**FORMING EXPRESS (3D)** is a popular process simulation system designed to analyze three-dimensional flow in metal forming processes. Applications include die forging, cold heading, upsetting, drawing and extrusion, among others. Three-dimensional simulation is needed to model complex, 3D shapes or defects such as buckling. **FORMING EXPRESS** is a practical and efficient tool to predict the material flow in industrial forming operations without the cost and delay of shop trials.

Based on the finite element method (FEM), DEFORM has proven to be an accurate and robust solution in industrial applications for more than two decades. The simulation engine is capable of predicting metal flow, loads and defects with astonishing precision. The automatic mesh generator produces an optimized mesh with little user input. FEM settings are derived from the process details supplied by the user. **FORMING EXPRESS** shares the system architecture, mesh generator and FEM engine with DEFORM-3D, the advanced 3D process simulation system.

While **FORMING EXPRESS** provides sophisticated analysis capabilities, the graphical user interface is intuitive and easy to learn. The system guides a user through data preparation, but also allows direct access to modify parameters or review results.

**FORMING EXPRESS** continues a tradition of accuracy and state-of-the-art capabilities that were first established in the early 1980’s. Scientific Forming Technologies Corporation has the experience and background to provide unparalleled training and technical support. More importantly, our support staff is personally committed to the success of each and every DEFORM User!
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Computer System Requirements

- The minimum recommended configuration is:
  - 16 GB RAM,
  - Quad-core processor,
  - 500 GB free disk space,
  - DVD writer,
  - Windows 7 / 8 (64-bit).

Licensing

- FORMING EXPRESS can be licensed as a 3D & 2D, 3D or 2D system.
- The FEM engine is licensed to run on one CPU thread. Parallel processing options are available.
- Node-locked licenses support one user on one computer. Floating licenses are available to use within a local-area network.

General Information

- Training, support, updates and DEFORM User Group meetings are available to active users.
- Outputs include images, graphics, tabular data, animations and STL geometry.
- On-line documentation is provided in HTML and PDF formats.
- The DEFORM Material Database includes a wide range of steel, aluminum, titanium, superalloy, copper and other material data.
- Technical support is readily available by phone, email, web meetings and the online DEFORM User Area.

A cold headed bolt progression is shown above. FORMING EXPRESS(3D) provides critical process information such as material flow, defects, forming loads, energy, strain, temperature, tool stress and more. Strain contours (shown) track the work hardening history as the part is passed from one operation to the next.

The DEFORM Multiple Operation environment allows for the automatic simulation of entire process sequences. These are defined using a mix of 

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