Joining Sub-Platform

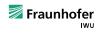


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Project data

- TitelJOINing of copper to aluminium by
ElectroMagnetic fields
- Acronym JOIN'EM
- Duration 01.09.2015 31.08.2018
- Budget 4.7 Mio. €
- Grant 4.1 Mio. €



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Significance of copper

Copper

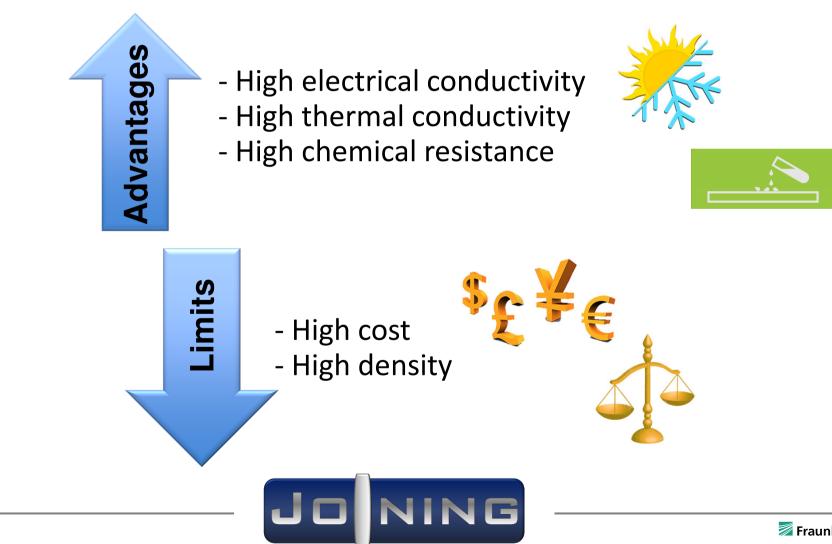
3rd mostfrequently used material in the world

Source: The World Copper Factbook 2010





Copper characteristics



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Compromise: Hybrid Components

Substitution of copper-intensive components by hybrid aluminium-copper parts

- ➔ reduced material costs
- ➔ reduced product weight

Precondition Manufacturing technology for efficient production of high quality multi-material joints

→ Magnetic pulse welding (MPW)



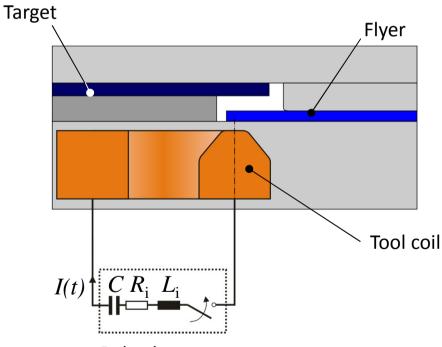
	Copper	Aluminium
Elektrical conductivity	58 MS/m	36 MS/m
Thermal concuctivity	401 W/mK	236 W/mK
Density	8.9 g/cm ³	2.7 g/cm ³
Price	4,478 €/ton*	1,550 €/ton*

(*Source: http://www.boerse-online.de/rohstoffe;)





Exemplary setup of a sheet welding process



Pulsed power generator

Characteristics of MPW

- Joint produced by high speed collision of flyer and target
- No significant heating of the parts
- No temperature induced problems (intermetallics, thermal softening, heat distortion etc.)
- Conventionally non-weldable material combinations possible (e.g. Cu - Al, (stainless) steel - Al)
- High quality joints
 - Mechanical strength
 - Electrical conductivity
- Applicable for tubes and sheets



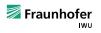


Lorentz Current 800 force directions Target Flyer 600 Coil current I in kA 400 $\overline{\otimes}$ \otimes \otimes 200 0 Tool coil -200 Magnetic $I(t) \uparrow C R_i L_i$ **Field lines** -400 15 20 25 5 10 30 0 Process time *t* in µS Pulsed power generator

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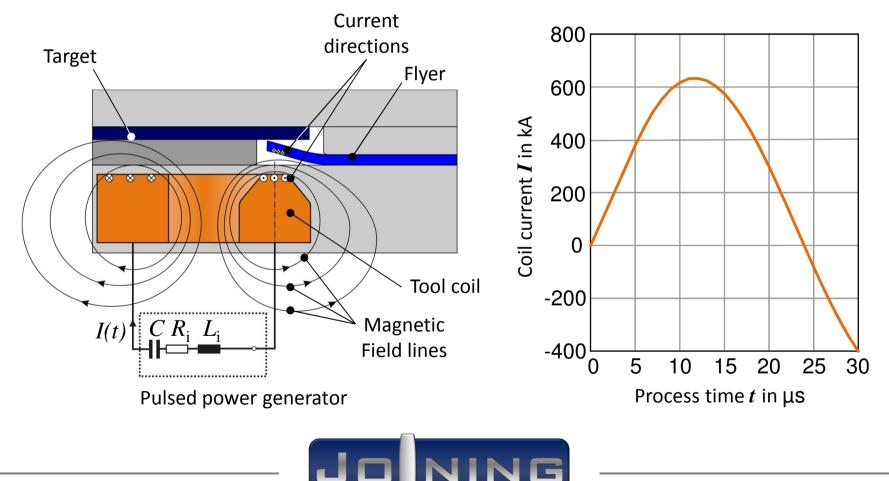
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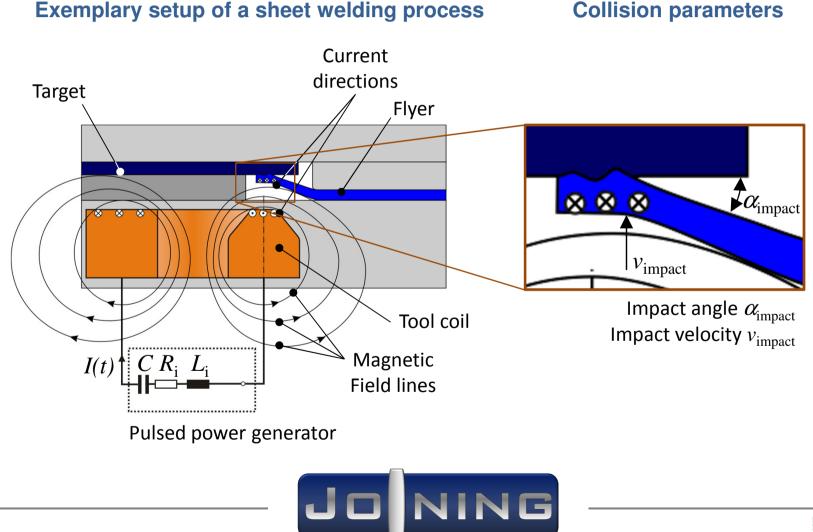


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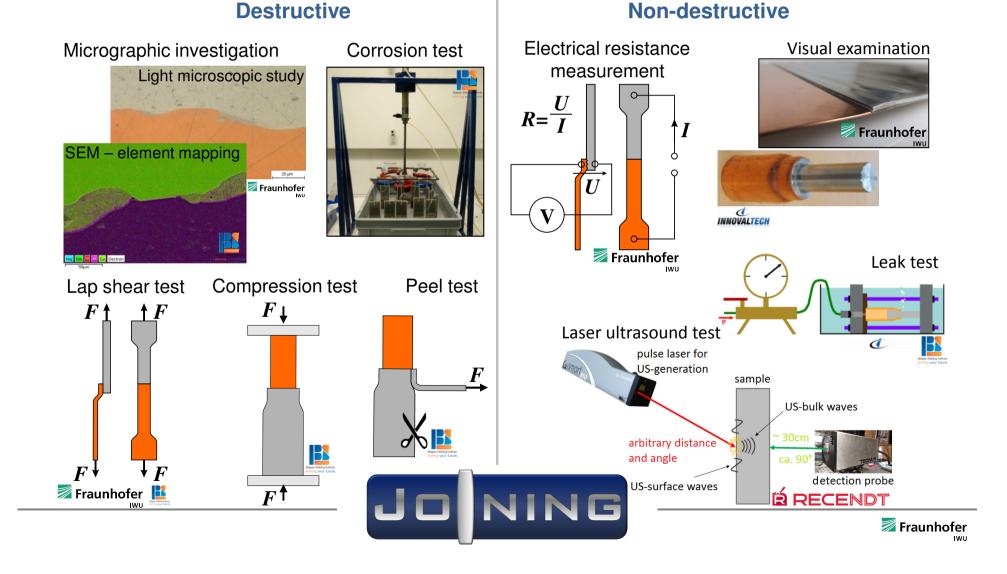


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Development of joint characterisation methods



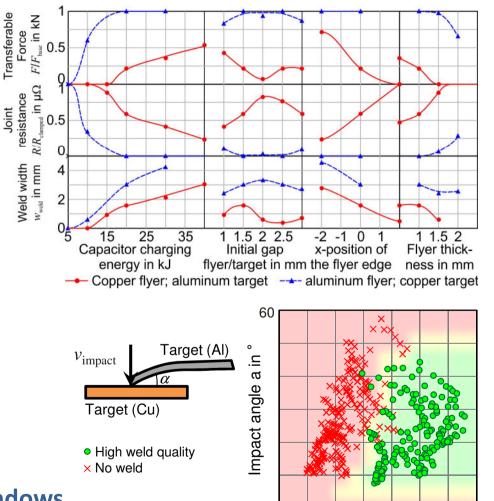
Analysis of the joining process

Influencing parameters

Capacitor charging energy Several geometrical parameters ...

Quality parameters

Joint strength Leak tightness Electrical conductivity Micrographic investigation



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Collision parameters

Impact velocity Impact angle

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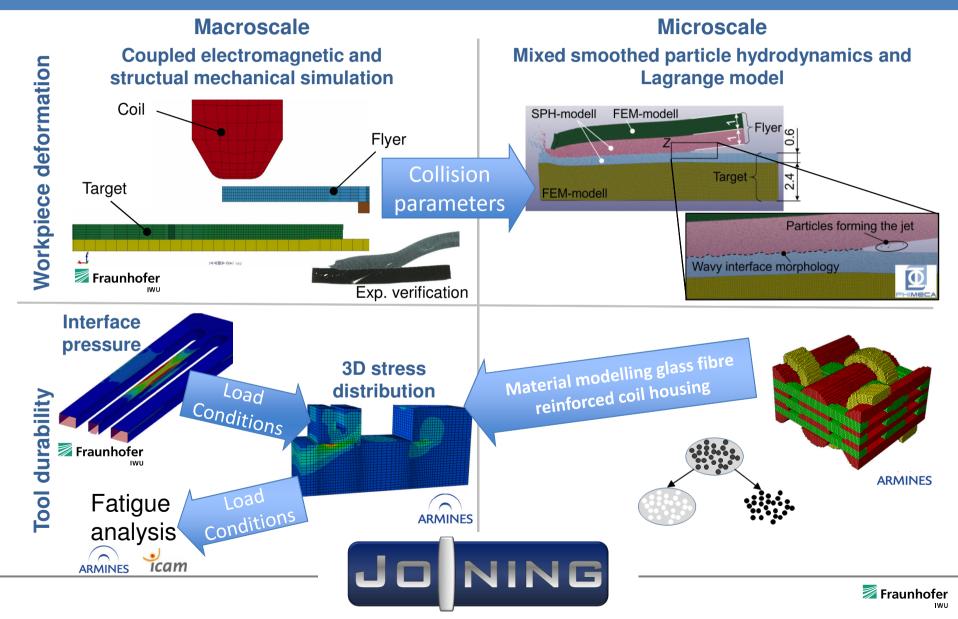
➔ Identification of Process windows





Impact velocity in m/s⁷⁰⁰

Development of multiscale simulation strategies



Tool development

Investigation of tool materials

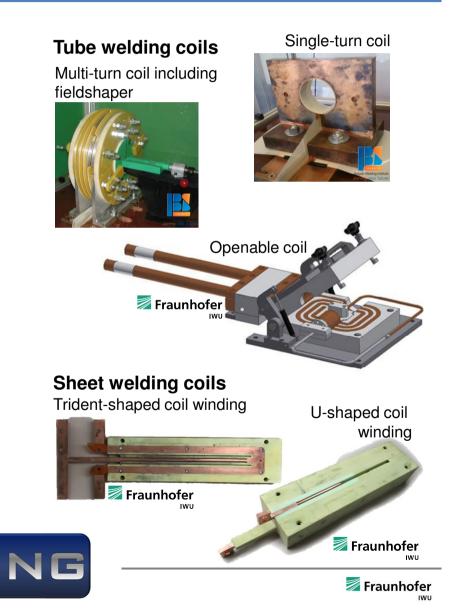
Conductor materials Insulation / housing materials

Design and manufacturing and investigation of tool systems

Tube applications Sheet metal applications

Durability testing of tool systems

Testing of materials and components Testing of full tool systems



Development of industrial demonstrators and implementation issues

Three full industrial demonstrators

Tube connections for heating and cooling applicationsSheet metal connections for heating and cooling applicationsSheet metal connections for electrical applicationsHigh power electrical applications

Three partial industrial demonstrators

Tube connections for heating and cooling applications Sheet metal connections for heating and cooling applications Sheet metal connections for electrical applications

Full demonstrators also serve for studying industrial implementation issues

Concept development for automation and control Economic efficiency calculation Life cycle analysis









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