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# OPTIMISING FORMING PROCESS BEHAVIOR USING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



# **01. Motivation and Research Objectives**

**Forming process** - used to shape flat sheets of material into three-dimensional components

- Stamp Forming using a stamping press as in Fig 1
- Diaphragm Forming using a diaphragm or flexible membrane

## **03. Initial Evaluation**

**Optimisation** - Multiple Linear Regression (MLR) is implemented for curve fitting and Multi-objective Genetic Algorithm (GA) for finding optimas. Pareto plots and Open-source tools like Para View and HDF View are used for visualisations of simulations as seen in Fig 4.

**Artificial Intelligence** - to increase the simulation accuracy of forming process

- Optimisation to improve simulations and time for computations, while reducing the cost
- Defect Detection to overcome defects by detecting them at early stage of design, using point cloud as shown in Fig 2



**Defect Detection** - Defects are detected by analysing the surface normal. The normal vectors for the simulation and point cloud are compared and visualised as in Fig 5.



Fig 4: Beam Visualisations

Fig 5: Cloud Compare

# 04. Results and Future Outlook

The optimisation tool has been deployed for a beam model, now it is being validated on a Double Dome geometry as displayed in Fig 6.
The scanned points are being removed based on an angle threshold as in Fig 7. Additionally, preprocessing techniques such as Octrees, multithreading, KNNs, and distance threshold are used.

Fig 1: Stamp FormingFig 2: Point Cloud Scanned

# 02. Introduction

- Simulation-driven evaluations help in reducing the cost of forming processes by various Artificial Intelligence based optimisation steps as illustrated in Fig 3.
- Several Machine Learning techniques such as Genetic Algorithm are used to predict and classify forming behavior.
- Induced forming defects, such as wrinkles, bridging, voids, are optically inspected using point cloud-based system.



Geometry

A beam model for initial

testing





Fig 6: Double Dome Visualisation

Fig 7: Point Cloud Visualisation









Parameterisation

Parametrise the material

parameters such as young's

modulus and shear modulus

## Genetic Algorithm

Minimise or maximise the parameters to get the optimum results



Analysis

Pareto plots to depict the relationship between different parameters

Fig 3: Process Chain

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