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- runaway trains
- bearing failures
- metal fatigue
- crash testing
- collision dynamics
- bad rails

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