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This document forms a supplement to EN 50 052 (1986) "Cast aluminium alloy enclosures for gas-filled high-voltage switchgear and controlgear", concerning enclosures for the same type of switchgear and controlgear but made of wrought aluminium and aluminium alloys. It is based on the general specifications given in HD 358 S2 = IEC 517 (1986) ed 2 which are however not sufficient to satisfy the conditions for the service allowance of pressurized high-voltage switchgear and controlgear.

These specifications are appropriate for pressurized switchgear enclosures allowing an economic production without sacrificing aspects of safety. For unusual shapes dictated by electrical conditions they permit the verification of sound design by proof tests instead of calculations. Nevertheless this European Standard makes use of many internationally well acknowledged calculation rules and the Technical Committee will in addition pursue the progress in standardization in CEN/TC 121 and ISO/TC 44 on welding and allied processes.

For the time being reference can only be made to published international standards as far as they are appropriate for the purpose of production of enclosures to be used in gas-filled switchgear and controlgear.

The present EN has been established as an international specification for the design, construction, testing, inspection and certification of pressurized enclosures used in high-voltage switchgear and controlgear. This standard follows to that extent also Article 2 of the Directive 76/767/EEC.

The European Standard contains three normative technical annexes:

- Annex A: Elastic analysis of the stress distribution in dished ends due to internal pressure.
- Annex B: Welding procedure and welder performance tests.
- Annex C: Sample of record form

and an informative annex:

- Annex D: National deviations

List of standards referred to in this standard:

- HD 358 S2 (IEC 517 (1986) ed 2) Gas-insulated metal-enclosed switchgear for rated voltages of 72,5 kV and above.
- ISO 6213:1983 Welding; Items to be considered to ensure quality in welding structures.
- ISO 3134:1985 Light metals and their alloys; Terms and definitions;  
Part 1: Materials  
Part 3: Wrought products  
Part 5: Methods of processing and treatment
- ISO 6520:1982 Classification of imperfections in metallic fusion welds, with explanations.
- ISO/R 373:1964 General principles for fatigue testing of metals.
- ISO/IEC Guide 2:1986 General terms and their definitions concerning standardization and related activities.
- ISO 9000:1987 Guidelines for selection and use of the standards on quality management, quality system elements and quality assurance.

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## 1 Introduction

This standard covers the requirements for the design, construction, testing, inspection and certification of gas-filled enclosures for use specifically in high-voltage switchgear and controlgear, or for associated gas-filled equipment. Special consideration is given to these enclosures for the following reasons:

- (a) The enclosures usually form the containment of electrical equipment, thus their shape is determined by electrical rather than mechanical considerations.
- (b) The enclosures are installed in restricted access areas and the equipment is operated by experts and instructed persons only.
- (c) As the thorough drying of the inert, non-corrosive gas-filling medium is fundamental to the satisfactory operation of the electrical equipment it is periodically checked. For this reason, no internal corrosion allowance is required on the wall thickness of these enclosures.
- (d) The enclosures are subjected to only small fluctuations of pressure as the gas-filling density shall be maintained within close limits to ensure satisfactory insulating and arc-quenching properties. Therefore the enclosures are not liable to fatigue due to pressure cycling.
- (e) The operating pressure is relatively low.

For the foregoing reasons and to ensure the minimum disturbance hence reducing the risk of moisture and dust entering the enclosures which would prevent correct electrical operation of the switchgear, no pressure tests shall be carried out after installation and before placing in service and no periodic inspection of the enclosure interiors or pressure tests shall be carried out after the equipment is placed in service.

## 2 Scope and field of application

### 2.1 Type of equipment

This standard applies to fusion welded wrought aluminium and aluminium alloy enclosures pressurized with dry air, inert gases, for example sulphur hexafluoride or nitrogen or a mixture of such gases, used in indoor or outdoor installations of high-voltage switchgear and controlgear with rated voltages of 72,5 kV and above, where the gas is used principally for its dielectric and/or arc-quenching properties.

The enclosures comprise parts of electrical equipment not necessarily limited to the following examples:

- circuit-breakers
- switch-disconnectors
- disconnectors
- earthing switches
- current transformers
- voltage transformers
- surge arrestors
- busbars and connections

The scope covers also pressurized components such as the centre-chamber of live tank switchgear and controlgear, gas-insulated current transformers, etc.

### 2.2 Production

The production of the enclosures shall be in accordance with documented welding procedures which shall be carried out by well trained and supervised welding personnel. Where International Standards (ISO or CEN) are not available National Standards may be used.

#### NOTE

This standard will be revised as soon as possible when ISO or CEN standards covering the various aspects are available.

### 2.3 Quality assurance

It is the intention of this standard that the switchgear manufacturer shall be responsible for achieving and maintaining a consistent and adequate quality of product.

Sufficient examinations shall be made by the enclosure manufacturer to ensure that the materials, production and testing comply in all respects with the requirements of this standard and ISO 6213 : 1983. Inspection by the user's inspectors shall not absolve the switchgear manufacturer from his responsibility to exercise such quality assurance procedures as to ensure that the requirements and the intent of this standard are satisfied.

#### NOTE

Reference should be made to the ISO 9000 series of standards for quality assurance systems.

## 3 Definitions

**3.1 national standard.** A technical specification established by general agreement with the important part of the concerned interests, approved by a recognized national standards organization and made available to the public. (ISO/JEC Guide 2 : 1986)

**3.2 enclosure.** A part of gas insulated metal-enclosed switchgear retaining the insulated gas under the prescribed conditions necessary to maintain safely the rated insulation level, protecting the equipment against external influences and providing a high degree of protection to personnel. (HD 358 S2 = IEC 517 (1986) ed 2)

**3.3 manufacturer.** Individual or body responsible for designing and producing the enclosure. In this standard this is the switchgear manufacturer.

**3.4 designer.** Individual or body who determines the shape, dimensions and wall thickness of the enclosure and selects the materials and method of construction and testing.

**3.5 design pressure (of an enclosure).** Pressure used to determine the wall thickness of the enclosure. It is at least the upper limit of pressure reached within the enclosure at the design temperature. (HD 358 S2 = IEC 517 (1986) ed 2)

**3.6 design temperature (of an enclosure).** Highest temperature reached by the enclosure which can occur under service conditions. This is generally the upper limit of

ambient air temperature increased by the temperature rise due to the flow of rated normal current. (HD 358 S2 = IEC 517 (1986) ed 2)

**NOTE**

Solar radiation should be taken into account when it has a significant effect on the temperature of the gas and on the mechanical properties of some materials. Similarly, the effects of low temperatures on the properties of some materials should be considered.

**3.7 alloy.** A metallic substance consisting of a mixture of the basic metallic element (the element predominating by mass) and other elements such as alloying elements and impurities. (ISO 3134/1:1985)

**3.8 aluminium alloy.** A metallic substance in which aluminium predominates by mass and the other elements exceed 1 % of the total content by weight.

**3.9 weld imperfections**

**3.9.1 lack of fusion.** Lack of union between weld metal and parent metal or weld metal and weld metal. (ISO 6520 : 1982, No. 401)

**3.9.2 overlap.** Excess of weld metal at the toe of a weld covering the parent metal surface but not fused to it. (ISO 6520 : 1982, No. 506)

**3.9.3 undercut.** A groove at the toe(s) (or at the root) of a weld run due to welding. (ISO 6520 : 1982, No. 5011)

**3.10 heat treatment.** Process in which the metal or the alloy in the solid state is subjected to one or more temperature cycles, to confer certain desired properties.

**3.11 fatigue.** Change of the properties of a material due to repeated application of stresses or strains which leads, in particular, to cracks or rupture. (ISO/R 373 : 1964)

**3.12 tensile strength.** The maximum unit stress related to the initial cross-section of the test specimen at which the material ruptures.

**3.13 test piece.** Two or more parts of material welded together in accordance with a specified weld procedure, in order to make one or more test specimens.

**3.14 test specimen.** Portion detached from a test piece, in specified dimensions, finally prepared as required for testing.

## 4 Materials

Any suitable aluminium or aluminium alloy is permissible; a list of examples of materials is given in table 1. The properties of the materials should be taken from the applicable standards.

**NOTE 1**

Contact with more noble metals, particularly copper and its alloys, can lead to heavy galvanic corrosion. Austenitic stainless steel is an exception to this rule because of its protective oxide film and can often be used in contact with aluminium.

Aluminium enclosures should be protected externally where, for example, they come into contact with mild steel supports.

Bitumen, thin zinc sheet (which gives sacrificial protection) or a combination of these are useful in this respect. Alternatively, the mild steel supports can be galvanized or zinc or aluminium sprayed.

**NOTE 2**

It should be noted that contact with certain gasket materials such as compressed asbestos fibre can cause corrosion of aluminium; the gasket manufacturer should be consulted.

## 5 Design

### 5.1 General

The rules for the design of enclosures of gas-insulated switchgear and controlgear prescribed in this clause are solely for the purpose of determining the dimensions and the minimum thickness to ensure safety of the enclosures against gross plastic deformation, incremental collapse and collapse through buckling with the materials given in clause 4.

The rules take into account that these enclosures are subjected to particular operating conditions (see clause 1) which distinguish them from conventional compressed air receivers and similar storage vessels.

The thicknesses determined by the various equations are minima and therefore, the specific nominal thickness shall be increased by the amount of any negative tolerance permitted by the material specification.

**NOTE**

There are designs of enclosures which differ in geometry from those for which equations are given in 5.7 and 5.8. These designs are permitted provided the calculation is justified or prove tests are carried out as prescribed in 7.5.3.

### 5.2 Corrosion allowance

The enclosures are filled in service with a non-corrosive thoroughly dried gas, therefore, no internal corrosion allowance is necessary.

### 5.3 Design considerations

The geometry of an enclosure can be determined by electrical rather than mechanical considerations. This constraint can result in an enclosure geometry which requires an unacceptable degree of calculation or which cannot be calculated at all.

In the case of such an enclosure or an enclosure for which calculations are not made, a proof test of the individual housing is necessary before the internal parts are added.

When designing an enclosure, account shall be taken of the following, if applicable.

- (a) The possible evacuation of the enclosure as part of the filling process.

For enclosures of this type it is usually necessary to evacuate the air before introducing gas pressure, this ensures purity of the gas. The evacuated condition is therefore not an operational condition and in most cases enclosures designed for internal pressure will be suitable for the evacuated condition without buckling.

For certain long lengths and large diameters of busbar sections, however, it is possible that the enclosure will buckle due to external pressure. In such cases the design should be checked for external pressure and the enclosure strengthened,

Table 1. Examples of materials								
Austria	Switzerland	Germany	France	Italy	Sweden	U.K.	Spain	International
Ö-NORM M 3430	SN 210 900	DIN 1725 Teil 1	AFNOR NF A50-411 NF A50-451	UNI	SS 14	BS 1470, 1471 1479, 4300 5500	UNE 38 301	ISO R 209
Al MgSi0,5	Al MgSi0,5	Al MgSi0,5		3569			38 337 L 3441	Al MgSi0,5
Al Mg3	Al Mg3	Al Mg3	5754	3575			38 339 L 3390	Al Mg3
Al Mg1	Al Mg1	Al Mg1		5764	4104-06	5005	38 335 L 3350	Al Mg1
Al Mg4,5Mn	Al Mg4,5Mn	Al Mg4,5Mn	5083	7790	4140-02	5083	38 340 L 3321	Al Mg4,5Mn
Al MgSi1	Al MgSi1	Al MgSi1			4212-06	6082	38 334 L 3451	Al Si1Mg
Al Mg2,5	Al Mg 2,5				4120-02		38 336 L 3360	Al Mg2,5
	Al Mg2,7Mn		5454			5454		Al Mg3Mn
			Al Type1100		4007-20			Al 99,0 Cu
			5086					Al Mg4
			6061	6170		6061		Al Mg1SiCu
			Al Cu * Type 2017					Al Cu4MgSi *
						5154 A		Al Mg3,5
					4005-02			
						5251		Al Mg2
					4054-02			
					4010-02			

\* For non-welded parts only!  
NOTE. The list is not exhaustive, other materials may be used from National Standards.

if necessary. Since this is not an operational condition, it is not a matter of safety.

- (b) The full differential pressure possible across the enclosure wall.
- (c) Superimposed loads and vibrations by external effects.
- (d) Stresses caused by temperature differences including transient conditions and by differences in coefficients of thermal expansion.
- (e) Effects of solar radiation.

Post weld heat treatment of aluminium and aluminium alloy enclosures is not normally necessary or desirable.

**NOTE**

Pressure stresses due to an internal electrical fault are not considered in the design of an enclosure since after such an occurrence the enclosure would be carefully checked and, if necessary, replaced.

For the case of arcing due to an internal fault, reference is made to HD 358 S2 = IEC 517 (1986) ed 2.

**5.4 Design pressure**

The design is based on the design pressure ( $p$ ) as defined in 3.5.

**5.5 Design temperature**

The selection of material and the determination of the design stress depend upon the highest wall temperature which can be expected during service at the design pressure ( $p$ ).

**5.6 Design stress basis**

The nominal design strength ( $K$ ) shall be selected from the material standard, where

$K$  is the yield strength ( $R_{ET}$ ) or 0,2 % proof stress ( $R_{p0,2}$ ) at the design temperature;

$S$  is the safety factor against yield strength or 0,2 % proof stress = 1,5.

Hence it follows the permissible design stress:  $\sigma = K/1,5$

For the materials listed in table 1 the nominal design strengths ( $K$ ) in the annealed condition shall be used in the design of welded structures.

**5.7 Calculation of shells, dished ends, openings, screws and bolts**

For the purposes of calculation of shells, dished ends, bolts, screws and openings the following specific symbols are used:

$D_a$	external diameter of shells	mm
$D_i$	internal diameter of shells	mm
$D_k$	design diameter	mm
$D_m$	mean diameter of gaskets	mm
$d_i$	internal diameter of openings and branches	mm
$t$	required wall thickness	mm
$l'_S$	protruding length of branches	mm
$t_A$	required wall thickness at openings	mm

$t_S$	branch wall thickness	mm
$x$	distance over which the governing stress is assumed to act	mm
$R$	crown radius of dished ends	mm
$r$	knuckle radius	mm
$h_1$	height of the straight flange of dished ends	mm
$h_2$	depth of dished ends	mm
$v$	weld joint factor	—
$v_A$	weakening factor	—
$p$	design pressure	bar
$p_B$	buckling pressure	bar
$P_s$	total screw clamping force	N
$P_i$	loading of an area ( $A$ ) with regard to internal pressure	N
$A_b$	design area of screw threads	mm <sup>2</sup>
$L$	centre distance of branches	mm
$\beta$	design factor	—
$n$	number of screws per flange joint	—
$P_s/P_i = P'_s/P'_i$		
$P'_s$	loading per screw = $P_i/n$	N
$P'_s$	clamping force per screw = $P_s/n$	N

**5.7.1 Cylindrical shells.** The required wall thickness is:

$$t = \frac{D_a \cdot p}{20 (K/1,5) \cdot v + p} \quad \text{(Equation 1)}$$

The minimum permissible wall thickness of cylindrical shells is 3 mm.

**5.7.2 Spherical shells.** The required wall thickness is:

$$t = \frac{D_a \cdot p}{40 (K/1,5) \cdot v + p} \quad \text{(Equation 2)}$$

The minimum permissible wall thickness of spherical shells is 3 mm.

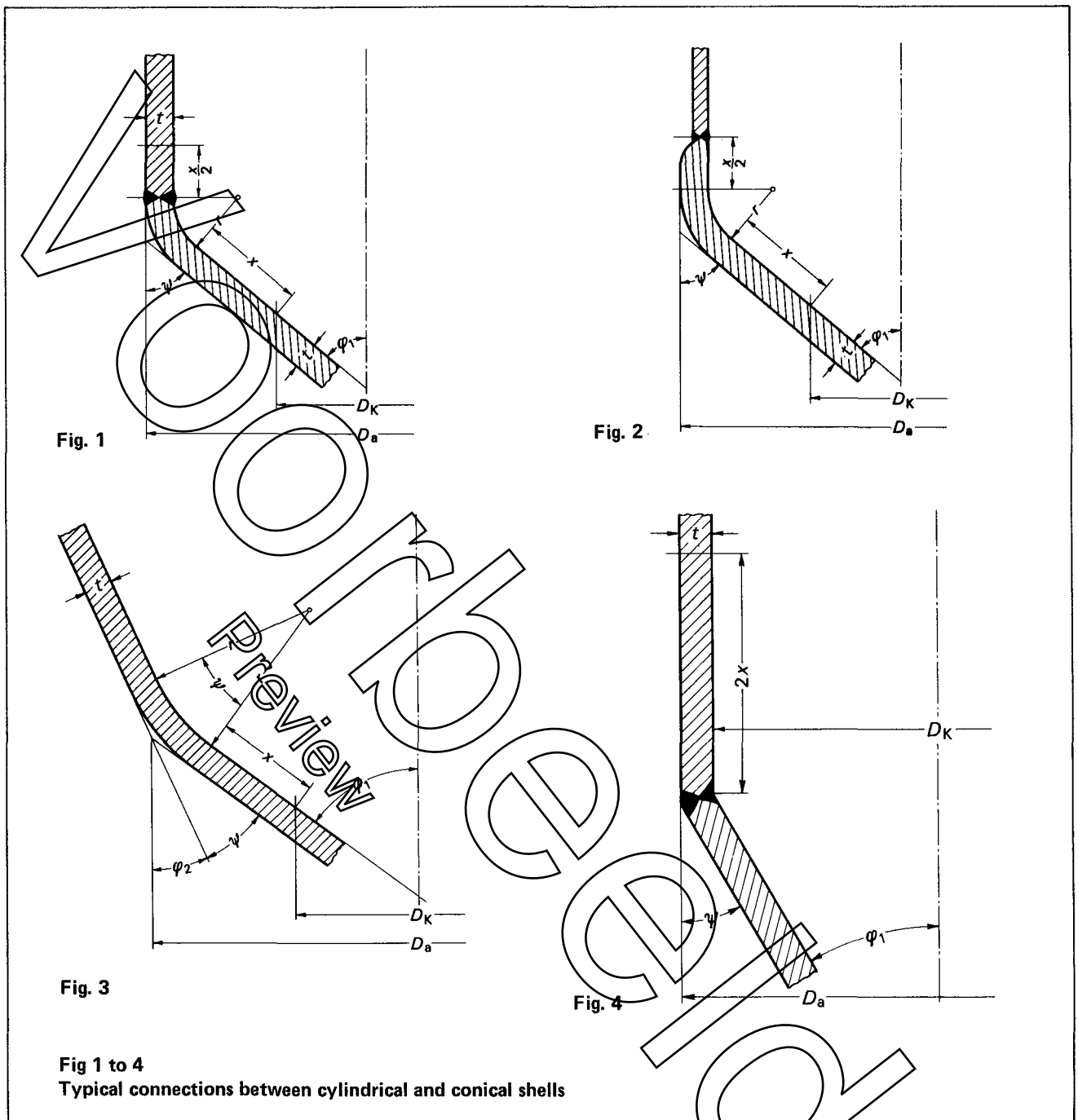
**5.7.3 Conical shells.** The determination of the wall thickness of conical shells is based on the stress in the meridional direction (bending stress) in the knuckle or the circumferential joint at the wide end of the cone and the stress in the tangential direction (membrane stress) away from the knuckle (see figures 1 to 4). The greater wall thickness calculated according to 5.7.3.1 or 5.7.3.2 is to be taken into consideration. For the shallow conical shells with an angle of slope to the axis of the cone  $\varphi_1 > 70^\circ$  the wall thickness shall be determined according to 5.7.3.3 even if smaller wall thicknesses as according to 5.7.3.1 and 5.7.3.2 are found.

In equations 3 and 7 the weld joint factor ( $v$ ) refers to the circumferential joint and in equation 6 to the longitudinal joint.

If the distance between the circumferential joint and the knuckle is at least  $0,5 X$  then in equations 3 and 7 the weld joint factor is  $v = 1,0$ .

The minimum permissible wall thickness of conical shells is 3 mm.





**5.7.3.1 Calculation based on the stress in meridional direction.** The required wall thickness is:

$$t = \frac{D_a \cdot p \cdot \beta}{40 (K/1,5) \cdot v} \quad (\text{Equation 3})$$

The design factor  $\beta$  is to be taken from table 2 or figure 5 depending on the difference  $\psi$  between the angles of slope of two adjoining shells

$$\psi = \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 \quad (\text{Equation 4})$$

and the ratio of the knuckle radius by the external diameter of the shell  $r/D_a$ .

**A. Shells with knuckle (figures 1 and 2)**

If the wide end of a conical shell is flanged to a knuckle then the wall thickness in the knuckle shall be determined according to equation 3 and shall be maintained away from the knuckle in the conical section over a distance of at least

$$x = \sqrt{D_a \cdot t} \quad (\text{Equation 5})$$

and along the cylindrical section over a distance of at least  $0,5x$ .

**Table 2. Design factor  $\beta$  for conical shells and numerical factors  $\cos\varphi$  and  $1/\cos\varphi$**

Angle $\varphi$ resp. $\psi$	$\beta$ for a ratio of $r/D_a$												$\cos\varphi$	$1/\cos\varphi$	
	0,01	0,02	0,03	0,04	0,06	0,08	0,10	0,15	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5			
10	1,4	1,3	1,2	1,2	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	0,985	1,015
20	2,0	1,8	1,7	1,6	1,4	1,3	1,2	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	0,940	1,064
30	2,7	2,4	2,2	2,0	1,8	1,7	1,6	1,4	1,3	1,1	1,1	1,1	1,1	0,866	1,155
45	4,1	3,7	3,3	3,0	2,6	2,4	2,2	1,9	1,8	1,4	1,1	1,1	1,1	0,707	1,414
60	6,4	5,7	5,1	4,7	4,0	3,5	3,2	2,8	2,5	2,0	1,4	1,1	1,1	0,500	2,000
70	10,0	9,0	8,0	7,2	6,0	5,3	4,9	4,2	3,7	2,7	1,7	1,1	1,1	0,342	2,920
75	13,6	11,7	10,7	9,5	7,7	7,0	6,3	5,4	4,8	3,1	2,0	1,1	1,1	0,259	3,861

**B. Shells without knuckle (figure 4)**

Conical shells may be connected with each other or with cylindrical shells by means of welded butt joints providing the following is met:

- (a)  $\psi \leq 30^\circ$ ;
- (b) joints welded from both sides;
- (c) the length of the two shells shall be at least  $2x$  according to equation 5

If deviating from b) the butt joints are to be welded from one side only, then equivalence with joints welded from both sides shall be demonstrated by a welding procedure test.

The wall thickness for both shells at the butt joint shall be determined under consideration of the bending stress in the circumferential seam according to equation 3.

**5.7.3.2 Calculation based on the stress in tangential direction.** The required wall thickness is:

$$t = \frac{D_k \cdot p}{20 (K/1,5) \cdot v - p} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos\varphi_1} \quad \text{(Equation 6)}$$

Where the weld joint factor ( $v$ ) is the efficiency of the longitudinal joint and the numerical factor  $1/\cos\varphi_1$  has been taken from table 2 or figure 5.

The design diameter ( $D_k$ ) is to be determined according to figures 1 to 4 and the distance  $x$  according to equation 5.

In the case of conical shells connected with each other the wall thickness shall be calculated for each shell with its individual angle of slope to the axis ( $\varphi_1$  or  $\varphi_2$ ) of the enclosure.

**5.7.3.3 Shallow conical shells ( $\varphi_1 > 70^\circ$ ).** The required wall thickness is:

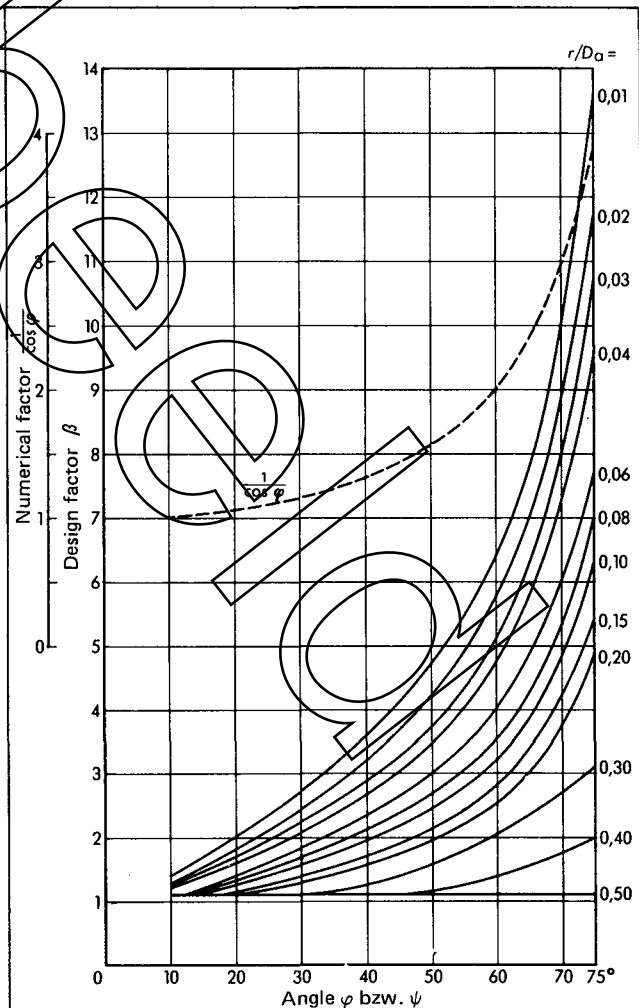
$$t = 0,3 (D_a - r) \frac{\varphi_1}{90} \sqrt{\frac{p}{10 (K/1,5) \cdot v}} \quad \text{(Equation 7)}$$

If the distance between knuckle and circumferential joint is at least:

$$x = 0,5 \sqrt{\frac{D_a \cdot t}{\cos\varphi_1}} \quad \text{(Equation 8)}$$

then the weld joint factor is  $v = 1,0$ .

Provided the requirements for shells without knuckle are met (see 5.7.3.1), conical shells with different angles of slope may be joined by butt welds. This requires a knuckle radius of  $r = 0$  in equation 7.



**Fig 5. Design factor  $\beta$  and numerical factor  $1/\cos\varphi$**

**5.7.4 Dished ends subject to internal pressure**

**5.7.4.1 General.** These rules apply for torispherical dished ends (see figure 6) of the Korbboogen and Klöpper type and for hemispherical dished ends subject to internal pressure within the following limits.

**A. Klöpper type**

$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= D_a \\
 r &= 0,1 D_a \\
 h_1 &\geq 3,5 t \\
 h_2 &= 0,1935 D_a - 0,455 t \\
 0,001 &\leq t/D_a \leq 0,1
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{Equation 9}$$

**B. Korbboogen type**

$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= 0,8 D_a \\
 r &= 0,154 D_a \\
 h_1 &\geq 3,0 t \\
 h_2 &= 0,255 D_a - 0,635 t \\
 0,001 &\leq t/D_a \leq 0,1
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{Equation 10}$$

**C. Hemispherical dished ends**

$$D_a/D_i \leq 1,2 \tag{Equation 11}$$

Other configurations for dished ends may be used with appropriate calculation or proof test.

Up to a wall thickness of 50 mm the height of the straight flange ( $h_1$ ) need not exceed 50 mm. With hemispherical dished ends no straight flange is required.

Shorter straight flanges ( $h_1$ ) are acceptable provided the circumferential joint between dished end and cylindrical

shell is non-destructively tested to the same extent as a fully strengthened butt joint with a design stress level equal to the permissible design stress level.

If a dished end is welded together from crown and knuckle components, the joint shall be at a sufficient distance from the knuckle. The distance shall be regarded to be sufficient, if in the case

(a) crown and knuckle are of different thickness (see figure 8)

$$x = 0,5 \sqrt{R \cdot t} \tag{Equation 12}$$

(b) crown and knuckle are of equal thickness (see figure 6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= 3,5 t \text{ for dished ends of the Klöpper type} \\
 x &= 3,0 t \text{ for dished ends of the Korbboogen type}
 \end{aligned}$$

with a minimum however of at least 100 mm.

**NOTE**  
When determining the transition from the knuckle to the crown of a dished end the starting point shall be the internal diameter. With thin-walled dished ends of the Klöpper type the transition is about  $0,89 D_i$ , and with thin-walled dished ends of the Korbboogen type it is about  $0,86 D_i$ . These factors get less as the wall thickness increases.

**5.7.4.2 Percentage of the permissible design stress level in joints.** A weld joint factor  $v = 1,0$  may be applied, if the extent of testing corresponds to that specified for a design stress level equal to the permissible design stress level or if the dished end is made from one plate.

A weld joint factor  $v = 1,0$  may also be applied in the case of welded dished ends (with the exception of hemispherical

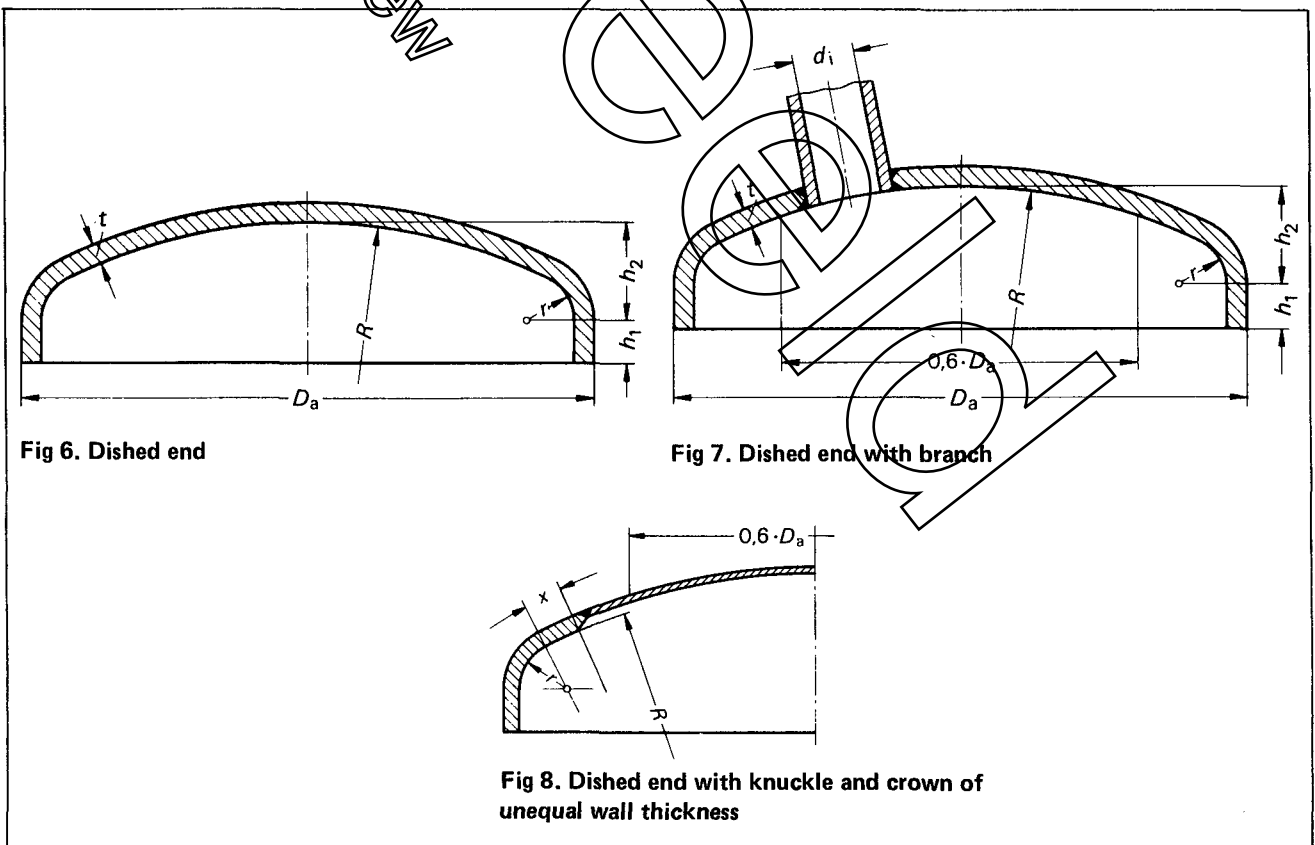


Fig 6. Dished end

Fig 7. Dished end with branch

Fig 8. Dished end with knuckle and crown of unequal wall thickness

dished ends) regardless of the extent of testing provided the welded joint intersects the crown area of  $0,6D_a$  (see figures 10 and 11). If the welded joint does not intersect the crown area of  $0,6D_a$ , the weld joint factor is  $v = 0,75$  or  $v = 1,0$  according to the extent of testing (see figures 9 and 12).

**5.7.4.3 Weakening due to openings and branches (figure 7).** Openings in the crown area of  $0,6D_a$  of dished ends of the Korbogen and Klöpper type and in hemispherical dished ends are to be checked for adequate reinforcement according to 5.7.5 without taking into account the design factor  $\beta$ . In the case of pad reinforcement the pad shall not go beyond  $0,8D_a$  with dished ends of the Klöpper type and  $0,7D_a$  with dished ends of the Korbogen type.

For openings outside the crown area of  $0,6D_a$  increased design factors  $\beta$  according to figures 13 and 14 apply.

Where the ligament between adjacent openings is not entirely within  $0,6D_a$  then the minimum width of the ligament shall be at least equal to the sum of half the opening diameters measured on the distance between the centres of the openings.

**5.7.4.4 Calculation rules.** The required wall thickness of the crown is:

$$t = \frac{D_a \cdot p}{40 (K/1,5) \cdot v + p} \quad \text{(Equation 13)}$$

The required wall thickness of the knuckle is:

$$t = \frac{D_a \cdot p \cdot \beta}{40 (K/1,5) \cdot v} \quad \text{(Equation 14)}$$

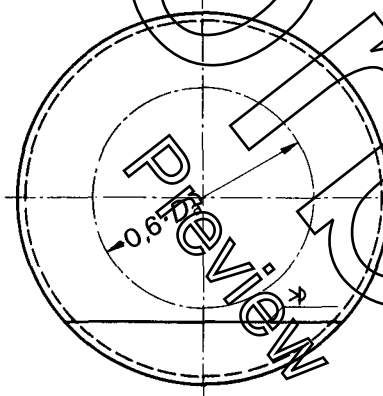


Fig 9. Welded joint outside  $0,6 D_a$   
 $v = 0,75$  resp.  $1,0$

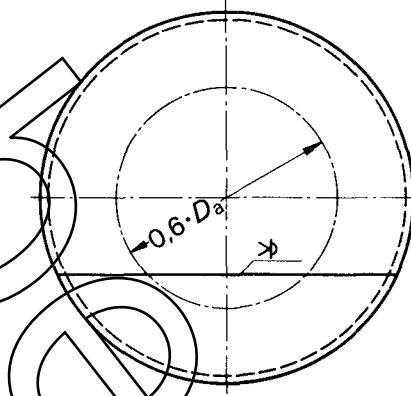


Fig 10. Welded joint inside  $0,6 D_a$   
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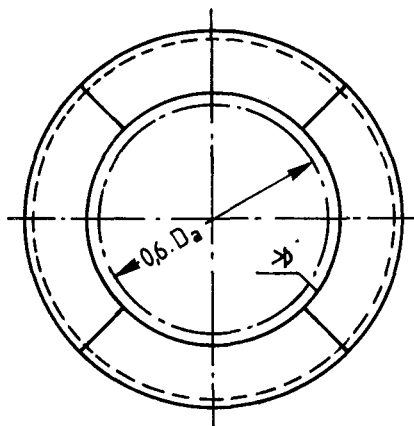


Fig 11. Welded dished end from crown and knuckle components inside  $0,6 D_a$   $v = 1,0$

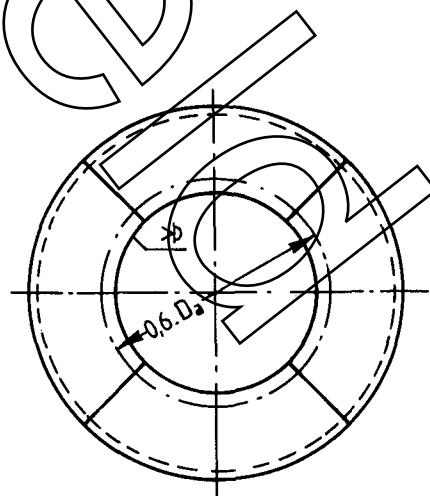


Fig 12. Welded dished end from crown and knuckle components outside  $0,6 D_a$   $v = 0,75$  resp.  $1,0$

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