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## Dynamic Analysis of Driving Mechanism for ALTS with High-Speed Transfer Characteristics

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### Abstract

The automatic load transfer switch (ALTS) typically automatically transfers electrical loads from a normal electrical power source to an emergency electrical power source upon reduction or loss of normal power source voltage. It can also automatically re-transfer the load to the normal power source when the normal voltage has been restored within acceptable limits. The transfer operation of ALTS is accomplished by a spring-driven linkage mechanism. In this paper we build a dynamic model of driving mechanism for ALTS using ADAMS and checked the characteristics of the transfer operation. Finally we performed a detailed design of the driving mechanism through results of analysis and confirmed it to satisfy design requirements.

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load transfer switch; ALTS) 22.9 kV-Y (automatic 가

가 1 2

가가 (SF6) 가 3 가 (driving part), (transfer switching part) (transmission part)

(vacuum interrupter; VI) (blade contact)

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and error)

(trial  
(2, 3)

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dynamics)

(multibody

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DADS, ADAMS

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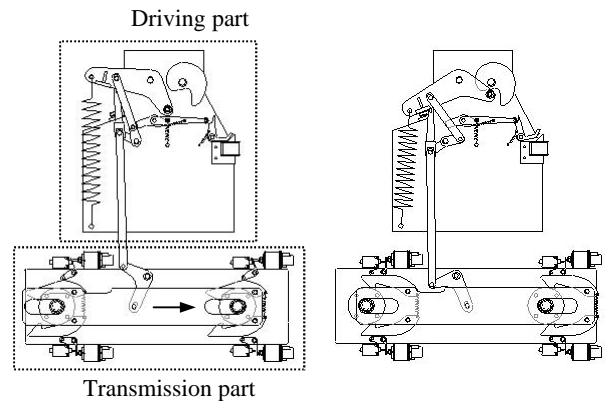
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(simulation)  
ALTS

(flat spring)

ALTS



(a) Driving and transmission parts of driving mechanism

2. ALTS

ALTS 1 2  
(driving mechanism)

Fig.1(a)

(driving

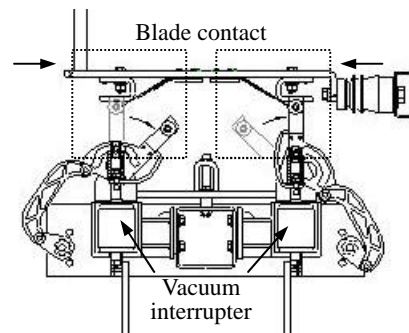
part)

(transfer switching part)  
(transmission part)

Fig.1(b)

(vacuum interrupter; VI)  
(blade contact)

ALTS



(b) Transfer switching part

Fig. 1 Structure and operation of ALTS

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(flat spring)

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Fig. 2 CAE CAD

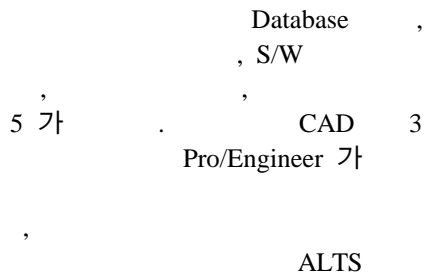


Fig.

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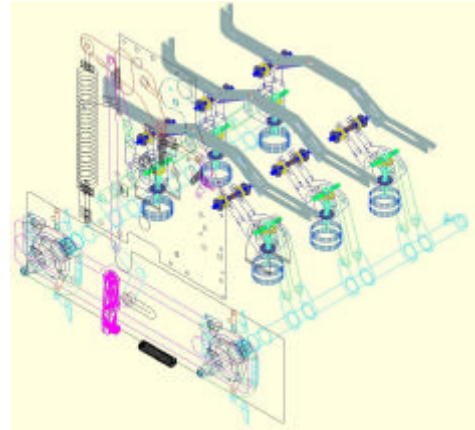


Fig. 4 Dynamic model of ALTS

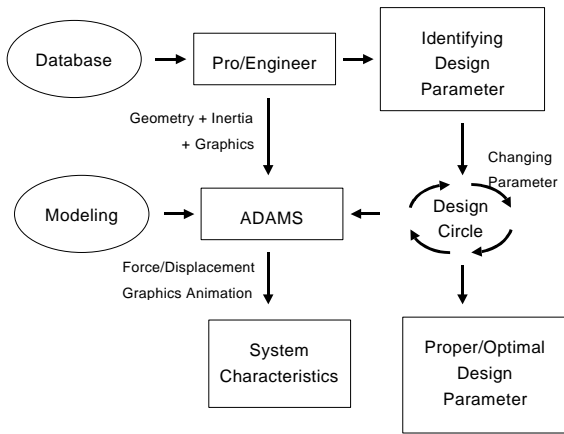
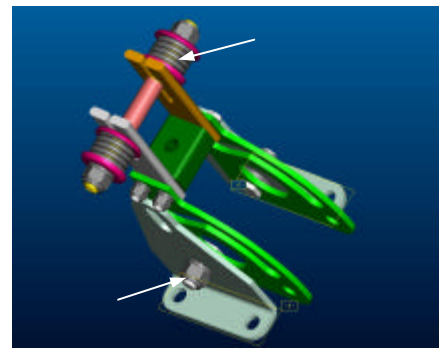


Fig. 2 Design Procedure based CAE/CAD



(a) Moving blade contactor

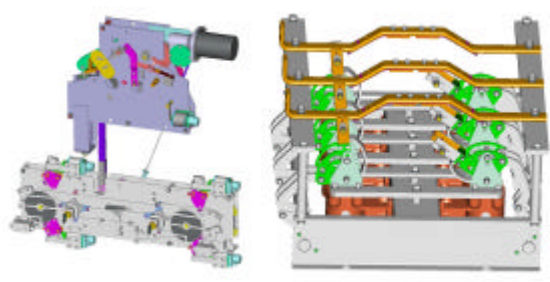
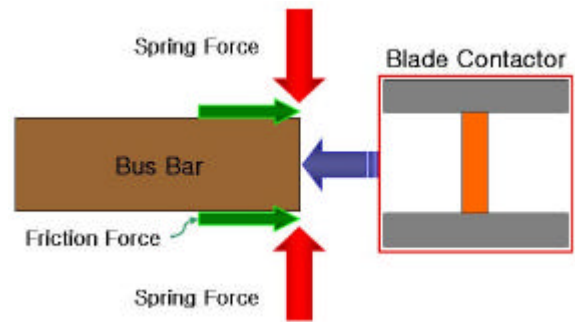


Fig. 3 Detailed design of ALTS using Pro/Engineer



(b) Friction model

Fig. 4 ADAMS

(dynamic model)

Pro/Engineer

Fig. 3

Hertz  
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Fig. 5 Friction effect by contact spring in blade contact of switch mechanism

3.1.1

(blade contactor)

(busbar)

Fig. 5(a)

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(busbar)  
(friction effect)

Fig. 5(b)

3.1.2  
ALTS

가 24ms

ms

Fig. 7

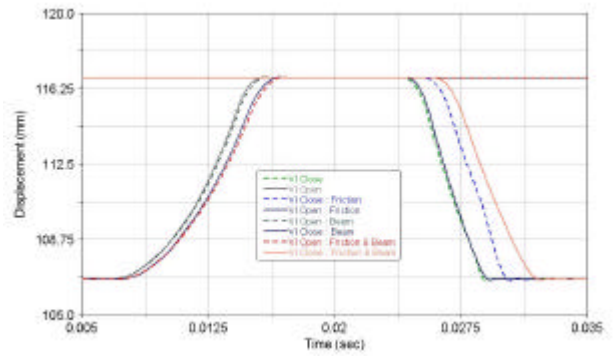


Fig. 7 Simulation results according to friction and beam effects

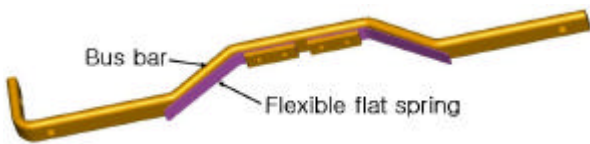
Fig. 6(a)

Fig. 6(b)

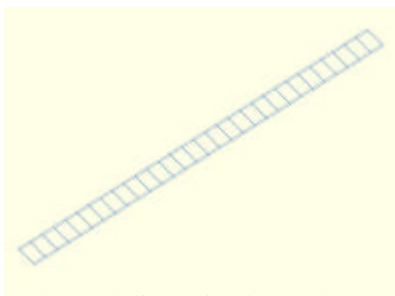
ADAMS

(flexible)  
(beam element)  
0.6mm

20mm



(a) Flexible flat spring



(b) Modeling using beam elements

Fig. 6 Modeling of flexible flat spring in blade contact of switch mechanism

Table 1

Table 1 Opening and closing velocity of VI moving contactor and transfer switching time in simulation

	Opening Velocity	Closing Velocity	Switching Time
No friction & beam effects	1.21 m/s	2.01 m/s	21.1 ms
Friction effect	1.11 m/s	1.85 m/s	22.8 ms
Beam effect	1.17 m/s	1.92 m/s	21.8 ms
Friction & Beam effect	1.05 m/s	1.52 m/s	25.1 ms

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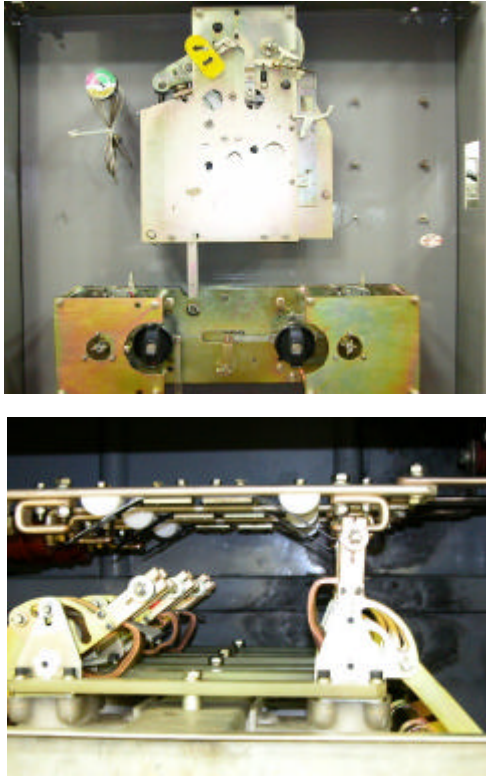
Fig. 8

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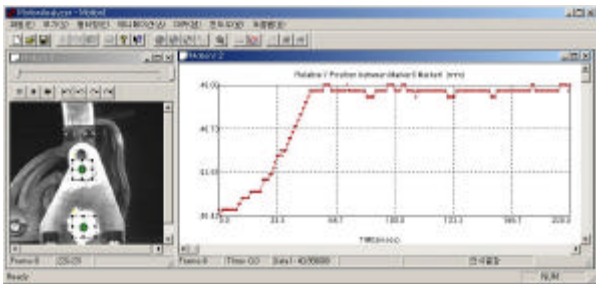
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VI  
Fig. 9

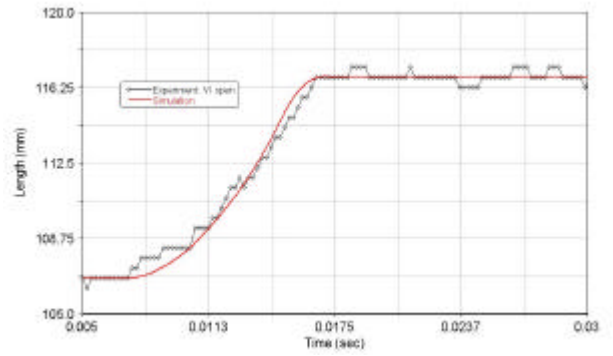
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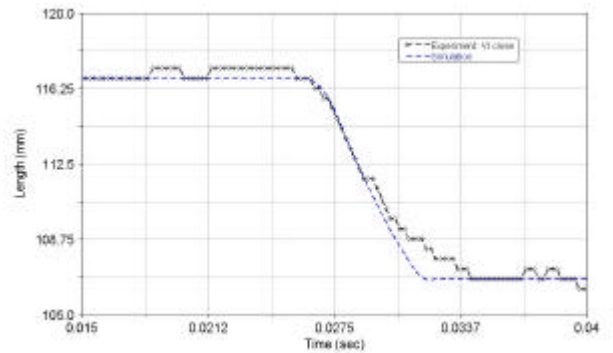
**Fig. 8** Prototype of driving and switch mechanism parts of ALTS



**Fig. 9** Measurement of opening and closing travels of moving contactor of VI using high-speed camera

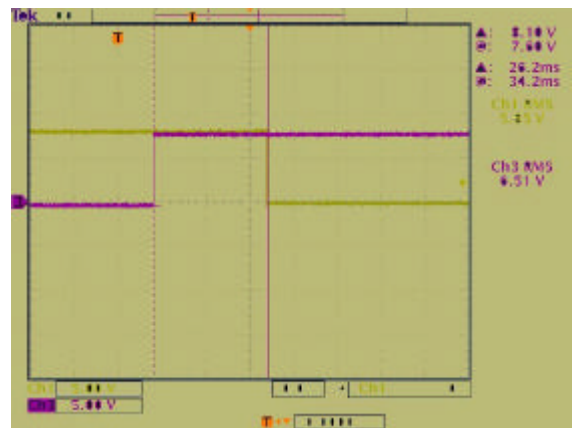


(a) Opening travel



(b) Closing travel

**Fig. 10** Opening and closing travels of moving contactor of VI in experiment and simulation



**Fig. 11** Transfer switching time of ALTS (experiment)

Fig. 9

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, Fig. 10(b)

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. Fig. 11

Table 2

**Table 2** Comparison of ALTS characteristics between simulation and experiment

	Open Velocity	Close Velocity	Switching Time
Experiment	1.01 m/s	1.25 m/s	27.4 ms
Simulation	1.05 m/s	1.52 m/s	25.1 ms

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