Metallic Materials Properties Development and Standardization (MMPDS)

Statistical Analysis for Static Design Allowable Properties

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MMPDS Bottom Line

 The MMPDS Handbook is the primary source in the United States and many other countries of statisticallybased, design allowable properties for metallic materials and fastened joints used by the commercial and military aerospace industries







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Table 3.7.11.0(b₂). Design Mechanical and Physical Properties of 7140 Aluminum Alloy

Issued: Apr, 2009, MMPDS-04CN1, Item 07-43 a Specification minimum. The rounded T_{00} for F_{\perp} LT = 76 ksi.

- b Specification minimum. The rounded T_{99} for F_{∞} ST = 63 ksi.
- c Bearing values are "dry pin" values per Section 1.4.7.1.





Considerations for Design Allowables

- Public specification (indicates material reflects a standard practice)
- Production Method
- Distribution of material
 - Supplier to Supplier
 - Within single supplier (heats and lots)
 - Materials are not normally distributed
 - Minimum population of 100 is needed to adequately determine skewness for A-basis, if it will fit Pearson or Weibull distribution.
 - Minimum population of 299 is needed for non-parametric A-basis



Property Basis Definitions

- **A-basis:** The lower of either a statistically calculated T99 or specification minimum. T99 is the value at which at least 99% of population is expected to equal or exceed with 95% confidence.
- **B-basis:** Same as T90; at least 90% of population is expected to equal or exceed with 95% confidence.

NOTE: A- and B-basis for static design properties are based on minimum population of 100

 S-basis: Specification minimum, or value based on specification minimum. (recent are based on minimum population of 30 for AMS specs.)



What is a Statistical Design Allowable?





Comparison of Minimum Data Requirements

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- Primary tensile properties for A- and B-basis
 - 10 Heats/ 10 Lots
 - 100 tests
 - (or 299 for non-parametric)
- Primary tensile properties for S-basis
 - Same as AMS Specification minimums
- Secondary properties
 - 3 Heats/ 10 Lots
 - 20 tests (paired, prefer 2/lot)

AMS Specification

- S-Basis
- For tensile, compression, elongation, RA, fracture toughness
- 3 Heats, Chemistries
- 30 Tests



Analysis Methods used by MMPDS

- Direct (minimum of 100 required for A- and B-basis)
 - 3 parameter Weibull
 - Upper tail censoring
 - Upper tail censoring with backoff
 - Pearson type III
 - backoff
 - Non-parametric (minimum of 299)
 - Normal (for small sample sizes <100)
- Indirect using reduced ratios
- Regression; linear or quadratic (used for Direct or Indirect Methods)



Design Value Development Process





Reality – producer-to-producer variability often significant





Summary

- MMPDS is a long-term, Battelle flagship program built upon a foundation of partnership with FAA, Navy, and other government agencies
- Industry funding support (32 companies from 9 countries) recognizes the key benefits of the program





Questions?

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