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## Foreword

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**EN 6072:2010 (E)****1 Scope**

This European Standard defines a method to determine constant amplitude fatigue data of metallic materials and the S-N curve (or Wöhler curve).

**2 Normative references**

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 286-1, *ISO system of limits and fits — Part 1: Bases of tolerances, deviations and fits*

ISO 965-1, *ISO general-purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 1: Principles and basic data*

ISO 1101, *Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) — Geometrical tolerancing — Tolerances of form, orientation, location and run-out*

ASTM E 466, *Standard practice for conducting force controlled constant amplitude axial fatigue tests of metallic materials* <sup>1)</sup>

ASTM E 1823, *Standard terminology relating to fatigue and fracture testing* <sup>1)</sup>

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**3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ASTM E 1823 and the following apply.

**3.1 Direction of test samples**

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**3.1.2****cylindrical specimens**

the direction of the sample is identified by the following symbols:

- L : Long (grain flow direction);
- LT : Long Transverse;
- ST : Short Transverse.

The directions of semi-finished products of rectangular cross section for rolled or extruded products and forgings are identified on Figure 1.

The directions of semi-finished products of circular cross section for rolled products and forged rings are identified on Figure 2.

**3.1.2****flat specimens**

designation for direction of these specimens is identical to ASTM designation:

Two letters separated by a dash:

- First letter : direction of load
- Second letter : direction of crack propagation

The directions of semi-finished products of rectangular cross section for rolled or extruded products and hand forgings are identified on Figure 3.

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<sup>1)</sup> Published by: American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA.

The directions of semi-finished products of circular cross section for drawn or extruded products and hand forgings are identified on Figure 4.

## 4 Principles of the method

See ASTM E 466.

## 5 Apparatus

See ASTM E 466 (calibrating to ISO 7500-1 is also acceptable).

## 6 Test specimens

### 6.1 General

Test specimens shall be prepared according to the requirements of the relevant Process or Material Standard.

### 6.2 Geometry

The geometry of test specimens is described in Annexes A to D.

### 6.3 Machining

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#### 6.3.1 Dimensional tolerances

Machining tolerances (according to ISO 286-1) on transverse dimensions: ISO js 12.

Form tolerances (according to ISO 1101) = ISO IT9.

Specimens shall be machined cold, without generating surface hardening nor appreciable heating of the metal.

Recommendations for machining procedure of specimens are given in Annex E for each type of specimen.

Final machining to comply with the tolerances and to obtain the surface finish required on the calibrated section (see Annexes A to D).

#### 6.3.2 Specimens to be heat-treated

The heat treatment should preferably be applied to the specimen blanks to avoid distortion, which cannot be corrected by machining.

Final machining after heat treatment, in accordance with 6.3.1.

**NOTE** For steels treated to obtain a high UTS, it may be necessary to machine the specimens to the final dimensions in the as-delivered condition and then protect them before heat treatment.

In general, the surface of steel and aluminium alloys specimens shall be:

- either protected against corrosion by an appropriate product,
- or machined only shortly before carrying out the test.

**EN 6072:2010 (E)****6.3.3 Grinding**

Grinding of steel and titanium specimens shall only be carried out when a process is available which guarantees no detrimental effects to the specimen surface, for example contamination.

**6.4 Straightening**

It is strictly forbidden to straighten a distorted specimen.

Such distortion can arise from heat treatment on specimens machined to their final dimensions.

The surface hardening generated by the mechanical equipment used to straighten the specimens affects the mechanical properties and gives unrepresentative results.

**7 Procedure****7.1 Number of specimens**

A minimum of 10 fatigue specimens with valid results is necessary to determine a Wöhler curve.

Upon request, a static loaded specimen shall be performed.

**7.2 Measurements of specimen dimensions**

The dimensions of the test specimens shall be measured before testing and the results reported in the test report (see Clause 9).

**7.3 Test procedure**

Load ratio  $R$  and  $K_t$  factor are given in the relevant Process or Material Standard.

The test frequency shall be not more than 170 Hz. For frequency greater than 50 Hz, it is advisable to carry dynamic calibrations on test work.

The choice of load levels shall be done in order that test results can be regularly positioned on the S-N curve between at least  $10^4$  and  $3 \cdot 10^6$  cycles, so that a Wöhler curve can be raised. For qualification of materials, cycling must not be stopped before  $3 \cdot 10^6$  cycles, unless other conditions are specified. In case of non-failure at  $3 \cdot 10^6$  cycles (or more), specimen can be tested again at a higher load level that will lead to failure before  $10^5$  cycles. Test results must mention that specimen has been tested after a non-failure so that analysis can take it into account.

NOTE For load ratio  $R < 0$ , it is recommended to use anti buckling equipment.

The breaking near the grip and the associated number of cycles shall be mentioned in the test report (see Clause 9). In this case the specimen should be clamped again (if possible) and the test should be continued at the same load level.

In order to check the reproducibility and friability of test machine, an example of inspection card is given in Annex I.



## 8 Analysis of test results

### 8.1 Failure of specimens

After testing, specimens shall be examined. Failure type and sites shall be indicated (see Annex F).

### 8.2 Presentation of fatigue data

All the values measured and calculated from the specimens shall be reported in a table (see Annex G).

The cross section of the specimen, which has been used for calculation, shall be indicated.

### 8.3 Plot of the Wöhler curve

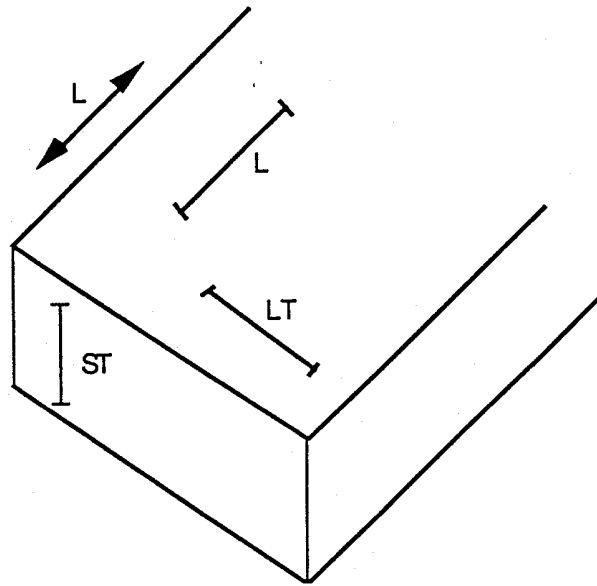
All the individual results shall be represented in a log (or semi-log) scale scheme: max. stress in MPa,  $\sigma$ , versus Fatigue life, number of cycles,  $N$  (see Annex H).

The analysis of the test results shall generate a mean Wöhler curve with 50 % probability of failure, in addition two curves for minimum and for maximum probability of failure.

## 9 Test report

The test report shall refer to the test method and shall include the following:

- Complete identification of the tested material including the manufacturers Name, Designation, and Batch Number.
- All details relating to the preparation of the specimens.
- All relevant dimensions of the specimens.
- Date of test and traceability to the individual performing the test work.
- Conditioning.
- Equipment used and test parameters (R ratio, test frequency, orientation ...).
- Recorded plots/graphs (with all the points).
- Individual test results and type of failure (see Annex F and Annex G).
- Any incident which may have affected the results, and any deviation from the test method.

**Key**

L : Long (grain flow direction)

LT : Long Transverse

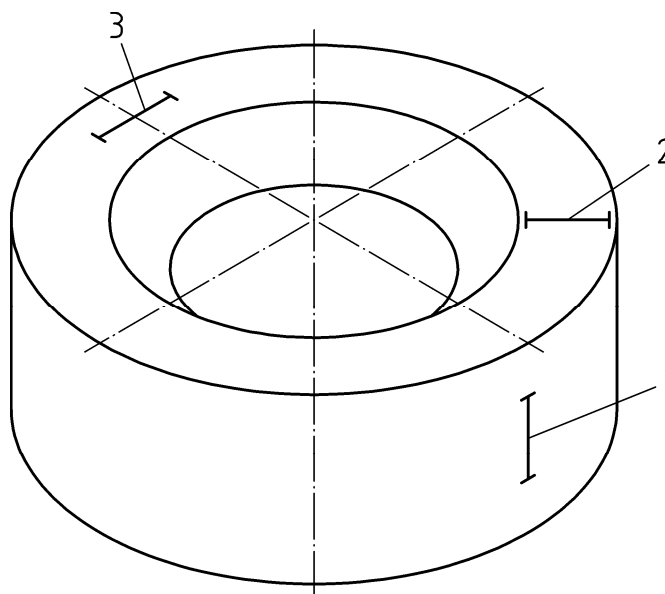
ST : Short Transverse

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**Figure 1 — Cylindrical specimens - Direction of semi-finished products of rectangular cross section**

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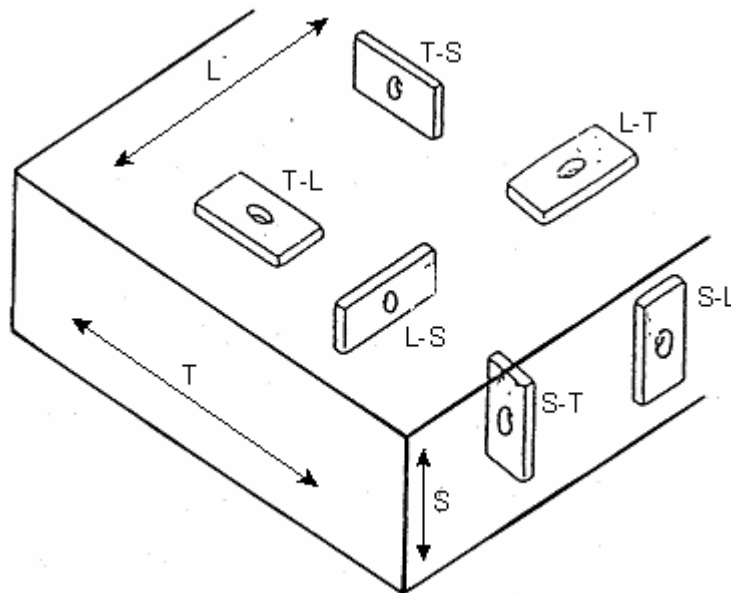
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**Key**

- 1 Axial: corresponds to LT direction  
 2 Radial: corresponds to ST direction  
 3 Tangential: corresponds to L direction (grain flow direction)

Depending on the forging axis, the LT and ST directions can change.

**Figure 2 — Cylindrical specimens - Direction of semi-finished products of circular cross section**

**Key**

- L : Long (grain flow direction)  
 LT : Long Transverse  
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**Figure 3 — Flat specimens - Direction of semi-finished products of rectangular cross section**