

# Safety assessment on Roslagsbanan Rail System, 2021-2022

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## Dataset Description

Roslagsbanan is a railway system operating in Stockholm. As part of an improvement in the transportation system, the Stockholm Municipality invested in a new float of trains switching from X10p trains to X15p ones. In order to analyze the safety of the system, break tests were conducted.

The data was collected using the LTM system affixed to a Roslagsbanan vehicle. While the train was running over the sections, it was measured the level of each rail, alignment, curvature, and twist every 256mm. (WHAT ARE EXACTLY THE COLUMNS THAT THE DATASET HAS? UNITS? DESCRIPTION OF THE PARAMETERS. WHO DOES IT BELONG TO? IS THERE ANY LINK TO SEE THE DATA?)

The data was compiled in csv files and was collected between October 2021 and May 2022 with an approximate interval of one month.

## Project proposal

The main goal of this project is to identify patterns in the data, especially the track degradation of the road sections, and thus to analyze railway safety during this time. The analysis will include graphics of the parameters over time as well as comparing them over the sections to provide a better understanding of the data visually. (ANY OTHER KIND OF ANALYSIS?)

This research may help assess system performance, identify possible maintenance schedules, and provide useful data for further research in this area.

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## Referencing figures, tables, equations

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Figure 1

Figure 2

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Figure [4](#)

Table [1](#)

Equation [1](#)

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## Quotes and code

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Quoted text

Quoted block of text

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—  
I took the one less traveled by,  
And that has made all the difference.

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Code block with Python syntax highlighting:

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from manubot.cite.doi import expand_short_doi

def test_expand_short_doi():
    doi = expand_short_doi("10/c3bp")
    # a string too long to fit within page:
    assert doi == "10.25313/2524-2695-2018-3-vliyanie-enhansera-copia-i-
insulyatora-gypsy-na-sintez-ernk-modifikatsii-hromatina-i-
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konstruktsiyah"
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## Figures

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**Figure 1: A square image at actual size and with a bottom caption.** Loaded from the latest version of image on GitHub.



**Figure 2: An image too wide to fit within page at full size.** Loaded from a specific (hashed) version of the image on GitHub.



**Figure 3: A tall image with a specified height.** Loaded from a specific (hashed) version of the image on GitHub.



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**Table 1:** A table with a top caption and specified relative column widths.

<i>Bowling Scores</i>	Jane	John	Alice	Bob
Game 1	150	187	210	105
Game 2	98	202	197	102
Game 3	123	180	238	134

**Table 2:** A table too wide to fit within page.

	Digits 1-33	Digits 34-66	Digits 67-99	Ref.
pi	3.14159265358979323846264338327950	288419716939937510582097494459230	781640628620899862803482534211706	<a href="#">piday.org</a>
e	2.71828182845904523536028747135266	249775724709369995957496696762772	407663035354759457138217852516642	<a href="#">nasa.gov</a>

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A LaTeX equation:

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \tag{1}$$

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## Dataset Description

The Roslagsbanan is a railway system operating in Stockholm. As part of an improvement in the transportation system, Stockholm Municipality invested in a new fleet of trains switching from X10p trains to the new X15p. In order to analyze the safety of the new trains, brake tests were conducted. During those test runs the Latronix Track Measurement (LTM) system was mounted on the train. The LTM uses laser beams and an on-board computer to perform measurements over railroad track while the train drives on the track at normal speed.

The data that will be used in this study was collected using the LTM system affixed to a Roslagsbanan vehicle. While the train was running over the sections, the level of each rail, alignment, curvature, cant, gauge and twist were measured every 256mm. The data was compiled in csv files and was collected between October 2021 and May 2022 with an approximate interval of one month. In other words, a given section of track typically has around six measurement files. The total amount of data is 60 CSV files of 30,000 to 80,000 rows each, for a total of 1.5GB of data.

*These data and measurements are property of Latronix AB of Sweden, and are used with their permission for research and educational purposes only.*

In the CSV files the structure of columns is as follows:

- **Marker and Marker\_Offset:** The kilometre post of the data point, where Marker is in km and Marker\_offset is in m. In other words, if Marker=20 and Marker\_offset=250.5, the kilometre post is 20,250.5
- **Coordinate\_northing, Coordinate\_easting, Latitude, Longitude:** As their name suggests, they are the coordinates of the data point in northings and eastings, as well as latitude and longitude.
- **Speed:** records the speed in km/h at which the measurement was taken. This is especially relevant as different operating speeds give different tolerances in terms of the measured properties.
- **Level\_left and Level\_right D0, D1, D2, D3:** The deviation of the longitudinal level (height) of the left and right rail in mm, compared to its reference position. D0, D1, D2, D3 correspond to different measurement wavelengths of the same data.
- **Alignment\_left and Alignment\_right D0, D1, D2, D3:** The deviation in longitudinal alignment ("straightness") of the left and right rail in mm, compared to its reference position. D0, D1, D2, D3 correspond to different measurement wavelengths of the same data.

- Track\_gauge: The deviation in the spacing between the rails in mm, from a reference of 891mm.
- Curvature: The curvature of the track at that location, in  $m^{-1}$ .
- Cant: The cant (inclination) of the track at the location, in mm from the horizontal.
- Twist\_3m, Twist\_6m: The rate of change in cant over a 3m or 6m distance.
- Level\_versine\_left\_5m, Level\_versine\_right\_5m: Derived from Level\_left and Level\_right, this level deviation in mm corresponds to longitudinal versine measurement of the top of rail over a 5m distance. This historical metric is more commonly used in railway engineering and is thus provided.
- Alignment\_versine\_left\_10m, Alignment\_versine\_right\_10m: Similarly to the versine level, this measure of alignment in mm uses versines over a 10m distance.

Finally, Track\_name, Track\_class, Station\_flag and Link\_name, Pos\_unfiltered Pos\_filtered NTP\_sync, Cant\_D1, Std\_level, Std\_alignment, Std\_cant, Quality\_1 are mainly for internal use and not part of the analysis.

## Project proposal

The main goal of this project is to identify patterns in the data, especially the track degradation of certain sections, and thus to analyze the change in railway safety during this time. A first approach will be to define degradation trends, and build a model to process the data that finds them automatically. Then, the study will attempt to find external factors which caused the observed trends. The analysis will include graphics of the parameters over time as well as comparing them over the sections to provide a better understanding of the data visually.

This research will help assess system performance, identify possible maintenance schedules, and provide useful data for further research in this area. The study also falls within the scope of developing predictive maintenance in civil engineering and railways. Creating and improving analysis and predictive maintenance models such as this one can contribute to an increased safety of rail networks and a higher quality of service for passengers. They will benefit from fewer impromptu interruptions of service due to track maintenance, or even unsafe track causing line closures.

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