

**M. T. S.
MATERIALS TESTING SYSTEM
458.20 MICROCONSOLE**

**Constant Load Amplitude
Fatigue Test
using the**

TESTLINK CONTROL PANEL

Reference Only

MTS 458.2 MICROCONSOLE OPERATION MANUAL

BASIC OPERATION USING THE TESTLINK CONTROL PANEL

GETTING STARTED

OPEN THE DOOR TO THE POWER ROOM LOCATED TO THE RIGHT OF THE MTS MACHINE.

- TURN ON THE MAIN POWER SWITCH LOCATED ON THE WALL TO THE RIGHT OF THE HYDRAULIC POWER SUPPLY.
- TURN ON THE WATER TAP AND THE AIR CONDITIONER LOCATED DIRECTLY BEHIND THE HYDRAULIC POWER SUPPLY. THE SWITCH FOR THE AIR CONDITIONER IS LOCATED ON THE BOTTOM OF THE THERMOSTAT.
- LOCATE THE MAIN POWER SWITCH WHICH IS SITUATED ON THE BACK OF THE 458.2 MICROCONSOLE AND TURN IT ON.

NOTE: ALTHOUGH THE MTS HAS SAFEGUARDS WHICH PROTECT THE MACHINE AND SAMPLE, THESE MAY BE INADVERTENTLY TURNED OFF OR DISABLED. THEREFORE IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE OPERATOR HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF THE SYSTEM BEFORE TURNING ON THE HYDRAULIC POWER SUPPLY.

- TURN ON THE COMPUTER AND WAIT FOR THE PROMPT C>.
- TYPE CD\TESTLINK THEN PRESS <RETURN>.
- TYPE CONTROL THEN PRESS <RETURN>. THIS WILL BRING UP THE STATEMENT MTS SYSTEMS CORPORATION TESTLINK CONTROL PANEL VERSION 2.00. PRESS <RETURN> TO CONTINUE. PRESS <RETURN>.
- YOU ARE THEN ASKED TO ENTER A CONTROL PANEL CONFIGURATION FILE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A FILE OR ARE NOT INSTRUCTED TO LOOK FOR A FILE JUST PRESS <RETURN>.

YOU WILL NOW SEE THE MTS TESTLINK CONTROL PANEL.

MTS SYSTEMS CORP. TESTLINK CONTROL PANEL Config. File: C:\TESTLINK\Control.SYS				SYSTEM STATUS DATE:05-28-1992 TIME:09:16:47 HYDRAULICS On INTK Inac RUN/STOP Run CURRENT CYCLES TOTAL CYCLES CONTROL Stop	
CONTROL EXIT ALTX RUN <F1> HELP <F3> HOLD <F4> STOP <F5>	TEST PARAMETERS CONTROL MODE Load FULL SCALE 10000 UNITS Pounds ACTIVE A/D's 3 COUNTER RESET CUR.<F6> TOT.<F7>	FUNCTION GENERATOR SEGMENTS Cycle WAVEFORM Sine ENDLEVEL 1 0 Pounds ENDLEVEL 2 1000 Pounds FREQ/RATE 10 Hz. PRESET CYCLES 0			
DATA ACQUISITION Peak/Valley Timed Data		STORAGE INFORMATION Off/On Append/Overwrite File Name TEST1 Store Increment 10 Cyc.		ANALOG OUTPUT CHAN 1 CHAN 2 +0.000 +0.000 Off/On Off/On	
DATA DISPLAY — 1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 —					
UNITS Pounds IN/IN Inches F.SCALE 10000 .1 1 Peak Valley					
Alt+H Home Key Brief Prompt Mode Data Entry		Alt+K Key Help		Write to Disk Alt+W Cyc. Manual Disk Write	

- TAB - SELECTS THE INDIVIDUAL SECTIONS OF THE CONTROL PANEL WHICH ARE HIGHLIGHTED BY A COLORED RECTANGLE AROUND THE BOX.
- HOME - PRODUCES A PROMPT ON THE FIRST ITEM IN THE SELECTED BOX. YOU CAN MOVE THE PROMPT UP AND DOWN USING THE UP-DOWN ARROWS. PRESS <ENTER> WHEN YOU WANT TO MAKE A CHANGE TO AN ITEM. ENTER THE NEW VALUE AND PRESS <ENTER>. THE PROMPT MOVES TO THE NEXT ITEM.
- END - COMPLETES THE CHANGES TO THE HIGHLIGHTED SECTION.

PRECRACKING 2218T851 ALUMINIUM SAMPLE FOR LAB

NOTE: PRECRACKING OF SAMPLE SHOULD NEVER EXCEED 10 % OF TEST PARAMETERS.

PRECRACK @ Pmax - 6.00 KN, Pmin - 2.5 KN, 5 HZ

-SELECT "TEST PARAMETERS" ON CONTROL PANEL BY PRESSING THE <TAB> KEY. PRESS <HOME>.

TEST PARAMETERS	
CONTROL MODE	Load
FULL SCALE	10000
UNITS	Pounds
ACTIVE A/D's	3
COUNTER RESET	
CUR.<F6>	TOT.<F7>

-USE UP-DOWN ARROWS TO SELECT ITEM. PRESS ENTER TO CHANGE.

-CONTROL - LOAD

-FULL SCALE - 25

-UNITS - KN

-ACTIVE A/D - 4

-COUNTER RESET - PRESS F6 & F7

-PRESS END AND SELECT "FUNCTION GENERATOR" USING <TAB>. PRESS <HOME> AND USE SAME PROCEDURE AS BEFORE TO CHANGE DATA.

FUNCTION GENERATOR		
SEGMENTS	Cycle	
WAVEFORM	Sine	
ENDLEVEL 1	0	Pounds
ENDLEVEL 2	1000	Pounds
FREQ/RATE	10	Hz.
PRESET CYCLES	0	

-SEGMENTS - CYCLE

-WAVEFORM - SINE

-ENDLEVEL 1 - 6.0

-ENDLEVEL 2 - 2.5

-FREQ/RATE - 5

-PRESET CYCLES - 1000

-PRESS END AND SELECT "DATA ACQUISITION"

DATA ACQUISITION		STORAGE INFORMATION	
Peak/Valley		Off/On	Append/Overwrite
Timed Data		File Name	TEST1
		Store Increment	10 Cyc.

-SELECT OFF, -NO FILENAME REQUIRED, -NO STORE INCREMENT REQ.

-PRESS END AND SELECT "ANALOG OUTPUT"

ANALOG OUTPUT	
CHAN 1	CHAN 2
+0.000	+0.000
Off/On	Off/On

-CHAN. 1 - OFF

-CHAN. 2 - OFF

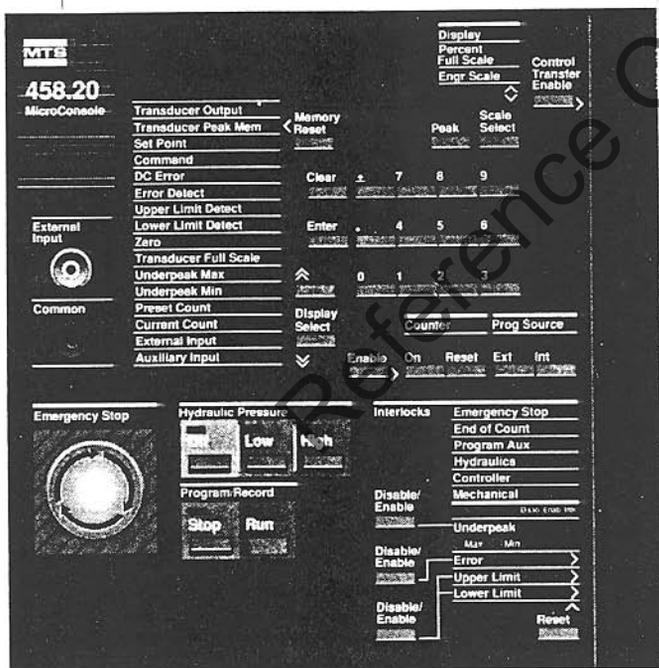
-PRESS END AND SELECT "DATA DISPLAY"

-NO ENTRY IS REQUIRED IN "DATA DISPLAY AS IT IS DEPENDENT ON THE ANALOG OUTPUT AND DATA ACQUISITION.

-AT THIS POINT DO NOT PRESS <FI> TO RUN. THE 458.2 CONTROLLER MUST BE PROGRAMMED AND ALSO THE SAMPLE MUST BE INSERTED INTO THE TEST SECTION.

INSERTING THE SAMPLE

-IN ORDER TO INSERT THE SAMPLE WE ARE GOING TO USE THE CONTROLLER WHICH UTILIZES A FEEDBACK SIGNAL FROM A LVDT LOCATED IN THE MAIN ACTUATOR.



- THE POWER SHOULD BE ON AND THE DISPLAY LOCATED IN THE TOP RIGHT CORNER SHOULD READ "PRESS ENTER". THE ENTER BUTTON IS IN THE CENTRE OF THE DISPLAY NEXT TO THE "4" BUTTON.
- DISPLAY TELLS YOU TO SELECT DISPLAY. PRESS THE 458.13 AC CNTRLR DISPLAY BUTTON.
- PRESS THE "CONTROL TRANSFER ENABLE" BUTTON LOCATED ON THE UPPER RIGHT SIDE OF THE MICRO-CONSOLE AT THE SAME TIME PRESSING THE CONTROL BUTTON ON THE 458.13 AC CNTRLR.
- ON THE MICROCONSOLE USE THE "DISPLAY SELECT" BUTTON TO SELECT TRANSDUCER OUTPUT.
- ADJUST THE SETPOINT CONTROL ON THE 458.13 AC CNTRLR TO 900.
- PRESS THE RESET BUTTON ON THE LOWER RIGHT SIDE OF THE CONSOLE. ALL ERROR MESSAGES SHOULD BE RESET.
- MAKE SURE THAT THE GRIPS ARE EMPTY AND THAT NO FINGERS OR HANDS ARE NEAR THE GRIPS.
- PRESS THE HYDRAULIC PRESSURE "LOW" BUTTON WHICH IS LOCATED NEXT TO THE RED "EMERGENCY STOP" BUTTON. THIS WILL ENGAGE THE HYDRAULIC POWER SUPPLY AND MOVE THE ACTUATOR TO THE 90 % POSITION.
- FASTEN THE SAMPLE IN THE TOP GRIP USING THE SUPPLIED PIN MAKING SURE THE HEAD OF THE PIN IS SITUATED ON THE MICROSCOPE SIDE.
- SLOWLY RAISE THE ACTUATOR CONTAINING THE BOTTOM GRIP BY TURNING THE SETPOINT CONTROL ON THE AC CNTRLR.

-TURN SETPOINT UNTIL THE HOLES OF THE GRIPS AND THE SAMPLE LINE UP. THE SAMPLE WILL NEED TO BE LIFTED FOR ALIGNMENT WITH THE GRIPS. EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WHEN RAISING THE ACTUATOR. IF POSSIBLE HOLD THE SAMPLE WITH PLIERS OR TONGS. IT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR ONE PERSON TO DO THIS.

-DO NOT INSERT THE BOTTOM PIN INTO THE GRIP.

-TURN OFF THE HYD. POWER SUPPLY BY PRESSING THE OFF BUTTON.



-PRESS THE CONTROL TRANSFER ENABLE BUTTON ON THE CONSOLE AND THE CONTROL BUTTON ON THE 458.11 DC CNTRLR. SIMULTANEOUSLY

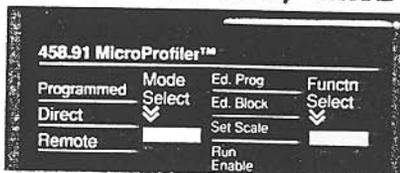
-PRESS THE DISPLAY BUTTON ON THE 458.11 DC CNTRLR.

-SELECT TRANSDUCER OUTPUT USING THE DISPLAY SELECT BUTTON ON THE 458.2 MICROCONSOLE.

-ADJUST THE "ZERO" CONTROL ON THE 458.11 DC CNTRLR UNTIL "0" IS DISPLAYED WHEN THE CONTROL IS LOCKED

-PUT THE BOTTOM PIN INTO THE GRIP TO FASTEN THE SAMPLE IN PLACE.

-ON THE DC CNTRLR CHECK THE FOLLOWING SETTINGS. SETPOINT = 5.04, SPAN = 1000, GAIN 5.0, RATE 2.5, RESET 2.5.



-LOCATE THE MICROPROFILER ON THE RIGHT OF THE CONSOLE AND USE THE "MODE SELECT" BUTTON TO CHOOSE THE "REMOTE" SELECTION.

- USING THE "FUNCTN SELECT" BUTTON SELECT THE RUN-ENABLE SELECTION.
- MOVE THE MICROSCOPE INTO PLACE AND FIND THE EDGE OF THE NOTCH IN THE VIEWER.
- TURN ON THE HYDRAULIC POWER SUPPLY FIRST WITH THE LOW PRESSURE SWITCH AND THEN THE HIGH PRESSURE SWITCH.
- ON THE COMPUTER PRESS THE F1 BUTTON.
- ON THE DISPLAY PRESS THE TRANSDUCER PEAK MEM. BUTTON.
- THE TEST WILL RUN FOR 1000 CYCLES AND STOP.
- CHECK THE CRACK LENGTH AND RUN FOR ANOTHER 1000 CYCLES IF NECESSARY. WE REQUIRE A 0.5 CM PRE-CRACK.
- WHEN THE PRECRACK IS DONE RECORD THE POSITION OF PRECRACK USING THE MICROSCOPE.
- GO INTO THE CONTROL PROGRAM AND CHANGE THE VALUES FOR THE TEST. $P_{max} = 5.8 \text{ KN}$,
 $P_{min} = 2.75$, RATE = 5 HZ., PRESET CYCLES = 100 CYCLES.
- RESET THE COUNTERS AFTER RECORDING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CYCLES FOR PRECRACK.
- RUN THE TEST AND RECORD THE DISTANCE THE CRACK TRAVELS EACH 100 CYCLES. DO NOT RESET THE TOTAL COUNTS DURING THE TEST.
- RUN THE TEST TILL FAILURE OF SAMPLE AND RECORD THE TOTAL COUNTS TO FAILURE.

