Analysis Methods: Residual Stress Implementation

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Overview/Outline



- Classic USAF approach
- Past struggles
- Recommended framework
- Recent keys to success
- Focus areas moving forward



Fatigue Technology, Inc.



Classical USAF Approach

Reduce Initial Flaw Size in Damage Tolerance Analysis

- Based upon guidance from JSSG-2006
- Limitations of this approach
 - ➢ NOT PHYSICS BASED
 - ➤ One size fits all...
 - Doesn't account for:
 - Residual Stress (RS) field
 - Changes/Interaction between RS field and geometric notches
 - Crack shape evolution
 - Limited benefit in sustainment scenarios
 - Recurring inspection intervals based on NDI Detectable Flaw Size





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Classical USAF Approach

□ WHY MUST WE MOVE BEYOND THE CLASSICAL APPROACH???

DoD annual depot maintenance budget - any guesses??

\triangleright	USAF Active Duty	\$2,498,700,000
	Army Active Duty	\$1,001,200,000
	Navy Active Duty	\$8,191,200,000
	Marine Corps Active Duty	\$229,100,000
	USAF Reserve	\$407,900,000
	Army Reserve	\$58,800,000
	Navy Reserve	\$101,700,000
	Marine Corps Reserve	\$18,400,000
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Carlson, Gen Bruce (Ret.); Thomsen, M; Pilarczyk, R; Carlson, S; Developing the State-of-the-Art Aerospace Workforce within the State of Utah - Ensuring Integrity of the Aging Aerospace Fleet; (2016).

We Have 12.5 Billion Reasons to Sharpen Our Pencils...

Understanding & Incorporating Engineered Residual Stresses are Key to Safely Minimize Sustainment Costs and Extend the Lifetimes of Our Aging Fleets





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Past Struggles

Predictions often not consistent with expectations

- Terminate for zero growth
- Predictions far exceed test lives
- □ Why?
 - Incorrect residual stress inputs/assumptions
 - > No data capturing full 2-D residual stress on crack plane
 - 2-D stress intensity methodology
 - Crack cannot "ooze"
 - Assumed elliptical crack fronts



Kokaly, M.T.; Ransom, J.S.; Restis, J.H.; Reid, L.F.; (2002) Prediction fatigue crack growth in the residual stress field of a cold worked hole. Journal of Testing and Evaluation. 20, 1-15.





Recommended Approach





Analysis Approach





Recent Keys to Success



Direct Incorporation of Residual Stresses

- Residual Stress Measurement is Challenging
 - > No direct measurement of residual stress
 - Typically measure strain then calculate residual stress

□ Variety of accepted RS measurement methods

- Each method has advantages and disadvantages
- Select method based on needs of application:
 - Stress field to be measured:
 - Depth of RS
 - Stress gradients, spatial variations
 - Number of RS components
 - Body containing the stress
 - Geometry, size
 - Material property variations
 - Hazards
 - Required accuracy, uncertainty
 - Other factors to consider:
 - Destructiveness
 - Required equipment
 - Measurement time
 - Cost
 - Portability
 - Required expertise
 - Material handling

Three classes of technique:

- Diffraction (E beams)
- Mechanical (cut, deform)
- Other (physics-based)



After: Prime, www.lanl.gov/residual/compare.shtml



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Original part contains $\sigma_{xx}(y)$

Cut in half

(deformations exaggerated)

Force deformed surface flat to recover initial residual stress $(\sigma_{xx}(y))$

(a)

(b)

(c)

Direct Incorporation of Residual Stresses



- > Map of RS normal to surface determined
- Same procedure holds for 3D

$\mathsf{Cut} \rightarrow \mathsf{measure} \rightarrow \mathsf{FEM} \rightarrow \mathsf{2D} \text{ residual stress map}$

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Improved Quality of Residual Stress Inputs

- The accuracy of residual stress inputs used in analysis have improved due to:
 - Advances in residual stress measurement methods
 - E.g., Contour Method
 - Improved cold expansion simulations
 - NRC and FTI current efforts
 - Focused research programs
 - Designed to quantify and document residual stress fields for various conditions
 - Thickness
 - Hole size
 - Edge margin
 - Material
 - Etc.







Improved Residual Stress Measurement Capability

- Contour method allows us to resolve fine residual stress details
 - > E.g., 2D variations in residual stress due to direction of mandrel travel
 - > The details are important for accurate analysis



□ With contour method technology, we can better assess data trends

Examples shown on following slides



Influence of Key Variables on Residual Stress

Roughly 5 years of support through USAF Edge margin variation ➤ (A-10, T-38, SBIR Phase 3) e/D 2.0 Contour measurements on e/D 1.5 hundreds of CX holes Range of material Hill Engineering, LLC Engineering structural integrity e/D 1.2 Range of hole size Residual stresses from cold working of aircraft fastener holes Hole size variation Range of interference Adrian DeWald, Michael Hill, and John VanDalen Hill Engineering, LLC Bob Pilarczyk, Dallen Andrew, and Mark Thomsen Range of edge margin 0.250" Scott Carlson Southwest Research Institut David Marosok OP GRUMMAN \succ Effects of service lorthrop Grumman Technica ASIP 2013 Hill Engineering, LLC Bonita Springs, FL December 3-5, 2013 STRIBUTION STATEMENT A Approv bic release: unlimited distribution. 0.500" (teardown) 0.750" Repeated measurements (statistical bounds)



Influence of Key Variable on Residual Stress

- Effect of amount of applied expansion
 - Contour plots of measured residual stress





- Data provide residual stress variation allowed by process specification
 - Scatter from:

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- Measurement uncertainty/error
- Process variability
- Averaging over population improves interpretation and understanding of trends
 - Peak compressive magnitude is similar
 - Larger applied expansion increases compressive region



Improved Analysis Tools

- The ability to execute advanced fatigue crack growth simulations has improved due to:
 - Advances in computational analysis technology
 - Advances in software tools
 - Analysis at multiple points on the crack front
 - Arbitrary crack shape progression
 - Improved compatibility with residual stresses
 - Ease of use











Finite Element Based Stress Intensity Capability

- Increased capability of FE codes to represent cracks and extract stress intensities
- Becoming more common practice for "complicated" situations
- Standardized guidelines developed
- J-integral for crack face pressures









Pilarczyk, R.; Carlson, S.; Stowe, G.; (2009) Is ASIP Still Alive, The A-10 Lower Wing Skin Cracking Issue.; ASIP Conference 2009.



Multi-Point Crack Shape Evolution

- Crack growth through complicated geometry, loading, etc.
- Move away from utilizing two discrete points (typically) along crack front to characterize overall behavior
- For cold worked holes critical to allow crack to "ooze" through path of least resistance





Photo from: Clark and Johnson, IJF 25(2), 2003

7050T7451, 0.25" plate, 4% CX

Entry face



Mills, T.; Prost-Domasky, S.; Pilarczyk, R.; Hodges, J.; (2014) Important Factors for Modeling Fatigue Performance at Cold Worked Holes.; AA&S Conference 2014.





Coupled Crack Growth and FEA Stress Intensity Calcs

- Critical to support natural crack shape evolution
- Multiple analysis tools available
 - Broad Application for Modeling Failure (BAMF)
 - ➢ BEASY
 - ➢ FRANC3D
 - Automated Crack Growth Program (ACGP)
 - ≻ Etc...
- Analyst must understand nuances of each
 - Boundary vs. Finite Element Codes
 - Meshing along crack front
 - Stress Intensity and/or crack front smoothing
 - Crack growth engines





Methods to Incorporate Residual Stresses

- Multiple methods available to define residual stress input
 - ➢ ERS-Toolbox[®]
 - Measurement Data
 - Residual Stress Database
 - Process Modeling
 - FEA Derived Full Field Residual Stress
 - Recent efforts by:
 - NRC Canada
 - Fatigue Technologies, Inc.
- □ Full field residual stress vs. 2D stress (crack face pressure)
 - Pros/cons





Process spec: Surface treatment type Process parameters Processed area

Output:





Focus Areas Moving Forward



Develop Implementation Plan

- □ What are we trying to change
- □ Who has the authority to change it
- What information is required to justify the changes
- □ What is the timeline for the change to occur
- What resources are required
- □ Who is the lead person / organization
- □ How will we track progress



We Must Establish an Overarching Implementation Plan



Establish Standards

Establishing standards and ground rules are paramount for implementation success

- Define Certification Requirements:
 - Acceptable analysis methods
 - Conservatism/safety factors
 - Testing/measurement requirements
 - Inspection considerations
 - Quantification of detrimental tensile residual stresses
 - Quantification of risk
- Documented as:
 - USAF Structures Bulletin
 - ➢ JSSG 2006 incorporation



Structures Bulletin ASC/EN Bldg 28, 2145 Monahan Way WPAFB, OH 45433-7101 Phone 937-656-9956



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Exercise, Exercise, Exercise

- Exercise tools to understand where they breakdown
 - Dissect results to identify limitations
 - What are the root causes for poor predictions
- □ Benchmark w/ different tools, same framework and approach
 - Identify 3-5 benchmark datasets
 - Utilize different residual stress inputs
 - ERS-Toolbox[®], Residual Stress Database, Simulation derived residual stress
 - Utilize different analysis tools
 - Compare results





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Hodges, J.; (2014) Integration of Incremental Crack Front Evolution into the Structural Integrity Process: Examples, Experimental Comparisons, and Lessons Learned. ASIP Conference 2014.



Confidence in Residual Stress Input Data

Measurement

- Uncertainty Quantification
- Contour Method international inter-laboratory round robin

Simulation

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- Overcoming historical stigma
- □ We must utilize both measurement & simulation
 - Leverage strengths of each method to refine our residual stress understanding
 - Benchmark comparisons are key to success



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Improve Material Models

Incorporating residual stresses drives analyses into atypical regimes

- ➤ "Low" delta K
 - Can be significant for predictions when effective delta K <= 5 ksi-sqrt(in)
- Highly negative stress ratios
 - Revisit Rlo with residual stresses
- Crack closure affects are Important
- Additional test data at low R and highly negative stress ratios is critical for accurate predictions

Generally Sparse Data (Low delta K, Negative R)





Understand Factors Affecting Residual Stress

- Overloads/Underloads
 - Understand and define limits
- Unique spectrum effects
- Crack tip plasticity interaction
- Countersunk holes
 - Variation in Csk method can significantly effect residual suless
- Operational usage 40+ year old structure
 - Time and/or Cycle Based Stress Relaxation
- Local stresses from fastener loads
 - > Do localized fastener loads alter residual stress
 - Filled vs. open holes
- □ <u>Key questions to answer:</u>

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- > How do we address these factors?
 - Test, analysis, etc.?
- > How do we incorporate the findings?







Translation to Real-World Applications

- Teardown measurement campaign
 - > Two aircraft models
 - Assess lower wing skins

Includes effects from:

- Stack up (e.g., skin, strap, spar)
- Prior service
- Time of installation
 - OEM processes, versus
 - Depot rework

Measurements at dozens of holes

- Average process outcome
- Variability

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- Lower bound
- □ How do we address any differences we see?

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How to Handle Conservatism/Safety Factors

□ Incorporation of conservatism/safety factors are critical for:

- Consistency between analysis groups
- Clear understanding of final prediction
- Associated risk with final prediction
- □ Where do safety factors belong?
 - Crack growth rate data "threshold"
 - Initial/recurring inspection requirements
 - Residual stress
 - Nuances of analysis approach
 - Others to account for:
 - Residual stress relaxation
 - Just to make you feel good... 🙂
- □ How do we handle assessment of risk?







Questions?

