# MODELLING STRUCTURE-ICE CONTACT

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# STRUCTURE – ICE CONTACT;

How do we perceive the contact?

- Descriptive modelling of the contact;
- Modelling ice pressure;
- Modelling ice deformations at contact;
- Questions
- Summary

# MODELLING STRUCTURE – ICE CONTACT What are the aims?

- Understanding the processes at contact;
- Obtaining the force versus indentation relationship for numerical simulations
- Obtaining ice pressure and ice force values for design.

The controlling variable is the normal relative velocity between ice and the structure. When this is positive, ice is failing; when zero, only elastic deformations exist and when negative, damping terms are zero.

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#### DESCRIPTIVE MODELS FOR CONTACT Squeeze film of crushed ice

Model was derived with drop ball tests (Kurdjumov & Kheisin 1976) and used also in deriving ice pressure on ships (Popov 1965)



# DESCRIPTIVE MODELS FOR CONTACT

The Russian model included an empirical strength constant and did not taken into account the film thickness variation due to sources of crushed ice. These were included in a slightly improved model (Riska 1987)



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## DESCRIPTIVE MODELS FOR CONTACT

Division of contact into direct contact and contact through a layer of crushed ice (Varsta 1983, Riska 1987)



Both p<sub>w</sub> and p<sub>d</sub> empirical

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Observation of concentrated – line-like – contact (Riska & Joensuu 1988) and its modelling...



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...and its modelling (Daley 1991) and ...



Cracks based on shear force and shear strength

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# DESCRIPTIVE MODELS FOR CONTACT



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- The aim of the models is to give the ice pressure for ice force calculation;
- Models are empirical.

ICE PRESSURE PROPORTIONAL TO COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF ICE R<sub>cr</sub> (Korzhavin 1962)



$$p = 2.5 \frac{mk}{\sqrt[3]{v/v_0}} \cdot R_{cr}$$

m shape factor  $0.65 \dots 1.0$ k contact factor  $0.4 \dots 0.7$  $v_0 = 1$  m/s

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#### MODELS FOR ICE PRESSURE



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#### MODELS FOR ICE PRESSURE



Effect with indentation speed

- Is there an area where the rate effect disappears?
- Does the indentation rate influence 'pressure area'?



#### MODELS FOR ICE PRESSURE



#### Maximum pressures vs. pressures during indentation



#### MODELS FOR DEFORMATIONS AT THE CONTACT

Modelling the different deformation components for a simulation model



First model for deformations at the contact (to my knowledge) – Finite failure depth concept which includes elastic deformation and failure

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Model of ice deformations for IIV, includes ice elastic deformation and damping term as well as a zonal approach with a finite failure depth – question is that several of these are not based on ice mechanics...



### QUESTIONS STILL DEBATED Apart from the above ones

• Shape of the pressure distribution;



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Effect of shape on pressure, case of vertical piles.



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# CONCLUSION

- Two con census views; pressure-area relationship and a multitude of deformation components at contact;
- Fracture of ice not included in simulation;
- Crushed ice does not play a role in modelling;
- Effect of ductile-to-brittle transition on pressure still open;
- Effect of indentation speed on ice pressure unclear;
- Does cross sectional shape influence ice pressure?
- Existence of friction in normal contact.



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