

Nondestructive Inspection System for Tubular Products

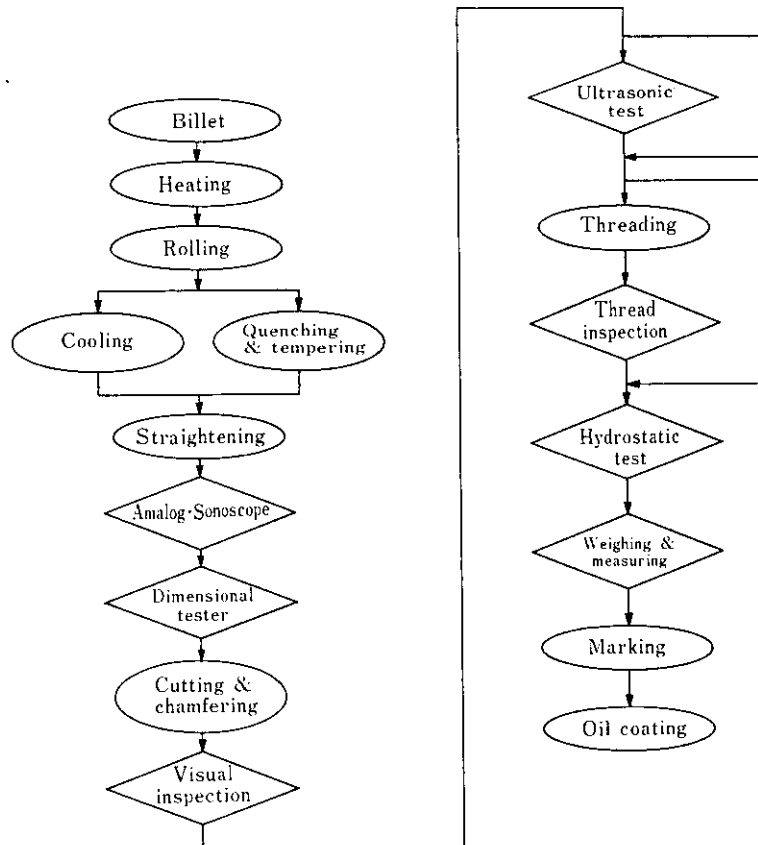
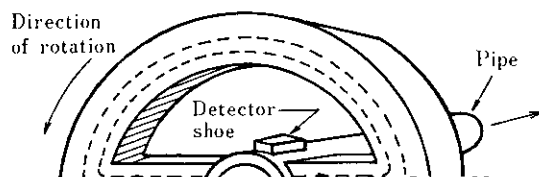


Fig. 1 Manufacturing process of medium diameter seamless tube

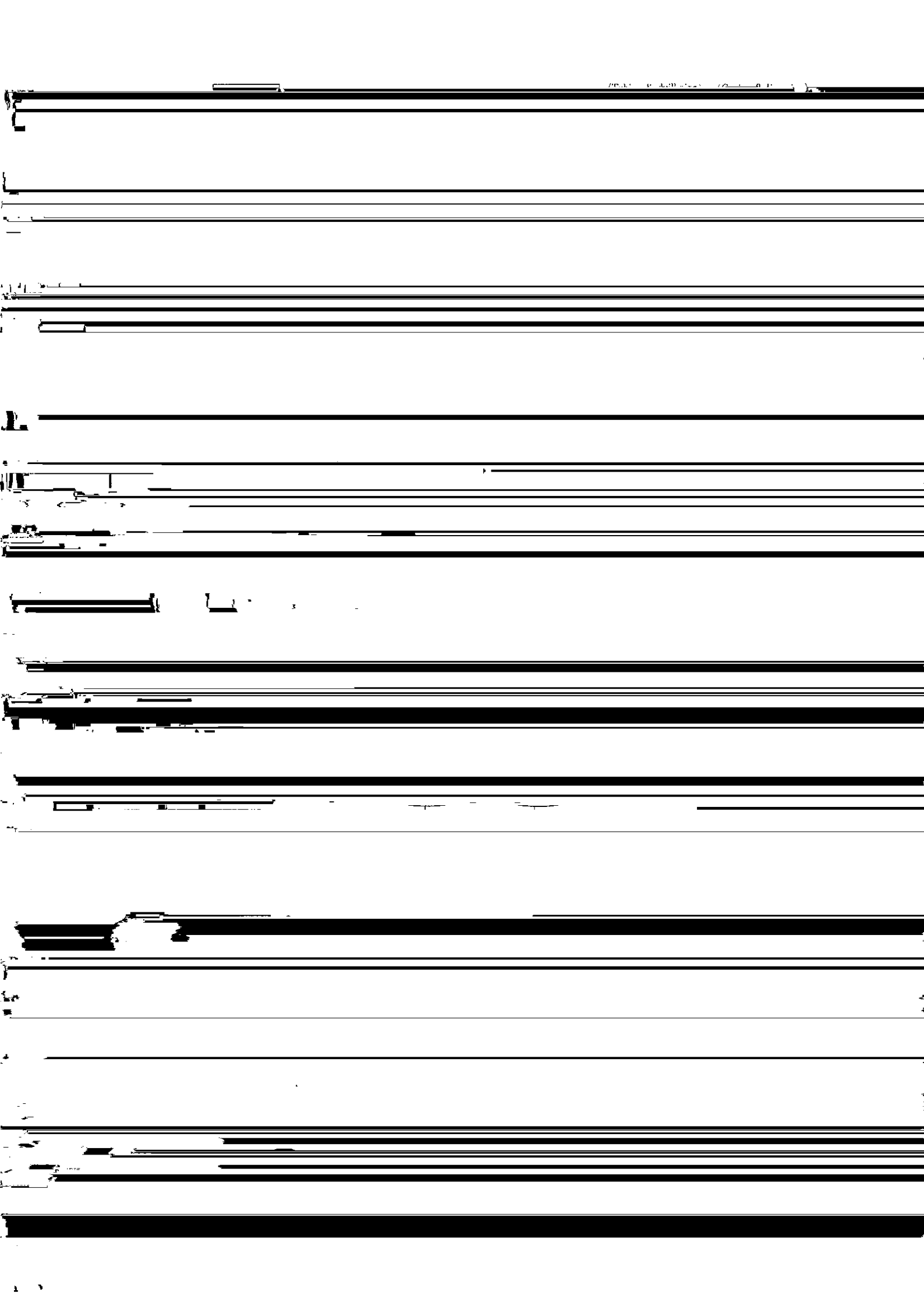
taneously, continuous measurement of the outside diameter and wall thickness is performed. The plant is provided with an on-line computer and piece-by-piece tracking is performed. The results of the NDI are also



The Sonoscope section mainly detects transverse flaws, but can thoroughly detect nit-like flaws like the Amalgam

developed by Kawasaki Steel has been further modified into an ultrasonic tester for outside diameter and wall

magnetization by direct current and detect flaws on circumference every piece of pipe can be measured



Probe holder

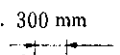
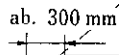
Direction of
rotation

1 500 rpm

Magnetic field direction

ab. 300 mm

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and the pipe travels spirally through these detecting

line which is a long production line, a grade verification

resolutions. The C scanning unit performs flaw

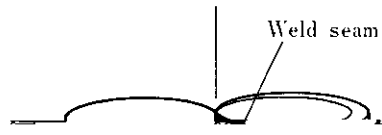
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detection by maintaining contact with the pipe surface except at the upset portion. This testing system has the following special functions like the automatic ultrasonic testing system for medium diameter seamless pipes:

- (1) Automatic sensitivity setting by computer

just in front of the pipe bundling machine to perform grade verification. This system makes a comparison between the magnetic permeability of steel pipe and that of standard pipe. This tester is particularly useful for products whose hardness and microstructures vary owing to the difference in heat treatment condi-

niques of hot coils and ERW pipe and progress in non-destructive inspection techniques have made it possible to employ ERW pipe in a wide field, such as oil well casings (OCTG), high grade pipe, and pipe to be used under adverse conditions like sour gas, for which only



demonstrating high detection accuracy. For details of **5 Small Diameter ERW Pipe**

selected. In general, the detector is used for detection at an angle of 00° and thus it can detect flows in any

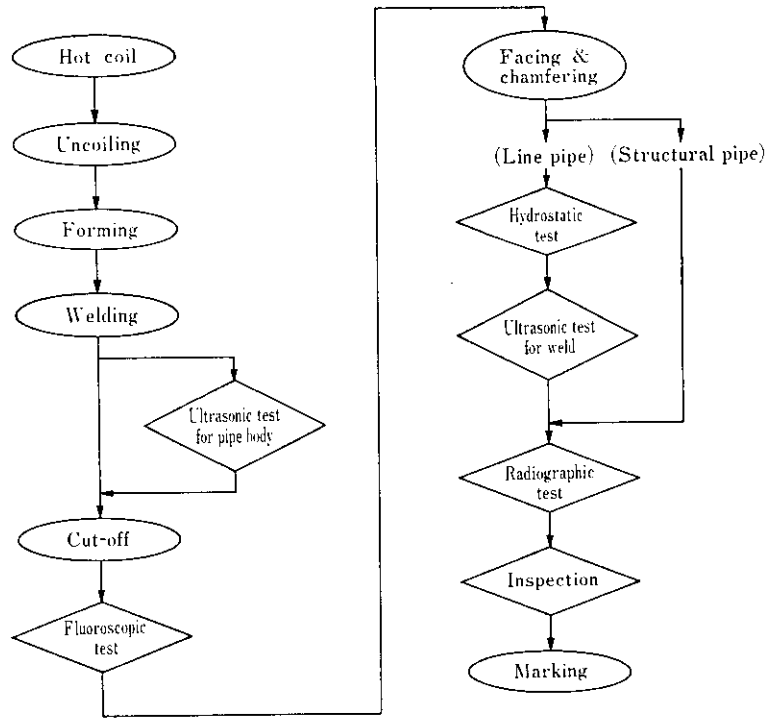
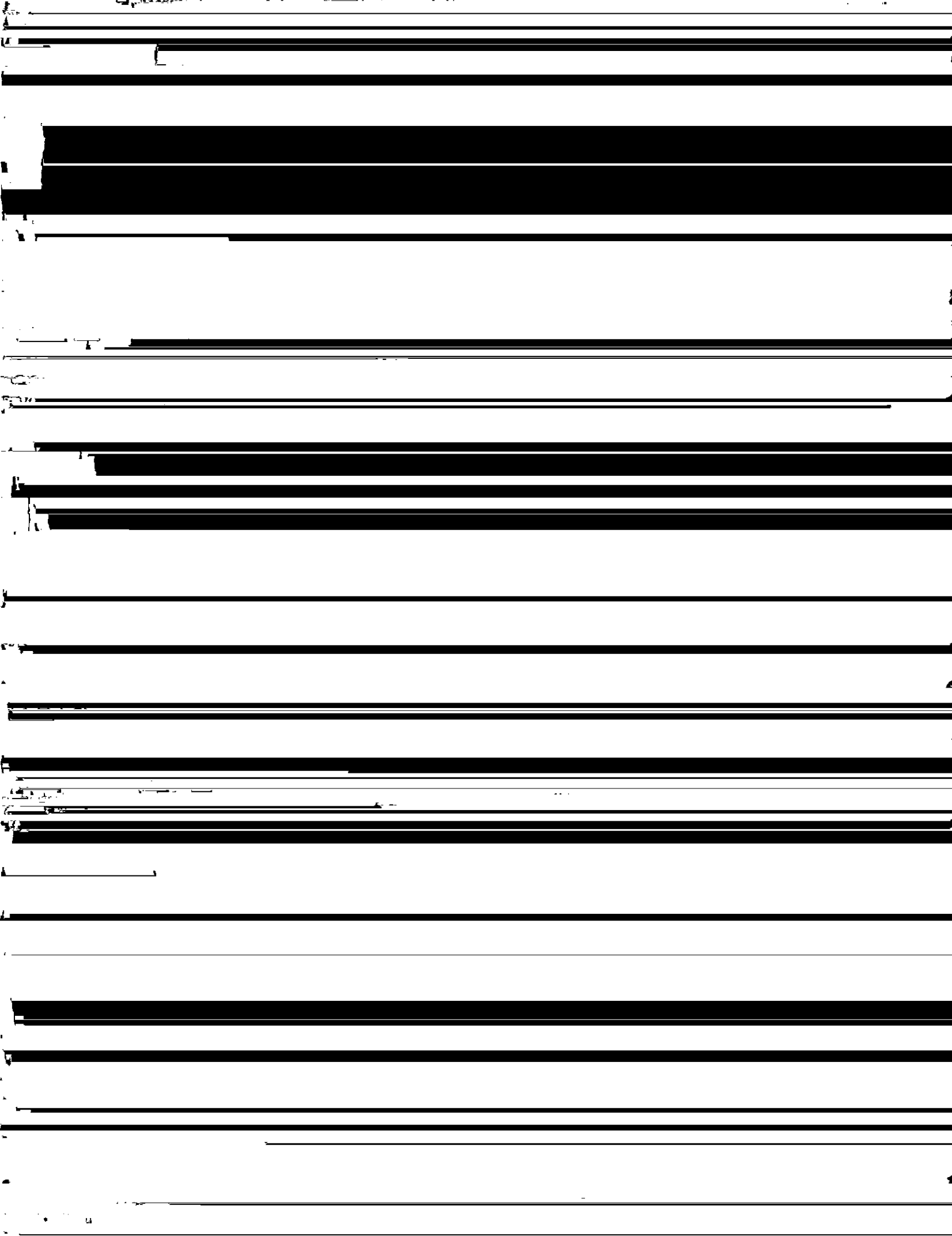


Fig. 16 Manufacturing process for spiral weld pipe

6.2.3 Automatic ultrasonic flaw detector for welds

This is the SNUP-O Type Automatic Ultrasonic

Weld seam Pipe



necessary to promote the development of new equipment and automation of existing equipment. To

are executed. Then the trainees are subjected to qualification tests. The qualification of

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