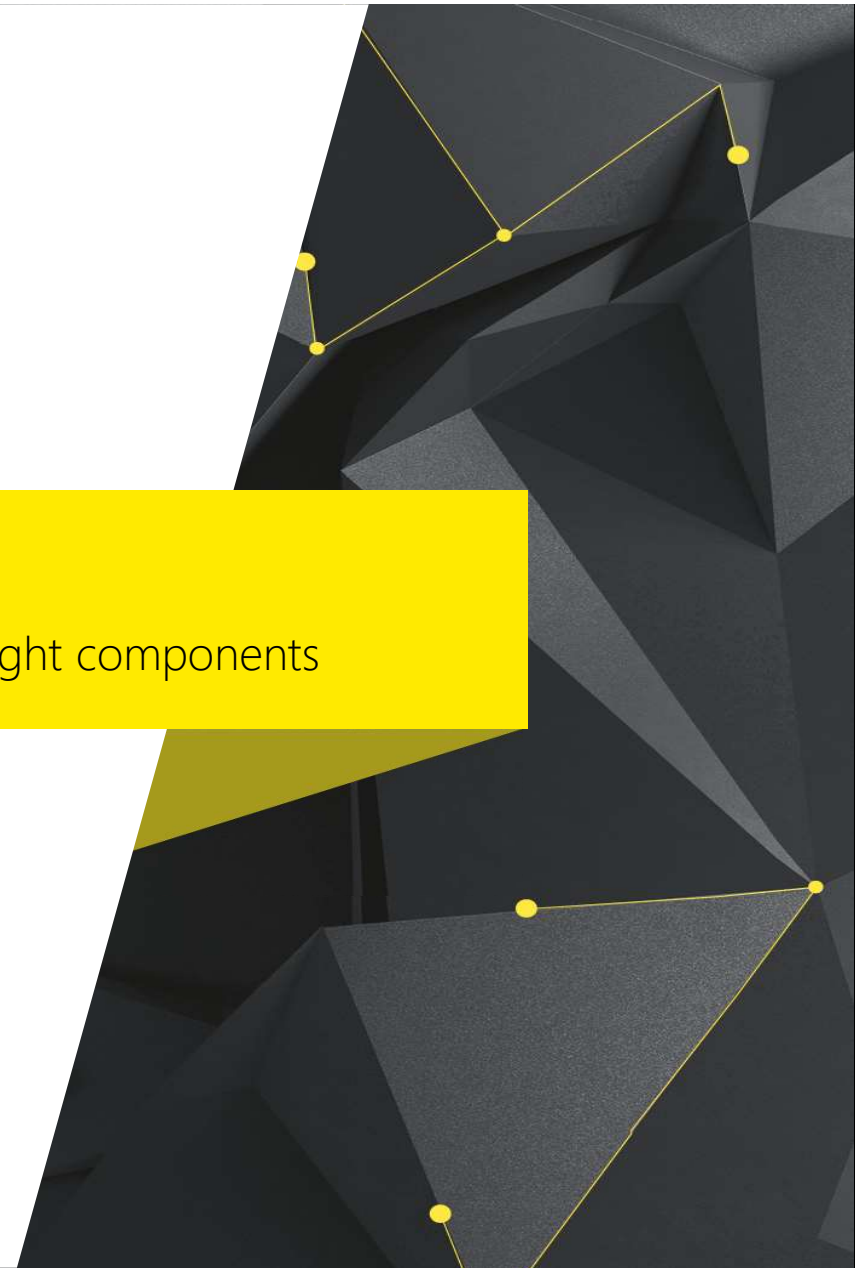


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Cold forming techniques for lightweight components



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**The Felss Group is represented worldwide.**

**ABOUT US**

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**SINCE  
1905**

**MACHINE BUILDING**

- + **Germany** | Königsbach-Stein
- + **Germany** | Pforzheim

**COMPONENT MANUFACTURING**

- + **Germany** | Bretten-Gölshausen
- + **Slovakia** | Ilava
- + **Switzerland** | Triengen

- + **USA** | New Berlin
- + **China** | Kunshan, Jiangsu Province

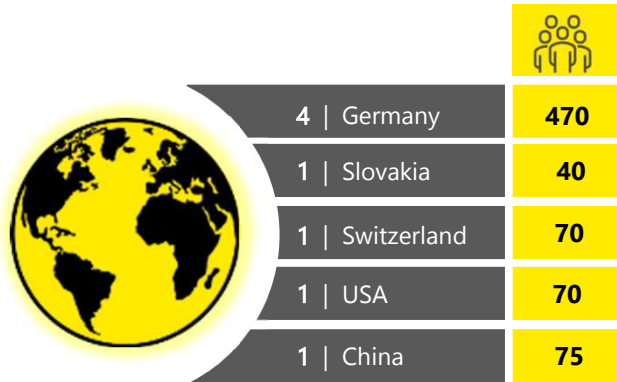
**SUPPORT**

- + **Germany** | Pforzheim
- + **Germany** | Nesselwang

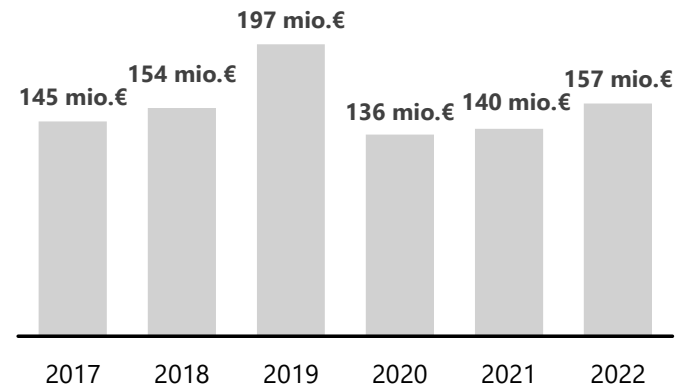
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## The key figures at a glance.

### Locations & Employees



### Turnover



approx. **725**  
Employees

**25+**  
Patents

> **5.000**  
Satisfied  
Customers

**8**  
Locations  
worldwide

> **110 Years**  
of Experience

**7**  
Technologies

**1**  
Vision

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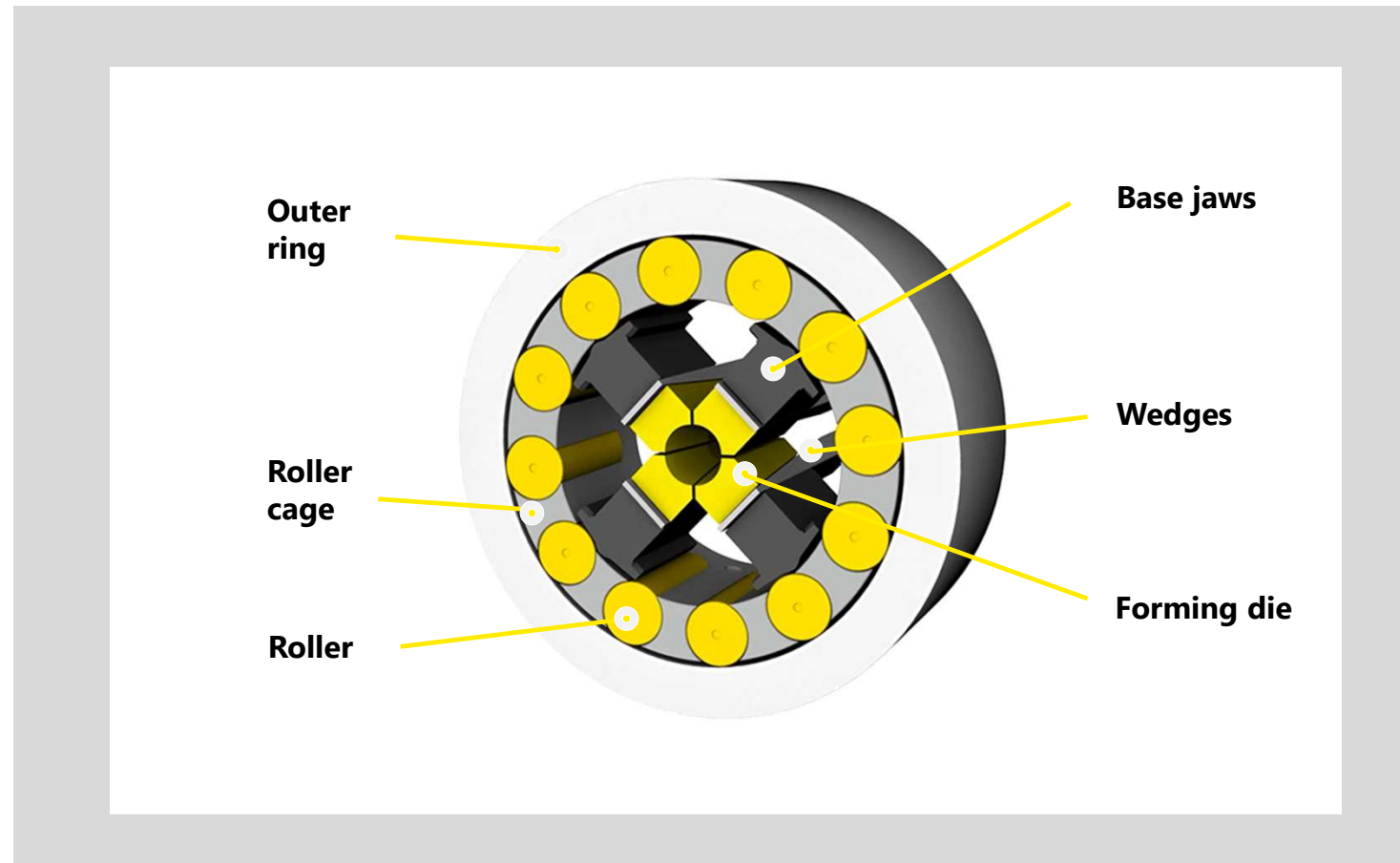


ROTARY SWAGING

## Moving parts ...



- The central swaging shaft holding the base jaws, wedges and forming tools represents the first rotating unit.
- The second one is the outer ring.
- The rollers and the roller cage itself are not self-driven, they rotate at the combined speed of the outer ring and the central swaging shaft.



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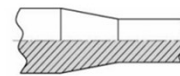
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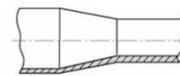
**Characteristics:**

- Reduced diameters
- Variable wall thickness
- Transitions and edge geometries
- Special inner geometries

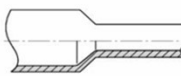
**Basic applications**



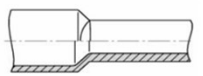
Solid shaft



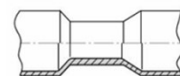
Hollow shaft



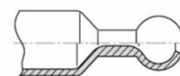
Two-sided end



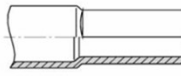
Square shaft



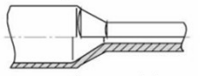
Back stitch



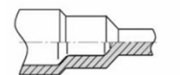
Ball shape



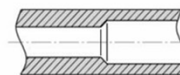
Hexagon



Hexagonal transition



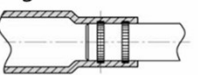
Closed end



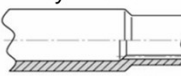
Variable wall thickness



Key wrench



Permanent connection



Inner toothing



Hose connector

## ROTARY SWAGING

### Suitable materials and blanks

- Seamless or welded tubes
- Solid bars
- Tensile strength ( $R_m$ ) up to 1,100 MPa
- Elongation at fracture (A5) min. 10 %
- Only metal

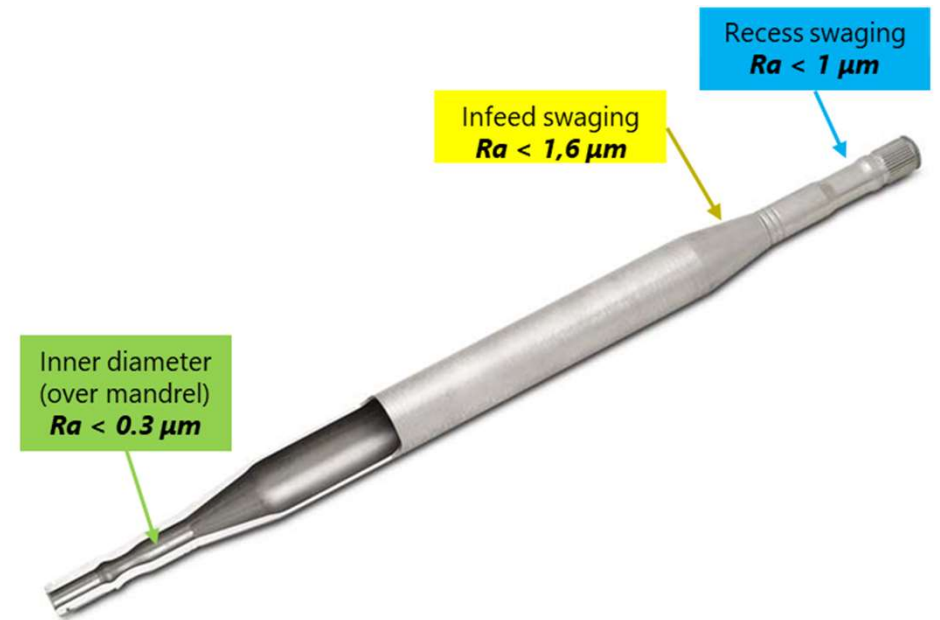




**Dimensional and surface tolerances**



		Tolerance grade							
		IT4	IT5	IT6	IT7	IT8	IT9	IT10	IT11
from	to	Tolerance zone width (in $\mu\text{m}$ )							
---	3	3	4	6	10	14	25	40	60
3	6	4	5	8	12	18	30	48	75
6	10	4	6	9	15	22	36	58	90
10	18	5	8	11	18	27	43	70	110
18	30	6	9	13	21	33	52	84	130
30	50	7	11	16	25	39	62	100	160
50	80	8	13	19	30	46	74	120	190
80	120	10	15	22	35	54	87	140	220



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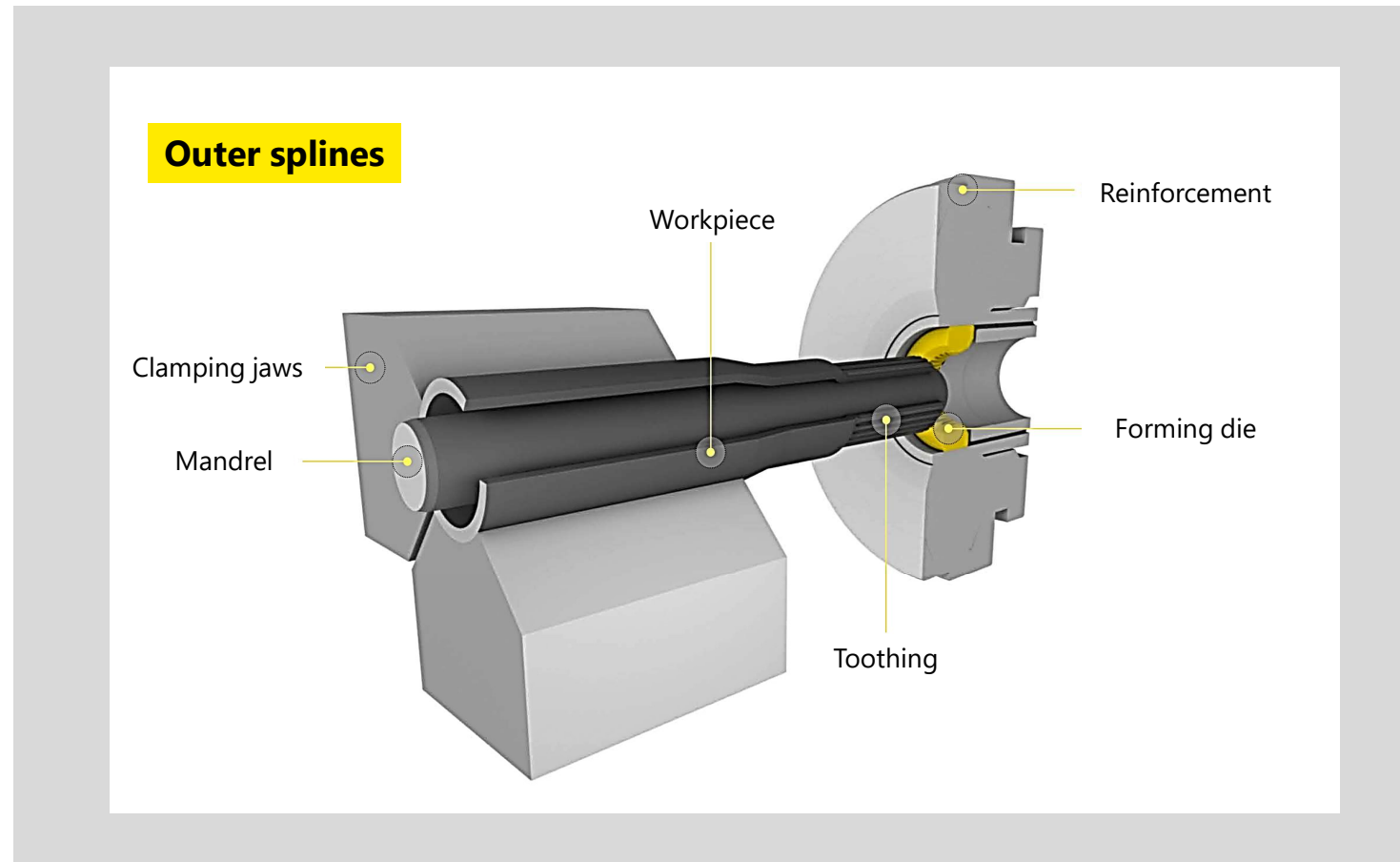
AXIAL FORMING

**Basic principle in axial forming: stationary workpiece, moving tool**



**Characteristics:**

- Fixed clamping device
- Mandrel to reinforce the inner diameter
- Moveable forming die
- Helical movement possible



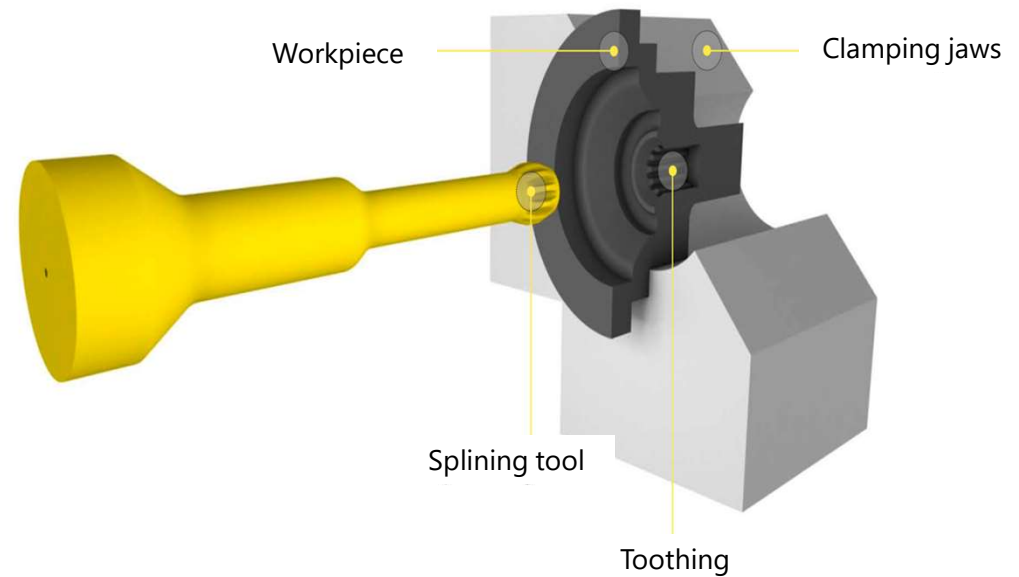
**The tool can form outside or inside, the principle always remains the same**



## Characteristics:

- Same idea
- Inner splining tool
- Workpiece stays fixed in place

### Inner splines



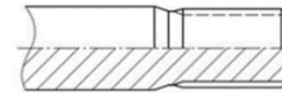
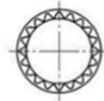
# AXIAL FORMING

## Application samples

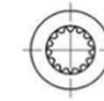


### Characteristics:

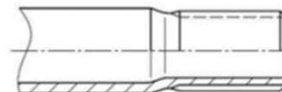
- Solid and hollow parts
- Whether involute splines, serrations, ball tracks ... the essential factor is symmetry in axial direction
- Block voids and block teeth must be separately designed



Involute spline (solid part)



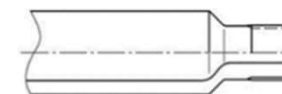
Involute spline in a blind hole



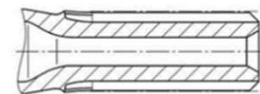
Involute spline (hollow part)



Spline on an internal geometry



Serration (hollow part)

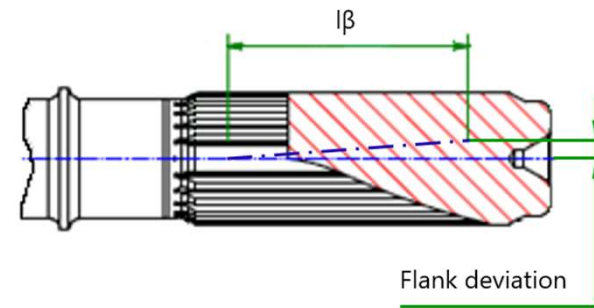


Ball tracks



Standard	Tolerance class (mod)
ANSI B92.1	5
ISO 4156	5
DIN 5480	8

**(mod)** → The flank deviation can be higher than specified in the standards because the choice of material and the reinforcement situation can have negative effects



With reference to  $l\beta = 30\text{mm}$ , flank line deviations of  $16\ \mu\text{m}$  and better are to be classified as realistic and verifiable results.

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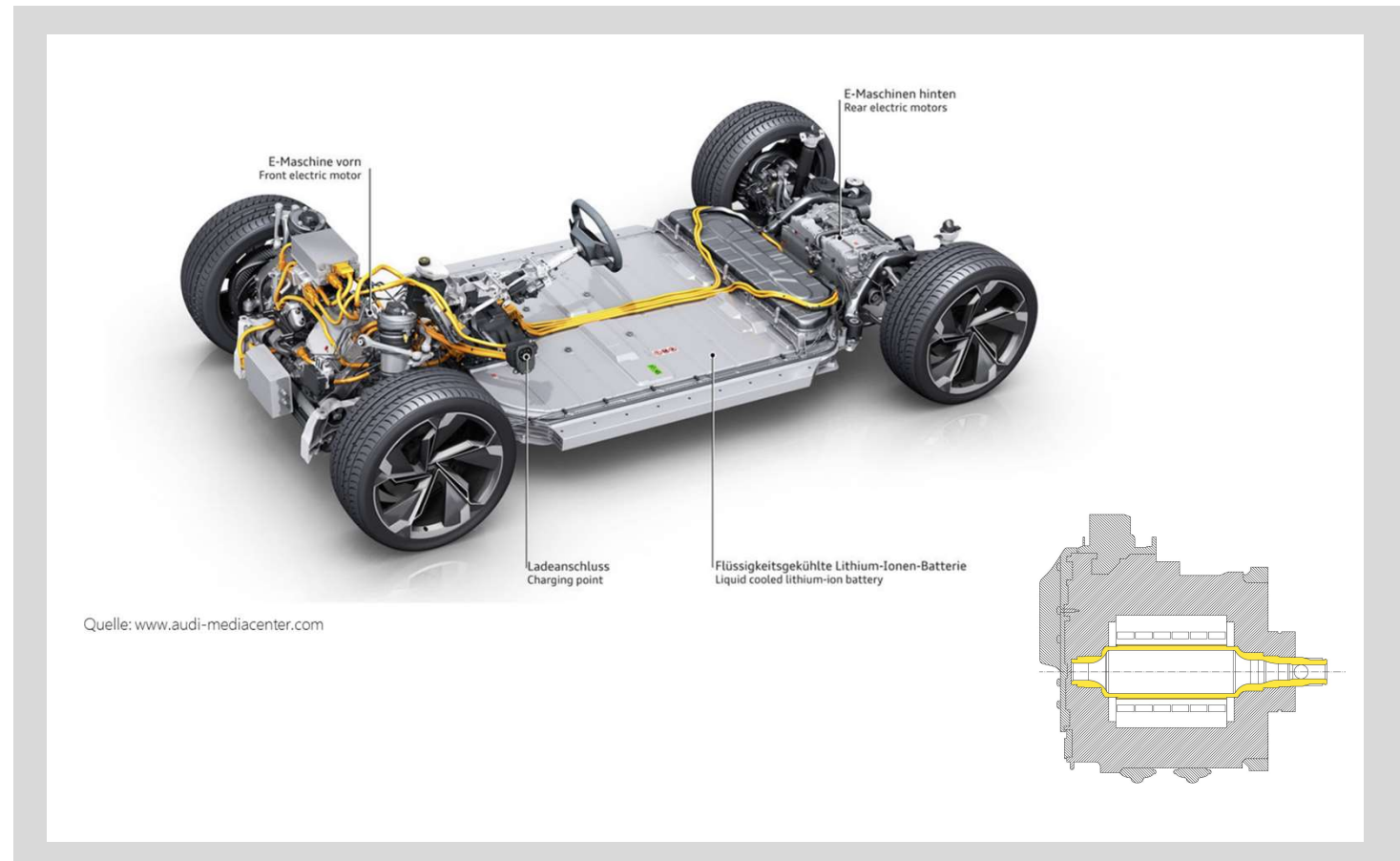
APPLICATION SAMPLE



## Rotor shafts

### Rotor shafts - core pieces of the electrical drive

- Felss developed more than 50 successful process developments for swaging and forming of rotor shafts
- Rotor shafts currently in mass production at Felss Germany
- Short cycle times have been proven throughout the history of these developments

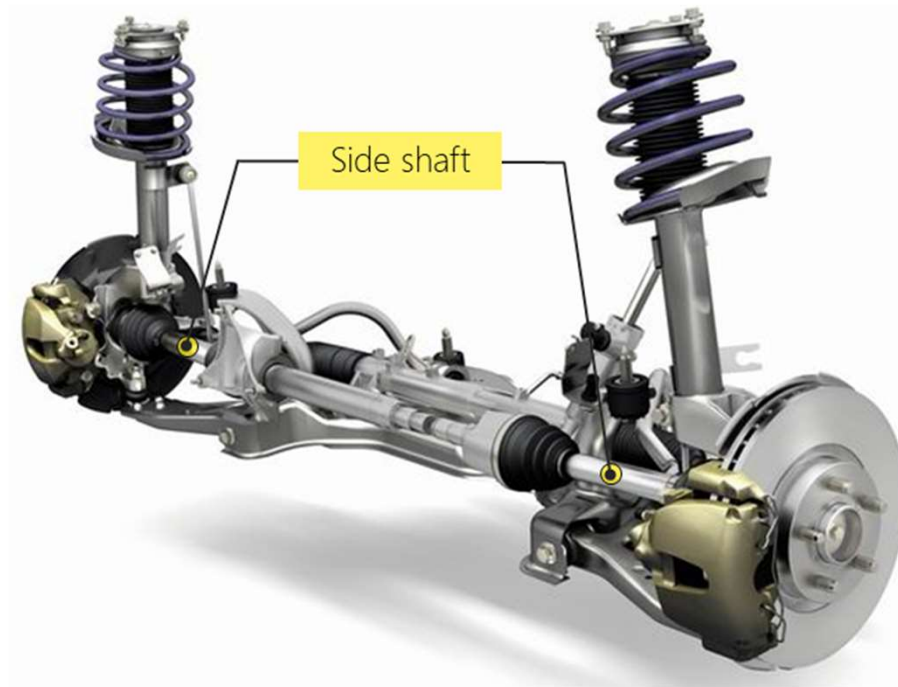




## Hollow side shafts

### Usage of hollow drive shafts

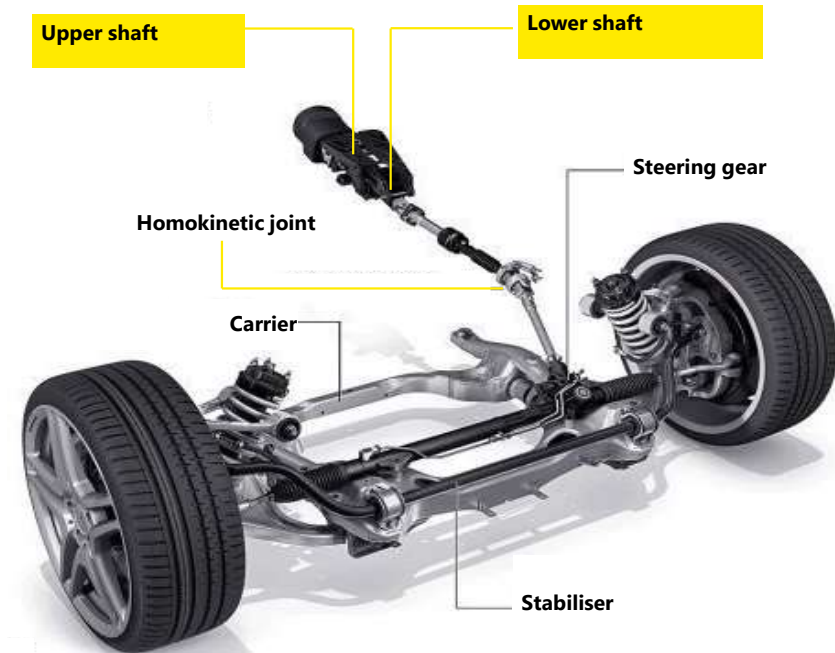
- Transmitting engine power to the wheels
- Felss developed more than 100 shaft designs with OEM's, Tier 1 and Tier 2
- All of these shafts are hollow



## Steering shafts

### Usage of hollow steering shafts

- Allowing the adjustment of steering components
- Large variety of possible shaft designs with OEM's, Tier 1 and Tier 2
- Approx. 30% weight reduction with optimization of wall thicknesses



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