
Online Roughness Measurement

Online Topography Measurement based on the Light Sectioning Principle

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Motivation



Welf Schiefer: „Mitfahrgelegenheit“

- Significance of roughness and waviness for sheet surfaces
- Traditional roughness measurement

Significance of roughness for sheet material

High surface quality strips required due to:

- Complex metal forming
 - Increase of productivity
 - Paints will be applied without filler in the future
 - Higher demands on surface finish
- (homogenous appearance for material mix of modern cars)

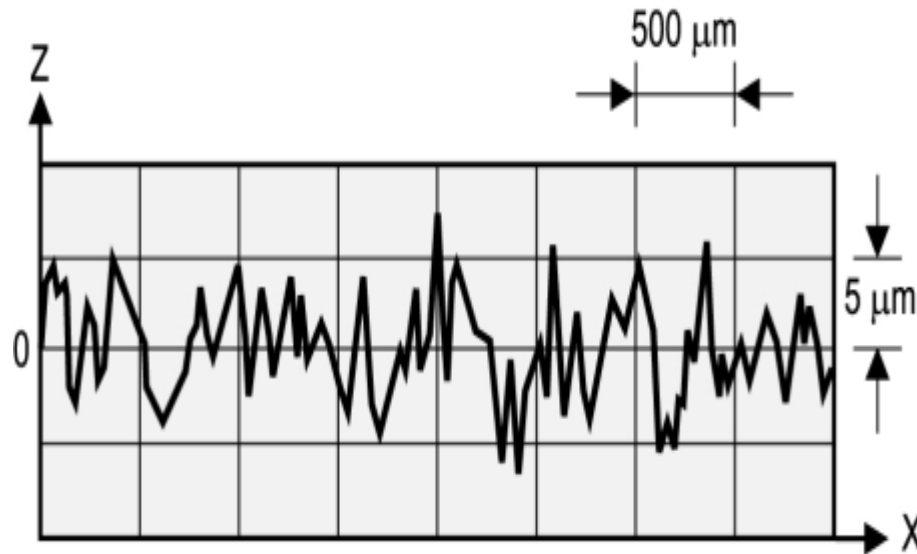


Rising importance of topography measurement

Traditional measurement of roughness

Mechanical stylus measurement:

- Impossible on moving product
- spot test at the end of a coil or
- on sample in laboratory



$$Ra = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l |z(x)| \cdot dx$$

Optical roughness measurement – online

- Different approaches to measure the roughness online
- Light sectioning principle
- Laboratory 3D scan examples with light sectioning (Waver and EBT)

Different approaches to measure the roughness online

Relativ measuring principles:

- Scattering of light as measure of an optical roughness which can be correlated with the mechanical roughness
- Speckle analysis

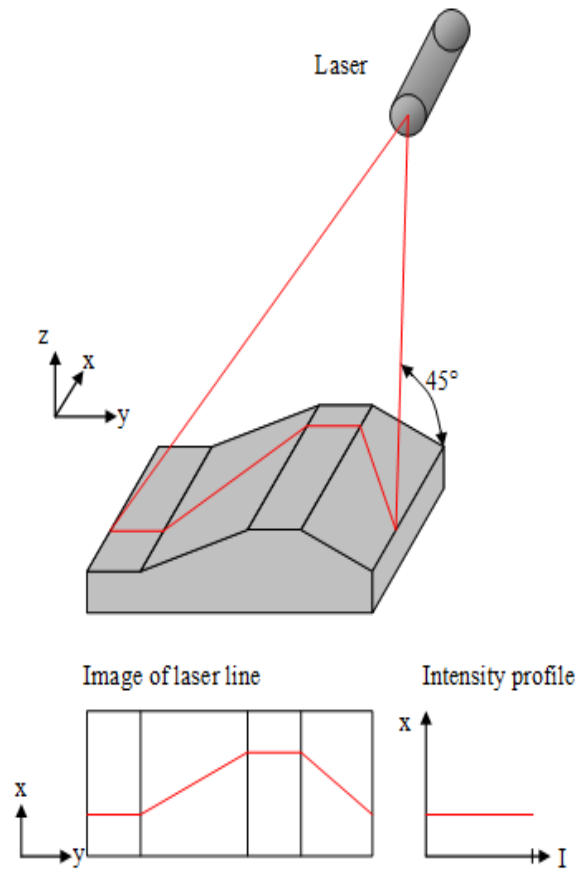
Absolut measuring principles

- Triangulation
- Deflectometry
- Light sectioning principle (2D Triangulation)

Necessary properties of an online system

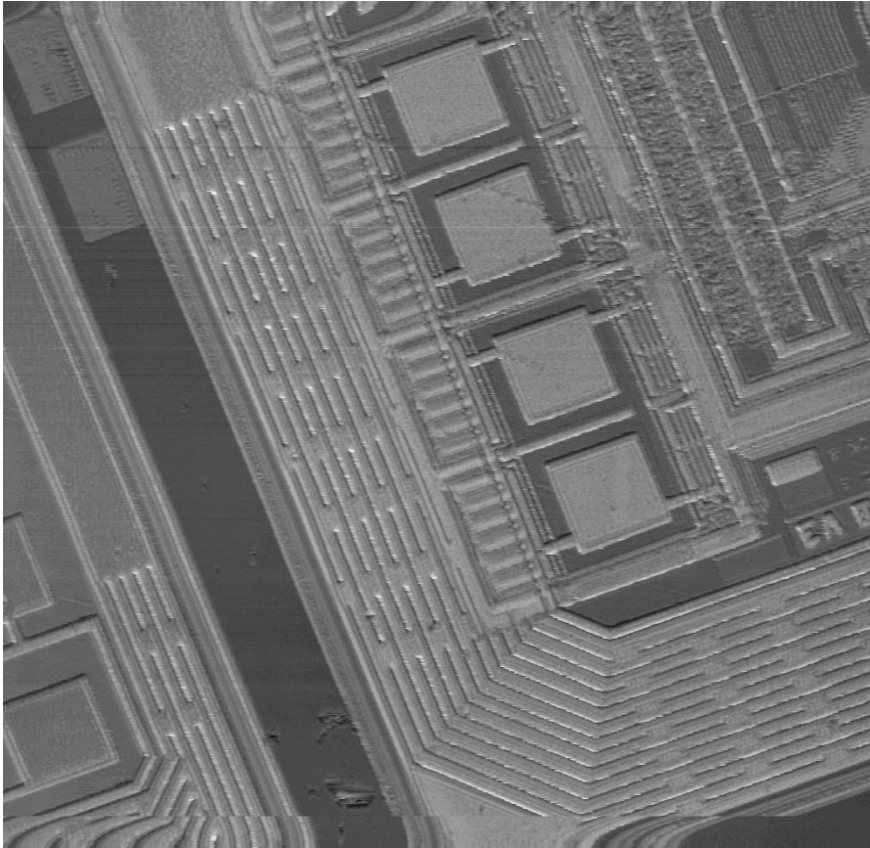
- Absolute measurement as close as possible to stylus system by optical means
- Usable for all sheet surfaces and coatings
- Unaffected by production environment, e.g. speed, vibrations etc.
- Verifiable by user - not a black box
- High dynamics for process control
- High accuracy and good comparability to stylus results

Light Sectioning Principle

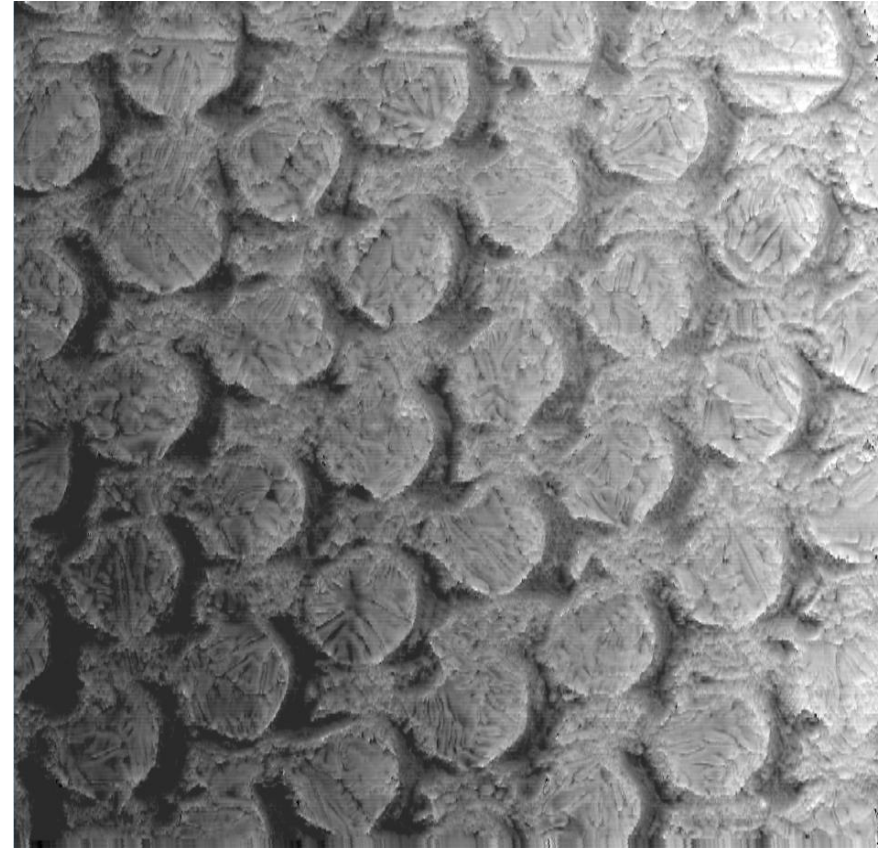


1. Laser line projected onto surface (here 45°)
2. Imaging of distorted line with camera
3. Evaluation of line distortion gives a high resolution surface profile
4. Calculation of roughness parameters

Laboratory 3D scan with the light sectioning principle



3D depth maps (grayscale coded, ca. 1x1mm²):
a) Waver



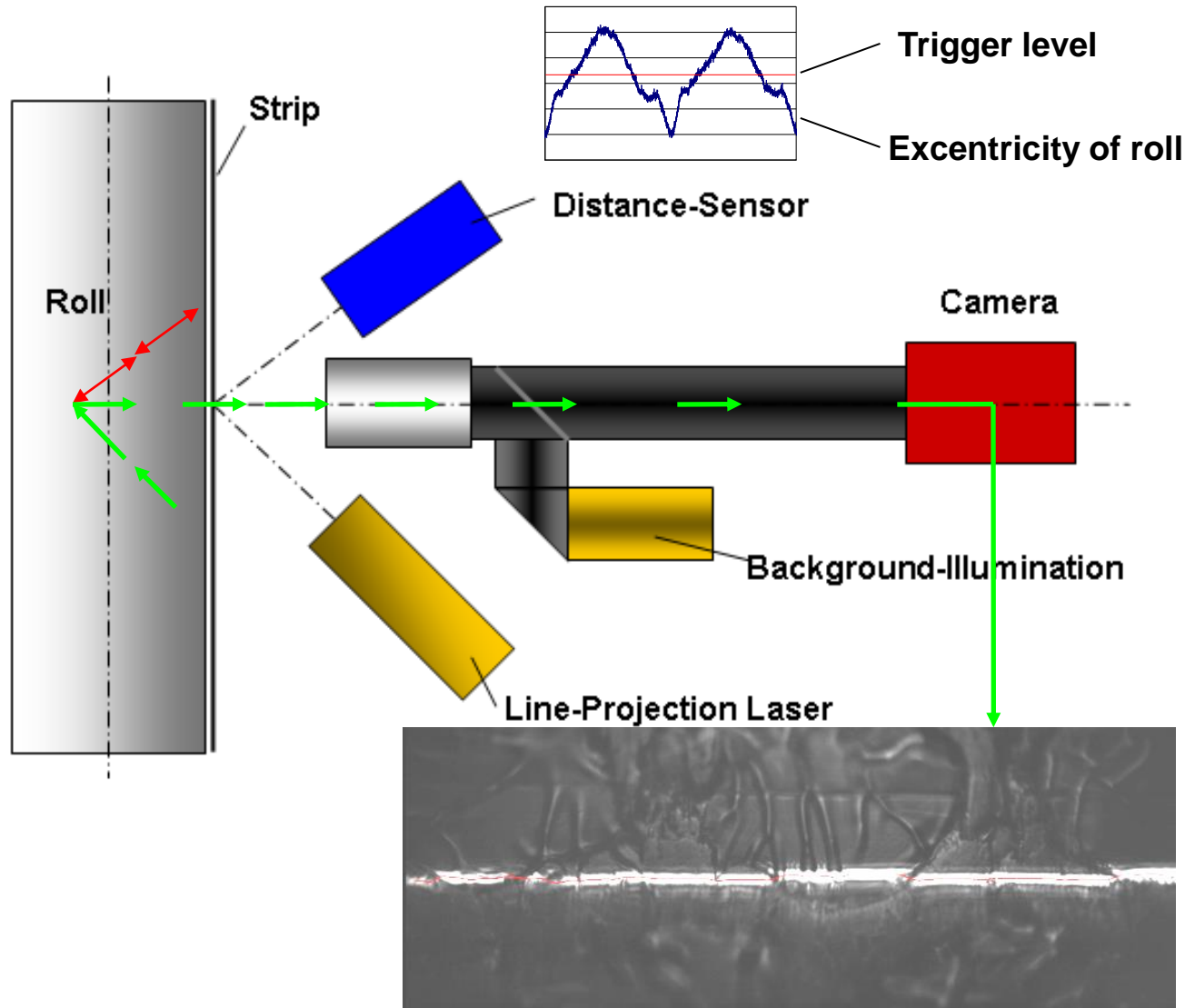
b) EBT textured hot dip galvanized
steel sheet

Implementation



- Integration of the system into a rolling mill
- Example for an installation
- Online surface images
- Correlation with stylus measurement

Integration of the system into a rolling mill



Specifications:

Magnification 6x

FOV 1200x400 μ m

WD 28mm

20 (90) images/s

Wavelength 905nm

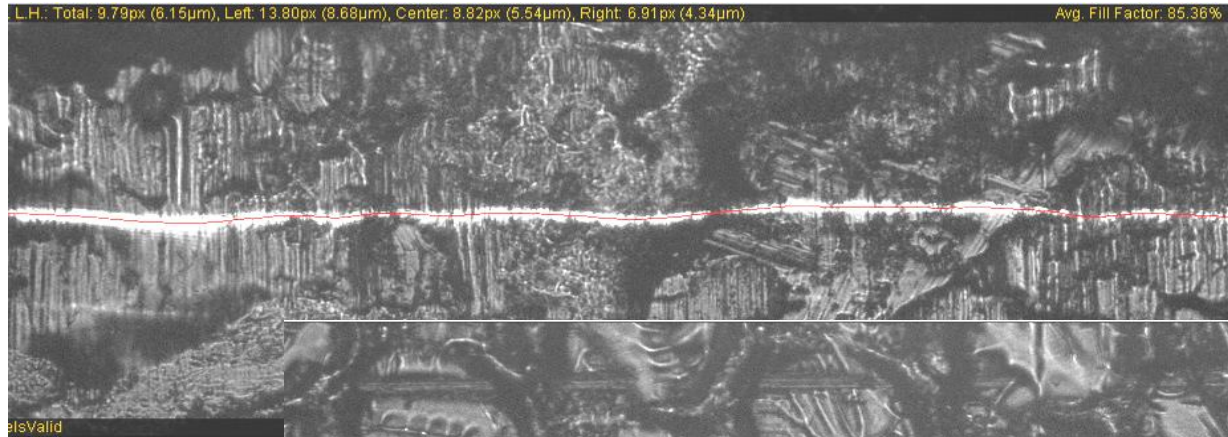
Pulse length 8ns

Example for an installation

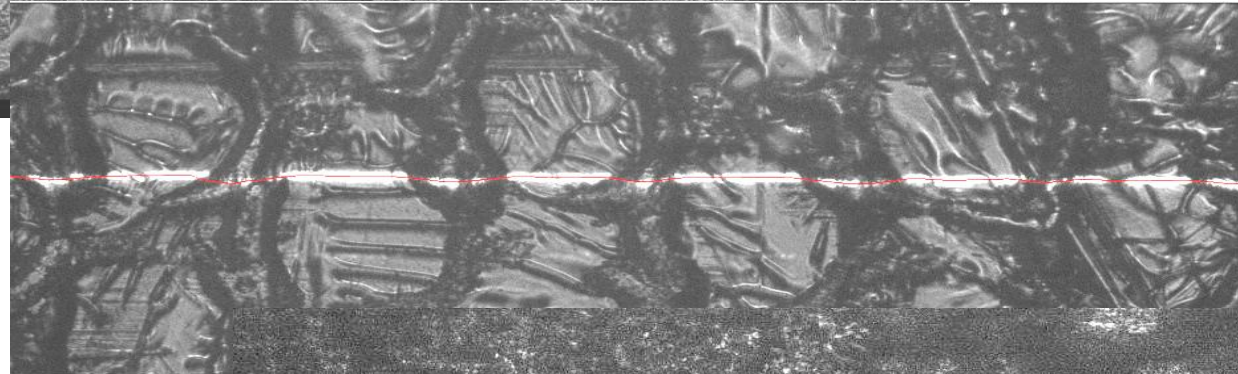


Installation in Feuerverzinkung ($v_{\max} = 180\text{m/min}$)
mit definierten Schutzbereichen

Online surface images

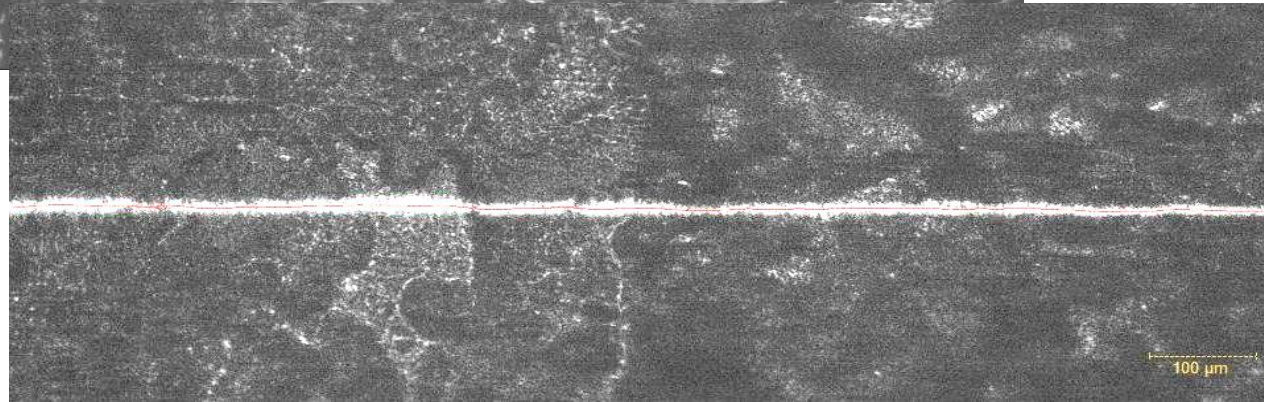


a) Ra = 3.5µm



b) Ra = 1.6µm

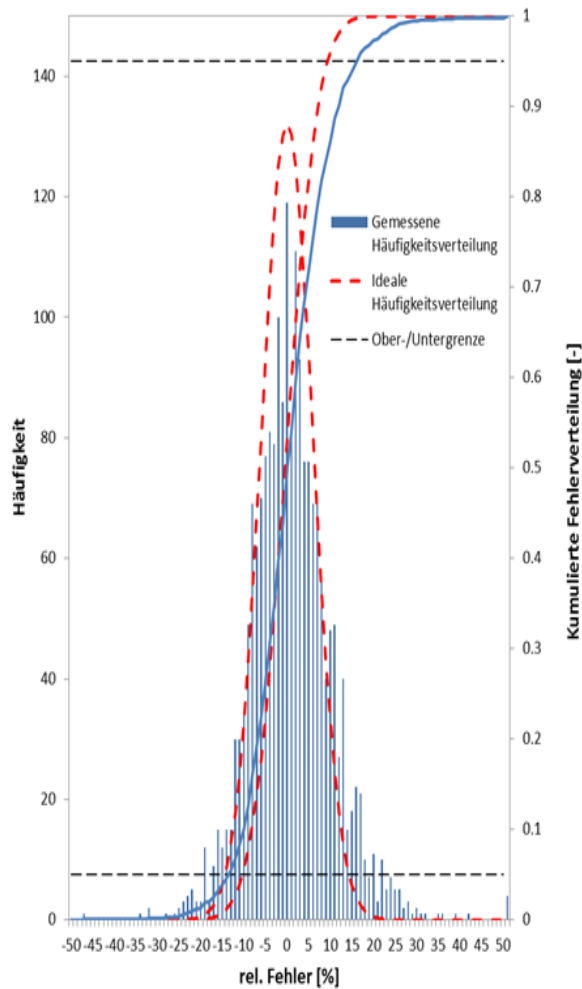
c) Ra = 1.2µm



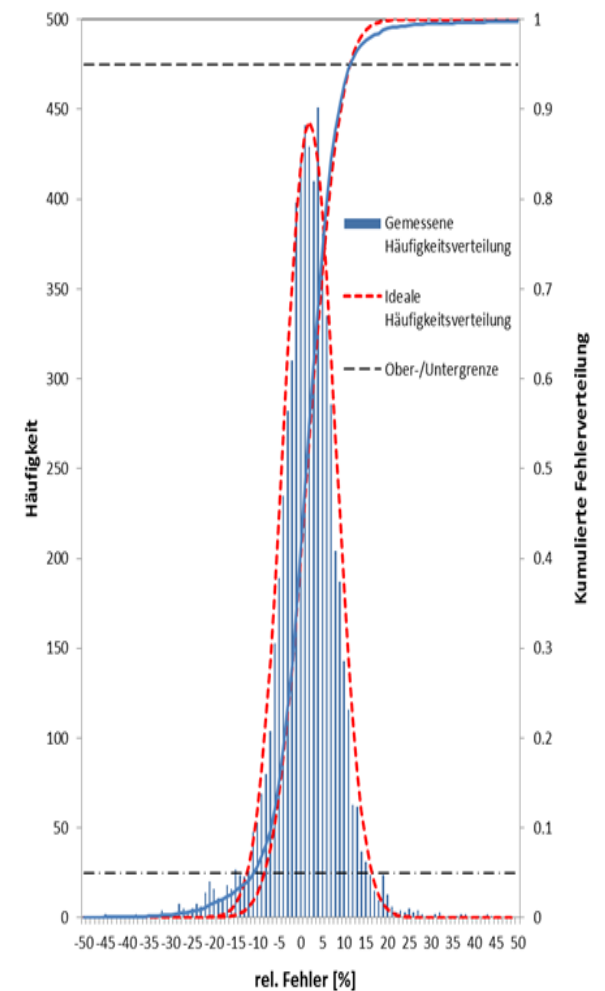
Sheet surfaces:

- a) Annealed steel
- b) Hot dip galvanized (EBT texture)
- c) Electrogalvanized (EDT texture)

Correlation with stylus measurement



a) Stylus operator vs. Stylus laboratory



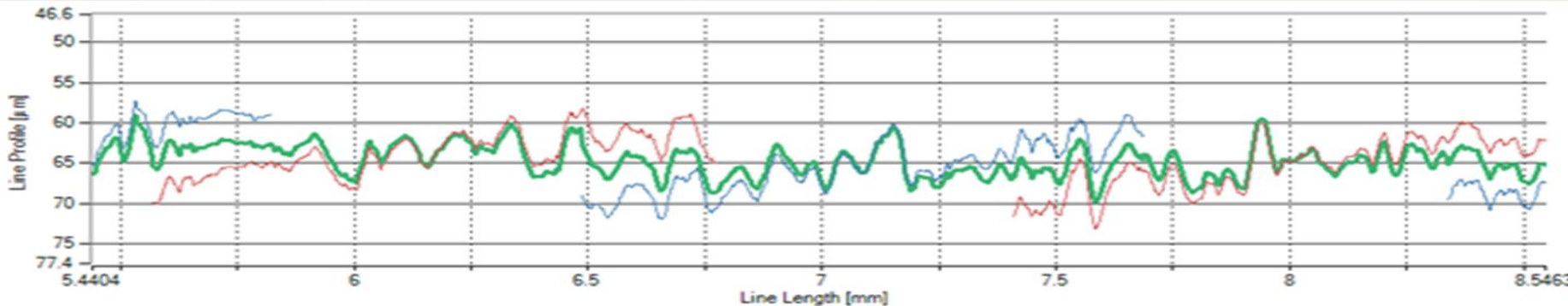
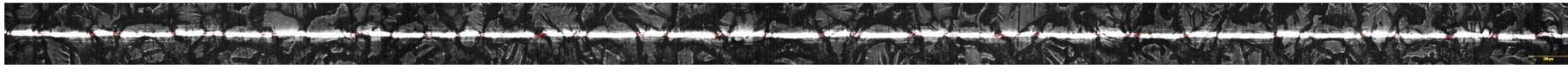
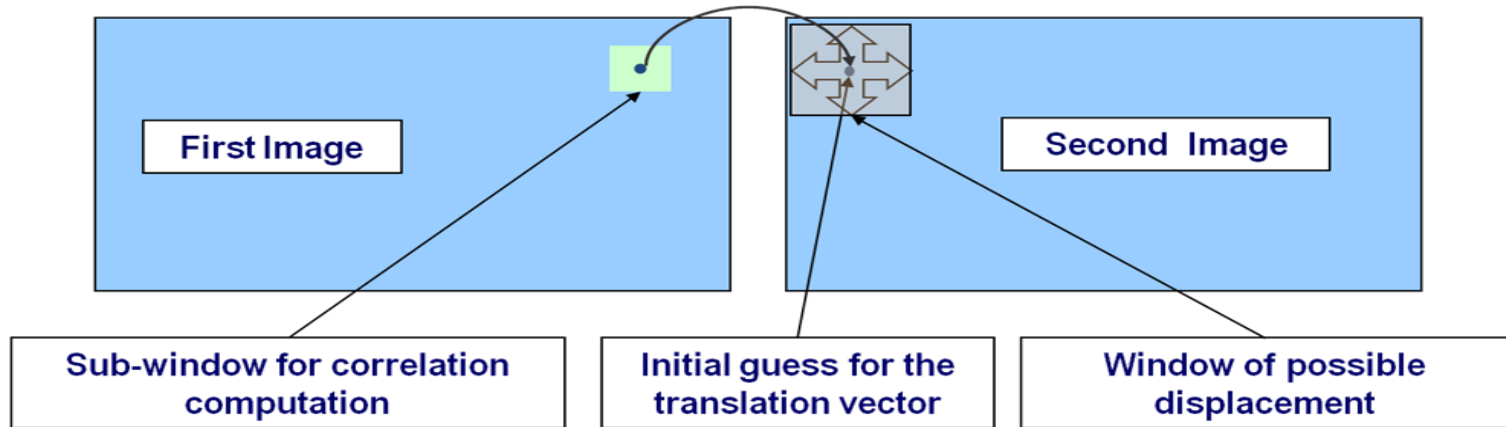
b) Stylus vs. optical online

Waviness measurement – online



- Waviness measurement – Wavisurf
- Laboratory results
- Online results
- Prozess optimization

Waviness Measurement – Wavisurf

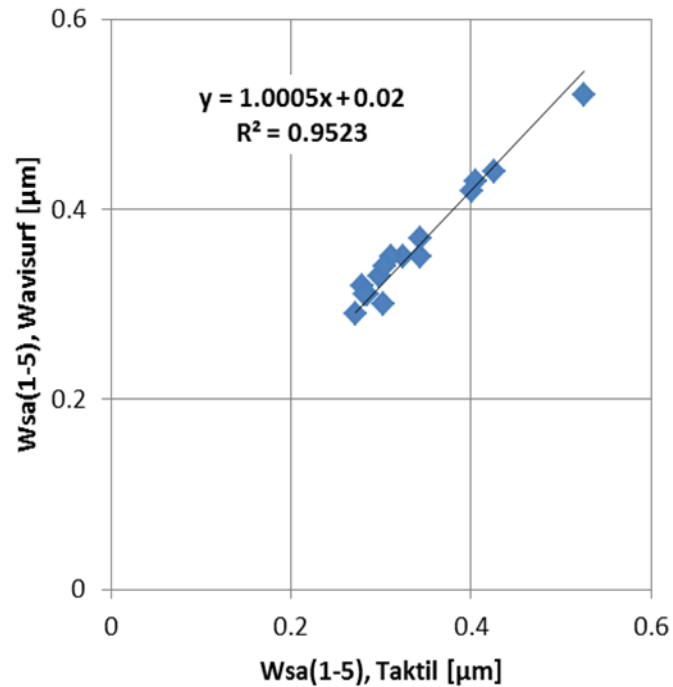


System requirements:

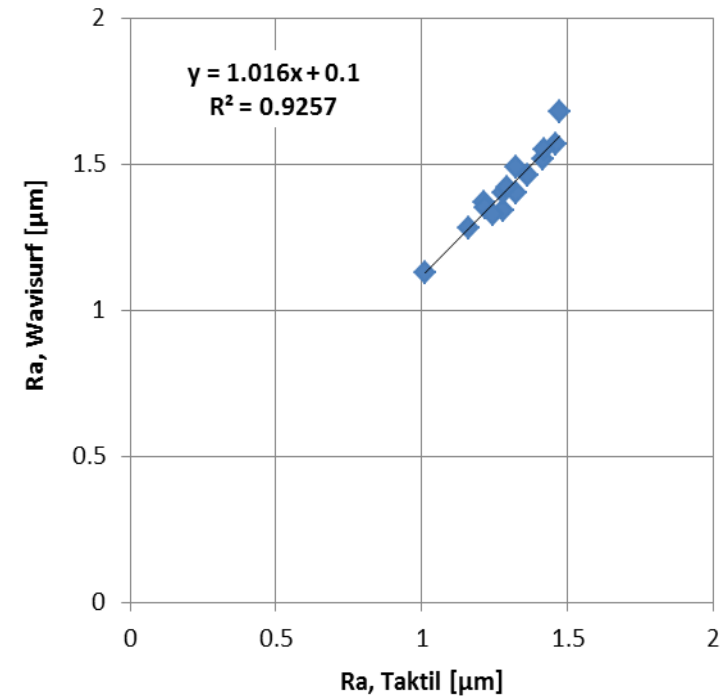
- High speed camera (ca. 4kHz)
- Dynamische synchronization with strip speed
- Precise alignment of the optics

Laboratory results

Wsa(1-5): Taktil-Wavisurf



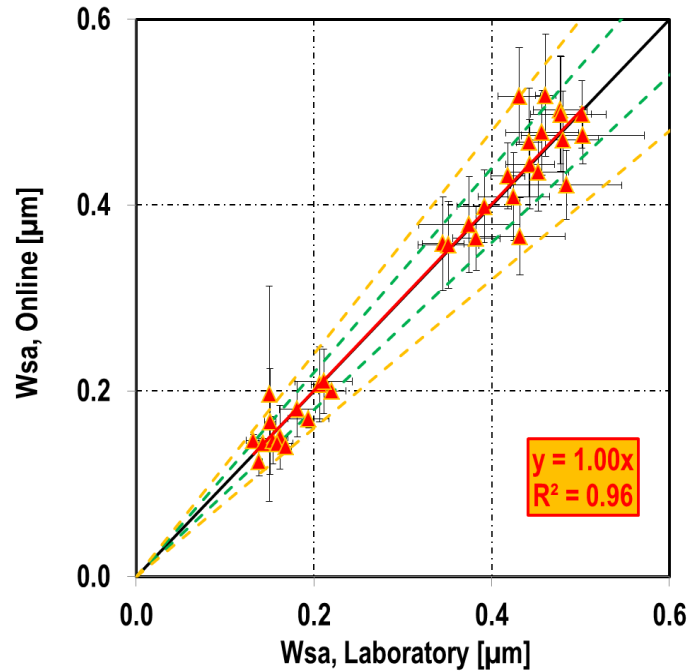
Ra: Taktil-Wavisurf



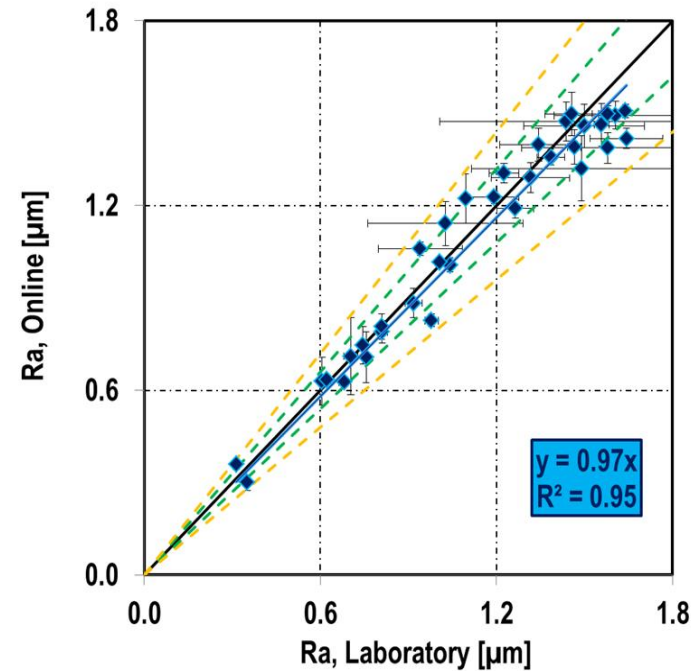
Comparison of mechanical stylus with optical waviness measurement (sample speed 60m/min)

Online results

Online Wsa measurements

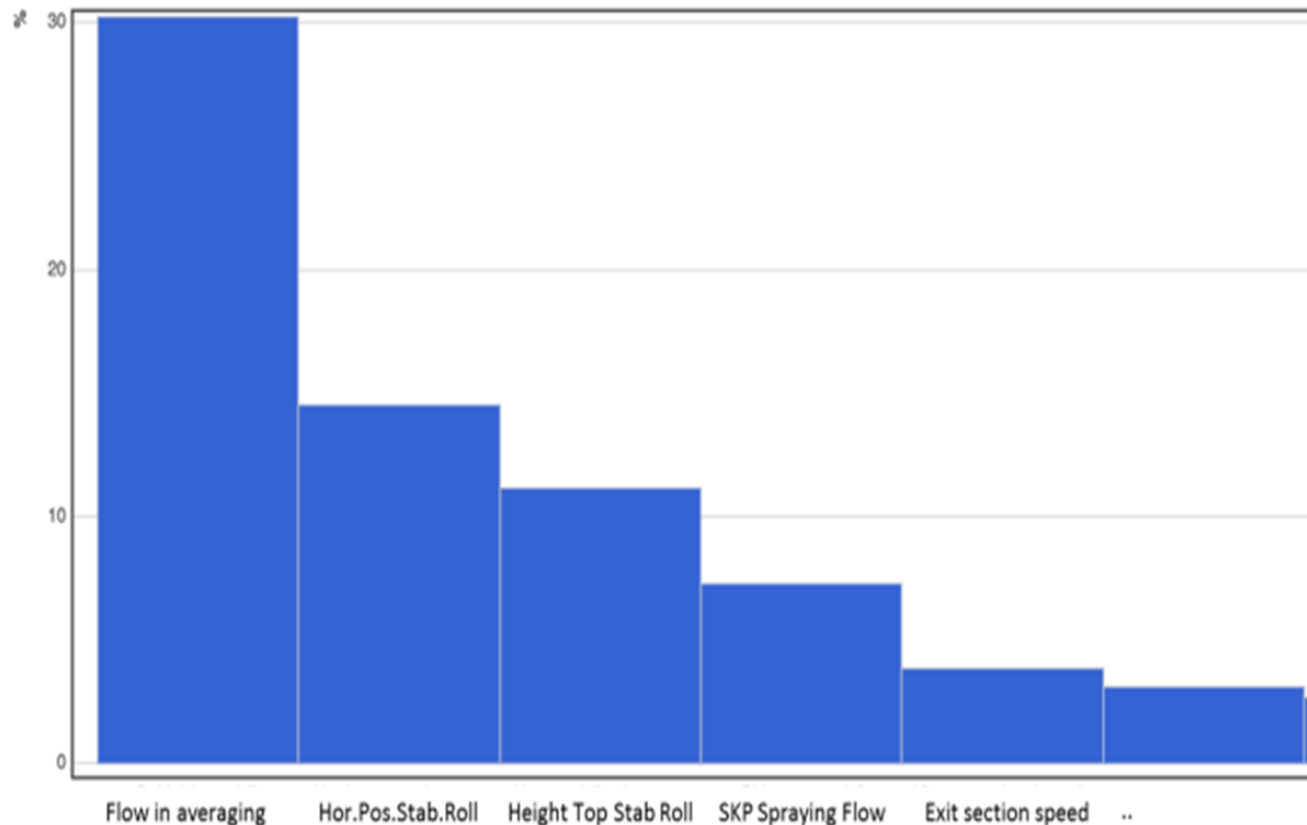


Online Ra measurements



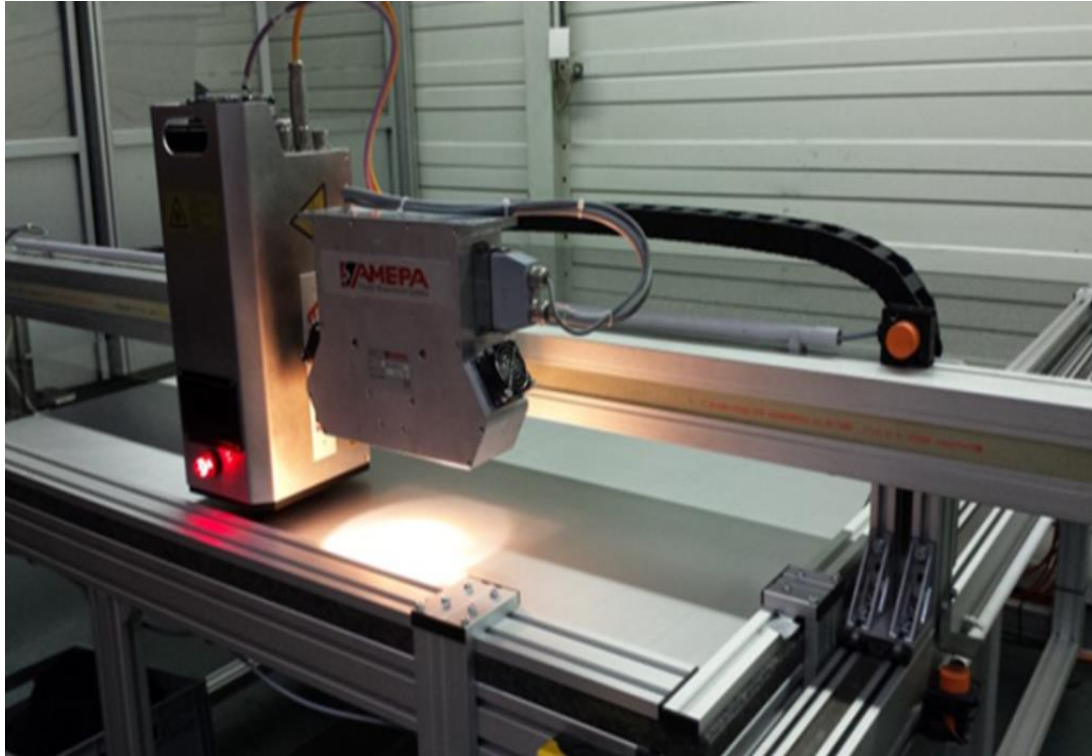
Comparison of mechanical stylus with optical waviness measurement ($v_{\text{max}} = 240\text{m}/\text{min}$)

Prozess optimization



Evaluation and quantification of process parameters onto the waviness (hot dip galvanizing line)

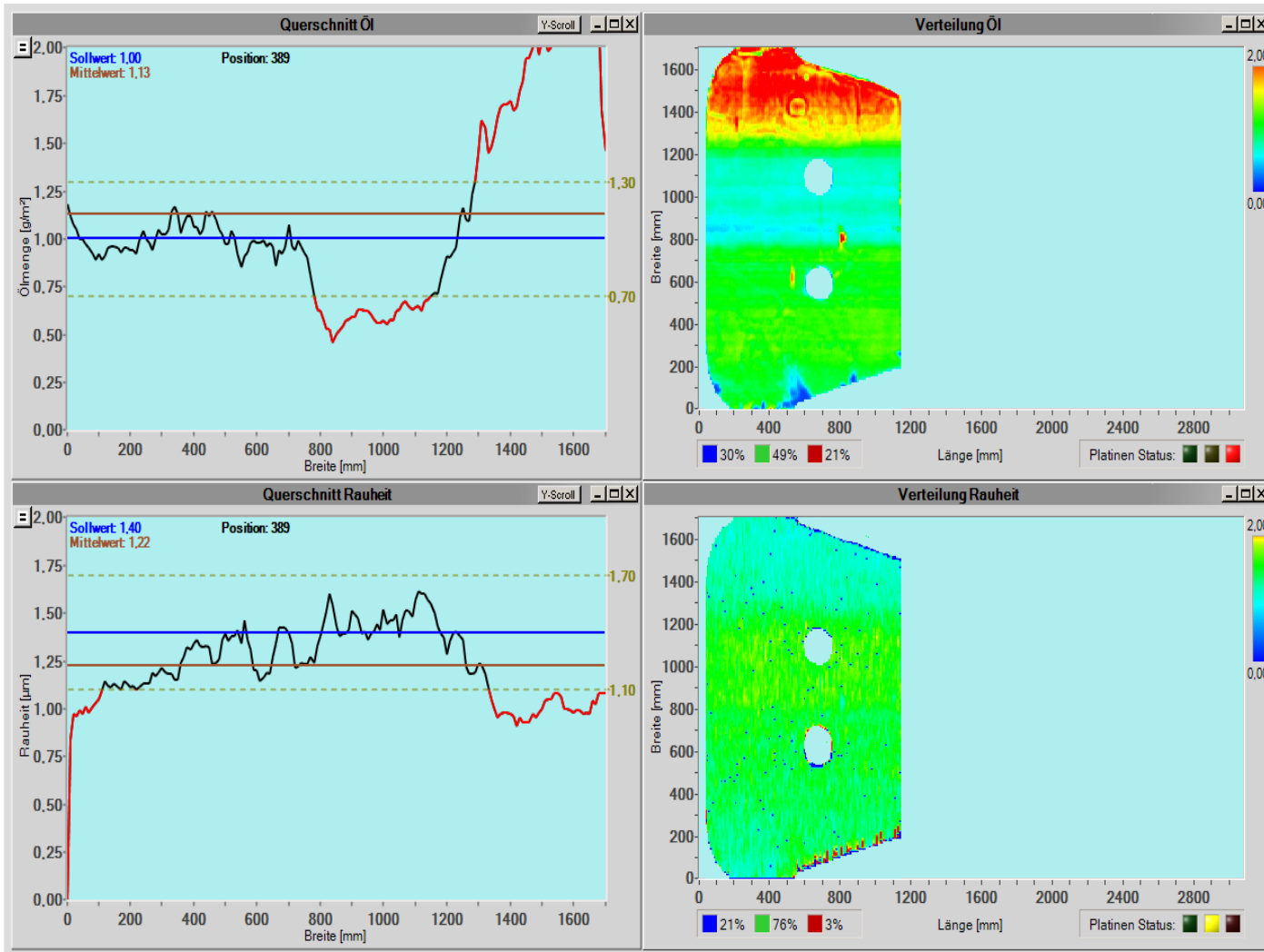
Combination of roughness and oilfilm measurement



Offline analysis of blanks

- Oil film distribution
- Roughness distribution

Prediction of deepdrawing behaviour



Used by:

- Audi
- Daimler

Resumé

- SRM is the standard system for online-roughness measurement in Europe
- Benefit:
 - Modelling of processes
 - Process control
 - Process optimization
 - Product improvement
 - Auditing
- Waviness measurement WMS:
Extension of the roughness measuring system for the evaluation of waviness parameters (W_{sa} , $W_{a0.8}$ etc)

Thank you very much for your attention.

