

Fatigue and aircraft diagnostic systems

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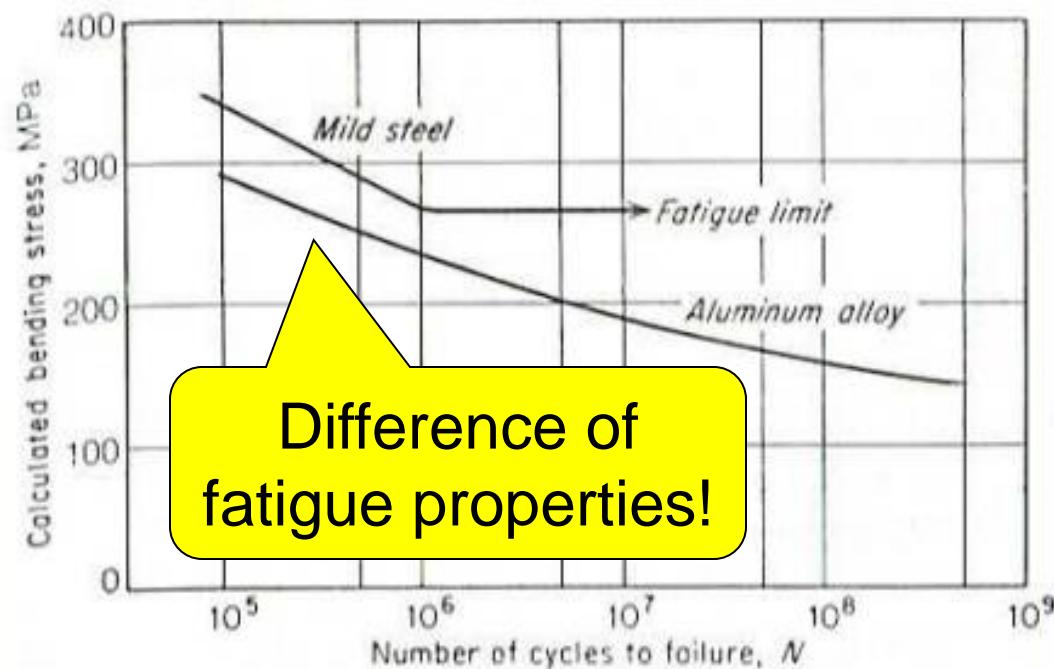
Factors causing fatigue failure

- 1) A maximum tensile stress of sufficiently high value.
- 2) A large amount of variation or fluctuation in the applied stresses
- 3) A sufficiently large number of cycles of the applied loads



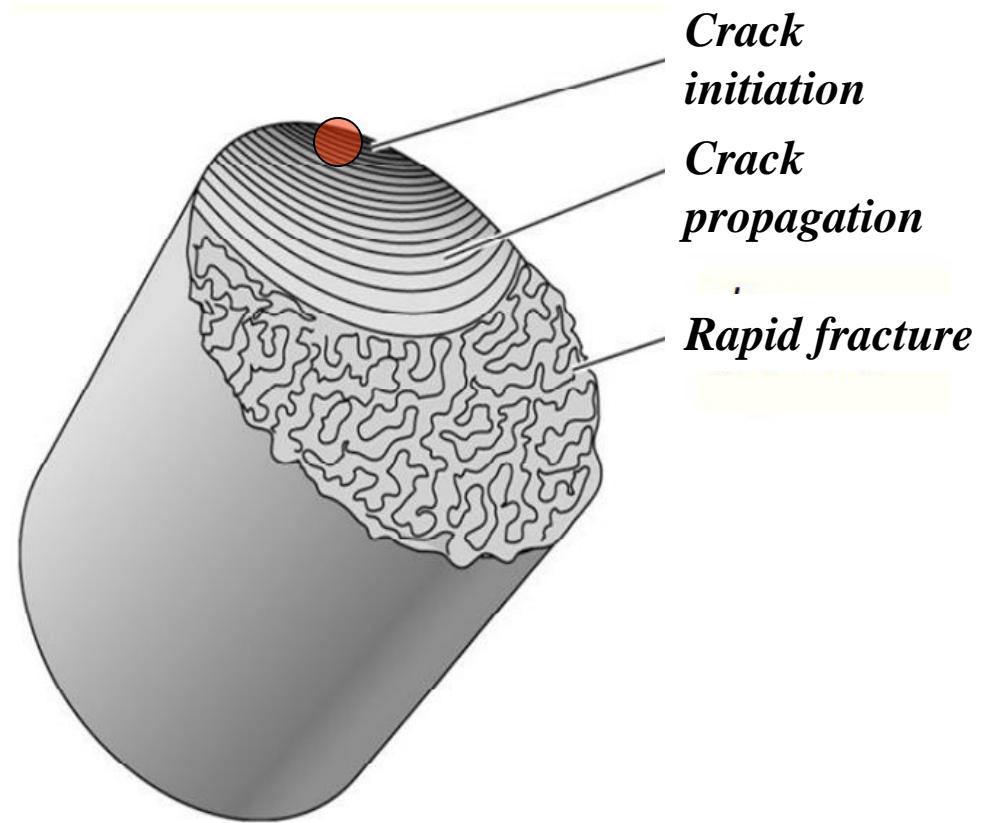
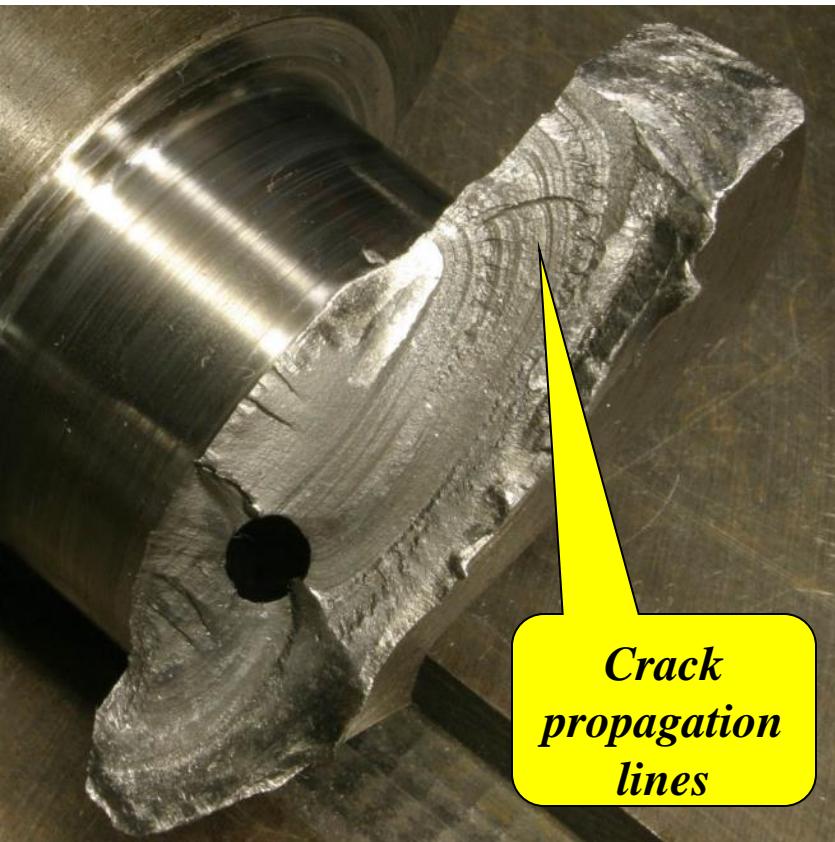
Other factors:

- Stress concentration
- Corrosion
- Temperature
- Overload
- Metallurgical structure
- Residual stress
- Combined stress

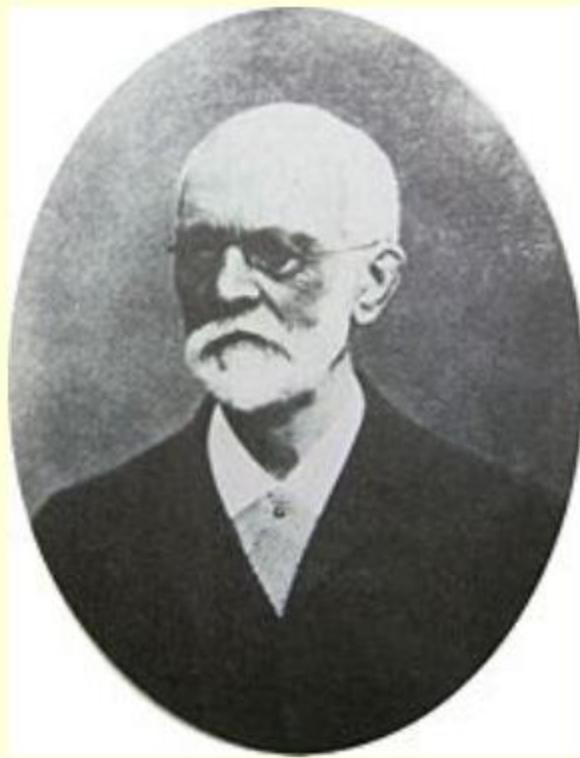


Introduction

Fatigue phenomenon



Introduction



Introduction to FATIGUE

Wohler's Experiment

May 19, 1871.]

WÖHLER'S EXPERIMENTS ON THE "FATIGUE" OF METALS.

The last of the series of fatigue experiments made by Prof. Wöhler, which will here be given, is that in which 22 bars have been tested at the ends of a cylindrical rotating axis, their outer ends being loaded. Under these circumstances all sides of the bars have exposed to tension and compression alternately, the maximum variation of stress on any particular fiber being equal to the sum of the maximum tensile and compressive stresses, to which the fiber was subjected.

The machine employed by Prof. Wöhler for carrying out tests of this character is illustrated by the second Figs. 15 and 16. It consists of a simple rotating frame carrying bearings, &c., in which there sometimes like stiff, &c., this end being driven by a belt on the pulley, &c. In the ends of the shafts of arms, &c., are fitted slightly conical seats, into which are driven the ends of the bars to be tested. After each drive the sum of the bars to be tested, which bars are turned by the side of a slide rule, so that they run truly with the axis, &c., and their outer ends thus meet with the bearing, &c. The bars are attached to spring dynamometers marked up by the aid of which any desired load may be applied upon the test rods.

FIG. 15.

FIG. 16.

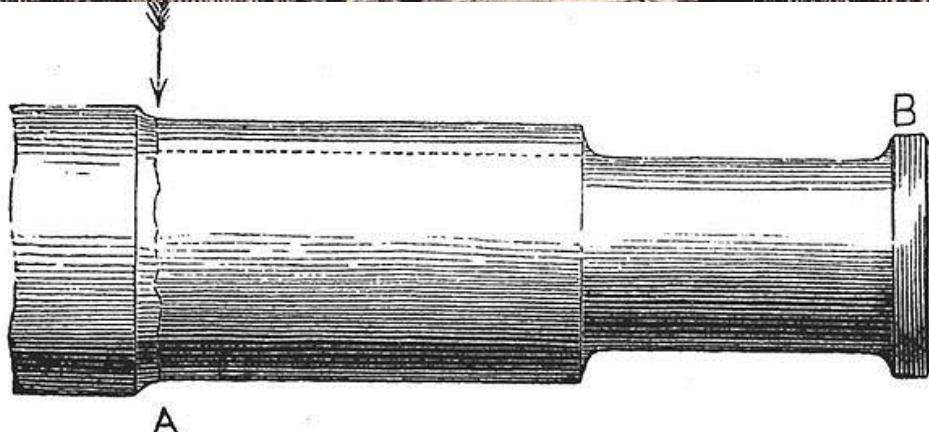
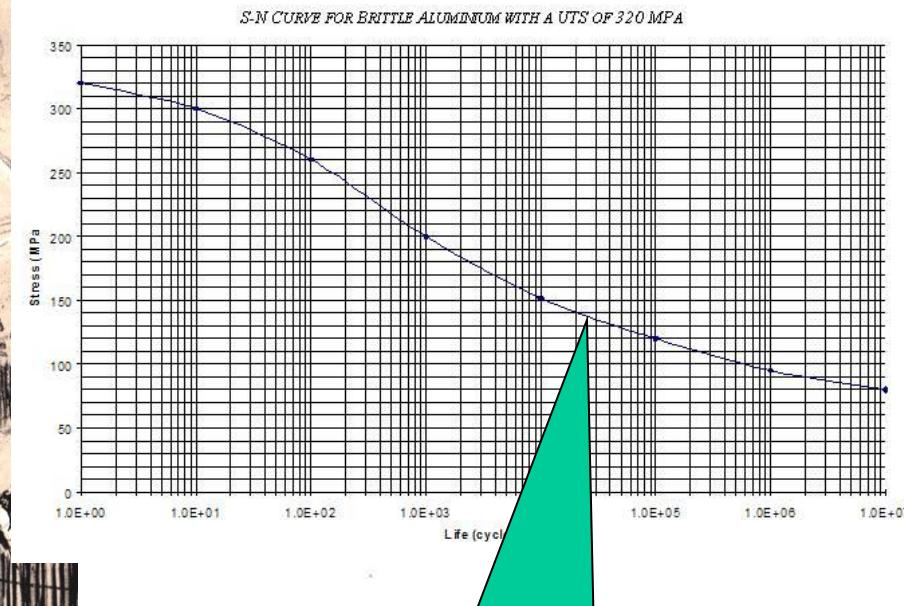
TABLE II.—Showing the Results obtained by Drawing from first of one end and from the other. (See the opposite illustration on the previous page.)

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Industrial revolution - raise of interest regarding fatigue properties of the materials

Investigations of railway disasters

- the first fatigue works



Wöhler
curve
(S-N curve)

Works of **August Wöhler** (22 June 1819 - 21 March 1914)

Aeronautics, 1950s - impulse for considering fatigue as a crucial problem of technical safety



Series of catastrophic accidents of the first passenger jet - raise of interest in subject of fatigue properties of the aeronautical structures

The **de Havilland Comet** was the world's first commercial jet airliner to reach production.^[N 1] Developed and manufactured by de Havilland, it first flew in 1949 and was considered a landmark in British aeronautical design. After introduction into commercial service, the initial Comet versions suffered from catastrophic metal fatigue, causing two well-publicised accidents.

The Comet had to be withdrawn and was redesigned. The Comet 4 series subsequently enjoyed a long and productive career of over 30 years, although sales never fully recovered.

Accidents and incidents of the DH-106 COMET

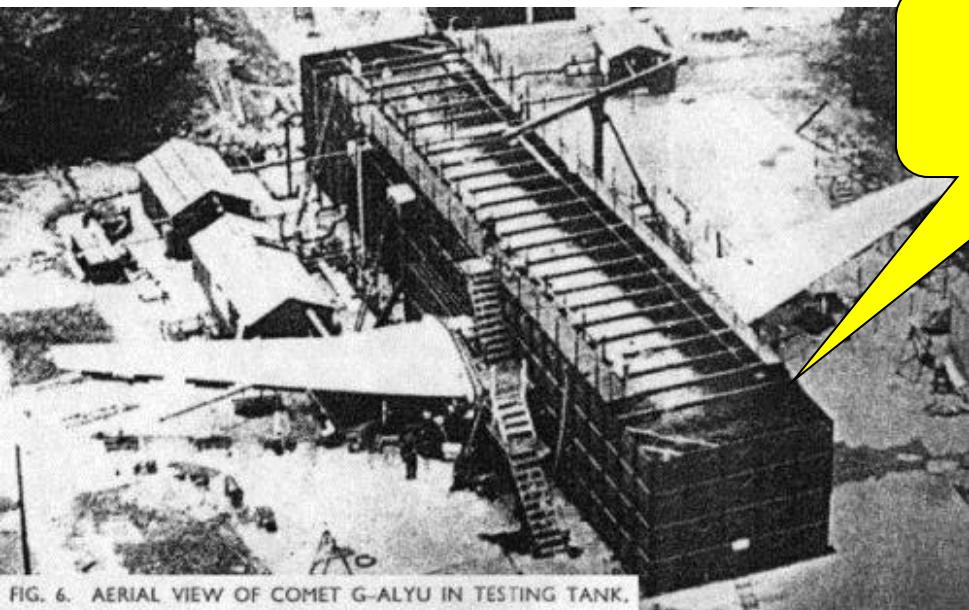
- • 26 October 1952: Comet 1 G-ALYZ of BOAC **crashed** on takeoff from Rome-Ciampino Airport, Italy
- • 3 March 1953: Comet 1 CF-CUN of Canadian Pacific Airlines stalled on takeoff at Karachi, Pakistan
- • 2 May 1953: Comet 1 G-ALYV of BOAC **crashed** at Calcutta, India
- • 25 June 1953: Comet 1 F-BGSC of Union Aeromaritime de Transport skidded off a runway at Dakar, Senegal, damaged beyond repair
- • 15 July 1953: A BOAC Comet landed at Juhu Aerodrome instead of Santacruz Airport, Bombay. The aircraft was flown out some nine days later
- • 10 January 1954: Comet 1 G-ALYP of BOAC, operating Flight 781, **crashed** into the sea south of Elba, Italy
- • 8 April 1954: Comet 1 G-ALYY of BOAC, operating a charter as South African Airways Flight 201, **crashed** into the sea north of Stromboli, Italy
- 13 September 1957: Comet 2R XK663 of No. 192 Squadron RAF damaged beyond repair in a hangar fire



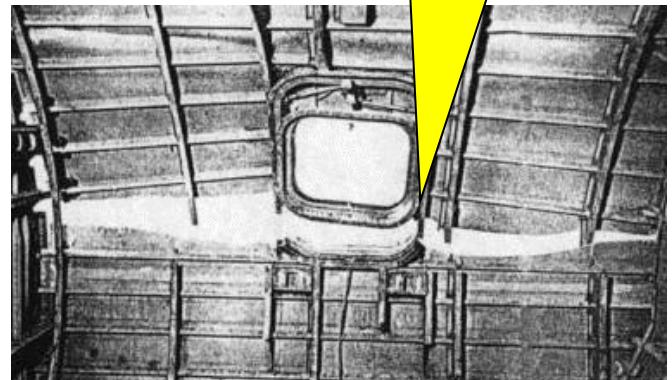
De Havilland DH-106 Comet



Investigations
of the reasons

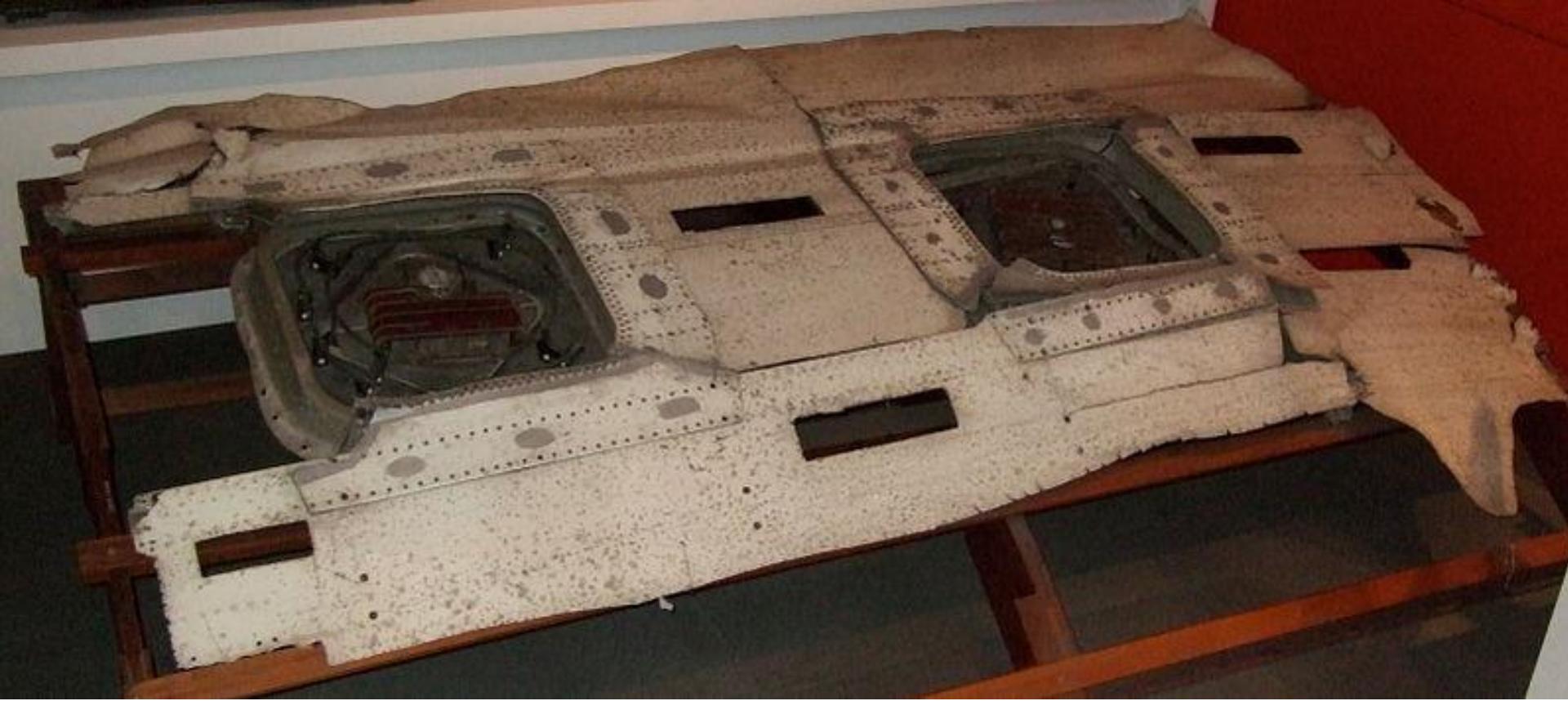


Fatigue
tests



Fatigue
damage !!!

FIG. 6. AERIAL VIEW OF COMET G-ALYU IN TESTING TANK.

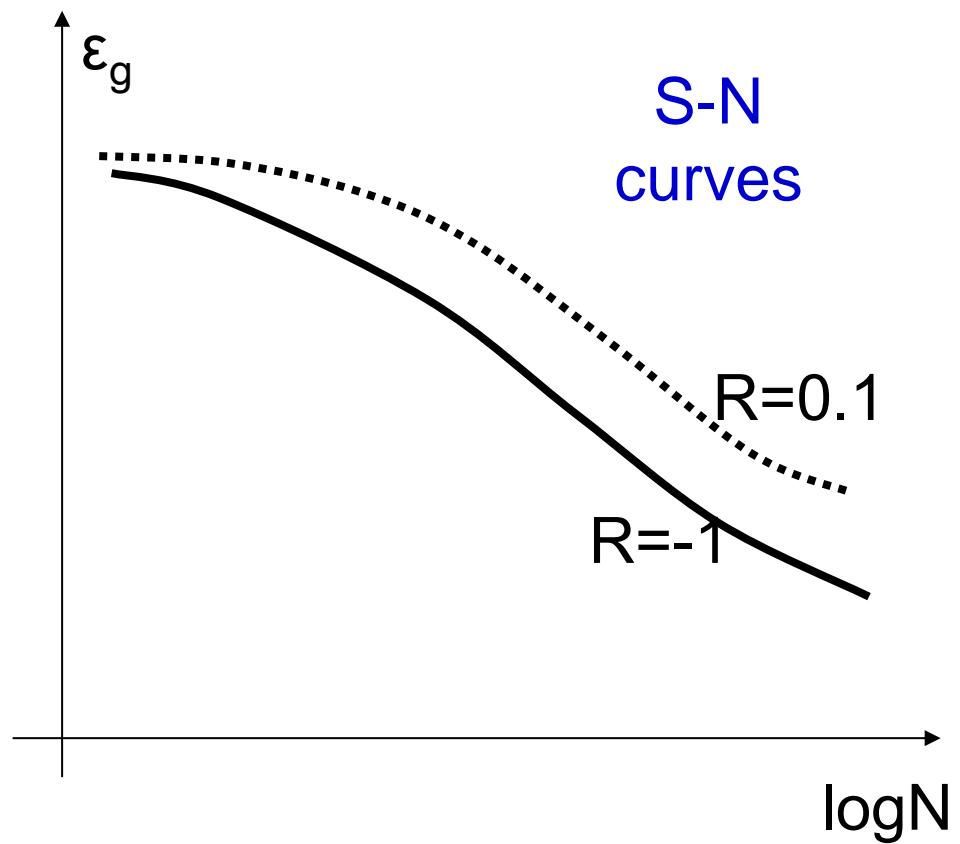


Fuselage of de Havilland Comet Airliner G-ALYP

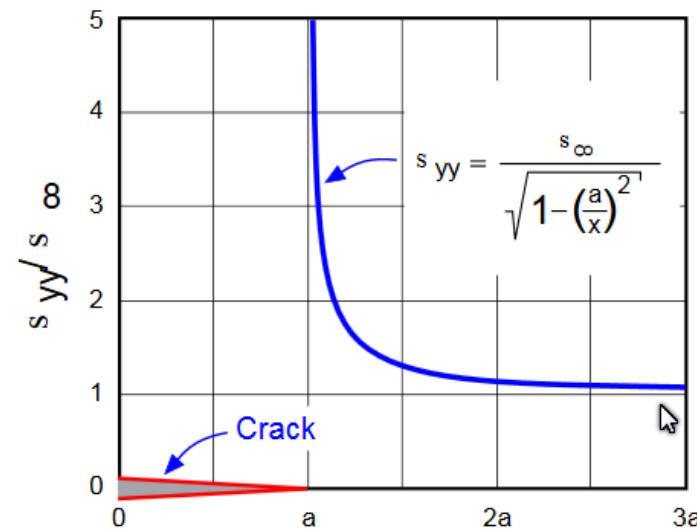
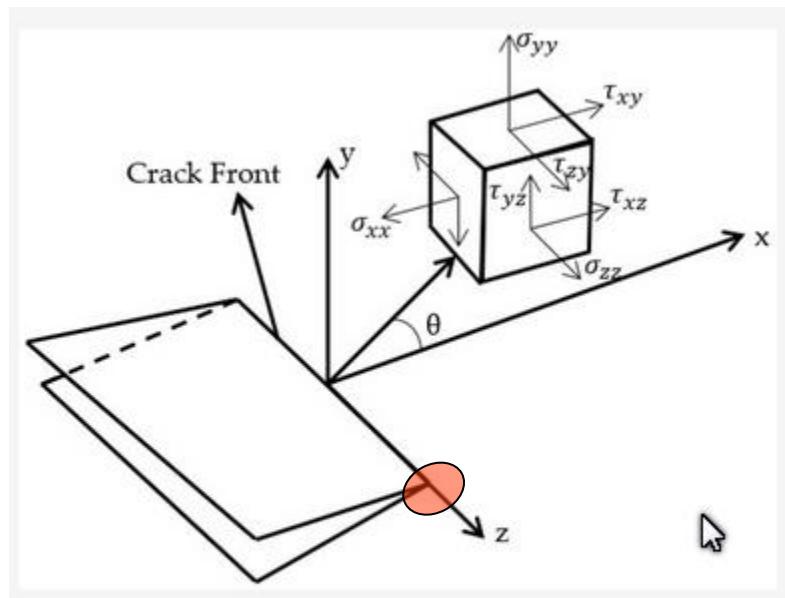
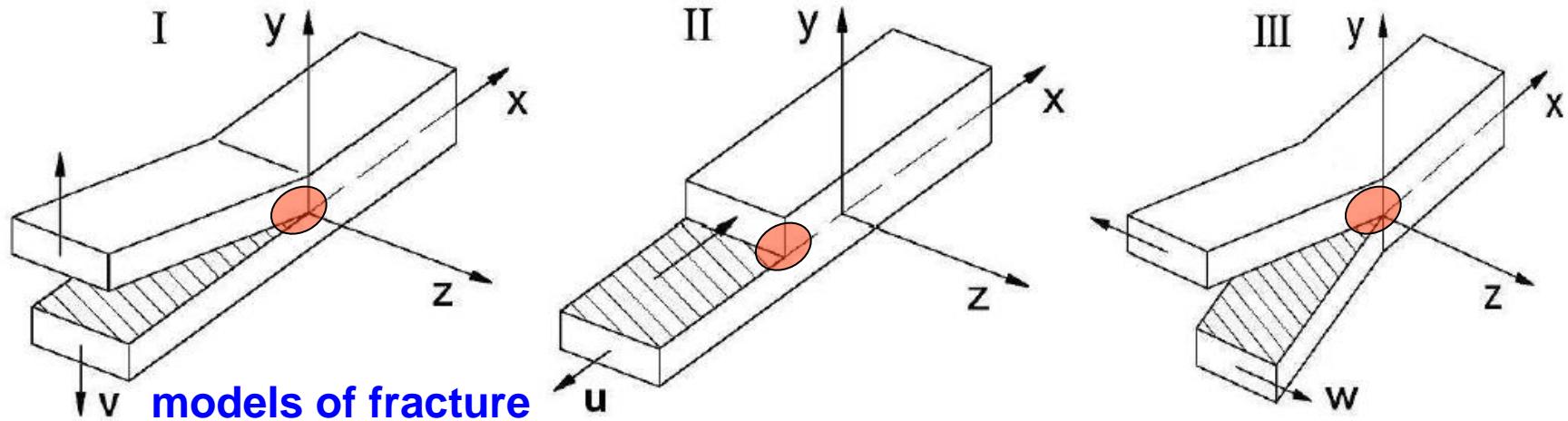
Method I – accumulation of fatigue damage

Oryginal Palmgren – Miner formula

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^l \frac{n_i}{N_i} = 1$$



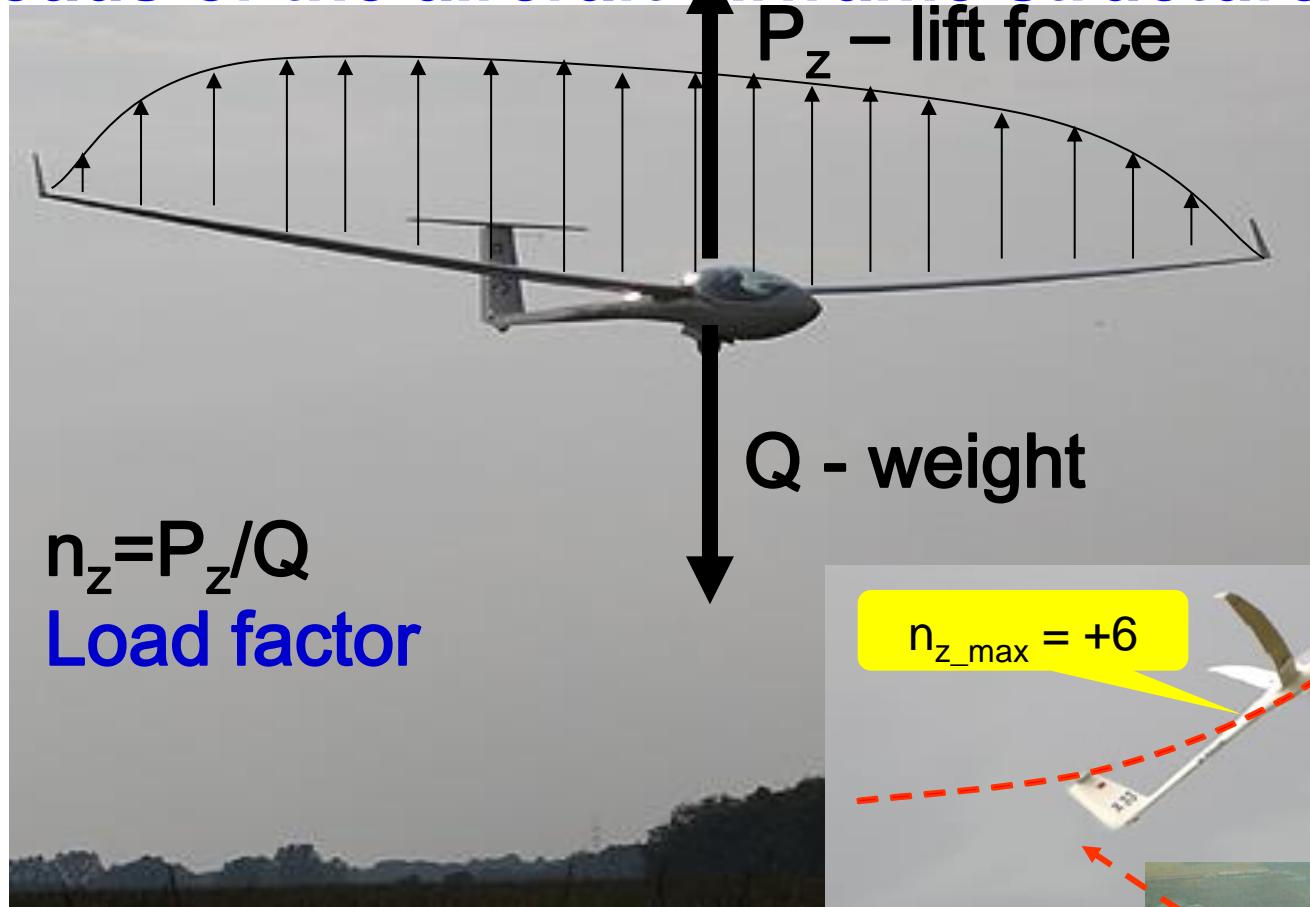
Method II – study of crack development – critical length of the crack, probability of detection



$$K = \sigma_\infty \sqrt{\pi a}$$

Stress Intensity Factor

Loads of the aircraft airframe structure & Load Factor

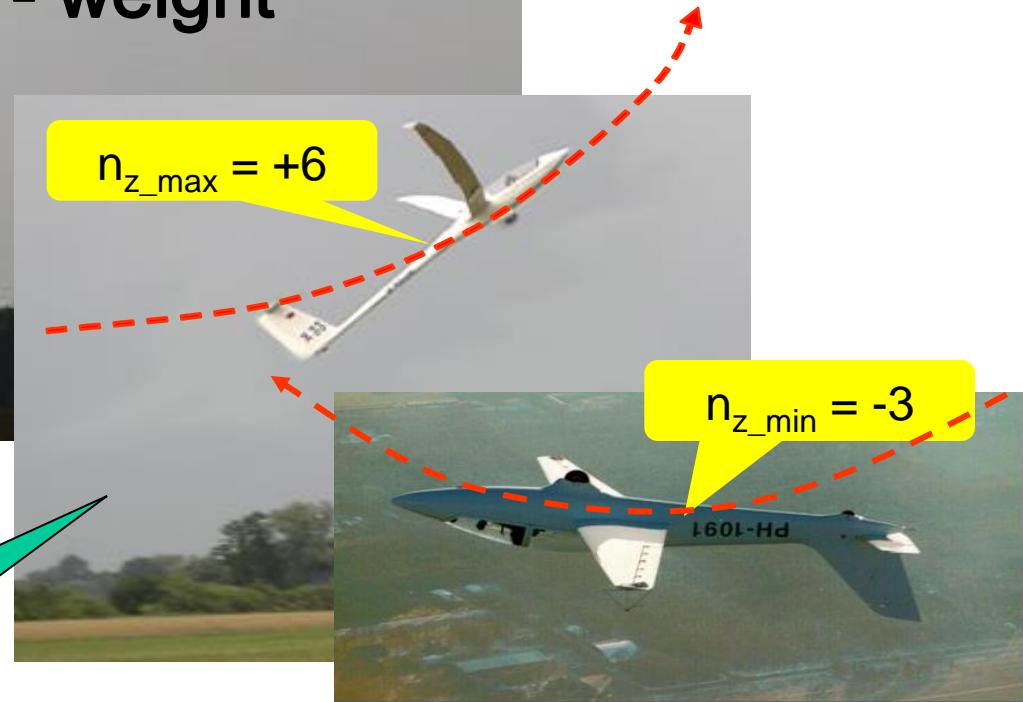


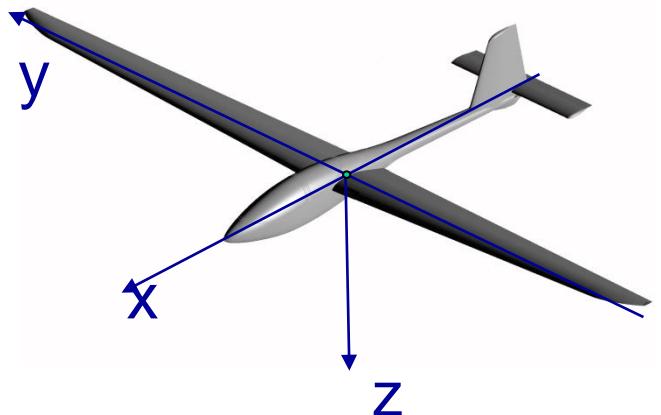
$$n_z = P_z / Q$$

Load factor

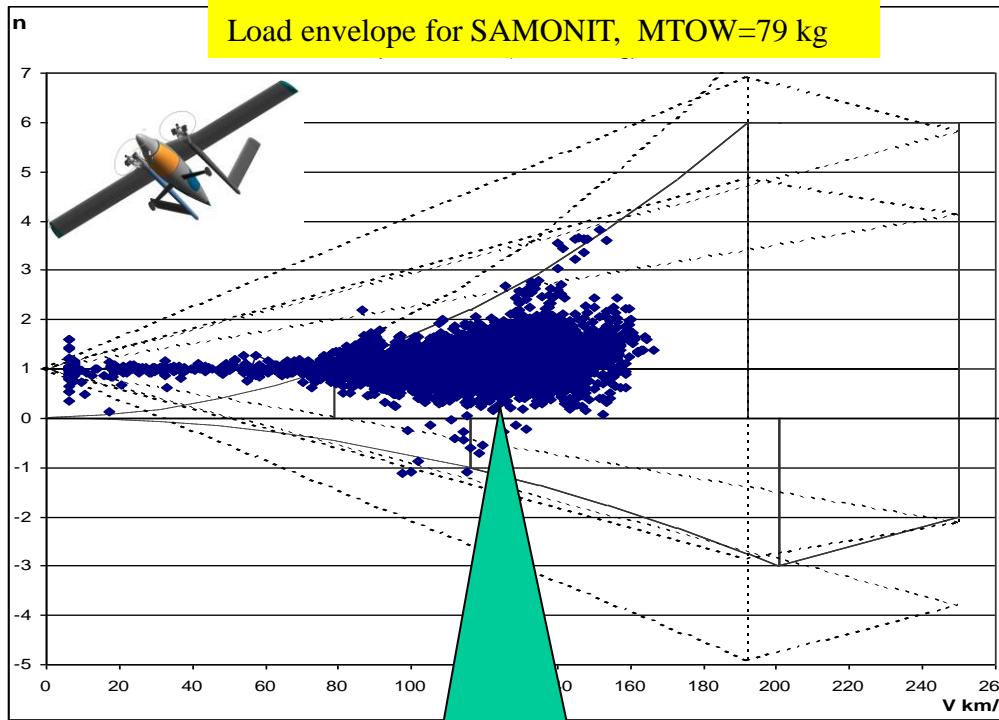
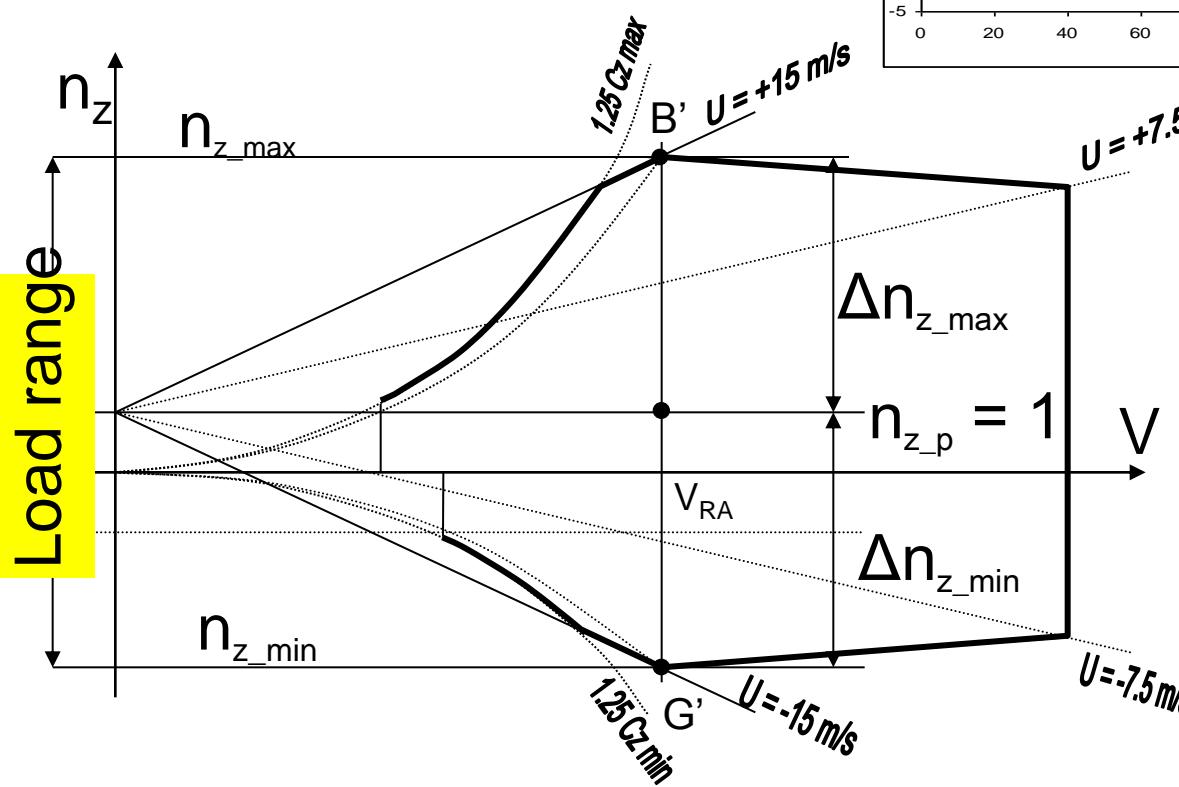
Design limit for load factor of the glider

What force is acting on the wing ?



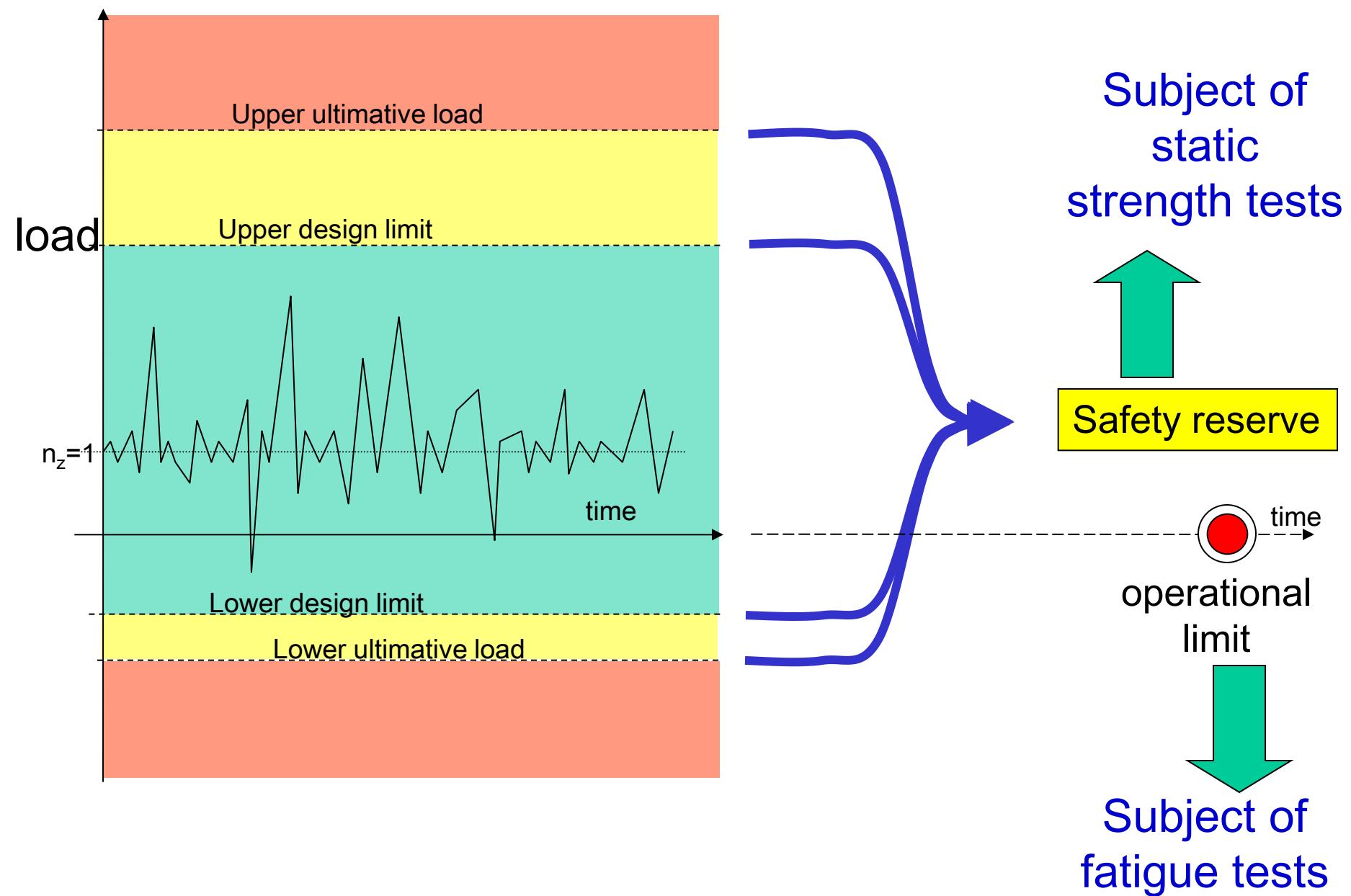


Aircraft load envelope



Evidence of loads
recorded during
flight-tests session

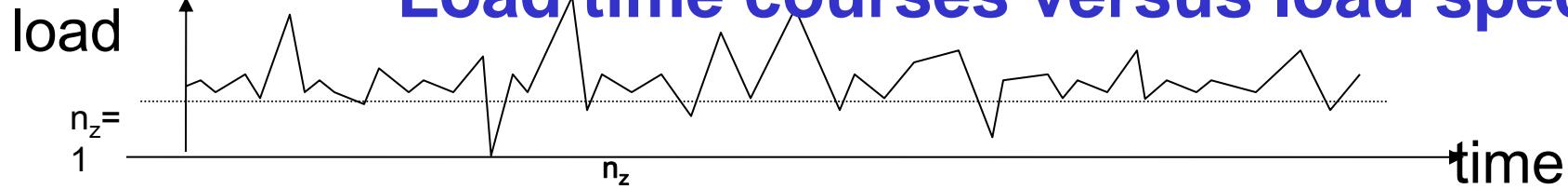
Glider loads - requirements for certification tests



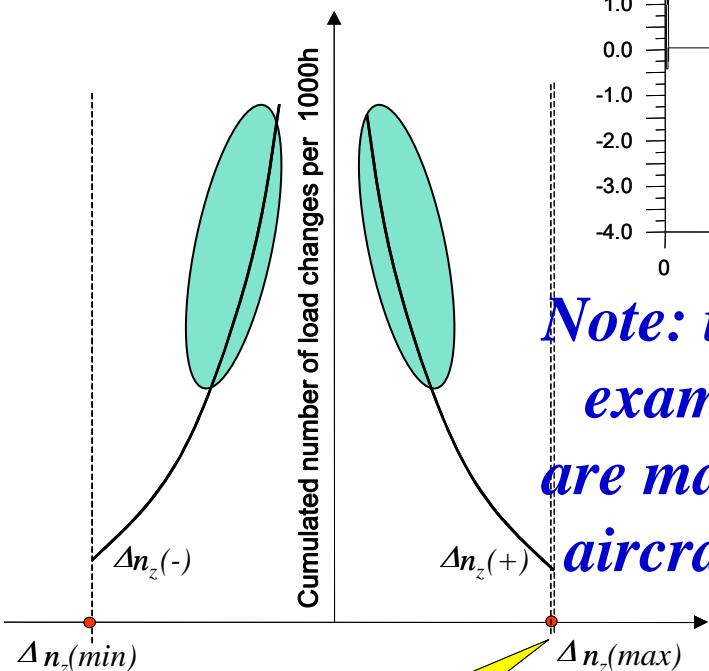
Load Spectra (LS)

LS as a statistics of load
increments apperances -
methods of presentation

Load time courses versus load spectra



Incremental type of LS



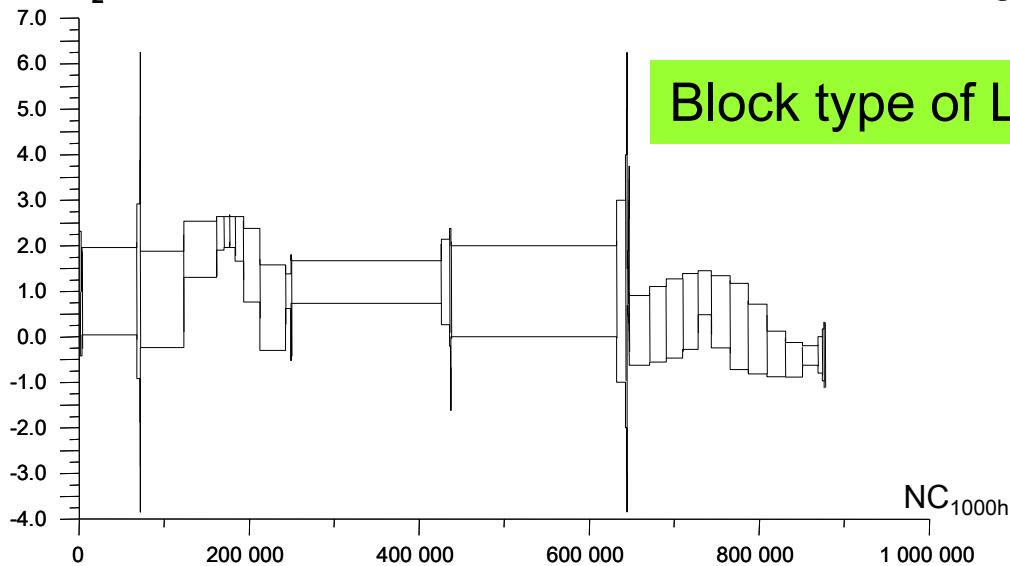
Note: in this figure all examples of the LS are made for 1000h of aircraft operation!!!

TM = 1000 h

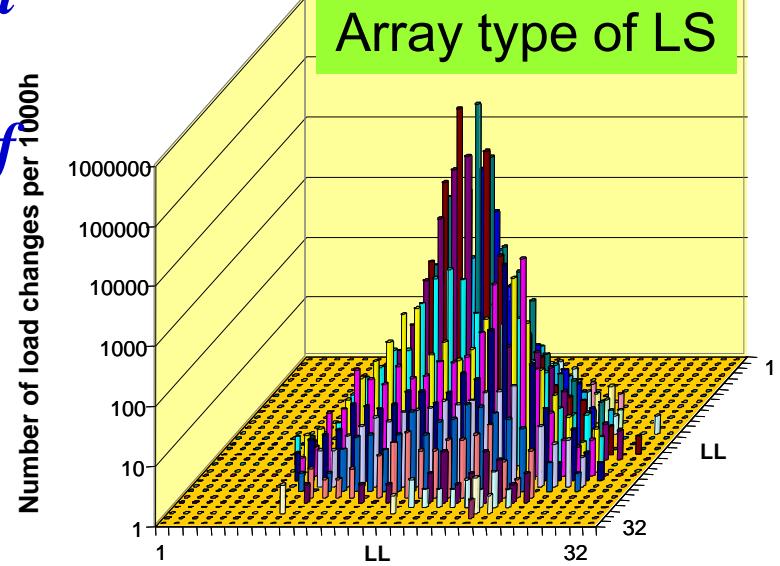
Extreme values according design limit

Can be different for other types of aircrafts!

Block type of LS



Array type of LS



How to prove the fatigue safety ???



Fatigue
stand of the
glider wing
spar

$$TS = TP \cdot k_r = TM \cdot k_k \cdot k_r$$

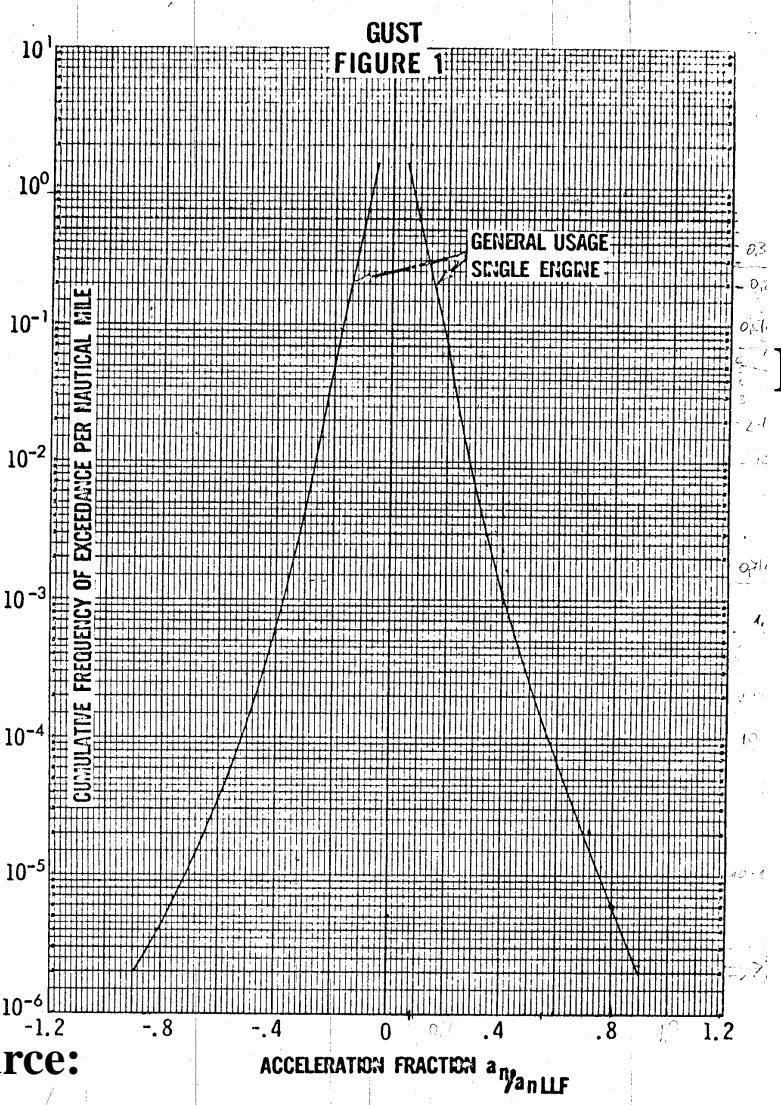
TS – operation period simulated on the fatigue stand as a proof of fatigue-safety

TP – postulated operation life

TM – time for which the LS was estimated (modelled period by load spectrum)

k_r scatter factor,

k_k ratio between modelled period by load spectrum and postulated operation life



Example of load spectra presentation
(classic way!)

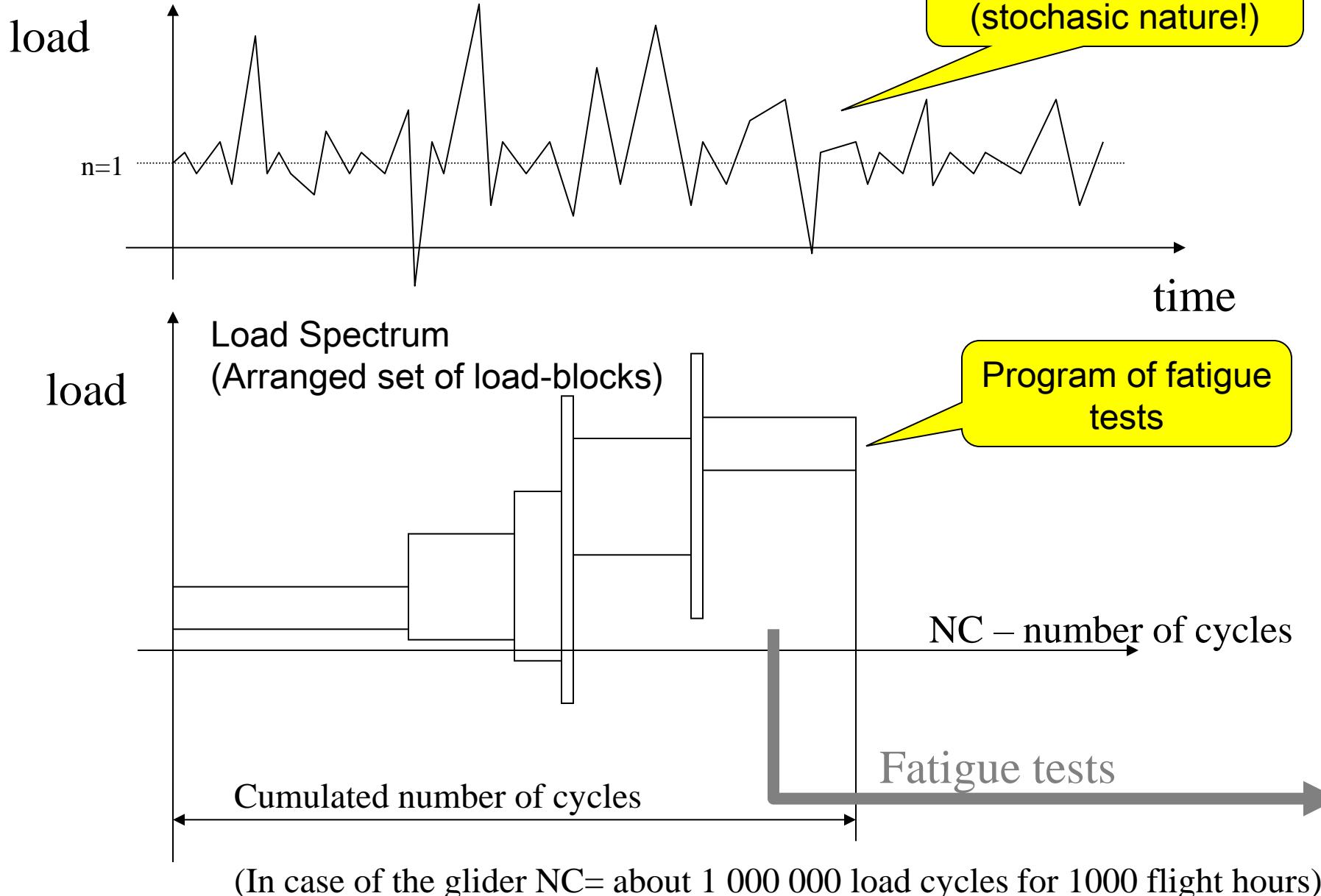
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Engineering and Manufacturing Division Airframe Branch

Fatigue evaluation of wing and associated structure on small airplanes

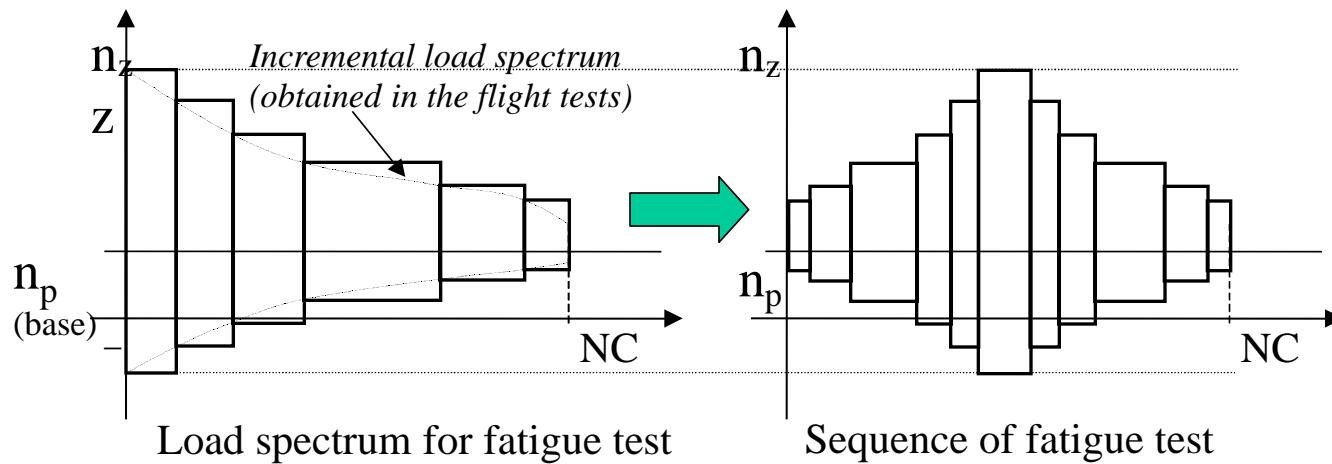
Report No. AFS-120-73-2, sponsored by Department of Transportation,
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Loads acting on aircraft structure



Can the set of the load-cycles arranged in the blocks substitute the real loads with they stochastic nature???

Is the damage caused by both loads realisation the same ???



Rather NOT
!!!

The way of fatigue test program setting
(compensation of constant amplitude cycles fatigue effect)

Factors having influence on the Load Spectrum

Intercurrent flight

Turning in the thermal-lift

Towing
(aerotowing / winch launch)

Take off
(grass field / beton runway)

Aerobatics

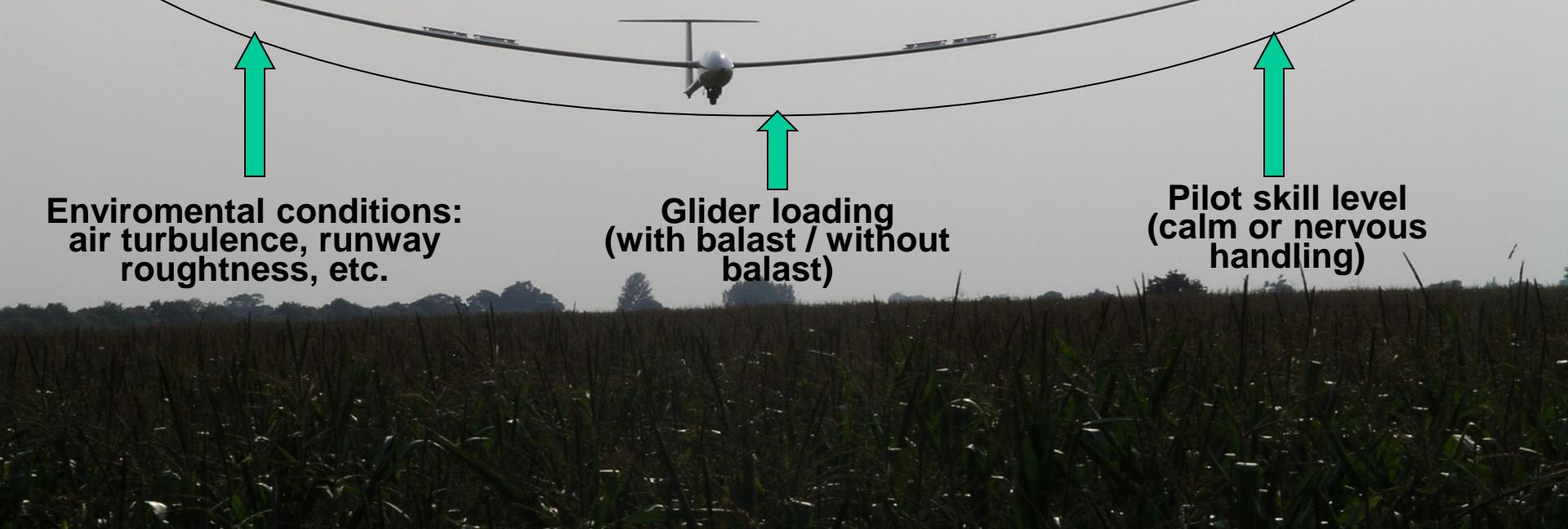
Landing
(grass field / beton runway)

Glider load spectrum

Environmental conditions:
air turbulence, runway
roughness, etc.

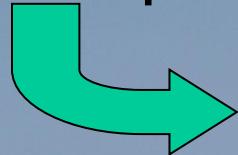
Glider loading
(with balast / without
balast)

Pilot skill level
(calm or nervous
handling)



Load Spectrum and the aircraft structure

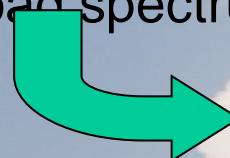
Load spectrum of the glider



Load spectrum of assembly i



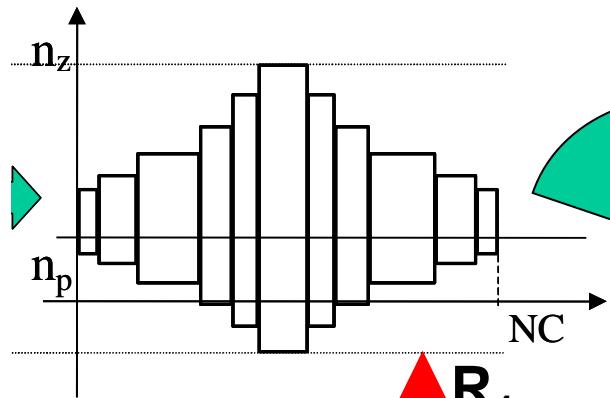
Load spectrum of subassembly i_k



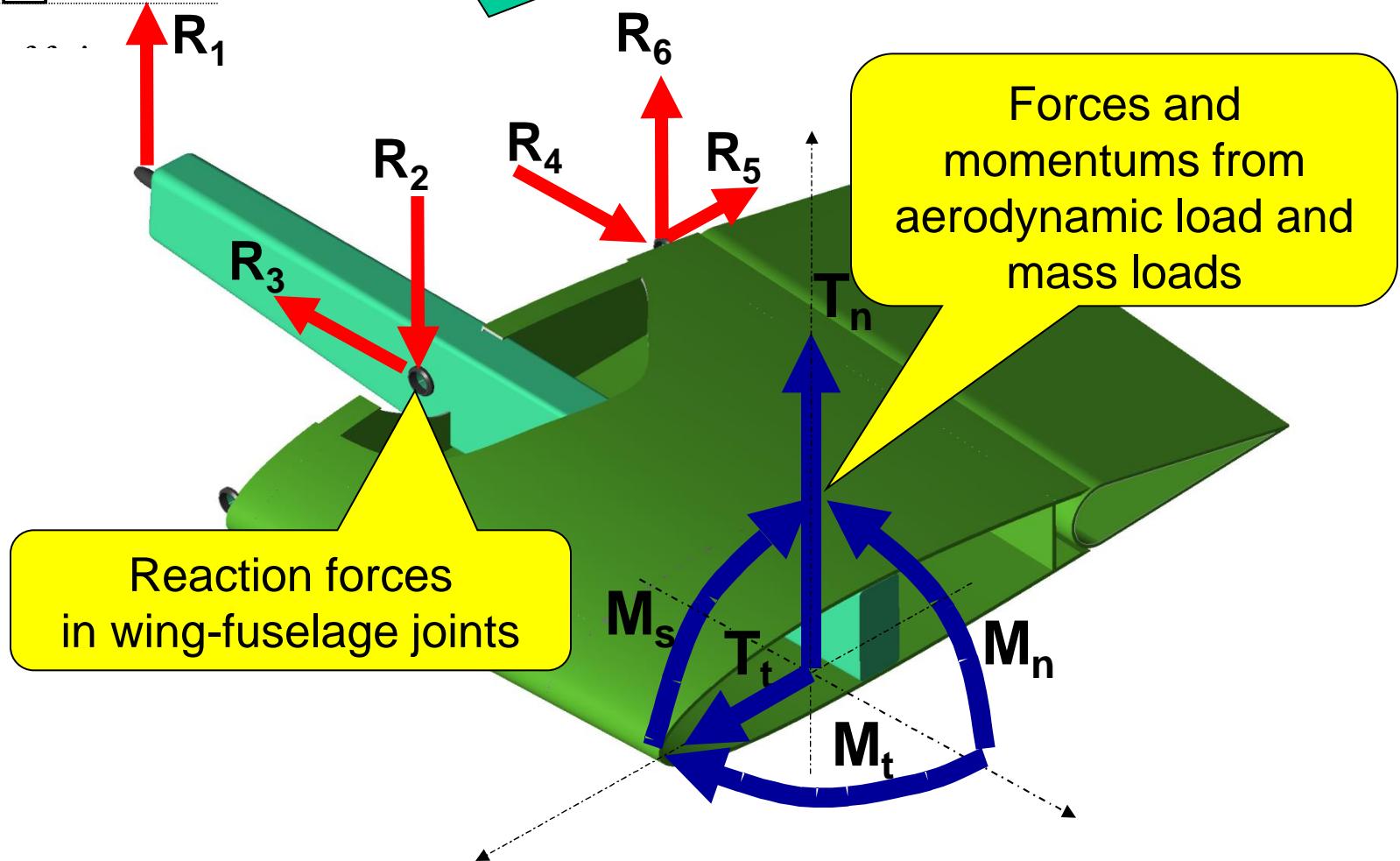
load spectrum of structural element i_{kn}



Load Spectrum and the aircraft structure



Having only n_z value as the input, is necessary to estimate all loads in the structure !!!

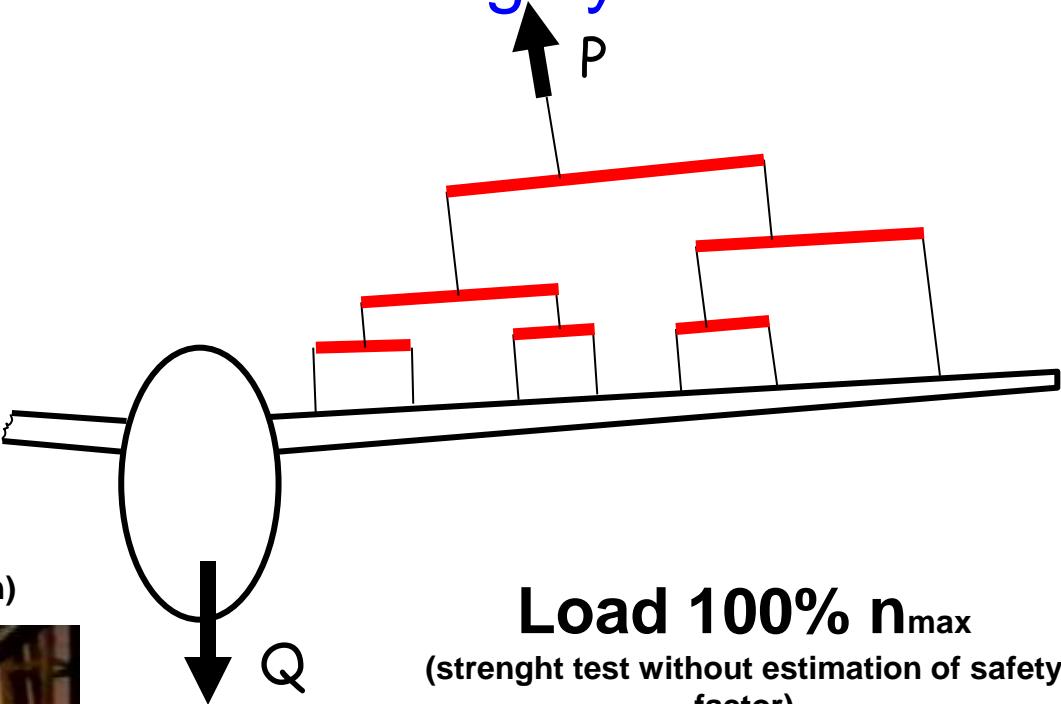


Testing the structure - Loading systems



Load 150% n_{max}

(Strength test with estimation of safety margin)



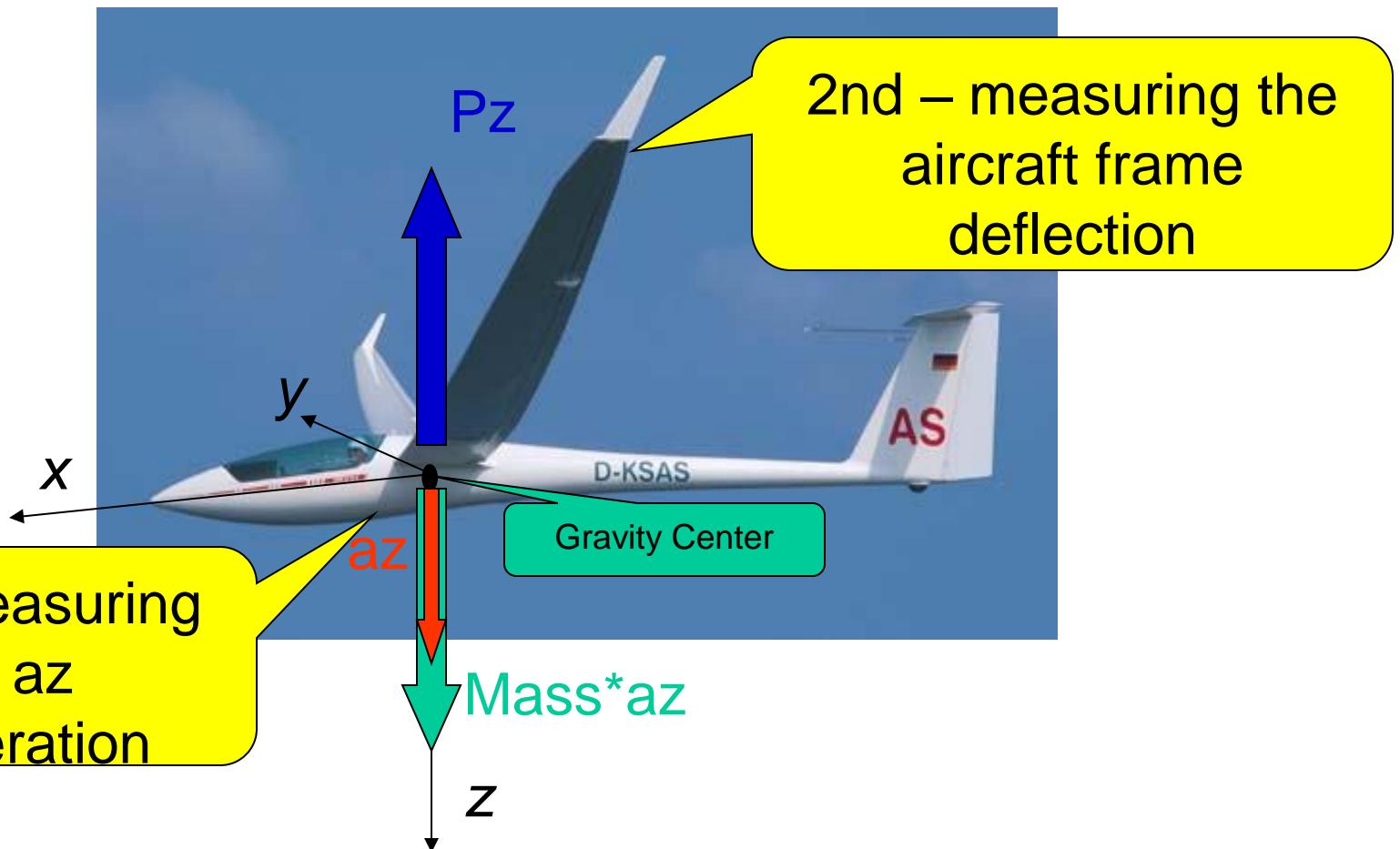
Load 100% n_{max}

(strength test without estimation of safety factor)

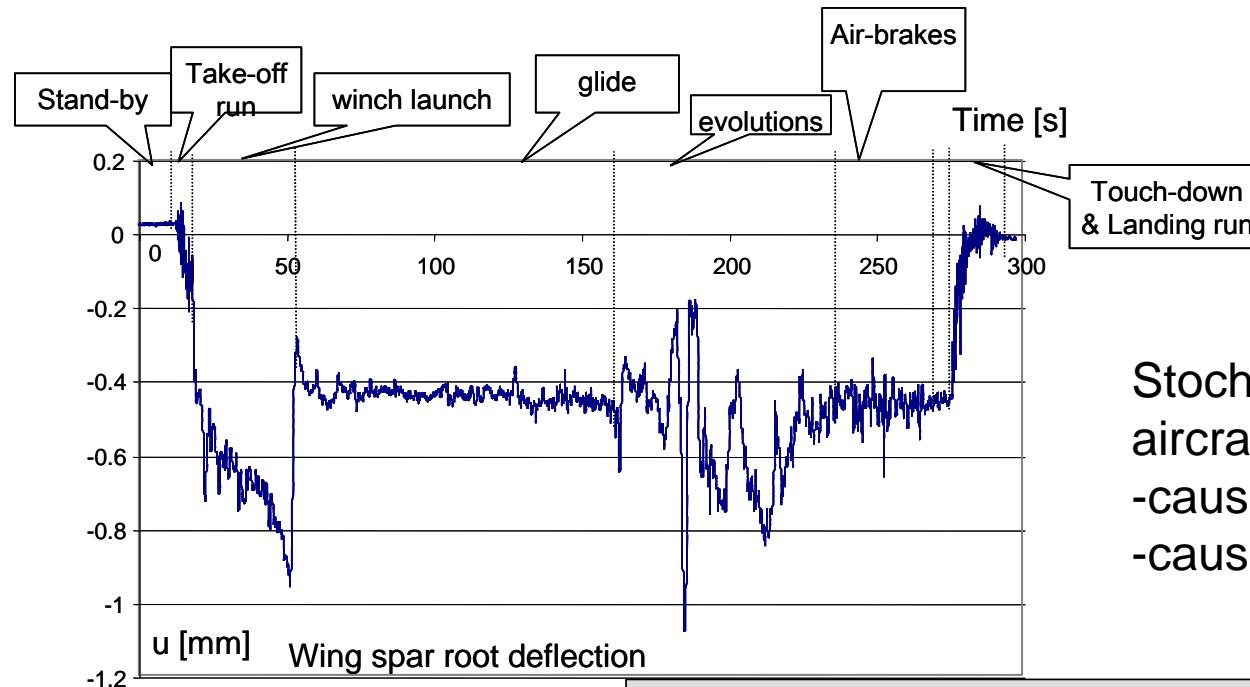


Investigations into load-spectra

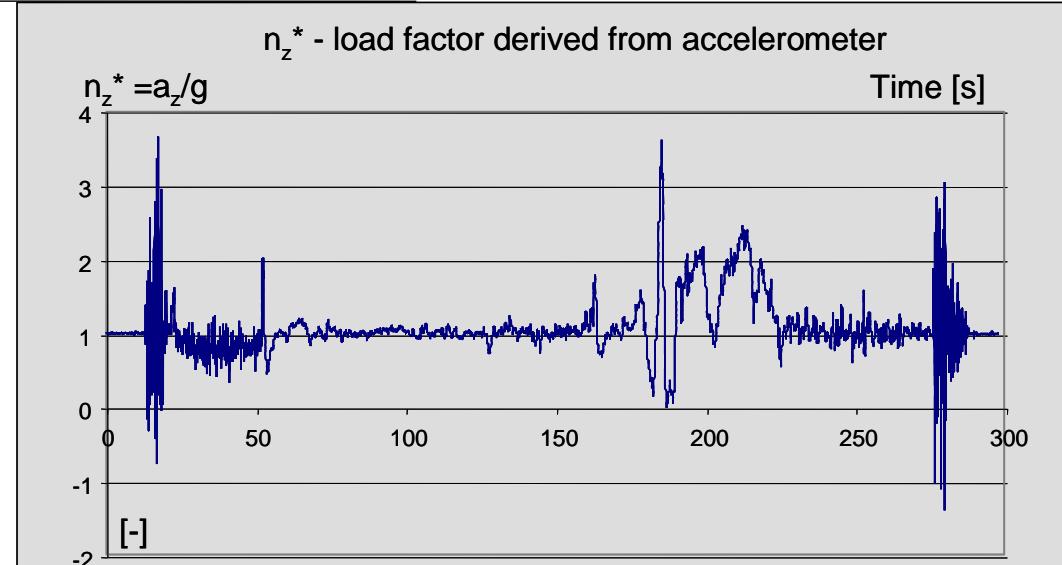
Methods of aircraft frame load measurements



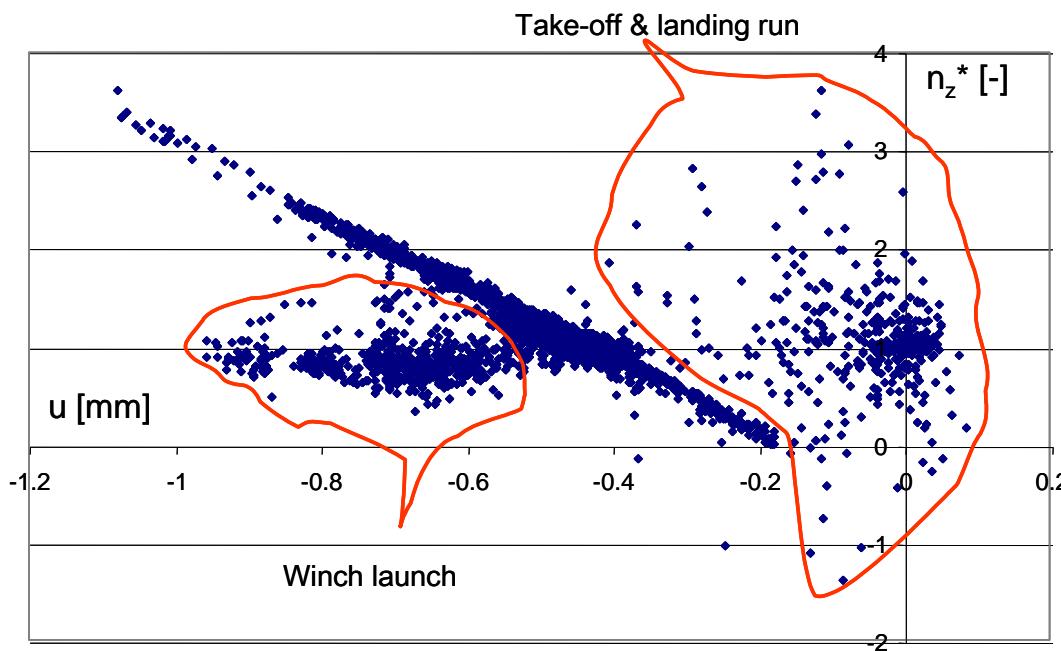
Comparision of signals recorded using both measurement methods



Stochastic nature of aircraft loads:
-caused by pilot
-caused by turbulence



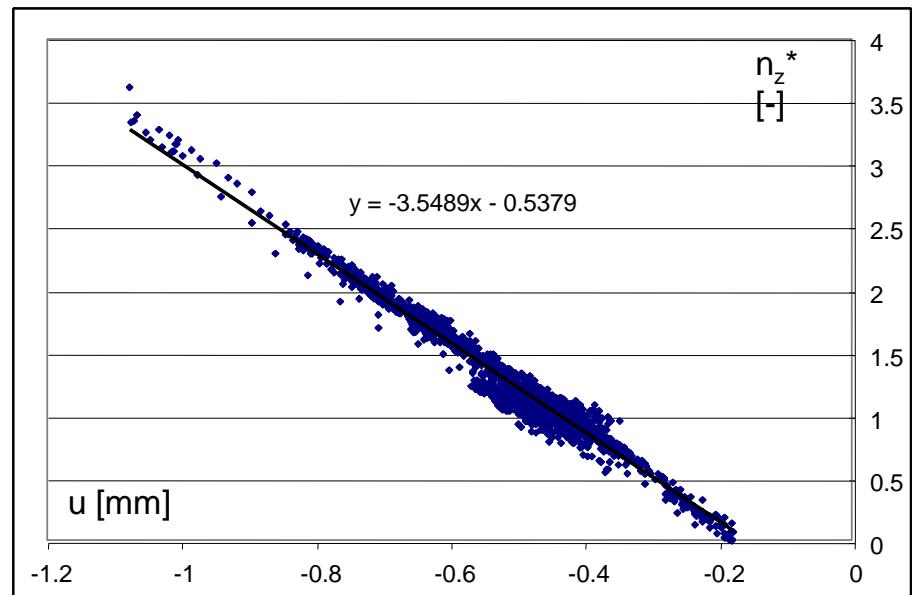
Correlation of the signals



Conclusion:

Acceleration and deflection signals are equivalent only in case of a free flight.

Acceleration signal is not usable in case of measuring loads during take-off or landing and during winch-towing.



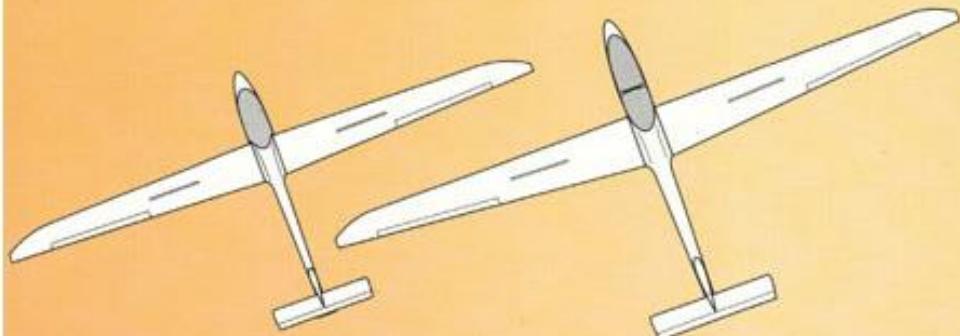
Example of instrumentation
used for testing the gliders

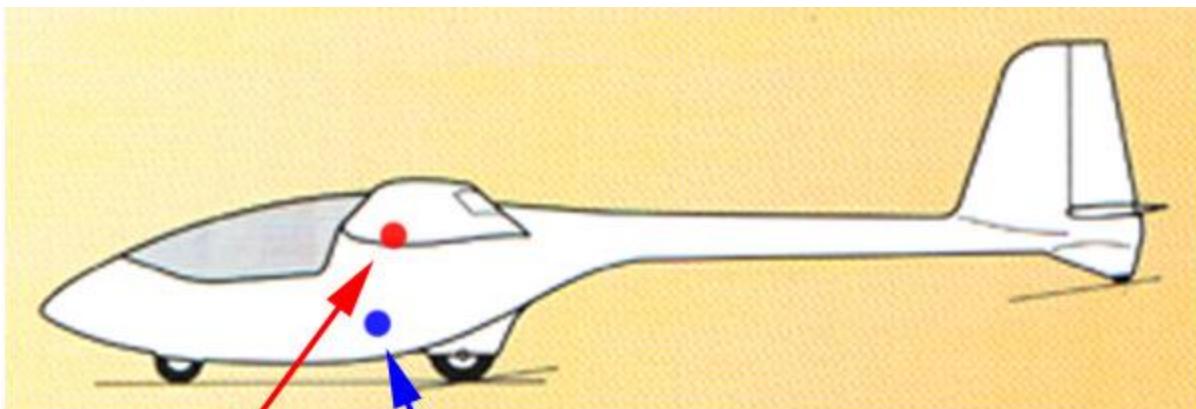
*The systems of data acquisition
in certification tests
of the PW-5 & PW-6 gliders*

PW-5 World Class Glider

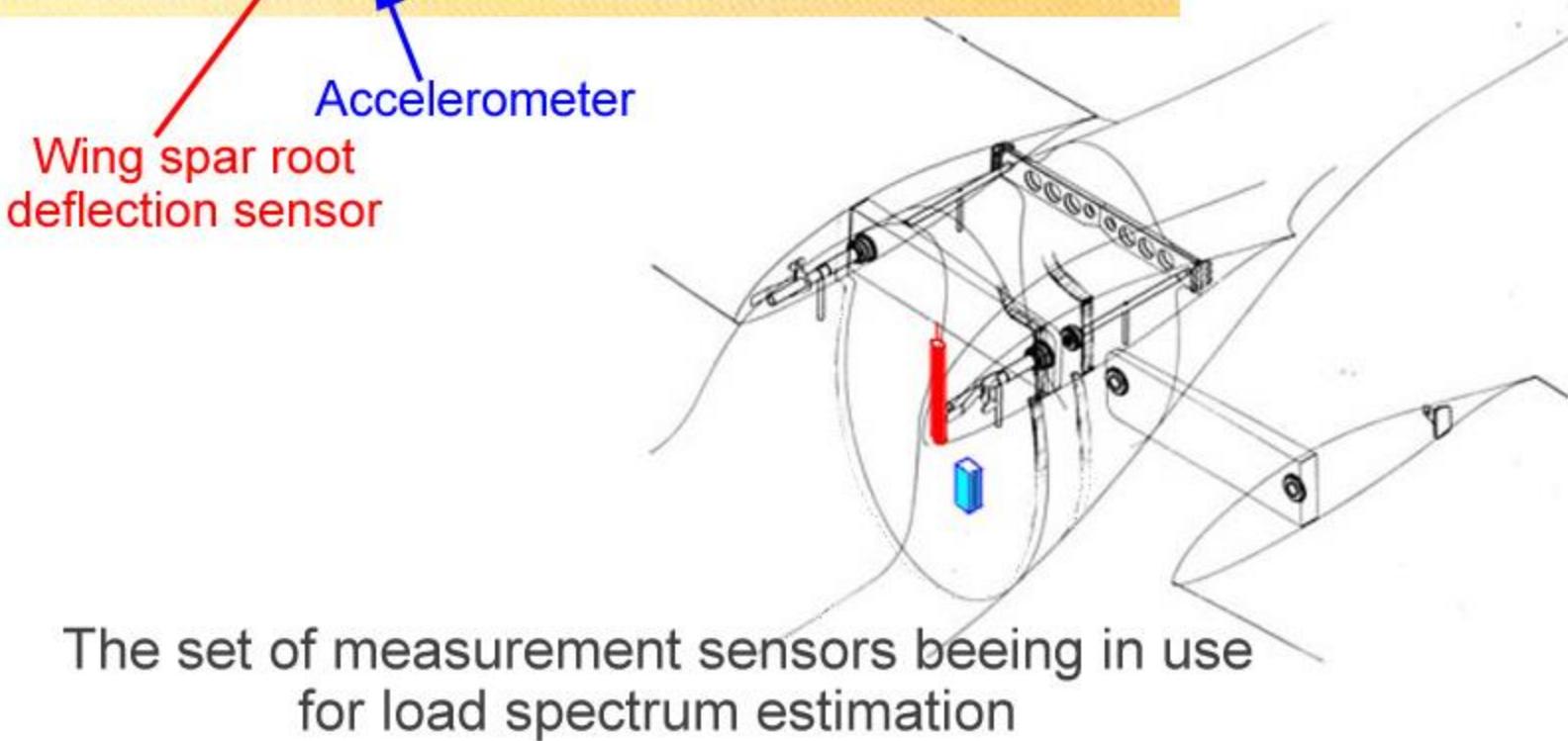


PW-6 World Class Trainer

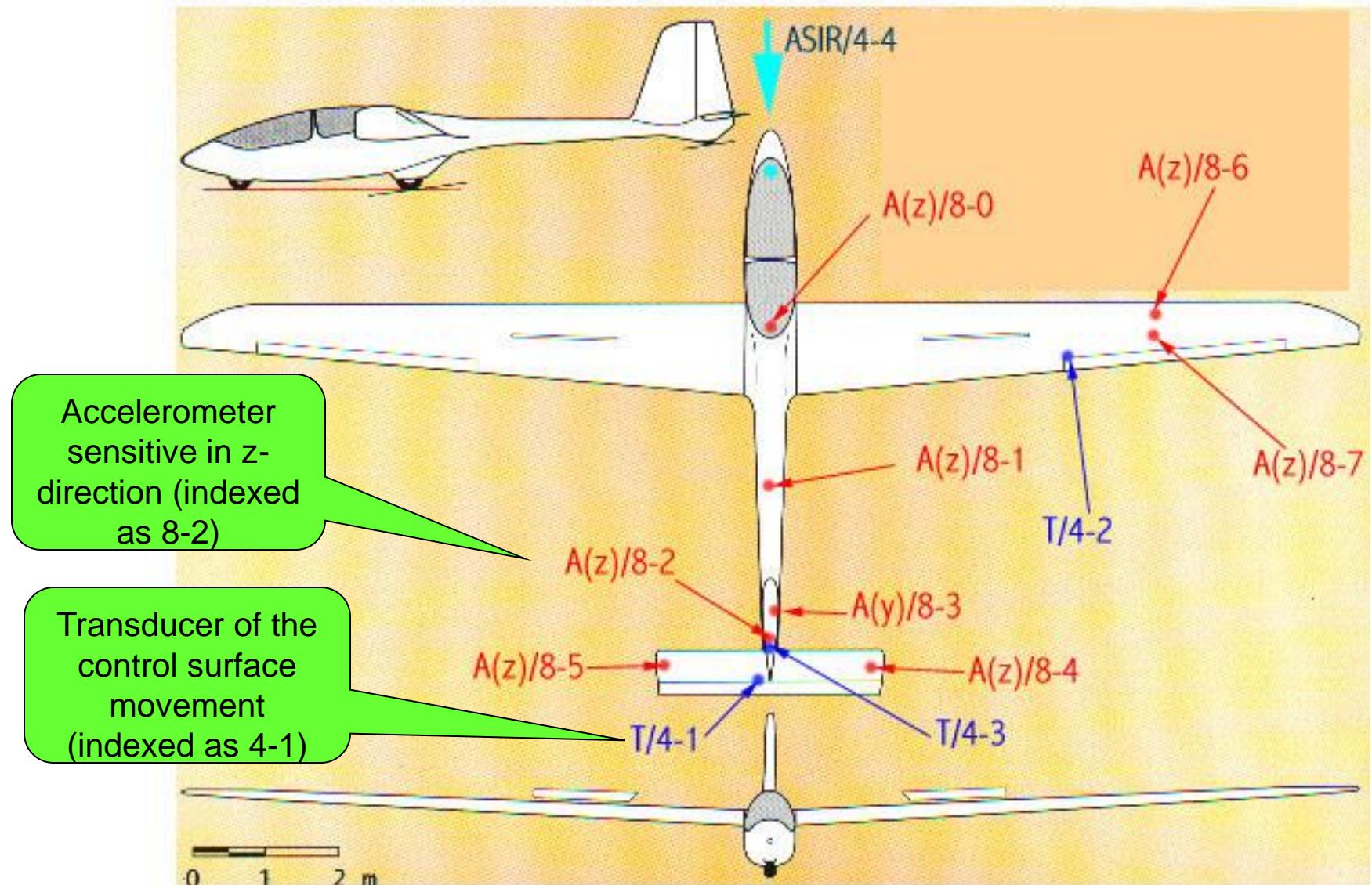




Wing spar root
deflection sensor

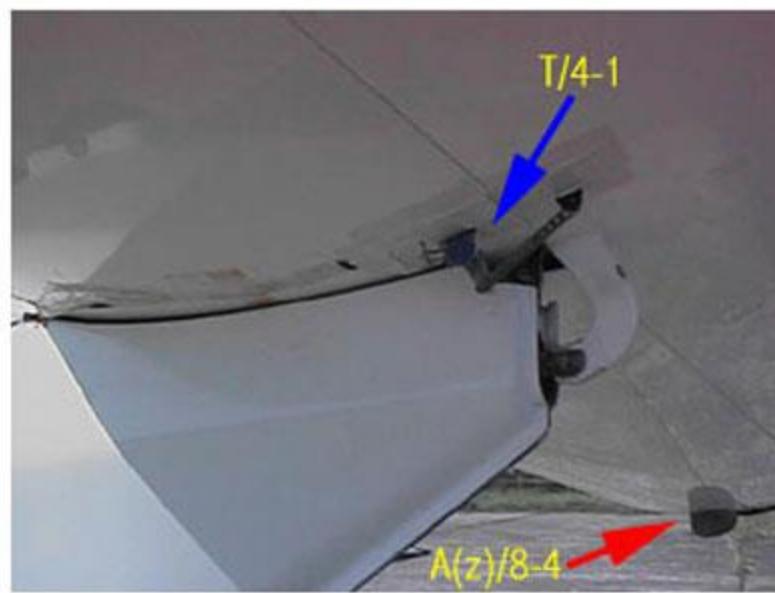
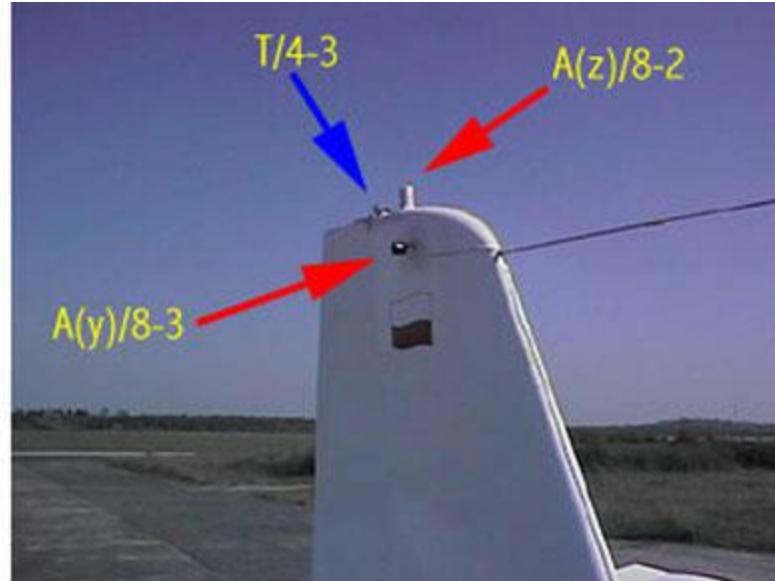
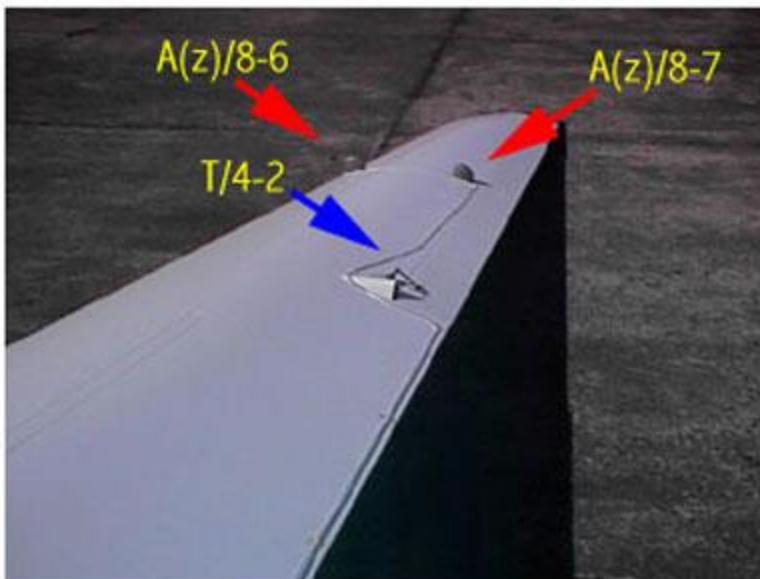


The set of measurement sensors being in use
for load spectrum estimation



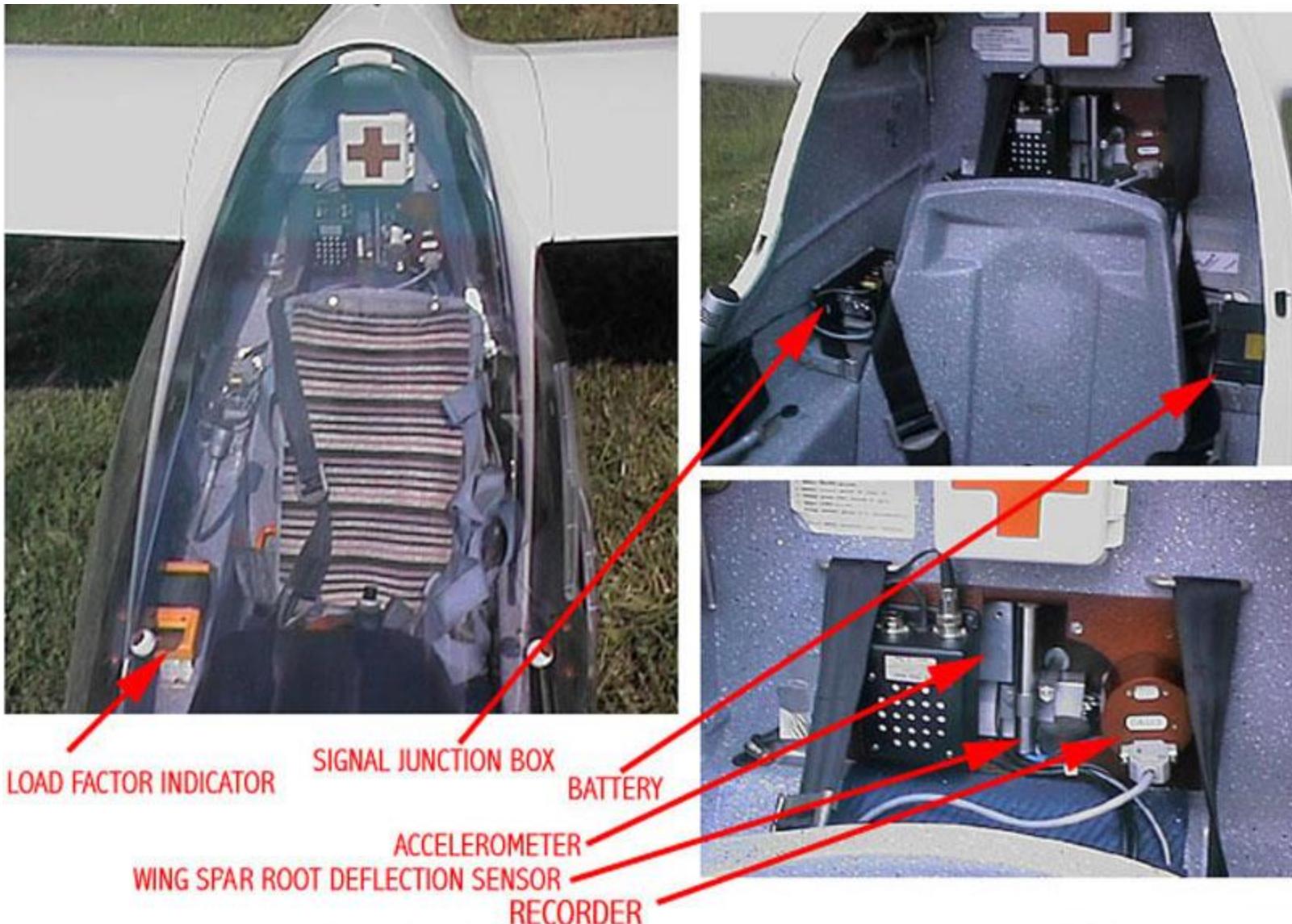
Placement of the sensors used for dynamic tests of the gliders (especially for flutter testing)

Details of the measurement equipment



Photos of accelerometers and deflection transducer fixed on the glider

Details of the measurement equipment

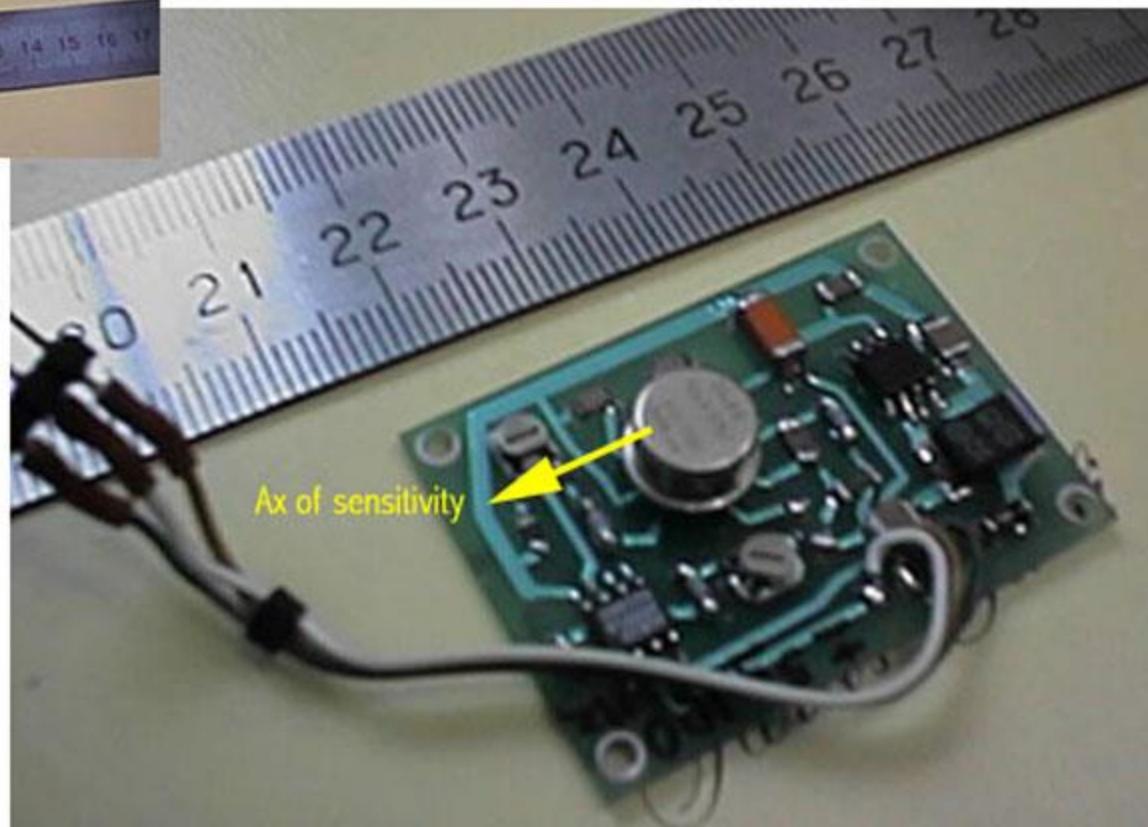


PW-5 Testing - LOCATION OF THE MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT IN THE COCKPIT

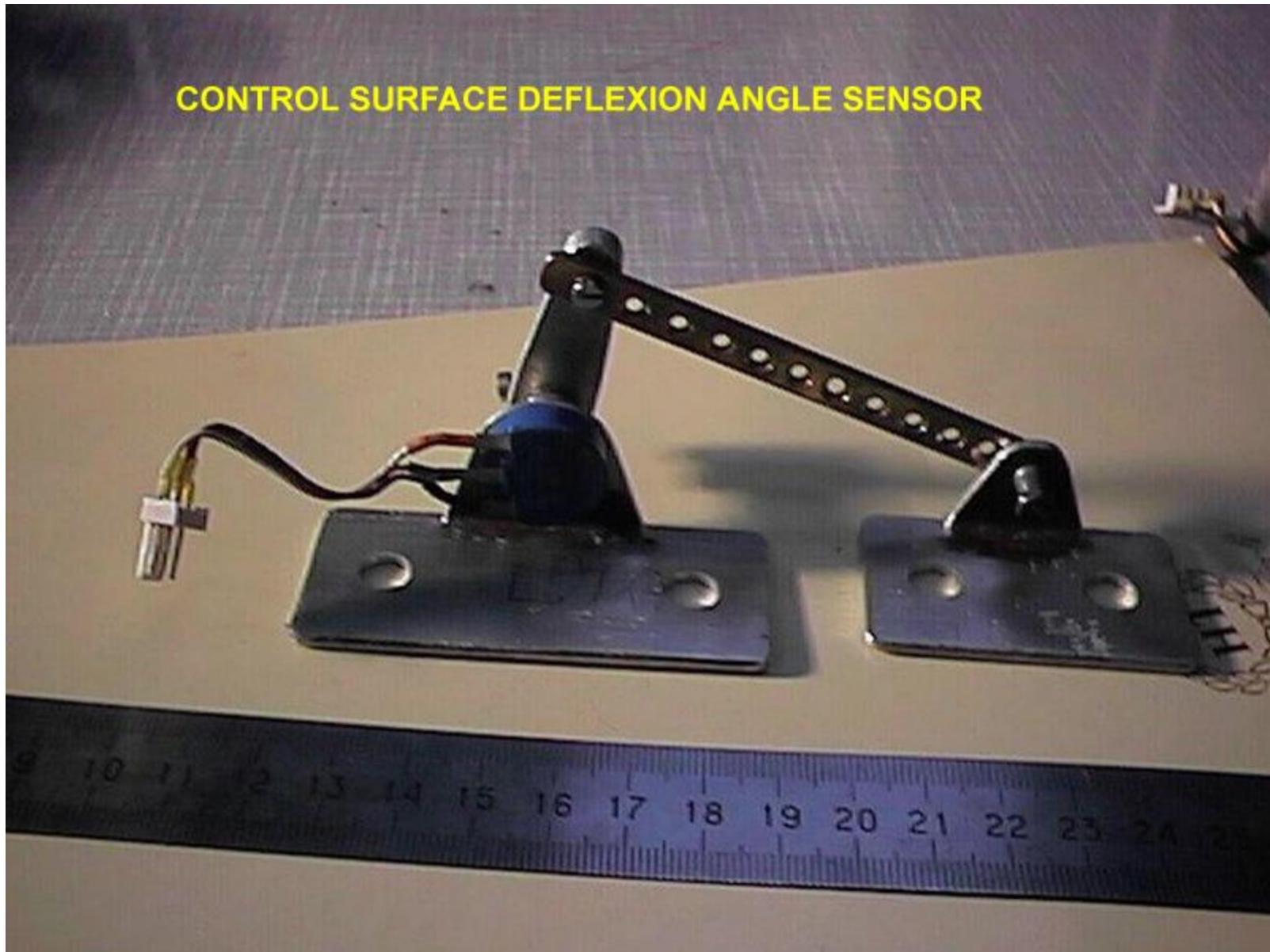
Details of the measurement equipment



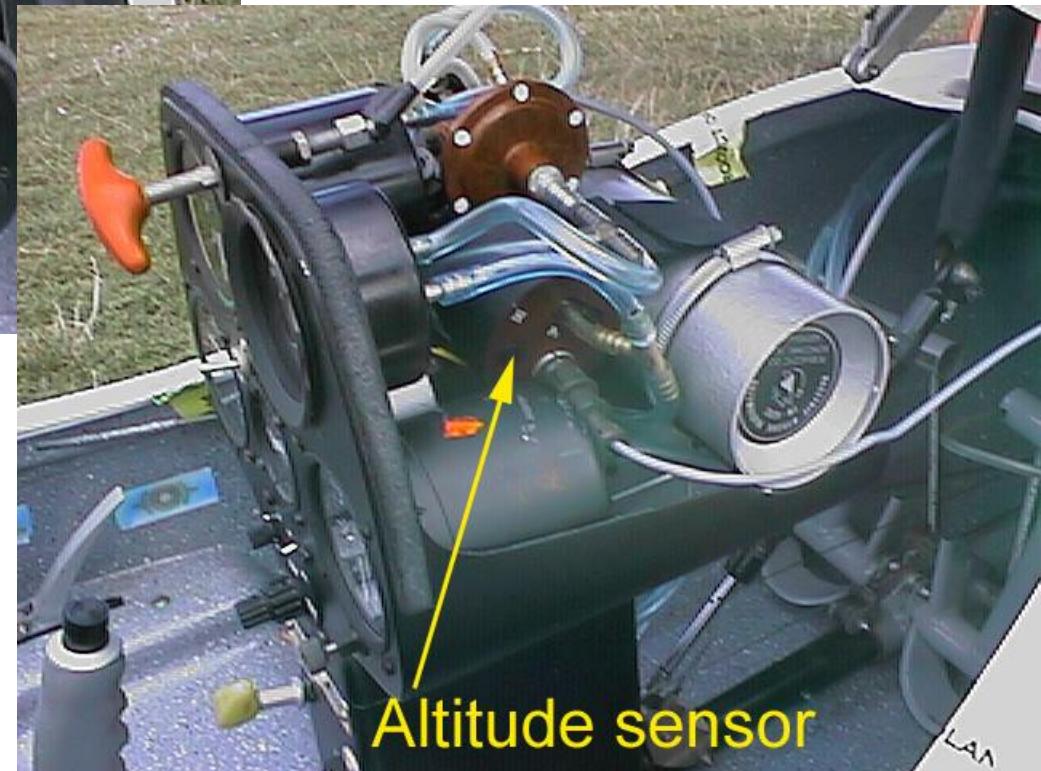
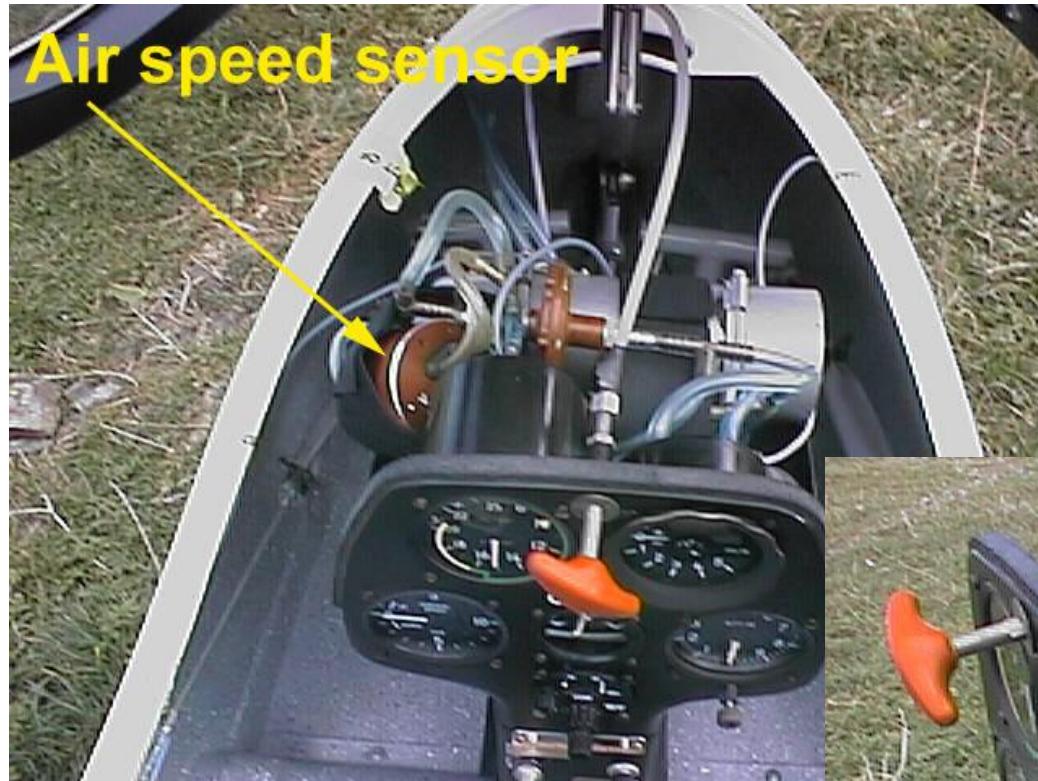
Accelerometer



Details of the measurement equipment



Details of the measurement equipment



Details of the measurement equipment



Static @ dynamic pressure probe



Details of the measurement equipment

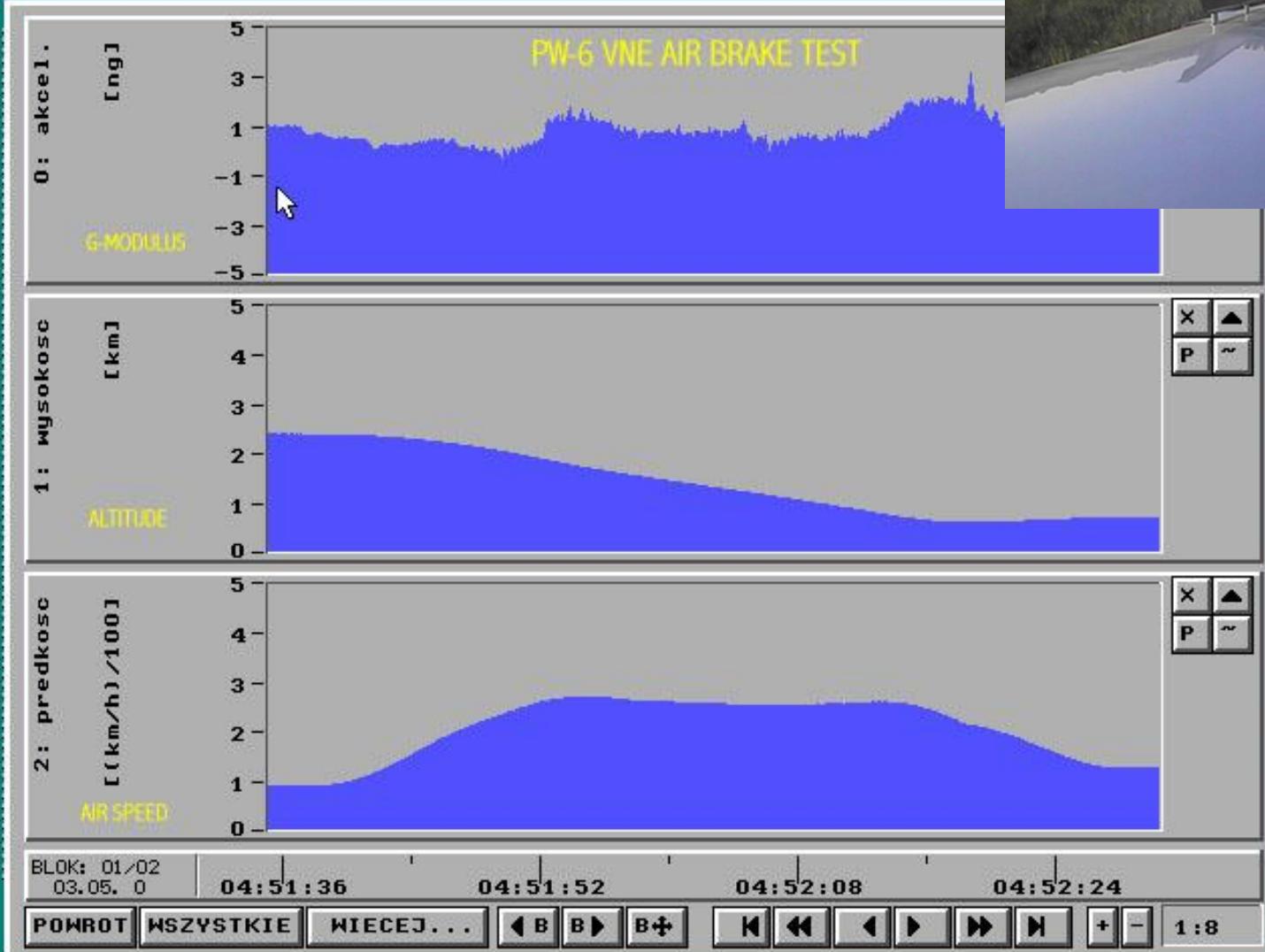
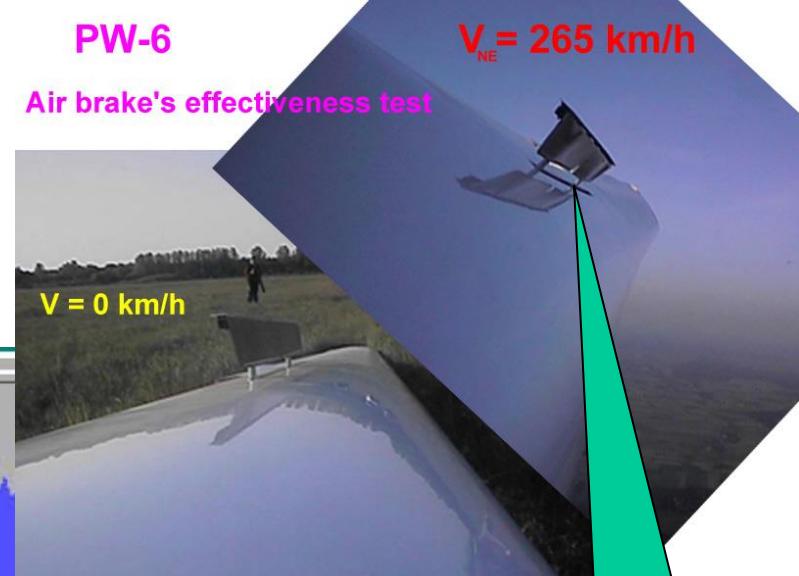
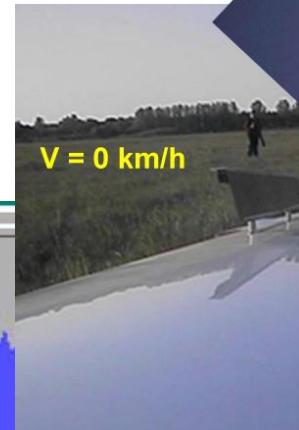


Example of the signals recorded

PW-6

V_{NE} = 265 km/h

Air brake's effectiveness test

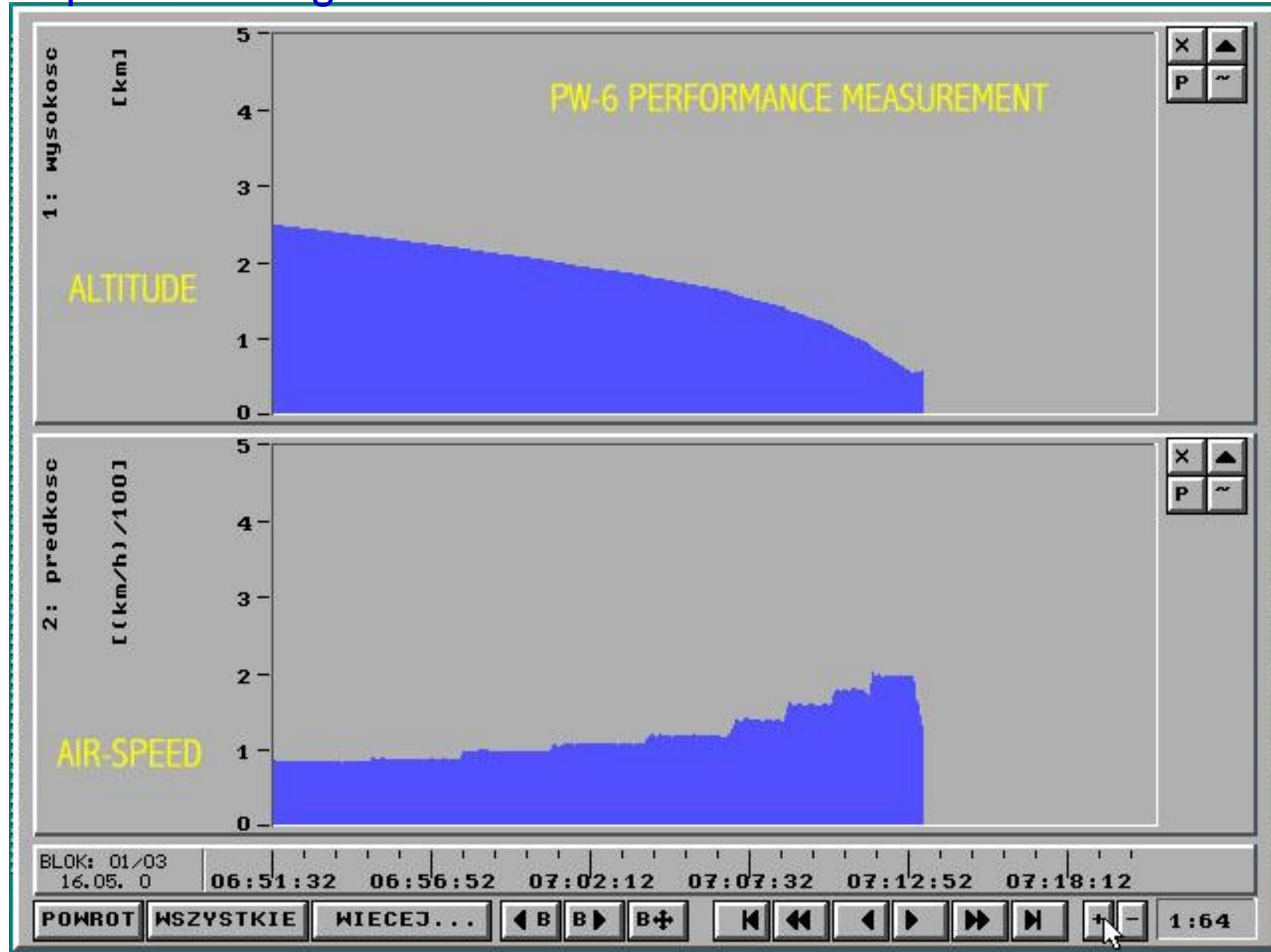


Effect of dynamic pressure

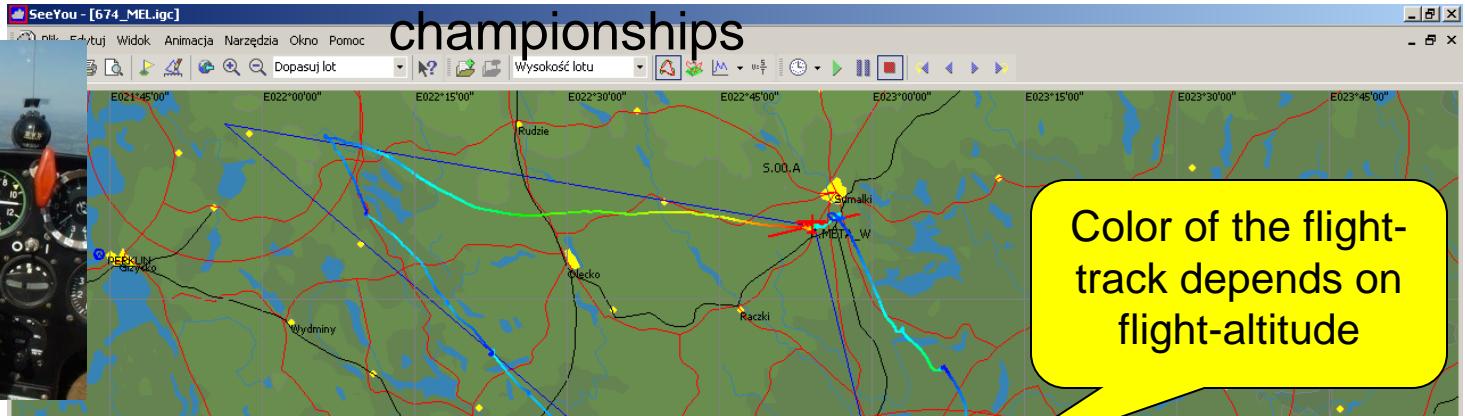
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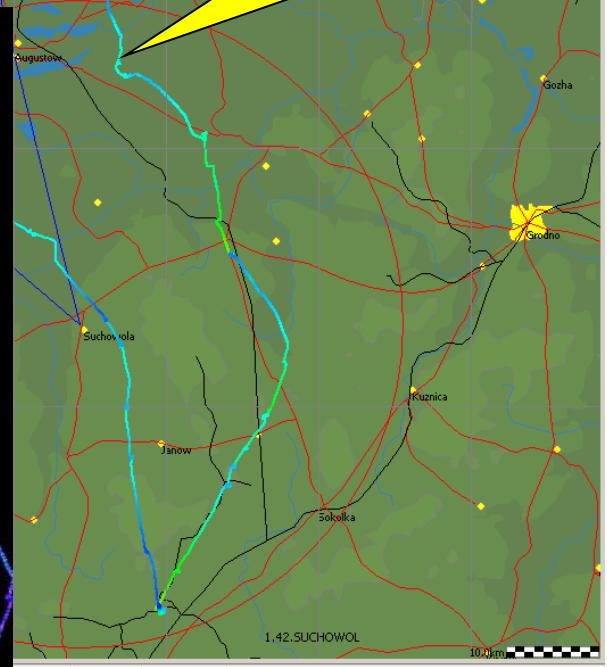
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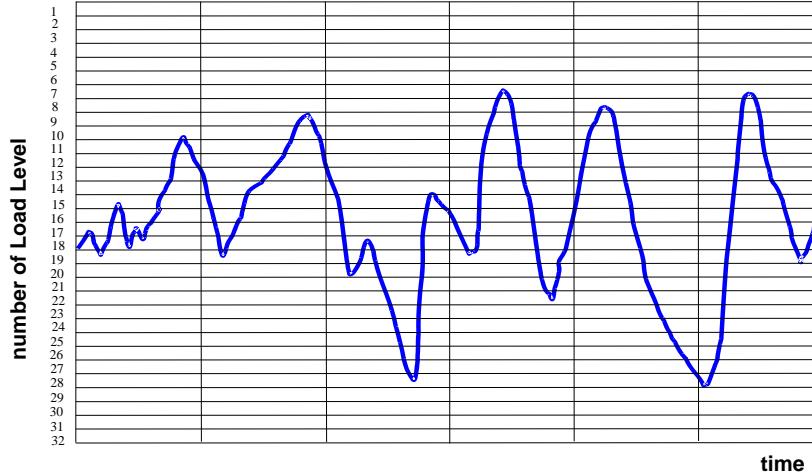
Visualisation of the load spectrum of the glider taking part in gliding championships



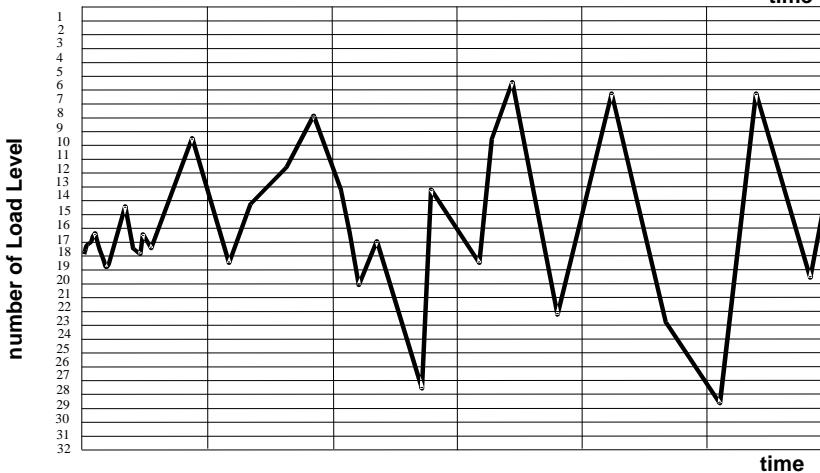
Color of the flight-track
depends on acceleration a_z
(There are displayed extreme
values recorded in 1 sec.
periods are displayed)



Load signals elaboration
and determination of the
LS

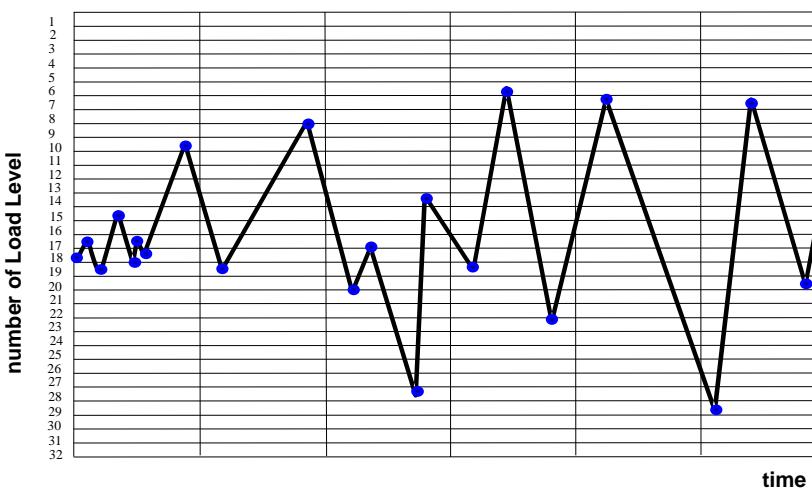


*Load signal in a raw form
(density of the blue dots
depends on sampling frequency
of the recorder)*



1st stage of filtration

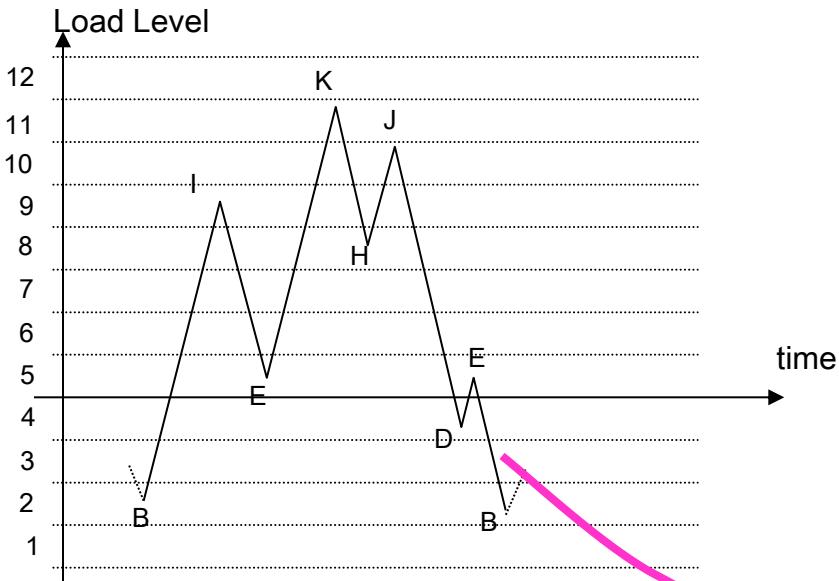
**Transition from quasi-
continuous form of the signal
to the form of chain of local
extremes**



2nd stage of filtration

Load Spectrum in the form of a Transfer Array (TA)

The evidence how many signal transfers from i- Load Level to j- Load Level was noticed in the time history of the load signal



	To LL											
From LL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12			1	1						1		
11		1								1		
10											1	1
9												
8												
7					1							
6												
5		1										1
4	1		2									
3	1						1					1
2				2	1							
1												1

The evidence of signal transfer from LL=3 to LL=7

	To LL											
From LL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12												
11									1			
10							1					
9								1				
8										1		
7												
6												
5		1										
4										1		
3												
2				2	1							
1												1

„Zero-diagonal”

Number of transfers from LL=5 to LL=2

Active zone of transfer array

Standarisation of the Load Signal – Load Levels (LL)

Correlation between load factor n_z and load level LL

Example of standard applicable for load spectrum of the glider.

In this case an assumed number of load level is 32

if $n_z = n_{z_max}$ then LL=3

if $n_z = n_{z_min}$ then LL=31

Note:

LL=1, LL=2 and LL=32 are reserved for the loads exceeding operational limit

Example of the Transfer Array of a load signal recorded during flight of a glider

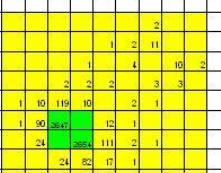
Properties & features of the Transfer Array

MF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	
32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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Active zone of transfer array

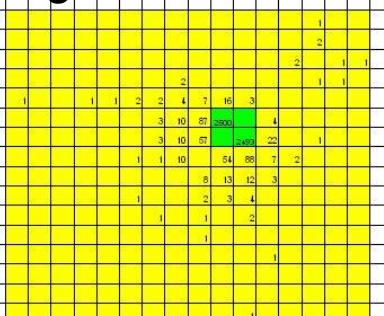
Small load oscillations near $n_z=1$

Thermal flight

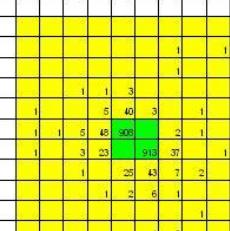


Examples of the glider LSs

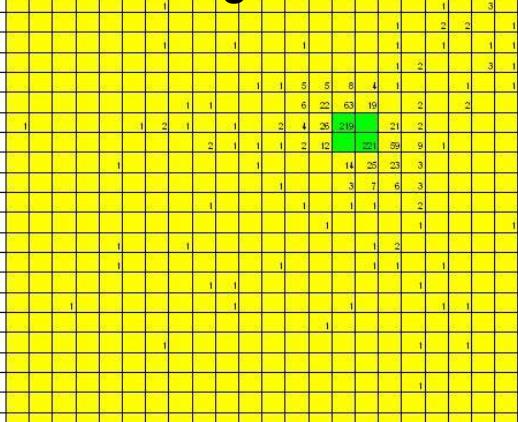
Wave flight



Soaring flight



Aerobatic flight



The figure consists of a 32x32 grid of squares. The first few rows (1-10) are shaded grey, while the rest (11-32) are white. The grid contains several numerical values representing flight parameters or coordinates:

- Row 1: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32
- Row 2: 32
- Row 3: 31
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- Row 31: 3
- Row 32: 2

A yellow speech bubble in the bottom-left corner contains the text "Calm handling => small active zone".

Thermal flight

Calm handling \Rightarrow small active zone

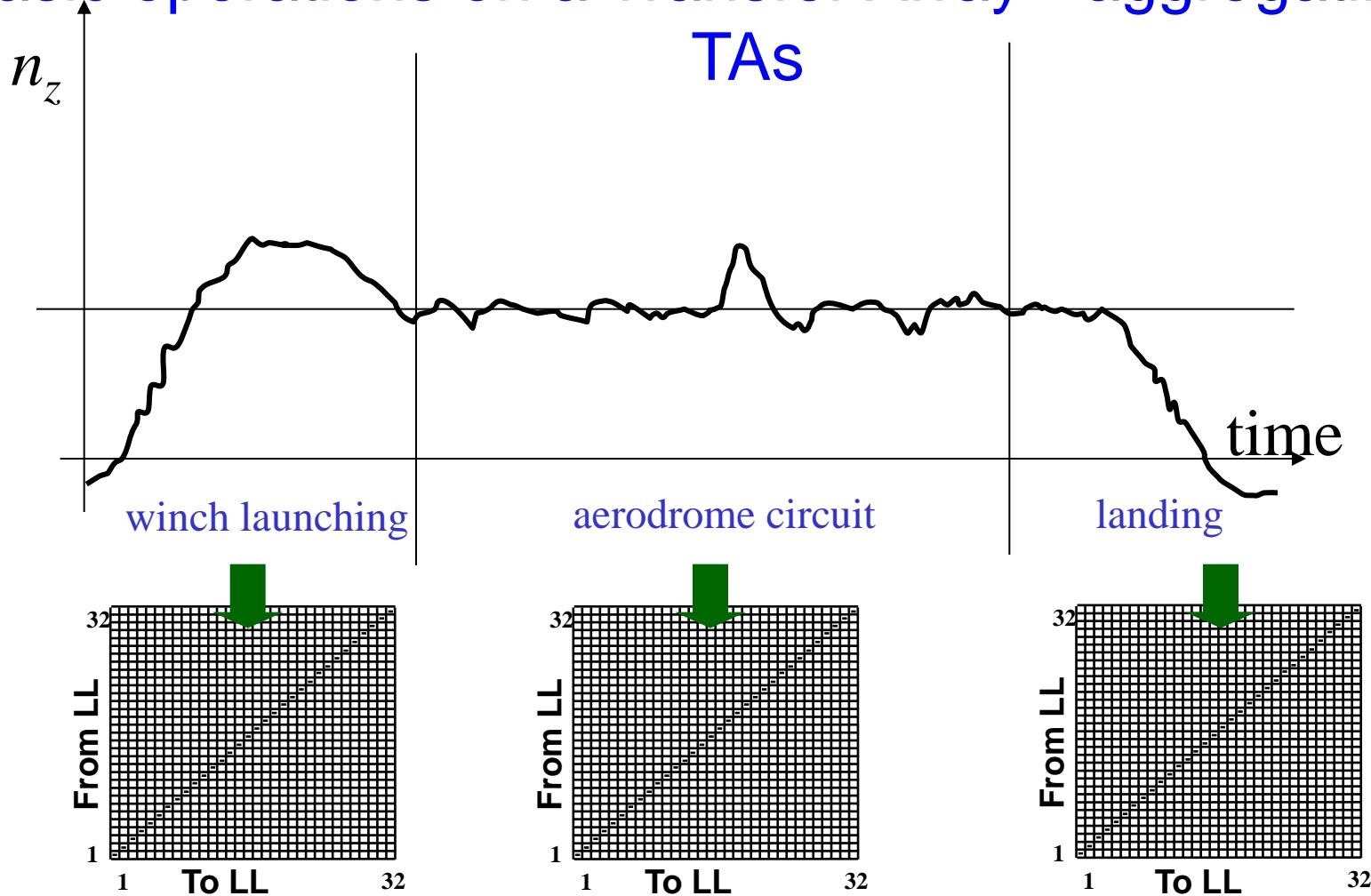
Soaring flight

Wave flight

Hazardous handling
⇒large active zone

Aerobatic flight

Basic operations on a Transfer Array - aggregating the TAs



$$TA_{\text{full flight}} = TA_{\text{winch launching}} + TA_{\text{aerodrome}} \\ \text{circuit} + TA_{\text{landing}}$$

$$TA_{i,j \text{ full flight}} = \sum TA_{i,j \text{ flight components}}$$

Basic operations on a Transfer Array - enveloping the set pf TAs

Transfer Array TA1

			1		-
		8	7	12	-
	8	9	7	-	25
	14	8	-		
	12	-	33	2	16
2	-	34	2	7	14
-	13	2	1		
-	8				

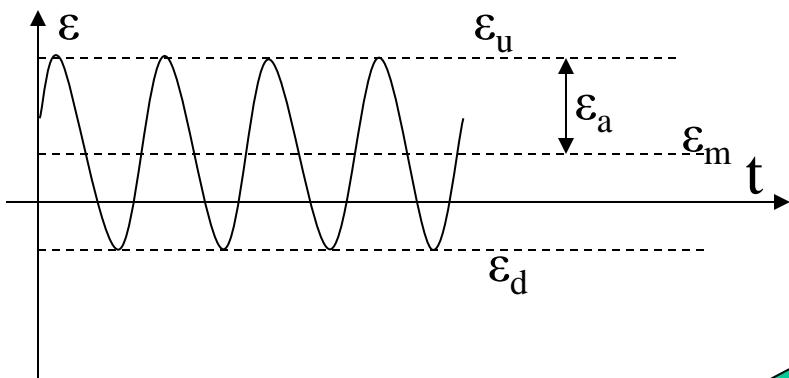
Transfer Array TA2

					-
			5	-	
	2	24	-		13
	8	-		7	
	12	-	18		22
	-	2	26	14	
-	13		1		
-	1				

Envelope of TA1&TA2

			1		-
		8	7	12	-
	8	24	7	-	25
14	8	-		7	
	12	-	33	18	16
2	-	34	2	26	14
-	13	2	1		
-	1	8			

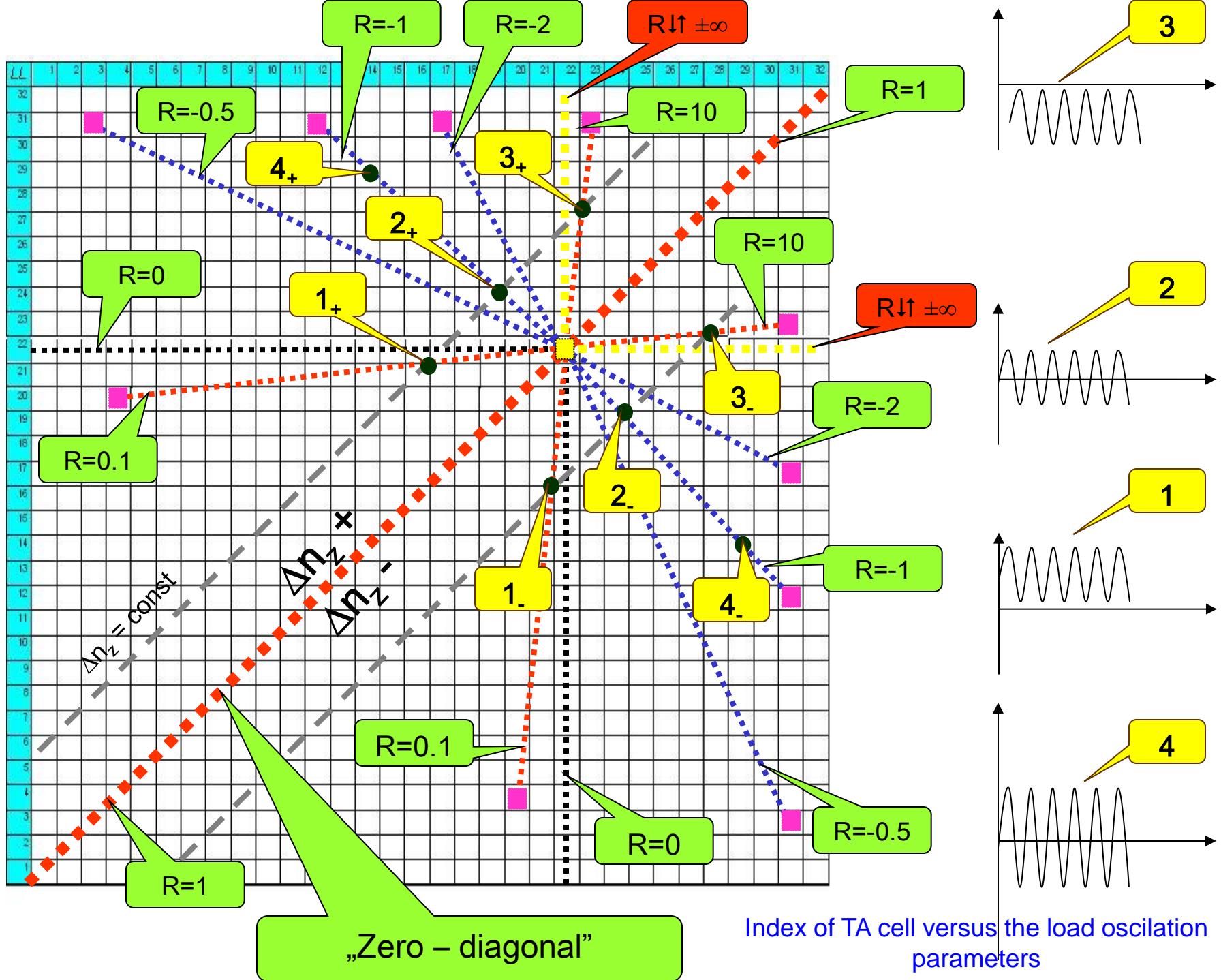
Index of TA cell versus the load oscilation parameters



Characterization factors of
load oscilations
(or deformation oscilations)

$$R = \frac{\epsilon_d}{\epsilon_u} \quad \text{Coefficient of load cycle asymmetry}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\epsilon_m}{\epsilon_a} \quad \text{Coefficient of load cycle constancy}$$



Distribution of R-values in the Transfer Array

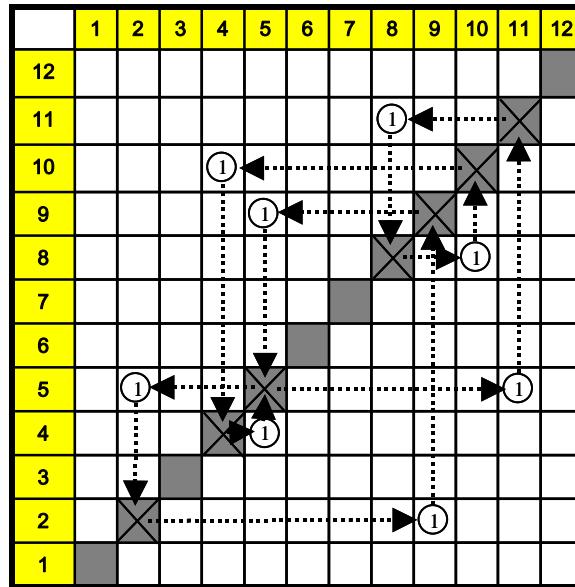
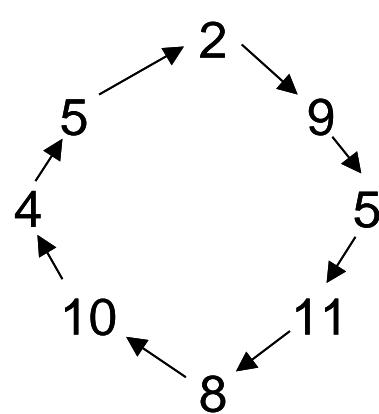
R values	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
32	-0.50	-0.53	-0.55	-0.58	-0.62	-0.66	-0.70	-0.76	-0.82	-0.89	-0.97	-1.07	-1.19	-1.35	-1.55	-1.82	-2.21	-2.82	-3.87	-6.19	-15.45	31.18	7.76	4.43	3.10	2.39	1.94	1.63	1.41	1.24	1.11	
31	-0.45	-0.47	-0.50	-0.53	-0.56	-0.60	-0.64	-0.68	-0.74	-0.80	-0.87	-0.97	-1.08	-1.22	-1.40	-1.65	-2.00	-2.54	-3.50	-5.59	-13.96	28.16	7.01	4.00	2.80	2.15	1.75	1.47	1.27	1.12	1.11	
30	-0.40	-0.42	-0.45	-0.47	-0.50	-0.53	-0.57	-0.61	-0.66	-0.71	-0.78	-0.86	-0.96	-1.09	-1.25	-1.47	-1.78	-2.27	-3.12	-4.99	-12.46	25.14	6.26	3.57	2.50	1.92	1.56	1.32	1.14	1.12	1.24	
29	-0.35	-0.37	-0.39	-0.41	-0.44	-0.47	-0.50	-0.54	-0.58	-0.63	-0.69	-0.76	-0.85	-0.96	-1.10	-1.29	-1.57	-2.00	-2.75	-4.39	-10.96	22.12	5.51	3.14	2.20	1.69	1.38	1.16	1.14	1.27	1.41	
28	-0.31	-0.32	-0.34	-0.36	-0.38	-0.40	-0.43	-0.46	-0.50	-0.54	-0.59	-0.65	-0.73	-0.83	-0.95	-1.12	-1.36	-1.73	-2.37	-3.79	-9.47	19.11	4.76	2.72	1.90	1.46	1.19	1.16	1.32	1.47	1.63	
27	-0.26	-0.27	-0.29	-0.30	-0.32	-0.34	-0.36	-0.39	-0.42	-0.46	-0.50	-0.55	-0.62	-0.70	-0.80	-0.94	-1.14	-1.45	-2.00	-3.20	-7.97	16.09	4.00	2.29	1.60	1.23	1.19	1.38	1.56	1.75	1.94	
26	-0.21	-0.22	-0.23	-0.25	-0.26	-0.28	-0.30	-0.32	-0.34	-0.37	-0.41	-0.45	-0.50	-0.56	-0.65	-0.76	-0.93	-1.18	-1.62	-2.60	-6.48	13.07	3.25	1.86	1.30	1.23	1.46	1.69	1.92	2.15	2.39	
25	-0.16	-0.17	-0.18	-0.19	-0.20	-0.21	-0.23	-0.24	-0.26	-0.29	-0.31	-0.34	-0.38	-0.43	-0.50	-0.59	-0.71	-0.91	-1.25	-2.00	-4.98	10.05	2.50	1.43	1.30	1.60	1.90	2.20	2.50	2.80	3.10	
24	-0.11	-0.12	-0.12	-0.13	-0.14	-0.15	-0.16	-0.17	-0.18	-0.20	-0.22	-0.24	-0.27	-0.30	-0.35	-0.41	-0.50	-0.64	-0.87	-1.40	-3.49	7.04	1.75	1.43	1.86	2.29	2.72	3.14	3.57	4.00	4.43	
23	-0.06	-0.07	-0.07	-0.08	-0.08	-0.08	-0.09	-0.10	-0.11	-0.11	-0.12	-0.14	-0.15	-0.17	-0.20	-0.23	-0.29	-0.36	-0.50	-0.80	-1.99	4.02	1.75	2.50	3.25	4.00	4.76	5.51	6.26	7.01	7.76	
22	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.05	-0.06	-0.07	-0.09	-0.12	-0.20	-0.50	4.02	7.04	10.05	13.07	16.09	19.11	22.12	25.14	28.16	31.18			
21	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.18	0.25	0.40	-0.50	-1.99	-3.49	-4.98	-6.48	-7.97	-9.47	-10.96	-12.46	-13.96	-15.45		
20	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.17	0.19	0.22	0.25	0.29	0.36	0.45	0.63	0.40	-0.20	-0.80	-1.40	-2.00	-2.60	-3.20	-3.79	-4.39	-4.99	-5.59	-6.19	
19	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.21	0.23	0.25	0.28	0.31	0.35	0.40	0.47	0.57	0.73	0.63	0.25	-0.12	-0.50	-0.87	-1.25	-1.62	-2.00	-2.37	-2.75	-3.12	-3.50	-3.87	
18	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.21	0.22	0.23	0.25	0.27	0.29	0.31	0.34	0.38	0.42	0.48	0.55	0.65	0.79	0.73	0.45	0.18	-0.09	-0.36	-0.64	-0.91	-1.18	-1.45	-1.73	-2.00	-2.27	-2.54	-2.82	
17	0.23	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.28	0.30	0.32	0.34	0.37	0.40	0.44	0.48	0.54	0.61	0.70	0.82	0.97	0.79	0.57	0.36	0.14	-0.07	-0.29	-0.50	-0.71	-0.93	-1.14	-1.36	-1.57	-1.78	-2.00	-2.21
16	0.27	0.29	0.30	0.32	0.34	0.36	0.39	0.41	0.45	0.49	0.53	0.59	0.65	0.74	0.85	0.82	0.65	0.47	0.29	0.12	-0.06	-0.23	-0.41	-0.59	-0.76	-0.94	-1.12	-1.29	-1.47	-1.65	-1.82	
15	0.32	0.34	0.36	0.38	0.40	0.43	0.45	0.49	0.53	0.57	0.63	0.69	0.77	0.87	0.85	0.70	0.55	0.40	0.25	0.10	-0.05	-0.20	-0.35	-0.50	-0.65	-0.80	-0.95	-1.10	-1.25	-1.40	-1.55	
14	0.37	0.39	0.41	0.43	0.46	0.49	0.52	0.56	0.61	0.66	0.72	0.79	0.88	0.87	0.74	0.61	0.48	0.35	0.22	0.09	-0.04	-0.17	-0.30	-0.43	-0.56	-0.70	-0.83	-0.96	-1.09	-1.22	-1.35	
13	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.49	0.52	0.55	0.59	0.63	0.68	0.74	0.81	0.90	0.88	0.77	0.65	0.54	0.42	0.31	0.19	0.08	-0.04	-0.15	-0.27	-0.38	-0.50	-0.62	-0.73	-0.85	-0.96	-1.08	-1.19	
12	0.47	0.49	0.52	0.55	0.58	0.62	0.66	0.71	0.76	0.83	0.91	0.90	0.79	0.69	0.59	0.48	0.38	0.28	0.17	0.07	-0.03	-0.14	-0.24	-0.34	-0.45	-0.55	-0.65	-0.76	-0.86	-0.97	-1.07	
11	0.52	0.54	0.57	0.60	0.64	0.68	0.73	0.78	0.84	0.91	0.91	0.81	0.72	0.63	0.53	0.44	0.34	0.25	0.16	0.06	-0.03	-0.12	-0.22	-0.31	-0.41	-0.50	-0.59	-0.69	-0.78	-0.87	-0.97	
10	0.56	0.59	0.63	0.66	0.70	0.74	0.80	0.85	0.92	0.91	0.83	0.74	0.66	0.57	0.49	0.40	0.31	0.23	0.14	0.06	-0.03	-0.11	-0.20	-0.29	-0.37	-0.46	-0.54	-0.63	-0.71	-0.80	-0.89	
9	0.61	0.64	0.68	0.72	0.76	0.81	0.86	0.93	0.92	0.84	0.76	0.68	0.61	0.53	0.45	0.37	0.29	0.21	0.13	0.05	-0.03	-0.11	-0.18	-0.26	-0.34	-0.42	-0.50	-0.58	-0.66	-0.74	-0.82	
8	0.66	0.69	0.73	0.77	0.82	0.87	0.93	0.93	0.85	0.78	0.71	0.63	0.56	0.49	0.41	0.34	0.27	0.20	0.12	0.05	-0.02	-0.10	-0.17	-0.24	-0.32	-0.39	-0.46	-0.54	-0.61	-0.68	-0.76	
7	0.71	0.75	0.79	0.83	0.88	0.94	0.93	0.86	0.80	0.73	0.66	0.59	0.52	0.45	0.39	0.32	0.25	0.18	0.11	0.05	-0.02	-0.09	-0.16	-0.23	-0.30	-0.36	-0.43	-0.50	-0.57	-0.64	-0.70	
6	0.76	0.80	0.84	0.89	0.94	0.94	0.87	0.81	0.74	0.68	0.62	0.55	0.49	0.43	0.36	0.30	0.23	0.17	0.11	0.04	-0.02	-0.08	-0.15	-0.21	-0.28	-0.34	-0.40	-0.47	-0.53	-0.60	-0.66	
5	0.81	0.85	0.89	0.94	0.94	0.88	0.82	0.76	0.70	0.64	0.58	0.52	0.46	0.40	0.34	0.28	0.22	0.16	0.10	0.04	-0.02	-0.08	-0.14	-0.20	-0.26	-0.32	-0.38	-0.44	-0.50	-0.56	-0.62	
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2	0.95	0.95	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.75	0.69	0.64	0.59	0.54	0.49	0.44	0.39	0.34	0.29	0.24	0.19	0.14	0.08	0.03	-0.02	-0.07	-0.12	-0.17	-0.22	-0.27	-0.32	-0.37	-0.42	-0.47	-0.53	
1	0.95	0.90	0.85	0.81	0.76	0.71	0.66	0.61	0.56	0.52	0.47	0.42	0.37	0.32	0.27	0.23	0.18	0.13	0.08	0.03	-0.02	-0.11	-0.16	-0.21	-0.26	-0.31	-0.35	-0.40	-0.45	-0.50		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32

Load signal sequence restoring

During TA processing – the information about load signal sequence is lost.

Exact signal sequence restoring from the TA is possible only for very simple cases (short-closed-loop events).

In other cases the load sequence can be restored only in an approximate way (on the basis of Markov chains theory)



$$MP \Rightarrow MP''$$

Markov chains

$$p_i(k) = \sum_{j \in S} p_j(k-1) \cdot MP'_{ji} \quad \forall i \in S$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p_i = \sum_{j \in S} p_j \cdot MP'_{ji} \\ \end{array} \right. \quad \forall i \in S$$

(Hidden Markow chains)

Rabiner L.R., *A tutorial on hidden Markov models and selected applications in speech recognition*, Proceedings of the IEEE 77(2), pp 257-286, 1989

Status defined by 2-parameters: s –Load Level, k – direction of signal change (binary: „up” or „down”).

Example of signal sequence restoring

KONFERENCJA MECHANIKA W LOTNICTWIE

Input data

-KONRFNEJCEAMCEANHKI-AWLTIONTCWI-E-

29-11-15-14-18-6-14-5-10-3-5-1-13-3-5-1-14-8-11-9-29-1-23-12-20-9-15-14-20-3-23-9-5-29

PO	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
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Load sequence
restoring -
example

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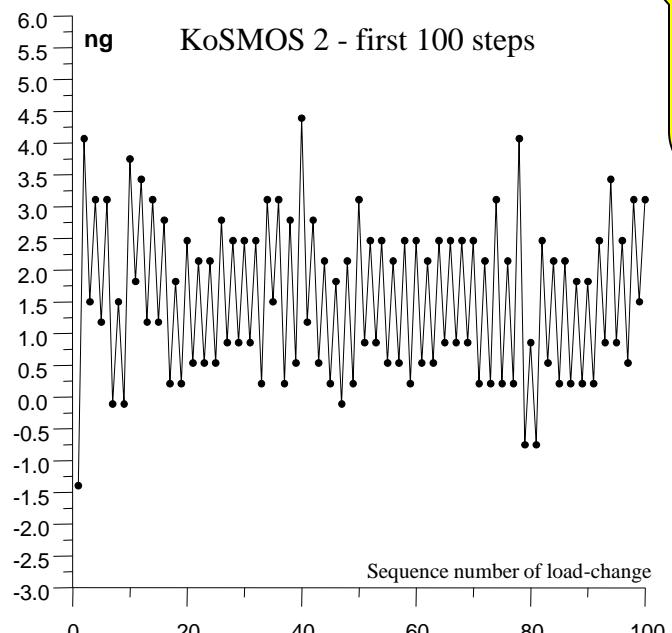
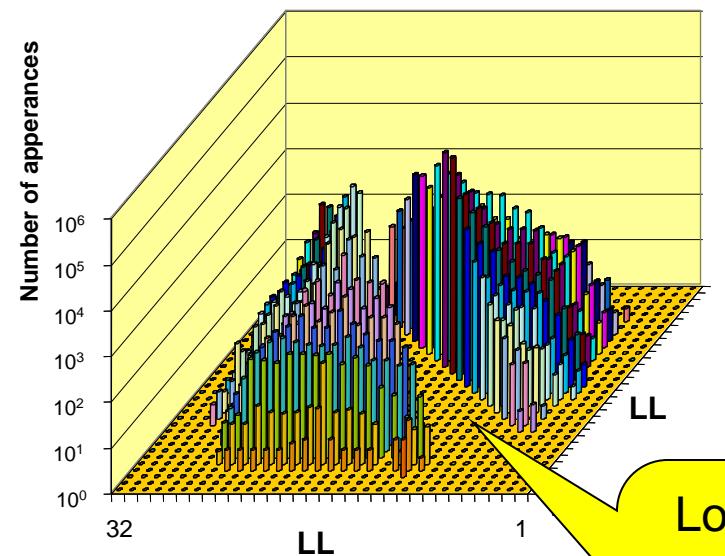
ASCII codes of the Load Levels

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Load Level	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
ASCII symbol	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
Load Level	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
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KoSMOS – Load Spectrum Standard applied in Germany

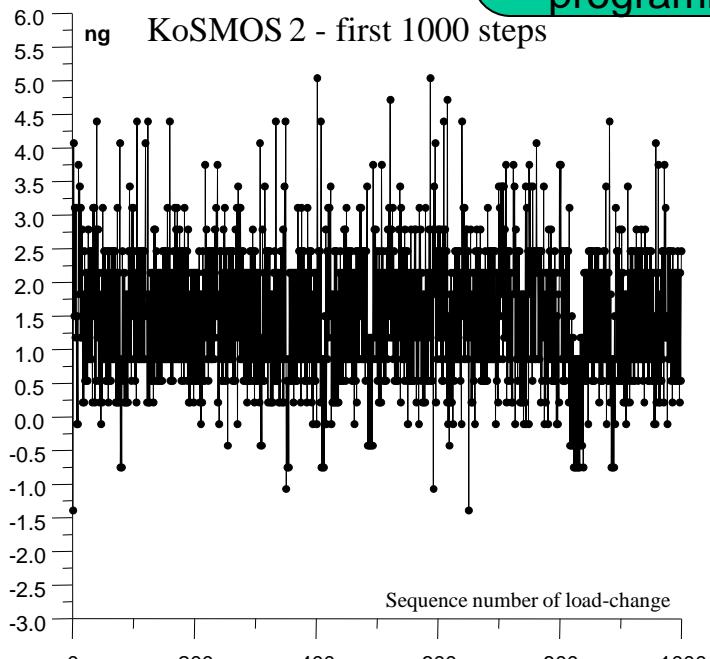
Kollektiv für Segelflugzeuge, Motorflugzeuge bis ca. 2 Abfluggmasse und Motor-Segler



Load cycles
near the „0-
diagonal“ are
intentionally
neglected!!!

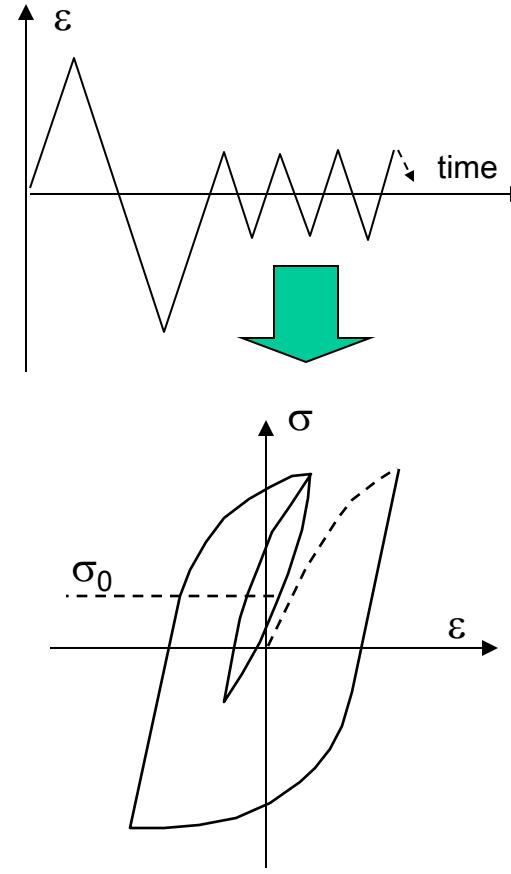
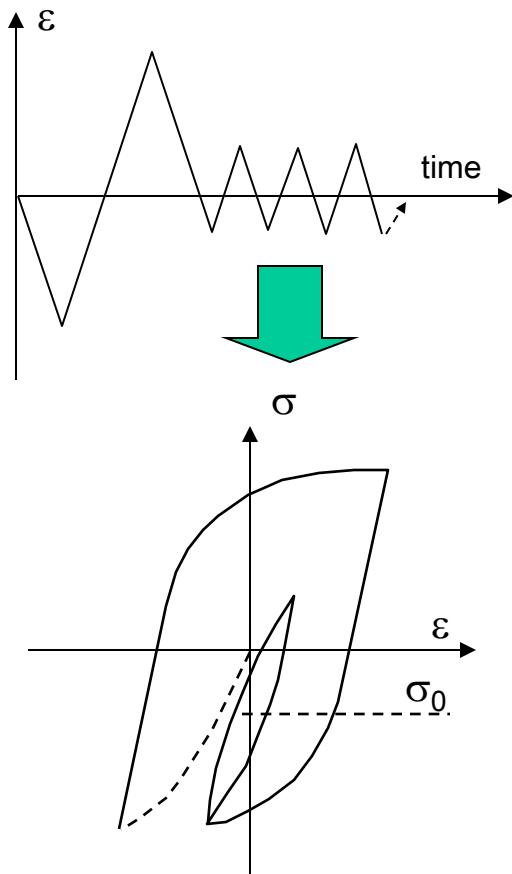
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Example of
ASCII code of
the fatigue test
programme



Algoritms of full-load-cycles counting

Importance of load-cycles sequence: example

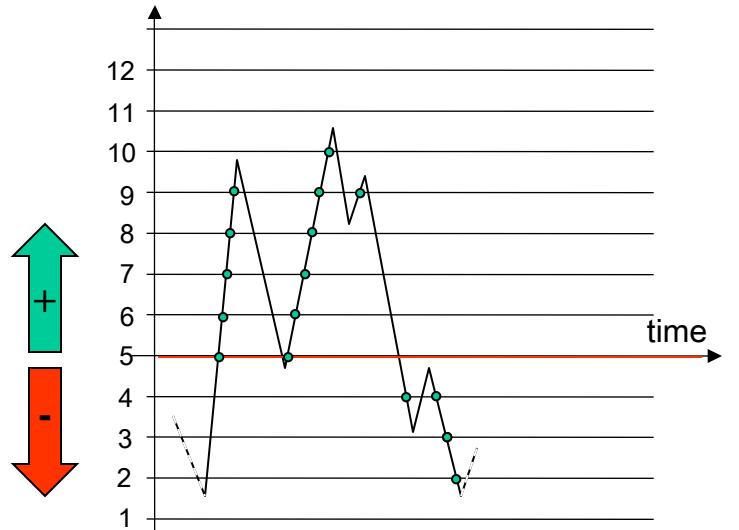


- Put the attention on the mean value (σ_0) of small hysteresis-loop
- It corresponds with mean value of the stress in critical cross-section of the material, caused by initial overloading
- The value and the sign depend on sequence of loading

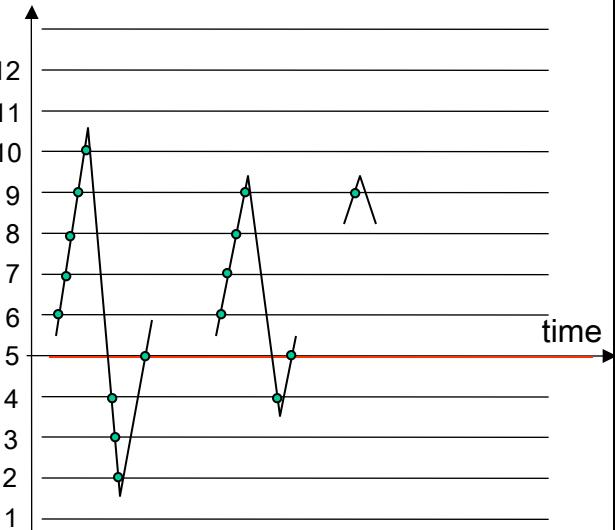
Algorithms of full-load-cycles counting

Counting of LL exceeding

Load Levels represented by lines



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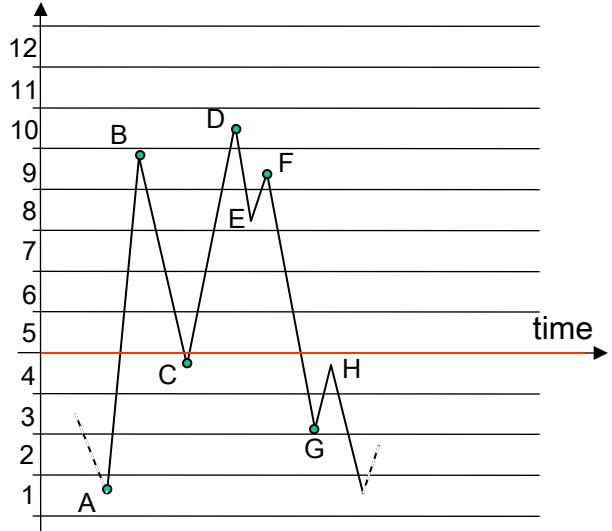
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2	1
3	1
4	2
5	2
6	2
7	2
8	2
9	3
10	1
11	0
12	0

- Designate load levels and reference load level
- For signal increase cases – begin the counting of LL exceeding when signal is over reference load level
- For signal decrease cases – begin the counting of LL exceeding when signal is under reference load level
- Starting from extremal exceeded LL – complete the full load cycles

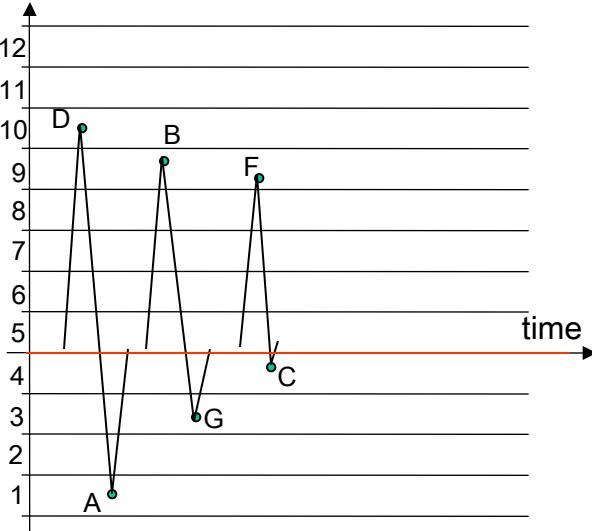
Algorithms of full-load-cycles counting

Counting of local extremes

Load Level - intervals



Load level - intervals



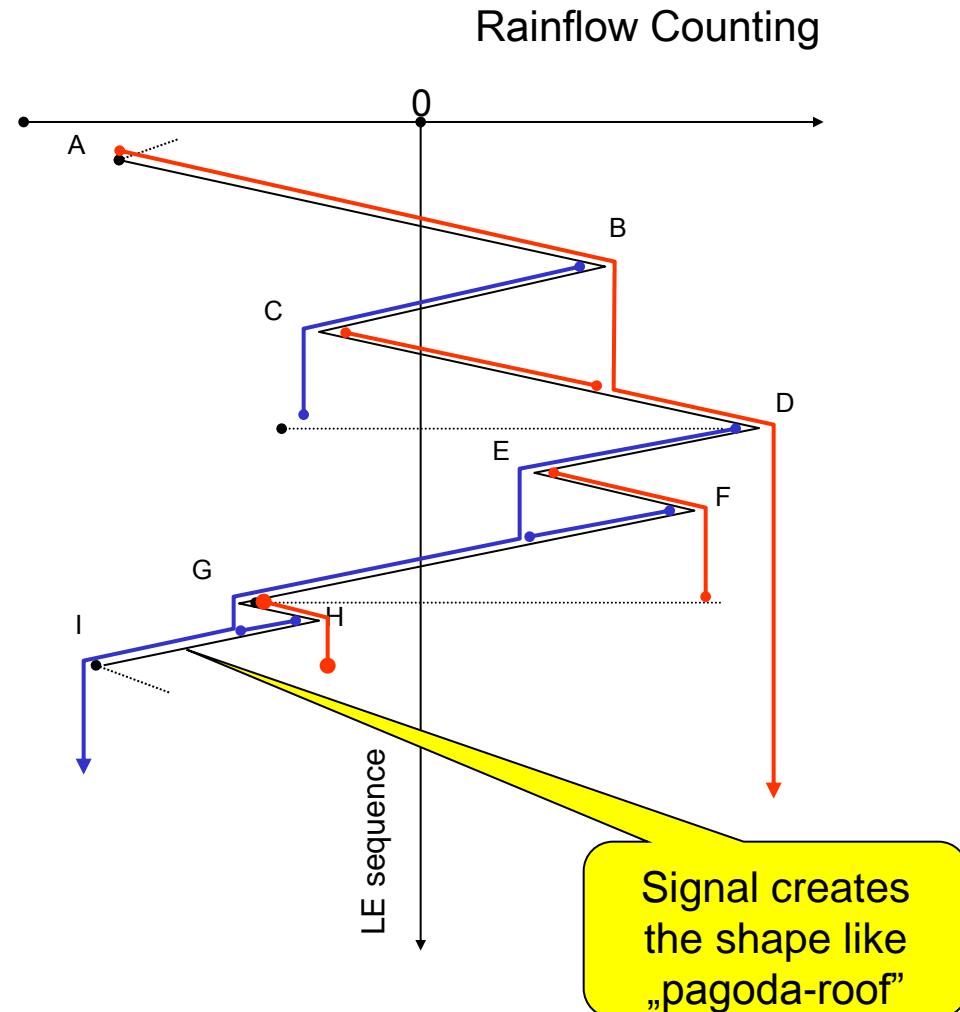
Load Level	Number of LE
1	1
2	0
3	1
4	1
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	2
10	1
11	0
12	0

- Designate load levels and reference load level
- Mark all local extremes (LE) related with change of signal angle
- Ignore the LE created by signal changes, which do not exceed the reference LL
- Starting from extremal values of LE – complete the full load cycles

Rainflow Fatigue Cycle Counting

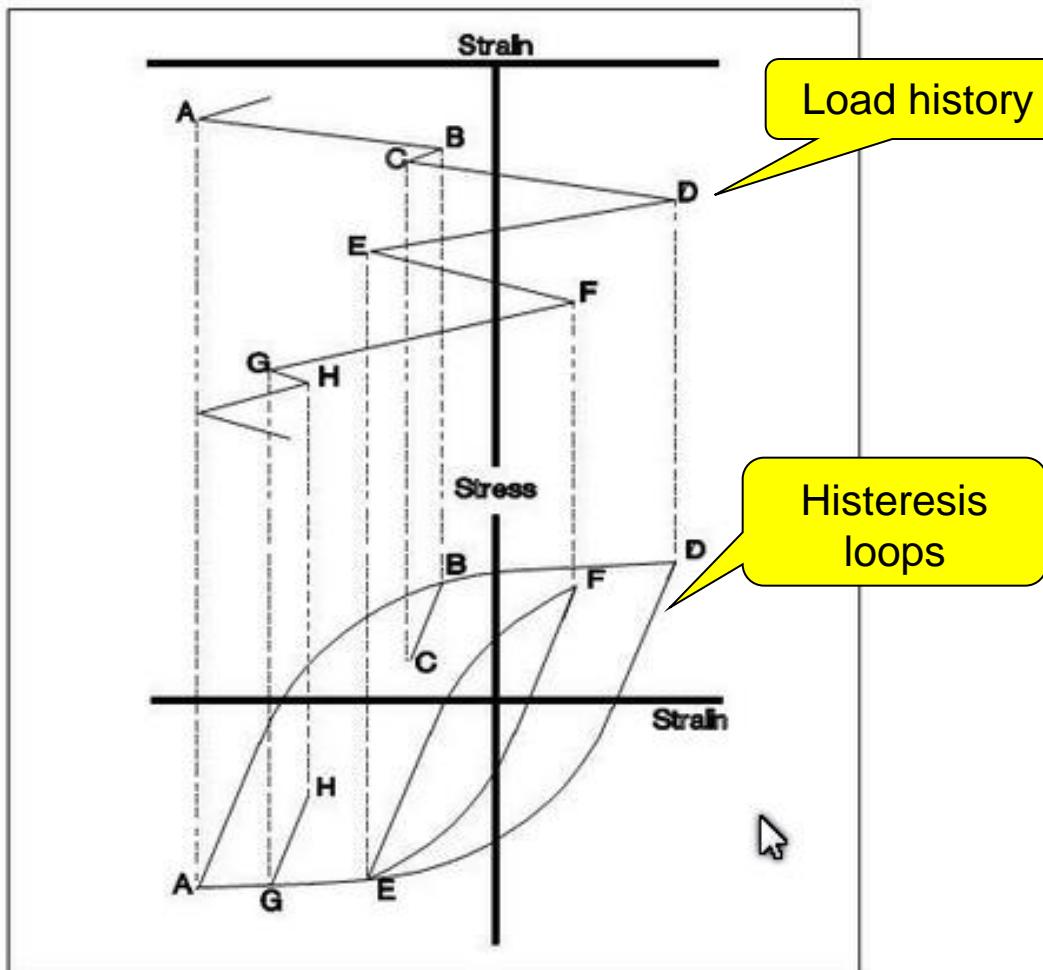


Endo & Matsuishi (1968) developed the Rainflow Counting method by relating stress reversal cycles to streams of rainwater flowing down a Pagoda.



<https://vibrationdata.wordpress.com/2012/10/31/rainflow-fatigue-cycle-counting/>

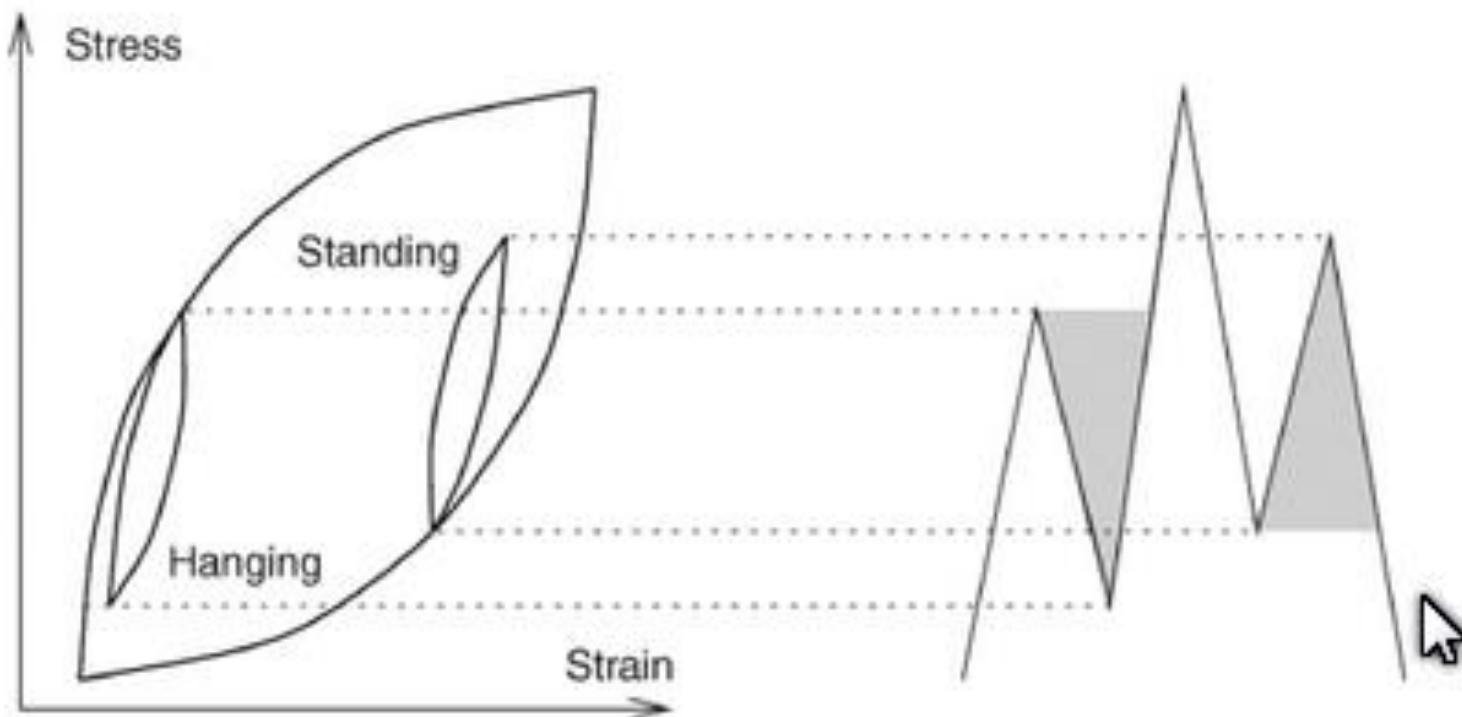
Identyfication of closed histeresis-loops



<http://www.myshared.ru/slides/886624/>

A-D, B-C, E-F, G-H
(similary to the tips of histeresis-loops)

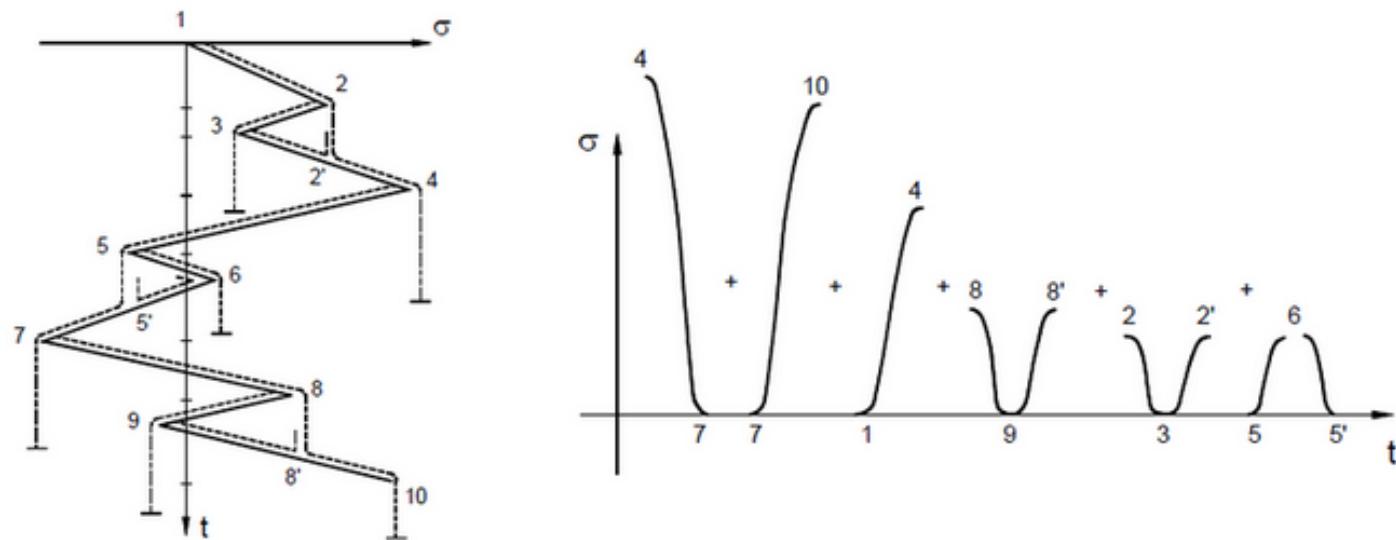
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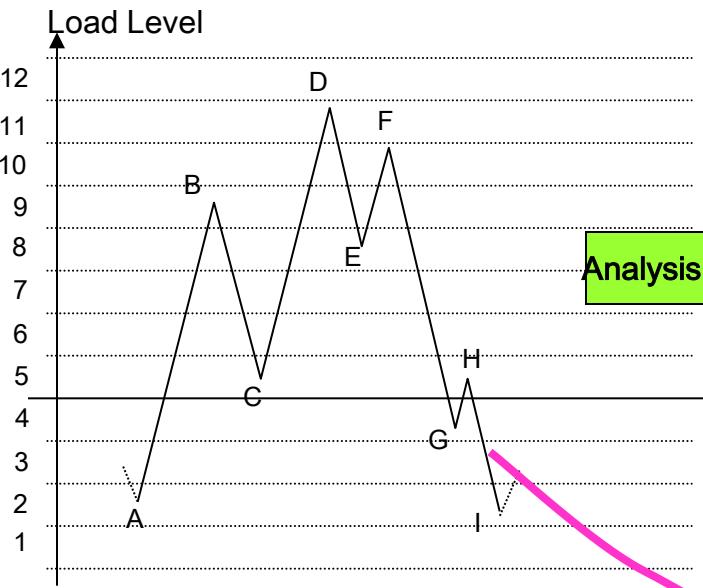
Rainflow Counting algoritm rule:

Water-stream has the source in each depression, and can flow until:

- A/ meets the depression bigger than the depth of own source
- B/ meets the flow, which drops from higher step of the „roof”



https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Rainflow-counting-method-a-peak-and-valley-stress-history-b-equivalent-stress-history_fig1_307935057

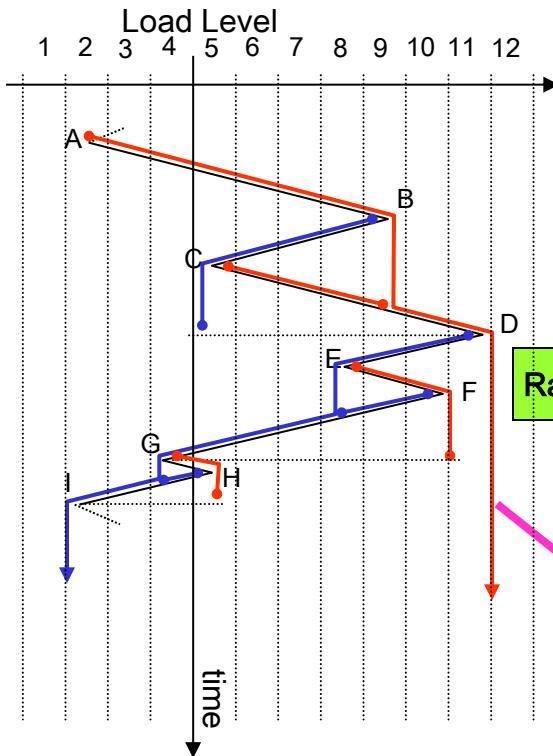


Analysis of transfers

time

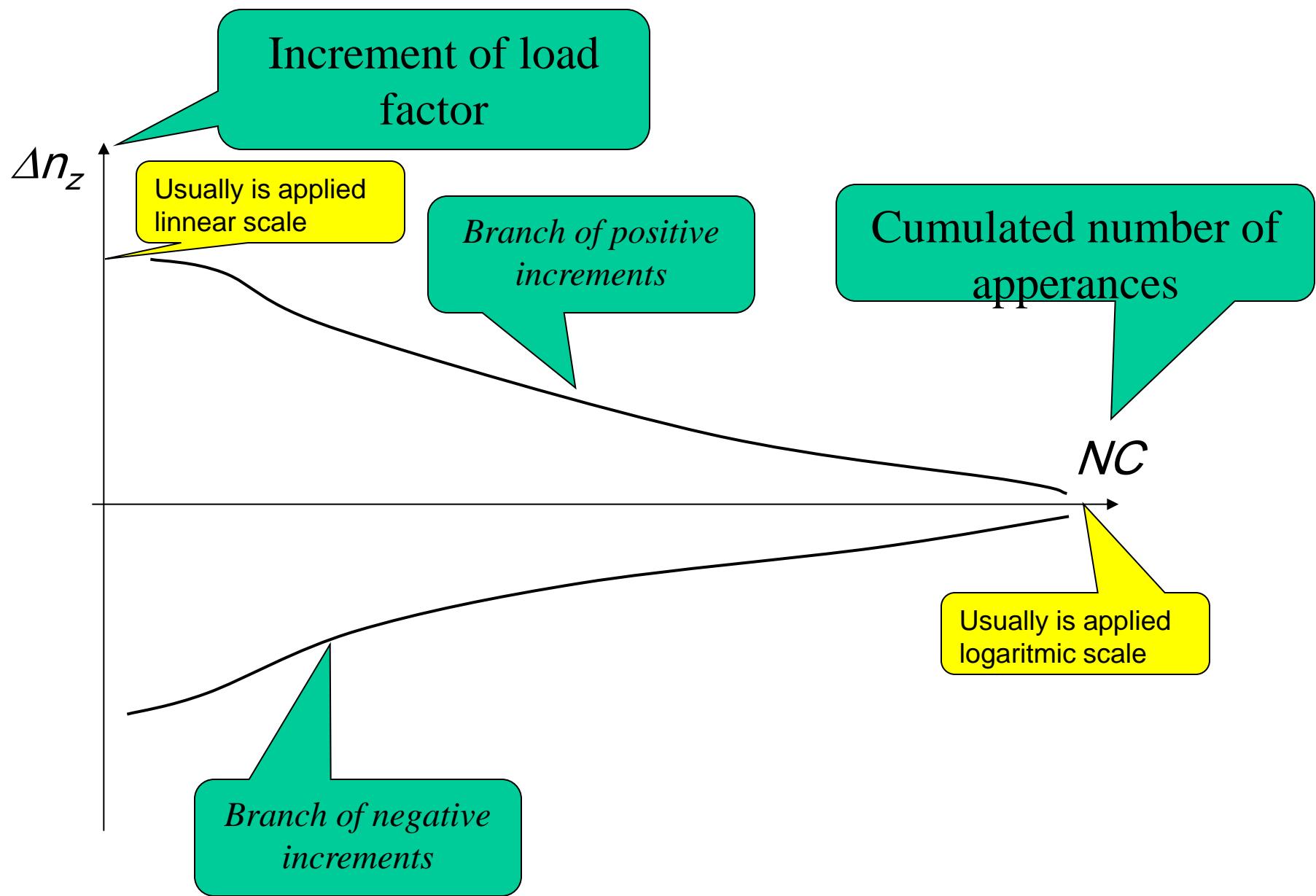
Result: Transfer Array

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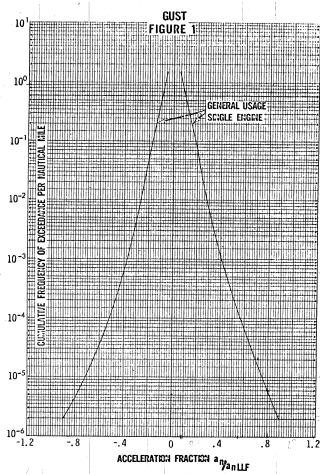
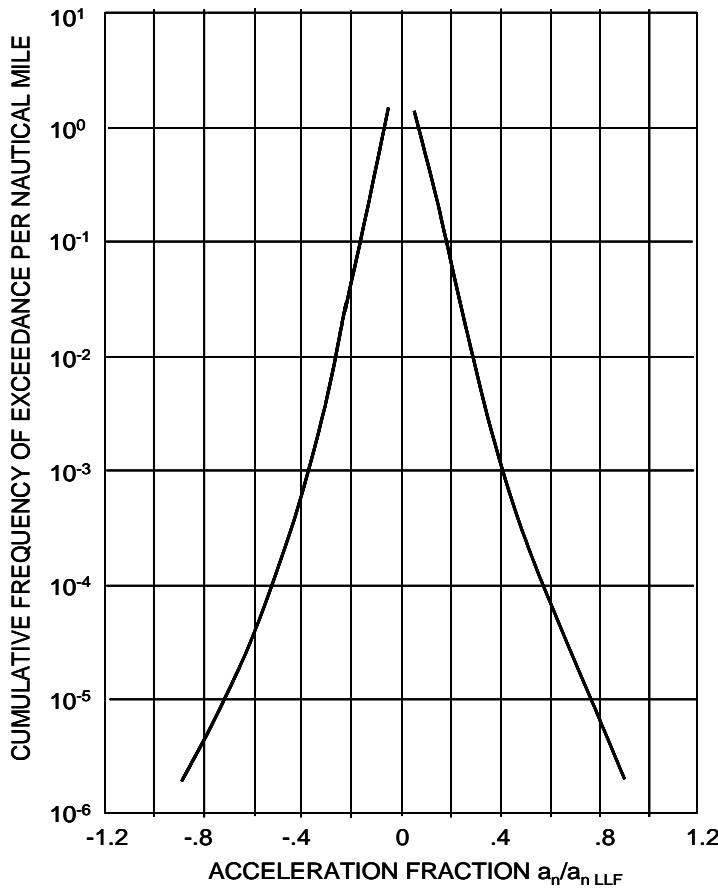


Half-Cycles Array and incremental load spectra

Incremental load spectra (classic form)

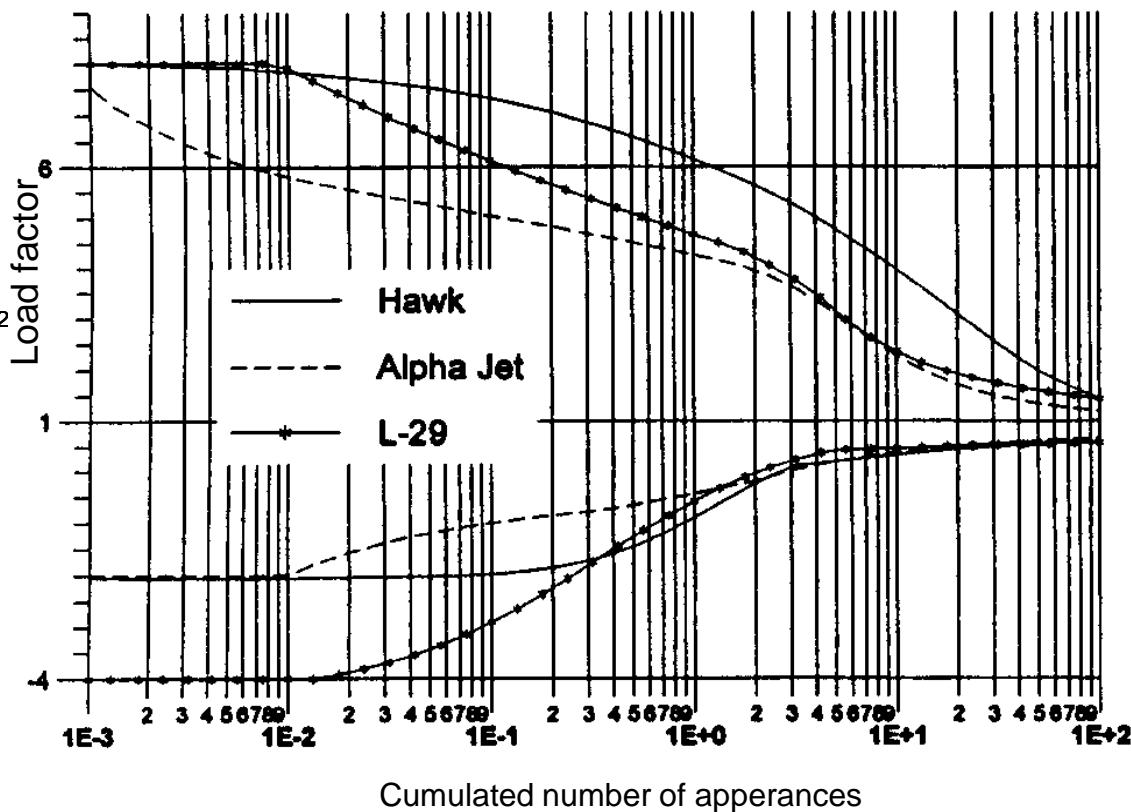


Incremental load spectra (classic form) - examples

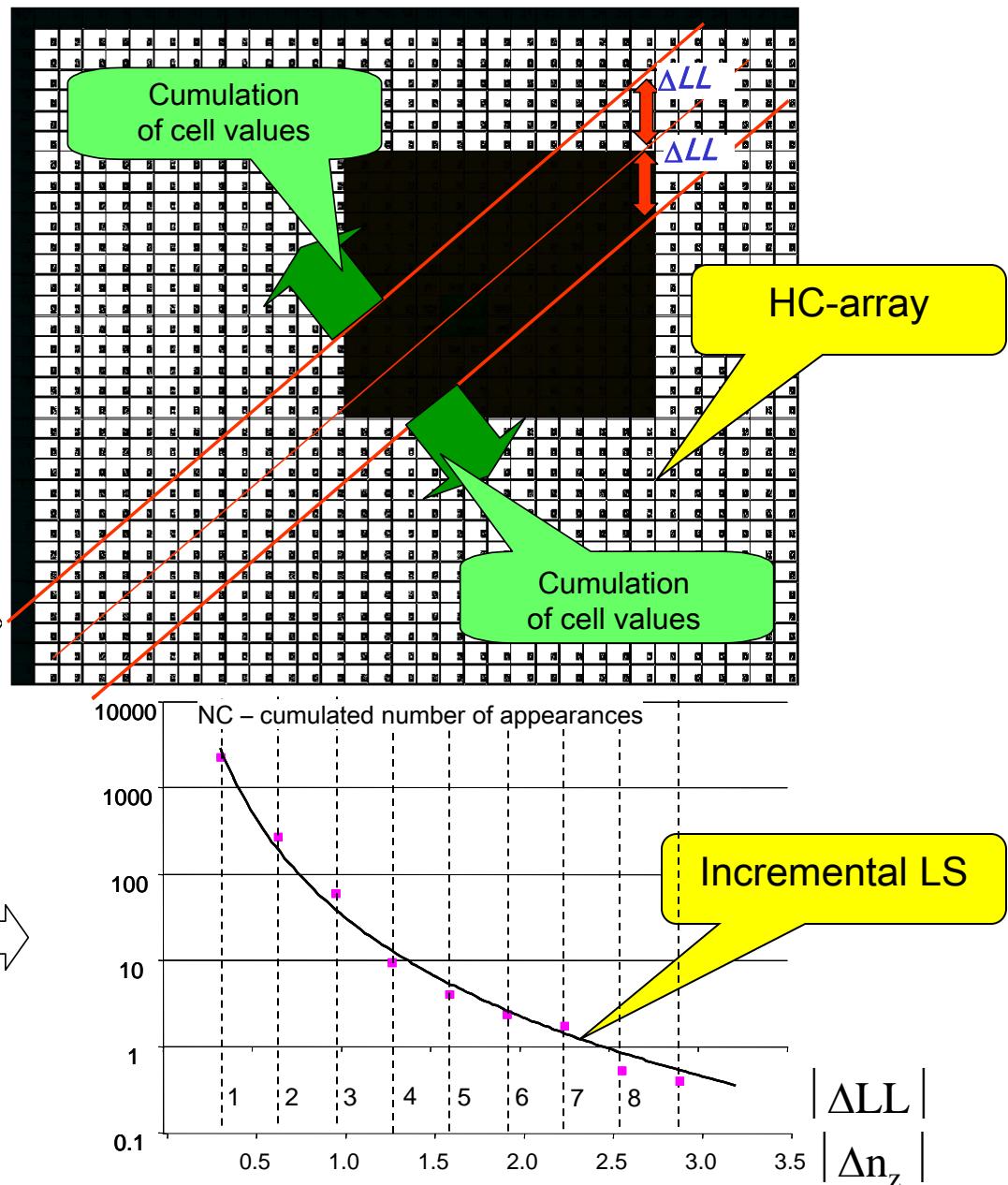
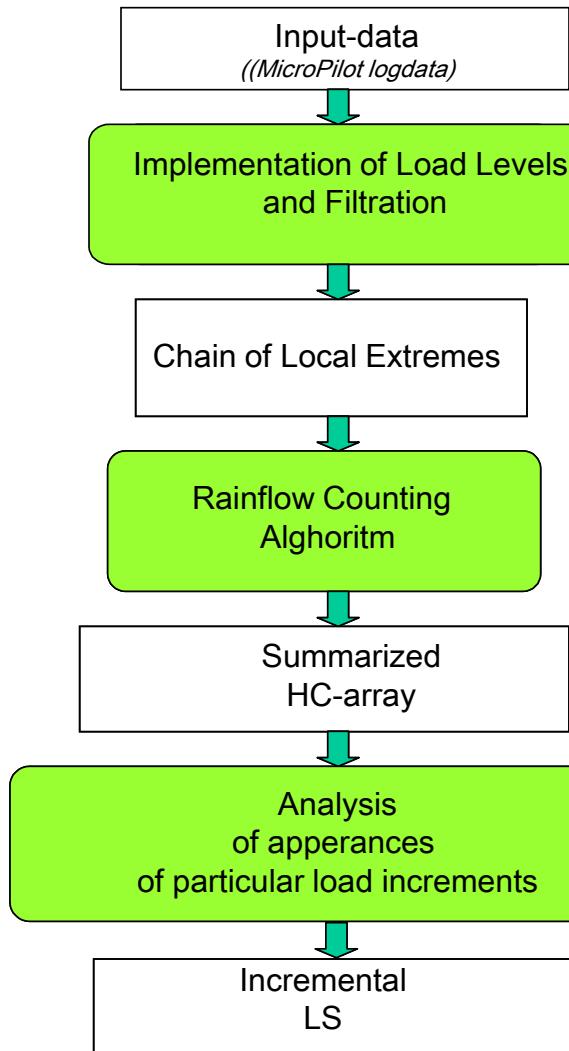


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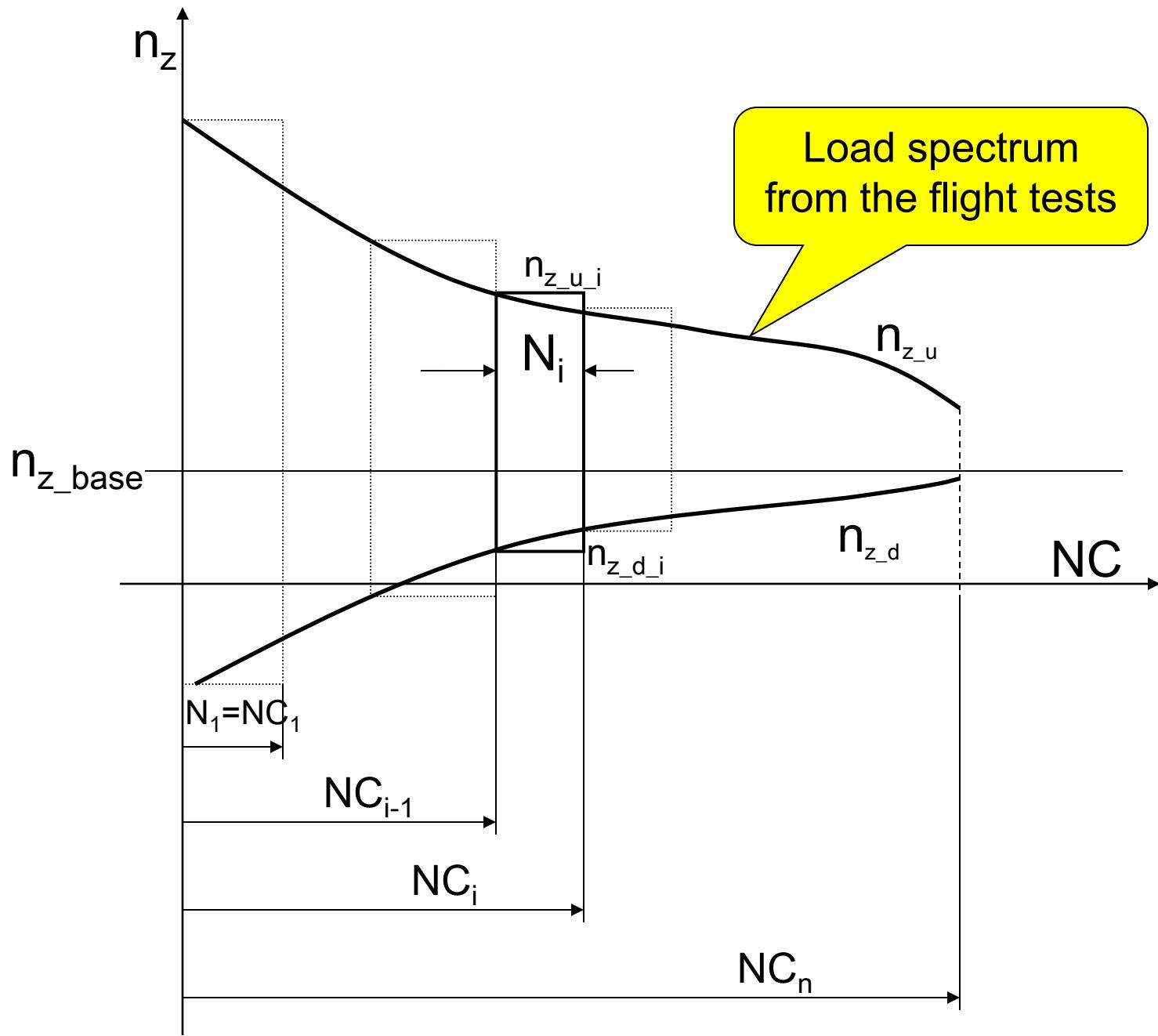
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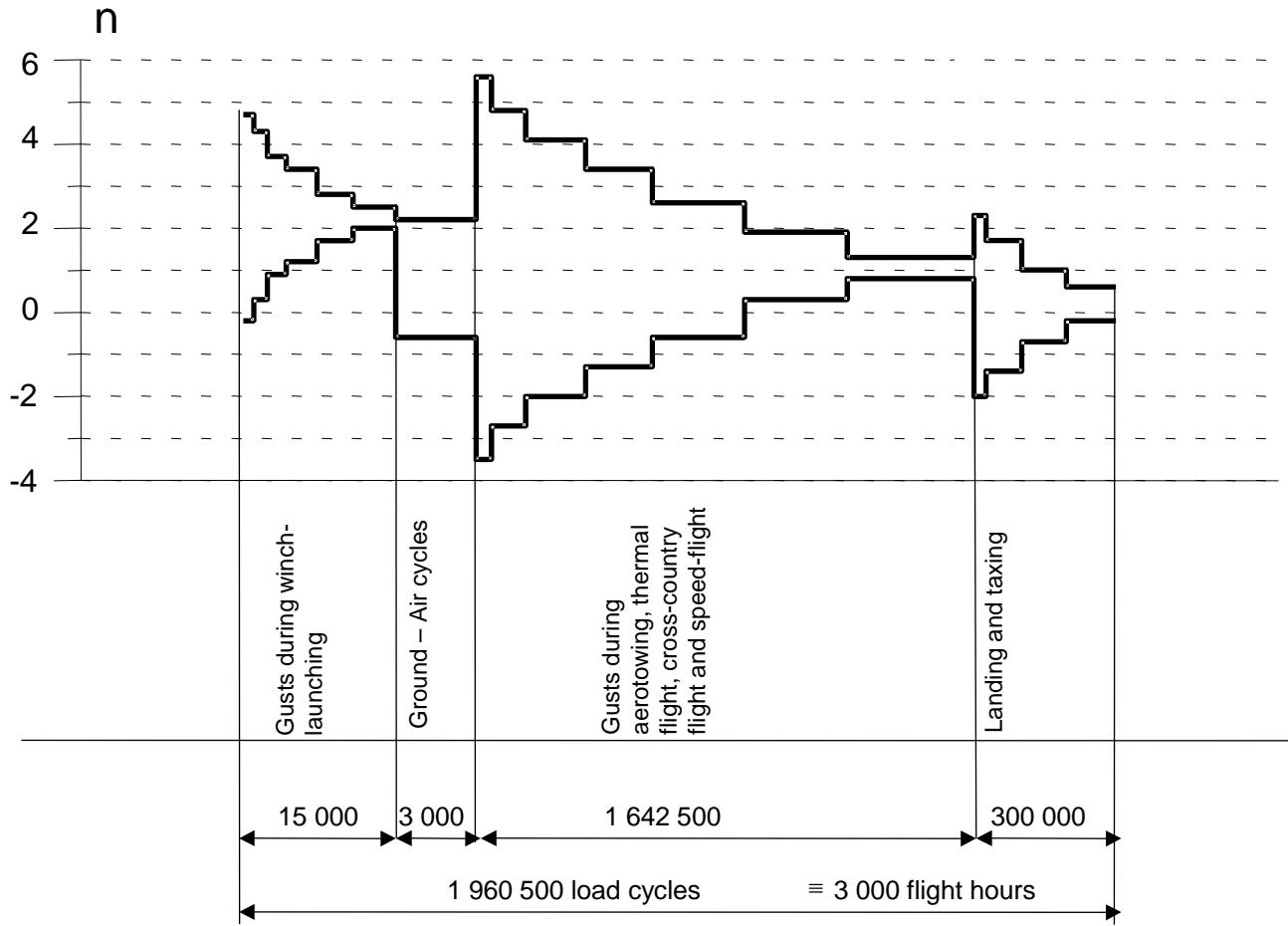
Transition from a Transfer Array to an incremental LS



Transition from incremental LS to the block form of a

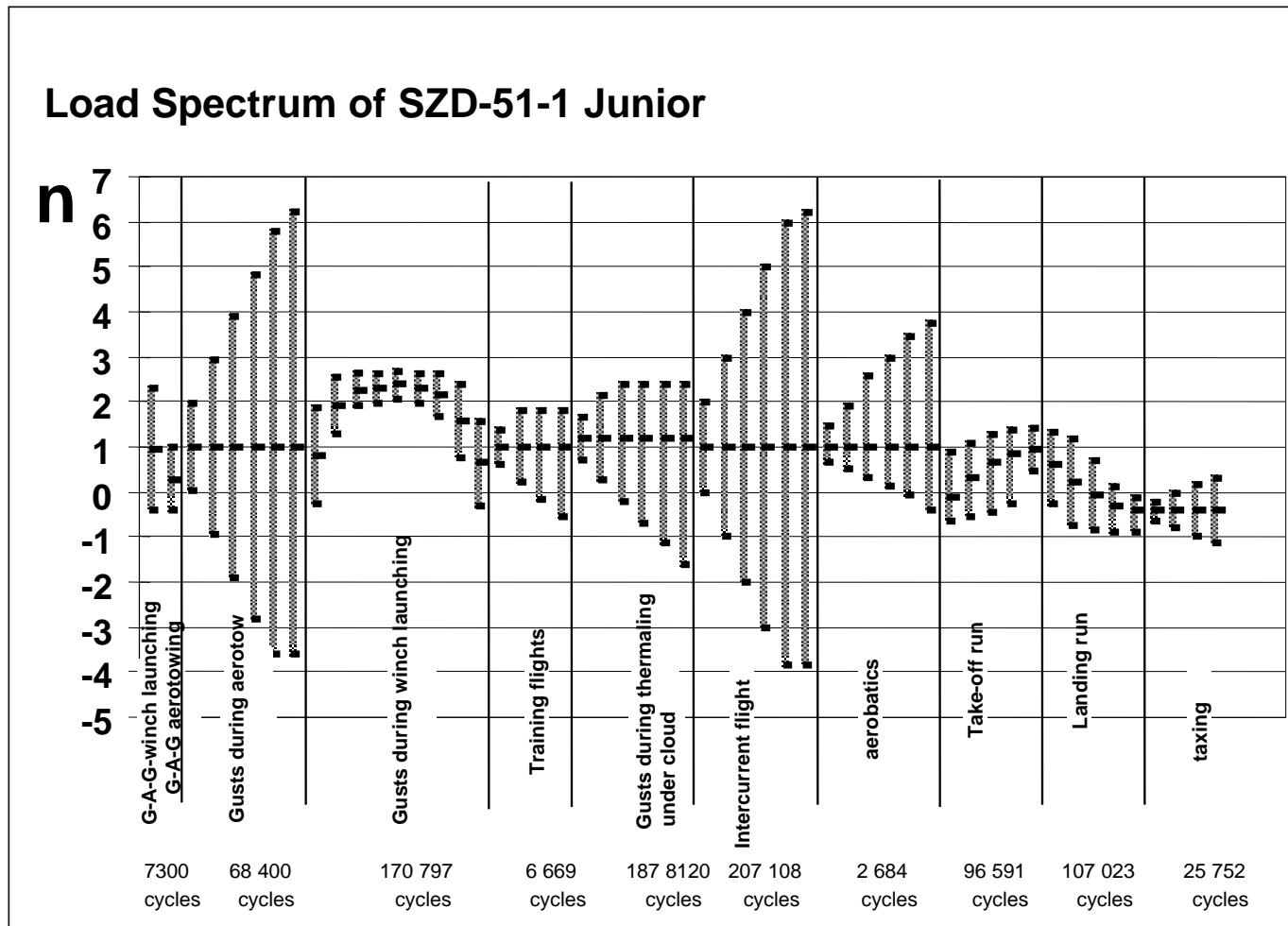


LS as a set of blocks of load cycles



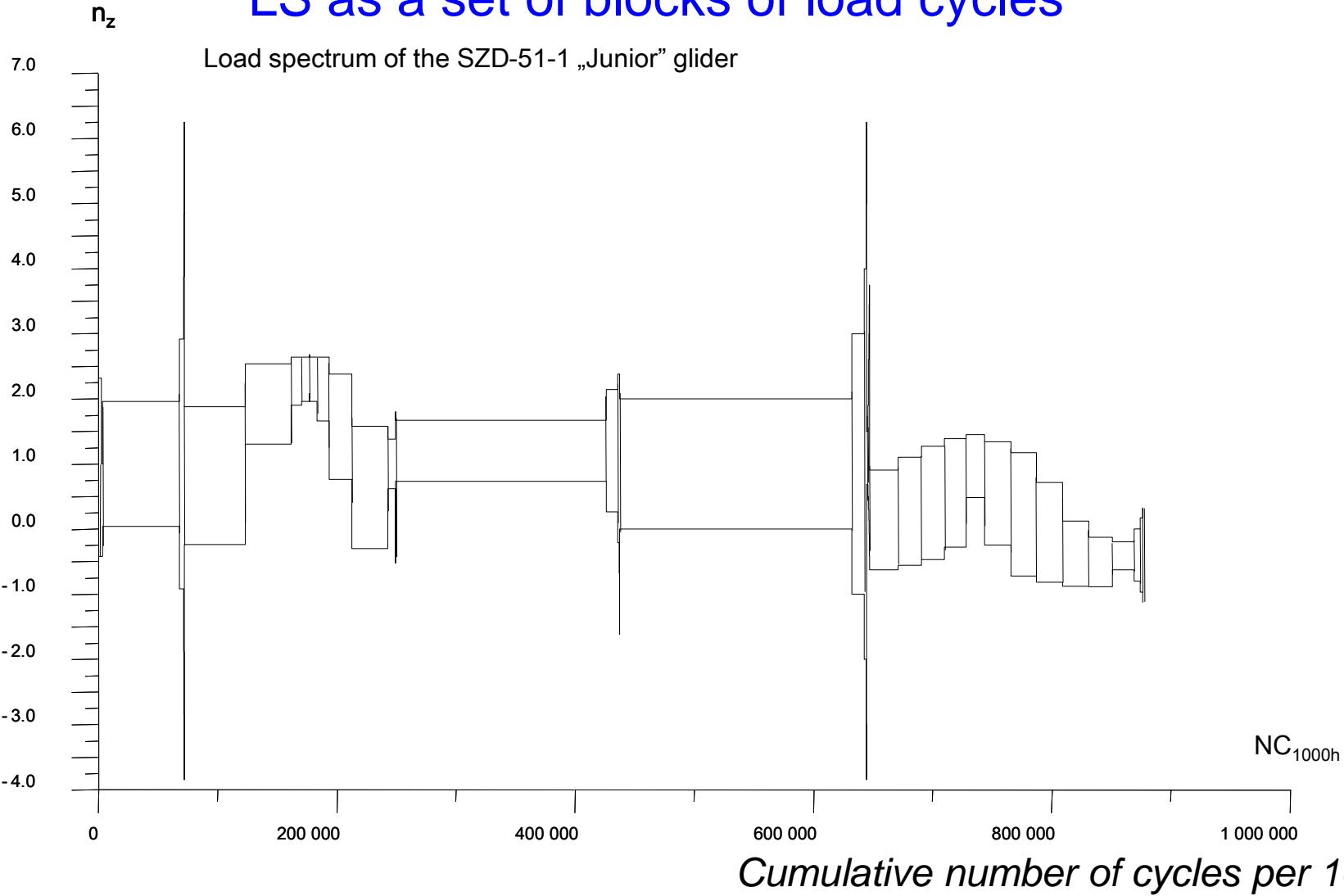
Glider Load Spectrum elaborated by Thielemann –Franzmeyer
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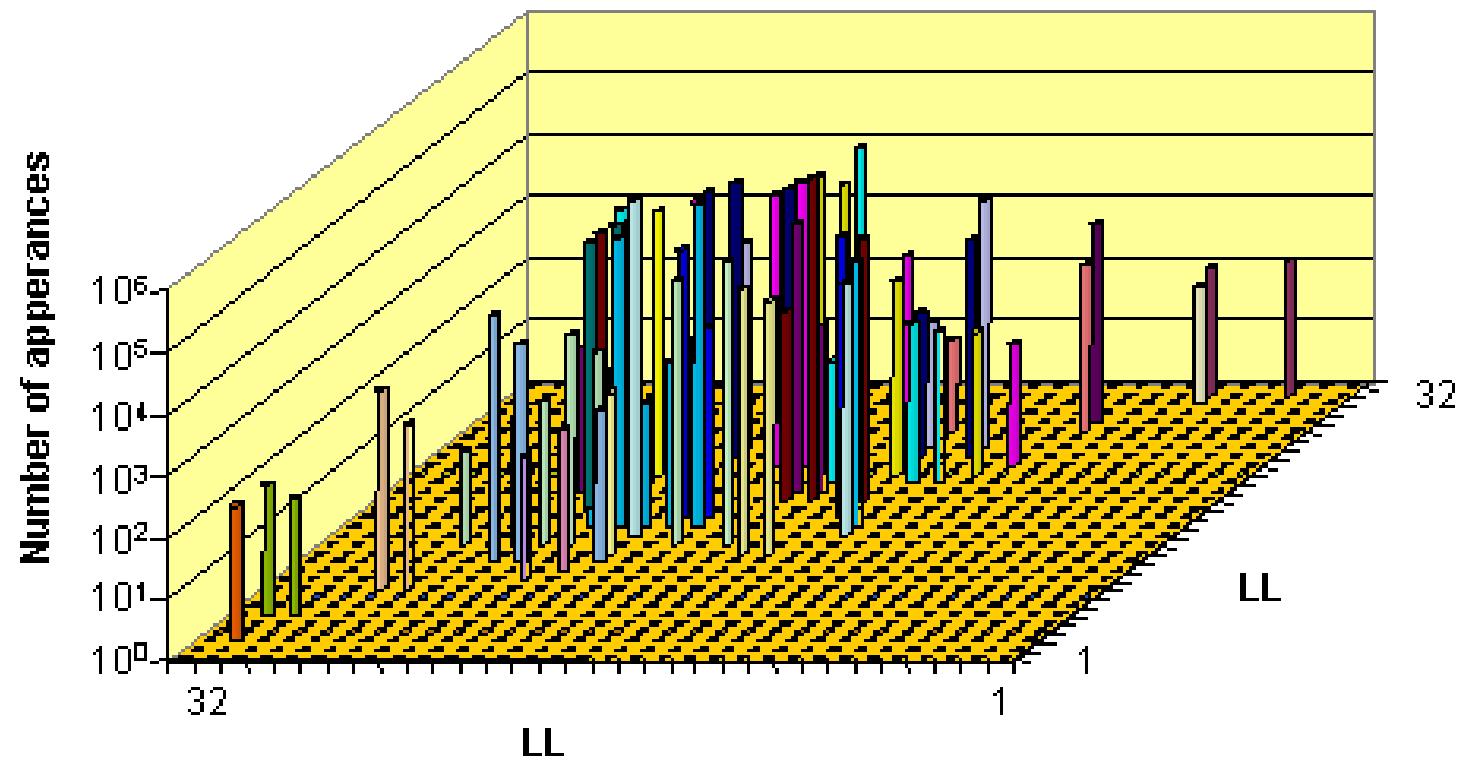
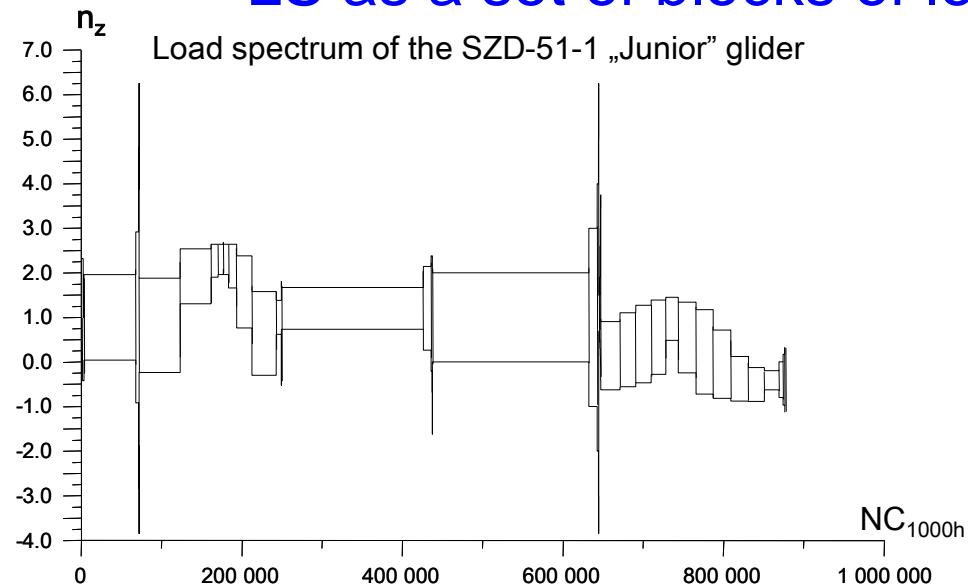
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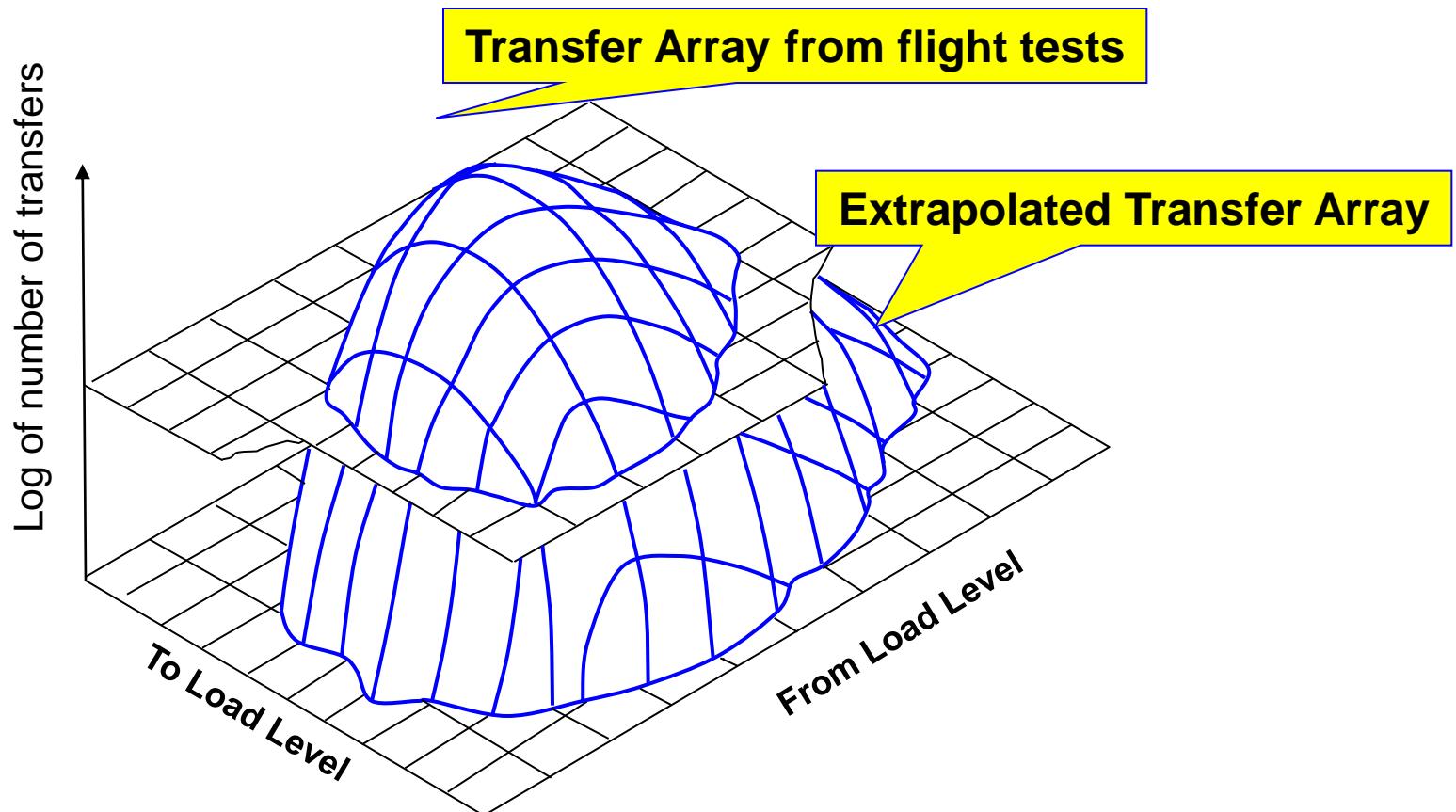
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another form of the LS presentation

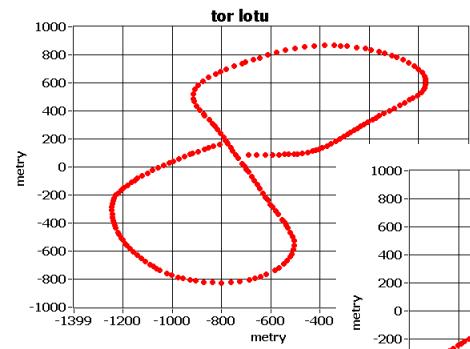
LS as a set of blocks of load cycles versus a Transfer A



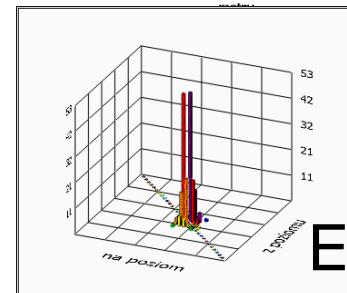
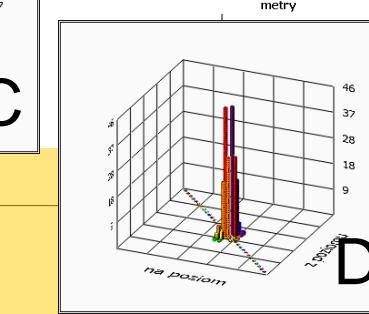
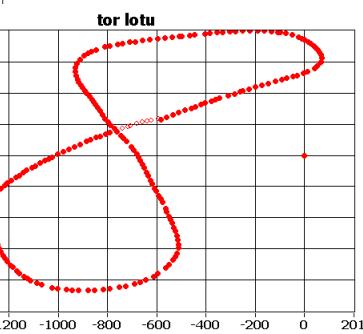
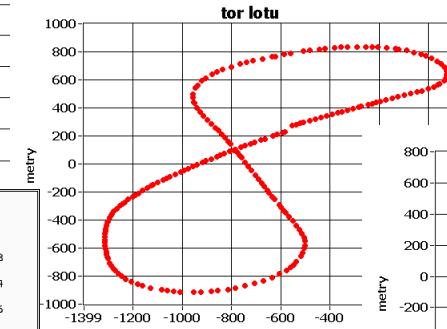
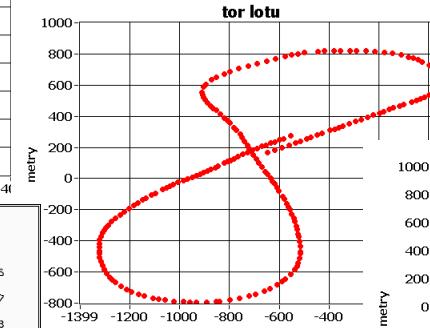
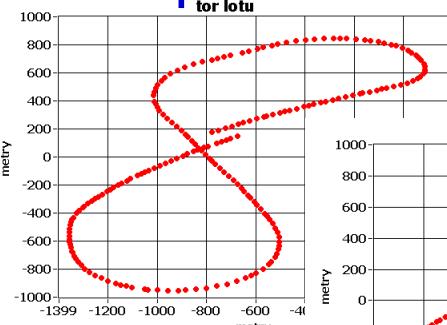
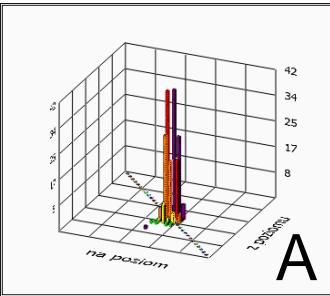
Extrapolation of Load Spectra

Idea of Load spectrum extrapolation





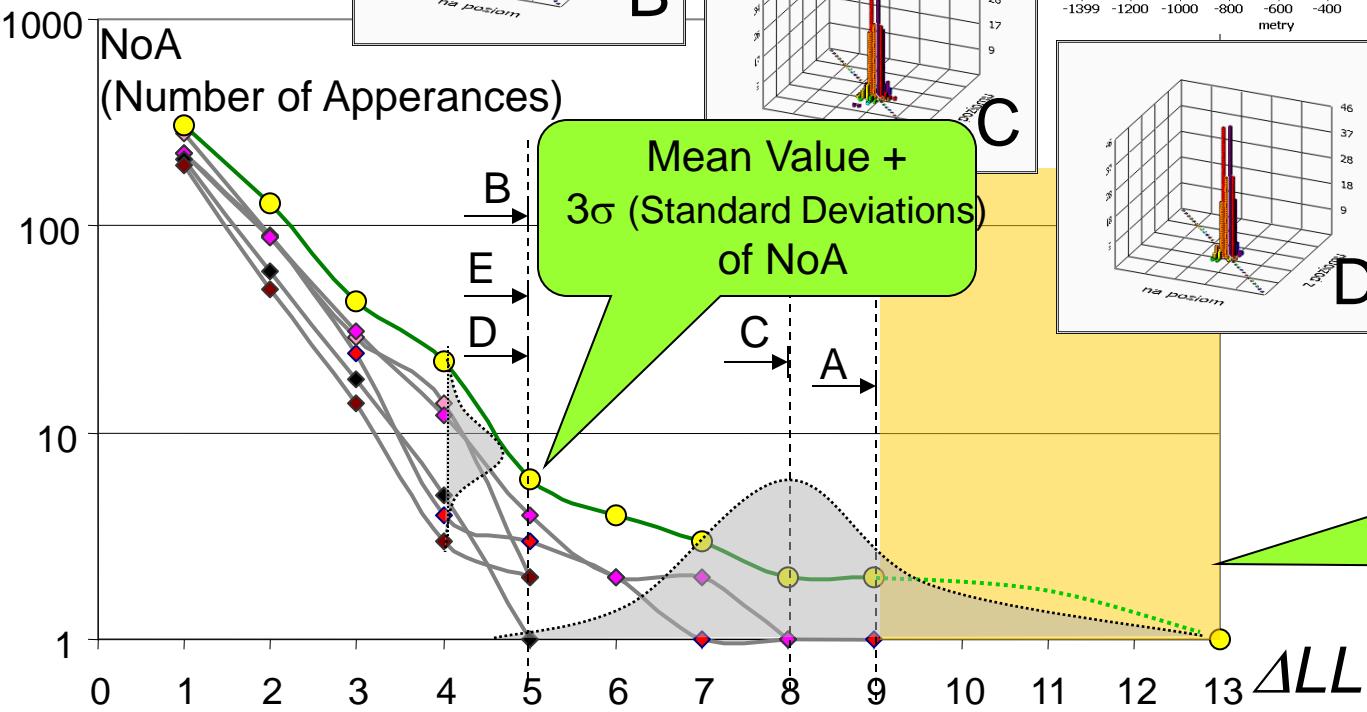
Example of Load Spectrum extrapolation



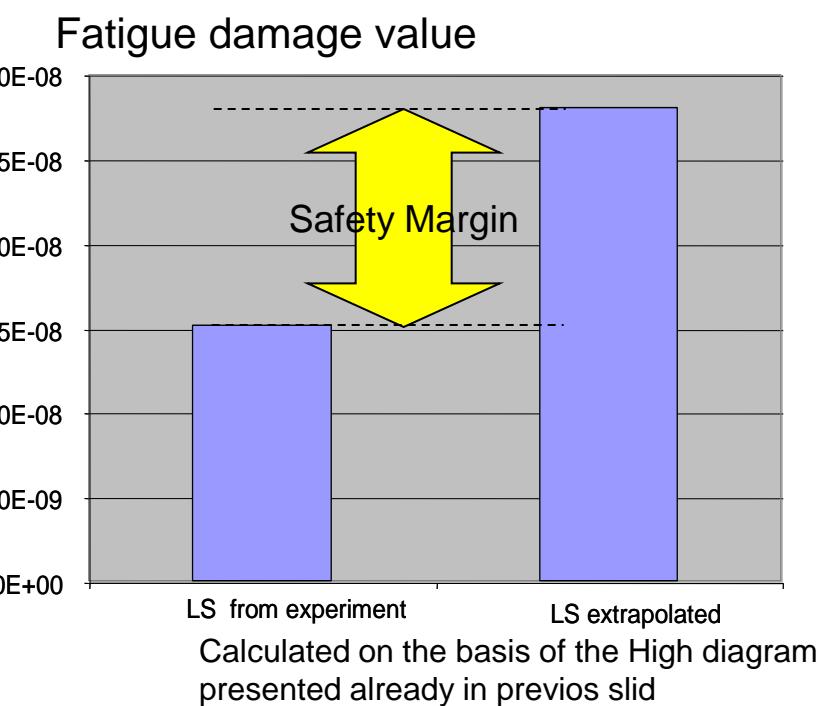
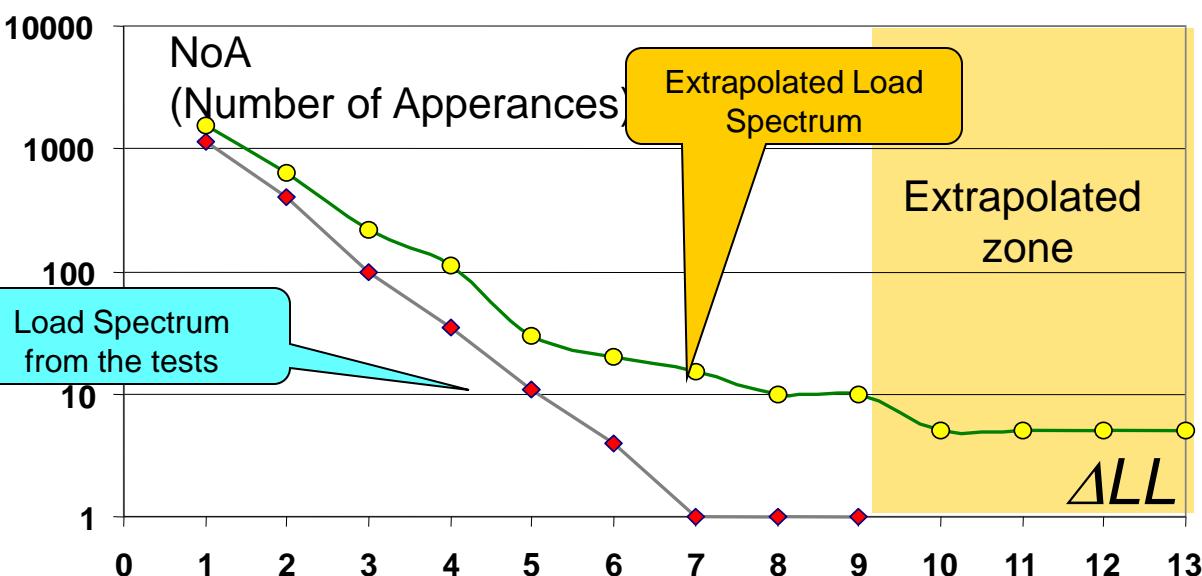
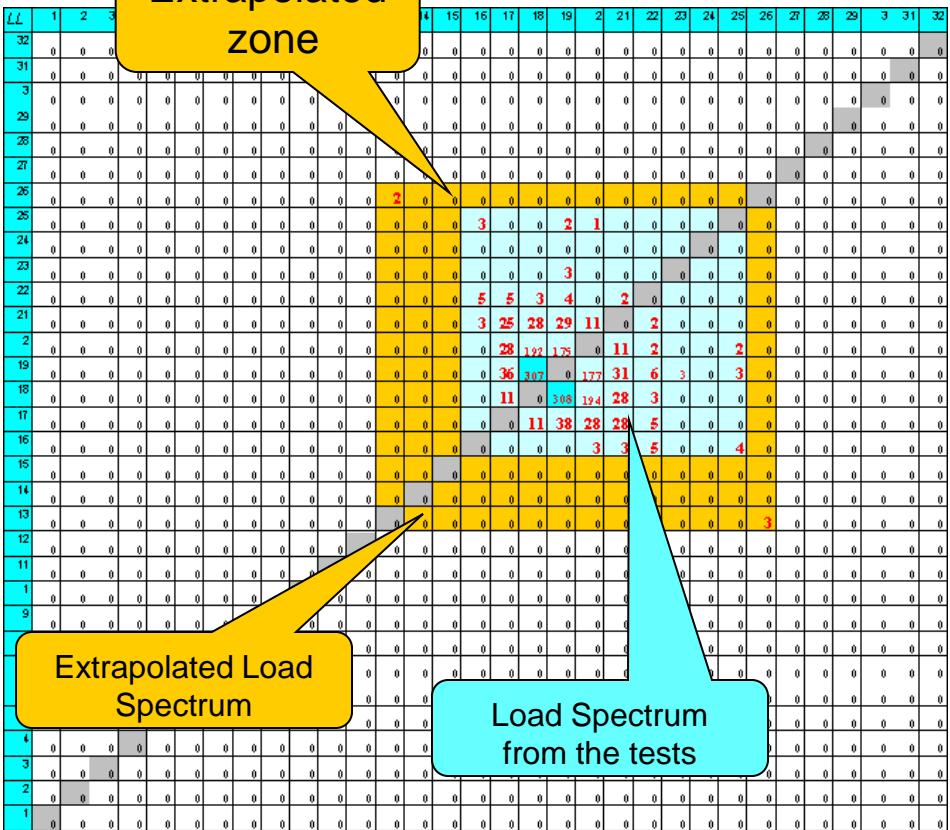
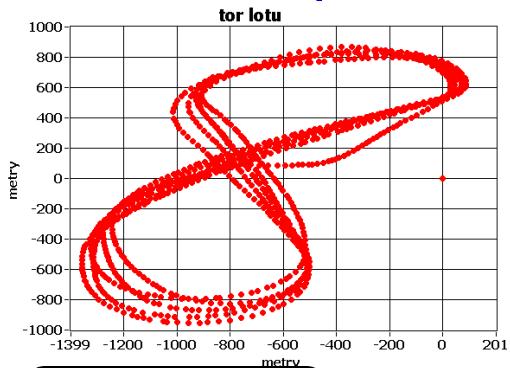
NoA
(Number of Apperances)

Mean Value + (Standard Deviations) of NoA

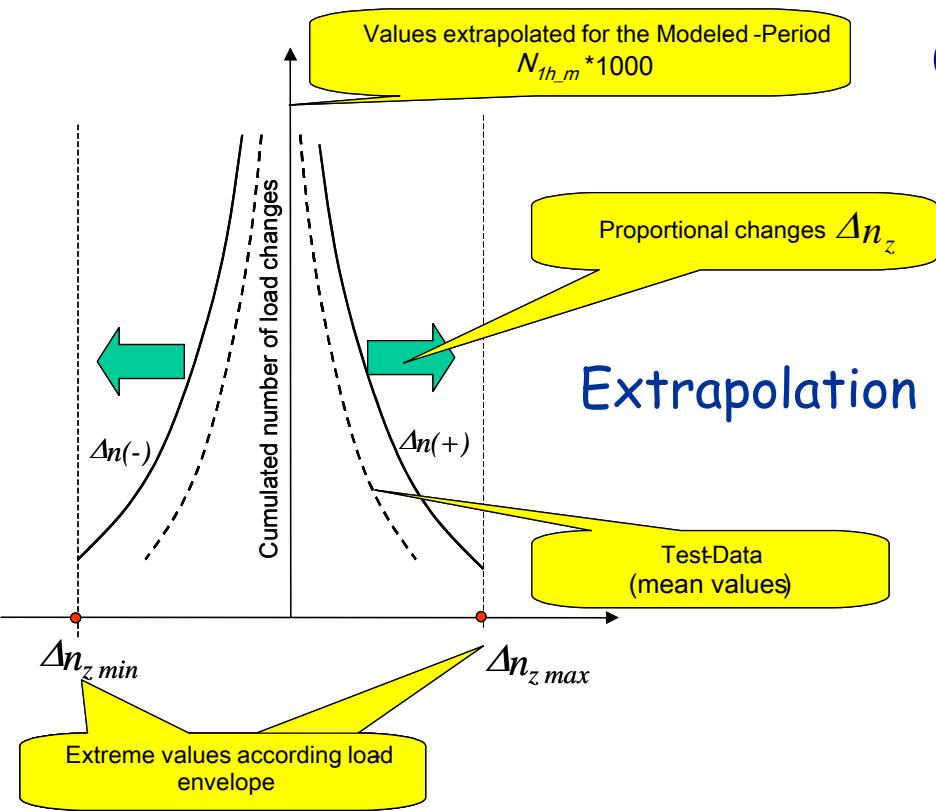
Extended range of
 ΔLL
(Mean Value + 3 σ
of MAX (ΔLL))



Example of Load Spectrum extrapolation



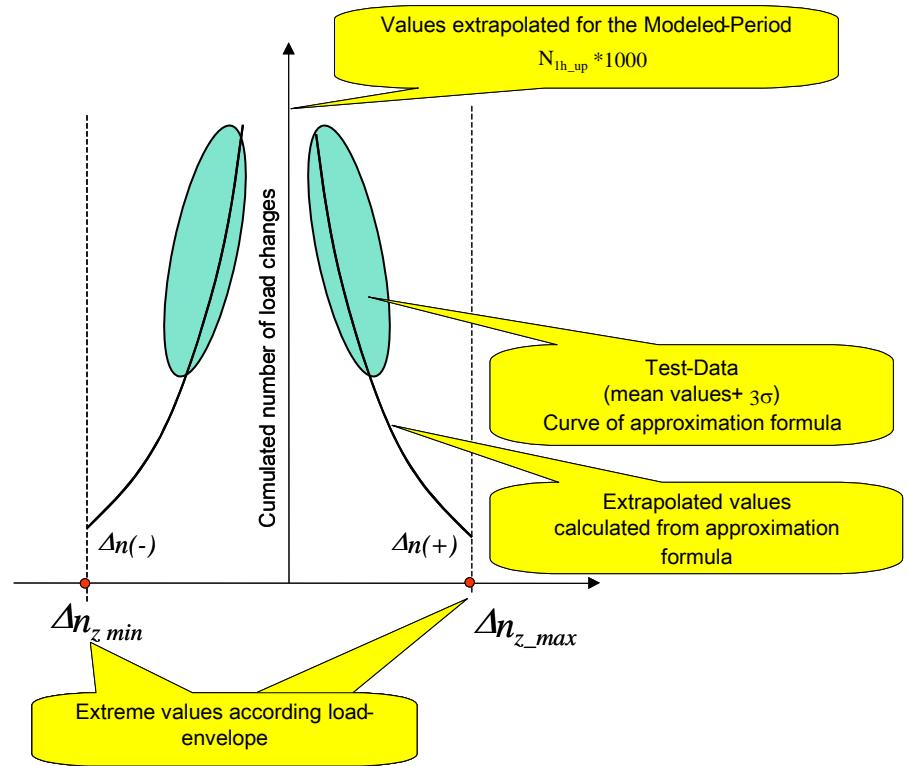
Other methods of LS extrapolation



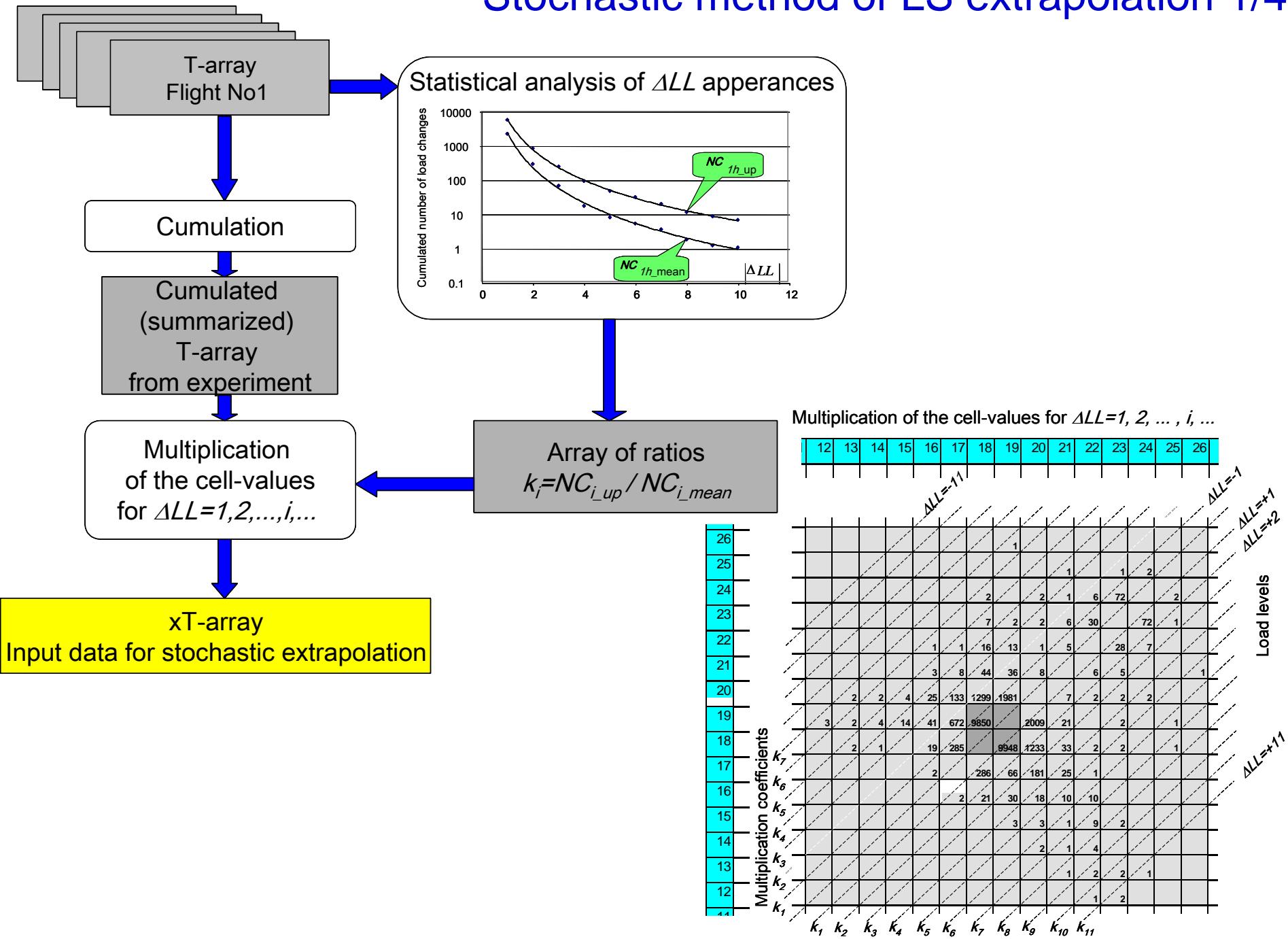
Extrapolation by the test-data range rescaling

+3 σ load number concept

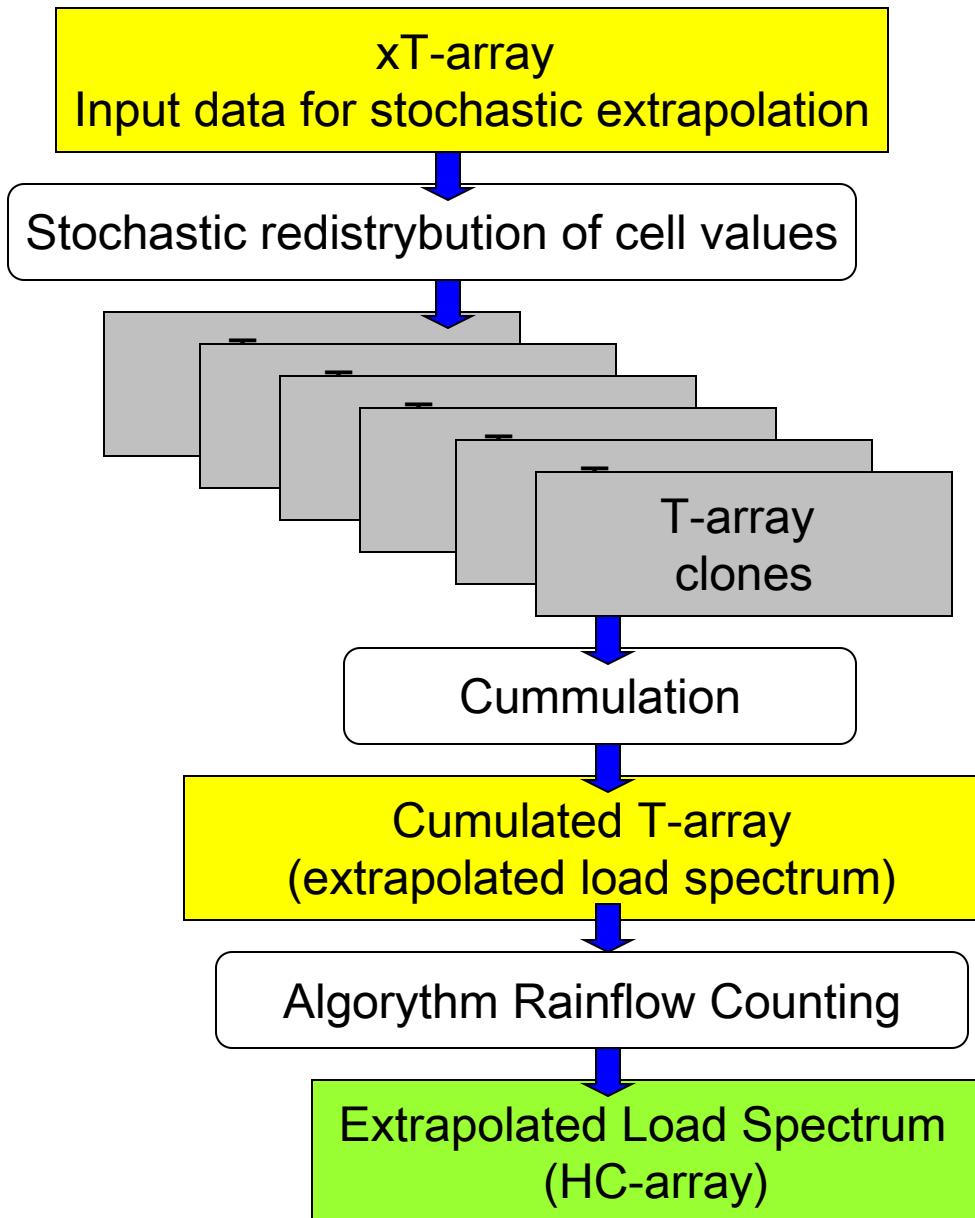
Trivial methods of LS extrapolation (without physical basis)



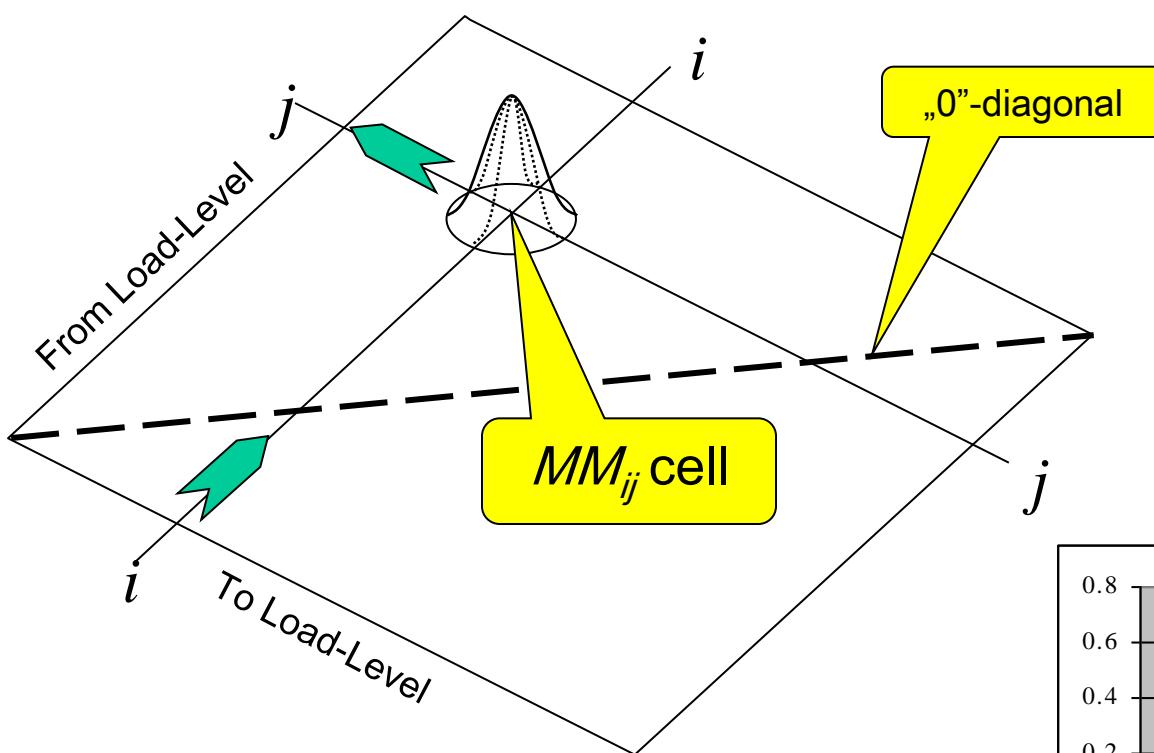
Stochastic method of LS extrapolation 1/4



Stochastic method of LS extrapolation 2/4

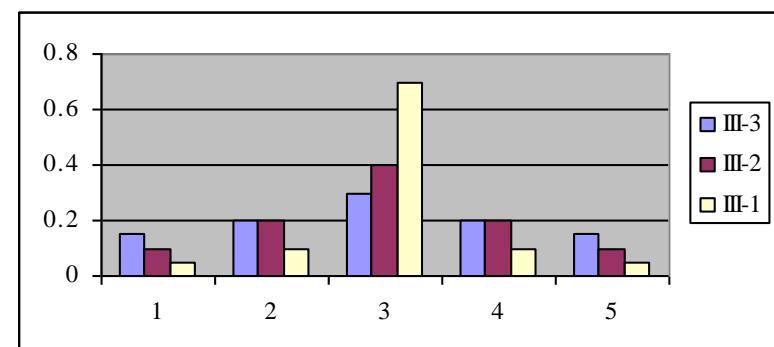
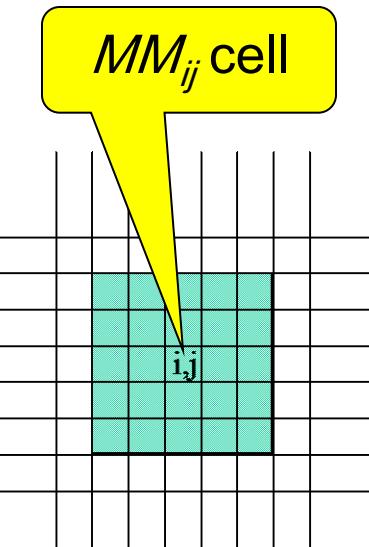


Stochastic method of LS extrapolation 3/4



Reproduction clons of the xT - array

The number of xT -clons depends on the ratio between modeled period of operation and the time of all flights included to the xT -array

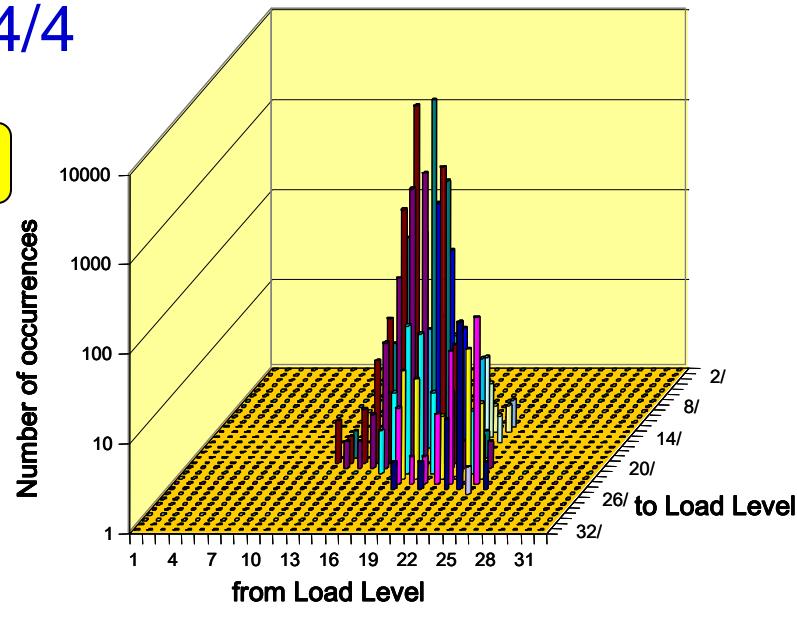


Probability distributions used for numerical simulations

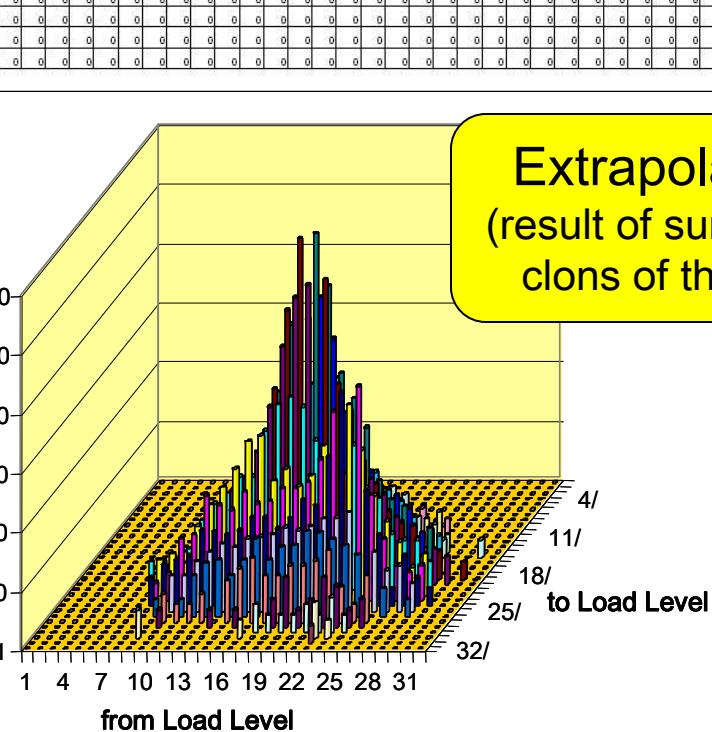
Stochastic method of LS extrapolation 4/4

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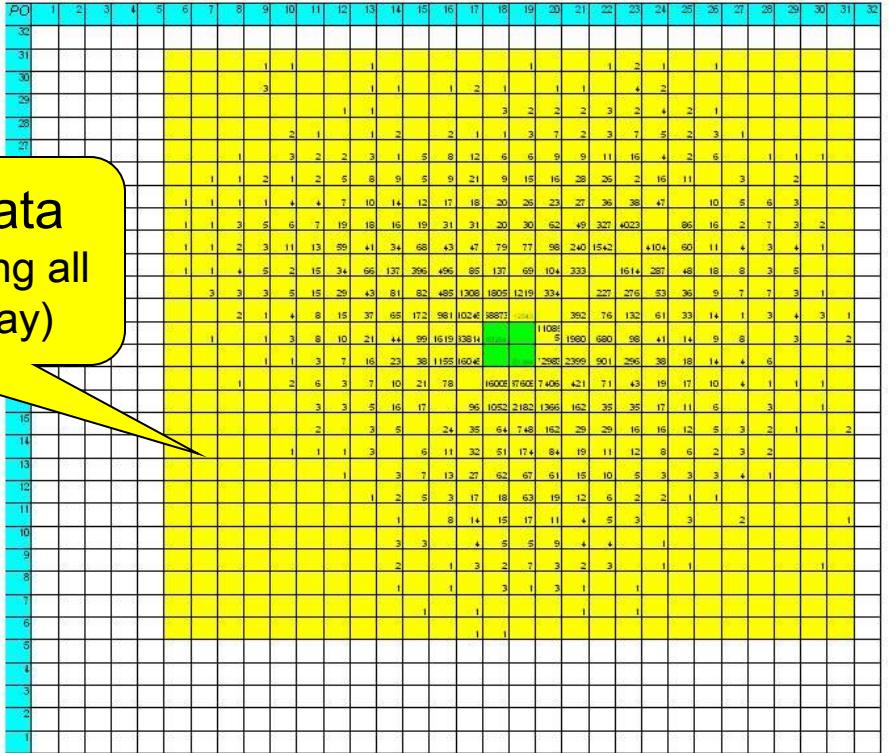
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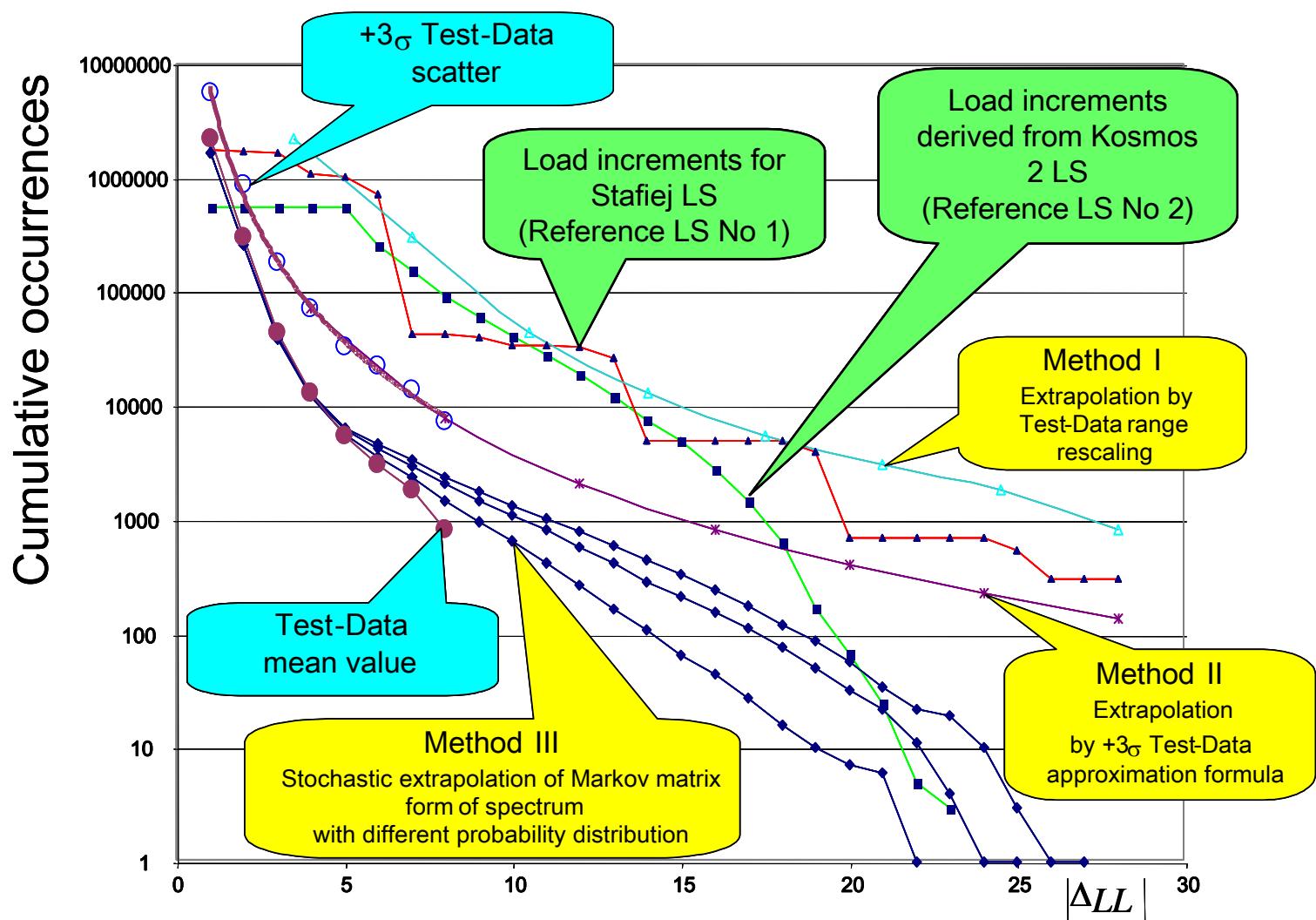
Number of load changes



Extrapolated-data
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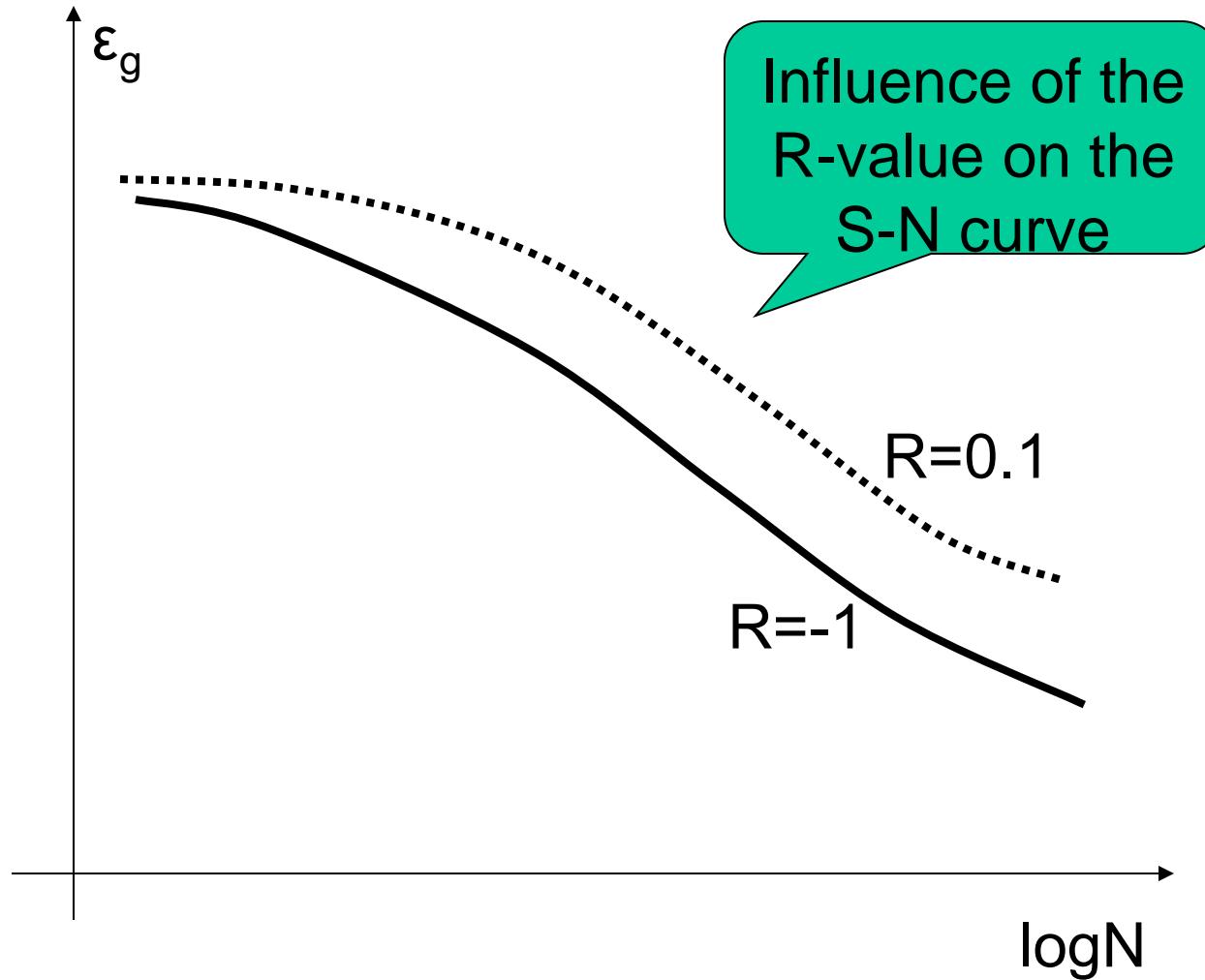


Comparision of the methods of LS extrapolation

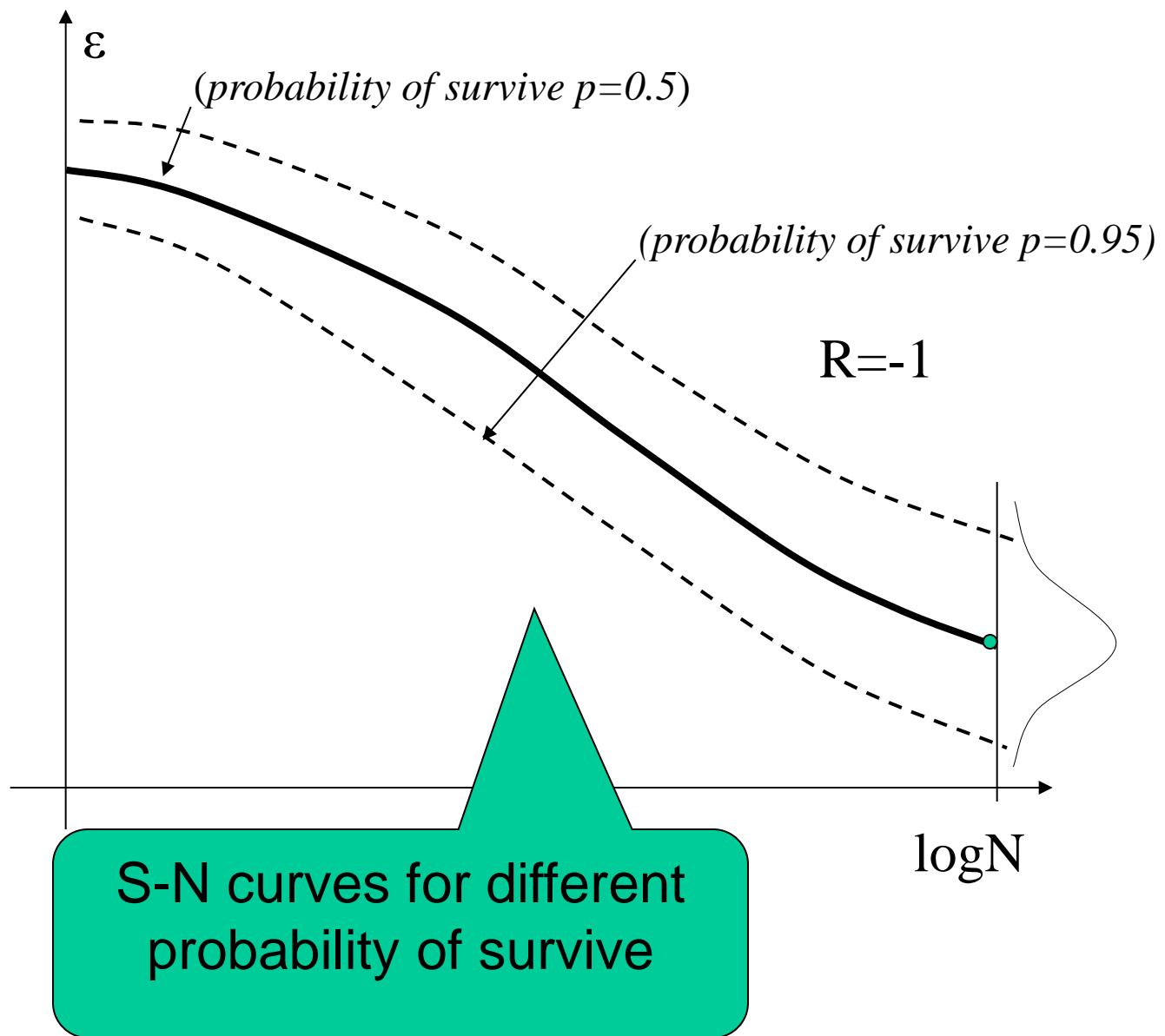


**Fatigue properties of the
materials & Fatigue charts**

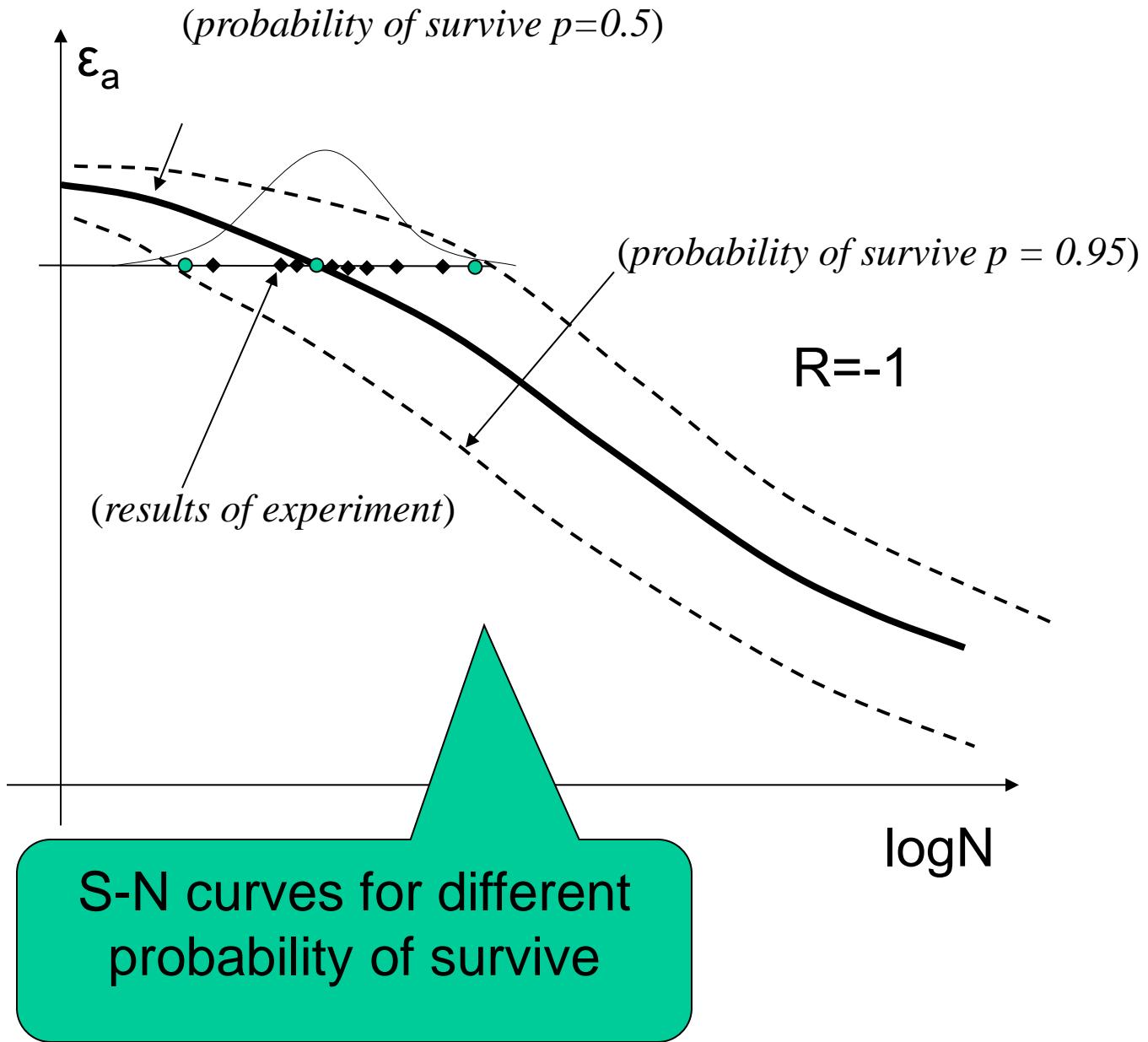
S-N curves



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High diagrams

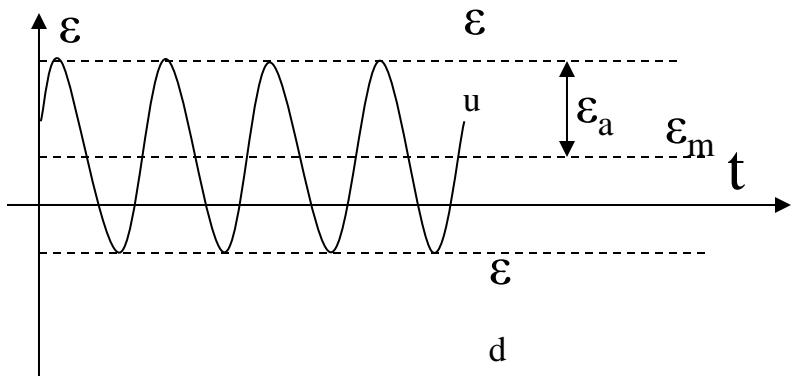
$$\operatorname{tg} \omega = \frac{\varepsilon_a}{\varepsilon_m} = \frac{\varepsilon_u - \varepsilon_d}{\varepsilon_u + \varepsilon_d} = \frac{1-R}{1+R}$$

$$R = \frac{1 - \operatorname{tg} \omega}{1 + \operatorname{tg} \omega}$$

$R=10$

$R=-1$

ε_a



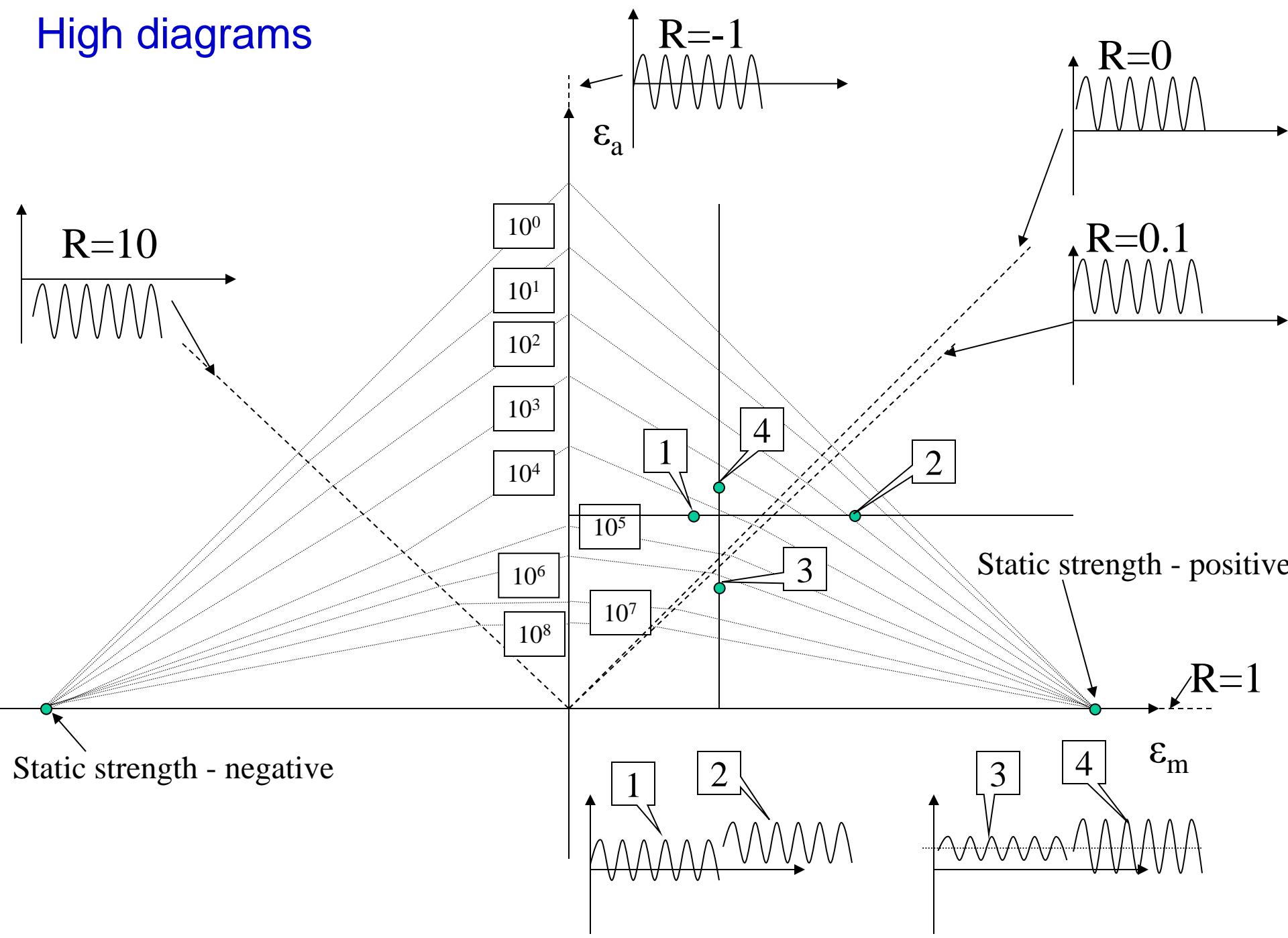
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ω

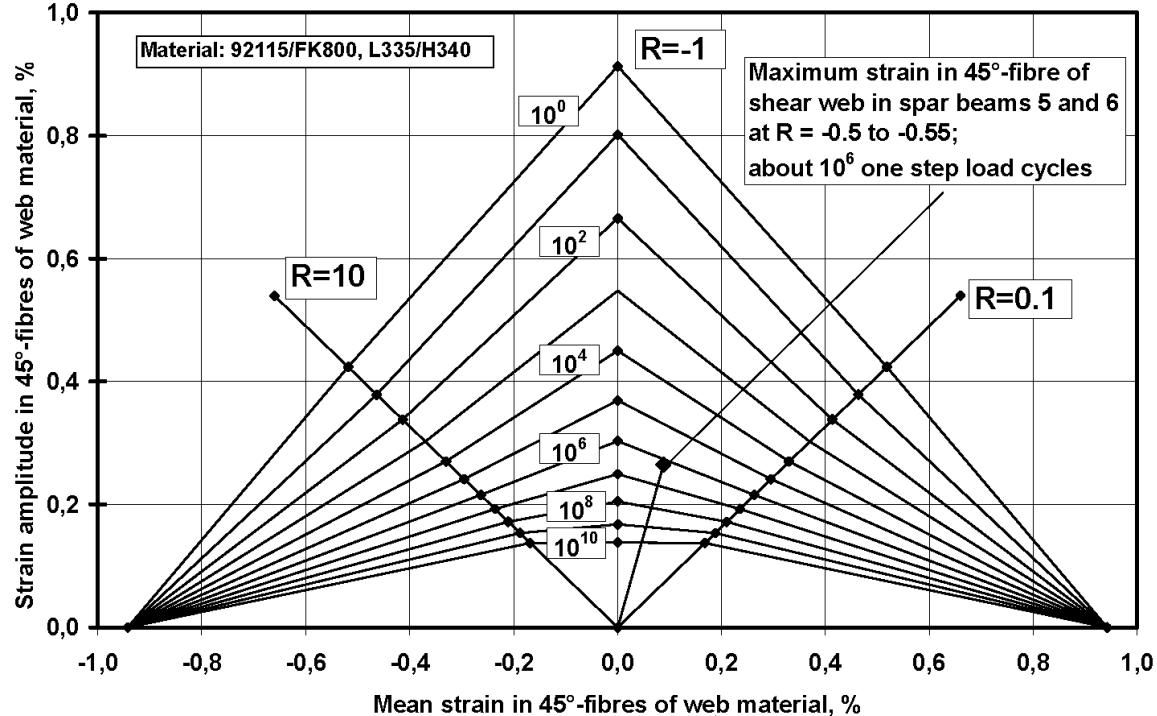
ε_m

10^0
 10^1
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High diagrams



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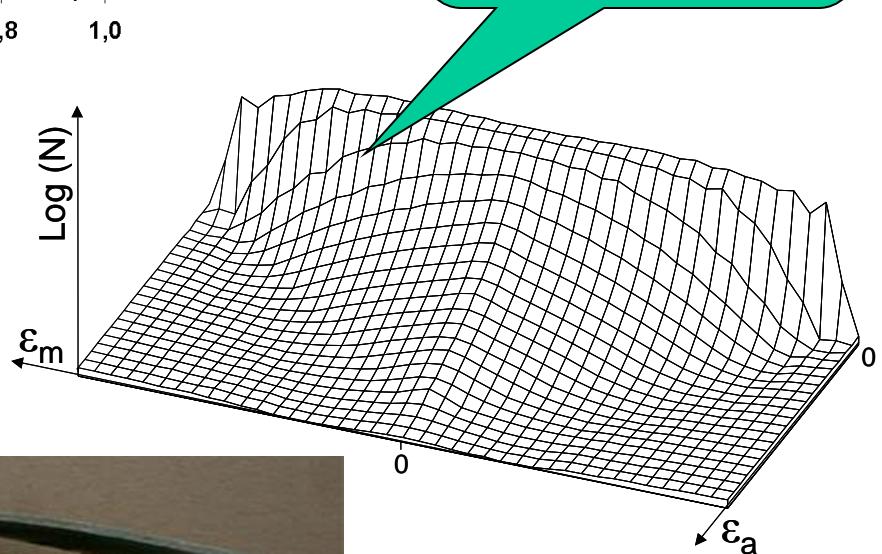
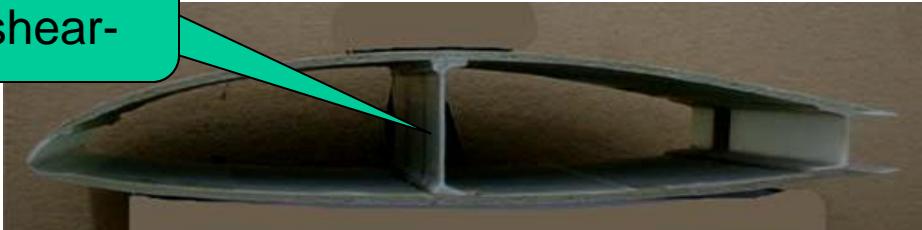
Source: PROPOSAL FOR A CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE OF EXTENDED SAILPLANE LIFETIME

Christoph W. Kensche
Institute of Structures and Design
German Aerospace Center (DLR)

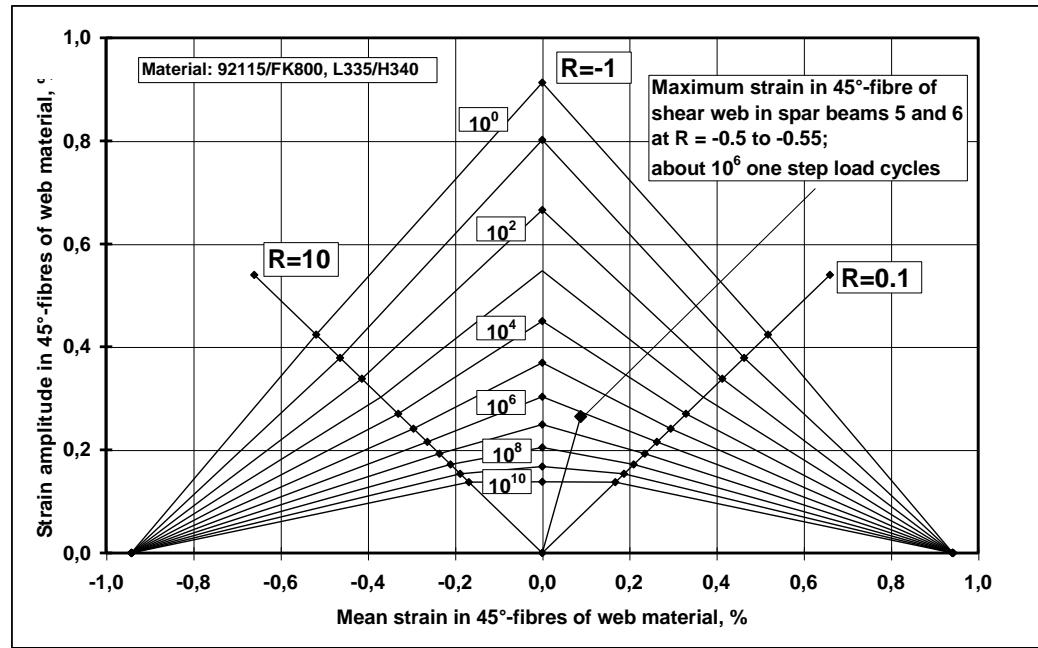
3D visualisation
of Number of
Cycles to Failure



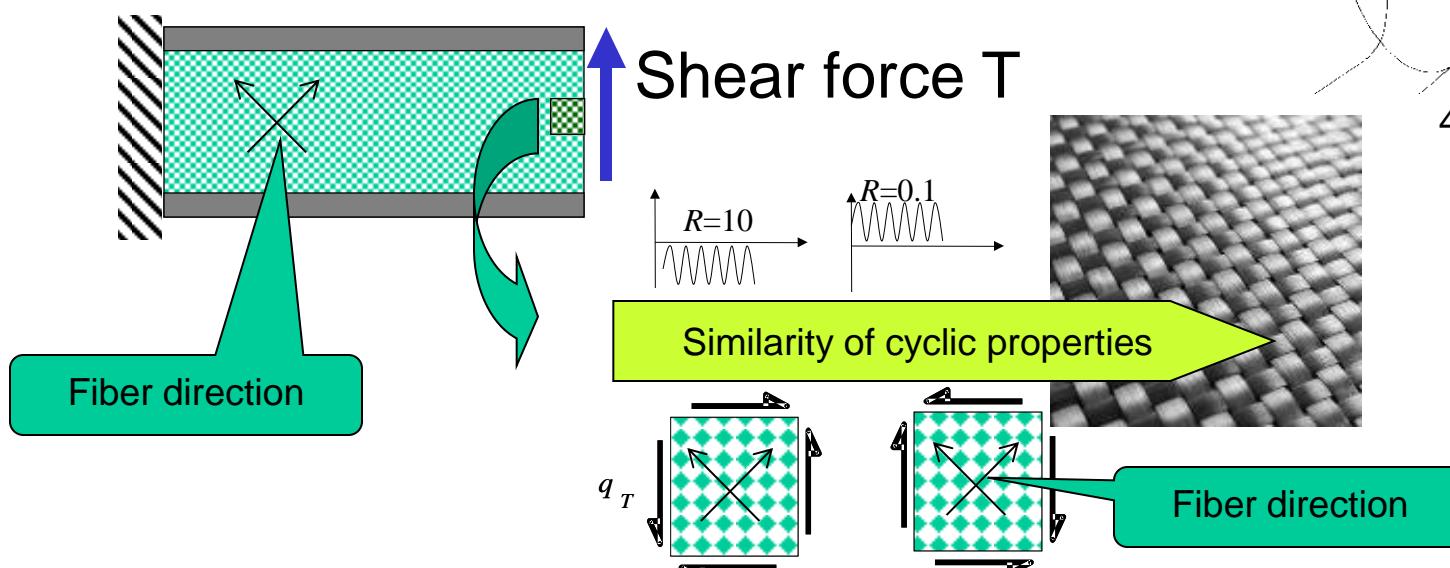
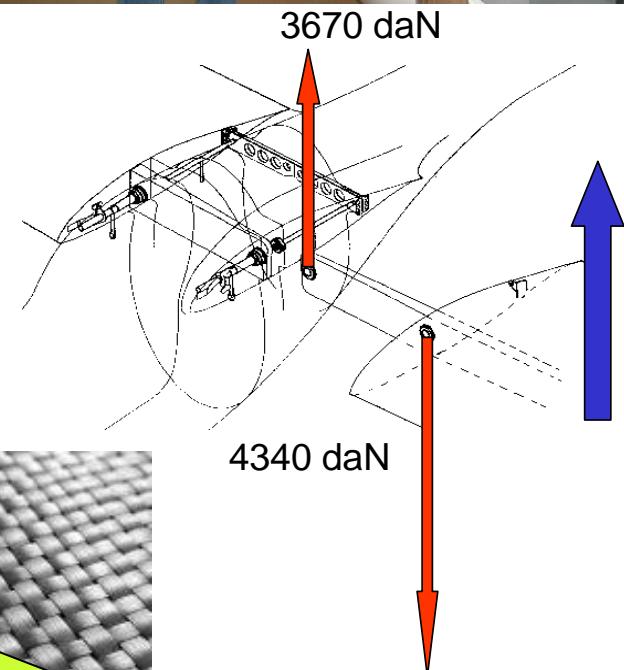
Example of High diagram
for the wing spar shear-
web



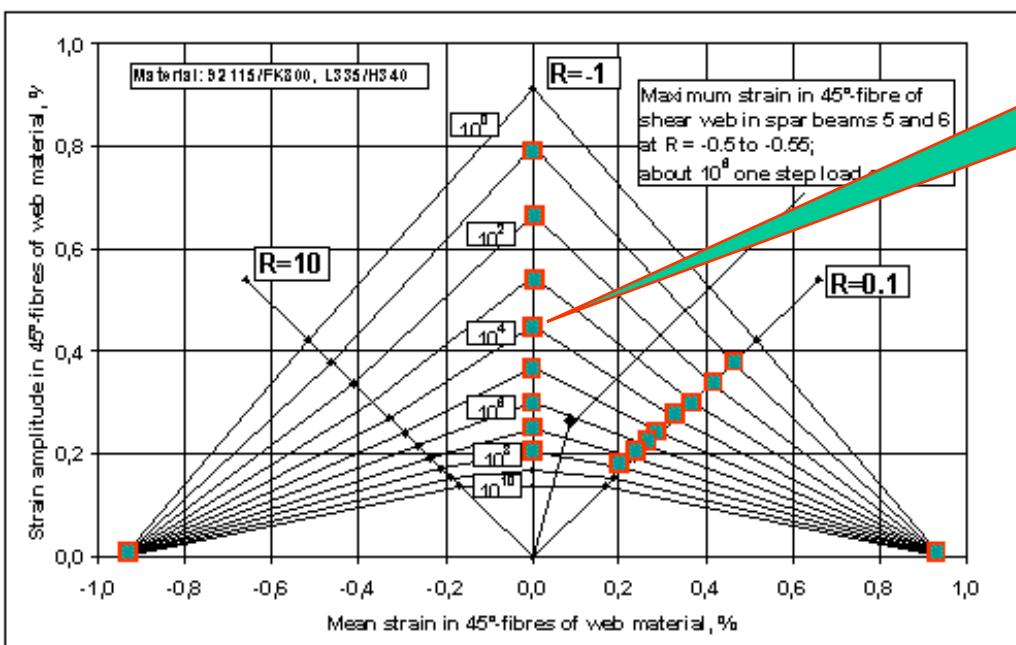
Why this High diagram is symmetrical ?



High diagram for the shear-web of the wing spar



Work consumption for the High diagram



At least seven specimens in each marked point

Even in simplest case it is necessary to test at least 126 specimens !!!

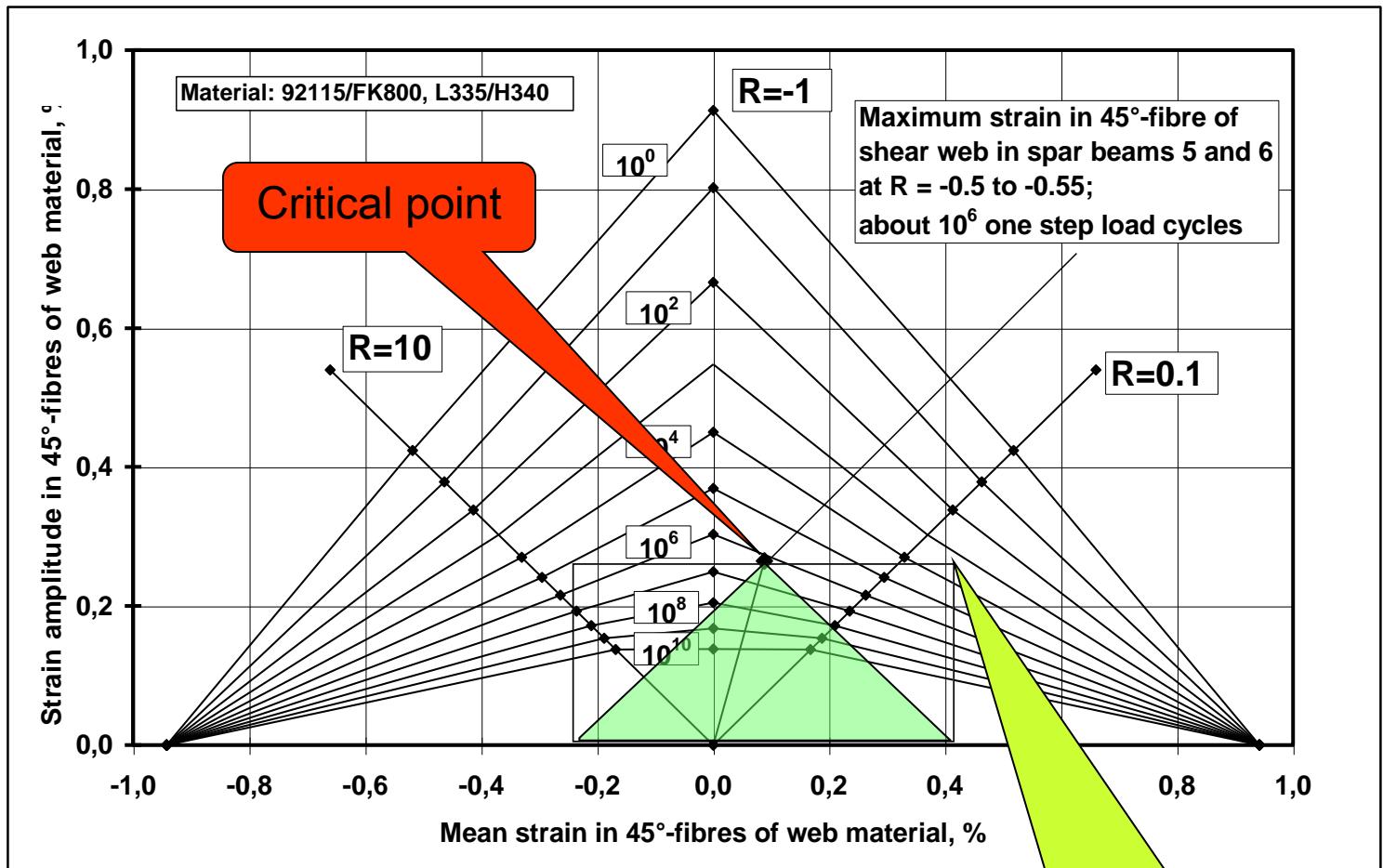
Sources of information about fatigue properties of the composites:

O. Krause, Ch. Kensche „Summary Fatigue Test Report OB_TG1_R026 rev. 0”, 2006 - raport z programu OPTIMAT BLADES („Confidential”).

J. F. Mandell, D. D. Samborsky „DOE/MSU Composite Material Fatigue Database: Test Methods, Materials, and Analysis” - CONTRACTOR REPORT SAND97-3002, UC-1210, 1997, - raport z podobnych badań

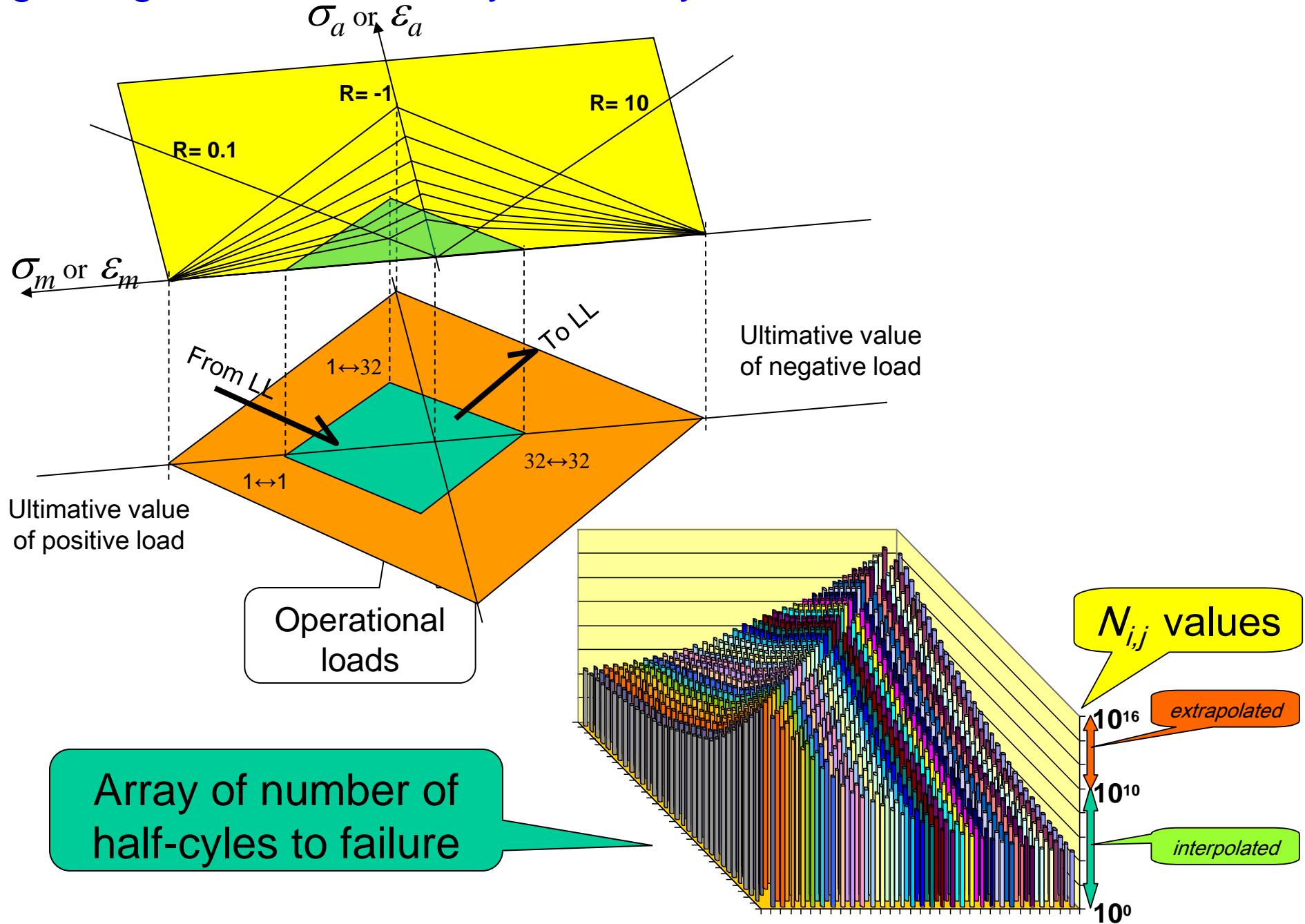
Raports from wind turbine developement programs

High diagrams – operational zones



Variability range of amplitude and medium value of strain

High diagrams versus array of half-cycles to failure



Oryginal Palmgren – Miner formula

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^l \frac{n_i}{N_i} = 1$$

For majority of materials $D \neq 1$

Load spectrum & fatigue damage

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} D_{i,j} = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} \frac{n_{i,j}}{N_{i,j}}$$

Number of half-cycles in the LS

Number of half-cycles to failure

Palmgren – Miner formula modyfied for array calculations

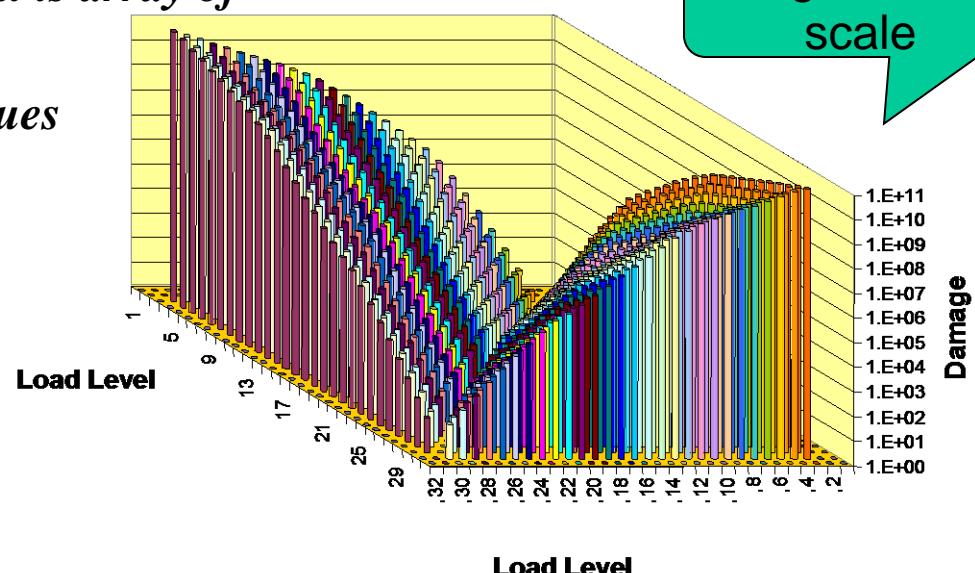
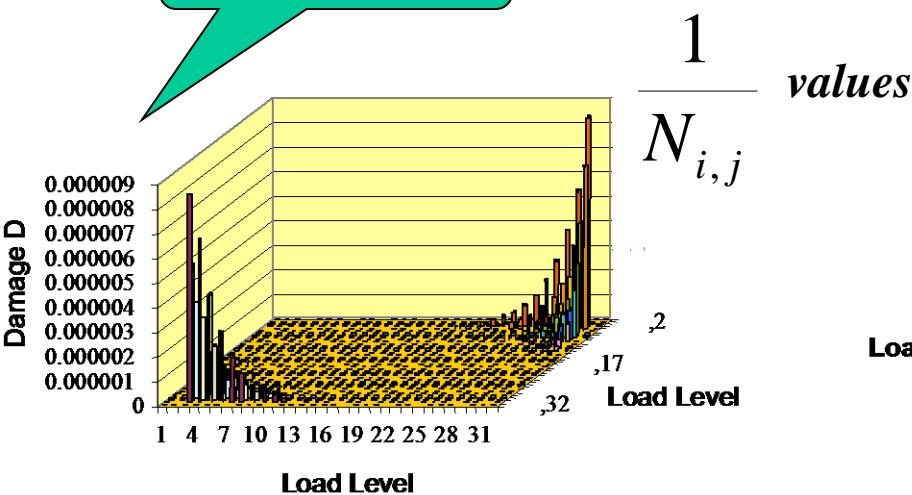
Unitary Damage Array

(UDA - array of damage-values for the Unitary Transfer-Array, i.e. array having all values equal to 1)

Linnear scale

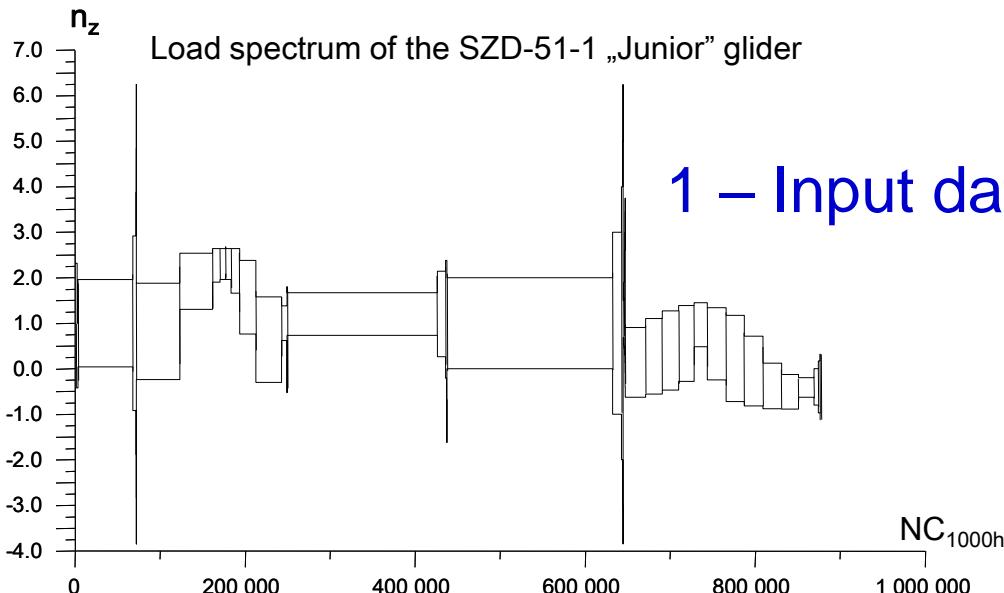
In other words it is array of

Logarithmic scale



Example of fatigue calculations 1/2

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} D_{i,j} = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} \frac{n_{i,j}}{N_{i,j}}$$

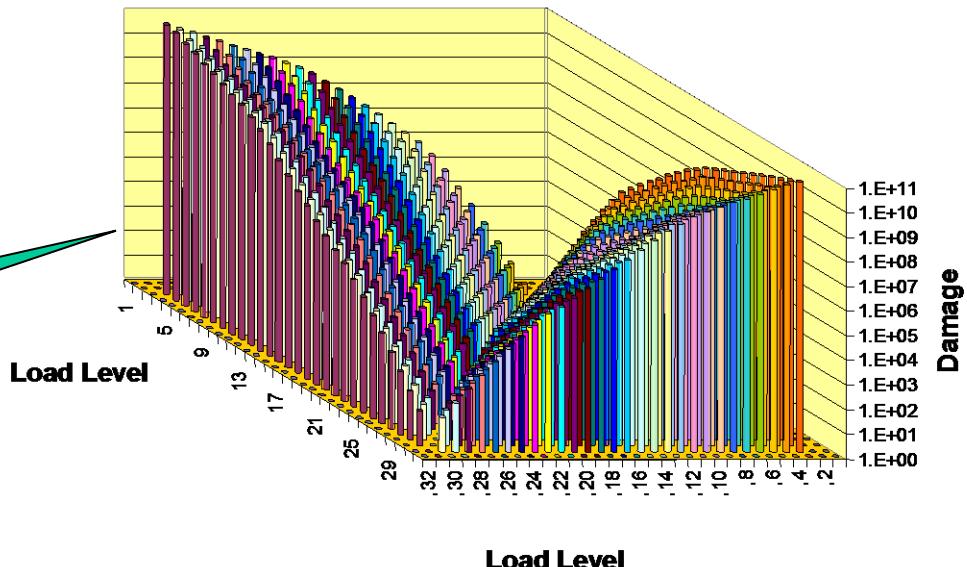


1 – Input data: the Load Spectrum of the PW-5 glider

Cumulated number of load cycles for 1000h of PW-5 operation = 1 753 072

2 – Input data: fatigue properties of the material

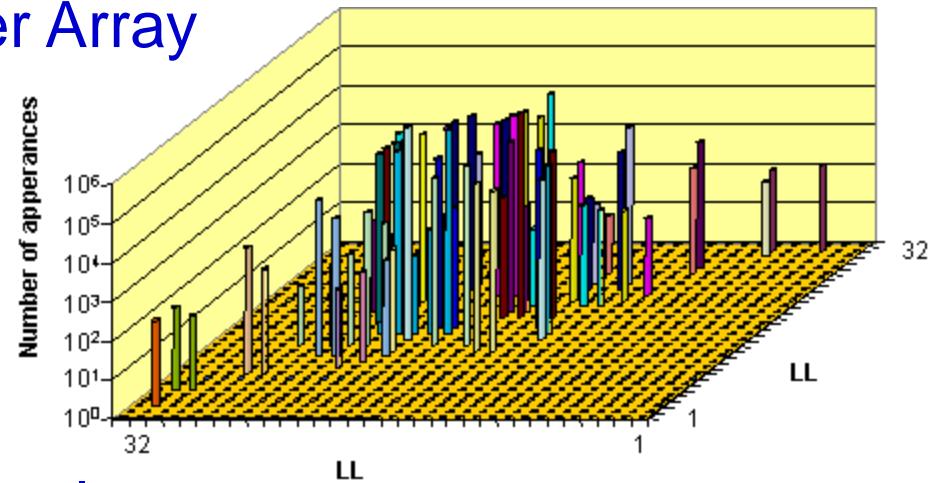
$1/N_{i,j}$ values



Example of fatigue calculations 2/2:

3 – Transition of LS to Transfer Array

$n_{i,j}$ values for 1000 h
of glider operation



4 – Calculation of the damage value:

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} D_{i,j} = \sum_{i=1}^{32} \sum_{j=1}^{32} \frac{n_{i,j}}{N_{i,j}}$$

In the case of PW-5 glider wing spar shear web

5 – Calculation the life-time:

(Assumption that critical D value is equal to 1)

$$D_{1000h} = 0.00389$$

$$\text{Life Time} = (1/0.00389) * 1000h = 257\ 069h$$

Improvement of the fatigue testing - Equivalent Load Spectra

Problem description:

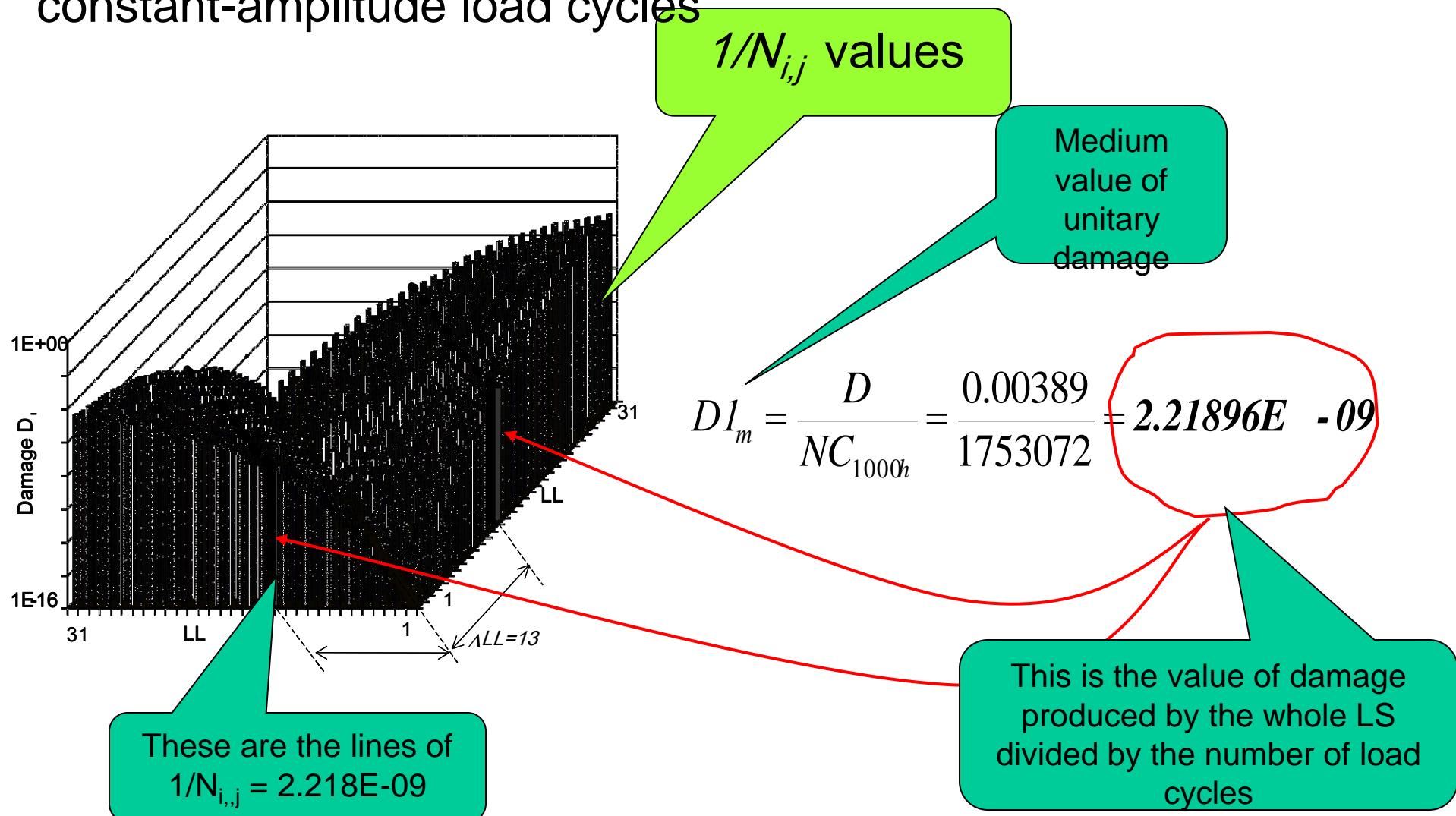
Can we substitute a full Load Spectrum by another Load Spectrum, which allows simplification of the fatigue test arrangement and decreasing the workload?

The main requirement:

In both cases of the LS the D value should be the same

Equivalent Load Spectra

A – simplification by substituting the full LS by the blocks of constant-amplitude load cycles

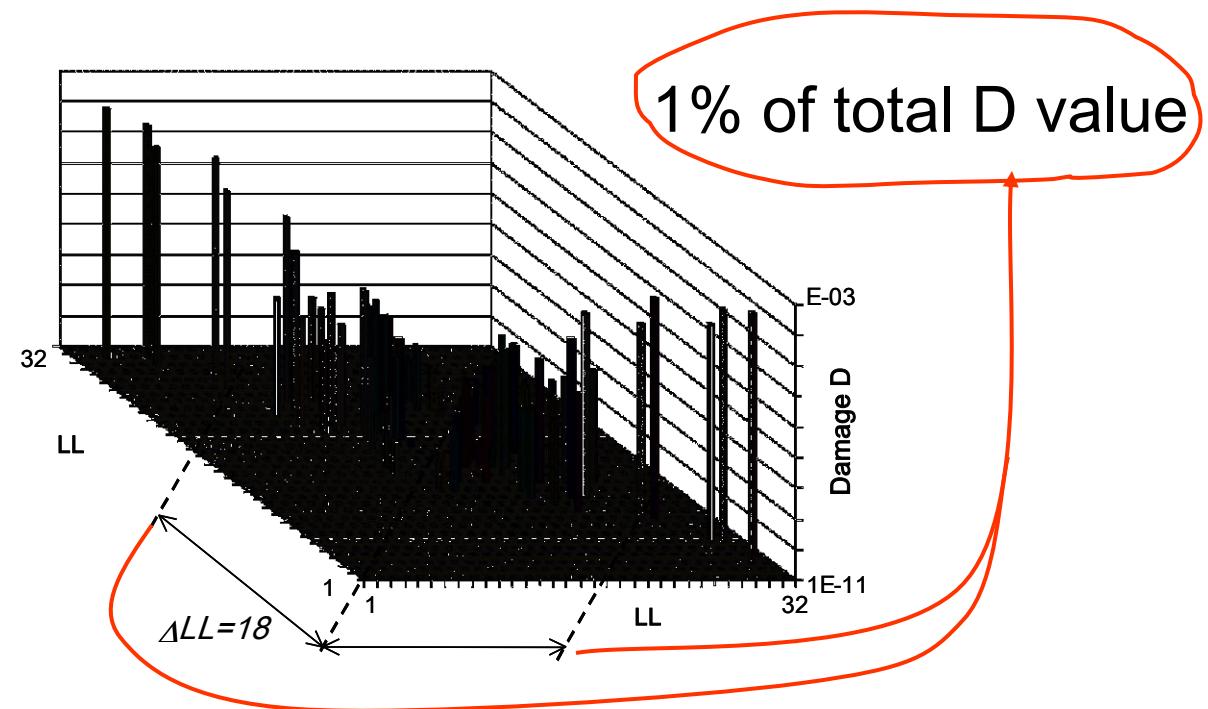


Conclusion: Instead of the full LS one can apply 1 753 072 load cycles having constant Load Level increments equal to 13

Equivalent Load Spectra

Problem: are all cells in the Half-Cycle Array equally important ?

Damage-values for the Unitary Transfer-Array



Note: In the case of PW-5 glider LS – the half –cycles placed within $\Delta LL = 18$ zone are producing only 1% of total D value

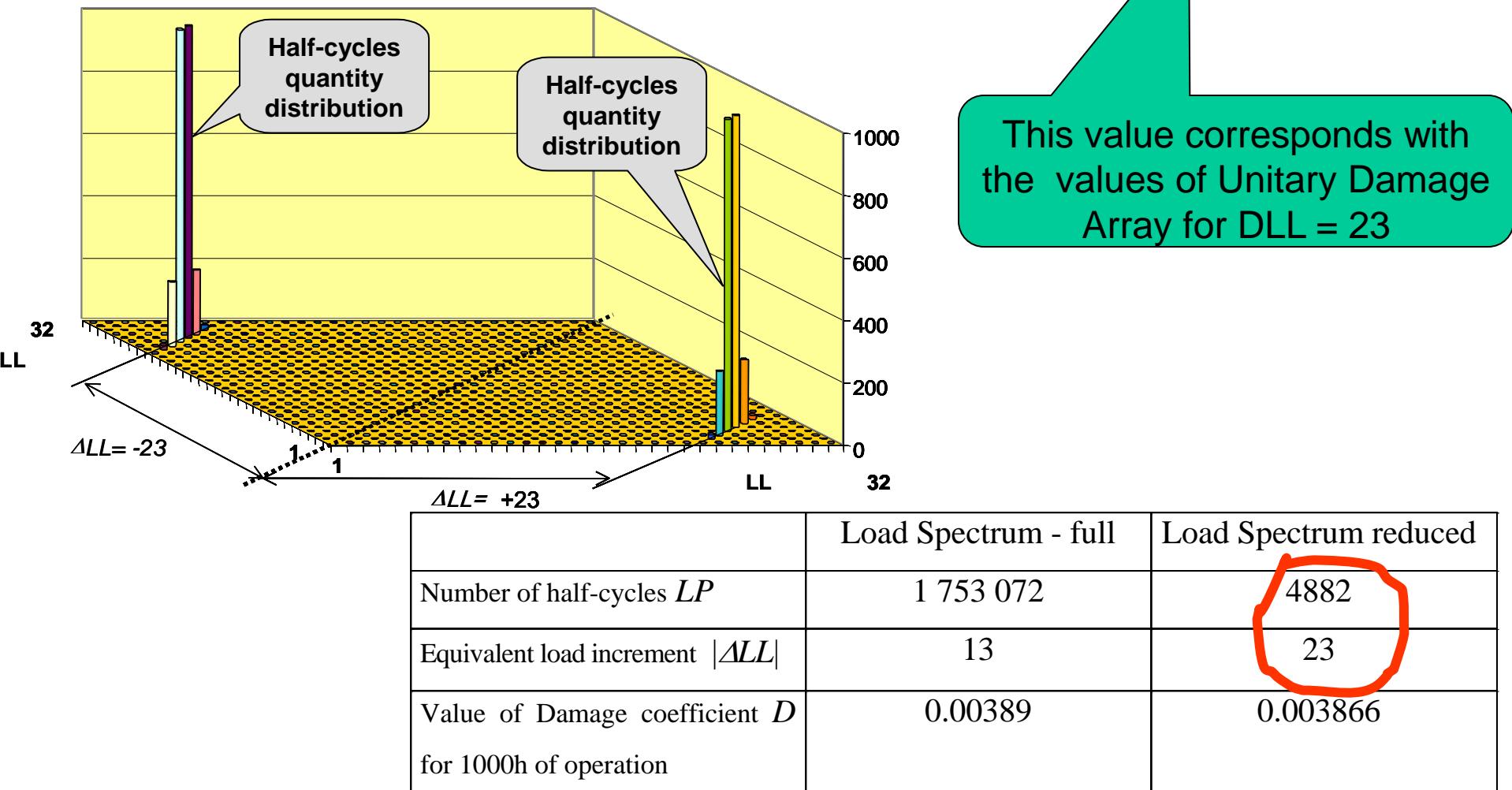
Conclusion: We can neglect the load cycles within $\Delta LL = 18$ zone

Result: The LS is reduced from 1 753 072 load cycles to only 4882 load cycles without significant change of the D value

Equivalent Load Spectra

The new value of D_{1m} after this reduction:

$$D1_m = \frac{D}{NC_{1000h}} = \frac{0.00389}{4882} = 7.96E - 07$$



Conclusion: This is significant simplification of the fatigue test!!!

Equivalent Load Spectra

Another method of fatigue test simplification – „One- step” fatigue test:

„One-step” fatigue test, i.e. 10 000 cycles of loads within design limit as a prove of 12 000 hours of operation

The biggest load increment is between LL=31 and LL=3

PROPOSAL FOR A CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR SAILPLANES

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$$\frac{D}{UDA_{3,31}(\text{medium value})} = \frac{0.00389}{8.52E-06} = 457$$

load changes
(i.e. ~229 load cycles for 1000h of operation)

What is the safety margin if we apply such a test?

(comparison of the number of cycles for 12 000h of glider operation)

$$\frac{10\ 000 \text{ cycles}}{12 \cdot 229 \text{ cycles}} \cdot 100\% = 365\%$$

Equivalent to scatter factor of 3.65

The end of the part
regarding the Load
Spectra