



# Analysis of Formability of Aa6061 by Dual Step Angle Single Point Incremental Forming

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**Abstract**— Single Point Incremental Forming (SPIF) is one among the chief promising more current strategies in metal shaping procedure, and this procedure depends on confined plastic misshapening on a thin level strong clear. Steady framing process has higher formability limits than other level strong shaping procedures including stepping, and is in this way an attractive technique for shaping level strong parts. to require bit of leeway of this high formability it's important to realize an approach to boost the formability, improving the probability of segment achievement. It distorts continuously and locally the level strong by round framing. Hemi-round headed device is to be acclimated distort the sheet in to required shapes. Formability investigation must be dispensed to get effective shaping procedure. This venture plans to survey the framing conduct of AA6061 through steady shaping procedure by double step framing edge. Shortened cones are to be framed for this reason at temperature, with the assistance of PC controlled numerical machine Formability Limit Diagram (FLD) is utilized to survey the conduct of level strong. FLD and thickness circulation has been anticipated and looked at for the structure.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Gradual framing is one among the more current shaping advances where convoluted outside shapes are frequently framed without utilizing punches and kicks the bucket. A hemispherical device is squeezed over the level strong to make the necessary shape. The instrument way is constrained by a CNC machine. it's bolstered the procedure of assembling the structured formed by dynamic development of the hemispherical instrument. Since limited distortion is created during shaping, more extending happens than in regular framing. This procedure is typically applied as a result of greater adaptability and less tooling cost. on account of moderate shaping procedure, this will be restricted uniquely to little cluster creation frameworks.

Azaouzi et al (2012) demonstrated that an advancement system tried for a given framing technique, in order to decrease the assembling time and homogenize thickness appropriation of an uneven part. The ideal framing system resolve by Finite Element Analyses (FEA) along with Response Surface Method (RSM) and Sequential Quadratic Programming (SQP) calculation.

Suriyapran et al (2013) researched the steady framing process, extraordinarily spend significant time in test SPIF and Multi-Stage ISF tried with the Aluminum Alloy 1050.

The impact of the toolpath and shaping apparatus development, got a vertical divider, on thickness dissemination was contemplated. For formability examination, lattice strain investigation and estimation was firm.

Khwere et al (2013) researched the nuts and bolts of steady sheet framing, groupings, devices utilized and impact of arranged parameters like plane anisotropy, device size and shape, grease subsequently. The examination additionally incorporated the propelled strategies fused in ISF like doubly bended surfaces, half and half framing, their favorable circumstances and impediments.

Mugendiran et al (2014) shortened square pyramid and cone were shaped to audit the formability of AA6061 at temperature. A PC controlled numerical machine was utilized for framing. Framing limit graph (FLD) was acclimated study the conduct of sheet. FLD and thickness dispersion had anticipated and looked at for both the shapes. As far as possible graph got through gradual framing impressively shifts from customary shaping breaking point outline. Correlation of FLD and thickness dispersion indicated that cone has higher framing limit than square cup and hence the thickness in the wake of shaping was preferred in cone shapes over in square cups.

Senthil et al (2014) built up a numerical answer for the formability of AZ61A magnesium Alloy. The examination was performed by utilizing express form of ABAQUS Finite Element Modules. For the re-enactments the punch and bites the dust were thought to be unbending bodies. From the examination, the formability of the texture had gotten. Stress, strain created were additionally found and furthermore the most extreme focused on territory were noted which helps in deciding the disappointment of the sheet during shaping activity.

Naranjo et al (2015) examined the one Point Incremental Forming (SPIF) during this work, a technique for reproduced SPIF by ANSYS Workbench programming was appeared. Two medium-size various states of titanium ASTM B-265 had mimicked and results had contrasted with those gotten tentatively. ANSYS re-enactment permits accomplished an improved comprehended of the strategy and near outcomes broke down to knew the impact of tech.

Kumar et al (2015) built up a research center arrangement of single-point gradual framing machine went to a movement card to deal with the 3servo engines for controlling individual 3-hub and axle development. The strain dispersed on the sheet over the length of twisting had registered. The surface nature of the items was seen as acceptable. Basic recreation had likewise distributed.

Ramzi et al (2017) examined the level strong formability and found that the formability of level strong was typically constrained by the event of harms development, bringing about a limited necking disappointment. The investigation anticipated numerically as far as possible chart utilizing the 3D re-enactments of the miniaturized scale Marciniak tests with various width. a supplanting malleable harm model with isotropic solidifying was acclimated anticipated the strain solidifying and furthermore the necking point. The ID of the flexible harm model was first performed from small scale single point steady shaping tests utilizing reverse limited component strategy. At that point, the small scale shaping breaking point bends as far as strain and stress were plotted inside the major/minor strain space and major/minor pressure space, individually. At long last, the impact of the underlying grain size on as far as possible bends were explored.

Hesse et al (2017) investigated the forming process and also the fluctuations of machine during forming, which cause deviations within the quality of the components to be manufactured. The control of the stiffness wasn't trivial therein, it depends on the geometric features additionally as on the fabric properties. The fluctuations were inherently presented and adjusted by a stiffness correction model.

## II. EXPERIMENTAL WORK

### A. Material Selection

#### Aluminium Alloys.

Enthusiasm for use of aluminum combinations has created to deliver light weight vehicles with high efficiency. Since aluminum magnesium composites have great

consumption obstruction and high formability AA6061 compound have been profoundly used in aviation and car businesses. A shortened cone with divider point 60 and 5°, with external distance across of 80 mm and inward measurement of 30 mm as appeared in figure 4, is framed from a square sheet clear (170 x 170 mm) by SPIF. The shaping parameters are: apparatus speed 1500 rpm, feed 50 mm/fire up and depth of cut/step profundity 0.5 mm. The framing parameters are controlled with the assistance of CNC machine.

#### Aluminium Alloy 6061 (Al-Mg-Si-Alloy)

The base material employed in this investigation is Al-Mg-Si alloy 6061(as its condition) which is widely employed in Aerospace sheet structures. Chemical compositions of Aluminium alloy 6061 shown in Table 1 and pictorial view of Aluminium alloy 6061 shown in Figure 1.

Table 1 Chemical Compositions of Aluminium Alloy 6061

Element s wt.(%)	Si	Cr	Fe	Cu	Mn	Mg	Zn	Ti	Al
Appo. Value	0.4- 0.80 %	0.04 - 0.35 %	≤0.7 0%	0.15 - .40 %	≤0.1 5%	0.80 - 1.20 %	≤0.2 5%	≤ 0.15 %	Re min der
Actual value	0.55 1%	0.12 1%	0.40 0%	0.15 0%	0.14 8%	0.86 6%	0.01 4%	0.01 1%	Re min der 97.6 9%



Figure 1:- pictorial view of aluminium alloy 6061

The properties of AA6061 are, yield quality is 204 MPa, extreme enduringness is 279 MPa, level of extension is 31.35% and normal hardness is 95 (HV 0.5). to hold out the investigations, numerically controlled molding machine HAAS V2 was utilized. the whole apparatus along with the level strong is mounted on a CNC machine as appeared in figure 3.

#### Laser Etching

Laser etching, which could be a subset of laser stamping, is that the act of utilizing lasers to imprint an article. the reason where the "laser bar" contacts the surface ought to

jump on the central plane of the laser's optical framework, and is ordinarily equivalent with its point. this time is generally little, maybe however a small amount of a millimeter.



Figure 2: CNC machine fixture with sheet metal mounted

Just the domain inside this focal point is essentially influenced when the pillar ignores the surface. The vitality conveyed by the laser changes the outside of the texture under the focal point. it will warm up the surface and in this way disintegrate the texture and strip the surface. Figure 3 shows laser engraved plane of AA6061. Laser engraving parameter of circle diameter=3mm, Lattice distance=5mm, Etching depth=0.05mm.

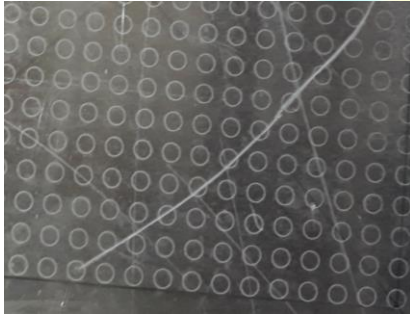


Figure 3 Laser etching plane of AA6061

### III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

#### A. STRAIN MEASUREMENT

The shaped part is appeared in figure 4. For formability investigation, circle lattice estimation is finished. This strategy gives the reason to anticipate the disappointment in level strong shaping. The created strain is regularly estimated by looking at the hover before framing and subsequent to shaping. During framing, the circle frameworks are changed over in to oval, and in this way the major and minor strains are regularly determined by estimating the lengths of the key and minor tomahawks,  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ . The chief strains are regularly determined by,

$$\epsilon_1 = \ln(d_1/d_0) \quad \epsilon_2 = \ln(d_2/d_0) \quad (1)$$

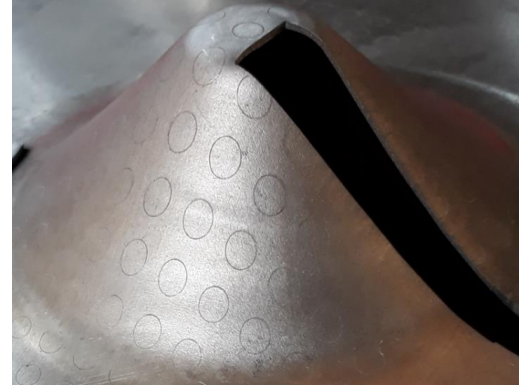
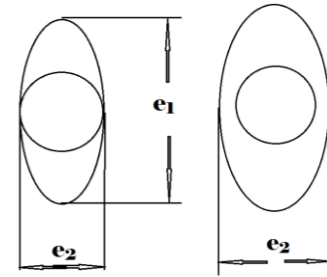


Figure 4 The formed part AA6061 dual angle SPIF



$\epsilon_1$  - Major strain  
 $\epsilon_2$  - Minor strain

Figure 5 Measuring parameter of FLD

A computerized caliper is utilized to live the strains inside the major and pivot and is organized. Figure 6 shows correlation of ordinary and steady FLD from mugendiran et al (11). FLD chart is plotted against minor and significant tomahawks for the frustum of different shaping point as appeared in Figures 7, 8 and 9.

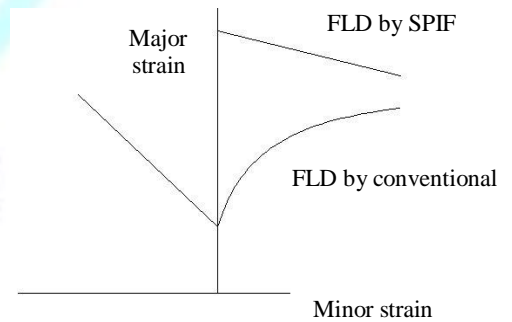


Figure 6 Comparison of conventional and incremental FLD

#### B. Measurement of Strain from Deformed Circle

After the all sheet shaped, the stamped circles were seen as twisted onto ovals of different sizes. Strain is determined from the ensuing equation. Figure 5 shows estimating parameter of FLD.

$$(\epsilon_1) = ((\text{significant hub} - \text{unique circle distance across}) / \text{unique circle diameter}) * 100$$

$$(\epsilon_2) = ((\text{minor hub} - \text{unique circle distance across}) / \text{unique circle diameter}) * 100$$

Where



e1 - Major strain in %

e2 - Minor strain in %

### C. EXPERIMENTAL DETERMINATION OF FLD ANALYSIS

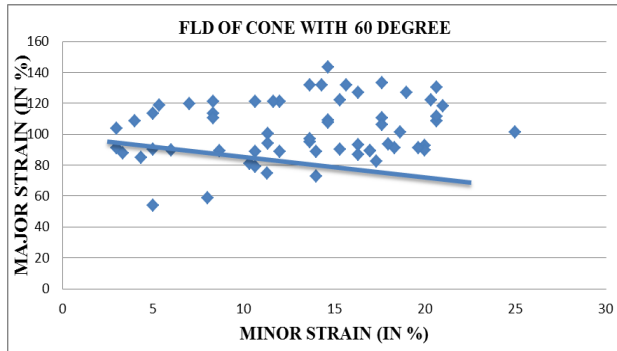


Figure 7: FLD for cone with angle 60 degree

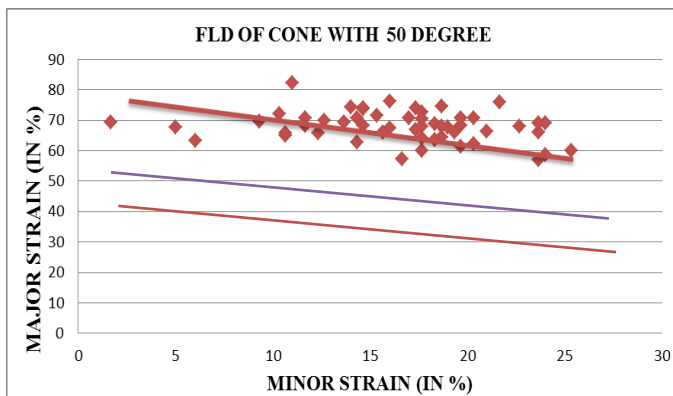
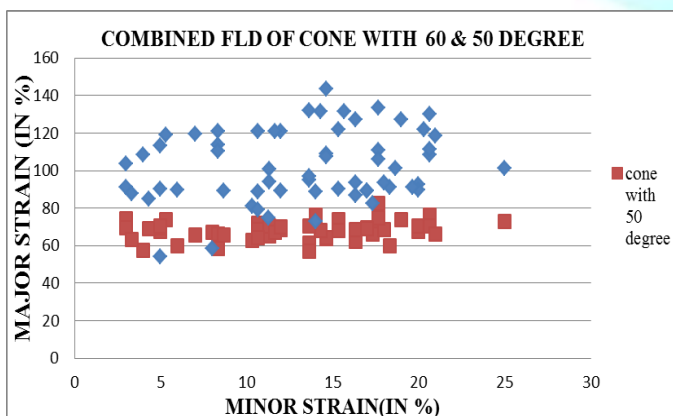


Figure 8: FLD for cone with angle 50 degree

Figure 9: Combined FLD for cone with 60 degree and 50 degree



Experimental determination of formability limit diagram for cone with 60 degree, 50 degree and comparison of both FLD are shown within the figure 7, 8, and 9.

### D. THICKNESS DISTRIBUTION MEASUREMENT

The material thickness utilized in this investigation is 1 mm. The qualities are taken from different locales for investigation. An examination diagram between the thickness estimations from cone with double point is drawn. The variety in thickness along with shaping profundity is

appeared in Figure 10. Diminishing in cone is lesser in cone with 60 degree than in cone with 50 degree. this is regularly because of free progression of metal during gradual shaping for higher framing sweep in cone with 60 degree than cone with 50 degree. Diminishing happens more at the underside part than at the most elevated part.

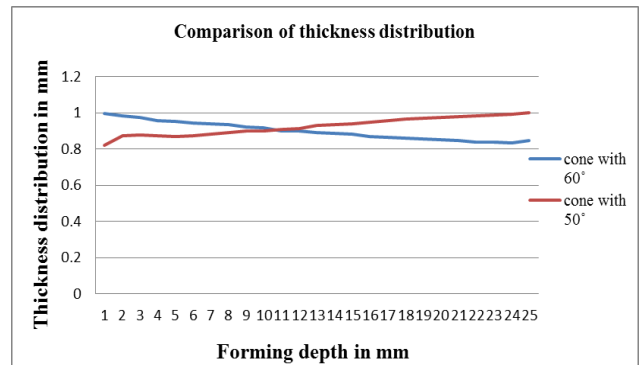


Figure 10: Combined FLD for cone with 60° and 50°

### IV. FAILURE CRITERION

Followings are criteria to cause tear and failure

1. Excessive etching depth.
2. Forming angle greater than 60°.
3. Feed-rate greater than 120mm/min.
4. Cold working of formed part cause reduction in ductility.

#### A. Excessive etching depth

Excessive etching depth (engraving depth) in plane of forming cause sudden initiation of crack or tear and also cold working on forming sheet by single point tool. Figure 11 shows tear caused by excessive circle etching depth.



Figure 11: Tear cause by excessive circle etching depth

#### B. Forming angle greater than 60 degree.

Forming angle as named angle between unformed plane and formed plane is more than 65 degree cause tear or crack on the side wall of the formed sheet. Also Feed-rate greater than 120 mm/min with more forming angle and higher step size cause tearing while forming. Figure 12 shows tear or failure due to forming angle more than 65 degree.

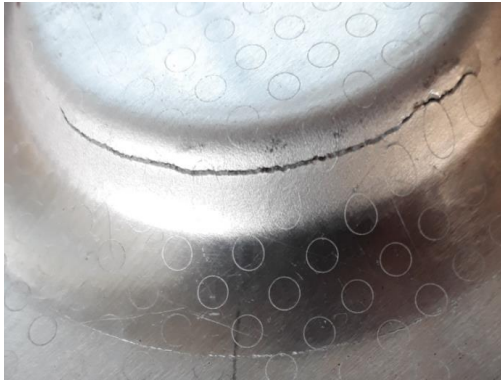


Figure 12: Tear or failure due to forming angle 65 degree

## V. CONCLUSION

SPIF of Aluminium Alloy 6061 material of as it's condition, using incremental forming tool of 12 mm diameter to be performed. The Axle speed ( $N=1500\text{rpm}$ ), Tool feed ( $f=50\text{mm/min}$ ), Step size (or) depth ( $z=0.5\text{mm}$ ), flat solid thickness ( $t=1\text{mm}$ ), Maximum forming angle ( $\phi_{\text{max}}=50^\circ$  &  $60^\circ$ ) is taken as input parameters; The formability, the thickness distribution of Aluminium Alloy 6061 sheet (as it's condition) metal with thickness 1 mm at temperature to be investigated through formation of frustum by Single Point Incremental Forming processes. The conclusions are:

Process parameters selected and values assigned.

1. Chemical composition analysis made on the Aluminium Alloy 6061 and weight percentages analysed. Mechanical properties of material determined by conducting tensile test.
2. Laser engraving on AA6061 sheet produces crack. This crack penetration is optimised by selecting range of the depth of cut between 0.05 to 0.1.
3. The incremental formed components are made with keeping three parameters constant with different wall angle. The constant parameters are feed rate (50 mm/min), axle speed (1500rpm), depth of cut/ profundity of cut (0.5mm).
4. Optimised angle (60 degree) could be found out.
5. The Formability Limit Diagram for cone with forming angle 60 degree and 50 degree prepared. The formability was more for the cone with angle less than 60 degree.
6. Thickness distribution of AA6061 by SPIF measured and the justification about thickness distribution made that thinning occurs more in between top and bottom of the formed cones.

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