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Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement in electromagnetic forming subsequent to hot aluminum extrusion Andreas Jäger, A. Erman Tekkaya

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Motivation and objective

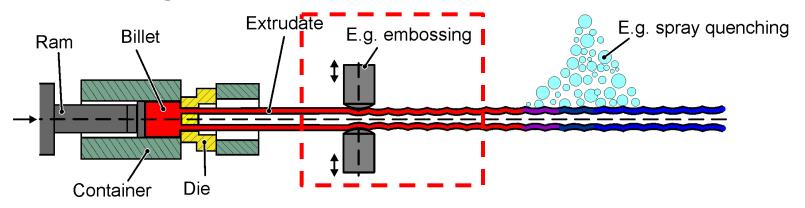


New

- Hot aluminum extrusion
 - + Straight, semi-finished products, mass production
 - + Geometric complex cross sections possible
 - + Integration of functionalities
 - Homogeneous material properties
 - Constant cross section

State of the art

- Integration of subsequent processing steps
- Manufacturing of function-adapted structural components



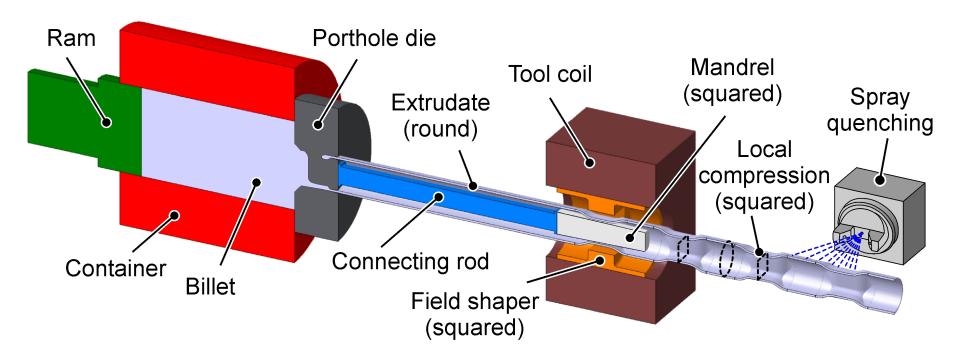
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New process combination - Hot extrusion and electromagnetic forming



Principle

- Hot extrusion of aluminum tubes combined with subsequent (hot) electromagnetic compression
- Performing electromagnetic forming as a free forming operation or tool assisted

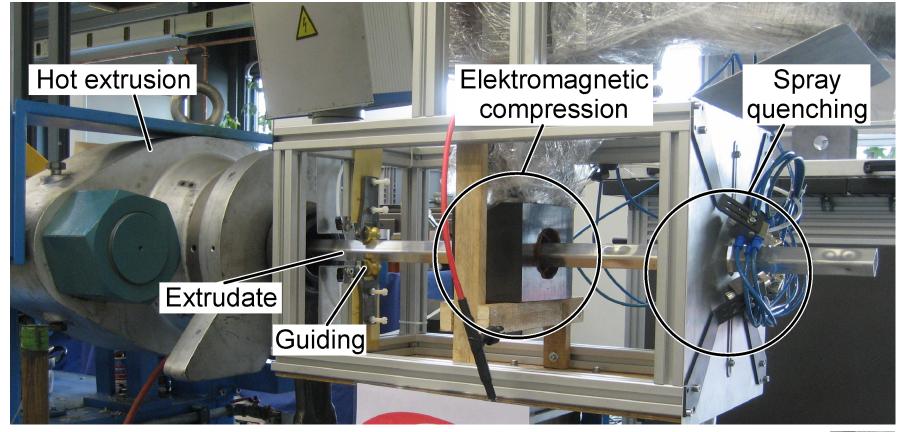


Patent application DE 10 2009 039 759 A1: Jäger, A., Risch, D., Tekkaya, A. E., 2009.

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Hot extrusion and electromagnetic forming - Setup





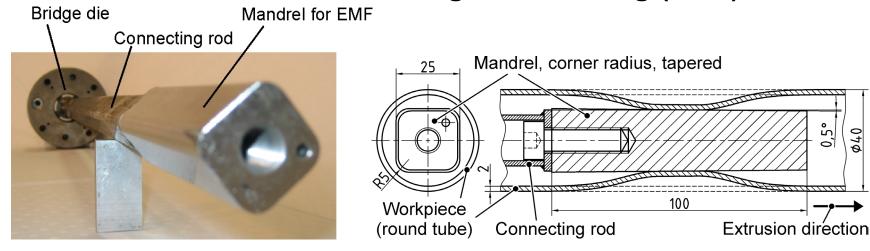


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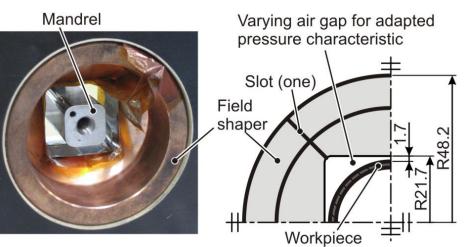
Die/mandrel assisted electromagnetic forming

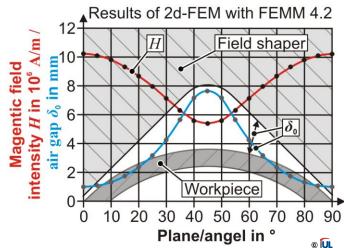


Die/mandrel assisted electromagnetic forming (EMF)



■ Varying air gap → varying pressure along the circumference



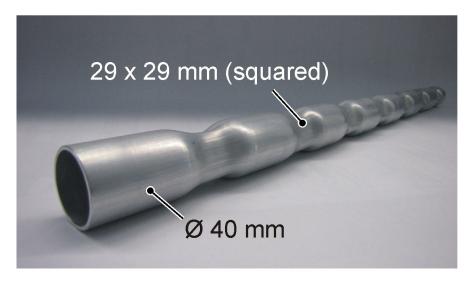


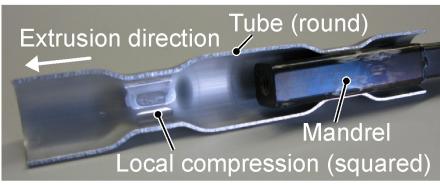
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Products and possible application



Result





Application:Crashbox (inversion tube)





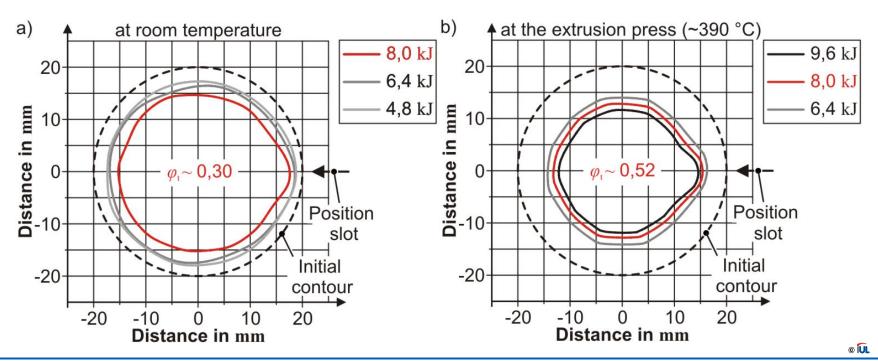
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Hot extrusion and electromagnetic forming - Benefits



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- Quasi continuous process
- Reduced handling (workpiece is guided and aligned)
- Using heat of extrusion for subsequent processing (forming, heat treatment)
- High temperature = higher formability

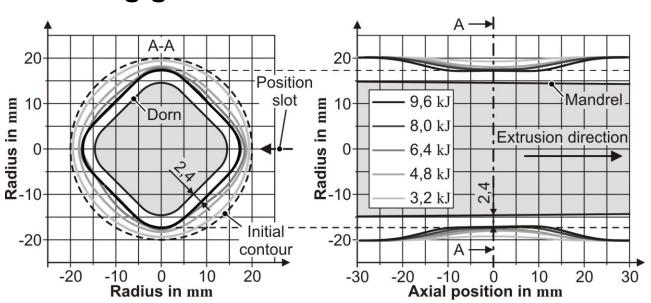


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Hot extrusion and electromagnetic forming - Challenges and problems



- Pile-up of the extrudate caused by force fit between workpiece and mandrel
- Delamination and wrinkling in the area of the transverse extrusion weld
- Pickup
- Meeting geometrical tolerances









Process control would be helpful

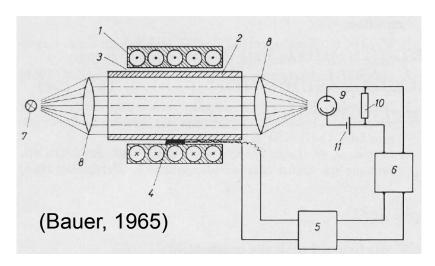
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Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement



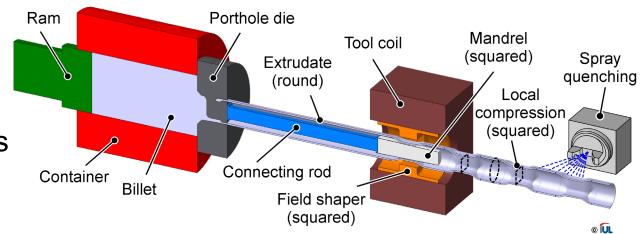
State of the art:

- Shadowing effect (Bauer, 1965)
- Contact pin (Badelt et al., 2003)
- Photon Doppler Velocimetry (Fenton, 2010)



Problems: High temperature and limited accessibility due to:

- Tool coil
- Field shaper
- Mandrel
- Extrusion press

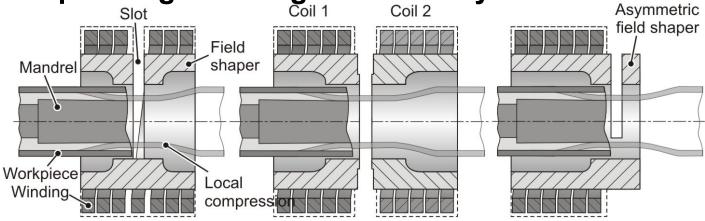


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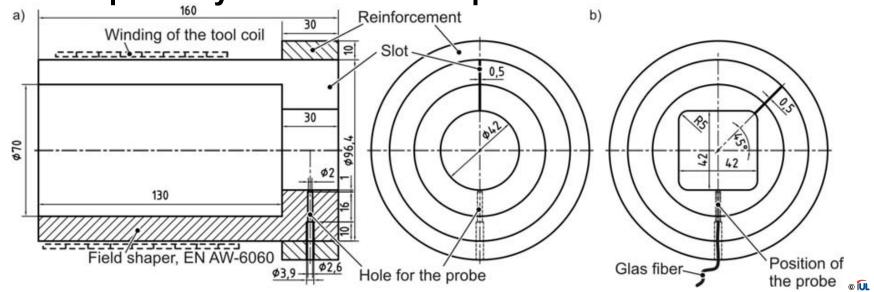
Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement - Concepts



Concepts for generating accessibility



Concept of asymmetric field shaper was selected

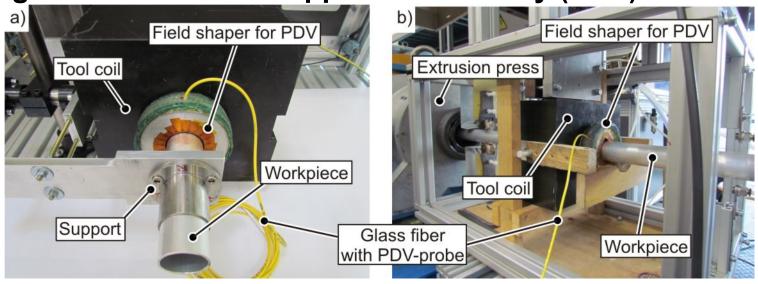


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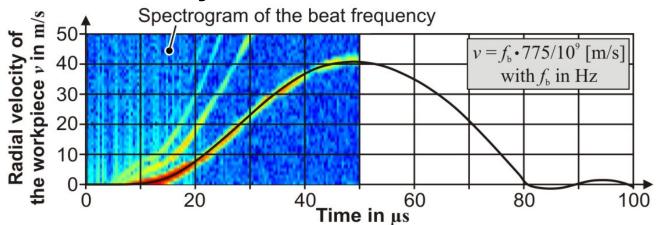
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Integration of Photon Doppler Velocimetry (PDV) sensor



Example for the analysis of the PDV

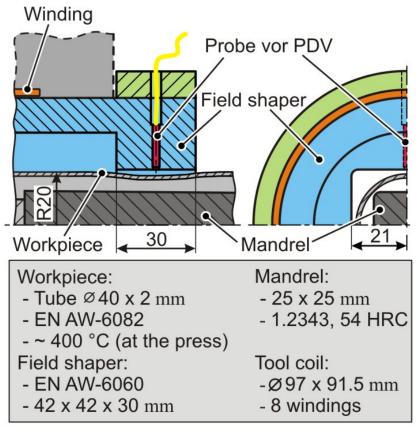


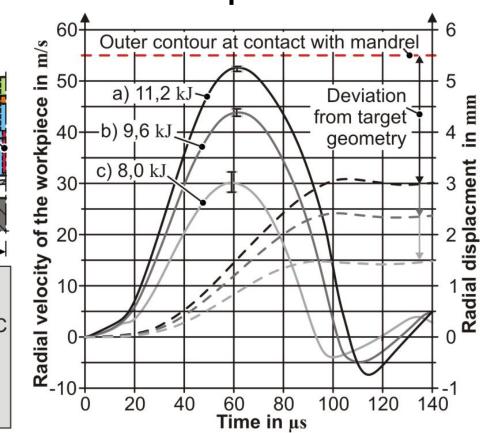
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Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement - Asymmetric field shaper



Results of the PDV-measurement within the process chain





 Problem: By using an asymmetric field shaper the efficiency/pressure is insufficient

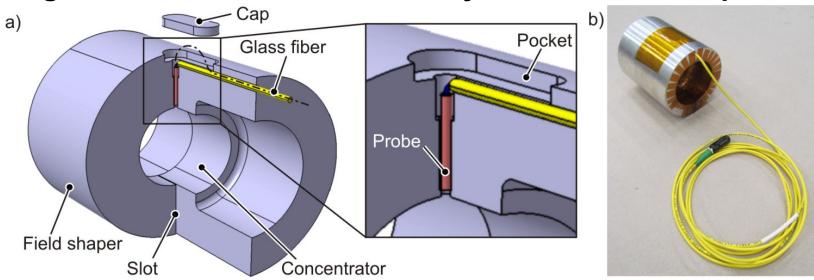
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Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement - Symmetric field shaper

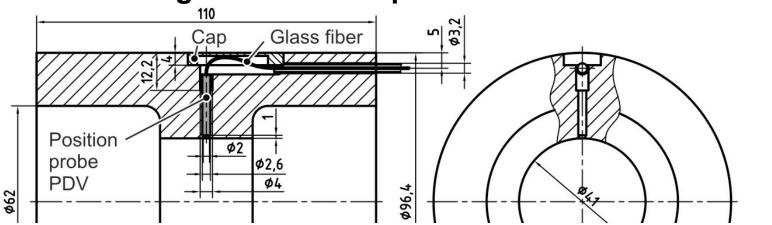


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Integration of PDV-sensor into a symmetric field shaper



Channel for the glass fiber and probe

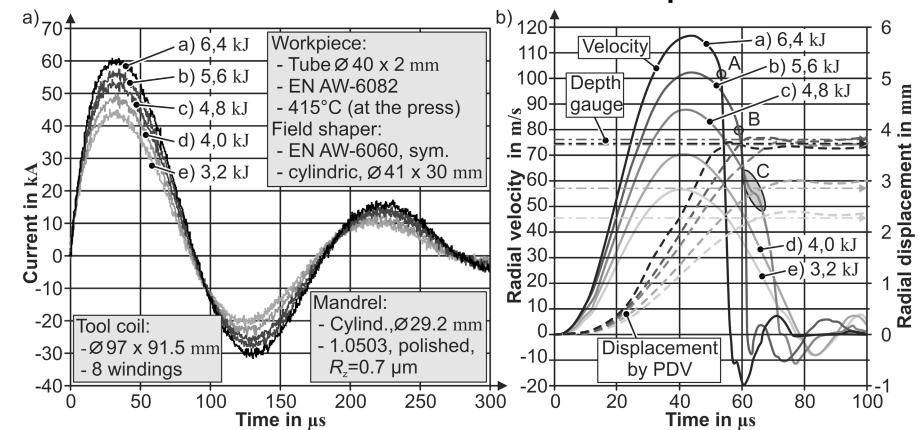


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Online measurement of the radial workpiece displacement - Symmetric field shaper



Results of the PDV-measurement within the process chain



→ Tool for analyzing the workpiece displacement and the characterization of the material under the special conditions of the proposed process combination

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Summary and outlook



Summary:

Concept for the integrated processing of aluminum profiles subsequent to hot extrusion

Hot extrusion

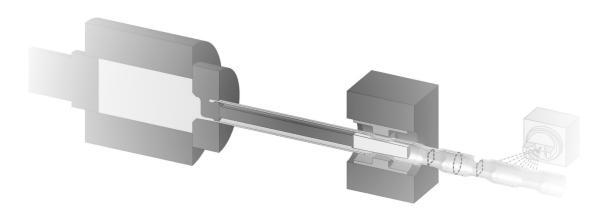
 Setup for the online measurement of the workpiece displacement in electromagnetic forming

Electromagnetic forming **Outlook:** Analysis of the process Heat treatment and characterization of the processed material Wall thickness at high strain rates and 2.4 mm Mechanical Microstructure? properties? temperatures Wall thickness 2.0 mm Component properties?

Summary & outlook



Thank you for your attention



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