

**SSM Technology
Additional Technical Issues**

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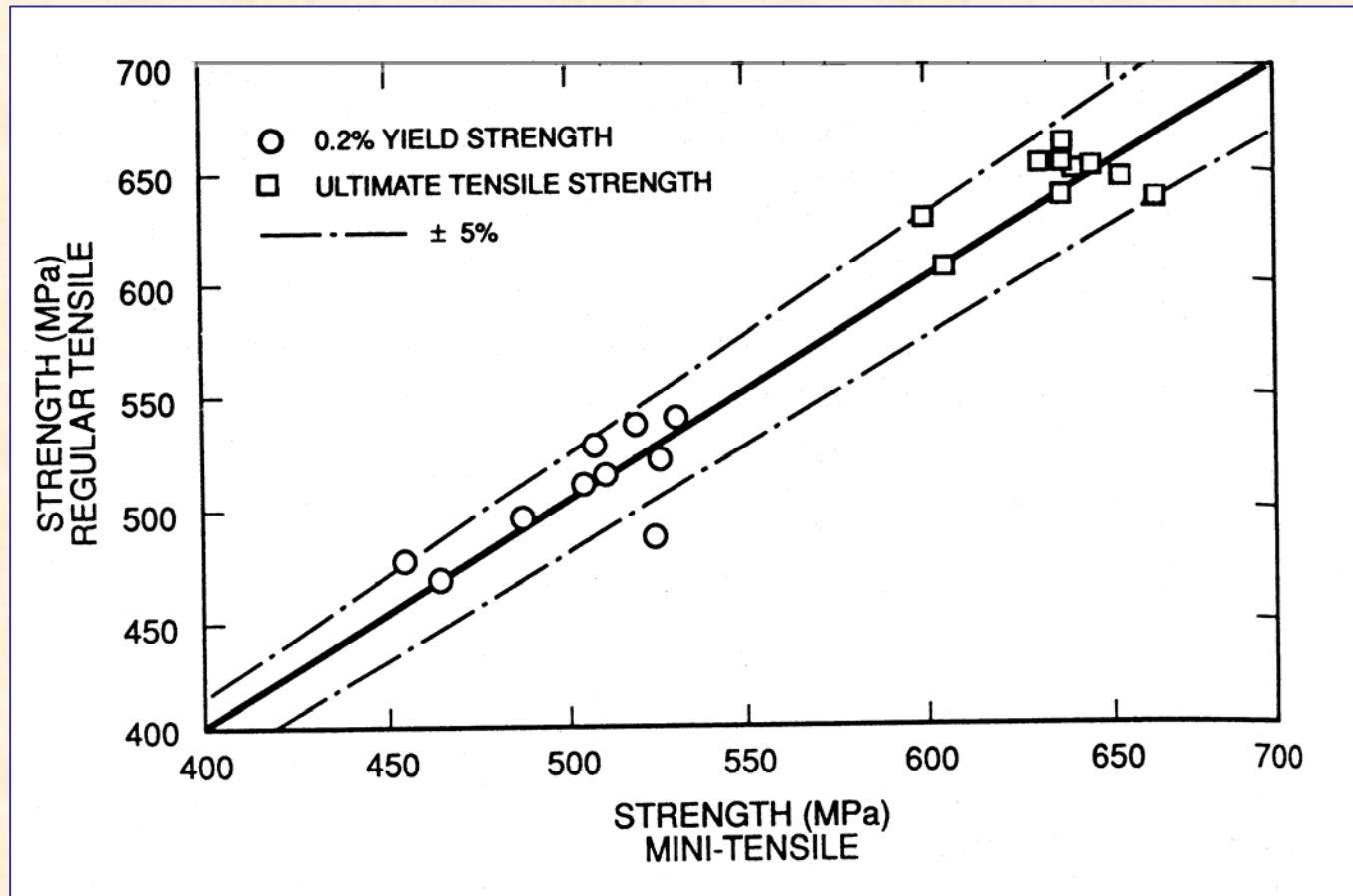


Presentation Outline:

- Full-size versus miniature tensile specimens
- Orientation effects – Transverse versus Longitudinal
- Through-thickness gradients
- Inner and outer pipeline surface differences
- The Battelle hardness approach – technically flawed



Comparison between regular size and miniature tensile specimens of A533 grade B class 1 pressure vessel steel



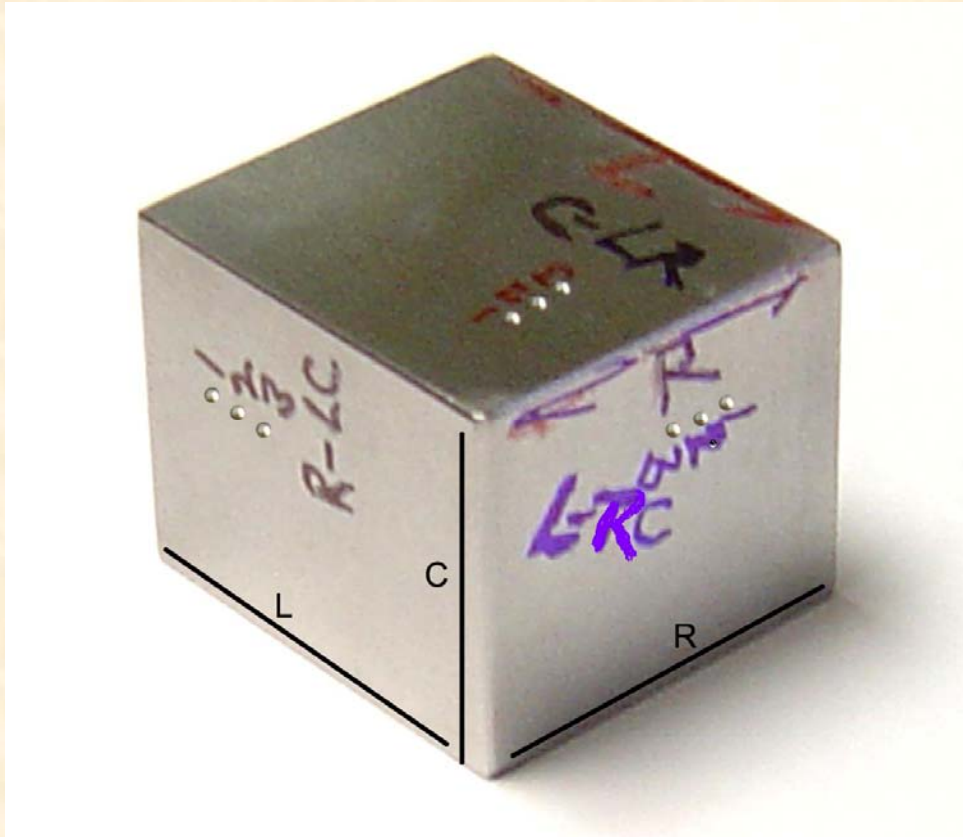
Note: The 45° line represents perfect agreement; the lines to either side represent $\pm 5\%$.

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The ABI Test is Multi-Axis Test and Not Uni-Axial Like the Tensile Test

It Determines the Effect of Test Orientation in Three Combinations of the Three Axes (i.e., R-LC, L-RC, and C-LR)



For In-Situ/Non-destructive Testing of Steel Pipelines, the R-LC is the only orientation possible.

However, on a cut sample the L-RC and the C-LR orientations can be tested.

Triplicate ABI tests were conducted in three orientations (namely, C-LR, R-LC, and L-RC). **The first letter indicates the direction parallel to the indenter axis while the following two letters indicate the plane perpendicular to the indenter spherical tip.**



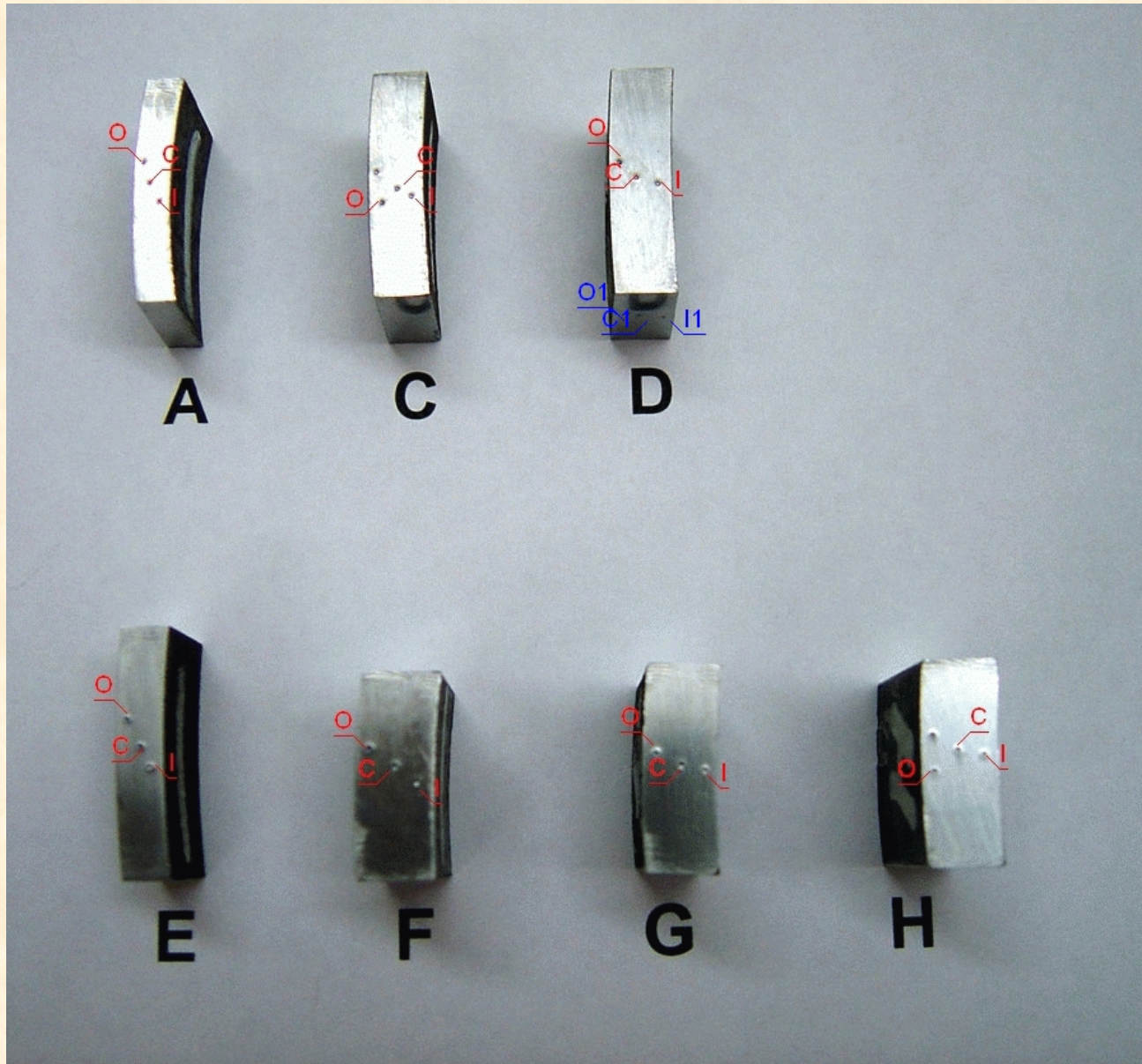
The ABI Test Orientation on the end tabs of both Longitudinal and Transverse tensile specimens is the same R-LC which provides an average of both orientations with agreement within 6%.

| Test Name | ABI | ABI | Tensile | Tensile |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Yield | UTS | Yield | UTS |
| | Strength | | Strength | |
| | [ksi] | [ksi] | [ksi] | [ksi] |
| X-42 Transverse | | | | |
| ABI-X42-C1-1 | 59.0 | 74.4 | 56.2 | 71.2 |
| ABI-PRCI-X42-SC2-3 | 64.2 | 77.0 | 60.6 | 72.6 |
| ABI-PRCI-X42-C3-1 | 65.8 | 80.3 | 62.2 | 74.8 |
| ABI-PRCI-X42-C4-1 | 59.3 | 74.1 | 56.7 | 72.1 |
| Average | 62.1 | 76.5 | 58.9 | 72.7 |
| Standard Deviation | 3.4 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 1.5 |
| X42 Longitudinal | | | | |
| ABI-PRCI-X42-A5-1 | 58.8 | 74.4 | 59.4 | 71.4 |
| ABI-PRCI-X42-A6-1 | 65.3 | 79.7 | 63.4 | 74.4 |
| Average | 62.1 | 77.1 | 61.4 | 72.9 |
| Standard Deviation | 4.6 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 2.1 |
| X52 Transverse | | | | |
| ABI-X52-C2-1 | 68.0 | 84.4 | 75.1 | 83.8 |
| ABI-X52-C3-2 | 76.3 | 90.0 | 76.4 | 86.5 |
| ABI-X52-C4-2 | 77.1 | 92.3 | 75.6 | 85.2 |
| Average | 73.8 | 88.9 | 75.7 | 85.2 |
| Standard Deviation | 5.0 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 1.4 |
| X52 Longitudinal | | | | |
| ABI-PRCI-X52-A5-1 | 73.5 | 90.4 | 74.7 | 87.0 |
| ABI-X52-A6-2 | 78.1 | 93.4 | 78.7 | 85.8 |
| ABI-PRCI-X52-A7-1 | 77.9 | 90.2 | 82.6 | 87.0 |
| ABI-PRCI-X52-A8-1 | 73.6 | 87.6 | 79.2 | 83.1 |
| Average | 75.8 | 90.4 | 78.8 | 85.7 |
| Standard Deviation | 2.6 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 1.8 |

| Test Name | ABI | ABI | Tensile | Tensile |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Yield | UTS | Yield | UTS |
| | Strength | | Strength | |
| | [ksi] | [ksi] | [ksi] | [ksi] |
| X65 Transverse | | | | |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-C1-1 | 80.8 | 90.4 | 83.0 | 89.8 |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-C2-1 | 79.1 | 94.1 | 77.2 | 88.8 |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-C3-1 | 85.6 | 99.1 | 82.6 | 89.6 |
| ABI-X65-C4-1 | 76.9 | 87.6 | 76.6 | 87.0 |
| Average | 80.6 | 92.8 | 79.9 | 88.8 |
| Standard Deviation | 3.7 | 5.0 | 3.4 | 1.3 |
| X65 Longitudinal | | | | |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-A5-1 | 81.1 | 95.5 | 77.9 | 87.4 |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-A6-1 | 83.3 | 97.3 | 85.0 | 91.0 |
| ABI-PRCI-X65-A7-1 | 83.3 | 98.1 | 85.8 | 90.5 |
| ABI-X65-A8-2 | 81.2 | 91.1 | 79.9 | 87.8 |
| Average | 82.2 | 95.5 | 82.2 | 89.2 |
| Standard Deviation | 1.2 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 1.8 |



A total of 24 ABI tests were conducted on 7 Pipeline Steels to verify that Variations in Tensile Properties at Through-Thickness Locations and ABI Test Orientation Effects are Negligible.



Triplicate ABI Tests Conducted on 7 Pipeline Steels at Near Outer Surface (O), Mid-Thickness (C), and Near Inner Surface (I) in the L-CR Orientation Show Negligible Effects on ABI-Measured Tensile Properties. Similarly, triplicate ABI tests on Sample D in the C-LR orientation show negligible effects as compared with results from the L-CR orientation.

| Test Name | Yield Strength | Strength Coefficient (K) | Strain Hardening Exponent (n) | Estimated Engineering UTS [ksi] | Calculated Uniform Ductility [%] | Ratio Yield to UTS | ABI Hardness | Fracture Toughness (ksi*in ^{0.5}) |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---|
| A, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| A-O-1 | 62.7 | 103.7 | 0.1 | 77.9 | 9.4 | 0.80 | 183 (030G) | 191 |
| A-C-1 | 65.8 | 109.9 | 0.1 | 82.5 | 9.4 | 0.80 | 192 (030G) | 197 |
| A-I-1 | 65.9 | 108.6 | 0.1 | 81.9 | 9.1 | 0.80 | 191 (030G) | 194 |
| C, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| C-O-2 | 66.1 | 111.2 | 0.1 | 83.2 | 9.6 | 0.79 | 194 (030G) | 197 |
| C-C-1 | 65.9 | 107.1 | 0.1 | 81.1 | 7.9 | 0.81 | 191 (030G) | 195 |
| C-I-1 | 68.5 | 110.6 | 0.1 | 83.9 | 7.6 | 0.82 | 197 (030G) | 196 |
| D, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| D-O-1 | 67.3 | 113.2 | 0.1 | 84.7 | 9.6 | 0.79 | 197 (030G) | 197 |
| D-C-1 | 70.5 | 108.3 | 0.1 | 83.8 | 6.7 | 0.84 | 199 (030G) | 196 |
| D-I-1 | 73.1 | 112.4 | 0.1 | 86.9 | 6.7 | 0.84 | 204 (030G) | 199 |
| D, Orientation: C-LR | | | | | | | | |
| D-C-LR-O-1 | 71.9 | 109.1 | 0.1 | 84.9 | 6.5 | 0.85 | 202 (030G) | 197 |
| D-C-LR-C-1 | 72.4 | 108.6 | 0.1 | 84.8 | 6.4 | 0.85 | 203 (030G) | 200 |
| D-C-LR-I-1 | 74.3 | 113.1 | 0.1 | 87.9 | 6.6 | 0.85 | 207 (030G) | 202 |
| E, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| E-O-1 | 74.4 | 113.9 | 0.1 | 88.3 | 6.6 | 0.84 | 207 (030G) | 199 |
| E-C-1 | 77.6 | 113.2 | 0.1 | 89.5 | 6.1 | 0.87 | 212 (030G) | 201 |
| E-I-1 | 79.1 | 118.9 | 0.1 | 92.9 | 6.4 | 0.85 | 218 (030G) | 204 |
| F, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| F-O-1 | 48.8 | 89.2 | 0.1 | 64.4 | 10.6 | 0.76 | 156 (030G) | 176 |
| F-C-1 | 50.1 | 88.8 | 0.1 | 64.8 | 10.4 | 0.77 | 158 (030G) | 177 |
| F-I-1 | 48.7 | 91.2 | 0.1 | 65.3 | 10.7 | 0.75 | 158 (030G) | 179 |
| G, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| G-O-1 | 56.4 | 98.9 | 0.1 | 72.7 | 10.2 | 0.78 | 173 (030G) | 186 |
| G-C-1 | 52.7 | 94.0 | 0.1 | 68.5 | 10.3 | 0.77 | 164 (030G) | 180 |
| G-I-1 | 56.6 | 104.4 | 0.1 | 75.4 | 10.5 | 0.75 | 175 (030G) | 189 |
| H, Orientation: L-CR | | | | | | | | |
| H-O-2 | 58.1 | 101.6 | 0.1 | 74.7 | 10.1 | 0.78 | 177 (030G) | 189 |
| H-C-1 | 66.3 | 103.4 | 0.1 | 79.4 | 6.9 | 0.84 | 189 (030G) | 192 |
| H-I-1 | 62.3 | 103.3 | 0.1 | 77.5 | 9.4 | 0.80 | 183 (030G) | 191 |



The average yield and UTS from tests on outer surface (R-LC) are within 4% of the average from through-thickness tests (L-RC).

The ABI tests on the inner pipe surface are slightly higher than the outer surface because the inner surface is in compression while the outer surface is in tensile (ABI test is mostly a compressive test).

**X65 Pipeline Steel
Sample from
Columbia Gas Company**

| Test Name | Yield | Streng. | Strain | Est. | Calc. | Calc. |
|---|-------------|---------|--------|-------------|-------|-------|
| | Streng. | Coeff., | Hard. | Eng. | Eng. | Unif. |
| | | (K) | Exp. | UTS | UTS | Duct. |
| | [ksi] | [ksi] | (n) | [ksi] | [ksi] | [%] |
| ABI Tests on Outer Pipe Surface, R-LC Orientation | | | | | | |
| Columbia Gas-OD-1 | 81.7 | 119.2 | 0.062 | 94.3 | 94.4 | 6.1 |
| Columbia Gas-OD-2 | 80.7 | 124.6 | 0.070 | 96.4 | 96.4 | 6.7 |
| Average | 81.2 | | | 95.4 | | |
| Standard Deviation | 0.7 | | | 1.5 | | |
| ABI Tests at Through-Thickness Locations, L-RC Orientation | | | | | | |
| Columbia Gas-NOD-1 | 79.2 | 117.7 | 0.065 | 92.4 | 92.4 | 6.3 |
| Columbia Gas-CT-1 | 80.9 | 111.2 | 0.054 | 90.1 | 90.2 | 5.6 |
| Columbia Gas-NID-1 | 82.6 | 116.9 | 0.057 | 93.7 | 93.7 | 5.8 |
| Average | 80.9 | | | 92.1 | | |
| Standard Deviation | 1.7 | | | 1.8 | | |
| ABI Tests on Inner Pipe Surface, R-LC Orientation | | | | | | |
| Columbia Gas-ID-1 | 83.4 | 111.8 | 0.050 | 91.6 | 91.7 | 5.3 |
| Columbia Gas-ID-2 | 85.0 | 112.0 | 0.047 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 5.1 |
| Average | 84.2 | | | 92.1 | | |
| Standard Deviation | 1.1 | | | 0.6 | | |



REPORT

Final Report

Determining the Yield Stress of In-Service Transmission Pipelines

To

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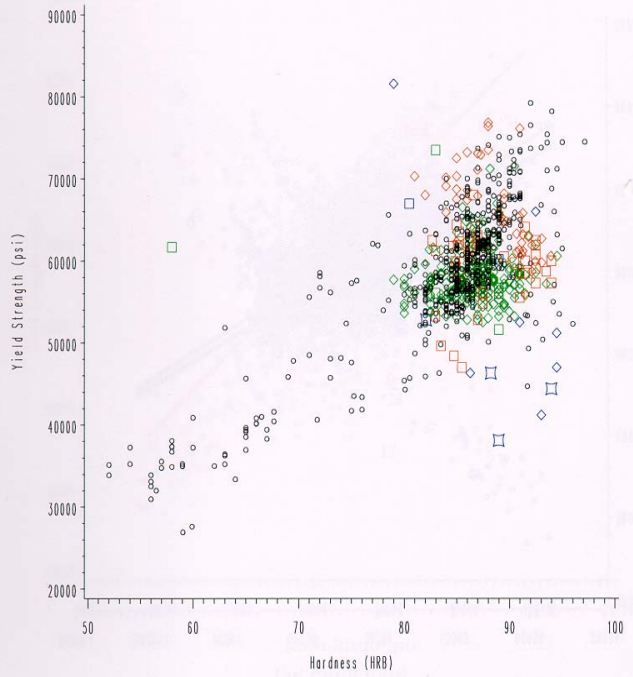
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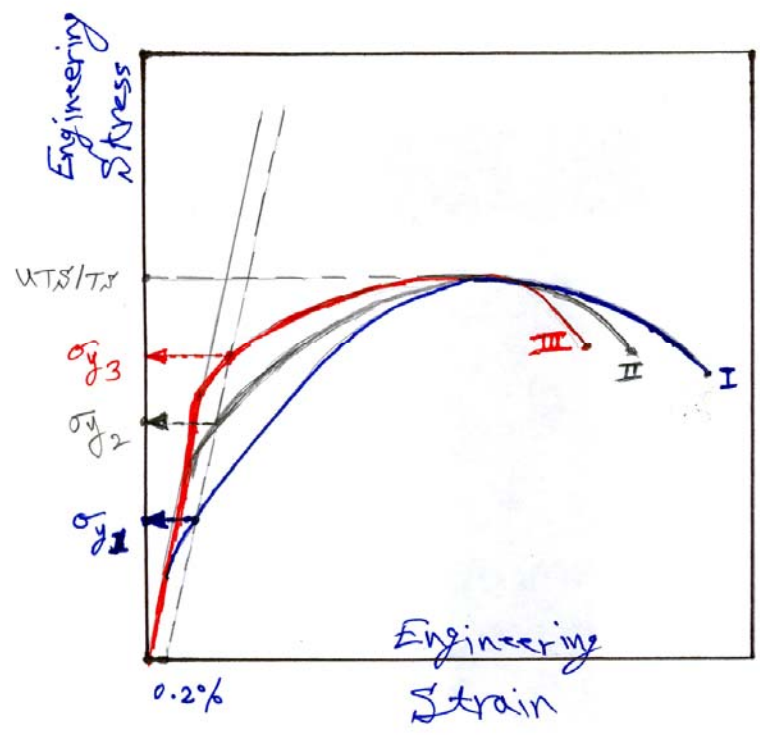
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| Decade | Symbol |
|---------|--------|
| 30's | □ |
| 40's | ○ |
| 50's | ◇ |
| 60's | △ |
| 70's | ⬡ |
| 80's | ⊠ |
| 90's | ☆ |
| Unknown | ● |

Figure 3.14. Yield strength versus Rockwell B hardness by decade of manufacture (distinguished by unique symbol types) — collected data with tensile and hardness property measures



Three steel materials might have the same UTS/TS but have three different values of yield strength because of the shape of their stress-strain curves.

Data from Battelle's report demonstrate that there is no useful correlation between Yield Strength and Hardness Values. There is no physical basis for correlating a hardness value near UTS (at a high strain of 8-10%) to a yield strength at a low strain value (0.2 or 0.5%) while the shape of the stress-strain curve varies with the pipeline grade and thermo-mechanical condition.



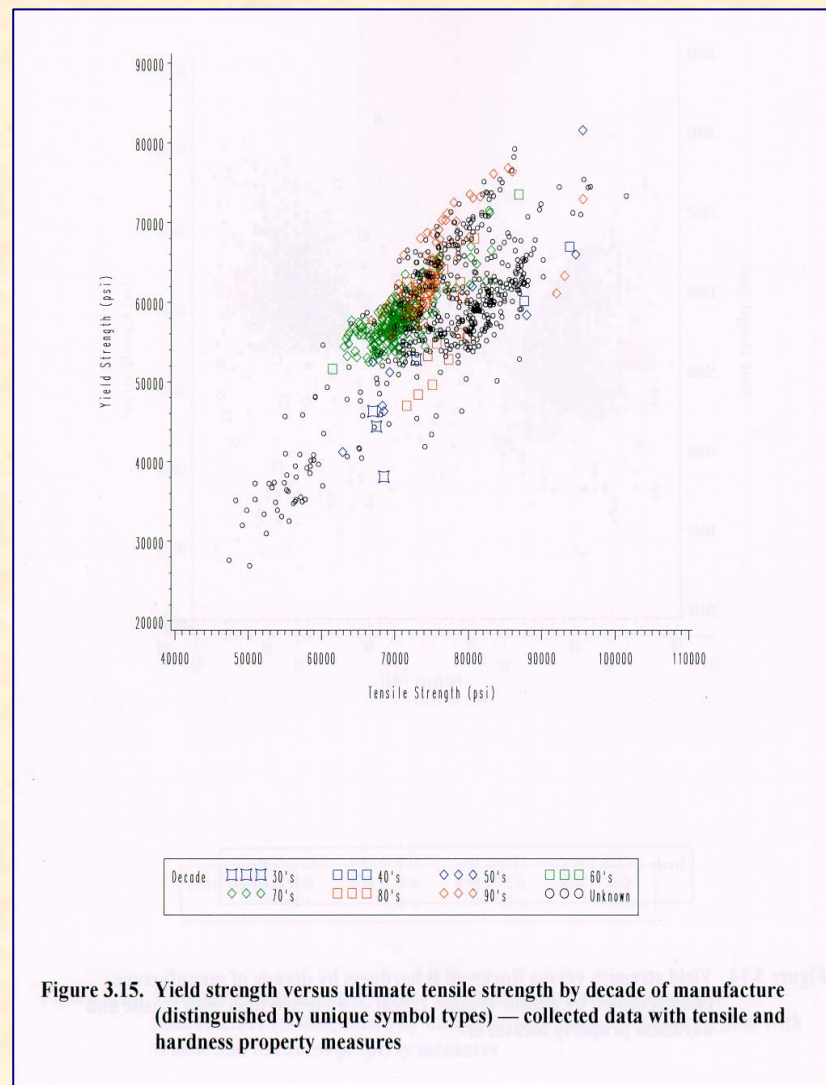


Figure 3.15. Yield strength versus ultimate tensile strength by decade of manufacture (distinguished by unique symbol types) — collected data with tensile and hardness property measures

Data from Battelle's report demonstrate that there is no useful correlation between Yield Strength and Ultimate Strength. Again, there is no basis for any correlation to exist because all steel materials do not have one shape for their engineering stress-strain curves. Pipeline grades have different ductility values and work-hardening behaviors.

