

# Applying the Taguchi Method on an EDM Machine

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**Abstract** - In this paper, we are going to see the Taguchi method and apply it to an Electro-discharge machine(EDM) we will cut the mild steel in this process and generate a report which helps us to understand the error which we will be going to face while doing the work. In this work, we will use Minitab 19 to have results in a statics format which will help to find a special scale that helps to make a chart. In this process, we will take some parameters such as peak current, spark on time, spark off time, flushing pressure.it found that on machine characteristics such as metal removal rate(MRR) and tool wear rate(TWR). By this type of data, we will put in the Taguchi method. Experimental results will provide us to study the Taguchi

**Key Words:** EDM, Taguchi,minitab19, MRR, TWR

## 1.INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we are going to study EDM by using the Taguchi method. Nowadays we are going to modern work and using an automatic machine which does our work fast and gives output fast but as we all know that every machine has some error which we have to identify and we have created a solution which can change the world. In this research work, we will go to find MRR and TWR in machine form which will lower the cost of making and improve the product quality.

### 1.1 EDM Machine working

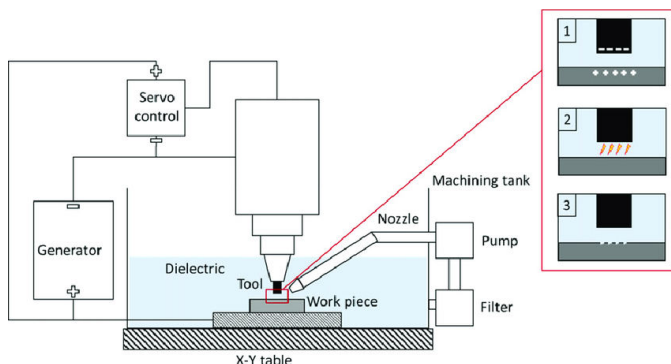


fig 1 EDM machine

EDM means electrical discharge machining this machine is also known as spark machining, spark eroding, die sinking, wire burning, or wire erosion. This machine is the first to note in 1770 by Joseph Priestley. Two Russian scientists, B. R. Lazarenko and N. I. Lazarenko was tasked in 1943 to research ways of preventing the erosion of tungsten electrical contacts thanks to sparking.

In the process of EDM, the material is removed with the help of an electrical spark which helps the material wear out. This principle works on Thermal electrical energy because when the spark is created the heat is also produced due to this material is removed from the workpiece, therefore, it is basic

on Thermal electrical energy.when the heat is generated it go to 8000 °C to 12000 °C.In this process, we use Di-electrical fluid work as an insulator to the workpiece and also going on process but if the fluid gets ionized then the spark is created. In the EDM process tool, we provide a negative charge, and in the workpiece, we provide a positive charge.

In the working process of EDM, we provide a DC voltage In this process negative charge goes to the tool and the positive charge goes to the workpiece. Over a tool, there is a motor that helps a tool and gives a feed to the tool. As the workpieces are having a positive charge, we have to fix the workpiece on the fixture so as not to move. This all assembly is put in one container and also we put a Dielectric fluid in it.t. As when the DC current flow to the workpiece and tool the fluid get ionize and created a spark in it and due to spark the heat is produce remove the material for the workpiece

## 2. Taguchi method

Genichi Taguchi was a scientist who developed the Taguchi method. This Taguchi has developed for improving the TQM. The Taguchi method has been introduced to identify the failure and variations. Taguchi has developed the 2 methods known as Robust design and Taguchi loss function. The robust design helps to set a specification of failure so to the term of failure. Therefore in this study, we will use some parameters like peak current, spark on time, spark off time, flushing pressure. and find the variation in this process

## 3. EXPERIMENT PROCESS

In this process, the target is mild steel which has a 30mm diameter the experiment is performant on an EDM machine which is working thermal electrical energy

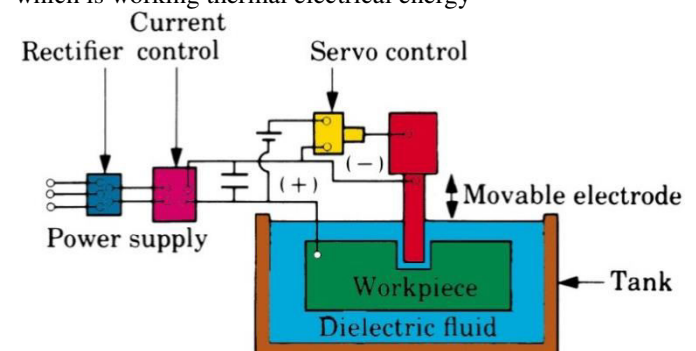


fig:2 of EDM Machine

## 4.OBJECTIVE

- 1.To study the influence of EDM parameters on Mild Steel.
- 2.Study the Taguchi method
- 3.To find the variations

## 5.EXPERIMENT SETUP

In the experimental setup, we have a 30mm diameter rod of mild steel. In this process, we find the MRR and TWR the workpiece is fixed in the fixture

## 6. PARAMETER

| Ip(A) | Ton(us) | Toff(us) | Fp(kg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
|-------|---------|----------|-------------------------|
| 10    | 5       | 3        | 0.2                     |
| 10    | 10      | 5        | 0.3                     |
| 10    | 15      | 7        | 0.5                     |
| 12    | 5       | 5        | 0.5                     |
| 12    | 10      | 7        | 0.2                     |
| 12    | 15      | 3        | 0.3                     |
| 14    | 5       | 7        | 0.3                     |
| 14    | 10      | 3        | 0.5                     |
| 14    | 15      | 5        | 0.2                     |

This parameter we going to use to find the MRR and TWR error

## 7.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION FOR MILD STEEL

To measure the diameter we will go to use a vernier caliper we will take 9 readings on the material. In this process, we will be going to use the Taguchi method

### A. Taguchi Design

#### Design Summary

|               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Taguchi Array | L9(3 <sup>4</sup> ) |
| Factors:      | 3                   |
| Runs:         | 9                   |

Columns of L9(3<sup>4</sup>) array: 1 2 3

### B. EDM Results (Taguchi Design)

| Ip(A) | Ton(us) | Toff(us) | Fp(kg/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | machine time(Min) | MRR (gm/min) | TWR (gm/min) | SN RA 1  | ST DE 1 | M EA N1 |
|-------|---------|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|---------|---------|
| 10    | 5       | 3        | 0.2                     | 27                | 0.000037     | 0.01458      | -22.6069 | 13.4645 | 6.80365 |
| 10    | 10      | 5        | 0.3                     | 20                | 0.00005      | 0.0176       | -20.001  | 9.948   | 5.07941 |
| 10    | 15      | 7        | 0.5                     | 22                | 0.0000454    | 0.01589      | -20.8301 | 10.9165 | 5.62898 |
| 12    | 5       | 5        | 0.5                     | 32                | 0.0000312    | 0.01745      | -24.0835 | 15.9154 | 8.12937 |
| 12    | 10      | 7        | 0.2                     | 26                | 0.0000384    | 0.01925      | -22.2791 | 12.9638 | 6.55482 |
| 12    | 15      | 3        | 0.3                     | 9                 | 0.00011      | 0.03958      | -13.0692 | 4.4454  | 2.33492 |
| 14    | 5       | 7        | 0.3                     | 35                | 0.0000285    | 0.01576      | -24.8611 | 17.4479 | 8.82895 |
| 14    | 10      | 3        | 0.5                     | 12                | 0.0000833    | 0.04625      | -15.5706 | 5.9132  | 3.13658 |
| 14    | 15      | 5        | 0.2                     | 11                | 0.0000909    | 0.04163      | -14.8088 | 5.4604  | 2.81043 |

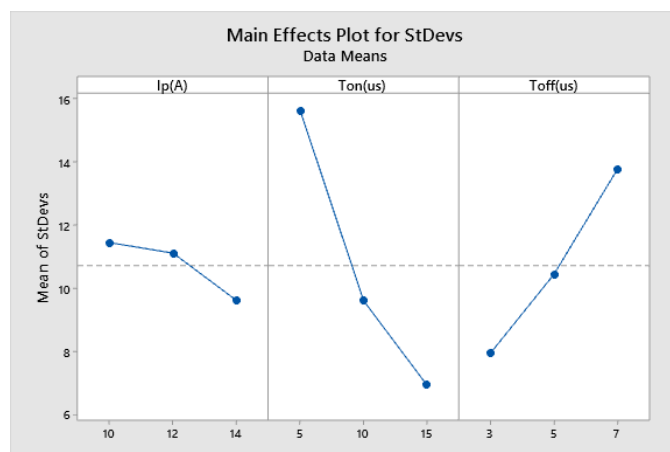
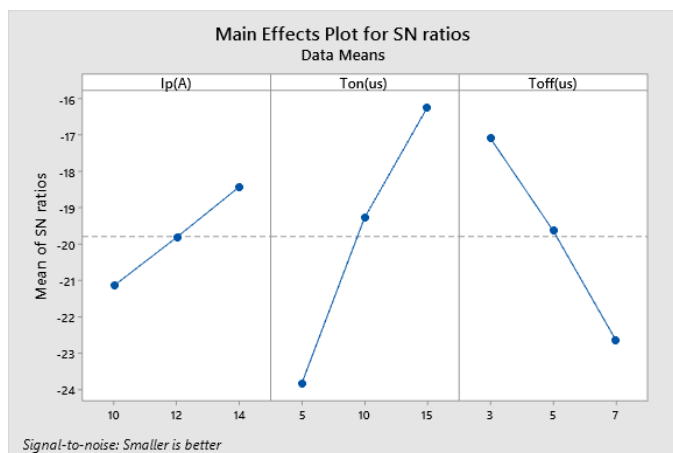
## Response Table for Signal to Noise Ratios

Smaller is better

| Level | Ip(A)  | Ton(us) | Toff(us) |
|-------|--------|---------|----------|
| 1     | -21.15 | -23.85  | -17.08   |
| 2     | -19.81 | -19.28  | -19.63   |
| 3     | -18.41 | -16.24  | -22.66   |
| Delta | 2.73   | 7.61    | 5.57     |
| Rank  | 3      | 1       | 2        |

## Response Table for Standard Deviations

| Level | Ip(A)  | Ton(us) | Toff(us) |
|-------|--------|---------|----------|
| 1     | 11.443 | 15.609  | 7.941    |
| 2     | 11.108 | 9.608   | 10.441   |
| 3     | 9.607  | 6.941   | 13.776   |
| Delta | 1.836  | 8.669   | 5.835    |
| Rank  | 3      | 1       | 2        |



## B. Analysis of variance

General Linear Model: MRR (gm/min) versus Ip(A), Ton(us), Toff(us)

## Response Table for Means

| Level | Ip(A) | Ton(us) | Toff(us) |
|-------|-------|---------|----------|
| 1     | 5.837 | 7.921   | 4.092    |
| 2     | 5.673 | 4.924   | 5.340    |
| 3     | 4.925 | 3.591   | 7.004    |
| Delta | 0.912 | 4.329   | 2.913    |
| Rank  | 3     | 1       | 2        |

## Method

Factor coding (-1, 0, +1)

Box-Cox transformation

Rounded  $\lambda$  -1

Estimated  $\lambda$  -1.14342

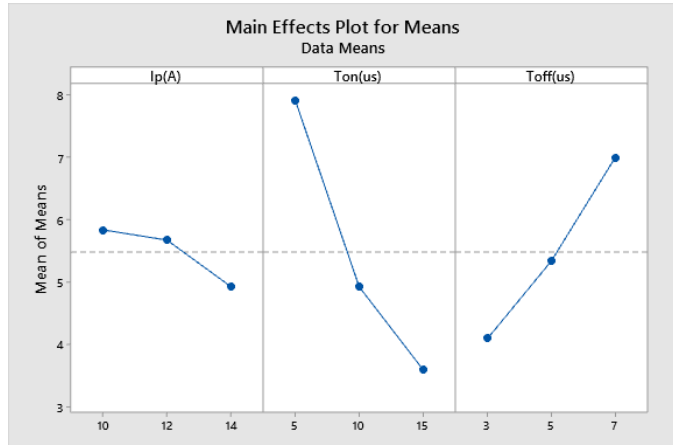
95% CI for  $\lambda$  (-1.46192, -0.817918)

## Factor Information

| Factor   | Type  | Levels | Values     |
|----------|-------|--------|------------|
| Ip(A)    | Fixed | 3      | 10, 12, 14 |
| Ton(us)  | Fixed | 3      | 5, 10, 15  |
| Toff(us) | Fixed | 3      | 3, 5, 7    |

## Analysis of Variance for Transformed Response

| Source      | DF | Adj SS    | Adj MS    | F-Value | P-Value |
|-------------|----|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Ip(A)       | 2  | 23695433  | 11847716  | 38.75   | 0.007   |
| Ton(us)     | 2  | 534336134 | 267168067 | 873.82  | 0.000   |
| Toff(us)    | 2  | 228519520 | 114259760 | 373.71  | 0.000   |
| Error       | 3  | 917238    | 305746    |         |         |
| Lack-of-Fit | 2  | 917238    | 458619    | *       | *       |
| Pure Error  | 1  | 0         | 0         |         |         |
| Total       | 9  | 732677233 |           |         |         |



## Coefficients for Transformed Response

| Term     | Coef   | SE Coef | T-Value | P-Value | VIF  |
|----------|--------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Constant | -21569 | 178     | -120.86 | 0.000   |      |
| Ip(A)    |        |         |         |         |      |
| 10       | -1406  | 244     | -5.77   | 0.010   | 1.34 |
| 12       | -798   | 257     | -3.11   | 0.053   | 1.29 |
| Ton(us)  |        |         |         |         |      |
| 5        | -9777  | 244     | -40.10  | 0.000   | 1.34 |
| 10       | 2220   | 257     | 8.65    | 0.003   | 1.29 |
| Toff(us) |        |         |         |         |      |
| 3        | 5598   | 244     | 22.96   | 0.000   | 1.34 |
| 5        | 552    | 257     | 2.15    | 0.121   | 1.29 |

## 2)General Linear Model: TWR (gm/min) versus Ip(A), Ton(us), Toff(us)

### Method

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Factor coding          | (-1, 0, +1)          |
| Box-Cox transformation |                      |
| Rounded $\lambda$      | -2                   |
| Estimated $\lambda$    | -1.76148             |
| 95% CI for $\lambda$   | (-2.42098, -1.09998) |

### Factor Information

#### Factor Type Levels Values

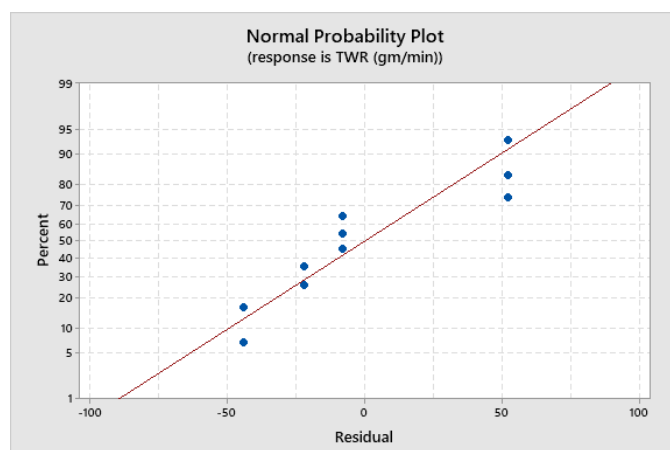
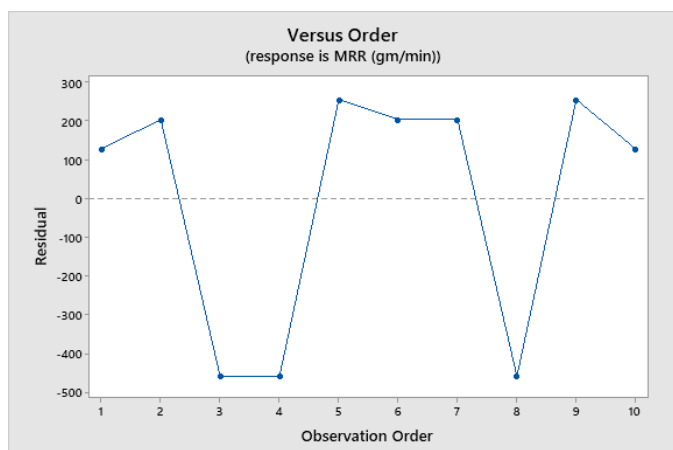
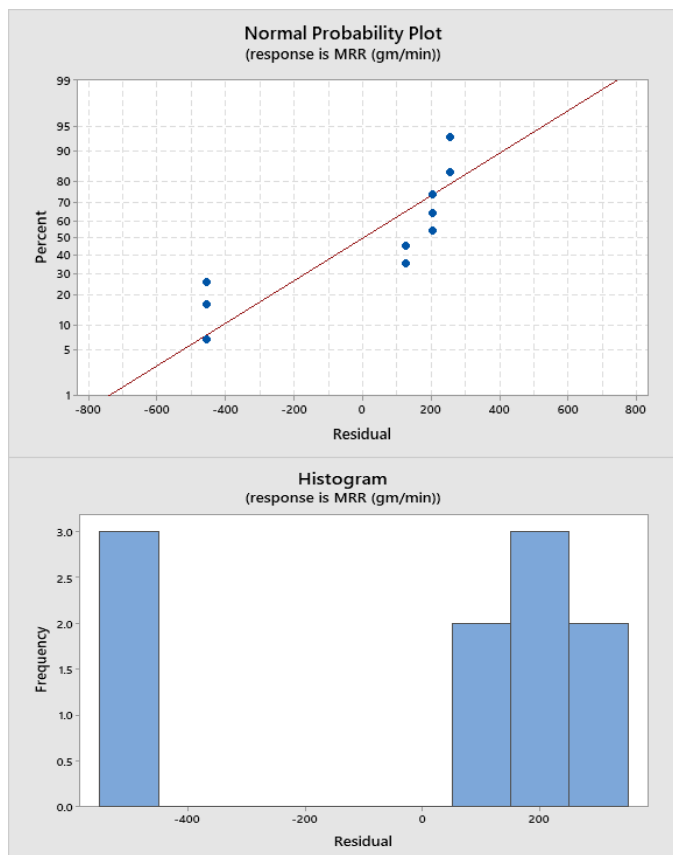
|          |       |   |            |
|----------|-------|---|------------|
| Ip(A)    | Fixed | 3 | 10, 12, 14 |
| Ton(us)  | Fixed | 3 | 5, 10, 15  |
| Toff(us) | Fixed | 3 | 3, 5, 7    |

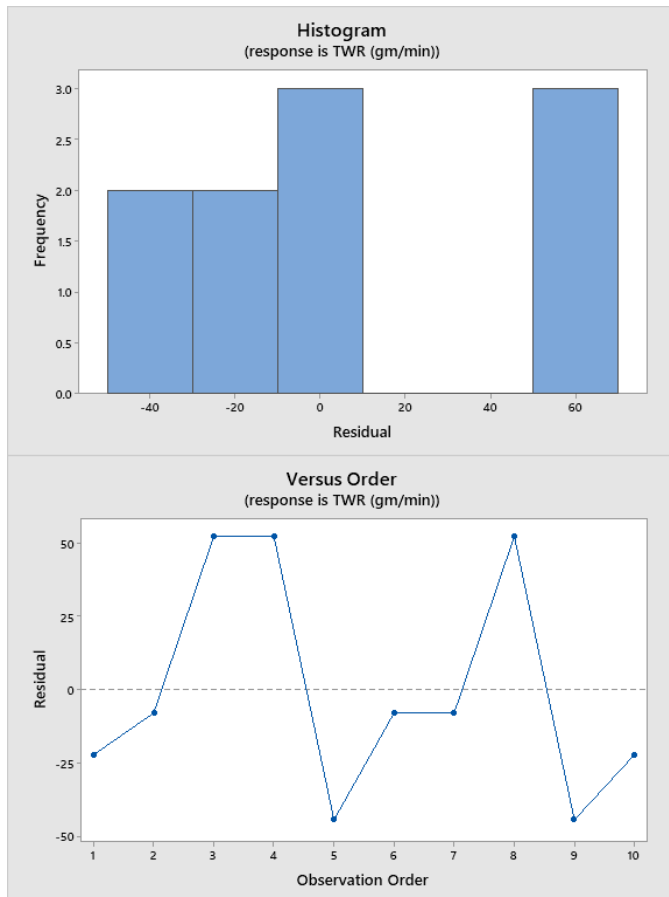
## Analysis of Variance for Transformed Response

| Source      | DF | Adj SS   | Adj MS  | F-Value | P-Value |
|-------------|----|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Ip(A)       | 2  | 9756123  | 4878062 | 1099.52 | 0.000   |
| Ton(us)     | 2  | 10172560 | 5086280 | 1146.45 | 0.000   |
| Toff(us)    | 2  | 4525528  | 2262764 | 510.03  | 0.000   |
| Error       | 3  | 13310    | 4437    |         |         |
| Lack-of-Fit | 2  | 13310    | 6655    | *       | *       |
| Pure Error  | 1  | 0        | 0       |         |         |
| Total       | 9  | 25576810 |         |         |         |

## Coefficients for Transformed Response

| Term     | Coef    | SE Coef | T-Value | P-Value | VIF  |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Constant | -2623.0 | 21.5    | -122.01 | 0.000   |      |
| Ip(A)    |         |         |         |         |      |
| 10       | -1348.8 | 29.4    | -45.92  | 0.000   | 1.34 |
| 12       | 416.0   | 30.9    | 13.46   | 0.001   | 1.29 |
| Ton(us)  |         |         |         |         |      |
| 5        | -1389.2 | 29.4    | -47.30  | 0.000   | 1.34 |
| 10       | 491.5   | 30.9    | 15.90   | 0.001   | 1.29 |
| Toff(us) |         |         |         |         |      |
| 3        | 678.9   | 29.4    | 23.12   | 0.000   | 1.34 |
| 5        | 259.9   | 30.9    | 8.41    | 0.004   | 1.29 |





### Material Removal Rate

as the chart of these shows the main effect of MRR various level condition .we have observed that as the pulse duration increases with peak current the MRR increase in EDM

### 3. CONCLUSIONS

as we find the relation between the MRR and TWR  
Regression Equation

**General Linear Model: MRR (gm/min) versus Ip(A), Ton(us), Toff(us)**

$$1) - \text{MRR (gm/min)}^{-1} \\ = -21569 - 1406 \text{ Ip(A)}_{10} - 798 \text{ Ip(A)}_{12} + 2205 \text{ Ip(A)}_{14} - 9777 \text{ Ton(us)}_5 \\ + 2220 \text{ Ton(us)}_{10} + 7557 \text{ Ton(us)}_{15} + 5598 \text{ Toff(us)}_3 + 552 \text{ Toff(us)}_5 \\ - 6150 \text{ Toff(us)}_7$$

**General Linear Model: TWR (gm/min) versus Ip(A), Ton(us), Toff(us)**

$$2) \text{ TWR (gm/min)}^{-2} \\ = -2623.0 - 1348.8 \text{ Ip(A)}_{10} + 416.0 \text{ Ip(A)}_{12} + 932.8 \text{ Ip(A)}_{14} \\ - 1389.2 \text{ Ton(us)}_5 + 491.5 \text{ Ton(us)}_{10} + 897.7 \text{ Ton(us)}_{15} \\ + 678.9 \text{ Toff(us)}_3 + 259.9 \text{ Toff(us)}_5 - 938.8 \text{ Toff(us)}_7$$

As we study the taguchi on EDM we have find many like efficiency and loss of material many other things as we see in paper

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