# Structural, Thermal and Thermo-Mechanical Analysis of Four Stroke Petrol Engine Piston Using CAE Tools

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#### ABSTRACT

In the internal combustion engine there are many reciprocating parts which are responsible for giving the motion to the engine. The working condition of the piston is so worst in comparison of other parts of the ic engine .The main objective of this research is to investigate and analyse the stress distribution of hero splendor pro bike piston at actual engine Condition. In this paper pressure, thermal and thermo-mechanical analysis is done. The parameter used for The analysis is operating gas pressure, temperature and material properties of piston. In this present research work a piston are designed for a single cylinder four stroke petrol engine using CATIA V5R20 software. Complete design is imported to ANSYS 14 software then analysis is performed. Two different materials i) Aluminium alloy ii) Cast Iron have been selected for structural, thermal and thermo mechanical analysis of piston. The finite element analysis is performed using ANSYS 14 software. Results are shown and a comparison is made to find the most suited design by various analyses.

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### **I INTRODUCTION:**

Computer Aided Engineering(CAE) analysis tools offer the tremendous advantage of enabling designers to consider virtually any molding option without incurring the expensive actual manufacturing of the machine component. The ability to try new concepts on the computer concedes the opportunity to omitted the problems before beginning production. Additionally, designers can easily and shortly determine the sensitivity of specific molding parameters on the quality and production of the final (last part) part. The complex parts of the component can be simulated easily by CAE(computer aided engineering) tool Among engine components exposed to thermal (heat) effects, the piston (heart of engine ) is considered to be one of the most stressed, where a large amount of the heat transferred to a coolant fluid goes through it, this amount most depends on the thermal conductivity of the materials employed, the average speed and the geometry of the piston .A piston is a component of reciprocating Internal Combustion engines. It is the moving component that is contained by a cylinder and is made gas-tight by piston rings. In an engine, its purpose is to transfer force from expanding gas in the cylinder to the crankshaft by the way of a piston rod Piston endures the cyclic gas pressure and the inertial forces at work and this working Condition may cause the fatigue(continues load) damage of piston, such as piston side wear, piston head cracks



So there is a need to optimize the design of piston(engine component) by considering different parameters in this project the parameters selected are thermal(heat analysis) analysis of piston at different temperatures in different stroke. This analysis could be helpful for design engineer for modification (alternative design) of piston at the time of design. In this project we find the stress (structural) calculation, thermal analysis form that we can find out the various region where chances of demage (may be broken) of piston are possible. [4] discussed about a disclosure which is made regarding a gear blocking gear cover for the four wheeler vehicle where the protective cover has been with touch sensors and biometric sensors. Here in case of theft even if the car is started without a key the gear system is locked using biometric locks which can read the palm of the user to unlock the gear system thus protecting the vehicle against any form of theft. This device can be attached to any type of four wheeler vehicle. From analysis it is easy to optimize the design of piston. The main requirement (needs) of piston design is to measure the prediction of temperature distribution on the surface of piston which enables us to optimized the thermal aspects for design of piston at lower cost(cheaply). [2] discussed about a disclosure which is made regarding a driving alert system which is designed in the form of a neck cushion which has the capability to sense the posture of the drivers neck position so as to identify whether the driver is alert and if he is dozing of. The system is made intelligent to obtain data from the movement so as to produce triggers to alert the user and to keep him/her awake to avoid accidents. The system is also linked to a mobile computing device so as to provide a report of the analysis done. The drivers location can also be tracked using the same. Most of the pistons are made of an aluminum alloy which has thermal expansion coefficient, 80% higher than the cylinder bore material made of cast iron.

#### **II PISTON MATERIAL'S**

#### **1-Aluminum Alloy:**

#### 2-Cast Iron:

The most commonly used materials for pistons of Internal Combustion. engines are cast iron, aluminum alloy. The cast iron pistons are used moderately rated engines with piston speeds below 6.5 meter / s and aluminum alloy Pistons are used for highly rated engines running at piston heavy speeds. It may be noted.

1) The coefficient of thermal expansion for aluminum is about 2.5 times that of cast iron.

2) The aluminum alloys used for pistons have high(large) heat conductivity (nearly four times that of cast iron).

**3).** The aluminum alloys are about three times lighter than cast iron, therefore, its mechanical strength is good at low temperatures, but they lose their strength (about 50%) at temperatures above  $325^{\circ}$ C. Sometimes, the pistons of aluminum alloys are coated with aluminum oxide(Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) by an electrical method.

S/No	Material	Aluminium alloy	Cast Iron
1	Young's modulus	7.10E+10	1.80E+11
	[GPa]		
2	Poisson's ratio	0.33	0.26-0.3
3	Thermal conductivity	209w/m-k	27-46 w/m-k
	[W/m °K]		
4	Thermal expansion	2.20E-05	1.00E-05
5	Specific heat	900J/kg <sup>0</sup> C	840J/kg <sup>0</sup> C
	[J/kg °C]		
6	Density [kg/m3]	2710kg/m3	6800-7800kg/m3

### Table 1: Material Property's

### **III DESIGN CONSIDERATION FOR A PISTON**

In designing a piston, the following

Points should be taken into consideration:

1. It should have enormous or high strength to With stand the high gas pressure and inertia Forces.

2. It should have minimum mass to minimize the inertia forces.

3. It should form an most effective gas and oil Sealing of the cylinder.

4. It should conceded sufficient bearing area. To determine under wear.

5. It should disperse the heat of combustion. Shortly to the cylinder walls.

6. It should have high(heavy) speed reciprocation Without un wanted noise.

7. It should be of important rigid. Construction to withstand thermal(heat) and

Mechanical(structural load) distortion.

8. It should have sufficient support for the Piston pin

# IV THEORETICAL CALCULATION

Piston Diameter D= 78.5 mm
Piston inside diameter Di=D-2(s+t+Δt)
S = 5 (piston crown wall thickness)
t = 3.5 (ring radial thickness )
Δt = 0.8 (ring radial clearance in the piston groove)
Di = 78-2(5+3.5+0.8)
Di = 59.9mm
Skirt radial thickness

$$ST = \frac{D - Di}{2}$$

D= piston diameter

Di = piston inside diameter

 $ST = \frac{78 - 59.9}{2}$  ST = 9.05

4) Piston outer diameter (dδ) h1 +hc =  $\frac{d\delta}{2}$ h1 = height of piston top part $d\delta$  = piston pin outer diameter h1 = 46.8 mmhc=h-hS hc= Piston Crown Height h - Piston Height hS - Piston Skirt Height h=88.5 hS=58.5 hc= 88-58 hc=30.5 h1 +hc =  $\frac{d\delta}{2}$  $d\delta = 34.1$ 5) Piston Pin inside Diameter:  $dP = 0.27 \times 78$ dP= 21.19 6) Web Thickness =  $\frac{di+b}{2}$ b = distance between boss end faces  $b = 0.4 \times 78$ *b*= 31.2 Web thickness =  $\frac{(59.9-31.2)}{2} = 14.1$ Web thickness =14.35

#### **V THE BOUNDARY CONDITIONS:**

One of the most important aspects to beConsidered during the analysis in order to achieve maximum accuracy is the selection of the boundary conditions. The top surface of the piston is subjected to hot gases which take different values of temperature of gases Tg and convective heat transfer coefficient Hg for the different crank angles. The boundary condition for the present problem have been under taken to be as given below.

1) Temperature Level of piston head =573K(273+300)

2)Temperature Level of piston ring =493K (273+220)

3)Temperature Level of piston skirt=463K (190+273)

4)Temperature Level of piston bottom portion =243K (273+70)

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Pressure load is act the on the top portion of the piston, it is called piston head, pressure load will be vary according to engine specification now I have take single cylinder four stroke engine piston.

## VI FINITE ELEMENT MODEL

# Fig 3 CATIA V5R20 Model

# **Fig 4 Imported ANSYS Model**





The Computer Aided Interactive Three Dimensional Application (CATIA) Model Imported To ANSYS 14.



# VII-RESULT&DISCUSSIONS

In order to avoid complexity the model was divided in to four equal parts & one part is taken for analysis.

# **1.STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS**

# i) Aluminum Alloy:

Stress ( Y Direction )







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MATERIAL	STRESS	VONMISSES STRESS
	(Y direction)	
ALUMINIUM ALLOY	383GPA	151e10
CAST IRON	380GPA	181e10

## 2. THERMAL ANALYSIS

### i)Aluminum alloy

**Nodel Temperature Distribution** 

# **Thermal Flux**



# **Nodel Temperature Distribution**



## **3.THERMO MECHANICAL ANALYSIS**

## i) Aluminum Alloy

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Stress ( Y Direction ) ii) Cast Iron Stress ( Y Direction ) Von Misses Stress TABLE:

MATERIAL	STRESS (Y direction)	VONMISSES STRESS
ALUMINIUM ALLOY	330GPA	151e10
CAST IRON	370GPA	181e10

### **VIII CONCLUSION:**

It is concluded from the above study that using CATIA software design and modeling become easier, here material used for piston is aluminum alloy and cast iron because it is withstand more temperature compare other materials finding temperature distribution of piston is very significant because the piston easily damage due to high temperature .the maximum temperature acted through the piston head and the minimum temperature is on the piston skirt. Here hero splendor pro bike piston analyzed the structural, thermal and thermo mechanical analysis is done by using ANSYS software shown above different results cast iron sustain high pressure and temperature compare to the aluminum alloy hence cast iron is quality material for hero splendor pro bike piston so the cast iron pistons are used for moderately rated engines with piston speeds below 6.5 m / s

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