



**Development of Universal
Methodology of Specimen Free
Nondestructive Inspection
(Control) of Mechanical
Properties of NPP Equipment
Metal in All Stages of Lifetime**



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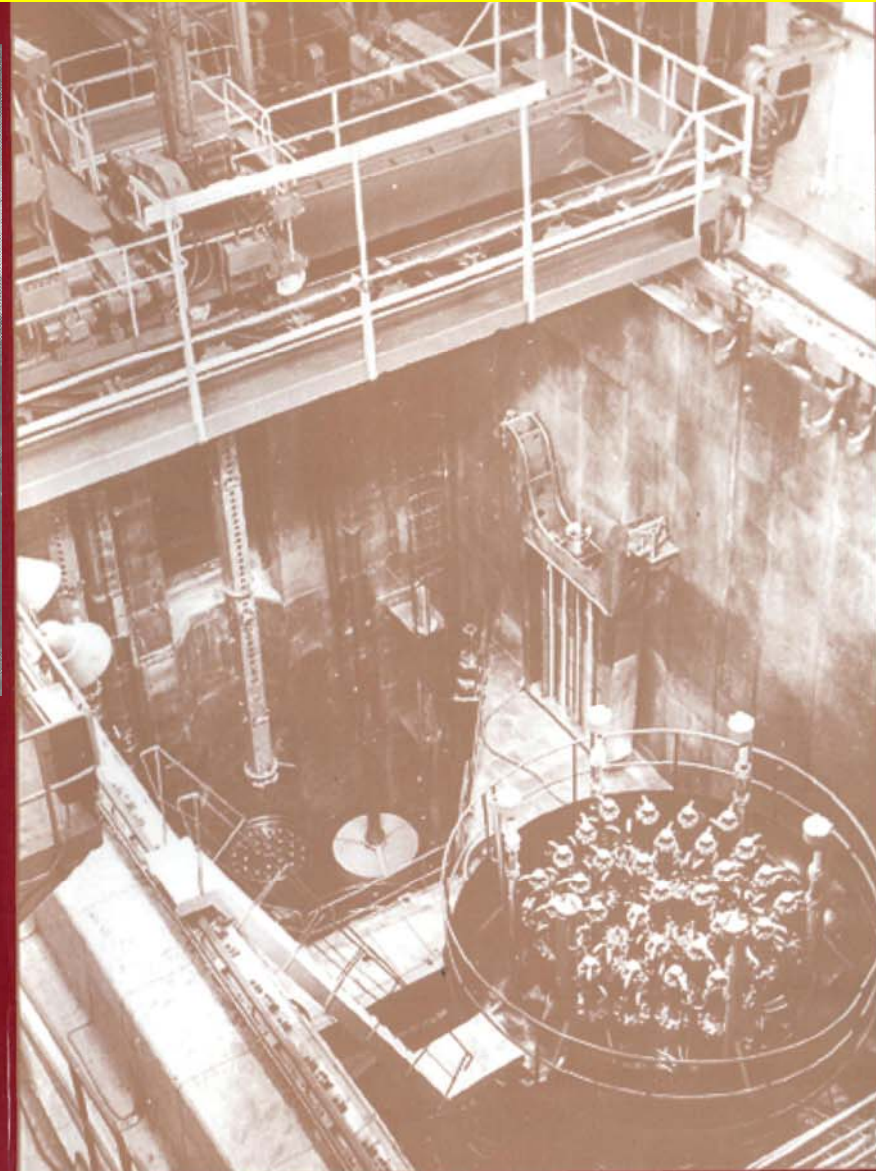
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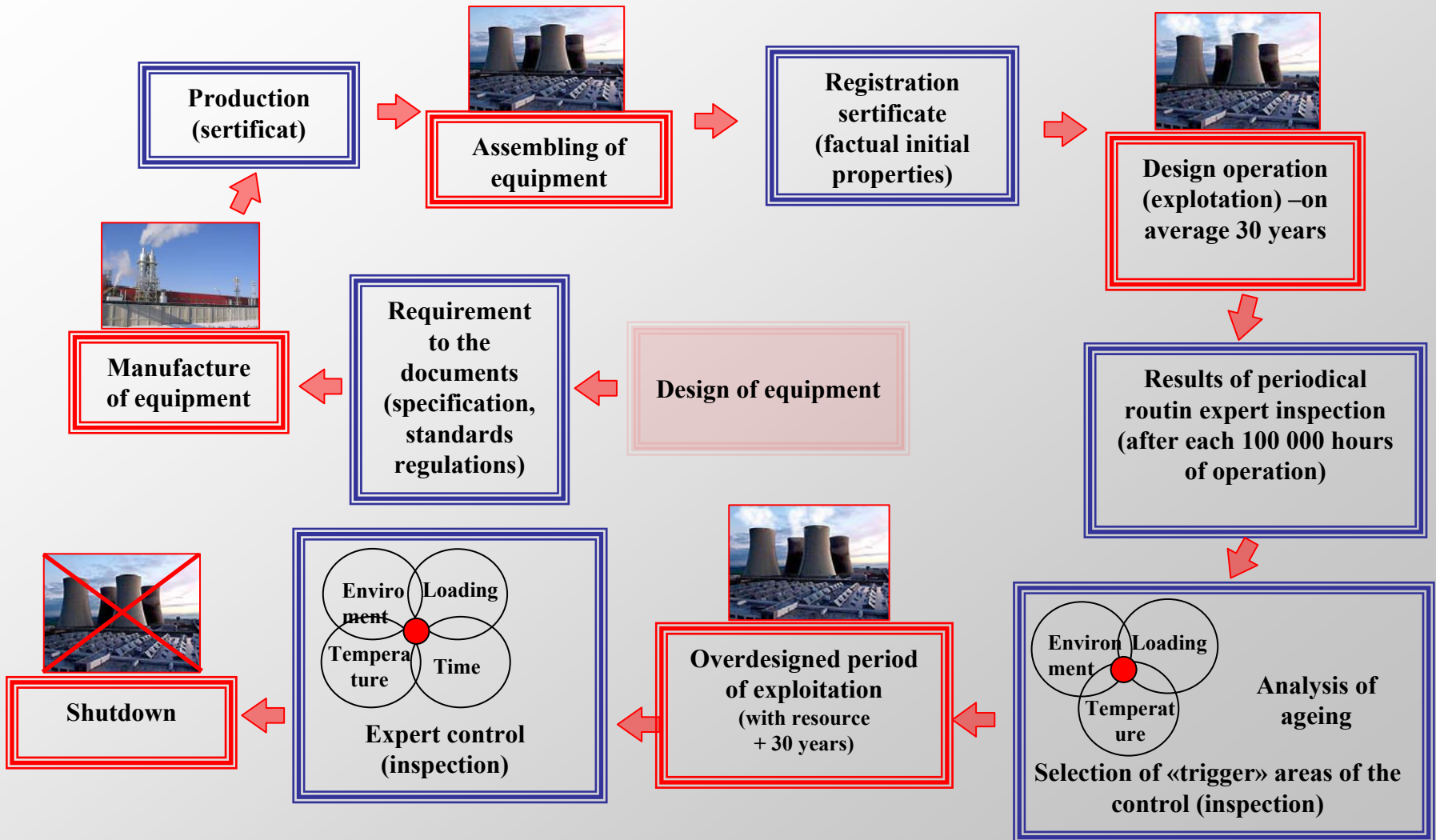
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This year on September is 45 years from the day of getting on operation of the 1 unit of NVNPP (the first unit of WWER-type)



Reliability is provided by knowledge of the real mechanical properties at all stages of Plant Life – **preoperation**, operation, **shutdown**



It is advisable to use for the inspection of mechanical properties one method, one methodic and united 3 methodology

DEFINITION OF MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

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Machine Specimen management Configuration Options Help

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Zwick / Roell

Series layout Specimen graph Wizard

Series

Series

Differentiation of specimen by color

σ_y

n

σ_m

$\sigma = \sigma_y + a \cdot \epsilon^n$

Stress in kg

Test time in s

Nr	E GPa	Rp0.1 MPa	Rp0.2 MPa	Rp0.5 MPa	Rt0.5 MPa	Rp0.2/Rm %	ReH MPa	ReH/Rm %	ReL MPa
9	210	292	290	294	291	65.02	292	65.31	287
10	209	299	298	295	293	65.97	300	66.43	291

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s	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
v	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Diameter 8 mm

Test length 40 mm

Grip to grip separation at the start position A 107.13 mm

Gauge length, standard path A 40 mm

F [N] 0 Grip to grip separation [mm] 326.557 Crosshead absolute [mm] 900.557

testControl - Drive - Controlled hold

Test environment name: Default User: Лена

**New methodology of the control
(inspection) at all stages of life cycle of the
equipment should be created on use of
non-destructive methods of the control
(inspection)**

At present there are more than 100 different specimen-free methods.

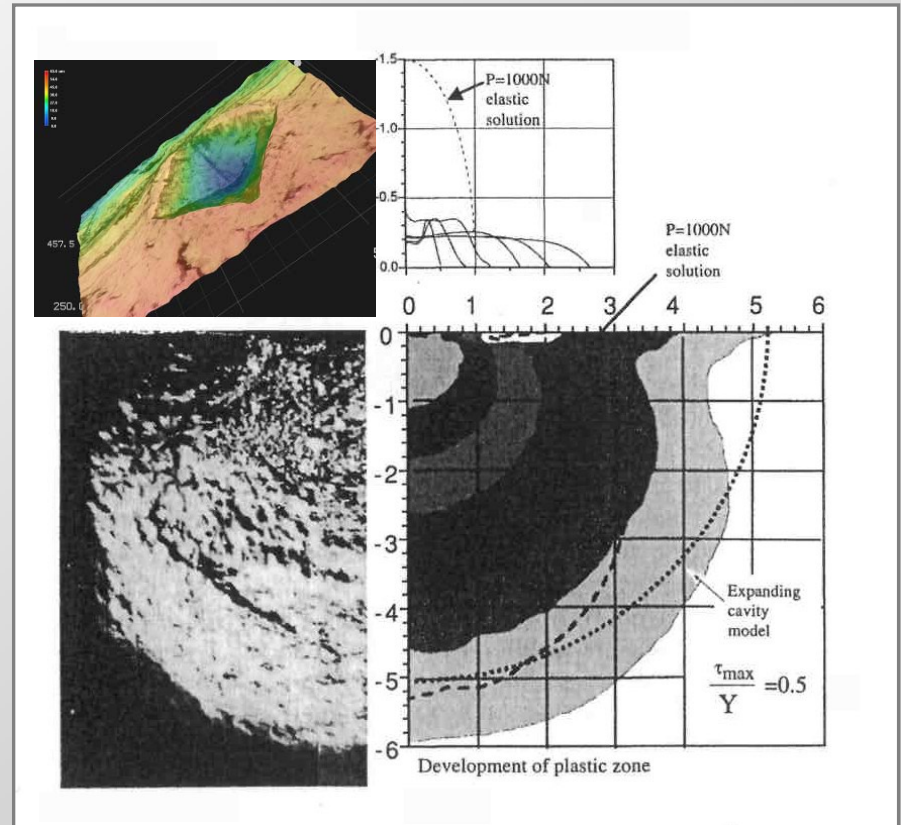
However, on this day moment, till now it is not selected one priority method of the control (inspection), which would be maximum informative from the point of view of materials mechanical properties inspection. This fact does not allow to use efficiently the results of exploitation control (inspection), which traditionally is conducted on Nuclear Power Plants and Thermoelectric Power Stations.

HARDNESS

The most perspective for the control (inspection) of the mechanical properties are the hardness methods, because only these methods give the information about the material condition by it's elastic-plastic deformation, such as by tensile tests of specimens.

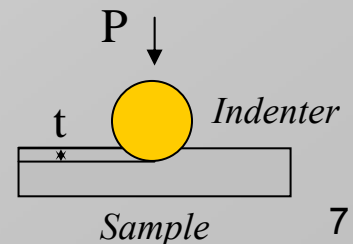
a) impression

c) distribution of contact stresses



b) distribution of deformations

$$H = \frac{P}{t}$$



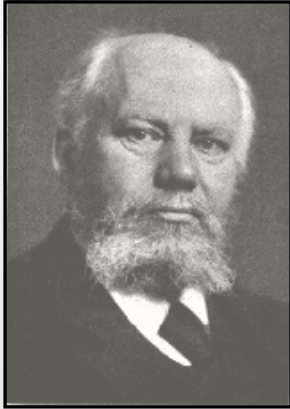
During the last 100 years there were obtained only statistical methods of definition of hardness by **Brinell, Rockwell и Vickers**. Only these methods are standardized in full measure. However, even for these methods the test conditions are different and it is not possible to compare results of the tests directly with each other. *In that way, imperfection of the methods of hardness measurement is absence of unification in conducting of tests (investigations)*



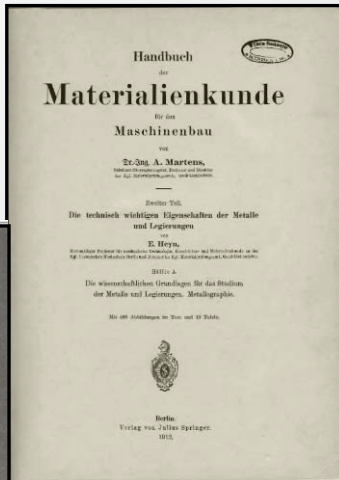
Johan August Brinell
1849-1925

HISTORY OF KINETIC INDENTATION TESTING

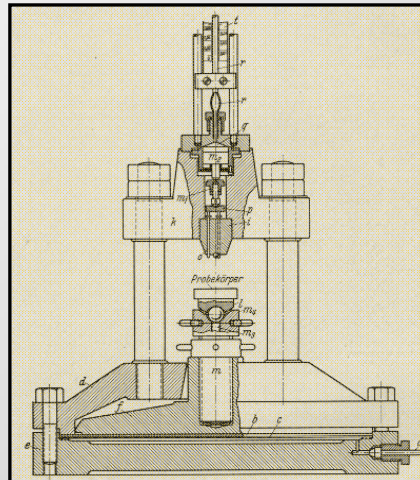
For the first time in 1898 distinguished German scientist Dr. Adolf Martens orderes to record the load-displacement curves for a spherical indenter



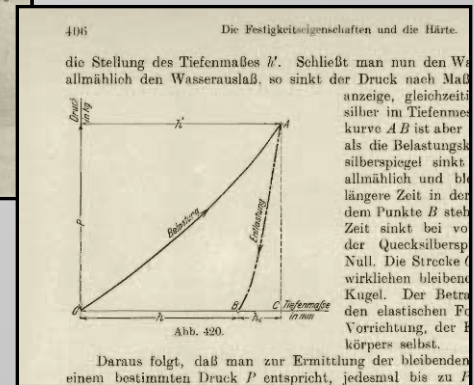
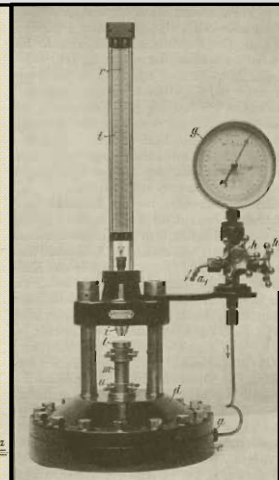
Adolf Martens
(1850 - 1914)



Härte unter Paüfkraft



Hardness tester of Dr. Martens



$$HM = F / A_s(h)$$

OUR DAYS

Taking into account of that fact, the absolute progress in the direction of perfection of hardness measurement procedure is publication of new international standard (International Standard ISO/DIS 14577-1:2000-04 “Metallic materials – Instrumented indentation test for hardness and materials parameters”).

The main advantage of the new standard is the fact, that during the process of the measurement it is recorded continuously diagram of elastic-plastic penetration and of unloading of indenter, such as by tension test.

FINAL DRAFT	INTERNATIONAL STANDARD	ISO/FDIS 14577-1
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ISO/TC 164/SC 3 Secretariat: DIN Voting begins on: 2002-05-23 Voting terminates on: 2002-07-23	Metallic materials — Instrumented indentation test for hardness and materials parameters — Part 1: Test method <i>Matériaux métalliques — Essai de pénétration instrumenté pour la détermination de la dureté et de paramètres des matériaux —</i> <i>Partie 1: Méthode d'essai</i>
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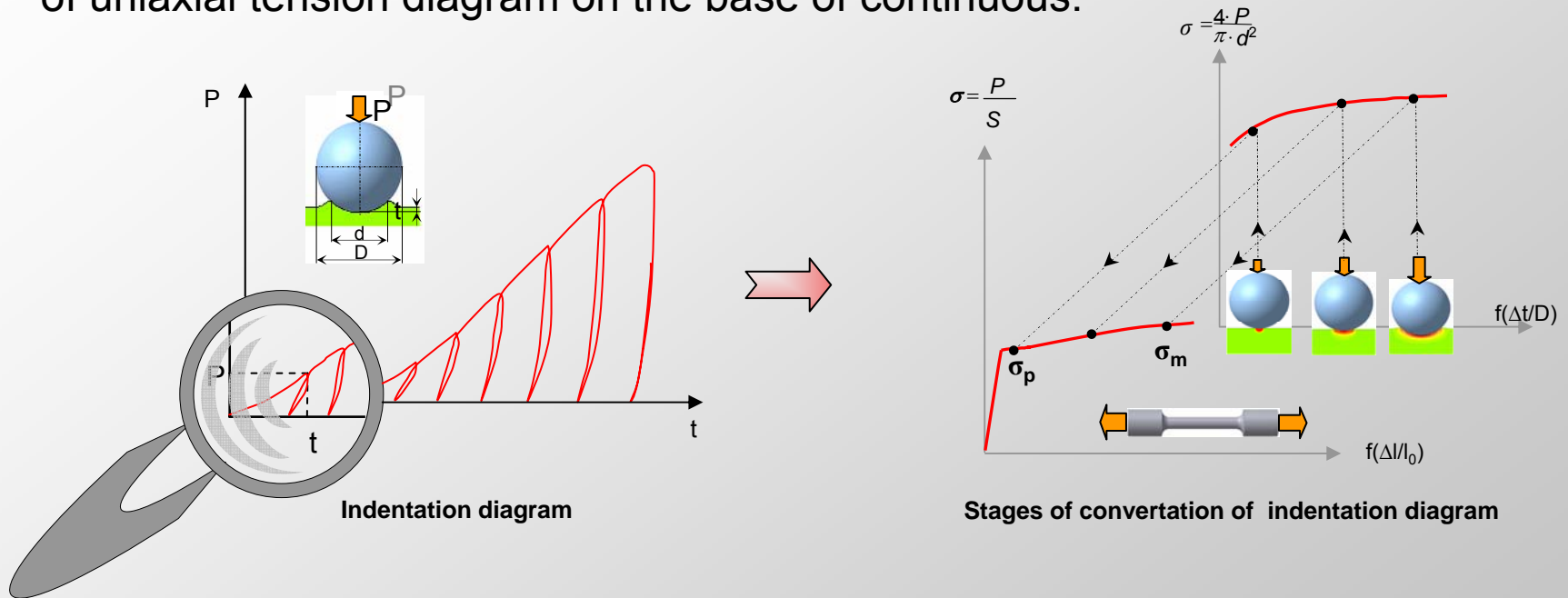
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METHOD OF CONTINUOUS PENETRATION OF INDENTER

On the base of labor ideas and by use the technology of continuous registration of the penetration diagram it is possible to set a task of reconstruction of uniaxial tension diagram on the base of continuous.



How receive from the hardness diagram the mechanical properties ?

QUEST FROM HISTORY

(The new is well forgotten the old)

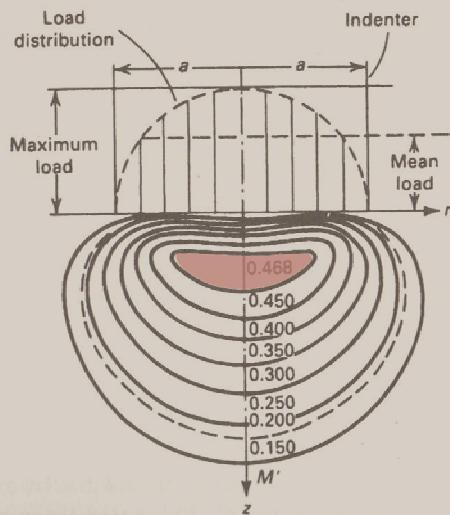
What is hardness?

Hardness has typically been defined as the resistance of a material to permanent penetration by another harder material. Radius of the contact spot depends on making force. Axial stresses field.

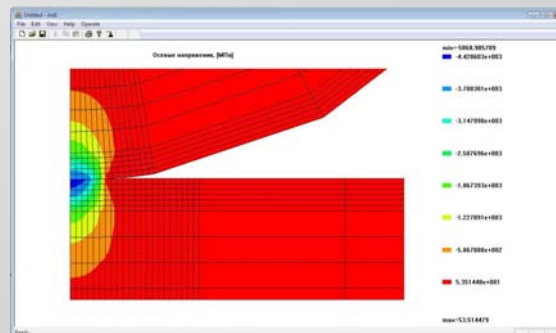
Background (elastic contact)

As long ago as 1881 H. Hertz found, that for elastic contact the Radius of contact is related to indenter load.

$$a = \left(\frac{3 \cdot P \cdot R}{4 \cdot E} \right)^{1/3}$$
$$P_m \approx 1.1 \cdot \sigma$$

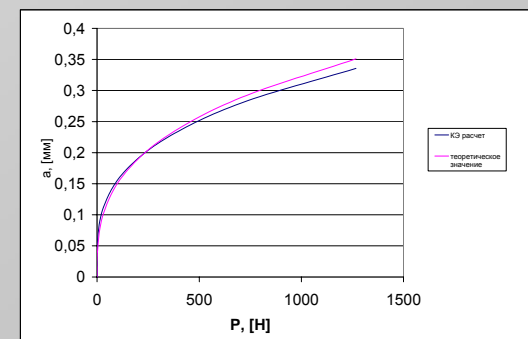


We verified it by FEM



Поле осевых напряжений.

Possible found E, σ



Радиус пятна контакта в зависимости от прилагаемого усилия

FIRST RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN HARDNESS AND TENSILE PROPERTIES

In 1951 D. Tabor fixed the connection between stress-strain diagram (tensile diagram) and Meyer diagram similarity of coefficient by tensile n and penetration m
 $n=m-2$.

$$\varepsilon = 0.2 \cdot \frac{d}{D}$$

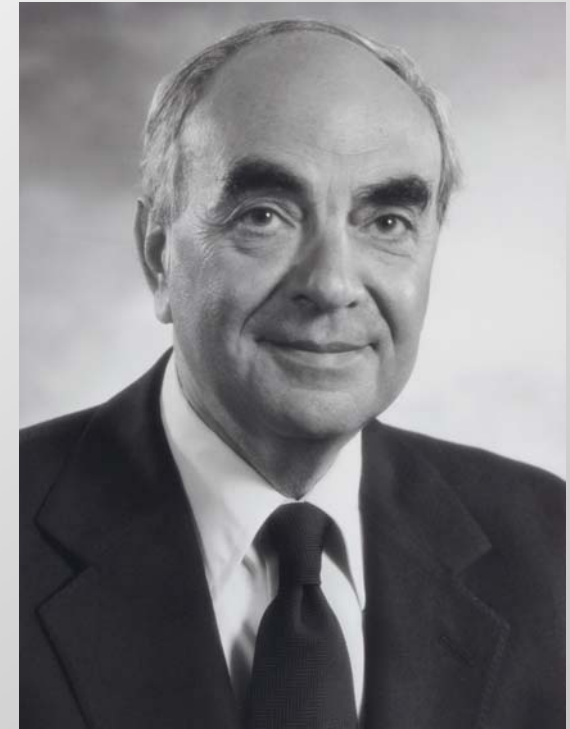
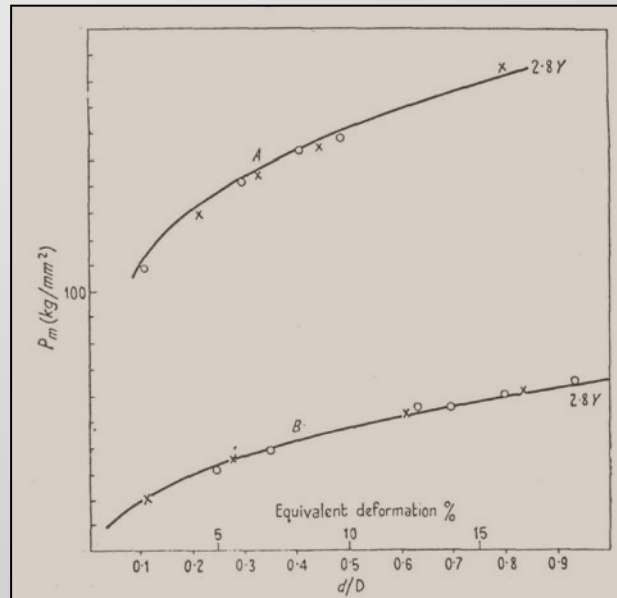
Also, it was fixed the connection between deformation and stress

$$HM = \frac{P}{\pi \cdot (d/D)^2} = c \cdot \sigma_y$$

$$1 \leq c \leq 3$$

elastic
deformation

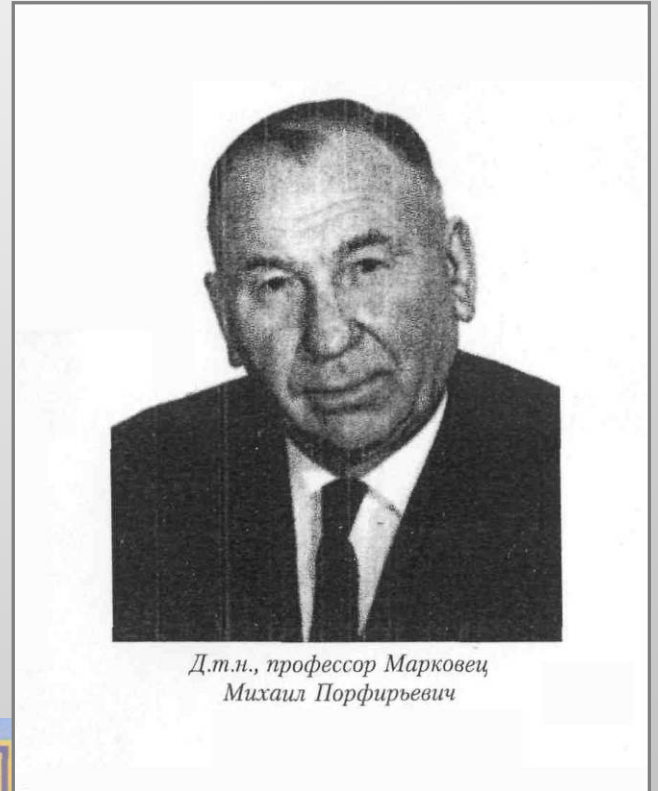
fully plastic
deformation



David Tabor.

RUSSIAN WAY

In USSR scientists began to attend to kinetic indentation method in the seventies of XX century. It is necessary to mention the school of Baykov Institute RAS. Dr. Bulychev and Dr. Alechin, and of course, scientific school of Moscow Power Engineering Institute, Chair of Process Metallurgy, my teacher Professor Michail Markovetz.



EXPERIENCE OF CENTER OF MATERIALS SCIENCE AND LIFETIME MANAGEMENT (CMSLM Ltd.)

The works of themes (subjects) of continuous registration of the ball indenter penetration diagram were conducted by different groups (collectives):

- Oak Ridge National Laboratory (USA);
- Karlsruhe Institute of nuclear research in (Germany);
- NRI in Rez (Czech Republic);
- Institute of Nuclear Energy Research in Seul (Korea).

In CMSLM there was elaborated the methodic of conducting of the investigations by use kinetic hall indentation, which is expounded in numerous publications. (Bakirov M.B./Kontrolle. 1994. v. 10. p. 1)

This methodic was included into the branch instructions RD EO 0027-94 and into it's republications RD EO 027-2005 "Instructions by definitions of the mechanical properties of the metal of NPS equipment by use specimen-free methods on the base of hardness characteristic."

Ermittlung von Standard-Werkstoffkennlinien

Modifiziertes Härteprüfverfahren

Murat Bakirov

Das von diesem Unternehmen aus Ulm vorgestellte Verfahren ermöglicht es, zerstörungsfrei auch an kleinen Proben oder kompletten Bauteilen die Spannungs-Dehnungs-Kennlinie für einachsige Beanspruchung zu ermitteln. Es beruht auf einem modifizierten Härteprüfverfahren mit anschließender numerischer Auswertung.

Für die Bewertung des Werkstoffzustandes werden häufig Kennwerte herangezogen, die im Zugversuch unter einachsiger Beanspruchung ermittelt wurden. Dabei ist die Probenentnahme oft äußerst schwierig, wenn diese an kompletten Bauteilen erfolgen muß und dafür nur wenig Material zur Verfügung steht. Dieses trifft besonders dann zu, wenn der Werkstoffzustand nach einer Wärmebehandlung des Bauteils oder nach einer bestimmten Betriebsdauer einer Baugruppe beurteilt werden muß. Für diesen Bereich eignet sich das hier beschriebene Verfahren. Bei diesem wird, im Unterschied zu den verschiedenen bereits bekannten Umbewertun-

gen von Werkstoffhärte in andere Kennwerte, eine kontinuierliche Eindringkurve ermittelt und numerisch mit der Finite-Elemente-Methode (FEM) in eine Spannungs-Dehnungs-Kennlinie umgesetzt. An austenitischen und perlitischen Stählen wurde eine gute Übereinstimmung der berechneten Spannungs-Dehnungs-Kennlinie mit der an der gleichen Probe im Zugversuch ermittelten nachgewiesen. Auch für andere Werkstoffe ist das Verfahren einsetzbar.

Methodik

Für die kontinuierliche Berechnung einer Spannungs-Dehnungs-Kennlinie muß das Kraft-Eindringtiefe-Diagramm sowohl beim Be- als auch beim Entlasten aufgenommen werden. An eine CNC-Universalprüfmaschine dieses Unternehmens aus Ulm wird eine spezielle Zusatzvorrichtung mit Eindringtiefe-Sensor und Eindringkörper adaptiert und die Probe zwischen Zusatzvorrichtung und Druckplatte eingelegt. Kraft- und Eindringtiefe-Sensoren sind analoge Standardmeßsysteme mit Klasse 1 nach DIN (relativer Fehler kleiner 1%). Als Eindringkörper dienen Wolframbühl-Kugeln mit Durchmessern von 2,5 bis 5 mm. Die Universalprüfmaschine bringt die Beanspruchung auf und erfährt die Signale des Kraft- und des Eindringtiefe-Sensors. Das durch die Maschine digitalisierte Kraft-Eindringtiefe-Diagramm wird zur Weiterverarbeitung in einer ASCII-Datei gespeichert.

Berechnungsverfahren

Im Gegensatz zur direkten Lösung des räumlichen elastisch-plastischen Modells benötigt man bei der FEM Matrizen, die einen Zusammenhang zwischen den Verhältnissen von Härte und Elastizität bzw. von Spannung und Dehnung zum Ziel haben. In der vorgeschlagenen Methode ist dieser Zusammenhang Berechnungsparameter. Die Methode basiert auf der Umkehr des räumlichen elastisch-plastischen Modells. Sie erlaubt die Erstellung von nichtlinearen Spannungs-Dehnungs-Diagrammen sowohl innerhalb als auch außerhalb des elastischen Bereichs ohne Anwendung von festen Korrelations-Abhängigkeiten. Als zusätzliche Bedingung geht in die Berechnung das aus dem Experiment bekannte Verhalten des Eindringkörpers bei Belastung P und dazugehöriger Eindringtiefe h ein. Dazu benötigt man Versuchsdiagramme bei kontinuierlichem zyklischen Eindringen eines Eindringkörpers als Basisdaten. Die Aufnahme solcher Diagramme ermöglicht die Bestimmung sowohl des plastischen als auch des elastischen Anteils an der Gesamteindringtiefe. Als Eindringkörper wurde eine Kugel gewählt. Das ermöglicht eine vollständige Information über das Werkstoffverhalten bei einer lokalen Verformung unter Berücksichtigung der

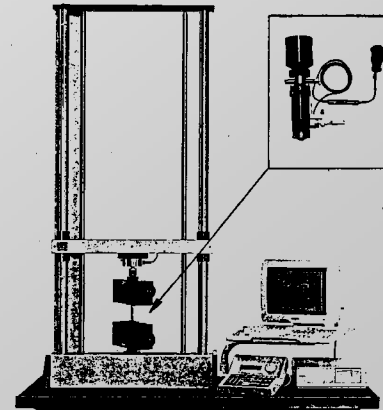
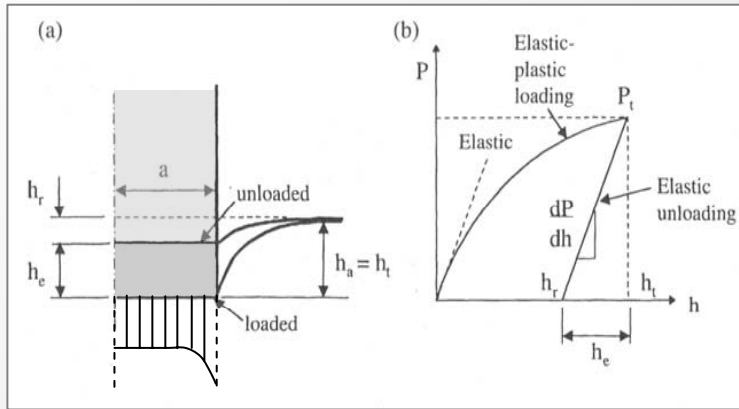


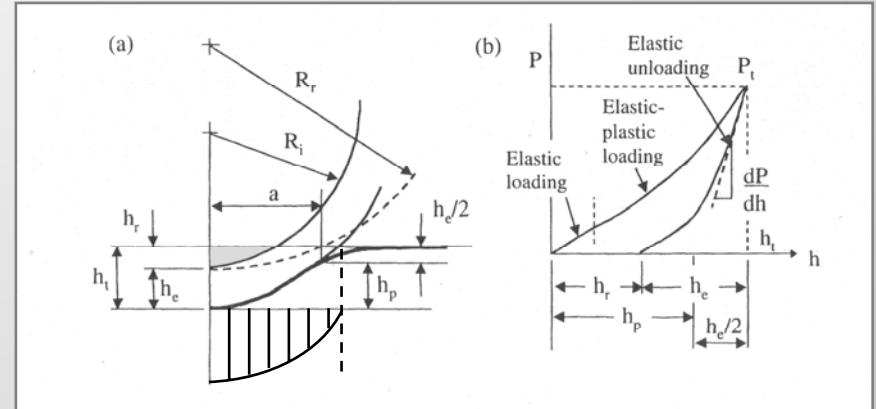
Abb. 1 Zusatzvorrichtung mit Eindringtiefe-Sensor und Eindringkörper zum Anbau an eine CNC-Universalprüfmaschine

INITIAL ANALYSIS OF INDENTATION DIAGRAM FOR DIFFERENT SHAPES OF INDENTERS (ISO 14577)

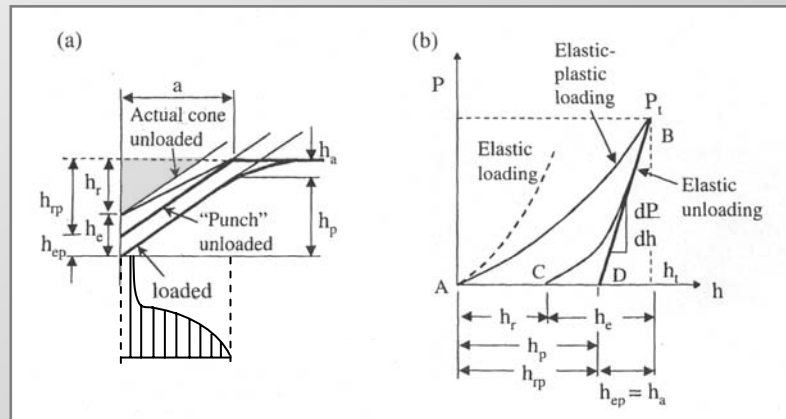
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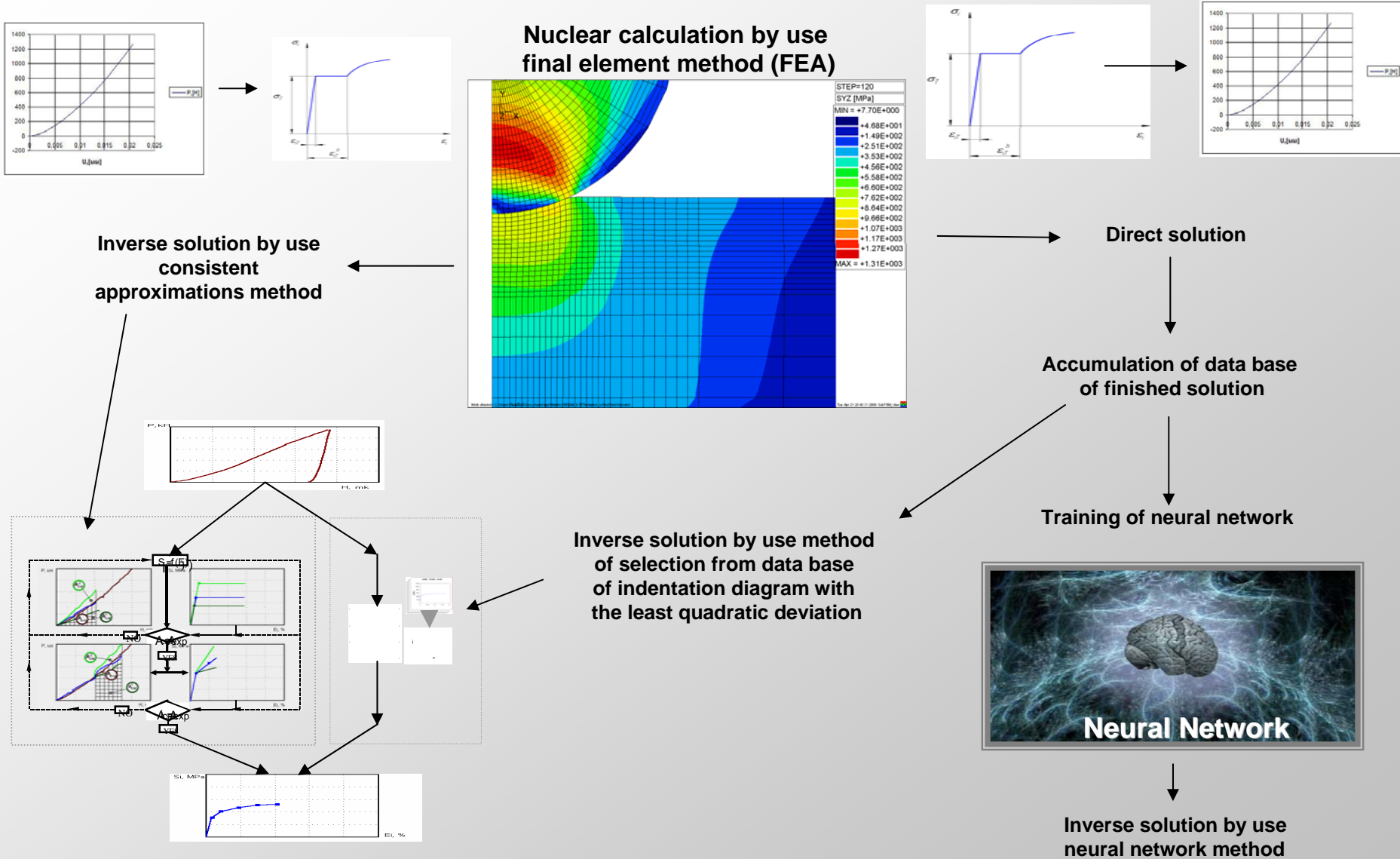
2 Ball indenter (Brinell)

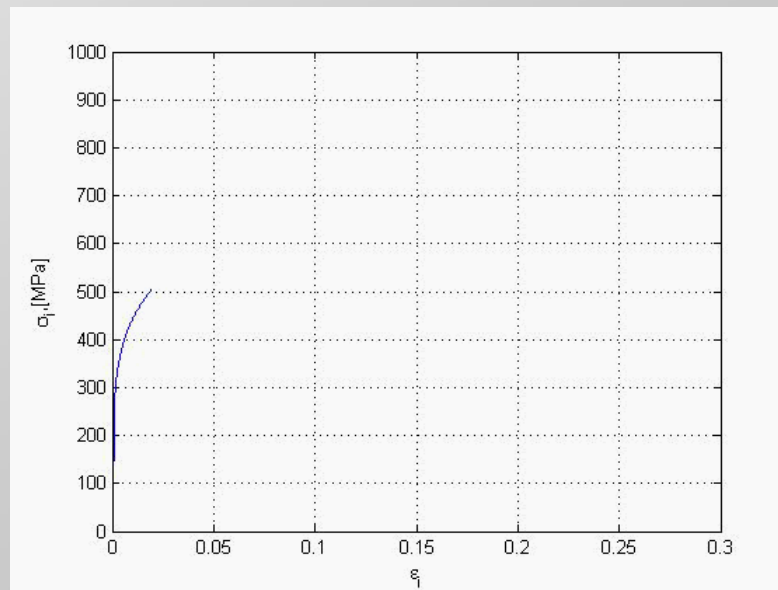
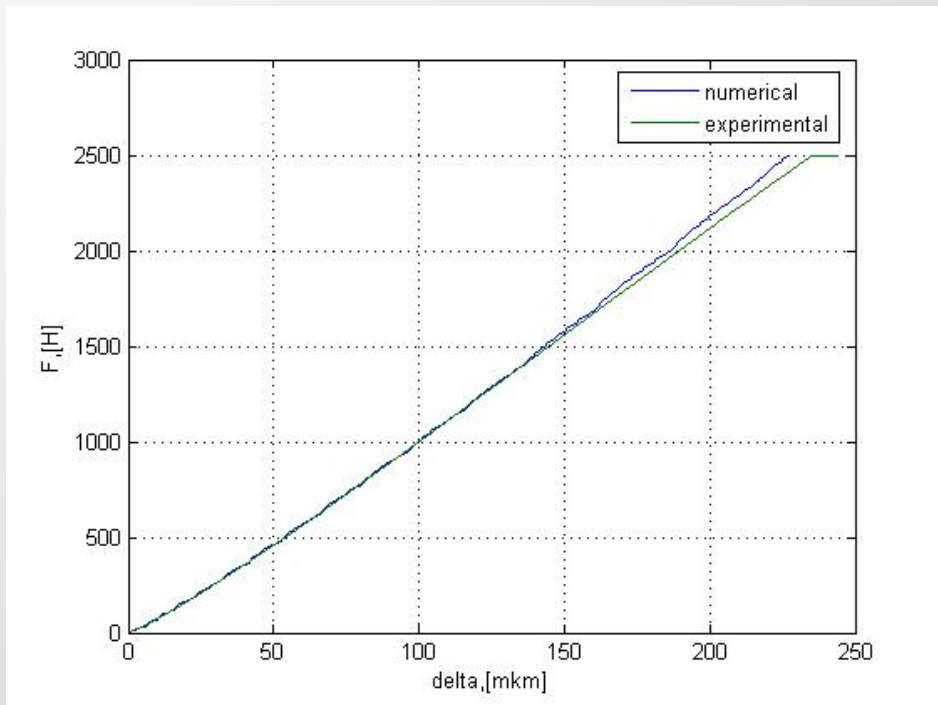
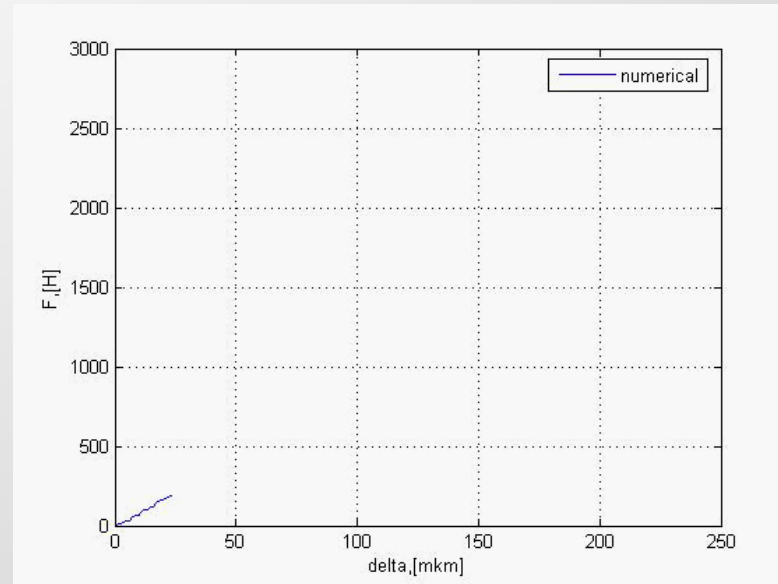
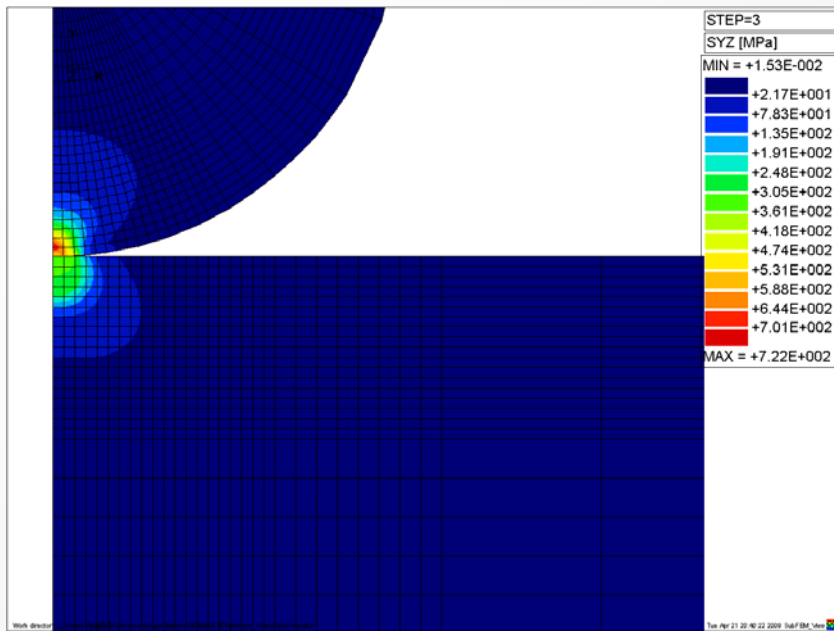


3 Sharp indenters (Vickers, Ludvick, Knupp, Berkovich)

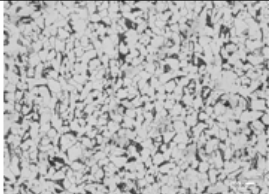
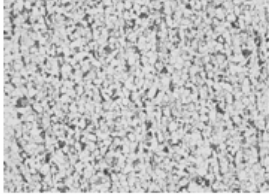
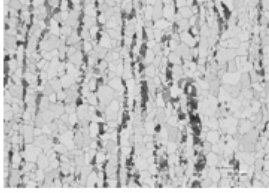
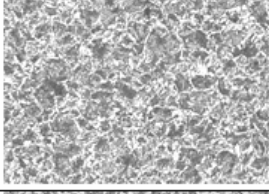



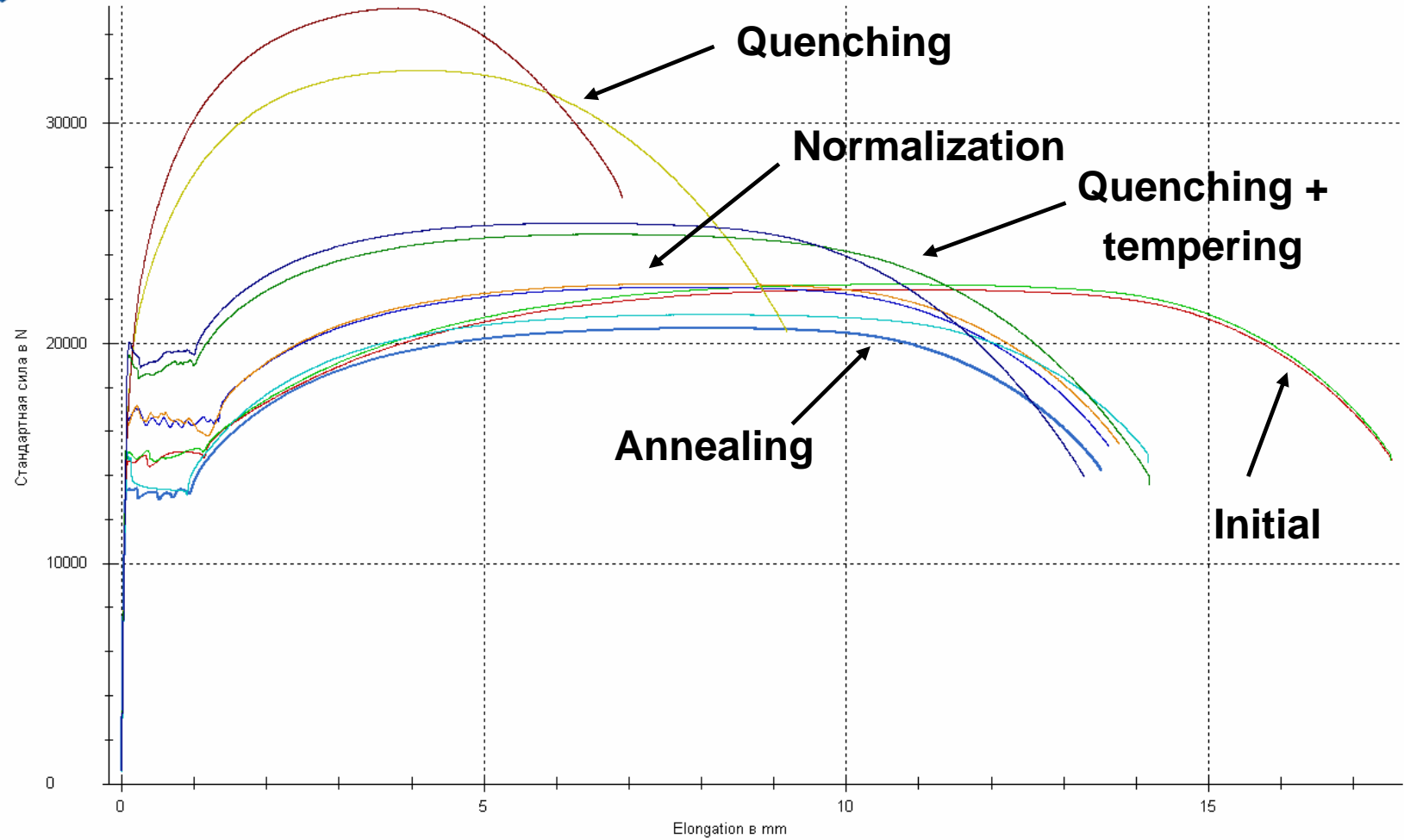
METHODIC OF CALCULATION





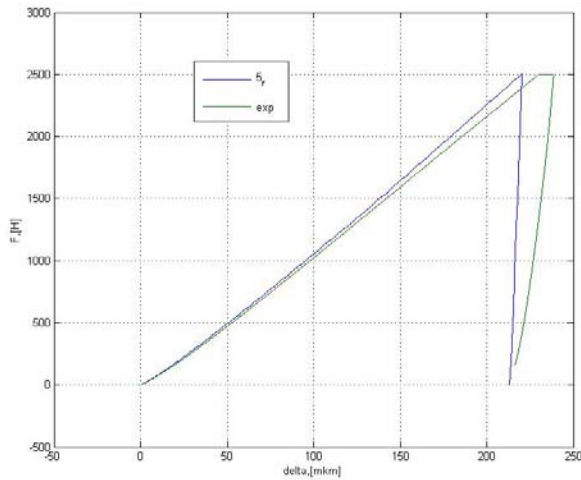
TYPES OF HEAT TREATMENTS OF SAMPLES FROM CARBON STEEL FOR THE CHANGE OF MECHANICAL PROPERTIES IN A WIDE RANGE

№	Thermal	t°	Time	Environment	Effect	Hardness, HV ₁₀	Grain size, mkm	
1.	Initial					125 ±5	25 mkm	 x500
2.	Normalization	900°C	1 hour	air	Removal of structure vices and general improvement of structure	126 ±1	17 mkm	 x500
3.	Annealing	900°C	2 hours	охлаждение с печью	Decline of hardness and increase of plasticity	112 ±1	~23 mkm	 x500
4.	Quenching	880°C	1 hour	water	Increase of hardness	187 ±4	-	 x1000
5.	Quenching + tempering	880°C 600°C	1 hour 1 hour	water air	Formation of more equilibrium structure, removal of internal stresses	159 ±3	-	 x1000



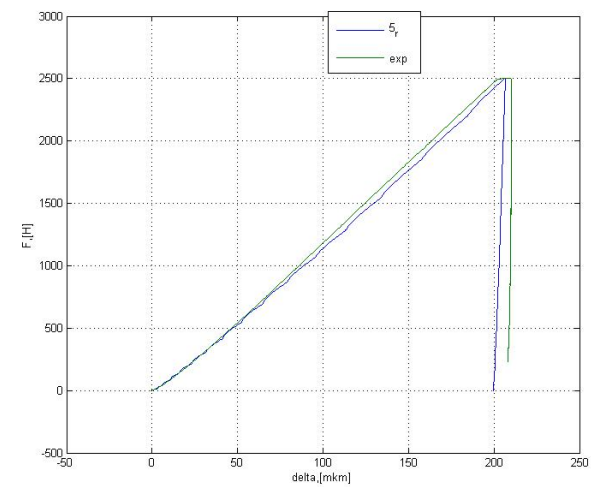
RECEIVING OF INDENTATION DIAGRAM COMPARISON WITH EXPERIMENT

Initial condition

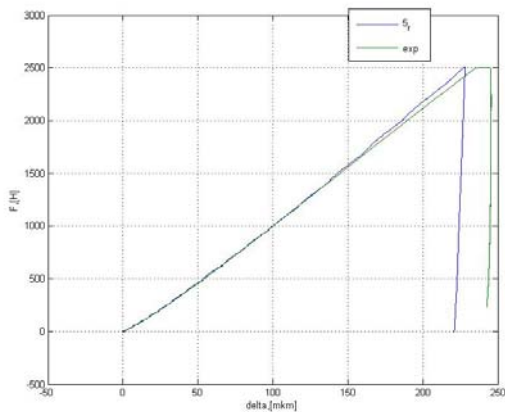


Comparison of calculations and experimental indentation diagrams for five conditions of carbon steel (indenter 2,5 mm)

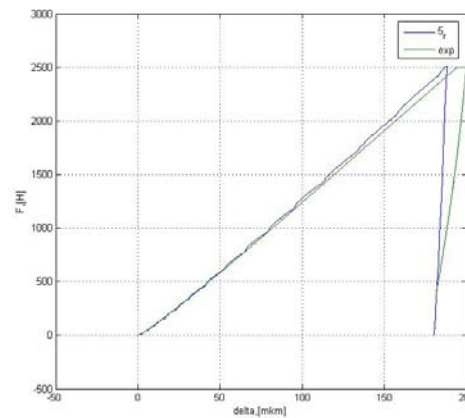
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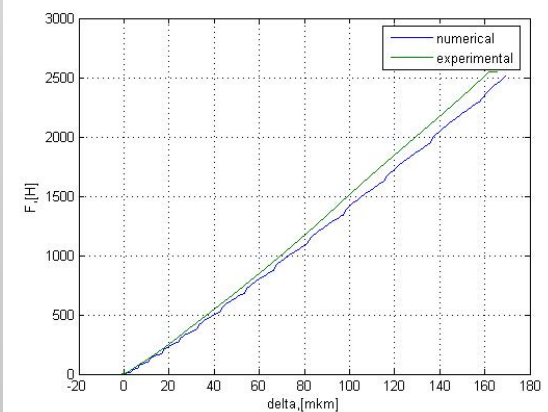
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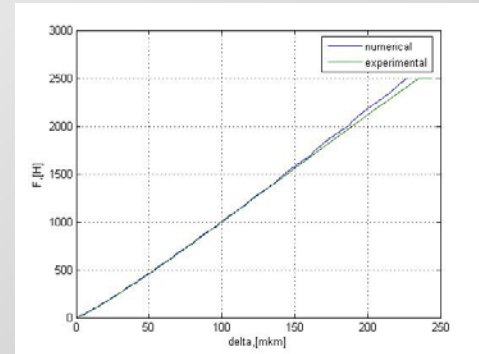
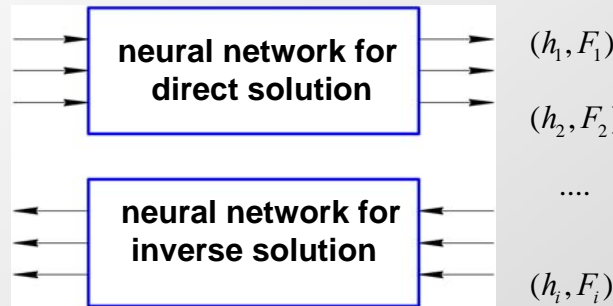
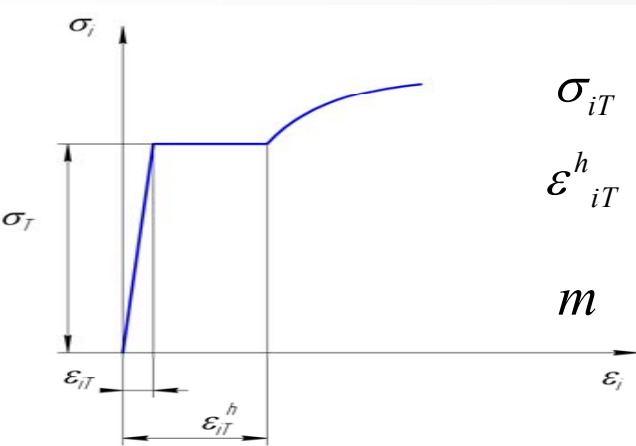
Quenching + tempering



Quenching

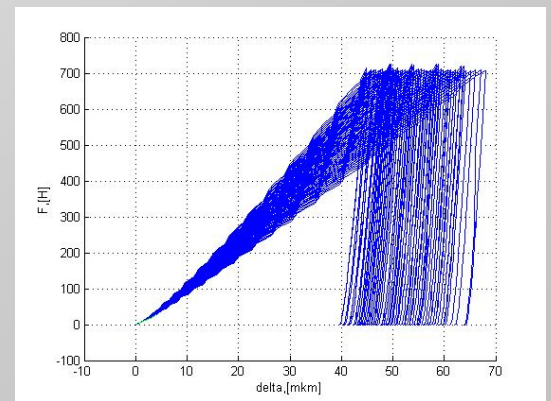
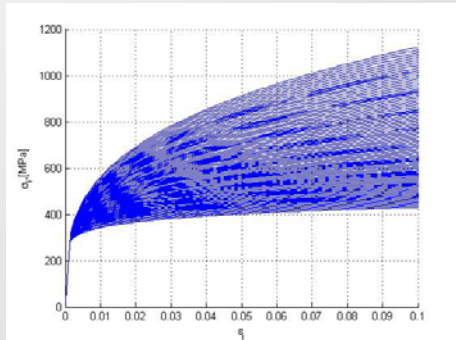


APPROACH OF NEURAL NETWORK

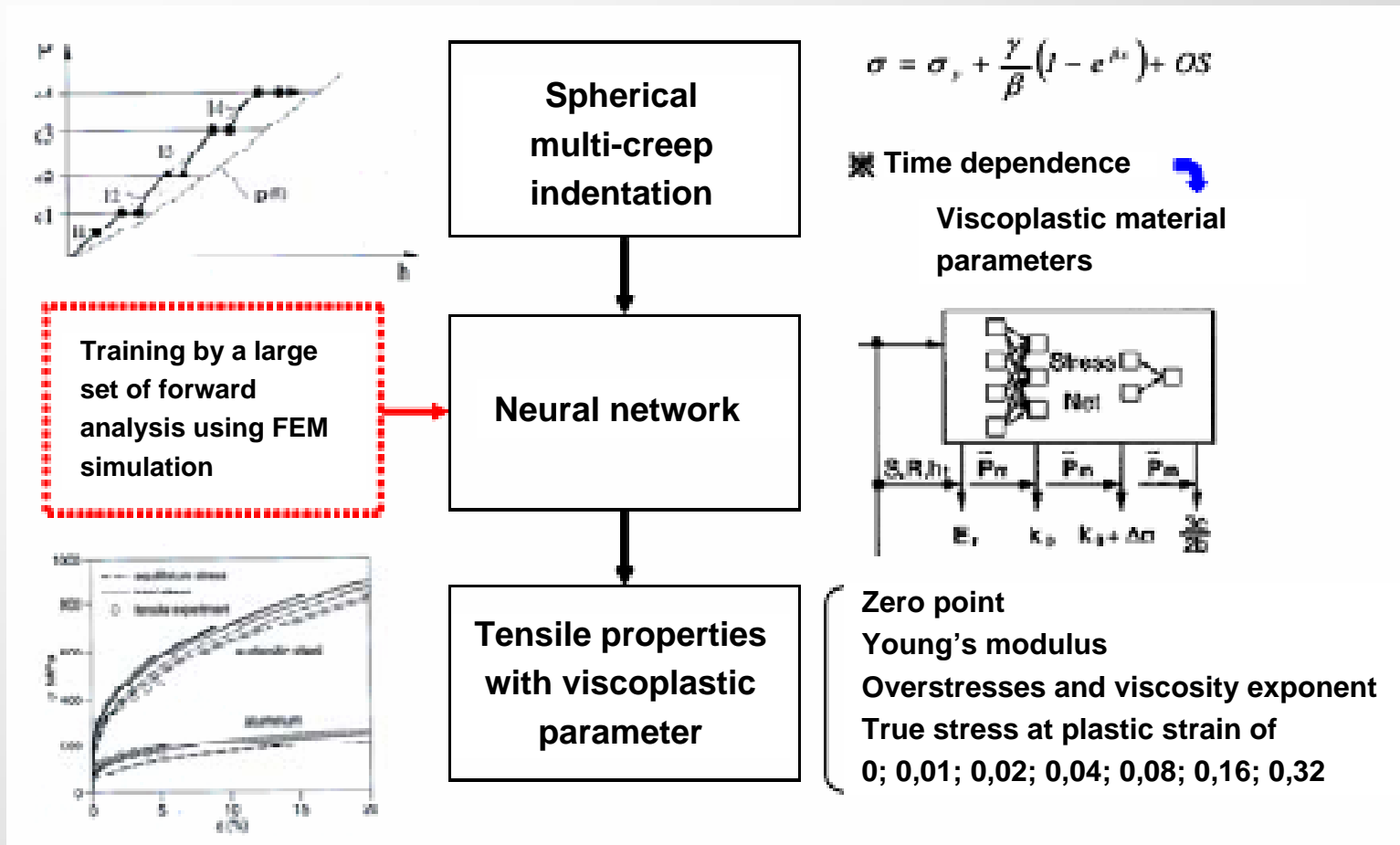


Training of neural network

Data base of numerical FEM (Finite Element Model) of direct solution

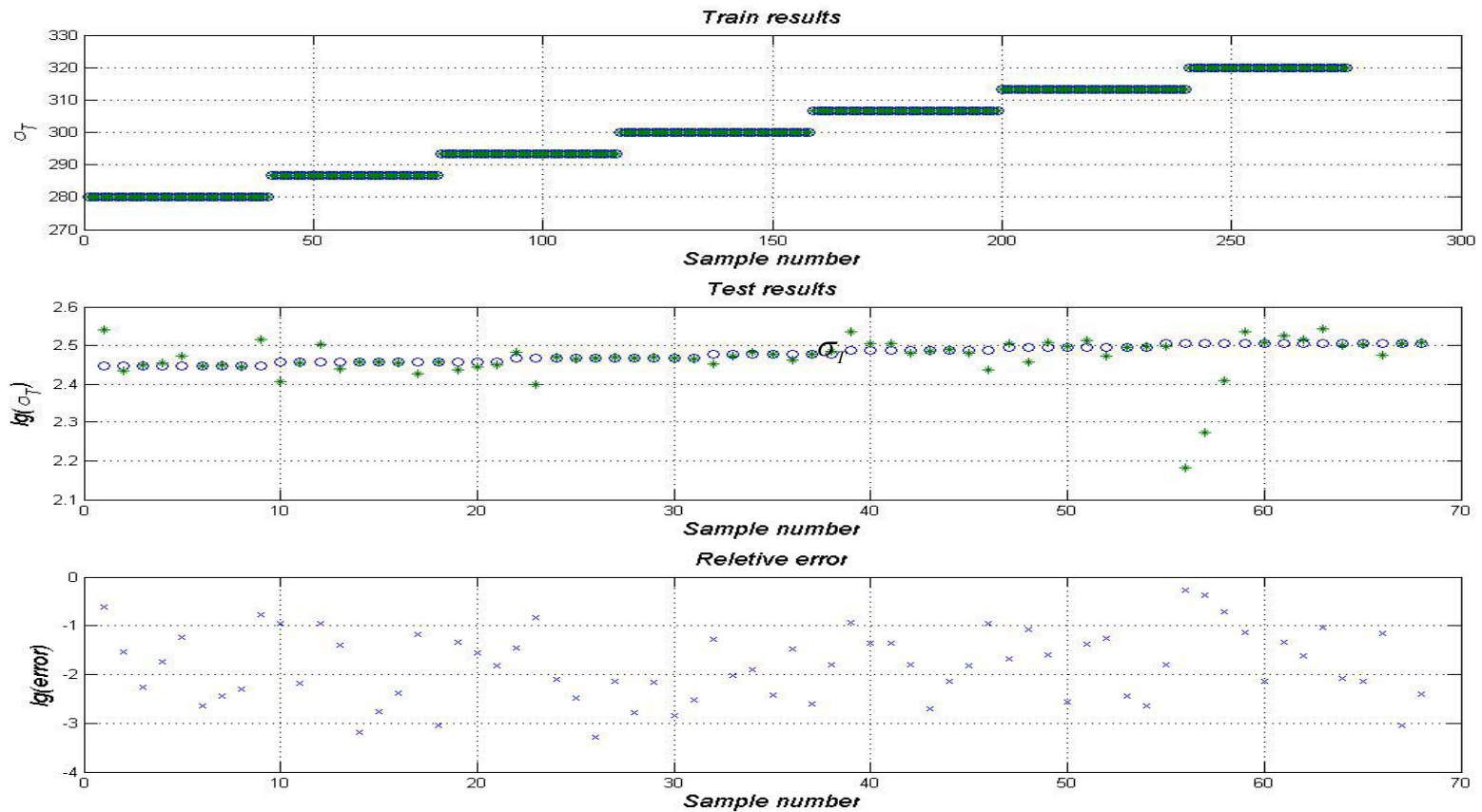


NEURAL NETWORK'S METHODIC FOR CALCULATION TENSILE PROPERTIES WITH VISCOPLASTIC PARAMETER



ISO/DTR 29381:
 Metallic materials — Measurement of mechanical properties by instrumented indentation test —
 Indentation tensile properties

OUR EXAMPLE OF NEURAL NETWORK INVERSE SOLUTION ESTIMATION OF PARAMETERS σ_y

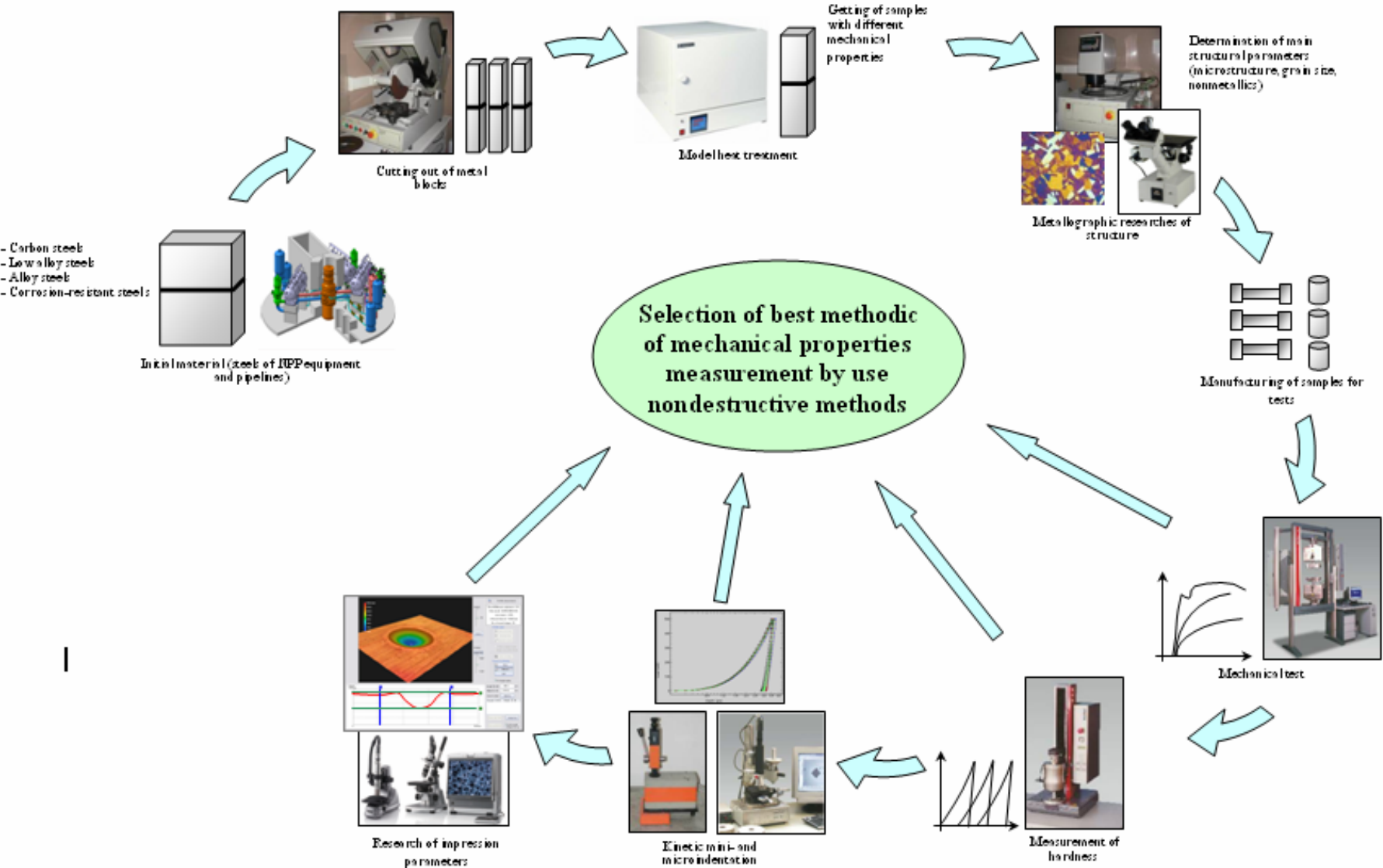


- On the upper diagram there are presented the results of training of neural network, on the bottom – results of testing
- By the small circles there are indicated desired parameter points by the small stars – generated by neural network

STAGES OF THE WORK: DEVELOPMENT OF UNIVERSAL METHODOLOGY OF SPECIMEN FREE NONDESTRUCTIVE INSPECTION (CONTROL) OF MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF NPP EQUIPMENT METAL IN ALL STAGES OF LIFETIME

Development of methodic of mechanical properties measurement by use nondestructive methods

Selection of best methodic of mechanical properties measurement by use nondestructive methods

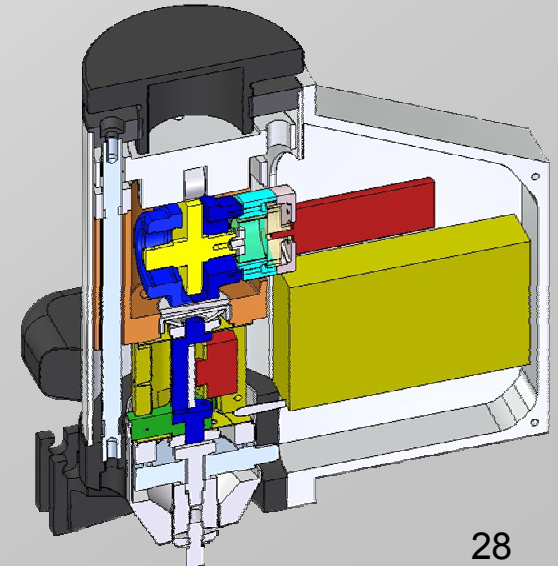
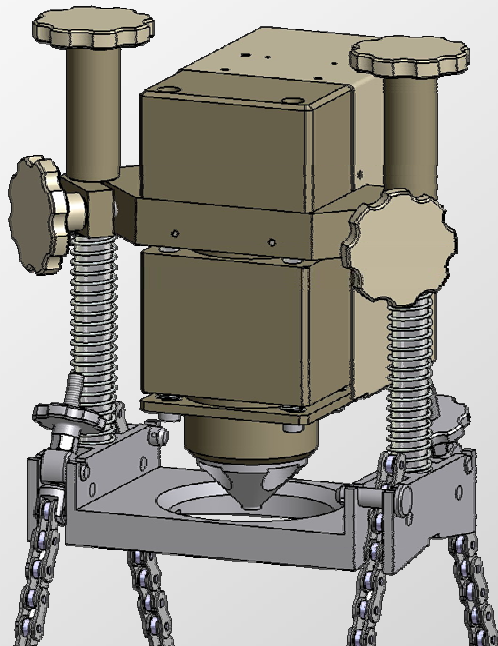


OUR PROPOSALS TO COLLABORATION

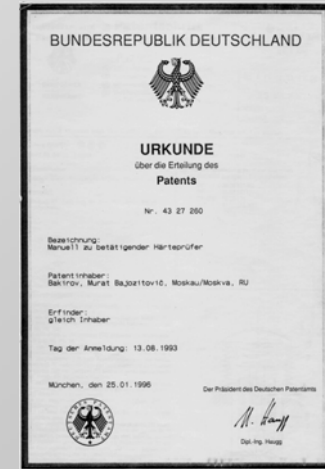
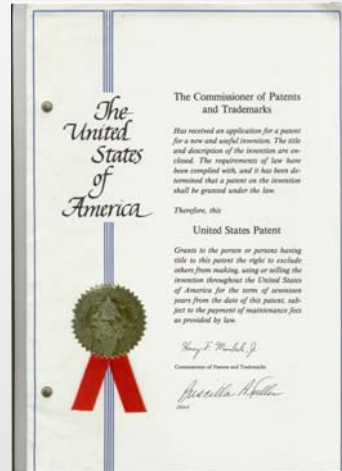
- I. Creation of an expert working group under the aegis of IAEA from experts and the organizations having experience in the research and use of hardness testing of nuclear power plant materials/ageing thereof with the goal of preparing terms of reference and a proposal to submit to the IAEA.
- II. Development of the program of carrying out the research.
- III. Development of strategy of processing of the received data with the purpose of selection of the most effective methodic for specimen-free measurements of mechanical properties of metal of the equipment and pipelines of NPP for various classes of materials.
- IV. Development of the methodology of specimen-free measurements of mechanical properties of metal and recommendations by its use on NPP.
- V. The analysis of operational ageing of materials of the equipment and pipelines of various types of NPP in the world. Development of an algorithm of drawing up of programs of specimen-free non destructive inspection of mechanical properties for various types of the equipment and pipelines of NPP. Development of procedures of inspection.
- VI. Development of IAEA normative document «Development of universal methodology of specimen free nondestructive inspection (control) of mechanical properties of NPP equipment metal in all stages of lifetime». Recommendations by introduction on NPP and on manufacturers of the equipment.
- VII. Development of strategy on the base of this methodic of predict the remaining life time of system, benchmarking technologies through Round Robin Test from different countries.

THE PORTABLE UNIVERSAL MEASURING DEVICE FOR INSTRUMENTED INDENTATION TEST

The patent of Germany with the purpose of the beginning of produce of such devices in Europe has received. Now in view of international standard ISO/DIS 14577-1:2000-04 «Metallic materials – Instrumented Indentation test for hardness and materials parameters» together with corporation MESS+TEST is planning to organize serial manufacturing of the device.



OUR PATENTS



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