

# Use of Cad Tool for Design, Analysis and Development of Rotary Tillage Tool

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**Abstract:** Tillage is an operation performed on the field to obtain a desirable soil structure for perfect seedbed preparation for sowing seeds. Rotavator or Rotary tiller is a tillage machine Manufactured for preparing land by breaking the soil with the help of rotating blades. The development of Rotavator blades is an on-going process. The Rotary Tiller's Blade is geometrically constrained with preparation of solid model in CAD-Software and the Analysis is done with actual field performance rating parameters by using CAD-Analysis software for the structural analysis. The energy constrained for the tillage tool operations with 37Hp and 45Hp power tractor and estimated forces acting at soil-tool interface. The resultant effect on Rotary Tiller's Blade is obtained from Von-Mises stress, maximum principal stress, tensile stress and shear stress distribution plots. The present working model with tillage blade is analysed to new design constraints with change of its geometry for the maximum weed removal efficiency is suggested for the lab and field testing.

**Keywords:** Deformation, Rotavator, Rotary Tiller's Blade, Structural Analysis, Von Misses Stress.

## 1. Introduction

The development of Rotavator blades is an on-going process and new blades, particularly in the Asian subcontinent and Japan, where the Rotavator is widely used. The direction of rotation affects the manner because of its design in which soil failure occurs during the rotary tillage operation. Increase in fossil fuel prices leads to higher level of Agricultural land preparation cost which directly leads to increase in the cost of food. Farmers are more interested to improve cost to benefit ratio by reduce the land preparation cost and increase the yield. Now a day it is possible by using Rotary tiller or Rotavator for seedbed preparation. In a Rotavator Blades are the main parts which are engaged with soil to prepare the seedbed for sowing. Rotavator is a widely used machine for tillage operation in Indian farming because of its superior ability to mix, flatten and pulverize soil. This paper describes the design analysis of blade through computational method.

## 2. Objectives

- 1) To prepare a geometric solid model of Rotary Tiller's Blade by using CAD-software.
- 2) To generate a CAD analysis report of rotary tillage tool components.

## 3. Blade Details

The blade configuration influences the performance of Rotavator. Investigated the performance characteristics of three types of blades, viz, 'C', 'J' and 'L' shaped blades in terms of power requirements and the puddling quality of a tractor-driven Rotavator in a wet clay soil. L-shaped blades are mostly used in Rotary Tillers manufactured in Indian because of its effectiveness over 'C' type and 'J' type blades. These blades are normally mounted with three right handed and three left handed blades per flange.

**Table 1:** Blade Parameters

Sr.	Parameters	Values
1	Blade span (mm)	40
2	Effective Vertical length (mm)	231
3	Blade cutting width (mm)	135
4	Blade thickness (mm)	9

## 4. Methodology

From literature it is clear that a "L" type blade is most suitable for Indian farming conditions compared to 'C' and 'J' type Blade, a blade was designed in 3D CAD software on the basis of geometrical parameters of actual 'L' type blade, followed by analysis in ANSYS.

The steps performed in ANSYS for analysis are import design, meshing, input parameters and solution. The structural analysis was done based on field trial data available from the manufacturer and farmers.

$$K_s = C_s \frac{75N_c \cdot \eta_c \cdot \eta_z}{u} \quad (1)$$

Where-

$K_s$  = maximum tangential force (kg),

$N_c$  = Prime mover Tractor Power (HP),

$\eta_c$  = Traction efficiency,

$\eta_z$  = Coefficient of reservation of tractor power,

$C_s$  = is the reliability factor that is equal to 1.5 for non-rocky soils and 2 for rocky soils,

$u$  = Prime mover forward speed (m/s)

$$K_e = \frac{K_s \cdot C_p}{i \cdot Z_e \cdot N_e} \quad (2)$$

Where-

$K_e$  = soil force acting perpendicularly on the cutting edges of each of the blades

$C_p$  = coefficient of tangential force,

$i$  = number of flanges,

$Z_e$  = number of blades on each side of the flanges,

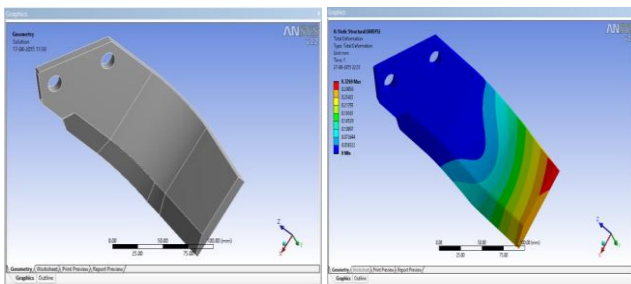
$N_e$  = number of blades which action jointly on the soil.

**Table 2: Input Parameters for the Analysis**

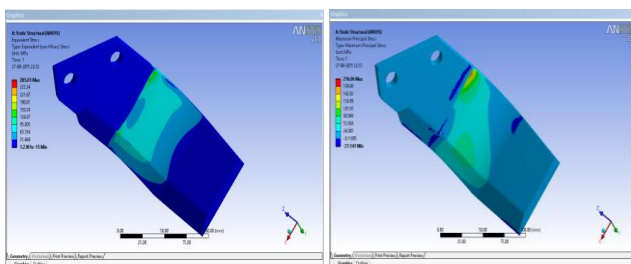
Sr.	Parameters	Values
1	Rotary tiller work depth (mm)	220
2	Rotary tiller work width (mm)	1500
3	Rotor rpm	210
4	Blade peripheral velocity (m/s)	5
5	Total number of blade	36
6	Number of blades on each side of the flanges	6
7	Prime mover forward speed (m/s)	1.2
8	Number of blades which action jointly on the soil	6
9	Prime mover Power (HP)	37-45
10	Traction efficiency ( $\eta$ )	0.9

## 5. Results

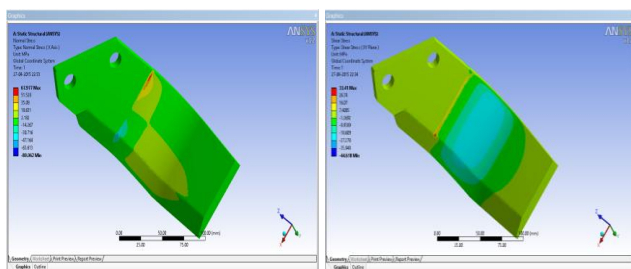
The analysis results of left hand blade in graphical mode have shown in figures below. As in case of tillage tools, deformation is related to tool wear but stress plays a major role which results in wear of the tool [6]. In this analysis, because of variations in tool shape the stress variation is obtained. The resultant for deformations, Von-Mises stress, maximum principal stress, tensile stress and shear stress is shown in Figures 1-6 below are for LH Rotavator blade of 9mm thickness.



**Figure 1: 3D-Model Figure 2: Deformations**



**Figure 3: Von-Mises Stress Figure 4: Max. Principal Stress**



**Figure 11: Tensile Stress Figure 12: Shear Stress**

**Table 3: Stresses in Blade**

Sr.	Factor	Values
1	Maximum Deformations	0.33 mm
2	Maximum Von-Mises Stress	285 MPa

3	Maximum Principal Stress	216 MPa
4	Maximum Tensile Stress	68 MPa
5	Maximum Shear Stress	33.4 MPa

## 6. Conclusions

3D CAD model of tillage blade is analysed to new design constraints. This model is analysed for deformations, Von-Mises stress, maximum principal stress, tensile stress and shear stress. The results of structural analysis are evaluated for 45HP tractor. For effective performance of rotavator blade it is suggested for the lab and field testing.

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