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Abstract: This paper presents an analytical investigation of the influence of barrel-type or saddle-type departure from cylindricity on journal bearing performances using a THD analysis. The energy equation is based on Couette flow assumption; thus the energy equation is decoupled from Reynolds equation and solved independently using a narrow journal bearing approximation (L/D=0.25; $\epsilon \le 0.9$) Bearing performances (load carrying capacity, minimum fluid film thickness) are analyzed by assuming that the shaft axis and the bush axis are parallel.

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A numerical procedure is developed in order to analyze the « tridimensional Abstract: Thermohydrodynamic » behaviour of a bearing under static loading. The Reynolds equation, the energy equation in the film and the heat transfer equation in the solids are simultaneous solved using a Newton-Raphson procedure and the finite element modelisation. The numerical procedure developed incorporates a cavitation algorithm based on JFO model, which automatically predicts film rupture and reformation in the bearings. In the present study, the obtained results from this model are compared to experimentals results and numericals results from THD 2D model.

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Abstract: The calculation of the parameters of hydrodynamic bearings involve the solution of the system consisting of the differential equations of pressure and of the thermal balance equation, to which other equations are added, depending on the desired degree of precision. At present, the calculation is effected by means of numerical methods and the calculus programs are very complicated, time-consuming and, with the exception of the THD solution, rather inaccurate. The international literature of the last two years contains scientific papers which bring again to the fore the analytical solution of the lubrication problem. The paper proposes a new analytical calculus model for to reaching the variation law of film pressures. This model allows for the use of dynamic boundary conditions along the rotation movement, and it can be applied to the quantitative appraisal of radial bearings with small loads.

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contact geometry, Power Law (Ostwald de Waele) for rheologic behavior. The paper present analytical considerations leading to the equation that define the pressure gradient and some numerical results that allows especially a qualitative comparison between the squeeze process in the parallel circular plate model and our model and between a newtonian fluid and a power law fluid which simulate a pseudo-plastic behavior characteristic to sinovial fluid.

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Abstract: Biomechanical factors of physical load determine a state of stress in skeletal system elements, including the femur. Femur extremity load is significant because it leads to tribological phenomena and processes at biocontact interface, which may yield biomechanical fatigue having pathologic effects. Consequently, the present paper presents femur extremity stress under various contact conditions using photoelastic models.

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Abstract: The focus of this paper is on the tribological behavior of natural synovial joint. The rheological behavior of synovial fluid is complex and related with distance between articular surfaces. At smaller distance (little than hyaluronic acid molecule diameter) between articular surfaces synovial fluid behavior is biphasic, and at greater distance (greater than hyaluronic acid molecule diameter) between articular surfaces synovial fluid behaviour is newtonian. When the distance between articular surfaces is approximate with hyaluronic acid molecule diameter, synovial fluid is a thixotropic fluid. According with load and motion (for knee), the type of lubrication of natural synovial joints is different: after prolonged stance – boosted lubrication; heel strike – squeeze film combined with weeping lubrication; weight transfer – EHD lubrication; toe off – boundary combined with weeping lubrication; swing – hydrodynamic lubrication.

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Abstract: The real rheological behavior of synovia is highly dependent on the running conditions in articular joints. Complex mechanical and physico-chemical properties of articular cartilage define the boundary conditions for the real dynamics of the synovial fluid; that is why the rheological study should be done in the presence of the two articular cartilages which leads to a complex tribological study. The resolution of the in vivo means of investigation is insufficient to characterize the local tribological mechanisms, in particular at molecular scale. It is thus necessary to define an experimental ex vivo simulation including models of synovia and cartilage. We propose a model of articular contact, made of a gel, a polymeric membrane, and artificial synovia, which respects the mechanical and physical properties of articular cartilage and synovia. This model will allow ex vivo tribological tests aiming to a better understanding of the real tribological mechanisms of a healthy articular joint.

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Abstract: The frictional factor of three new bipolar hip prostheses were measured using one hip function simulators designed in Biomechanics Laboratory of Medical Bioengineering Faculty. Hip simulator respect physiological condition (variable load, variable motion). The friction factor value for dry regime through the gait cycle was found variable.

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Abstract: Progressive generation of particulate wear debris has been widely observed in joint replacements after several decades of clinical experience. Most of prosthetic materials are usually well tolerated in the bulk form. Nevertheless, there is a continuous release of particulate debris generated from cemented fixation and wear of prosthetic surfaces, whether plastic, metallic or ceramic, which highly increases the contact area between the implanted material and the biological environment. The widespread dissemination of debris and the large surface area produce a potentially toxic effect on the local bone metabolism, contributing to the early failure of implant. Particulate debris trigger a complex biological response consisting in macrophages recruitment, phagocytosis, release of inflammatory mediators and proliferation of fibroblastic pseudomembranes which induce progressive bone resorption (osteolysis). Initially attributed to cement debris, periprosthetic osteolysis was also observed in cementless implants. This process is supposed to occur earlier, more frequently and accelerated in such implants, leading to early revision procedures. Polyethylene, metals and ceramics are the common materials used in both cemented and cementless systems. Such particles have been identified in retrieved membranes from the bone - implant interfaces and osteolytic cavities in failed arthroplasties during revision operations. Efforts of biomaterial scientists, tribologists, cell biologists and orthopaedic surgeons should be combined to improve the design and biomaterials of prosthetic joints. Continuous research must be made to minimize wear and friction, as well as corrosion, with the aim of decreasing the production of particulate debris from articular and nonarticular interfaces. The longevity of joint arthroplasties should be improved with decreased generation of this debris.

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Abstract: We recommend to investigate the pressure distribution and the stress state in a real elastoplastic circular contact, bearing balls of three different degrees of surface finishing were used. These were pressed against a polished flat surface made of a softer steel. The surface microtopography measured in each case by a laser profilometry was introduced in a numerical program developed to evaluate the pressure distribution, stress state and residual deformations for an elasto-plastic material with non-linear hardening. The dimension of calculated contact plastic deformations compare favorably with those experimentally by aid of a laser profilometer..

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Abstract: Dans ce travail on essaie la distinction des influences plusieurs facteurs qui détermine la qualité du couche superficielle: microtopographie et dureté. Par des graphes tridimensionnels et diagrammes ternaires on a mis en évidence leur influence cumulative en fonction de la charge. Pour une certaine dimension d'une sphère avec trois degrés de finition en contact avec une éprouvette plane ayant trois duretés différentes on a applique des chargements différente. Les déformations plastiques ont été analyse par UBM (profilométrie laser) et les résultats ont été représenté par diagrammes spatiales et diagrammes ternaires avec l'aide du programme STATISTICA.

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Abstract: Partially textured sliders generate a load carrying capacity with an effect similar to stepped bearings. The present paper presents a theoretical investigation of a partially textured slider using an analytical and a numerical method. The pressure distribution is calculated analytically and numerically and the performance of the bearing is evaluated varying different parameters: number of dimples, dimple density, dimple height, textured fraction of the slider. The optimal configuration for the slider is determined in order to produce maximal load carrying capacity.

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Abstract: A complex analytical model to evaluate the friction losses in a micro linear ball bearing has been developed. The model includes following losses sources: pivoting motion between ball and races, elastic resistance in rolling of the ball over the races, hydrodynamic effects in ball-races and the losses in the ball-ball contacts. Both adhesion between balls and the races and capillary effects in the ball- ball contacts was considered. To validate the model, the numerical results was performed for a micro linear ball bearing studied experimental by [1]. The numerical results are in the same range of values with experimental results.

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Abstract: The paper presents the effect of an elliptical hole in an elastic half-space loaded at infinity with various forces. The variations of hoop stresses from the border of the hole for various eccentricities and loads are shown comparatively. The effect of concentration due to the hole is denoted and its increasing as the hole extends is emphasized.

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Abstract: The contact problem between a linear viscoelastic half-space and a rigid axisymmetric probe was solved by Ting, [1]. Applying the theory in the case of a rigid paraboloid and a Maxwell half-space, the contact elements were deduced for different dynamic loads, [2]. The contact pressure in the case of linearly increasing force is studied in the present paper. The influence of material characteristics is emphasised.

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Abstract: The paper presents a method and a test rig used to measure the restitution coefficient in the case of central collision of two spheres. The principle of the work is based on the fact that the period of a mathematical pendulum depends on angular amplitude. Experimental tests carried out on the proposed test rig lead to an actual value of restitution coefficient.

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Abstract: This paper presents a comparison between the stress state of a smooth ideal lap joint and one having the adherent surfaces characterised by a profile, using finite element method. The results pointed out local peaks of the stresses even for a model having 1mm as joint width. These local maximum stresses will certainly influence the durability of the bonded joint and could be introduced in simplified calculus by a coefficient related to the profile parameters.

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Abstract: This experimental study belongs to the scope of a modeling of interactions between the different bodies of a connecting rod big end bearing. We propose to determine the value of the friction coefficient for the mating surface between the body and the cap of connecting rod. We are in the presence of a contact in lubrication or lack (dry contact). The results indicate the evolution of the charge tangential / normal load ratio for different situations of contact and loading. These ratios depend significantly on the presence or not of the lubricant and on the intensity of the normal load no matter the. However, for a given loading velocity, we note little influence of the loading process on the obtained results.

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Abstract: Frictional contact is often accompanied by instability phenomena. The numerical model presented in this paper enabled the analysis of the frictional contact between a deformable rectangular polyurethane slab (photoelastic material) and a rigid plane surface. The slab is first pressed against a rigid surface with a prescribed normal displacement. Then an increasing tangential load is applied. We propose a semi-analytical modelling of the stress waves which occur in this type of contact.

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Abstract: The qualitative indices of mechanical transmissions by means of gearing are determined mainly by the power losses in gearing. In this work the mathematic model for the calculation of sliding speed of the precessional gearing is described. As well, the results of a series of experimental research on the determination of the sliding coefficient from the kinematic precessional gearing with various sliding speeds, lubrication regimes and powers that act in the gearing are presented.

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Abstract: The paper presents a new method of hysteresis loss evaluation in normally loaded rolling contacts using collision experiments. In a rolling contact, a typical element passes through a cycle of reversed shear similar to the two phases of compression and rebound existing in a collision. This analogy leads to the idea of studying hysteresis loss in rolling through energy loss in collision experiments. The energy dissipated by elastic hysteresis in a sphere-sphere collision is measured, obtaining a linear

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Abstract: A new model to estimate all friction losses between the balls and the circular – arch grooves races (two contact points) from screw and nut has been developed. Based on the equilibrium of the forces and moments acting on the ball, the sliding forces between ball and both screw and nut races are determined without an integrating of the shear stress on contact ellipses. The sliding forces include the rolling forces on the two contacts, the friction moments due to the races curvature, the elastic resistance moments in ball-races contacts, the contact force between the balls and the friction moment between the balls. The program was adapted for a ball – screw system and influence of the speed and load on total friction torque was investigated. The efficiency of the system was computed and good agreement with the literature results was obtained.

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Abstract: An important portion of the total power loss in a modern automotive engine is due to piston ring/cylinder bore friction. This paper introduces the results of simulations about the friction interaction of the oil ring of a SI engine performed taking into account the mixed lubrication regime. The friction coefficient calculations show a sensible improvement of this crucial parameter whit low-roughness surfaces. The effects of engine speed, radial tension, surface roughness and ring shape are shown.

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Abstract: The paper presents a methodology for studying the surface microgeometry based on the relocation technique. The relocation technique offers more accurate information of the changes taking place in the topography of the superficial layer. Using information about unworn and worn digital profiles, both recorded on the same generatrix of the wear tested roller, two methods for wear evaluation are presented: linear wear estimation by simulating the profile wearing and estimation of the volume wear. Measuring changes of the profiles by relocation techniques could give a better evaluation of the wear process.

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Abstract: Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene (UHMWPE) has been successfully used as bearing material in total joint replacements for many decades. The aim of this study was to assess the wear performance of UHMWPE in third body abrasive conditions similar or not to those encountered in human joint replacements. Abrasive wear tests are capable of providing some measure of the mechanical properties of a material surface. There are many variable parameters associated with the micro-abrasion test such as applied load, abrasive type, abrasive concentration, ball type, etc [1]. This study will focus on how sterilization factors such as irradiation dose and environment affect the wear rate of UHMWPE.

40. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THE DRIVING MECHANISMS FOR SUPERFICIAL TRIBOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATIONS (STT): EXPERIMENTATION AND MODELLING IN THE CASE OF PURE IRON

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Abstract: Superficial Tribological Transformations (or STT) are usually the less damaging response of materials to tribological conditions by producing the proper solid third body for safe behaviour of 'dry' contacts. As a consequence, one solution to control wear is to control STT's formation. The main objectives of this work are to produce STT (i) in more controlled mechanical conditions than in a contact and (ii) if possible, in a volume which is more important and finally to follow the STT's formation to identify their driving mechanisms. A Bridgman Anvil Apparatus is used to shear by rotation pure iron cylindrical samples under a quasi-hydrostatic pressure of 1 to 3 GPa. Two STT layers are observed to appear after about 240° of anvil rotation within the 'skins' of the sample (i.e. the first 20 µm below the surface). The sample structural evolution is analysed as a function of measured global parameters: the torque (C), the hydrostatic pressure (Ph), sliding (S) and sample depth (h). This first experimental analysis is coupled with finite element analysis to calculate sample local sollicitations. Modelling allows to better identify local different driving mechanisms that control experiments: volume shearing, material work hardening, sliding at the interfaces. The experimentally observed STT areas are directly correlated to a specific calculated behavior of the sample 'skin'.

41. STUDY OF THE BEHAVIOUR IN FRETTING OF A STEEL /POLYCARBONATE COUPLE USING A COMPLETE FACTORIAL EXPERIMENT METHOD

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Abstract: Le frottement et l'usure qui sont les principales causes de la perte d'énergie donc des performances des systèmes mécaniques, restent toujours des thèmes majeurs de recherche. La dégradation des surfaces des premiers corps en contact nécessite une approche pluridisciplinaire faisant appel aux notions de mécanique, de matériaux, de physico-chimie. Les difficultés rencontrées pour prédire l'usure et pour sélectionner des couples de matériaux résultent du fait que le frottement et l'usure ne sont pas directement des propriétés intrinsèques de matériaux et que les sollicitations du

système tribologique sont en général complexes. Une approche statistique pour l'étude du comportement d'un couple de contact permet une caractérisation plus globale des processus et des phénomènes qui interviennent.

42. CONTACT TEMPERATURE IN A FRETTING CONTACT

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Abstract: Friction mechanisms for fretting contacts are the cause for the surface temperature. The determination of the sliding velocity is of primary importance in describing the thermal conditions in a contact. The tangential displacement for a ball- flat contact was expressed by assuming Mindlin hypotheses for an elastic ball on flat contact. The present paper argues that plastic deformation in the contact zone may contribute to relative displacement and to thermal heat flux. Temperatures in the fretting contact can be obtained by the integrating the fundamental solution of conduction. The integral function is solved in dimensionless form for divers parameters of fretting phenomena (friction coefficient, normal load and frequency).

43. BEARINGS SCUFFING FAILURE MONITORING BY VIRTUAL INSTRUMENTATION

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Abstract: Scuffing diagnose of rolling element bearings can be made by the analysis of the bearing friction forces which are the most sensitive indicator of bearing defects. Such analysis is possible only when an adequate model of the monitored process is known. We have studied the interdependence between the Kinematics, dynamic, lubrication and friction phenomena realised in bearing's rolling contacts subjected to an important sliding. As consequence, we elaborate an original algorithm and computer code leading to scuffing criterion ($\mu \cdot p \cdot V^{0.8}$). The evidence of scuffing onset is a sudden increase of friction force. Data acquisition and transducers signal processing were realised using NI-DAQ board and LabVIEW 5.1 soft. A virtual instrument with two channels readings monitoring the friction force and the braking torque was created.

44. TEMPERATURE - A BEARING SCUFFING FAILURE CRITERION

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Abstract: Scuffing is a complex phenomenon of severe adhesive wear generated under particular combinations including contact pressure, lubrication, speed and friction. Scuffing involves the sudden collapse of the lubricant film and is generally regarded as resulting from thermal phenomena. Under particular combinations including contact pressure, lubrication, speed and friction, a critical temperature is reached in the vicinity of the contact. At this temperature, the breakdown film with local welding or adhesion of the contacting surfaces can appear. The paper presents a temperature distribution model for ball bearings contacts related to the scuffing risk. The own experimental and theoretical results are in good agreement with the literature.

45. THEORETICAL MODEL FOR GENERAL ROLLING CONTACT FATIGUE

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Abstract: Datorită interacțiunii simultane a unui număr mare de factori, oboseala de contact este un fenomen extrem de complicat. După cum se știe, fenomenul de oboseală de contact poate fi inițiat în adâncime, pe suprafață sau, simultan, în adâncime și pe suprafață. Prin urmare, lucrarea propune un model teoretic general pentru oboseala de contact, propunându-se un model de tip Lundberg – Palmgren pentru evaluarea durabilității de inițiere atât pe suprafață cât și în adâncime, și legea lui Paris pentru evaluarea durabilității de propagare a fisurii.