

Electron Beam Technology

- **Welding**
- **Hardening**

-Cost-saving, safe and clean-

History

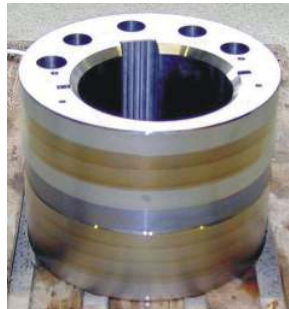
Since the forties of last century, tests have been made to use and weld metals by means of accelerated electrons. Heat is not put in conventionally through heat conduction and convection, but through transformation of kinematic energy of electrons into heat. At the end of the fifties of last century it became possible to join thicker plates by butt welding. This had been the starting point of industrial utilisation. Mainly nuclear engineering, aviation and aerospace industries are more and more profiting from this new technology.



Combined housing with 2D and 3D weld seams



Splined shaft for a pinion carrier, finally welded



Hardening of an eccentric bush, 0.8 mm deep, ductile cast iron GGG 60



Angle valve body with 3D saddle contour, 30 mm wall thickness



Electron beam welding of conveying belts, 0.2 mm

What is electron beam welding

Electron beam welding is a fusion welding method with the minimum of heat input. Prominent features of the electron beam are extremely slim weld seams with minimum distortion and much freedom with regard to design and material properties. Through the high welding speeds, the electron beam is suited both for metal foils and work pieces with a thickness of up to 100 mm.

All parameters may be monitored and documented electronically.

Application

The electron beam technology is widely applied in all fields of economy: Vehicle construction, apparatus and plant construction, aviation and aerospace industries, medical engineering and all other fields of metal-processing industries.

Electron beam technology is a promising technology especially under the aspect of continuously rising raw-material prices.



Components for gate valve bodies of titanium



Pump casing for displacement pump

The company profile

JOSCH Strahlschweisstechnik GmbH is your efficient and competent partner for innovative welding engineering solutions.

In our company, the innovative machining operations based on beam welding technology are consistently implemented by use of our own modern electron and laser jet equipment.

The core business fields of our company are electron beam welding and electron beam hardening of components from all fields of mechanical engineering as paid labour as component supply including material and machining, especially in applications where equipment is subject to obligatory acceptance.

Moreover, we accomplish specific welding work on your products or your new developments with specific materials and material combinations that are difficult to weld but require compliance with high quality standards.

Our customers may profit from all advantages of electron beam technology since we additionally offer the development of components tailored to the requirements of electron beam welding.

Even technology transfer is possible on customer's request. This means that technologies tested on customer's products are assigned to customer's company including the associated equipment. Consequently, the customer may use these new technologies on its own and free from any risks.

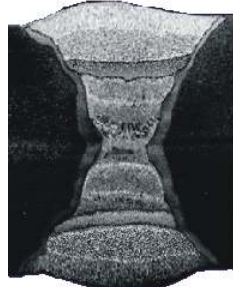


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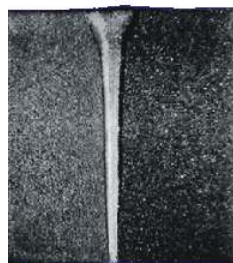
Josch Strahlschweisstechnik GmbH holds the following certificates:

- DIN EN ISO 9001 : 2000 (DVS ZERT)
- Manufacturer to AD Merkblatt HP 0 / HP 100R (TÜV Nord Anlagenbau)
- Audit to DIN EN 729 - 2 (TÜV Nord Anlagenbau)

plus diverse process tests for heat-resistant materials, nickel-based alloys, titanium and material combinations.



Inert gas welding
Double V-weld 30 mm
Strong shrinkage



Beam welding
Plain butt weld 30 mm
Almost no shrinkage

Technology

The classical definition requiring:

- Identical material,
- Identical material thickness,
- Low heat input,
- Low concentration of accompanying elements and
- Low carbon content,

is not at all applicable to simple connection welding of materials through electron beam welding.

The reason for that are narrow deep grooves and high processing speeds. Consequently, electron beam welding is not only used successfully for special materials, diverse material combinations, thin-walled and thick-walled designs.

Economic solutions are always based on designs that meet the requirements for electron beam technology since the technological advantages of electron beam technology are combined with easy joint examination and savings in machining efforts.

The advantages:

- Narrow weld seam with minimum energy input
- Narrow heat-affected zone
- Welding under vacuum
- Simple weld seam preparation
- High welding speeds
- Welding of critical materials and different types of material
- Cost and material-saving procedure, Combination from welding and hardening is possible in one clamping position

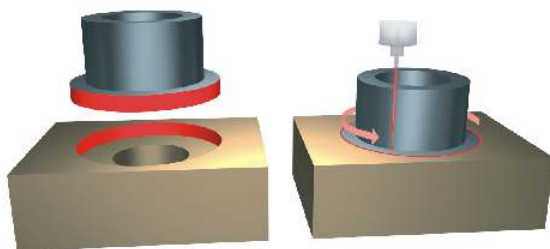
The benefit for our customers:

- ➔ Minimum shrinkage and minimum distortion
- ➔ Elimination of welding stresses through equalisation with elasticity of basic material
- ➔ Perfect gas shielding
- ➔ Square butt joint as standard
- ➔ Welding in one course with welding depths between 0.2 and 100 mm
- ➔ Permits totally new and cost-saving designs
- ➔ As compared with conventional technologies, the unity of material, machining, welding and hardening permits cost savings between 20% and 60%.

Scope of Performances

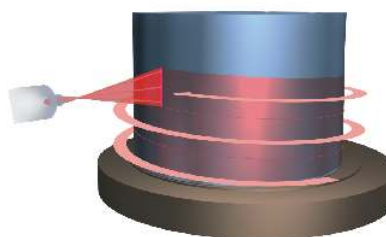
Standard

Electron beam welding



- Weld seams with a depth between 0.2 and 100 mm in one single position
- Steel with up to 0.4% carbon content without pre-heating and/or post-weld treatment
- Steels > 0.4% up to 0.8% carbon content with pre-heating and/or post-weld treatment
- Non-ferrous metals like copper and aluminium
- High-melting metals like tungsten and molybdenum

Electron beam hardening

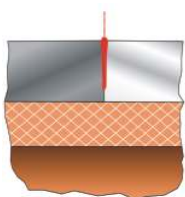


- Edge layer hardening with penetration depths between 0.3 mm and 1.5 mm
- Hardness up to 60HRC depending on material (for materials with a carbon content of $\geq 0.3\%$, such as C45, 42CrMo4, GGG60 ...)
- Exact spot hardening of precisely defined areas
- Hardening and welding are possible in one clamping position

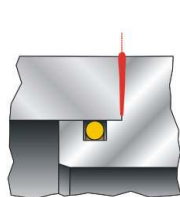
Specific applications

Special applications without effects on components located near seam:

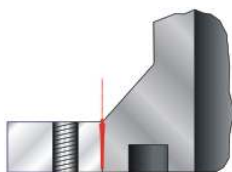
No destruction of plastic bush 1 mm below the weld seam



Installed O-ring 3 mm close to the seam

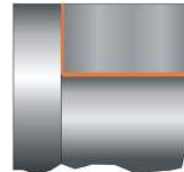


Groove and thread in a distance of 3 mm

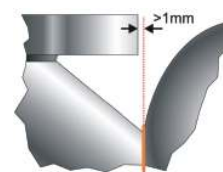


Advantages in problematic zones:

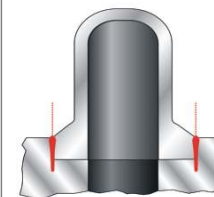
Diagonally across



In areas difficult to reach



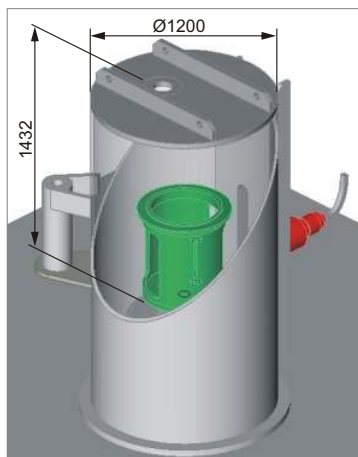
Without influence on the fit in the socket



Modern plant technology

Electron beam welding system Josch 1

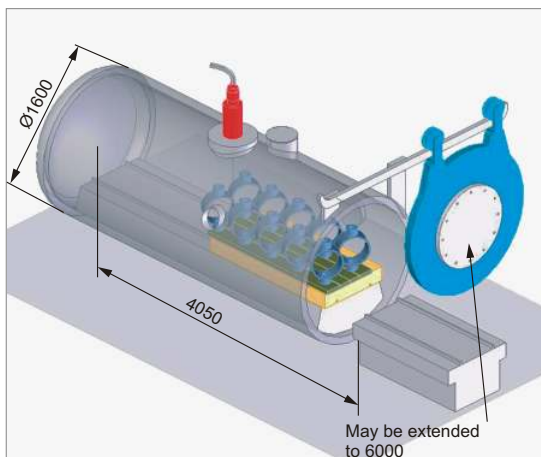
Components with up to 500 kg of weight, 1100 mm diameter and 1400 mm height. The beam generator may be positioned radially and axially. Component and beam positioning through 9 mechanical and/or electrical axes.



Dimensions in mm

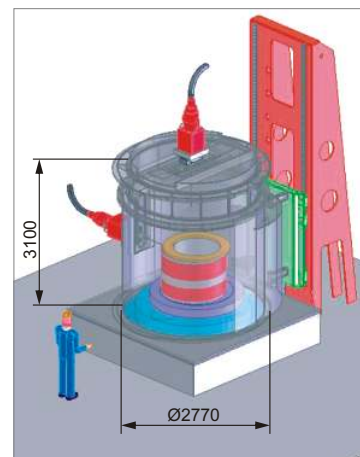
Electron beam welding system Josch 2

Components with up to 1200 kg of weight, 800 mm diameter and 4000 mm height. The beam generator may be positioned radially and axially. Component and beam positioning through 9 mechanical and/or electrical axes.

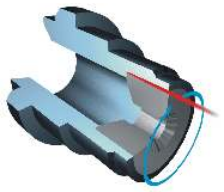


Electron beam welding system Josch 3

Components with up to 5000 kg of weight, 2500 mm diameter and 2500 mm height. The beam generator may be positioned radially and axially. Component and beam positioning through 13 mechanical and 5 electrical axes.



Application examples (Principle drawings)



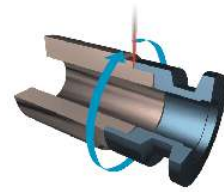
Welding of stellite 6
with stainless steel

(Purpose: Replacement
of stellite build-up welding)

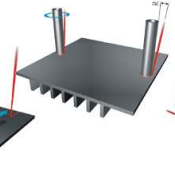


Welding of platinum
with titanium

(Purpose: Saving of platinum)

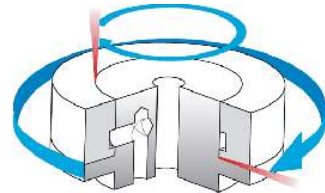


Welding of steel
with copper



Heat exchanger made
from high-melting metals

Minimum material use,
minimum processing times



Welding of copper
components

(Purpose: Formation
of a cooling channel)

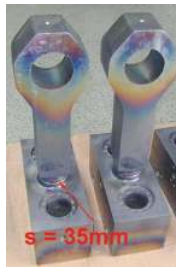
Application examples from our production



Canister filter DN 200,
3D and circumferential
welds



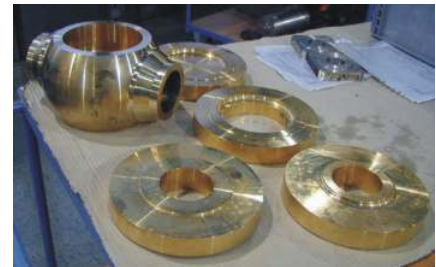
Angle valve body for nuclear
valves, 3D socket welding



Lever on crossbeam,
40 mm deep
 $s = 35\text{mm}$



Drehgelenksträger
aus StE 690, 50 mm
Schweißtiefe



Casing parts from aluminium bronze



Electron beam welding of sockets
from 13CrMo44
 $s = 11\text{mm}$



Titanium blanks for medical engineering



Edge layer hardening and welding of sockets in
one clamping position



Gate valve bodies made from
welded shells DN 150
 $s = 14\text{mm}$



Heater head made from
heat-resistant steel



Circumferential weld
seam DN 300,
15 mm deep, 15Mo3
15mm



Electron beam welded tungsten anodes



Pump impeller with 3D welds



Water connection as copper-steel combination,
electron beam welded

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