

FIGURE 43. MAXIMUM PRESSURE-TO-STRENGTH RATIO, p/2S, IN MULTIRING CONTAINER DESIGNED ON BASIS OF STATIC-SHEAR STRENGTH

Each ring is assumed to be of the same ductile material.

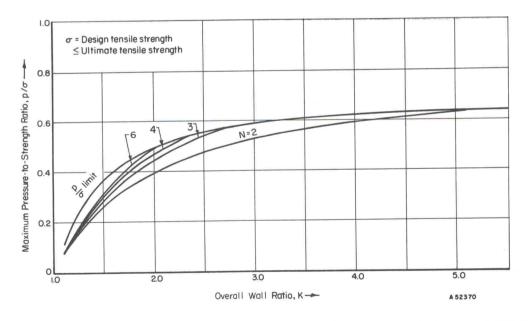


FIGURE 44. MAXIMUM PRESSURE-TO-STRENGTH RATIO, p/o, IN MULTIRING CONTAINER DESIGNED ON BASIS OF FATIGUE SHEAR STRENGTH

Each ring is assumed to be of the same ductile material.

The stress range parameter  $\alpha_r$  depends on the mean stress parameter  $\alpha_m$ . The mean stress depends not only on the bore pressure p but on the interface pressures p<sub>1</sub> and q<sub>1</sub> between the liner and the second cylinder. The magnitudes of p<sub>1</sub> and q<sub>1</sub> that are possible depend upon the geometry and strength of the outer cylinders.

The outer rings are assumed to be all made of the same ductile material. Conducting a fatigue-shear-strength analysis of a multiring container having a pressure fluctuating between  $q_1$  and  $p_1$ , we find from a method similar to that used in arriving at Equation (39) (using Equation (37) for  $n=2, 3, \ldots, N-1$ ), that in this case also the optimum design has

$$k_2 = k_3 = \dots = k_n$$
 (45)

Calculating the mean stress  $\sigma_m$  at the bore of the liner, equating  $\alpha_m \sigma_1$  to  $\sigma_m$  from Equation (10b), substituting for  $q_1$  from Equation (32), eliminating  $\sigma_1$  by use of Equation (44), and solving for  $p_1$ , one finds

$$p_{1} = \frac{p}{K^{2} - 1} \left[ \frac{K^{2} - k_{1}^{2}}{k_{1}^{2}} + \frac{(K^{2} + 1)}{4} - \frac{(k_{1}^{2} - 1)}{k_{1}^{2}} - \frac{(\alpha_{r} - \alpha_{m})}{\alpha_{r}} \right]$$
(46)

The other interface pressures  $p_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  are again given by Equation (38). Eliminating the pressures  $p_1$  and  $p_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  from Equations (46) and (38), and solving for the pressure-to-strength ratio  $p/\sigma$ , one gets

$$\frac{p}{\sigma} = \frac{2(K^2 - 1) (k_n^2 - 1) (N-1) k_1^2 \alpha_r}{k_n^2 [5(K^2 - k_1^2)\alpha_r + (\alpha_r - \alpha_m) (K^2 + 1) (k_1^2 - 1)]}$$
(47)

The  $k_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  in Equation (47) are equal as shown by Equation (45). Whereas,  $p/\sigma_1$  depended only upon  $\alpha_r$  and K (Equation (44)),  $p/\sigma$  depends on N,  $k_n$ , and  $\alpha_m$  in addition.

The ratio  $p/\sigma$  can also be limited by the requirement on Relations (7) and (9) that the mean shear stress  $S_m$  in Cylinder 2 at  $r_1$  obeys the relation  $S_m \geqq 0$ .  $S_m \geqq 0$  gives

$$\left(\frac{p}{\sigma}\right)_{\text{limit}} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{(K^2 - 1)}{K^2} k_1^2$$
 (48)

As is evident from the limit curves plotted in Figure 46, the pressure limit for the outer rings can be increased by increasing  $k_1$ . This means that the liner has a great effect on p. The strength of the liner,  $\sigma_1$ , influences p in Equation (44). The size of the liner,  $k_1$ , limits p in Equation (48).

Whether or not p/ $\sigma$  can be allowed as high as the limit, however, depends on the other factors N,  $\alpha_r$ , K, etc., as shown by Equation (47). This dependence is rather complicated. Example curves of p/ $\sigma$  are plotted in Figures 47 and 48 for  $\alpha_r$  = 0.5 and  $\alpha_m$  = -0.5. As shown by these curves p/ $\sigma$  increases with N and also increases with k<sub>1</sub> for N = 5, K  $\geq$  6.5.