



Fatigue Damage Accumulation in Metals

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Message from the Guest Editors

Fatigue lifetime prediction of metallic engineering structures is typically based on a cumulative damage law. The linear damage accumulation rule by Miner is the universal standard for fatigue design, even though it is known to suffer from some drawbacks (e.g., it does not account for the order in which sequences of different stress amplitude are applied). Numerous experimental studies have shown both conservative and non-conservative lifetime predictions, sometimes to a great extent. In an effort to overcome these deficiencies, various nonlinear cumulative damage models and life prediction models have been developed. However, none of them have found wide acceptance, and it has been shown that a lack of (well-documented) experimental data hinders the development and critical validation of new damage accumulation laws.

The aim of this Special Issue, ‘Fatigue Damage Accumulation in Metals’, is to collect state-of-the-art work on this topic. Experimental work on nonlinear damage accumulation is highly encouraged, as are works that critically evaluate and compare various types of damage accumulation laws.





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