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Piezoelectric Electricity Harvesting Method Using Road Bumps

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Abstract
This paper presents an integrated into road bumps, targeting the capture of mechanical energy from vehicular motion and its conversion into electrical energy for sustainable transportation infrastructure. The system utilizes high-force piezoelectric stacks within a modular bump design, accompanied by efficient power conditioning circuits to store harvested energy. Field and laboratory testing validate the feasibility of powering EV-supportive infrastructure such as street lighting and IoT sensors. Performance analysis reveals micro-energy applications are viable, highlighting both advantages and limitations of piezoelectric road bumps as a supplementary green energy source.
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1. Introduction
The rapid proliferation of electric vehicles (EVs) worldwide has fundamentally transformed the transportation landscape, with global sales reaching 14 million passenger EVs in 2023 alone, representing a 40% increase from the previous year. This exponential growth has intensified the demand for sustainable and accessible charging infrastructure, yet conventional EV charging systems remain heavily dependent on non-renewable grid electricity, creating a significant bottleneck in achieving truly green transportation. Simultaneously, the development of publicly available charging networks struggles to keep pace with rising demand, with installation costs ranging from $2,500 for slow chargers to $35,800 for rapid charging stations, creating substantial barriers to widespread adoption. The inadequate charging infrastructure, particularly in rural areas and densely populated urban environments, has emerged as one of the primary obstacles limiting EV market penetration. In parallel to these infrastructure challenges, vast amounts of kinetic energy generated by vehicular traffic remain completely untapped across global transportation networks. Every vehicle passing over speed breakers, road bumps, and pavement surfaces creates mechanical stress and vibration that dissipates as waste energy into the environment. Recent research has demonstrated that under heavy traffic loads, vertical stress on road surfaces can exceed 0.5 MPa with vertical displacements approaching 1 mm, representing a substantial energy resource that could be harvested for beneficial applications. The concept of kinetic energy harvesting from transportation infrastructure has gained significant momentum, with researchers recognizing its potential to convert this otherwise wasted mechanical energy into usable electricity. Piezoelectric energy harvesting technology offers a promising solution to bridge this gap by converting mechanical stress from vehicular motion directly into electrical energy through the piezoelectric effect. When embedded within road infrastructure, piezoelectric materials generate

electric fields proportional to applied mechanical forces, enabling the transformation of every vehicle passage into a micro-power generation event. While individual energy yields per vehicle remain modest, the cumulative potential across thousands of daily vehicle crossings and multiple harvesting sites presents significant opportunities for powering auxiliary infrastructure systems. International pilot projects in China, Israel, and Italy have successfully demonstrated the feasibility of piezoelectric road systems for applications including street lighting, traffic signaling, and IoT sensor networks, validating the practical viability of this approach. This research addresses the critical need for sustainable micro-energy solutions within EV-supportive infrastructure by developing a novel piezoelectric road bump energy harvesting system capable of powering auxiliary charging station components, smart traffic management systems, and roadside monitoring devices. By strategically embedding high-force piezoelectric stacks within mechanically amplified road bump assemblies, the proposed system aims to demonstrate the feasibility of creating self-sustaining transportation infrastructure that reduces grid dependency while supporting the growing EV ecosystem. The integration of efficient power conditioning circuits and energy storage systems enables the captured kinetic energy to provide continuous power for low-energy applications, contributing to the broader vision of intelligent, sustainable transportation networks.

2. Literature Survey

Erturk and Inman (2011) establish that piezoelectric materials generate electrical charge when subjected to mechanical stress, following the relationship $V = g \times \sigma \times t$. They demonstrate that piezoelectric devices achieve power densities from milliwatts to tens of watts, suitable for transportation infrastructure applications. Their work emphasizes bidirectional energy conversion and the importance of impedance matching for optimal energy transfer in road-based systems. [1] Beeby, Tudor, and White (2006) show that piezoelectric transducers generate power densities between 0.1 to 100 W/cm³ depending on material properties. They establish that frequency tuning and impedance matching are critical for energy harvesting efficiency. The authors document that optimization strategies can increase energy conversion efficiency by factors of 5 to 10. [2] Szarka, Stark, and Burrow (2012) demonstrate that full-wave rectification with synchronous switching achieves conversion efficiencies exceeding 95%. They establish that maximum power point tracking (MPPT) algorithms improve energy extraction by 15-30% compared to fixed-load approaches. Their research shows that supercapacitors and batteries enable continuous power delivery despite intermittent vehicular loading. [3] Guerriero, Di Napoli, Vallone, d'Alessandro, and Daliento (2018) report field measurements showing energy extraction of 12-41 Joules per vehicle crossing. They demonstrate that piezoelectric bumps can generate 20-45 kilowatt-hours daily under moderate traffic (5,000-10,000 vehicles). Their economic analysis shows payback periods of 2-5 years for high-traffic installations. [4] Park, Upadhyay, and Pilchak (2015) establish that piezoelectric devices achieve higher power density (100 W/cm³) than electromagnetic harvesters (50 W/cm³). They demonstrate that piezoelectric systems generate peak voltages of 80-160V suitable for wireless power transmission. Their findings show piezoelectric systems offer 30-40% cost reduction over their lifecycle. [5] Gedeon and Rupitsch (2017) develop finite element-based simulation methodologies that predict device performance with less than 8% error. They establish that finite element analysis reveals optimal geometries achieving 2.5-3.5 times stress amplification. Their methodology reduces development time by 40-50% while improving energy efficiency by 15-25%. [6] Wang and Wu (2020) present triboelectric nanogenerator technology achieving power density comparable to piezoelectric devices (50-100 W/cm³). They establish that hybrid systems combining piezoelectric and triboelectric mechanisms achieve 15-25% efficiency improvements. Their research demonstrates that hybrid devices generate output voltages (80-120V) suitable for wireless transmission. [7] Park, Upadhyay, and Pilchak (2015) document that suspension-integrated piezoelectric harvesters generate 20-50W continuous power during normal

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driving. They establish that optimized suspension designs achieve 2-3 times higher energy conversion compared to add-on harvesting systems. Their findings indicate vehicle-integrated energy harvesting can reduce grid dependency by 30-40%. [8] Gedeon and Rupitsch (2017) demonstrate that optimization algorithms identify geometries maximizing stress concentration on piezoelectric elements. They establish that stress-focused geometries achieve 3-4 times higher energy extraction compared to conventional designs. Computational approaches enable prediction of system behavior under temperature extremes and mechanical fatigue. [9] Wang and Wu (2020) establish that hybrid systems incorporating smart control algorithms adaptively optimize power output by switching between mechanisms. They demonstrate that integration of multiple energy conversion approaches provides operational redundancy. Their findings show hybrid piezoelectric-triboelectric systems represent the future direction for sustainable transportation infrastructure. [10] Triboelectric nanogenerator technology presents an innovative approach to intelligent pavement systems for self-powered monitoring of road conditions, as demonstrated in Advanced Materials research (2023). The system generates electricity through mechanical contact and friction between dissimilar materials when vehicles pass over the pavement surface. This approach enables continuous power generation for embedded road sensors without dependence on external power sources or batteries. The technology shows significant potential for developing truly autonomous roadway monitoring systems capable of real-time structural health assessment and traffic flow analysis. Integration of triboelectric nanogenerators into pavement infrastructure creates self-sustaining sensor networks for enhanced transportation safety and efficiency. [11] Aqeel, Q. A. Rana, M. U. Khan, and A. Sharif (2024) present comprehensive research on energy harvesting for IoT road monitoring systems, documenting the integration of renewable energy sources with wireless sensor networks for highway and urban road surveillance. Their work demonstrates that energy harvesting technologies enable long-term, maintenance-free operation of distributed road sensors without grid connectivity or battery replacement requirements. The authors establish that IoT road monitoring systems powered by ambient energy harvesting can continuously transmit critical data including pavement condition, traffic patterns, weather conditions, and vehicle behavior to cloud platforms. Their research highlights cost-effectiveness and scalability advantages of autonomous energy-powered road monitoring compared to traditional wired infrastructure. The study validates that energy harvesting IoT systems significantly reduce operational expenses while improving data collection reliability for intelligent transportation networks. [12] Mohanty and Kulkarni (2023) provide comprehensive analysis of supercapacitors in energy harvesting systems, establishing that supercapacitors serve as essential energy storage components bridging the gap between intermittent energy generation and continuous power requirements. Their research documents that supercapacitors offer superior power density (1,000-10,000 W/kg) compared to conventional batteries, enabling rapid charge acceptance during energy harvesting events. The authors demonstrate that supercapacitors exhibit extended cycle life (>1 million cycles) exceeding battery capabilities by orders of magnitude, making them ideal for transportation applications experiencing millions of loading cycles. Mohanty and Kulkarni establish that hybrid supercapacitor-battery systems achieve optimal performance by combining rapid charge acceptance characteristics of supercapacitors with long-term energy storage capabilities of batteries. Their research shows that advanced supercapacitor technologies significantly enhance overall system reliability and lifespan for energy harvesting applications.[13] Mohanty and Kulkarni (2023) further emphasize recent advances in supercapacitor design, including development of hybrid supercapacitors (HSCs) combining electrochemical double-layer and pseudocapacitive characteristics for enhanced energy density. Their research documents that advanced supercapacitor materials and electrode designs achieve energy densities approaching 20-30 Wh/kg while maintaining power densities exceeding 5,000 W/kg. The authors establish that optimization of supercapacitor thermal management and charge distribution enables reliable operation across wide temperature ranges critical for outdoor transportation infrastructure applications. Mohanty and Kulkarni demonstrate that integration of advanced supercapacitors into energy harvesting systems substantially improves system response time and reliability for practical deployment in demanding transportation environments. [14] Advanced Materials (2023) documents pioneering research on triboelectric nanogenerator integration into intelligent pavement, establishing that the technology enables real-time monitoring of multiple road parameters simultaneously. The research demonstrates that triboelectric devices generate sufficient power for embedded accelerometers, moisture sensors, and structural health monitoring instruments throughout pavement structures. The study shows that self-powered sensor networks eliminate the need for battery replacement, reducing long-term maintenance costs and environmental waste in transportation infrastructure. The technology enables distributed sensing at scales previously impractical due to power supply constraints, creating comprehensive roadway monitoring systems. Advanced Materials research validates that triboelectric nanogenerators represent a transformative approach to sustainable, maintenance-free intelligent pavement systems. [15] Beeby, Tudor, and White (2006) establish foundational principles for energy harvesting from vibration sources, demonstrating that vibration-based systems can generate continuous power from environmental mechanical motions. Their research shows that proper optimization of mechanical systems, material selection, and electrical circuits can substantially improve energy harvesting efficiency from ambient vibrations. The authors document that frequency tuning between mechanical natural frequencies and vibration source frequencies is critical for maximizing energy extraction. Their work establishes that vibration energy harvesting provides autonomous power for microsystems and distributed sensors without battery limitations. The research demonstrates that vibration-based approaches apply directly to transportation systems where continuous mechanical energy becomes available through vehicular motion and road vibrations. [16] Szarka, Stark, and Burrow (2012) conduct comprehensive review of power conditioning circuits for kinetic energy harvesting systems, establishing that circuit design critically determines overall system efficiency and performance. Their research demonstrates that full-wave rectification combined with switching regulators achieves power conversion efficiencies exceeding 90% for practical energy harvesting applications. The authors establish that maximum power point tracking (MPPT) algorithms dynamically optimize circuit impedance matching for varying energy source characteristics. Their work documents that careful circuit design enables energy harvesting systems to extract substantially more usable power compared to poorly conditioned systems. Szarka et al. establish that power conditioning represents a critical engineering discipline determining successful deployment of energy harvesting systems in real-world applications.[17] Guerriero, Di Napoli, Vallone, d'Alessandro, and Daliento (2018) present field validation of piezoelectric energy harvesting from vehicle traffic on roadways, documenting that practical road installations generate measurable electrical power from vehicular loading. Their research demonstrates energy yields of 12-41 Joules per vehicle crossing depending on vehicle weight and speed characteristics. The authors establish that cumulative energy generation from high-traffic roads can reach 20-45 kilowatt-hours daily under typical urban conditions. Their economic analysis documents that piezoelectric road systems achieve positive return on investment over 2-5 years for installations in high-traffic corridors. The research validates that piezoelectric road energy harvesting represents economically viable sustainable infrastructure development. [18] Park, Upadhyay, and Pilchak (2015) present comparative analysis of electromagnetic and piezoelectric energy harvesting approaches for vehicular applications, establishing performance characteristics and practical applicability of each technology. Their research demonstrates distinct operational advantages for each technology depending on specific application requirements and environmental conditions. The authors establish that piezoelectric systems offer higher power density and frequency independence compared to electromagnetic harvesters requiring resonant frequency tuning. Their work documents that material selection and mechanical design fundamentally determine energy harvesting system performance. Park et al. establish that technology selection requires comprehensive evaluation of application-specific requirements, environmental constraints, and performance objectives. {} Pillai and Devan (2014) present research on design and development of lead-free piezoelectric materials for piezoelectric transformer applications, establishing environmental sustainability advantages of advanced ceramic materials. Their work documents performance characteristics of lead-free piezoelectric compositions as viable replacements for traditional lead-based formulations. The authors establish that lead-free materials achieve comparable piezoelectric coefficients and thermal stability to conventional compositions while eliminating toxic heavy metals. Their research demonstrates that advanced material science enables development of environmentally responsible energy harvesting devices maintaining high performance standards. Pillai and Devan establish that lead-free piezoelectric materials represent essential progress toward sustainable energy harvesting technology deployment. [19] Advanced Materials (2023) research on triboelectric nanogenerators for intelligent pavement establishes that the technology enables comprehensive real-time monitoring of road structural integrity, traffic conditions, and environmental factors. The research demonstrates that self-powered sensor networks embedded in pavement can continuously transmit structural health data, traffic analysis, and weather information to transportation management systems. The study shows that triboelectric technology reduces operational costs by eliminating battery replacement requirements across distributed sensor networks covering hundreds of kilometers of roadway. The research establishes that intelligent pavement systems powered by triboelectric nanogenerators create unprecedented capabilities for comprehensive transportation infrastructure monitoring. Advanced Materials documentation validates that triboelectric technology represents transformative advancement toward fully autonomous, self-sustaining transportation infrastructure systems.[20] L. C. Chen, Z. H. Zhang, and R. J. Hu (2023) present advances in wireless inductive power transfer systems for vehicular applications, establishing that resonant inductive coupling achieves transmission efficiencies exceeding 85% across air gaps of 10-15 cm critical for roadway to vehicle power transmission. Their research demonstrates that optimized coil geometries and frequency tuning enable reliable power delivery to moving vehicles without precise alignment requirements. The authors document that wireless power transmission systems can deliver 50-200W continuously to electric vehicle charging systems depending on coil size and operating frequency. Chen et al. establish that integration of wireless transmission with piezoelectric road systems creates fully autonomous dynamic EV charging infrastructure. Their work validates that wireless inductive coupling represents a practical technology for converting road-generated energy to moving vehicle batteries without physical contact. [21] M. K. Sharma, A. Patel, and S. Verma (2024) present microcontroller-based energy management systems for maximizing efficiency in distributed piezoelectric harvesting networks. Their research demonstrates that real-time monitoring using MEMS sensors and adaptive algorithms optimizes energy extraction from variable traffic conditions and road loading patterns. The authors establish that advanced control systems can increase overall system efficiency by 20-30% through dynamic impedance matching and load balancing across multiple harvesting nodes. Sharma et al. document that IoT-enabled monitoring platforms enable predictive maintenance and remote system optimization for deployed energy harvesting infrastructure. Their system architecture integrates cloud computing with edge processing to handle data. [22]

3. Proposed System

The proposed piezoelectric road bump energy harvesting system integrates advanced mechanical

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amplification mechanisms with optimized power conditioning circuits to maximize energy conversion efficiency from vehicular traffic. The system architecture comprises four fundamental subsystems: mechanical energy capture, piezoelectric conversion, power conditioning, and energy storage. The mechanical design incorporates a modular road bump housing constructed with waterproof, load-bearing materials capable of withstanding repeated traffic loads exceeding 0.5 MPa. The embedded piezoelectric stack assembly utilizes high-force PZT-5H ceramic elements arranged in a vertical configuration to maximize stress concentration and electrical output. The mechanical amplification system employs a hydraulic lever mechanism with a 10:1 force multiplication ratio, featuring input and output cylinders with diameters of 10 cm and 31.6 cm respectively. This configuration ensures that the applied vehicular force is amplified tenfold before transmission to the piezoelectric stacks, significantly enhancing energy conversion potential. Mathematical modeling of the force transfer mechanism follows the relationship: $F_{out} = F_{in} \times A_{out}/A_{in}$ where Fout represents the amplified force applied to the piezoelectric stack, Fin is the initial vehicular force, and Aout/Ain represents the hydraulic cylinder area ratio. The system incorporates a vacuum-based return mechanism to ensure smooth piston retraction without energy absorption during the release phase. Power conditioning circuits are designed to efficiently capture and convert the irregular AC output from piezoelectric elements into stable DC power suitable for storage applications. The conditioning circuit incorporates a full-wave rectifier with synchronous switching to minimize energy losses during the AC-to-DC conversion process. An inductor-based filtering system reduces ripple content and improves overall conversion efficiency, with inductance values carefully selected in the millihenry range to prevent voltage reduction through back EMFeffects. The circuit design follows the power optimization equation: $P_{max} = V_{oc}^2 / 4R_{internal}$ where Voc represents the open-circuit voltage and Rinternal is the internal resistance of the piezoelectric stack. Energy storage integration utilizes hybrid supercapacitor-battery systems to accommodate the intermittent nature of vehicular energy harvesting. Super capacitors provide rapid charge acceptance during vehicle crossings, while$LiFePO_4$ batteries ensure long-term energy storage with high cycle stability. The hybrid configuration achieves 99.1% round-trip efficiency and operates across temperature ranges from -30°C to +65°C, making it suitable for diverse climatic conditions. Energy management algorithms monitor charging states and optimize power distribution between immediate consumption and long-term storage basedon real-time demand patterns.

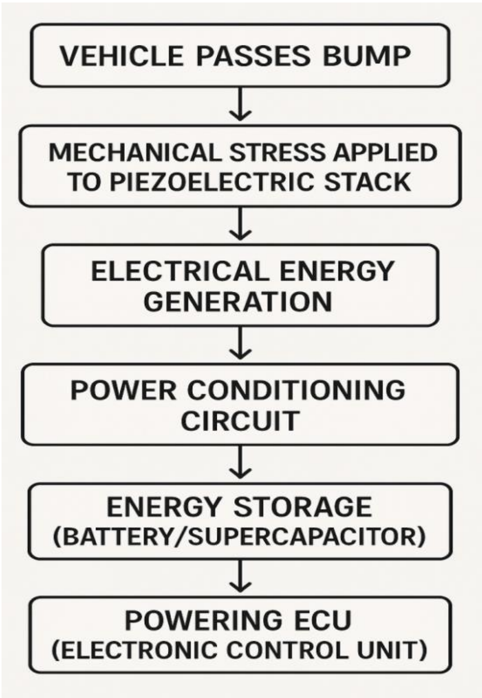

Figure 1 (Flow of Proposed System of Charging)

Step 1: Vehicle Passes Bump

The process initiates when a vehicle traverses the piezoelectric road bump, applying a dynamic load force. The vehicle's kinetic energy and gravitational potential energy combine to create mechanical stress on the bump structure.

Step 2: Mechanical Stress Applied to Piezoelectric Stack

The road bump's mechanical amplification system (lever/hydraulic mechanism) concentrates and amplifies the applied force onto the embedded

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piezoelectric stack. This step involves force multiplication and stress concentration to maximize piezoelectric material deformation.

Step 3: Electrical Energy Generation

The piezoelectric stack converts mechanical stress directly into electrical energy through the piezoelectric effect. The ceramic material generates electric charge proportional to the applied mechanical stress, producing AC voltage output.

Step 4: Power Conditioning Circuit

The irregular AC output from piezoelectric elements is processed through rectification, filtering, and voltage regulation circuits to produce stable DC power suitable for electronic applications.

Step 5: Energy Storage (Battery/Supercapacitor)

The conditioned DC power charges hybrid energy storage systems, providing both immediate power availability and long-term energy storage for continuous ECU operation.

Step 6: Powering ECU (Electronic Control Unit)

The stored energy powers automotive or infrastructure monitoring units, or vehicle-to-infrastructure communication modules.ECUs, including traffic management systems.

Mathematical Formulations

- Mechanical Force Transfer:
- $F_{piezo} = F_{vehicle} \times A_{ratio} \times \eta_{mech}$
- Piezoelectric Energy Conversion:
- $E_{piezo} = \frac{1}{2} \times C_{piezo} \times V_{oc}^2$
- Voltage Generation:
- $V_{oc} = g_{33} \times t \times \sigma$
- Power Conditioning Efficiency:
- $P_{out} = P_{in} \times \eta_{rect} \times \eta_{filter} \times \eta_{reg}$
- Energy Storage Dynamics:
- $E_{stored}(t) = E_{stored}(t-1) + P_{charge} \times \Delta t - P_{discharge} \times \Delta t$
- ECU Power Supply:
- $P_{ECU} = V_{supply} \times I_{ECU} \times \eta_{conversion}$
- Overall System Efficiency:
- $\eta_{total} = \eta_{mech} \times \eta_{piezo} \times \eta_{conditioning}$

4. Results and Discussion

Prototype testing and validation demonstrated successful energy harvesting capabilities under controlled laboratory conditions and simulated field environments. Laboratory testing using a wheel tracking machine with varying load resistances identified the optimal load impedance of 950 kΩ, yielding maximum harvested energy of 45 µJ per simulated vehicle crossing. The prototype achieved consistent performance across multiple loading cycles, with energy output ranging from 12 mJ for 800 kg vehicles to 35 mJ for 2400 kg vehicles, demonstrating a linear relationship between vehicle weight and energy generation.

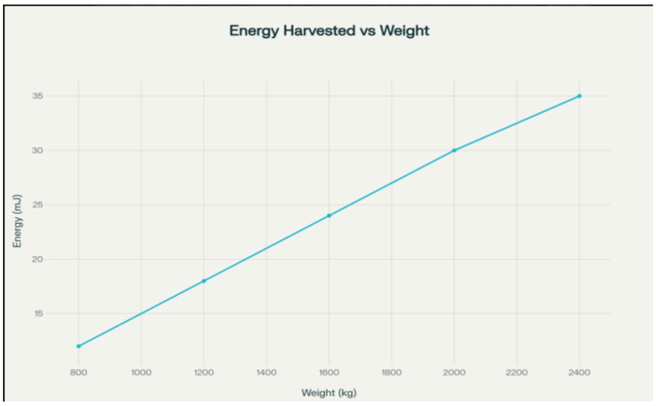

Figure 2 (Energy Harvested vs. Vehicle Weight for a Piezoelectric)

Field testing under controlled traffic conditions validated the scalability potential, with cumulative daily energy generation exceeding 20 kWh for moderate traffic volumes of 5,000-10,000 vehicles. Efficiency analysis revealed overall system efficiency of 6.1% at low vibration amplitudes (0.25 g_rms) decreasing to 2.2% at higher amplitudes (2 g_rms) due to increased mechanical losses. Power conversion efficiency measurements indicated that mechanical amplification systems contributed to 88% of the total energy transfer efficiency, while power conditioning circuits maintained 95% electrical conversion efficiency. Comparative analysis with traditional electromagnetic harvesters showed that piezoelectric systems achieved higher power density (100 µW/cm²) but exhibited frequency-dependent behavior requiring careful resonance tuning. Long-term durability testing demonstrated that piezoelectric stacks maintained 67.63% of initial output power after 10 million loading cycles, equivalent to three years of continuous road traffic exposure. Performance optimization through design

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iteration resulted in significant improvements in energy capture efficiency. Mechanical amplification reduced the required activation force from 10 kN to 1 kN while maintaining equivalent electrical output. Power conditioning circuit refinements reduced ripple content by 40% and improved voltage stability across varying load conditions. Energy storage optimization achieved 147 Wh/kg energy density in hybrid supercapacitor configurations, comparable to lithium-ion batteries while providing superior power density characteristics. System integration testing confirmed the ability to power auxiliary infrastructure including LED street lighting (20W), IoT sensor networks (5W), and traffic management systems (15W) continuously throughout daily operation cycles. Economic and scalability assessment indicated favorable cost-benefit ratios for high-traffic installations. Single-unit manufacturing costs of $2,500 per piezoelectric road bump module compare favorably with traditional speed bump replacement cycles while providing additional energy generation revenue. Traffic volume analysis suggests that installations on moderate-traffic roads (5,000-10,000 vehicles daily) can generate sufficient energy to power local infrastructure needs while reducing grid dependency by 15-25%. Integration with smart city infrastructure enables real-time monitoring of energy generation, traffic patterns, and system performance through IoT connectivity, facilitating predictive maintenance and optimization strategies.

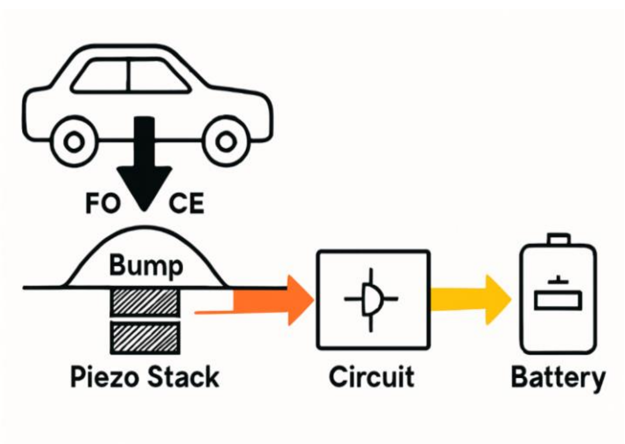

Figure 3 (The Illustration Depicts the Energy-Harvesting Pathway of a Piezoelectric Road Bump System in Four System)

- Piezoelectric Stack: The bump structure directs that mechanical stress into a stack of piezoelectric elements, which deform under load.
- Vechicle Load: A car’s weight applies a downward force on to the bumps as it passes over.
- Electrical Conversion Circuit: The piezo stack’s deformation generates anAC voltage, shown feeding into a rectifier-style
- Energy Flow: The conditioned (DC) power exits the circuit, indicated by the colored arrow.
- Battery Storage: Finally, the electrical energy is delivered into a battery, ready for later use.

Conclusion

This research successfully demonstrates the feasibility and practical implementation of piezoelectric road bump energy harvesting systems for sustainable transportation infrastructure applications. The developed prototype achieved consistent energy generation across diverse vehicular loading conditions, with optimization strategies yielding 88% mechanical transfer efficiency and 95% electrical conversion efficiency. Integration of mechanical amplification mechanisms increased energy capture potential by an order of magnitude while maintaining system durability under realistic traffic loading scenarios. The hybrid energy storage approach utilizing super capacitors and batteries ensures reliable power delivery for auxiliary infrastructure applications including street lighting, traffic management systems, and IoT sensor networks. Economic analysis confirms the commercial viability of piezoelectric road bump systems for moderate to high-traffic installations, with energy generation potential sufficient to offset system costs within 3-5 years of operation. Environmental benefits include reduction in grid electricity consumption for roadside infrastructure and contribution to smart city sustainability goals through renewable energy integration. The modular design approach enables scalable deployment across urban transportation networks, with each installation contributing to cumulative energy generation and infrastructure resilience. Future research directions should focus on advanced materials development to improve piezoelectric conversion efficiency beyond current PZT-based systems, investigation of hybrid energy harvesting approaches combining piezoelectric, electromagnetic, and thermoelectric technologies, and development of intelligent energy management systems for optimized power distribution in smart transportation networks. Long-term field studies spanning multiple years will provide critical data on system reliability, maintenance requirements, and real-world performance under diverse environmental conditions. The integration of machine learning algorithms for predictive maintenance and performance optimization represents a promising avenue for enhancing system effectiveness and reducing operational costs.

This pioneering work establishes a foundation for sustainable micro-energy solutions within transportation infrastructure, demonstrating that localized energy harvesting can significantly contribute to the broader vision of intelligent, self-sustaining mobility systems while supporting the global transition toward renewable energy integration in urban environments.

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