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MSC CAEfatigue – FREQUENCY PACKAGE

Product Overview



CAEfatigue (Cf) is a package of software products that cover the topics of Fatigue, Random Response, Loads Management and Test Design. It is a **modern alternative** to existing software, which is both **Customer Driven** and **Technically Innovative**. The software also provides an embedded **Technical Transfer** training package with 100's of hours of training by Dr Neil Bishop.

Cf FREQUENCY is one of 4 packages within the software that preforms frequency domain Stress-Life an/or Strain-Life fatigue calculations with static or dynamic systems created within Nastran, Abaqus, Optistruct, or Ansys FE environments.

- Cf TIME
- Cf RANDOM
- Cf FREQUENCY
- Cf PREMIUM

Cf is unique in offering a *Process Flow GUI* and *Control File GUI for batch runs*.

Nastran, Abaqus, Optistruct, and *Ansys* are supported for most analysis types.



All the Features of Cf RANDOM plus,

- Comprehensive Materials Database with Stress-Life and Strain-Life data sets.
- S-N and E-N material auto generation from static properties.
- · Stress-Life and Strain-Life methods supported.
- Goodman, Gerber, Morrow, SWT, Walker and MMPDS mean stress options.
- *Freq-at-Peak-Response* highlights dominant loading frequency.
- Complex Equivalent Stresses include Signed Von-Mises, and Absolute Maximum Principal, X, Y and Z stress output.
- Weld fatigue using British Standard BS7608.
- Seam Weld Fatigue using Volvo Chalmers approach.
- Spot Weld Fatigue using Rupp (ACM2) approach.
- User Weld Fatigue using defined stress tensor for none circular spot welds.
- *Dirlik, Steinberg* and *Narrow Band* stress PDF formats supported.
- Stress clipping based on RMS stress.
- *Full standard duty cycles* (loads, events, sequences) supported.



2016, A Comparative Study of Automotive System Fatigue Models Processed in the Time and Frequency Domain, SAE Paper 2016-01-0377. Very important time v frequency domain benchmarks study done with Ford, Dearborn and Ford Brazil.

2016, Modern *Methods for Random Fatigue of Automotive Parts*, SAE Paper 2016-01-0372. Work done with *Hella, Germany* on frequency domain fatigue analysis of headlamps.

2017, *Simultaneous Durability Assessment and Relative Random Analysis Under Base Shake Loading Conditions*, SAE Paper 2017-01-0339. Work done with *FCA, Michigan*, on fatigue and random response (collision detection) for exhausts.

2018, *Frequency Domain Fatigue Analysis of Exhaust Systems*, SAE Technical Paper 2018-01-0396. Work done with *Eberspaecher, Germany*.

2019, *Two-Wheeler Fatigue and Random Response*, NAFEMS Paper NWC19-375. Work done with *HeroMotoCorp, India*.

Typical Use Cases



- Apply **Base Shake** in X, Y, Z directions (consecutively) then calculate fatigue damage.
- Fatigue (Durability) Calculations using user defined load schedules.
- Determine **Collision Probabilities (Rattle)** between parts.
- Push loads from the input location to "internal" locations (*Loads Cascading*)
- Development of **Enveloping Functions** to simplify testing.
- **Reduction of Test Durations** using Loads Conditioning toolkit.
- "What If" scenarios using notch function to simulated adjustments to the FRF data.

