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Standard Practice for Determining the Wear Volume on Standard Test Pieces Used by High-Frequency, Linear-Oscillation (SRV) Test Machine¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This practice covers a procedure for determining the wear volume W_V of wear scars and tracks on test pieces tribologically stressed under high-frequency, linear-oscillation motion using a SRV test machine by means of stylus tip profilometry.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are for information only.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

[D2714 Test Method for Calibration and Operation of the Falex Block-on-Ring Friction and Wear Testing Machine](#)

[D2782 Test Method for Measurement of Extreme-Pressure Properties of Lubricating Fluids \(Timken Method\)](#)

[D3702 Test Method for Wear Rate and Coefficient of Friction of Materials in Self-Lubricated Rubbing Contact Using a Thrust Washer Testing Machine](#)

[D4175 Terminology Relating to Petroleum, Petroleum Products, and Lubricants](#)

[D5620 Test Method for Evaluating Thin Film Fluid Lubricants in a Drain and Dry Mode Using a Pin and Vee Block Test Machine \(Withdrawn 2010\)³](#)

[D5706 Test Method for Determining Extreme Pressure](#)

[Properties of Lubricating Greases Using a High-Frequency, Linear-Oscillation \(SRV\) Test Machine](#)

[D5707 Test Method for Measuring Friction and Wear Properties of Lubricating Grease Using a High-Frequency, Linear-Oscillation \(SRV\) Test Machine](#)

[D6425 Test Method for Measuring Friction and Wear Properties of Extreme Pressure \(EP\) Lubricating Oils Using SRV Test Machine](#)

2.2 DIN Standards:⁴

[DIN 51631:1999-04 Special-boiling-point spirit — Requirements and testing](#)

[DIN 51834-3:2008-12 Testing of lubricants – Tribological test in translatory oscillation apparatus – Part 3: Determination of tribological behaviour of materials in cooperation with lubricants](#)

[DIN EN ISO 13565-2:1998 Geometrical Product Specifications \(GPS\) – Surface texture: Profile method; Surfaces having stratified functional properties – Part 2: Height characterization using linear material ratio curve \(replaces of DIN 4776:1990: Measurement of surface roughness; parameters \$R_K\$, \$R_{PK}\$, \$R_{VK}\$, \$M_{T1}\$, \$M_{T2}\$ for the description of the material portion\)](#)

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 *Hertzian contact area, n* —the apparent area of contact between two non-conforming solid bodies pressed against each other.

3.1.2 *Hertzian contact pressure, n* —magnitude of the pressure at any specified location in a Hertzian contact area, as calculated from Hertz's equations of elastic deformation. The Hertzian contact pressure can also be calculated and reported as maximum value P_{max} in the centre of the contact or as $P_{average}$ as average over the total contact area. **D4175**

3.1.3 *seizure, n* —localized fusion of metal between the rubbing surfaces of the test pieces. **D5706**

3.1.3.1 *Discussion*—Seizure is usually indicated by a sharp increase in coefficient of friction, wear, or unusual noise and vibration. In this test method, increase in coefficient of friction

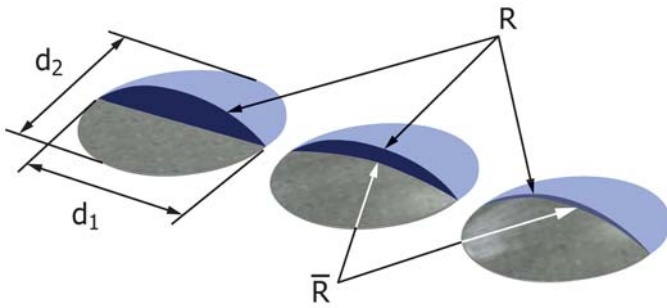
¹ This practice is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee D02 on Petroleum Products, Liquid Fuels, and Lubricants and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee D02.L0 on Industrial Lubricants and Engineering Sciences of High Performance Fluids and Solids.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁴ Available from Deutsches Institut für Normung e.V.(DIN), Beuth Verlag GmbH, Burggrafenstraße 6, D-10787 Berlin 30, Germany, <http://www.din.de>.



NOTE 1— R is smaller than \bar{R} . The wear volumes are marked in blue.
FIG. 1 Ball—Comparison of Iso-wear Scar Diameters with Wear Volume in Relation to the Initial Radius R and the Radius in the Scar \bar{R} at Test End

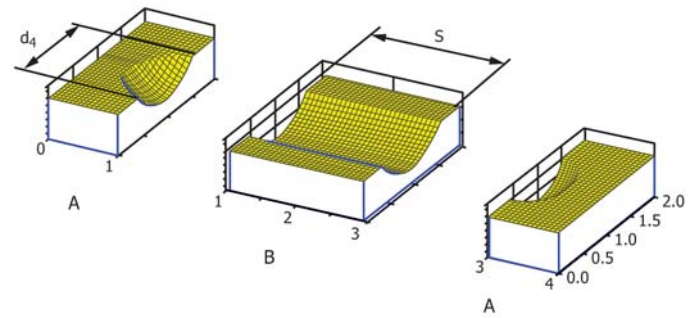


FIG. 2 Schematic Illustration of the Segmentation of the Wear Track

is displayed on the chart recorder as permanent rise in the coefficient of friction from a steady value.

3.1.4 *wear, n*—damage to a solid surface, generally involving progressive loss of material, due to the relative motion between that surface and a contacting substance or substances.

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3.1.5 *wear rate, n*—the rate of material removal or dimensional change due to wear per unit of exposure parameter; for example, quantity of material removed (mass, volume, thickness) in unit distance of sliding or unit time.

3.1.5.1 *Discussion*—Another term sometimes used synonymously is wear factor.

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3.2 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:*

3.2.1 *planimetric wear, W_q , n*—seen in the center of the wear track of the disk perpendicular to the sliding direction at test end and can be understood as cross section area of wear.

3.2.2 *wear volume, W_v , n*—the irreversible loss of volume to the ball or the disk (flat) at end of test.

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3.3 *Abbreviations:*

3.3.1 *SRV, n*—Schwingung, Reibung, Verschleiß, (German); oscillating, friction, wear (English translation).

4. Summary of Practice

4.1 This practice applies to test pieces tribologically stressed on a SRV test machine typically used in different ASTM (and DIN) test methods and are a test ball oscillating against a flat test disk.

4.2 As illustrated in Fig. 1, the same wear scar diameter on the ball not consequently indicates materials loss, the amount of material loss and different volumetric material losses can be related to exact one wear scar diameter.

NOTE 1—An extreme and ideal, but frequent case, is the case of a lubricant, which fully protects against wear, but a wear scar diameter is marked only visibly by tribo-chemistry and the wear scar diameter corresponds to the initial Hertzian contact diameter describing the elastic deformation. By using the ball diameter of diameter $\varnothing = 10$ mm, the elastic constants for AISI 52100 (100Cr6H) and $F_N = 200$ N, the initial Hertzian contact diameter calculates to 0.374 mm and for $F_N = 300$ N is 0.428 mm. When now unloading the ball after test, the elastic deformation is released and the initial shape recovers, showing, for example, no wear, but a marked wear scar, which is reported as wear scar diameter, even no, less or minor wear can be detected by means of stylus tip profilometry.

4.3 The wear scar diameter on the test ball is measured and the shape of the wear track on the disk is determined by means of a stylus tip profilometer in the centre of the track length (see Fig. 2) and this perpendicular to the sliding direction.

4.3.1 The worn or displaced volume ($W_{v,ball}$; $W_{v,flat}$) can be calculated by numerical methods⁵⁻⁷ from the stylus tip profile data and assuming an ideal shape of the test specimen.

NOTE 2—In general, the wear volume is calculated by integrating a multitude of cross section area taken at different lengths of the wear track. The wear volume in this practice is based only on one cross section area (planimetric wear) in the centre of the wear track.

4.4 The planimetric wear $W_{q,flat}$ of the disk is derived from a 2D-profilogram by using a stylus tip profilometer.

5. Significance and Use

5.1 The determination of the wear volume becomes in tribological testing a key element, as it is more discriminative than the wear scar diameter, because an optically visible wear scar diameter may or may not indicate wear on the surface of the ball and the wear track as an irreversible loss of material. Users of this test method should determine whether results correlate with field performance or other applications.

NOTE 3—It is believed, that tactile stylus tip profilometer determines the most realistic figure and are more frequent in use, than it can be achieved by optical profilometers operating in a non-contacting mode.

6. Apparatus

6.1 *Microscope*, equipped with a filar eyepiece graduated in 0.005-mm division or equipped with a micrometer stage readable to 0.005-mm. Magnification should be sufficient to allow for ease of measurement. One to 10 times magnification has been found acceptable.

6.2 *Stylus Tip Profilometer:*

6.2.1 The stationary working place of the stylus tip profilometer should be composed of a stone (granite) base plate, the column, a transverse unit, a skidless tracing arm (skidless pick-up) and have the necessary software.

⁵ Ruff, A. W., "Wear Measurement," *ASM Handbook*, Vol 18, 1992, pp. 362-369.

⁶ Klaffke, D., "Fretting Wear of Ceramics," *Tribology International*, Vol 22, No. 2, 1989, pp. 89-101.

⁷ Kalin, M., and Vižintin, J., "Use of Equations for Wear Volume Determination in Fretting Experiments," *WEAR*, 237, 2000, pp. 39-48.