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# **TKR-Grid I/F Anomaly Structural Assessment**

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# Loads Assessment

- **Current Loads Assumptions – a look at Grid analysis, TKR analysis and test loads**

- **New CLA derived loads are most realistic loads available**

- The maximum TKR corner flexure loads from September 2003 CLA

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} - S_{\max} = 691 \text{ N} \\ - F_z_{\max} = 945 \text{ N} \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{1171 \text{ N (1303 N NTE mass)}}$$

- With 1.1133 factor applied to achieve max launch mass,  $F_{\max} = 1303 \text{ N}$

- **Flight loads are significantly more benign than the random vibration test loads.**

- The maximum TKR attachment load due to 68 flight load cases

2.77x higher  
than CLA

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} - F_x_{\max} = 1642 \text{ N} \\ - F_y_{\max} = 1615 \text{ N} \\ - F_z_{\max} = 2280 \text{ N} \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{3241 \text{ N (3608 N NTE mass)}}$$

- With 1.1133 factor applied to achieve max launch mass,  $F_{\max} = 3608 \text{ N}$

- **Loads induced at a random test are notoriously high due to high amplification above spec levels.**

- Hytec design loads were governed by static equivalent loads due to random vibration testing

3.21x higher  
than CLA

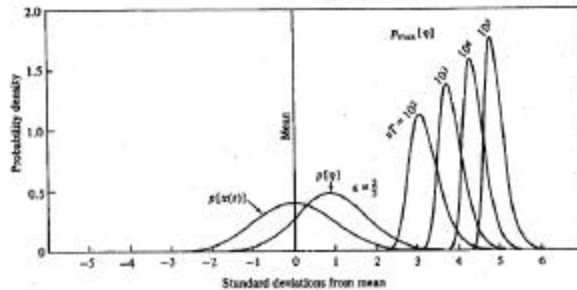
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} - 3\text{-s design load of 27g lateral, plus shear component added} \\ - 4235 \text{ N (952 lb}_f\text{) shear load on fastener} \\ - \text{During test, "notching" was allowed, 3-s load was 24g} \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{3764 \text{ N}}$$

- **True Loads Experienced at Test – a study in probability density**

- For any instantaneous response, 3-s load covers 99.87% of peaks
- As total time of exposure increases, 3-s no longer covers 99.87% of peaks
- From Clough, Dynamics of Structures, the probability wrt number of standard deviations can be observed as

$$F_e(n_s) = \exp \left[ -N \cdot \exp \left( -\frac{n_s^2}{2} \right) \right]$$

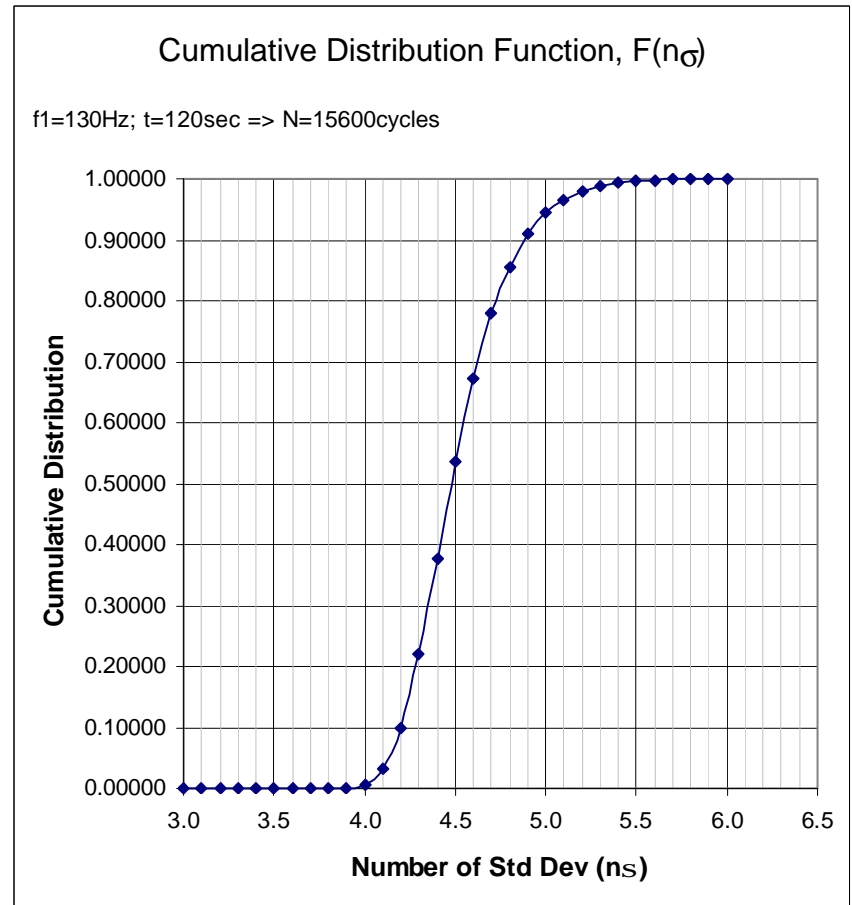
# Loads Assessment (cont.)



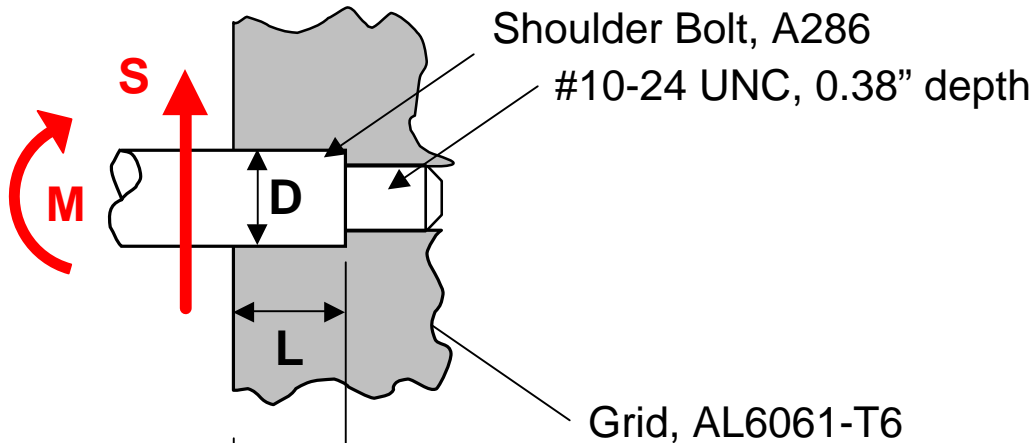
$$F_e(n_s) = \exp \left[ -N \cdot \exp \left( -\frac{n_s^2}{2} \right) \right]$$

- The cumulative distribution function depends on
  - **f1 = frequency of primary mode**
  - **t = duration**
  - **N = number of positive maxima = f1 X t**
  - **ns = number of standard deviations**
- This function is plotted at right based on our observed test parameters
  - **f1 = 130 Hz**
  - **t = 120 s**
  - **N = f1 X t = 15600 cycles**
  - **ns = range from 3.0 to 6.0 shown**
- The probability of choosing an enveloping load for
  - **3-s is 0.000%, i.e. 100% chance to hit 3-s**
  - **4-s is 0.534%, i.e. 99.466% chance to hit 4-s**
  - **5.8-s is 99.923%, which meets our goal to envelop 99.87% of all peaks over duration**
- If we apply 5.8-s to the Hytec 1-s load (1412 N),
  - **Peak design load = 8190 N**

**7.00x higher than CLA!**



## Shoulder Bolt Bearing Calculation Assumptions



### AL6061-T6 Bearing Strength

( $e/D = 1.5$ ):  $F_{by} = 53$  ksi;  $F_{bu} = 69$  ksi  
 ( $e/D = 2.0$ ):  $F_{by} = 61$  ksi;  $F_{bu} = 90$  ksi

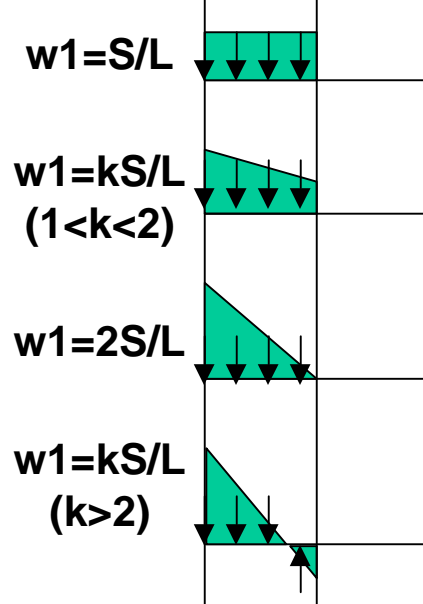
$S_{max} = 811$  lbf = 3.61kN

$M = 0$  N-m

$L = 0.197$  in = 5 mm

$D = 1/4$  in = 6.35 mm

### Load distributions considered



Distribution 1 – Uniform through depth – **UNCONSERVATIVE**.

This distribution idealizes the bearing load of the pin on the hole, but is valid for short pins ( $L/D$  is a small number). In this case,  $L/D$  is 0.89, which is not small.

Distribution 2 – Trapezoidal; Linear varying through depth – **REALISTIC**.

This distribution is probably the most realistic case. However, there is not a clear method of calculating  $w_1$  and  $w_2$ .

Selected Method

Distribution 3 – Triangular; Linear varying through depth – **CONSERVATIVE**.

This distribution represents the critical pin depth where less engagement would result in a trapezoidal distribution and more engagement would result in pin bending, i.e. "Distribution 4." This distribution is conservative and easy to calculate.

Distribution 4 – Bending; Linear varying through depth – **MOST CONSERVATIVE**.

This distribution is well suited for longer pins where pin bending may become a factor. In this case, it is not necessary to be overly conservative.

## Grid Analysis Reprised

- Margins of Safety Summary for bearing of shoulder bolt on Grid, with expected design dimensions (shoulder/thread engagement)

	Peak Load [N]	Diameter [mm]	Engagement [mm]	Bearing Stress [MPa]	MS y	MS u
CLA	1303	6.35	5	82.08	2.56	3.14
Grid Analysis	3608	6.35	5	227.28	0.28	0.50
Hytec Analysis	3764	6.35	5	237.10	0.23	0.43
Peak Test Load	8190	6.35	5	515.91	-0.43	-0.34

– Margins are positive, except for probability extreme loads

- Adjusted margins of safety for as-tested design (pin engagement ~0.125” as opposed to expected 0.197”)

	Peak Load [N]	Diameter [mm]	Engagement [mm]	Bearing Stress [MPa]	MS y	MS u
CLA	1303	6.35	3.175	129.26	1.26	1.63
Grid Analysis	3608	6.35	3.175	357.91	-0.18	-0.05
Hytec Analysis	3764	6.35	3.175	373.39	-0.22	-0.09
Peak Test Load	8190	6.35	3.175	812.45	-0.64	-0.58

– Margins are negative, implying some onset of failure during the test

## Shoulder Bolt Bending

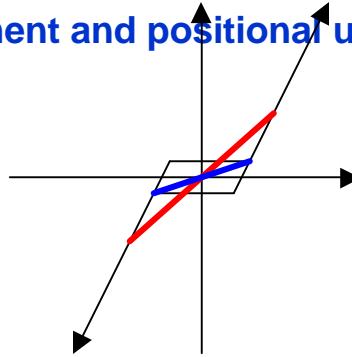
- **Bolt strength**
  - **Catalog item: McMaster-Carr, 18-8 Stainless (70 ksi /482 MPa strength)**
- **What load is required to deflect the shoulder 0.004”?**
  - **Based on linear beam theory, the tip load required is 12656 N. This corresponds to a linear stress of 6333 MPa, which has no physical meaning**
- **What is the max bending stress at the root of the shoulder?**

	Peak Load [N]	Diameter [mm]	$I_x$ [m <sup>4</sup> ]	Length [mm]	Moment [N-m]	Bending Stress [MPa]	MS y
CLA	1303	4.75	2.50E-11	5	6.515	619	-0.44
Grid Analysis	3608	4.75	2.50E-11	5	18.04	1715	-0.80
Hytec Analysis	3764	4.75	2.50E-11	5	18.82	1789	-0.81
Peak Test Load	8190	4.75	2.50E-11	5	40.95	3892	-0.91

- **This shows the bolt cannot carry the bending stress associated with the loads**
- **Conclusion: the should must not deform so as to put the threaded portion into bending**
- **Unique loading due to 2-thread engagements**
  - **Two thread engagement corresponds roughly to 1 DIA engagement. According to the helicoil strength document, the helicoil can withstand 2300 lbf of pullout.**
  - **The 70 ksi bolt is good for less than 1500 lbf**

## System Behavior due to dead band, slippage and impacting

- How does 4 mil diametral clearance affect overall system dynamic behavior?
  - Dead band, i.e. TKR alignment and positional uncertainty – possibility for classic spring stiffening effect



- Based on test observations, this is not a significant effect
- Slippage, i.e. relative motion between the two mating surfaces after the frictional capacity is exceeded
  - Clamping energy is released in the form of heat – this increases damping in the joint
- Impacting, i.e. two initially separated surfaces come into contact and exchange momentum

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## Conclusions, Recommendations and Further Work

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- **Conclusions**
- **Recommendations**
  - **Change bolt design so shoulder bottoms out on Grid instead of through the Flexure. This will**
  - **Random vibration environment commonly induces loads 2X or more higher than flight loads. Is a TKR acoustic test feasible?**
- **Further Work**