



Combine Shot Penning (SP) and Ultrasonic Impact Treatment (UIT) for Soil Corrosion Buckling Strength Enhancement of AA 2014-T4

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Abstract

The aim of this work is to investigate the effect of soil corrosion on the critical buckling load of circular columns made of 2014-T4 aluminum alloy. In this work, 24 specimens were used and buried in the soil for 120 days. The samples divided into two groups (12 columns with corrosion before shot penning (SP) and ultrasonic impact treatment (UIT), and 12 columns with corrosion after combined surface treatments (SP+UIT)). The experimental results revealed that the corrosion negatively affects the mechanical properties of the material, and the reduction percentage (R%) for ultimate tensile strength (UTS) and yield strength (YS) was (1.95% and 4.57%) respectively. After combined surface treatments (SP+UIT) for the corroded columns, the ultimate tensile strength (UTS) and yield strength (YS) were improved with (2.42%, and 2.87%) respectively. Perry-Robertson, Rankine, and ANSYS were used to estimate the critical buckling load (Pcr) and compare it with the experimental results. Rankine and Perry's formulas have been achieved a good agreement with the experimental without and with (1.5) factor of safety respectively. While ANSYS gave satisfactory prediction with a safety factor of (2.2 and 2.7) and (1.9 and 2.7) for long and intermediate columns before and after (SP+UIT) respectively.

Keywords: 2014-T4 aluminum Alloy, Shot Penning (SP) and Ultrasonic Impact Treatment (UIT), Buckling Column, Perry and Rankine Theories, Soil Corrosion, Factor of Safety.

لجمع بين الضرب بالكرات (SP) والموجات فوق الصوتية (UIT) لتحسين مقاومة سبيكة
الالمنيوم (T4-2014) المتعرضة لتآكل التربة
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الخلاصة:

الهدف من هذا العمل هو التحقيق في تأثير تآكل التربة على حمل الانبعاج الحرج للأعمدة الدائرية المصنوعة من سبائك الألومنيوم T4-2014. في هذا العمل، تم استخدام 24 عينة ودفنها في التربة لمدة 120 يوماً. قسمت العينات إلى مجموعتين (12 عينة مع التآكل قبل المعالجة بالضرب بالكرات (SP) والموجات فوق الصوتية (UIT)، و 12 عينة مع التآكل بعد العلاجات السطحية المدججة (SP + UIT)). أظهرت النتائج العملية أن التآكل يؤثر سلباً على الخواص الميكانيكية للمادة، ونسبة الانخفاض (R%) لقوة الشد الأعلى (UTS) وإجهاد الخضوع (YS) كانت (1.95% و 4.57%) على التوالي. بعد المعالجة السطحية المدججة (SP + UIT) للأعمدة المتآكلة، تم تحسين قوة الشد الأعلى (UTS) وإجهاد الخضوع (YS) بنسبة (2.42% و 2.87%) على التوالي. تم استخدام معدلات بيرى، رانكن و ANSYS لتقدير حمل الانبعاج الحرج (Pcr) ومقارنته بالنتائج التجريبية. حققت معادلتى رانكن و بيرى اتفاقاً جيداً مع العملي. بدون وجود عامل أمان بالنسبة لرانكن ومع (1.5) عامل أمان لبيرى. اما بالنسبة لل ANSYS فقد اعطى تنبؤات مُرضية مع عامل أمان قدره (2.2 و 2.7) و (1.9 و 2.7) للأعمدة الطويلة والمتوسطة قبل وبعد (SP + UIT) على التوالي.



Nomenclature

Symbols	Description	Unit
YS	Yield strength	(MPa)
UTS	Ultimate tensile strength	(MPa)
P_{cr}	Critical buckling load	N
L	Total column length	(mm)
L_e	Effective column length	(mm)
I	Moment of inertia	(mm ⁴)
A	Cross sectional area	(mm ²)
D	Diameter of column	(mm)
E	Modulus of elasticity	(GPa)
r	Radius of gyration	(mm)
δ_{in}	Initial column deflection	(mm)
δ_{cr}	Critical deflection	(mm)
S.R	Slenderness ratio	
C_c	Column constant	
SF	Factor of Safety	

1. Introduction

The failures due to the instability phenomena can happen suddenly and may cause the whole construction to collapse. So, it is very important for engineers to have good information about this phenomenon. The buckling of the columns is one of the common models of instability phenomenon [1]. Structures failure due to the buckling phenomenon is still of interest to the engineers and researchers. Study the buckling behavior of the column is an important step to understanding and guess the reliability of the constructions that have more complex designs [2]. The column is defined as a structural member that carries a compressive load at one end, the cross-sectional dimensions are considerably smaller than the length that will be the orientation in which the load is applied. The buckling phenomenon occurs when a column is subjected to an axial compressive load and deflect because the loading is big enough. The critical buckling load of the column is defined as the maximum axial load that the column can support before it tends failure [3]. Structures can fail when a structural member or the whole construction reaches yield or ultimate strength, override the maximum deflection, or when a fracture of members or collapse occurs. Buckling is a wide term that describes several of the mechanical behaviors [4]. Buckling can be defined as the bending of the structural members under an axial compressive load. The columns are slender members that carry the axial load. The column may fail because of the instability of the structures when the compressive load excessive and this phenomenon called buckling. The buckling problem of the columns is a very serious issue. Therefore, neglect this effect may lead to catastrophic results or unjustified safety factors [5]. Corrosion can be defined as the deterioration of the material because of the reaction with its environment. This can influence negatively the metal because of the loss of a cross-sectional area, it can ruin the metal due to hydrogen embrittlement, or cracking of a material due to sunlight exposure. The corrosion is preponderant in offshore and marine structures because

of the fact that seawater is an aggressive corrosive environment [6].

Oszvald and Dunai, 2012 [7], studied the effect of the corrosion on the buckling behavior of corroded steel angle members. The influence of the corrosion location and the loss of the cross-section area were studied by experimental investigation. The samples had been exposed to three types of corrosion uniform, pitting, and local corrosion. The behavior of the steel angle members was estimated and evaluated. The corrosion resistance was reduced due to corrosion.

Jatav and Datta, 2014 [8], studied the column shape optimization which is subjected to safe and unsafe loads. They found that the unsafe loads occurred at the column subjected to a corrosion environment.

Hussein F.A., 2018 [9], studied the effect of the soil corrosion on the intermediate and long columns made from aluminum alloy 6061-T4. 27 specimens were used with two different corrosion time (30 and 60 days). Increasing corrosion time affects negatively on the mechanical properties of the material and reduce the critical buckling load. The reduction in critical buckling load was (2.5% and 5.7%) for 30 and 60 days for long corroded columns and (1.69% and 4.2%) for the intermediate corroded columns. He found that the prediction of the Perry formula has a good agreement with the experimental work with a factor of safety of (1.2).

AL-Khazraji A. N. et al 2014 [10], the aim of this survey is to determine the best enhancement of the buckling behavior of steel alloy (CK35) due to shot peening surface treatment under compression and combined loading. The results showed that the dynamic buckling behavior and the mechanical properties had been improved due to shot peening. The best improvement of the dynamic buckling load was obtained at 25 minutes of shot peening time. Because of utilized the shot peening treatment, some types of columns changed from long to intermediate based on Euler and Johnson formula.

Literature surveys showed that the exposure to a corrosive media and the surface treatments have a large effect on the life and resistance of structures. The present work is concentrated on the effect of the soil corrosion on the metal, and the influence of surface treatments (shot peening (SP) and ultrasonic impact treatment (UIT)) together on the column surface with utilize three formulas (Perry, Rankine, and ANSYS) in order to compare the results with the experimental work.

2. Experimental Work

2.1. Chemical Composition

Chemical composition analysis of the Al-alloy used in this work was conducted at Company State for Engineering Rehabilitation and Inspection (SIER). The results had compared with the ASM [11] as shown in table (1).



Table (1): Chemical composition of 2014-T4 aluminum alloy

2014-T4 Aluminum alloy	Al	Cr	Cu	Fe	Mg	Mn	Si	Ti	Zn
ASM [11]	Bal.	max 0.1	3.9 - 5	Max 0.7	0.2 - 0.8	0.4 - 1.2	0.5 - 1.2	Max 0.15	Max 0.25
Experi.	Bal.	0.08	4.1	0.36	0.52	0.96	0.8	0.11	0.19

2.2. Tensile Test

The tensile testing was conducted by using the (WDW-200E) device as shown in Fig. (1), at the University of Technology, Materials Engineering Department. The mechanical properties of (2014-T4 Al-alloy) were compared with ASM [11]. The tensile test specimen were made according to the specifications of ASTM [12] as shown in figure (2) (all dimensions in mm).



Figure (1): Tensile test device WDW-200E

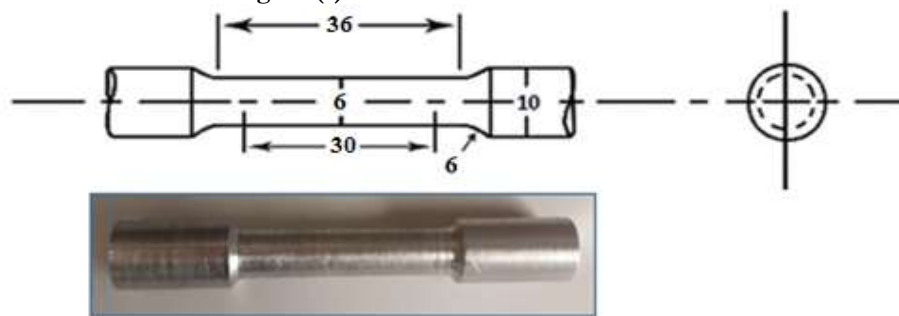


Figure (2): Tensile test specimen according to the ASTM [12]

The mechanical properties are listed in table (2), and it's the average of three samples:

Table (2): Mechanical properties of aluminum alloy (2014-T4) before and after (SP+UIT)

2014-T4 Aluminum alloy	UTS (MPa)	YS (MPa)	E (GPa)
	Before (SP+UIT)		
Standard ASM[9]	425	290	73
Dry columns (without corrosion)	410	284	71

Columns with Soil Corrosion	402	271	69.5
After (SP+UIT)			
Dry columns (without corrosion)	422	293	73
Columns with soil corrosion	412	279	70

SP: Shot Peening, UIT: Ultrasonic Impact Treatment

2.3. Dimensions of Buckling Specimens

Table (3) illustrates the dimensions of the 2014-T4 Al-alloy specimens used in this work.



Table (3): Dimensions of the buckling specimens (AA 2014-T4)

NO.	L _T (mm)	L _e (mm)	D (mm)	S.R	C _c	Type of column
1	500	350	10	140	70.21	long
2	500	350	8	175	70.85	long
3	500	350	6	233.333	71.11	long
4	400	280	10	112	70.21	long
5	400	280	8	140	70.85	long
6	400	280	6	186.66	71.11	long
7	300	210	10	84	70.21	long
8	300	210	8	105	70.85	long
9	300	210	6	140	71.11	long
10	200	140	10	56	70.21	intermediate

11	200	140	8	70	70.85	intermediate
12	200	140	6	93.33	71.11	long

S.R: Slenderness Ratio, C_c: Column Constant

$$S.R = L_e / r_{min} \quad , \quad C_c = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2 E}{\sigma_y}}$$

If the slenderness ratio (SR) is greater than the column constant (C_c), then the column is long, while if the slenderness ratio (SR) is smaller than the column constant (C_c), then the column called intermediate.

2.4. Buckling Test

AA 2014 -T4 columns had been tested by using the test rig device as shown in fig (3), which is able to buckle the specimens by applying an axial compressive load with two rotating speeds (17 and 34 rpm), in the current work 17 rpm will be adopted. The test had been conducted at the University of Technology, Electromechanical Engineering Department.

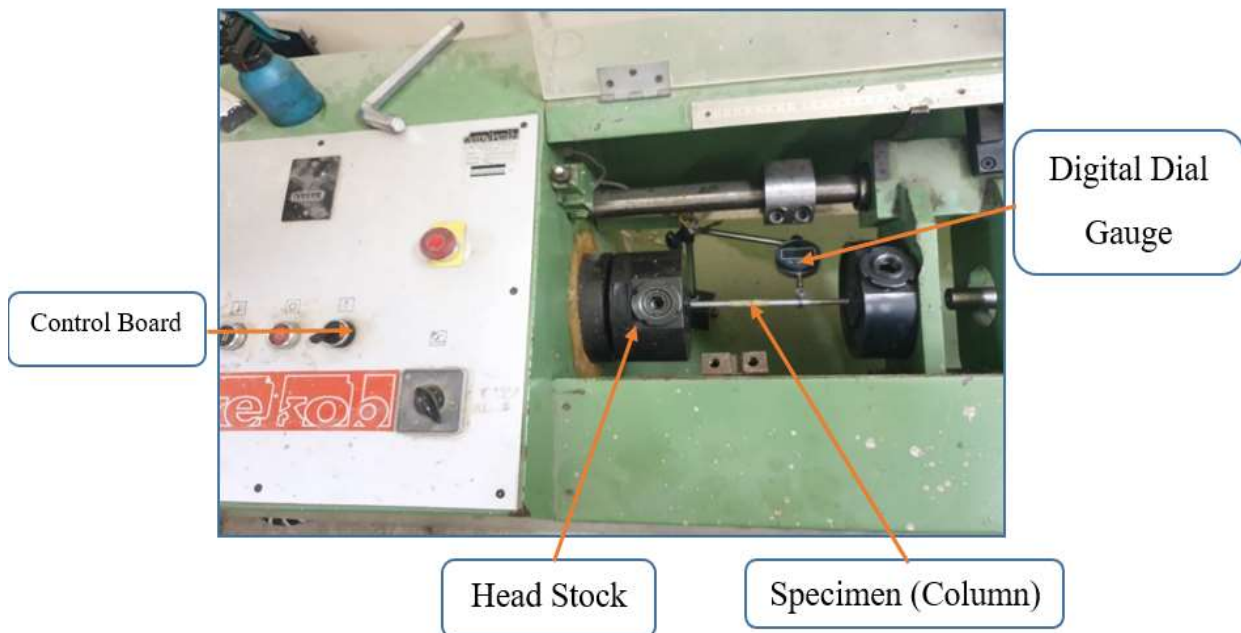


Figure (3): Test-rig machine

Experimental Buckling Results for Corroded and non-corroded Columns

Tables (4) and (5) shows the results for long and intermediate columns (2014-T4 aluminum alloy) that

have been tested under increasing dynamic buckling load and the reduction percentage (R%) due to soil corrosion before surface treatment by (SP+UIT).

Table (4): Results for long columns under increasing buckling load before (SP+UIT)

NO.	L mm	L _{eff} mm	Dia. mm	Area mm ²	S.R.	C _c	P _{cr} N	σ (MPa)	δ _{in} mm	δ _{cr} mm	R %
1(D)	500	350	10	78.5	140	70.21	1570	20	0.5	5.6	
2(SC)	500	350	10	78.5	140	71.11	1513	19.27	0.55	5.8	3.63
3(D)	500	350	8	50.24	175	70.21	803.8	16	0.22	5.4	
4(SC)	500	350	8	50.24	175	71.11	763.6	15.2	0.84	5.8	5
5(D)	500	350	6	28.26	233.33	70.21	226.1	8.001	0.3	5.38	
6(SC)	500	350	6	28.26	233.33	71.11	203.2	7.19	0.8	5.6	10.1



7(D)	400	280	10	78.5	112	70.21	2867	36.52	0.48	4.3	
8(SC)	400	280	10	78.5	112	71.11	2632	33.53	0.81	4.89	8.2
9(D)	400	280	8	50.24	140	70.21	1005	20	0.26	4.5	
10(SC)	400	280	8	50.24	140	71.11	979.6	19.5	0.52	4.05	2.53
11(D)	400	280	6	28.26	186.67	70.21	367.4	13	0.08	4.6	
12(SC)	400	280	6	28.26	186.67	71.11	336.3	11.9	0.1	4.4	8.46
13(D)	300	210	10	78.5	84	70.21	4659	59.35	0.59	3.2	
14(SC)	300	210	10	78.5	84	71.11	4584	58.39	0.3	3.4	1.61
15(D)	300	210	8	50.24	105	70.21	2161	43.01	0.27	3.18	
16(SC)	300	210	8	50.24	105	71.11	2018	40.17	0.29	3.23	6.62
17(D)	300	210	6	28.26	140	70.21	608.7	21.54	0.28	3.3	
18(SC)	300	210	6	28.26	140	71.11	571.7	20.23	0.8	3.4	6.08
19(D)	200	140	6	28.26	93.333	70.21	1465.2	51.85	0.24	2.5	
20(SC)	200	140	6	28.26	93.333	71.11	1394.3	49.34	0.44	2.33	4.84

D: Dry, SC: Soil Corrosion, R%: Reduction Percentage

Reduction percentage was calculated by the equation below:

$$R\% = \frac{Pcr(D) - Pcr}{Pcr(D)} \dots (1)$$

Table (5): Results for intermediate columns under increasing buckling load before (SP+UIT)

NO.1	L mm	L _{eff} mm	Dia. mm	Area mm ²	S.R.	C _c	P _{cr} N	σ (MPa)	δ _{in} mm	δ _{cr} mm	R %
28(D)	200	140	10	78.5	56	70.21	6673	85.01	0.5	2.03	
30(SC)	200	140	10	78.5	56	71.11	6555	83.5	0.62	2.1	1.77
31(D)	200	140	8	50.24	70	70.21	3165	63	0.48	2.6	
33(SC)	200	140	8	50.24	70	71.11	3014	59.99	0.23	2.01	4.77

From tables (4) and (5), it is observed that the critical buckling load for long and intermediate columns decreased due to soil corrosion.

2.5. Surface Treatment

The mechanical properties of the material can be improved by using surface treatment techniques, in this study shot peening (SP) and ultrasonic impact treatment (UIT) had been utilized.

2.6. Ultrasonic Impact Treatment (UIT)

The properties of the 1014-T4 AA were enhancement by using Ultrasonic impact treatment (UIT) device, which includes two portions (handheld and generator) as shown in the figures (4) and (5), and the specifications of the UIT device are listed in the table (4).



Figure (4): Handheld part of UIT device

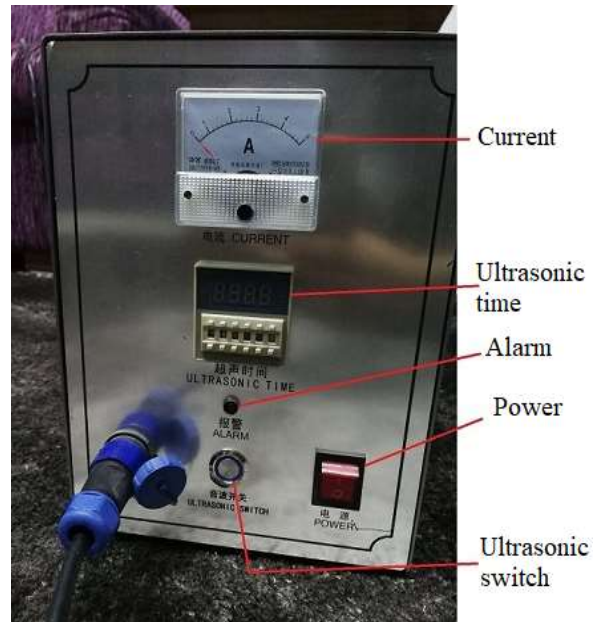


Figure (5): Power part of UIT device

Table (4): Specifications of the UIT device [13]

Items	Values
Major power supply	220 V, 50HZ
Common max. working current	4.5 A
DC fuse wire diameter	4.55 A
Max. pulse power	1000 W
Matched transducer	20 KHz
Recommend max. power working	500 W
Impact needle	4 sets, Ø 3×25 mm



2.7. Shot Peening (SP)

Shot peening is a cold working operation where the worked metal is peened with small balls to introduce compressive residual stress and work hardening or alternatively to remove surface layers [14]. The shot peening process is impacting a surface of the material with a shot (metallic balls, ceramic particles, glass) with enough force to produce plastic deformation

[15]. Shot peening also used to improve the mechanical properties of the metal, which is conducted by using a centrifugal wheel system. The shot peening device used in this work is (STB-OB) as shown in figure (6), and the specifications are listed in the table (5). The operating speed of the machine is 1435 r.p.m, and the wheel diameter is 590 mm. The shot flow rate is varied to get various shot peening intensities.

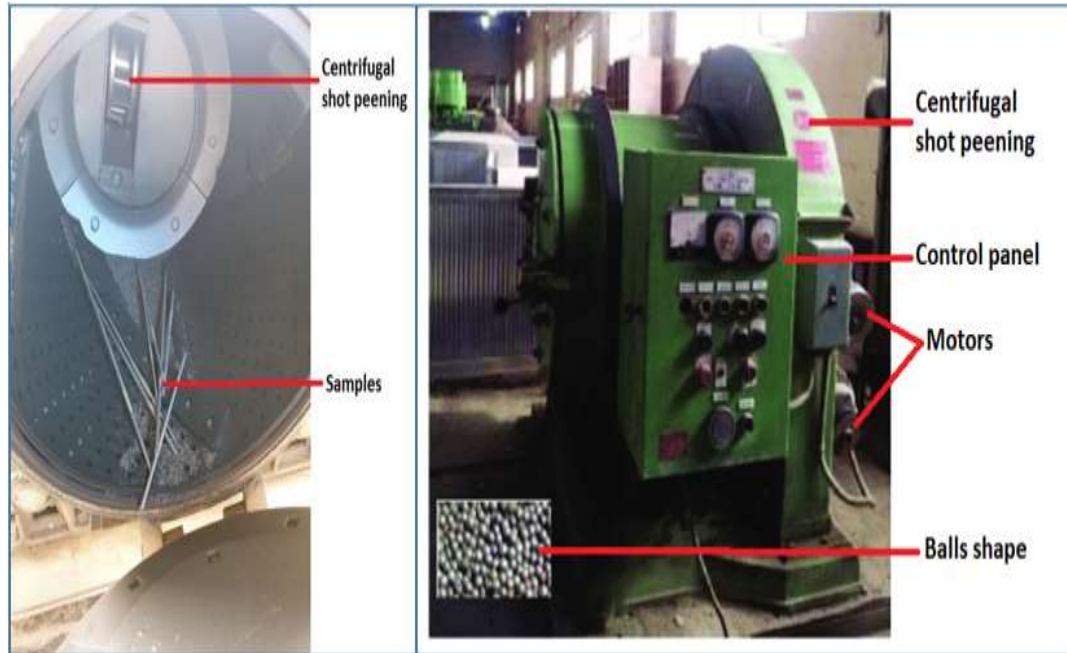


Figure (7): Shot peening device

Table (5): Specifications of Shot Peening Machine

Items	Quant.	Unit	Remark
Ball size	0.6	mm	
Sphere material	-----	-----	Cast Steel
Rockwell hardness	(48 – 50)	HRC	
Pressure	12	bar	
Speed	40	m/sec	
Distance from nozzle to specimen	10	cm	

Buckling Theories

Columns are split into two groups (long and intermediate) according to the slenderness ratio (SR) and the transition slenderness ratio (C_c). If (SR) is greater than (C_c), then the column is long, and if (SR) is smaller than (C_c), then the column is intermediate [16].

Slenderness Ratio (SR)

SR is define as the ratio of the effective length (L_e) of column to the radius of gyration:

$$S.R = KL / r_{min} = L_e / r_{min} \quad \dots (2)$$

Where

K: end-fixity factor

L: total length of column

L_e : effective length

r_{min} : smallest radius of gyration

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A}} \quad \dots (3)$$

I: moment of inertia

A: cross-sectional area

Column Constant (C_c)

$$C_c = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2 E}{\sigma_y}} \quad \dots (4)$$

Where

E: modulus of elasticity of the column material

σ_y : yield stress of column material

Perry-Robertson Formula

Perry—Robertson formula proof based on the assumptions that any fault in the member, through a material or eccentricity of loading, can be allowed by giving an initial curvature for the strut. For ease of calculations, it assumed to be a cosine curve, in spite of the actual shape assumed has a tiny effect on the results [17].



Figure (8): column with initial curvature [14]



$$P = A \left[\frac{\sigma_y + (1+\eta)\sigma_e}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_y + (1+\eta)\sigma_e}{2}\right)^2 - \sigma_y \sigma_e} \right] \dots (5)$$

Where

η : a constant depending on the material.

For a brittle material, $\eta = 0.015 L/k$

For a ductile material, $\eta = 0.3 \left(\frac{L_e}{100r}\right)^2$

L_e : effect length of pinned end strut

= 0.7 L of fixed ends strut

= 2.0 L of strut with one end fixed,

r : radius of gyration

σ_y : yield stress

σ_e : Euler stress

A : cross sectional area of column

Rankine or Rankine-Gordon Formula

Rankine formula is applicable for the columns, ranging from very long to short ones, but it does not give reliable results. Rankine, after many of the experiments, gave the empirical formula for columns as shown below:

$$P_R = \frac{\sigma_y A}{1 + a \left(\frac{L}{k}\right)^2} \dots (6)$$

Where

A : cross-sectional area

σ_y : is the yield stress in compression

L : total length of column

K : end-fixity factor

a : Rankine's constant = $\sigma_y/\pi^2 E$

E : Young of modulus

ANSYS

The finite element modeling (FEM) of the problem is an important step to achieve precise results. For FEM a computer program has been utilized called ANSYS. Beam element is utilized in the modeling and the FE mesh of the column is modeled using suitable nodes and elements depending on the length and cross-section of the column with sizing and bias factor [5]. ANSYS provides two modeling methods which are solid modeling and direct modeling. In general, solid modeling is more suitable for large or complex models that allow working with a relatively small number of data items as well as many other advantages [18].

3. Results and Discussions

3.1. Mechanical Properties

The mechanical properties of the specimens had been improved due to the surface treatments (SP+UIT), table (6) shows the values of ultimate tensile strength (UTS) and yield strength (YS) before and after (SP+UIT):

Table (6): Illustrates improvement percentage in UTS & YS due to (SP+UIT)

Property	Dry columns (without corrosion)		Columns with soil corrosion	
	Before (SP+UIT)	After (SP+UIT)	Before (SP+UIT)	After (SP+UIT)
UTS MPa	410	422	402	412
YS MPa	284	293	271	279
improvement Percentage %	UTS	2.84		2.42
	YS	3.07		2.87

Table (6) shows that after applying (SP+UIT) on the specimens UTS and YS were improved by (2.84% and 3.07%) and (2.42 % and 2.87 %) for dry and soil corrosion columns respectively.

Tables (7) and (8) illustrate a comparison between the critical load (P_{cr}) of (Experimental, Perry, Rankine, and ANSYS) of the corroded samples before and after (SP+UIT) for the long and intermediate columns with and without safety factor.

Buckling Results

Table (7): Comparison between the results of (Perry, Rankine, and ANSYS) with the Experimental for long and intermediate columns before (SP+UIT)

Sp. No.	L (mm)	L_{eff} (mm)	D (mm)	P_{cr} Exper. (N)	P_{cr} Perry (N)	P_{cr} Perry (N)	P_{cr} Rankine (N)	P_{cr} ANSYS (N)	P_{cr} ANSYS (N)
Long Columns									
SF				1	without	1.5	without	without	2.2
1	500	350	10	1513	2175	1450	1265	2745	1248
2	500	350	8	763.6	897.6	598.4	529.4	1125	511
3	500	350	6	203.2	285.6	190.4	170.4	356.1	162
4	400	280	10	2632	3202	2135	1912	4285	1948
5	400	280	8	979.6	1330	886.7	809.5	1757	799



6	400	280	6	336.3	425.1	283.4	263	556.3	253
7	300	210	10	4584	5098	3398	3178	7602	3455
8	300	210	8	2018	2154	1436	1375	3119	1418
9	300	210	6	571.7	696.9	464.6	455.3	988.2	449
10	200	140	6	1394.3	1327	884.4	953.6	2118	1008
Intermediate Columns									
SF				1	without	1.5	without	without	2.7
11	200	140	10	6554.7	8816	5877	6025	17004	6297
12	200	140	8	3014.4	3941	2627	2748	6991	2589

Table (8): Comparison between the results of (Perry, Rankine, and ANSYS) with the experimental for long and intermediate columns after (SP+UIT)

Sp. No.	L (mm)	L_{eff} (mm)	D (mm)	P_{cr} Exper. (N)	P_{cr} Perry (N)	P_{cr} Perry (N)	P_{cr} Rankine (N)	P_{cr} ANSYS (N)	P_{cr} ANSYS (N)
Long Columns									
SF				1	without	1.5	without	without	1.9
1	500	350	10	1670	2209	1472	1276.9	2765	1455
2	500	350	8	803.6	910.9	607	534.02	1133	596.4
3	500	350	6	225.1	289.7	193	171.78	358.7	188.8
4	400	280	10	2775	3259	2173	1932.9	4316	2271
5	400	280	8	1405	1352	902	817.21	1769	931.3
6	400	280	6	462.6	432	288	265.22	560.3	294.9
7	300	210	10	4708	5211	3474	3219.1	7656	4030
8	300	210	8	2032	2198	1465	1390.9	3141	1653
9	300	210	6	582.6	710.1	473	459.68	995.3	523.8
10	200	140	6	1407	1358.7	905.8	965.18	2235	1176
Intermediate Columns									
SF				1	without	1.5	without	without	2.7
11	200	140	10	6659	9043	6029	6135.6	17126	6343
12	200	140	8	3040	4039	2693	2789.5	7042	2608

From tables (7) and (8), it is clear that soil corrosion negatively affects the ultimate tensile strength (YTS) and yield strength (YS), and this leads to reduce critical buckling load (P_{cr}) of the aluminum alloy specimens. This finding is in good agreement with what was found by Hussien J. M. Al-alkawi et al [19]. It is also illustrated that Perry and ANSYS gave not satisfactory predictions, but with a factor of safety, a good agreement achieves with the experimental and this also what was found by Shawthab A. J. [20].

4. Conclusions

The combination of (SP+UIT) techniques can be effectively utilized for improving the mechanical and buckling properties of 2014-T4 aluminum alloy. The improvement percentage of UTS and YS of the corroded columns was (2.84% and 3.07%) and (2.42 % and 2.87 %) for dry and soil corrosion columns respectively due to (SP+UIT) techniques. Benefits obtained by combination of (SP+UIT) techniques are the results of the compressive residual stresses. The critical buckling loads (P_{cr}) where reduced due to soil corrosion (SC). The maximum reduction percentage (R%) was 10.1% and 4.77% for long and intermediate columns respectively.

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