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## MATERIAL CHARACTERIZATION

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Nondestructive Testing

Defines Quality Standards

Flaw Inspection & QNDT

Enables Full Volume Inspection

Quality Control

Maintenance

Life-Time Extension
IT IS MANDATORY
Regulations – Codes - Procedures

WE MUST ASSURE THE QUALITY
WE MUST CONTROL THE STRUCTURAL STATE

BY

• NONDESTRUCTIVE FLAW EVALUATION (NDT&E)

• NONDESTRUCTIVE MATERIAL CHARACTERIZATION
  (QNDT & NDMCh)

* is a development task
We see some progress!
However,

CAN WE EVALUATE FLAWS QUANTITATIVELY?
CAN WE CHARACTERIZE MATERIAL PROPERTIES?

THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES
FOR YOUNG SCIENTISTS
&
PIONEERS
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HIERARCHY OF RESPONSIBILITY

LAW

REGULATIONS

RULES & STANDARDS

CODES & WRITTEN

RECOMMENDED

PRACTICE
### TERMS

#### REGULATION
A principle, rule, or law designed to control or govern conduct.

A governmental order having the force of law.
Also called *executive order*.

An authoritative, prescribed direction for conduct, especially one of the regulations governing procedure in

#### STANDARD
The goals of standardization is:
compatibility, interoperability, safety, repeatability, or quality.

It is an authoritative, prescribed direction for conduct, especially one of the regulations governing procedure

#### RULE
An authoritative, prescribed direction for conduct, especially one of the regulations governing procedure

#### CODE
A system of principles or rules
How to behave or conduct
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Codes and Standards Bodies Involved in NDT Industry

Standards Bodies
develop and publish technical industrial standards.

There are many organizations:

National & International
Governmental & Non-governmental

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDIZATION (ISO)
ASTM INTERNATIONAL (American Society for Testing and Materials)
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (ASME)
EUROPEAN COMMITTEE FOR STANDARDIZATION (CEN)
AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (AIA)
The International Organization for Standardization, the world's largest developer and publisher of International Standards, is a non-governmental organization located in Geneva, Switzerland.

ISO is a network of the national standards institutes of 161 countries, one member per country. Many of the ISO member institutes are part of the governmental structure of their countries, or are mandated by their government. Other members have their roots uniquely in the private sector, having been set up by national partnerships of industry associations.
ISO 9712, Non-destructive testing – Qualification and certification of personnel

This International standard, revised in 2012, provides the requirements for the NDT certification of NDT personnel by an accredited third-party certification body that conforms to the requirements of ISO/IEC 17024, Conformity assessment – General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons.

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The American Society of Mechanical Engineers is a not-for-profit professional organization that enables collaboration, knowledge sharing and skill development across all engineering disciplines, while promoting the vital role of the engineer in society.

ASME codes and standards, publications, conferences, continuing education and professional development programs provide a foundation for advancing technical knowledge and a safer world.

The “ASME Boiler & Pressure Vessel Code” (BPVC). The 2010 edition of the BPVC with 2011 addenda was made available in July 2011. This code is made up of 12 sections, or “books,” covering the following subjects:
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I  Power Boilers | VII  Recommended Guidelines for the Care of Power Boilers
II  Materials | VIII  Pressure Vessels
III  Rules for Construction of Nuclear Facility Components | IX  Welding and Brazing Qualifications
IV  Heating Boilers | X  Fiber-Reinforced Plastic Pressure Vessels
V  Nondestructive Examination | XI  Rules for In-service Inspection of Nuclear Power Plant Components
VI  Recommended Rules for the Care and Operation of Heating Boilers | XII  Rules for Construction and Continued Service of Transport Tanks
ASTM International provides technical standards for materials, products, systems and services. Over 180 ASTM NDT standards are published in the ASTM Annual Book of Standards, Vol 03.03, Nondestructive Testing. ASTM defines three of their document categories as follows:

• A “guide” is a compendium of information or series of options that does not recommend a specific course of action. A guide increases the awareness of information and approaches in a given subject area.

• A “practice” is a definitive set of instructions for performing one or more specific operations or functions that does not produce a test result. Examples of practices include, but are not limited to: application, assessment, cleaning, collection, decontamination, inspection, installation, preparation, sampling, screening and training.

• A "test method" is a definitive procedure that produces a test result. Examples of test methods include, but are not limited to: identification, measurement and evaluation of one or more qualities, characteristics or properties.
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Some of the more commonly used ASTM NDT standards

ASTM E165: Standard Practice for Liquid Penetrant Examination for General Industry
ASTM E1417: Standard Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing
ASTM E1209: Standard Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing using the Water-Washable Process
ASTM E1210: Standard Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing using the Hydrophilic Post-Emulsifiable Process
ASTM E1219: Standard Practice for Liquid Penetrant Testing using the Solvent-Removable Process

ASTM E114: Practice for Ultrasonic Pulse-Echo Straight-Beam Examination by the Contact Method
ASTM E164: Standard Practice for Contact Ultrasonic Testing of Weldments
ASTM E1213: Standard Practice for Ultrasonic Testing of Metal Pipe and Tubing
ASTM E2375: Standard Practice for Ultrasonic Testing of Wrought Products

ASTM Volume 03.03 (2012)
Application of NDT and Limits
Some of the more commonly used ASTM NDT standards

ASTM E94: Guide for Radiographic Examination
ASTM E1742: Practice for Radiographic Examination
ASTM E1000: Guide for Radioscopy
ASTM E1255: Practice for Radioscopy
ASTM E1030: Test Method for Radiographic Examination of Metallic Castings
ASTM E268: Electromagnetic Testing
ASTM E426: Practice for Electromagnetic (Eddy-Current) Examination of Seamless and Welded Tubular Products, Austenitic Stainless Steel and Similar Alloys
ASTM E709: Standard Guide for Magnetic Particle Testing
ASTM E1444: Standard Practice for Magnetic Particle Testing

ASTM Volume 03.03 (2012)
The European Committee for Standardization is a business facilitator in Europe, removing trade barriers for European industry and consumers. Its mission is to foster the European economy in global trading, the welfare of European citizens and the environment.

CEN is a major provider of European Standards and technical specifications. It is the only recognized European organization according to Directive 98/34/EC for the planning, drafting and adoption of European Standards in all areas of economic activity with the exception of electro-technology and telecommunication.

31 National Members work together to develop voluntary European Standards (ENs). Standards (Norms) developed by CEN are considered “harmonized standards” that are required to be accepted by all member nations in the European Union.
The following two ENs are NDT certification standards:

**EN 473/ EN ISO 9712, Non-destructive testing – Qualification and certification of NDT personnel - General principles.**

This European Standard established principles for the third-party (“central”) qualification and certification of personnel who perform industrial non-destructive testing (NDT) by an accredited third-party certification body. Under EN 473, certification bodies had to administer procedures for certification according to the requirements of EN 473 and must fulfill the requirements of EN ISO/IEC 17024.

**EN ISO 9712,** replaced EN 473 as the European harmonized standard (Norm) for NDT central certification effective 1 January 2012. EN ISO 9712 and ISO 9712 are identical except that EN ISO 9712 has been approved as a harmonized standard for use under the European Pressure Equipment Directive 97/23/EC.

**EN 4179, Aerospace series , Qualification and approval of personnel for non-destructive testing.**

This employer-based certification standard is the European version of NAS 410,
The Aerospace Industries Association is a trade association with more than 100 major aerospace and defense member companies. These companies embody every high-technology manufacturing segment of the U.S. aerospace and defense industry from commercial aviation and avionics, to manned and unmanned defense systems, to space technologies and satellite communications. The AIA publishes multiple aviation and aerospace-related standards.
NAS 410, NAS Certification & Qualification of Nondestructive Test Personnel.

This employer-based certification standard establishes the minimum requirements for the qualification and certification of personnel performing nondestructive testing (NDT), nondestructive inspection (NDI), or nondestructive evaluation (NDE) in the aerospace manufacturing, service, maintenance and overhaul industries.

In 2002, NAS 410 was harmonized with European Norm 4179 (listed in the CEN section), so that the requirements in both documents are identical.

NAS 999, Nondestructive Inspection of Advanced Composite Structures.

This specification establishes the requirements for non-destructive inspection (NDI), NDI standards, NDI methods, and NDI acceptance criteria.
Certification of NDT Personnel

COMPETENCY

NDT personnel have the proper training, have passed written and practical examinations, and have enough experience to properly perform NDT tasks using the applicable test method or technique.

ASNT “Certification Systems”
2006 edition of the ASNT Recommended Practice No. SNT-TC-1A.
Certification Standard:

National or international documents describing the requirements for the qualification and certification of NDT personnel.

Certification System:

The combination of the standard or recommended practice governing the certification requirements, the third-party certification program (if applicable) or the employer's written practice, and additional employer documents used in the administration of their certification program.

Recommended Practice:

A formal document that provides nationally or internationally recognized guidelines, and describes the qualification and certification process for NDT personnel.

If mandated by governing codes, standards, specifications or contract documents, these guidelines become requirements for the specified project.

Certification Program:

The documented employer’s or certification body’s procedures and processes based on a standard or recommended practice, which defines the requirements of that specific program.

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NDT Certification Systems

The employer has the ultimate responsibility

Employer-based

• administration
  of the training and the qualification examinations
  of their own employees

• documentation
  of the required training, examinations and experience
  in accordance with an employer-based
  standard or recommended practice.

(described in the employer's Written Practice)

Central

An independent 3rd-party certification body administers
the qualification examinations based on a
central certification standard.

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ASNT “Certification Systems”:
NDT CERTIFICATION TRAINING & EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS COMPARISON

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Integrity of Nuclear Structures - Material Degradation and Mitigation by NDE
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NDT Level I

“An NDT Level I individual should be qualified to properly perform specific calibrations, specific NDT and specific evaluations for acceptance or rejection determinations according to written instructions and to record results.

The NDT Level I should receive the necessary instruction and supervision from a certified NDT Level II or III individual.”

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NDT Level II

“An NDT Level II individual should be qualified to set up and calibrate equipment and to interpret and evaluate results with respect to applicable codes, standards and specifications.

The NDT Level II should be thoroughly familiar with the scope and limitations of the methods for which he is qualified and should exercise assigned responsibility for on-the-job training and guidance of trainees and NDT Level I personnel.

The NDT Level II should be able to organize and report the results of NDT tests.”

ASNT “Certification Systems”
2006 edition of the ASNT Recommended Practice No. SNT-TC-1A.
NDT Level III

An NDT Level III individual should be capable of developing, qualifying and approving procedures, establishing and approving techniques, interpreting codes, standards, specifications and procedures, as well as designating the particular NDT methods, techniques and procedures to be used.

The NDT Level III should be responsible for the NDT operations for which he is qualified and assigned and should be capable of interpreting and evaluating results in terms of existing codes, standards and specifications.

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Recommended Practice Personnel Qualification

NDT Level III

The NDT Level III should have sufficient **practical background** in **applicable materials, fabrication and product technology** to establish techniques and to assist in establishing acceptance criteria when none are otherwise available.

The NDT Level III should have **general familiarity with other appropriate NDT methods**, as demonstrated by an ASNT Level III Basic examination or other means.

The NDT Level III, in the methods in which he is certified, should be capable of **training and examining NDT Level I and II personnel** for certification in those methods.

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NDT Procedure for Ultrasonic Inspection

A Nondestructive testing (NDT) Procedure suitable for General Ultrasonic Inspections. This is a sample UT procedure and may be required to be modified as per specific requirements. NDT Procedure No: TNE-DOC-UT-01 Rev ‘0’

1. Scope:
2. Reference:
3. Definitions:
4. Responsibilities:
5. Personnel Qualifications:

6. Procedure:
   6.1 Equipment:
   6.2 Materials:
   6.3 Surface Condition:
   6.4 Technical Information:
   6.5 Examination Procedure:
   6.6 Defect Evaluation And Sizing
   6.7 Acceptance Standards
   6.8 Reporting

7. Attachments:
   7.1 Ultrasonic Examination Report
   7.2 Screen Height Linearity Record
   7.3 Amplitude Control Linearity Record
4. Responsibilities:

• The NDE Examiner shall be responsible for conducting and reporting the results of examination in accordance with the applicable Code and Client’s specifications, whichever is more restrictive.

5. Personnel Qualifications:

• All personnel involved in Ultrasonic Examinations shall be qualified to Level II in accordance with the requirements of Trinity NDT, Written Practice (Training, Qualification & Certification for NDE Personnel).

• When the written practice is revised, the certification of NDE personnel remains valid to the requirements of the previous revision until the expiry date of the personnel qualification certificate; then, recertification to the requirements of the new revision is required.

• Subcontractor’s personnel involved in Ultrasonic Examinations shall be qualified to Level II in accordance with the requirements of subcontractor’s written practice which shall be reviewed and accepted by Trinity NDT QA/QC Manager.

• The certification of personnel shall be checked by the QA/QC Manager or NDE Level III prior to work commencement.
# Degradation of nuclear structures during operation

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Development of Structure Inspection Program

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  - assumptions
  - test results

- geometry

- loads
  - fatigue load spectrum
  - static limit load

- determination of fatigue life
  - crack growth
  - residual strength

- damage tolerance analysis

- inspection areas and elements

- structural inspection program
  - threshold
  - interval
  - area
  - method

- damage detectability
  - procedure for definition of maintenance tasks (MSG3)

- MRB

Structure Design & NDT

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Damage Tolerance Evaluation

“The ultimate purpose of the damage tolerance evaluation is the development of a recommended structural inspection program considering probable damage locations, crack initiation mechanisms, crack growth time histories, and crack detectability.”
Literature

1. www.asnt.org./en/