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Benchmarking of Analytical Methods and Analysis Software Used for Transportation Package Drop Analysis

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Introduction

Transport Cask Design Compliance

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- Acceptance Testing (Fabrication)
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Introduction

Over Thirty Years Experience in Storage and Transportation of

Spent Fuel, Radioactive Waste and Other Radioactive

Material.

Experience Includes:

- Design
- Analysis
- Testing
- Certification
- Fabrication
- Operation

Transport Cask Design Criteria

Design Basis:

- 10CFR Part 71
- Regulatory Guide 7.6
- Regulatory Guide 7.8
- ASME Section III, Subsection NB and NG



MP197 Impact Limiter Drop Testing

- Validate the Acceleration Values Used for the Structural Analysis
- Demonstrate that Crush Depths are Acceptable
- Demonstrate the Adequacy of the Impact Limiter Enclosure
- Demonstrate the Adequacy of the Impact Limiter Attachment Design
- Evaluate the Effect of Low Temperature (-20°F) on the Crush Strength

Test Model Description

	Full Size Package	1/3 Scale Model	
Weight of	266,300 lbs	9,750 lbs	
Package	(121 metric tons)	(4.43 metric tons)	
Overall Length of Package	208.00 in.	69.33 in.	
	(5283 mm)	(1761 mm)	
Outside Diameter of	122.00 in.	40.67 in.	
Impact Limiter	(3099 mm)	(1033 mm)	
Overall Package CG	102.85 in.	34.38 in.	
Location	(2612 mm)	(873 mm)	





Drop Orientations

Test Number	Drop Orientation	Drop Height	Impact Limiter Number	Location of Impact Limiter	Comments
1	0°	30 feet	1	Тор	
	Side Drop	(9m)	2		
				Bottom	
2	20° Slap Down	30 feet (9m)	3	Top (2 nd Impact)	Impact Limiter #1 was removed and replaced with limiter #3, entire test article rotates 180°.
			2	Bottom	
				(1 st Impact)	
3	90°	30 feet	3	Тор	Impact Limiter #2 was removed and replaced with limiter #4. Impact Limiter #4 chilled at –20° F for 48 hours before installed to the test body.
	End Drop	(9m)	4	Bottom (Impact End)	

Test Model and Accelerometer Locations





0° Side Drop Test Setup



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Cask Test Model After 0° Side Drop





20° Slap Down Test Setup



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Cask Test Model After 20° Slap Down Drop





90° End Drop Test Setup



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Cask Test Model After 90° End Drop



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Benchmark of the Testing Using LS-DYNA

The finite element analysis model is a representation of the 1/3 scale MP197 cask used for the actual drop tests with an impact limiter installed on each end of the cask. The model includes:

Cask model

Impact Limiters

- Redwood
- Balsa
- Stainless steel shell and covers
- Impact Limiter Attachment Bolts

Impact Surface

- Steel plate
- Concrete Pad



Finite Element Model

The impact limiter wood sections, the concrete pad, the steel plate, and the cask model are modeled with the default LS-DYNA constant stress solid element. The impact limiter shell is modeled with a fully-integrated shell element.

Cask model material

A-36 steel with elastic-plastic properties

Impact limiter shell material

• SA-240 Type 304 SST with elastic-plastic properties

Impact limiter wood segment material

• Using Mat_Modified_Honeycomb material model in LS-DYNA (material type 126), which models crushable material with anisotropic behavior

Concrete material

 Modeled using material law 16 in LS-DYNA, which was developed specifically for granular type material

Steel plate material

• A-36 steel with elastic-plastic properties



1/3 Scale Finite Element Model Overview





1/3 Scale Finite Element Model for Side Drop







1/3 Scale Finite Element Model for 20° Slap Down Drop





1/3 Scale Finite Element Model for End Drop



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Plot of Maximum Deformation for 1/3 Scale End Drop





Result From Test vs. From LS-DYNA Analysis

		Test Results	LS-DYNA Model
	Acceleration	65g	65.8g
End Drop (-20ºF)	Impact Duration	0.010 sec	0.012 sec
(_0 .)	Wood Crush Depth	2.5"	2.5"
	Acceleration	61g	61.5g
Side Drop	Impact Duration	0.012 sec	0.014 sec
	Wood Crush Depth	2.75"	2.75"
	Acceleration at Center of Cask	17g	18.2g
	Acceleration at Bottom of Cask	36g	34.9g
20° Slap Down 1 st Impact	Acceleration at Center of Cask 17g Acceleration at Bottom of Cask 36g Impact Duration 0.016 sec	0.023 sec	
. impact	Wood Crush Depth Bottom Limiter	4.92"	5.5"
20° Slap Down 2 nd Impact	Acceleration at Center of Cask	32g	41.1g
	Acceleration at Top of Cask	73g	78.4g
	Impact Duration	0.009 sec	0.012 sec
	Wood Crush Depth Upper Limiter	2.42"	3.0"



Conclusion

The LS-DYNA Analysis Results Correspond Well With the Measured Impact Limiter Drop Test Results

- Decelerations
- Impact time Durations
- Impact Limiter Crush Depths
- The LS-DYNA code can be used to accurately evaluate the impact of a cask with impact limiters
- Mesh refinement and the correct characterization of wood is crucial
- Test is limited by the available resources (schedule, drop orientation, temperature, etc) while the analyses can be performed for all necessary conditions

