



## **THREE-DIMENSIONAL ELASTOPLASTIC ANALYSIS OF ROLLING CONTACT**

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# TALK OUTLINE

- **SHAKEDOWN, RESIDUAL STRESS**
- **DEFORMATION STUDIES RELEVANT TO CONTACT**
- **BAINITIC AND PEARLITIC RAIL MATERIALS**
- **CONCLUSIONS**

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one side. It will be distorted and there will be set up residual stresses. Now, if the other side is similarly flame-treated, there will be residual stresses that will straighten the plate.

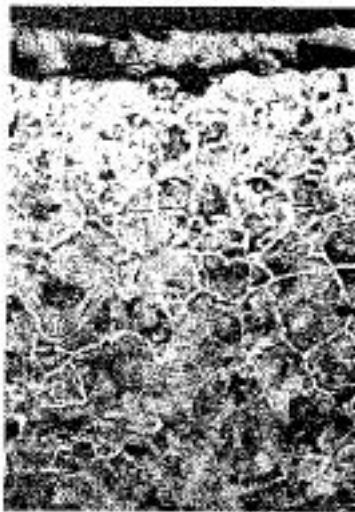


FIG. 11.—Lamellarized section in the head of a railroad rail, showing flame-treated surface. The grains of ferrite in the rail head zone of the rail head indicate that the metal has been changed from a steel with about 0.75 per cent of carbon to one with about 0.20 per cent carbon. Below the flame-treated zone the steel is almost entirely pearlite. At the top of the micrograph are lamellar particles of scale which were formed on pointing. Magnification, 100 times. (Micrograph by W. H. Crompton.)

It will not be distorted, but it will have residual stresses both in the hardened zone on the upper side and in the hardened zone in the lower side, and a stress-relieving treatment is, in general, desirable.

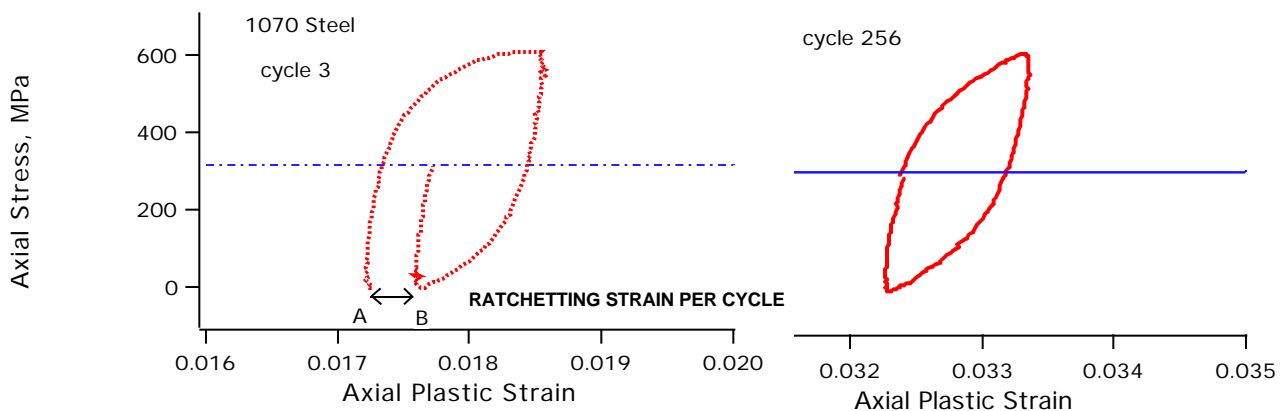
The flame-hardening process may be used to strengthen the metal at points of localized stress concentration. How-

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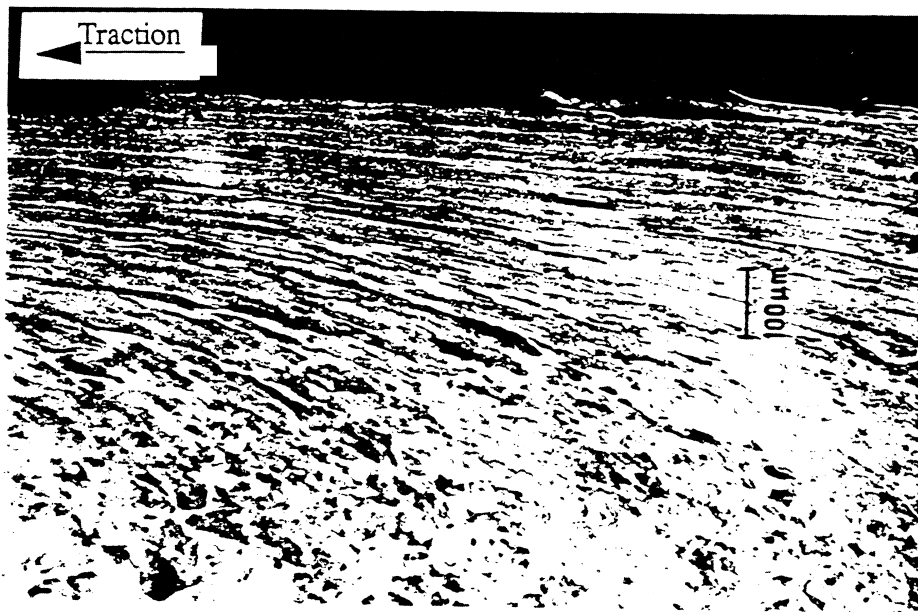
## Excessive Wear in Crossings



## DEFINITION OF RATCHETTING : INCREMENT OF STRAIN PER CYCLE DUE NONCLOSURE OF THE HYSTERESIS LOOP



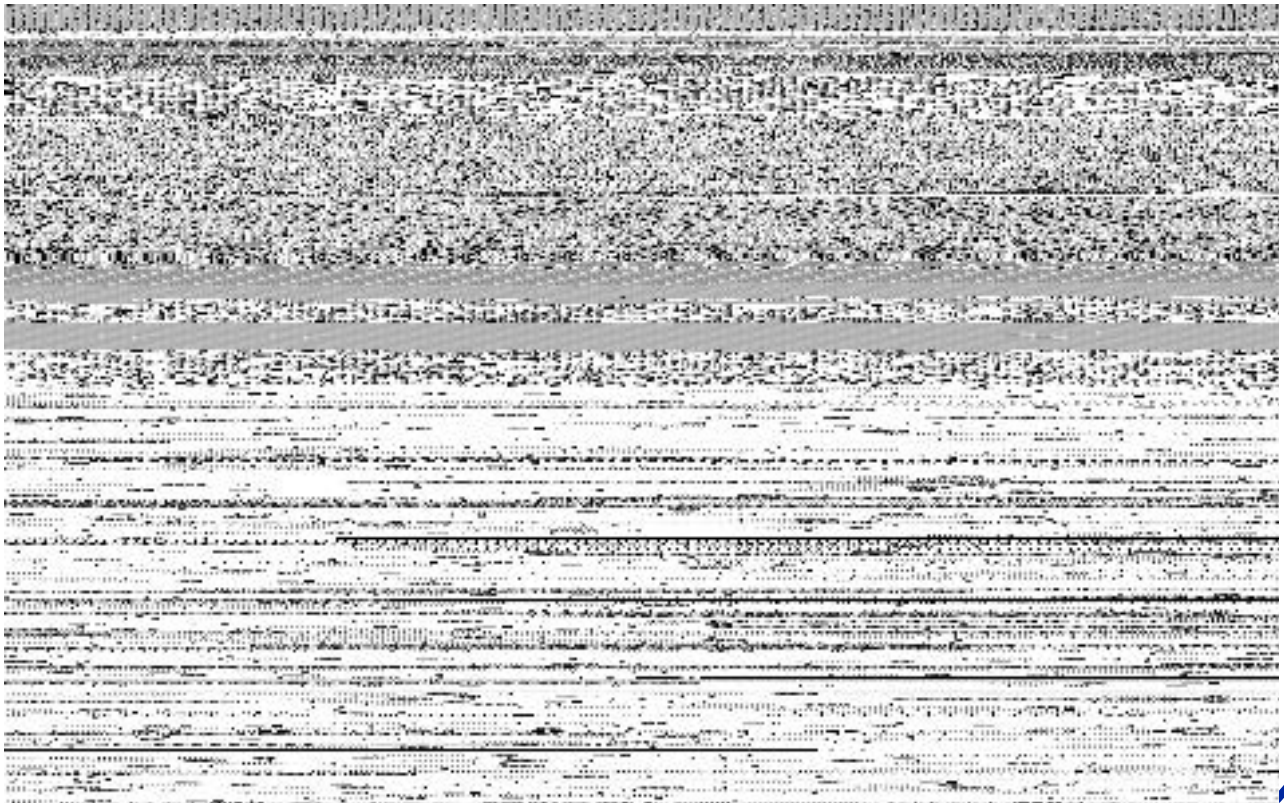
Significant Texture ( Orientation) Develops in the Material  
Under Contact (Tyfour & Benyon)



## **MOTIVATION**

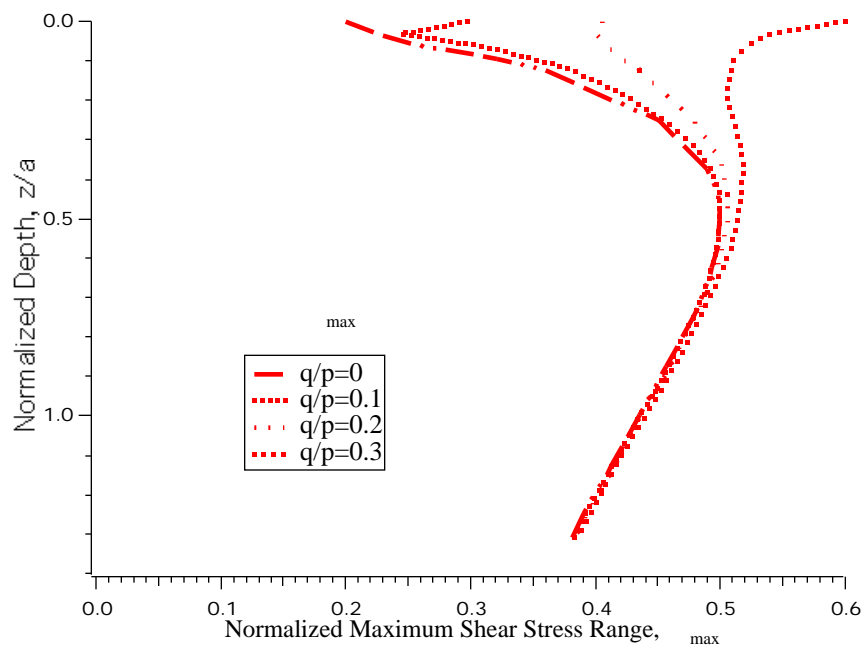
- **To Model the Ratchetting Plastic Deformation Involved in Rolling Contact and Other Complex Multiaxial Nonproportional Loading**
- **Specific Emphasis on Long Term Ratchetting and Multiple Step Loading**

## Contact Stress History in wheel -rail contact (Johnson, 1985)

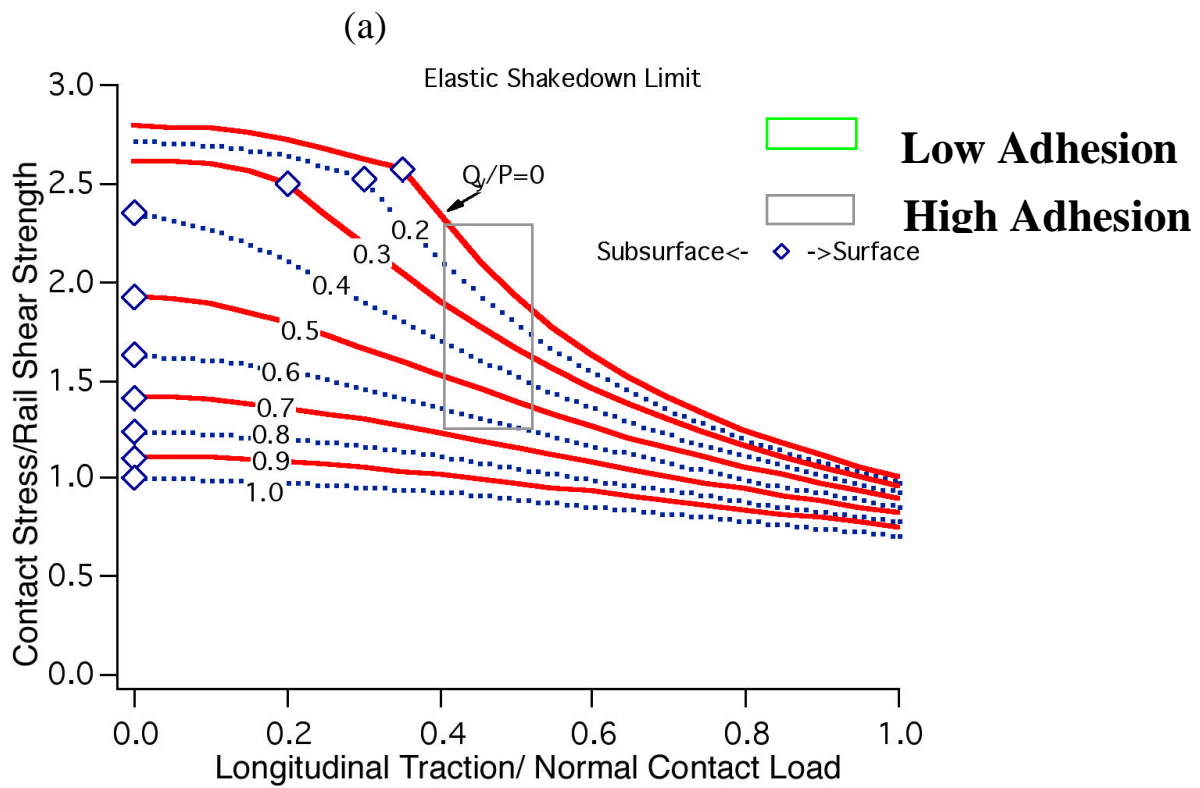




## Variation of Maximum Shear Stress with Increasing Traction

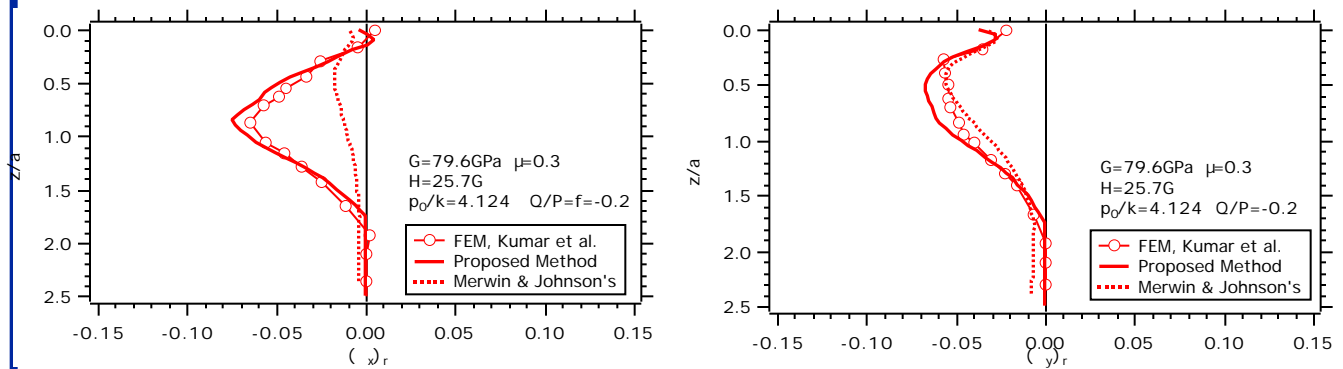


## Operation Regimes in Railroad Locomotives

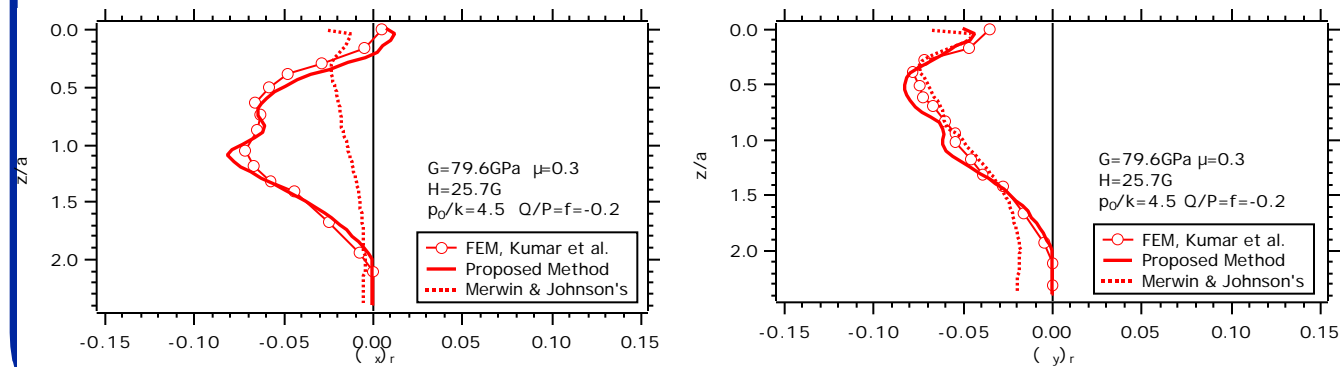


## Residual Stress Profiles in Rolling Contact

Jiang, Sehitoglu, ASME J.Tribology, 116:3, 1994



(a) Case I:  $p_0/k=4.124$   $Q/P=-0.2$

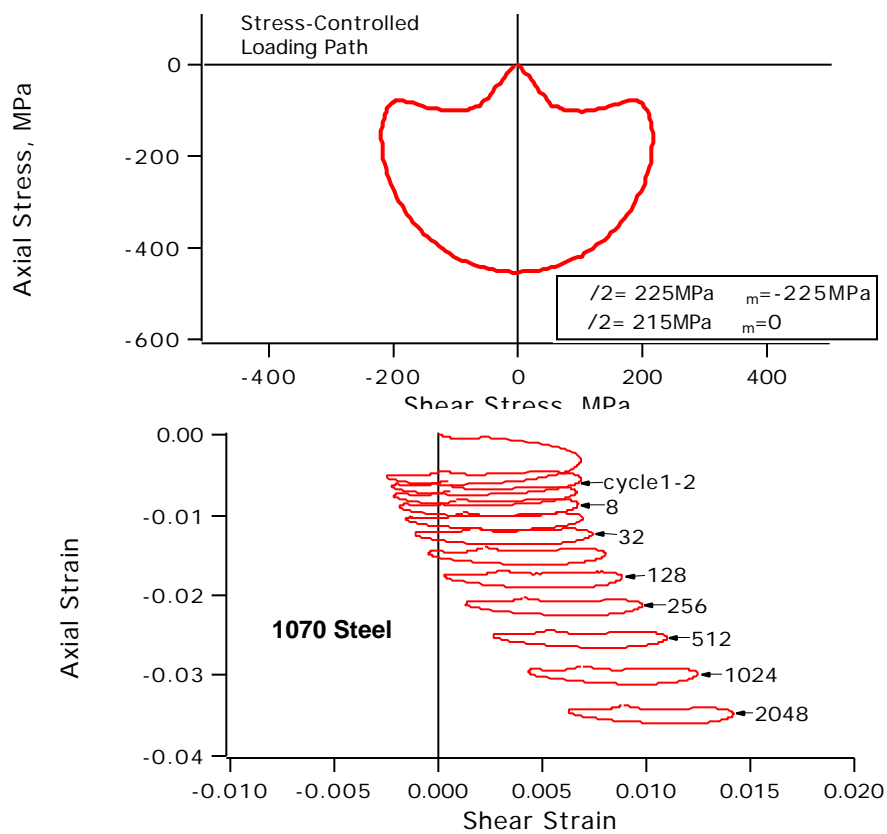


(b) Case II:  $p_0/k=4.5$   $Q/P=-0.2$

## EXPERIMENTAL RATCHETTING FOR A NONPROPORTIONAL AXIAL-TORSIONAL LOADING PATH

Jiang, Y. and H. Sehitoglu, *ASME JAM*, 63, 726\_733, 1996.

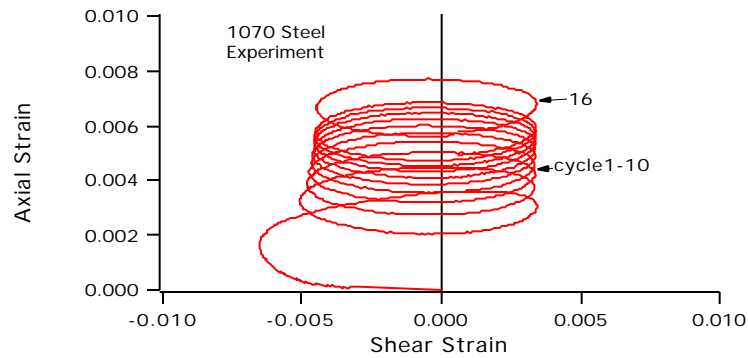
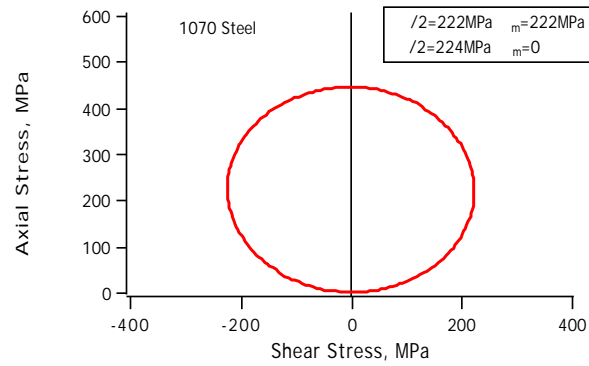
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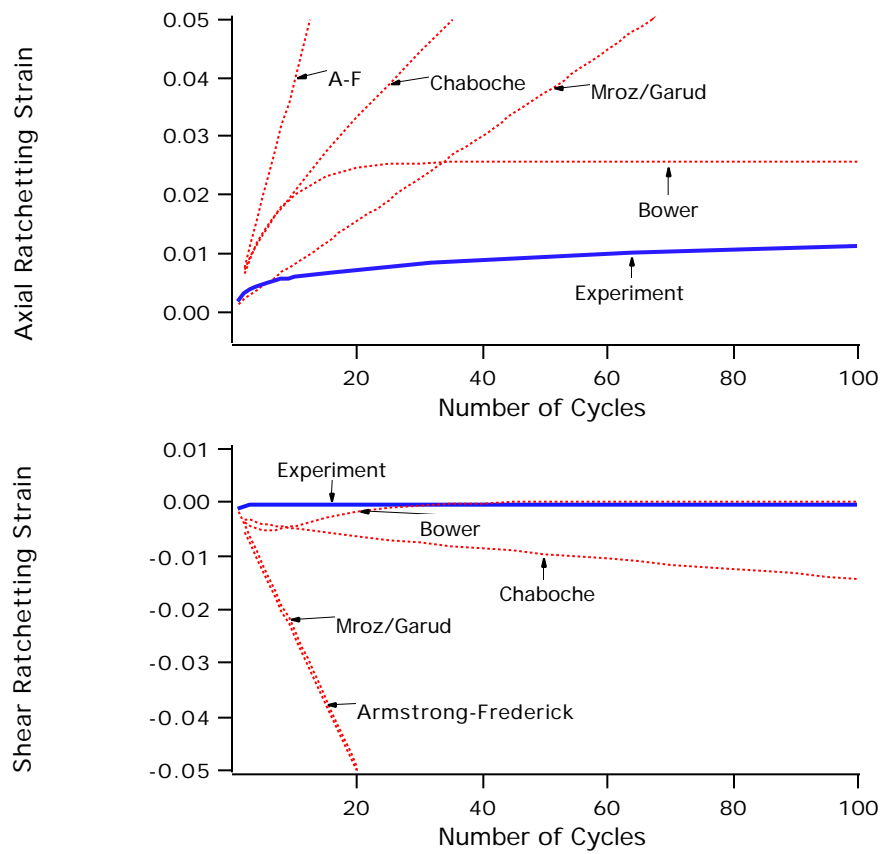
## **EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATIONS**

- **The ratchetting direction is coincident with the mean stress direction under single-step proportional loading.**
- **For 1070 Steel, the ratchetting rate decreases with increasing number of loading cycles for both proportional and nonproportional loadings.**
- **Under multiple-step loadings, the material exhibits a memory of the previous loading history.**

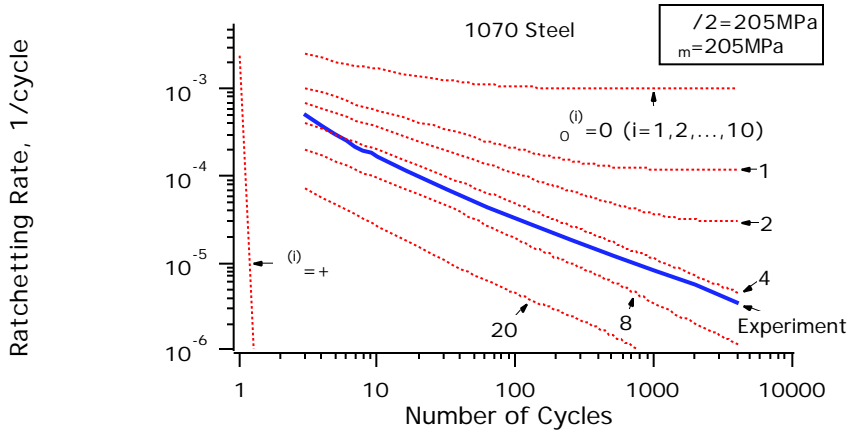
## EXPERIMENTAL “ELLIPSE PATH”



## PREDICTION OF THE "ELLIPSE" PATH

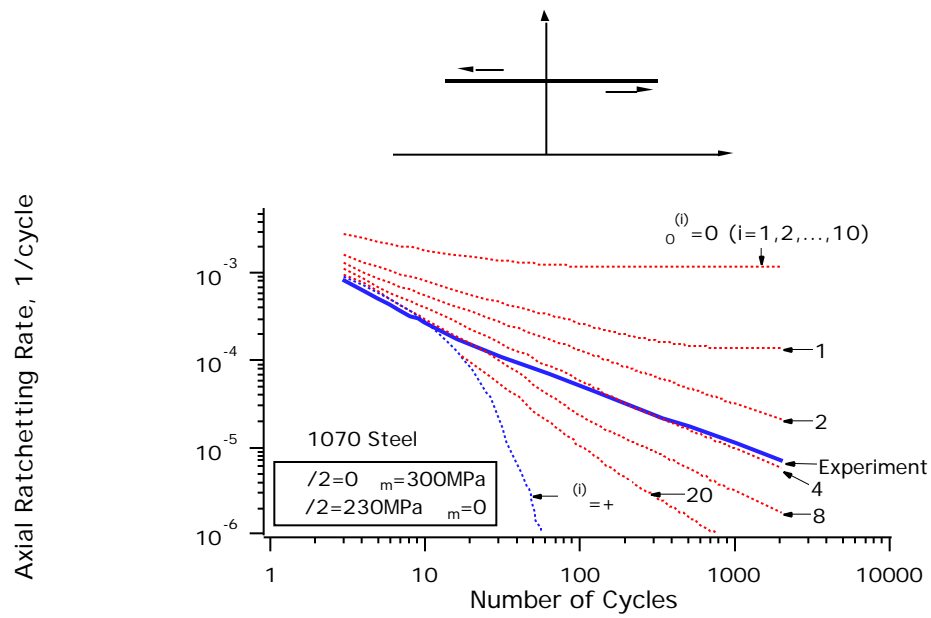


# CAPABILITY OF PROPOSED MODEL IN UNIAxIAL LOADING

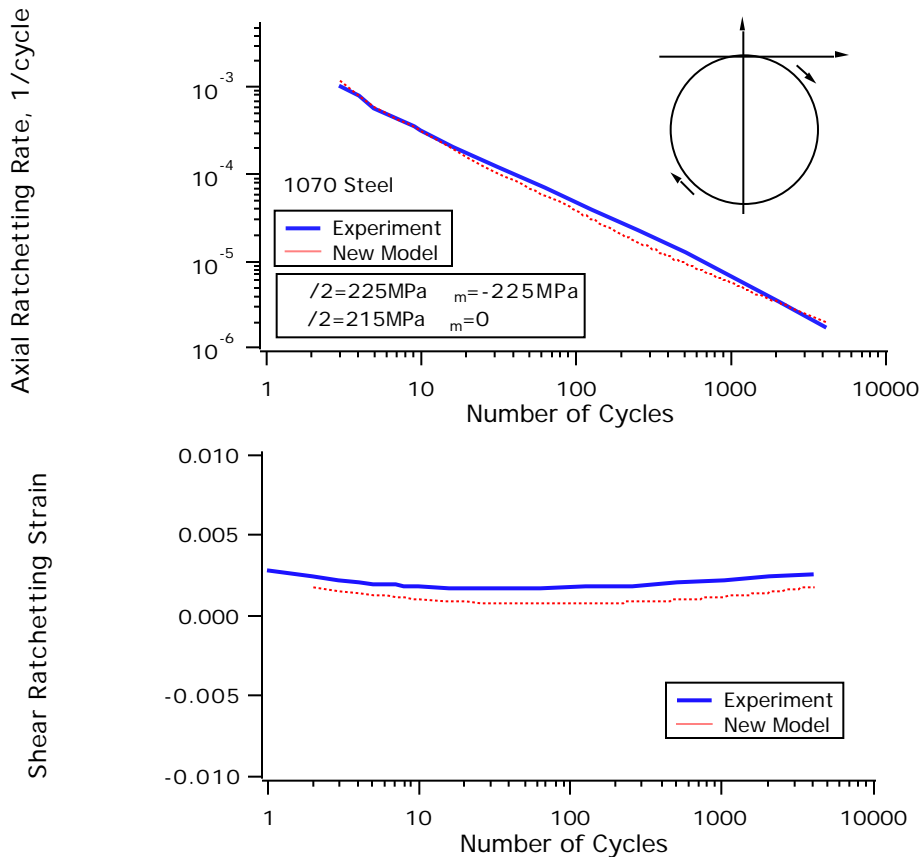




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# Deformed Meshes x-z Plane

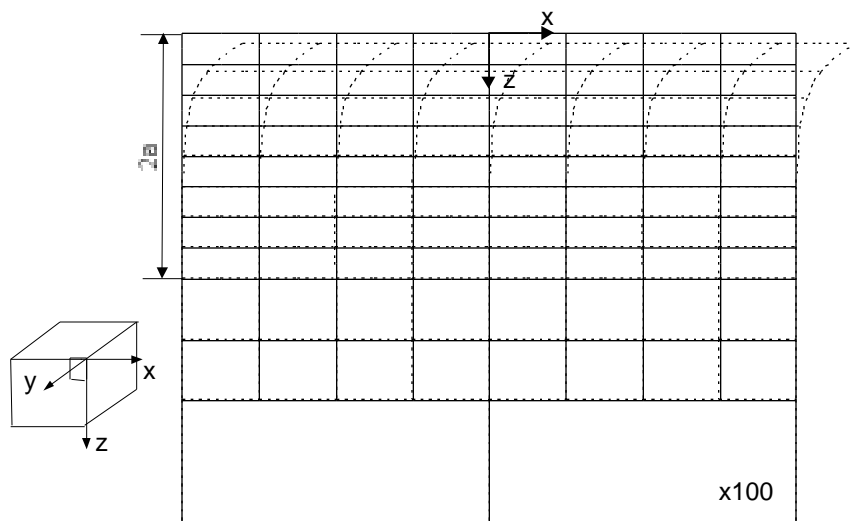
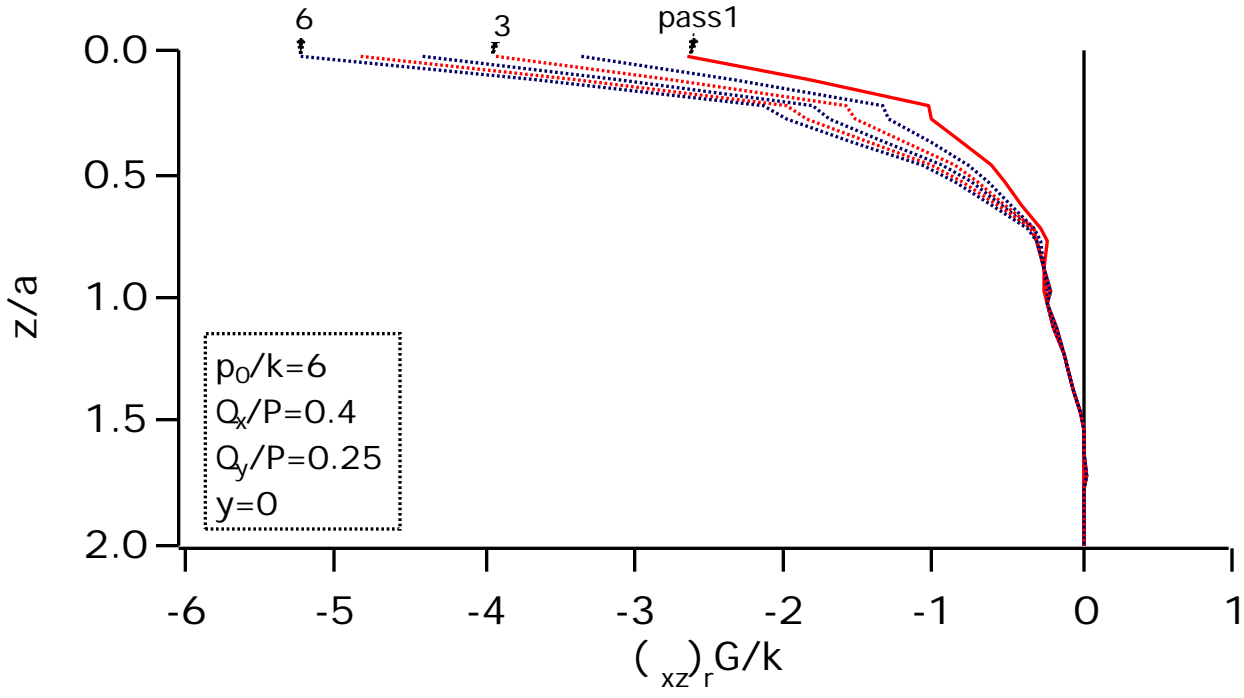
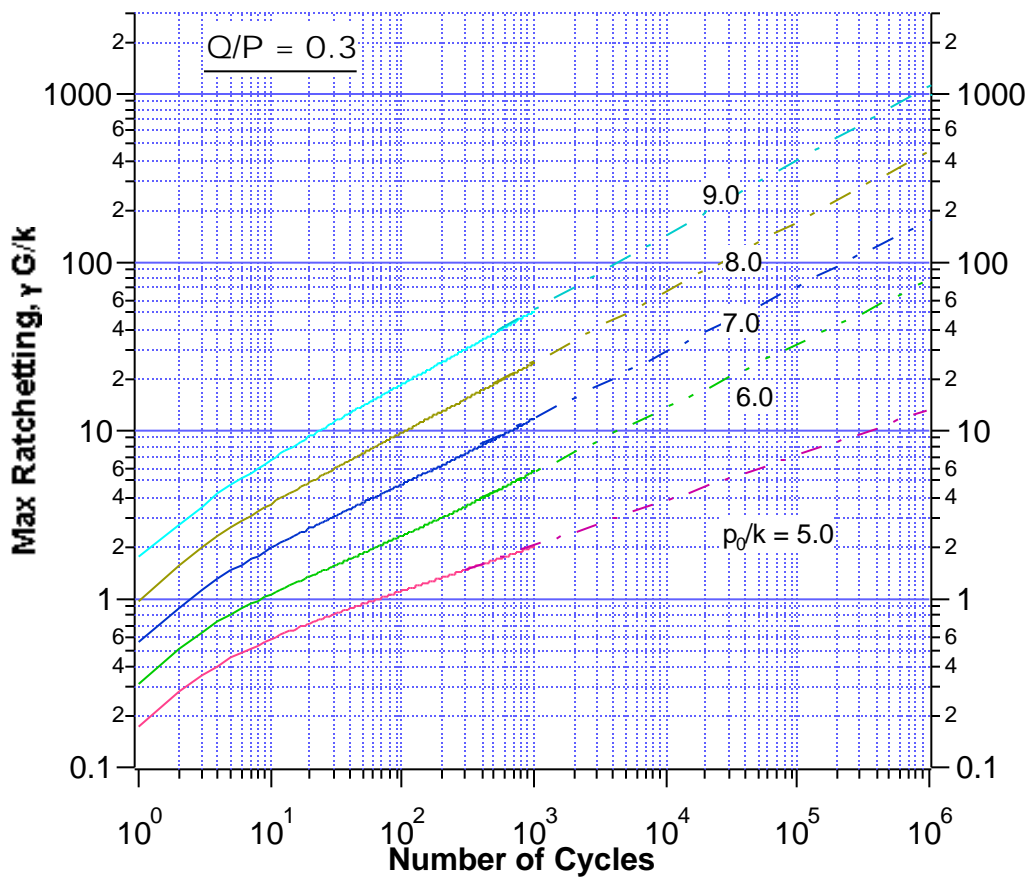


Figure 14(b) Deformed Mesh: x-z Plane

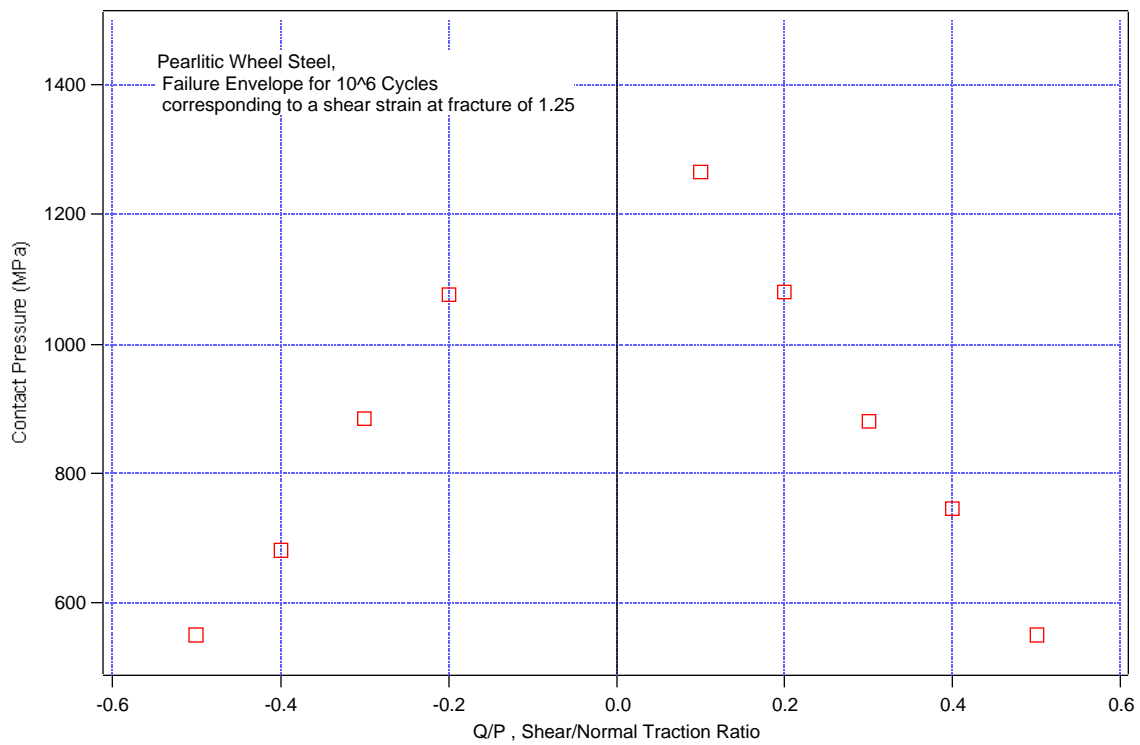
# Shear Strain Accumulation with Cycles



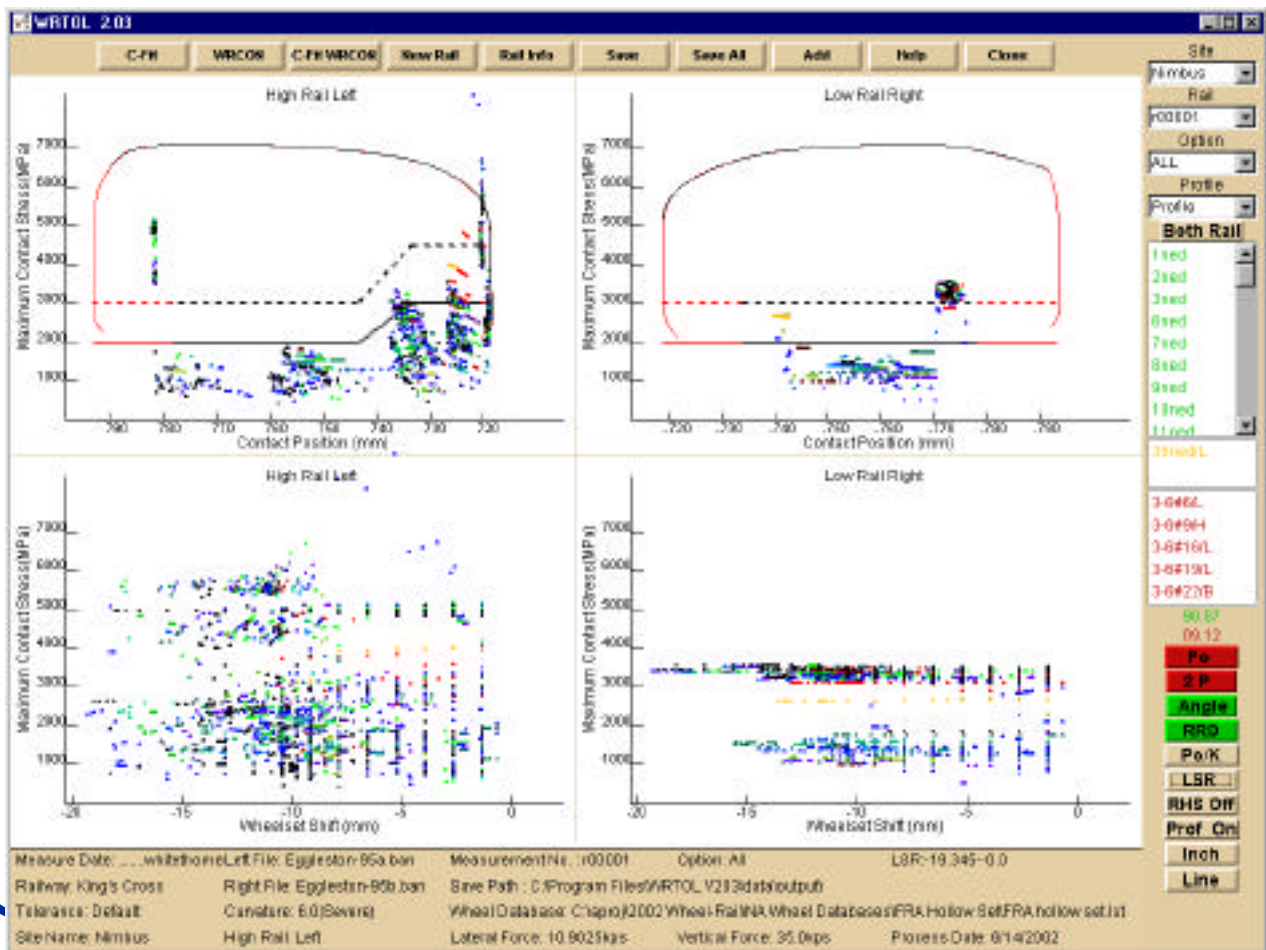
## Ratchetting as a Function of Cycles (Passes)



## Permissible Contact Pressure Based on a Ratchetting Strain Criteria



Sawley and Kristan (TTCI), 2001



## RAIL MATERIALS

TEM images of Pearlitic steel virgin rail specimens cut from the surface showing different alignments of lamellae in the throughout the microstructure.

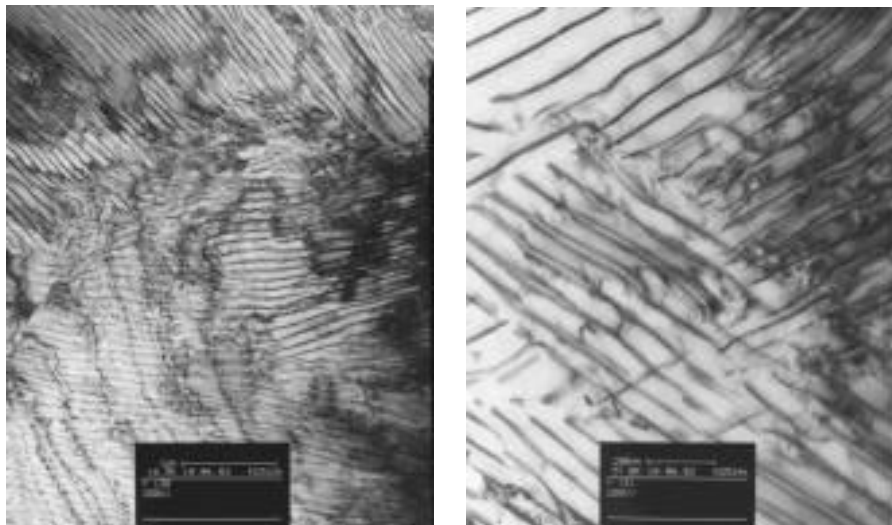
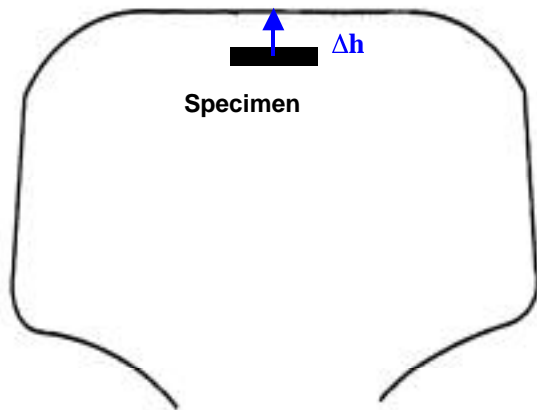
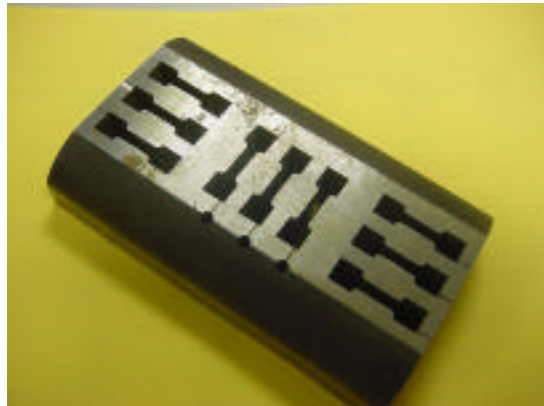




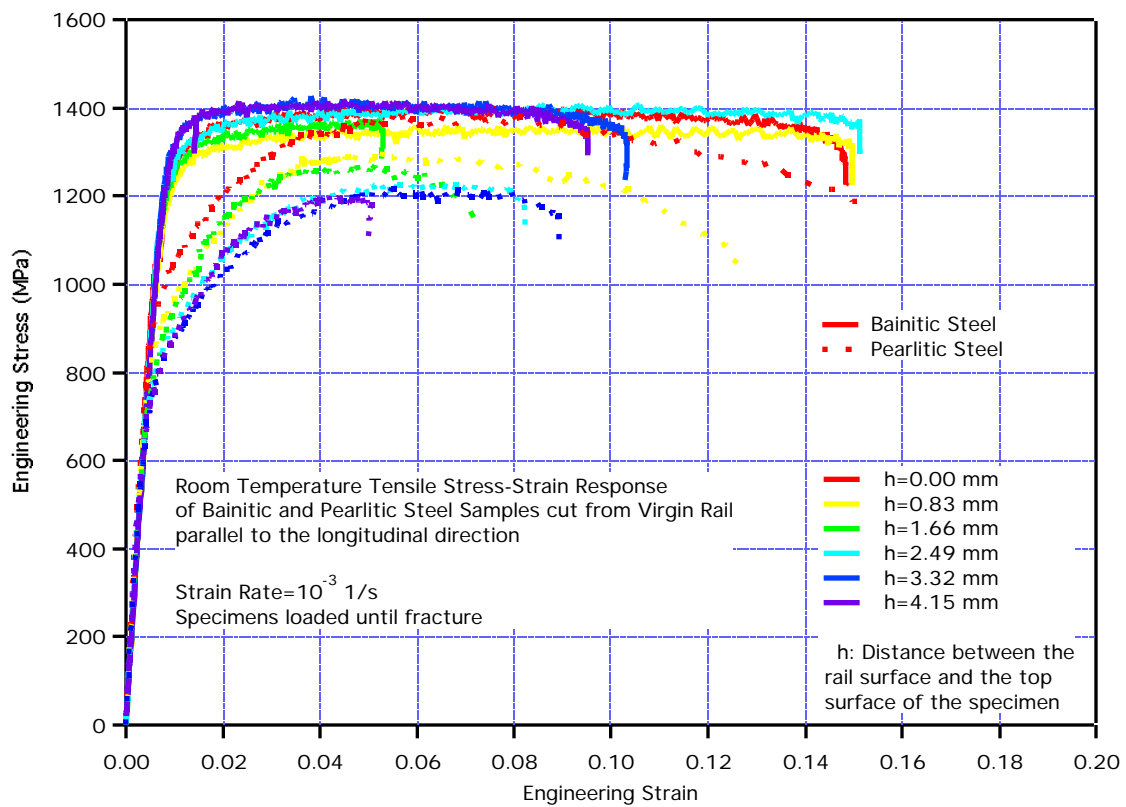
Figure showing the extraction convention for the virgin rail tensile specimens.



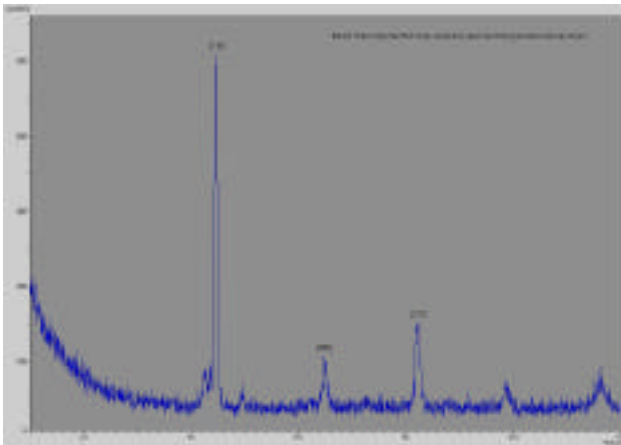
Picture showing the orientation of specimens cut from the virgin rails.



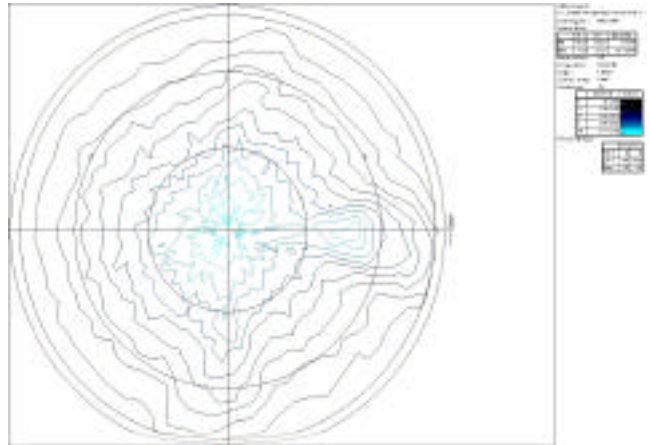
**Monotonic room temperature tensile test results for the Bainitic and Pearlitic steel virgin rail specimens cut parallel to longitudinal direction.**



# Bainitic Steel Virgin Rail Rolling Direction Texture

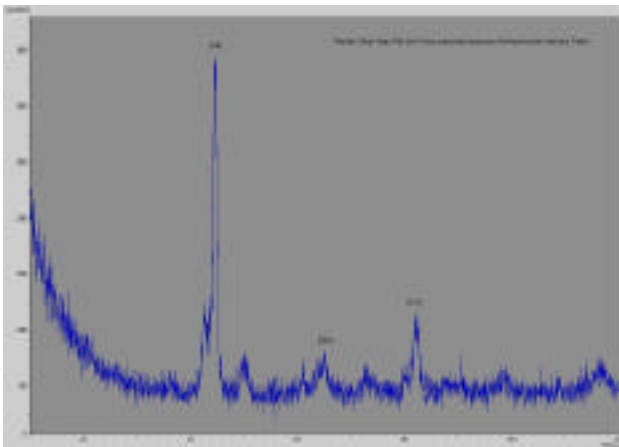


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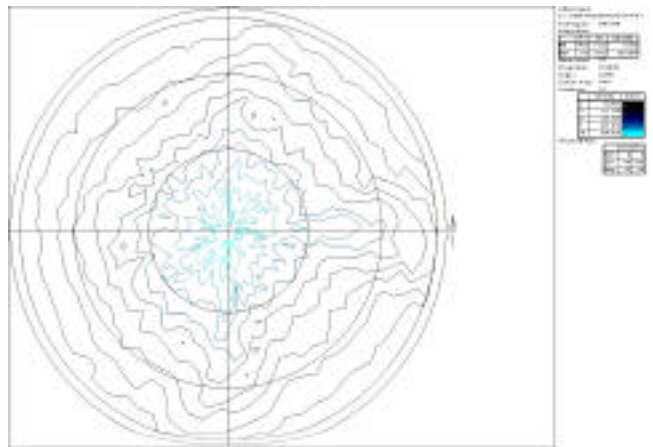


(110) Pole Figure

# Pearlitic Steel Virgin Rail Rolling Direction Texture

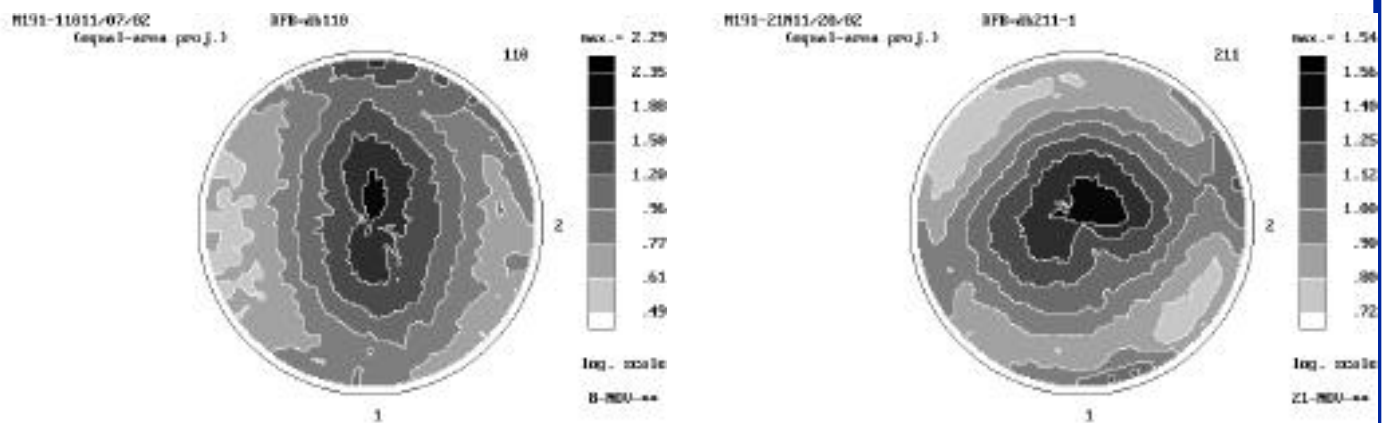


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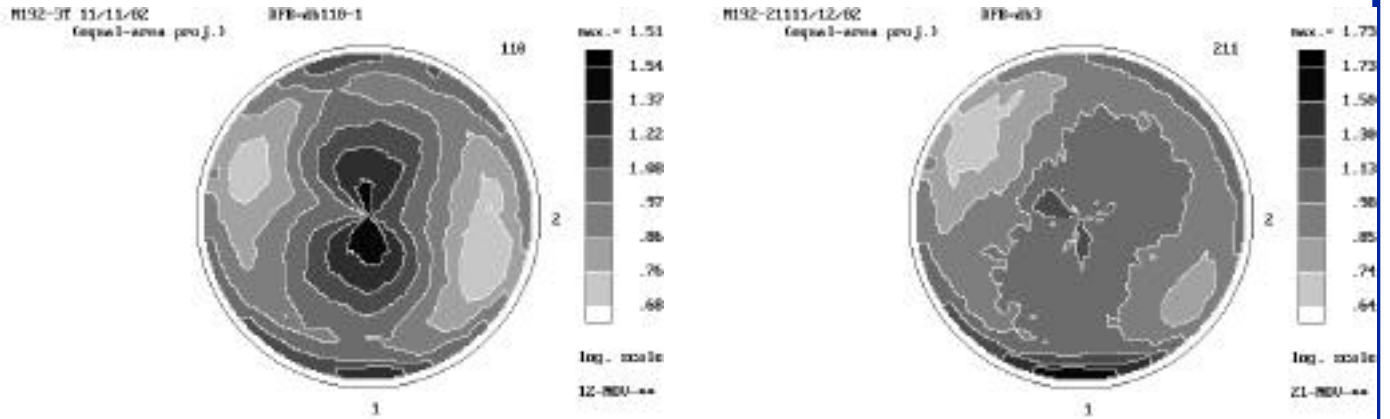
# Bainitic Steel Virgin Rail Surface Texture



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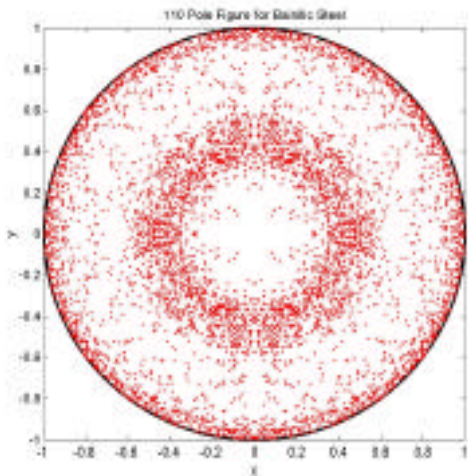
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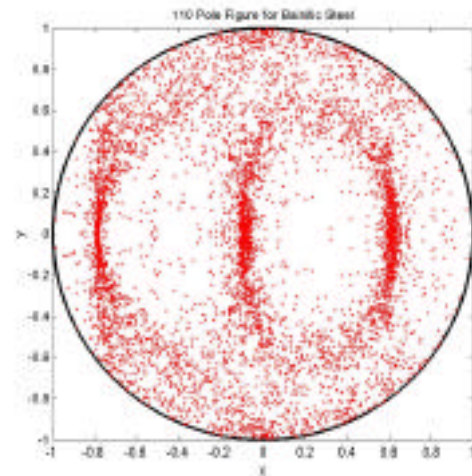
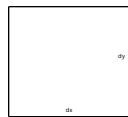
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# Change of Texture with Plastic Deformation



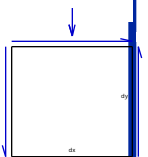
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After 50% Compressive Strain



(110) Pole Figure

After Superimposed Shear  
and Compression



## Conclusions

- (1) As the shear tractions (adhesion levels above 35%) increase, for the same wheel loads, the plastic strains increase.
- (2) The severity of rail surface displacements becomes pronounced as both the longitudinal and lateral shear tractions are increased.
- (3) Factors other than yield strength could play a significant role in rolling contact behavior and wear.