

## Shape Optimisation of Railway Wheel Profile

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The paper presents a procedure for optimal design of a wheel profile based on geometrical wheel/rail contact characteristics. An optimized wheel profile is obtained as a solution of inverse (minimization) problem. A number of new wheel profiles are obtained. Their advantage compared with old one is shown. Keywords: Inverse problems, shape optimisation, wheel-rail contact, multipoint approximations

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