

TABLE 8.1 Generalized Fatigue Strength Factors for Ductile Materials

a. $10^6$ -cycle strength (endurance limit) <sup>a</sup>				
Bending loads:	$S_n = S'_n C_L C_G C_S$			
Axial loads:	$S_n = S'_n C_L C_G C_S$			
Torsional loads:	$S_n = S'_n C_L C_G C_S$			
where $S'_n$ is the R. R. Moore, endurance limit, <sup>b</sup> and				
		Bending	Axial	Torsion
$C_L$ (load factor)		1	1	0.58
$C_G$ (gradient factor):	diameter < (0.4 in. or 10 mm)	1	0.7 to 0.9	1
	(0.4 in. or 10 mm) < diameter < (2 in. or 50 mm) <sup>c</sup>	0.9	0.7 to 0.9	0.9
$C_S$ (surface factor)		— See Figure 8.13 —		

b.  $10^3$ -cycle strength<sup>d</sup>

Bending loads:	$0.9S_u$
Axial loads:	$0.75S_u$
Torsional loads:	$0.9S_{us}$ <sup>e</sup>

Note: 1. For all biaxial loading except torsion, convert actual stresses to an *equivalent bending stress* using the distortion energy theory. Then relate this equivalent stress to the *bending fatigue strength*.

2. For other than 50 percent reliability, multiply  $S_n$  by  $C_R$ . ( $10^3$ -cycle strength is usually not multiplied by  $C_R$ .)

3. Reliability factors,  $C_R$ , corresponding to an 8 percent standard deviation of the endurance limit are as follows:  $C_R(50\%) = 1.000$ ,  $C_R(90\%) = 0.897$ ,  $C_R(95\%) = 0.868$ ,  $C_R(99\%) = 0.814$ ,  $C_R(99.9\%) = 0.753$ . For example, for 99% reliability we shift  $-2.326$  standard deviations, and  $C_R = 1 - 2.326(0.08) = 0.814$ .

<sup>a</sup>For materials not having the endurance limit, apply the factors to the  $10^8$  or  $5 \times 10^8$ -cycle strength.

<sup>b</sup> $S'_n = 0.5S_u$  for steel, lacking better data.

<sup>c</sup>For (2 in. or 50 mm) < diameter < (4 in. or 100 mm) reduce these factors by about 0.1. For (4 in. or 100 mm) < diameter < (6 in. or 150 mm), reduce these factors by about 0.2.

<sup>d</sup>No corrections for gradient or surface are normally made, but the experimental value of  $S_n$  or  $S_{us}$  should pertain to sizes reasonably close to those involved.

<sup>e</sup> $S_{us} \approx 0.8S_u$  for steel;  $S_{us} \approx 0.7S_u$  for other ductile metals.

$$\sigma_e = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - \sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

or

$$= \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 - \sigma_x \sigma_y + 3\tau_{xy}^2}$$