Dynamic Risers for Floating Production Systems
API Standard 2RD
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Introduction

- A new riser design code has been developed to supersede API RP2RD (1998)
- Originally developed as an ISO document by a joint ISO/API task group
- Completed as an API document
- New design criteria introduced, consistent with a limit state philosophy
- Several new sections in the revised document.
- Published September 2013
1998
API RP 2RD was first issued, with industry experience mainly from TTRs for MODUs and TLPs

2003
API Standardization Committee attempted “bridging document” between 1998 API RP 2RD and 2001 DNV-OS-F201

2004
Decision to write a new ISO code instead, based on API & DNV
Significant Changes

- Evolution from working stress design to include limit state design methods
- New chapters:
  - Components
  - Fabrication and Installation
  - Riser Integrity Management
- New annexes:
  - Riser worked examples (SCR, TTR)
  - Supplemental design information
- Reduced size (163 pages to 81 pages)
  - Eliminated three sections
  - Cut materials section from 33 pages to 16 pages
Significant Changes (continued)

- Addressed several key design issues that presented a challenge to designers using API RP 2RD:
  - Burst (hoop stress) criterion
  - Combined loads (4 methods), any of which can be used
  - SCR touchdown stress interpretation
  - Approach to strain-based design
Limits states in API Standard 2RD

- Accidental limit state (ALS)
- Ultimate limit state (ULS)
- Serviceability limit State (SLS)
- Fatigue limit state (FLS)
Capacity of Pipe - Burst

Based on API RP 1111 formula

\[ P_b = k(S+U)\ln(D/(D-2t)) \]

Where

\( k \) is equal to 0.45 for API Spec 5L or 5CT pipe

\( D \) is the outside diameter of the pipe

\( t \) is the nominal thickness of the pipe reduced for corrosion, wear and/or erosion as appropriate

\( S \) is the specified minimum yield strength of the pipe

\( U \) is the specified minimum ultimate strength of the pipe
\[ p_i - p_e \leq F_D p_b \]

- 0.81 Production casing with tubing leek
- 0.81 Drilling riser with extreme pressure
- 0.90 Hydrostatic test
- 0.67 Incidental pressure
- 0.60 Design pressure
Capacity of Pipe - Collapse
$p_e - p_i \leq F_D p_c$

6. SLS, ULS cold expanded pipe
7. SLS, ULS seamless or ERW pipe
1.0 ALS
Capacity of Pipe – Tension and Moment

- Tension capacity
  
  \[ T = \frac{A}{t} \]

  where:

  \( A \) is the pipe cross-section area

- Yield Moment
  
  \[ M_y = \frac{4}{2} ( - )^2 \]

- Plastic moment capacity
  
  \[ M_p = 4 \]
1. **Elastic (Working Stress) Design**
   - Rearranges 1998 API RP 2RD
   - Relates cross-sectional T & M utilization to internal & external overpressure

2. **Elastic / perfect-plastic (Limit State)**
   - Approach from DNV F101 and ISO 13628-7

3. **Plastic with Strain Hardening (Limit State)**
   - DNV F201
   - LRFD, with partial safety factors

4. **API RP 1111 Approach**
   - Limits combined stress from axial loads and pressure
   - Imposes separate limit on bending strain
Design for Fatigue

\[
\text{Damage} = \frac{I}{1} = 1
\]

\[
\text{Damage} \leq 0.1 \quad \text{during service life}
\]

\[
\text{Damage} = 0.1 \quad \text{during a single ULS event}
\]

\[
\text{Damage} = 1.0 \quad \text{during a single ALS event}
\]
Materials

Requirements and guidelines for

- Material selection
- Manufacture
- Testing
- Corrosion protection
- Fabrication
- Inspection
- Documentation

References DNV-RP-F201 for titanium alloys
Case Study

- X70 grade 18-inch oil export SCR
- Floater: Semi-submersible
- Location: GOM
- Water depth 2000 m
- Combined loading checks for ULS and ALS cases
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Figure 1: von-Mises stress utilization ULS case (100 yr hurricane, intact mooring)
ULS utilization based on Method 1 and Method 2
ULTS utilization based on Method 3 and Method 4
• Questions?