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DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL COLD SPRAY NOZZLE FOR INTERNAL SURFACE COATING DEPOSITION

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Increasing the service life of parts by forming protective and restorative coatings through cold spraying (CS) is a tough scientific and technical challenge. The object of the study is the process of accelerating powder particles in a supersonic rotating nozzle for CS. For CS, it is difficult, and sometimes even impossible, to form coatings on internal and hard-to-reach surfaces. In the practice of using the technology, this is considered one of the most problematic places, which limits the capabilities of the technology.

This paper focused on improving the CS process by developing a new supersonic rotating nozzle for coating deposition on internal and hard-to-reach surfaces of parts, establishing the regularities of the trajectory of motion and acceleration of powder particles in it. During the study, classical methods of computational gas dynamics were used, including methods for investigating two-phase flows. Experimental verification of the modeling results was performed by the pneumatic method of determining the Mach number using a Pitot-Prandtl tube. Numerical modeling of CS processes was performed for two designed rotating nozzles – two-channel and three-channel. The values of the maximum velocity of aluminum powder particles with a diameter of 10 μm at an air stagnation pressure of 4.0 MPa and stagnation temperature of 550°C were obtained: 558 m/s for the two-channel nozzle, and 585 m/s for the three-channel one, which is sufficient for adhesion of particles to the substrate. A three-channel nozzle was chosen for manufacturing and experimental testing. The difference between the experimental and calculated values of the Mach number at the nozzle outlet did not exceed 10%. The presence of two additional nozzles, located in the main channel and directed at an angle to the main flow direction, ensures the rotation of the flow with particles from the initial direction at an angle of approximately 75 degrees, which satisfies the requirements for forming CS coatings.

Keywords: coating, nozzle geometry, powder, optimization, CFD modeling, part recovery.

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DESIGN OPTIMIZATION OF A MOLD FOR PRODUCING A COMPLEX-GEOMETRY BLADE

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The object of research is a mold with complex geometry for casting a turbine blade prototype, made by 3D printing from Anycubic photopolymer resin and PETG (Polyethylene Terephthalate Glycol) polymer.

Problem to be solved: ensuring the necessary strength and rigidity of the mold during the assembly of half-molds by bolted connection with preliminary axial tension.

Using Siemens NX Advanced Simulation, finite element models of the mold were created and calculated. It was found that with significant preliminary axial tension, the limit stresses in the bolt hole area are exceeded, which limits the use of photopolymer resin. Reducing the tightening force improves the performance, but leaves a minimum margin of safety. The rigidity of the mold can be increased by using support pads, but such a design causes stress concentration in the bolted connections. The optimal calculation result was achieved when using PETG material: the safety margin increased to $\eta = 1.5$, and the displacements did not exceed 0.04 mm. The PETG polymer, unlike photopolymer resin, is more elastic and plastic in the hardened state with higher strength. This allows to distribute the load over the material. The results obtained can be used for the manufacture of molds for casting and tooling in general, especially for a small batch of parts. The practical application of the technology under consideration is possible provided that the input parameters are correctly combined: material, bolt pre-tightening force and the use of support pads. PETG is recommended for molds operating under increased loads.

Keywords: stress-strain state, prototype, polymer molds, bolt pre-tightening simulation, additive manufacturing of tooling.

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DETERMINATION OF THE EFFICIENCY OF SHOT BLASTING OF METAL SURFACES

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The object of this research is the process of transformation of kinetic energy of the attacking air-abrasive torch in the process of dynamic impact on metal surfaces of products during their shot blasting.

The importance of the research is due to the need to solve the problem of increasing the efficiency of the technological process of preparing metal surfaces of products by shot blasting for the subsequent application of protective, stable non-metallic coatings.

In the work, based on the energy balance of the "shot-obstacle" system, a method for determining the efficiency coefficient of the shot blasting surface preparation process was developed, which was associated with the torch energy recovery coefficient. The relationship of the coefficients with the potential energy of the surface layer accumulated in the process of elastic deformation was established. The depth of the hole formed by the shot on the surface of the attacked body was taken as a measure of this energy. When determining the depth of the hole, the deformation of an elementary cylindrical element clamped in the surface layer of the attacked body was considered, the dimensions of which are compatible with the dimensions of the elastic deformation hole.

The classical recovery coefficient is not a characteristic criterion for revealing the physical aspects of the complex multifactorial shot blasting process. The ease of application in practical calculations, especially when establishing the productivity of the process, prompts the search for improving the methods of its determination, since the existing models of an ideal impact in this case are not capable. This coefficient at average attack speeds of 100–120 m/s and angles of $40^\circ < \alpha < 70^\circ$ turned out to be 15–20% less than the classical one.

The obtained research results can be used to increase the productivity of the shot blasting process of products of the defense, agricultural, machine-building, chemical, aviation and other industries.

Keywords: energy balance, shot blasting, efficiency, ricochet velocity.

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ANALYTICAL DETERMINATION OF ABSOLUTE DEFORMATIONS AND BOUNDARIES OF THE CONTACT ZONE OF A DEFORMABLE WHEEL WITH A DEFORMABLE SURFACE

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The object of research is the contact interaction between a deformable wheel (tire) and a deformable supporting surface. One of the most problematic areas is defining the boundaries of the contact zone as a function of applied loads, wheel geometry, and the mechanical properties of the contacting surfaces, as well as the increasing need to reduce

energy consumption and soil compaction in the context of vehicle running gear systems.

During the research, methods from the mechanics of continuous deformable media were used to identify the deformable properties of contacting surfaces. The investigations were founded on previously published research concerning the distribution of contact forces, obtained using biharmonic potential analytical functions based on methods employed by Boussinesq and Cerruti.

Analytical dependencies have been derived that relate the leading and trailing edges of the deformable wheel's (tire's) contact with the deformable surface. This is because the proposed approach, which considers the relationship between forces and displacements on the surface and deformations and stresses within the contacting bodies, taking into account their mechanical properties, is more informative compared to methods of theoretical and analytical mechanics. The research revealed that the potential for improving the object's functioning lies in optimizing the selection of parameters and operating modes for running gear systems.

Thanks to this, it becomes possible to obtain optimized values for the geometric size of the contact surface. Compared to analogous known approaches, this ensures an enhancement in the tractive efficiency of driving wheels, minimizing wheel slip to acceptable levels, which directly addresses key challenges in agricultural and off-road machinery by contributing to reduced energy consumption and soil compaction.

Keywords: deformable wheel, deformable support surface, absolute deformations, contact zone boundaries.

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EVALUATION OF PRAGER AND CHABOCHE MODELS FOR RELIABLE PREDICTION OF ELASTOPLASTIC BEHAVIOUR IN LOW-CYCLE FATIGUE

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The object of this research is the cyclic elastoplastic behavior of materials, principally austenitic stainless steel (304L). The paper studies the 304L stainless steel behavior of exposed to different uniaxial and multiaxial cyclic loadings. It also determines the accuracy with which classical models, such as the Prager model, reproduce the phenomena of work hardening. All the models have which limits the reliability of fatigue life predictions for structures. For that, in this numerical study, a comparative analysis is performed between the Prager model and the Chaboche model. Chaboche model was selected to overcome the shortcomings of classical approaches, it can incorporate isotropic and nonlinear kinematic work hardening together. Numerous numerical simulations were conducted under various loading scenarios allowed to estimate the predictive capacity of the constitutive models and the limitations of simplified linear approaches. The results obtained, show that Chaboche model reproduces with excellent accuracy the phenomena of work hardening, additional work hardening, and ratcheting compared to the Prager model. This is explained by the fact that the Chaboche model can take into account the coupling between different phenomena which guarantees a realistic representation of cyclic elastoplastic behavior. Compared to similar models known in the literature, the Chaboche approach offers significant advantages: increased predictive accuracy, better representation of complex cyclic phenomena, and a fatigue life assessment of 304L stainless steel that closely reflects reality in demanding industrial applications.

Keywords: Prager model, Chaboche model, 304L SS, cyclic, ratcheting, hardening, fatigue.

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DETERMINATION OF CONDITIONS FOR PREVENTING CHEMICAL WEAR OF INDUCTION FURNACE LINING IN THE "CUPOLA FURNACE – INDUCTION FURNACE" DUPLEX PROCESS

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The object of research is the melting of cast iron in the "cupola furnace – induction furnace" duplex process. The need to study such a duplex process is dictated by the condition of ensuring the required quality of cast iron in the event that a low-quality or uncontrolled charge is used. This condition cannot be met if the induction furnace is used as the only melting unit. But the problem is that in the process of induction melting of cast iron, in particular at the stage of overheating and holding the melt, a crucible reaction may begin, which leads to chemical wear of the lining. The need to reduce the carbon content in the melt discharged from the cupola furnace requires an increase in temperatures, which creates risks for the onset of a crucible reaction.

Based on statistical calculations of cupola melting parameters, it was found that in the melt discharged from the cupola furnace into the induction furnace, the average carbon content is $C = 3.47\%$ with a standard deviation $S_C = 0.14\%$, and the average silicon content is $Si = 2.05\%$ with a standard deviation $S_{Si} = 0.21\%$. At the same time, with a probability of 96%, the carbon content is $C = (3.33–3.75)\%$, and the silicon content corresponds to the range $Si = (1.84–2.46)\%$ with a probability of 98%. It was found that the equilibrium constant is in the range (0.15–0.21) with a probability of 97.8% at an average temperature $T = 1355^\circ C$ with a standard deviation of temperature $S_T = 6^\circ C$.

With such melt parameters, which are supplied to the induction furnace, the risks of the onset of a crucible reaction do not arise. It was determined that even at temperature regimes sufficient to remove FeO, the risk of the onset of a crucible reaction is minimal. In order to ensure conditions that prevent the onset of a crucible reaction, the following recommendations should be followed for the content of carbon and silicon in high-temperature melting when the temperature is in the range $T > 1480^\circ C$: $C > 0.3\%$ and $Si < 0.3\%$.

The results of the study can be used in the melting sections of foundries equipped with cupola furnaces and induction furnaces.

Keywords: "cupola furnace – induction furnace" duplex processes, crucible reaction, chemical wear of the lining, poor-quality charge.

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DEVELOPMENT OF A METHOD FOR MODELING THE MAGNETIC STATE AND ASSESSING THE ELECTROMECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF A VORTEX LAYER OF FERROMAGNETIC PARTICLES MOVING IN A ROTATING MAGNETIC FIELD

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The object of this study is a vortex layer (VL) of ferromagnetic particles (FP) moving in a rotating magnetic field (RMF). Apparatuses vortex layer (AVL) devices are used to intensify energy-intensive technological processes with liquid and bulk materials that require activation, mixing, and fine grinding. External three-phase (380 V/50 Hz) two-pole inductors are used to synthesize the VL in a cylindrical AVL working chamber with a diameter of 60–330 mm. The RMF_i modulus of magnetic induction at the bore center in the absence of FP is selected during design from the range of 0.12–0.25 T. Steel or nickel FPs have an elongated cylindrical shape, typically with a ratio of $l/d = 8–15$ (l is the FP length, d is the FP diameter) and a diameter of 0.7–2.5 mm. The magnetic and electromechanical characteristics of the VL have been insufficiently studied. This paper examines a method for estimating these characteristics of the VL by modeling its magnetic state. A real bipolar RMF existing in a working chamber with an operating VL is represented by the synchronous rotation of three plane-parallel uniform circular vector fields – field strength, induction, and magnetization \vec{H} , \vec{B} , \vec{J} . The experimental determination of the characteristics of the model vectors \vec{H} , \vec{B} , \vec{J} is performed using two flat frame induction coils. The simple behavior patterns of the vector field are consistent with the relatively chaotic behavior of each individual VL particle.

A demonstration example of determining the characteristics of the model vectors \vec{H} , \vec{B} , \vec{J} , the specific torque magnetic moment, the specific power, and the level of chaos of an industrial VL is presented.

The results of this work can be used in both academic and engineering applications related to the research and design of AVL and similar equipment.

Keywords: vortex layer in RMF, electromechanical interaction FP, magnetization model VL, optimal FP concentration, VL chaos level.

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OPTIMIZATION OF PUBLIC BUILDING GLAZING ACCORDING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY CRITERIA

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The object of research is a two-story office building. One of the problem areas in building envelopes is stained glass structures that do not meet modern energy efficiency requirements and have significant heat loss. The research aims to develop optimal design solutions for modernizing existing glazing, aimed at reducing heat loss while preserving the architectural appearance of the facade and the economic feasibility of implementing thermal renovation measures.

The research used a set of methods, namely the creation of a BIM model of the building, analysis of the thermal insulation properties of building envelopes, technical and economic comparison of thermal renovation options, and online calculation tools from window companies. The research results provided indicators of heat loss through the stained glass windows of the existing system and the proposed reconstruction options, as well as the amount of solar gain. Three options for replacing the stained glass windows were developed. One option involved the use of Rehau SYNEGO® MD-80 with 490 mm mullions and a reduction in the area of translucent structures. The heat loss savings are 56%, and the implementation cost is 3084 EUR, which is an acceptable indicator among the options considered. This is because the proposed option meets energy efficiency requirements and also takes into account the customer's restrictions on changing the architectural appearance of the facade by no more than 50%.

The proposed approach allows for a comprehensive assessment of the impact of the proposed measures on the energy balance of the building, taking into account architectural constraints and justifying an economically viable solution. Compared to traditional solutions for replacing stained glass windows based solely on thermal conductivity or standard facade solutions without taking into account the conditions of a specific object.

The results obtained can be used for implementation in similar objects in public and office buildings during reconstruction or new construction.

Keywords: energy efficiency, glazing, facade, thermal insulation, Building Information Model, heat loss, energy conservation, thermal renovation.

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ENERGY CONVERSION EFFICIENCY IN THE ELECTROMECHANICAL SYSTEM WITH MAGNETIC GEAR OF PASSENGER ELECTRIC TRANSPORT ROLLING STOCK

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The object of research is electromechanical processes in the traction electric drive of the rolling stock of passenger electric transport under the action of strong and short-term moments of disturbance during acceleration, movement at a steady speed and deceleration.

The problem under consideration was to determine the influence of the parameters of the magnetic reducer on reducing the effect of external disturbances on the electromechanical system of the rolling stock of the metro. The analysis was carried out on the basis of a comparison of a typical traction electric drive with a mechanical reducer and the proposed electric drive with a magnetic reducer. This reducer transmits the moving moment to the wheel pairs without mechanical contact, but at the same time causes an elastic-viscous connection between its input and output shafts.

A comparison of the behavior of the electromechanical system using a typical mechanical reducer and the proposed magnetic reducer is presented. The influence on the efficiency of energy conversion of the parameters of the magnetic reducer, in particular the magnetic stiffness and the damping coefficient, is investigated. During the research, differences were found in the dependences of the amplitude of moments, the period of natural oscillations, and the time of damping of the transient process for two types of gearboxes. With a stiffness of the magnetic gearbox of 5000 Nm/rad, the amplitude of the moment decreased by 59% compared to the mechanical gearbox. The period of natural oscillations decreased by 62%, and the damping of the transient process increased by 59%. The research results showed that the rational choice of the parameters of the magnetic gearbox allows to increase the dynamic stability of the electric drive to short-term disturbances. At the same time, shock loads on the motor shaft and the amplitude of torque fluctuations are reduced. This is especially relevant for traction systems of transport operating in conditions of uneven resistance to movement.

The practical value of the research results lies in the possibility of improving the efficiency of energy conversion and the quality indicators of control of the traction electric drive of the rolling stock of passenger electric transport. This research will be useful for scientists and companies specializing in the field of rolling stock of passenger electric transport.

Keywords: efficiency, magnetic transmission, reducer, damping, stiffness, electric transport, traction electric drive, torque.

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