Fatigue Failure II

- In many cases stresses acting on machine elements are multiaxial stresses.
- Since most fatigue failures starts on the surface we consider biaxial case rather than full 3D.
- There are various approaches to deal with multiaxial fatigue. In this course, we adopt the simple approach of reducing the biaxial case to uniaxial case.



• σ'_m and σ'_a are equivalent stresses. We use Von-Mises stress as the equivalent stress.

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$$\sigma'_{m} = (\sigma_{xm}^{2} - \sigma_{xm} \sigma_{ym} + \sigma_{ym}^{2} + 3\tau_{xym}^{2})^{1/2}$$
 (1)

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$$\sigma'_{a} = (\sigma_{xa}^{2} - \sigma_{xa} \sigma_{ya} + \sigma_{ya}^{2} + 3\tau_{xya}^{2})^{1/2}$$
 (2)

• If principal stresses are given, shear stress is taken as zeroin the equations above.

- Once the equivalent stresses are obtained we may use Goodman or Soderberg approach as if we had uniaxial case.
- Note that in these equations, it is assumed that stresses are in phase, i.e. they reach their maximum and minimum values at the same time.

- In biaxial case, we apply fatigue stress concentration factors K_f to alternating components of normal and/or shear stresses and then, take endurance limit modifying factor k_e=1.
- Similarly, we can use 1/k_b to amplify stresses, rather than using k_b to reduce endurance limit.



Equations above should be used in eq.(2) to find equivalent alternating stress.

Cumulative Fatigue Damage

- If stress cycles with σ_{max} >S_e are applied, fatigue life (N) for another stress level and endurance limit decreases. To predict this reduction in life there are two approaches.
 - Miner's Rule
 - Manson's Rule



Cumulative Fatigue Damage

• stress σ_i is applied n_i cycles to the specimen, N_i is the life corresponding to stress σ_i . $\log(S_f)$



Miner's Rule

• According to Miner's Rule;

$$\sum \frac{n_i}{N_i} = \frac{n_1}{N_1} + \frac{n_2}{N_2} + \dots + \frac{n_m}{N_m} = C \qquad 0.7 \le C \le 2.2$$

- *C* is an experimentally determined constant.
- Unless otherwise is specified we take C=1

Miner's Rule

- Miner's Rule have deficiencies
 - It does not account for the order in which the stresses are applied, hence ignores any stress less than the initial endurance limit.
 - If an attempt is made to correct endurance limit by using Miner's rule, than Sut will also become lowered, but this is not verified by the experiments.

Manson's Rule

- Manson's rule does not have the deficiencies of Miner's Rule
- In Manson's rule, S-N diagram is updated in the same historical order with the applied stresses.
- S_{ut} is kept constant and the new S-N line is drawn to pass through the point given by applied stress and remaining life.

Manson's Rule



new endurance limit