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## Foreword

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# Metallic materials — Sheet and strip — Determination of biaxial stress-strain curve by means of bulge test with optical measuring systems

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determination of the biaxial stress strain curve of metallic sheets having a thickness below 3 mm in pure stretch forming without significant friction influence. In comparison with tensile test results, higher strain values can be achieved.

## 2 Symbols and abbreviated terms

The symbols and designations used are given in Table 1.

Table 1

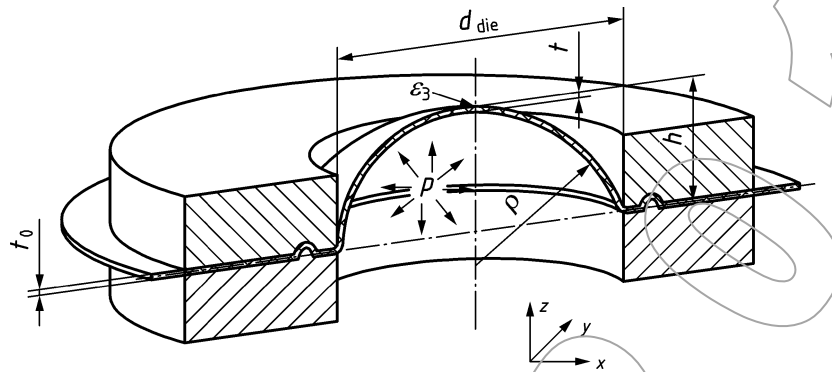
Symbol	Designation	Unit
$d_{\text{die}}$	Diameter of the die (inner)	mm
$d_{\text{BH}}$	Diameter of the blank holder (inner)	mm
$R_1$	Radius of the die (inner)	mm
$h$	Height of the drawn blank (outer surface)	mm
$t_0$	Initial thickness of the blank	mm
$t$	Actual thickness	mm
$p$	Pressure in the chamber	MPa
$r_{\text{ms}}$	Standard deviation (root mean square)	-
$\rho$	Radius of curvature	mm
$r_1$	Surface radius for determining curvature	mm
$r_2$	Surface radius for determining strain	mm
$r_{1\_100}$	Surface radius to determine curvature with a die-diameter of 100mm	mm
$a_i, b_i$	Coefficients for response surface	-
$\sigma_{\text{B}}$	Bi-axial stress	MPa
$e$	Engineering strain	-
$\varepsilon_1$	Major true strain	-
$\varepsilon_2$	Minor true strain	-
$\varepsilon_3$	True thickness strain	-
$\varepsilon_{\text{E}}$	Equivalent true strain	-
$l_{\text{s}}$	Coordinate and length of a section	mm
$dz$	Displacement in z direction	mm
$dz_{\text{mv}}$	Displacement after movement correction	mm

## 3 Principle

A circular blank is completely clamped at the edge in a tool between die and blankholder. A bulge is formed by pressing a fluid against the blank until final fracture occurs (Figure 1). During the test, the pressure of the fluid is measured and the evolution of the deformation of the blank is recorded by an optical measuring system [1,2,3]. Based on the recorded deformation of the blank, the following quantities near the center of the blank are determined: the local curvature, the true strains at the surface, and, by assuming incompressible

deformation of the material, the actual thickness of the blank. Furthermore, assuming the stress state of a thin-walled spherical pressure vessel at the center of the blank, the true stress is calculated from the fluid pressure, the thickness and the curvature radius.

NOTE In addition to the bulge test procedures with optical measurement systems introduced in [1] and described in the following, there are also laser systems [4,5,6] or tactile systems [7,8,9] valid for bulge test investigation, which are not covered in this standard.



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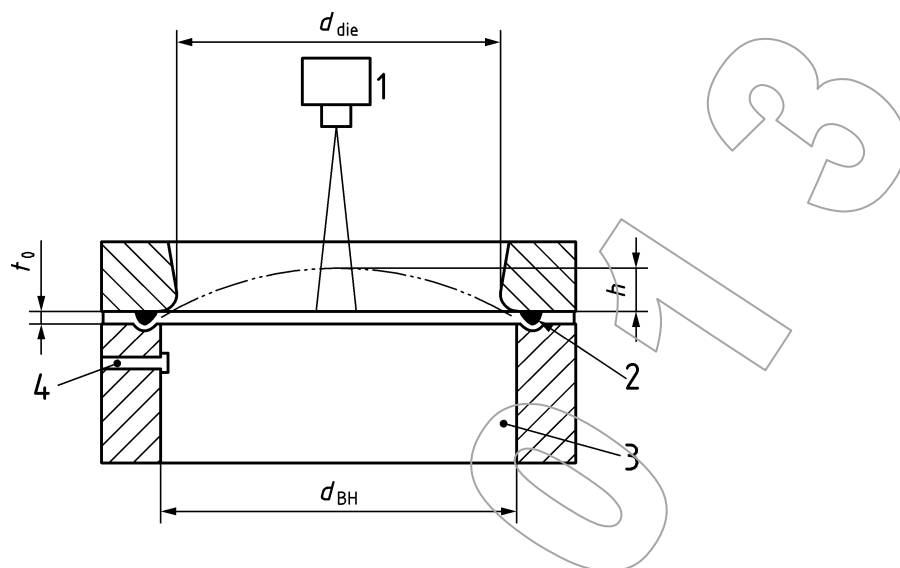
- $h$  Height of the drawn blank (outer surface)
- $p$  Fluid pressure
- $\epsilon_3$  True thickness strain (at the apex of the dome)

**Figure 1 — Principle of the bulge test**

The coordinate origin shall be in the center of the blank holder. The XY-plane should be parallel to the surface of the blank holder (parallel to the clamped metal sheet before forming). Herein, the x-direction corresponds to the rolling direction. The z direction shall be normal to the clamped metal sheet before forming, with the positive direction towards the optical sensor.

**4 Test equipment**

**4.1** The bulge test shall be carried out on a machine equipped with a die, blank holder and a fluid chamber. The proposed equipment is illustrated in Figure 2.



### Key

- 1 deformation measurement system
- 2 lock bead
- 3 chamber with fluid
- 4 pressure measurement system

**Figure 2 — Proposal of a testing equipment (principle drawing)**

**4.2** The lay out of the test equipment should be such that it is possible to continuously measure the outside surface of the test piece continuously during the test, i.e. to be able to determine the deformation of the geometry by recording the evolution of X, Y, Z coordinates of a grid of points on the bulging blank surface, in order to calculate the shape and the true strains in the central area of interest until failure occurs.

**4.3** During the test the system shall be able to measure optically (without contact) the X, Y, Z coordinates of a grid of points on the bulging surface of the specimen. Out of these coordinates the true strains  $\epsilon_1$  and  $\epsilon_2$  for each point of the selected area, the thickness strain  $\epsilon_3$  and the curvature radius  $\rho$  for the apex of the dome are calculated.

**4.4** The system shall be equipped with a chamber fluid pressure measurement system. An indirect measurement system is also possible. Starting from 20 % of the maximum measured pressure value the precision shall be 1 % of the actual measured value.

**4.5** The die, the blank holder and the fluid chamber shall be sufficiently rigid to minimize deformation during testing. The blank holder force shall be high enough to keep the blank holder closed. Any movement of the test piece between blank holder and die should be prevented. Typically during the test the bulge pressure is acting on parts of the blank holder reducing the effective blank holder force. This has to be taken in consideration when defining the necessary blank holder force.

**4.6** The fluid shall be in contact with the blank surface (without any air bubbles) to prevent energy storage during the test through compressed air bubbles which would lead to higher energy release and greater oil splashing at failure. No fluid shall be lost through blank holder, die and sheet or elsewhere during the test until failure occurs.

**4.7** A lock bead or comparable geometry in the circular surface is recommended and shall be designed to suppress any material flow. The lock bead shall not initiate cracks in the material. The lock bead shall be located between blank holder and die. A location close to the die radius is recommended. The lock bead geometry should avoid a curvature and a wrinkling of the blank when closing the tool and prevent the sliding of the blank during the test.

**4.8** Glass plates in front of the lenses and the illumination are recommended to protect the optical measuring system from splashing oil at failure [7,12]. This protection has to resist the oil splashing due to blank failure at test end. It can be fixed on the blank holder (thick glass) or near the camera lenses and

illumination (thinner glass), see Figure 3. The inserted protection has not to disturb the optical measurement quality (see clause 5).

NOTE1 After each test the glass plates has to be well cleaned without damaging or scratching them and precisely repositioned to not alter calibration.

NOTE 2 Typically, a calibration of the optical system including the protection increase the measurement quality.

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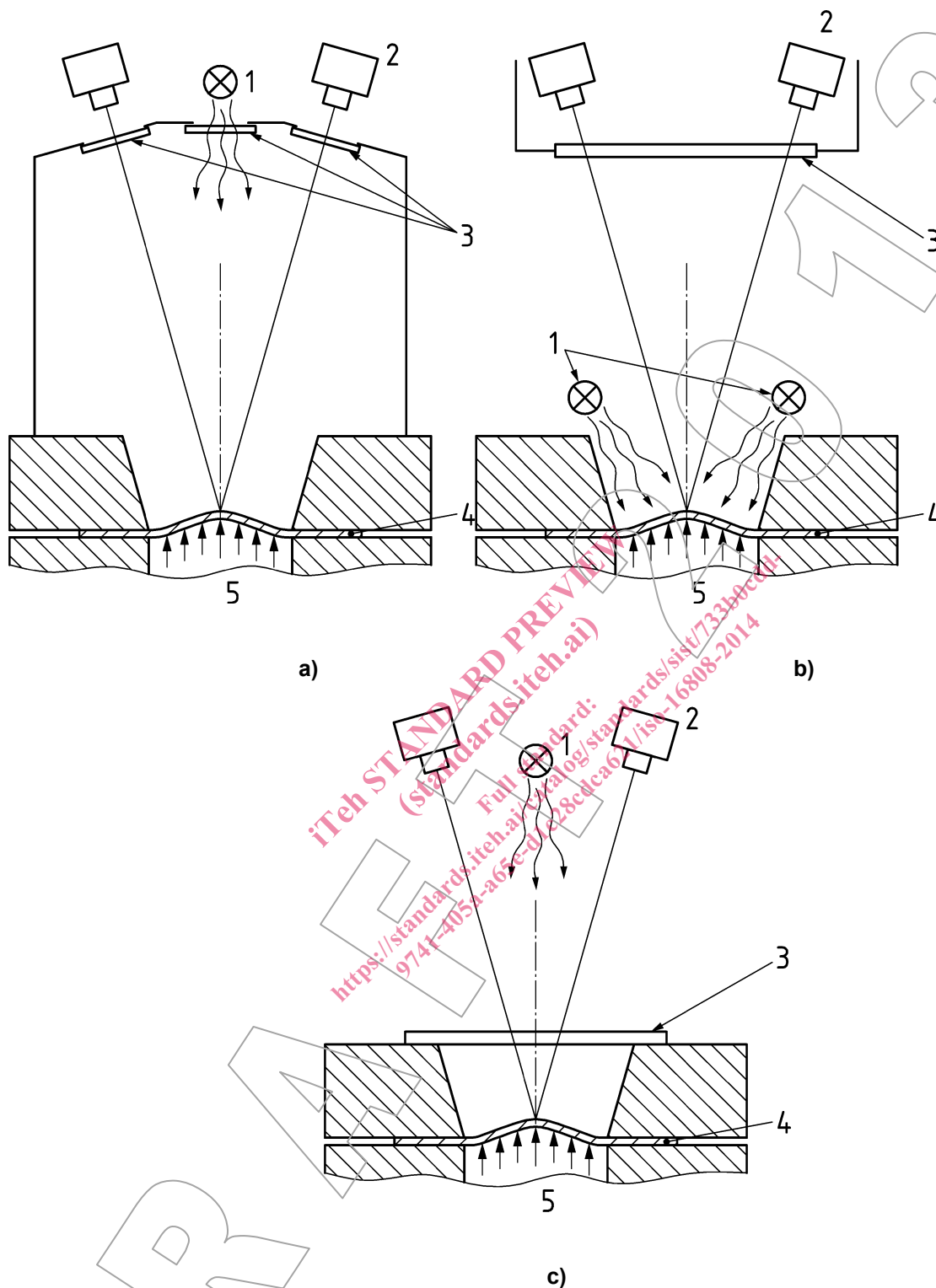
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- Key**
- 1 lamp
  - 2 cameras
  - 3 glass plates
  - 4 sheet metal
  - 5 fluid

Figure 3 — Examples for possible positions of oil shielding plates and lamps

**4.9** The smallest die diameter recommended should have a ratio of die diameter to initial thickness  $d_{\text{die}} / t_0 \geq 33$  (see Figure 2). The radius of the die should not lead to cracks in the blank during the test. A recommendation is  $(5 * t_0)$  to  $(15 * t_0)$  (maximum 15 mm).

## 5 Optical measurement system

For the determination of the radius of curvature  $\rho$ , and the true strains  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$ , an optical deformation field measurement system with the following characteristic is recommended:

- Optical sensor based on two or more cameras
- Measurement area, whereas  $d_{\text{measurement area}} \geq \frac{1}{2} d_{\text{die}}$

NOTE The used measurement area should be larger than a concentric diameter of half the diameter of the blank holder. This area should be observable during the entire forming process for all heights of the drawn blank.

- Local resolution (grid distance between the independent measurement points): The distance  $g_{\text{max}}$  between two adjacent points on the unformed blank should follow the requirement:

$$g_{\text{max}} \leq \frac{d_{\text{die}}}{50}$$

- The determination of the curvature requires an accuracy of the z-coordinates in an area with a diameter of  $\frac{1}{2} d_{\text{die}}$  concentric to the blank holder of

$$rms(dz)_n = \frac{rms(dz) \cdot 100 \text{ mm}}{d_{\text{die}}} \leq 0,015 \text{ mm}$$

NOTE The accuracy of the shape measurement can be checked with a test of the optical measurement system (see Annex B).

- Accuracy for strain measurement:

$$rms(\varepsilon_1) = 0,003$$

$$rms(\varepsilon_2) = 0,003$$

EXAMPLE For each real strain value for the mentioned  $rms(\varepsilon)$  above, the acceptable measurement values are:

$$\varepsilon_{\text{real}} = 0 \quad \text{acceptable measurement range: } -0,003 \dots 0,003$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{real}} = 0,5 \quad \text{acceptable measurement range: } 0,497 \dots 0,503$$

- Missing measurement points: In order to avoid unbalanced curvature approximations only the absence of less than 5 % of the measurement points in the concentric area with a diameter =  $\frac{1}{2} d_{\text{die}}$  is acceptable (without interpolation). If adjacent points are missing, the inscribed circle of this area shall not be larger than 2 points.

## 6 Test piece

### 6.1 General

The test piece shall be flat and of such shape that the blank is clamped and material flow is stopped. The use of lock beads is recommended. The edge of the blank shall be outside the lock bead.

The preparation of the blank does not influence the results as long as the surface of the test piece was not damaged (scratches, polishing). The dimension of the outer edges can be circular (preferred) or angular.

## 6.2 Application of grid

### 6.2.1 Type of grid

For optical full field measurement devices the grid has to fulfil two objectives:

- a) the curvature radius determination of the specimens' surface;
- b) the strain calculation of the material deformation.

### 6.2.2 Grid application

Deterministic grids (e.g. squares, circles, dots) should have a strong contrast and have to be applied without any notch effect and/or change in microstructure. Some common application techniques are:

- Electrochemical etching, photochemical etching, offset printing and grid transfer.
- Stochastic (speckle) patterns can be applied by spraying paint on the surface of test piece surfaces. Paint adherence to the surface after deformation should be checked. It is possible first to spray a thin, matt, white base layer to reduce reflections from the test piece surfaces followed by spraying a cloud of randomly distributed black spots (e.g. black spray paint or graphite). The spray shall be both elastic and tough not to crack or peel off during deformation. The random distribution of the fine sprayed spots allows the determination of each point of the virtual grid on the specimen. The pattern should have sufficient black/white density and appropriate size features in each point position search area as required by the optical system used.

## 7 Procedure

**7.1** The test shall be carried out at ambient temperature of  $(23 \pm 5)^\circ \text{C}$ .

**7.2** Determine the initial thickness of the test piece to the nearest 0,01 mm.

**7.3** Clamp the test piece between blank holder and die. Avoid air bubbles between test piece and fluid to prevent formation of compressed air during testing, leading to stronger oil splashing at failure.

**7.4** A constant strain rate of  $0,05 \text{ s}^{-1}$  is recommended. If a constant strain rate is not possible, a constant forming velocity of the punch or fluid should be guaranteed. In order to avoid big influences in the biaxial stress-strain curve of temperature or strain rate sensitive materials, the bulge test should be conducted in (2 - 4) minutes. This time frame guarantees slow and acceptable strain rates and cost effective testing time.

**NOTE** The plot of the strain rate versus time is recommended.

**7.5** Measure the fluid pressure during the test.

**7.6** Measure the X, Y, Z coordinates of the grid on the test piece surface during the test.

**7.7** The fluid pressure data and forming data shall be measured and saved at the same time scale. A minimum of 100 values is recommended. In order to represent the whole strain and pressure development at least 100 images of the bulge testing are recommended

**7.8** The failure of the test piece shall be considered as obtained when a through crack, i.e. a crack which goes through the thickness of the test piece, has occurred. The failure is detected by a decreasing fluid pressure and this defines the end of the test. .