

# Performance Analysis of Cab' Hydraulic Isolation System on a Double-Drum Vibratory Roller Ride Comfort

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**ABSTRACT:** In order to analyze the ride comfort performance of cab' hydraulic isolation system of a double-drum vibratory roller, a half-vehicle dynamic model is established under the different operating conditions. Then, two mathematical models with the damping characteristics of the hydraulic and original rubber isolations are set up to analyze and compare the ride comfort performance of theirs. The weighted root mean square (rms) of acceleration responses of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab ( $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$ ) according to the ISO 2631:1997(E) standard is chosen as objective functions. The study results indicate that the  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  values with cab's hydraulic isolation system reduce significantly in comparison with those of the original rubber cab isolation system, which means that the performance of drum's isolation systems is better than the original vehicle in improving the vehicle ride comfort.

**KEYWORDS:** Vibratory roller, hydraulic isolation system, rubber isolation system, cab, ride comfort

## I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, vibration roller market has required increasingly not only on working capacity but also ride comfort. Thus, in order to reduce the effect of vibration to operators, identification and elimination of vibration sources are the most important tasks to achieve optimum design. In realistic working conditions, a vibratory roller operates and moves on various kinds of soil ground, the vibration excitation sources causing vehicle's body vibration are only the excitations of the interaction between wheel and deformation ground soil, but also are the excitations of vibration drum

and engine which is one of the main reasons for driver's health as well as labor efficiency. The characteristics of traditional rubber isolation system of vibratory roller of cab were reviewed and investigated its effect on vehicle ride comfort using CAD/CAE model and vehicle dynamic models. The characteristics of the hydraulic cab isolation system of an earth-moving machinery cab were analyzed and evaluated by a 3D cab dynamic model with six degrees of freedom [2]. In order to improve the ride comfort of the vibratory roller of cab, the design parameters of cab's auxiliary rubber isolation system were optimized using CAD/CAE models [3]. A similar study, the design parameters of cab's main rubber isolation system were optimized using CAD/CAE models [4]. The design parameters of cab's rubber isolation system of single drum vibratory roller were optimized by using a half-vehicle ride dynamic model and a method of combining a genetic algorithm (GA) and a multi-objective optimization algorithm [5]. The design parameters of cab's isolation system of a single drum vibratory roller were optimized by using 3D nonlinear dynamic model and the improved genetic algorithm NSGA-II [6]. The hydro pneumatic isolation (HPI) of the cab combined by the high static stiffness and nonlinear viscous damping of the pneumatic isolation; and nonlinear adjustable damping of the hydraulic isolation were proposed to analyze its effect on the ride comfort of a single drum vibratory roller using a nonlinear dynamic model of the soil compactor interacting with the deformable terrains [7]. The liquid-filled cab mount system (LCMs) with an annular orifice and an original rubber cab mount system (RCMs) was recommended and compared the ride performance

of a double-drum vibratory roller under the operating conditions [8].

The purpose of this paper is to establish a half-vehicle dynamic model of a double-drum vibratory roller under the different operating conditions for analyzing the ride comfort performance of cab' hydraulic damping rubber isolation system. The weighted root mean square (r.m.s) of acceleration responses of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab ( $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$ ) according to the ISO 2631:1997(E) standard is chosen as objective functions. The ride comfort performance of cab' hydraulic damping rubber isolation system is analyzed and compared with cab's original rubber isolation system under the different operating conditions.

## II. HALF-VEHICLE DYNAMIC MODEL

A half-vehicle dynamic model of a double-drum vibratory roller consists of the masses of the dynamic drums, frame, cab and driver's seat,  $m_{di}$ ,  $m_b$ ,  $m_c$  and  $m_s$ , as shown in Figure 1. where,  $I_b$  and  $I_c$  are the inertia moment of the vehicle body and cab body, respectively;  $k_{si}$ ,  $k_{di}$  and  $k_s$  are the stiffness coefficients of elastic road surfaces, front and rear mount systems of dynamic drums and suspension system of driver seat, respectively;  $c_{si}$ ,  $c_{di}$ ,  $c_s$  are the damping coefficients of elastic road surfaces, front and rear mount systems of dynamic drums and suspension system of driver seat, respectively;  $z_{di}$ ,  $z_b$ ,  $z_c$  and  $z_s$  are the front dynamic drum, rear dynamic drum, vehicle body, cab body and driver seat displacements, respectively;  $\varphi_b$  and  $\varphi_c$  are the pitch angular displacements of vehicle body and cab body, respectively;  $q_i$  are the excitations of ground surface roughness at front and rear dynamic drums, respectively;  $l_j$  are the distances;  $F_{ei} = F_{0i} \sin(\omega_i t)$  are the excitation forces for the dynamic drums;  $F_{0i}$  are the force amplitudes;  $\omega_i$  are the angular frequencies of the vibrators;  $F_{ci}$  are the vertical forces of cab's isolation system and  $v$  is the vehicle speed ( $i=1 \div 2$ ,  $j=1 \div 6$ ).

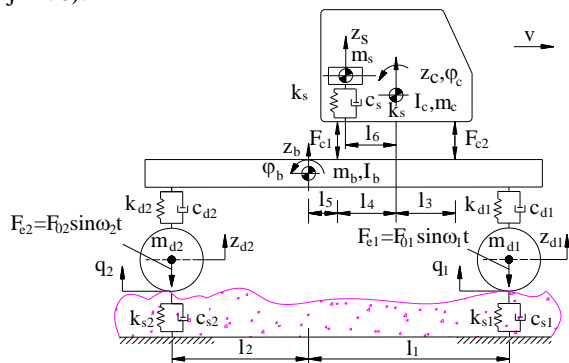


Figure 1. Half-vehicle dynamic model of a double-drum vibratory roller

The equations of motion of the bodies in Fig.2 could be written by using a combined method of the multi-body system theory and D'Alembert's principle as follows.

The equations of motion for the vertical and pitch motions of cab are written as follows

$$m_c \ddot{z}_c = F_s - F_{c1} - F_{c2} \quad (1)$$

$$I_c \ddot{\varphi}_c = F_s l_6 - F_{c1} l_3 + F_{c2} l_4 \quad (2)$$

The equations of motion for the vertical and pitch motions of vehicle are written as follows

$$m_b \ddot{z}_b = F_{c1} + F_{c2} - F_{d1} - F_{d2} \quad (3)$$

$$I_b \ddot{\varphi}_b = -F_{d1} l_1 + F_{d2} l_2 + F_{c2} l_5 + F_{c1} (l_3 + l_4 + l_5) \quad (4)$$

The equation of driver seat motion is written as follows

$$m_s \ddot{z}_s = -F_s \quad (5)$$

where,  $F_s$  is the vertical driver seat force which is determined by Eq. (6),  $F_{ci}$  are the vertical forces of cab isolation system and  $F_{di}$  are the vertical forces of front and rear mount systems of drums which could be determined through two cases.

$$F_s = [k_s (z_s - z_c + l_6 \varphi_c) + c_s (\dot{z}_s - \dot{z}_c + l_6 \dot{\varphi}_c)] \quad (6)$$

**Case 1:** Vehicle moves into the construction site. Vehicle moves on the ground surface and dynamic drums is uncompressed. The drum of vibratory roller contact with the rigid ground surface. The vertical forces of front and rear mount systems of drums are defined as

$$F_{d1} = k_{d1} (z_f + l_1 \varphi_f - q_d) + c_{d1} (\dot{z}_f + l_1 \dot{\varphi}_f - \dot{q}_d) \quad (7)$$

$$F_{d2} = k_{d2} (z_f - l_2 \varphi_f - q_d) + c_{d2} (\dot{z}_f - l_2 \dot{\varphi}_f - \dot{q}_d) \quad (8)$$

where,  $q_i$  are the excitations of the rigid ground surface which is described based on the International Standards Organization (ISO 8608) [10].

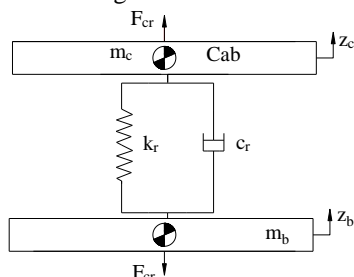
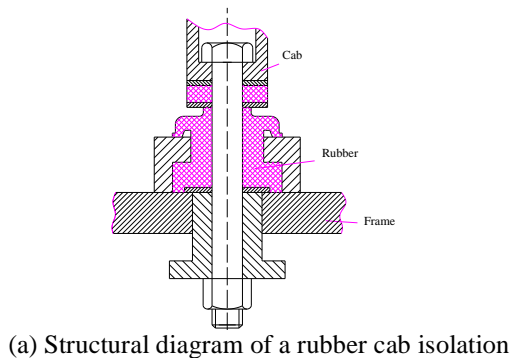
**Case 2:** Vehicle operates in the construction site. Condition 1: When both front and rear dynamic drums compact on the original place, the motion equations of the front and rear dynamic drums are written as follows

$$m_{d1} \ddot{z}_{d1} = F_{e1} + F_{d1} - k_{s1} z_{d1} - c_{s1} \dot{z}_{d1} \quad (9)$$

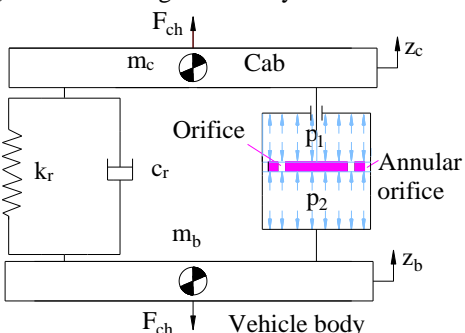
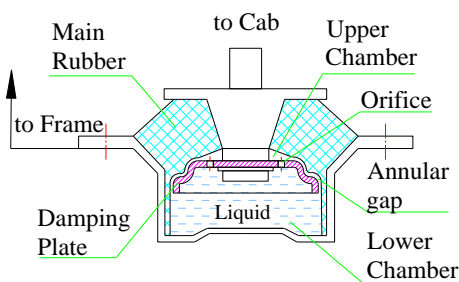
$$m_{d2} \ddot{z}_{d2} = F_{e2} + F_{d2} - k_{s2} z_{d2} - c_{s2} \dot{z}_{d2} \quad (10)$$

Condition 2: When both front dynamic drum compact on the elastic soil grounds, and rear dynamic drum moves on the rigid ground surfaces, the equation of motion for front dynamic drum is determined by Eq.(9) and the vertical forces of rear mount systems of dynamic drum is determined by Eq.(8).

A structural diagram of rubber cab isolation (RCI) is shown in Figure 2 (a) and adynamic model of RCI is shown in Figure 2 (b) which consists of the masses of fame and cab,  $m_f$ , and  $m_c$ , the elastic stiffness of rubber parts and damping coefficient due to the internal frictions,  $k_r$ , and  $c_r$ . A structural diagram of hydraulic cab isolation (HCI) shown in Figure 3 (a) and anonlinear dynamical model of HCM is shown in Figure 3(b) which consists of the pressure in chamber 1 and chamber 2,  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ .



**Figure 2.** Model of rubber isolation



(b) Nonlinear dynamical model of a hydraulic cab isolation

**Figure 3.** Model of hydraulic isolation

Based on Fig. 2 (b), the total vertical forces of RCI could be achieved by

$$F_{cr} = k_r (z_c - z_b) + c_r (\dot{z}_c - \dot{z}_b) \quad (11)$$

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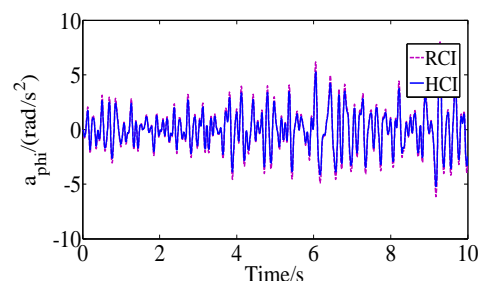
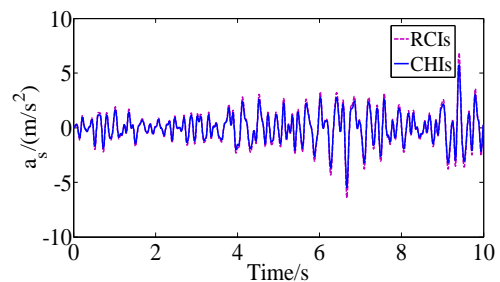
$$F_{cr} = k_r (z_c - z_b) + c_r (\dot{z}_c - \dot{z}_b) + c_f |\dot{z}_c - \dot{z}_b| (\dot{z}_c - \dot{z}_b)$$

where,  $c_f$  is the damping coefficient through the orifices and the annular gap.

### III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In order to analyze and evaluate the ride comfort performance of HCI of vibratory roller compared with RCI under the different operating conditions, the differential equations of motion of vehicle are simulated using the MATLAB/Simulink software with design parameters of vehicle, RCI, HCI in the references [1-2].

**Case 1:** The comparison results of the time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with RCIs and HCIs when the vehicle moves on very poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at  $v=5$  km/h are shown in Figure 4.

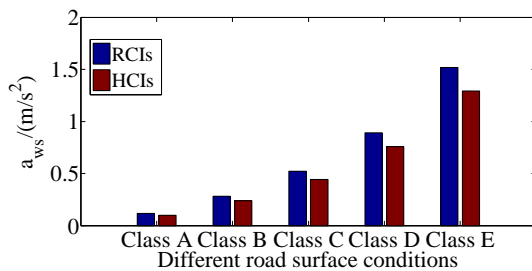


**Figure 4.** The comparison of time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with HCIs and RCIs when the vehicle moves on very

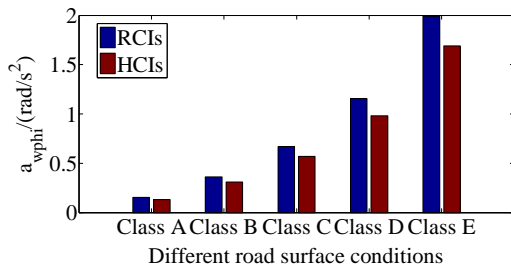
poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at  $v=5$  km/h

The obtained results of Figure 4 show that the peak amplitude values of the time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs.

In order to compare performance of HCIs and RCIs, the vehicle moving on five road surface conditions (from ISO class A to ISO class E in ISO 8068 [9]) at vehicle speed of 5 km/h. The values of the weighted r.m.s. acceleration of the vertical driver's seat ( $a_{ws}$ ) and the pitch vibration of cab ( $a_{wphi}$ ) are shown in Fig 5. Fig 5 shows that the values of  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs under the different road surface conditions and the values of  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs increase fast when vehicle moves on the worse road surface conditions, especially on ISO class C, ISO class D and ISO class E and that leads to a decrease in vehicle ride comfort.



(a) The vertical driver's seat

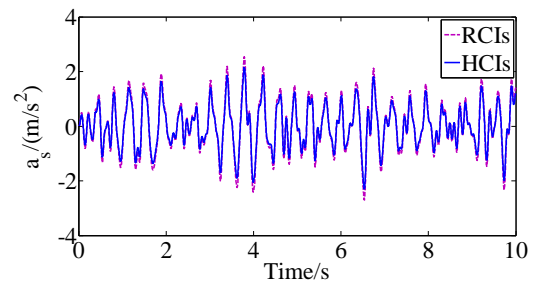


(b) The pitch vibration of cab

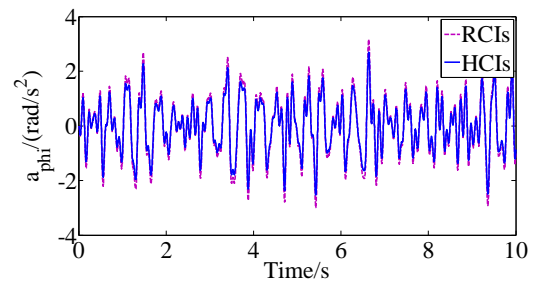
**Figure 5.** The comparison of the  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  values with HCIs and RCIs when the vehicle moves under the different road surface conditions at vehicle speed of 5 km/h.

**Case 2:** The comparison results of the time domain of  $a_s$  and  $a_{cphi}$  with HCIs and RCIs when the front drum compacts with the elastic soil ground parameters as  $k_{s1}=1.0 \times 10^7$  N/m,  $c_{s1}=2.1 \times 10^5$  (Ns/m) and the front dynamic excitation force as  $F_{01}=0.128 \times 10^6$  N,  $f_1=48$  Hz and rear dynamic drum moves on very poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at  $v=2$  km/h are shown in Fig.6.

The obtained results of Figure 6 show that the peak amplitude values of the time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs. The ride performance of HCIs is better than RCIs, because the structure of HCIs is designed according to the orifices and the annular gap which increase the coefficient of hydraulic damping. The damping coefficient of isolation greatly affects the ride comfort of vehicle.



(a) The comparison of the time domain of the vertical driver's seat with HCIs and RCIs

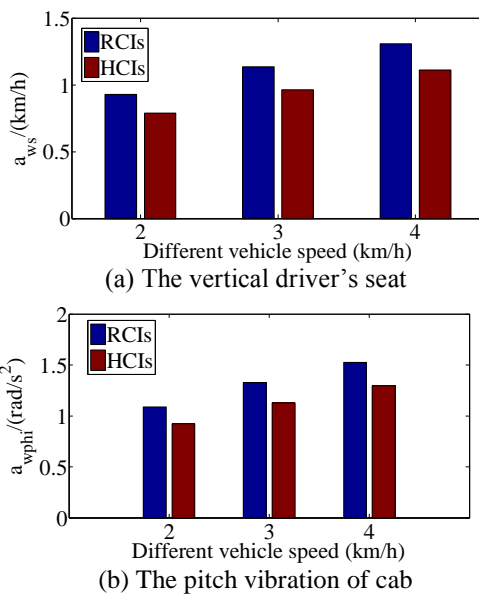


(b) The comparison of the time domain of the pitch vibration of cab with HCIs and RCIs

**Figure 6.** The comparison of time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with HCIs and RCIs when the front drum compacts with the elastic soil ground parameters as  $k_{s1}=1.0 \times 10^7$  N/m,  $c_{s1}=2.1 \times 10^5$  (Ns/m) and the front dynamic excitation force as  $F_{01}=0.128 \times 10^6$  N,  $f_1=48$  Hz and rear dynamic drum moves on very poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at  $v=2$  km/h

Similar to Case 1, in order to compare performance of HCIs and RCIs, the front drum compacts with the elastic soil ground parameters as  $k_{s1}=1.0 \times 10^7$  N/m,  $c_{s1}=2.1 \times 10^5$  (Ns/m) and the front dynamic excitation force as  $F_{01}=0.128 \times 10^6$  N,  $f_1=48$  Hz and rear dynamic drum moves on very poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at from vehicle speed of 2 km/h to vehicle speed of 5 km/h. The values of the weighted r.m.s. acceleration of the vertical driver's seat ( $a_{ws}$ ) and the pitch vibration of cab ( $a_{wphi}$ ) at the different vehicle speed are shown in Fig 7. Fig 7 shows that the values of  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs under the different vehicle

speed conditions. The values of  $a_{ws}$  with HCIs reduce by 12.53%, 15.31% and 17.65% in comparison with RCIs and the values of  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs reduce by 11.94%, 14.57% and 16.77% in comparison with RCIs when the vehicle compression speed respectively increase. The values of  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs increase fast when the vehicle compression speed respectively increase and that leads to a decrease in vehicle ride comfort.



**Figure 7.** The comparison of the  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  values with HCIs and RCIs when the front drum compacts with the elastic soil ground parameters as  $k_{s1}=1.0 \times 10^7$  N/m,  $c_{s1}=2.1 \times 10^5$  (Ns/m) and the front dynamic excitation force as  $F_{01}=0.128 \times 10^6$  N,  $f_1=48$  Hz and rear dynamic drum moves on very poor ground surface condition (ISO class E) at from vehicle speed of 2 km/h to vehicle speed of 5 km/h

#### IV. CONCLUSION

In this study, a half-vehicle dynamic model of a double-drum vibratory roller proposed to analyze the ride comfort performance of HCIs compared with that of RCIs under the different operating conditions. Some conclusions can be drawn from the results of the analysis: (1) The peak amplitude values of the time domain of the vertical driver's seat and pitch vibration of cab with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs and the values of  $a_{ws}$  and  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs respectively reduce in comparison with RCIs under the different road surface conditions at case 1; (2) The values of  $a_{ws}$  with HCIs reduce by 12.53%, 15.31% and 17.65% in comparison with RCIs and the values of  $a_{wphi}$  with HCIs reduce by 11.94%, 14.57% and 16.77% in comparison with RCIs when the vehicle

compression speed respectively increase at case 2.

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