



# Fatigue gigacyclique des matériaux métalliques investiguée par des essais ultrasoniques : effets de fréquence, matériaux et mécanismes

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# Fatigue gigacyclique

## Very High Cycle Fatigue

- Car engine: (crankshaft, ball bearings, etc.):

**$10^8$ -  $10^9$  cycles**

- Wheel of a high speed train:

**$10^9$  cycles**

- Large diesel engine for ship:

**$10^9$  cycles or more**

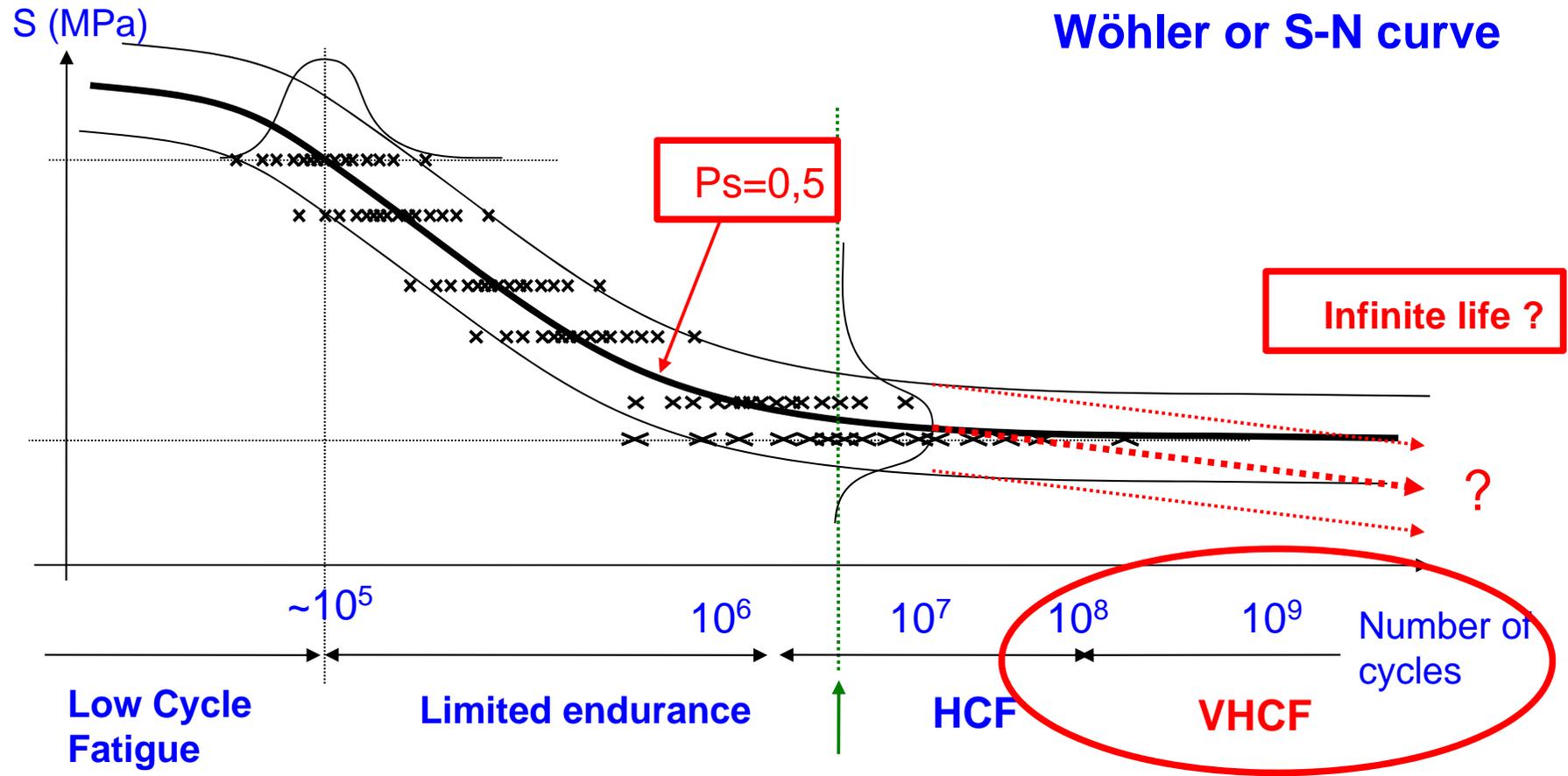
- Turbine blade under 1 kHz vibration  
in-service resonance:

**$10^9$  cycles after 300 hours only!**

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Cours VHCF:  
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# Fatigue gigacyclique Very High Cycle Fatigue



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# Motivation Investigating VHCF

- Development of **ultrasonic fatigue tests** at a loading frequency of 20kHz (Stanzl-Tschegg and Bathias research teams)

	100 Hz	20 kHz
10 <sup>6</sup> cycles	< 3 h	50 s
10 <sup>9</sup> cycles	~ 116 days	~ 14 h




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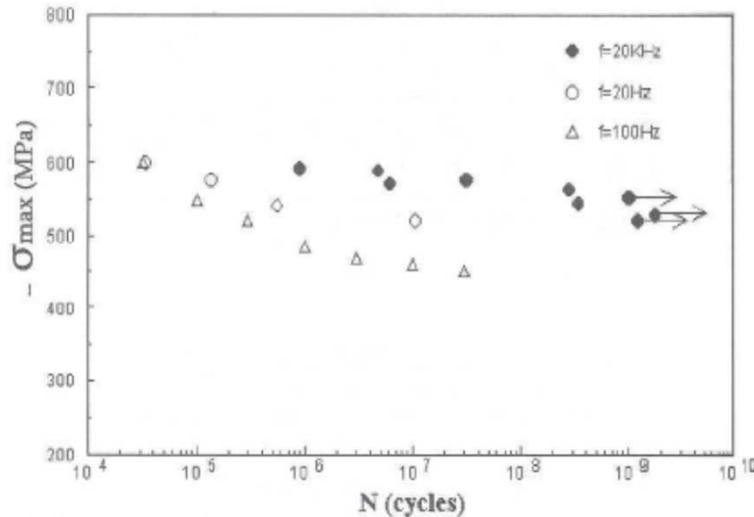
3 to 5 July 2017, Dresden, Germany



# Scientific issue : Frequency effect ?

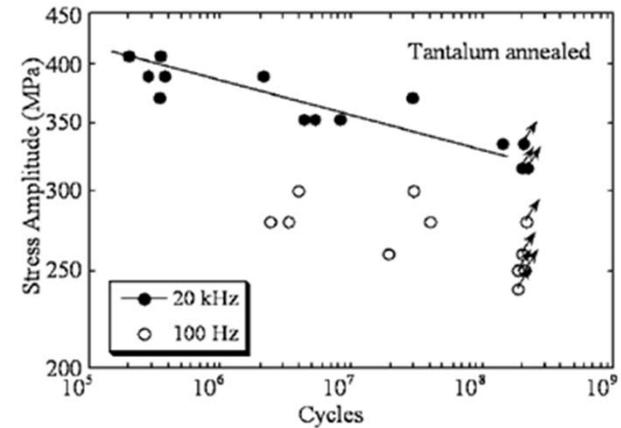
A present debate...

## Frequency sensitive fatigue response

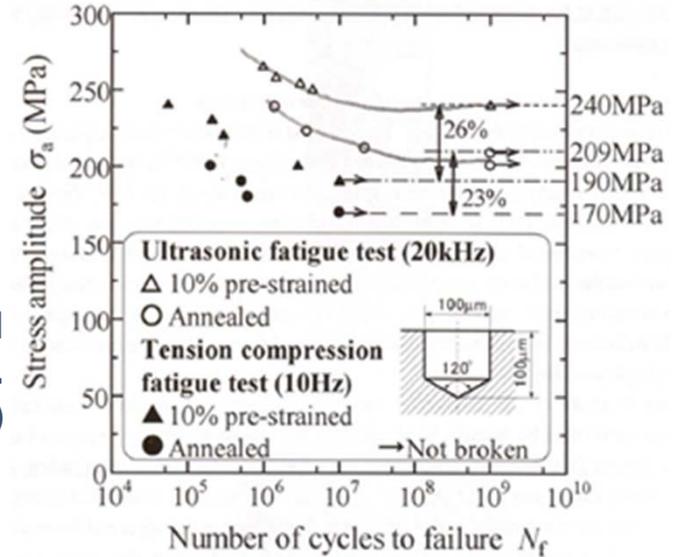


SN curve for T6A4V (Titanium based alloy),  
R=-1, Bathias and Paris (2005)

SN curve for low carbon steel  
(Tsutsumi et al, F&F Eng Mat.  
Struct., 2009)



SN curve for Tantalum annealed  
(Papakyriacou et al, MSEA,  
2001)

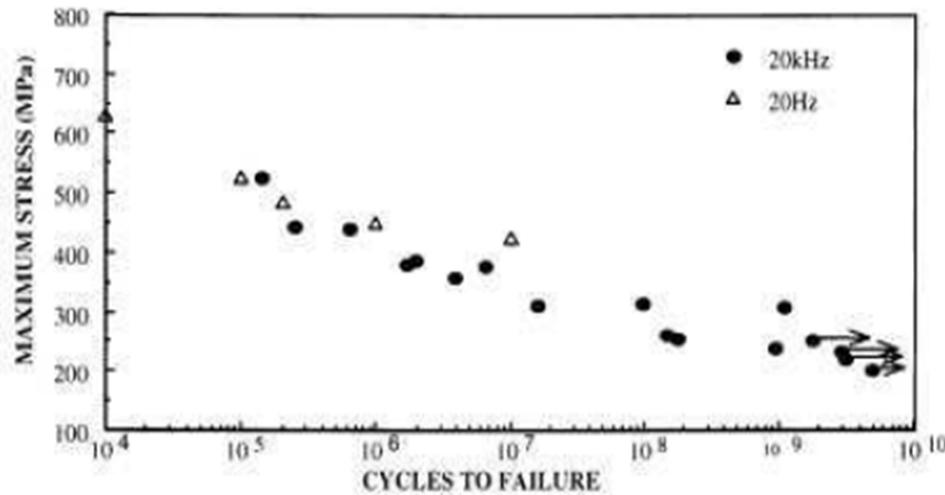


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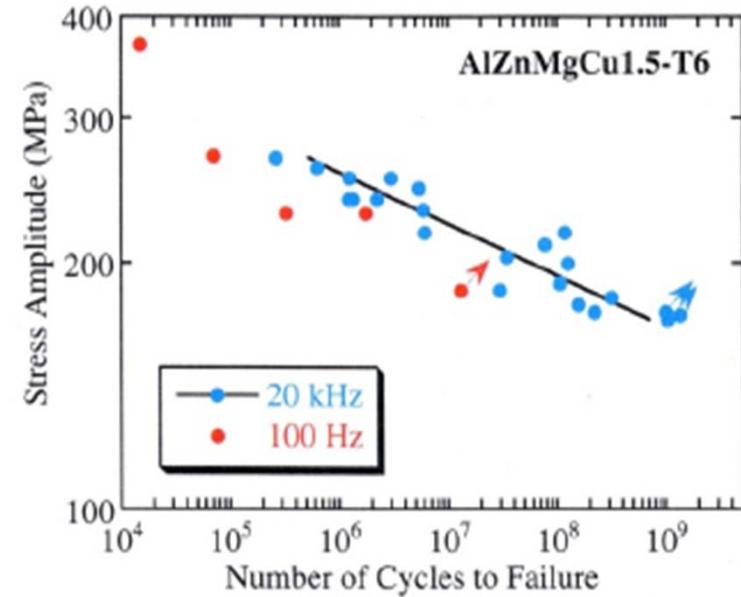
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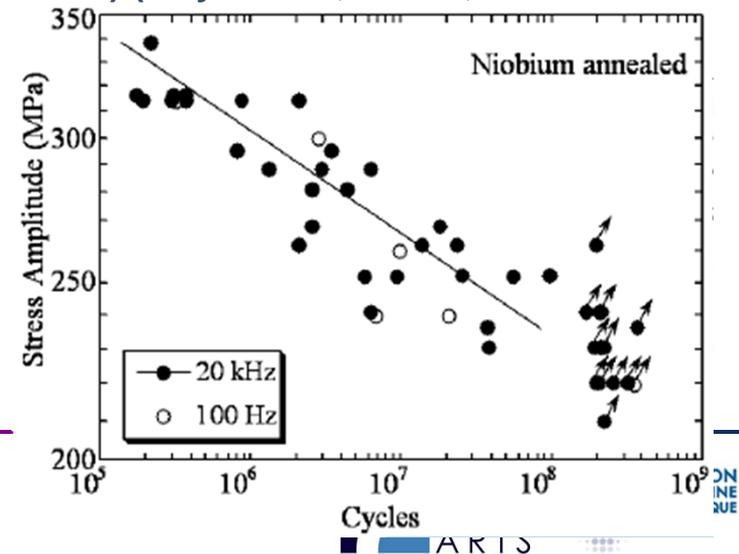
Frequency insensitive fatigue response



SN curve for Udimet 500 (Nickel based alloy), R=-1, Bathias (1999)



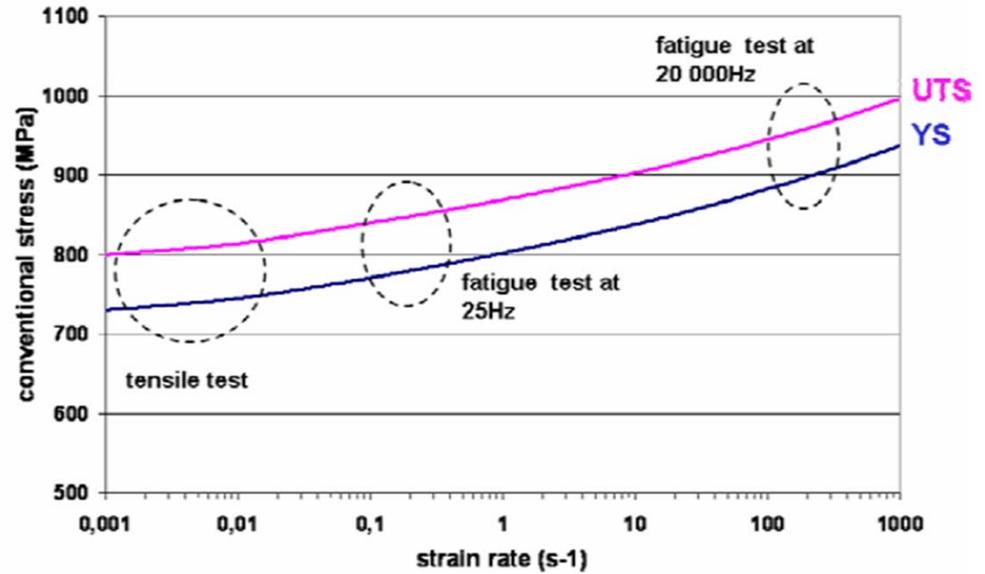
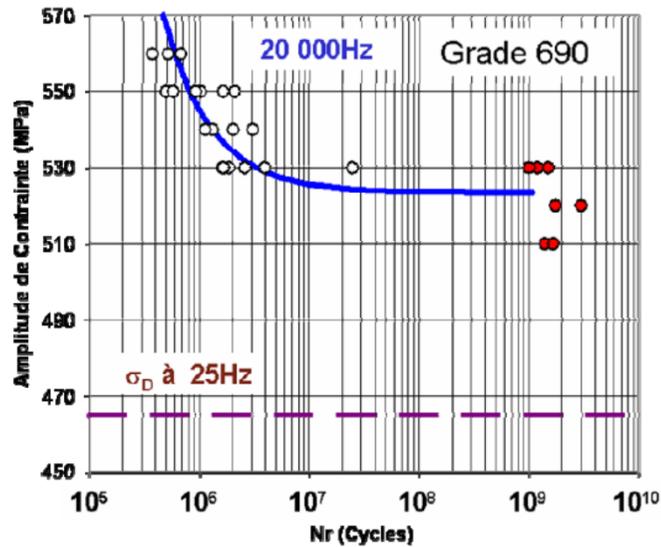
SN curve for AlZnMgCu1.5.T6(Aluminium alloy 7075) (Mayer et al, MSEA, 2001)



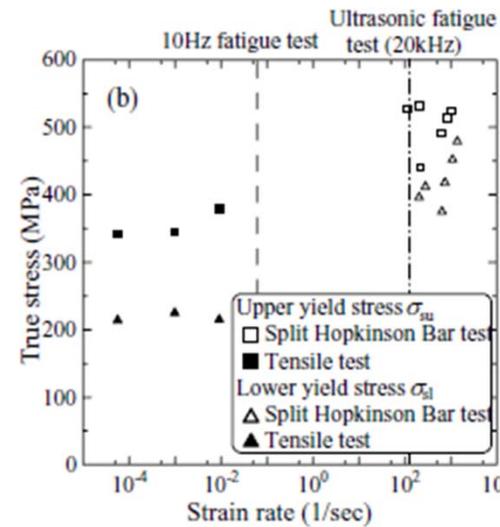
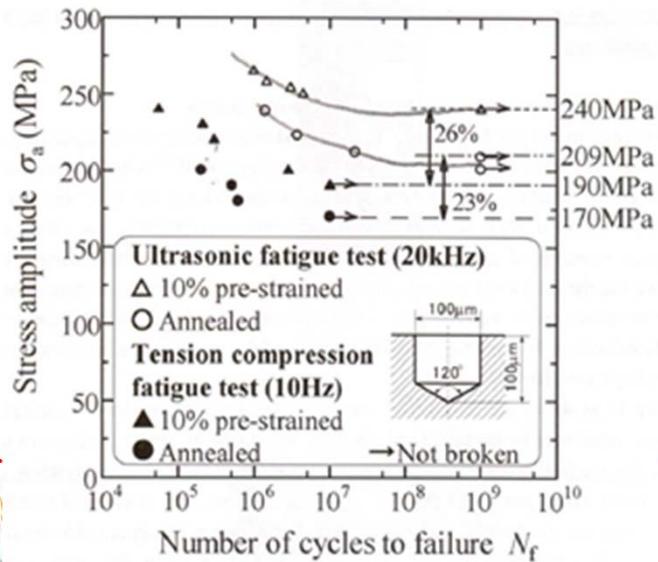
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Galtier and Cugy, MECAMAT Aussois, 2007

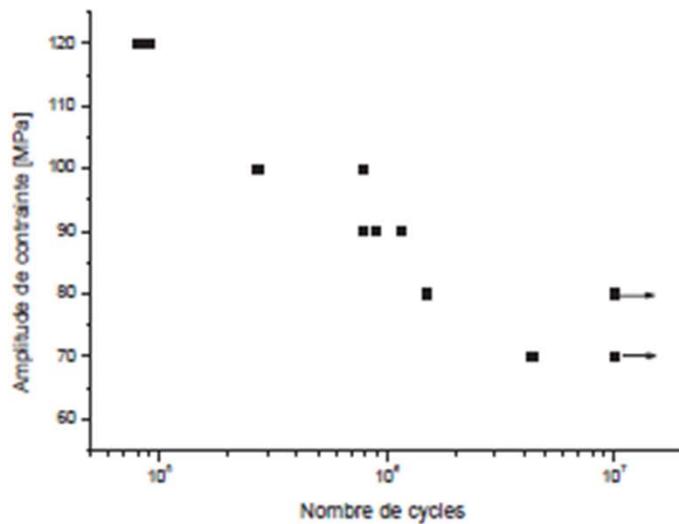


SN curve for low carbon steel (Tsutsumi et al, F&F Eng Mat. Struct., 2009)

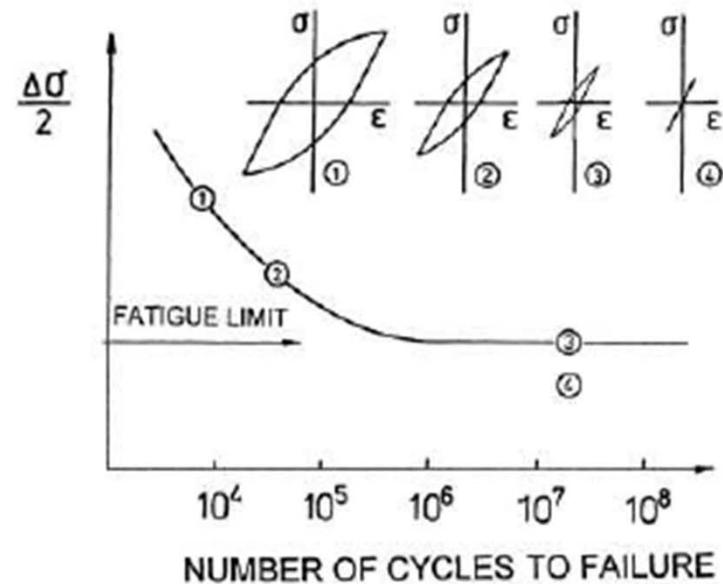


## Macroscopic elastic response...but intrinsic dissipation (damping, self-heating)

SN curve for pure copper (Mughrabi, IJF, 2002)



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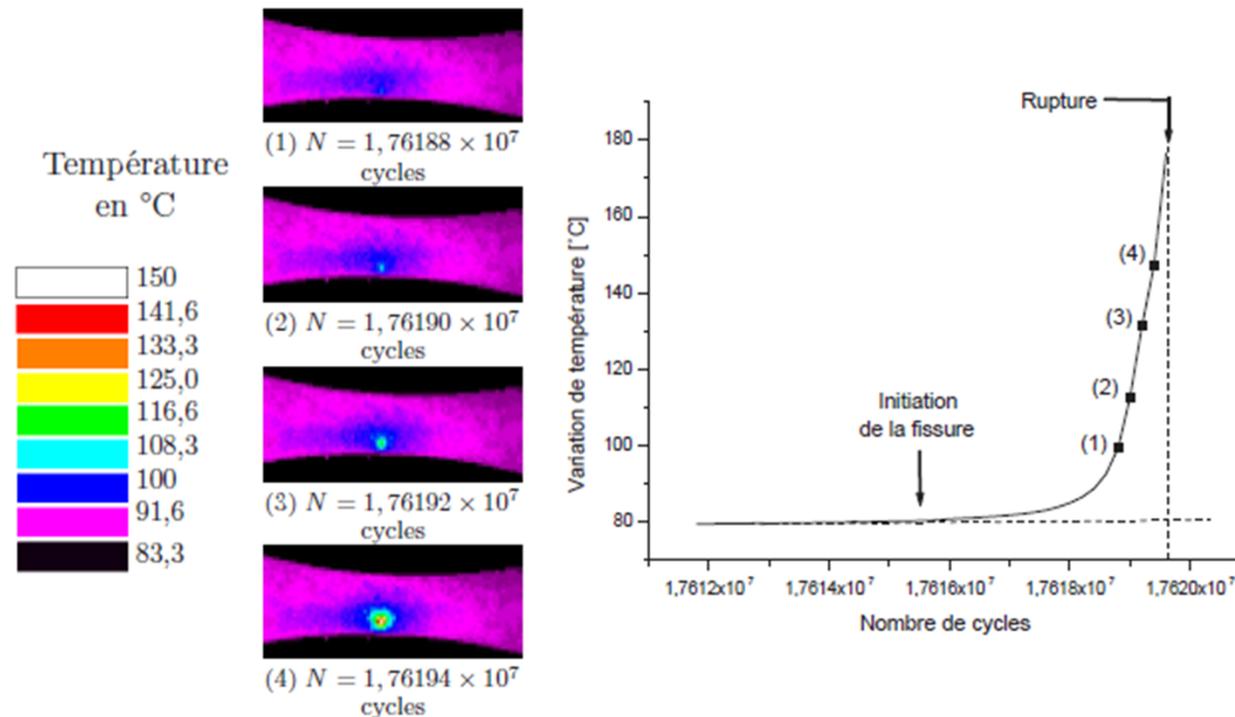


b)

Plastic shear strain amplitude < 10<sup>-5</sup> → microplasticity

## VHCF: Context for mechanisms : crack initiation/crack propagation life

**> 95% of the specimen fatigue life is consumed by the crack initiation process initiation stage.**



Temperature field on the specimen surface cyclically loaded and just before failure – 42CD4 steel (stress amplitude=345 MPa, NF=1.76107 cycles)

From (Xue et al, Fatigue Fract. Eng Mater. Struct, 2006) and (Wagner et al, Fatigue Fract. Eng Mater. Struct, 2010)

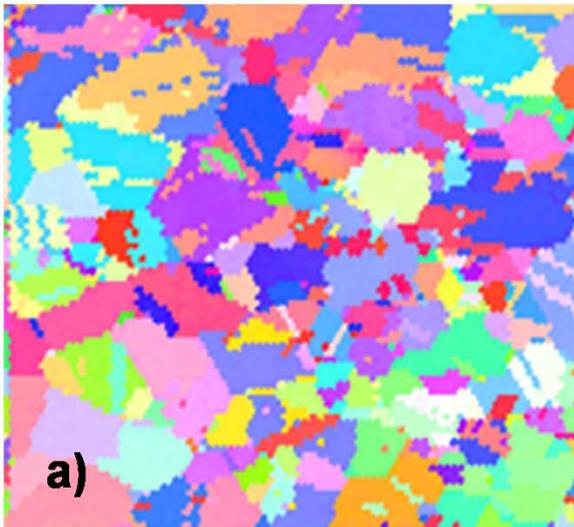
# Objectives

- **What are the microplastic mechanisms leading to crack initiation at 20 kHz in the VHCF regime?**
- **Are they similar to the mechanisms involved during fatigue investigated using conventional fatigue machine (<100 Hz)?**
- **Are there differences between f.c.c. and b.c.c metals ?**

# Materials

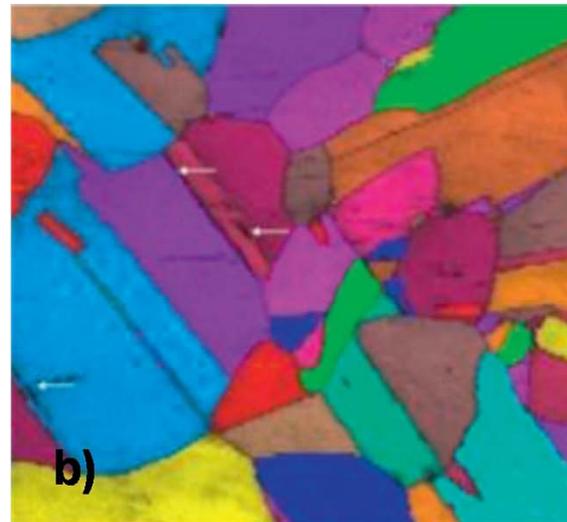
**$\alpha$ -brass (15 wt%Zn)  
f.c.c.**

mean  $\phi = 10 \mu\text{m}$



**Pure copper  
(99.95% purity)  
f.c.c.**

mean  $\phi = 30 \mu\text{m}$



**$\alpha$ -iron  
(80 wt ppm carbon)  
b.c.c.**

mean  $\phi = 30 \mu\text{m}$

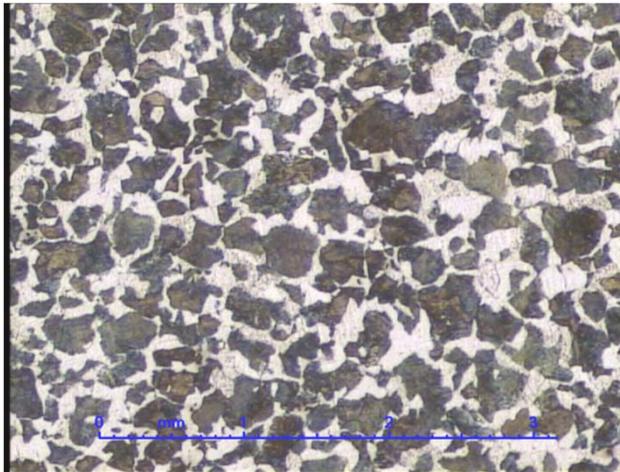


**50  $\mu\text{m}$**

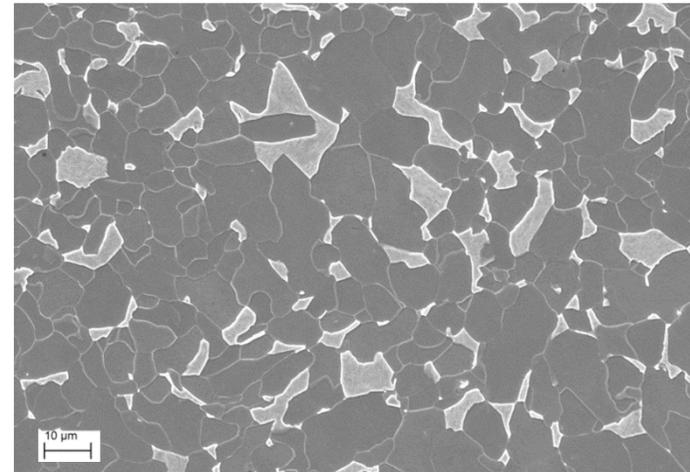
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# Materials

**Ferritic-pearlitic steel  
(C45)  
b.c.c.  
mean  $\phi = 40 \mu\text{m}$**

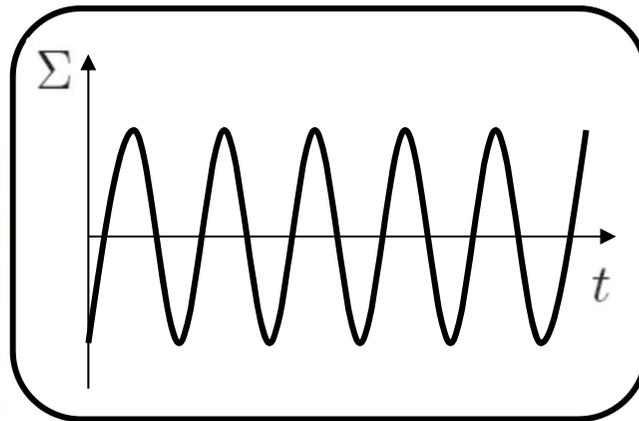


**Ferritic-martensitic steel  
(DP600)  
b.c.c.  
mean  $\phi = 7 \mu\text{m}$**

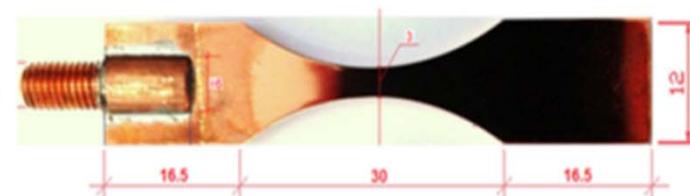
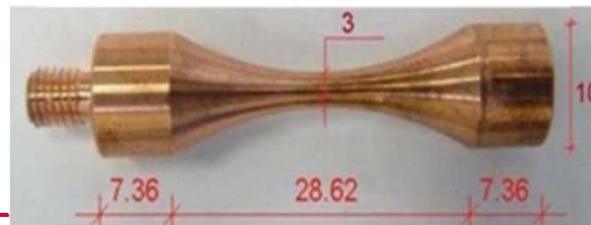
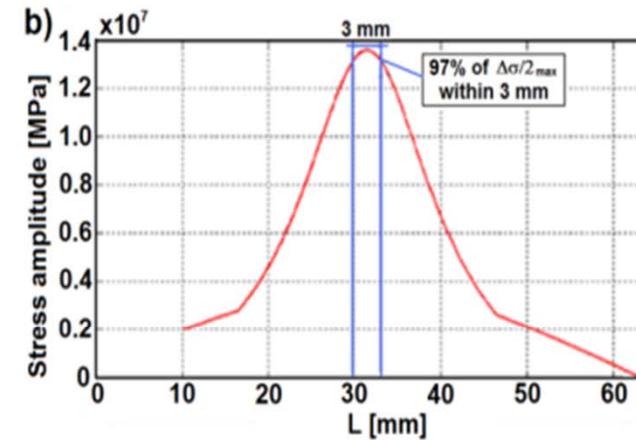
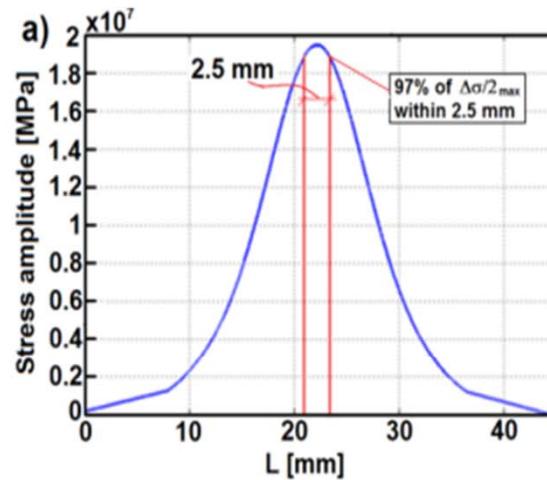


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**PhD N. Torabian (see poster session)  
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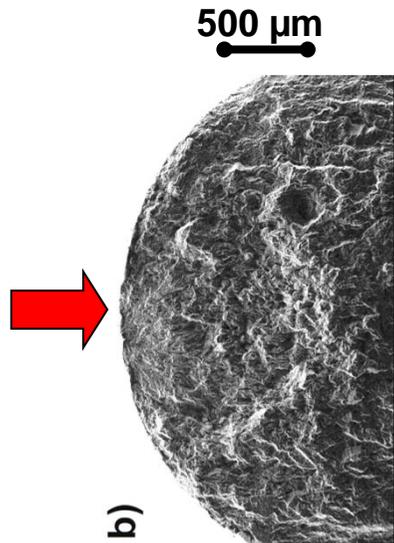
## Experimental procedure



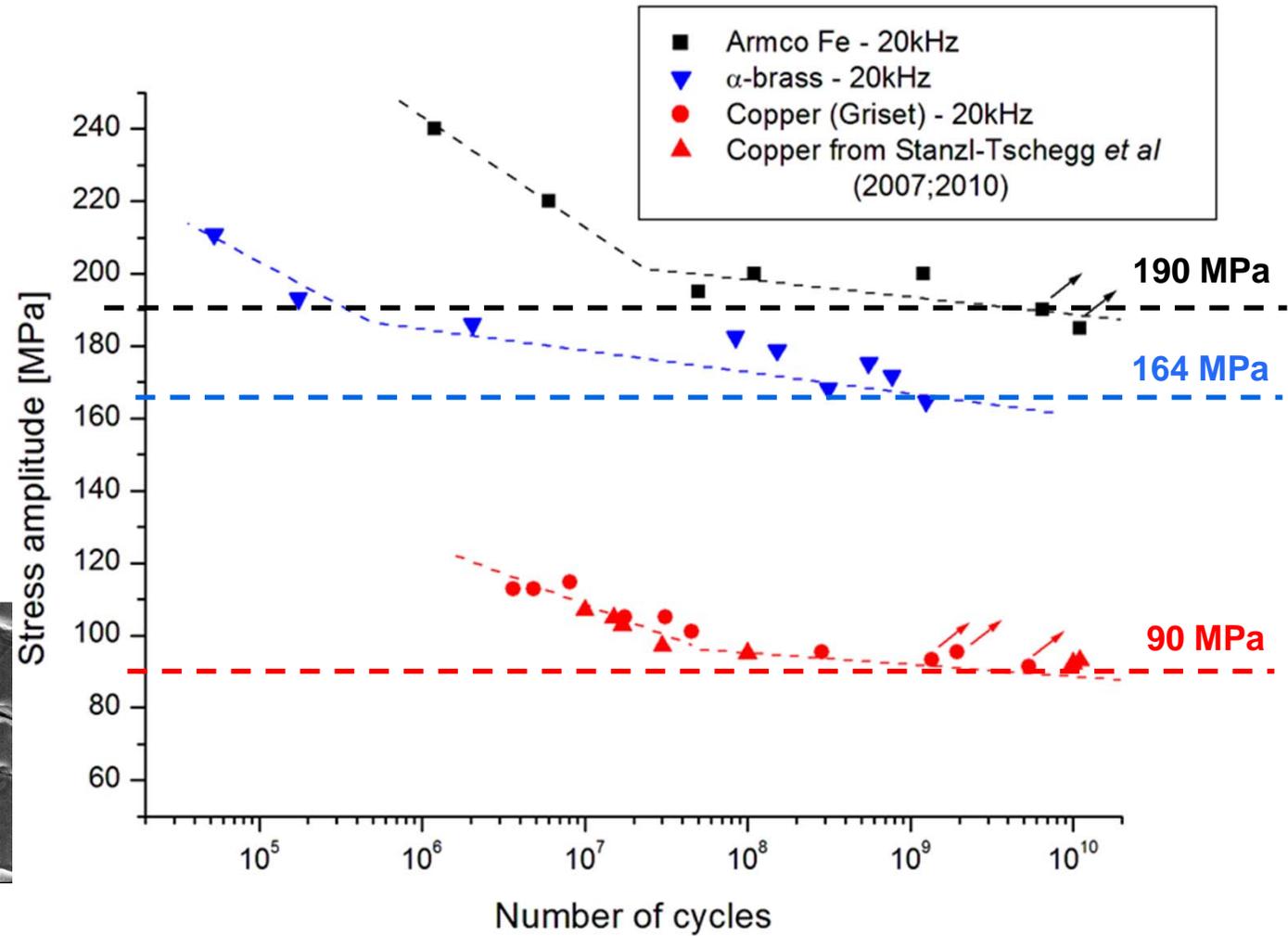
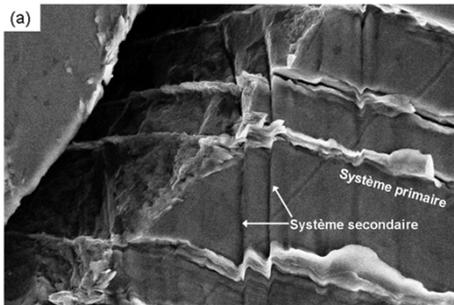
Bathias and Paris (2004)

# SN Curves

with air cooling conditions



Phung et al, IJF, 2014



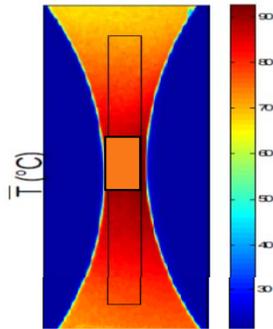
Favier et al, Int. J. Fatigue, 2016

## Mechanical properties

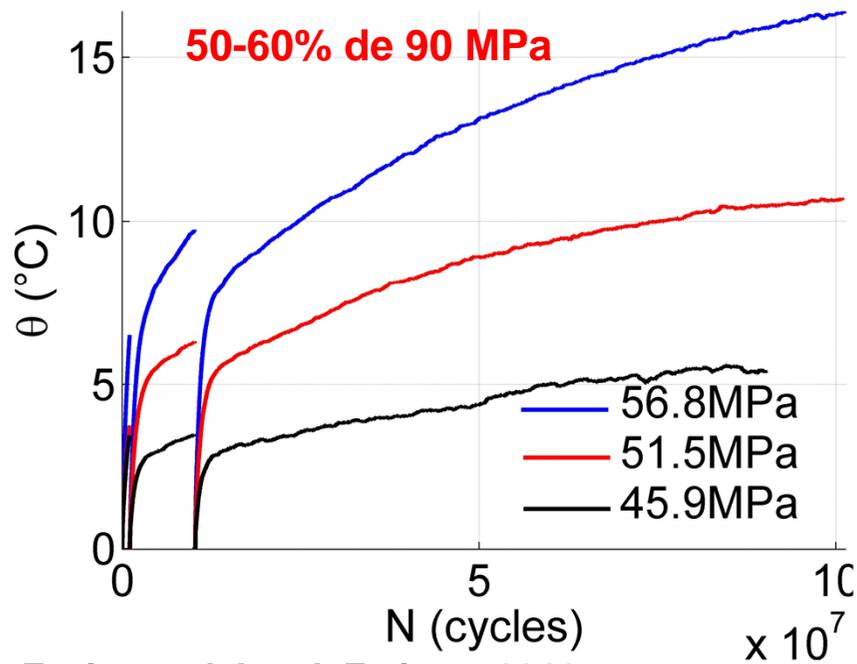
Material s	Elastic anisotropy coefficient	UTS (MPa)	$\sigma_D$ (MPa) (Fatigue strength at $10^9$ cycles)	$\sigma_D/UTS$
$\alpha$ -iron	2.4	400	190	0.47
$\alpha$ -brass	8	306	164	0.53
copper	3.3	232	90	0.39

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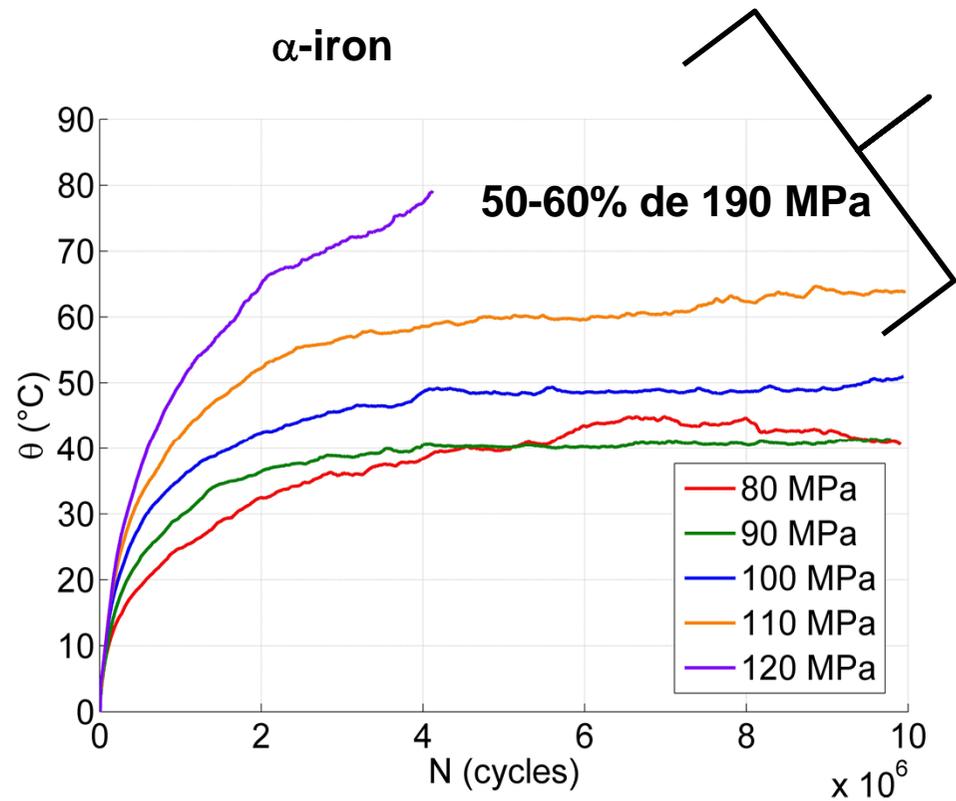
# Self heating during cycling



**copper**



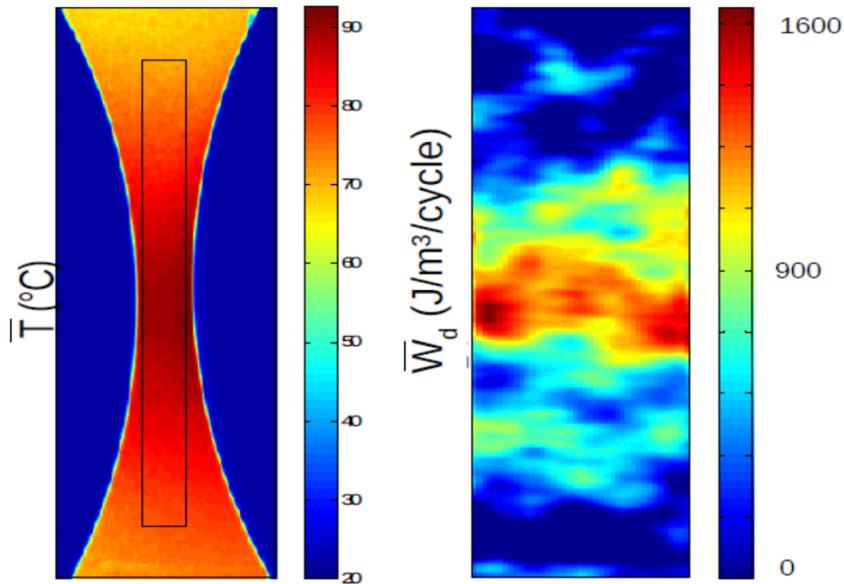
**$\alpha$ -iron**



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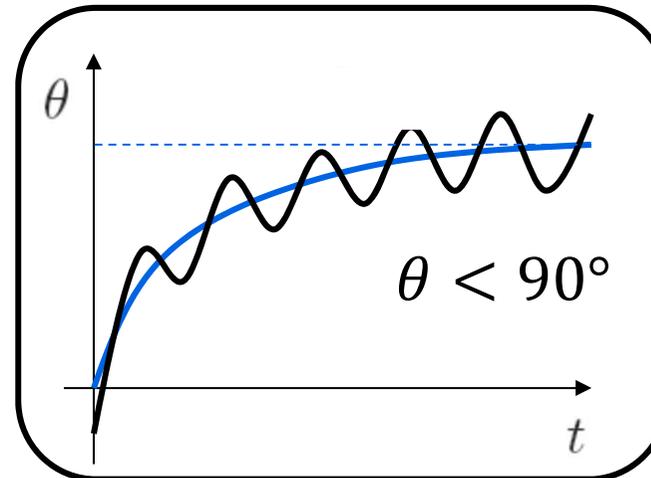
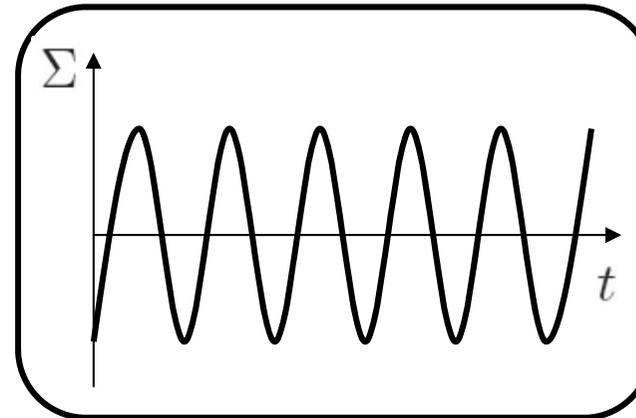
$\alpha$ -brass:  $\theta < 90^\circ\text{C}$

# Determination of the dissipated energy

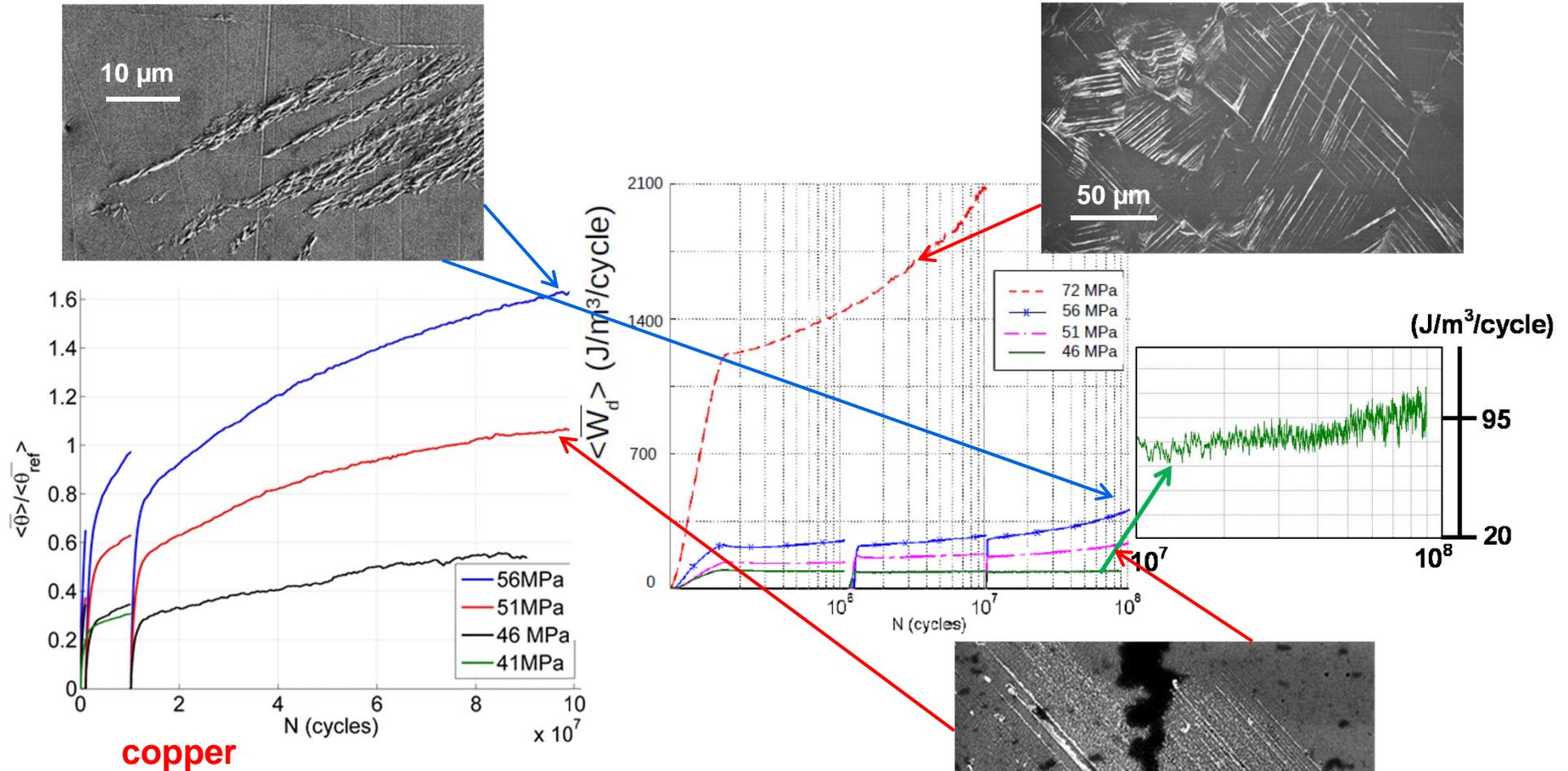


heat diffusion equation

$$\rho C \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} - k \Delta \theta = d_1 + s_{the}$$



# 0D mean dissipated energy per cycle

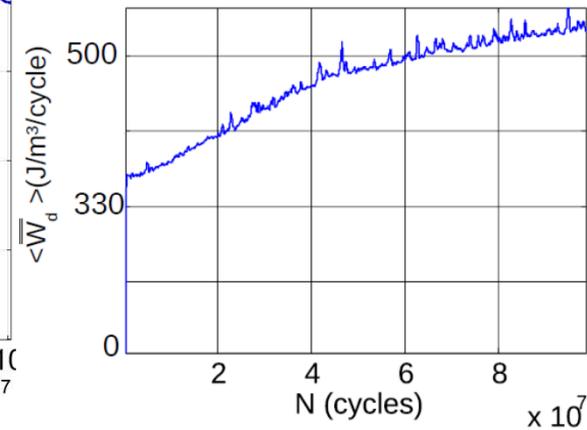
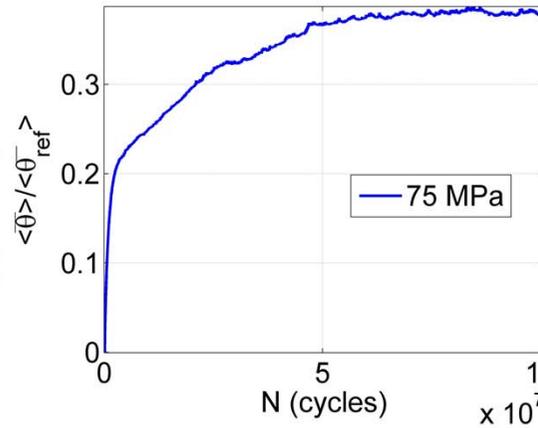
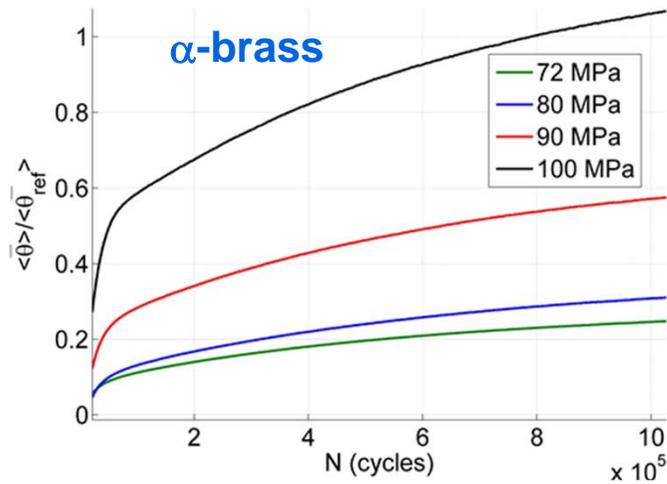
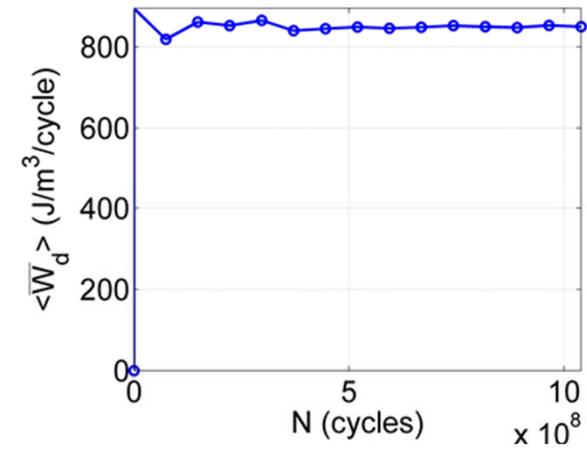
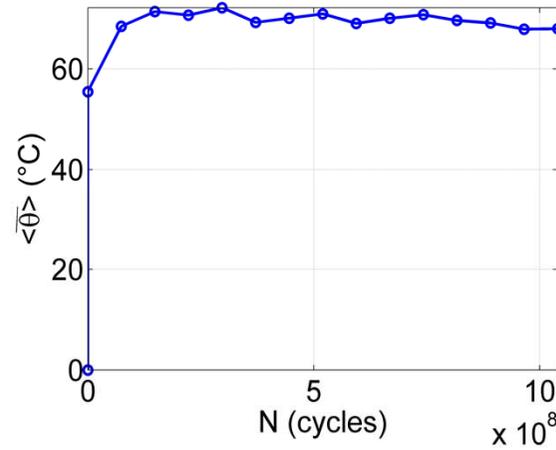
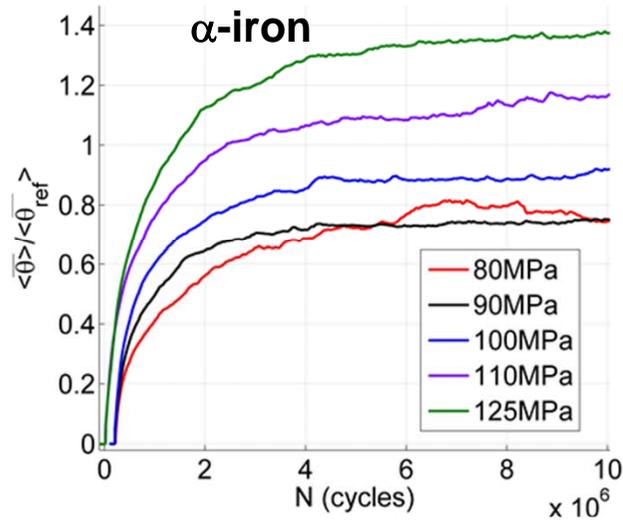


Favier et al, Int. J. Fatigue, 2016



# 0D Mean dissipated energy per cycle

Wang et al, Int. J. Fatigue, 2012

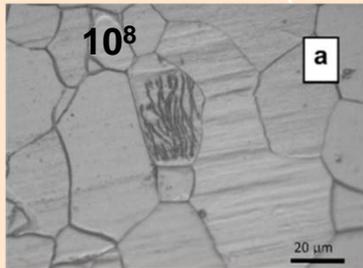
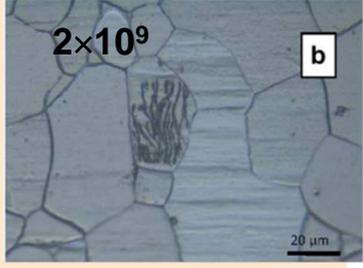
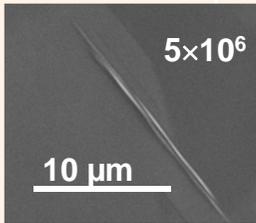
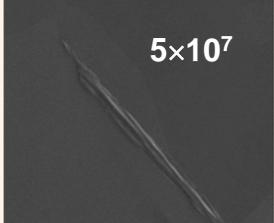
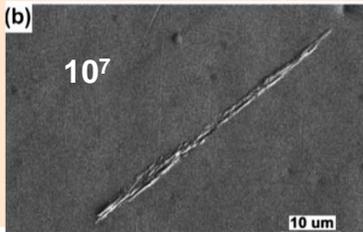
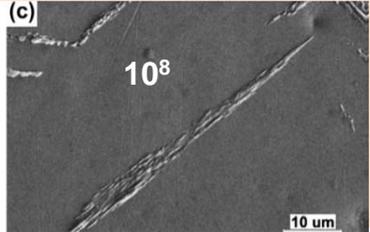


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# Summary

for stress amplitudes of 50-60% of  $\sigma_D = 20-30\%$  of UTS

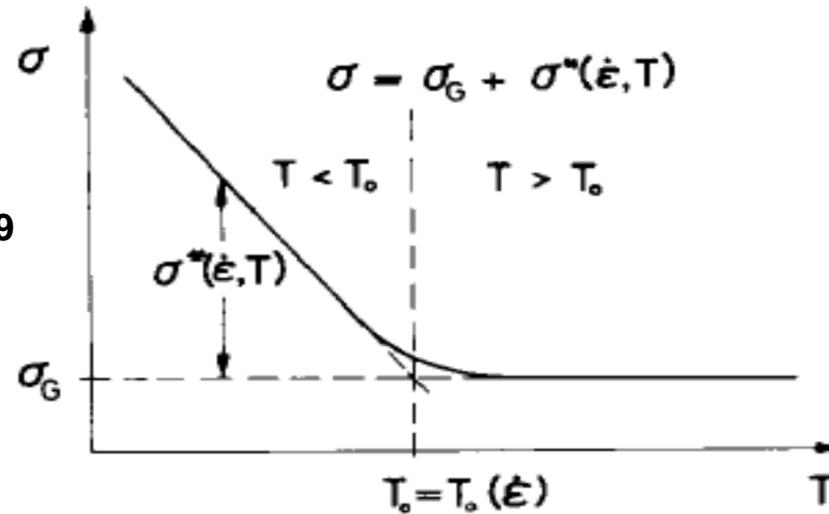
Materials	Evolution of the dissipated energy per cycle during cycling	Evolution of PSMs	
$\alpha$ -iron (b.c.c.)	constant		
$\alpha$ -brass (f.c.c.)	growing		
Copper (f.c.c.)	growing		

Favier et al, Int. J. Fatigue, 2016

# Discussion

## Dominant deformation mode below 30% of UTS

Mughrabi et al, 1979

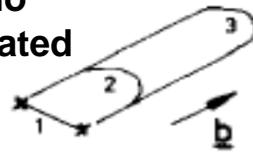


Campbell & Ferguson, 1970

$\alpha$ -iron  $T_0$  (20 kHz) =  $T_0$  (10-100s<sup>-1</sup>) ∈ [130° C-400° C]

Favier et al, Int. J. Fatigue, 2016

$\alpha$ -iron , no strong change in dislocation structure → no significant change in dissipated energy during cycling



$$\frac{T < T_0}{v_0 \ll v_L}$$

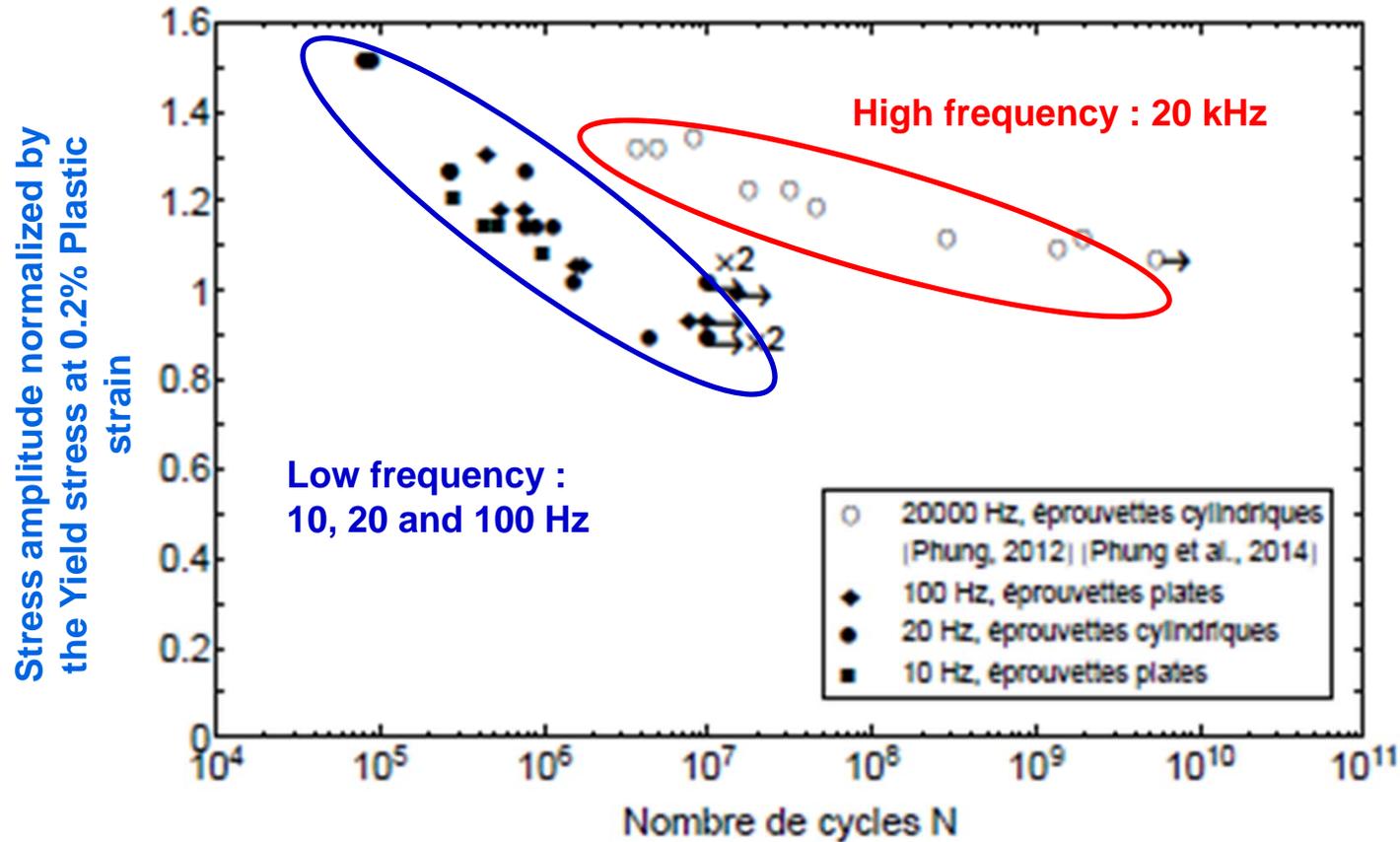
Copper and  $\alpha$ -brass , stronger dislocation motion, change in dislocation structure → change in dissipated energy during cycling



$$\frac{T > T_0}{v_0 \sim v_L}$$

# SN Curves

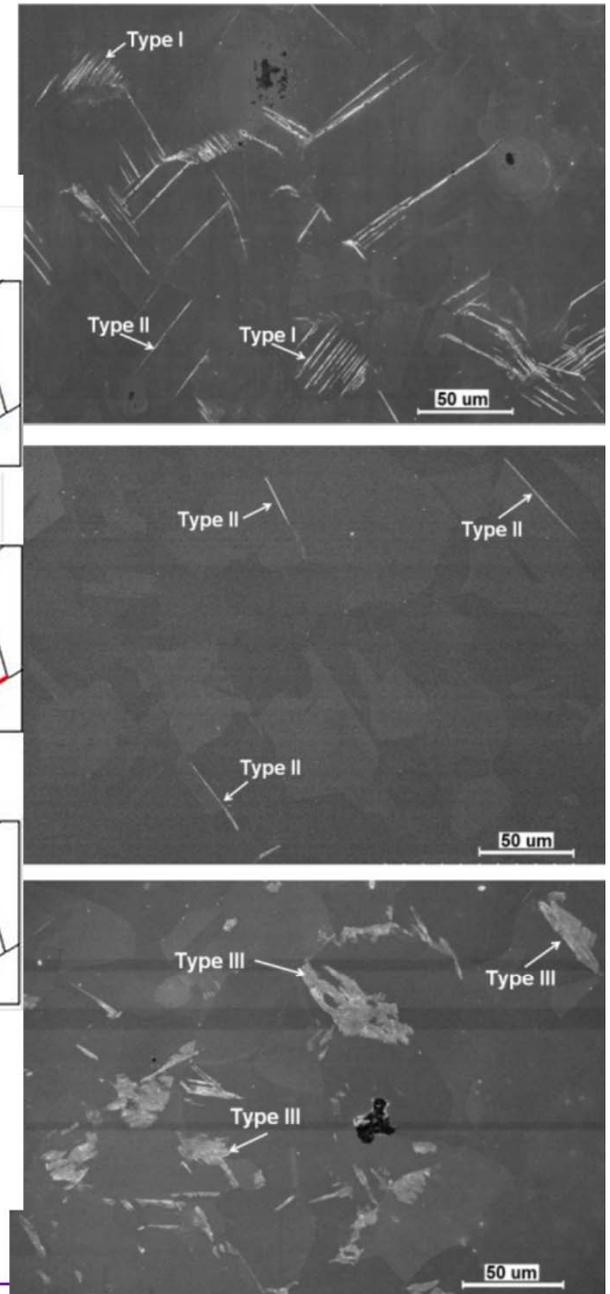
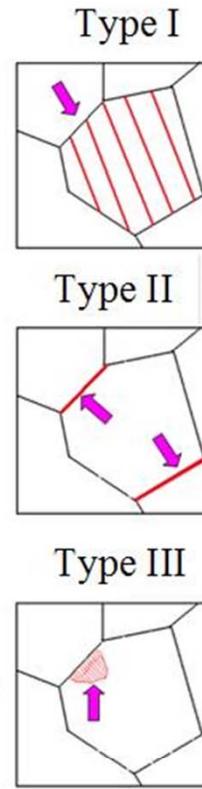
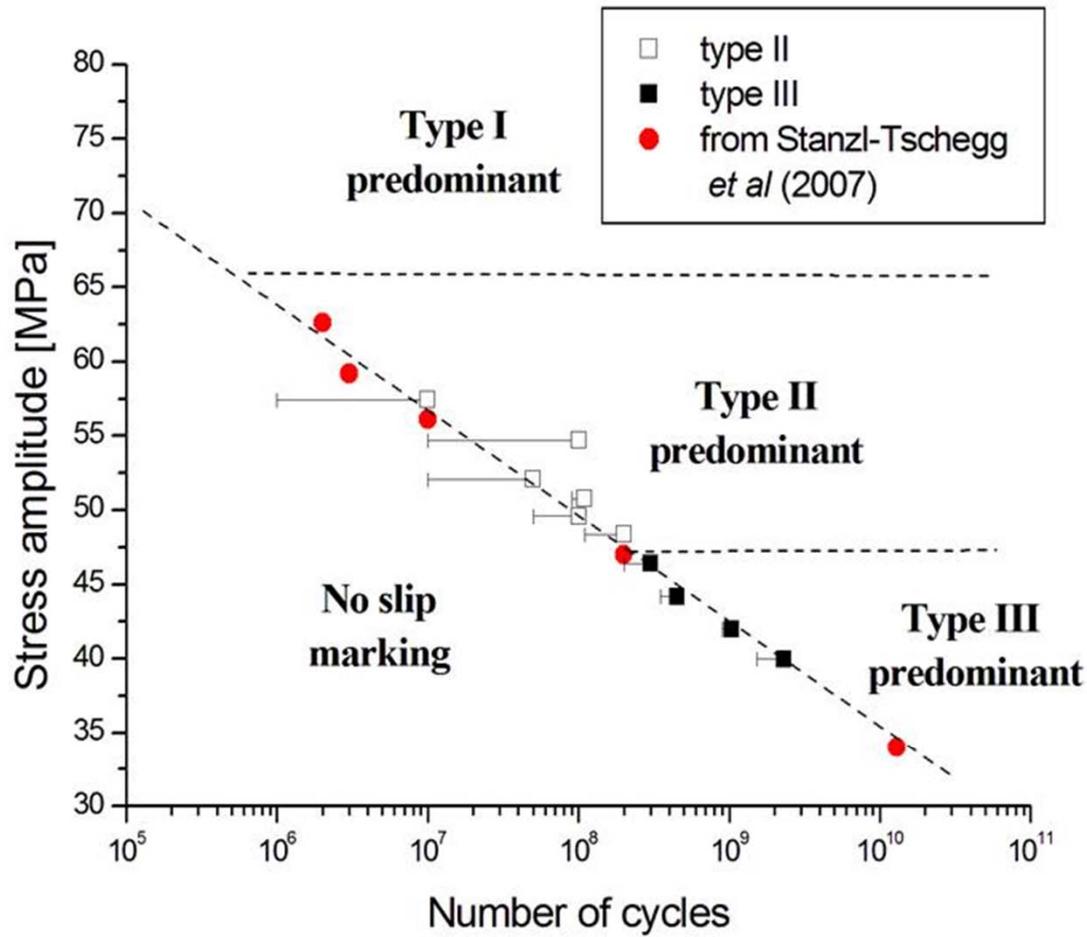
## Stress normalized by the flow stress



➡ Strain rate sensitivity cannot explain alone the change in SN curves with frequency

# Early slip markings

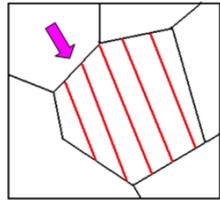
Fatigue strength at  $10^9$  cycles = ~90 MPa



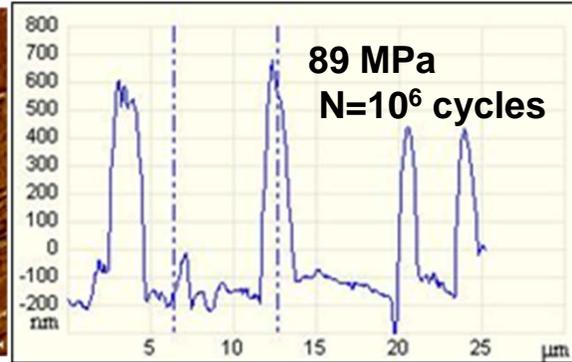
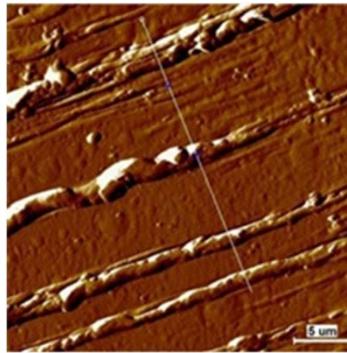
Phung, Favier, Ranc, Vales, Mughrabi, Int.J. Fatigue (2014)

# Slip markings morphology

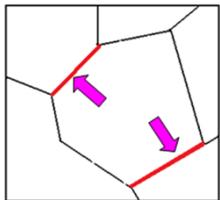
Low frequency ?



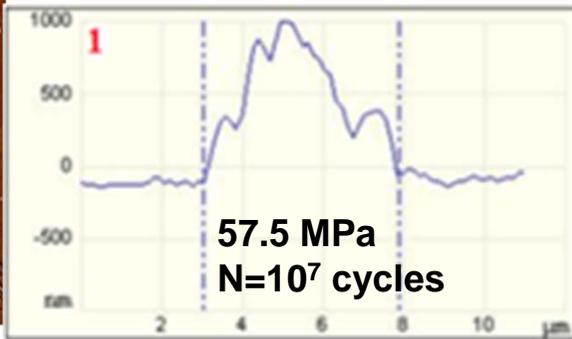
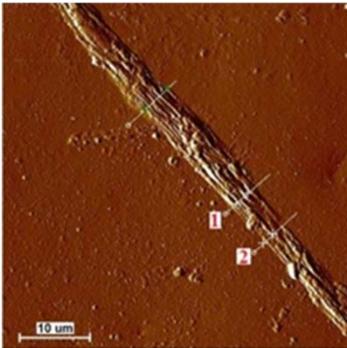
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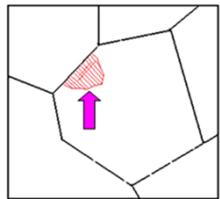
Classically  
observed : PSBs



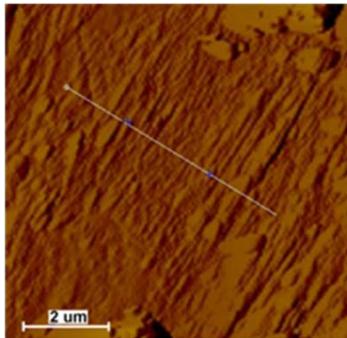
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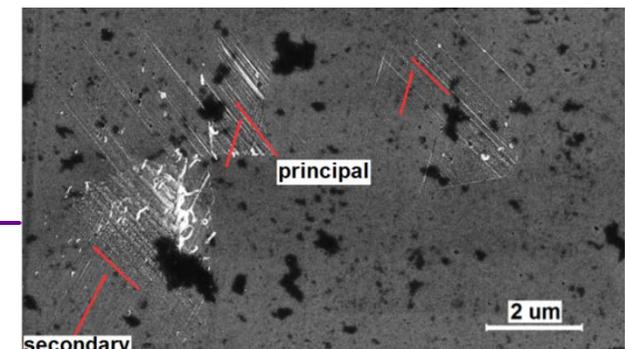
Neumann and  
Tönnessen (1988), Polak  
and Vasek (1994),  
Llanes and Laird (1992),  
Peralta *et al.* (1999)  
Small stress ampl.



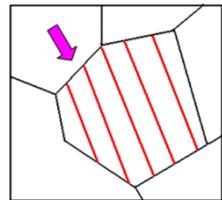
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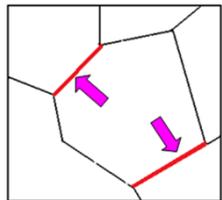
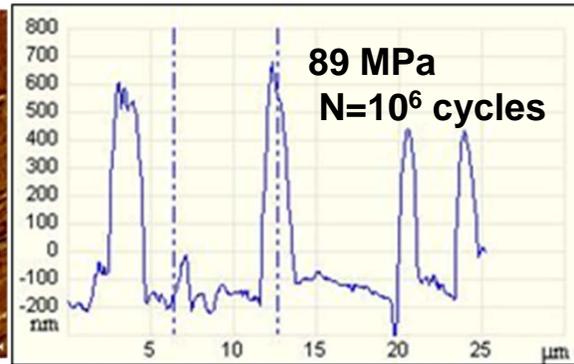
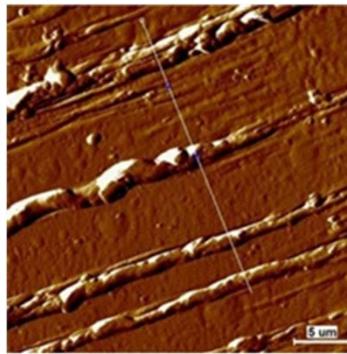
Basinski and Basinski  
(1969) //  $N < 10$  cycles



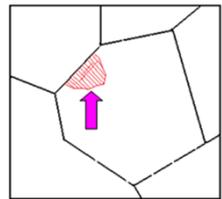
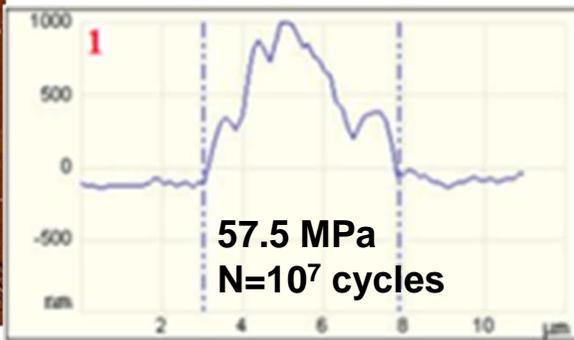
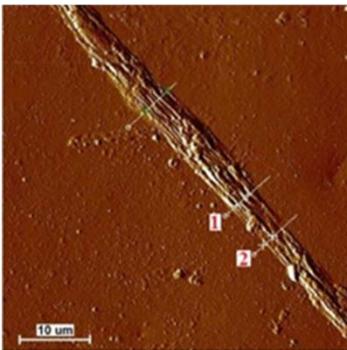
# Slip markings morphology



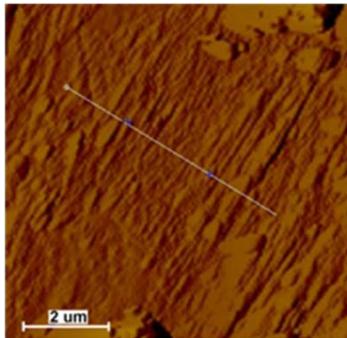
Type I



Type II

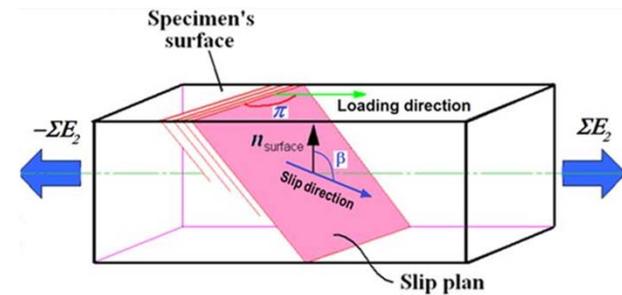


Type III



Criterion ?

Predicted by the maximum Schmid factor criterion (El Bartali et al, 2008)



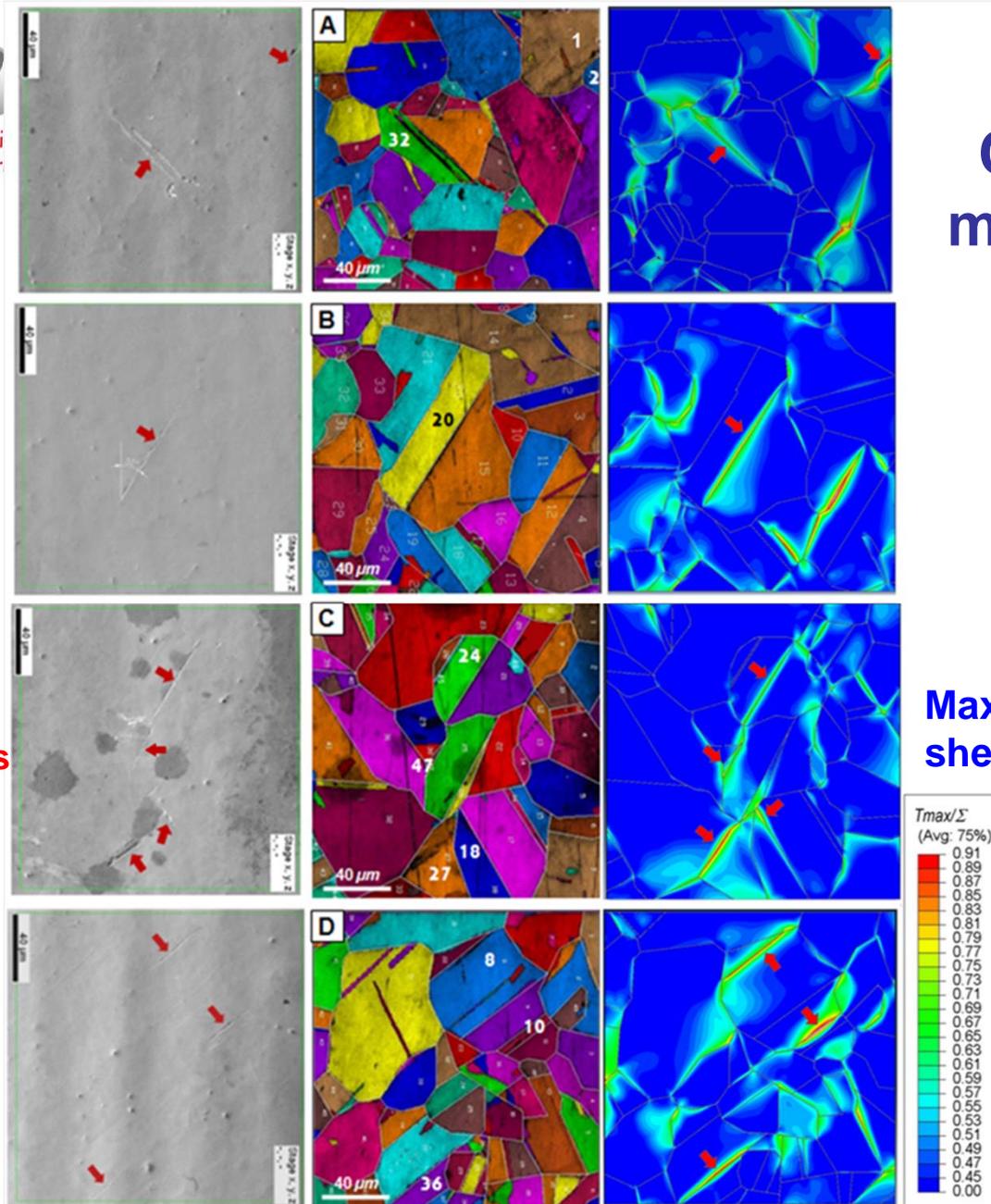
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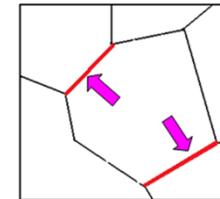
$\Sigma$   $\leftrightarrow$   $E_2$

56.4 MPa  
 $10^7$  cycles

192 grains  
11 slip markings



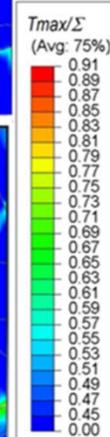
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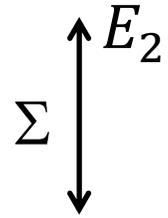
Cubic elasticity

$$\tau^S = R_{ij}^S \sigma_{ij}$$

Maximum resolved  
shear stress

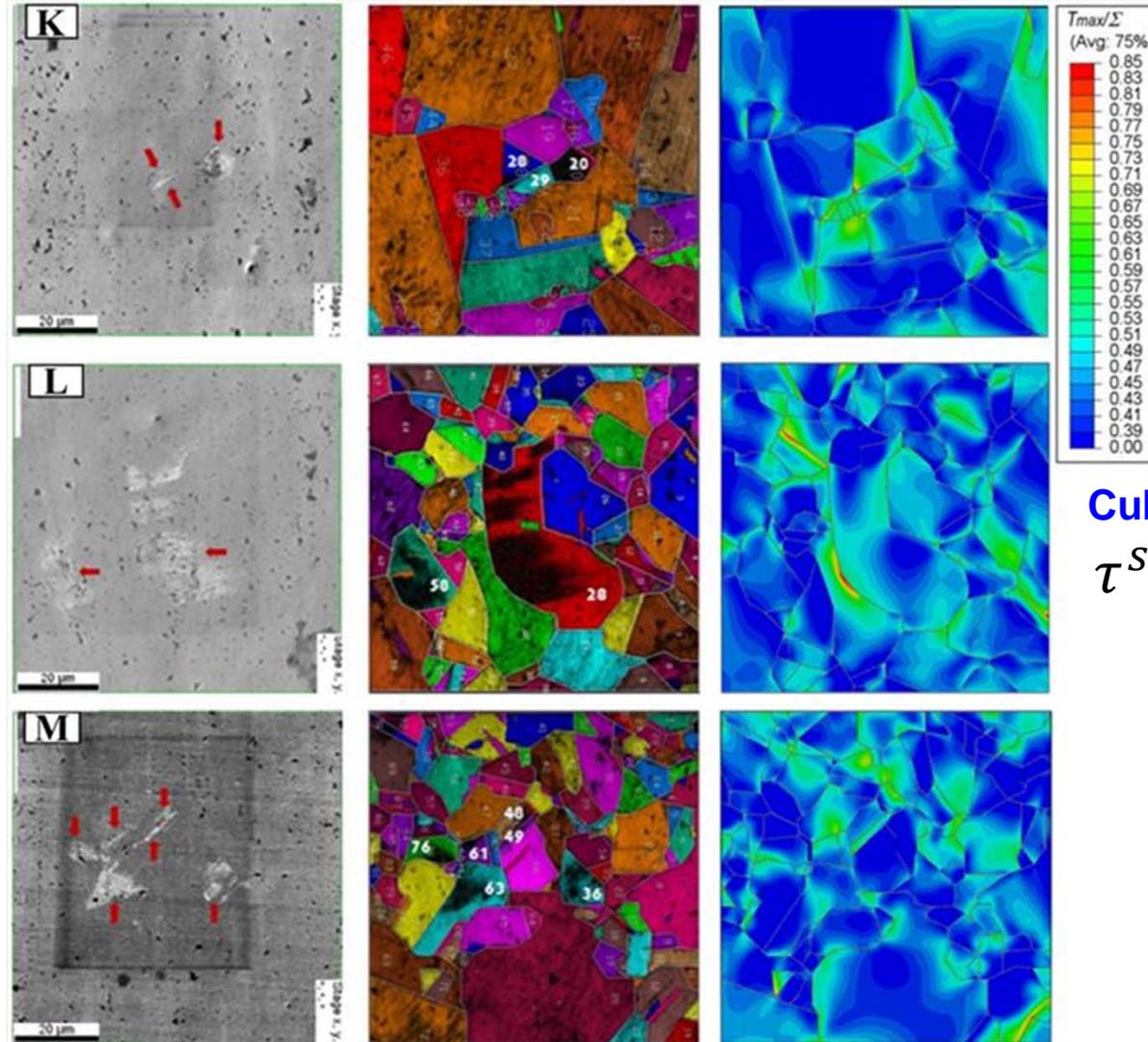


# Criterion for slip markings of type III

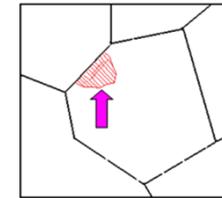


59.6 MPa  
 $10^8$  cycles

204 grains  
11 slip markings



Maximum  
resolved  
shear stress

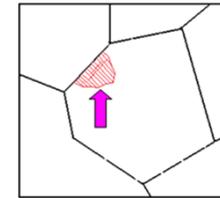
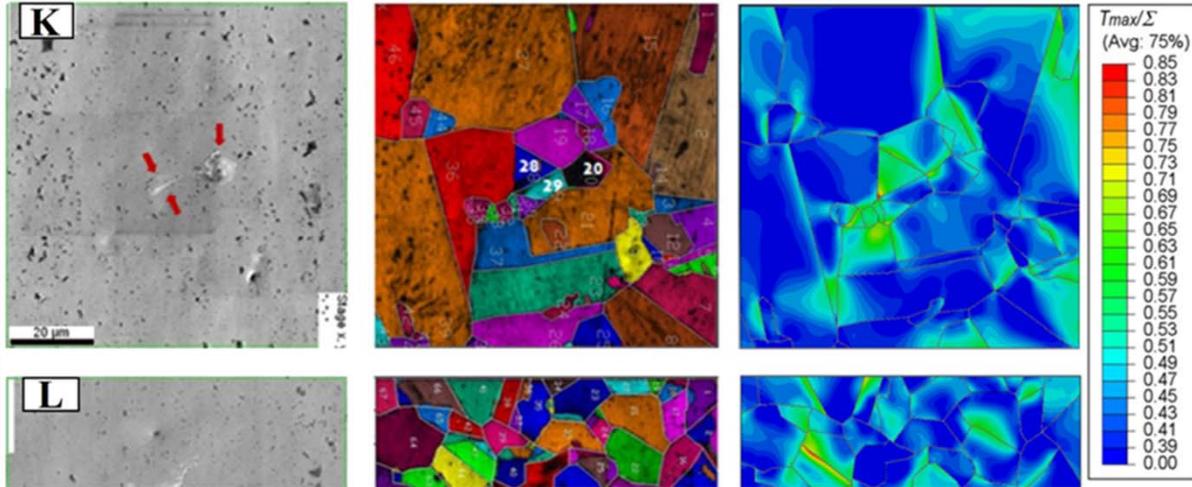


Cubic elasticity

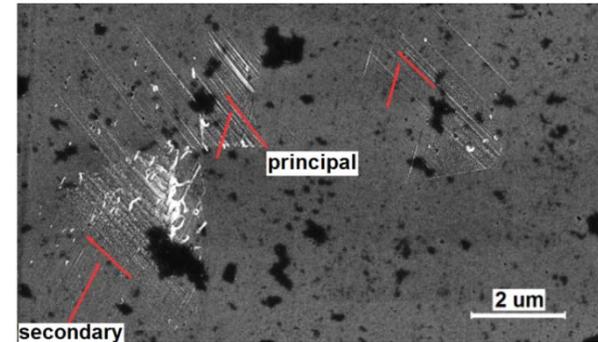
$$\tau^S = R_{ij}^S \sigma_{ij}$$

# Discussion

49.6 MPa - N=10<sup>8</sup> cycles



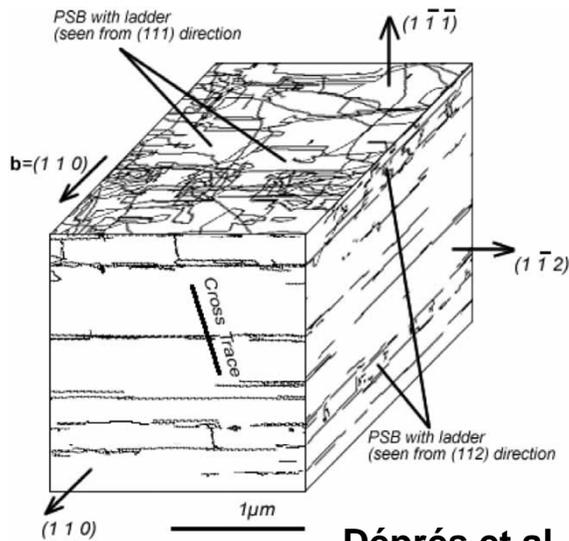
$$29 \text{ MPa} \leq |\tau_{max}| \leq 41 \text{ MPa}$$



Cross slip threshold (Cu T=300K)

24.5 MPa

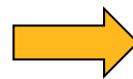
Bonneville et al. (1988)



Déprés et al. (2004)

Key role of cross slip for deformation localisation

(Li & Laird 1994, Peralta et al, 1999)



Slip marking appearance threshold  
~Cross slip threshold

# Conclusions

Response in VHCF at 20 kHz is very material-dependent.

Temperature during cycling has to be measured !!

For ductile single phase materials, slip band emergence are responsible for short crack initiation at the surface of the specimen as for LCF and HCF regimes.

Local stress heterogeneities mainly to anisotropic elasticity plays a key role in the slip band sites.

For copper (f.c.c.), frequency effects are attributed to time effect.

For ferrite (b.c.c), frequency effects are attributed to strain rate and temperature effects.

For multiphase materials, crack can initiate at internal defects

