



# **Light Bases & Light Fixtures**

## **Keeping Them Together**

Clamping Force/Preload Force

Torque

Bolt Specifications

Corrosion

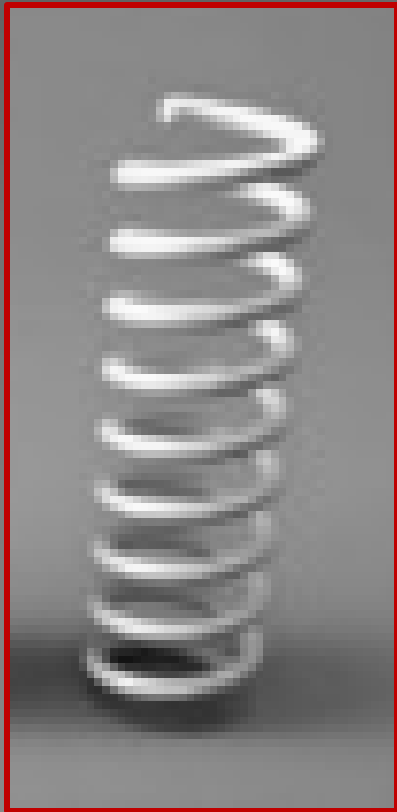
Galling

18-8 Disadvantages

EB-83 bolts

**Clamping Force = Preload Force**

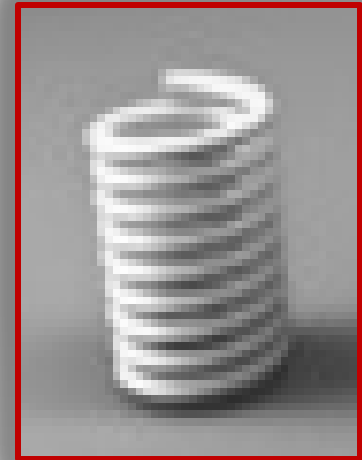
# Fastener acts like a spring



**too much**



**just right**



**too little**

- When fastener is tightened it is stretched
- Causes tension in fastener ( $F_p$ )
- Mating parts are compressed
- Creates clamp force ( $F_c$ )

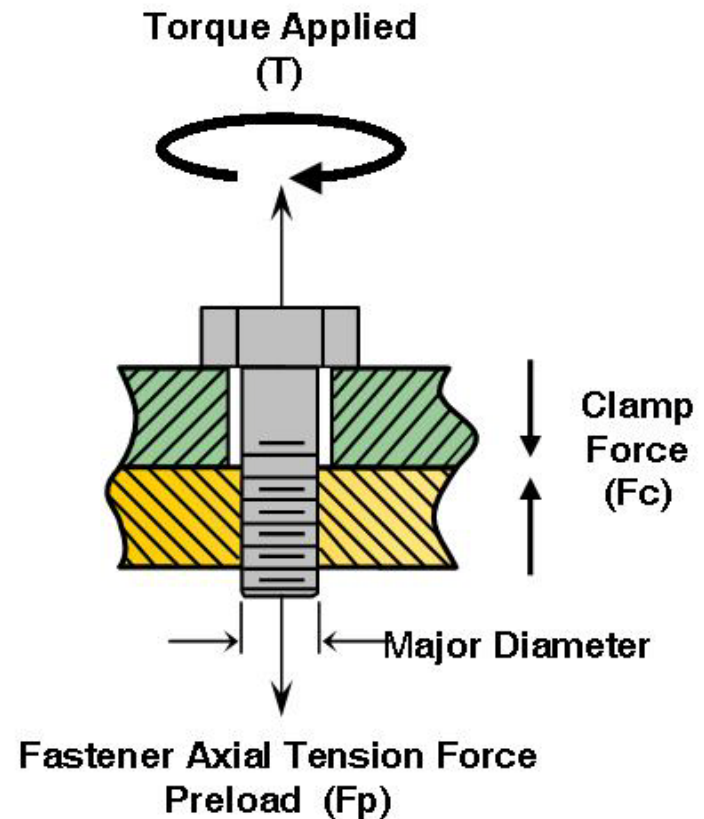


Figure 1

## Clamp Force

- Exerts pressure on mating parts
- Increases friction between parts
- This friction offsets shear force
- External forces act on compressed parts, not on fastener

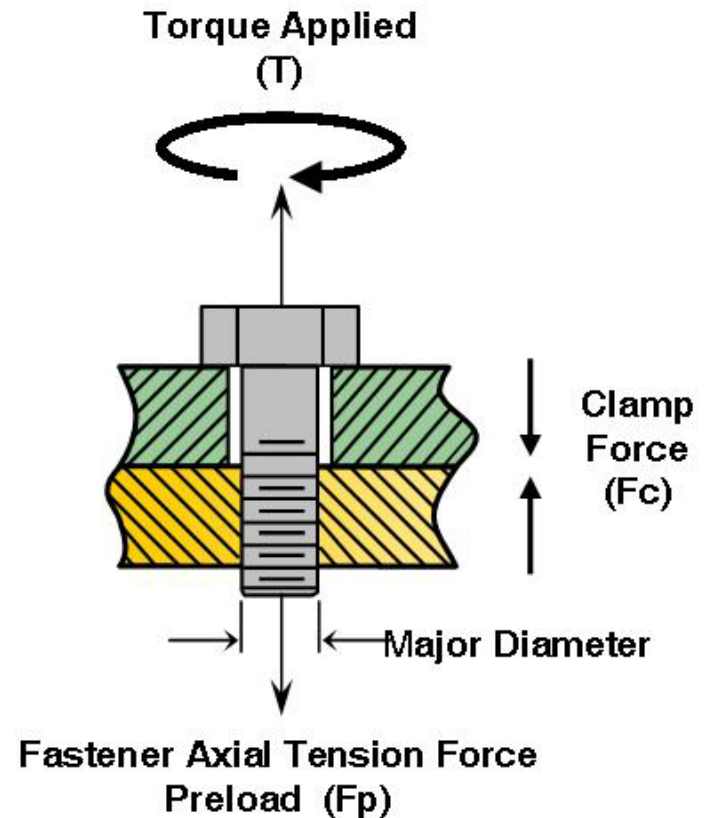
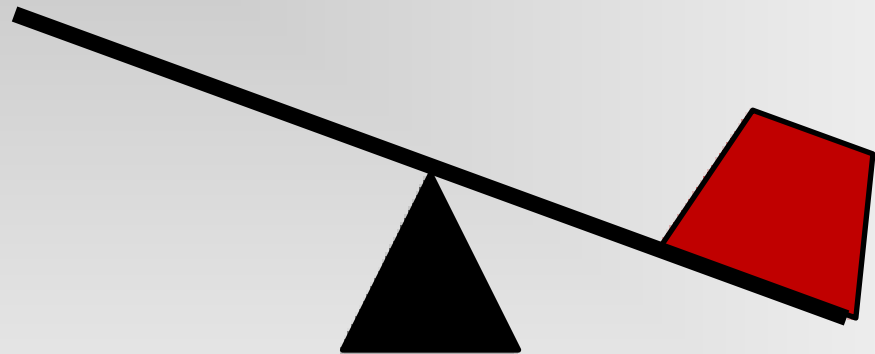


Figure 1

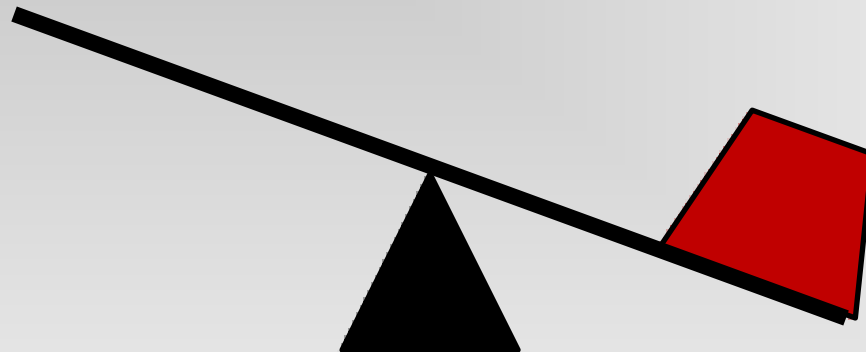
# When . . . .

**Clamp Force (Preload)  
Greater than External Forces**



# However . . . .

If External Forces  
Greater than Clamp Force (Preload)



# **Bolted joints fail because of improper preload**

**So, if preload is so important,  
how is it determined ?**

# Calculate Proper Preload

$$\text{TFc} = (\text{Fs} / \mu) * 2$$

- **TFc = total clamp force**
- **Fs = shear force in pounds**
- **$\mu$  = static coefficient of mating surfaces**
- **\*2 = safety margin**

# Calculate Proper Preload

$$\text{TFc} = (3000 / .45) * 2$$

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- **Fs = 3,000 lbs**  
(AC 150/5345-46D 4.5.1.3. Horizontal Shear Test)
- **$\mu = .45$**   
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## Calculate Proper Preload

**Total Clamp Force = 13,333 lbs.**

- **Divide by number of bolts (6)**
- **= 2,222 lbs/bolt**
- **Round up to 2,400 lbs/bolt**
- **Clamp Force = Preload on bolt**

# **Torque — the means to an end**

# Achieve Preload by using Torque

$$T = F_p * D * k$$

- **T = torque**
- **F<sub>p</sub> = preload in lbs**
- **D = thread diameter in inches**
- **k = coefficient of friction on fastener**

## Achieve Preload by using Torque

$$T = 2400 * .375 * .2$$

- **T = torque**
- **Fp = 2,400 lbs**
- **D = .375"**
- **k = .2 (dry, non-lubricated bolts)**

## Achieve Preload by using Torque

$$T = 2400 * .375 * .2 = 180 \text{ in.lb.}$$
$$= 15 \text{ ft.lb.}$$

- $T$  = torque
- $F_p = 2,400 \text{ lbs}$
- $D = .375''$
- $k = .2$  *(dry, non-lubricated bolts)*

# **How do we measure torque ?**

# Measure Torque

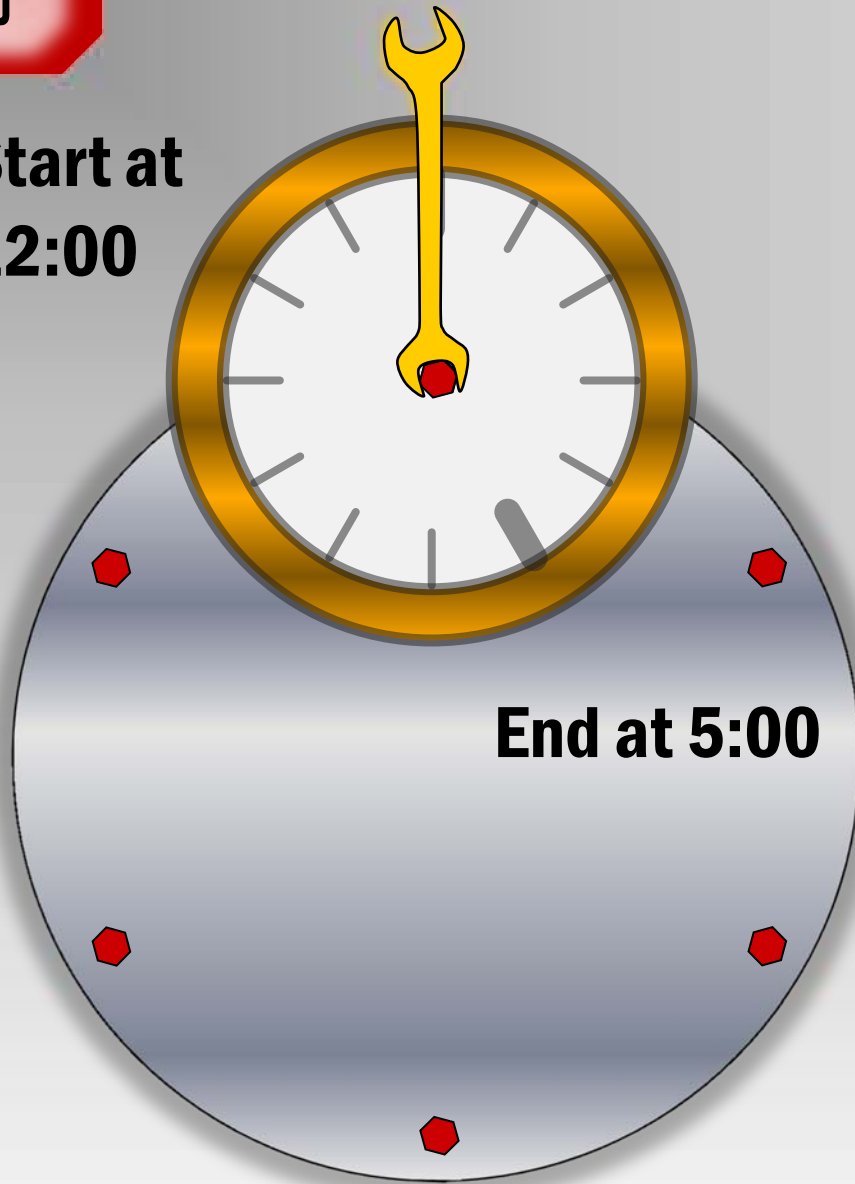
## ➤ Estimate of effectiveness (Industrial Fastener Institute)

- |                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| • Strain Gauges          | +/- 1%  |
| • Fastener Elongation    | +/- 5%  |
| • Load Indicating Washer | +/- 10% |
| • Angle Torquing         | +/- 15% |
| • Torque Wrench          | +/- 25% |
| • Operator “Feel”        | +/- 35% |

# **Angle Torquing**

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**Start at  
12:00**

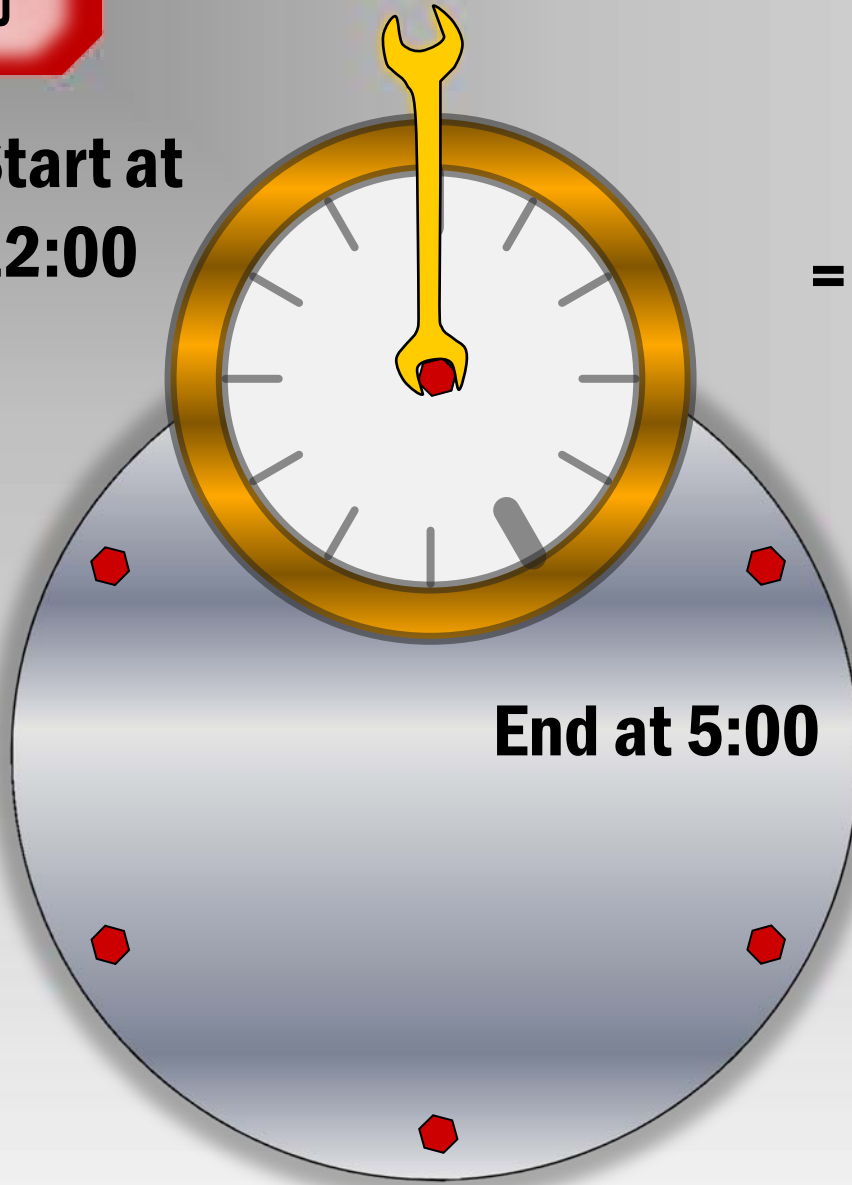


**End at 5:00**

# Angle Torquing

**Start at  
12:00**

**= 180 in.lbs.**



**18-8 stainless steel  
3/8"-16 bolt  
Dry, non-lubricated**

# Using Anti-seize

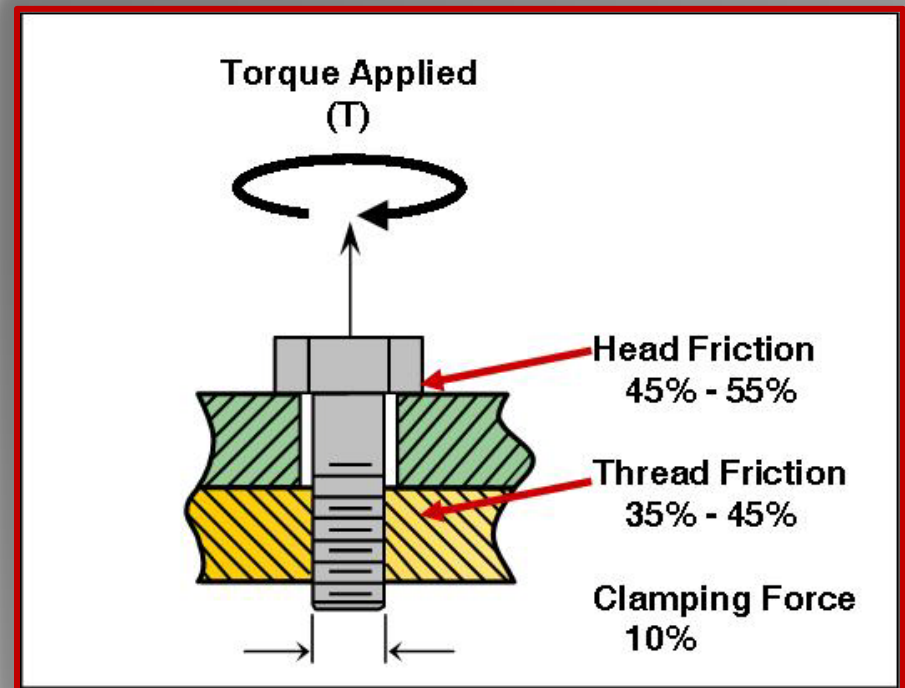
# Anti-seize products

## ➤ **Nickel anti-seize recommended.** (AC 150/5340-30)


- **Reduces galling**
- **Helps resist galvanic corrosion**
- **Increases lubricity**
- **Type left up to individual airport**

# Torque versus Clamp Force

- Only small part of torque contributes to preload
- Anti-seize reduces friction
- Less torque to achieve preload



# Torque Recalculation

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- **Anti-seize reduces coefficient of friction (k)**
    - **Check with the manufacturer to determine the lubricity (k) factor.**
    - **Recalculate torque using your anti-seize manufacturer's (k) factor**

# Achieve Preload by using Torque

$$T = 2400 * .375 * .12$$

- $T$  = torque
- $F_p = 2,400$  lbs
- $D = .375$ "
- $k = .12$  *(lubricated bolts)*

example only -  
check with anti-seize  
manufacturer

## Achieve Preload by using Torque

$$T = 2400 * .375 * .12 = 108 \text{ in.lb.}$$

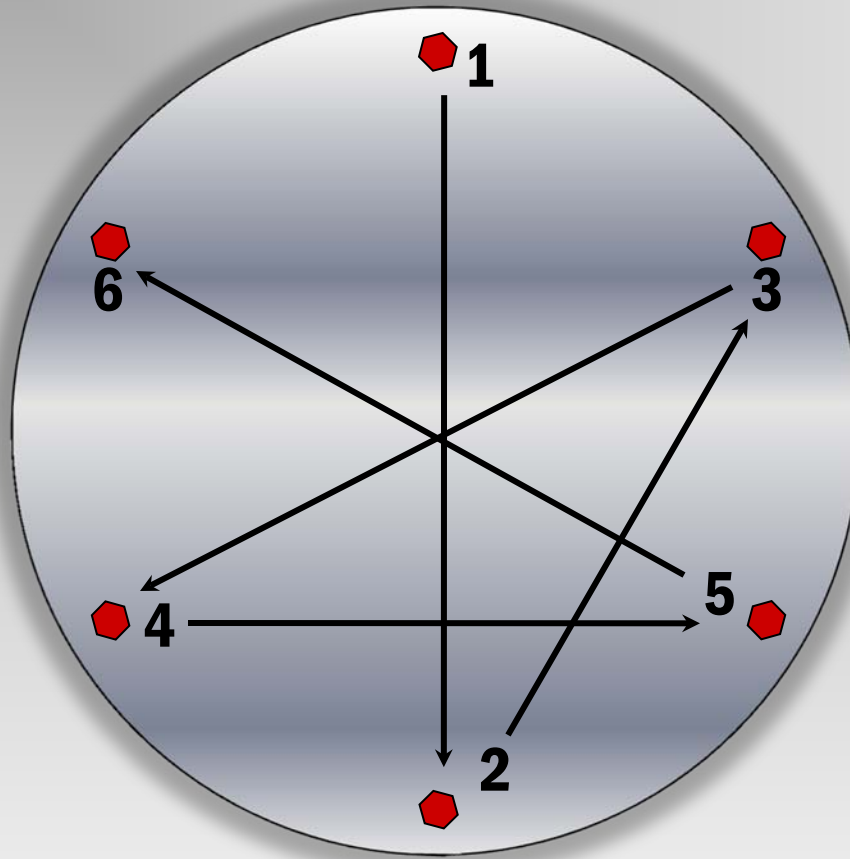
**= 9 ft.lb.**

- $T$  = torque
- $F_p = 2,400 \text{ lbs}$
- $D = .375''$
- $k = .12$  *(lubricated bolts)*

*example only -*  
*check with anti-seize*  
*manufacturer*

DRY Non-Lubricated	Lubricated Bolts (Anti-seize compound)
<p><b>Fp= 2,400 (safety margin)</b></p> <p><b>D= .375 (3/8-16 fastener)</b></p> <p><b>K= .2 (dry bolts – non lubricated)</b></p> <p><b>= 180 in. lbs.</b> <b>= 15 ft. lbs.</b></p>	<p><b>Fp= 2,400 (safety margin)</b></p> <p><b>D= .375 (3/8-16 fastener)</b></p> <p><b>K= .12 (<i>example only - check w/ anti-seize mfg.</i>)</b></p> <p><b>= 108 in. lbs.</b> <b>= 9 ft. lbs.</b></p>

# Torquing Sequence



# Bolt Strengths

- **Tensile Strength – maximum load in tension (pulling apart) before breaking**
- **Yield Strength – maximum load at which material shows permanent deformation**
- **Proof Load – axial tensile load without evidence of permanent set**
- **Clamp Load – 75% of proof load \* tensile stress area of threaded section**

# Bolt Specification Considerations

<b>Material</b>	<b>Minimum Yield Strength (psi)</b>	<b>Minimum Tensile Strength (psi)</b>
<b>A36 Steel – Light Base</b>	<b>36,000</b>	<b>58,000</b>
<b>304 Stainless Steel Plate</b>	<b>31,200</b>	<b>73,200</b>
<b>Bolt Specification</b>		
<b>18-8 Stainless Steel</b>	<b>65,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
<b>A307-A</b>		<b>60,000</b>
<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>74,000</b>
<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>92,000</b>	<b>120,000</b>
<b>Grade 8</b>	<b>130,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>

# Bolt Specification Considerations

<b>Material</b>	<b>Recommended Torque Dry, Non-lubricated</b>	<b>Clamp Force</b>
<b>Stripped female threads in A36 (35 ft. lb)</b>	<b>Stripped female threads at 420 in. lb</b>	
<b>Clamp Force needed/bolt</b>	<b>180 in. lb</b>	<b>2,400 psi</b>
<b>3/8"-16 Bolt Specification</b>		
<b>18-8 Stainless Steel</b>	<b>236 in.lb</b>	<b>3,146 psi</b>
<b>A307-A</b>	<b>156 in. lb</b>	<b>2093 psi</b>
<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>240 in.lb</b>	<b>3,200 psi</b>
<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>372 in. lb</b>	<b>4,960 psi</b>
<b>Grade 8</b>	<b>528 in. lb</b>	<b>7,040 psi</b>

# Corrosion

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- **Deterioration of metals due to interaction with environment**
- **Metals want to corrode and return to oxides**
- **Metallic atoms leave metal until it fails**

# General Corrosion

- **Water and steel – iron oxide (rust)**
- **General protection**
  - **Corrosion resistant materials**  
*Stainless steel forms surface oxide that interferes with electrochemical process*
  - **Protective coatings such as plating, galvanizing, paints or epoxies**

# Galvanic Corrosion

- **Two dissimilar metals with different potentials placed in electrical contact in an electrolyte**
- **Larger potential difference, greater galvanic corrosion**
- **Most active becomes anode and corrodes -  
Least active becomes cathode and is protected**

# Galvanic Series

## Galvanic Series of Selected Metals in Seawater (from MIL-STD-889B)

Active (Anodic – Least noble)

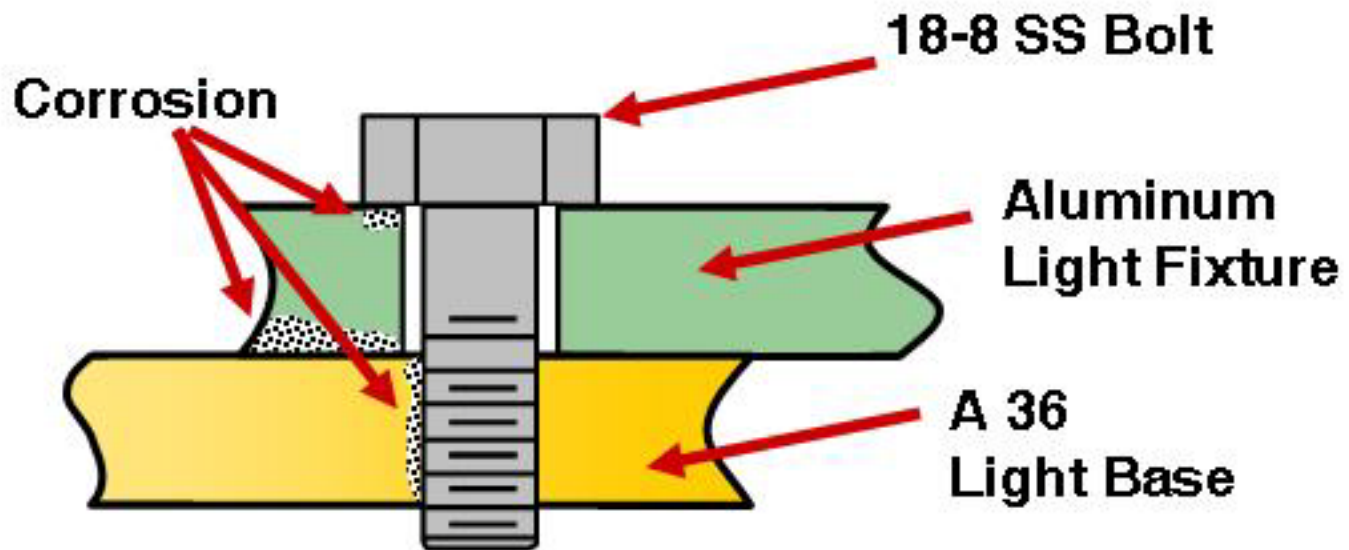
1. Magnesium (Mg)
2. Mg Alloy AZ-31B
3. Mg Alloy HK-31A
- 4. Zinc (hot dipped, die cast, plated)**
5. Beryllium (hot pressed)
6. Aluminum (Al) 7072
7. Al Alloy 2014-T3
8. Al Alloy 1160-H14
9. Al Alloy 7079-T6
10. Cadmium (plated)
11. Uranium
- 12. Al Alloy 218 (die cast)**
13. Al Alloy 5052-0
14. Al Alloy 5052-H12
15. Al Alloy 7151-T6
16. Al Alloy 5456-0, H353
17. Al Alloy 5052-H32
18. Al Alloy 1100-0
19. Al Alloy 3003-H25
20. Al Alloy 6061-T6
21. Al Alloy 7071-T6
22. Al Alloy A360 (die cast)
23. Al Alloy 7075-T6
24. Al Alloy 1100-H14
25. Al Alloy 6061-0
26. Indium
27. Al Alloy 2014-0
28. Al Alloy 2024-T4
29. Al Alloy 5052-H16
30. Tin (plated)

31. SS 430 (active)
32. Lead
- 33. Steel 1010**
34. Iron, cast
35. SS 410 (active)
36. Copper (plated, cast or wrought)
37. Nickel (plated)
38. Chromium (plated)
39. Tantalum
40. SS 350 (active)
41. SS 310 (active)
42. SS301 (active)
43. SS 304 (active)
44. SS 430 (passive)
- 45. SS 410 (passive)**
46. SS 17-7 pH (active)
47. Tungsten
48. Niobium (Columbian) 1% Zr
49. Brass, yellow, 268
50. Uranium 8% Mo.
51. Brass, Naval, 464
52. Yellow brass
53. Muntz metal 280
54. Brass (plated)
55. Nickel-silver (18% Ni)
56. SS 316L (active)
57. Bronze 220
58. Everdur 655
59. Copper 110
60. Red brass
61. SS 347 (active)
62. Molybdenum, Comm. pure

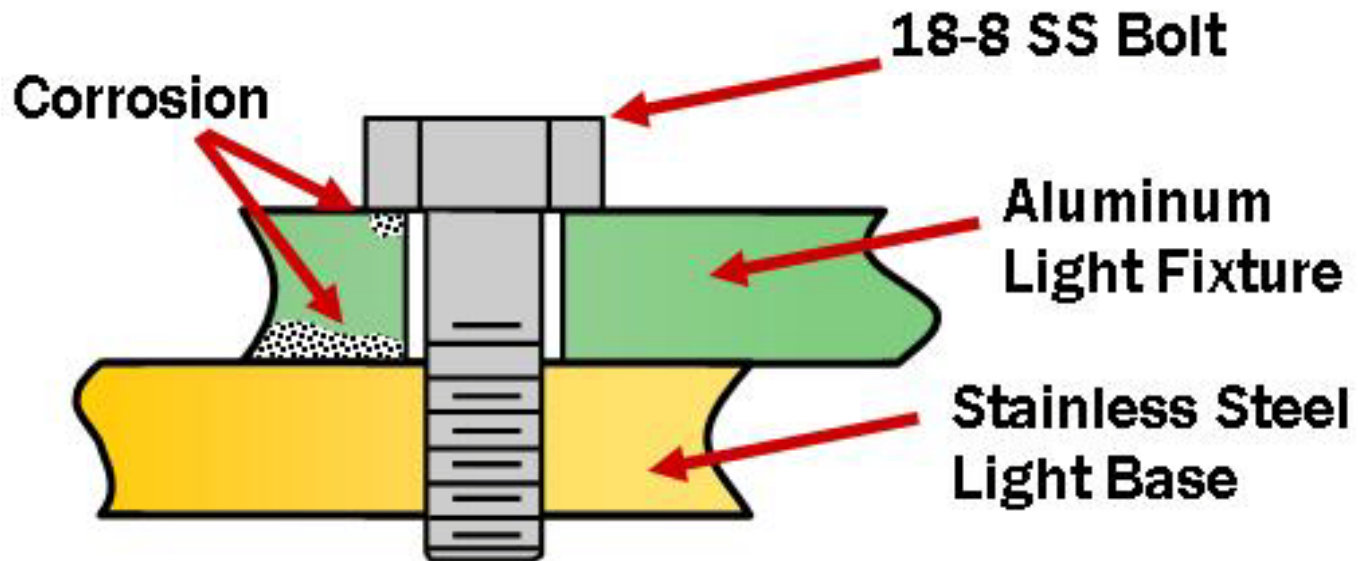
63. Copper-Nickel 7151
64. Admiralty brass
65. SS 202 (active)
66. Bronze, phosphor 534 (B-1)
67. SS 202 (active)
68. Steel Alloy, Carpenter 20 (active)
69. SS 321 (active)
70. SS 316 (active)
71. SS 309 (passive)
72. SS 17-7 pH (passive)
- 73. SS 304 (passive)**
74. SS 301 (passive)
75. SS 321 (passive)
76. SS 201 (passive)
77. SS 286 (active)
78. SS 316L (passive)
79. Steel Alloy AM355 (active)
80. SS 202 (active)
81. Steel Alloy, Carpenter 20 (passive)
82. Steel Alloy AM350 (passive)
83. Steel Alloy 286 (passive)
84. Titanium 5Al, 2.5 Sn
85. Titanium 13V, 11Cr, 3Al (annealed)
86. Titanium 6Al, 4V (heat treated, aged)
87. Titanium 6Al, 4V (annealed)
88. Titanium 8 Mn
89. Titanium 3Al, 13V, 11Cr, (heat treated, aged)
90. Titanium 75A
91. SS 350 (passive)
92. Graphite

Less active (Cathodic – Most noble)

# Galvanic Corrosion A36 Light Base



# Galvanic Corrosion SS Light Base



## ➤ **Minimize Galvanic Corrosion–**

- **Minimize galvanic potential difference**
- **Use large anode area;  
small cathodic for fastener**
- **Interrupt the electrical path with a coating**

# Comparison

Base Metal \ Fastener Metal	Austenitic Stainless Types 302,304,303,305 (18-8)	Zinc & Galvanized Steel	Martensitic Stainless Type 410	
Zinc & Galvanized Steel (Light Bases)	C	A	C	
Austenitic Stainless Types 302,304,303,305 (Light Bases)	AF	ADE	A	
Aluminum & Aluminum Alloys (Light Fixtures)	B	A	Not Recommended	
Steel & Cast Iron	B	AD	C	
<p><b>A</b> - The corrosion of the base metal is not increased by the fastener.</p> <p><b>B</b> - The corrosion of the base metal is marginally increased by the fastener.</p> <p><b>C</b> - The corrosion of the base metal may be markedly increased by the fastener.</p> <p><b>D</b> - The plating on the fastener is rapidly consumed, leaving the bare fastener metal.</p> <p><b>E</b> - The corrosion of the fastener is increased by the base metal.</p> <p><b>F</b> - Galling or cold welding of fastener.</p>				

# Galling

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**Galling can occur when stainless steel parts, such as nuts and bolts, are forced together. The protective layer of chromium oxide can be scraped off, causing the parts to cold weld together by contact.**

# Reduce Galling

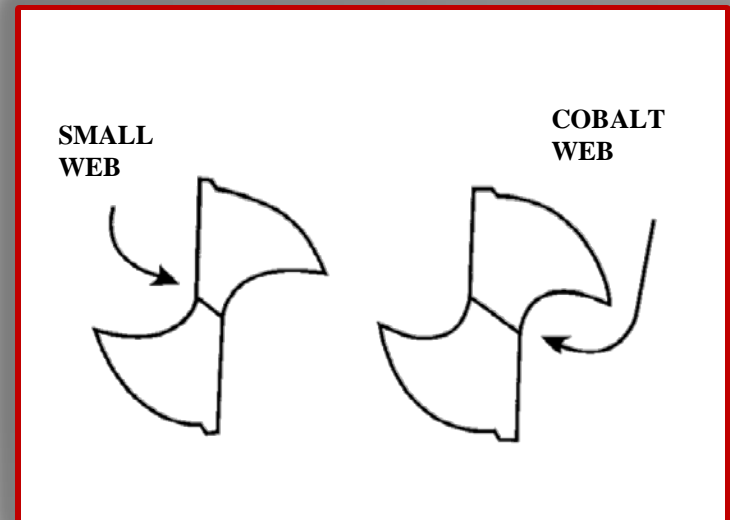
- **Slow tool speed**
- **Different alloys**
- **Increase hardness of one material**
- **Coatings/Lubrication**

## 18-8 Shortcomings

- **Work hardens, hard to drill**
- **General corrosion**
- **Galvanic corrosion**
- **Galling with stainless steel bases**

## Drilling 18-8

- **Use cutting fluid**
- **High feed – Slow speed**
- **Tools designed for cutting stainless steel**



**Can we build a better bolt ?**

➤ **Select material**

- **18-8**
- **A307-A**
- **Grade 2**
- **Grade 5**
- **Grade 8**
- **Other**

- **Corrosion Protection**
  - **Zinc and cadmium plating**
  - **Black oxide**
  - **Ceramic Metallic**
- **Lubricity**
  - **Use anti-seize product**
  - **Fluoropolymer (PTFE)**

# **EB- 83 Bolts**

## ➤ EB-83 Bolt

- **Low Carbon Steel**
  - *1022 (ASE Grade 2)*
  - *A36 (NSTM A307-A)*
- **Ceramic metallic base coat**
- **Fluoropolymer top coat**
  - *FOD detection*



**Low Carbon Steel, Ceramic metallic base coat, fluoropolymer top coat**

## Coating Comparison

- 720 Hours
- ASTM B-117 Salt Fog Test



**Uncoated**

**Galvanized**

**Cadmium**

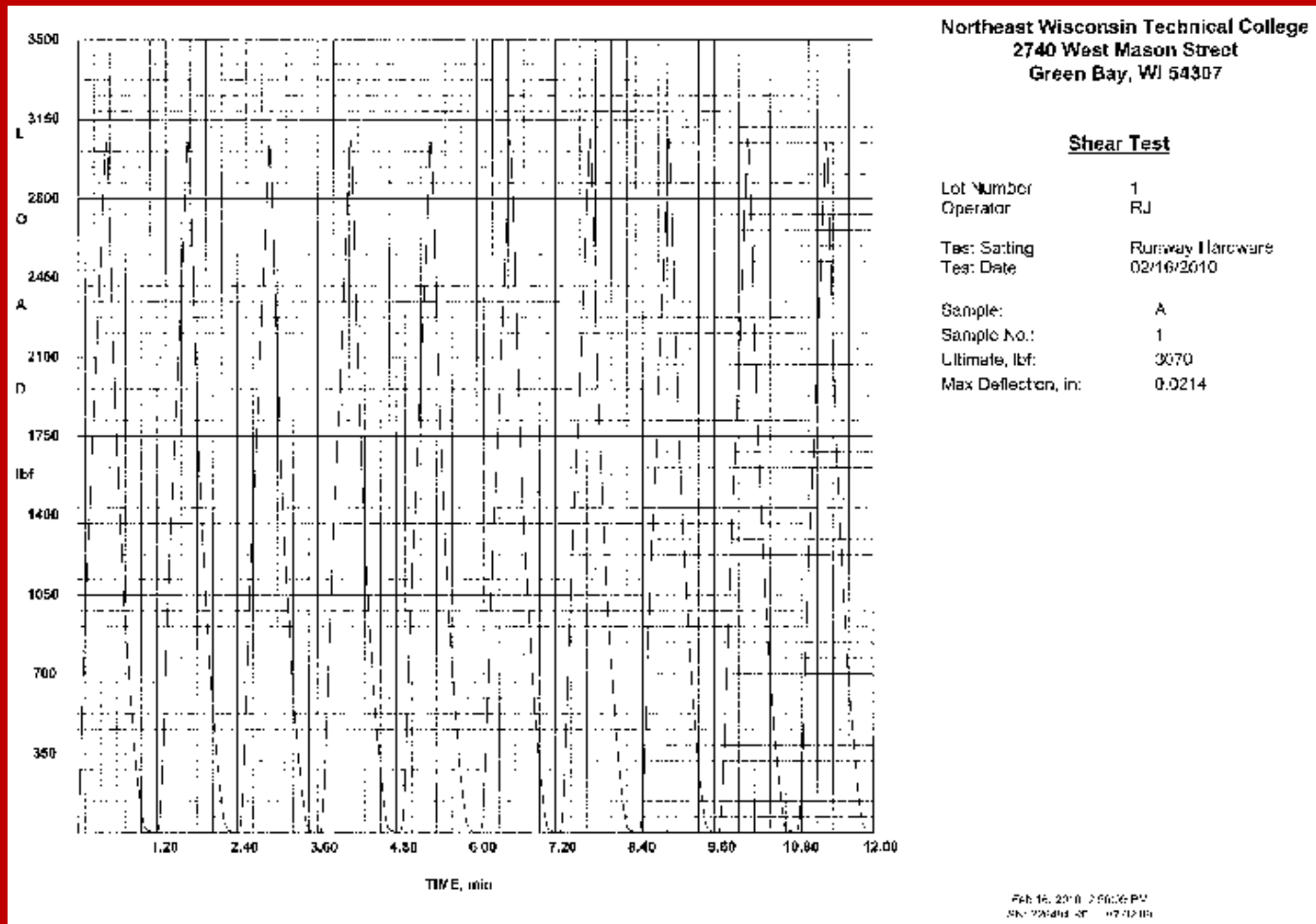
**Zinc**

**C/M-PTFE**

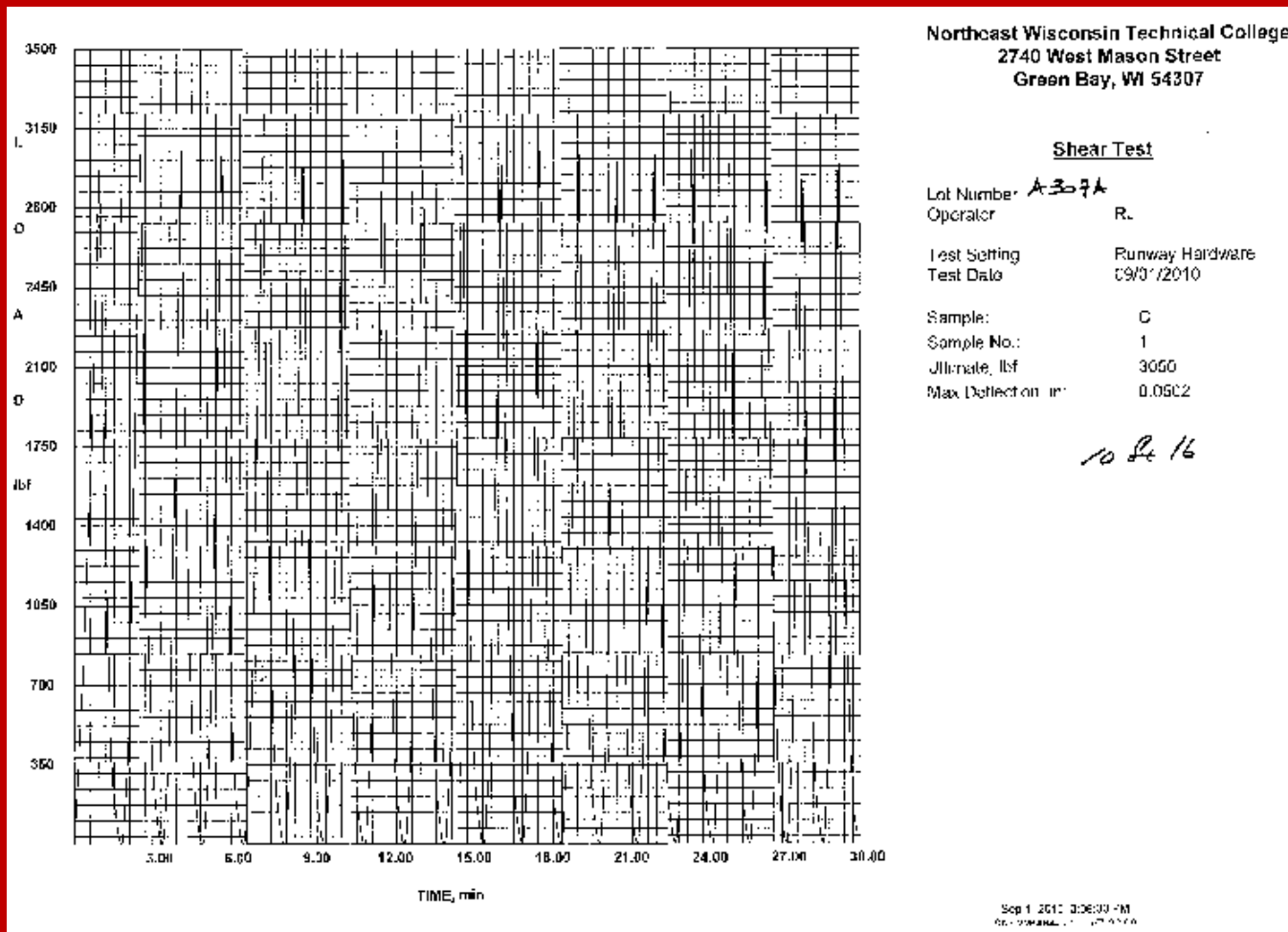
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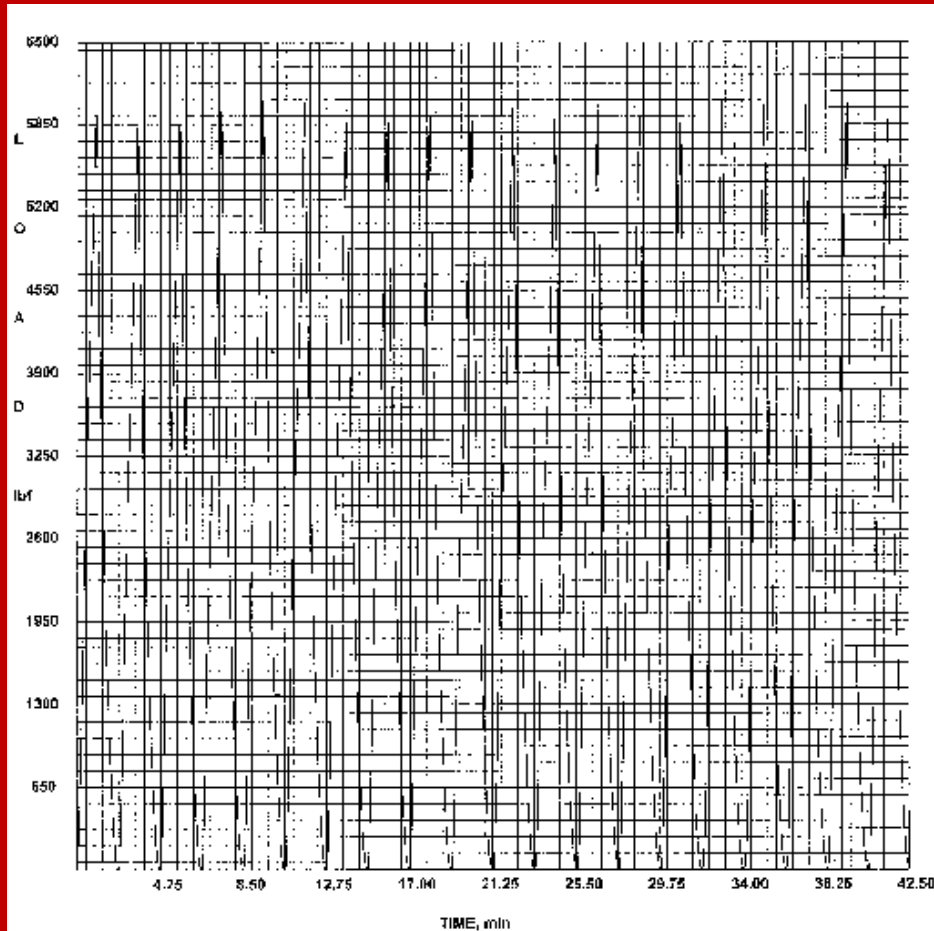
# 1022 (Grade 2) Test Results



# A-36 (A307-A) Test Results



# A-36 (A307-A) Test Results



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## Shear Test

Lot Number  
Operator

A307A  
RJ

Test Setting  
Test Date

Runway Hardware  
09/02/2010

Sample:  
Sample No.  
Ultimate, lbf:  
Max Deflection, in:

C  
5  
803C  
0.0536

10 ft 16

SEP 22 2010 11:09 AM A3  
01:00:00 00 11:09:00

## EB-83 bolts installed



**In the end ...**

**It's the hand that  
turns the wrench that  
keeps the light fixture  
bolted to the light base !**

