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## TG1 : FATIGUE

### Meeting Report

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- ❑ **Fatigue Design Rules for regulated PE (PED)**
  - For vessels (on going)
  - For Piping, Pumps, Valves and their support (to be developed)
- ❑ **Overview of existing Codes & Standards, with associated background and validation**
- ❑ **Gaps and Needs identification, including innovative PE**
- ❑ **Some Open Points on Fatigue:**
  - Objectives of Design Rules: protection Crack Initiation / Through wall crack ???
  - Collection of (S, N) mean curve:
    - standards for test (push-pull test on small test specimen),
    - stress or strain control tests;
    - list of material and operating conditions (temperature, environment...)
  - Transferability from mean → design curve with different reduction factors
  - Base metal / welds / bolts / bellows....
  - Practical application:
    - Selection of an S,N curve
    - $\Delta\varepsilon_{tot}$  evaluation: with plasticity and  $K_e$  and cyclic stress-strain curves,
    - Rotation of principal stresses
    - Environmental effects: water, steam, hydrogen.....
    - Non-linear analyses:  $K_e$  and cyclic constitutive equation

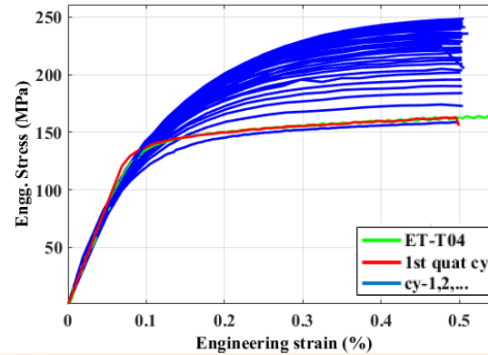
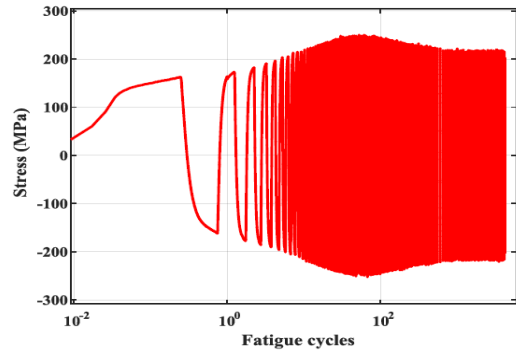
## TG1 FATIGUE – GERMAN PROGRAM

- ❑ **CEN Report to justify EN13445 Clause 18 Modifications**  
Design curve = Mean divide by 10 on Cycles and 1.3 on Stress  
Comparison with German ADM : 10 x 1.5.  
*CF Rmk: Not “Safety Factor” but “Transferability Factor”*
- ❑ **Report on Fatigue curves improvements**
- ❑ **Continuation and comparison of German results (IWM, Darmstadt, Munich) with tests performed in other countries :**  
low and high cycle fatigue tests
- ❑ **Improvement of alternative method of new Clause 18**
- ❑ **Environmental Effects, in particular Hydrogen environment**
- ❑ **New issues from EPERC TG1 meeting in Milan**



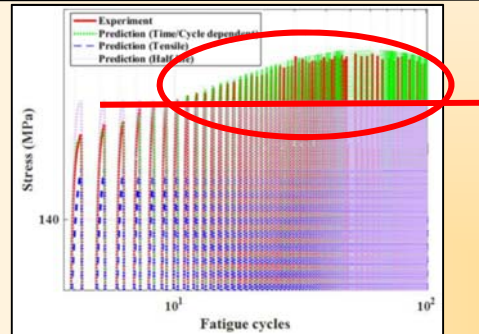
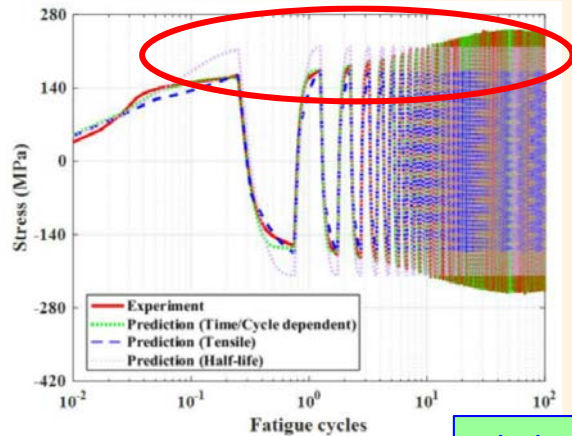
ANL Project

TG1 – TG4 Connections

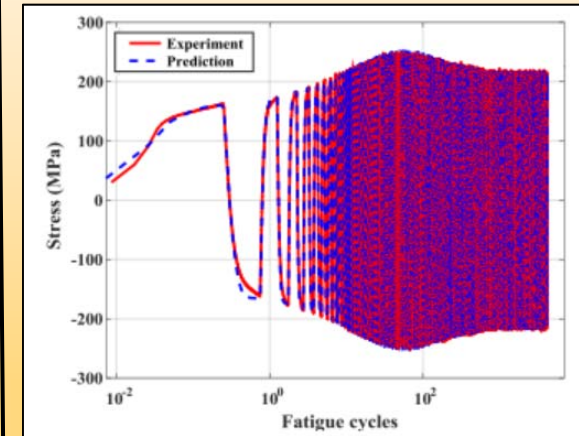


ANL "Evolutionary Fatigue Cyclic Plasticity" used and comparison with test

Fatigue Standard Test measurements

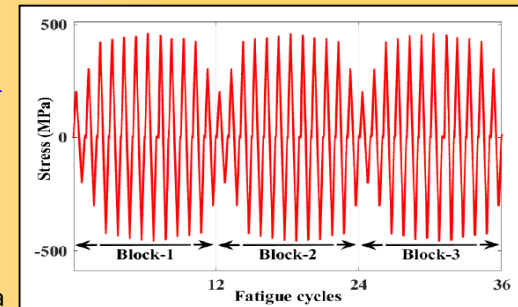


Chaboche model compared with test results

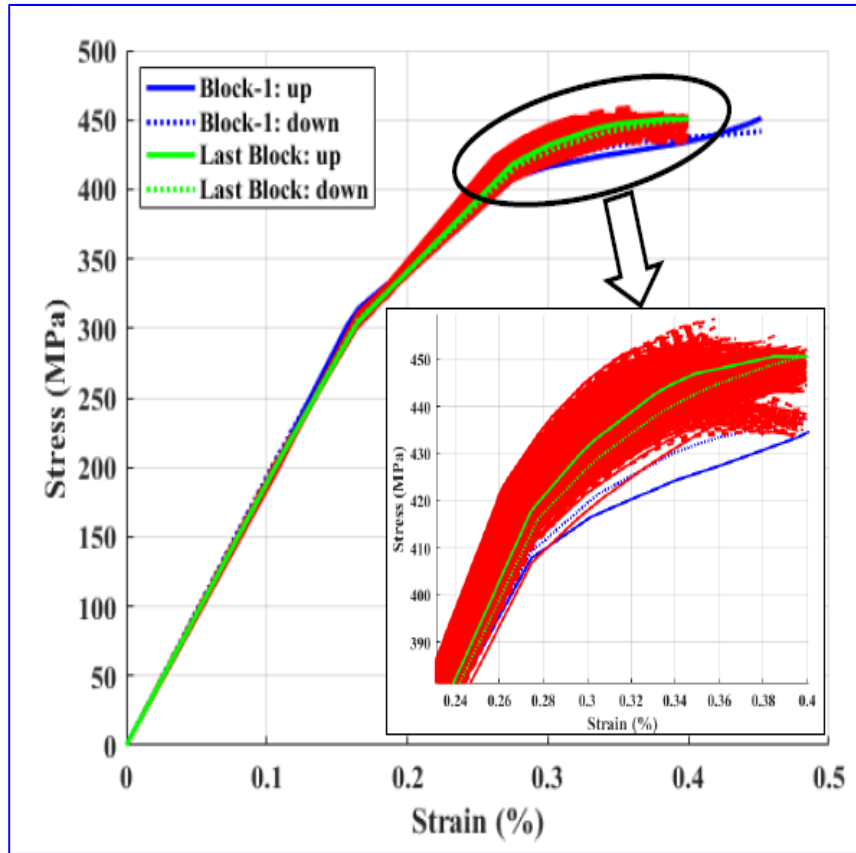


Cyclic Plasticity validation program before modelisation:

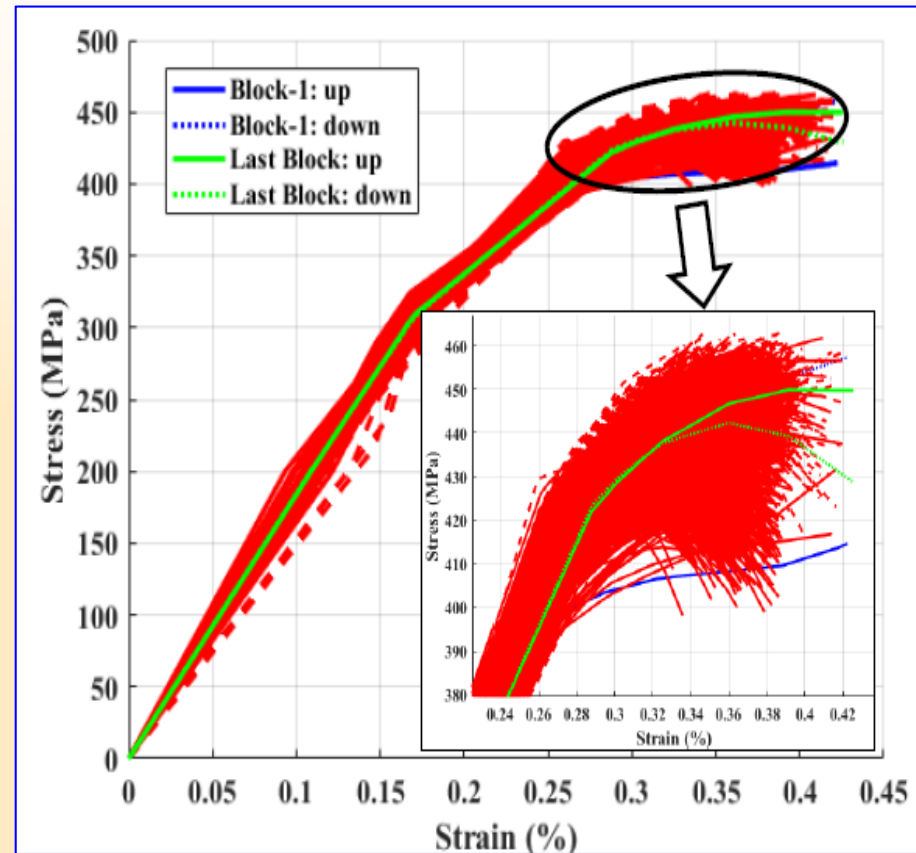
- Variable amplitude fatigue tests
- Bi-axial loads; multi-axial loads fatigue tests
- non-proportional loads fatigue tests
- Finally: real practical loads fatigue tests on industrial structures



# TG1 – TG4 Connections



300°C Air Stress-Strain Curves



300°C PWR Water Stress-Strain Curves

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## TG1 CONCLUSIONS – ACTION LIST

- ❑ **Develop an official list of Members**
- ❑ **Clarify the EPERC TG1 scope**
  - Components, major materials,  $T_{\max} / T_{\min}$ ,  $P_{\max}$ , Environments...
- ❑ **Review and compare similar International Codes**
  - **for Vessels:** EN13445, ASME VIII, API, Japan, Korea, Russia, China...
  - **For Piping:** EN13480, ASME B31, API, Japan, Korea, Russia, China...
  - **For other Pressure Equipment:** Pumps, Valves, Bolts, Bellows... and Supports
- ❑ **Independent review of EN13445-2019 Clause 18 with associated validations** (with new TG1 experts...)

The Chairman has to release last Clause 18 Edition to each member volunteer to do the "Review", to start the work shortly
- ❑ **Develop a General Technical Report on Fatigue Design Rules**

**Recommendations:** Validated Methods, Data, Criteria
- ❑ **TG1 – TG4: common new needs**
  - $K_e$  formulae and need of **cyclic stress-strain curves** (a dedicated program is needed)
  - Material cyclic plasticity models and validation
  - Fatigue and Ratcheting rules consistency