

# Gears

## Complements of Machine Elements

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# Gear Standards

- DIN 780: Series of modules for gears
- DIN 867: Basic rack of Cylindrical Gears with Involute Teeth for General and Heavy Engineering
- DIN 868: General Definitions and Specification Factors for Gears, Gear Pairs and Gear Trains
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- DIN 3972: Reference Profiles of Gear-cutting Tools for Involute Tooth Systems according to DIN 867
- DIN 3975: Terms and Definitions for Cylindrical Worm Gears with Shaft Angle 90°

## Gear Standards

- DIN 3978: Helix Angles for Cylindrical Gear Teeth
- DIN 3979: Tooth Damage on Gear Trains: Designation, Characteristics, Causes
- DIN 3998: Denominations on gears and gear pairs
- NP EN ISO 2203: Desenhos técnicos - Representação convencional de engrenagens
- ISO 6336: Calculation of load capacity of spur and helical gears

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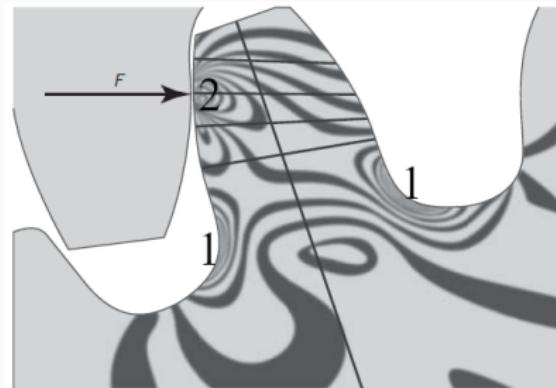
# Lecture 1

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# Summary

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# Introduction



**Figure 1:** Photoelastic pattern of stresses in a spur gear tooth [1].

The experimental stress analysis presented in Figure 1 shows that highest stresses exist where the

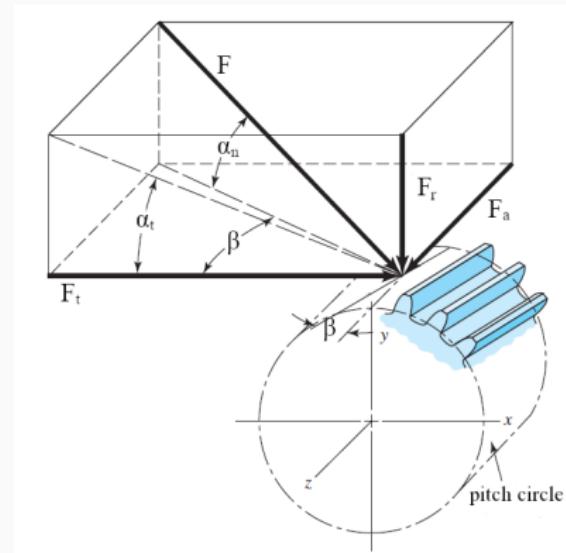
lines are bunched closest together.

This occurs at two locations: (1) the fillet at the base of the tooth and (2) the point of contact with the mating gear, where force  $F$  is acting.

There are two main components limiting gear load carrying capacity:

1. **tooth bending and fatigue**
2. **contact pressure.**

# Forces on gearing



**Figure 2:** Forces in a right helical gear [2].

Tangential:

$$F_t = \frac{M_t}{r} = \frac{P}{v}$$

Normal:

$$F_n = \frac{F_t}{\cos \alpha_t}$$

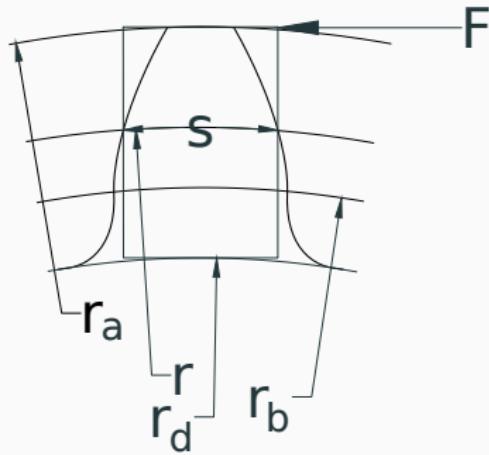
Radial:

$$F_r = F_t \cdot \tan \alpha_t$$

Axial:

$$F_a = F_t \cdot \tan \beta$$

# Root bending



**Figure 3:** Simplified model for the tooth root bending.

Considering the face width  $b$ , the tooth section can be

approximated as  $s \times b$  and height  $h$ :

$$h = r_a - r_d = 2.25 \cdot m$$

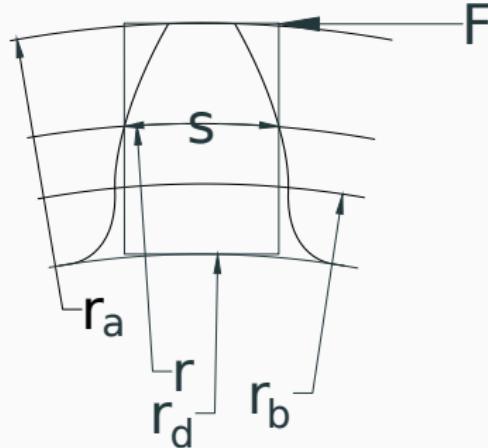
The tangential force is calculated by:

$$F = F_t = \frac{M_t}{r}$$

The bending moment on the tooth root with radius  $r_d$  is:

$$M_f = F_t \cdot h$$

# Root bending



**Figure 3:** Simplified model for the tooth root bending.

The maximum stress on the tooth root (traction on the right, compression on the left) is:

$$\sigma = \frac{M_f \cdot y_{max}}{I}$$

With:

$$y_{max} = \frac{s}{2}$$

$$I = \frac{b \cdot s^3}{12}$$

## Root bending

For a gear without profile shift,  $x = 0$ , the tooth thickness on the pitch radius is  $s = \frac{\pi \cdot m}{2}$

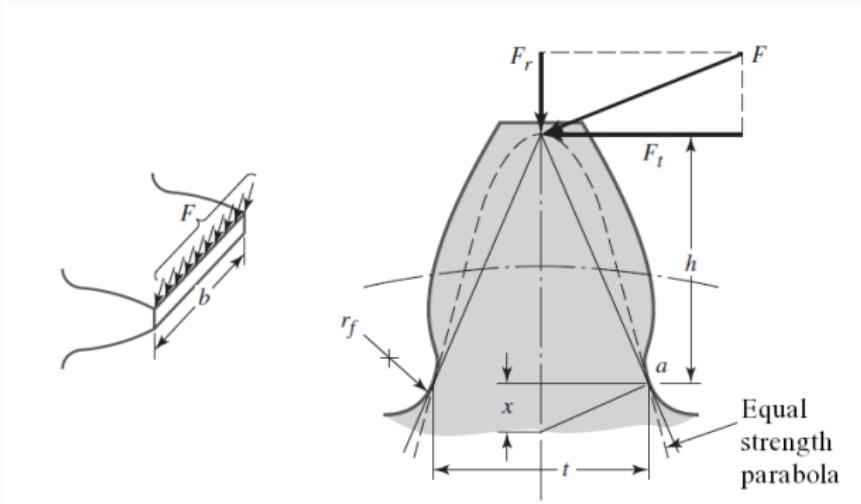
$$\sigma = \frac{F_t \cdot h \cdot \frac{s}{2}}{\frac{b \cdot s^3}{12}} = \frac{6 \cdot F_t \cdot h}{b \cdot s^2} = \frac{6 \cdot F_t \cdot 2.25 \cdot m}{b \cdot \left(\frac{\pi \cdot m}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{54 \cdot F_t}{\pi^2 \cdot b \cdot m} = \frac{5.471 \cdot F_t}{b \cdot m} \leq \sigma_{adm}$$

Expressing the face width  $b$  as a function of the module  $b = k \cdot m$ , we can write the previous equation to select the module  $m$ :

$$\frac{5.471 \cdot F_t}{k \cdot m^2} \leq \sigma_{adm} \Leftrightarrow m \geq \sqrt{\frac{5.471 \cdot F_t}{k \cdot \sigma_{adm}}}$$

This module is very coarse and is not used in practice.

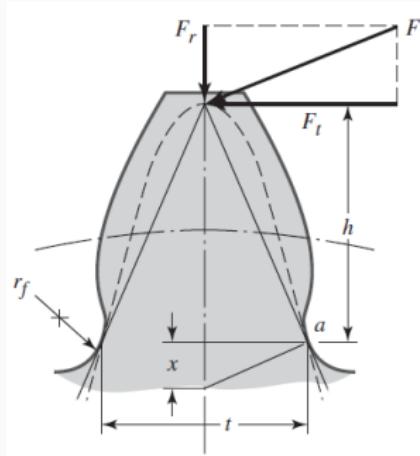
# Lewis formula



**Figure 4:** Lewis model to define critical section for root bending [1].

- The full load is applied to the tip of a single tooth;
- The radial component  $F_r$  is negligible;
- The load is distributed uniformly across the full face width;
- Forces which are due to tooth sliding friction are negligible;
- Stress concentration in the tooth fillet is negligible.

# Lewis formula



**Figure 5:** Lewis model to define critical section for root bending [1].

Similar triangles:

$$\frac{t/2}{x} = \frac{h}{t/2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{t^2}{h} = 4 \cdot x$$

$$\sigma = \frac{F_t}{\pi \cdot b \cdot m \cdot y}$$

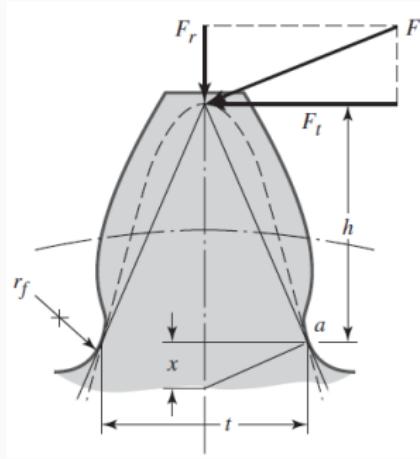
$$y = \frac{4 \cdot x}{6 \cdot \pi \cdot m}$$

For a pressure angles of  $\alpha = 20^\circ$  [3, 4]:

$$\sigma = \frac{F_t \cdot h \cdot \frac{t}{2}}{\frac{b \cdot t^3}{12}} = \frac{6 \cdot F_t \cdot h}{b \cdot t^2}$$

$$y = 0.154 - 0.912/z$$

# Lewis formula



**Figure 5:** Lewis model to define critical section for root bending [1].

$$\sigma = \frac{F_t}{\pi \cdot b \cdot m \cdot y}$$

The tangential force written as function of the transmitted torque:  $F_t = \frac{M_t}{r}$

The face width as a function of gear module:  $b = k \cdot m$ :

$$\sigma = \frac{\frac{M_t}{\frac{z \cdot m}{2}}}{\pi \cdot k \cdot m \cdot m \cdot y} \leq \sigma_{adm}$$

The module is then estimated as:

$$m \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{2 \cdot M_t}{\pi \cdot k \cdot z \cdot y \cdot \sigma_{adm}}}$$

## Lewis formula

$$\sigma = \frac{F_t}{\pi \cdot b \cdot m \cdot y}$$

A typical way to write the Lewis formula is:

$$\sigma = \frac{F_t}{\pi \cdot b \cdot m \cdot y} = \frac{F_t}{bm} Y$$

Where  $Y_L = \frac{1}{\pi y}$

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# Lewis formula

TABLE 18-1. LEWIS FORM FACTORS  $y$

| Number of teeth | External gears                          |                                       |                                    | Internal gears           |       |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|
|                 | 14½-deg composite system<br>$a = 1/P^*$ | 20-deg full-depth system<br>$a = 1/P$ | 20-deg stub system<br>$a = 0.80/P$ | 20-deg full-depth system |       |
|                 |   | Pinion<br>$a = 1/P$                   | Internal gear<br>$a = 1/P$         |                          |       |
| 10              | 0.055                                   | 0.064                                 | 0.088                              | 0.103                    |       |
| 11              | 0.062                                   | 0.072                                 | 0.093                              | 0.104                    |       |
| 12              | 0.067                                   | 0.078                                 | 0.099                              | 0.104                    |       |
| 13              | 0.071                                   | 0.083                                 | 0.103                              | 0.104                    |       |
| 14              | 0.075                                   | 0.088                                 | 0.108                              | 0.105                    |       |
| 15              | 0.078                                   | 0.092                                 | 0.111                              | 0.105                    |       |
| 16              | 0.081                                   | 0.094                                 | 0.115                              | 0.106                    |       |
| 17              | 0.084                                   | 0.096                                 | 0.117                              | 0.109                    |       |
| 18              | 0.086                                   | 0.098                                 | 0.120                              | 0.111                    |       |
| 19              | 0.088                                   | 0.100                                 | 0.123                              | 0.114                    |       |
| 20              | 0.090                                   | 0.102                                 | 0.125                              | 0.116                    |       |
| 21              | 0.092                                   | 0.104                                 | 0.127                              | 0.118                    |       |
| 22              | 0.093                                   | 0.105                                 | 0.129                              | 0.119                    |       |
| 24              | 0.095                                   | 0.107                                 | 0.132                              | 0.122                    |       |
| 26              | 0.098                                   | 0.110                                 | 0.135                              | 0.125                    |       |
| 28              | 0.100                                   | 0.112                                 | 0.137                              | 0.127                    | 0.220 |
| 30              | 0.101                                   | 0.114                                 | 0.139                              | 0.129                    | 0.216 |
| 34              | 0.104                                   | 0.118                                 | 0.142                              | 0.132                    | 0.210 |
| 38              | 0.106                                   | 0.122                                 | 0.145                              | 0.135                    | 0.205 |
| 43              | 0.108                                   | 0.126                                 | 0.147                              | 0.137                    | 0.200 |
| 50              | 0.110                                   | 0.130                                 | 0.151                              | 0.139                    | 0.195 |
| 60              | 0.113                                   | 0.134                                 | 0.154                              | 0.142                    | 0.190 |
| 75              | 0.115                                   | 0.138                                 | 0.158                              | 0.144                    | 0.185 |
| 100             | 0.117                                   | 0.142                                 | 0.161                              | 0.147                    | 0.180 |
| 150             | 0.119                                   | 0.146                                 | 0.165                              | 0.149                    | 0.175 |
| 300             | 0.122                                   | 0.150                                 | 0.170                              | 0.152                    | 0.170 |
| Rack            | 0.124                                   | 0.154                                 | 0.175                              |                          |       |

\*  $a$  = addendum;  $P$  = diametral pitch.

**Figure 6:** Lewis form factor according to [5].

$$Y_L = \frac{1}{\pi \cdot y}$$

The values of  $y$  are typically listed in Tables.

An approximate equation was proposed by Wallace [4]. For pressure angle  $\alpha = 20^\circ$ :

$$y = 0.154 - 0.912/z$$

For  $\alpha = 14.5^\circ$

$$y = 0.124 - 0.684/z$$

# Lewis formula

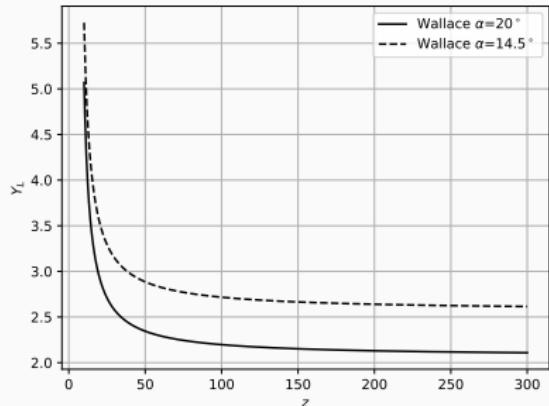


Figure 7: Lewis form factor.

From  $Y_L = \frac{1}{\pi y}$ :

$$m \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{2 \cdot M_t}{\pi \cdot k \cdot z \cdot y \cdot \sigma_{adm}}}$$

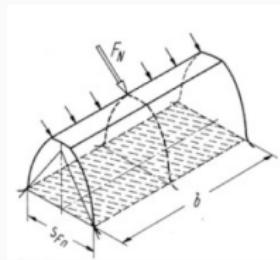
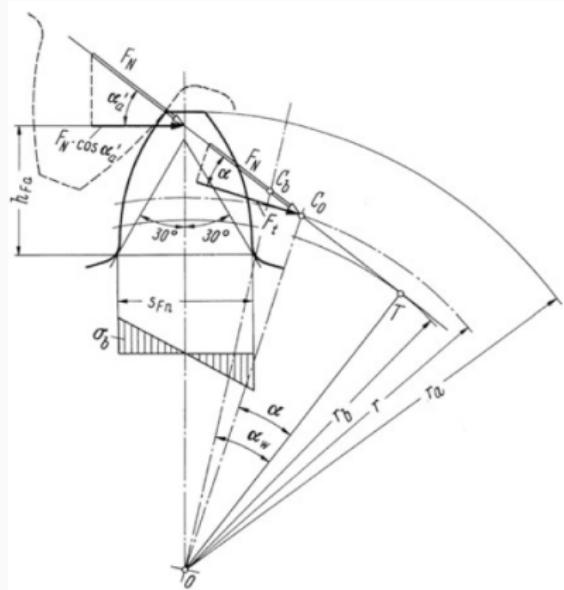
A conservative way is to use the biggest Lewis form factor:

$$m \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{10 \cdot M_t}{z \cdot k \cdot \sigma_{adm}}}$$

A similar equation can be found in German design guideline VDI 2736 Part 2 for plastic gears [6]:

$$m \geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{6 \cdot M_t}{z \cdot k \cdot \sigma_{adm}}}$$

# ISO critical section

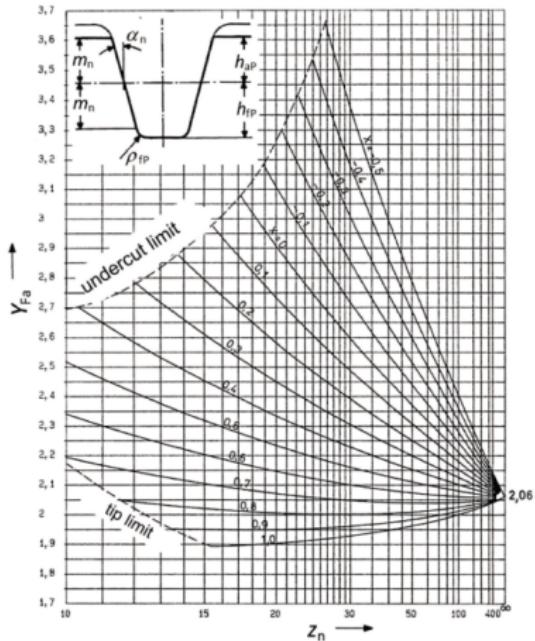


**Figure 8:** Tooth root critical section  $s_{Fn}$  according to ISO [7].

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_b &= \frac{(F_t \cdot h_{Fa}) \cdot (s_{Fn}/2)}{\frac{b \cdot s_{Fn}^3}{12}} \\ &= \frac{(F_N \cdot \cos \alpha'_a \cdot h_{Fa}) \cdot (s_{Fn}/2)}{\frac{b \cdot s_{Fn}^3}{12}} \\ &= \frac{6 \cdot F_N \cdot \cos \alpha'_a \cdot h_{Fa}}{b \cdot s_{Fn}^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma_b = \frac{F_t}{b \cdot m} \cdot \frac{6 \cdot \left(\frac{h_{Fa}}{m}\right) \cdot \cos \alpha'_a}{\left(\frac{s_{Fn}}{m}\right)^2 \cdot \cos \alpha} = \frac{F_t}{b \cdot m} \cdot Y_F}$$

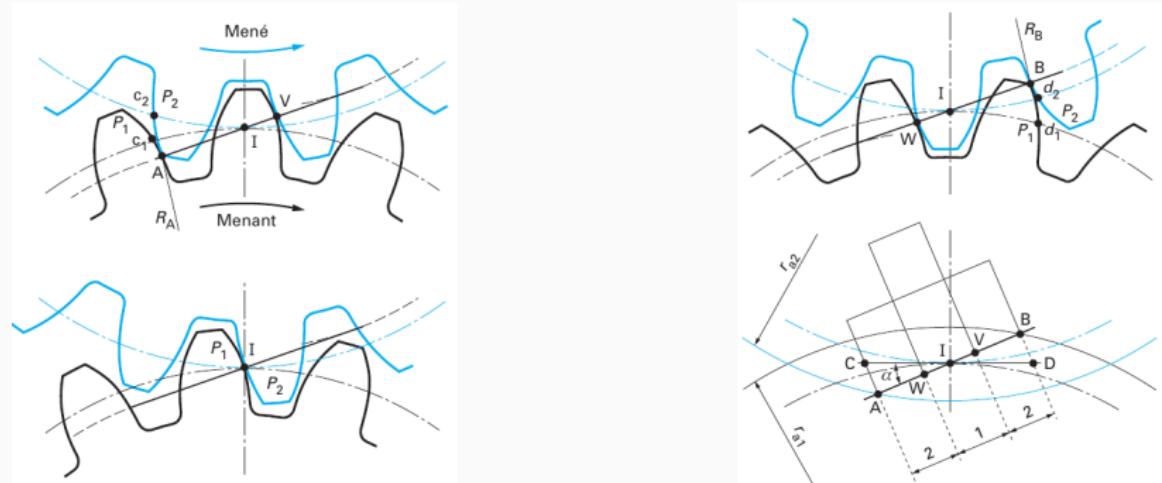
# ISO form factor



**Figure 9:** Form factor  $Y_{Fa}$  for  $h_{fp} = 1.25 \cdot m$ ,  $h_{ap} = m$ ,  $\rho_{fp} = 0.25 \cdot m$  [8].

The form factor can be determined using graphical data from ISO 6336-3:1996. The number of tooth and the profile shift should be known. The graphical data should be suitable for the reference profile used.

# Normal load along the path of contact



**Figure 10:** Load sharing along path of contact [9].

The normal force changes along the path of contact. Up to now, the equations to calculate the maximum stress considered just one tooth is carrying all the load.

## Normal load along the path of contact



**Figure 11:** Load sharing function disregarding elastic effects.

$$\sigma_b = \frac{F_t}{b \cdot m} \cdot Y_F \cdot Y_\epsilon$$

with  $Y_\epsilon = \frac{1}{\epsilon_\alpha}$ . This means that the load is carried by an average number of teeth in contact equal to  $\epsilon_\alpha$

# Stress concentration at tooth root fillet

$$\sigma_{b_{lim}} = \frac{\sigma_{b,10^7}}{Y_S \cdot S_F}$$

According to Henriot [10] the average value is  $Y_S = 1.8$ .

The load is of repeated type, so:

$$R = \frac{F_{min}}{F_{max}} = 0$$

The amplitude load and the average load are:

$$F_a = F_m = \frac{F_{max}}{2}$$

For epicyclic gear trains

$F_{min} = -F_{max} = -F$ , so:

$$R = \frac{F_{min}}{F_{max}} = -1$$

The average load is vanished on such cases:

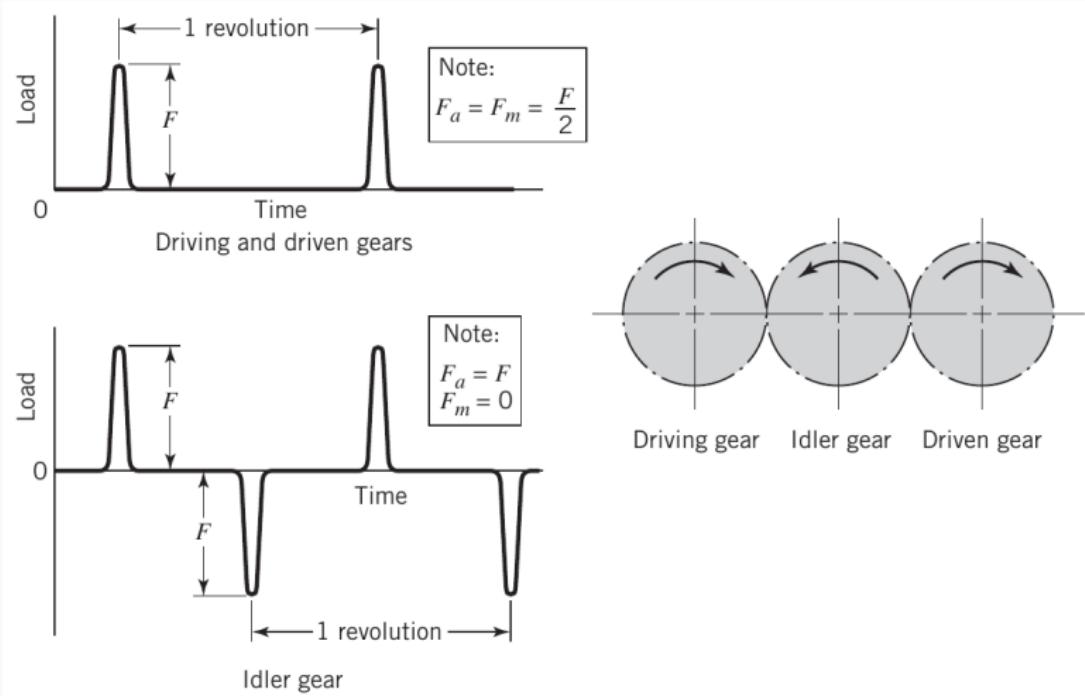
$$F_m = \frac{F_{max} + F_{min}}{2} = 0$$

The amplitude load is:

$$F_a = \frac{F_{max} + F_{min}}{2} = F$$

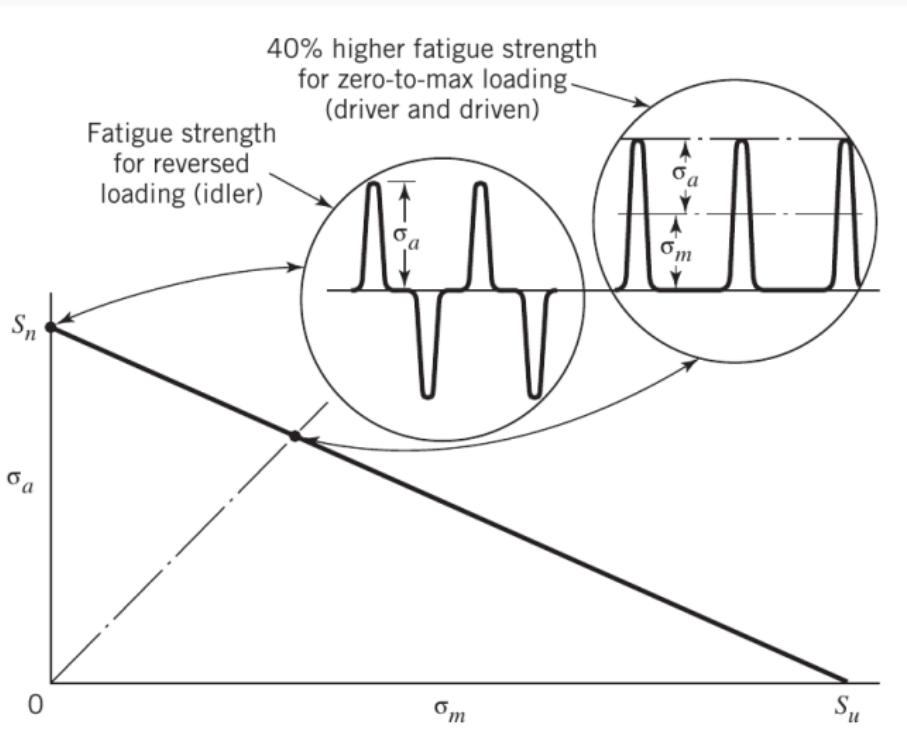
Henriot states that for such case  $\sigma_b$  should be reduced by 25 %.

# Stress concentration at tooth root fillet



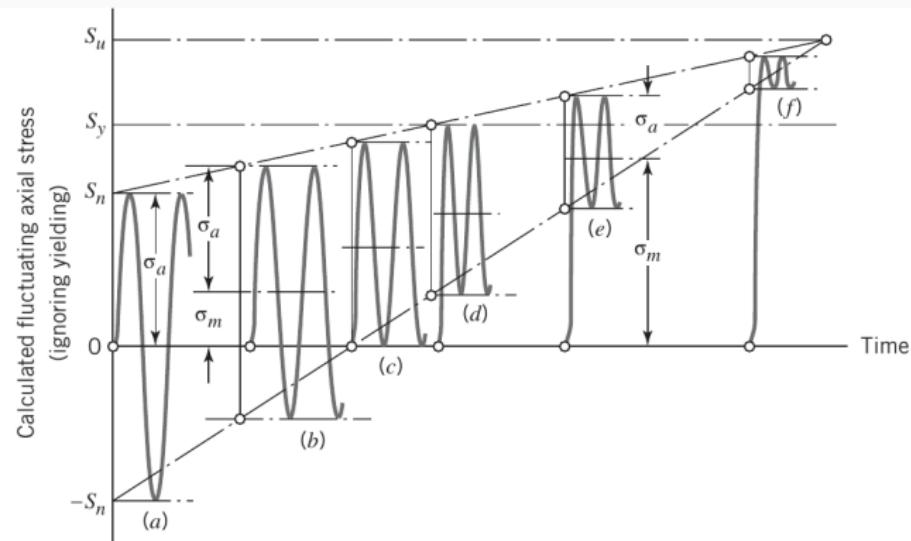
**Figure 12:** Load fluctuation [1].

# Stress concentration at tooth root fillet



**Figure 13:** Stress fluctuation [1].

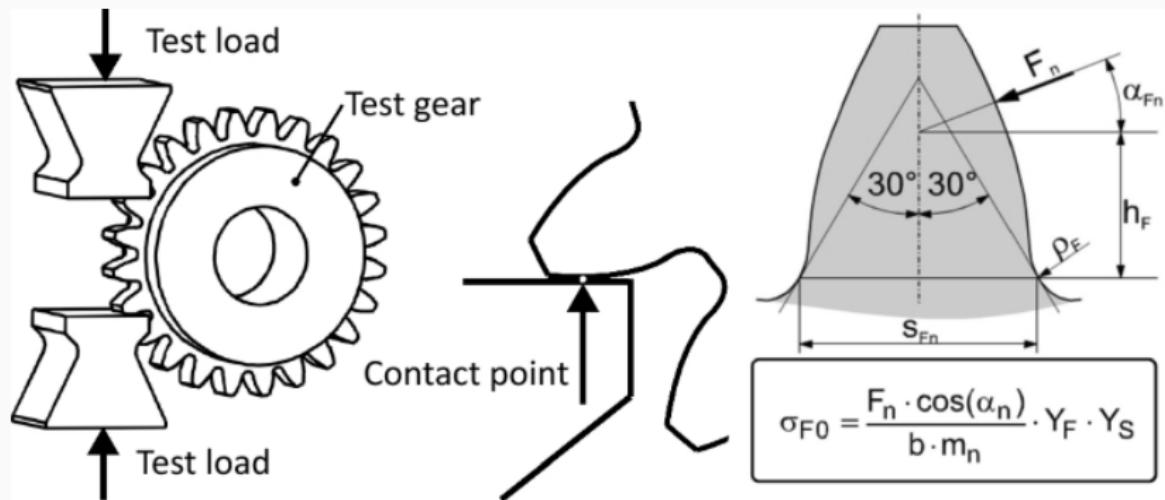
# Stress concentration at tooth root fillet



**Figure 14:** Various fluctuating stresses, all corresponding to equal fatigue life [1].

(a)  $R = -1$  and (c)  $R = 0$

# Tooth bending fatigue testing



**Figure 15:** Tooth bending fatigue testing.

## Load correction factors

There several factors that should be taken into account to refine the model presented. Henriot [10] lists:

- dynamic (speed) effect  $K_V$
- load type  $K_A$  (for example if the system works under shock loading)
- load application duration  $K_{bL}$  (increase in the allowable stress if the duration of load application is short)
- factor depending on the ratio face width / pitch diameter  $\frac{b}{d}$ . For a high ratio is difficult to have theoretical conditions of gearing due to machining inaccuracies, distortions, misalignment [3]

$$F_{t_{lim}} = \sigma_{b_{lim}} \cdot b \cdot m \cdot \frac{K_V \cdot K_A \cdot K_M \cdot K_{bL}}{Y_\epsilon \cdot Y_F \cdot Y_\beta}$$

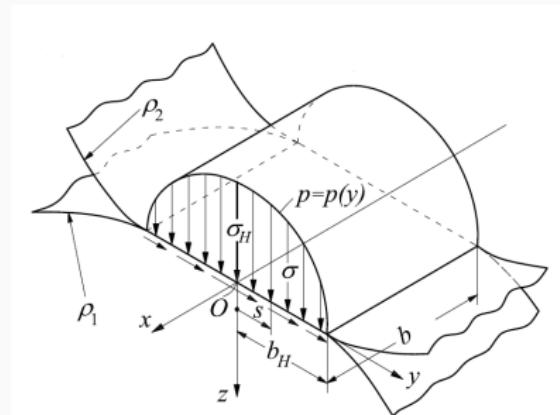
## Lecture 2

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# Summary

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# Hertz contact



**Figure 16:** Hertz solution for the contact pressure between two cylinders [11].

Hertz admitted the following hypotheses for the contact of

two bodies:

- Each body can be treated as an elastic half-space loaded over the small contacting area;
- The dimensions of the contact area must be small compared with the dimensions of each body and with the relative radii of curvature of the surfaces;
- The surfaces are friction-less, so only normal load is applied between them;
- The strains are small, so that Hooke's law is valid.

# Contact pressure between two cylinders

$$\sigma_H = \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot E^*}{\pi \cdot b \cdot \rho}}$$

Where  $b$  is width of the shortest cylinder.

$F_n$  is the normal force.

**Equivalent Young's modulus:**

$$\frac{1}{E^*} = \left( \frac{1 - \nu_1^2}{E_1} + \frac{1 - \nu_2^2}{E_2} \right)$$

Where  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are the Young modulus of cylinder 1 and 2, respectively.

And  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  are the Poisson ratio of cylinder 1 and 2, respectively.

**Relative radius:**

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2}$$

Where  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are the radius of cylinder 1 and 2, respectively.

# Gear kinematics

# Gear kinematics – rolling speeds

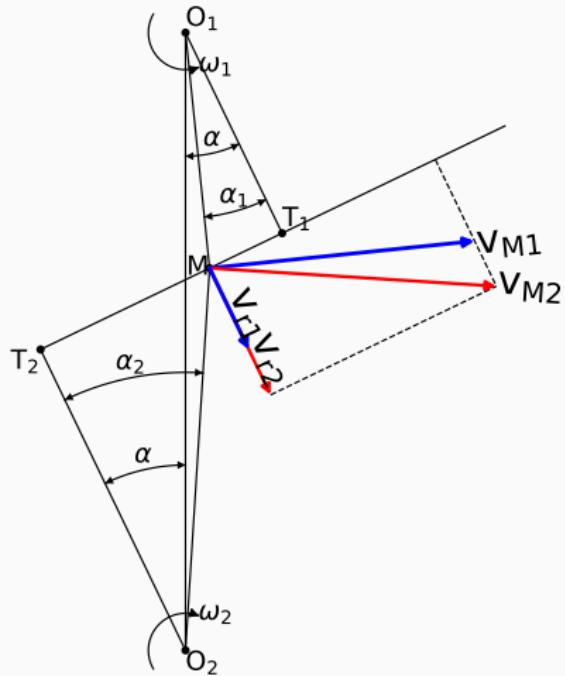


Figure 17: Rolling speeds

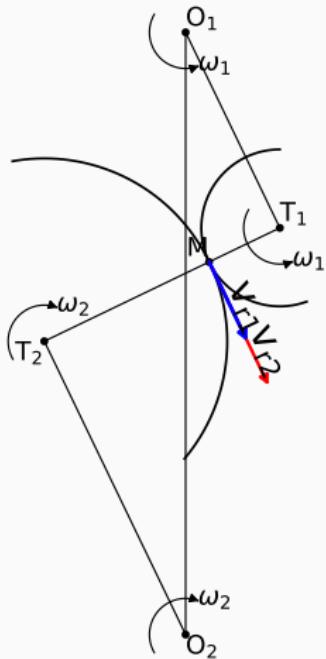
The rolling speeds (tangential to the contact) at contacting point M are:

$$v_{r1} = v_{M1} \cdot \sin \alpha_1 = (\omega_1 \cdot r_{M1}) \sin \alpha_1$$
$$v_{r2} = v_{M2} \cdot \sin \alpha_2 = (\omega_2 \cdot r_{M2}) \sin \alpha_2$$

The difference of rolling speeds of profile 1 relative to profile 2 is the **sliding speed**.

Since there exists friction between the contacting surfaces, the sliding promotes power loss (↓ efficiency).

# Conceptual cylinders



As discussed before, the rolling speeds are:

$$v_{r1} = \omega_1 \cdot r_{M1} \sin \alpha_1$$

$$v_{r2} = \omega_2 \cdot r_{M2} \sin \alpha_2$$

The tooth profiles 1 and 2 can be approximated by two circles contacting in point  $M$  with center in  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ :

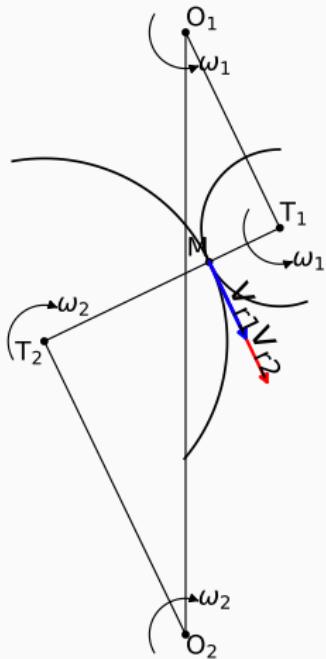
- radius  $\overline{T_1M}$  with center  $T_1$
- radius  $\overline{T_2M}$  with center  $T_2$

**Figure 18:** Conceptual cylinders

$$v_{r1} = \omega_1 \cdot \overline{T_1M}$$

$$v_{r2} = \omega_2 \cdot \overline{T_2M}$$

# Conceptual cylinders



The dimensions of the conceptual cylinders at each contacting position are used to calculate the Hertz contact pressure.

The radius of the cylinders is:

$$\rho_1 = \frac{T_1 M}{T_1 + T_2}$$

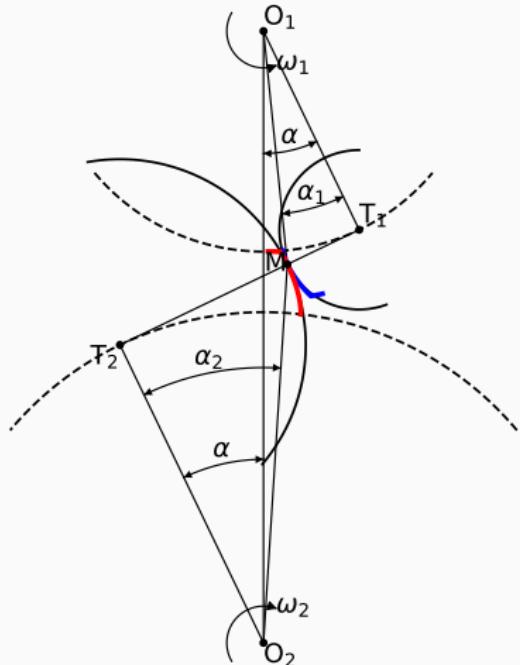
$$\rho_2 = \frac{T_2 M}{T_1 + T_2}$$

Since  $\overline{T_1 T_2}$  is constant, the sum of the cylinders radii is always:

$$\rho_1 + \rho_2 = \overline{T_1 T_2}$$

**Figure 18:** Conceptual cylinders

# Contact pressure between mating teeth



**Figure 19:** Conceptual cylinders at any contacting position M.

$$\sigma_H = \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot E^*}{\pi \cdot b \cdot \rho}}$$

Where  $b$  is the gear face width.

Normal force:

$$F_n = \frac{F_t}{\cos \alpha_t}$$

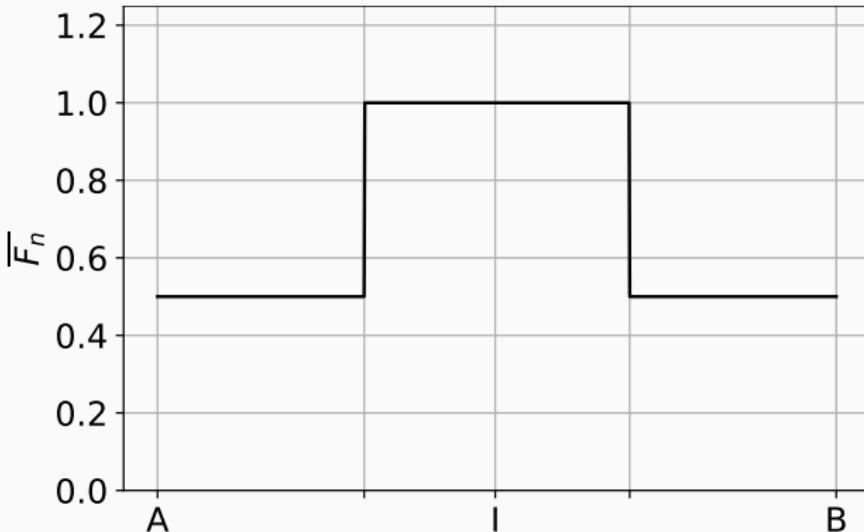
Equivalent Young's modulus:

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Relative radius:

$$\frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2}$$

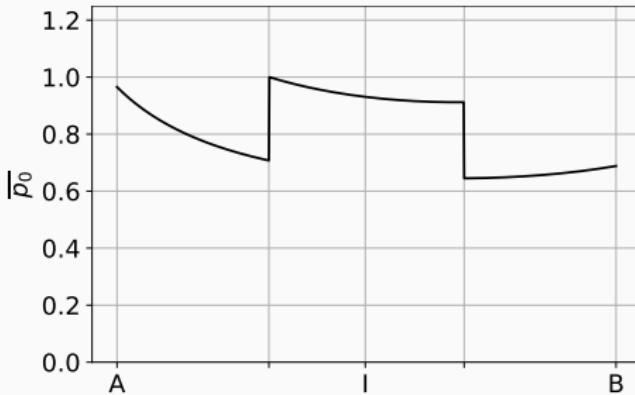
## Contact pressure along the path of contact



**Figure 20:** Load sharing function disregarding elastic effects.

As already discussed, the normal load varies along the path of contact for a spur gear as represented in the Figure 20, so the contact pressure will be affected by this.

## Contact pressure along the path of contact



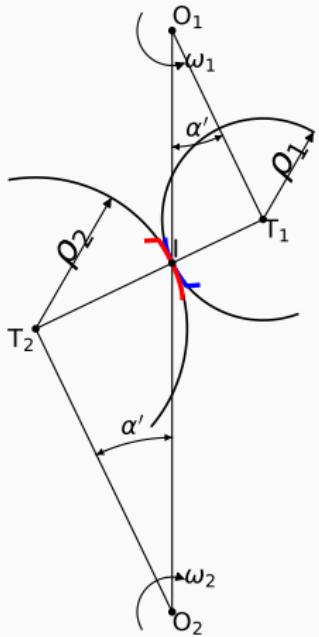
**Figure 21:** Normalized contact pressure along the path of contact.

The contact pressure  $\sigma_H = p_0$  changes along the path of contact because:

- the relative radius  $\rho$  changes as  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  changes ( $\overline{T_1 T_2} = \rho_1 + \rho_2$ );
- the normal load changes as shown in Figure 20.

A point for calculation of contact pressure is then the pitch point, since it gives a very good approximation to the maximum value of the contact pressure.

## Contact pressure over the pitch circle



$$\sigma_{H_I} = \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot E^*}{\pi \cdot b \cdot \rho_I}}$$

Normal force over pitch circle:

$$F_n = \frac{F_t}{\cos \alpha'_t}$$

Assuming a steel gear:

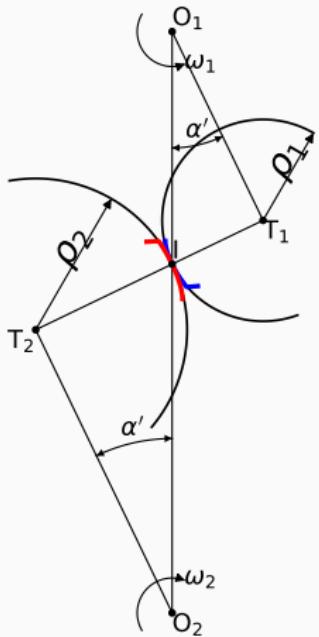
$$E_1 = E_2 = 210 \text{ GPa} \text{ and } \nu_1 = \nu_2 = 0.3$$

The equivalent Young's modulus:

$$E^* = 115.385 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$$

**Figure 22:** Conceptual cylinders over pitch circle.

# Contact pressure over the pitch circle



Equivalent radius over pitch circle:

$$\frac{1}{\rho_I} = \left( \frac{1}{r'_1 \cdot \sin \alpha'} + \frac{1}{r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'} \right)$$

Relative radius over the pitch circle

$$\rho_I = \frac{r'_1 \cdot r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'}{r'_1 + r'_2}$$

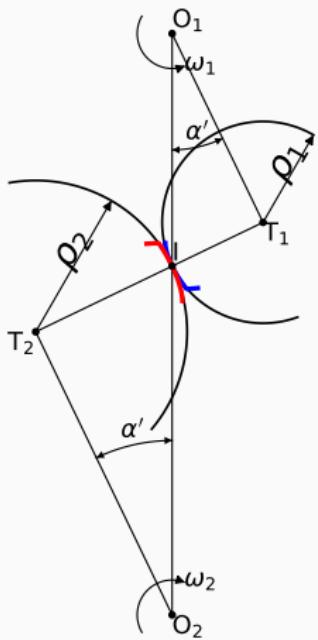
$$\sigma_{H_I} = \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot E^*}{\pi \cdot b \cdot \rho_I}}$$

$$\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot (r'_1 + r'_2)}{b \cdot r'_1 \cdot r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'}}$$

$\sigma_{H_I}$  in MPa and  $r'_1$ ,  $r'_2$  and  $b$  in mm.

**Figure 22:** Conceptual cylinders over pitch circle.

## Contact pressure over the pitch circle



$$\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{F_n \cdot (r'_1 + r'_2)}{b \cdot r'_1 \cdot r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'}}$$

Making  $F_{nu} = \frac{F_n}{b}$  and  $a' = r'_1 + r'_2$ :

$$\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{F_{nu} \frac{a'}{r'_1 \cdot r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'}}$$

Finally  $u = \frac{z_2}{z_1}$  or  $u = \frac{r'_2}{r'_1}$ :

$$\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{F_{nu} \cdot \frac{1}{r'_1 \cdot \sin \alpha'} \cdot \frac{u + 1}{u}}$$

**Figure 22:** Conceptual cylinders over pitch circle.

## Contact pressure over the pitch circle

But recall that:

$$F_{nu} = \frac{F_n}{b} = \frac{F_t}{b \cos \alpha} = \frac{F'_t}{b \cos \alpha'} \quad \text{and} \quad K = \frac{F_t}{b \cdot d_1} \cdot \frac{u+1}{u} = \frac{F'_t}{b \cdot d'_1} \cdot \frac{u+1}{u}$$

So, the contact stress at pitch point can be written as:

$$\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{F'_t}{b \cos \alpha'} \cdot \frac{2}{d'_1 \sin \alpha'} \cdot \frac{u+1}{u}} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{\cos \alpha' \sin \alpha'}} \cdot \sqrt{K}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma_{H_I} = 192 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{\cos \alpha' \sin \alpha'}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{F_t}{b \cdot d_1} \cdot \frac{u+1}{u}}}$$

## Lecture 3

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# Standardization on gear load carrying capacity

The following entities has presented standards about gear load carrying capacity: AFNOR (France), AGMA (USA), BSI (UK), DIN (Germany), ISO (International)...

The main standards are:

- Alemania
  - DIN 3990:1987 – “Calculation of load capacity of cylindrical gears”
- USA
  - AGMA 2101-D04 – “Fundamental Rating Factors and Calculation Methods for Involute Spur and Helical Gear Teeth”
- International
  - ISO 6336:1996; ISO 6336:2006; ISO 6336:2019 – “Calculation of load capacity of spur and helical gears” [12]

# ISO 6336:1 Introduction

**Table 1:** ISO 6336:2019 [13]

| Calculation of load capacity of spur and helical gears  | International Standard | Technical Specification | Technical Report |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Part 1: Basic principles, introduction and general influence factors</b>   | X                      |                         |                  |
| <b>Part 2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)</b>  | X                      |                         |                  |
| <b>Part 3: Calculation of tooth bending strength</b>  | X                      |                         |                  |
| Part 4: Calculation of tooth flank fracture load capacity   |                        | X                       |                  |
| Part 5: Strength and quality of materials   | X                      |                         |                  |
| Part 6: Calculation of service life under variable load   | X                      |                         |                  |
| Part 20: Calculation of scuffing load capacity (also applicable to bevel and hypoid gears) — Flash temperature method (replaces: ISO/TR 13989-1)    |                        | X                       |                  |
| Part 21: Calculation of scuffing load capacity (also applicable to bevel and hypoid gears) — Integral temperature method (replaces: ISO/TR 13989-2) |                        | X                       |                  |
| Part 22: Calculation of micropitting load capacity (replaces: ISO/TR 15144-1)   |                        | X                       |                  |
| Part 30: Calculation examples for the application of ISO 6336 parts 1,2,3,5   |                        |                         | X                |
| Part 31: Calculation examples of micropitting load capacity (replaces: ISO/TR 15144-2)  |                        |                         | X                |

## ISO 6336-1: Scope

ISO 6336 **should be used** for the following situations [12, 13]:

- pressure angle between 15 and 25 °;
- helix angle up to 30 °;
- spur gears or helical gears with contact ratio  $1 < \epsilon_\alpha < 2.5$ ;

ISO 6336 **should not be used** for the following situations [12, 13]:

- spur or helical gears with contact ratio  $\epsilon_\alpha < 1$ ;
- interference between tooth tips and root fillets;
- teeth are pointed;
- backlash is zero.

This standard should not be used for non-metallic gears. For plastic gears, use instead VDI 2545 (1981) e VDI 2736 (2016).

# ISO 6336-1: Basic Principles

Calculation methods according to ISO 6336:1996:

- A - factors derived using comprehensive mathematical analysis (FEM for example) and experimental testing (seldom used due to costs);
- B - factors are derived with sufficient accuracy for most applications using a rigorous geometric model;
- C - factors derived using simplified approximations. On each occasion an assessment should be made as to whether or not these assumptions apply to the existing conditions.

There are method D and E that give procedures to determine some factors.

**ISO 6336:2006 and ISO 6336:2019 use only method A and B.**

**The factors are usually defined with the subscript corresponding to the method used, for example  $K_{V-B}$  means dynamic factor according to method B**

# ISO 6336-2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)

## Nominal contact stress at pitch point

$$\sigma_{HO} = Z_H \cdot Z_E \cdot Z_\epsilon \cdot Z_\beta \cdot \sqrt{\frac{F_t}{d_1 \cdot b} \cdot \frac{u+1}{u}}$$

Zone factor

$$Z_H = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cos \beta_b \cos \alpha'_t}{\cos^2 \alpha_t \sin \alpha'_t}}$$

Contact ratio factor

$$Z_\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{4 - \epsilon_\alpha}{3} (1 - \epsilon_\beta) + \frac{\epsilon_\beta}{\epsilon_\alpha}} \text{ or } Z_\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\epsilon_\alpha}}$$

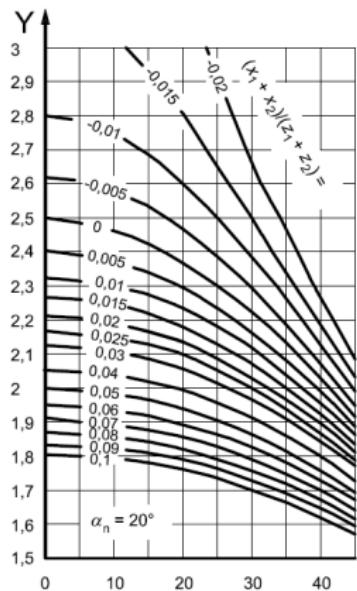
Elasticity factor

$$Z_E = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi \left( \frac{1 - \nu_1^2}{E_1} + \frac{1 - \nu_2^2}{E_2} \right)}}$$

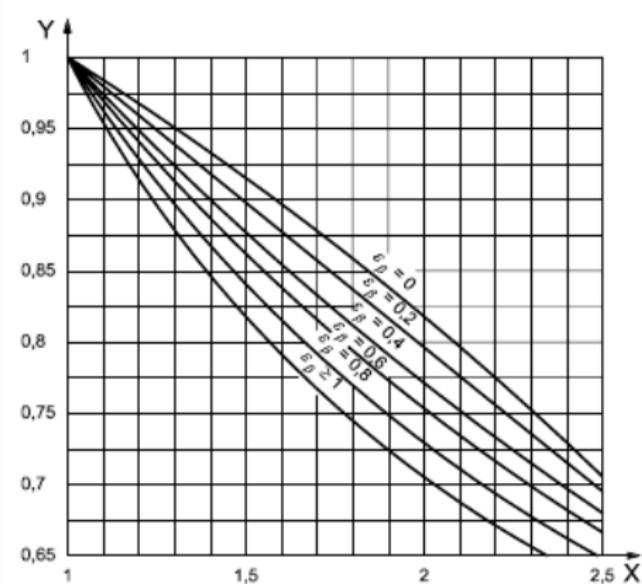
Helix angle factor

$$Z_\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\cos \beta}}$$

# ISO 6336-2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)



(a) Zone factor  $Z_H = Y$  vs.  
the helix angle  $\beta$



(b) Contact ratio factor  $Z_e = Y$  vs. transverse  
contact ratio  $\epsilon_\alpha = X$

**Figure 23:** Graphical data for  $\alpha = 20^\circ$ , according to ISO 6336:2006 [14].

# ISO 6336-2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)

## Contact stress

$$\sigma_H = Z_B \cdot \sigma_{Ho} \cdot \sqrt{K_A \cdot K_V \cdot K_{H\beta} \cdot K_{H\alpha}}$$

The contact stress should be lower than the permissible contact stress:

$$\sigma_H \leq \sigma_{HP}$$

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$Z_B$  pinion single pair tooth contact factor

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$K_A$  application factor

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$K_V$  dynamic factor

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$K_{H\beta}$  face load factor for contact stress

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$K_{H\alpha}$  transverse load factor for contact stress

# ISO 6336-2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)

$$\sigma_{HP} = \frac{\sigma_{H_{lim}} \cdot Z_{NT}}{S_{H_{min}}} \cdot Z_L \cdot Z_V \cdot Z_R \cdot Z_W \cdot Z_X = \frac{\sigma_{HG}}{S_{H_{min}}}$$

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|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| $\sigma_{HP}$      | permissible contact stress                                     |
| $\sigma_{H_{lim}}$ | allowable stress number from reference test gears (ISO 6336:5) |
| $\sigma_{HG}$      | contact stress limit   |
| $Z_{NT}$           | life factor  |
| $Z_L$              | lubricant factor   |
| $Z_V$              | velocity factor  |
| $Z_R$              | roughness factor   |
| $Z_W$              | work hardening factor  |
| $Z_X$              | size factor  |
| $S_{H_{min}} = 1$  | minimum safety factor  |
| $S_H$              | safety factor  |

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$$S_H = \frac{\sigma_{HG}}{\sigma_H} \geq S_{H_{min}}$$

# ISO 6336-3: Calculation of tooth bending strength

## Nominal tooth root stress

$$\sigma_{FO} = \frac{F_t}{b \cdot m_n} \cdot Y_{Fa} \cdot Y_{Sa} \cdot Y_\epsilon \cdot Y_\beta$$

To find graphical data useful to determine root bending strength, the method C presented in ISO 6336-3:1996 should be used.

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$Y_{Fa}$  form factor

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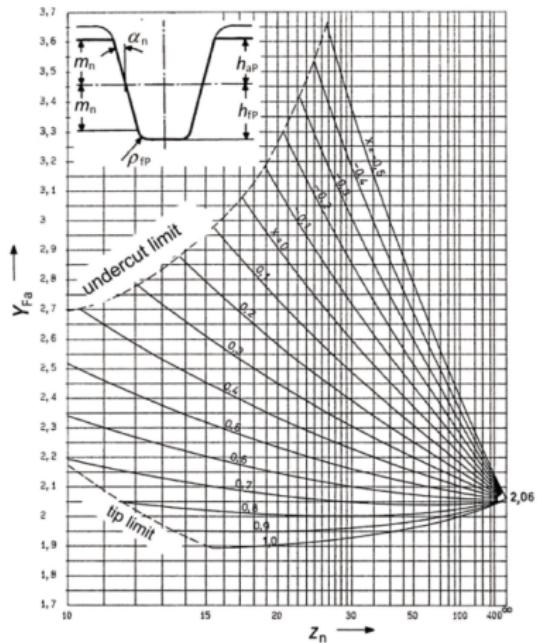
$Y_{Sa}$  stress correction factor

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$Y_\epsilon$  contact ratio factor

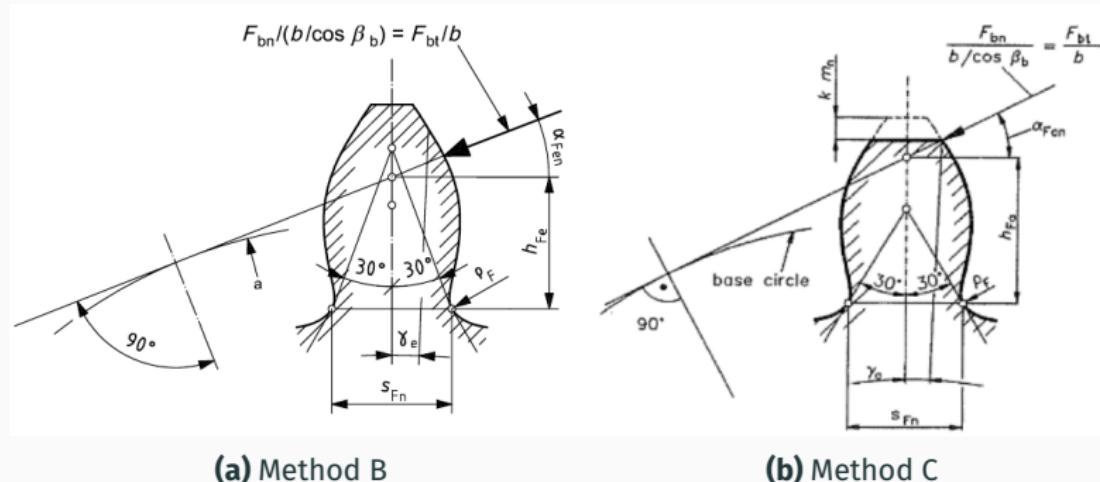
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$Y_\beta$  helix angle factor



**Figure 24:** Form factor  $Y_{Fa}$  according to Method C for  $h_{fp} = 1.25 \cdot m$ ,  $h_{ap} = m$ ,  $\rho_{fp} = 0.25 \cdot m$  [8].

# ISO 6336-3: Calculation of tooth bending strength



**Figure 25:** Comparison between methods B and C [8].

Method B considers that the load is applied at the first single tooth contact point.

Method C assumes that the load is applied in tooth tip.

# ISO 6336-3: Calculation of tooth bending strength

## Tooth root stress

$$\sigma_F = \sigma_{Fo} \cdot K_A \cdot K_V \cdot K_{F\beta} \cdot K_{F\alpha} \leq \sigma_{FP}$$

The tooth root stress should be lower than the permissible bending stress.

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$K_A$  application factor

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$K_V$  dynamic factor

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$K_{F\alpha}$  transverse load factor for tooth root stress

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$K_{F\beta}$  face load factor for tooth root stress

# ISO 6336-3: Calculation of tooth bending strength

$$\sigma_{FP} = \frac{\sigma_{F_{lim}} \cdot Y_{ST} \cdot Y_{NT}}{S_{F_{min}}} \cdot Y_{\delta relT} \cdot Y_{RrelT} \cdot Y_X = \frac{\sigma_{FG}}{S_{F_{min}}}$$

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|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| $\sigma_{FP}$       | permissible bending stress                                   |
| $\sigma_{F_{lim}}$  | nominal stress number from reference test gears (ISO 6336:5) |
| $\sigma_{FG}$       | tooth-root stress limit                                      |
| $Y_{ST}$            | stress correction factor                                     |
| $Y_{NT}$            | life factor for tooth-root stress                            |
| $Y_{\delta relT}$   | relative notch sensitivity factor                            |
| $Y_{RrelT}$         | relative surface factor                                      |
| $Y_X$               | size factor  |
| $S_{F_{min}} = 1.4$ | minimum safety factor  |
| $S_F$               | safety factor  |

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$$S_F = \frac{\sigma_{FG}}{\sigma_F} \geq S_{F_{min}}$$

# ISO 6336: Calculation Procedure

1. Determine the nominal stresses  $\sigma_{H0}$  e  $\sigma_{F0}$  – theoretical static calculation;
2. Determine the influence factors in the following order:
  - application factor  $K_A$ ;
  - dynamic factor  $K_V$  considering  $F_t \cdot K_A$ ;
  - face load factors  $K_{H\beta}$  or  $K_{F\beta}$  considering  $F_t \cdot K_A \cdot K_V$ ;
  - transverse load factors  $K_{H\alpha}$  or  $K_{F\alpha}$  considering  $F_t \cdot K_A \cdot K_V \cdot K_{H\beta}$  or  $F_t \cdot K_A \cdot K_V \cdot K_{F\beta}$ ;
3. Determine the corrected stress  $\sigma_H$  e  $\sigma_F$ : multiply the nominal stress by the influence factors;
4. Compare the corrected stress  $\sigma_H$  e  $\sigma_F$  with the limit stress  $\sigma_{HG}$  e  $\sigma_{FG}$  to quantify the safety factors.

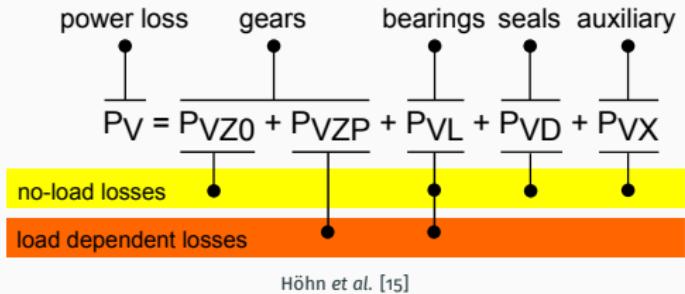
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# Efficiency of gearboxes



| $P_{VZ0}$                       | $P_{VZP}$             | $P_{VL}$              | $P_{VD}$            |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
|                                 |                       |                       |                     |
| Speed                           | Nominal power         | Nominal power         | Speed               |
| Case geometry                   | Gear geometry         | Bearing geometry      | Seal diameter       |
| Lubricant viscosity and density | Lubricant formulation | Lubricant formulation | Lubricant viscosity |

## Load dependent gear losses

$$P_{VZP} = P_{in} \cdot H_{VL} \cdot \mu_{mz}$$

This equation was introduced by Ohlendorf in 1958 [16], and:

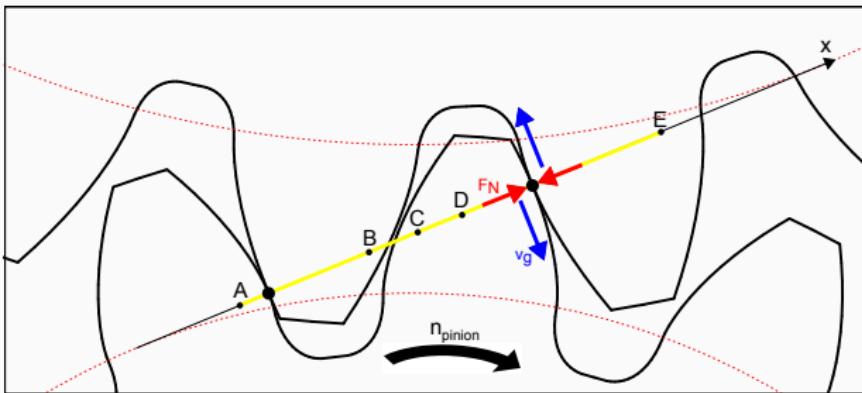
$P_{in}$  is the input power;

$H_{VL}$  is the gear loss factor which depends only on the gear geometry;

$\mu_{mz}$  is the average coefficient of friction.

Let's see how this equation is determined, based on the case of a spur gear.

# Load dependent gear losses



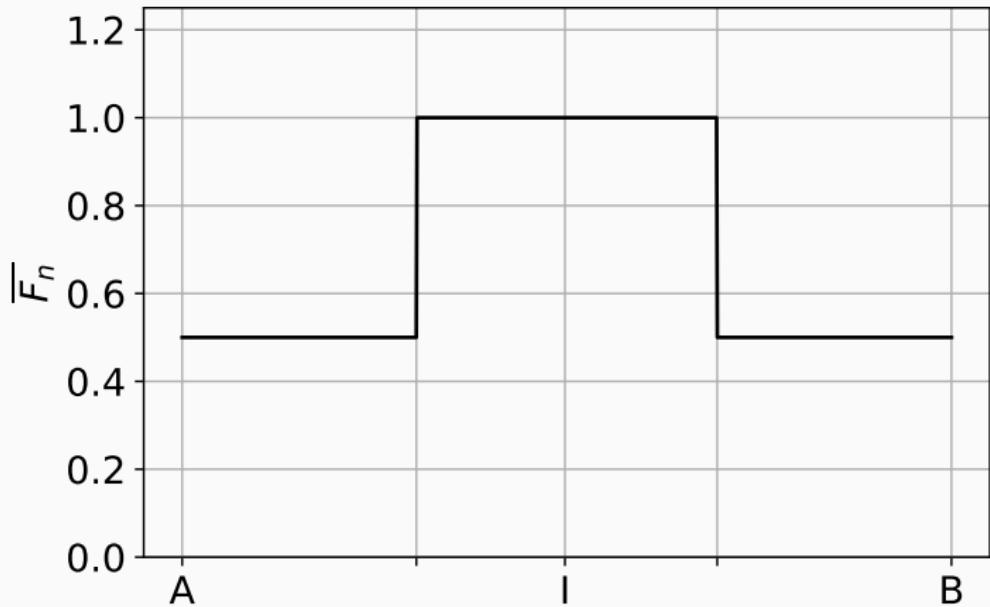
**Figure 26:** Sliding speed ( $v_g$ ) and normal force ( $F_N$ ) on the tooth contact.

At each point along the path of contact, the load-dependent gear power loss is given by the following equation:

$$P_{VZP}(x) = F_N(x) \cdot v_g(x) \cdot \mu(x)$$

$\mu$  is the local coefficient of friction.

## Normal force

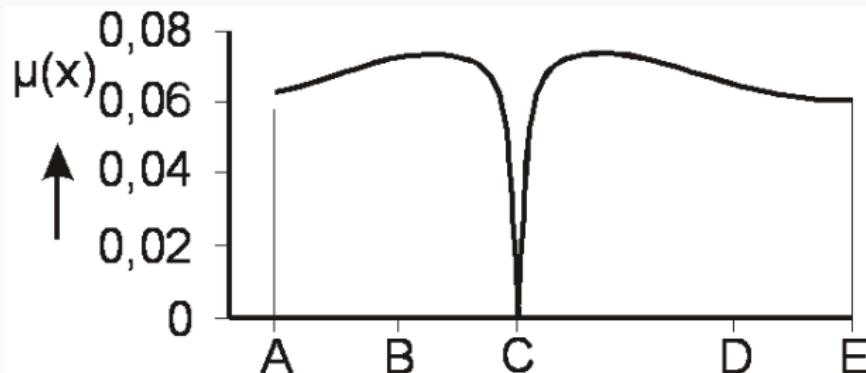


**Figure 27:** Load sharing function disregarding elastic effects.

# Sliding speed

## Coefficient of friction

The coefficient of friction is not constant along the path of contact.

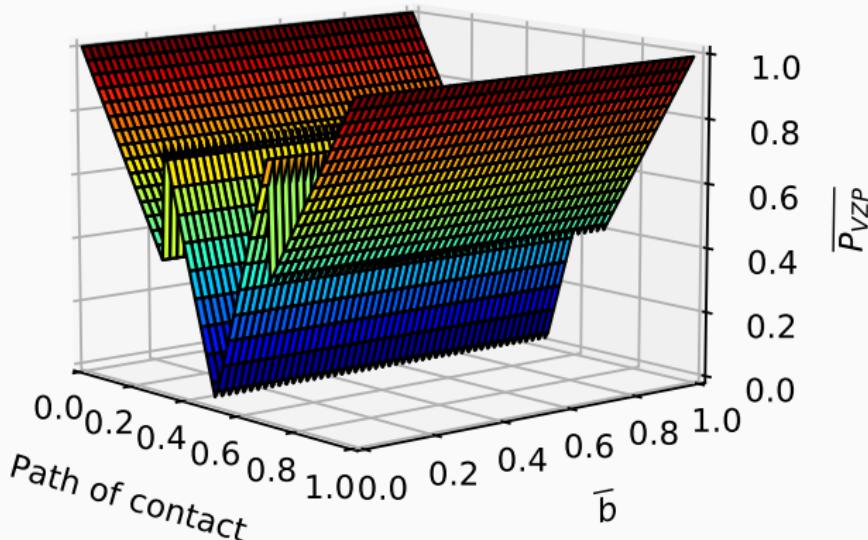


**Figure 28:** Coefficient of friction along the path of contact.

But given the complexity of determining an accurate coefficient of friction along the path of contact, it is commonly used an **average coefficient of friction**.

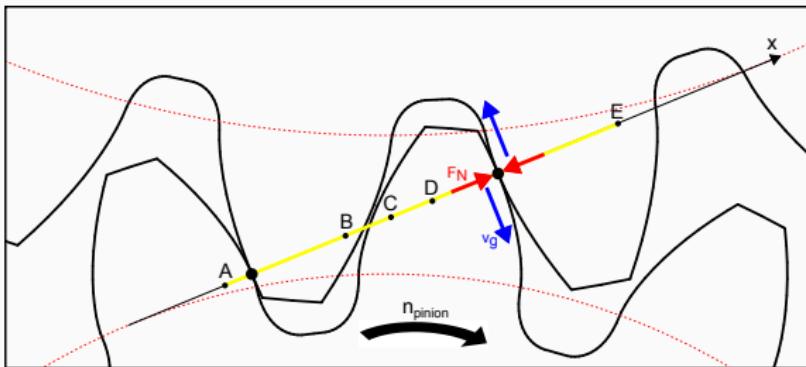
## Local power loss

$$P_{VZP}(x) = F_N(x) \cdot v_g(x) \cdot \mu(x)$$



**Figure 29:** Normalized power loss on one tooth pair.

# Gear loss factor



**Figure 30:** Sliding speed ( $v_g$ ) and normal force ( $F_N$ ) on the tooth contact.

$$P_{VZP}(x) = F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x)$$

Energy dissipated by one tooth along the path of contact:

$$E_1 = \frac{1}{\omega_1 \cdot r_{b1}} \cdot \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$

# Gear loss factor

$$E_1 = \frac{1}{\omega_1 \cdot r_{b1}} \cdot \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$

The average power loss can be calculated dividing the total energy dissipated over one revolution ( $z_1 \cdot E_1$ ) by the cycle time of one revolution ( $t_1 = \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{\omega_1}$ ):

$$P_{VZP} = \frac{z_1 \cdot E_1}{t_1} = \frac{z_1}{t_1} \cdot \frac{1}{\omega_1 \cdot r_{b1}} \cdot \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$

$$P_{VZP} = \underbrace{\frac{z_1 \cdot \omega_1}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\omega_1 \cdot r_{b1}}} \cdot \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$
$$\frac{z_1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r_{b1}} = \frac{1}{\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos \alpha} = \frac{1}{p_b}$$

$$P_{VZP} = \frac{1}{p_b} \cdot \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot \mu(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$

## Gear loss factor

Assuming a constant coefficient of friction (average) along the path of contact:

$$P_{VZP} = \mu_{mz} \cdot \frac{1}{p_b} \int_A^E F_N(x) \cdot v_g(x) \, dx$$

Multiplying by the input power  $P_{in} = F_{bt} \cdot v_{tb}$  outside the integral and dividing inside:

$$P_{VZP} = \mu_{mz} \cdot \underbrace{F_{bt} \cdot v_{tb}}_{P_{in}} \cdot \frac{1}{p_b} \int_A^E \frac{F_N(x)}{F_{bt}} \cdot \frac{v_g(x)}{v_{tb}} \, dx$$

$v_{tb} = \omega \cdot r_b$  is the tangential speed to the base circle / m/s

$F_{bt} = \frac{M_t}{r_b}$  is the tangential force to the base radius / N

## Gear loss factor

$$P_{VZP} = \mu_{mz} \cdot \underbrace{F_{bt} \cdot v_{tb}}_{P_{in}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{p_b} \int_0^b \int_A^E \frac{f_N(x,y)}{F_{bt}} \cdot \frac{v_g(x,y)}{v_{tb}} dx dy}_{H_{VL}}$$

$$P_{VZP} = \mu_{mz} \cdot P_{in} \cdot H_{VL}$$

To predict the power loss,  $H_{VL}$  should be calculated solving the integral (valid for spur and helical gears).

However, there are several equations to predict the gear loss factor.

## Ohlendorf gear loss factor

The equation proposed by Ohlendorf is accurate mainly for spur gears:

$$H_{VL} = \frac{\pi \cdot (u + 1)}{z_1 \cdot u \cdot \cos \beta_b} (1 - \epsilon_\alpha + \epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2)$$

$$u = \frac{z_2}{z_1}$$

$$\epsilon_\alpha = \frac{\overline{AB}}{p_{bt}} = \frac{\sqrt{r_{a1}^2 - r_{b1}^2} + \sqrt{r_{a2}^2 - r_{b2}^2} - a' \cdot \sin \alpha'}{\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

$$\epsilon_1 = \frac{\overline{AI}}{p_{bt}} = \frac{\sqrt{r_{a1}^2 - r_{b1}^2} - r'_1 \cdot \sin \alpha'}{\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

$$\epsilon_2 = \frac{\overline{IB}}{p_{bt}} = \frac{\sqrt{r_{a2}^2 - r_{b2}^2} - r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'}{\pi \cdot m \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

# Coefficient of friction

$$\mu_{mZ} = 0.048 \cdot \left( \frac{F_{bt}}{b \cdot \sum v_{r_i} \cdot R_i} \right)^{0.2} \cdot \eta^{-0.05} \cdot R_a^{0.25} \cdot X_L$$

$F_{bt} = \frac{M_t}{r_b}$  is the tangential force to the base radius / N

$b$  is the gear face width mm

$\sum v_{r_i} = v_{r_1} + v_{r_2}$  sum velocity at pitch point / m/s

$R_i = \left( \frac{1}{r'_1 \cdot \sin \alpha'} + \frac{1}{r'_2 \cdot \sin \alpha'} \right)^{-1}$  relative radius at pitch point / mm

$\eta$  dynamic viscosity of the lubricant at the operating temperature / mPa s

$R_a$  average roughness /  $\mu\text{m}$

$X_L$  lubricant parameter

## Lubricant parameter

$$\mu_{mZ} = 0.048 \cdot \left( \frac{F_{bt}}{b \cdot \sum v_{r_i} \cdot R_i} \right)^{0.2} \cdot \eta^{-0.05} \cdot R_a^{0.25} \cdot X_L$$

$X_L$  lubricant parameter [17]

Mineral without additives:  $X_L = 1$

Mineral with additives:  $X_L = 0.85$

Synthetic with additives (PAO):  $X_L = 0.65$

## Lecture 5

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# Gear failures: introduction<sup>1</sup>

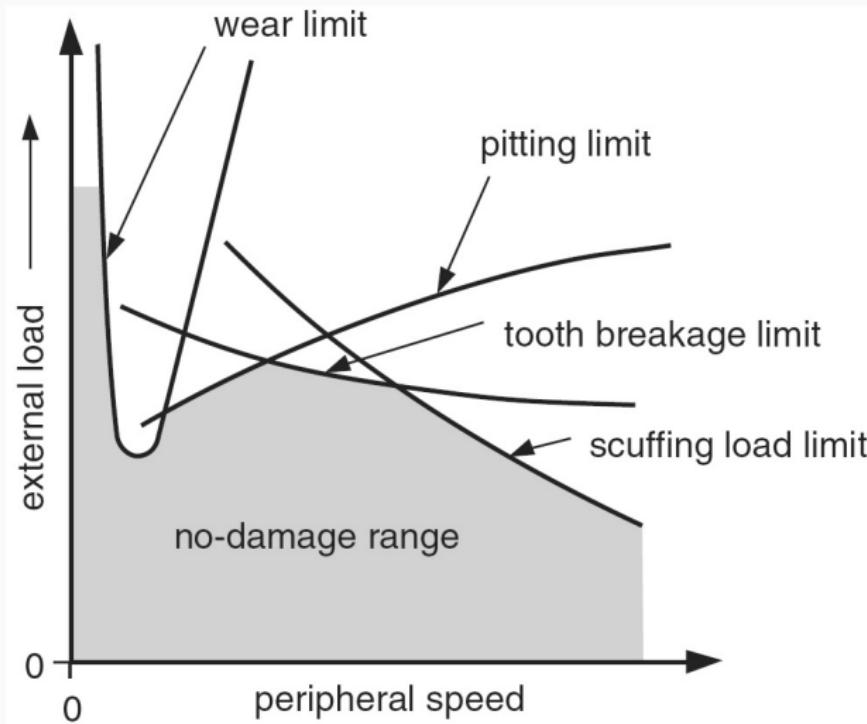
## ISO 10825 Gears - Wear and damage to gear teeth - Terminology

- *Wear* - Desgaste
  - Normal wear
  - Abrasive wear
  - *Scoring* – gripagem a frio
  - Corrosion
  - *Fretting*
  - Overheating
  - Erosion
- *Scuffing* - Gripagem
  - Permanent deformation
  - Fatigue
    - *Pitting*
    - *Micropitting*
  - Tooth breakage
    - Overload
    - Shear
    - Plastic deformation
    - Fatigue

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<sup>1</sup>Lecture 5 notes by Ramiro C. Martins

# Influence of lubrication and operating conditions

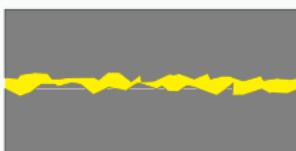


**Figure 31:** Peripheral speed and external load vs. failure type.

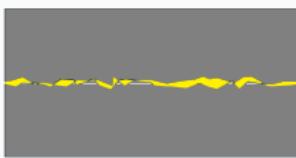
# Lubrication regimes



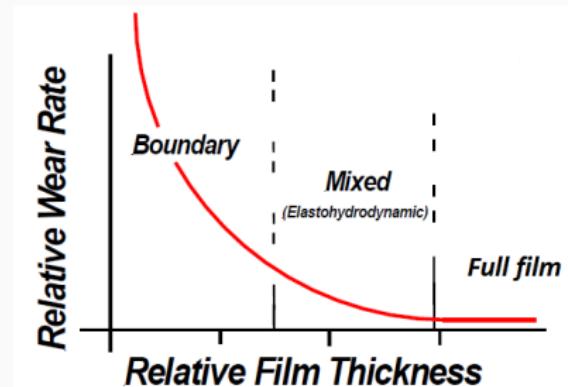
full film EHD  
hydrodynamic



mixed film EHD



boundary EHD  
solid

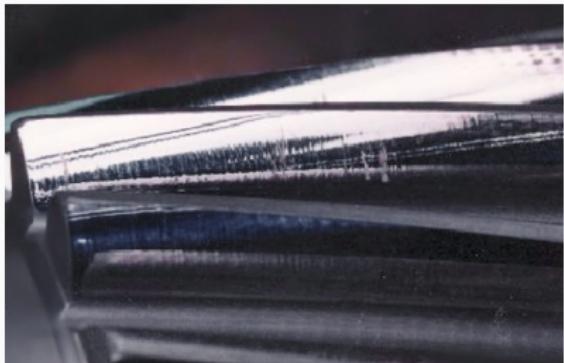


**Figure 33:** Relative film thickness vs. wear.

Gears operate under EHD mixed film lubrication

**Figure 32:** Lubrication regimes.

## Normal wear (running-in wear)



**Figure 34:** Gear with polished meshing surface.

### Signs

Polished meshing tooth surface.

### Causes

Continuous wear due to metal/metal contact under mixed/boundary film lubrication at low speed.

### Solutions

This is not a problem because it is a running-in effect. Increase oil's viscosity and/or speed to decrease wear.

## Moderate wear



**Figure 35:** Gear with moderate wear.

### Signs

Surface with wear along all the flank, but larger wear above and below pitch circle.

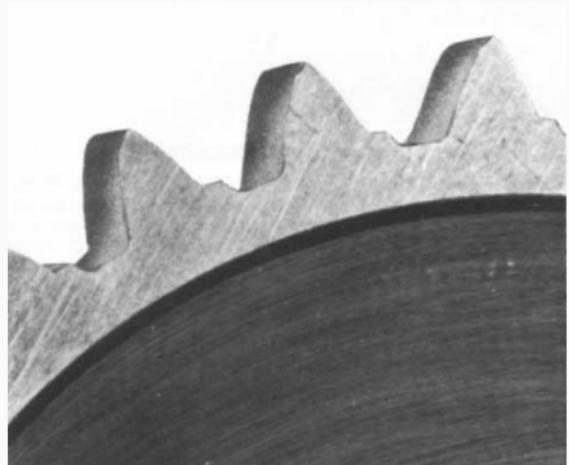
### Causes

Continuous wear due to metal/metal contact. Working under mixed film lubrication.

### Solutions

Increase oil's viscosity and/or speed to decrease wear. Use lubricants with anti-wear additives.

# Excessive wear



**Figure 36:** Gear with excessive wear.

## Signs

Meshing tooth surface with large

wear throughout the flank. Noise due to change in the profile form (no longer involute).

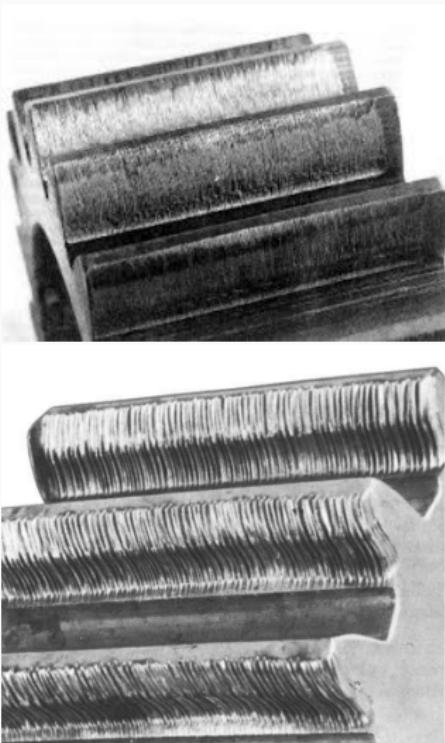
## Causes

Continuous wear due to metal/metal contact under mixed/boundary film lubrication at low speed.

## Solutions

Change the gear. Increase oil's viscosity and/or speed to decrease wear. Use lubricants with anti-wear additives.

# Abrasive wear



**Figure 37:** Gears with abrasive wear.

## Signs

Tooth surface with wear marks in the radial direction. The grinding lines disappear.

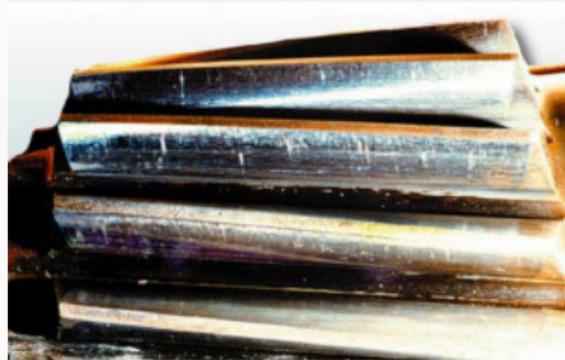
## Causes

Contaminants on the lubricant.  
Wear particles from the  
bearings, gears, ...

## Solutions

Install an oil filter. Avoid  
particles in the system. Filter the  
oil before usage. Increase oil's  
viscosity.

# Adhesive wear



**Figure 38:** Gears with adhesive wear.

## Signs

Tooth surface with adhesion marks in radial direction. The

grinding lines disappear.  
Polished marks.

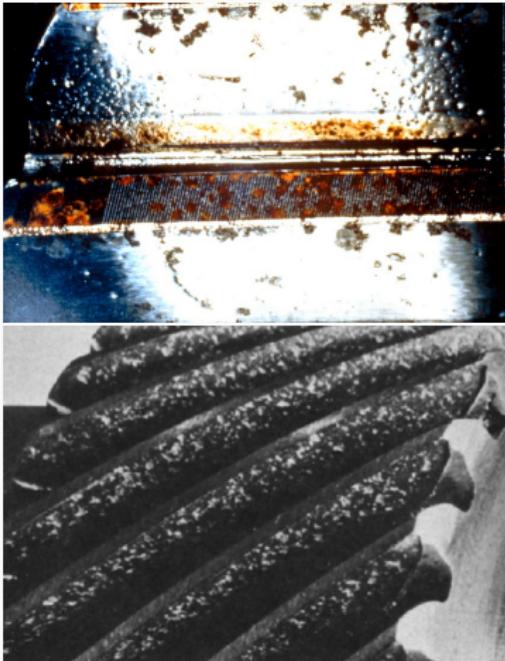
## Causes

Lubricant film rupture due to very high contact temperature.  
Mixed film lubrication.

## Solutions

Decrease load. Decrease lubricant temperature or increase oil flow to cool down surfaces. Increase oil viscosity. Use EP additives.

# Corrosion



**Figure 39:** Gears with corrosion.

## Signs

Surfaces with red/brown areas (depends on the chemical agent).

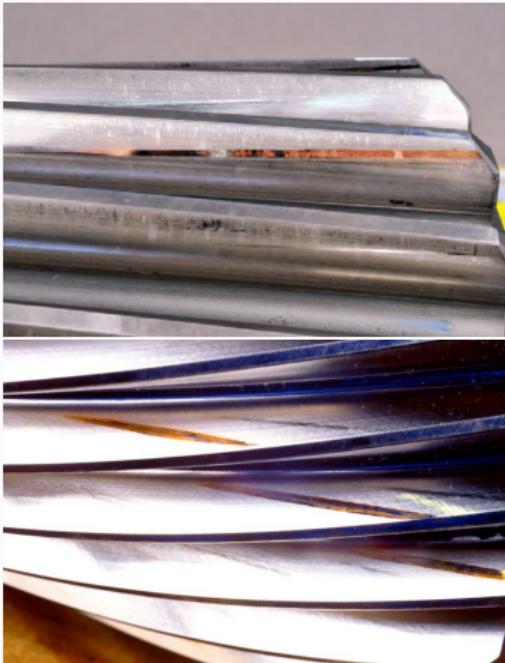
## Causes

Contamination with acid, water, etc. Sometimes the EP additives are quite reactive.

## Solutions

Avoid the corrosive medium. Use seals. Change lubricant and flush the gearbox.

# Fretting corrosion



**Figure 40:** Gears with fretting corrosion.

## Signs

Longitudinal marks on the flank with red/brown coloring. Flank degradation.

## Causes

Repeated small movements of one contacting surface over another. Stationary gears may be affected if subjected to structure-borne vibrations (during transport).

## Solutions

Avoid vibrations while stopped or keep them rotating.

# Overheating



**Figure 41:** Gears with failure due to overheating .

## Signs

Deformed tooth and oxidized (black). Temper colors are present and frequently scuffed areas and plastic deformation are also found.

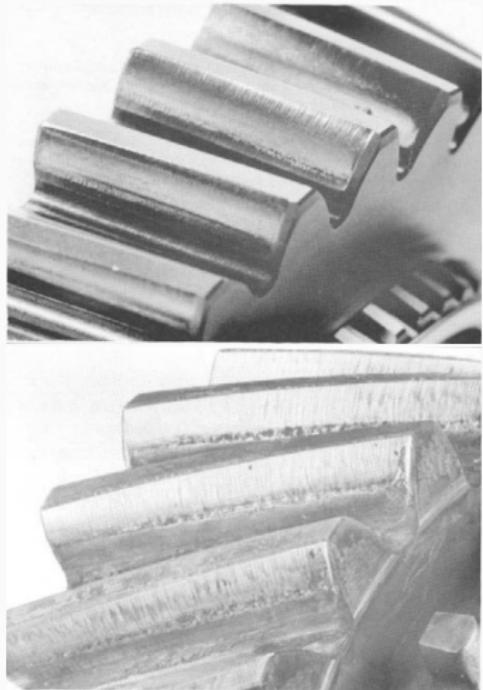
## Causes

Inadequate lubrication or insufficient backlash.  
Temperature above the temper point.

## Solutions

Improve lubrication. Improve cooling. Increase oil flow.

# Scoring



**Figure 42:** Gears with scoring – gri pagem a frio.

## Signs

Tooth surface with adhesion marks in radial direction.  
Polished marks with ice aspect.  
Evolves with time.

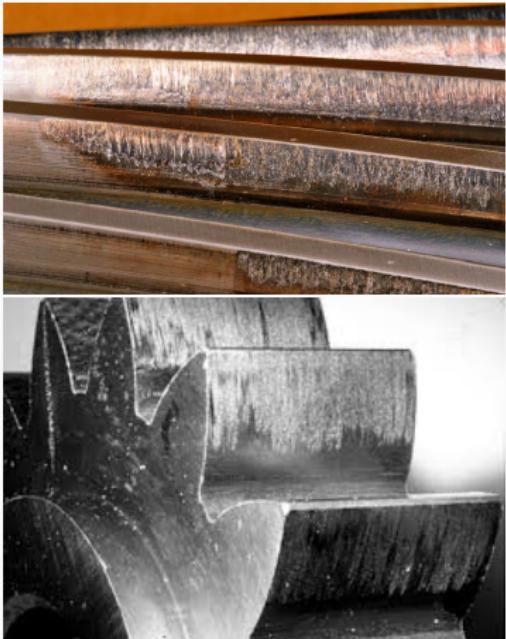
## Causes

Film rupture due to very high load and low speed. Occurs with the lubricant operating at the normal temperature.

## Solutions

Increase specific film thickness (increase viscosity or speed).  
Use EP additives.

# Scuffing



**Figure 43:** Gears with scuffing (gripagem).

## Signs

Noise and vibration. Banded roughness in the direction of sliding (mild to severe scuffing).

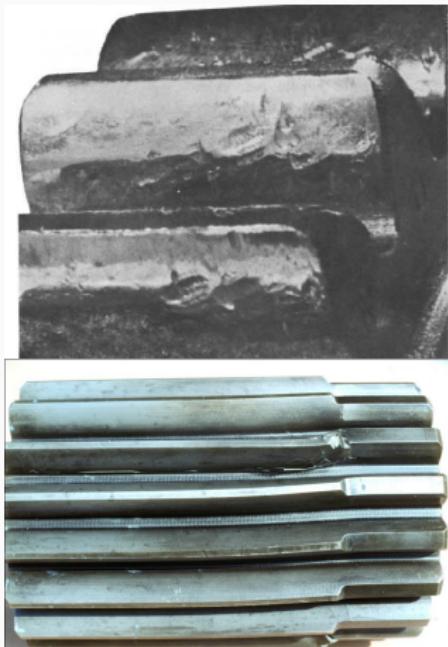
## Causes

Disrupted lubricant film causes local welding of the tooth flanks (transfer of material). Boundary lubrication and high  $P \cdot V$ .

## Solutions

Decrease the contact temperature and/or load.  
Change gear geometry. Increase viscosity and use EP additives.

# Permanent deformation



**Figure 44:** Gears with permanent deformation.

## Signs

Noise and vibration.

Depressions in tooth flanks.

## Causes

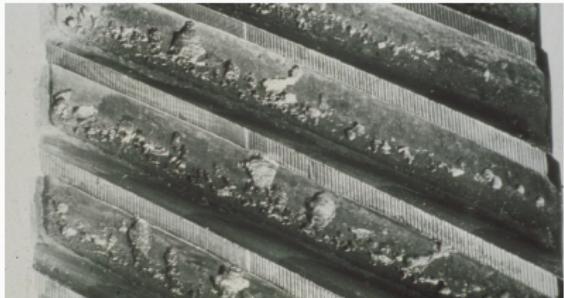
Overload. Low yield strength of the material. Passage through mesh of foreign bodies.

## Solutions

Change gear. Decrease load.

Change gear material.

# Pitting



**Figure 45:** Gears with pitting.

## Signs

Noise and vibration. Flank with scattered holes. Holes with lines typical of crack propagation.

## Causes

High contact pressure. Low fatigue limit strength of the material.

## Solutions

Decrease contact pressure.  
Increase fatigue limit strength of the material.

# Case Crushing and Spalling



**Figure 46:** Gears with spalling.

## Signs

Noise and vibration. Flank with holes. Holes with borders perpendicular to the surface. Crack in the transition of the

hardened layer.

## Causes

High contact pressure. Low fatigue limit strength of the material. Case hardened layer thickness is insufficient.

## Solutions

Increase the hardened depth.  
Decrease contact pressure.  
Increase fatigue limit strength of the material. Increase material hardness.

# Micropitting



**Figure 47:** Gears with micropitting.

## Signs

Flank with grayish aspect (tooth dedendum). Continuous wear on the affected zone.

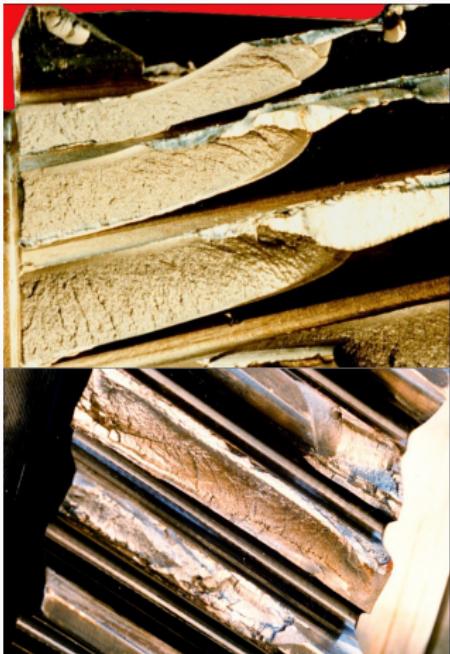
## Causes

Insufficient specific film thickness. Lubricant promotes low protection to micropitting. Cracks initiate on the surface with micropits smaller than 20  $\mu\text{m}$  of depth.

## Solutions

Increase specific film thickness. Use a better lubricant (additives).

# Tooth breakage due to overload



**Figure 48:** Gears with tooth breakage due to overload.

## Signs

Several tooth broken. Brittle fracture, ductile fracture or semi-brittle fracture.

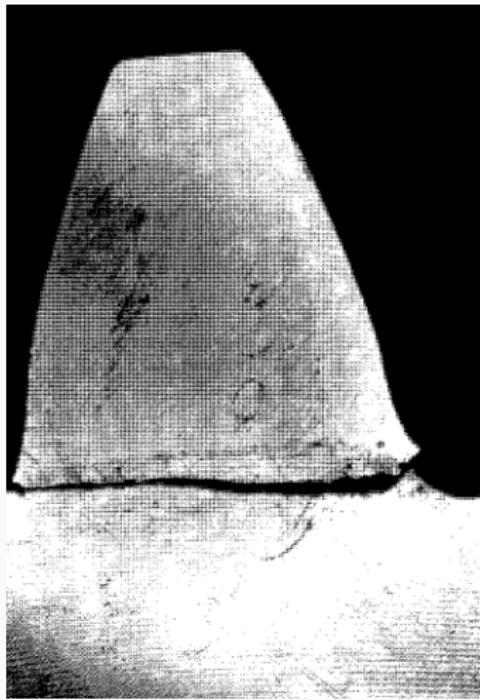
## Causes

Very high load. Low material toughness. Low yield strength.

## Solution

Decrease load. Increase material toughness. Increase yield strength of the material.

# Tooth shear



**Figure 49:** Gears with tooth shear.

## Signs

The appearance of the sheared surfaces is similar to that of machined surfaces.

## Causes

Low-strength material which are meshed with gears made of stronger materials. Bearing failure causing increase in axis distance promoting shocks.

## Solutions

Avoid overload. Improve gear material properties.

# Tooth breakage due to fatigue



**Figure 50:** Gears with tooth breakage due to fatigue.

## Signs

Noise and vibration. Tooth breakage.

## Causes

High tooth root stress. Low fatigue limit strength of the material. Material defects. Misalignment causes overload.

# Tooth breakage due to fatigue



**Figure 51:** Gears with tooth breakage due to fatigue.

## Solutions

Decrease tooth root stress.  
Increase fatigue limit strength of the material. Correct misalignment.

## Problems

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# Summary

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# Assignments

Assignments A5 and A6

Available on the Course Contents:

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## Efficiency of a spur gear

Consider a spur gear with  $z_1 = 25$ ,  $z_2 = 40$ ,  $m = 2 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\alpha = 20^\circ$  and  $b = 20 \text{ mm}$  with a surface finishing that assures  $R_a = 0.6 \mu\text{m}$ . The torque transmitted is  $T_1 = 130 \text{ N m}$  at  $n = 1500 \text{ rpm}$ . The gear is to be lubricated with a PAO ISO VG 150 operating at  $65^\circ\text{C}$ .

Determine:

1. Gear loss factor (Ohlendorf) for the gear without profile shift;
2. Determine the profile shift to equalize the specific sliding;
3. Gear loss factor (Ohlendorf) with the profile shift;
4. Coefficient of friction (Schlenk);
5. Gear power loss and efficiency.

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