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Personal Introduction and Research Activity



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Brief Introduction



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Brief Introduction

A METHODOLOGY FOR ESTIMATING DURABILITY OF AM50 MAGNESIUM ALLOY STEERING WHEELS

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Abstract. Magnesium alloys have been widely spread in the automotive industry by their advantage: good mechanical properties, lightweight structure thanks to magnesium's low density. This paper proposes a methodology to estimate durability of a magnesium alloy AM50 steering wheel. The methodology is based on experimentally determined mechanical and fatigue properties and numerical simulation. The methodology was validated for two types of specimens against experimental fatigue data, and then applied to a steering wheel under torsion, respectively bending loading.

Keywords: magnesium alloy, stress concentration, durability.

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Field of Research



Structural Integrity and Reliability of Advanced Materials obtained through

additive Manufacturing

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- PhD Thesis focusing on Mechanical Characterization of Polycarbonate Composites Frequently Used in Interior Automotive Products
- Chosen materials for investigations:
 - > Makrolon 2405 unreinforced PC
 - > Makrolon 9415 PC + 10% glass fiber
 - > Makrolon 8035 PC + 30% glass fiber

Motivation:

- ► Injection molded thermoplastic materials frequently used in interior automotive products: *Cluster Instruments, Head-Up Displays, Infotainment Systems etc.*
- Products subjected to quasi-static, dynamic (sinusoidal/random vibrations, mechanical shocks) and thermal loads
- ► FEM simulations supporting product development
 - ► Issue: missing or not available material data

Field of Research



- Objectives/Goals:
 - > Determination of material parameters by experimental testing:
 - Tensile testing at various strain rates (2 mm/min 400 mm/min / 0.00028 s-1 0.056 s-1) and temperatures (between -40° C and 85° C)
 - Impact testing (Charpy-impact)
 - ► Tensile fatigue testing
 - Development of elasto-plastic (isotropic hardening/viscoelastic) material models



Figure 1 — Type 1A and 1B test specimens



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The effect of strain rate and temperature on the mechanical properties of polycarbonate composites

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