Pneumatic Impact Treatment



PIT the "Anti Aging" method for your production equipment...



...significantly reducing costs caused by damage, repairs and loss of production

Fatigue damage





Dynamic Loads

will cause fatigue damage as soon as the structures calculated lifetime or number of load cycles is exceeded.





The cause



Crack initiation will start often on the weakest spot of a structure. The reason: presence of residual tensile stresses and/or notch effect.



or

Examples of initiation areas are:

- damage caused by clamps
- damage caused by rolling / forging
- ➢Rigid transitions
- > sides of drilling holes, etc.

Welds will be particularly sensitive because of the presence of both factors!



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Additional costs





















...the problem becomes bigger and bigger:

often new cracks will arise on similar location shortly after repairing the present fatigue cracks.
- Until recently preventive treatment was not possible

➢ because of executed weld repairs more tensile stresses and geometrical notches will be present in the structure. Therefore the interval between the initiation of new cracks will be shortened.





...has proven to multiply the structures fatigue life. Because of that it will reduce the number of repairs and/or extend the interval between separate repairs, even when a preventive treatment is executed on a structure almost at the end of his calculated lifetime.



Every prevented failure / damage will immediately increase the availability and liability of your installation and will save you money and annoyance.



The SN-curve



cross joint S355 R = 0,1



Number of cycles [N]

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Improvement of the weld geometry









Technical advantages are ...



- Significant enhancement of the fatigue life
- Almost duplication of the fatigue strength
- Possibility to save material (weight) up to 40%
- > Enhancing the equipments or structures availability
- > Reliability improvement
- Reduction of distortion caused by welding
- Increasing surface hardness
- Prevention of stress corrosion cracking



PIT Weld-Line System 10



An artificial muscle, a new development of **FESTO**, is driven by way of compressed air. These motions are transferred as hammering movements on one or more pins.

By separate control of the frequency and pressure the impact intensity can be adjust to a optimum for the particular material in order to achieve the maximum effect.

- compact design for best accessibility
- integrated lighting for the workspace
- > Fine adjustment by separate control of frequency and pressure
- > 4 individual programmable frequency steps
- Pin assortment for customized applications
- > air cooling of the pins
- very low vibration level, approx. 5 m/s²
- > can by applied in confined spaces (hand-held unit 24 V)



Services of PITEC GmbH:



Consultation, Project Management & Execution II. Realisation of III. Installation and/or essional tailure management in case of material / weight saving construction maintenance failures caused by fatigue. because of the PIT - effect preventative & corrective **PIT treatment**

Education and distribution of PIT Systems

PIT Reference: Maintenance



Dillinger Hütte increases the availability and reliability of their installations through a good combination of corrective and preventive PIT treatment



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BOMBARDIER is certainly one of the most famous manufacturers of rail vehicles.

Because of the companies experience they offers their clients also services in the area of accident repairs and modernization of existing vehicles. This includes the durability of executed repairs and extending the lifetime of the vehicles.

We are pleased that now the PIT technology as well can contribute here.





PIT Reference: Punching- and Nibbling machine



TRUMPF

- > Trumpf has loaded a machine foundation in a test facility till first fatigue cracks arise
- After repair welding all welds are treated by way of PIT
- >Also other possible "Hot-Spots" were preventive PIT treated
- afterwards the foundation again is loaded in the test facility



This results in an about 1,6x longer fatigue life compared to an untreated new structure Trumpf these days is applying PIT during new building in order to improve the already excellent quality furthermore!

PIT reference: Tumble drier



Enhancing the structures Fatigue life by way of corrective treatment of repair welds and preventive treatment of further Hot Spots.





PIT Reference: Maintenance of a press



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PIT Reference: Retrofitting of the "Gschnitztal" bridge (Brennerpas)



After scientific investigation of the PIT effect by the Technical University of Graz a preventive PIT treatment is advised and executed on all the repaired welds in this highway



PIT Reference: Mixing shaft made of Duplex Stainless Steel



PIT-treatment of a mixer shaft / axle in Duplex in order to improve ist fatigue life





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PIT Reference: Reparation of a port crane



PIT-Treatment of weld seams in the cranes monopole after repairing present fatigue cracks as well as preventative treatment of all other welds without cracks.



...thank you for your attention!



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