NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING OF METALS/ALLOYS

- NDT is testing of materials without destroying them.
- Purpose is to detect and evaluate any defects or predict the strength and serviceability of the parts
- To initiate preventive maintenance programs
- In-situ without damaging the parts

NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING OF METALS/ALLOYS

VARIOUS METHODS:-

- Magnetic particle inspection
- X-Ray radiography
- Gamma Radiography
- Ultra sonic Testing
- Electrical Method

Damping Test

Non-Magnetic methods

Optical Holography method

Hardness Testing

MPI:-

- For detecting flaws in magnetizable materials
- Visible indication of defects produced on surface of defect
- Method will locate cracks/surface defects
- Magnaflux is commonly associated
- Grinding cracks & fatigue cracks detected
- Magnetic powder i.e.ferromagnetic particles
- Wet technique- red/black oxide in water etc

X- RAY RADIOGRAPHY

- For internal cavities/discontinuities
- Emergent radiation is detected & recorded $I = I_0 e^{\mu x}$
- Io = Intensity of incident X ray radiation
- I= Intensity of emergent X ray radiation
- x = Thickness of absorbing material

RADIOGRAPHY

INCLUDES X-RAYS, GAMMA RAY & VARIATIONS OF THESE METHODS.

- PASSING RAYS THROUGH MATERIALS TO BE TESTED
- REVEAL INTERNAL STRUCTURE
- APPLICATION IN FOUNDRY & WELDED PRODUCTS

GAMMA RADIOGRAPHY

- PRINCIPLE SAME AS X-RAY RADIOGRAPHY
- SHORTER WAVELENGTH , MORE PENETRATING
- SMALL SIZE, HIGH PENETRATION, LOW COST
- LOW INTENSITY THUS LONG EXPOSURE
- SHORT HALF LIFE SO DECAY OR REPLACEMENT
- PROTECTION IS NECESSARY.

ULTRASONIC INSPECTION

- Frequency is 15 kilocycles/sec upwards.
 Railroads, water or pipe parts etc. are tested for cracks.
- Ultrasonic waves are produced by piezoelectric effect
- A discontinuity or flaw in specimen will send back an echo