

Mini project on

Design Of Drum Brake for Two Axle Vehicle

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Objective

Design and analysis of internal expanding drum brakes for a two axle vehicle to achieve required stopping distance at given maximum velocity of the vehicle under normal conditions.

Design Parameters

Consider the Baja vehicle travelling at maximum speed of $V_{\max} = 50 \text{ km/h}$, which is required to stop at a minimum stopping distance of 10m by braking. The details of the vehicle required for the design of drum brakes are mentioned below.

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total mass (vehicle + driver): $M = 300 \text{ kg}$• Height of CG from ground : $H = 0.56 \text{ m}$• Static front axle load : $W_f = 1236 \text{ N}$• Max stopping distance : $s = 10 \text{ m}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wheel base : $WB = 1.47 \text{ m}$• Max speed of vehicle : $V_{\max} = u = 50 \text{ km/h}$• Static rear axle load : $W_r = 1764 \text{ N}$• Radius of tyre : $R_{\text{tyre}} = 0.279 \text{ m}$
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Braking Torque Calculation

- Deceleration during braking, $a_{\max} = (V_{\max})^2 / (2 * s) = (50 * 1000 / 3600)^2 / (2 * 10) = 9.64 \text{ m/s}^2$.
- Weight transfer during braking : $WT = (M * a_{\max} * H) / WB = 1101.7 \text{ N}$
- Dynamic load on the front wheels during braking $= W_{fd} = \text{Static front load} + \text{weight transfer} = 2337.7 \text{ N}$
- Braking force on each front wheel: $F_{bf} = (W_{fd} * a_{\max}) / (2 * g) = 1148.6 \text{ N}$
- Braking torque on each front wheel : $T = F_{bf} * R_{\text{tyre}} = 320.9 \text{ N.m}$

Parameters Of the Drum Brake System

Following standard terminology of drum brake system have been followed for remaining work:

r = inner radius of the drum a = distance b/w the hinge & the center of drum b = width of the drum and pad P_{aR} = max pressure on right pad θ_a = angle of max pressure wrt hinge	θ_1 = angular position of friction pad start wrt hinge θ_2 = angular position of friction pad end wrt hinge f = coefficient of friction b/w friction pad & drum. P_{aL} = max pressure on left pad
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And the corresponding values are as given below

$r = 10 \text{ cm}$ $\theta_1 = 10^\circ$ $f = 0.35$	$a = 7.5 \text{ cm}$ $\theta_2 = 120^\circ$	$b = 3.75 \text{ cm}$ $\theta_a = 90^\circ$
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Calculation

Total moment on right side pad due to frictional force about hinge : M_f

$$M_f = \int f dN (r - a \cos \theta) = \frac{f P_{aR} b r}{\sin \theta_a} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sin \theta (r - a \cos \theta) d\theta = 2.3327 \times 10^{-4} \times P_{aR}$$

Total moment on right side pad due to normal force about hinge : M_N

$$M_N = \frac{P_{aR} b a r}{\sin \theta_a} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sin^2 \theta d\theta = 3.55 \times 10^{-4} \times P_{aR}$$

$$F = \frac{M_N - M_f}{c} = 1.22 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{P_{aR}}{c}$$

$$T_r = \frac{f P_{aR} b r^2}{\sin \theta_a} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sin \theta d\theta = 1.9488 \times 10^{-4} \times P_{aR}$$

Total moment on left side pad due to frictional force and normal force respectively:

$$M'_f = M_f \cdot P_{aL} / P_{aR} \quad \text{and} \quad M'_N = M_N \cdot P_{aL} / P_{aR}$$

Since the actuating force on both pads are equal, we have

$$F = \frac{M'_N + M'_f}{c} = 1.22 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{P_{aR}}{c}$$

On substituting the expressions for M'_N and M'_f we get,

$$P_{aR} = 4.82 \cdot P_{aL} \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$T_L = \frac{f P_{aR} b r^2}{\sin \theta_a} \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \sin \theta d\theta = 1.9488 \times 10^{-4} \times P_{aL}$$

Braking torque , $T = T_L + T_R$

$$P_{aR} + P_{aL} = 82.33 \cdot 10^4 \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2) we will get : $P_{aL} = 141 \cdot 10^3 \text{ Pa} = 141 \text{ kPa}$

$$P_{aR} = 681.8 \cdot 10^3 \text{ Pa} = 681.8 \text{ KPa}$$

Actuating force: $F = (M_N - M_f)/c = 3.6 \text{ kN}$

Results Obtained

Max pressure on right pad, $P_{ar} = 681.8 \text{ kPa}$

Max pressure on left pad, $P_{al} = 141 \text{ kPa}$

Actuating force on each pad, $F = 3.6 \text{ kN}$

Discussion

$\text{Max}(P_{ar}, P_{al}) < P_{allowe}$ indicating the safe operation of the pad.

Material selection

Brake Drum	Friction pad
Gray Cast Iron Grade 250 $K = 0.0544 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$ $Y = 1 \times 10^5 \text{ MPa}$ $C_p = 410 \text{ J/kg}^\circ\text{C}$	Rigid molded asbestos $f : 0.35 - 0.41$ $P_{max} = 0.75 \text{ MPa}$ $T_{max} = 4000^\circ\text{C}$

Comparison with other brakes

- Effective in heavy vehicles
- Problem of centrifugal force
- unable to release heat out
- High wear rate

What improvements can be done???

- Cooling process of the brake drum can be improved by extending fins on outer surface of the drum
- For same amount of actuating force, braking torque can be increased by increasing no of pads.

