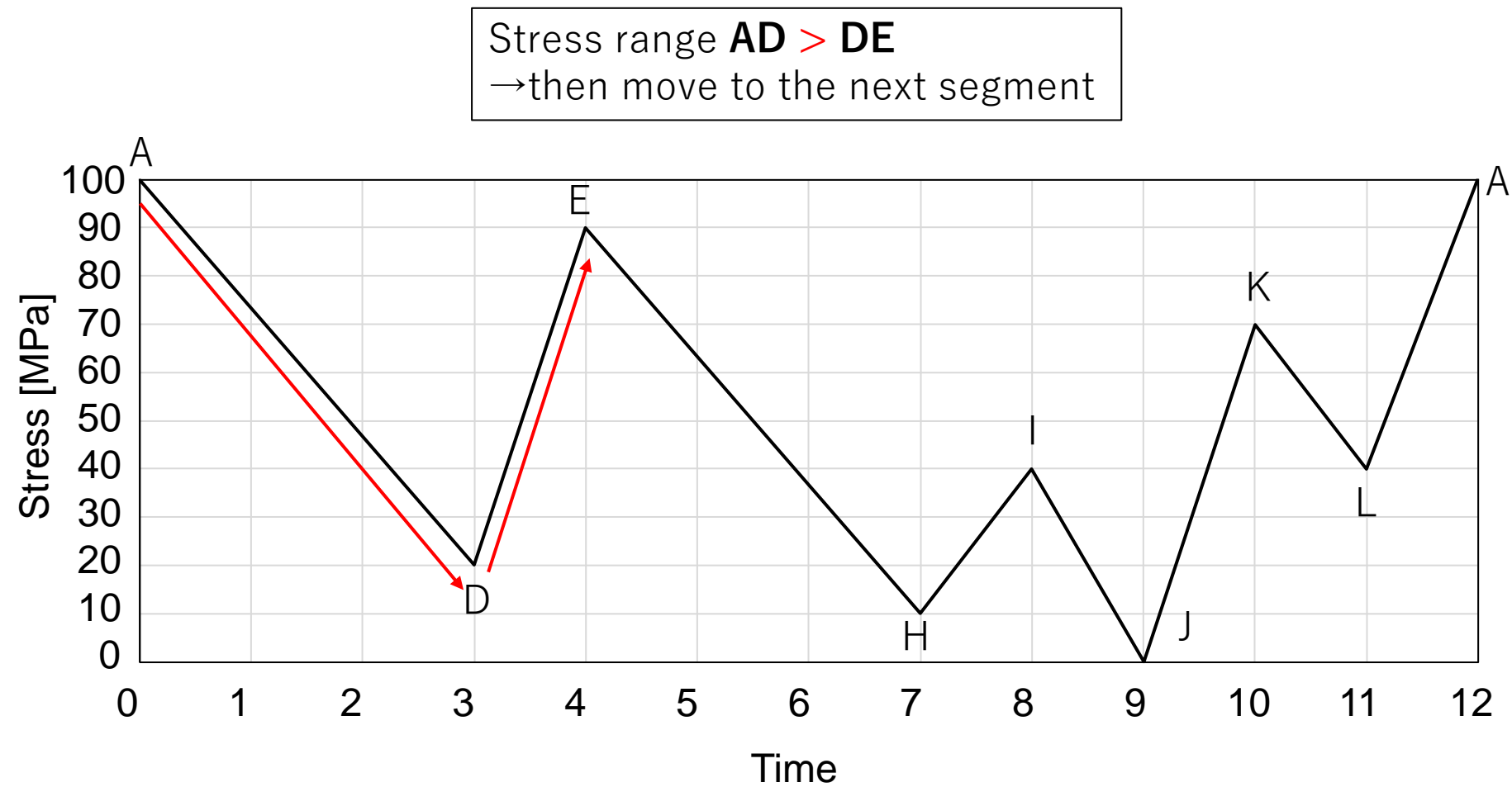


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 3

Stress range **DE** < **EH**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa
D-E	70 MPa	55 MPa

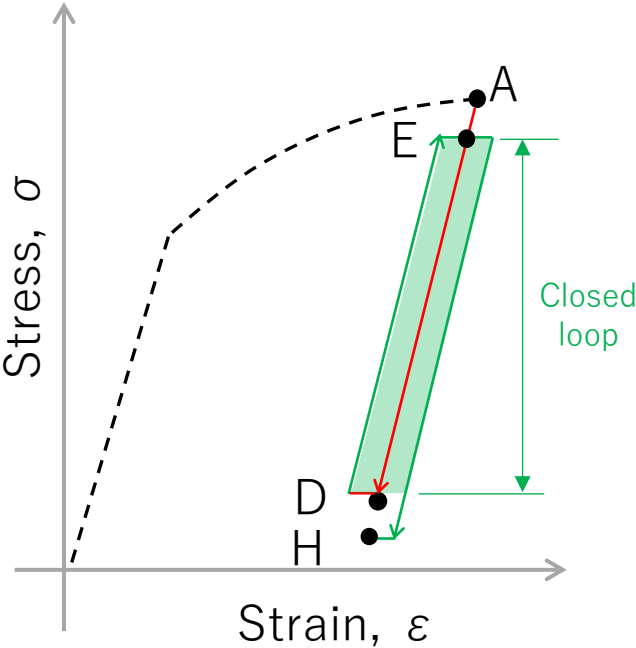
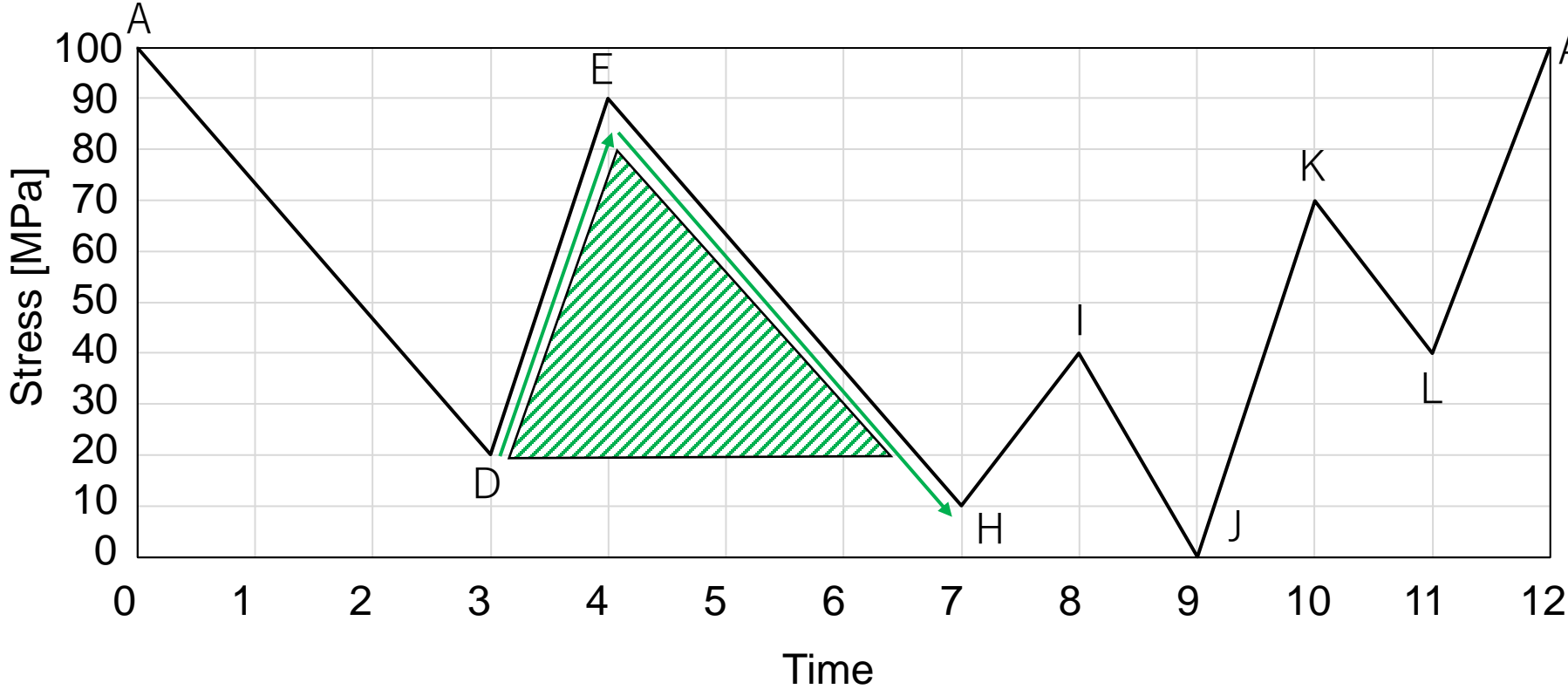


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 4

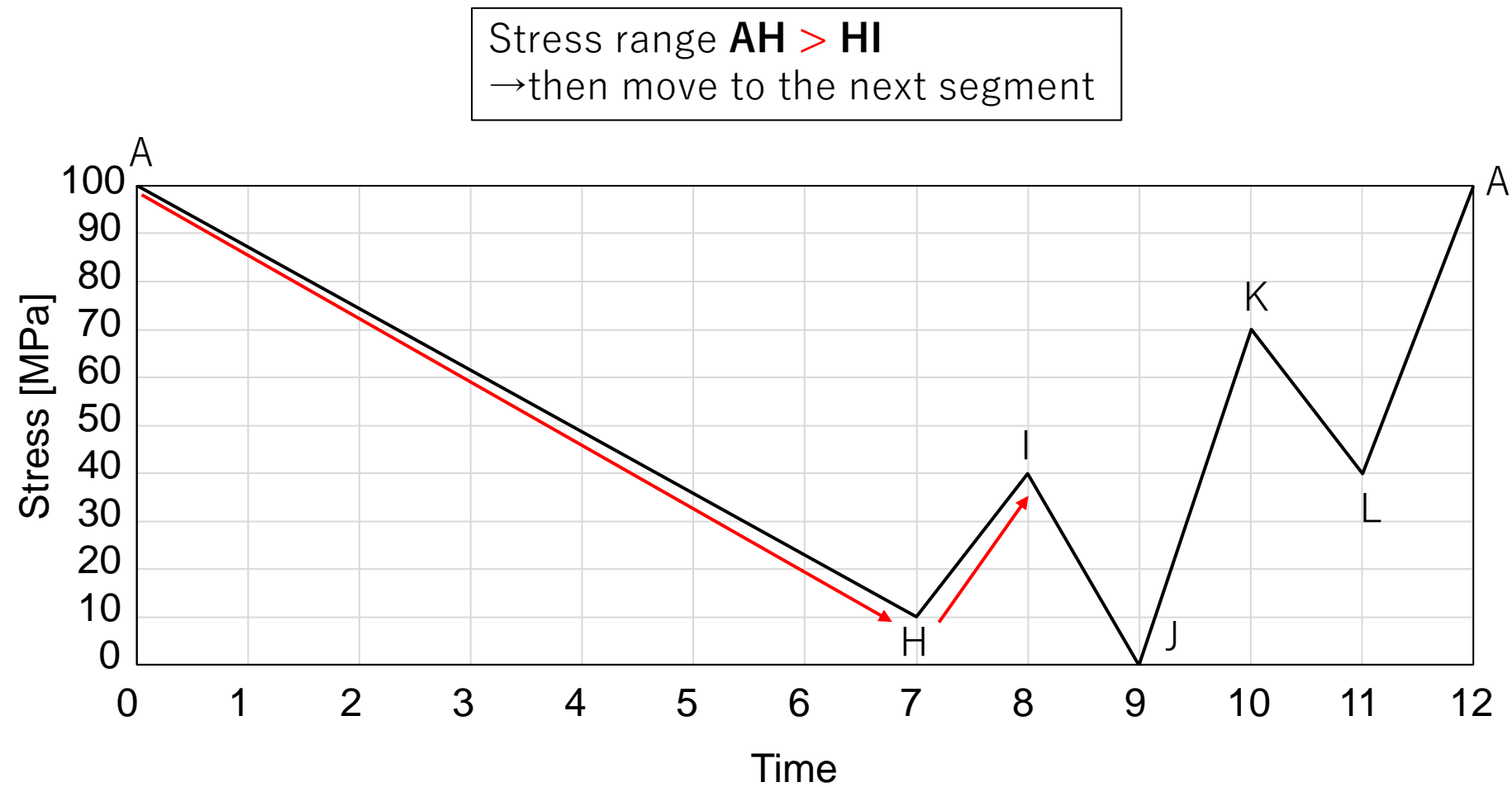


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 4

Stress range **HI < IJ**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa
D-E	70 MPa	55 MPa
H-I	30 MPa	25 MPa

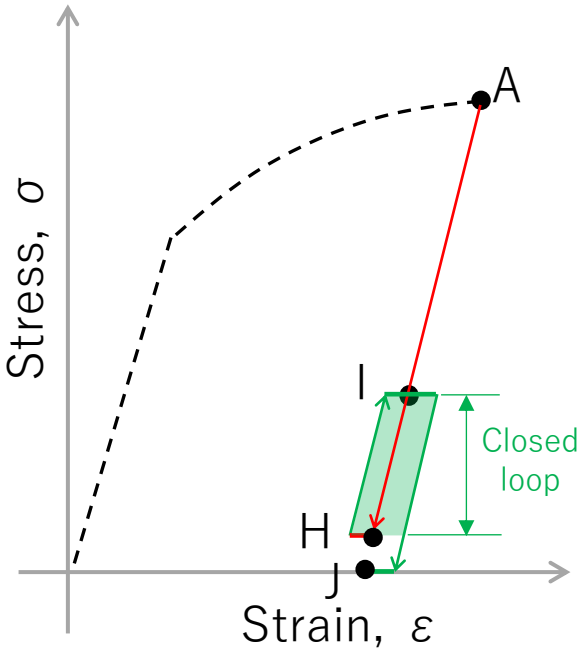
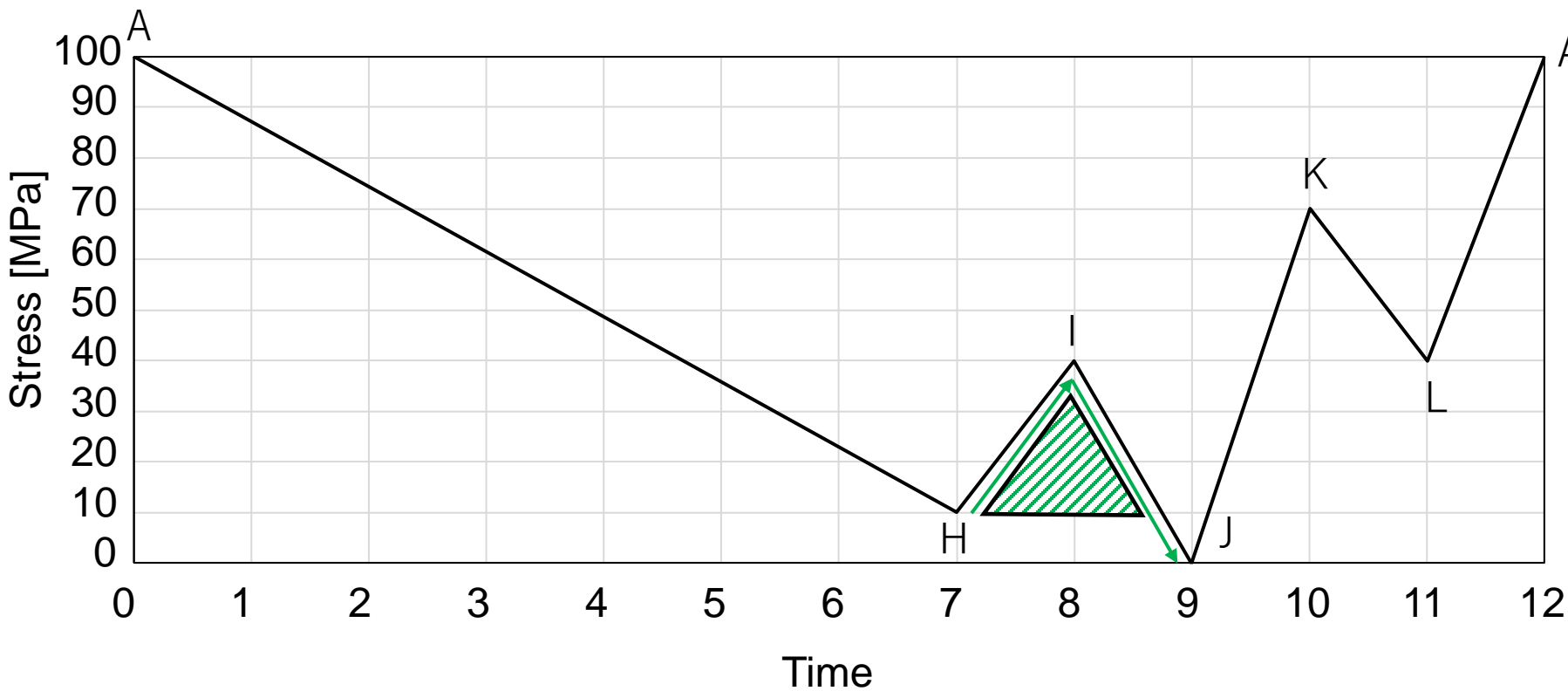


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 5

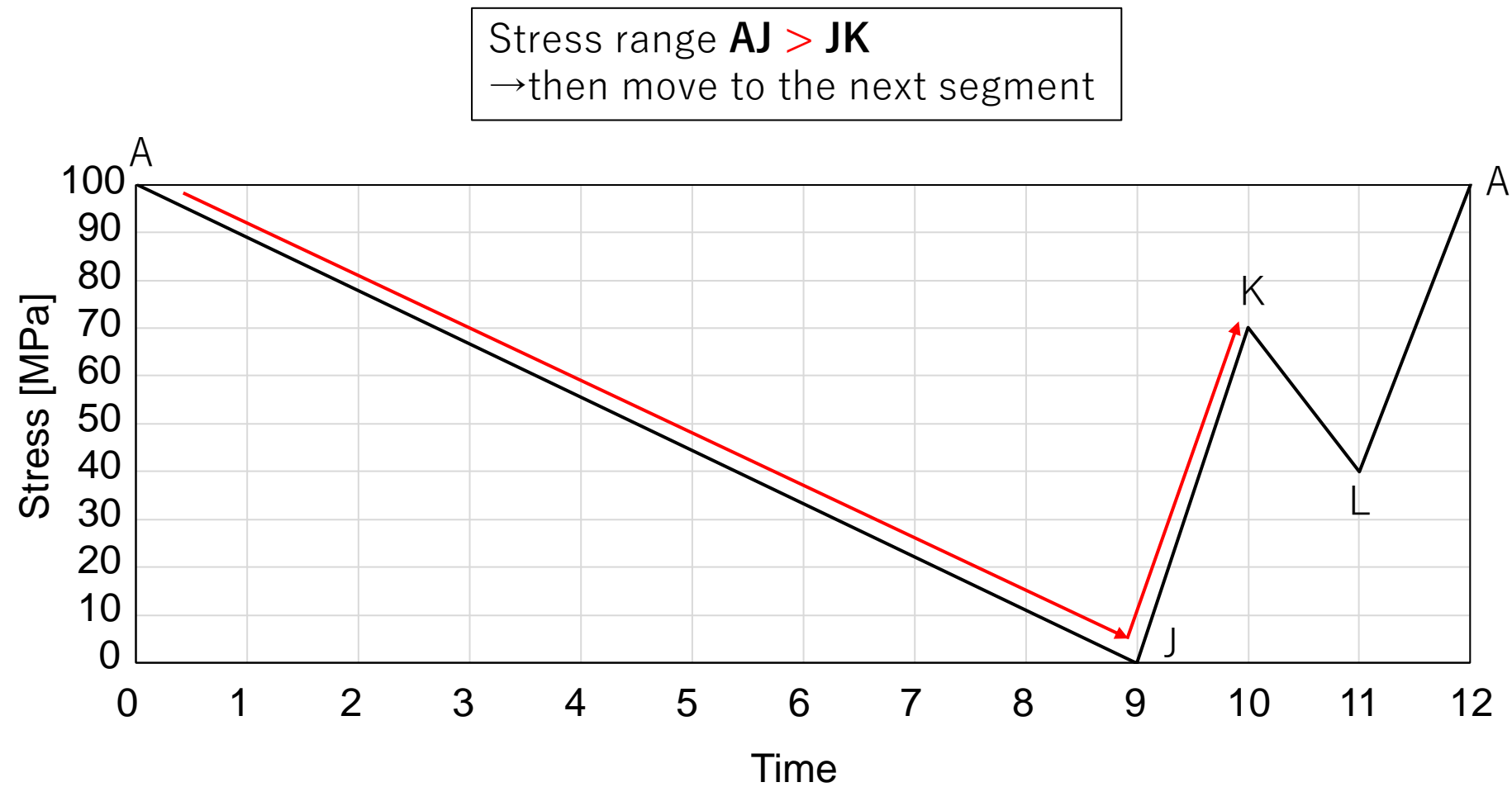


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 5

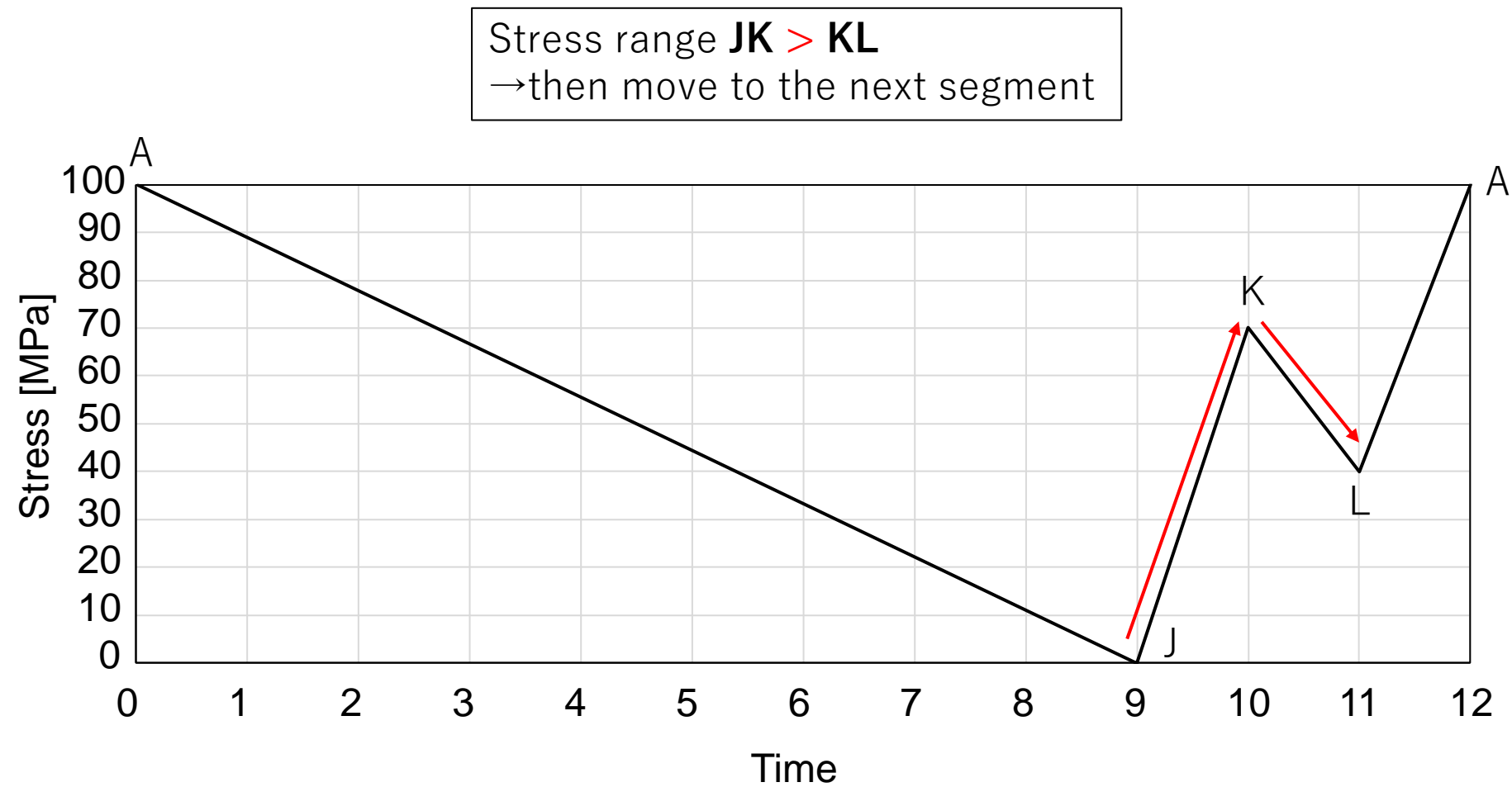


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 5

Stress range **KL** < **LA**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa
D-E	70 MPa	55 MPa
H-I	30 MPa	25 MPa
K-L	30 MPa	55 MPa

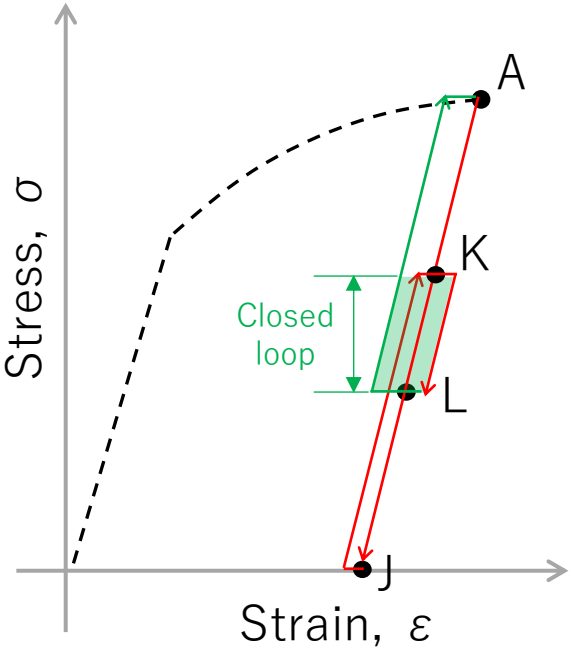
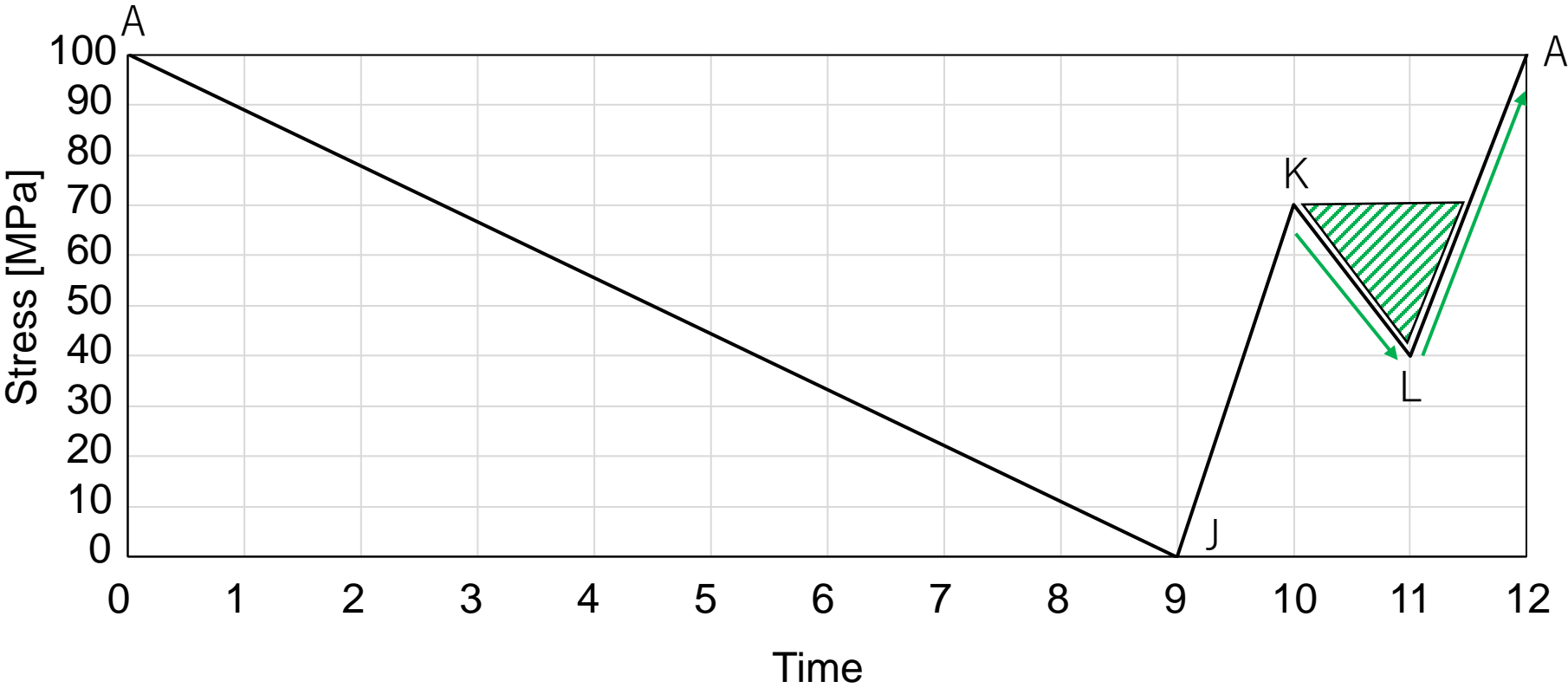


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Step 6

Stress range **AJ = JA**
→ then count a cycle



Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa
D-E	70 MPa	55 MPa
H-I	30 MPa	25 MPa
K-L	30 MPa	55 MPa
A-J	100 MPa	50 MPa

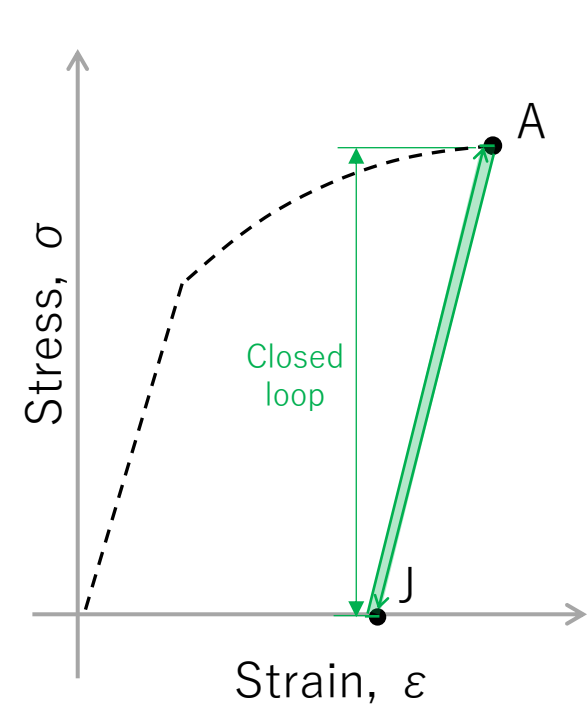
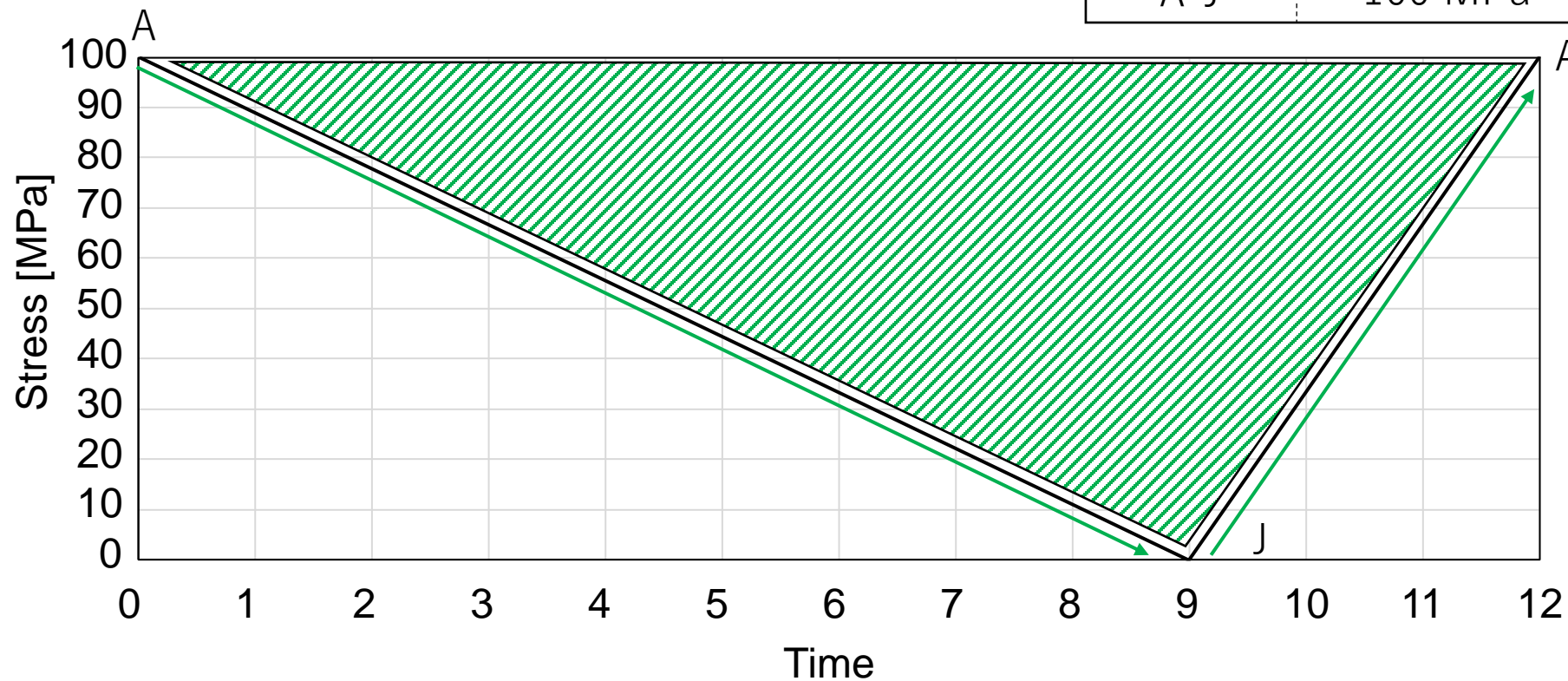


Figure 1 Load history for one repetition

Results for Problem 2

Cycle	Stress range	Mean stress
B-C	20 MPa	50 MPa
F-G	30 MPa	65 MPa
D-E	70 MPa	55 MPa
H-I	30 MPa	25 MPa
K-L	30 MPa	55 MPa
A-J	100 MPa	50 MPa

Problem 3

An unnotched member fabricated from Man-Ten steel (see Table 1) is subjected to the load history shown below.

- a) Perform a Rainflow counting of the load history for one repetition (see Figure 1).
- b) Estimate the number of repetitions and the number of cycles to failure (Miner rule). Use the Goodman equation (see Dowling book section 9.7 and Lecture 2 slides):

Note: Constants for Goodman equation from Table 1.

$$\sigma_a = \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_m}{\sigma_u}\right) \cdot A \cdot N_f^b$$

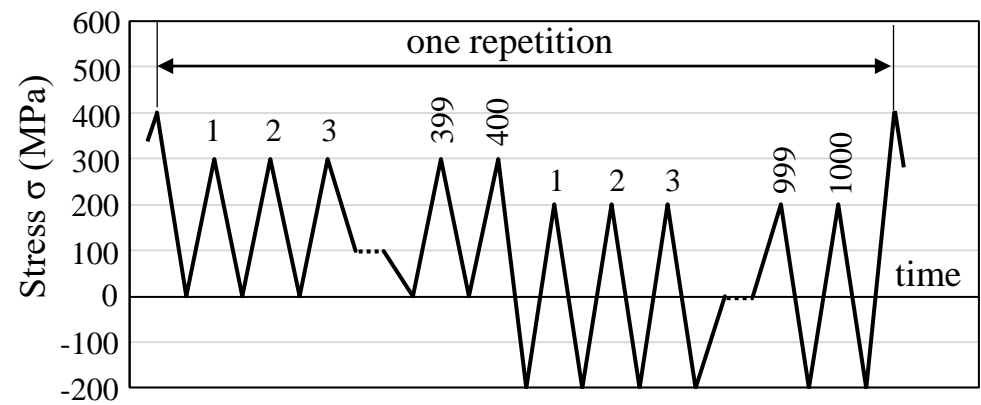


Figure 2 Load history for one repetition

Table 1 Constraints for stress-life curves: tests at zero mean stress on unnotched axial specimen

Material	Yield Strength	Ultimate Strength	True Fracture Strength	$\sigma_a = \sigma'_f(2N_f)^b = AN_f^B$		
	σ_o	σ_u	$\tilde{\sigma}_{fB}$	σ'_f	A	b = B
(a) Steels						
AISI 1015 (normalized)	227 (33)	415 (60.2)	725 (105)	976 (142)	886 (128)	-0.14
Man-Ten (hot rolled)	322 (46.7)	557 (80.8)	990 (144)	1089 (158)	1006 (146)	-0.115
RQC-100 (roller Q & T)	683 (99.0)	758 (110)	1186 (172)	938 (136)	897 (131)	-0.0648
AISI 4142 (Q & T, 450 HB)	1584 (230)	1757 (255)	1998 (290)	1937 (281)	1837 (266)	-0.0762
AISI 4340 (aircraft quality)	1103 (160)	1172 (170)	1634 (237)	1758 (255)	1643 (238)	-0.0977

Notes: The tabulated values have units of MPa(ksi) except for dimensionless $b = B$. See Table 14.1 for sources and additional properties.

Results for Problem 3 a)

The loading history for one reptation contains three loading blocks: block 1, block 2, and block 3

		Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
Count cycles	N	1	400	1000
Maximum stress	σ_{\max}	400	300	200
Minimum stress	σ_{\min}	-200	0	-200
Stress range	$\Delta\sigma$	600	300	400
Stress amplitude*	σ_a	300	150	200
Mean stress**	σ_m	100	150	0

$$*\sigma_a = \frac{\sigma_{\max} - \sigma_{\min}}{2}, \quad **\sigma_m = \frac{\sigma_{\max} + \sigma_{\min}}{2}$$

Results for Problem 3 b)

The Goodman equation is applied in order to determine the maximum number of repetitions for each loading block to failure.

Step 1: From Table 1, we can pick up the following parameters for Man-Ten steel:

$\sigma_u = 557$ MPa, $A = 1006$ MPa, and $b = -0.115$.



Step 2: Then, the repetitions can be obtained by using equation: $\sigma_a = \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_m}{\sigma_u}\right) \cdot A \cdot N_f^b \rightarrow N_f = \left[\frac{\sigma_a}{A(1 - \frac{\sigma_m}{\sigma_u})}\right]^{1/b}$

For block 1: $N_{f1} = \left[\frac{300}{1006(1 - \frac{100}{557})}\right]^{-1/0.115} = 6638$

For block 3: $N_{f2} = \left[\frac{200}{1006(1 - \frac{0}{557})}\right]^{-1/0.115} = 1260640$

For block 2: $N_{f2} = \left[\frac{150}{1006(1 - \frac{150}{557})}\right]^{-1/0.115} = 1004936$



Step 3: Then we can apply Miner's rule as follows:

$$B_f \sum \frac{N_i}{N_{fi}} = 1 \rightarrow B_f = \frac{1}{\sum \frac{N_i}{N_{fi}}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{6638} + \frac{400}{1004936} + \frac{1000}{1260640}} = 745$$

Thus, the specimen fails after 745 repetitions and, equivalently, after $745 \times 1401 = \underline{1044026}$ cycles.