

VISION SYSTEM FOR RODDING ALUMINIUM SMELTER

Scorpion Vision System for Rodding is a complete, cost effective and expandable platform for robust measurement, classification and tracking in Rodding Shops.

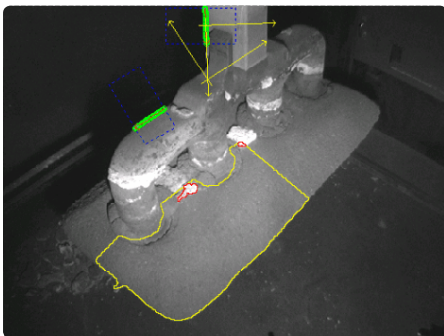
The system consists of these applications:

- Butt Classification
- Stub Classification
- Rod Tracking System

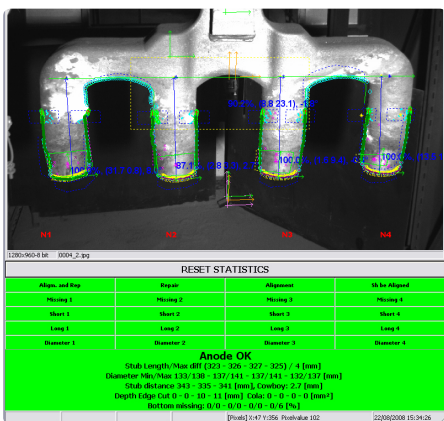
BUTT CLASSIFICATION

The Butt Classification includes the following measurements:

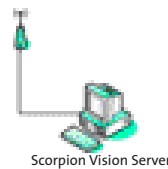
- Butt Dimension
 - Height, Area or Volume
- Bath Inspection
- Area and Coverage %
- Classification



The white areas identified with red borders are not properly cleaned.



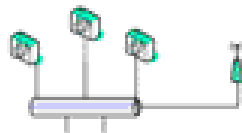
Stub classification



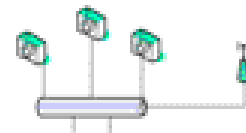
Stub Classification



Rod Tracking



Butt Classification

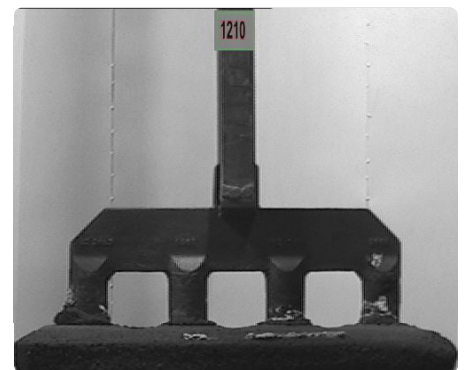


SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE. Multiple application are connected over tcp/ip to a Scorpion Vision Rodding Server. With digital ip-cameras, the deployment and installation costs are low. The system can be remotely supported and configured.

STUB CLASSIFICATION

The Stub Classification includes the following measurements and calculations:

- Stub Measurement
 - 2D Measurement
 - 3D Measurement
- Stub Cowboy Classification
- Stub Shape Verification
- Stub Length, Diameter (min, max, mean)
- Stub Shape Classification
- Bimetal Crack Detection



Rod tracking

ROD TRACKING

The Rod Tracking system includes these functions:

- Reading number on anode
- Reading number on rod
- Reading numbers / position in pot line
- Use this to collect / read information.

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