

# Frequency Domain Fatigue Analysis with nCode DesignLife

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#### Agenda

- Introduction to vibration fatigue
- Single-axis, random excitation
- Multi-axis, sequential, random excitation
- Multi-axis, simultaneous, random excitation
- Advanced features of vibration fatigue
- Summary



## **Introduction to vibration fatigue**

#### Fatigue analysis roadmap



#### Loading



#### **Dynamic finite element analysis**

 Dynamic behavior needs to be accounted for if excitation frequencies are greater than 1/3 of the structure's lowest resonant frequency



#### **Vibration Fatigue Process**







From the area moments of the stress PSD, the number of cycles per second and the range distribution of the cycles are estimated.

#### Stress Range Probability Density Function



#### **Probability Density of Cycles**

- The cycles histogram is actually a probability density
- Damages are calculated for fractions of cycles



#### Vibration fatigue from multiple inputs



#### **Generating the PSDs and CSDs**

- PSDs and Cross Spectral Densities (CSDs) can be created from time series data
- An .mpl file can be used to simplify the assignment of the PSDs and CSDs



#### Multi-axis, simultaneous, random excitation

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#### **Capabilities Supported in Vibration Fatigue**

- Stress Life
- Strain Life
- Isothermal Fatigue
- Mean Stress Corrections
- FRFs calculated from modal results and modal coordinates











Modal Based FRF

#### **Capabilities Supported in Vibration Fatigue**

- P2P and ACM Spotwelds
- Shell and Solid Seamwelds
- Short Fiber Composites









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#### **Summary**

- nCode DesignLife can be used to perform vibration fatigue analysis on results from many FEA tools
  - The vibration loads can be single or multiple and can be described as:
    - Random PSDs
    - Sine on random
    - Sine sweeps
    - Sine dwells
  - Fatigue methodology includes both Stress-Life and Strain-Life
  - The vibration fatigue method can be extended to seam welds and spot welds

### **Questions?**



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