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# **Design and Analysis of Train Brake**



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#### **ABSTRACT:**

Brakes are used on the cars of railway trains to enable deceleration, control acceleration (downhill) or to keep them standing when parked. While the basic principle is familiar from road vehicle usage, operational features are more complex because of the need to control multiple linked carriages and to be effective on vehicles left without a prime mover. Clasp brakes are one type of brakes historically used on trains. The present work is directed towards the modeling of Train brake pad in 3D CAD software called SOLIDWORKS. According to the existing air brake system of Railway coach the brake force applied per one brake block is 2, 2.5 & 3TON. The drawbacks due to existing brake force on the brake blocks are thermal cracks on wheel tread, brake binding and reduced life of brake block. Analysis is done in Solidworks simulation. By comparing the results for three materials before optimization, stress obtained is less for Titanium alloy when compared with Structural steel and grey cast iron. But structural steel has yielded less deformation compared to other materials. Therefore, from the present research it can be concluded that using Titanium alloy is best for train brake.

#### I. INTRODUCTION:

A brake is a mechanical device that inhibits motion by absorbing energy from a moving system. It is used for slowing or stopping a moving vehicle, wheel, axle, or to prevent its motion, most often accomplished by means of friction.



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Most brakes commonly use friction between two pressed together to convert the kinetic surfaces energy of the moving object into heat, though other methods of energy conversion may be employed. For example, braking converts much of the energy to electrical energy, which may be stored for later use. Other methods convert energy into potential energy in such stored forms as pressurized air or pressurized oil. Eddy current brakes use magnetic fields to convert kinetic energy into electric current in the brake disc, fin, or rail, which is converted into heat. Still other braking methods even transform kinetic energy into different forms, for example by transferring the energy to a rotating flywheel. Brakes are generally applied to rotating axles or wheels, but may also take other forms such as the surface of a moving fluid (flaps deployed into water or air). Some vehicles use a combination of mechanisms, such as drag racing cars with both wheel brakes and a parachute, or airplanes with both wheel brakes and drag flaps raised into the air during landing. Since kinetic energy increases quadratically with velocity (  $K = mv^2/2$ ), an object moving at 10 m/s has 100 times as much energy as one of the same mass moving at 1 m/s, and consequently the theoretical braking distance, when braking at the traction limit, is 100 times as long. In practice, fast vehicles usually have significant air drag, and energy lost to air drag rises quickly with speed. Almost all wheeled vehicles have a brake of some sort. Even baggage carts and shopping carts may have them for use on a moving ramp.



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Most fixed-wing aircraft are fitted with wheel brakes on the undercarriage. Some aircraft also feature air brakes designed to reduce their speed in flight. Notable examples include gliders and some World War II-era aircraft, primarily some fighter aircraft and many dive bombers of the era. These allow the aircraft to maintain a safe speed in a steep descent. The Saab В 17 dive bomber and Vought F4U Corsair fighter used the deployed undercarriage as an air brake. Friction brakes on automobiles store beaking heat in the drum brake or disc brake while braking then conduct it to the air gradually. When traveling downhill some vehicles can use their engines to brake.

#### II. LITERATURE REVIEW DAMPING OF POWER SWINGS BY CONTROL OF BRAKING RESISTORS[2001]

**Abstract:** In this paper an analysis of the stability enhancement and improved damping of power swings in a multi-machine power system by means of thyristor-controlled braking resistor installed in the network has been presented. The control law has been derived using direct Lyapunov method and non-linear multi-machine system model. It is optimal in the sense that it causes the quickest dissipation of the power system energy released by a disturbance. Simple implementation of this control using only locally available signal has been also demonstrated. A computer simulation of a multi-machine power system model has verified the effectiveness of the proposed algorithm

# IMPROVEMENTOFPOWERSYSTEMTRANSIENTSTABILITYBYCOORDINATEDOPERATIONOFFASTVALVINGANDBRAKING RESISTOR[2003]

**Abstract:** Fast valving and braking resistors. individually, are an effective means of improving the stability of a power system under large and sudden disturbances. The fast valving schemes, like other methods, are not always suitable for all power systems for enhancing the transient stability. Minor variations in the switching parameters of the fast valving scheme drastically affect the stability of the system. Moreover, there are some other associated problems such as risk of safety valve operation owing to increased boiler pressure, the problem of second swing instability etc. Similarly the dynamic braking resistor has its own limitations such as excessive heat loss and the resultant temperature rise of the resistor. Therefore, coordinated fast valving and braking resistor control is proposed. The coordinated control scheme is very effective in reducing the mismatch between the mechanical input power and electrical power output of the generator, thereby reducing the generator accelerating power during the fault period. Ths dual control from load side and generation side substantially improves the transient stability perf@miance of the system. Various schemes of fast valving control and coordinated control operation were tested on a single machine infinite bus system and the results are compared.

#### III. DESIGNING OF TRAIN BRAKE

According to RDSO (Research and Development Standards Organization), Lucknow, the following are standard designed values for Railway air brake system. •Brake cylinder diameter: 355.6 mm (14 inches).

- •Effective piston force of brake cylinder: 3.6 tons.
- •Number of brake cylinders per coach: 2
- •Number of brake bogie levers per coach: 4
- •Mechanical efficiency of brake rigging: 0.9.
- •Brake rigging ratio: 0.9.

•Number of brake blocks per one coach: 16 Mechanical advantage of bogie Bogie leverage ratio X no. of bogie levers

Mechanical advantage of complete brake system Mechanical advantage of bogie X Horizontal leverage ratio





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#### STATIC ANALYSIS OF TRAIN BRAKE PAD

Static analysis of Train brake is done by applying three different materials namely structural steel, Grey cast iron and titanium alloy .2Ton, 2.5Ton &3Ton braking forces are applied to each of the material.

## IV. STATIC ANALYSIS OF TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING STRUCTURAL STEEL BY APPLYING 2TON BRAKING FORCE



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## STATIC ANALYSIS OF TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING STRUCTURAL STEEL BY APPLYING 2.5TON BRAKING FORCE

By applying 2.5 brake force with same boundary conditions results are as follows:

Study Results





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## STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING STRUCTURAL BY APPLYING 3TON BRAKING FORCE



## STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING GREY CAST IRON BY APPLYING 2TON BRAKING FORCE





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## STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING GREY CAST IRON BY APPLYING 2.5TON BRAKING FORCE





## STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING GREY CAST IRON BY APPLYING 3TON BRAKING FORCE



#### STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING TITANIUM ALLOY BY APPLYING 2TON BRAKING FORCE





## STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING TITANIUM ALLOY BY APPLYING 2.5TON BRAKING



# STATIC ANALYSIS OF OPTIMISED TRAIN BRAKE PAD USING TITANIUM ALLOY BY APPLYING 3TON BRAKING



## IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS BEFORE OPTIMISATION

Von misses stress for three materials by applying 2,2.5 and 3TONbraking force

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	structural steel	Grey cast iron	Titanium alloy
2TON	107.65	112.36	106.2
2.5TON	133.65	141.86	132.72
3TON	160.74	182	159.6

Resultant displacement for three materials by applying 2,2.5 and 3TONbraking force

	structural	Grey cast	Titanium
	steel	iron	alloy
2TON	0.374	0.958	0.74
2.5TON	0.468	1.41	0.88
3TON	0.562	1.69	1.05

## **V. CONCLUSIONS**

- Brakes are used on the cars of railway trains to enable deceleration, control acceleration (downhill) or to keep them standing when parked. While the basic principle is familiar from road vehicle usage, operational features are more complex because of the need to control multiple linked carriages and to be effective on vehicles left without a prime mover. Clasp brakes are one type of brakes historically used on trains.
- Continuous power dissipation Brakes typically get hot in use, and fail when the temperature gets too high. The greatest amount of power (energy per unit time) that can be dissipated through the brake without failure is the continuous power dissipation. Continuous power dissipation often depends on e.g., the temperature and speed of ambient cooling air. Fade As a brake heats, it may become less effective, called brake fade. Some designs are inherently prone to fade, while other designs are relatively immune. Further, use considerations, such as cooling, often have a big effect on fade.
- **Smoothness** A brake that is grabby, pulses, has chatter, or otherwise exerts varying brake force may lead to skids. For example, railroad wheels have little traction, and friction brakes without an

anti-skid mechanism often lead to skids, which increases maintenance costs and leads to a "thump thump" feeling for riders inside.

- **Power** Brakes are often described as "powerful" when a small human application force leads to a braking force that is higher than typical for other brakes in the same class. This notion of "powerful" does not relate to continuous power dissipation, and may be confusing in that a brake may be "powerful" and brake strongly with a gentle brake application, yet have lower (worse) peak force than a less "powerful" brake.
- The present work is directed towards the modeling of Train brake pad in a 3D CAD software called SOLIDWORKS. According to the existing air brake system of Railway coach the brake force applied per one brake block is 2.187tons.
- The following drawbacks due to existing brake force on the brake blocks - thermal cracks on wheel tread, brake binding and reduced life of brake block.
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