



Fig. 1. Modes of failure.

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Biography:

Professor Purnendu Das. BE, ME, PhD, C.Eng, C.MarEng, FRINA, FIMarEST has been the Director of 'ASRANet Ltd' (an ISO 9001-2008 certified spin out company of the Universities of Glasgow and Strathclyde) from its inception in February 2006. He recently retired as Professor of Marine Structures in the Department of Naval Architecture & Marine Engineering at the University of Strathclyde, UK. Past EU projects were MARSTRUCT (a network of excellence on Marine Structure) and SHIPDISMANTL (a cost effective and environmentally friendly dismantling of ship structures). Past industrial projects included work from the UK Health and Safety Executive (HSE), MoD UK, Subsea-7 UK, Shell, Woodgroup and US Navies etc. He was the principal investigator of many EPSRC projects. Before joining the University of Glasgow in 1991 he worked

with British Maritime Technology as Principal Structural Engineer (1984-91). He is the author of more than 250 publications, including contract reports and more than 60 journal papers and is a member of the editorial boards of the 'Journal of Marine Structures', 'Journal of Ship & Offshore Structures', 'Journal of Engineering under Uncertainty: Hazards, Assessment and Mitigation' and 'Journal of Ocean and Climate System' amongst others. His areas of research include limit state design and analysis & reliability analysis of ship & offshore structures. Professor Das has wide ranging industrial and academic contacts and has advised and supervised 20 PhD students, to his credit. Details of visits and collaborations include his various sabbatical study periods spent at University of California, Berkeley, USA (July – September 1996), at Lloyd's Register of Shipping (August 1997), Kockums Ltd (July 1998) and spent some time at Instituto Superior Técnico (IST), Lisbon (July 2000). He has been running various successful CPD courses which are attracting many people from different industries. These courses are on 'Fatigue & Fracture Analysis', 'Ships at Sea', 'Advanced Analysis and Design of Offshore Structures', 'Offshore Floating System Design', 'Structural Response under Fire and Blast Loading' and 'Design of Pipelines and Risers' amongst others. He was a member of ISSC (International Ship and Offshore Structure Congress) for the periods of 1991-97 and 2003-2006. He was a member of the OMAE (Offshore Mechanics and Arctic Engineering) Organising Committee on 'Safety and Reliability'. He has organised six ASRANet International Conferences in 2002 (Glasgow), 2004 (Barcelona), 2006 (Glasgow), 2008 (Athens), 2010 (Edinburgh) and 2012 (London) where a large number of participants from various countries attended. He is now the member of "Research committee" of the Institution of Structural Engineers (I.Struct.E) London.

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