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Review of the Current State of Research and Development in Electro Chemical Machining

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Abstract: Electro chemical machining is a capricious/unconventional machining process which works on the guideline of electrolysis prepare. This sort of machining is exceptionally regular in aviation material and defense industry. But due to its effectiveness it is being connected to numerous other industry where the work piece is extremely hard to machine and when the geometry for machining is intricate. The objective of the paper is to state the current research and development in electro chemical machining processes. The advancements in tool design, plasma facing, pulse electro chemical machining, micro machining, electro chemical discharge machining, surface integrity and dimensional accuracy in electro chemical machining, electro chemical drilling, laser jet electro chemical machining, abrasive jet electro chemical machining, electrolyte jet electro chemical machining, high efficiency electro chemical machining, finite element analysis in electro chemical machining, optimization of surface roughness in electro chemical machining are evaluated.

Keywords: electrolyte, electrochemical dissolution, plasma facing, surface integrity, micro machining, finite element analysis.

I. Introduction

Electro chemical machining (ECM) is an anodic electrochemical dissolution process. A D.C. voltage (usually about 10 to 25 volts) is applied across the interelectrode gap between a pre-shaped cathode tool and an anode workpiece. The electrolyte (e.g. NaN03 aqueous solution) flows at high speed (10 to 60 m/s) through the gap (about 0.1 to 0.6 mm). With current density of 20 to 200 Alcm², the anode workpiece is dissolved according to Faraday's law. The dissolved material (usually metal hydroxide) and other by-products generated in the process such as cathodic gas are transported from the gap by the electrolyte flow. The final shape of the workpiece is approximately negative mirror image of the tool electrode, as the latter does not alter during the ECM process. The main procedure taking after ECM was patented by Gusseff in 1929. Critical advances amid the 1960s formed ECM into a noteworthy innovation in the flying machine and aviation ventures. ECM has many points of interest over conventional machining. ECM has many points of interest over customary machining such as its applicability regardless of material hardness, no device wear, high material expulsion rate, smooth and brilliant surface, and creation of segments of complex geometry. ECM is a successful technique for delivering a wide assortment of parts for the aviation, car, safeguard, and restorative enterprises: for instance turbine blade edges, motor castings, bearing pens, riggings, bites the dust and shape, big guns shots, and surgical inserts. Moreover with recent advances in machining accuracy and precision, the electronics industry has begun to use ECM for micro-machining components. ECM with a pulsed D.C. voltage offers an enhanced accuracy control. The combination of ECM with other machining process has been shown to yield performance superior to that achieved by individual processes. ECM and its pulse system are finding new applications in finishing mold and dies for many industrial components. Through its integration with many other enabling technologies, ECM is finding wider application and increasing acceptance in a variety of other industries. Despite these advances, research is still needed on some aspects of electrochemical machining. Current areas needing attention include tool design, process monitoring and control, electrolyte processing, disposal of machining products (known as sludge) and accuracy. The complexity of ECM process makes it difficult to theoretically predict and on-line monitor the interelectrode gap size which greatly affects the ECM performance. Lack of efficient methods of process control hinders the integration of ECM equipment within the modern manufacturing environment. Tool design is often a costly empirical procedure, rather than an exact science. Significant experience and expert knowledge are required to successfully operate the process. Additionally, ECM generates a large quantity of waste, mainly metal hydroxide sludge. The processing and disposal of the sludge, which may include heavy metals from the workpiece material and are complex and costly. ECM continues to be regarded as a 'nontraditional" machining process due to its inherent characteristics and the need for propq solutions

to the above mentioned problems. (In comparison, electro discharge machining (EDM) and wire EDM have almost become 'conventional" production tools). The new and emerging enabling technologies for sensing, monitoring and control, tool design software, sludge reduction, processing and disposal need to be integrated with ECM to make the process more accurate, efficient, automatic, and reliable. And environmentally acceptable. Finite element analysis and Optimisation of electro chemical machining process is also discussed in this review paper [1].

II. Tool Design in Electro Chemical Machining

Although close consideration was paid to cathode device outline on the introduction of ECM into manufacturing assembling businesses, apparatus configuration remains a noteworthy test. Cathode configuration for the most part manages the assurance of hardware shape which will create a workpiece with recommended measurement and exactness. In a perfect world, it ought to be actualized by playing out a straightforward computation at the beginning of the plan methodology, however this not yet pragmatic because of the mind boggling crevice arrangement intuitively influenced by many process factors. Instrument shape is occasionally an ideal negative picture of that of the workpiece. Expectation of the apparatus shape is a considerable opposite limit issue of Laplace's condition. This issue requires alteration of a free limit (device) to fulfill forced limit conditions at both terminals. Troubles in outlining ECM apparatuses come from an absence of sufficient comprehension of ECM disintegration wonders and numerical complexities. Introducing techniques for apparatus outline just enable count of a first estimate to the last shape. The ensuing change of hardware shape is as yet done experimentally in practice. The iterative method of hardware configuration is a time consuming procedure, bringing about exorbitant machine down and long lead-times.

Early investigations were mainly limited to the 'simplified methods" such as analytical solution, graphical, geometrical, and complex variable techniques. These early attempts advanced knowledge of the field but did not yield the desired accuracy owing to oversimplification of the current field in the interelectrode gap. Rapid advancements in computer technology and numerical techniques make it possible to develop more comprehensive solutions. Recent studies have primarily been directed to numerical solutions to the inverse boundary problem instead of simple geometry approximations.

III. Plasma Facing in Electro Chemical Machining

Plasma confronting parts for combination applications must display long haul strength under outrageous conditions, and thusly material blemishes can't go on without serious consequences because of a high danger of specialized disappointments. To counteract or cancel absconds in recalcitrant metals parts amid the assembling procedure, a few strategies for electro-synthetic machining as S-ECM and C-ECM were created, empowering both the preparing of smooth plain deformity free surfaces of various geometry and the evacuation of mass material for the forming of three-dimensional structures, additionally without splits. It is talked about, that tungsten removal with exact electro-synthetic embellishment is extremely touchy to the sort of electric current, and along these lines current examinations concentrated additionally on the impacts of recurrence profiles on the sharpness of edge adjusting [3].

A. Tungsten as Electro Chemical Machining work-piece (Passivation effects)

By its EC (electro-chemical) parameters, like the standard potential, in typical commercial ECM etching solutions, tungsten should be by pure theory, even better appropriate for galvanic processes than e.g. nickel and iron. Tungsten EC-potentials are surrounded by the potentials of well-known metals, typically used for electrode position, and are situated within the electro-chemical windows of protic systems. But under real electro-chemical conditions, the elementary and so far inherently inevitable reduction is based on the reaction with water. Therefore, after the first initial electro-chemical reaction finally stable oxide layers of a few micrometer thicknesses are formed, acting as a compact and very effective insulating coating [5]. Typical solvents for electrochemical etching of steel cannot remove and dissolve the insulating passive layers from tungsten. This is one reason, why tungsten is used also as excellent corrosion protection against acids and salt solutions. As a consequence, without well-adapted ECM electrolytes such first tungsten oxide scales cause further passivation in common ECM-facilities. A systematic electro-chemical investigation program including potentiostatic methods, showing the electro-chemical behaviour, especially in view of different chemical conditions, was initiated. The passivation features were identified which lead to the formulation of a new class of ECM electrolyte, the Two-Component ECM Electrolyte (TCEE), consisting of agents with two different, electro-chemical functions (conductance by nitrate salt and alkaline dissolubility by ammonia), allowing the variation also of the pH-value independent from conductance.

B. Investigation of tungsten Electro Chemical Machining

The breakthrough to apply ECM in tungsten shaping was the formation of soluble reaction products by using the new developed TCEE-electrolyte. For the realization of tungsten-ECM, there has to be given further attention to some unavoidable necessities, e.g. the compatibility between the chemical, physical and technical environment, and also some design requirements, which are partly contradictory [3].

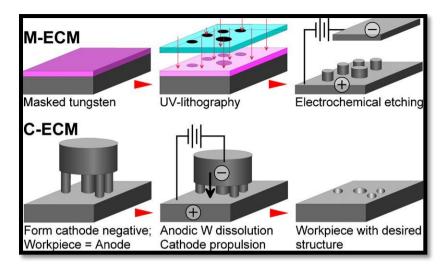


Fig. 1 Process steps of the two variants M-ECM and C-ECM [5]

IV. Pulse Electro Chemical Machining

In this investigation, Invar amalgam (Fe 63.5%, Ni 36.5%) was electrochemically cleaned/polished by PECM (Pulse Electro Chemical Machining) in a blend of NaCl, glycerin, and refined water. A progression of PECM tests were completed with various voltages and distinctive cathode shapes, and after that the surfaces of cleaned Invar amalgam were examined. The cleaned Invar amalgam surfaces were researched by optical magnifying lens, examining Electron Microscope (SEM), and non-contact 3D estimation (white light magnifying lens) and it was discovered that diverse/different connected voltages created distinctive surface attributes on the Invar compound surface on account of the privately focused connected voltage on the Invar combination surface. In addition, we found that the states of anode additionally affect the surface qualities on Invar combination surface by impacting the connected voltage. These test discoveries give major information to PECM of Invar compound by surface examination [8].

V. Video Based Process Observations of Pulse Electrochemical Machining Process at High Current Densities and Small Gaps

Pulse Electrochemical Machining (PECM), a nontraditional procedure, utilizing beat/pulse lengths in the low millisecond extend and encourage overlaid mechanical vibration, permits more exact resilience's and geometric accuracy through narrowing the working hole contrasted with traditional sinking ECM. With little working crevices in ranges down to 10 µm, the anodic shape development amid machining is getting hard to screen. Accordingly understanding the forming wonders amid the PECM procedure is enter calculate accomplishing exactness amid the assembling of kicks the bucket and shape, and also accuracy parts in e.g. car or flying machine/aerospace industry. In this commitment a trial approach towards visual in-prepare perceptions of the PECM forming process amid the utilization of mechanical vibrations up to 50 Hz and high beat current densities will be exhibited. Recording the procedure with an accurately timed fast camera framework permitting exact µs shade times, visual perceptions are led and being utilized as contribution for nitty gritty downstream DATA ANALYSIS [21]. The trial think about consolidates a standout amongst the most generally utilized flushing conditions in PECM and in addition a viewpoint into the examination between recorded in-handle information and a static FEM recreation in view of the observed shape are given. In all analyses stainless steel of sort AISI 304 (X5CrNi18-10) is utilized as anode and cathode material and for all PECM tests an economically accessible PEMCenter8000 with sodium nitrate as electrolyte was utilized. The idea displayed will better connection trial and demonstrating of the PECM procedure, by at the same time giving procedure pertinent electrochemical information and also the straightforwardly comparing geometric forming data amid tests [6].

A He-cooled divertor depends on parts created from tungsten combinations. Standard forming forms, e.g., turning or EDM cutting are regularly excessively costly and are capable, making it impossible to bring auxiliary deformities into the work pieces. Electro-Chemical Machining (ECM) as another creation technique is known to be taken a toll effective and delicate to materials surfaces. Be that as it may, ECM was initially not produced for working of tungsten because of troubles existing in standard procedures, for the most part originating from the particular electrochemical properties of tungsten. Performed electrochemical examinations demonstrated that tungsten can be broken up like steels by applying a recently received electrolyte which defeats passivation. These outcomes opened the ways to inspect diverse ECM variations (M-ECM, C-ECM) for electrochemical organizing procedures of tungsten. For C-ECM, organizing was investigated relying upon physical parameters like anode

separation and sort of DC current. Particularly for beat C-ECM, the reliance of structure exactness and disintegration rate are talked about in this issue [4].

VI. Electro Chemical Micro Machining

Electrochemical micromachining (EMM) innovation for creating small scale structures is exhibited in this article. By applying ultra-short pulses, disintegration of a work piece can be limited to the area near the anode. Initial, an EMM framework for meeting the necessities of the EMM procedure is set up. Second, arrangements of examinations is completed to explore the impact of a portion of the dominating electrochemical process parameters, for example, electrical parameters, bolster rate, terminal geometry components and electrolyte structure on machining quality, particularly the impacts of heartbeat on time on shape accuracy and working end state of cathode on machined surface quality. At long last, after the preparatory trials, a complex microstructure with great shape exactness and surface quality is effectively acquired.

With the improvement of micro-electro-mechanical system (MEMS), micromachining methods have turned into a hot issue in current industry. Miniaturized scale metal complex structures have an extensive variety of utilization in many fields, including biomedicine and flight. For instance, there are numerous small scale metal parts or segments in the impeller unit, transmission unit and control unit of miniaturized scale air vehicle. Up until this point, micromachining systems incorporate lithography, electro release machining (EDM), ultrasonic machining, and electrochemical micromachining (EMM) et cetera. EMM is an electrochemical disintegration prepare that has many focal points, for example, no apparatus wear, tranquil, with smooth surfaces and the capacity to machine complex structures in metallic materials, paying little heed to their hardness and high quality, high strain, or whether they are warm safe metals. For about 10 years, many research endeavors at EMM have been finished. Late looks into concentrate on EMM with the ultra-high recurrence beat current. It has been accounted for that material expulsion is firmly confined when ultra-high recurrence beat current is utilized rather than regular DC or low recurrence beat current. Some basic shapes have been machined as of late, yet complex structures are required in the real creation. In this article, the predominant attributes of EMM are explored through arrangements of analyses as indicated by different parameters, for example, machining voltage, beat on time, beat recurrence, nourish rate, cathode distance across, working end state of terminal et cetera. After the preparatory examinations, a perplexing shape with great shape exactness and surface quality is effectively obtained [2].

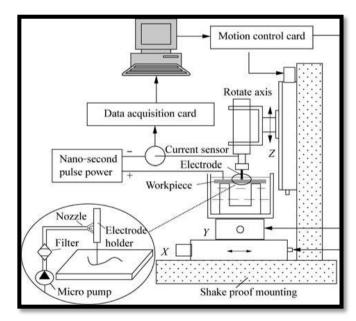


Fig. 2 Sketch of experimental system of EMM [2]

VII. Electro Chemical Discharge Machining

Micromachining of glass is fundamental for a few microfluidic parts, smaller scale pumps, miniaturized scale accelerometers, smaller scale reactors, small scale power devices and a few biomedical gadgets. One of a kind properties, for example, high substance resistance, warm strength and straightforwardness give glass scope for extra applications. In any case, poor machinability of glass is a noteworthy limitation, particularly in high perspective proportion uses of glass in microsystem innovation. Miniaturized scale electrochemical release machining (smaller scale ECDM) is a developing nontraditional creation technique equipped for micromachining earthenware materials like glass. While surface components under 100 µm have been effectively machined on glass, machining high viewpoint highlights is a test. Machining precision at high profundities is extremely

influenced because of overcut and device wear. In this paper, high angle proportion micro tools manufactured inhouse have been utilized for profound microhole penetrating on glass utilizing low electrolyte focus. An angle proportion of 11 has been accomplished. The outcomes demonstrate that lower electrolyte fixation decreased overcut by 22%, in this way expanding the angle proportion of the small scale gaps. Bringing down the electrolyte fixation additionally diminished the instrument wear and opening decrease by 39% and 18% separately [5]. Electro-chemical discharge machining (ECDM) of electrically non-conductive high-strength-high-temperature-safe pottery, for example, aluminum oxide (Al2O3) by trepanning technique (i.e. orbital movement of hardware) has demonstrated the likelihood of penetrating substantial size openings by nearly littler terminals productively and financially. Be that as it may, at more noteworthy machined profundity, the regular cathode setups and machining parameters demonstrate that machining execution steadily weakens with increment in instrument profundity lastly cause miniaturized scale splits on the machined surface because of warm stuns at high voltage. To diminish this issue and to improve the machining execution amid trepanning operation of Al2O3, a spring sustained round and hollow rough terminal of 1.5 mm distance across has been utilized under the impact of the

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Electro-chemical discharge machining (ECDM) is a mixture procedure which joins components of electro-chemical machining (ECM) and electro-discharge machining (EDM). Keeping in mind the end goal to build up a control methodology for this perplexing procedure, a preparatory investigation of a pulse grouping framework was done. By watching the voltage and current waveforms, beats were characterized into five gatherings. A sustain forward neural system was prepared to characterize beats with different actuation capacities. Five diverse initiation capacities have been utilized for examination. The prepared neural systems were mimicked. A quantitative investigation was performed to assess the execution of heartbeat characterization framework [16].

Another strategy has been researched to enhance the surface respectability of electro-chemical discharge machining (ECDM) prepare by utilization of conductive particles in the electrolyte. In ordinary ECDM forms the era of fine starts with uniform vitality has been most craved method to enhance the machining proficiency and the surface quality. Be that as it may, exact control of the start in ECDM prepare has been a testing issue. In electrical discharge machining (EDM) forms, which is warm disintegration machining process utilizing sparkle vitality like the ECDM, powder-blended EDM (PM-EDM) liquids have been utilized to enhance machining quality. In spite of the fact that the correct part of the conductive particles in the EDM procedure couldn't be plainly clarified yet, it has been accounted for that the powder settles release present because of release vitality scattering. Considering the closeness of the ECDM procedure contrasted with EDM where electrical flashes are used, powder-blended electrolyte was acquainted with make comparable impacts. In this paper fine graphite powder (which has great warm and electrical conductivity) blended with electrolyte has been connected to the ECDM procedure. Borosilicate glass, which is regularly utilized as a material for small scale structures, was utilized as a workpiece [23]. To research viability of the proposed strategy tests were led.

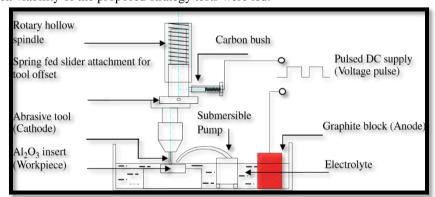


Fig. 3 Schematic diagram of spring fed offset tool used for trepanning in ECDM [17]

The analysis comes about exhibited that the breakdown voltage was diminished and the pinnacle current amid the procedure was diminished by ten percents. Releasing example was adjusted with the end goal that a solitary release beat was fanned into a few. Thus, the surface quality was enhanced contrasted with that from the ordinary procedure. Various experiment results of product quality with respect to powders volume ratio are also presented [18].

VIII.Surface Integrity and Dimensional Accuracy in Electro Chemical Machining

This paper displays the concurrent smaller scale micro-ED/EC processing that gives essentially enhanced surface integrity and dimensional precision when contrasted and miniaturized scale ED or smaller scale EC processing alone. The simultaneous event of electrochemical response and electrical release is accomplished by abusing in part deionized water with proper process control. Machining speed is prudently changed in accordance with advance electrochemical response for enhancing surface wrap up. Simultaneously, short voltage beats limit disintegration zone for more noteworthy accuracy while additionally expel micron-thick layer produced by release holes from the machined surface. Small scale shapes with upgraded surface complete and dimensional exactness are delivered to show the practicality and ability of the previously mentioned approach [10].

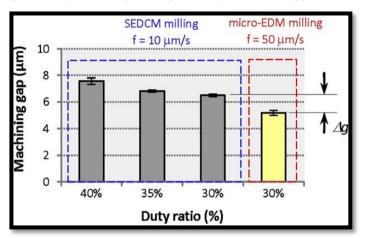


Fig. 4 Machining gaps of different machining conditions [10]

Replication advances, for example, miniaturized scale infusion shaping or hot-embellishing require high exactness miniaturized scale tooling with include measure smaller than a couple of hundred microns. Small scale electrical release machining (miniaturized scale EDM) is one of potential procedures to create these smaller scale parts. Be that as it may, creation of unpredictable elements on a little size cathode for kick the bucket sinking small scale EDM is a testing issue. In addition, the taking care of, throwing and visit substitution of crisp anode are likewise tricky. In this way, a straightforward shape terminal has been utilized to create complex micro features by moving along the preset apparatus way like customary processing. Then again, the uniform wear technique has been connected to determine the anode wear issue whereby multifaceted smaller scale molds could be created. Despite these effective endeavors, another essential calculate miniaturized scale tooling is the surface nature of machined shapes. Surface created by smaller scale EDM is the cover of incalculable release holes, bringing about poor surface wrap up. Since the component measure shrivels into small scale, this inborn property develops as a huge concern. Moreover, the machined surface additionally brings about white layer and warmth influenced zones. To this end, electrochemical micromachining (miniaturized scale ECM) has been utilized successively to enhance the surface uprightness of elements machined by smaller scale EDM. Because of smaller than normal item measure, low conductive electrolyte, for example, in part deionized water has been utilized. Following this approach, surface complete of miniaturized scale pins and microholes has been made strides. In these reports, a critical diminishment in surface harshness is gotten. Be that as it may, utilizing such low resistivity deionized water prompts the unnecessary material disintegration, bringing about shape mutilation and poor dimensional exactness. Along these lines, the predominant applications are encircled inside commonplace straightforward miniaturized scale shapes. With a view to reinforcing the capacity of miniaturized scale EDM for smaller scale tooling manufacture which involves great surface complete and high dimensional exactness, this paper exhibits another crossover machining process, specifically synchronous miniaturized scale ED/EC processing (SEDCM processing). In this technique, material expulsion wonder in low-resistivity deionized water is misused such that the electrochemical response happens simultaneously with electrical release in an exceptional procedure. To satisfy this goal, a thorough approach, which is adroitly extraordinary contrasted with the aforecited examines, is proposed. From one viewpoint, machining speed is wisely changed in accordance with advance electrochemical response for enhancing surface wrap up. Then again, short voltage beats confine disintegration zone for more prominent accuracy while likewise expel micron-thick layer produced by release holes from the machined surface. Thus, perplexing small scale shapes with upgraded surface honesty and dimensional precision could be created [22].

Standard forming forms for tungsten divertor segments are costly and bring basic imperfections into the workpieces. In spite of the fact that ECM (Electro-Chemical-Machining) as cost proficient and deformity free manufacture strategy is outstanding, it is not utilized as a part of tungsten working, originating from the particular electro-compound properties of W, incongruent with regular ECM procedure. Performed electro-substance examinations demonstrated the approaches to conquer passivation by applying recently adjusted electrolytes.

These outcomes opened the ways to create and analyze diverse ECM variations for electro-synthetic organizing procedures of tungsten. By and large, those ECM application courses demonstrated that electro-concoction treatment produces smooth surfaces without unsafe smaller scale breaks due to electro-cleaning impacts in nuclear scale. The effective mass molding of W parts by ECM, e.g. utilized as warmth promoters in the cooling fingers in divertor application, can likewise be connected to parts of naturally visible shape, e.g. thimbles or in castellation of tiles. This advance in ECM innovation will doubtlessly decidedly influence the likelihood to utilize auxiliary material in future [23].

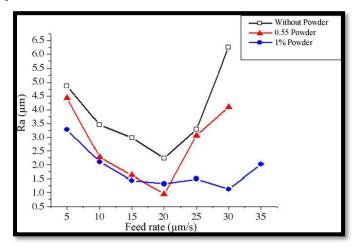


Fig. 5 Feed rate vs Ra according to powder concentration [23]

The helium cooled divertor idea in future combination control plants activities to avoid warm heaps of up to 15MW/m2. The current divertor configuration depends on a particular course of action of cooling fingers, which are to be created from warm safe material like tungsten or potentially tungsten combinations. Taking a gander at the structures and symmetries of the required divertor finger parts clearly mechanical molding by, e.g. processing is fairly testing and that erosive machining strategies have solid focal points or they will be completely vital. Be that as it may, the mechanically connected basic procedures, similar to start disintegration techniques (EDM), methodically present in W, a high-dissolving, hard and fragile material, small scale auxiliary imperfections into the surface of the mass material and are additionally rather fetched concentrated. Conversely, the imaginative ECM innovation can deliver at low expenses and high exactness imperfection free surfaces by anodic disintegration, e.g. known from press composites, without presenting any mechanical strengths and worries into the work piece material. Because of solid mechanical and concoction limitations, the typical standard ECM forms have up to now no modern application in tungsten, and tests for molding tungsten parts under very much designed mechanical ECM-conditions, flopped by impacts because of the extraordinary physical, compound and electrosubstance properties of tungsten. Along these lines the initial step of this advancement program was to set up the electro-concoction nuts and bolts for the tungsten forming ECM handle.

IX. Electro Chemical Drilling

This paper proposes an electrochemical drilling technique for various gaps in which the invert electrolyte stream is accomplished in the method for electrolyte-extraction, rather than customary forward electrolyte stream which regularly causes poor electrolyte stream condition thus precarious machining process. The joining complex is enhanced to even out electrolyte stream rate in every anode tube. Besides, wedge-molded anode tubes are received so as to convey the electrolyte stream all the more consistently while gaps with slant points are prepared. By the proposed strategy, various openings with distance across of 1–2 mm and angle proportions of 2 have been created with great quality and effectiveness.

Electrochemical drilling (ECD) is a valuable system for preparing little gaps on some difficult to-machine metals, and is likewise a decent decision for synchronous boring of different openings. The electrolyte stream example of ECD process could be characterized into two types—forward stream and turn around stream. Amid the ECD procedure with forward stream, the electrolyte spreads out radially from the inside gap of the cathode in quick uniqueness and development which cause stream field disturbing wonders, for example, cavitation and striation. The upsetting marvels would intensify the soundness of the machining procedure. The most ordinary approach to limit stream field disturbing is to apply the invert electrolyte stream, in which electrolyte crossing from the between cathode crevice was expelled out from the channel of the anode tube to the electrolyte tank under the pump

constrain. In any case, fine powerful fixing in conventional turn around stream to frame an encased space in the electrolyte cell is troublesome and muddled particularly for numerous terminals. In this exploration, the switch stream is accomplished in the method for electrolyte-extraction without dynamic fixing. The electrolyte provided to the machining zone needs just to be presented to the climatic air. The possibility of usage of the turn around stream was extraordinarily upgraded. In numerous openings machining conditions, the non-uniform of electrolyte supply will cause distinctive machining status for each gap. This would likely prompt short out. The stream dissemination along the anode cluster is dictated by the structure of joining complex, and the primary parameters of the complex are considered and improved in this way [14].

X. Laser Jet Electro Chemical Machining

The purpose for the laser assisted jet ECM (LAJECM) is to restrict machining to determined territories so that accuracy and the efficiency is made strides. Temperature is an overwhelming determinant of this limitation impact and should be precisely observed to keep away from any warmth influenced zones or start harm because of electrolyte bubbling. This paper researches the warm impacts in LAJECM on a few combinations by temperature dissemination displaying and exploratory examination. The laser impact on material small scale expulsion has prompted 25 mm more profound cavities with an intelligent surface of harshness 20 nm Ra, with no perceptible warmth influenced zone [11].

Electrochemical machining (ECM) has had recharged enthusiasm as a modernly reasonable machining process over the most recent two decades, particularly to produce little parts. One of the primary focal points of ECM is that it doesn't cause any warm burdens or warmth influenced zones to the work piece. This reality is the reason for some hybridisations of ECM with different procedures, for example, laser, EDM and mechanical techniques, endeavoring to consolidate focal points of speed, precision with great surface wrap up by synthetically dissolving any thermally influenced layers. In laser thermochemical machining, a drawing fluid is infused coaxially to the laser bar, improving the machining quality as for viewpoint proportion, edge span and unpleasantness. The warmth influenced zone and the recast layer have been fundamentally lessened in high power laser machining inside a salt arrangement.

In Laser Assisted Jet-Electrochemical Machining (LAJECM), the primary target of utilizing a laser is to enhance the exactness by better process restriction. The laser (control thickness 47.5W/mm2) is utilized just to thermally enact the external surface layer while the electrolyte (5–10% fluid NaNO3) fly (through the cathode spout) expels the material from the workpiece by anodic disintegration. The laser warm transmitted to the workpiece improves the energy of electrochemical responses and henceforth empowers the localisation of disintegration to a particular zone. Laser—workpiece and laser—electrolyte collaboration cause higher material evacuation rate in hub instead of in the parallel heading and along these lines dimensional exactness is made strides. A vitality adjust show has been produced to clarify the localisation impacts of laser on fly ECM forms. Notwithstanding the localisation impact, the laser shaft helps in the expulsion of surface oxide layers that frame on materials, in this way empowering electrochemical machining of materials, for example, titanium without plan of action to risky electrolytes summarises the viewpoints laser localisation consequences for fly ECM. The accuracy and profitability changes of LAJECM contrasted with JECM have been prove by investigates aluminum amalgam, titanium composite, Hastelloy and stainless steel. Machining accuracy was enhanced by the decrease of gap decrease by up to 78%. The material expulsion rate was expanded by up to 46% demonstrating enhanced process efficiency.

XI. Abrasive Jet Electro Chemical Machining

Abrasive enhanced electrochemical slurry-jet machining (ESJM) is introduced as another way to deal with the small scale machining of metals utilizing a blend of abrasive slurry-jet machining (ASJM) and electrochemical jet machining (ECJM). A novel ESJM model was produced to create a charged slurry fly comprising of a blend of Al2O3 grating particles and an electrolytic arrangement of NaCl and NaNO3. A DC capability of 30 V was connected between the spout and example. A progression of smaller scale diverts were machined in Stellite 12 utilizing ASJM, ECJM and ESJM procedures to explore the relative impacts of disintegration and anodic disintegration on the material expulsion rate and surface complete in the consolidated procedure of ESJM. The outcomes represented that the ESJM procedure brings about essentially more noteworthy target mass misfortune rate than the different disintegration and erosion forms. The greatness of the synergistic impact on the rate of mass misfortune was found to fluctuate from positive to negative as the disintegration segment expanded with expanding molecule dynamic vitality (stream weight) and molecule fixation. The harshness of the channels machined utilizing ESJM was between that acquired with ASJM and ECJM. The harshness diminished as the disintegration segment of the aggregate mass misfortune expanded [15].

XII. Electrolyte Jet Electro Chemical Machining

This paper depicts improvement of a technique for specific surface finishing utilizing electrolyte stream machining. Electrolyte stream machining is an electrochemical machining strategy in which disintegration happens specifically where the electrolyte fly hits the surface of the anode. This procedure is portrayed by the

capacity to control the surface complete of the expelled or included miniaturized scale designs by the present thickness in the electrolyte stream. Higher current thickness brings about a mirror-like surface, while bring down current thickness acknowledges fundamentally unpleasant and entangled structures which are hard to get with other machining processes. This paper portrays the advancement of a novel machining technique equipped for small scale processing and electrochemical turning utilizing a level electrolyte fly. The workpiece is machined locally in the zone hit by the stream which moves when an electrical current is connected to it. Utilization of a level stream set up of a tube shaped fly enhances processing velocity, and turning process is acknowledged by the level fly hitting the surface of the pivoting round and hollow workpiece. Since profundity of cut can be dictated by the electrical current or abiding time of the stream at first glance, there is no requirement for exact situating of the spout against the workpiece [22].

In electrolyte jet machining, a workpiece is machined just in the territory hit by the fly when an electrical current is connected to it. By examining the stream on the workpiece, complex examples can be manufactured without the utilization of an uncommon veil on the grounds that the appropriation of current thickness is restricted under the fly. Since electrolyte fly machining is an electrochemical procedure, there are no burrs, breaks, nor warm influenced zones produced on the machined surface. Utilization of an engaged laser bar coordinated into the fly stream was found to additionally improve the material evacuation rate. This procedure can be utilized for expelling forms by anodic disintegration, as well as for shading process by anodic oxidation. Indeed, even three-dimensional (3D) shapes can be machined by controlling the current and staying time of the stream over the workpiece. Moreover, by turning around the extremity, particular electroplating and 3D added substance assembling can be performed. In these procedures in any case, the need to check the tube shaped stream brings about longer machining time than ordinary electrochemical machining utilizing formed terminals and photograph manufacture utilizing veils. In this examination, we thusly led electrolyte stream machining utilizing a level electrolyte fly equipped for machining grooves with comparable shapes to the cross segment of the fly without the need to filter the round and hollow fly. We connected these level planes to the miniaturized scale finishing of level surfaces and small scale turning of poles with high perspective proportion and convoluted shapes [13]. Electrolyte stream machining is completed by flying electrolytic fluid arrangement from a spout over the workpiece while applying voltage between the spout and workpiece. At the point when the electrolyte stream hits the workpiece at an adequately high speed, the arrangement streams radially outward in a quick thin layer and all of a sudden increments in thickness. Just when this pressure driven bounce is watched, electrolytic disintegration is restricted to the range hit by the fly since dispersion of the present thickness can be amassed here.

XIII. High Efficiency Electro Chemical Machining

This paper shows an electrochemical machining strategy in which three stainless steel tubes as cathode apparatuses move towards workpiece parts with space directions and electrolyte is shot out from the outlets of the instrument tube dividers to the workpiece to electrochemically create three blisk channels all the while. The shape and structures of cathode instrument tubes are upgraded numerically and tentatively to distribute the electrolyte stream all the more consistently. An exceptional trial framework with synchronous movement of three device tubes has been created. Exploratory outcomes show that three channels can be delivered at one time with great quality and high proficiency.

Blisks (bladed incorporated plates/disks) are among the most inventive and testing segments in current gas turbine motors. They could decrease weight clearly and altogether enhance productivity and diminish fuel utilization and discharges. Subsequently Blisks are broadly utilized now in military motor and business turbofan. The burden of blisks is difficult assembling. As a result of working under the serious condition, blisks are generally made of titanium amalgams or Ni-base superalloys which are to a great degree hard to be machined. Besides the states of these blisk profiles are extremely intricate and for the most part channels are thin, so it is exceptionally hard to accomplish the required segment by customary strategies, for example, cutting procedures. Electrochemical machining (ECM) is an essential innovation in handling hard to-slice compounds and to shape free frame surfaces. It has been broadly connected in flight, flying machine and aviation enterprises particularly in the blisk which is hard to cut. Be that as it may, in light of the fact that there are frequently a few tens to hundreds cutting edges in each blisk, and in late blisk ECM strategy just a single channel can be machined each time, the machining time is long and the procedure is wasteful. This paper plans to exhibit a high productivity ECM strategy for blisk directs in which three stainless steel tubes as cathode devices move towards workpiece parts with space directions and the electrolyte is catapulted from the outlets of the instrument tube dividers to the workpiece to electrochemically create three blisk channels all the while. An extraordinary trial framework with synchronous movement of three device tubes has been created and the space direction of hardware tubes is enhanced. The shape and structures of electrolyte outlets on the instrument tube divider are likewise enhanced for conveying the electrolyte stream all the more consistently. Test comes about show that three channels can be delivered at one time with great quality and high productivity [9].

XIV. Finite Element Analysis in Electro Chemical Machining

Electro-chemical spark machining (ECSM) is an inventive half breed machining process, which consolidates the components of the electrochemical machining (ECM) and electrodischarge machining (EDM). Dissimilar to ECM and EDM, ECSM is fit for machining electrically non-leading materials. This paper endeavors to build up a warm model for the count of material removal rate (MRR) amid ECSM. To begin with, temperature circulation inside zone of impact of single start is acquired with the utilization of limited component technique (FEM). The nodal temperatures are further post prepared for evaluating MRR. The created FEM based warm model is observed to be in the scope of exactness with the test comes about. Facilitate the parametric investigations are done for various parameters like electrolyte focus, obligation component and vitality segment. The expansion in MRR is found to increment with increment in electrolyte focus because of ECSM of pop lime glass workpiece material. Additionally, the adjustment in the estimation of MRR for pop lime glass with focus is observed to be more than that of alumina. MRR is found to increment with increment in obligation element and vitality segment for both pop lime glass and alumina workpiece material [7].

Innovatively propelled ventures like vehicle, flying, atomic, and so forth are requesting the propelled materials with high quality, temperature resistance and high quality to weight proportion. This need has brought forth the advancement of materials like earthenware production, high quality combinations, fiber-strengthened composites thus numerous. In any case, for reasonable advance in the businesses, progressions in materials ought to run as an inseparable unit with the headway in machining forms. It has been discovered that the propelled materials are hard to machine by the regular machining forms. It is not any more conceivable to create parts with better surface complete, close resistances and complex shapes in cutting edge materials by traditional machining strategies. To machine the progressed hard to machine materials, more current machining forms have approached. Rather than evacuating the material by the hard cutting device, the material is expelled by the creative vitality use [1, 2]. More up to date Machining Processes (NMPs) utilizes diverse types of energies to evacuate the overabundance measure of material. As of late, another pattern has been acquainted with consolidate the components of at least two than two machining procedures to abuse the capability of every constituent procedure and decrease their detriments. Such machining forms with joined components are called as half and half machining forms (HMPs). Electrochemical spark machining(ECSM) is one of them, which joins the components of electrochemical machining (ECM) and electrodischarge machining (EDM). Material evacuation rate (MRR) in ECSM is near EDM yet much lower than ECM under a similar parameter settings. ECSM is another creative HMP for which rare literary works are accessible. However it has not been marketed is still under research center examination arrange. Basak and Ghosh have built up a hypothetical model of the ECSM procedure. Crichton et al. gave hypothetical examination with its exploratory check of impacts of the beat voltage and stage edge and plentifulness of vibrating apparatus anode waveform, for the investigation of metal machining rates.

McGeough et al. tentatively watched that the starting happens at the apparatus terminal interface. Khayry and McGeough have talked about metal evacuation in the main and side-holes of ECA penetrating. Jain et al. completed trial investigation of ECSM on Kevlar-fiber-epoxy and Glass-fiber-epoxy composites to discover the impact of progress in voltage and particular conductance of the electrolyte on the MRR, relative instrument wear rate and overcut. Gautam and Jain done examinations with the diverse device kinematics in electro-concoction start penetrating (ECSD) to improve the procedure abilities. Creators done the parametric investigation of hardware revolution speed, constraining profundity of cut, device unpredictability, MRR, surface respectability. Jain et al. tackled the ECSM issue as 3D precarious state issue utilizing the FEA method and done the MRR, overcut and restricted profundity of cut examination amid the machining as for the supply voltage. They accepted the idea of the start as kaleidoscopic segment with square cross-area. Kulkarni et al. have completed the examinations to clarify the instrument of the start era. From the writing study it is discovered that ECSM is at the exploration level just and the greater part of the works are exploratory. Hardly any hypothetical papers are accessible identified with assurance of MRR. Basak et al. have given logical model of MRR with the trial approval, however the fundamental hypothesis of start era proposed by them doesn't coordinate with the genuine circumstance. Jain et al. have done the 3D FE examination yet they have dismissed the impact of the focus. A large portion of the specialists have considered consistently conveyed warm source inside a start. This supposition is a long way from reality. This component is prove from the genuine state of a pit found by Kulkarni et al. . Warmth flux conveyance inside a start is accepted as Gaussian. In the present work FEM based model has been produced for the assurance of transient temperature dissemination because of single start inside the zone of impact of single start. It is additionally used to decide MRR utilizing the temperature plots in the zone of impact of single start and number of sparkles per unit time.

The goal of the present research is to recreate barrel shaped cylindrical electro-chemical magnetic abrasive machining (C-EMAM) handle for attractive stainless steel (AISI-420). C-EMAM is another half breed machining process utilized for high productivity completing of round and hollow occupations made of cutting edge designing

materials. The material is expelled from the workpiece surface because of concurrent impact of scraped spot and electrochemical disintegration. Limited component technique is utilized to ascertain the appropriation of attractive field between the attractive posts in which tube shaped formed workpiece is put. The cutting powers in charge of scraped spot are computed from the attractive powers because of slope of attractive field in the working crevice. The impact of electrochemical disintegration and scraped spot helped disintegration are consolidated into the C-EMAM prepare demonstrate utilizing experimental connection for normal anodic current. The observational connection is related with the information parameters in the present framework in light of exploratory outcomes. At long last a surface harshness show is created by considering all out volume of material expelled with the supposition of triangular surface profile. The reenactment comes about for material evacuation and surface harshness are approved utilizing exploratory outcomes. The reproduced comes about concur with test perceptions [19].

XV. Optimization of Surface Roughness in Electro Chemical Machining

Electrochemical machining is one of the broadly utilized non-customary machining procedures to machine confused shapes for electrically directing yet hard to-machine materials, for example, super compounds, Tiamalgams, combination steel, apparatus steel, STAINLESS STEEL, and so on. Utilization of ideal ECM prepare parameters can fundamentally diminish the ECM working, tooling, and support cost and will deliver segments with higher precision. This paper examines the impact of process parameters on material expulsion rate (MRR) and surface unpleasantness trademark (focus line normal harshness: Ra, root mean square harshness: Rq, skewness: Rsk, kurtosis: Rku and mean line top dividing: Rsm) and parametric advancement of process parameters in ECM of EN31 instrument steel utilizing dark connection examination. Examinations are led in light of Taguchi's L27orthogonal exhibit/array (OA) with four process parameters viz. electrolyte fixation, voltage, bolster rate and between anode crevice. Examination of fluctuation (ANOVA) is performed to get the commitment of every parameter on the execution attributes and it is watched that electrolyte fixation is the huge procedure parameter that influences the reactions. The trial comes about for the ideal setting demonstrate that there is significant change around 48% in the process utilizing affirmation test. The ideal blend is electrolyte focus 10%, voltage 10 V, sustain rate 0.25 mm/min and between terminal crevice 0.2 mm for most extreme MRR and least surface harshness. Surface and form plots are gennerated to ponder the impact of information parameters on MRR and surface harshness. At last, examining electron microscopy (SEM) pictures are utilized to watch the surface morphology [20].

XVI. Hybrid process in Electro Chemical Machining

This paper presents a hybrid process of grinding and electrochemical removal for machining of precision small holes with hard-to-machine materials. In the process, a metal rod with coated abrasives as cathode tool rotates at high speed and removes material electrochemically and mechanically for a pre-machined pilot hole. The effects of process parameters on the hole surface quality and dimensional accuracy were demonstrated experimentally. Material removals on grinding and electrochemical machining are well balanced by rationally determining machining voltage, tool rotation speed and feed rate. Precision holes of diameters down to 0.6 mm with sharp edges and without burrs have been produced.

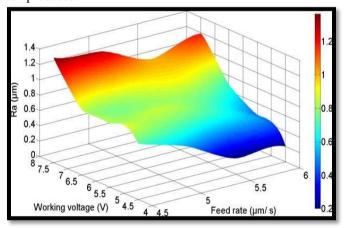


Fig. 6 Variation in Ra with working voltage and feed rate [12]

Recent progresses made in the field of flying, car, medicinal, smaller than normal assembling and others have made an ever increasing number of requirements for parts with little and miniaturized scale estimate gaps in to a great degree hard and intense materials, for example, the gaps of fuel infusion spouts with high exactness prerequisite, sharp edges without burrs, and the little measurement in the scope of 0.4–0.8 mm. Different strategies in various standards have been created to deliver accuracy little openings, including mechanical penetrate, laser machining,

electrical discharge machining (EDM), electrochemical machining (ECM), et al. Be that as it may, current generation procedures are confronted with new difficulties for machining of little gaps with strict specialized necessities. The gap in some fuel infusion spouts needs without burrs as well as sharp edges in difficult to-machine materials. Mechanical, laser and EDM boring regularly result in critical burrs while ECM generally creates limit edges as a result of stray material evacuation. The tooling taken a toll in mechanical penetrating of little openings in difficult to-machining materials is substantially higher than conventional applications as a result of the impressive wear and continuous breakage of apparatuses.

Laser and EDM boring ordinarily deliver recast layers and warmth influenced zones which contrarily influences mechanical properties of parts. For consolidating the advantages of various machining advancements, crossover procedures of machining strategies have been distinguished as promising methods particularly when connected to machining of difficult to-machine materials. This paper displays a mixture procedure of electrochemical material expulsion and mechanical granulating for machining of accuracy little openings. In the proposed procedure, a metal bar with covered abrasives as a cathode instrument pivots at fast and evacuates material electrochemically and mechanically for a pre-machined pilot gap. Material evacuations on crushing and electrochemical machining are all around adjusted by normally deciding machining voltage, apparatus revolution speed, instrument sustain rate, electrolyte pieces, and so on. Exactness gaps of breadths down to 0.6 mm with sharp edges and without burrs have been created [12].

XVII. Conclusions & Future Scope

For future application in a combination control framework a modular structured He cooled divertor idea is examined under the structure of EFDA which depends on the utilization of immaculate W or W composites for the thermally exceedingly stacked parts. Because of the hidden physico-compound standards electro-chemical machining (ECM) is the main molding process which won't present microstructural surrenders, e.g. microcracks into work pieces as known by case from electro-discharge machining(EDM). Nonetheless, ECM forms have no modern application in W machining up to yet because of passivation impacts utilizing standard electrolytes known from steel working. In this manner, a systematical electrochemical advancement program was propelled, and the electrochemical conduct of W was analyzed and passivation impacts could be dispensed with, effectively. The electrochemical forming procedures can be separated into two primary classifications. The first is M-ECM, which speaks to the lithographic course in view of organized anode veils, and the other is C-ECM, working with a contrarily organized cathode as apparatus which is duplicated by electro-substance disintegration. Both ECM branches are examined on base of first machined organized parts, demonstrating their procedure depending points of interest and potential improvements are uncovered by applying beat streams rather than DC disintegration method.

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