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Pedestrian Protection

Definition of the Measuring Point

Assessment of 2D vs. 3D Impactor Positioning Methods



Preamble:

2D method refers to measuring point and center of gravity (CoG) of the impactor being in one vertical, longitudinal plane.

3D method refers to the positioning of the headform based on a first contact with the bonnet top without any reference to the CoG.



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Conditions to be discussed

Vehicle outer surfaces with ambiguities

Summary



- Positioning of pedestrian protection impactors is currently under discussion
- The 2D head impact positioning method is the agreed procedure for type approvals since pedestrian protection legislation became effective in Japan and the EU in 2005
- A Regulation shall provide accountable framework of rules
- Room for interpretation shall be avoided
- Gtr No 9 language unintentionally provides room for (geometrical) interpretation
- Data has been requested to highlight potential issues with new interpretation of impactor positioning method
- Information shown in following slides is not related to safety performance



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- Impactor main direction of action is along its center of gravity
- Using 3D first contact, vehicle surface variation affects the impactor overall positioning; tolerances get higher influence in the whole test procedure
- Concave surfaces (radius \leq impactor radius) lead to multiple points of contact where HIC cannot be assigned to one single point
- Areas where a test cannot be assigned to one single point are considered to be not testable

For details please refer to document GRSP-49-31









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Pedestrian Protection Head Impact – 2D / 3D Method

Multiple impactor positions by 3D method:

- To be found at edges, feature lines
- Windscreen washer nozzles

Effects:

- Undefined allocation of HIC value on bonnet top
- High impact of build and alignment tolerances on test point position



First contact points

For details please refer to document GRSP-49-31

Multiple points of first contact:

- To be found at all concave (radius ≤ impactor radius) surfaces
- Windscreen washer nozzles
- Active bonnets

Effects:

- Results in areas not to be tested (no first contact)
- Undefined allocation of HIC value on bonnet top
- High impact of build and alignment tolerances on test point position



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Multiple impactor positions by 3D method:









<u>70 mm</u> variation of transversal position of the headform result in first contact and allocation of HIC within <u>2 mm</u> variation







First contac points

Multiple impactor positions by 3D method:





<u>36 mm</u> variation of transversal position of the headform result in first contact and allocation of HIC within <u>1 mm</u> variation



First contac points

Multiple impactor positions by 3D method:





<u>26 mm</u> variation of transversal position of the headform result in first contact and allocation of HIC within <u>3 mm</u> variation

Windscreen washer nozzles: different impactor

locations result in 3D HIC location

within determination resolution







Positions of head impact test form in a range of 79 mm result in same test point location on bonnet top assigned to washer nozzle





Windscreen washer nozzles: different impactor locations

result in 3D HIC location within determination resolution













Multiple points of first contact (glancing):





35 mm possible variation of transversal position of headform (alignment and build tolerances)





Multiple points of first contact (glancing):



15 mm possible variation of transversal position of headform (alignment and build tolerances)





Two first contact points

Multiple points of first contact:









Multiple points of first contact:



Multiple contact – Zone not to be tested







Multiple points of first contact:











Multiple points of first contact:







Multiple points of first contact:















35 mm width of zone not to be tested





Areas on bonnet top which cannot be tested

Multiple points of first contact:







39 mm radius zone at washer nozzle not to be tested

Multiple points of first contact:











Multiple points of first contact (active hoods):











Not defined allocation of HIC value on bonnet top, separation of HIC < 1000 / HIC < 1700 zones not possible







Marked zones with unclear positioning of the headform impactor represent 3 – 9 % of the overall test area



Highlighted zones are not related to safety performance







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Some of the photographs are taken from the internet; none of the photographs is related to safety performance!



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- 2D head impact positioning method is the agreed procedure for type approval since 2005 when pedestrian protection legislation became effective in Japan and the EU
- Numerous vehicles exist where the 3D method interpretation of gtr No. 9 creates issues for the determination of the test zone or the test execution
- Resulting from the 3D method, 3 9 % of headform test areas cannot to be tested
- Possible side effects described in this presentation and creating issues for testing do not exist when the 2D method as agreed for UNECE R127* is used
- As pointed out, each point within the test area described in gtr No. 9 CAN be tested and a single HIC value CAN be assigned
- The same logic applies to proposed amendments to the legform test

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Proposed Amendment



"3.20. "Measuring point"

Extract from GRSP-54-07-Rev.1

The measuring point is may also be referred to as "test point" or " impact point". In all cases, the result of the test shall be attributed to this point, independent of where first contact occurs.

3.20.1. "Measuring point" for the headform test means a point on the vehicle's outer surface selected for assessment. The measuring point is where the headform's profile contacts the vehicle's outer surface cross section in a vertical longitudinal plane through the center of gravity of the headform (see Figure 6A).





Thank You!

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