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# The 3P's of Fatigue Damage Spectrum – Promises, Problems, Prospects 01.03.2024

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## Agenda

- Introduction and motivation: Test acceleration and Fatigue Damage Spectrum (FDS)
  - Process of FDS
- Parameters and assumptions of FDS

Parameter 1: Relationship between stress and vibrational parameters

Parameter 2: Slope of S-N curve of a material

- Comparison of FDS with different parameters
- Summary
- Outlook and prospects



#### Introduction

- Motivation:
- Accelerated vibration testing
  - Simulate operational vibrations with shortened test time
  - Time and cost efficient

#### Issues:

- Simple scaling up of test amplitudes might be dangerous!
  - Exceedance of ultimate stress limits
  - Alteration of failure mechanism
  - Non-linear behaviour in components

#### Promises:

- Test acceleration with Fatigue Damage Spectrum (FDS)
  - FDS is a plot of cumulative fatigue damage experienced by an array of linear single degree-of-freedom systems with varying natural frequencies.
  - Reduce test time  $\rightarrow$  equivalent fatigue damage at each frequency band

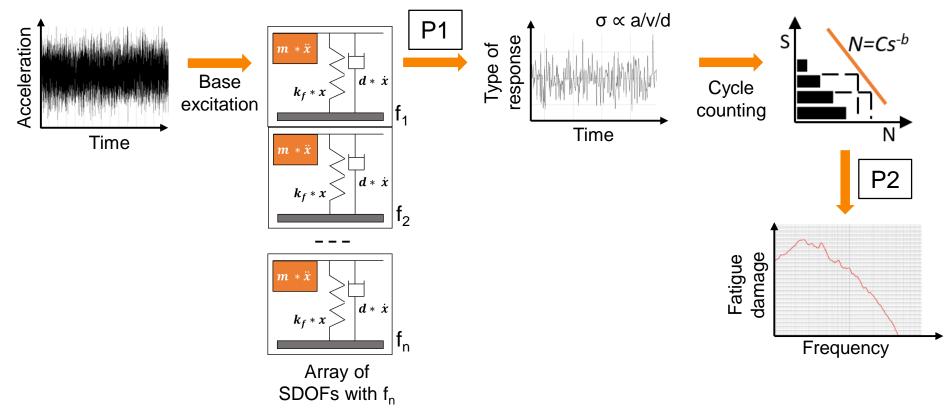






#### **Introduction to Fatigue Damage Spectrum**

#### Process and parameters of FDS

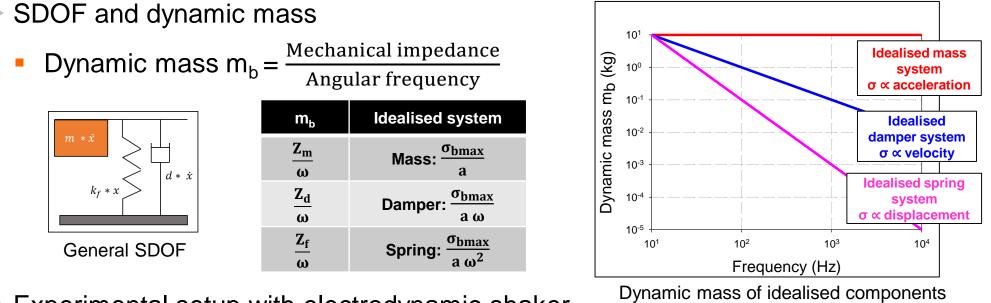


- Important input parameters (and problems!)
  - P1: Type of system response (relationship between stress and a vibrational parameter i.e. displacement, velocity or acceleration) along with quality factor Q
  - P2: Slope of S-N curve of the material

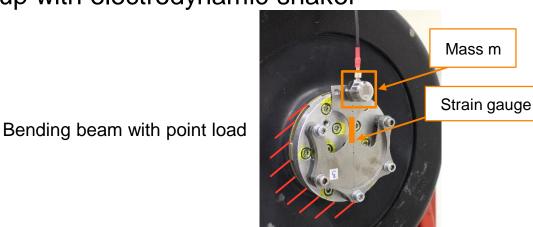
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# Parameter 1: Relationship between stress and a vibrational parameter



# Experimental setup with electrodynamic shaker



Materials used

Specimen

Mass m

Strain gauge

Structural steel and copper (ETP)

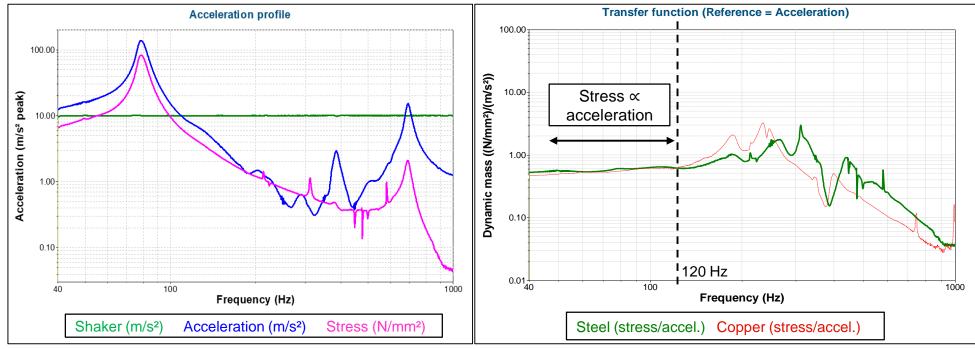




### Parameter 1: Experimental verification of stress proportionality

Results from frequency sweep tests

- Stress measurement with strain gauges
- Acceleration measurement at free end with accelerometer
- Transfer function analysis



- Resonance at first natural frequency (around 80Hz)
- Stress is proportional to acceleration (till 120Hz) !

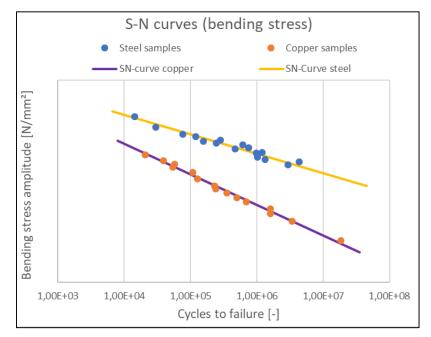
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#### Parameter 2: Slope of S-N curve of a material

Damage accumulation (Palmgren/Miner), slope b of S-N curve is an important input parameter

#### Experimental determination of S-N curves



#### Comparison with values from literature:

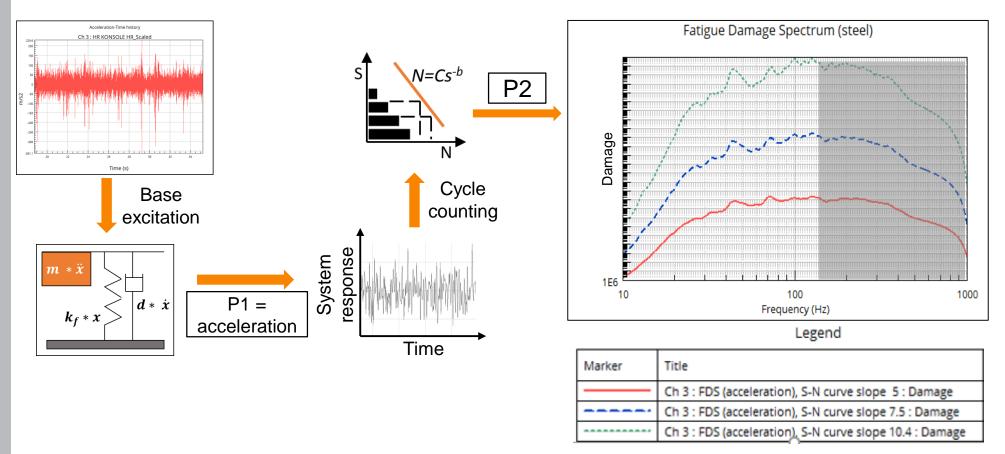
Standard/Norm	FKM	MIL-STD- 810H	Experimental	Reference/Literature	National Bureau of Standards, USA	Deutsches Kupferinstitut	Experimental
Slope of S-N curve (steel)	5	7.5	10.4	Slope of S-N curve (copper)	6.9	7.4	6.6





#### **Effect of S-N curve slope on FDS**

Measured acceleration time history — Fatigue Damage Spectrum plot



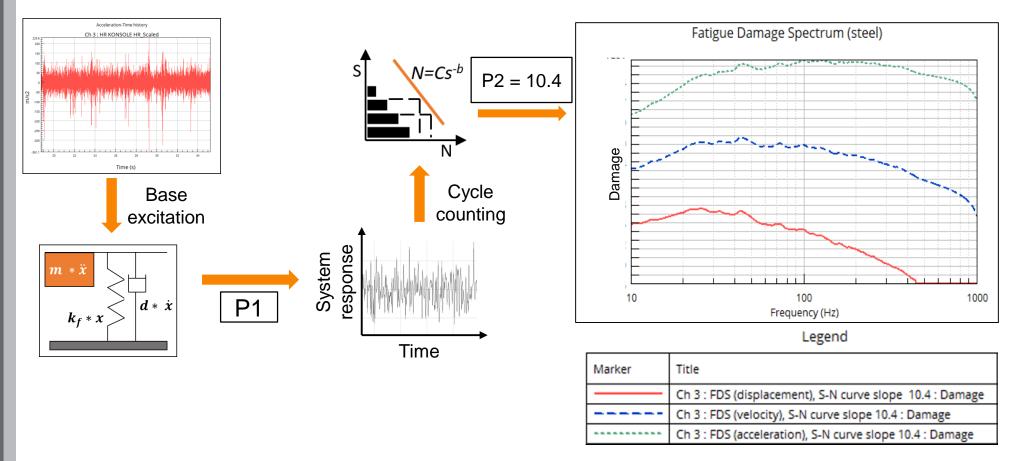
- The curvature of the FDS plots for each S-N curve slope changes
- Higher slope value indicates more conservative values





#### Effect of choice of proportionality factor on FDS

#### Measured acceleration time history — Fatigue Damage Spectrum plot



- Trend of the FDS curve changes according to proportionality factor
- Choice of proportionality is critical at higher frequencies



#### **Summary**

FDS as a tool for accelerating tests.

#### Every use-case is unique!

- The choice of response type affects the plot of FDS
  - Stress is proportional to acceleration, velocity or displacement depending on the application and frequency range.
  - Transmissibility analysis between stress and vibrational parameters might be helpful to reveal the predominant proportionalities for certain frequency ranges.
- Material parameters (S-N curve) has a strong effect on the calculation of FDS

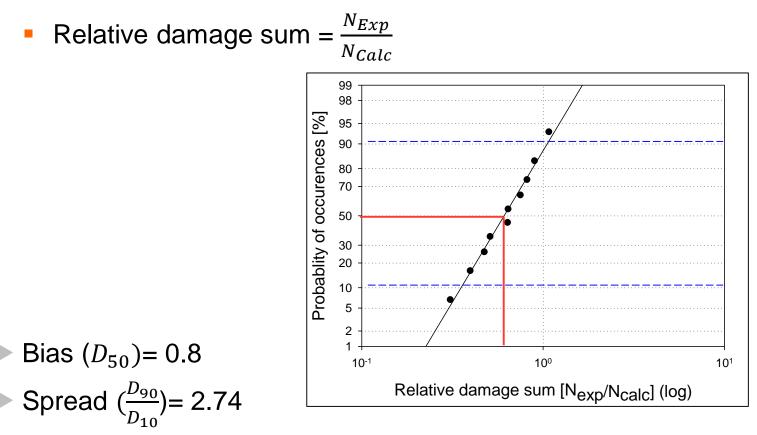
Alteration in damage spectrum (and eventually in the accelerated spectrum) due to these factors must be kept in mind.





#### **Prospects**

- Experimental and numerical investigation can reveal further prospects of test acceleration with FDS.
- Basis of comparison with unaccelerated test results: relative damage sum



Accelerated test results with assumptions of FDS parameters will lead to deviation of results.





# **Questions?**

# **THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!**