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Laboratory 6: Using Strain Measurements to Measure the Pressure Inside of a Full Soda Can

- Lab Objectives:
 - -- Understand Stress / Strain Relationships
 - -- Strain Gauge Installation and Bonding
 - -- Use of Wheatstone Bridge for Strain Gauge Conditioning



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You are going to use strain measurements to infer the pressure in the Soda can



• Soda can contracts as pressure is released



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Circumferential Stress on a Cylindrical Thin-Walled Pressure Vessel (1)

Pressure force on wall \rightarrow



$$\int_{0}^{\pi} \left[p_{internal} - p_{external} \right] R \sin \theta d\theta =$$

$$- \left[p_{internal} - p_{external} \right] \cdot R \cdot \cos \theta \Big|_{0}^{\pi} = \left[p_{internal} - p_{external} \right] \cdot 2R \cdot L$$

$$force \ balance \ across \ section \rightarrow$$

$$\left[p_{internal} - p_{external} \right] \cdot 2R \cdot L = 2 \cdot \sigma_{H} \cdot t \cdot L$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma_{Hoop} = \left[p_{internal} - p_{external} \right] \cdot \frac{R}{t} \rightarrow \left[\sigma_{H} = \delta p_{wall} \cdot \frac{R}{t} \right]$$

$$\delta p_{wall} \rightarrow$$
 "gauge pressure"

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• Longitudinal Stress Calculated by equating the force due to internal gas/fluid pressure with the force due to the longitudinal stress:

 $\delta p_{wall} \rightarrow$ "gauge pressure"



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Area at can end Area of "cut" wall

$$\delta p_{end} \cdot \pi \cdot R^{2} = \sigma_{L} \cdot 2\pi \cdot R \cdot t \rightarrow \sigma_{L} = \frac{\delta p_{end} \cdot \pi \cdot R^{2}}{2\pi \cdot R \cdot t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{L} = \frac{\delta p_{end} \cdot R}{2 \cdot t} \rightarrow \delta p_{end} = \delta p_{wall} \rightarrow \left[\sigma_{L} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{H}\right]$$

Longitudinal Stress on a Thin Walled Can (1)

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$$\varepsilon_H = \frac{\sigma_H}{E} - v \frac{\sigma_L}{E}$$

• For an aluminum can assume ...

E: Elastic Modulus ~ 70 gigapascals

V: Poisson Ratio: ~0.35

$$\varepsilon_{H} = \frac{\sigma_{H}}{E} - v \frac{\sigma_{L}}{E} \rightarrow \sigma_{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{H}$$
$$\rightarrow \varepsilon_{H} = \frac{\sigma_{H}}{E} - \frac{v}{2} \frac{\sigma_{H}}{E} = \frac{\sigma_{H}}{E} \left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)$$



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Strain Measured by "this" gauge (2)

$$\sigma_{H} = \delta p \cdot \frac{R}{t} \to \delta p = \frac{t}{R} \cdot \sigma_{H} \to \sigma_{H} = \frac{E}{\left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)} \cdot \varepsilon_{H}$$

$$\delta p = \frac{t}{R} \cdot \sigma_{H} = \frac{t}{R} \cdot \frac{E}{\left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)} \cdot \varepsilon_{H} \rightarrow \boxed{p_{soda} = 2 \cdot \frac{t}{D} \cdot \frac{E}{\left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)} \cdot \varepsilon_{H}}$$

→ ε_H = compressive strain on empty can → p_{soda} is the "gauge" pressure reading → D = soda can diameter(full)....nom = 6.553cm → t = soda can wall thickness...nom = 0.0109cm

$$\rightarrow E = Elastic modulus$$

 $\rightarrow v = Poisson Ratio$

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Strain Measured by "this" gauge (3)

$$p_{soda} = 2 \cdot \frac{t}{D} \cdot \frac{E}{\left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)} \cdot \varepsilon_{H}$$

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What can we expect here?

.... Lets go with a range from ... 35-60 psi (\sim 240 – 415 kPa)..... Depending on the soda)as bottled with CO₂ concentrations) and room temperature

• For an aluminum can assume ...

E: Elastic Modulus ~ 70 gigapascals

V: Poisson Ratio: ~0.35

Students You! do the calculation to predict the range of expected strain to be measured!

Typical Soda Can Dimensions ... t = 0.01 cmD = 6.0 cm http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ Beverage_can#Standard_sizes



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Some Reference Examples

Bibliographic Entry	Result (w/surrounding text)	Standardized Result
Kimmey, R. Pepsi Brooklyn Bottling Center. Fax. 25 May 2000	"At 60 F, the gauge pressure in the container is approximately 40 psi"	276 kPa
Murphy, P., E. Klages & L. Shore. The Science Explorer: Family Science Experiments from the World's Favorite Hands-On Museum. 5.	"A refrigerated can of 7UP® has an internal pressure of about 30 pounds per square inch."	207 kPa
Bates, Paul W. <u>History of the</u> <u>Beverage Can</u> . The Museum of Beverage Containers and Advertising.	"A much sturdier container than that used for food products was required to withstand the 80 to 90 psi pressure of pasteurization, In contrast to the 25 to 30 psi used in food processing."	< 550 ~ 620 kPa
Sowell, Jeff. Consumer Affairs Specialist. Coca-Cola Company. Letter. 31 May 2000.	"For example, the table shows a typical can of Coca-Cola classic with 3.7 volumes of carbon dioxide dissolved in the product at a temperature of 75F has an internal pressure of about 55 psi."	380 kPa
Kieran, Kelly. <u>Re: what is the</u> <u>average pressure in a 12 oz. soda</u> <u>can</u> ? Mad Scientist Network. 3 February 2000.	"To give you a quick example, let's say that the soda was carbonated to 3.0 volumes of CO2 and it has been sitting in your refrigerator so it's around 40 degrees F. The pressure inside the can will be roughly 17 psig (pounds per square inch, gauge) above atmospheric pressure. If you let the can warm up on the counter so its temperature increases to 70 F or so, the pressure inside the can will have increased to about 36 psig."	117 kPa (4 °C, when canned) 248 kPa (21 °C, at room temperature)











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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (1)



• Be Sure your strain axis is Aligned along Circumferential Direction

• For reliable strain measurement you Need to be sure that the gauge is securely Bonded to the can so that any movement In the sidewall is faithfully transmitted to the gauge

• Detailed bonding instructions listed Starting on page 17 in "*Student Manual for Strain Gage Technology*"

• PDF file is linked on section 9 web page MAE 3340 INSTRUMENTATION SYSTEMS 9



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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (2)

• *M-Bond 200* ... Costs \$85 a bottle .. We can't afford this .. Soooo we are using a cheap "super glue" substitute! ... good luck!

• methyl -2-cyanoacrylate compound.

See Appendix I for the Industry Standard Procedure for Bonding Strain Gauges to Test Specimens

As a cost and time saving measure, we are going to follow a more simple"expedited" process for installing and connecting the gauges

The strain gauges used for this lab will be "pre-wired" with lead wires.

Application of the gauges is pretty straightforward .. see procedure on following pages MAE 3340 *INSTRUMENTATION SYSTEMS* 11

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (3)



- 1. Polish the installation area well with the provided fine-grit sand paper.
- 2. Clean the area using cotton swap and isopropyl alcohol
- 3. Place strain gauge "bonding surface" down (lead wires up) on table top
- 4. Place clear adhesive tape over gauge, edges parallel to gage main sensing axis





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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (4)



- 5. Pull back tape exposing lower bonding surface
- 6. Apply a "tiny amount" of adhesive (super glue) ... a lot less than you are inclined to use!
- 7. Carefully align tape edges perpendicular to "long axis" of can, press the "glue-side" of the gauge down, and smooth into place



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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (5)

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- 8. After glue has set appropriately! Gently but firmly pat the gauge ! into place!
 - 9. Carefully! Pull back the tape exposing the nonbonded gauge with sensing axis perpendicular to the "long axis" of the can.
 - 10. Solder the three lead wire connections to the two strain gauge leads as shown below



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- 11. Place TWO layers of black electrical tape on can, under the exposed (uninsulated) strain gauge lead wires. Tape acts as electrical insulator from soda can's metallic surface
- 12. Secure wire leads to can using additional runs of electrical tape. Do NOT pull strain strain gauge lead wires tight .. Should be considerable "slack" in the lead wires. This installation provides "strain relief" to gauges.





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Bridge Completion for Strain Gauge • Will Use Vishay Model P-3500 Portable Strain Indicator For these measurements http://www.vishay.com/ • Quarter-Bridge setup QUARTER BRIDGE INTERNAL DUMMY Tension in acti for 120 Ohm Strain Gauges ...

Connect the red lead wire from the gage to the P+ terminal on the strain indicator, the white lead wire to the S- terminal and the black leadwire to the D120 terminal. These connections create a quarter bridge circuit by pairing the gage with a internal "dummy" resistor. Make sure that the bridge switch indicates a quarter bridge arrangement.

UtahState Machanical & Faros UNIVERSI Bridge Completion /Signal Conditioning (2) • Two wires for wire resistance compensation • Quarter-Bridge setup Active Gage Red Grey Grey Power Supply 120 Ohm Dummy Resistor Gauge 350 Ohm Gauge QUARTER BRIDGE Three-wire circuit for single active gage (quarter bridge) INTERNAL DUMMY Tension in acti

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Connect the red lead wire from the gage to the <u>P+ terminal</u> on the strain indicator, the white lead wire to the S- terminal and the black leadwire to the D120 terminal. These connections create a quarter bridge circuit by pairing the gage with a internal "dummy" resistor. Make sure that the bridge switch indicates a quarter bridge arrangement. MAE 3340 INSTRUMENTATION SYSTEMS 25

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Bridge Completion /Signal Conditioning (2)

- Quarter-Bridge setup
- Bridge excitation is 2 Vdc
- Analog Output:

Linear ±2.50V max. Adjustable from 40 μ V/ μ ϵ to 440 μ V/ μ ϵ , nominal.





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Reading the Strain Indicator

1. Turn on P-3500 strain measurement

system

- 2. Push in and check Amp Zero setting; if it is off from zero adjust using silver knob
- 3. Push in Gage Factor pushbutton and dial in gage factor; lock the settings.
- 4. Set instrument to run and zero instrument
- 5. Output is in Microstrains







Analog Output: Page 3 of Vishay Manual Linear ± 2.50 V max. Adjustable from 40 μ V/ μ ϵ to 440 μ V/ μ ϵ , nominal. Output load 2 K Ω min. Bandwidth, DC to 4 kHz, -3 dB nominal. Noise: Less than 400 μ V rms at 40 μ V/ μ ϵ output level.



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Analog Output from the Vishay Box (2)

• Amplified Analog Output:

Adjustable from 40 μ V/ μ ϵ to 440 μ V/ μ ϵ , nominal.







440 μV/με

Analog Output (AO): Linear ±2.50V max. Adjustable from 40 μV/με to 440 μV/με, nominal.

Set AO for for maximum sensitivity

3.15 ANALOG OUTPUT

The ANALOG OUTPUT is accessible via the front panel BNC connector. See Section 2.0 for output specifications.

3.16 ANALOG OUTPUT Level Control

The ANALOG OUTPUT level is variable over an 11:1 range by the fingertip adjustable level control. The control is operated by pressing lightly with the fingertip and rotating until the desired level is obtained.

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Analog Output from the Vishay Box (3) • Amplified Analog Output: At maximum sensitivity $V_{out} = 440 \ \mu V/\mu\epsilon$, nominal.

±2.5V output from Vishay AO \rightarrow

$$-2.5V = -2.5 \times 10^{6} \mu V \rightarrow \frac{-2.5 \times 10^{6} \mu V}{440 \mu V / \mu \varepsilon} = -5682 \mu \varepsilon_{(conpression)}$$
$$2.5V = 2.5 \times 10^{6} \mu V \rightarrow \frac{2.5 \times 10^{6} \mu V}{440 \mu V / \mu \varepsilon} = 5682 \mu \varepsilon_{(tension)}$$
$$\mu \varepsilon = 2272.73 \cdot (V_{out} - V_{0}) \rightarrow V_{0} = zero \ reading \ with \ no \ strain$$



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Analog Output from the Vishay Box (4) • Amplified Analog Output:

.... Modify your VoltMeter VI from Lab 2 to Set up MyDAQ to read Vishay Box Output on ACH0 ... Create a new task .. Select MyDAQ from Menu

+ X S. Details >> ^ Voltage	Voltage Input Setup	voltage range to <u>+</u> 2.5 V dc
	Signal Input Range Max 10 Min -10 Volts	You will need to modify your to V
Click the Add Channels button (+) to add more channels to the task.	Terminal Configuration Differential Custom Scaling <no scale=""></no>	to select the MyDAQ ACH0
Click the Add Channels button (+) to add more channels to the task.	Terminal Configuration Differential V Custom Scaling <no scale=""> V</no>	to select the MyDAQ ACH0

Analog Output from the Vishay Box (5) • Modify your Volt Meter VI from Lab 2 To also display microstrains based on conversion from previous slide ... add strip chart indicator to front panel to also display microstrains strains Waveform Chart task/channels in Voltage Output 0.00 10-TASK 7.5-5-2.5-Volts 0-DAOW -2.5-62 -5--7.5-Analog DBL -10-1Chan 1Samp 100 0 Time, sec Strain Output 0.00 10-Insert Appropriate Multiplier Here 7.5-5-Microastrains 2.5-You will need to modify your VI to select 0the MyDAQ ACH0 ... easiest method is -2.5to use DAQAssistant -5--7.5--10-100 Time, sec 33

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UtahState UNIVERSITY VI Programming Procedure (1)

Modify VI from lab 2 to acquire Analog In CHANNELS from the MyDAQEasiest method is to use the DAQ assistant



- The DAQ Assistant Express VI can be found on the Functions palette by going to Express » Input.
- Place the DAQ Assistant on the block diagram by dragging and dropping it from the Functions palette.
- The Assistant should automatically launch when you drop the VI on the diagram.

• Create the Task

- -- Select Acquire Signals and then Analog Input for your Measurement Type.
- -- Next, select Voltage.

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Medicinfect & Flarospece Engineering **UtahState** VI Programming Procedure (4) • Rename Channels (right click on channel) - ACH0 \rightarrow Vishay Box Voltage • Set Acquisition Mode: 1 Sample (On Demand) - 1-sample, On demand • Set Voltage Range for Both Channels: +- 10 Volts (Default for MyDAQ) x Ð Configuration Triggering Advanced Timing Logging Run Add Channels Remove Channels Channel Settings Task 📌 Connection Diagram Voltage Inpu Details >> 2 X Channel Value TC_Voltage_unampl 0 Settings Voltage 0 TV Voltage Ampl Remove From Task Volta ~ Configuration Triggering Advanced Timing Logging Rename... <F2> Channel Settings XS Voltage Input Setup Details >> ~ Change Physical Channel... Voltage Settings TC_Voltage_unampl View By Measurement Type TV Voltage Ampl Signal Input Range Scaled Units View By Channel Order 10 Max Volts V -10 Min Click the Add Channels button (+) to add more channels to the task. Terminal Configuration Differential V Click the Add Channels button (+) to add more channels to Custom Scaling the task. v B Timing Settings <No Scale> Acquisition Mode Samples t 1 Sample (On Demand) v Timing Settings Acquisition Mode Rate (Hz) Samples to Read 1 Sample (On Demand) 100 1k V ¥



• Wite output to two separate strip charts; 1) for Vishay Box millivolts output, and 2) for Vishay Box microstrains

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Lab Test Procedure (1)

- 1) Each lab session will break into two groups ...
- 2) Each Group will select two full soda cans Measure their diameters at mid length using Laboratory calipers ... write down data ... see table at end of this lecture

Lab Test Procedure (2)

- 3) Install strain gauges per earlier instructions
- 4) Perform operations "serially" ... so as to Give the bonding agent time to set up
- 5) Use the 120 Ω strain gauges for can 1
- 5) Use 350 Ω gauges for can 2

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Lab Test Procedure (4)(3)

• 6) Starting with *"can 1"* connect strain gauge to P-3500 per earlier Instructions, use *Multiplication Factor as required*

7) Set gauge factor (written on strain gauge package) and balance bridge *record gauge factor settings in table*8) When bridge

8) When bridge
Is balancedopen
Can and read strain
Indication from Vishay box
... record
Microstrain level
in table

9) Simultaneously measure Reading using your voltmeter VI .. Be sure to Take "screen shot" and save

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Lab Test Procedure (4)

- 10) Disconnect can from P-3500 ... have volunteer consume soda ...
- 11) Carefully cut open can at midpoint ... just above gauge ... using scissors

18 24 8 8 8

- 12) Measure Can wall thickness .. Log data in table
- 13) Repeat steps 3-10 for *Can 2*

As the data are acquired each group will populate the table shown (next page).. except the last two columns .. And the last two rows these calculations are to be performed individually. In total ... there should be 4 successful entries... one for each of the two cans for each of the 2 groups.

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UtahState UNIVERSITY Data Analysis (1)

Individually, calculate internal pressure in can... and populate the last column of data table

Compute sample mean and standard deviation for Internal pressure in can based on populated measurement table. ...then fill in the following blanksshow work and attach to Lab REPORT

1) Sample Mean of the Pressure in the Can (kPa)

2) Sample Standard Deviation Pressure in the Can (kPa)

3) Degrees of Freedom for the Measured Population_____

4) Using Student-T distribution for required degrees of freedom, calculate uncertainty range for sample mean of the pressure in can ... use a 95% confidence interval (*see following pages*)

5) Based on Manufacturer's specs for the various components of the measurement system *(see following pages)* ... estimate uncertainty in Measured internal pressure in the soda can _____

6) Compare estimated uncertainty with 95% confidence interval computed above _____

UtahState UNIVERSITY Data Analysis (2)

Select one student from each lab to email me the raw test results for each soda can
I will distribute the results from all of the labs to the class for the post-lab analysis

Repeat the procedure from part (1), except now use all of the collected data. Calculate the sample mean and standard deviation for Internal pressure in each can based all of the clected results (~ 60 data points) then fill in the following blanks below show work and attach to Lab REPORT

1) Sample Mean of the Pressure in the Can (kPa) (all measurements)

2) Sample Standard Deviation Pressure in the Can (kPa) (all measurements)

3) Degrees of Freedom for the Measured Population (all measurements)

4) Using Gauss Distribution, calculate uncertainty range for sample mean of the pressure in can ... use a 95% confidence interval (*see following pages*)

5) Based on Manufacturer's specs for the various components of the measurement system *(see following pages)* ... estimate uncertainty in Measured internal pressure in the soda can _____

6) Compare estimated uncertainty with 95% confidence interval computed above ______

Utah	State	Test Results Data Table						
Can #	Nom. Gauge Resistance, Ω	G_F	D, can, cm	t, wall, cm	ε, μ−strain (Vishay Display)	ε, μ− strain (VI Display)	σ _{Hoop} , kPa	P _{gauge} , kPa
1	120 Ω							
2	350 Ω							
3	120 Ω	Рор	ulate stu	ident –	generated spr	eadshee	t file	
4	350 Ω							
\overline{X}								
S_x								

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Error Analysis (1)

• Manufacturer's Accuracy Specifications for Strain gauges

Strain Gauge	R _{g nom}	$\delta R_{g(\Omega)}$	$\delta R_{g(\Omega)}$	Nominal G _F	δ G _{F (%)}
KFH-6-120- C1-11L3M3R	120 Ω	<u>+</u> 0.42 Ω	<u>+</u> 0.35%	2.0	<u>+</u> 1%
KFH-6-350- C1-11L3M3R	350 Q	<u>+</u> 1.2255 Ω	<u>+</u> 0.35%	2.0	<u>+</u> 1%

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Error Analysis (2)

• Manufacturer's Accuracy Specifications for Strain gauges

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g} \rightarrow \delta \varepsilon_{gauge} = \sqrt{\left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial G_F} \left[\frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g}\right]\right\}^2} \delta G_F^2 + \left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial R_g} \left[\frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g}\right]\right\}^2} \delta R_g^2} = \sqrt{\left\{\left[\frac{1}{G_F^2} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g}\right]\right\}^2} \delta G_F^2 + \left\{\left[\frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g^2}\right]\right\}^2} \delta R_g^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta \varepsilon_{gauge}}{\varepsilon_{mean}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g}\right)^2} \left\{\left[\frac{1}{G_F^2} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g}\right]\right\}^2} \delta G_F^2 + \left\{\left[\frac{1}{G_F} \frac{\Delta R}{R_g^2}\right]\right\}^2} \delta R_g^2 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta G_F}{G_F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta R_g}{R_g}\right)^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon_{gauge}}{\varepsilon_{mean}} \approx \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta G_F}{G_F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta R_g}{R_g}\right)^2}$$

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Error Analysis (3)

• Resolution / Accuracy of P-3500 Bridge Completion Box

¶• Using Data from data Table calculations ...

for multiplication factor of 10 .. Use appropriate values

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Error Analysis (5)

• Total Error Estimate

$$p_{internal} = p_{ambient} + 2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon \rightarrow \delta\left[p_{internal} - p_{ambient}\right]^{2} = \left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left[2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon\right]\right\}^{2} \delta t^{2} + \left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial D}\left[2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon\right]\right\}^{2} \delta D^{2} + \left\{\frac{\partial}{\partial G_{F}}\left[2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon\right]\right\}^{2} \delta \varepsilon^{2} = \left\{\left[2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon\right]\right\}^{2} \delta t^{2} + \left\{\left[2\frac{t}{D^{2}} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon\right]\right\}^{2} \delta D^{2} + \left\{\left[2\frac{t}{D} \cdot E\right]\right\}^{2} \delta \varepsilon^{2}$$

• Normalize Error

$$\left\{ \frac{\delta \left[p_{internal} - p_{ambient} \right]}{\left[p_{internal} - p_{ambient} \right]} \right\}^{2} = \left\{ \left[\frac{2 \frac{1}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon}{2 \frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon} \right] \right\}^{2} \delta t^{2} + \left\{ \left[\frac{2 \frac{t}{D^{2}} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon}{2 \frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon} \right] \right\}^{2} \delta D^{2} + \left\{ \left[\frac{2 \frac{t}{D} \cdot E}{2 \frac{t}{D} \cdot E \cdot \varepsilon} \right] \right\}^{2} \delta \varepsilon^{2} = \left\{ \frac{\delta \left[p_{internal} - p_{ambient} \right]}{\left[p_{internal} - p_{ambient} \right]} \right\}^{2} = \left(\frac{\delta t}{t} \right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\delta D}{D} \right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \right)^{2} \qquad p_{internal} - p_{ambient} = p_{"gauge"}$$

Appendix I: Industry Standard Procedure for Bonding the Strain Gauge to the Test Specimen

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (2)

- *M-Bond 200* ... M-Bond 200 is an excellent general purpose laboratory adhesive because of its fast room-temperature cure and ease of application.
 - *M-Bond 200 is a modified methyl -2-cyanoacrylate compound.*

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• The catalyst supplied with M-Bond 200 is specially formulated to control the reactivity rate. For best results, the catalyst should be used sparingly. 10

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (3)

1) Degreasing

• DeGreasing is performed to remove oils, greases, organic i contamints, " and soluble chemical residues. Degreasing should *always* be the first operation.

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (4)

2) Surface Abrading

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (5)

3) Surface Conditioning

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (6)

4) Neutralizing

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (8)

6) Secure gage To anchor tape

"terminal pads" More on these later

Strain gauge

Using a 4-to-6-in (100-to-150-mm) length of M-LINE PCT-2A cellophane tape, anchor one end of the tape to the glass plate behind the gage and terminal. Wipe the tape firmly down over the gage and terminals. Pick the gage and terminals up by carefully lifting the tape at a shallow angle (30 to 45 degrees) until the tape comes free with the gage and terminal attached. (The shallow angle is important to avoid over-stressing the gage and causing permanent resistance changes.) Caution: Some tapes may contaminate the bonding surface or react with the bonding adhesive. Use only MAE 3340 INSTRUME tapes certified for strain gage installations.

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (9)

7) Bonding

In preparation for applying the adhesive, lift the end of the tape opposite the solder tabs at a shallow angle until the gage and terminal are free of the specimen. Tack the loose end of the tape under and press to the surface so the gage lies flat with the bonding side exposed.

The appropriate adhesive may now be applied.

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Bonding Strain Gauge to the Soda Can (10)

8) Securing

After glue has set appropriately Gently but firmly pat the gauge into place

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Electrical Connections to Gauge (1)

- Application of gages is easy; one cleans the metal surface, applies a catalyst for the adhesive, applies the adhesive, and then presses down the gage.
- The tricky part (sometimes) is soldering the lead wires to the gauges.

• Solder Tabs Eliminate potential Strain due to heavy Lead wires

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Electrical Connections to Gauge (2)

Terminal Pads

Terminal pads serve two main purposes. First, they act as intermediate points for attaching ribbon leads of thin gage wire to heavier instrumentation wires. Second, they provide stress relief to strain gage systems. When the heavy instrumentation wire moves, the terminal pad protects the strain gage.

Terminal Pads

TP-5 shown actual size