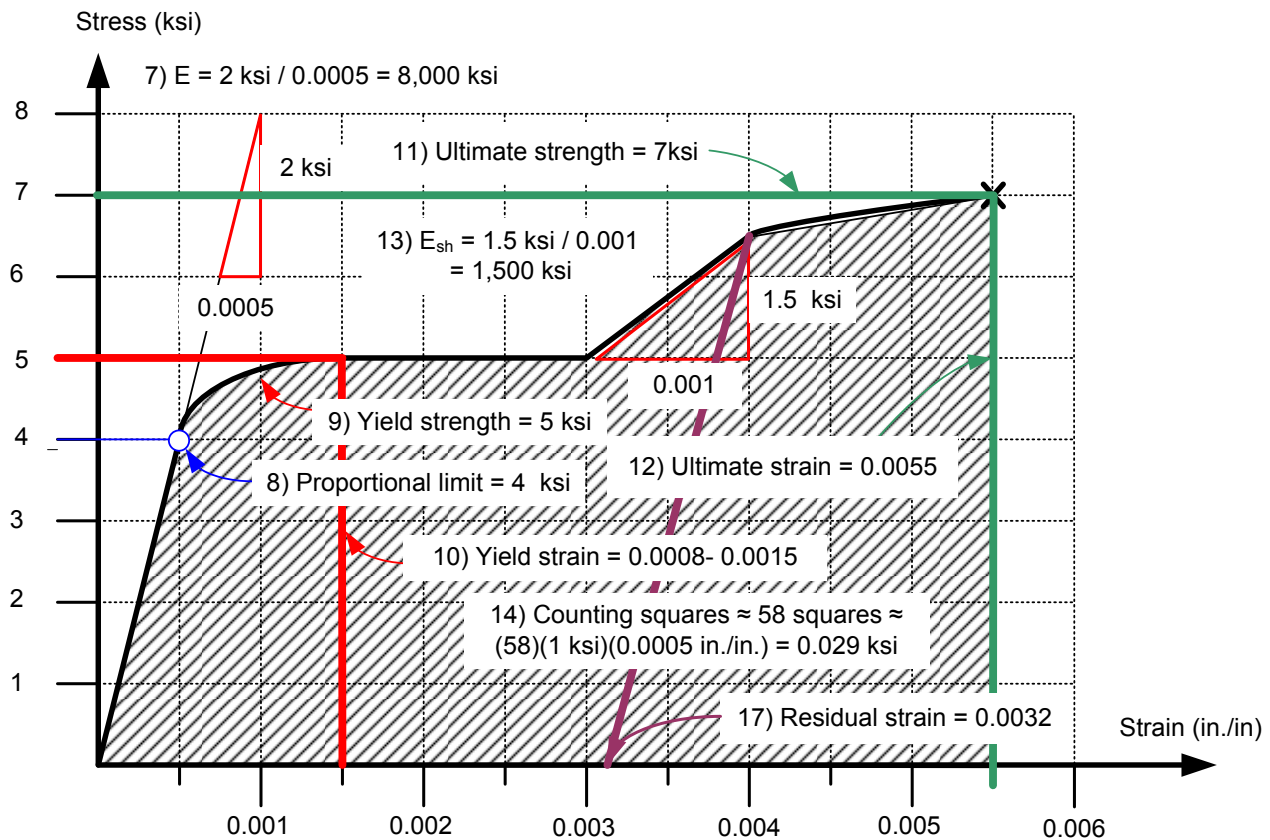


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1. In characterizing materials for short-term behavior, the two most important mechanical properties for a material are strength and stiffness.
2. The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is the main *international* organization developing consensus-based standards for materials.
3. For phase diagrams, Gibb's rule says that $P + F = C + 2$, where C is the number of components and P is the number of phases. F is the number of degrees of freedom (variables affecting the problem).
4. Deformations in ductile metallic materials occur primarily due to shear forces.
5. What is the free surface energy and how does it arise? **Energy that arises at surface as the result of asymmetry of atomic arrangement at boundary - See section 4.1 (p. 66 of your text – we talked about it wrt fracture energy).**
6. Explain why carbon (C) has a low diffusivity (solubility) in iron (Fe):

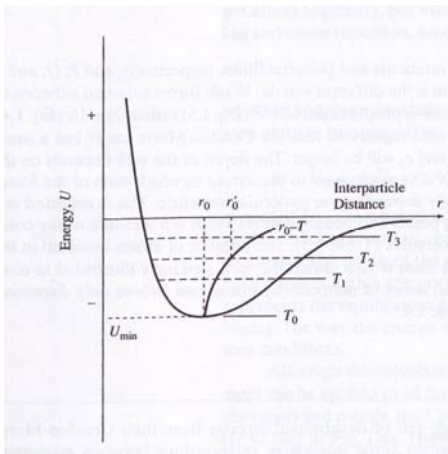
The interstitial spaces in iron are about 20% smaller than the diameter of a carbon atom; thus distortions of the atomic structure are needed in order to fit the carbon atoms into the iron atom; this “difficulty” leads to a low diffusivity.

A typical tension test has been run on a coupon of a polymeric material, giving the following results in terms of engineering stress-strain. Determine:



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7. Modulus of elasticity: 8000 ksi
8. Proportional limit: 4 ksi --
9. Yield strength: 5 ksi
10. Yield strain \approx 0.0015 (somewhere b/t 0.0008 and 0.0015) in./in.
11. Ultimate strength: 7 ksi
12. Ultimate strain: 0.0055 in./in.
13. Strain-hardening modulus: 1500 ksi
14. Toughness \approx 0.029 ksi
15. True ultimate strain \approx $\epsilon_{true} = \ln(1 + \epsilon_{eng}) = 0.0054$ in./in.
16. True ultimate strength \approx unknown from this dat > 7 ksi ksi
17. Residual strain if specimen is downloaded from 6.5 ksi \approx 0.0032 in./in.
18. What important elastic constant can be obtained directly from the energy-distance curves shown below?:
Coefficient of thermal expansion (see pp. 9-12 of text)
19. What are its units: (in./in. per degree)
20. What ranges of values would be typical for a metal? 12-24 x 10⁻⁶



Given:

$$T_0 = 0^\circ \text{ K}$$

$$T_2 = 293^\circ \text{ K}$$

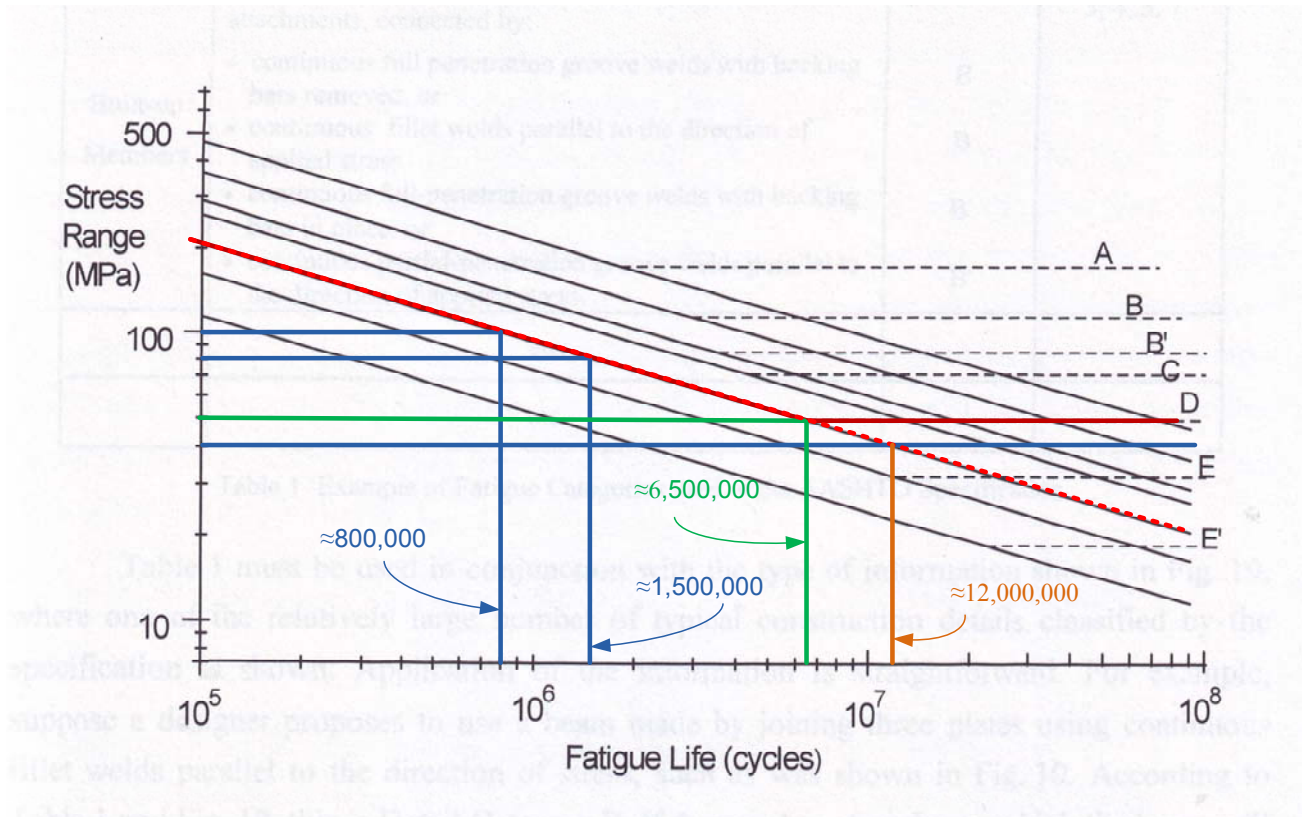
$$r_0 = 140 \text{ pm } (140 \times 10^{-12} \text{ meter})$$

$$r'_0 = 158 \text{ pm}$$

The removal of an existing bridge requires that current traffic be rerouted through an older steel bridge for which the S-N curve for the critical element is given by Curve D in the figure below. It is estimated that the rerouting will result in 500,000 cycles at 50MPa. If the previous load history for this bridge consisted of:

- 2,000,000 cycles at 40MP
- 300,000 cycles at 80Mpa , and
- 500,000 cycles at 100Mpa

There were several possible solutions, depending on whether you assumed that there was a infinite life plateau (dashed line in graph). The second solution on the next page is what I was looking for:



Original Problem:

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} + \frac{n_4}{N_4} = \frac{2,000,000}{\infty} + \frac{300,000}{1,500,000} + \frac{500,000}{800,000} + \frac{500,000}{6,500,000}$$

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} = 0.000 + 0.200 + 0.625 + 0.077 = 0.902$$

So O.K., but not much capacity left; only about another 500,000 cycles at 50MPa.

As stated (with infinite life plateau included):

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} = \frac{2,000,000}{\infty} + \frac{500,000}{800,000} + \frac{500,000}{6,500,000}$$

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} = 0.000 + 0.625 + 0.077 = 0.702$$

So O.K., with lots of capacity left.

As stated (without infinite life plateau included):

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} = \frac{2,000,000}{12,000,000} + \frac{500,000}{800,000} + \frac{500,000}{6,500,000}$$

$$\frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \frac{n_3}{N_3} = 0.167 + 0.625 + 0.077 = 0.868$$

So O.K., some capacity left; about another 850,000 cycles at 50MPa

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24-26 The figure below shows a highly magnified initial portion of the stress-strain curve for a mild steel tension test. The solid line is the data and the dashed line corresponds roughly to a slope of 175 GPa. Will you consider this a good test or not? Why?

No: (a) the actual slope is about 20% low – that is too much; (b) the raggedness of the curve probably indicates that the extensometer is slipping; (c) for some measurements there are two strains for the same stress; (d) the data falls all on one side of the proposed best fit..

27. What is the bulk modulus for steel? **23,000 ksi (160 GPa)**

28. Which is more weldable, a steel with an equivalent carbon content of 0.15% or one with 0.5%? **0.15%**

Bonus questions (2 points each):

a) The Secretary General of the United Nations is: **Ban Ki-moon** (2 points)

b) When was Herbert Hoover president of the USA? **1929-933 (Great Depression era)**

c) Each year we use an average of **≈ 1 – 2** cubic yards of concrete per person in the world (2 points).