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PRESSURIZED THERMAL SHOCK EVALUATION OF RPV-Stade

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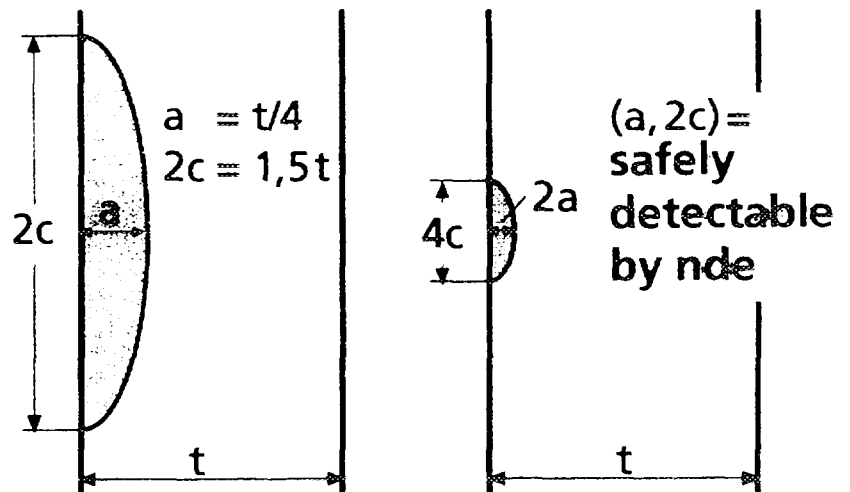
Anlagen	A	zur Dimensionierung
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Brittle fracture analysis acc. to KTA 3201.2-7

Load cases:	Design	(O)
	Operation	(A), (B)
	Testing	(P)
	Emergency	(C)
	Faulted and Upset	(D)

Defect postulate:

Load cases: O, A, B, P C, D



Exclusion of initiation:

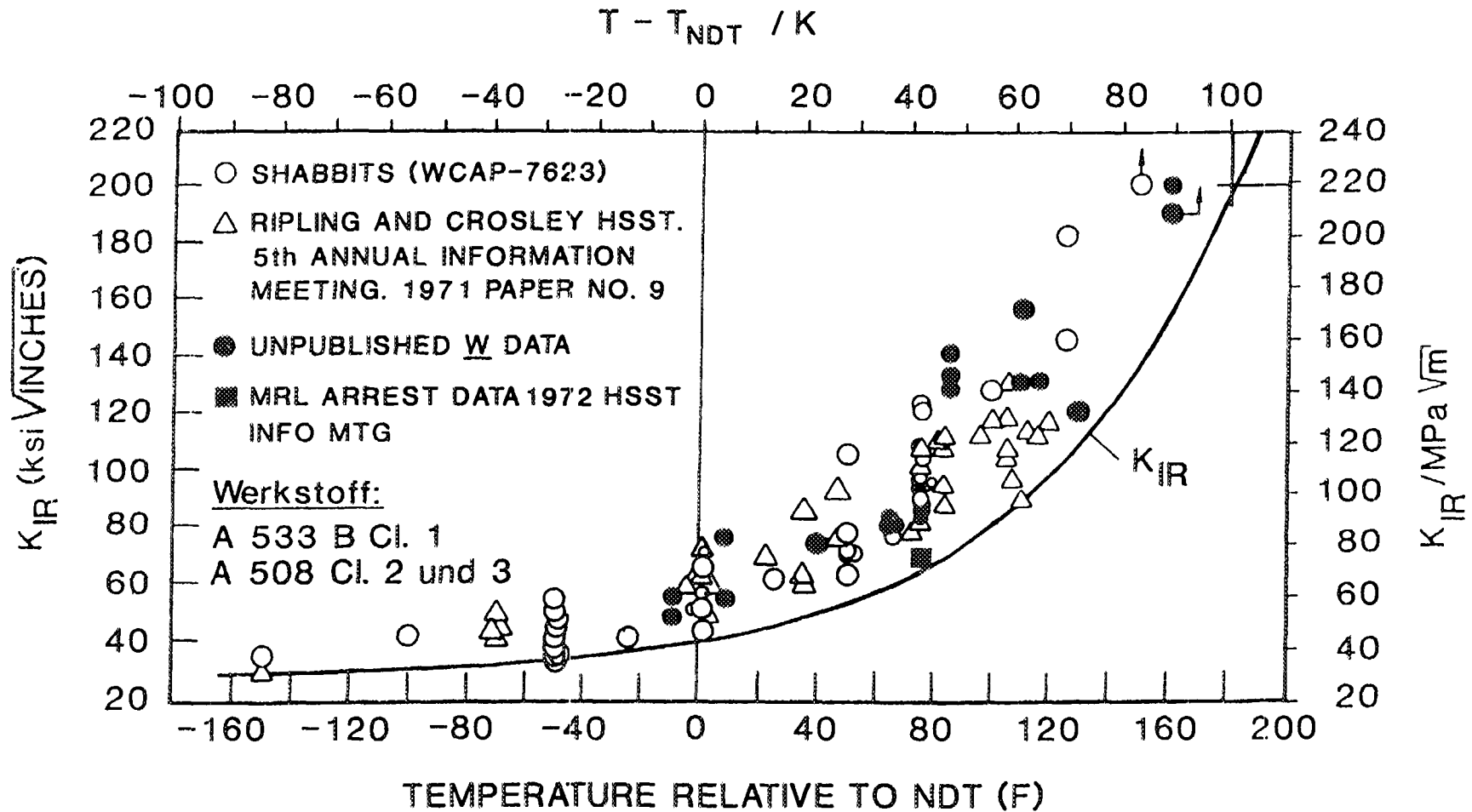
$$K_{\text{appl}} = K_I(a_o, c_o) \leq K_{Ic}(RT_{\text{NDT}}, T)$$

Crack arrest:

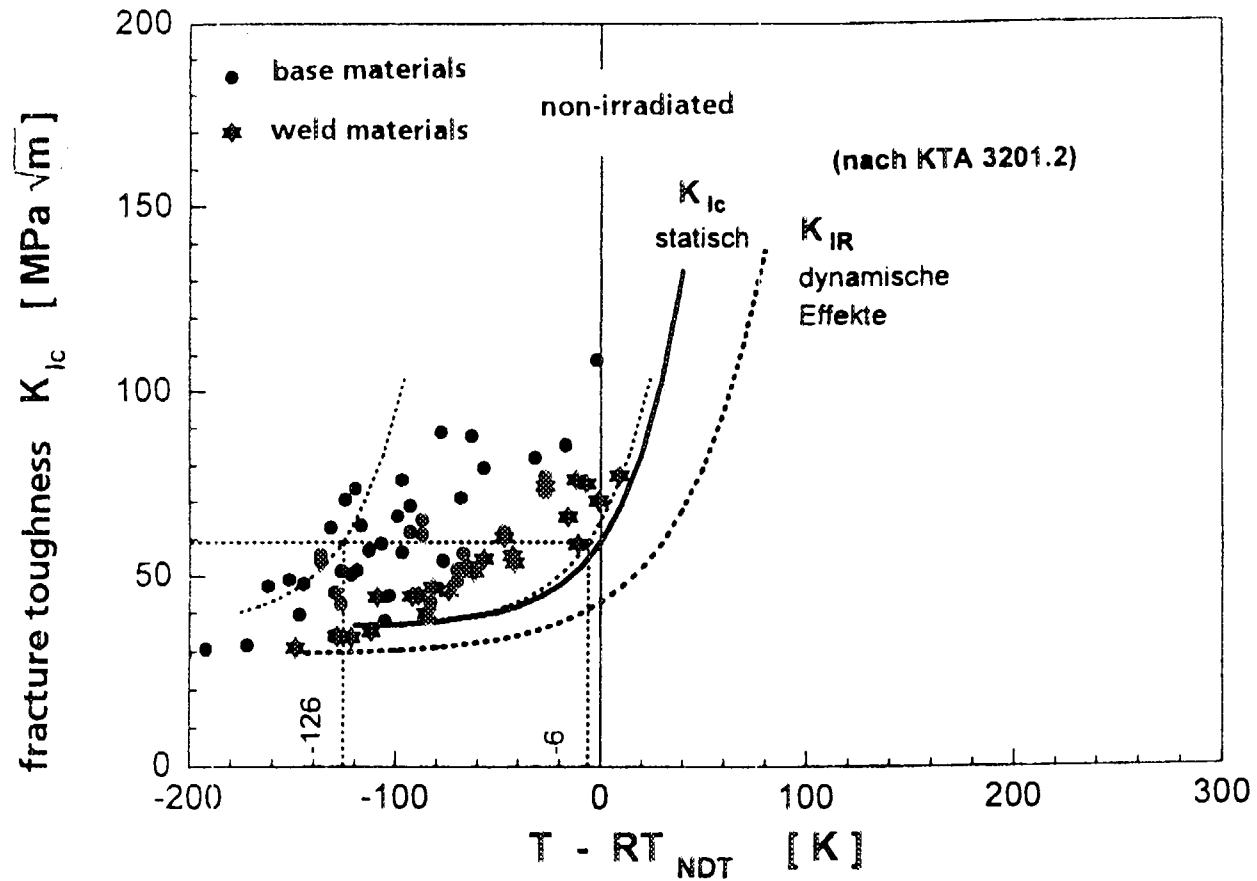
$$K_{\text{appl}} = K_I(a_{\text{arr}}, c_{\text{arr}}) \leq K_{Ia}(RT_{\text{NDT}}, T)$$

for $a_{\text{arr}} \leq 0,75t$

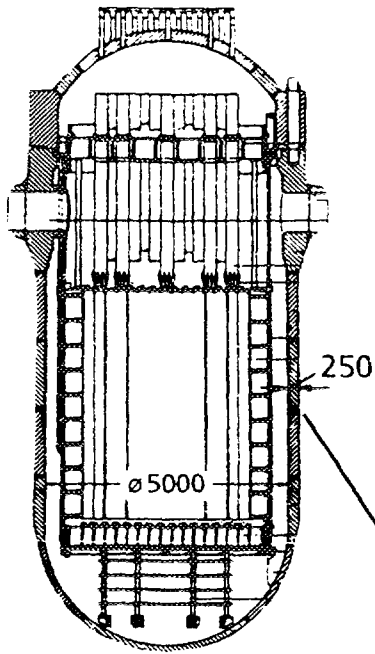
K_{IR} -reference curve acc. to WRC Bulletin 175 (1972)



FKS RPV materials and normalized K_{Ic} , K_{IR} -curves (Roos 1996)



RPV-Safety analysis acc. to KTA-rules



- Thermohydraulic-analysis

$$T_{KM}(t, z, \varphi), \quad WÜZ(t, z, \varphi), \quad p(t)$$

- FE-analysis

$$T_w(r)$$

$$\sigma^t(r, t)$$

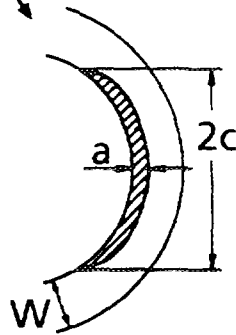
res. stresses

$$\sigma^e$$

$$\sigma^p(t)$$

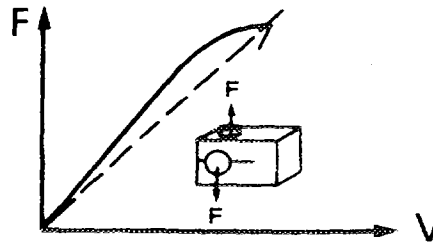
$$\sigma^{ges}(r, \varphi, z, t)$$

- Crack tip loading analysis



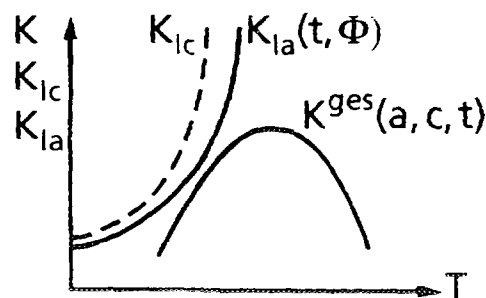
$$K^{ges} = K^{ges} \left(a, c, \frac{a}{W}, \Theta, \sigma^{ges}(t) \right)$$

- Toughness evaluation



$$K_{Ic} = K_{Ic}(T, n)$$

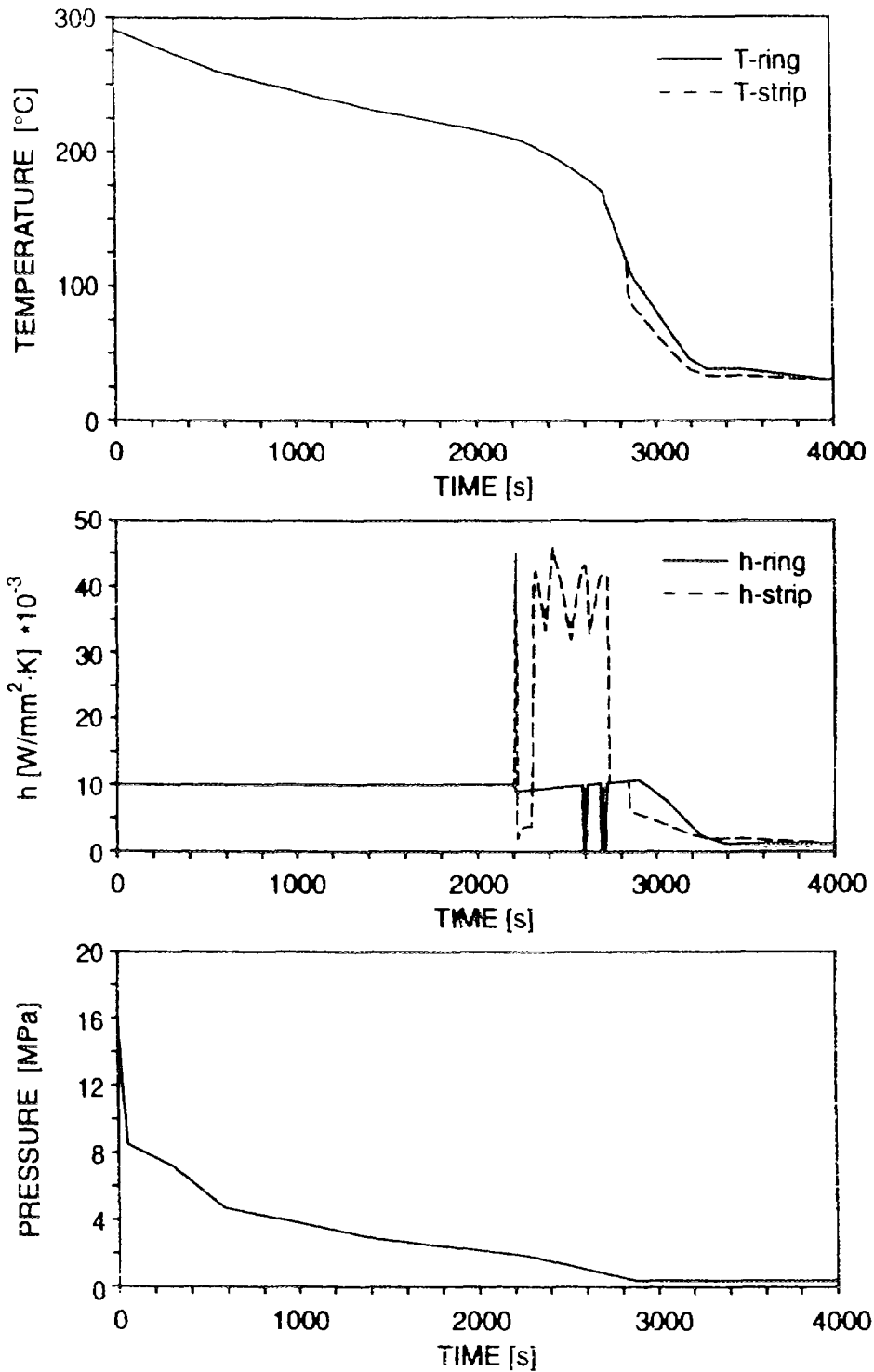
- Assessment



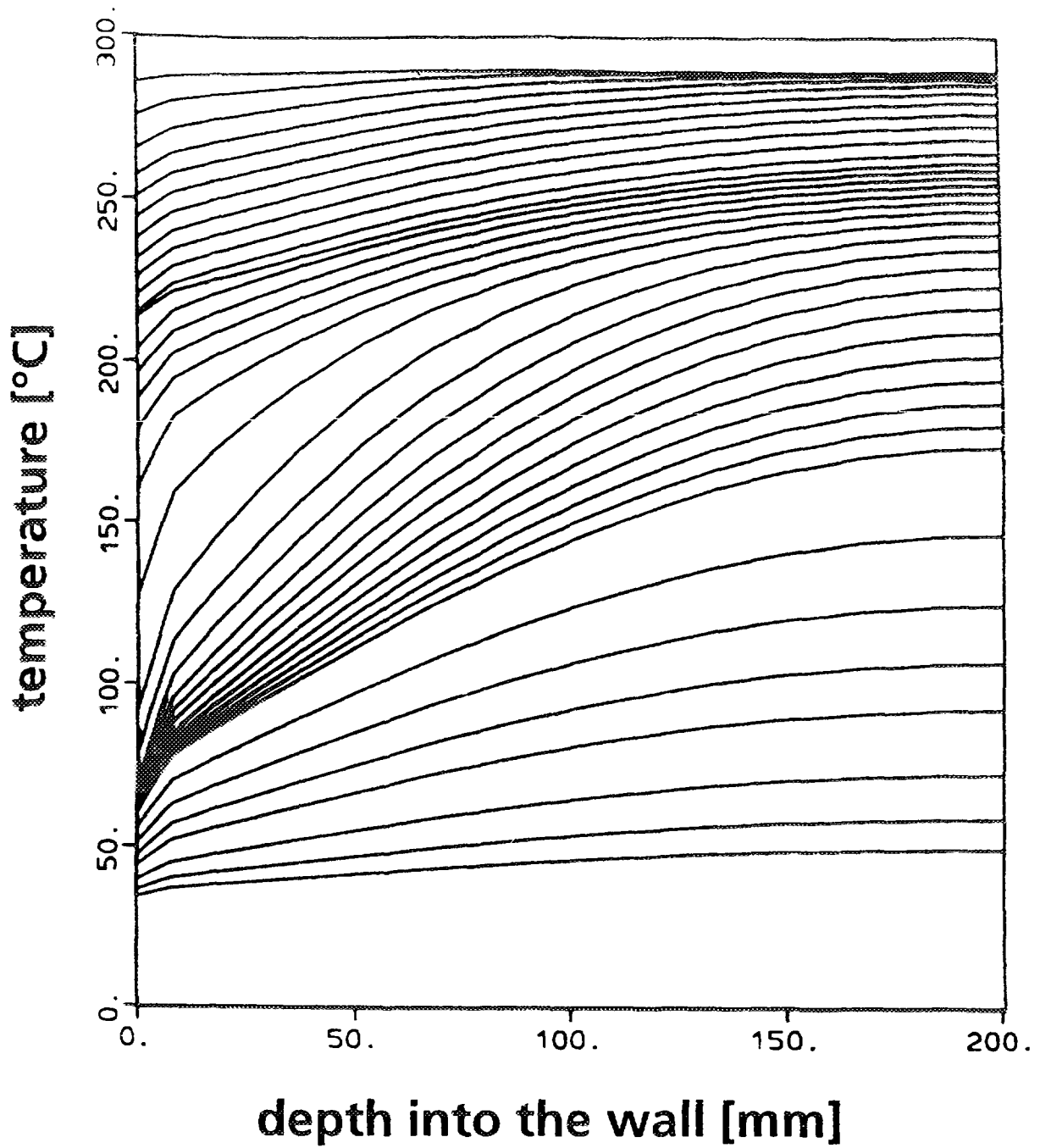
$K^{ges} \leq K_{Ic}$
$K^{ges} \leq K_{la}$ $a \leq 0,75W$

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LOCA-transient »KKS-TCM 120 cm² (h)« KWU (1991)

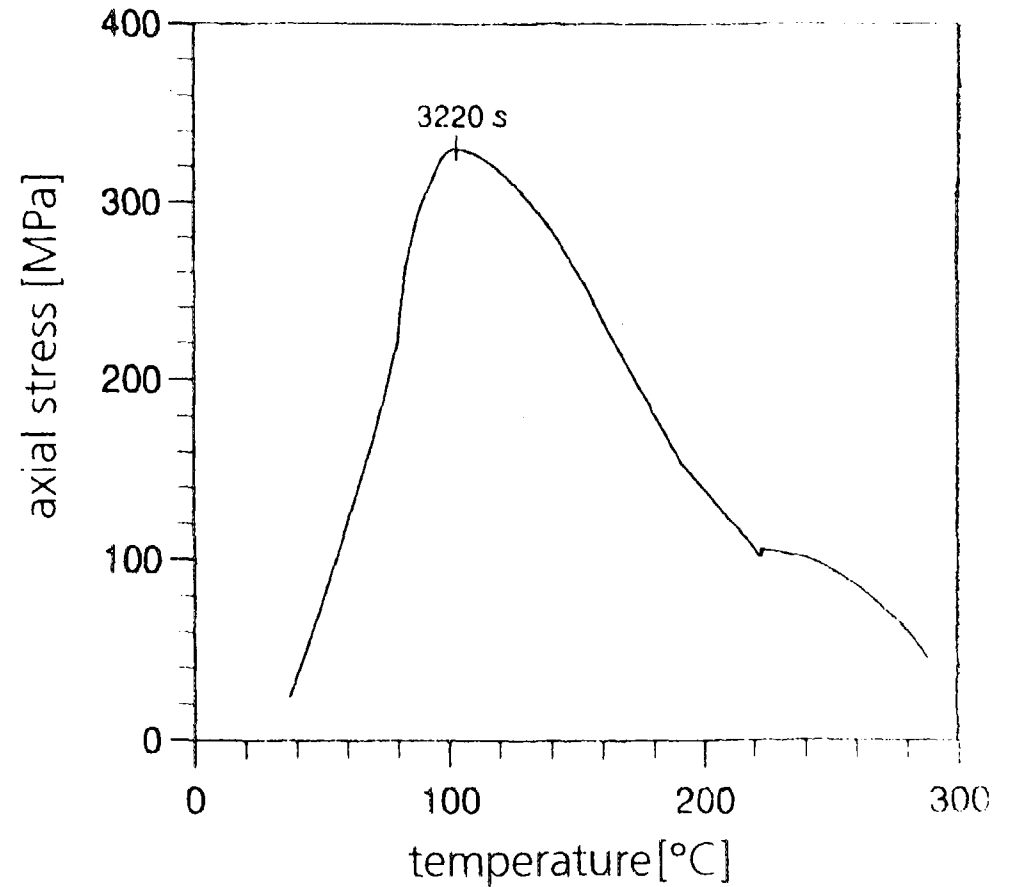
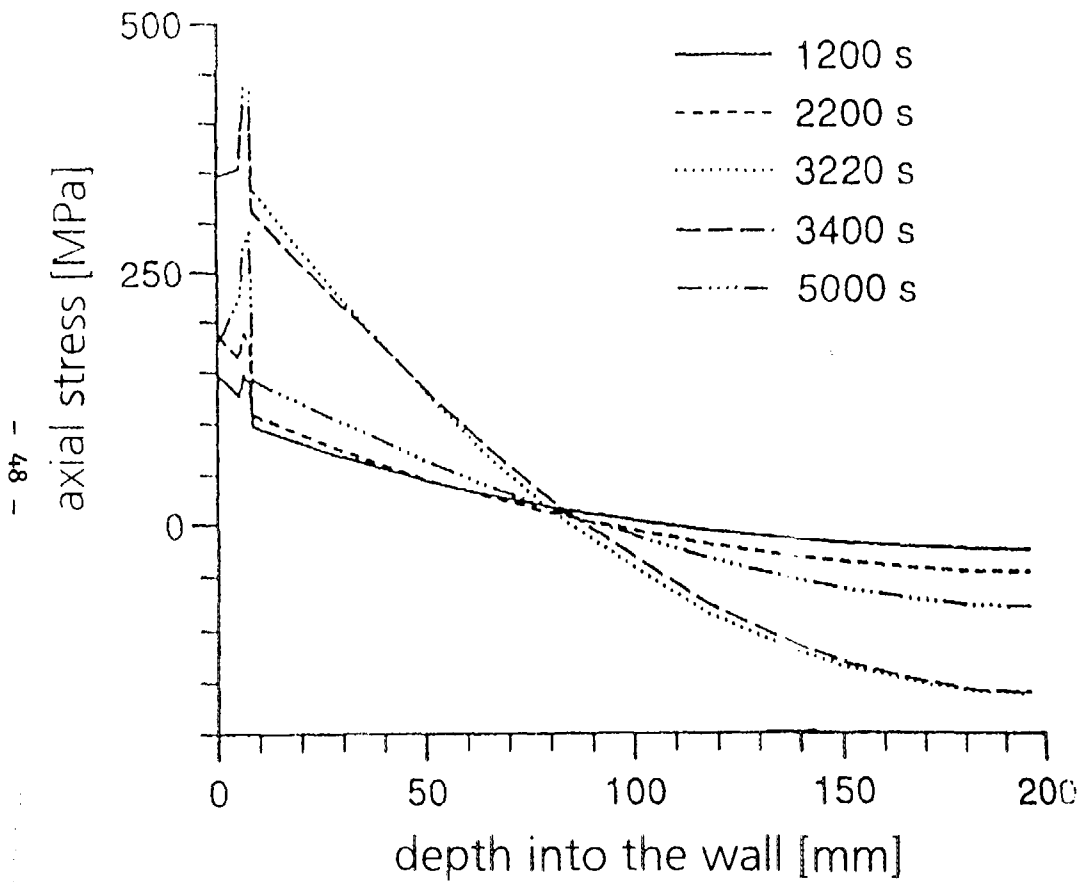


Temperatures in RPV wall for TCM 120 (h)



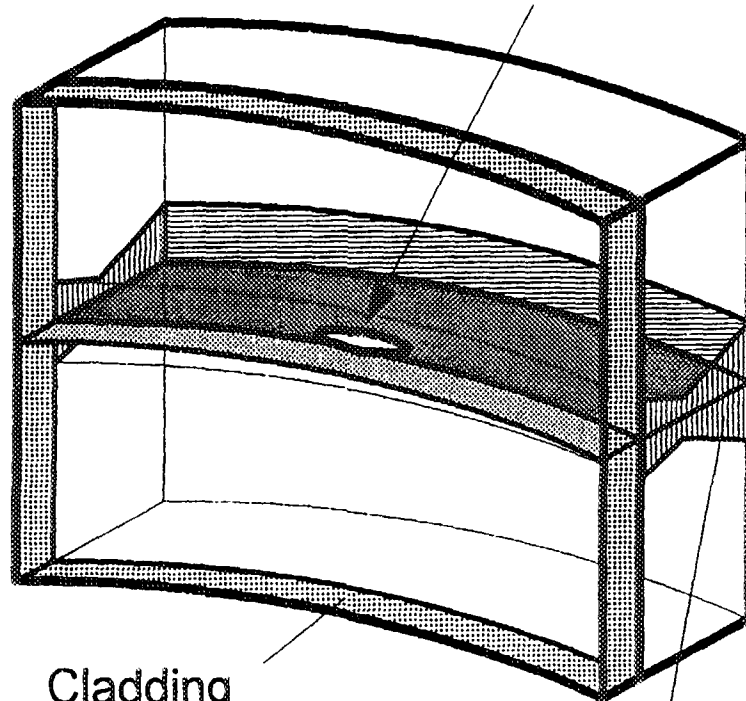
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Axial stresses σ_z in RPV wall for LOCA-transient TCM 120 (h)



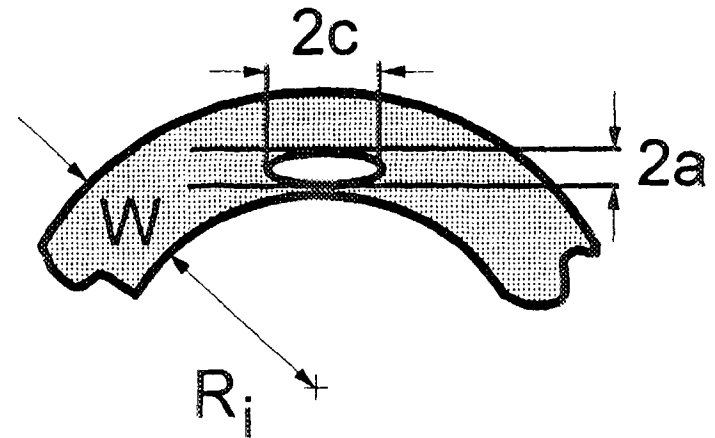
Crack under cladding

Stress intensity factor
is evaluated here

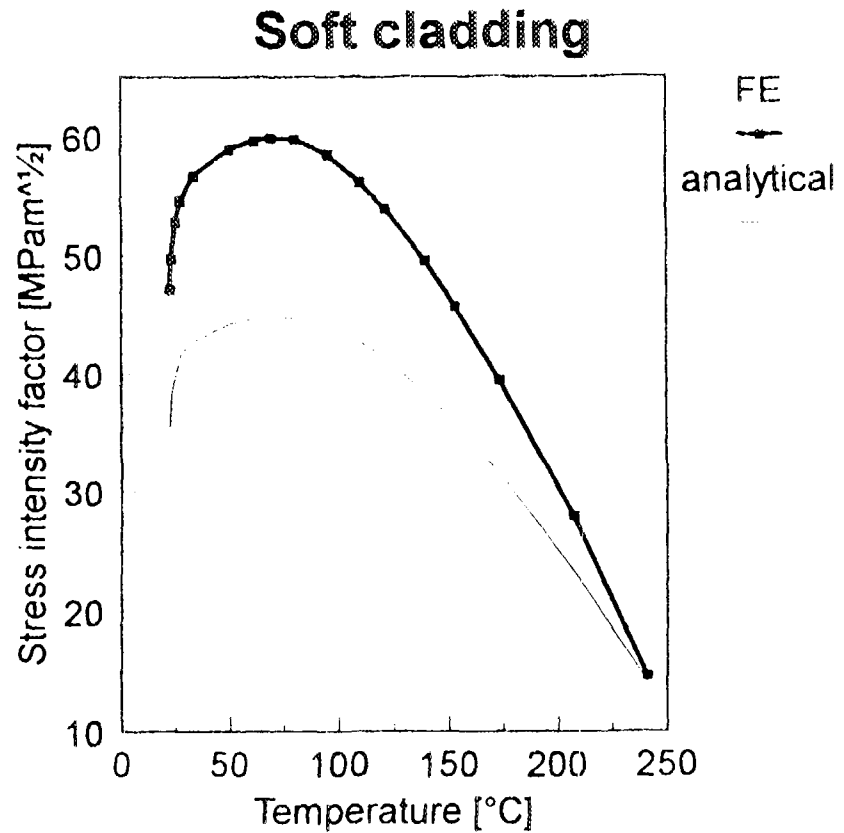
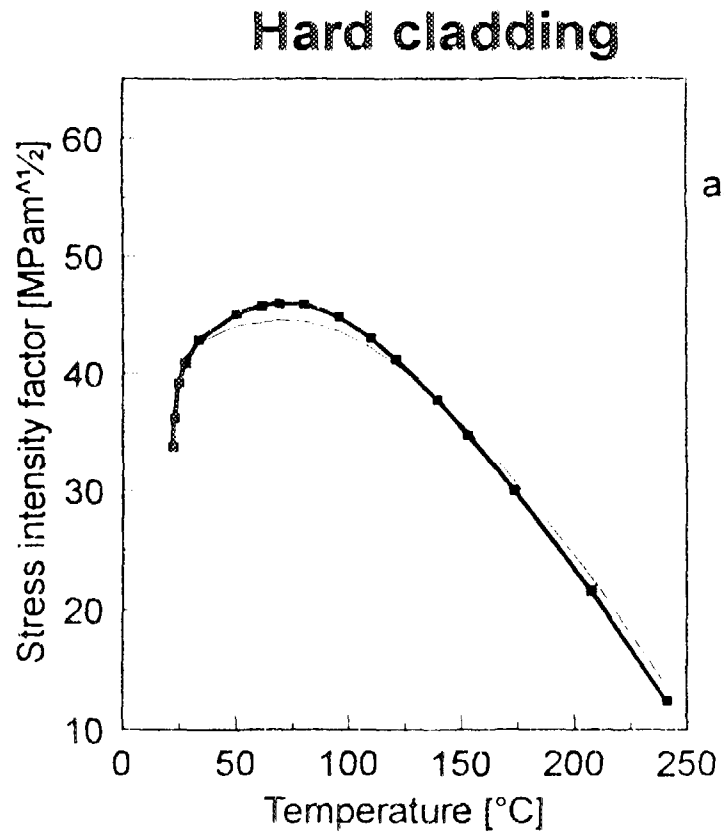


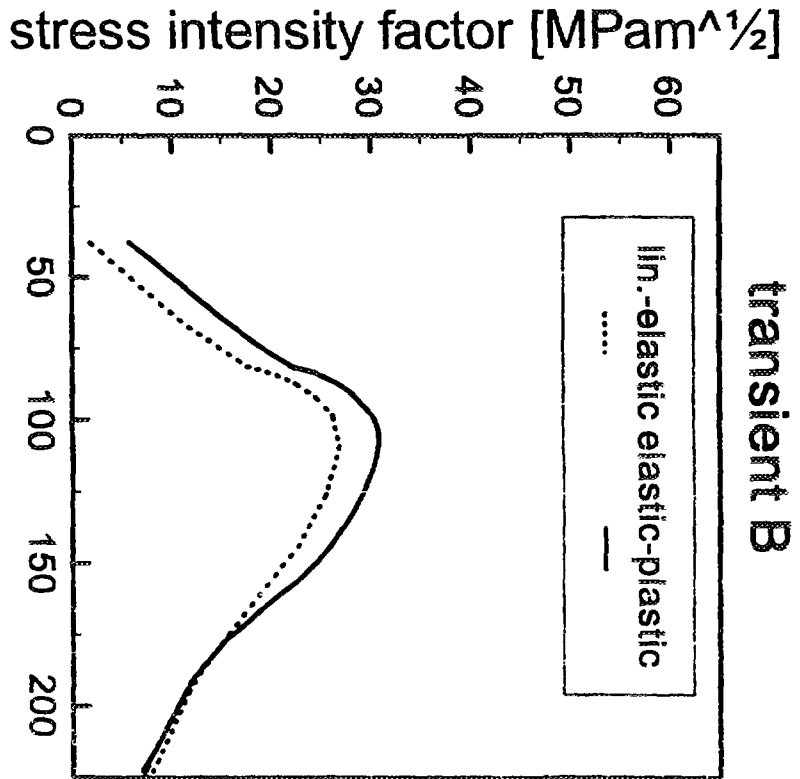
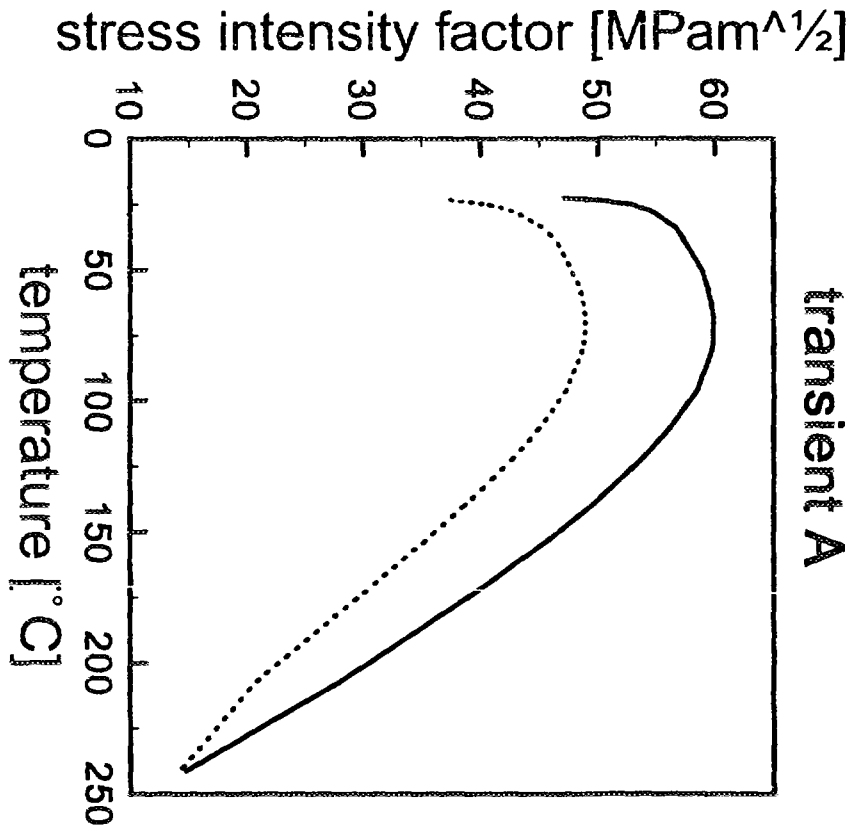
Cladding

Circumferential
weld

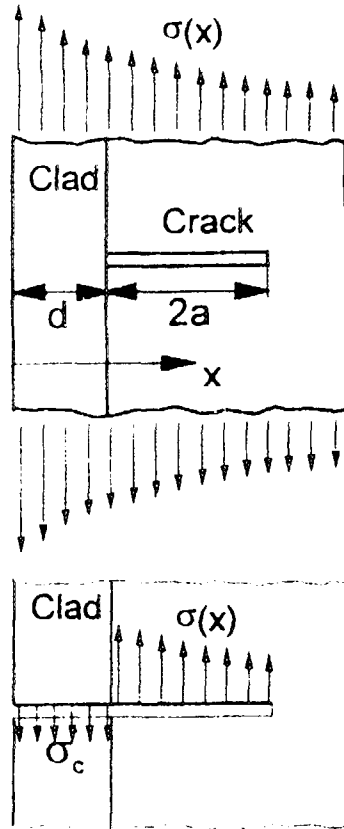


Underestimation of the stress intensity factor by linear elastic analytical calculation



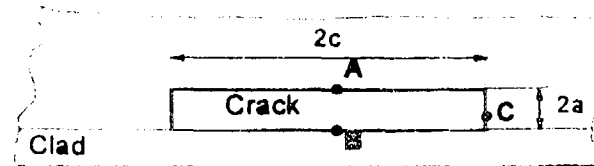


Analytical model for crack under integer cladding



$$K_o = \sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}} \int_0^{a_m} \frac{R_i + x}{R_i + a_m} \frac{\sigma(x) m\left(\frac{x}{t}, \frac{a_m}{t}\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{a_m - x}{t} \frac{x}{t}}} d\left(\frac{x}{t}\right)$$

$\sigma(x)$ = el.-pl. "undisturbed" stresses for $x \geq d$
 $\sigma(x) = \sigma_c$ for $x < d$
 $a_m = d + 2a$



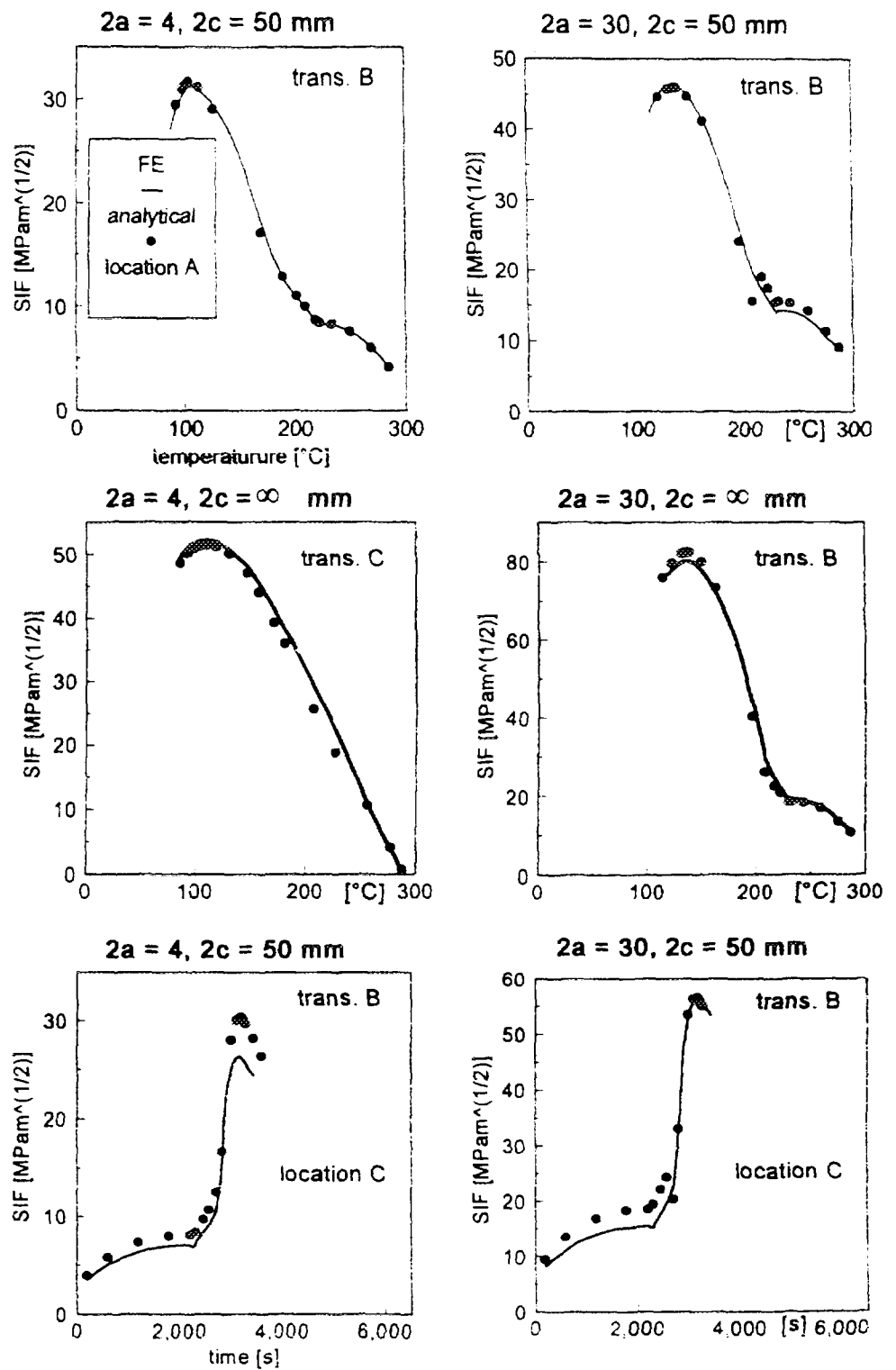
$$K_a = K_o \cdot (1 + 0.24a/c)/Q$$

$$K_c = K_o \cdot (1 + 0.19c/a)/Q \cdot \sqrt{a/c} \cdot \sigma_i / \sigma_m$$

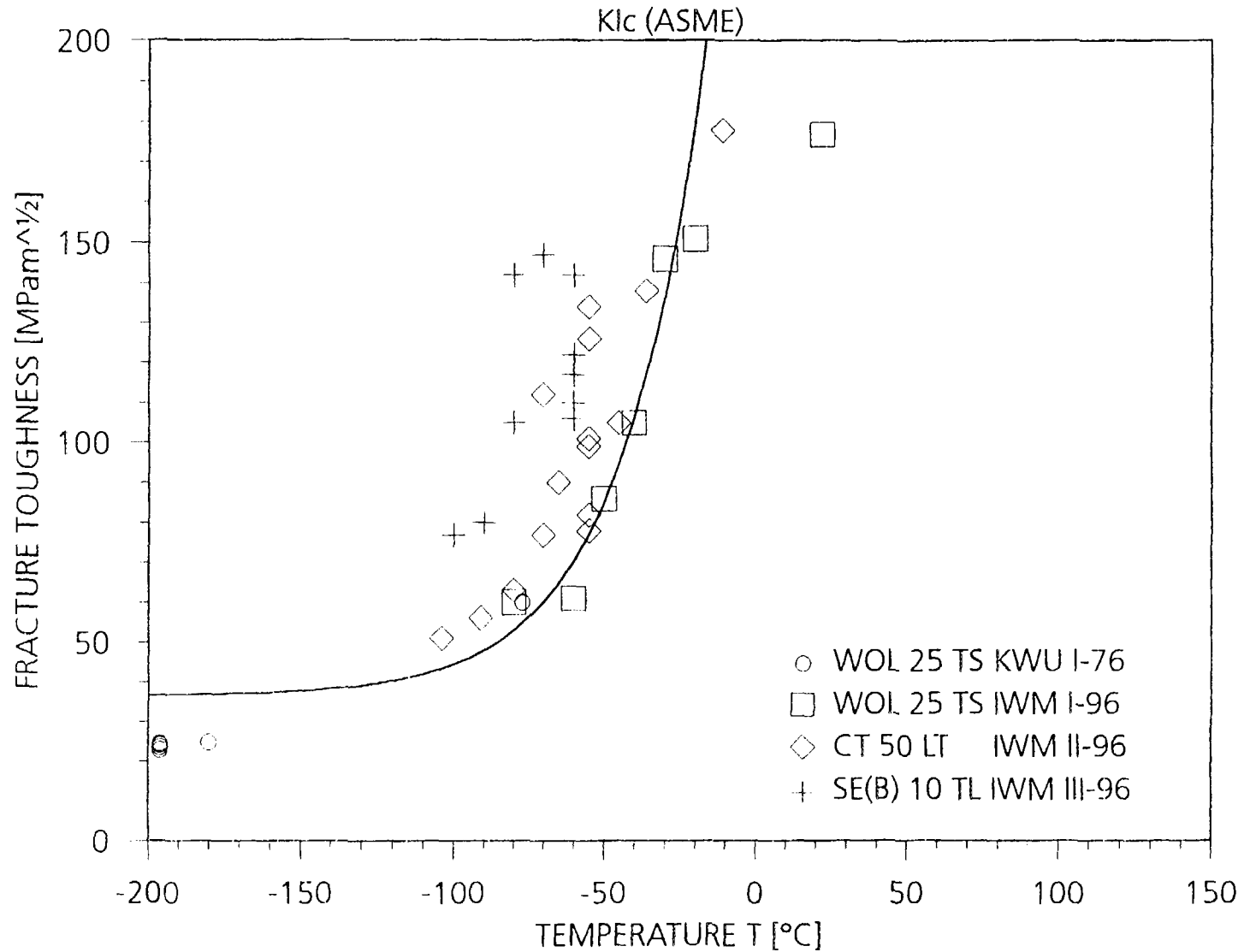
$$Q = 1 + 1.464 (a/c)^{1.65}$$

σ_i = stress at the interface cladding - base material
 σ_m = mean stress over the crack depth
 σ_c = closure stress (Hodulak, Siegele, 1995)

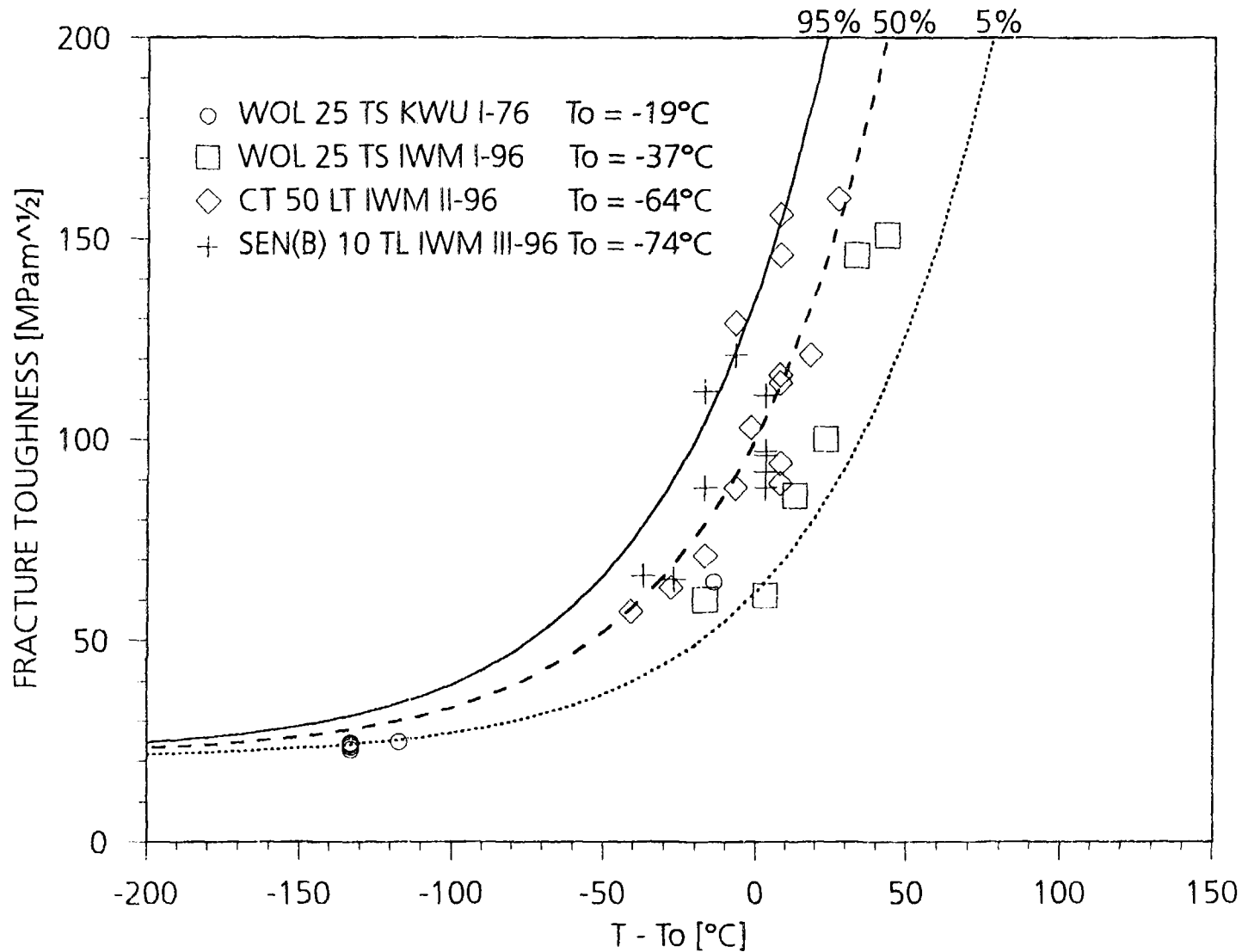
SIF's for subclad crack



KKS-WM, AP 609 · unirradiated · KWU I - 76 and
 IWM I, II, III - 96 · ASME K_{Ic}: RTK_{Ic} = -71°C

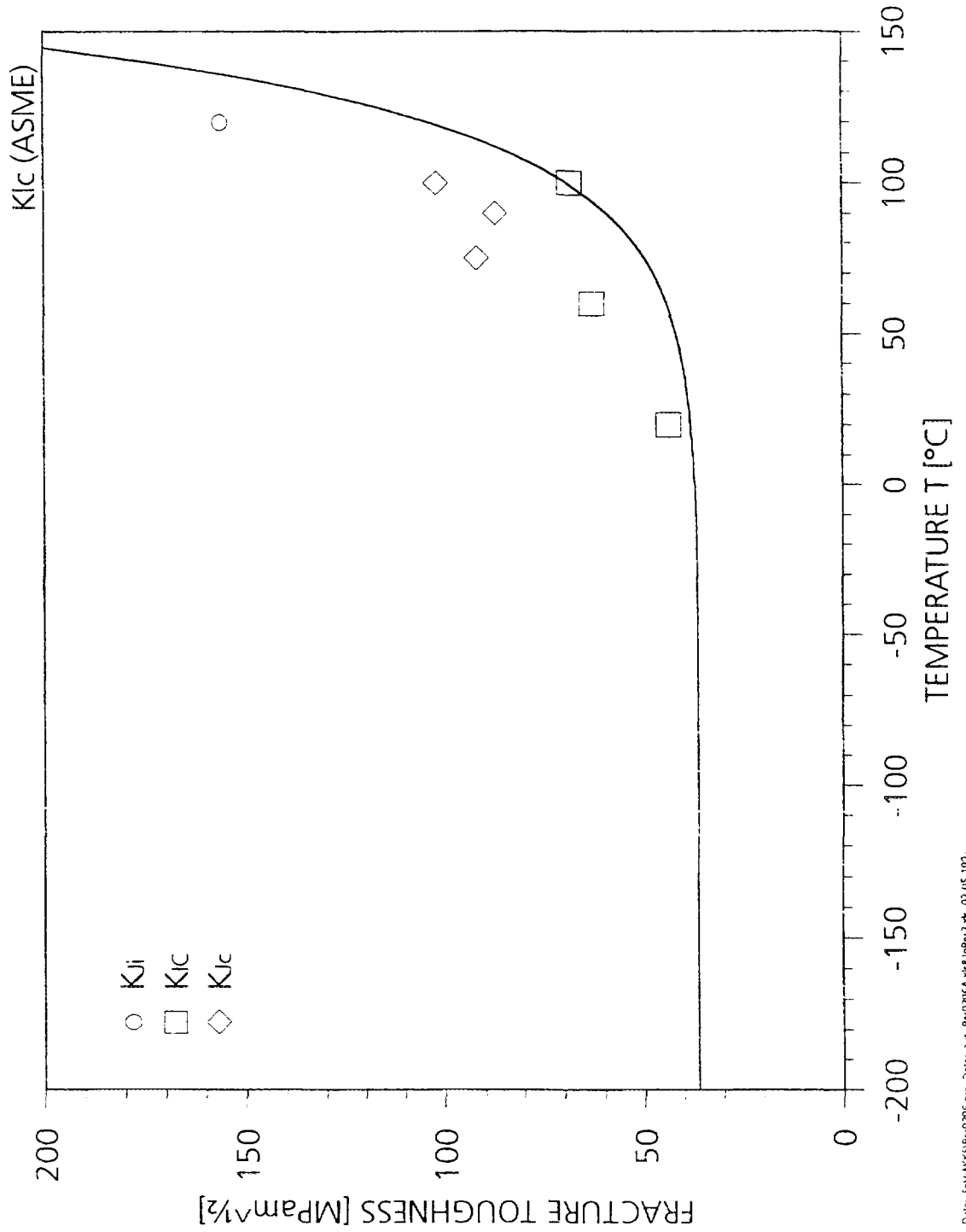


KKS-WM, AP 609 · unirradiated
 Master curve (B = 25mm) · $T_0 = -63^\circ\text{C}$

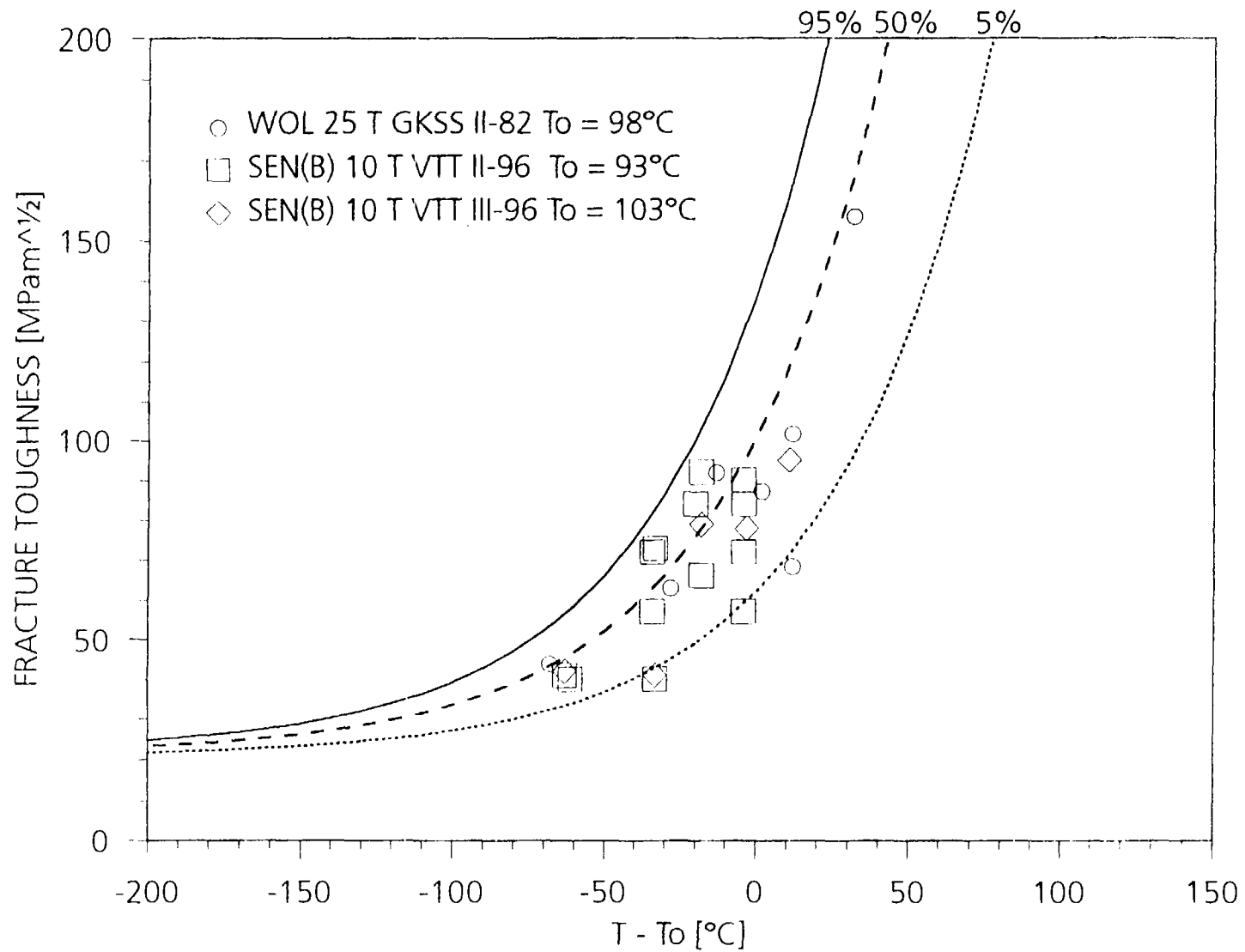


KKS-WM · GKSS II - 82 · 1,7E19 n/cm²

ASME K_{Ic}: RT_{K_{Ic}} = 90°C



KKS-WM · GKSSII-82, VTTII, III-96 · $1,7E19$ n/cm²
 Master curve (B = 25mm) · T₀ = 96°C

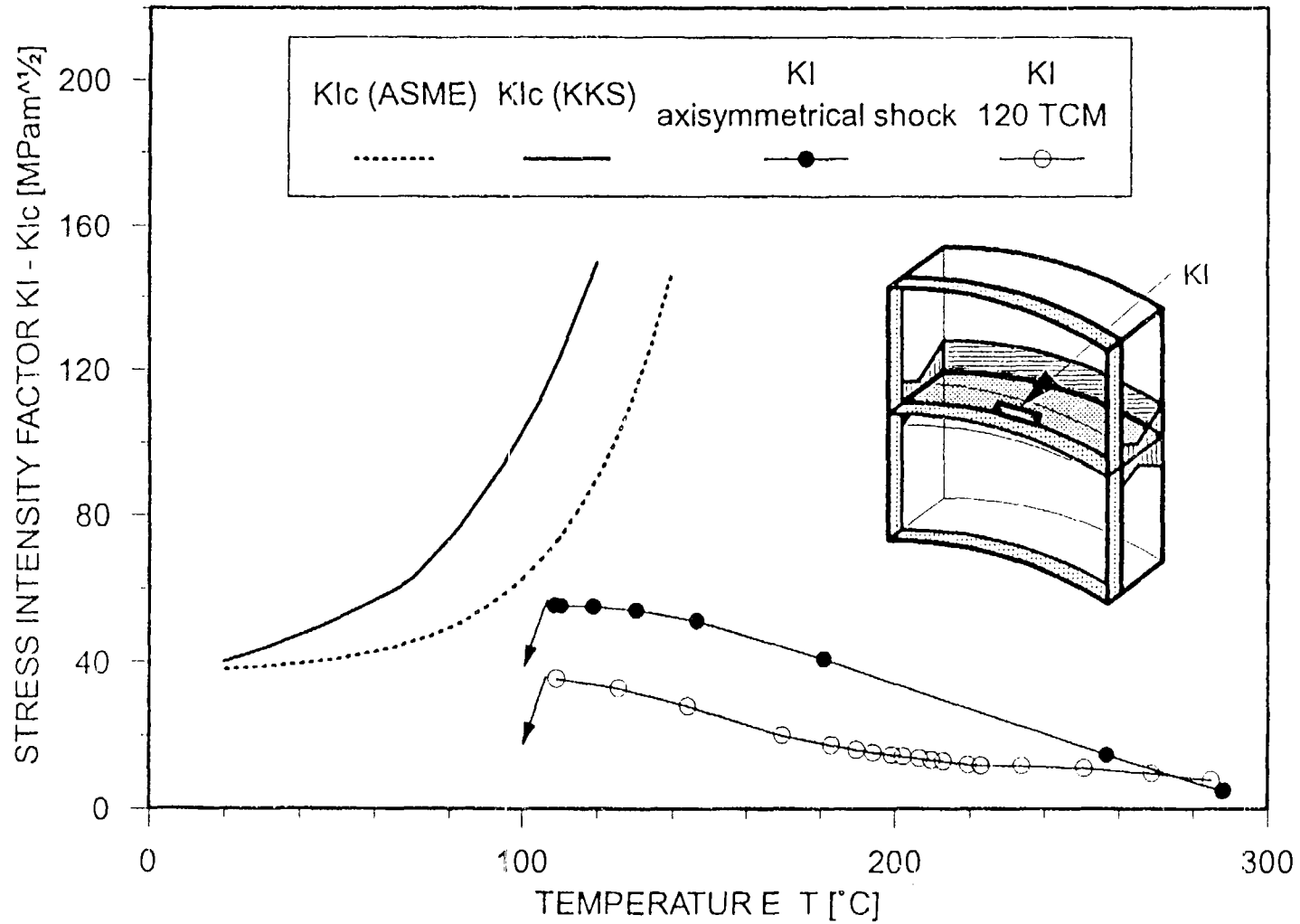


KKS-transients

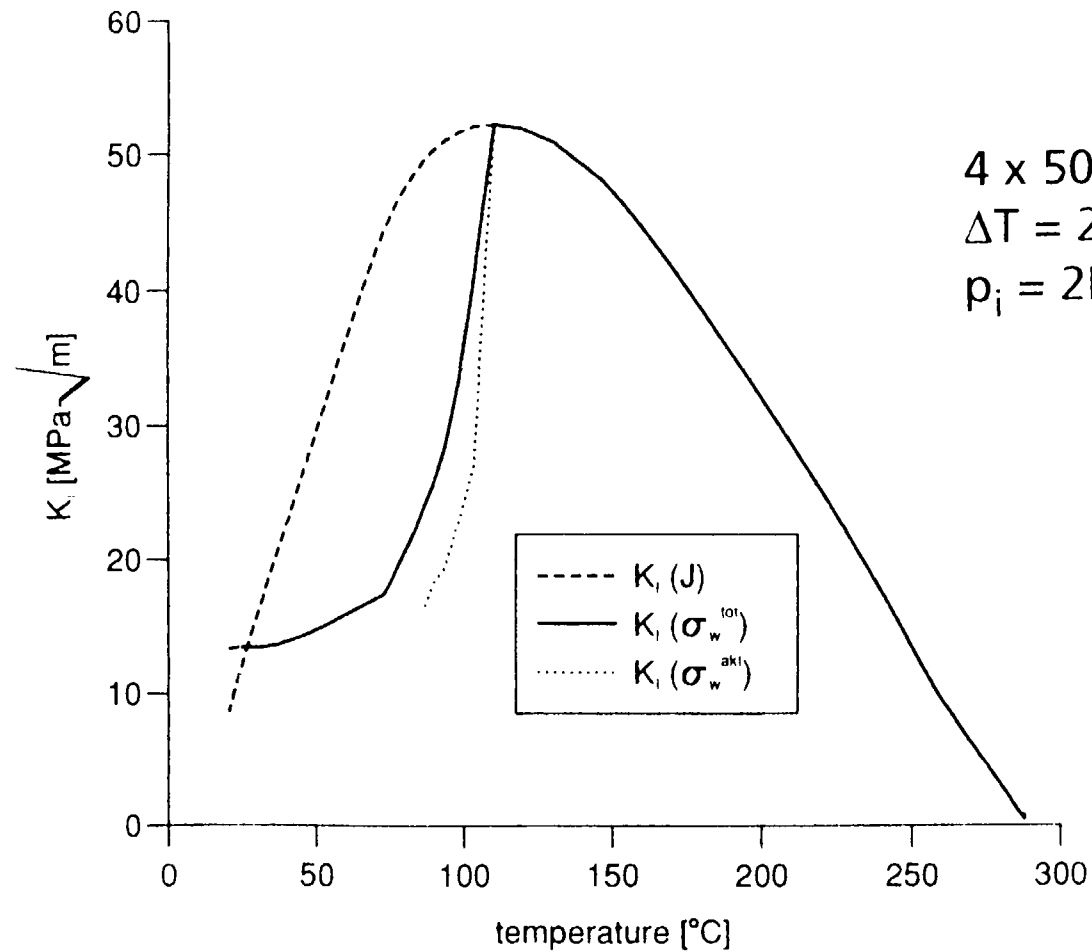
K_{Ic} for weld, $\Phi = 1.7E19$ n/cm², defect: 2a = 4 mm, 2c = 50 mm

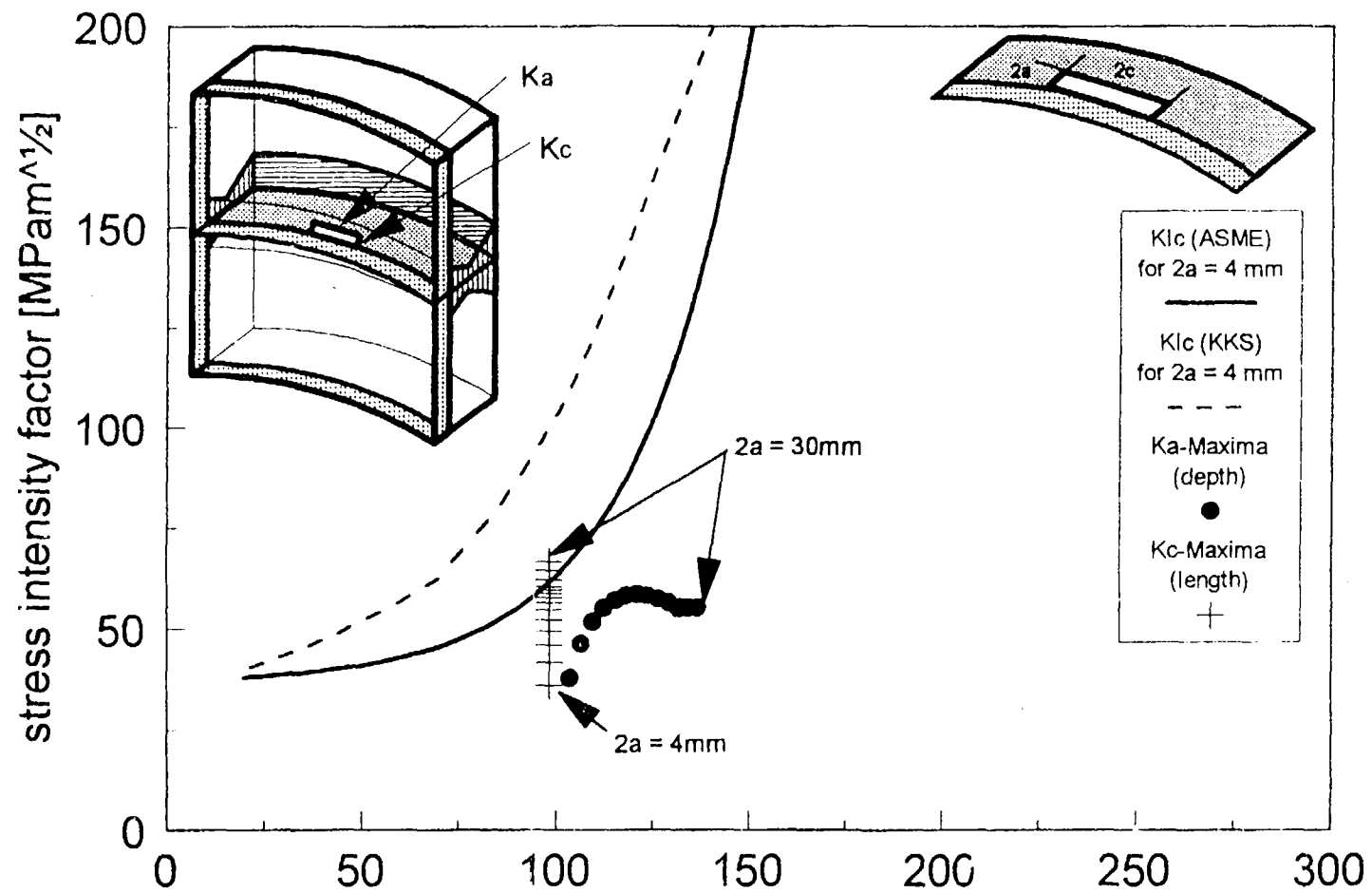


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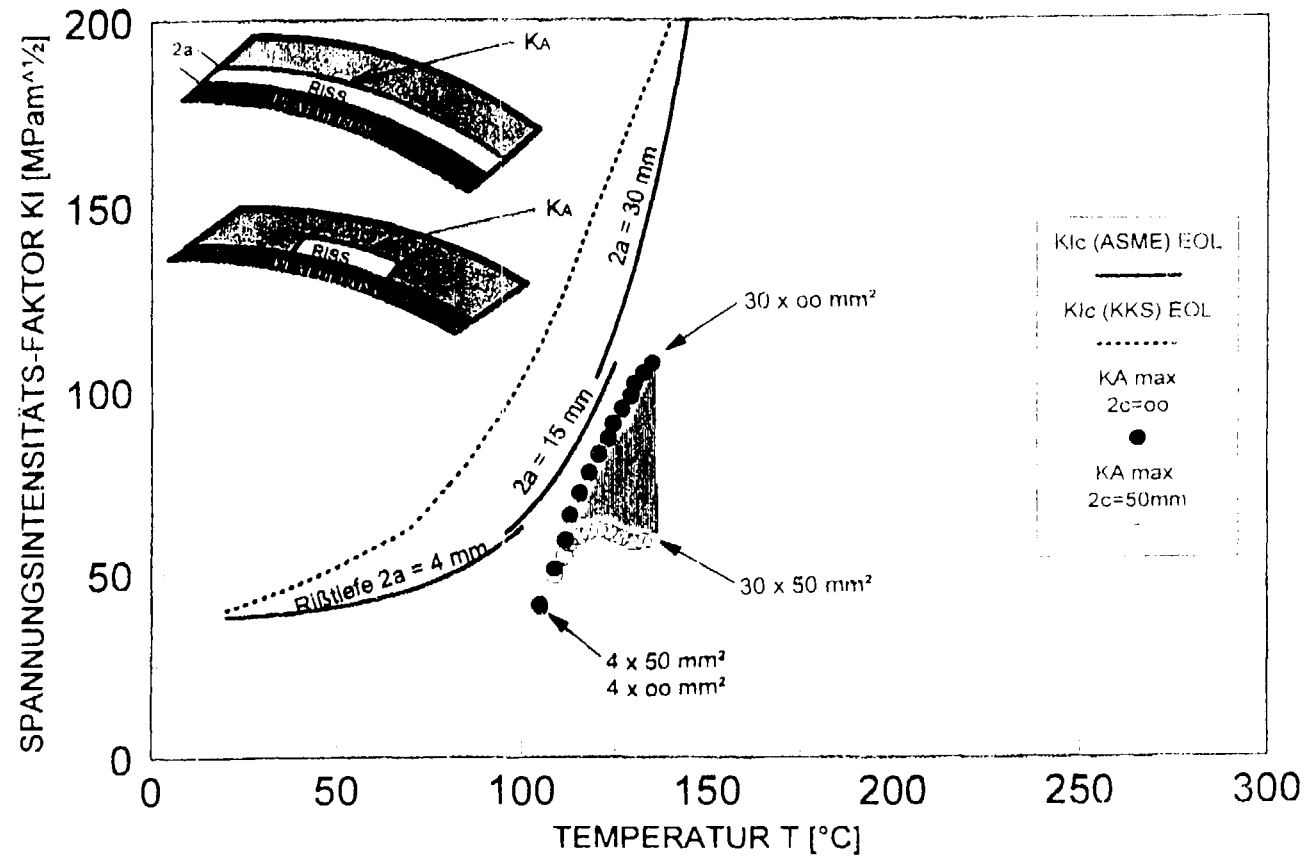


Evaluation of Weibull stresses for LOCA transient

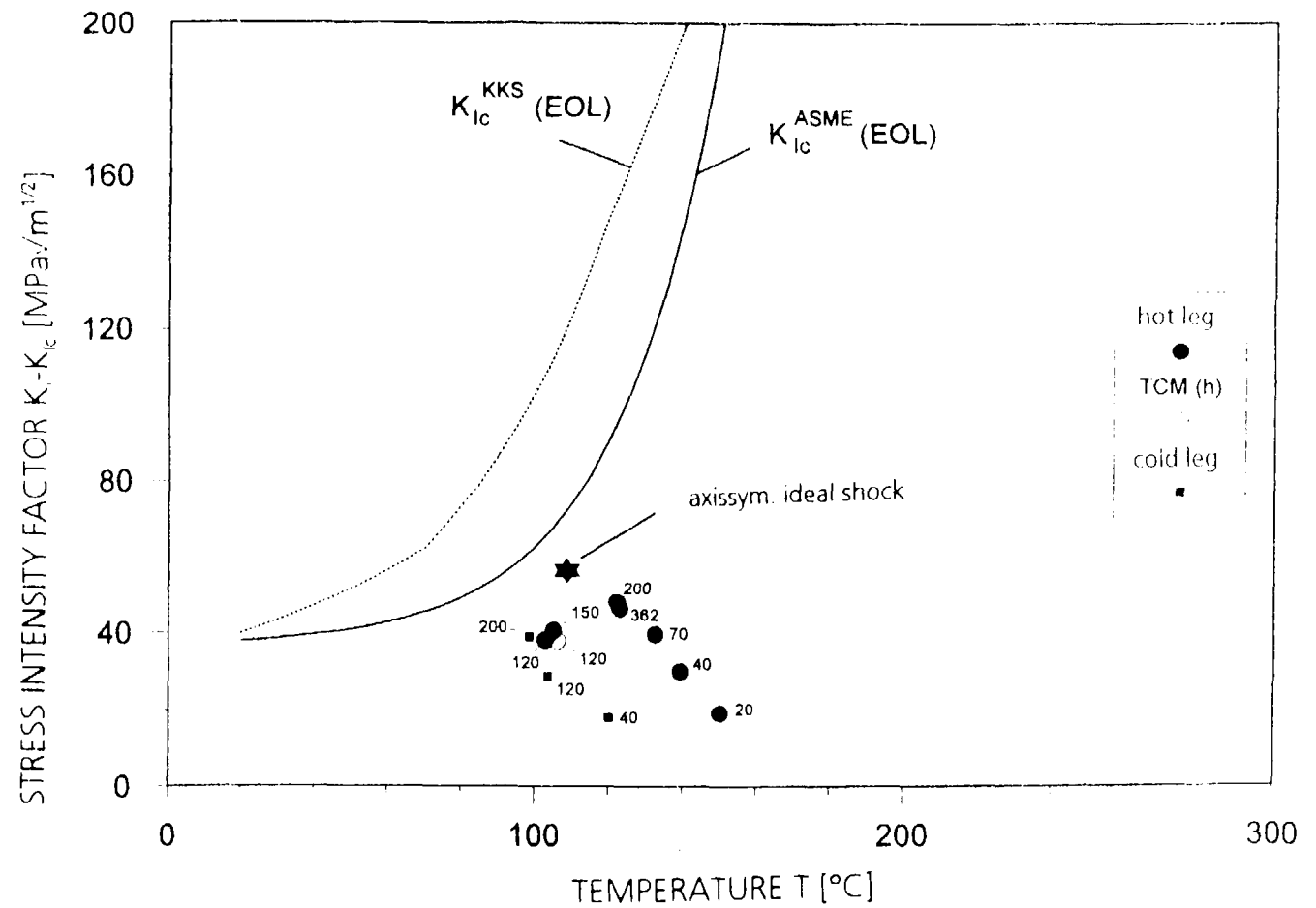




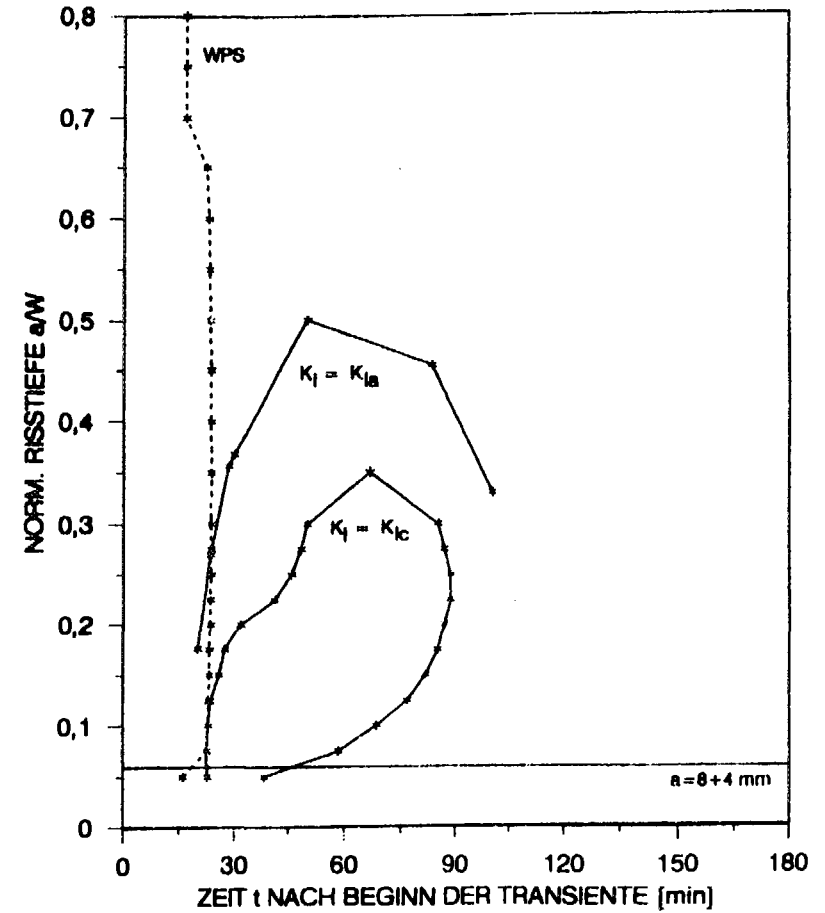
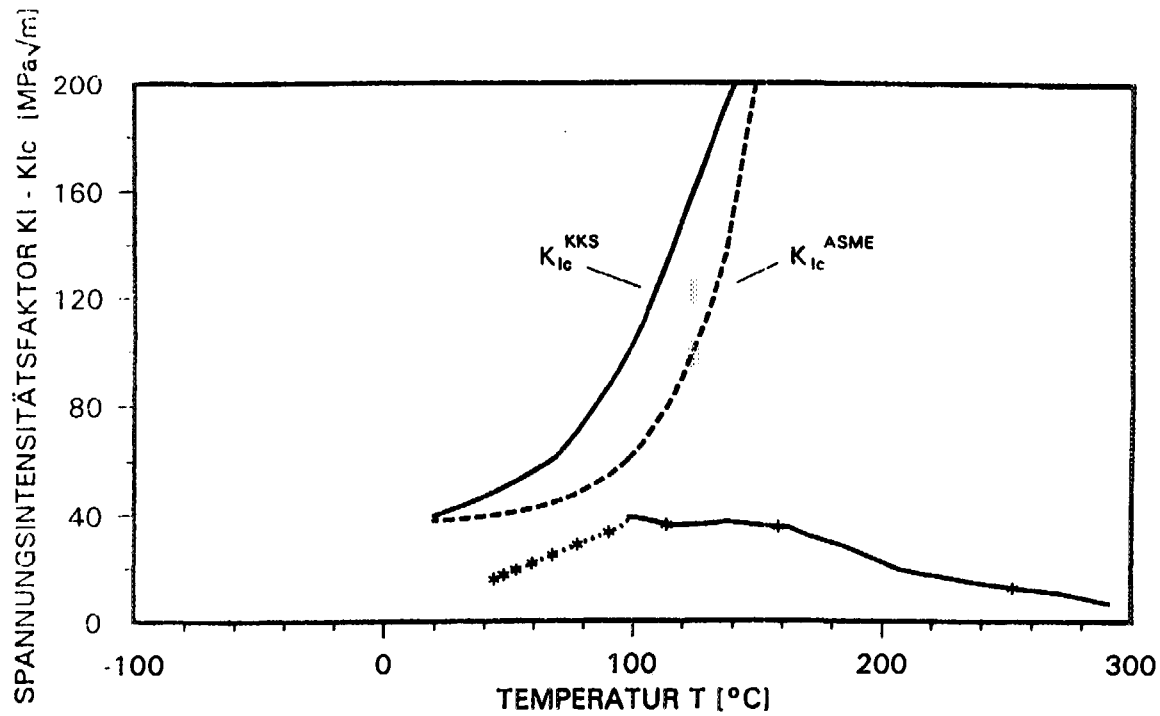
Safety margin for subclad cracks under »TCM 120 cm² (h) «



Load path maxima for KKS LOCA-transients (4x50 mm² subclad crack)

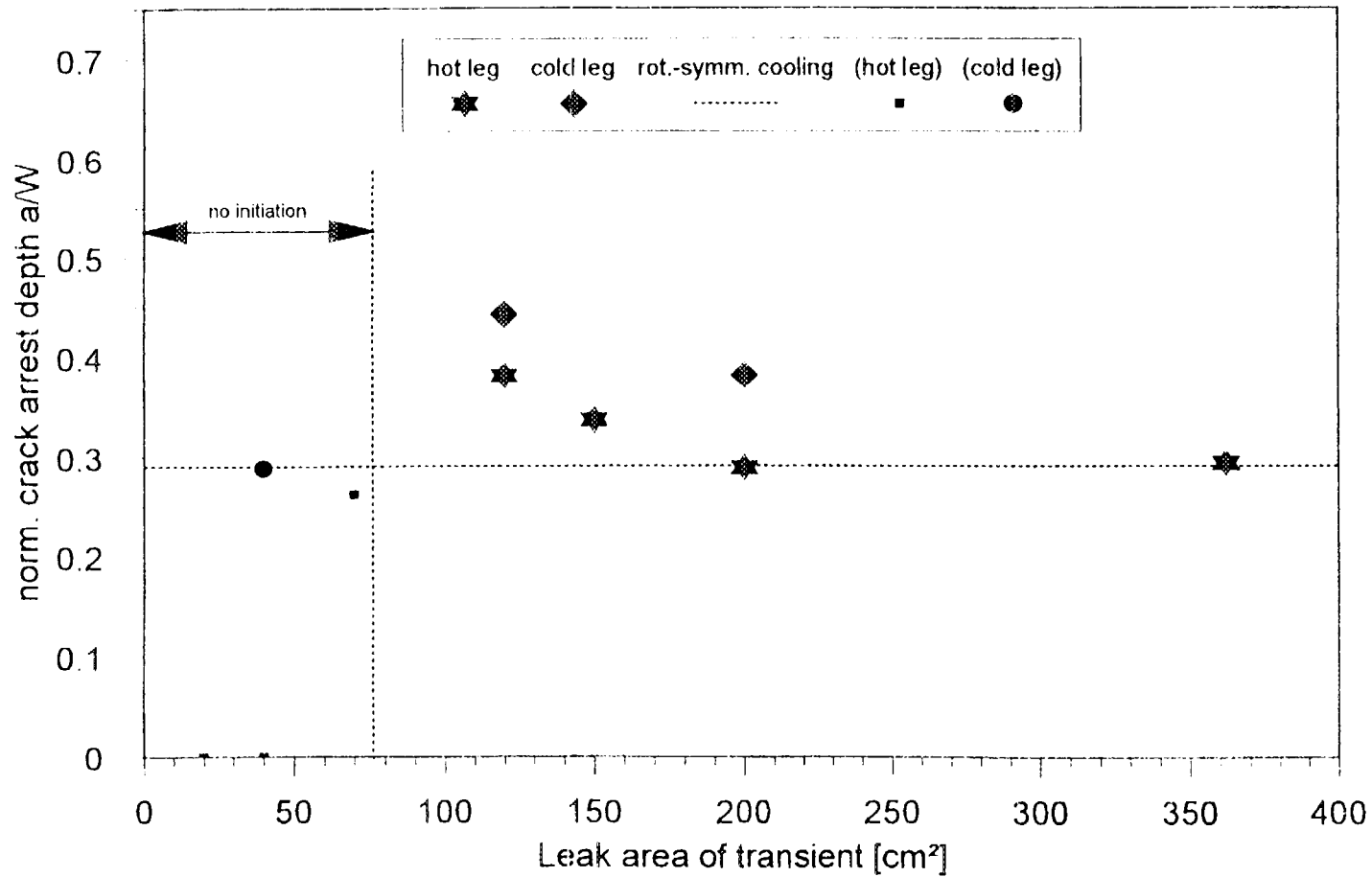


KKS-transient 200 cm² (h) Initiation- and Arrestdiagram for EOL

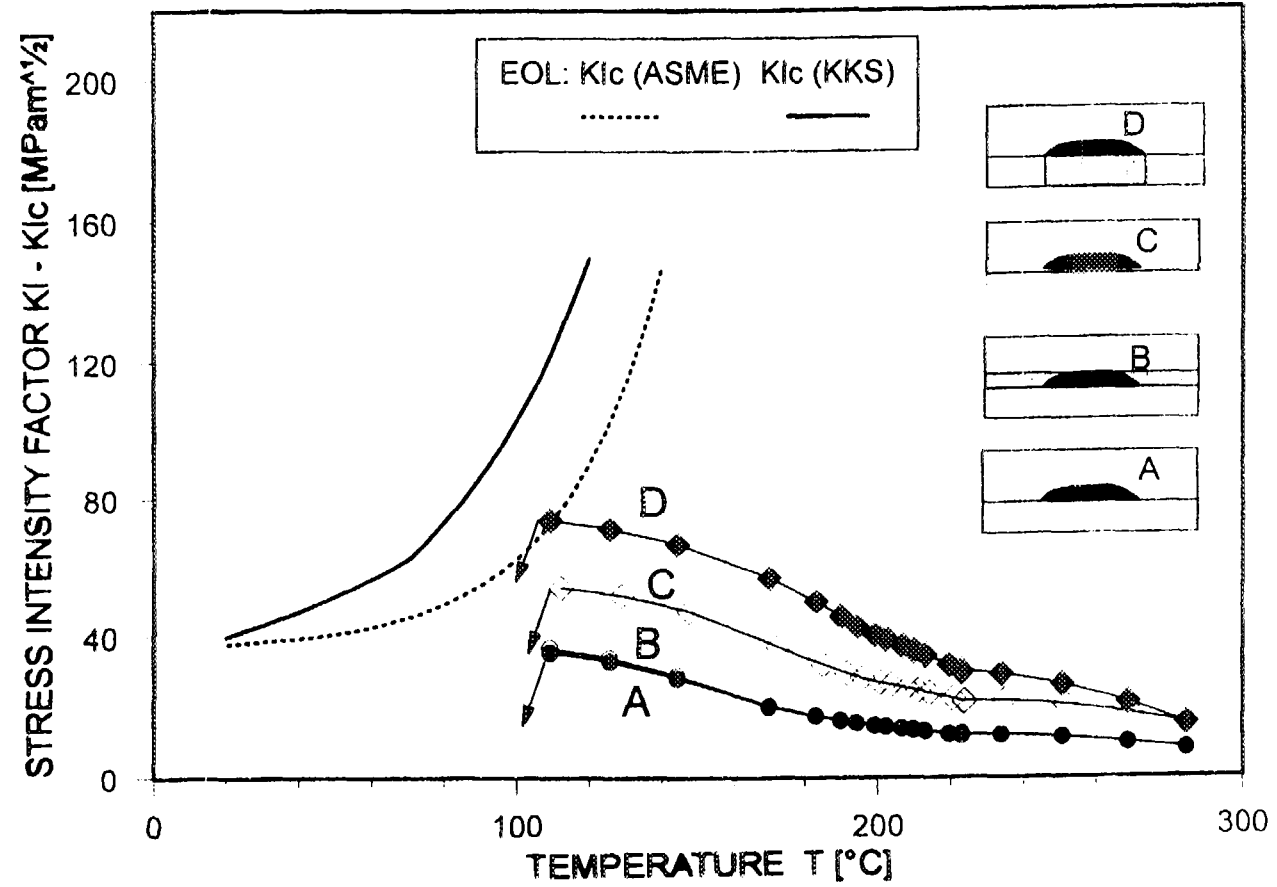


KKS LOCA-transients

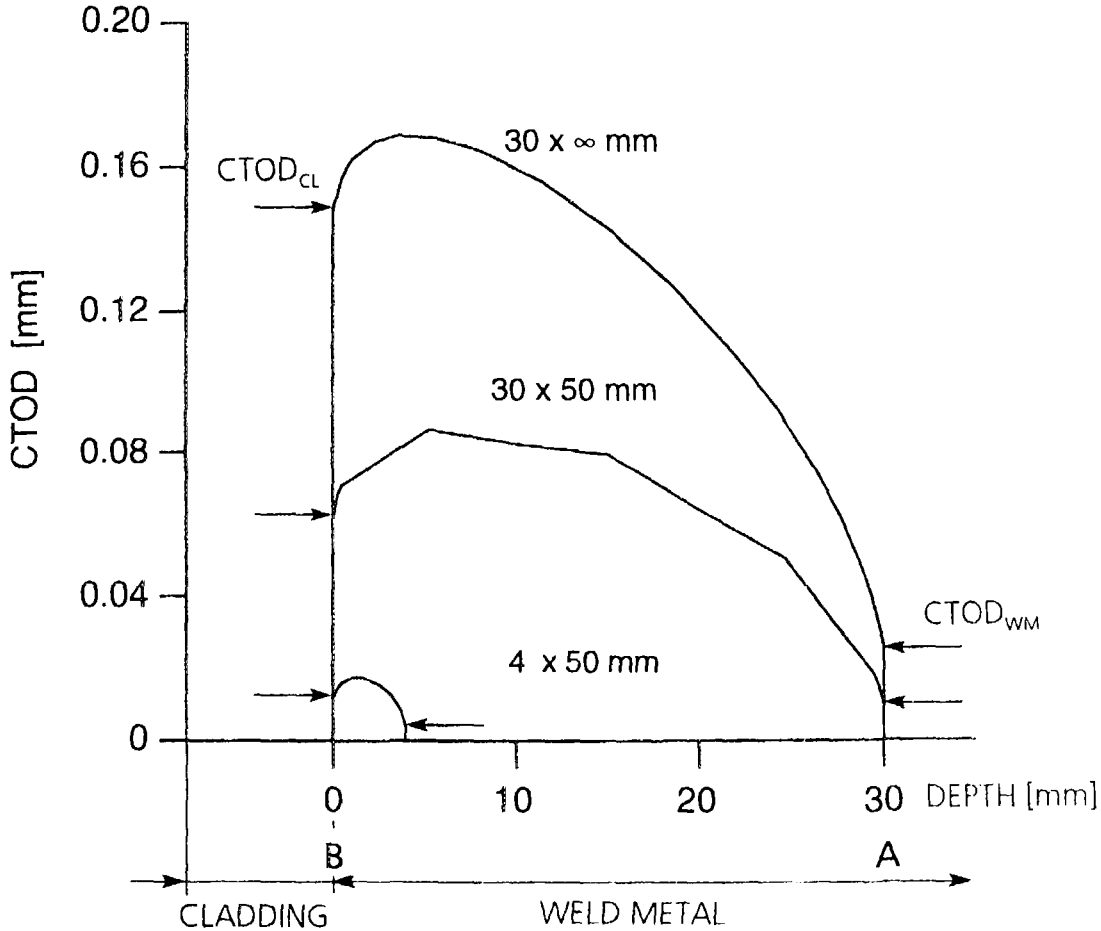
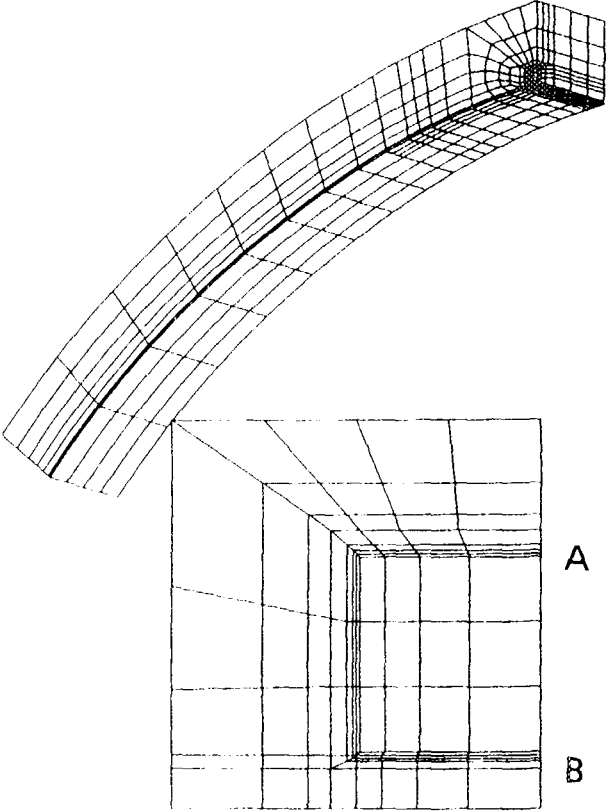
Latest arrest for postulated ∞ through clad cracks EOL WM-toughness, WPS

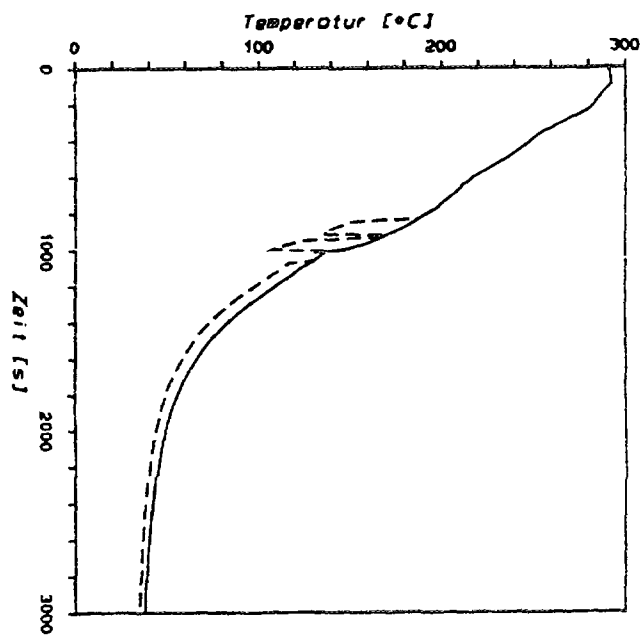
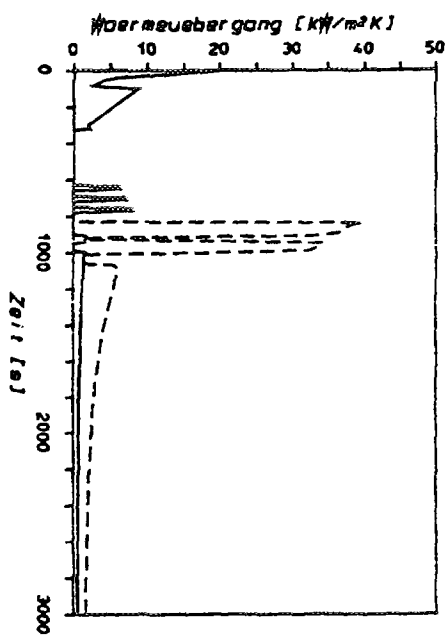
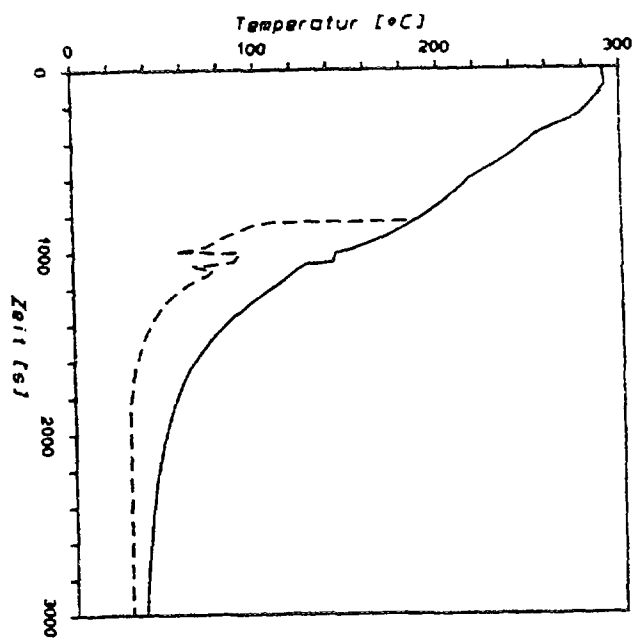
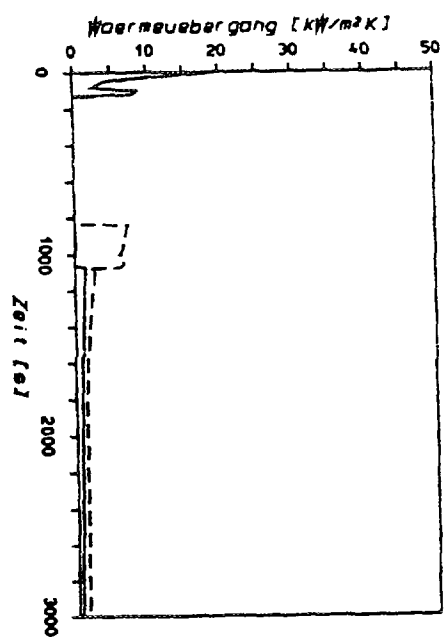


KKS-transient TCM 120 (h)
 postulated crack: 4 x 50 mm², EOL



Crack tip opening displacement CTOD for subclad cracks under TCM 120 (h)



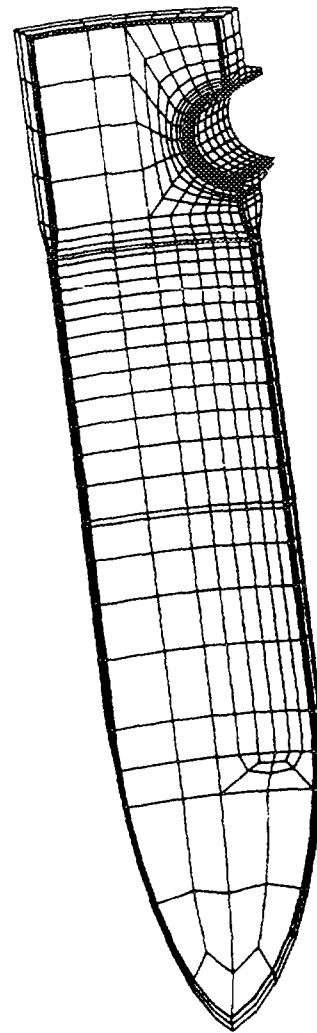
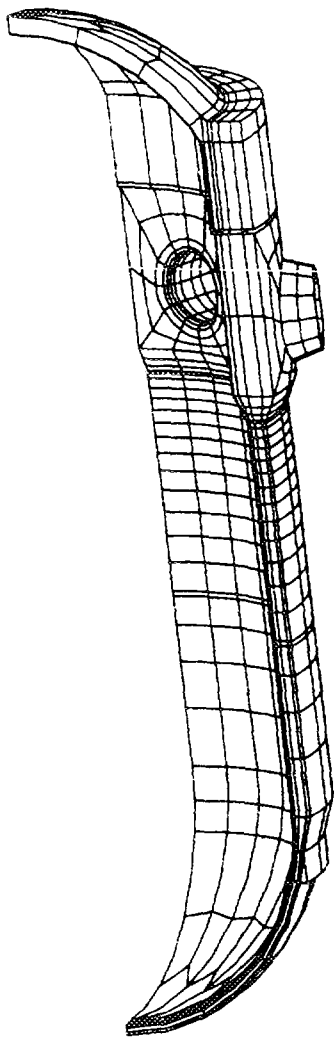


— Ring
- - - Strip

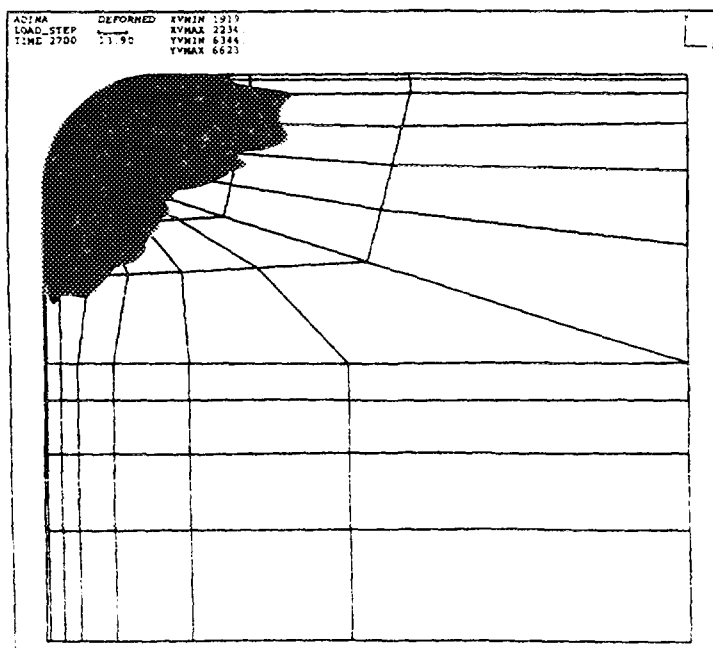
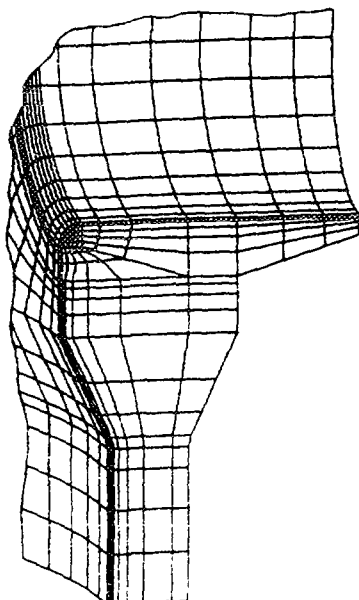
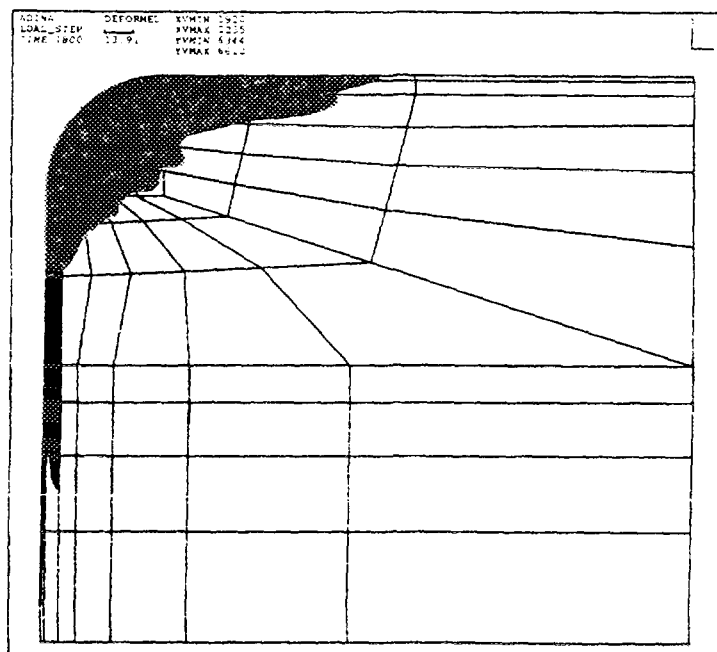
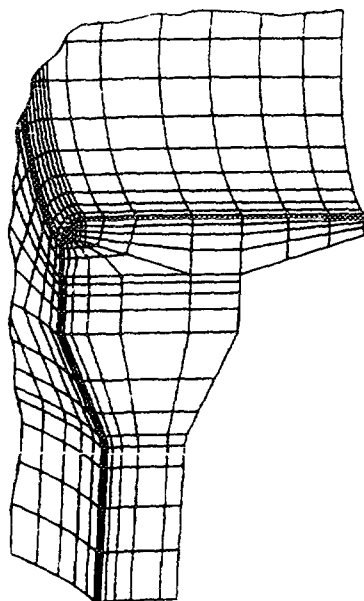
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LOCA-transient »KKS-200 cm^2 (h)«

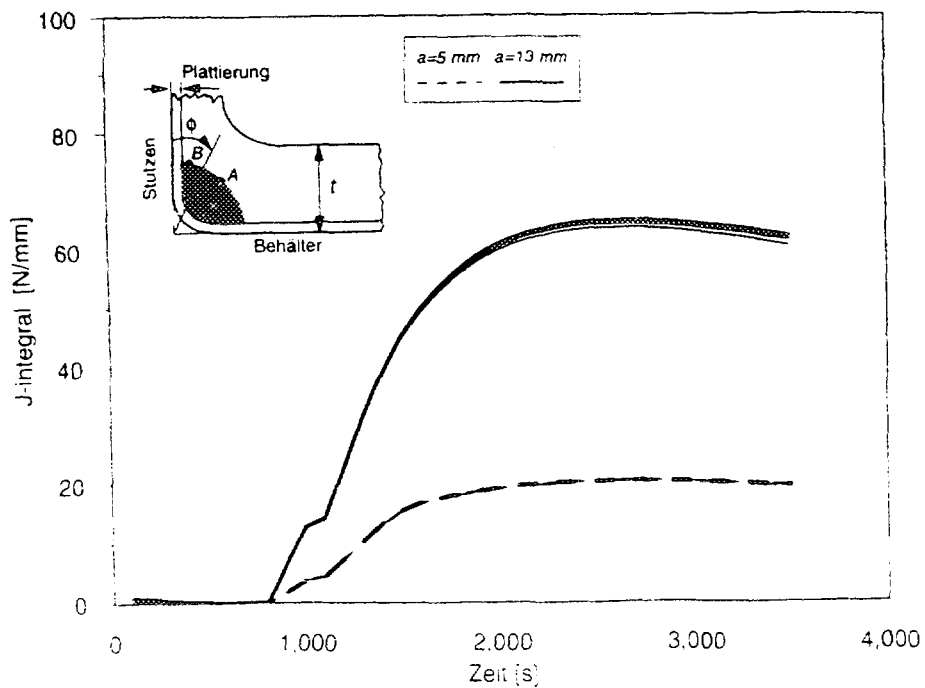
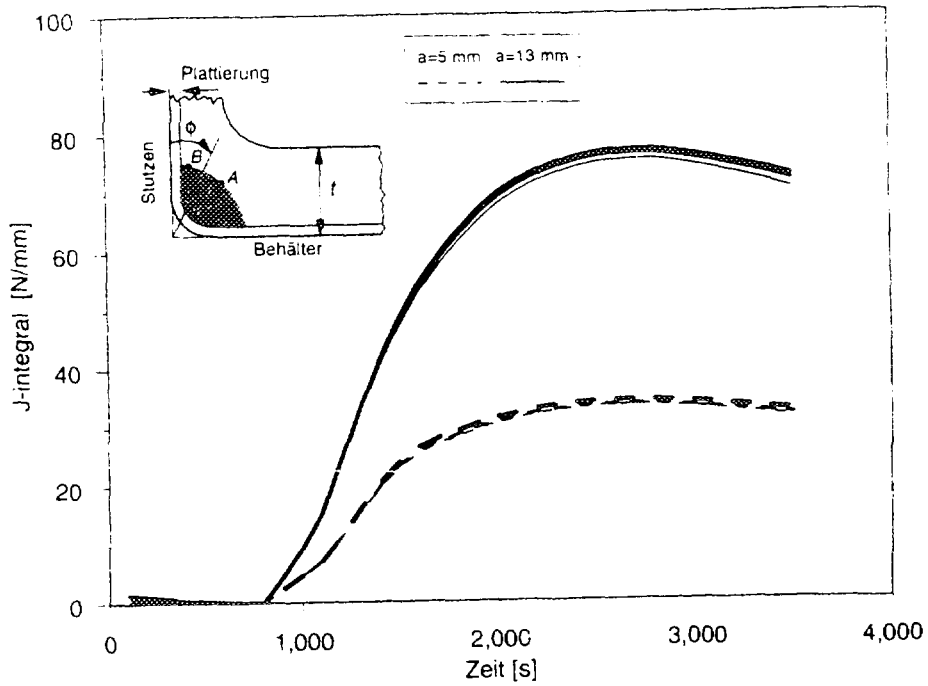
FE-models of RPV Stade for nozzle analysis



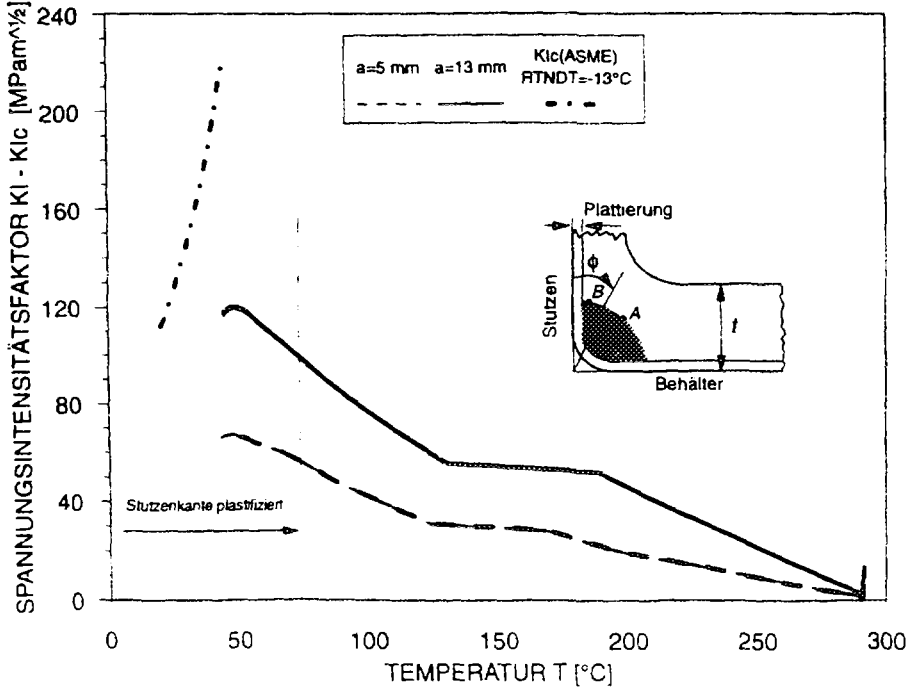
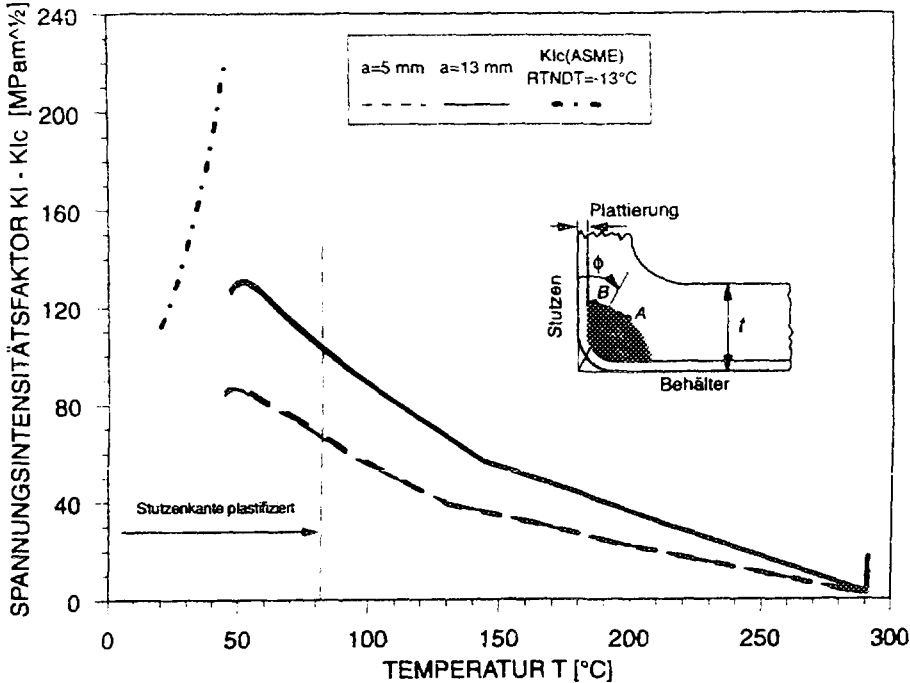
Plastic zones at nozzle corner for LOCA »200 cm² (h)«



Crack tip loading $J(t)$ for nozzle corner cracks during LOCA-transient »KKS-200 cm² (h)«

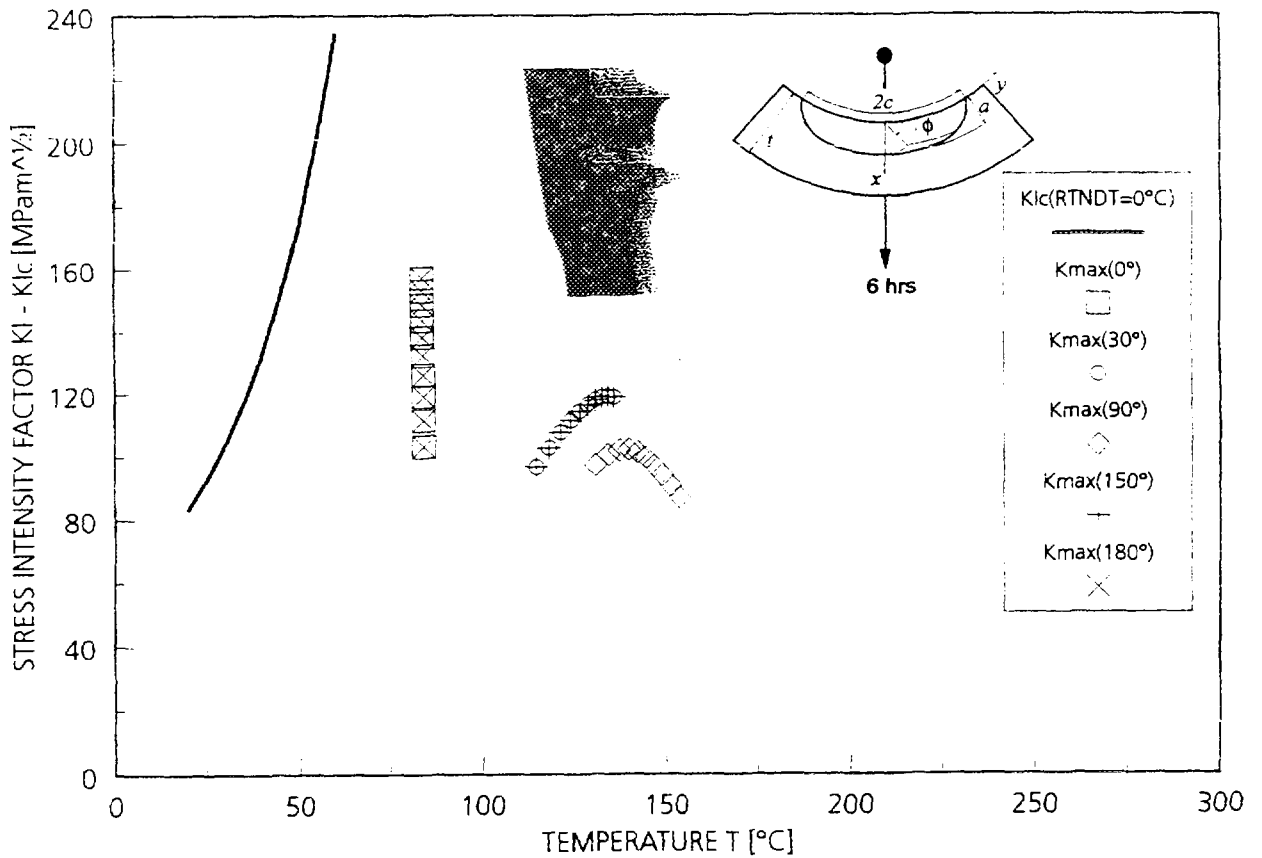


Crack tip loading K(T) for nozzle corner cracks under LOCA-transient »KKS-200 cm² (h)« at EOL

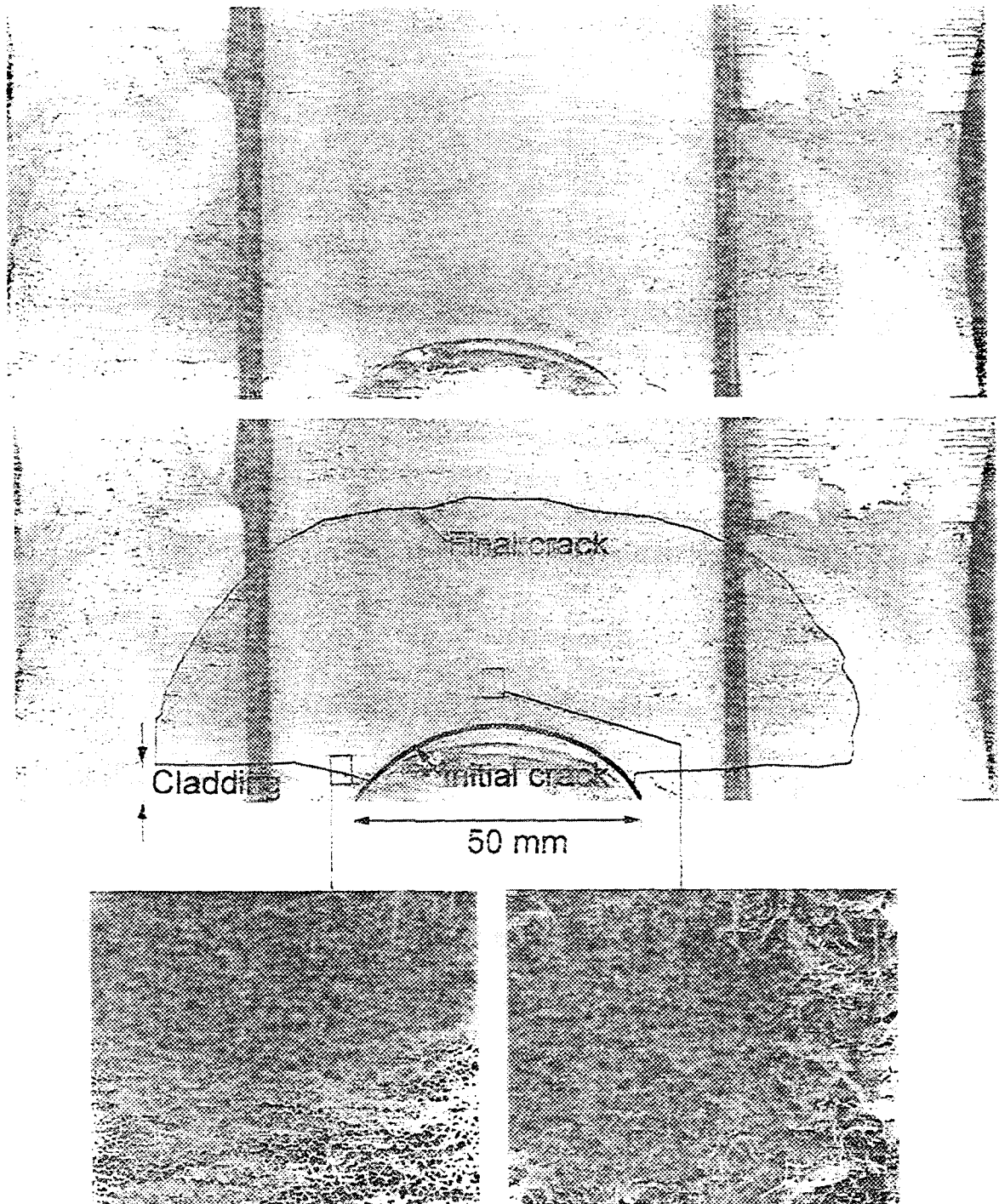


KKS • LOCA-transient »150 cm² (h)«, EOL

maxima of load paths for circumferential (through cladding) cracks in nozzle pipe at position 6 hrs (HKL moment, res. stresses)



Fracture surface of plate 2.



SUMMARY

- Strong **effect of cladding** on the behaviour of near surface defects in RPV
- **Analytical methods** verified by FE provide accurate SIF's for through clad and subclad cracks
- **Cost effective** analysis possible for relevant spectrum of defect postulates and LOCA-transients, incl. **strip/plume** cooling
- Weibull-stress evaluation quantifies the beneficial effect of **Warm Prestressing (WPS)** on exclusion of crack initiation and finite depth crack arrest
- **Small specimen approaches** (damage mechanics/local approach and master-curve) suited to verify and complete data base of unirradiated and irradiated RPV materials



UPDATED KKS SAFETY ANALYSIS FOR EOL

based on

latest **nde status** and relevant defect postulates

UPTF calibrated, plant specific **thermohydraulics**

reassessed and completed material **toughness data**

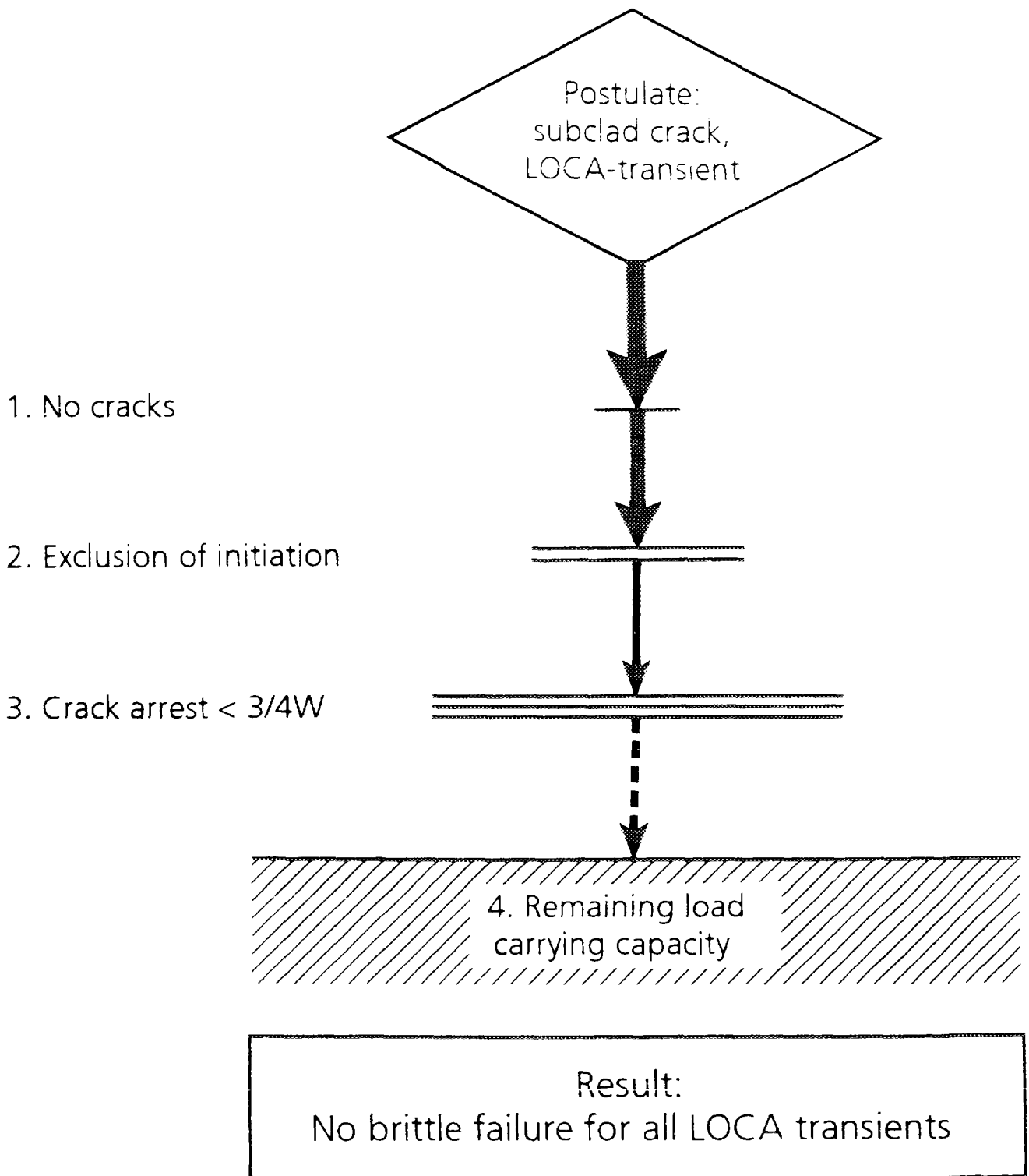
advanced 3D elastic-plastic **fracture mechanics**

UPDATED KKS SAFETY ANALYSIS FOR EOL

has approved

- High margin of **safety against initiation**
in the core weld (1. KTA/ASME criterion)
- Hypothetical initiation of infinitely long surface cracks in the belt line region will lead to final **crack arrest within less than 50 %** of the wall thickness (2. KTA/ASME criterion)
- More than two times normal operation pressure as remaining **load carrying capacity; leak-before-break**
- Crack growth on the **cladding side** excluded for relevant crack sizes
- Exclusion of initiation of postulated defects in **nozzle regime**

Multibarrier-Safety-Concept for RPV Stade



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