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Crash Simulation of FMVSS No. 214 Safety Performance

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Motivation



Based on ATD criteria

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Minimum force criteria

1) How do design modifications that result in non-compliance for one of the configurations affect the other two load cases?

2) Is it feasible to use a dynamic performance measurement as a surrogate for the static test?



Vehicle Selection



Sedan and SUV vehicles present different characteristics relevant for side impact, i.e. different mass, seating and sill height

Sedan Model Validation – FMVSS No. 214 - MDB



Test and simulation showed good correlation with respect to vehicle pulse, barrier and vehicle deformation

Sedan Model Validation – FMVSS No. 214 - Pole



Test and simulation showed excellent correlation with respect to vehicle pulse, and maximum exterior vehicle deformation

Sedan Model Validation – FMVSS No. 214 - Static



Test and simulation showed good correlation with respect to resistance force versus intrusion, initial, intermediate, and peak force values

Simulation Study - Mutual Effect of Non-compliance



Different design modification were developed that resulted in noncompliance for each of the three configurations.

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - Static Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS214-MDB compliance** despite **FMVSS-214-static non-compliance**

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - Static Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS214-Pole compliance** despite **FMVSS-214-static non-compliance**

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - MDB Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS No. 214-static compliance** despite **FMVSS No. 214 MDB non-compliance**

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - MDB Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS No. 214-Pole compliance** despite **FMVSS No. 214 MDB non-compliance**

Simulation Study – FMVSS No. 214 – Pole – Design Modifications



Sill, seat cross member, and reinforcement components were weakened to produce FVMSS No. 214-Pole non-compliance

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - Pole Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS No. 214-static compliance** despite **FMVSS No. 214 Pole non-compliance**

Simulation Study – Effect of FMVSS No. 214 - Pole Non-compliance



Case Study indicated **FMVSS No. 214-MDB compliance** despite **FMVSS No. 214 Pole non-compliance**

Ongoing Work I – SUV Simulation Study



A FE model of a SUV Crossover vehicle is currently being developed to conduct similar simulation study

Ongoing Work II – Performance Criteria



Can a performance criteria be defined that could eliminate the static door crush test by moving the door strength requirements into the dynamic side impact test(s)?

Preliminary FMVSS No. 214 Study Conclusions



- The three configurations engage different main load paths
- Structural modifications that resulted in non-compliance for one of the load cases did not result in non-compliance for the other two configurations
- There are limitations of using measurements from the dynamic test(s) to indicate door crush resistance as measured by the static test
- Feedback is welcome and can potentially be considered in the ongoing research

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