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Final Exam for Semester: 2

Date: March 1, 2013

Subject: 237-221 Mechanical Behavior of Materials

Academic Year: 2012

Time: 09.00-12.00

Room: หอประชุม

**Instruction**

1. There are 4 problem sets. Please do all of them. Write your answers in the space provided. If you need more space, you can write on the back of paper.
2. Text books, course notes, and other studying materials are not allowed.
3. Dictionary, calculator, and stationery are allowed.
4. This final exam is counted for 25% of the total grade.

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Problem No.	Full Score (points)	Student's Score (points)
1.	30	
2.	10	
3.	30	
4.	30	
Total	100	



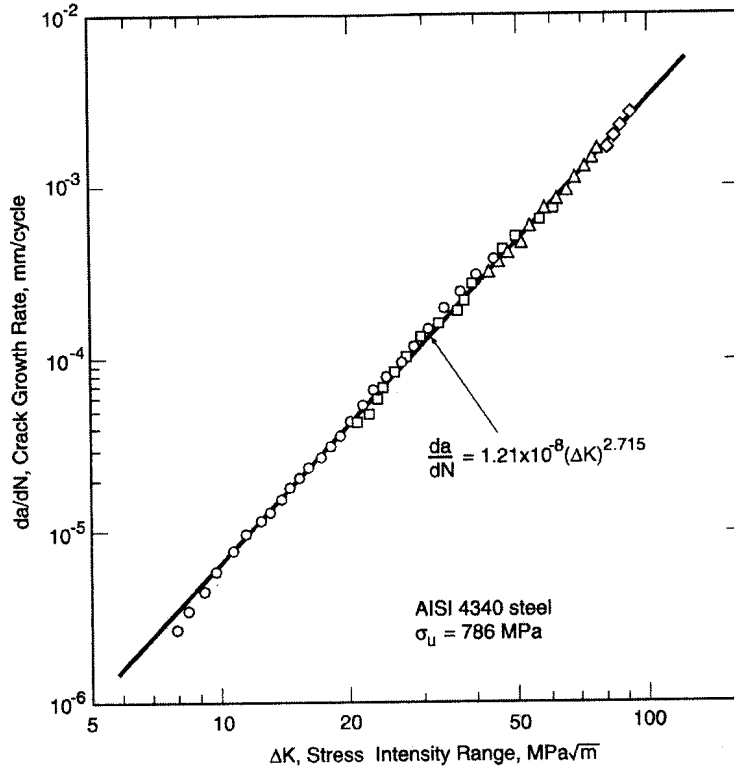






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3. A plate made of AISI 4340 steel is subjected to constant amplitude uniaxial fatigue load to produce stresses varying from  $\sigma_{max} = 200$  MPa and  $\sigma_{min} = 100$  MPa. The properties of steel are  $\sigma_u = 786$  MPa and  $K_{IC} = 95$  MPa $\sqrt{m}$ . If the plate contains an initial through thickness edge crack of 1 mm, how many fatigue cycle will be required to break the plate. The fatigue crack growth data is shown the figure below. (30 points)



Given:

$$N_f = \frac{a_f^{-(p/2)+1} - a_i^{-(p/2)+1}}{\left(-\frac{p}{2} + 1\right) A \sigma_r^p \pi^{p/2} \alpha^p} \quad (p \neq 2)$$

At fracture:

$$K_{IC} = \alpha \sigma_{max} \sqrt{\pi a_f}$$

For an infinite wide plate,  $\alpha = 1.12$

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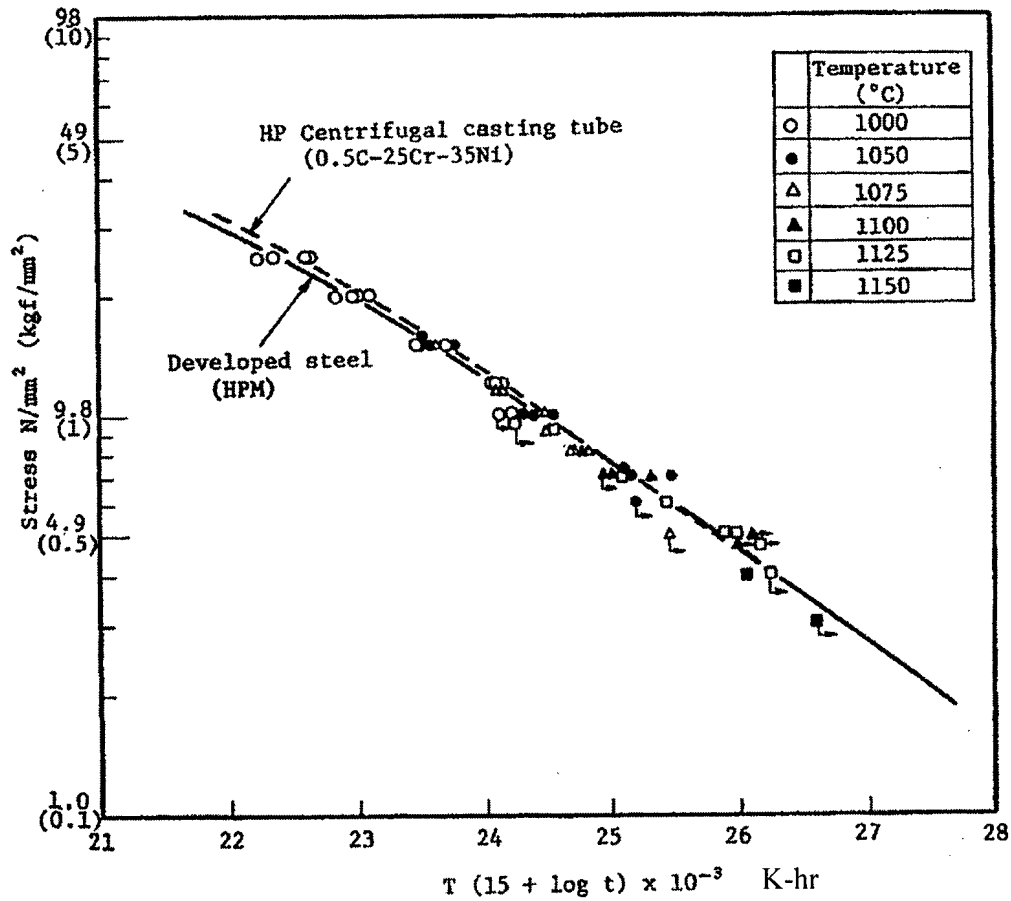
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4 The heater tube in the ethylene plant (a petrochemical plant) at Maptaput, Rayong, was made of 25Cr-38Ni-Mo-Ti wrought alloy steel (HPM). The tube was designed to operate at internal pressure  $p = 550$  kPa and  $T = 750$  °C. The tube has diameter ( $d$ ) of 70 mm and thickness ( $t$ ) of 3 mm. A Larson-Miller plot of the HPM is given below.



Assume that the tube is a thin-walled pressure vessel,  $\sigma_{hoop} = \frac{pd}{2t}$

4.1 For the original design, the operating internal pressure  $p = 550$  kPa and temperature  $T = 750$  °C

4.1.1 Determine the hoop stress (in MPa) (5 points)

4.1.2 What is the maximum life of the tube (in hours)? (10 points)

4.2 If the temperature of the tube is increased to  $T = 850$  °C and the internal pressure is kept at 700 kPa, what is the maximum tube life? (15 points)