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# Surface modification method using flow cavitation

Surface modification method to improve fatigue strength of metallic material by impact force generated during bubble collapse

# Overview

Cavitation is a phenomenon where a liquid becomes an air bubble due to the decrease of saturated steam pressure of the liquid caused by pressure decrease occurred by the velocity increase of a liquid. In particular, group-row cavitation consisting of microbubbles produces a large impact force. Cavitation shotless peening which uses this phenomenon, has a smoother machined surface and higher fatigue strength than the method which uses steel balls (shot peening).

Operation in air is also possible without using a water tank, by injecting a high speed water jet into a low speed water jet.

# Product Application

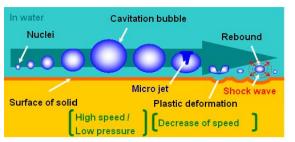
- Processing device to improve fatigue strength
- Processing device to apply compressive residual stress
- Equipment to promote animal and plant growth

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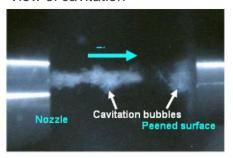
### What is cavitation?



#### Cavitation device



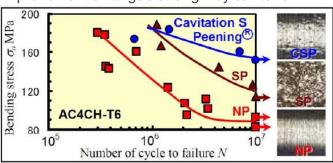
#### View of cavitation



# Impact force measurement



# Improvement of fatigue strength by cavitation



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