

Analysis and Failure Improvement of Shaft of Gear Motor in CRM Shop

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ABSTRACT : The overall subject of this paper is the frequent failure analysis of output shaft of gear motor used for cold rolling mill to drive the Pay-off Four-HI (Horizontally inserted). One end of that shaft is connected to the claw coupling to the drive of the Pay-off four-HI .By considering the drive system forces and torque acting on the output shaft are determine using which the stresses occurring at the failure section are calculated . Stresses analysis is also carried out with analytical method and comparing these results with the software results that is done using the ANSYS software after getting all the different parameter redesign of shaft is done and again analyzing the shaft using ANSYS and hope that shaft may torsional Rigid.

KEYWORDS : Software, Failure analysis, Gear motor, Pay-OFF Four-HI, Shaft Design,

I. INTRODUCTION

As we all known about Shaft is rotating member usually in circular cross section. The power is delivered to shaft by some tangential force and resultant torque or twisting moment setup within shaft permit the power to be transfer to various machine linked with the shaft . The overall subject of this Project is the frequent failure analysis of output shaft of gear motor used for cold rolling mill to drive the Pay-off Four-HI (Horizontally inserted). One end of that shaft is connected to the claw coupling to the drive of the Pay-off four-HI .By considering the drive system forces and torque acting on the output shaft are determine using which the stresses occurring at the failure section are calculated .

II. LITRETURE SURVEY

2.1.Osman Asi

This paper describes the failure analysis of a rear axle shaft used in an automobile which had been involved in an accident. The axle shaft was found to break into two pieces. The investigation was carried out in order to establish whether the failure was the cause or a consequence of the accident. An evaluation of the failed axle shaft was undertaken to assess its integrity that included a visual examination, photo documentation, chemical analysis, micro-hardness measurement, tensile testing, and metallographic examination. The failure zones were examined with the help of a scanning electron microscope equipped with EDX facility. Results indicate that the axle shaft fractured in reversed bending fatigue as a result of improper welding. This study was conducted on a failed rear wheel drive axle shaft used in an automobile. Spectrum analysis and micro-hardness measurement revealed that the failed axle shaft material was AISI 4140 steel as hardened and tempered condition. The composition, microstructure, hardness values of the base metal were found to be satisfactory and within the specification. Fractographic features indicated that fatigue was the main cause of failure of the axle shaft. It was observed that the fatigue cracks originated from welded areas. Results indicate that the axle shaft fractured in reversed bending fatigue as a result of improper welding. The present study clearly indicates that improper welding of hardened materials involves low ductility in the HAZ, stress concentration points, and inclusions in the structure that served as nuclei for the fatigue cracks. We therefore conclude that the failure was the cause of the accident.

2.2. M.J.Reid

Details of 93 roll shaft breakages which have occurred at eight selected sugar mills in Natal since 1979 have been collated and analyzed to determine the most likely causes of failure. Theoretical analyses of shaft stresses and fatigue stress concentration factors have been carried out to determine whether present shaft design, machining practices, material specifications and shell assembly techniques are satisfactory and whether they can be improved.

The feasibility of using adhesive to fix the shell to the shaft is discussed and some recommendations to users and manufacturers on roll shaft and shell specification, design, assembly and operation are given. There are many external causes of shaft failure which can be eliminated by changes in mill design and operation, such as an improvement in the tail bar coupling, and limitation of the hydraulic loading. But in the final analysis, it is evident that the major causes of failure originate on the surface of the roll shaft. "Tender Loving Care" of the surface of the shaft can therefore be rewarded by a much longer life for the shafts. One of the areas in which this care can be applied with great effect is in adequate planning of the roll repairs and reshell programme for the annual off crop. Whenever the persons involved in repair and machining are pressed for time, mistakes which escape notice until a failure occurs can easily be made. Provided all the precautions enumerate din this paper are carefully observed there is no reason why every roll shaft should not give a minimum life of 10 million tons of cane.

2.3. Sandip Bhattacharyya, A. Banerjee, I. Chakrabarti , S.K. Bhaumik

The present paper deals with the failure analysis of an input shaft of skip drive gearbox, which had failed after 13 months of service against an expected life of 15 years. Evidences suggest that the input shaft has failed by stress corrosion cracking (SCC). After initiation at the keyway edges, the cracks have propagated progressively along the circumference of the fillet. Once the cross section of the shaft reduced below the critical limit, it has failed by sudden torsional overload. Investigation revealed that use of improper steel with high amount of MnS was responsible for the SCC. The shaft has failed by stress corrosion cracking (SCC). Use of improper material was responsible for the SCC. The situation was further aggravated by the presence of substantial amount of MnS inclusions in the steel. The hardness of the shaft does not conform to specification Recommendations

- (a) Use material as per the specification.
- (b) Use clean steel.
- (c) Choose appropriate heat treatment to achieve hardness profile as per the specification.

2.4.Sandip Bhattacharyya

In this paper failure of gas blower shaft of blast furnace is analyzed. Earlier failure was due to fatigue at fillet radius. Latest failure is on uniform diameter shaft. Microstructure study shows that deformation of shaft material near the surface .Compositional analysis shows high percentage of sulphur not confirming to the standard. Also hardness of shaft material measured 40Rc against 44Rc near the surface. From analysis it was found that lock plate loosening because of improper interference fit leads to groove formation on shaft and one of such groove leads to fracture. The fracture was perpendicular to the shaft axis. Examination shows rotary deformation marks and severe heat effects. Hardness at fracture region found reduced considerably. In conclusion loosening of bearing lock plate due to poor interference fit result in failure of shaft, the excess amount of MnS inclusions and delta-ferrite are generally not acceptable in the material since they promote fatigue crack initiation.

2.5.M. Ristivojevic, R. Mitrovic, T. Lazovic

This paper present the failure analysis of air fan shaft used in boiler of thermal power plant. Microstructure examination carried out to determine material chemical & mechanical properties. Also design solution for bearing seating analyzed. Bearing on shaft was locked to prevent axial movement by lock nut which tends to expand bearing inner ring, which result in decreasing clearance between bearing element. The breakdown resulted in damage of fan shaft sleeve location due to permanent deformation and material melting. Heat source is generated due to friction between contacting parts of double pressed joint which result in change in interference /clearance values between bush and sleeve. In service clearance is formed. Nut tightening tends to expand inner ring of bearing result in lowering radial clearance & weakening interference between bush & sleeve. This result in sleeve slipping in bushing. Consequently bearing friction is increased, the micro sliding joint resulting in sleeve material melting & bearing element damaged. By selecting narrower tolerance, assembly strict to actual dimensions of double pressed joint; insure firm joint elements failure can be prevented

2.6.Saleh A. Al-Fozan,

Study of Brine recycle pump shaft failure at Al-Jubail plant is carried out. Failure shaft visual inspection shows shaft shear at two locations, cracks were observed at key area & it is a fatigue failure .Observation from operation data sheet, vibration records & DPT test shows crack at key position and grooves in sleeve area. Metallographic study shows shaft is Austenitic 316SS as per design.

Visual inspection of shaft shows some pitting marks, from EDX analysis the chloride iron were found in pits marks. Because of this corrosion take place in shutdown period. Also key found loose in shaft which resulted in groove formation & responsible for crack initiation .Another possibilities of localized corrosion is

due to narrow crack on 316 L shaft is because of poor protection in presence of duplex stainless steel discharge pipe. In conclusion combined action of environmental and stress caused crack initiation on shaft at key area and second probably due to key loose on shaft.

2.7.Deepan Marudachalam

This paper investigates the failure of shaft employed at spinning machine. The shaft is requiring lifting load of 960 kg through height of 230 mm. The shaft failed within 35 days of operation. Failure take place at relief groove provided for bearing seating. The small instantaneous zone indicates that low stress during failure. Endurance limit of shaft is calculated by using Goodman equation. Force analysis is carried out for both 22T & 90 T pulleys for both vertical & horizontal component. Shaft was subjected to bending & shear stress. Stress analysis is carried out by least square method. Failure strength analysis using Goodman method found average stress value 1215 N/mm². By using this modified endurance limit is calculated. For fatigue life S-N curve plotted which occur at 100cycle. Stress analysis using FEM compared with theoretical values. The maximum stress value occurs at relief grooves. It was concluded that by increasing radius of curvature, stress concentration can be decrease effectively. RC increase from 0.6 to 2 & fatigue factor of safety increased from 0.71 to 1.05. This effect of change in RC, effective placement of support & precaution prevent similar failure.

2.8.E. Rusiński, J. Czmochowski, P. Moczko

This paper discusses the investigation of dumping conveyor breakdown. It consist of two half shaft joining the track grid to carriage Due to slippage of one half shaft causes damage to slip-out protection. To determine breakdown causes FEM strength calculation of steering shaft, metallographic examination is carried out. Distribution of Huber-Misses stress of steering carriage for all required case of loading is carried out. FEM strength calculation indicate the bottom of groove stress exceed the yield point. Metallographic examination shows fatigue failure features. Fatigue zone are small 2-4% of total fracture area. Its evidence of great strain on half shaft. It also shows crack initiation from groove edge. FEM analysis shows that main cause is due to poor protection against slipping out & the fracture on half shaft lock is due to fatigue failure. Better solution is to have annular protection with large radius at half shaft groove. Another solution for this is to have single shaft with slide out protection but it will be heavier & costly.

2.9. Göksenli , I.B. Eryürek

In this study failure analysis of an elevator drive shaft is analyzed in detail. Failure occurred at the keyway of the shaft. Microstructural, mechanical and chemical properties of the shaft are determined. After visual investigation of the fracture surface it is concluded that fracture occurred due to torsional-bending fatigue. Fatigue crack has initiated at the keyway edge. Considering elevator and driving systems, forces and torques acting on the shaft are determined; stresses occurring at the failure surface are calculated. Stress analysis is also carried out by using finite element method (FEM) and the results are compared with the calculated values. Endurance limit and fatigue safety factor is calculated, fatigue cycle analysis of the shaft is estimated. Reason for failure is investigated and concluded that fracture occurred due to faulty design or manufacturing of the keyway (low radius of curvature at keyway corner, causing high notch effect). In conclusion effect of change in radius of curvature on stress distribution is explained by using FEM and precautions which have to be taken to prevent a similar failure is clarified. Failure analysis of an elevator drive shaft is investigated in detail. Microstructural, mechanical and chemical properties of the shaft are determined. After visual investigation of the fracture surface it is concluded that fracture occurred due to torsional- bending fatigue. Fatigue crack has initiated at the keyway edge. Forces and torques acting on the shaft are determined; stresses occurring at the fracture surface are calculated. Endurance limit and fatigue safety factor is calculated, fatigue analysis and fatigue cycle life of the shaft is estimated. Fracture of the shaft occurred due to faulty design or manufacturing of the keyway (low radius of curvature), causing a high notch effect. In conclusion effect of change in radius of curvature on stress intensity and distribution is explained by using FEM and precautions which have to be taken to prevent a similar failure is clarified.

2.10.S. Cicero , R. Cicero , R. Lacalle , G. Diaz , D. Ferren

This paper analyses the failure of a lift gear shaft, which happened when the lift was carrying three people. Fortunately, the safety systems worked and there were no serious injuries, but the authorities demanded an investigation into the causes of the accident. The analysis was performed using the FITNET FFS fatigue module, and improper working conditions have been identified as the major cause of the accident. The failure of a lift gear shaft has been analyzed. Firstly, a fatigue process has been identified as the original cause of the failure. Then, a fatigue analysis (coupled with FE simulations) has been performed following the FITNET FFS procedure. It has been concluded that no fatigue problems should have occurred in the failure section and also, that this section should not have been the most stressed one. The hypothesis that explains the fatigue process and

the fact that the failure section was the most stressed is an improper operation of the gear unit, with unscrewed bolts in the main support of the shaft that increases drastically the stresses in the critical section.

III. OBJECTIVE

Analysis of Forces Acting on Shaft of gear motor, Causes of Failure and gives Probable solution Stresses analysis is also carried out with analytical method and comparing these results with the software results that is done using the ANSYS software. By getting all the different parameter redesign of shaft is done and again analyzing the shaft using ANSYS and hope that shaft may torsional Rigid. By improving the Design of Shaft try to convince the Company to Re-use all the scrap motors, and take benefit of all.

IV. CAUSES OF FAILURE

There are three types of load act on the output shaft of gear motor Torsional load acted by the roll of Pay-OFF 4HI on the shaft, while in action, the torque is up to 1281N-m Direct bending loading acting act by the load of roll i.e. 500kg by each roll and pressure acted by the two hydraulic cylinders, 80kg each. Additional torque acted by the sheet metal while sheet has been drawn from Pay-OFF to the rolls of Cold rolling mill, the maximum speed of motor of Cold rolling mill is 1000 rpm, that why, additional torque is too large, and up to 30000 N-m.



Fig. Shaft of gear motor and broken casing

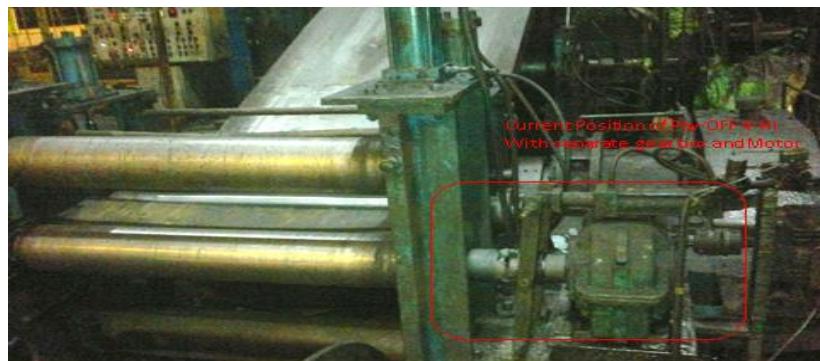


Fig. Pay-OFF4HI with separate Gear box and Motor

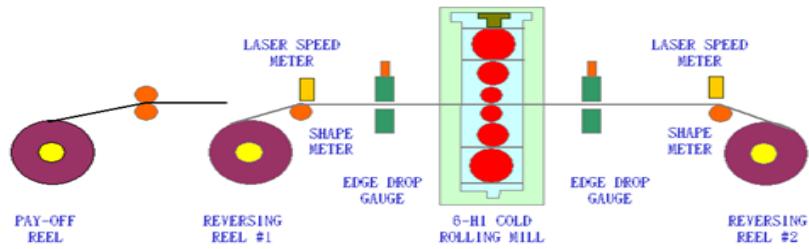


Fig. Pay OFF system with Cold rolling Mill

V. DESIGN PROCEDURE

A) Power of Gear motor = 7.5 HP = 5.5 KW

Rpm of gear motor = 41 rpm

$$\text{Therefore Power of shaft } P = \frac{2\pi NT}{60} \quad \therefore T = \frac{60P}{2\pi N}$$

$$T = \frac{60 * 5.5 * 1000}{2\pi * 41} \quad \therefore \quad T = 1281 \text{ N-m}$$

B) While the pay-off en-gauge with main rolling mill, as pay-off is used for providing the coil to the main rolling mill system , and at instance that pay-off get dis-en-gauged ,while during the dis-en-gauging the pay - off whole torque of mail rolling mill comes on the pay of and shaft of gear motor ,that drives the pay-off system goes failure.

So, Power of motor that drives the main rolling mill P=1200KW

Initial rotation of rolls of main rolling mill is up to 300mpm i.e. Meter per minute = $300 * 1000 = 300000 \text{ mppm}$
i.e. mm per minute

Therefore circumference of roll = $\pi D = \pi * 250 = 785.398 = 786 \text{ mm}$

Rpm of motor = $300000 / 786 = 381.97 \text{ rpm}$ i.e. 382rpm

Power Of Motor $P = (2\pi NT)/60$

i.e. $1200 * 1000 = (2\pi * 382 * (T/60))$

$T = 30000.146 \text{ N-m}$

C) Total Torque that come on the shaft of gear motor = Torque of gear motor + Torque of motor of main system.

$$= 1281 + 30000 \text{ N-m}$$

$$T_{max} = 31281 \text{ N-m}$$

D) Material and their properties of shaft of gear motor

Material of shaft of gear motor is SAE 4140

Sut/Syc = 680Mpa

Sys = 375Mpa

As considering Factor of Safety i.e. F.S = 1

$$\text{i.e. } \sigma_b = \sigma_t = \frac{Syc}{FS} = \frac{680}{1} = 680 \text{ Mpa}$$

Therefore Tensile /Bending stresses in shaft

$$\text{And Shear stresses in shaft } \tau = \frac{\frac{\pi}{16} * \sigma_s}{\frac{\pi}{16}} = \frac{375}{1} = 375 \text{ MPa}$$

E) Failure of shaft under Twisting moment

$$T_{\max} = \frac{\pi}{16} * \tau * d^3$$

$$31281 * 1000 \text{ N-mm} = \frac{\pi}{16} * \tau * 40^3$$

AS shaft is a step shaft having maximum diameter 60mm and minimum diameter of 40mm
So we consider minimum diameter for failure i.e. 40mm

$$\tau = 2489.262 \text{ N/mm}^2 \geq \text{ given shear stress i.e. } 375 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

For Maximum Bending moment

$$R_a + R_b = 11.38 \text{ KN}$$

Taking moment at A

$$R_a * l = w * l * l / 2 \quad 1 - \text{length of span} = 1.55 \text{ m}$$

$$R_a = -w * l / 2 = R_b$$

$$R_a = R_b = w * l / 2 = 11.38 * (1.55 / 2) = 8.82 \text{ KN}$$

Bending moment at A = 0,

Shear force at A

$$SFX = R_a - wx$$

If x = 0 m ,

$$SF_0 = 8.82 - 11.38 * 0 = 8.82 \text{ KN}$$

Bending moment at A x = 0

$$M_0 = w / 2 * (x(l-x))$$

$$M_0 = (11.38 / 2) * (0(1.55 - 0))$$

$$M_0 = 0$$

For x = 1.55 m

$$SF \ 1.55 = -8.82 \text{ KN}$$

$$M \ 1.55 = 0$$

For x = 0.775 m

$$SF_0.775 = 0 \text{ KN}$$

$$M \ 0.775 = 3.42 \text{ KN-m} = 3.42 * 106 \text{ N-mm} = 3420000 \text{ N-mm}$$

Maximum bending Moment is M_{max} = 3420 N-m

F) Failure of shaft under Bending

$$M = \frac{\pi}{32} * \sigma_b * d^3$$

$$3420 * 1000 = (\pi / 16) * \sigma_b * 40^3$$

$$\sigma_b = 544.31 \text{ N/mm}^2 < \text{given bending stresses i.e. } 680 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Now, using Maximum Principle /normal stress Theory

$$\sigma_{b_{\max}} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\sigma_b^2 + 4\tau^2)}$$

$$\sigma_b = 544.31 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\tau = 2489 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$\sigma_{b_{\max}} = 2776.2 \text{ N/mm}^2 > 680 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Minimum principle stresses are

$$\sigma_{b_{\min}} = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\sigma_b^2 + 4\tau^2)}$$

$$\sigma_{b_{\min}} = -2232.045 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Now, Using Maximum Principle / Normal shear stress Theory

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\sigma_b)^2 + 4\tau^2}$$

$$\tau_{\max} = 2504.2 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Von Mises Stresses are $(\sigma_{b_{\max}})^2 + (\sigma_{b_{\min}})^2 - 2(\sigma_{b_{\max}} * \sigma_{b_{\min}}) = \sigma_y$

$$\sigma_y = 5008 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ i.e. Von Mises Stresses}$$

G) Finding the Safe Diameter Of Shaft

According To Max. Shear stress Theory

$$T_{\max} = \frac{\pi}{16} * \tau_{\max} * d^3$$

$$31281 * 103 = (\pi/16) * 375 * d^3$$

$$d = 75.17 \text{ mm}$$

According to Max. Normal Stress Theory

$$M = \frac{\pi}{32} * \sigma_{b_{\max}} * d^3$$

$$3.42 * 106 = (\pi/32) * 680 * d^3$$

$$d = 37.134 \text{ mm}$$

So we consider largest Diameter of Shaft as safe diameter i.e. $d = 75.17 \text{ mm i.e. } 80\text{mm}$

H) Re-Design of Shaft of Gear Motor According to Modified Diameter

Modified diameter of Shaft is $d = 80 \text{ mm}$

So, According to max. Shear stress Theory

$$T_{\max} = \frac{\pi}{16} * \tau_{\max} * d^3$$

$$31281 * 103 = (\pi/16) * \tau_{\max} * 80^3$$

$$\tau_{\max} = 311.75 \text{ MPa} < \text{Max. Shear stress of material i.e. } < 375 \text{ MPa}$$

According to Max. Normal Stress Theory

$$M = \frac{\pi}{32} * \sigma_{b_{\max}} * d^3$$

$$3.42 * 106 = (\pi/32) * \sigma_{b_{\max}} * 80^3$$

$$\sigma_{b_{\max}} = 68.038 \text{ MPa} < \text{Max. Bending Stresses of Material i.e. } < 680 \text{ MPa}$$

It is proof that the safe diameter of Shaft is $d = 80\text{mm}$

VI. POSSIBLE DESIGN MODIFICATION

1. By Changing the material of good shear strength , the shaft may sustain in the maximum loading condition
2. Re-design the shaft with modified diameter and use in Scraper motor.
3. Select the Proper model of motor having the least diameter of shaft is more than 75mm.
4. Maintain the speed of both Gear motor and motor of cold rolling mill by installing new gear box for cold rolling mill up to the
5. disengagement of Gear motor Shaft from pinch roll of Pay-OFF.

VII. COMPARING THE BOTH SOFTWARE AND ANALYTICAL RESULT

Result	Analytical	Software
Max. Shear Stresses	2504.2 Mpa	2541Mpa
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VIII. CONCLUSION

From the above Study it can be conclude that, the stresses find out by analytical method and by using software both are nearly same and above the stresses of standard specimen. There are Four parameter to improve the shaft life

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- [4] Maintain the speed of both Gear motor and motor of cold rolling mill by installing new gear box for cold rolling mill up to the disengagement of Gear motor Shaft from pinch roll of Pay-OFF.
- [5] All the above parameter that improves quality of shaft of gear motor leads to uneconomical for company.

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