## Measuring systems for cold rolling mills



On-line annealing control improves efficiency of continuous annealing lines





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# On-line measurement in a continuous annealing line







## **Principle of remanence measurement**







## Installation of a remanence system







## **Remanence head**







## **Remanence record: badly annealed**







#### **Remanence record: well annealed**







# Measuring principle of grain size









# **Typical ultrasound signal**







## **Evaluation of grain size measurement**

$$D = C_1 + C_2 \cdot [f(d) \cdot U_p]^{2/3}$$

**D** = Grain size value [µm]

$$C_{1}, C_{2} = Calibration constants$$

d = Strip thickness [mm]

**U**<sub>p</sub> = Averaged peak voltage [V]





## Comparison of on-line grain size measurement with microscopy







## **Construction drawing**







## Grain size measurement on site







## Grain size record: badly annealed



On-line grain size recording











# Benefits of annealing control systems

- Improved quality assurance
- Enhanced reliability of production
- Reduction of sampling costs
- Increased annealing line throughput





# Short reference list

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