

Measurement techniques for magnetic pulse welding*

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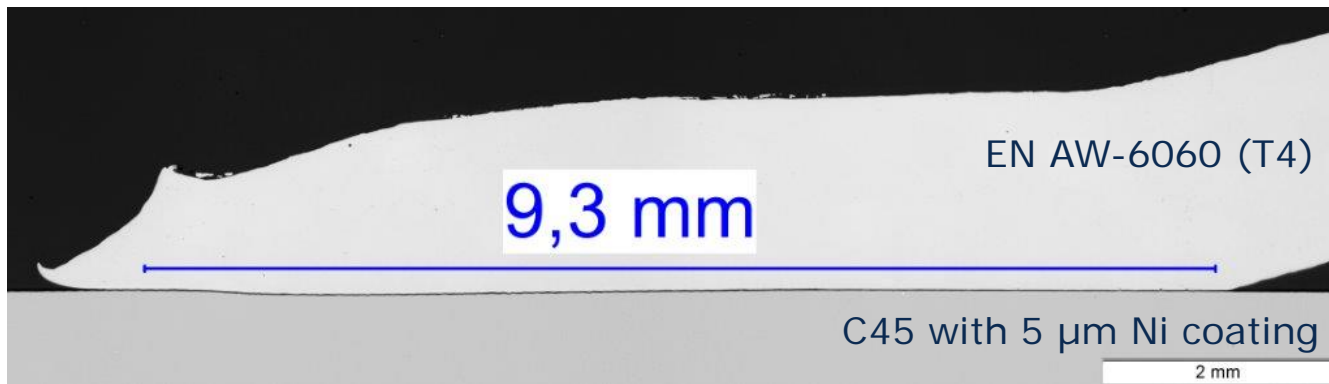
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Motivation for measurements during MPW

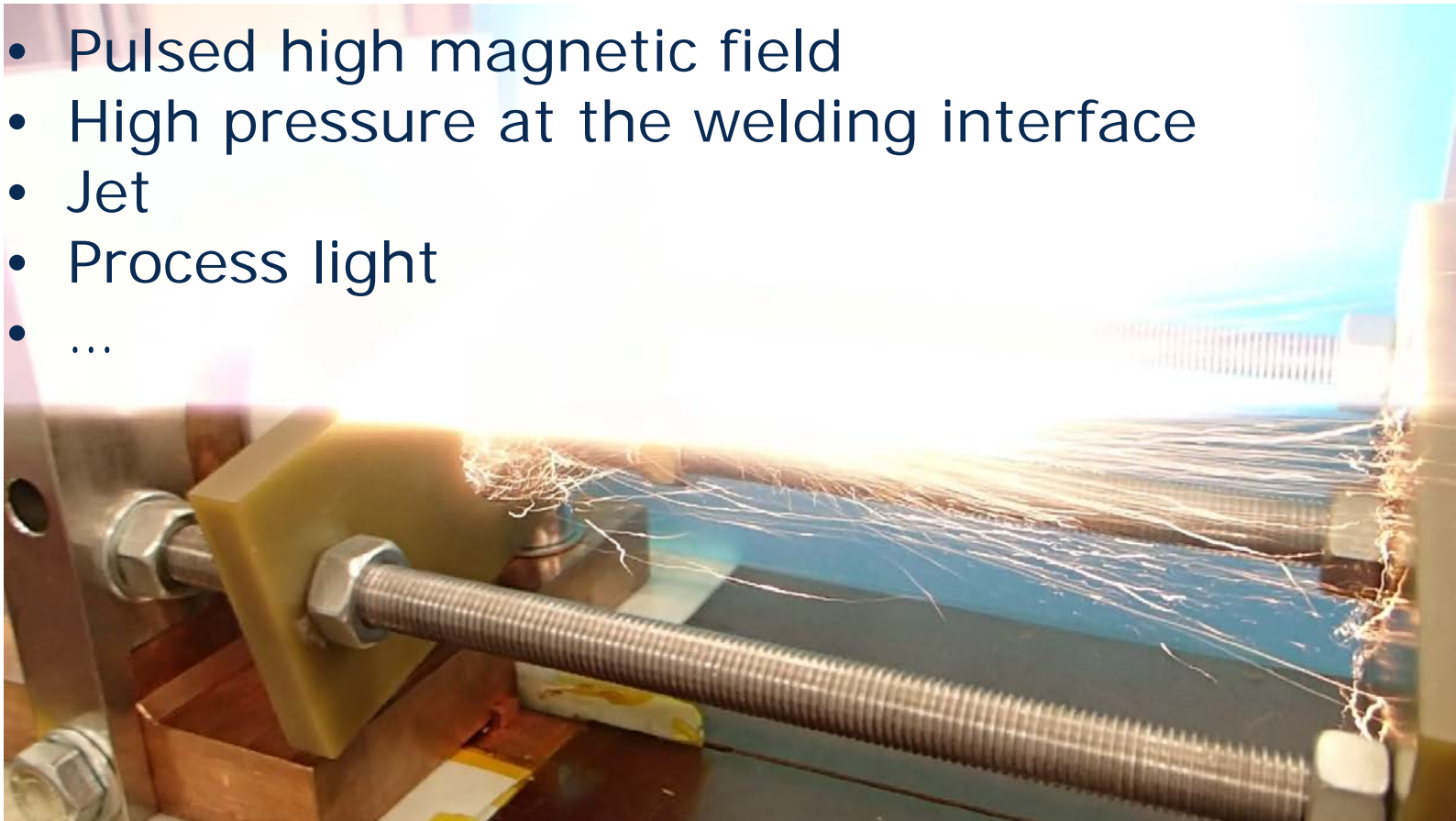
	Process development	Quality assurance
Aim	Elaborate optimal welding parameters	In situ detection of non-welded parts
Typical methods	Photon Doppler velocimetry, current measurements, high speed imaging	



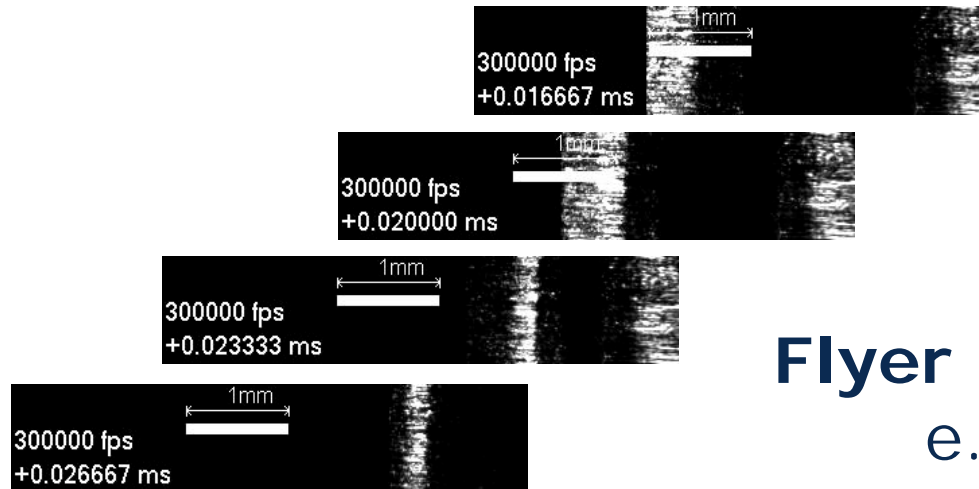
Bellmann et al., "Effects of surface coatings on the joint formation during magnetic pulse welding in tube-to-cylinder configuration," 7th Int. Conference on High Speed Forming, 2016

Challenges for measurements during MPW

- Pulsed high magnetic field
- High pressure at the welding interface
- Jet
- Process light
- ...



Established measurement methods



**Collision
behaviour**
e.g. High speed
camera

Flyer movement
e.g. PDV

Magnetic field
e.g. Hall sensors

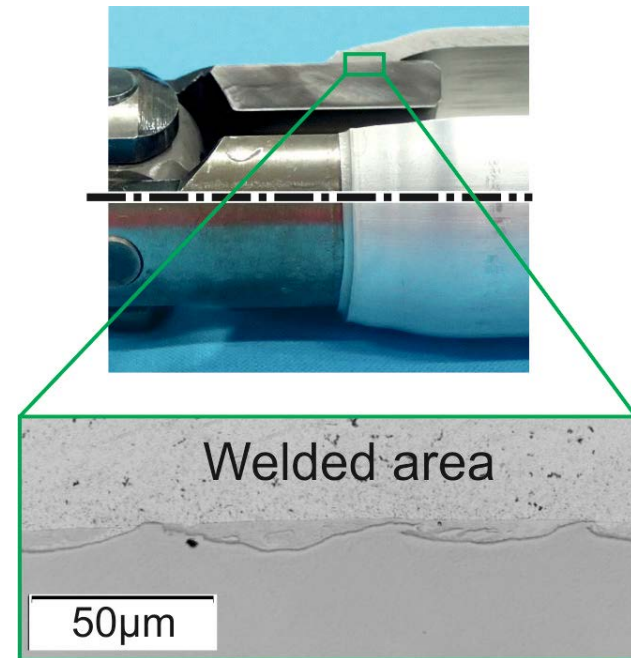
Current
e.g. Rogowski
pick-up coil

**Increasing prediction
capabilities of a sound weld**

New ideas for the measurement of the collision behavior

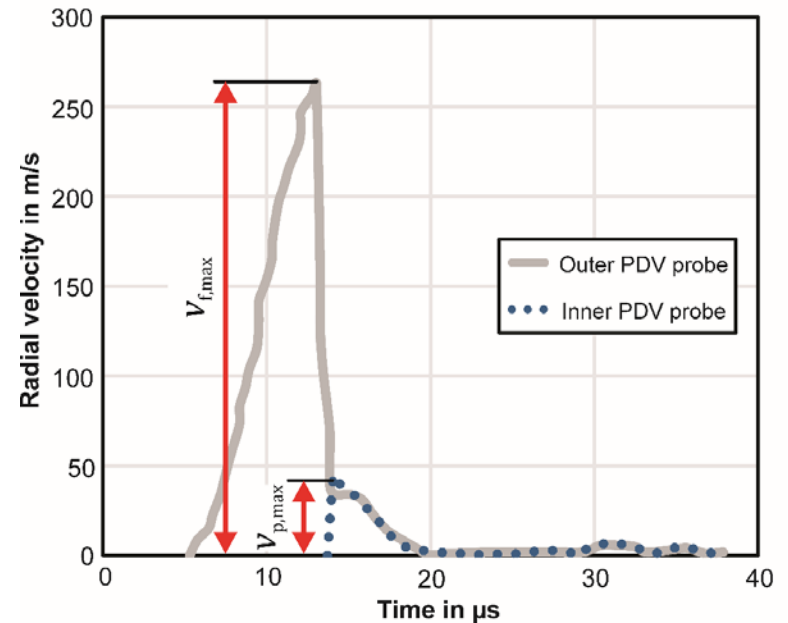
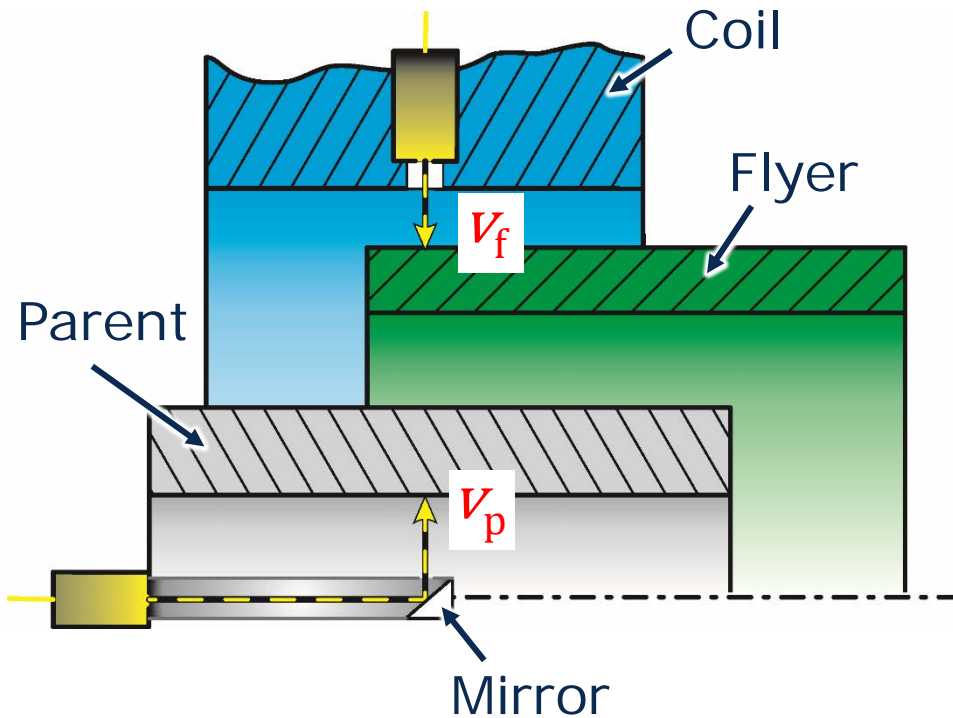
Aim: Consolidation of process insights

1. PDV
2. Indentation test
3. Flash detection



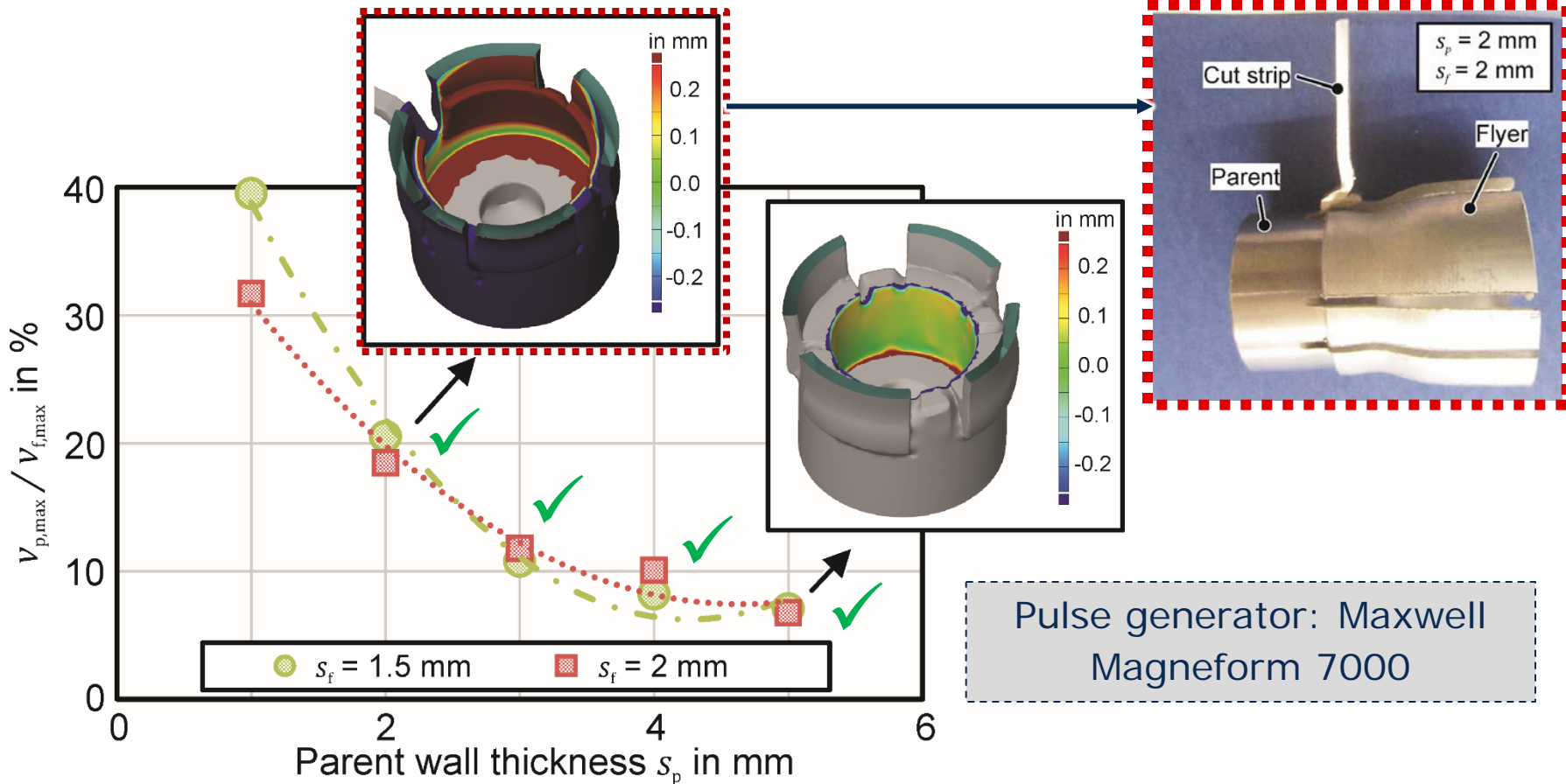
1. PDV – tube to tube configuration

Concept: In situ velocity measurement

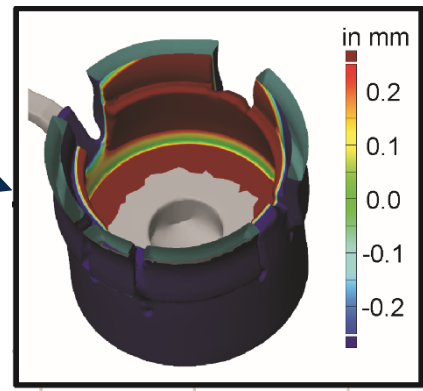
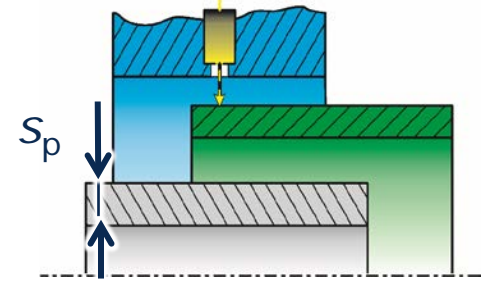
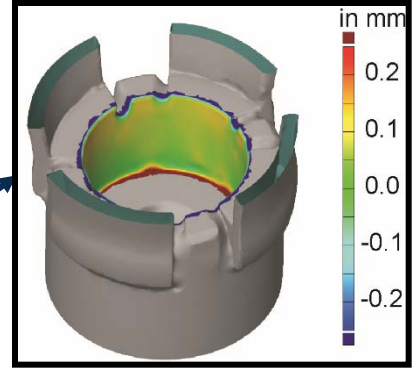
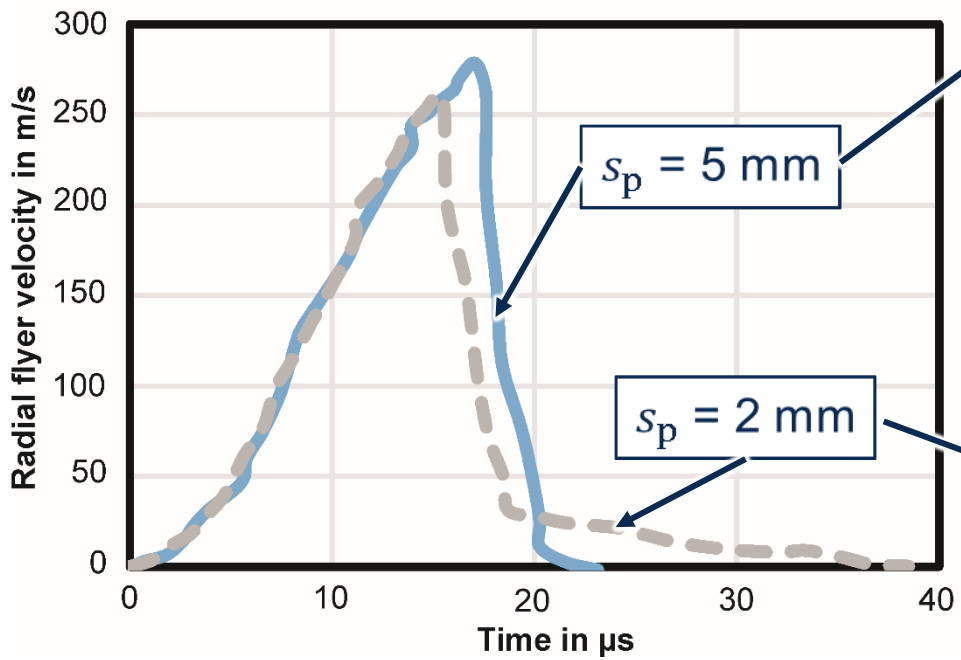


Key figure: $V_{p,max} / V_{f,max}$ in %

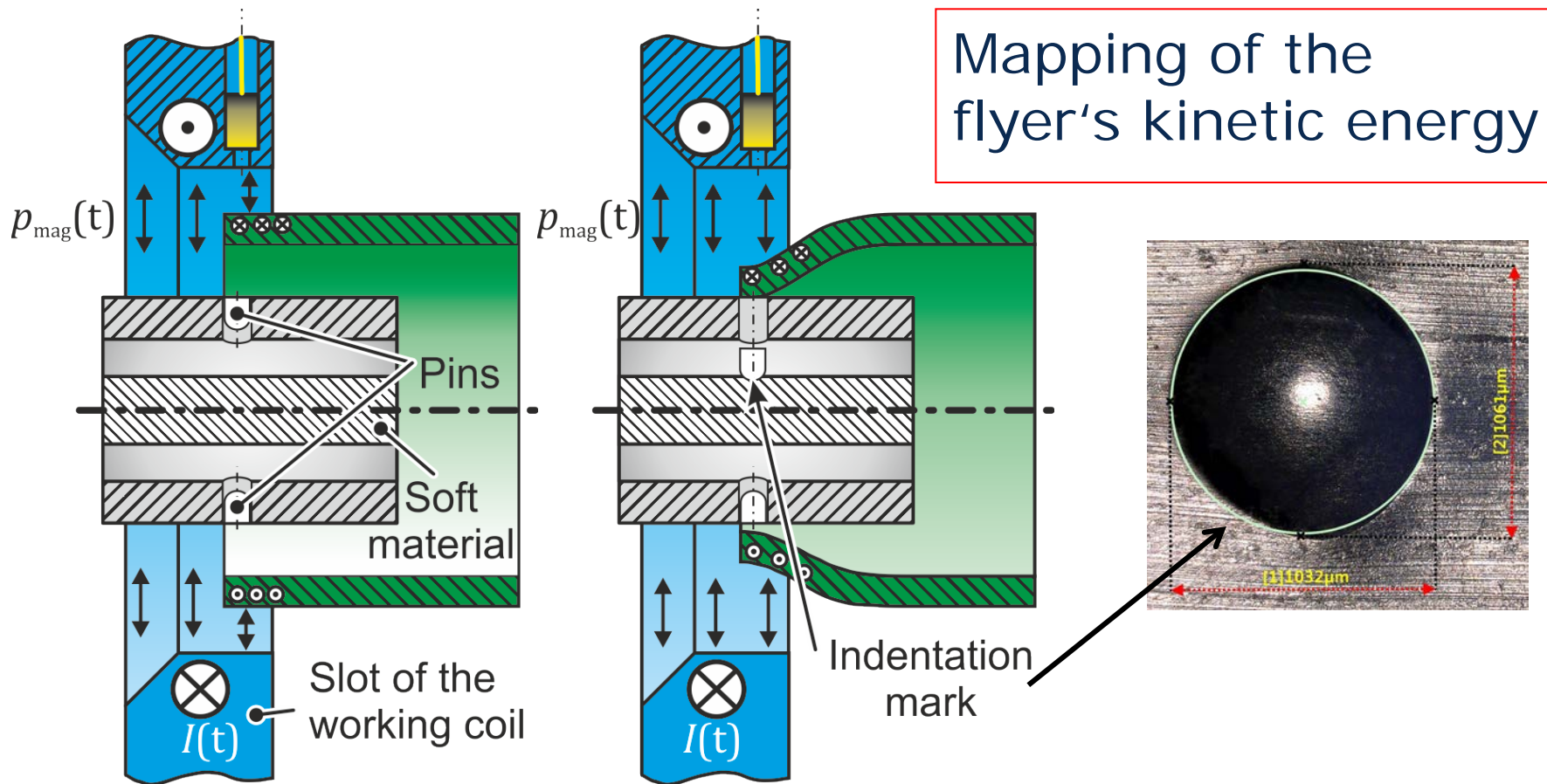
Result: MPW possible despite parent deformation



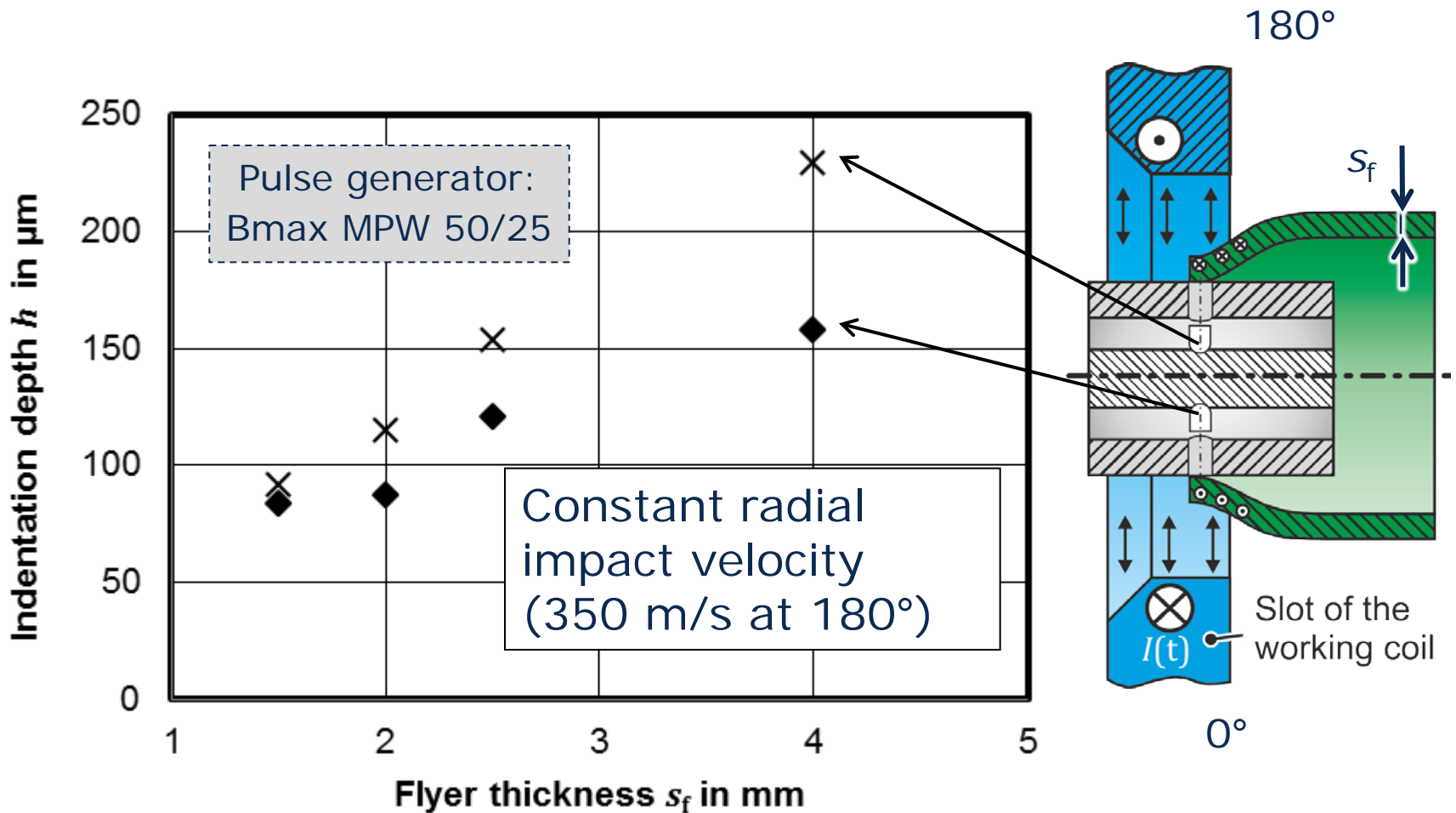
Timeshift between collision and parent deformation \rightarrow weld strength established within $20 \mu\text{s}$



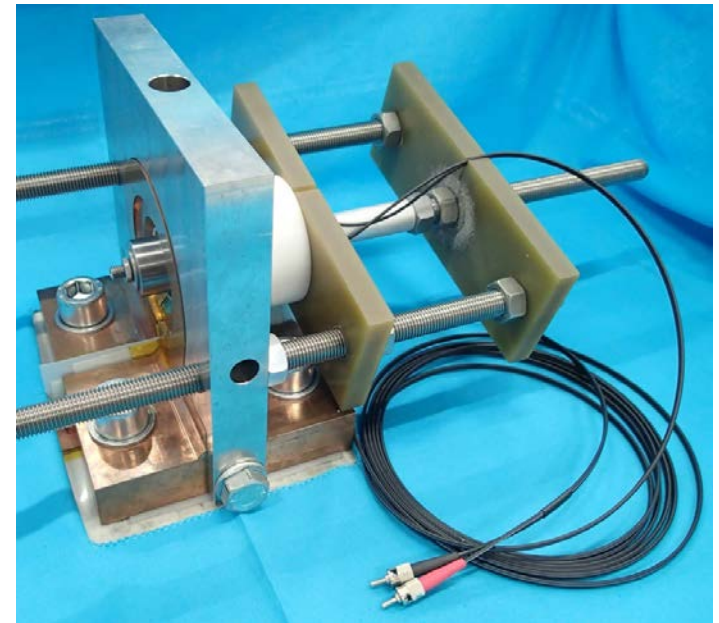
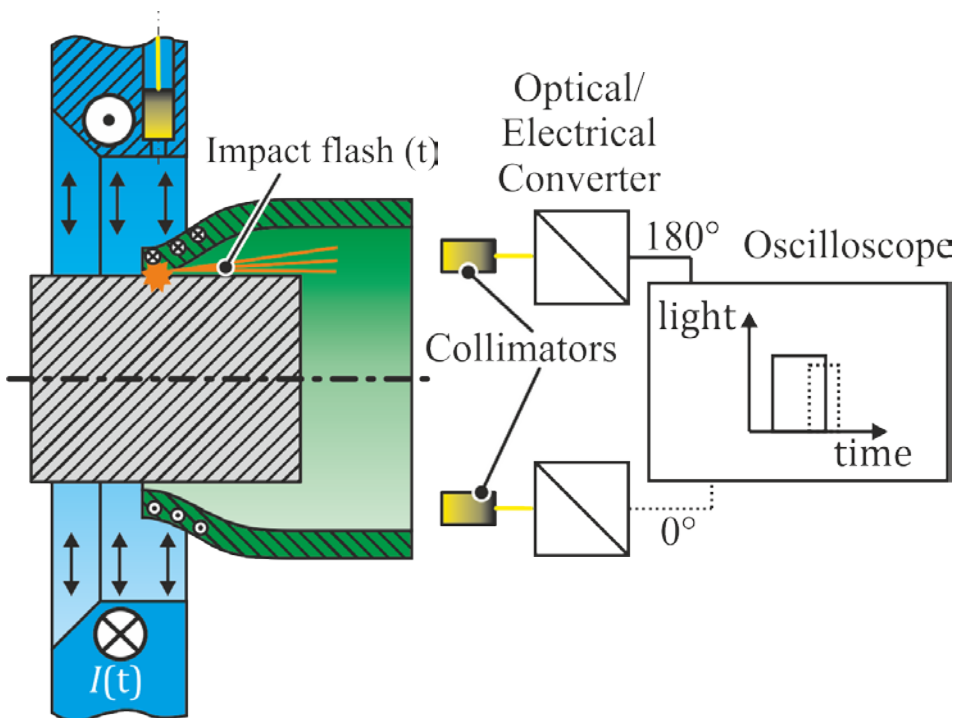
2. New indentation test



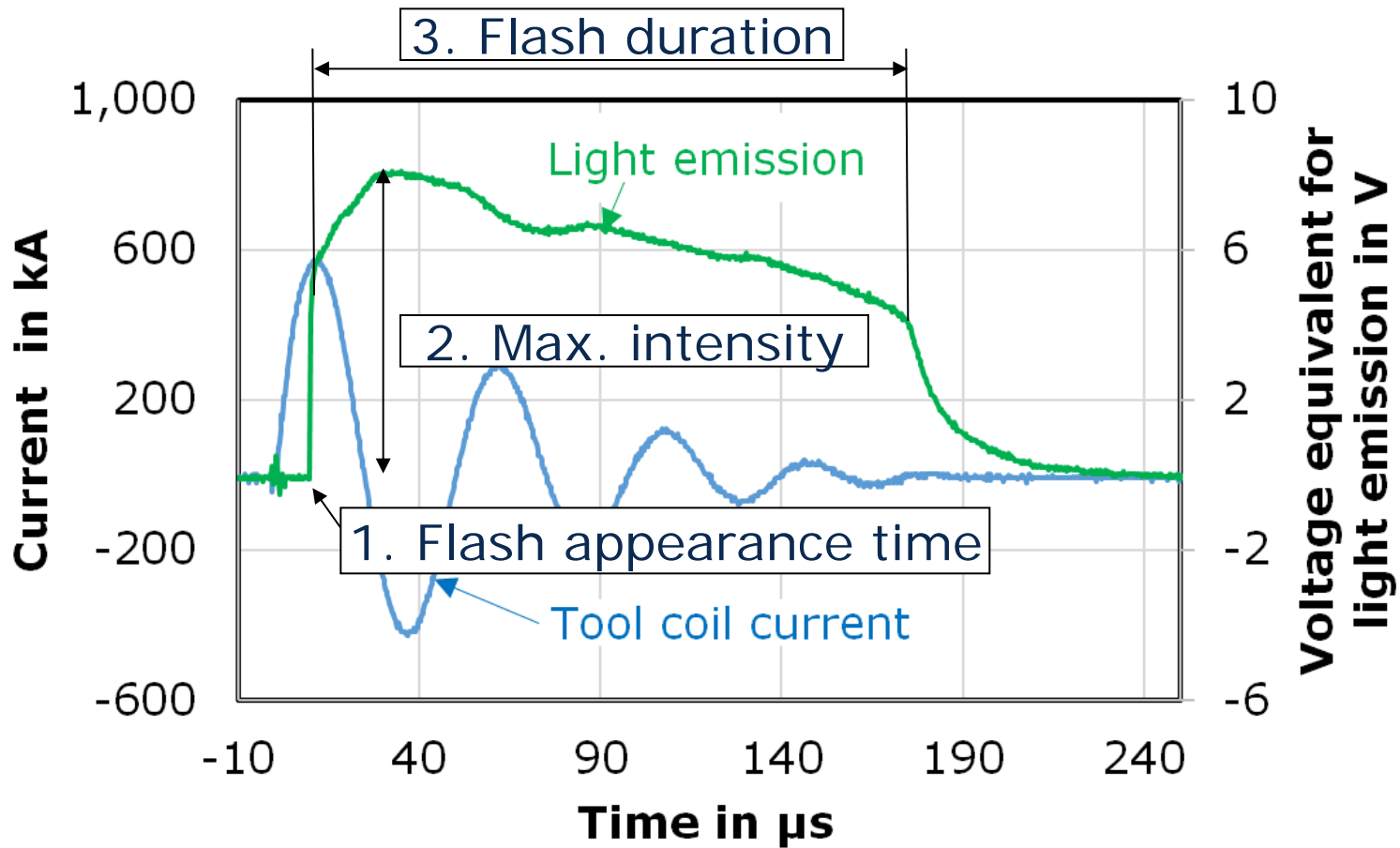
Result: Influence of the slot and flyer thickness



3. Flash detection – new possibilities

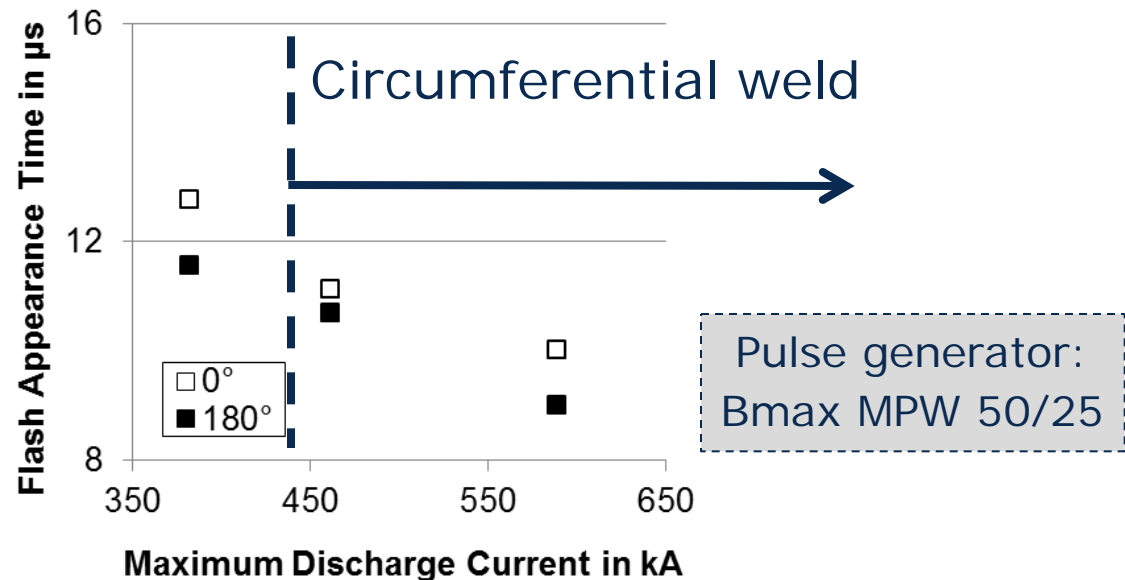
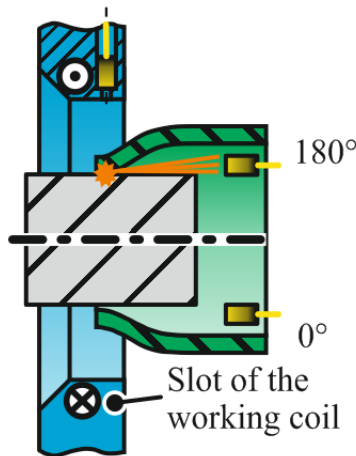


Characteristic values of the flash

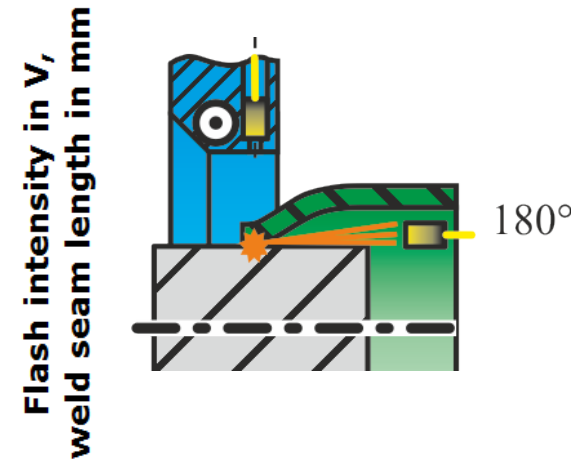
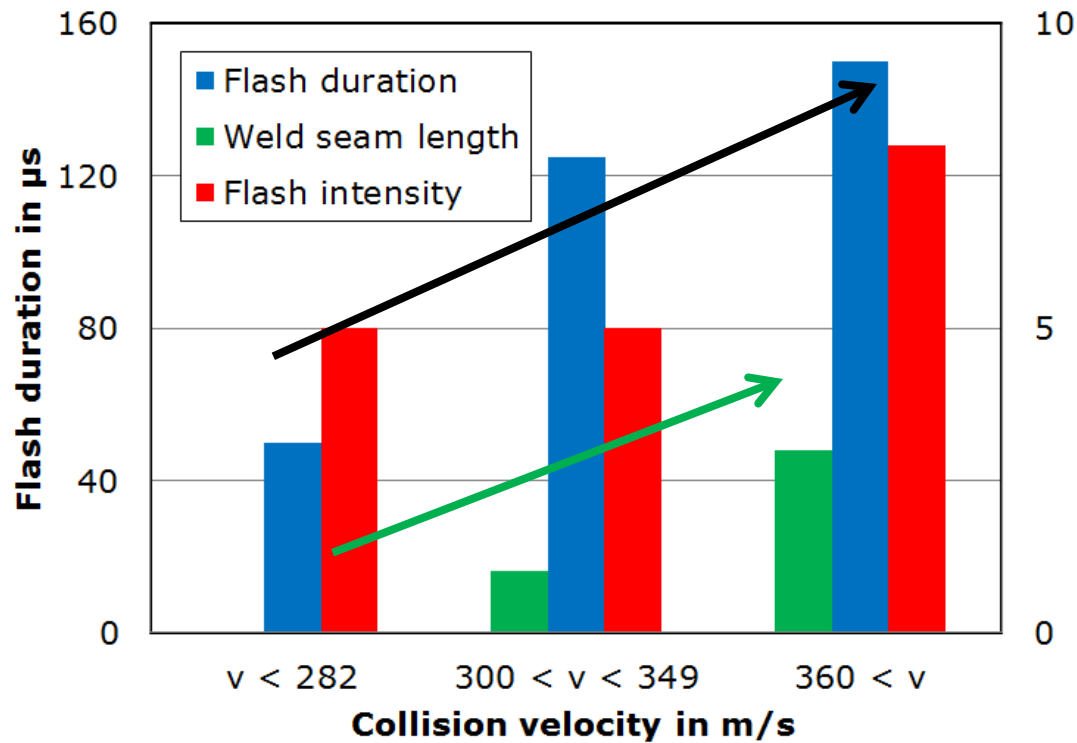


- ✓ Detection of failures during acceleration
- ✓ Detection of asymmetries (part / tool related)
- ✓ Good accessibility

	Flash Appearance Time (μs)		Flash Duration (μs)		Maximum Light Intensity (V)	
	180°	0°	180°	0°	180°	0°
Average (n=4)	10.59	10.91	145	125	6.5	6.8
Variation coefficient	1.7%	4.2%	4.2%	9.1%	5.4%	3.2%

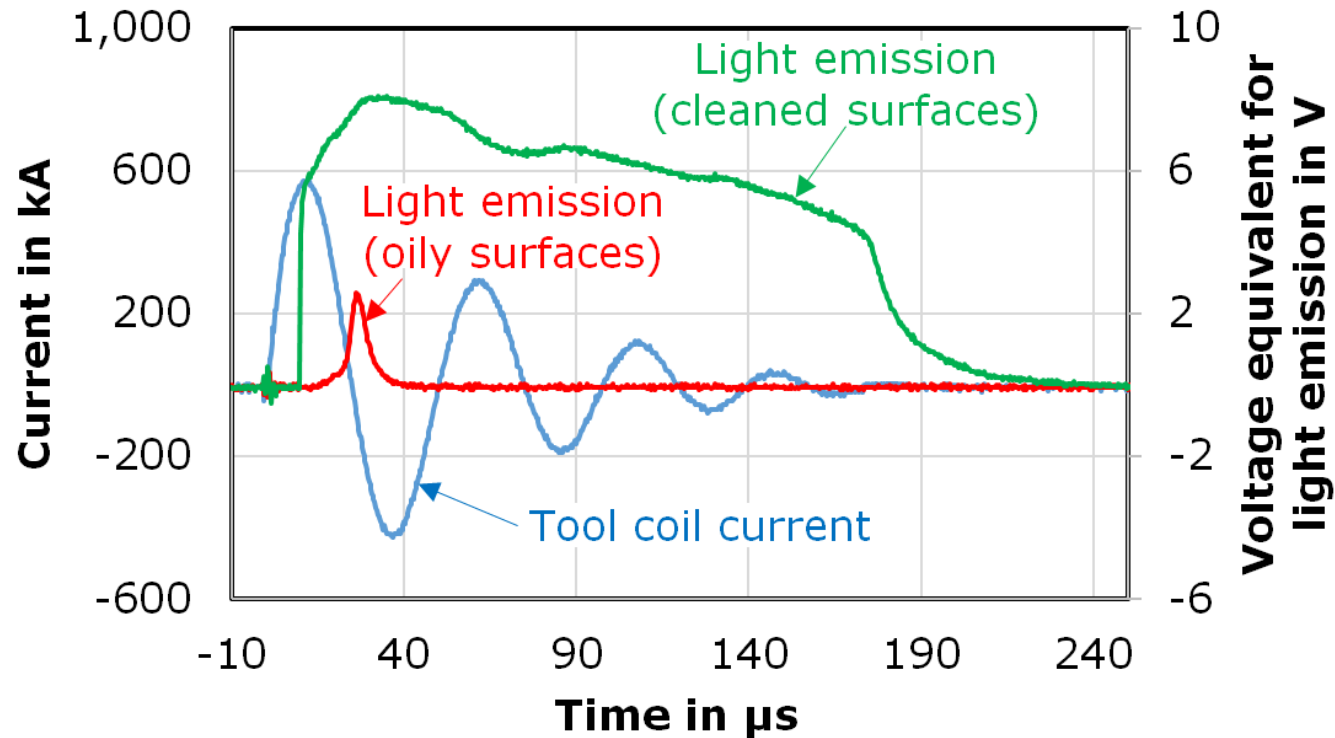


Correlation of the flash with the weld seam formation

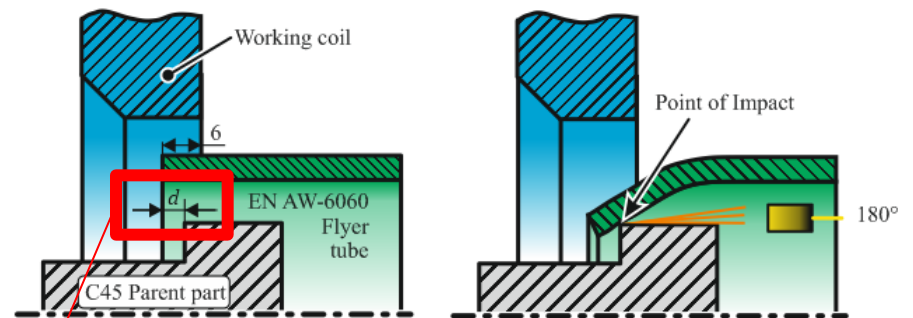
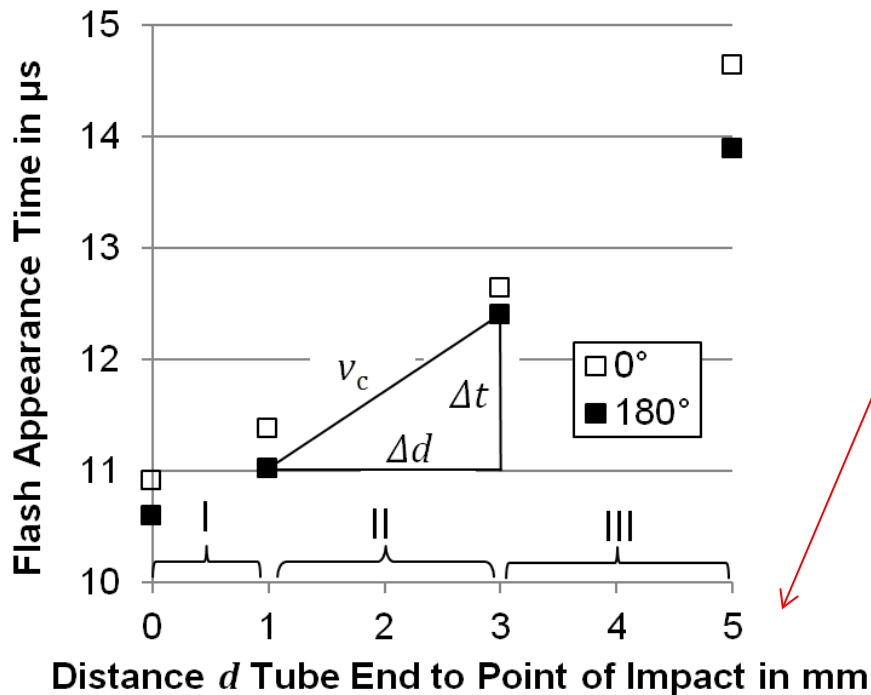


Pulse generator:
 Bmax MPW 50/25

Suitable for detection of surface disturbances (e.g. oil)



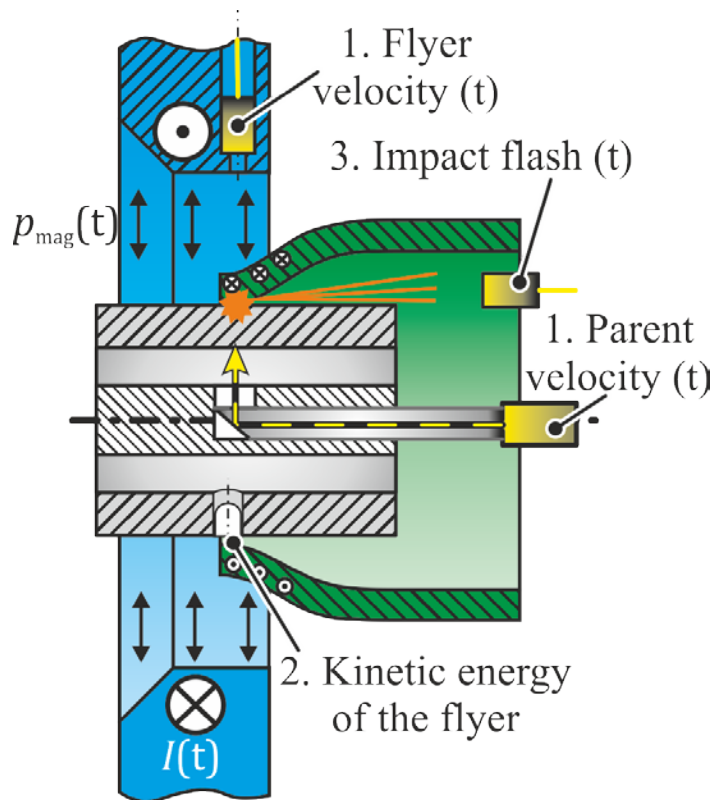
Measurement of the weld front propagation



Pulse generator:
Bmax MPW 50/25

Location	Weld front propagation velocity v_c (m/s)	
	180°	0°
I	2326	2105
II	1449	1587
III	1351	1000

Summary



Insights into MPW:

1. Weld strength is established before parent deformation is completed (tubes)
2. Impact energy of the flyer varies over the circumference
3. Hypervelocity impact flash is a suitable tool for the measurement of collision parameters, detection of asymmetries, ... *

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