Use of Forming Simulation in Modelling and Process Development of Sheet Metal Forming Processes

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Material parameters

Material		HCT 980 X
Sheet thickness [mm]		1.15
Poisson ratio		0.28
Yield modulus [GPa]		210
Lankford coefficients	r 0	0.735
	ľ 45	0.989
	r 90	0.64
Yield stress [MPa]		745
Ultimate stress [MPa]		1,070

Part geometry



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- Tool surfaces were meshed using shell elements (Belytscko-Tsay-Schell)
- Blank was meshed through sheet thickness using shell element type 16 with nine integration points
- Material model *MAT_125 was used



- Simulation results show significant differences in part shape, especially in lower part of the part wall (more than 6 mm)
- Strong curvature in part side wall

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Analysis of stress distribution



- High tensile stresses dominate the inner fibre of part side wall
- Due to tensile stress superposition and shift of neutral fibre towards part inside, tensile stresses occur in the initial neutral fibre (IP5)
- In IP9 (outer layer) stresses emerge as high compression stresses

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Reduction of springback by restriking



- Embossing part geometry with selected stiffening beads results in changes of current stress state
- After embossing part side wall, stress difference between outer and inner fibre is reduced significantly
 - This results in a significant reduction of part side wall curvature and springback in general

Stress development during restriking in selected element



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Reduction of springback using Pendular drawing





Stress distribution in sheet thickness by deep drawing and Pendular drawing for a selected finite element

- Using Pendular drawing, the stress difference between outer and inner fibre is reduced significantly
- Because of this effect springback is significantly lower compared to deep drawing

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Motivation

- Load and process deviations in critical forming processes can result in high number of scrap parts
- Using advanced control methods during sheet metal forming can improve production performance
- Established methods allows for varying process parameters between two press strokes
- IFU developed a method to change process parameters in real time during press stroke

Improved production performance







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Improved production performance











- Calculation of ideal trajecotries of part wall stresses
- Ideal trajectories are used as reference input during forming process to influence blankholder force
- Calculation of ideal trajectories using LS-Dyna and OptiSlang for setup of closed loop control via Matlab and Dspace

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Hardware setup

Forming tool with controlled blankholder force and sensors for measurement of part wall stresses and draw-in

Actuator:

Tool



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Closed loop control using trajectory tracking



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- Using FEM simulation, a Model of Prognosis was calculated
- Results are used to determine influence of different part segments on forming process for improved closed loop control

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Deep Drawing Process control using LS-Dyna Simulation



- Using stochastic simulation in LS-Dyna and OptiSlang; ideal trajectories for different segments of part side wall were calculated
- \rightarrow Trajectories are used for closed loop control when forming real parts

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Strain path dependency of FLC

Non-proportional loading influences of material formability

When forming complex part geometries, and especially in multi-step processes, failure can occur although strain level in the part is below the Forming Limit Curve



Source: ThyssenKrupp Steel

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Advanced failure criteria for deep drawing processes

IFU-FLC-Criterion for non-linear strain paths



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New testing methods for validation of advanced failure criteria are required

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IFU-FLC-Criterion

Three-dimensional failure surface



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Prediction of localised necking using advanced failure criteria

IFU-FLC-Criterion for non-linear strain paths



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Development of IFU-Wrinkle criterion



Conventional forming simulation

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Application of a new phenomenological criterion to define the onset of part wall wrinkling in deep drawing processes



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Time and stress dependent wrinkling criterion

Approach to predict wrinkling of the second order



Wrinkles of 2nd order do appear when:

- A deviation of the 2. major stress between top and bottom layer of a finite element is calculated
- The start of the wrinkling initiation was defined by maximum value of $\sigma_{surface A}$ during development of 2. major stress



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Validation of time and stress dependent wrinkling criterion

Case study: Adapter doorframe – Position 2: Evaluation with safe area



Distance to UT [mm]

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Offers to the industry of FGU

Validation of Mat-Files by comparing and validating to real forming process



- Failure Prediction for Edge-Crack Sensitivity using Diabolo-Test or Hole Expansion Test for defined cutting specifications
- Material characterisation for enhanced hardening models like kinematic hardening (coming soon)

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Summary and Outlook

- Simulation of S-Rail geometry using high strength steel (DP1000) in order to reduce springback behaviour
- Stress contribution of inner, middle and outer fibre was evaluated to visualize reasons for springback
- Pendular drawing shows severe reduction of springback behaviour
- System to control forming processes is under development at the IFU using LS-Dyna
- IFU-FLC criterion for non-linear strain paths was introduced and shows good accordance to reality
- Approach for IFU-Wrinkling criterion for wrinkles 2nd order is under development using different surface stresses
- > Offer to the industry of FGU:
 - Big variety of material characterisation methods and possibilities available
 - All equipment to validate simulations quality is available (tool shop/press/evaluation e.g.) for external customers as well

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Thank you for your attention!

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