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# Simulation of electromagnetically formed joints

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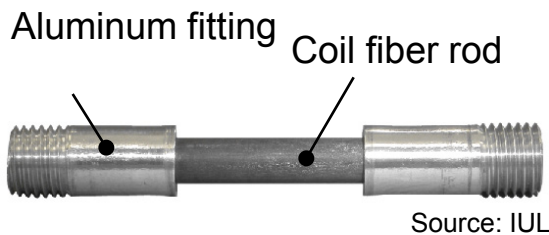
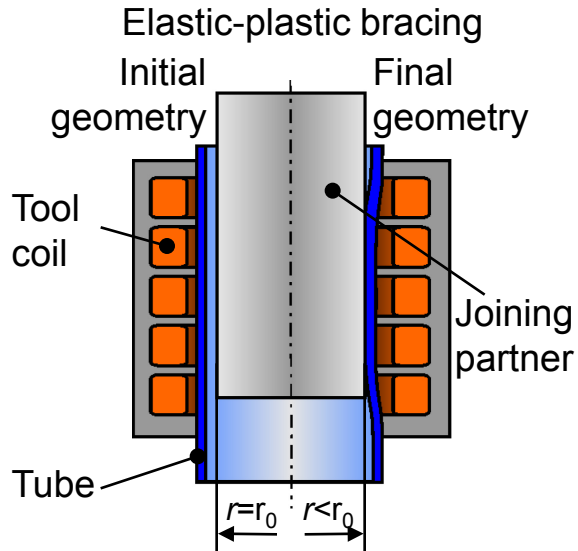
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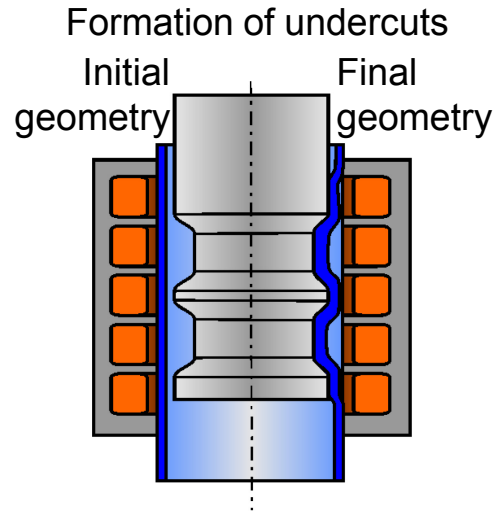
- Introduction: joining by electromagnetic forming
- Simulation strategy and modeling
- Numerical joint analysis
- Experimental verification
- Summary: numerical joint design

# Joining by EMF – Joining mechanisms

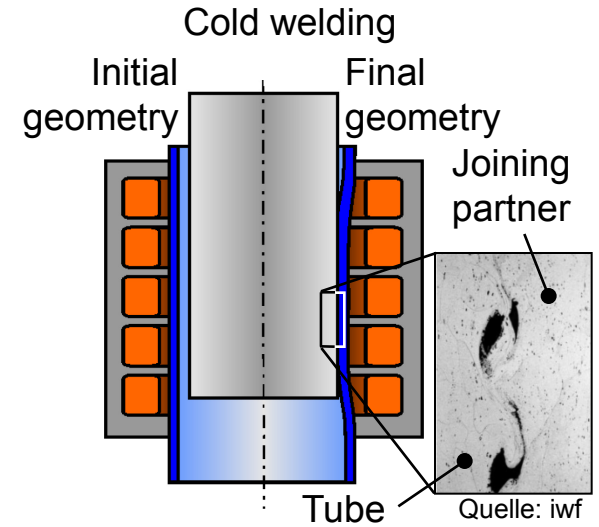
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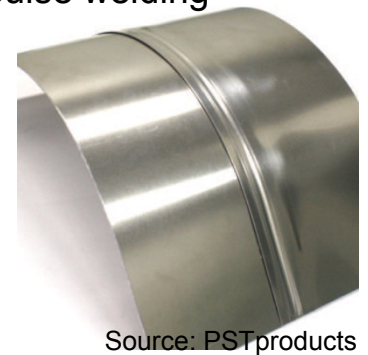
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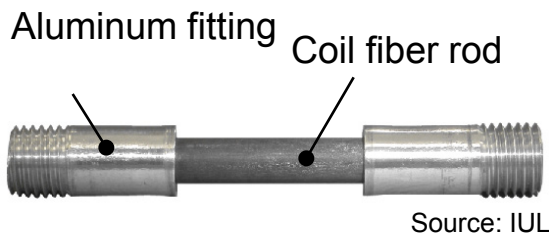
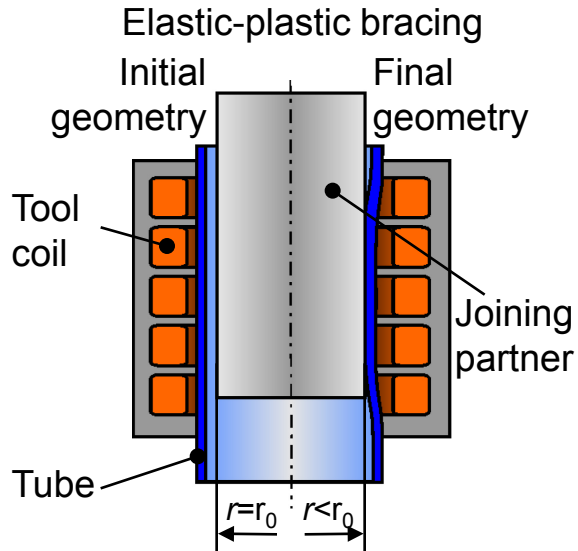


Magnetic pulse welding  
of sheets  
aluminum  
and steel

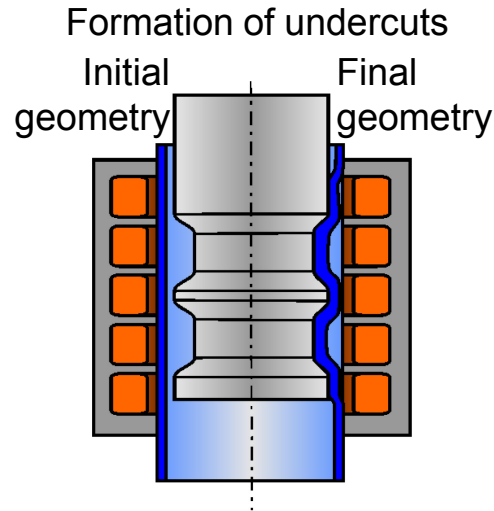


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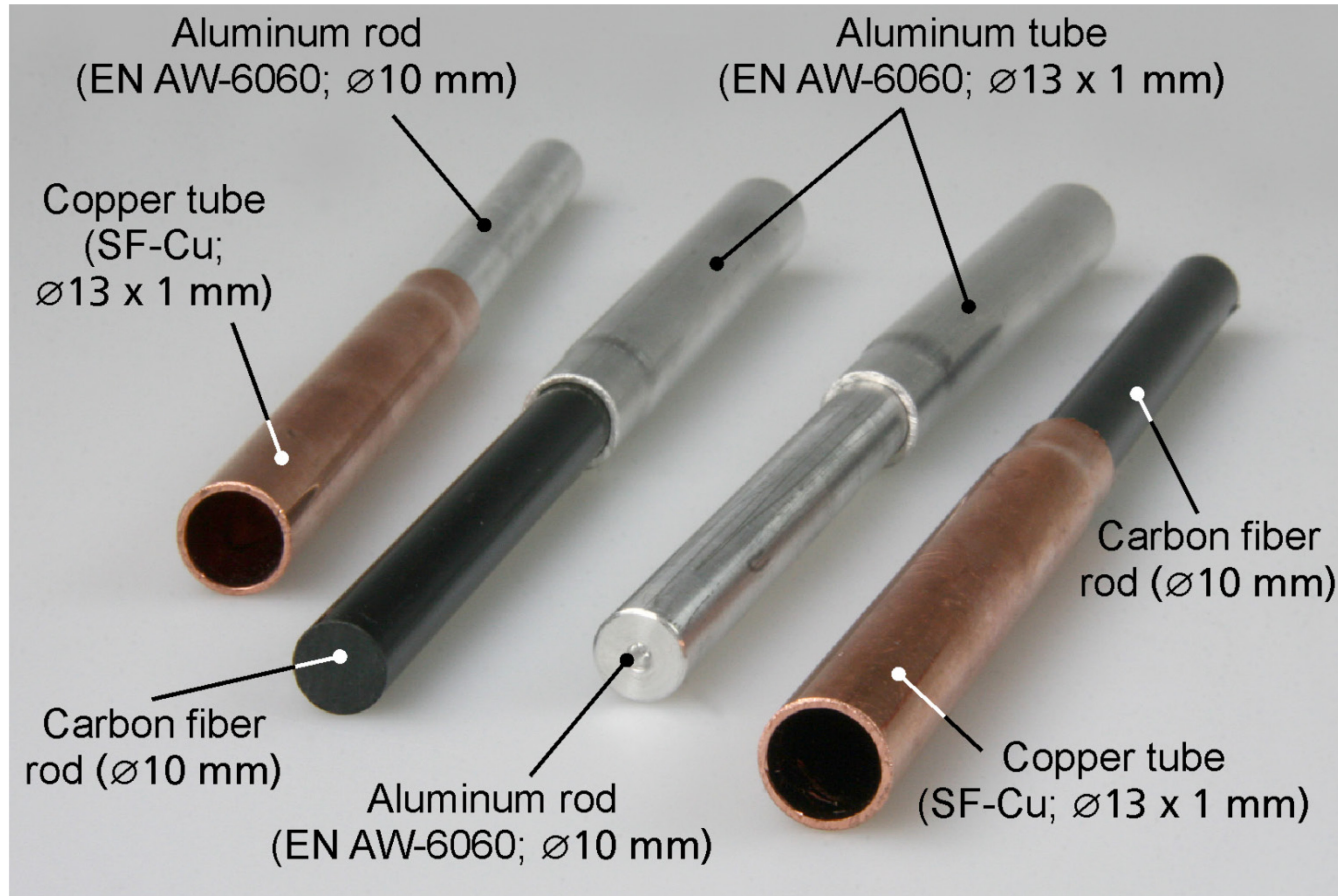
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# Joining by electromagnetic compression – Exemplary material combinations



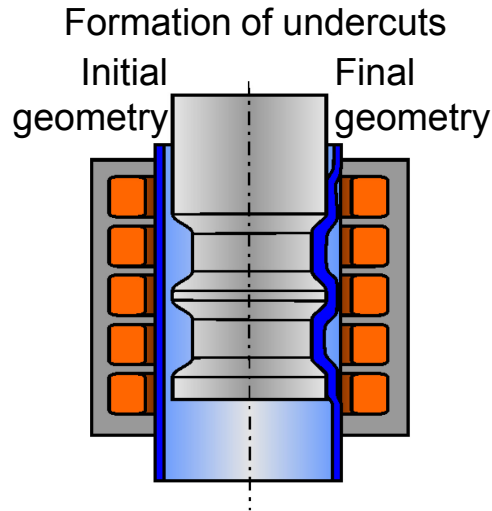
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Joint strength is very **sensitive to part cleanliness.**

High joint strength might require **long joining area.**

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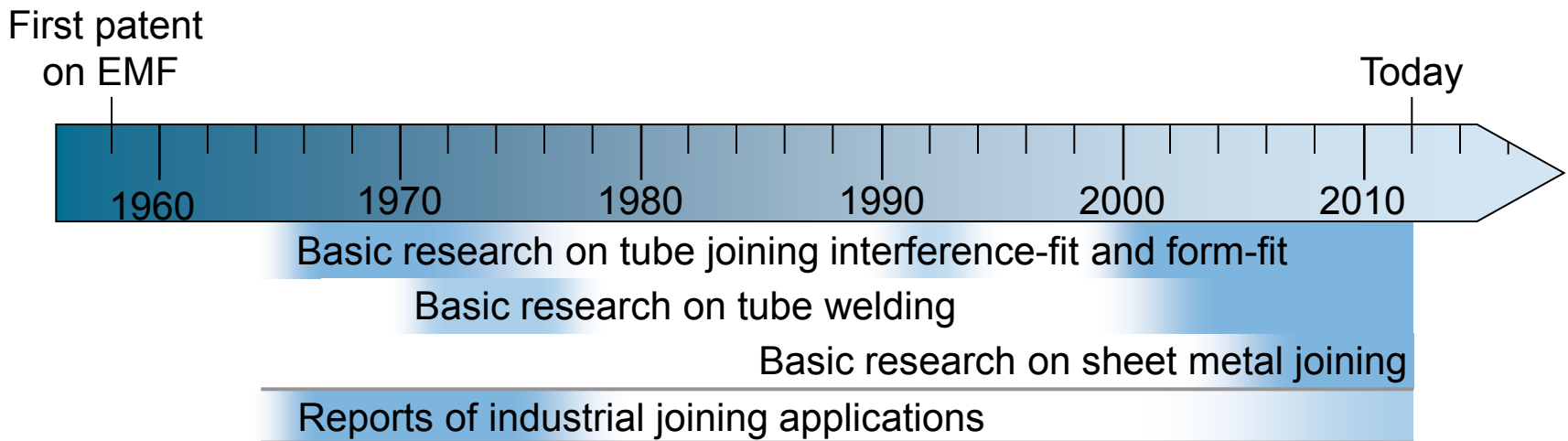
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# Historical development of joining by electromagnetic forming

Numerous studies focusing on the analyses of joining by EMF have been carried out.



General correlations have been identified...

...but...

...still no explicit and verified tools for designing specific electromagnetic joining applications exist.

# Numerical modeling

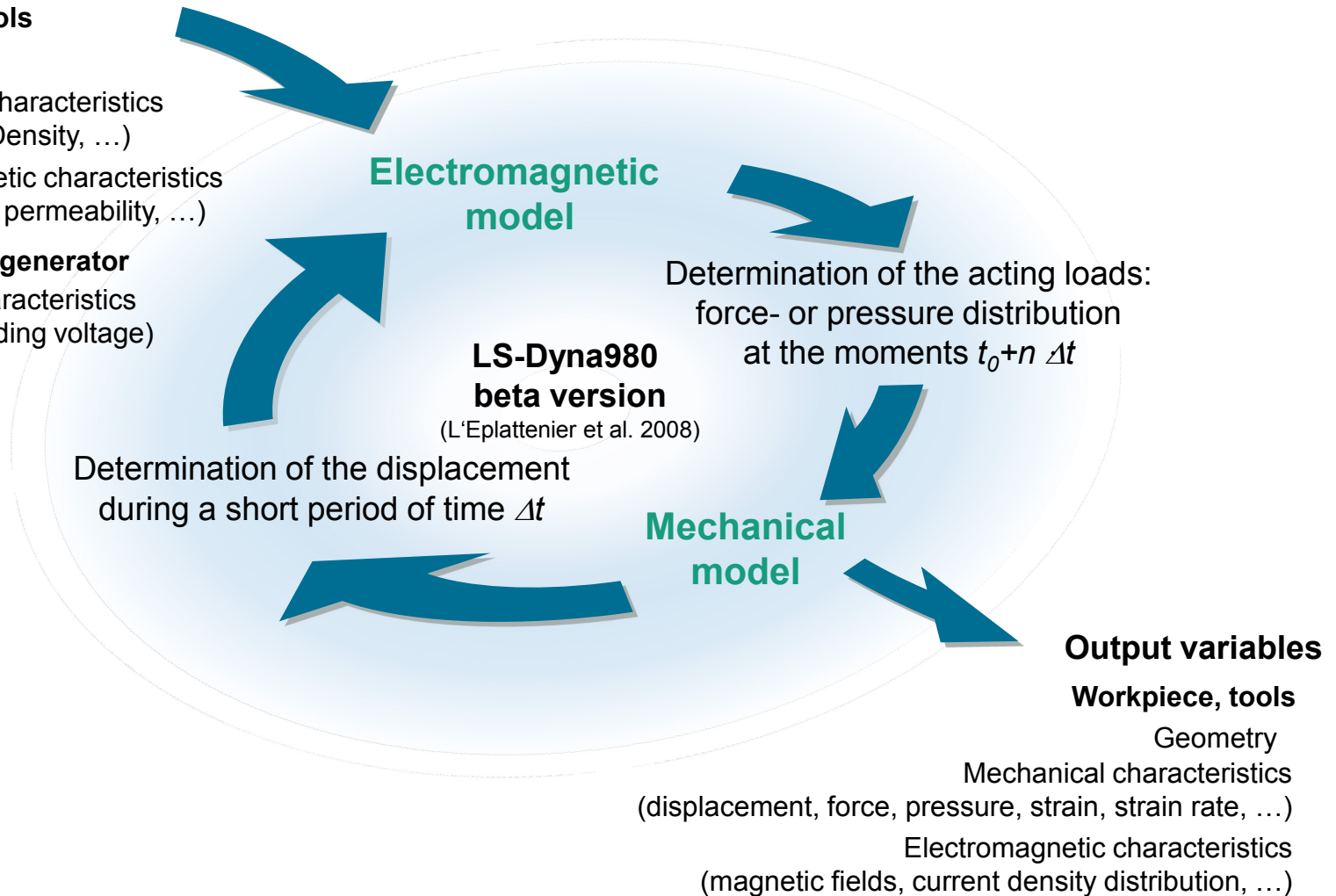
## Input variables

### Workpiece, tools

Geometry  
Mechanical characteristics  
(flow curve, Density, ...)  
Electromagnetic characteristics  
(conductivity, permeability, ...)

### Pulsed power generator

Electrical characteristics  
(C, L<sub>i</sub>, R<sub>i</sub>, loading voltage)





# Exemplary joining task and regarded cross section geometries

## Tubular joining partner

Material: C35  
 Outer diameter: 42.4 mm  
 Wall thickness: 3.2 mm

## Pulsed power generator

Capacitance: 330  $\mu\text{F}$   
 Inner inductance: 0.15  $\mu\text{H}$   
 Inner resistance: 5 m $\Omega$

## Tool coil

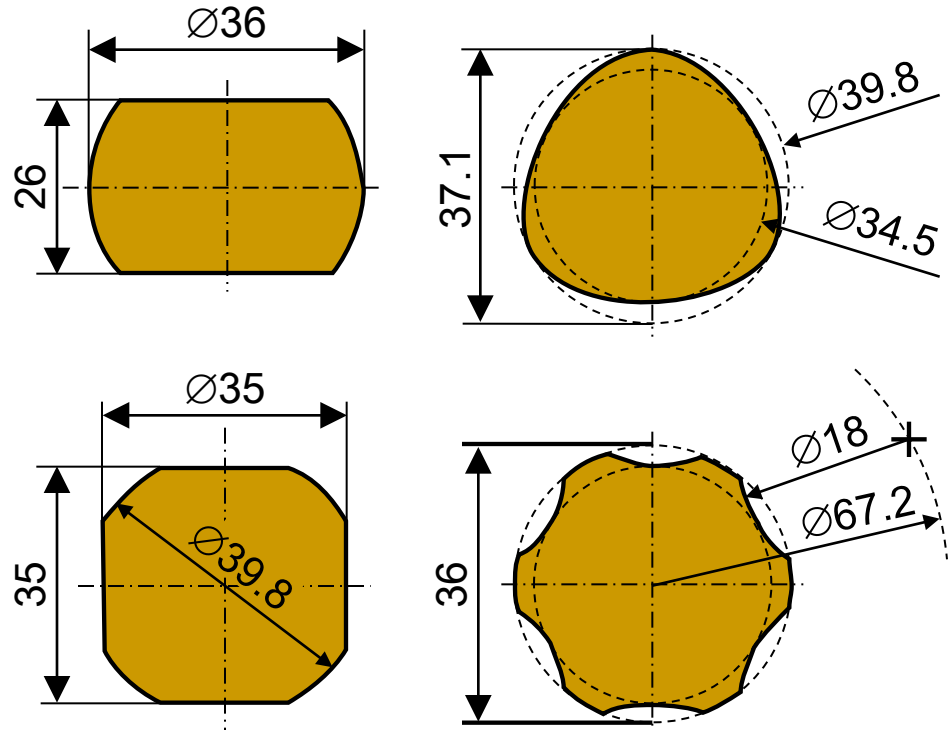
Diameter: 102.4 mm  
 Length (winding): 120 mm  
 Number of turns: 6

## Fieldshaper

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 Diameter of concentration zone: 44.9 mm

## Shaft

Material: C45  
 Regarded cross section geometries:



# Modeling of the exemplary joining task – Geometrical setup

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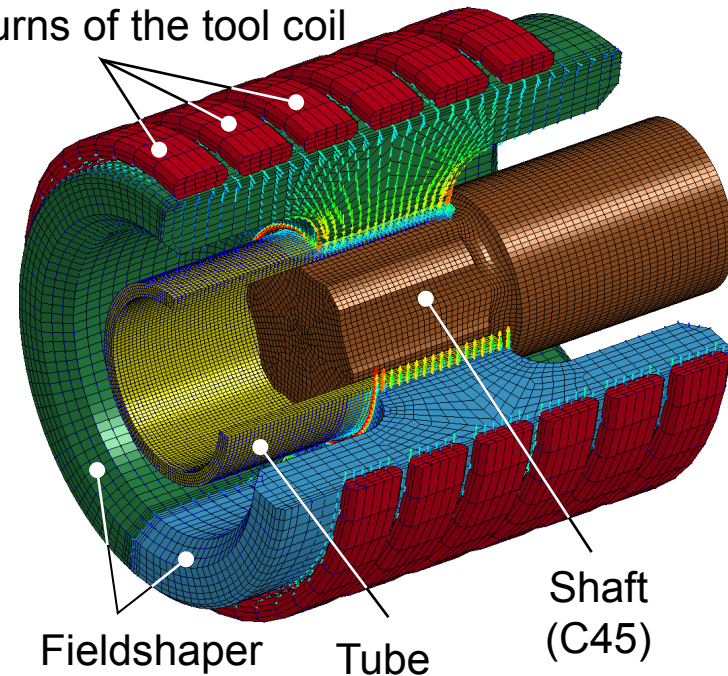
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Turns of the tool coil



Fieldshaper

Tube

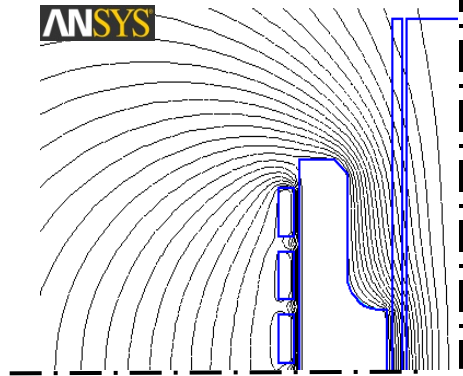
Shaft  
(C45)

Number of nodes: 49,000  
Number of elements: 171,000 (FEM)  
35,000 (BEM)

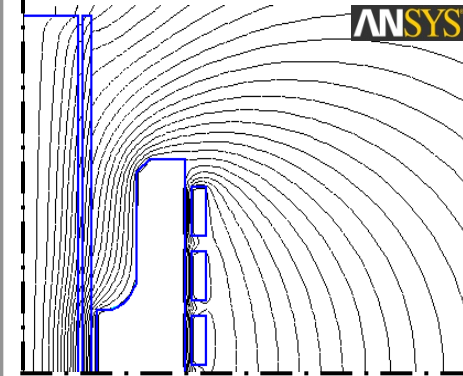
# Material modeling

## Magnetic field intensity

linear magnetic behavior

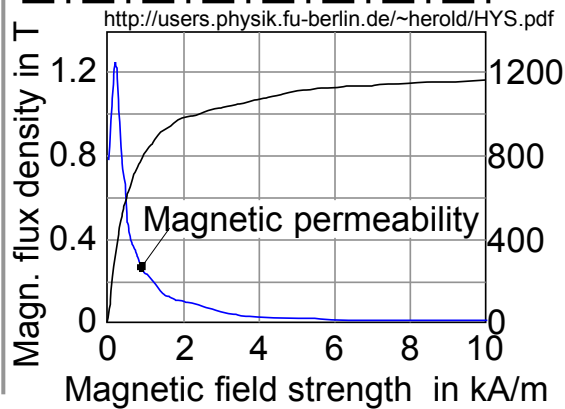


nonlinear magnetization

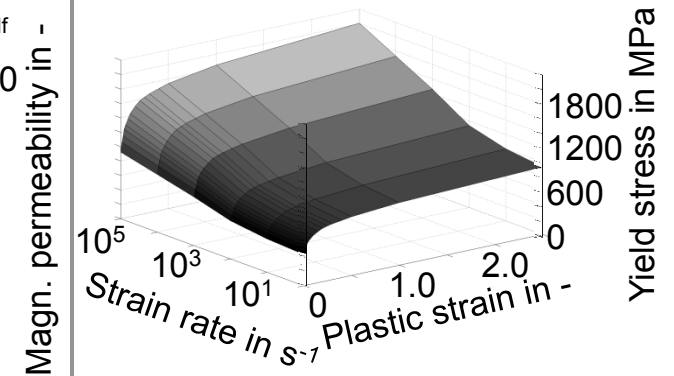
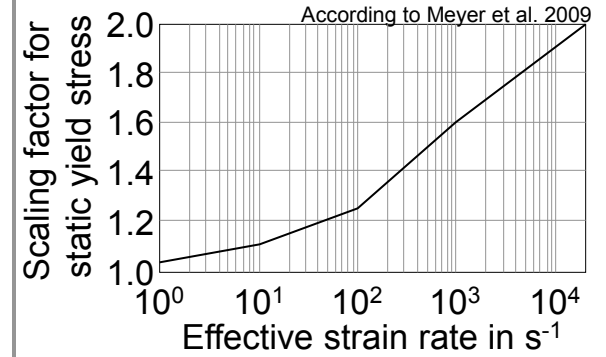


$$\mu = \text{const} = 1$$

Typical for non-ferromagnetic materials as aluminum, copper, etc.



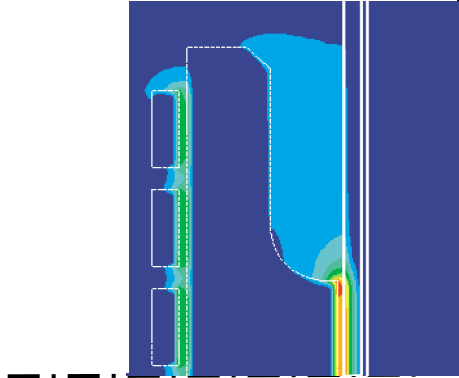
## Strain rate dependency



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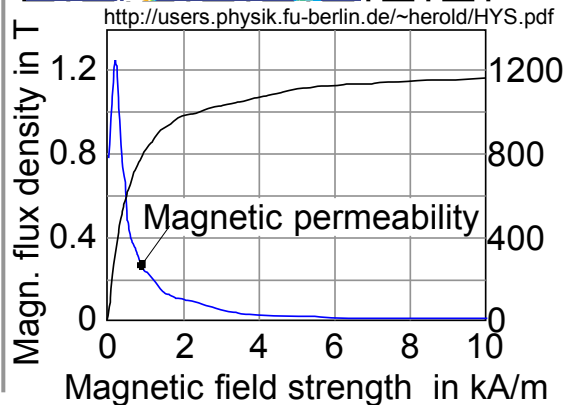
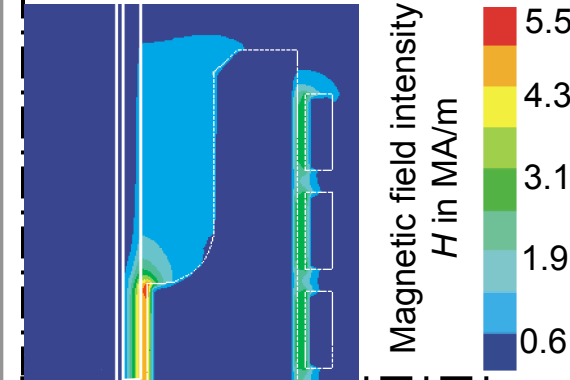
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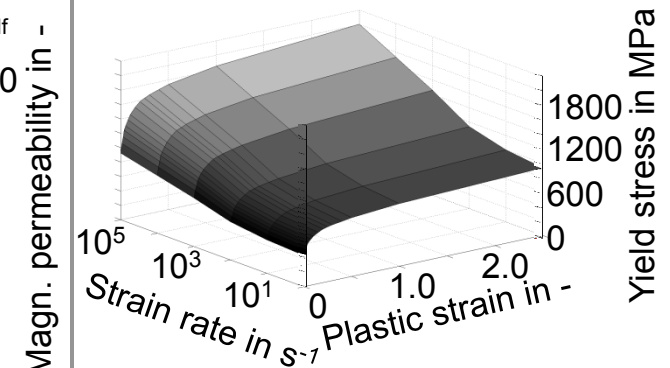
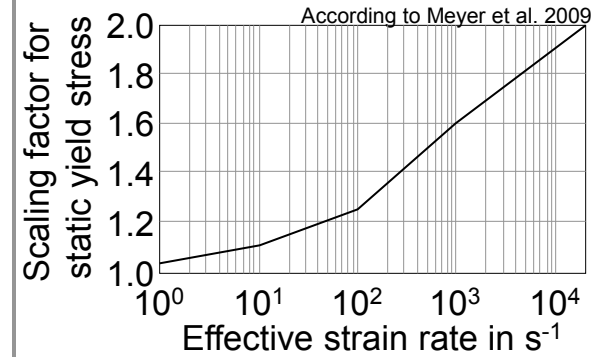
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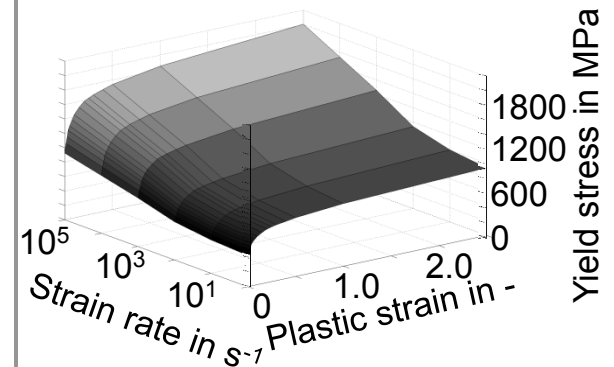
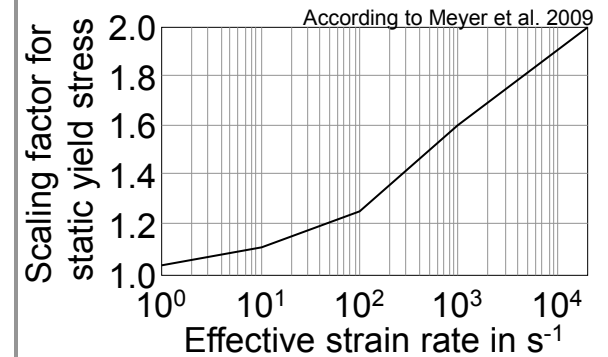
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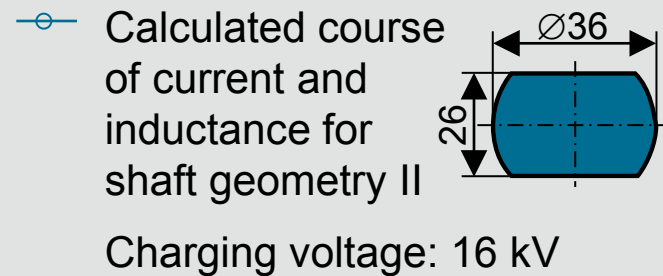
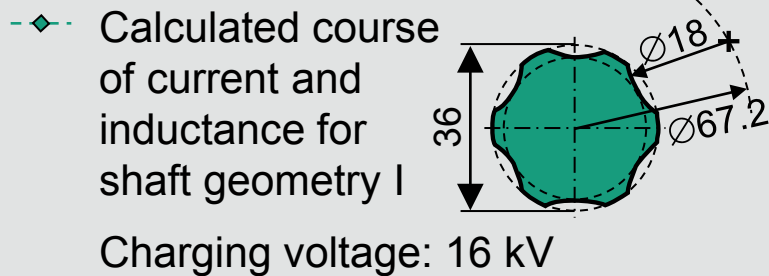
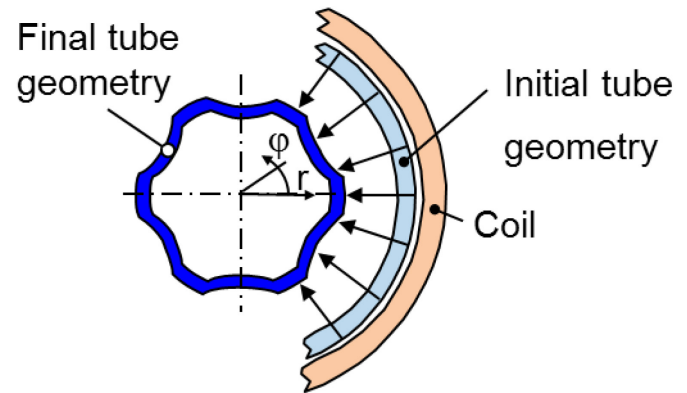
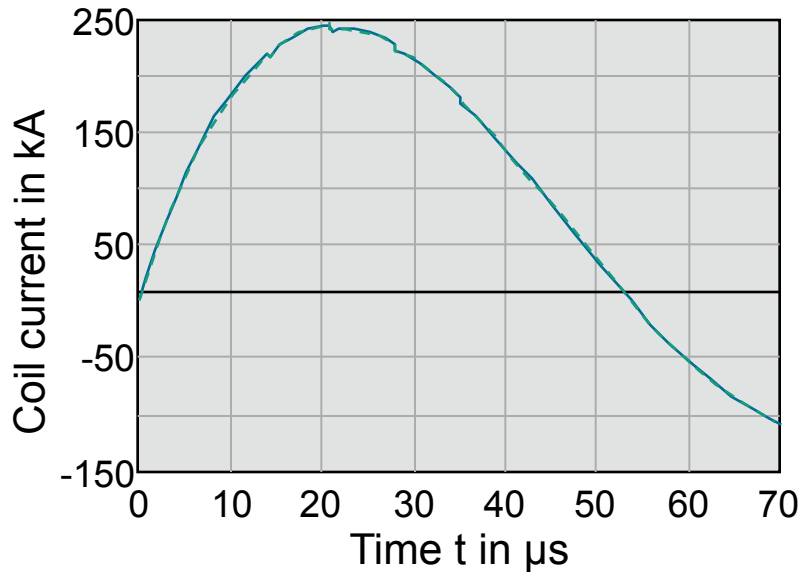
No significant influence of nonlinear magnetization detected

→ Influence disregarded in the numerical analysis of the joining process

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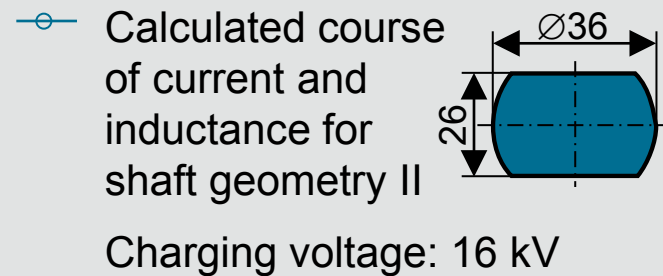
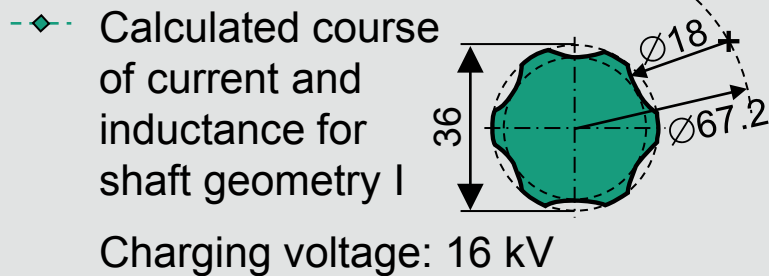
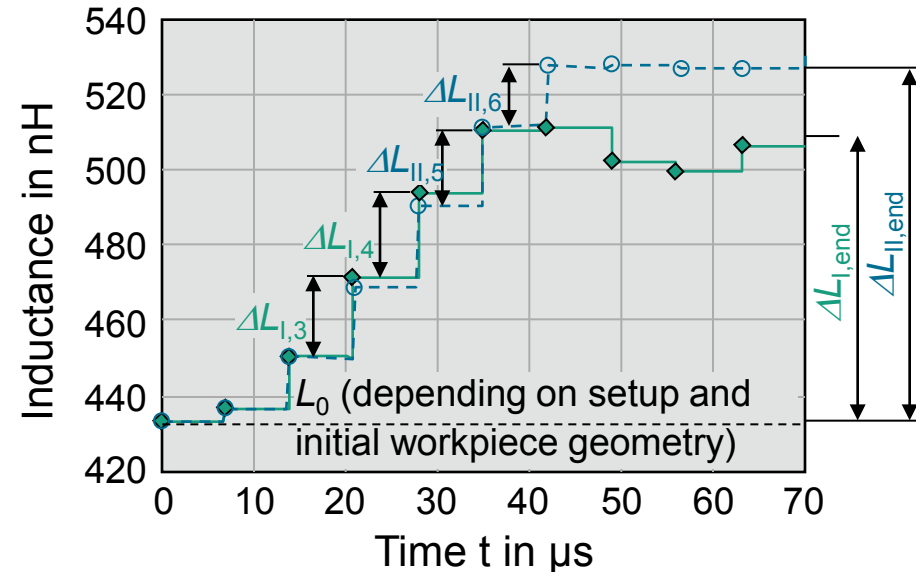
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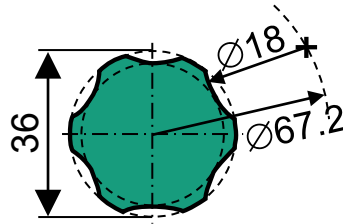
$$= L_0 + f\left(\int \oint \left(r(\varphi, t) \frac{dr}{dt}(\varphi, t)\right) d\varphi dt\right)$$



# Results of the numerical analyses – Testing of the joint

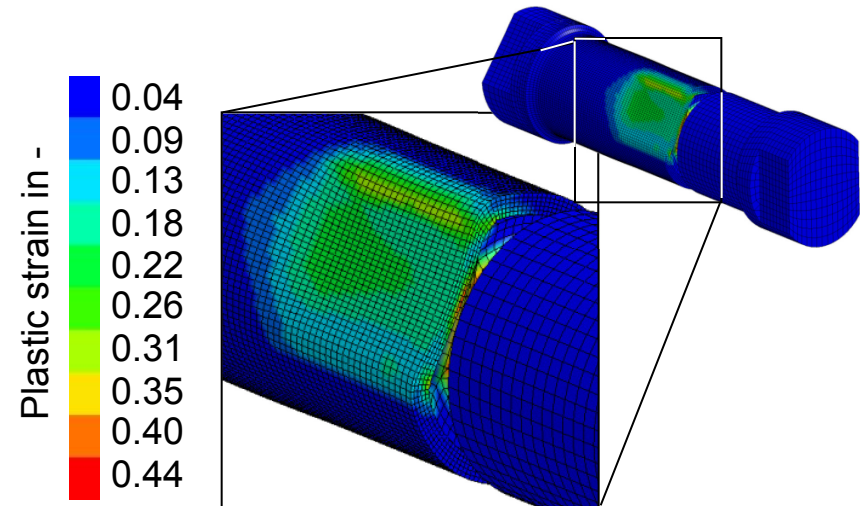
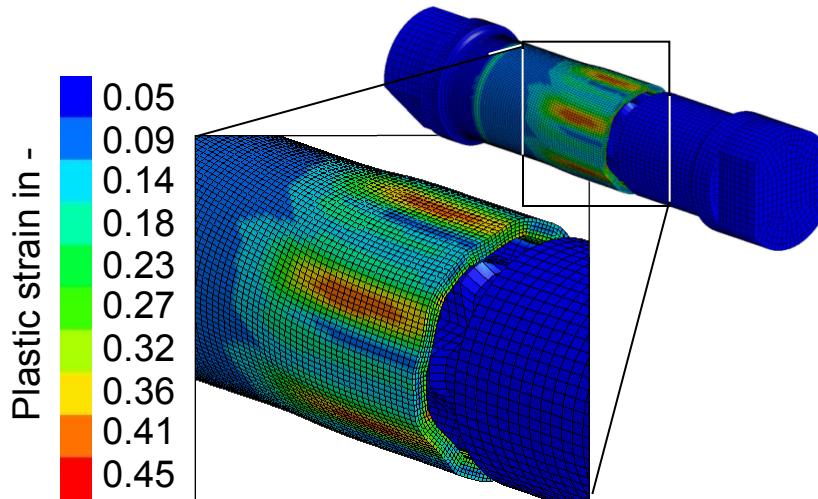
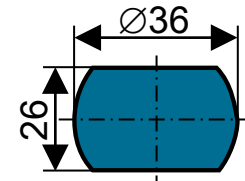
## Shaft geometry I

Max. displacement 2.7 mm  
 Rise of gap volume 97%  
 Max. local strain 0.45  
 Strain energy 1.0 kJ  
 Maximum torque 2300 Nm



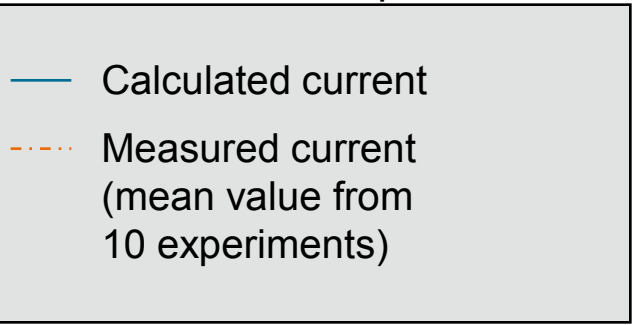
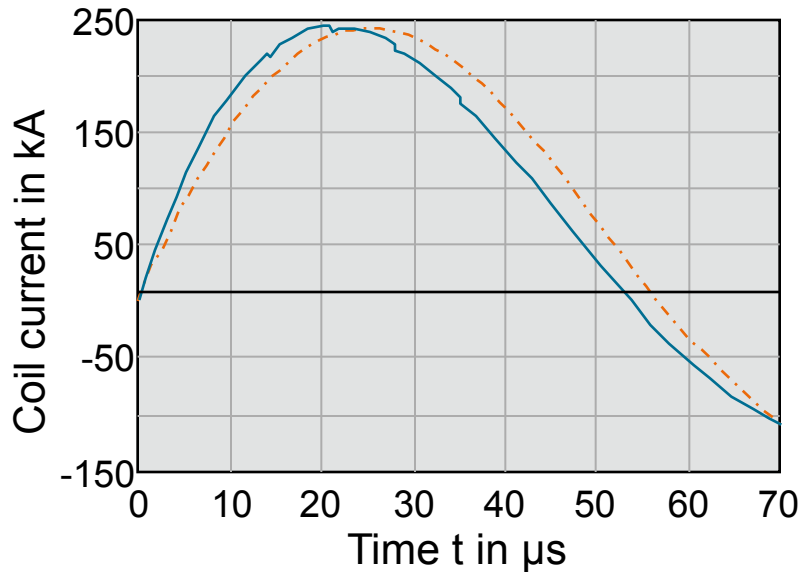
## Shaft geometry II

Max. displacement 5.3 mm  
 Rise of gap volume 136%  
 Max. local strain 0.44  
 Strain energy 0.9 kJ  
 Maximum torque 1500 Nm

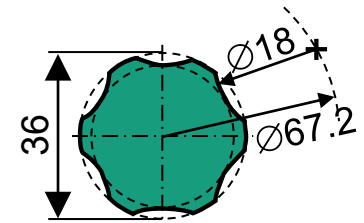




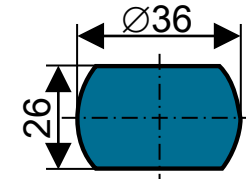
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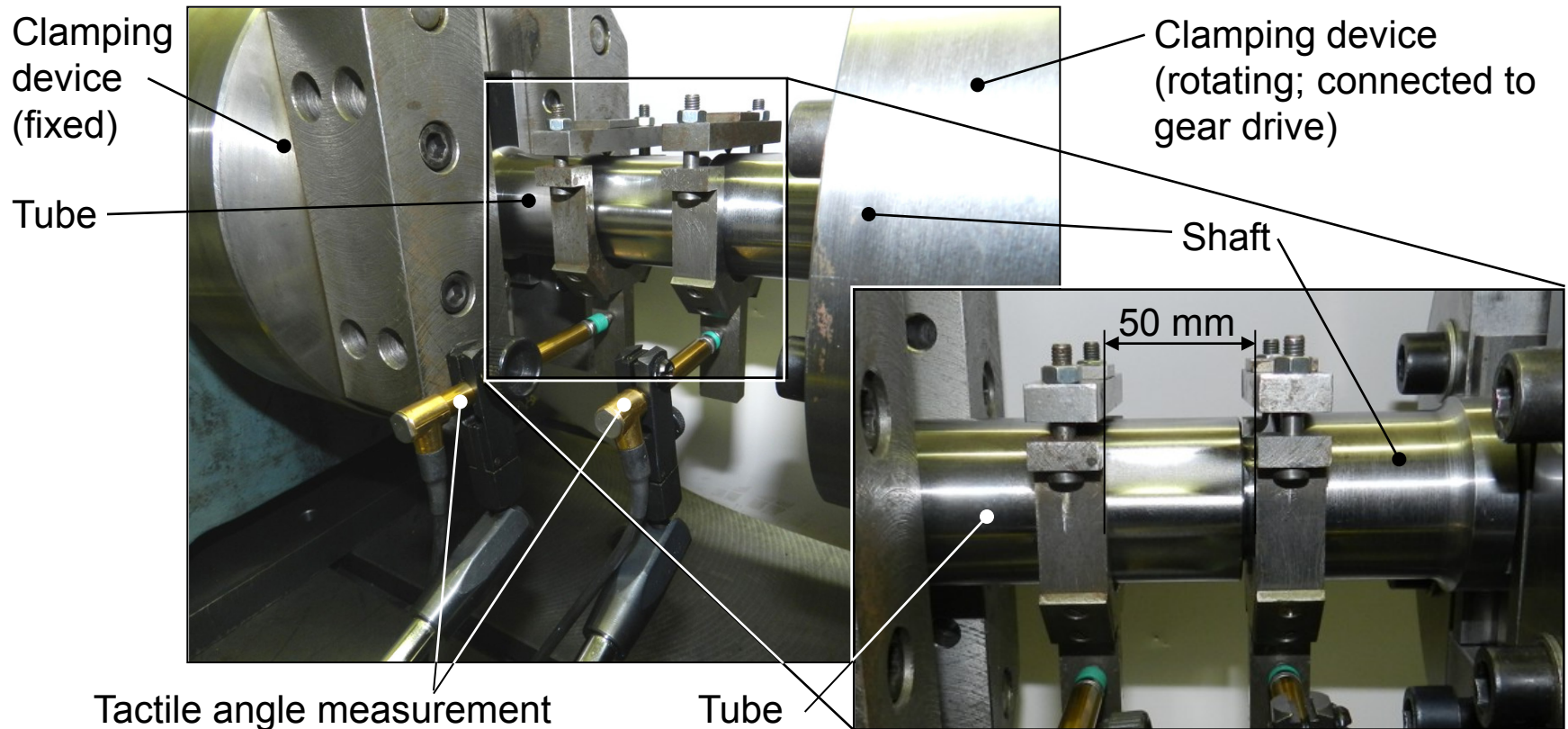
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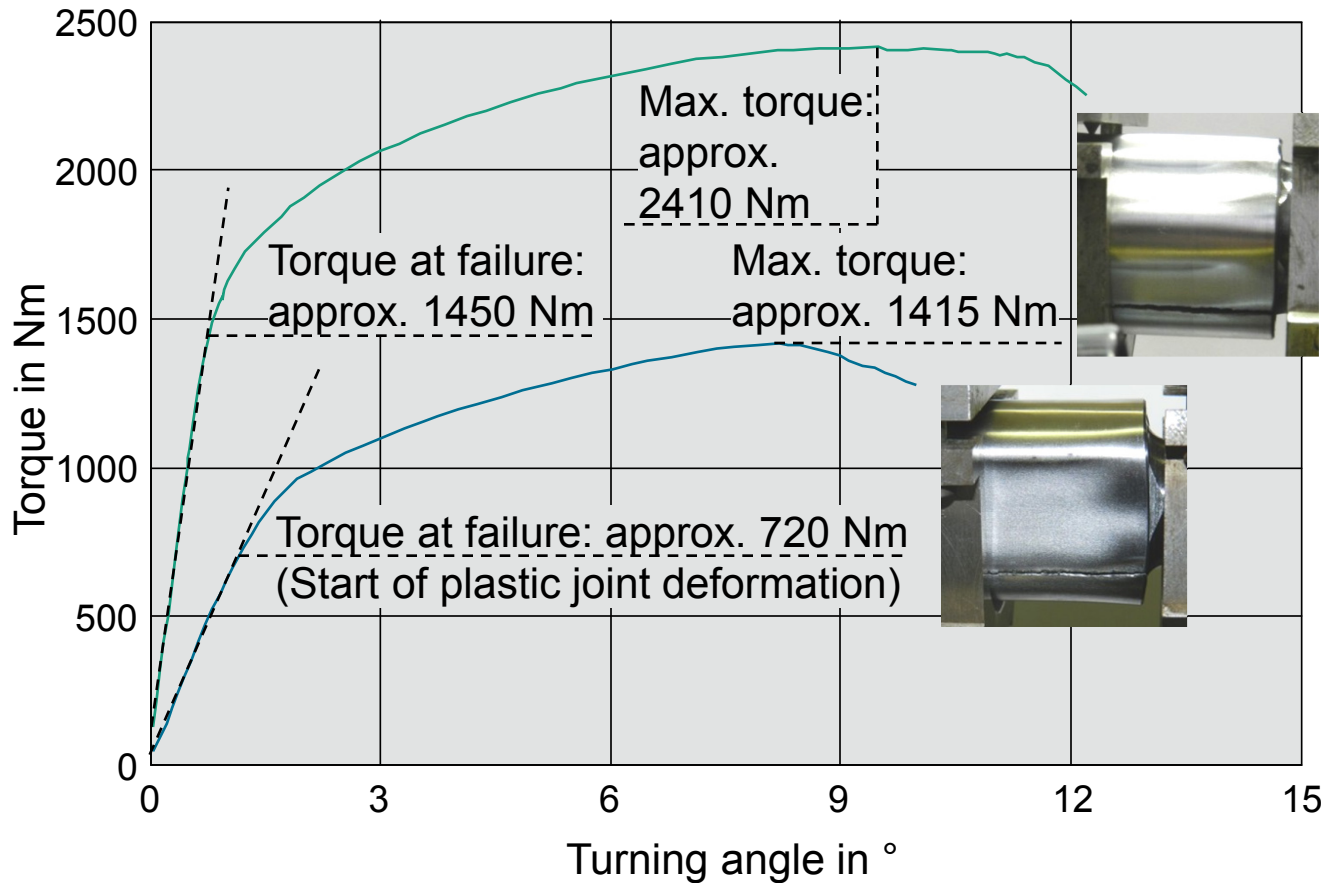


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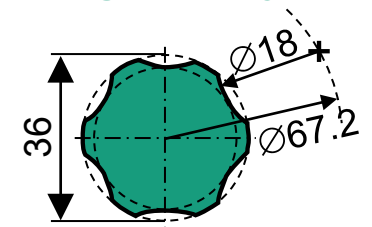


Torque measurement device at Chemnitz University of Technology, Institute of Engineering Design and Drive Technology

# Experimental verification – Joint strength

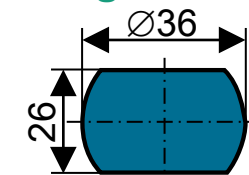


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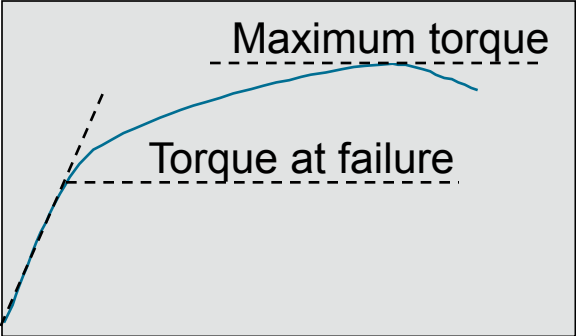
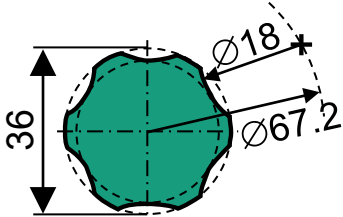
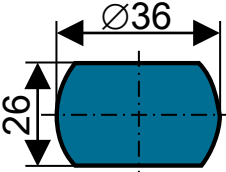
— Measured torque

## Shaft geometry II



— Measured torque

# Experimental verification – Joint strength

 <p>Maximum torque</p> <p>Torque at failure</p> <p>Torque</p> <p>Turning angle</p>	<p>Shaft geometry I</p> 		<p>Shaft geometry II</p> 	
	Simulation	Experiment	Simulation	Experiment
<p><b>Torque at failure in Nm</b></p>	1350	1450	720	720
<p><b>Maximum torque in Nm</b></p>	2350	2410	1500	1415

# Summary

- A form-fit joint was designed on the basis of numerical investigations.
  - Simulation of the electromagnetic joining process and
  - Subsequent simulation of the torque loading
- Nonlinear magnetization of ferromagnetic materials has only minor influence in EMF-technologies.
- Strain rate dependency was considered via a scaling the static yield stress.
- The overall strain energy stored in the workpiece after joining is decisive with regard to the transferable torque.
- Knowing the max. displacement and strain is not sufficient for joint design.
- Experimental verification showed good qualitative and quantitative agreement with the simulation considering the achievable torque. (Failure type could not be predicted via this modeling.)