HWTII (Hochtemperatur-Werkstoff-Teststrecke)

Demonstration of the feasibility of a 700 °C power plant





- Component behaviour under superposition of primary and secondary stresses (Alloy 617, Alloy 263, thick-walled components)
- Creep + thermal cycles; Temperature cycles between 400 °C and 725 °C
 - Functionality of pipes, HP-Bypass valve, control and shut off valves, header

Results: 9.900 h (ϑ > 700 °C) operation and 2638 thermal cycles! (Operation: 2012-2014)

HWTII, Results and experience

Qualification of manufacturing – bending process



Results:

Avoiding of creation of surface defects during bending

- Evaluation of criticality
- Surface turning
- Additional NDT

Qualification of manufacturing – welding procedure



Results:

- Avoiding of specific welding defects
- Effectiveness
- Process security

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Key Components (instrumentation and online monitoring,
 > 70 Temperature recording points, 16 Strain gauges)



Stop valve, Fa. KSB



Pipe with support construction



"Biegebremse": Secondary stresses in pipe bend





Support construction

Add-On Fa. Alstom (header)

ECERGO General Assembly, Brussels, Jahvary 281 Valve Fa. Bopp & Reuther

Numerical modelling, validation



Numerical modelling for assessment

- Evaluation at the maximum loaded areas
- Distribution of mises stress in cross-pi





 Temporal courses of temperature and max/min principle strains respectively stresses

Alloy 617 mod. - Inner hole r = 3 mm



⁶ S Dye penetrant inspection

- Opened crack
- Tangential stress distribution







- Transgranular cracks beginning on the surface
- Isolated intergranular cracks

To be considered

A-USC requires alternative materials

- Nickel alloys especially in thickwalled components / structure show different properties and deformation and damage behavior (ductility, ageing ...)
- Manufacturing routes are different → implications on quality assurance
- NDT techniques need specific development,
- different detectability limits etc
- Fracture mechanics properties are not available in the same manner as for ferritic-martensitic steels

- Currently available data have to be analyzed with regard to
 - Completeness
 - Transferability into regulations to ensure safety of PE

PA ität Stuttgart Summary

- Research work on pressure equipment design, operation, monitoring and calculation is going on
- In the last decade there was focus on high efficient later on on flexible operated plants.
- A reasonable data base mechanical properties, creep, fatigue and creep-fatigue as well as fracture mechanics data could be determined
- Constitutive equations for the simulation of static creep and thermal cyclic established and the parameters approximated
- Test loops with tubes and thick-walled boiler components operated successfully
 - Experience on the material behaviour in the plant
 - Functionality of components
- Numerical simulations carried out with the aim to predict stresses and strain and life time of components





Thank you for your attention!