

CnC 5Axis Manufacturing of Gears

with

HyGEARS™ V 5.0

An Overview

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Introduction

*HyGEARS V 5.0 covers **all major gear types found in the gear industry.***

*The HyGEARS integrated **5Axis CnC Post-Processor** generates, from the **exact tooth definition** and without any interpolation, the CnC machine part programs needed to manufacture **every supported gear type on any 5Axis CnC machine** available on the market: the resulting tooth flank topography is the same whether Face Mill, CoSIMT, End Mill or Ball Mill tools are used.*

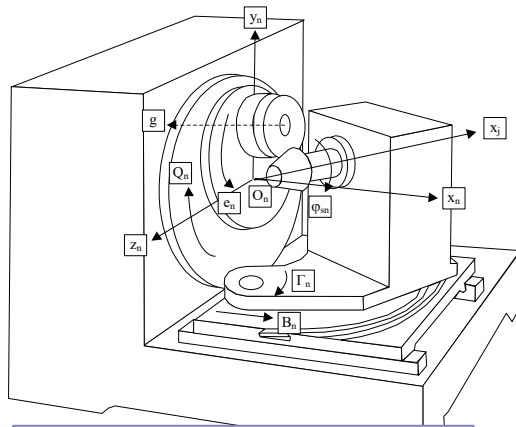
In one single stand alone software, HyGEARS allows :

- *to **design gear sets**: face milled spiral-bevel, hypoid, straight bevel, Cyclo-Palloid spiral-bevel gears, Coniflex TM, spur, helical, Beveloid, herringbone and Face gears;*
- *to **analyze the kinematics**, unloaded and loaded: TE, Contact Pattern, LTCA, FFT, Bending and Contact stresses, and more, are all but one click away;*
- *to **develop and optimize the kinematic characteristics** of gear pairs, through specialized functions, in order to improve load carrying capacity and smoothness of operation;*
- *to **assess the manufacturing quality** through an export/import interface to common CMMs;*
- *to **cut gears on conventional and 5 Axis CnC machines** using Face Mill, Dish type cutter (for Coniflex gears), Conical Side Milling Tool (or CoSIMT, such as made by Ingersoll Rand, Sandvik, PTR-TEC), End Mill and Ball Mill tools;*
- *to use the **integrated Closed Loop**, i.e. seamless use of CMM output to obtain machine corrections such that manufactured parts are within set tolerances when compared to the design.*

Read on for a brief overview of HyGEARS.

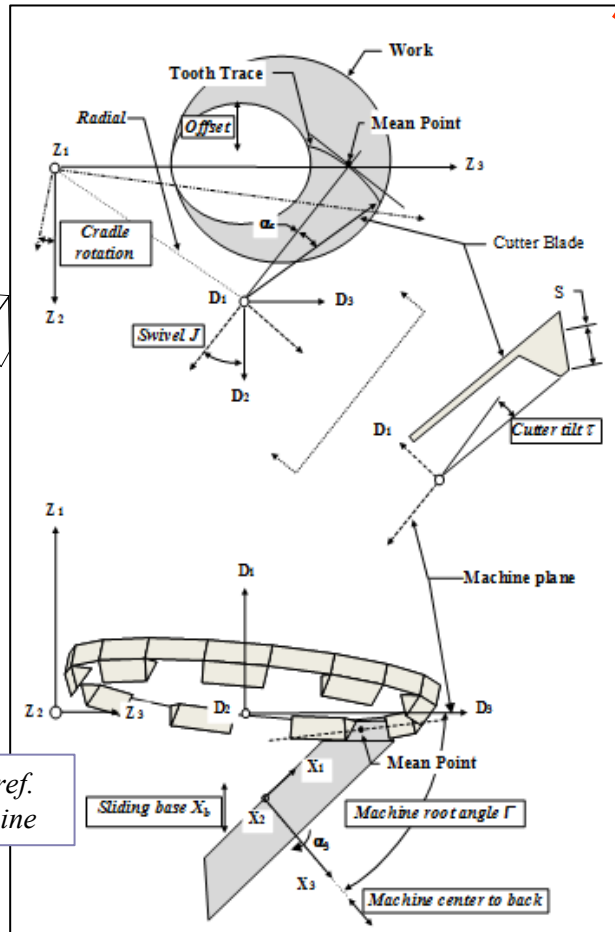
HyGEARS™ is built on Vector Simulation

In Vector Simulation, a theoretical gear generator is simulated by translations and rotations applied to reference frames that determine the relations between cutting tool and machine.

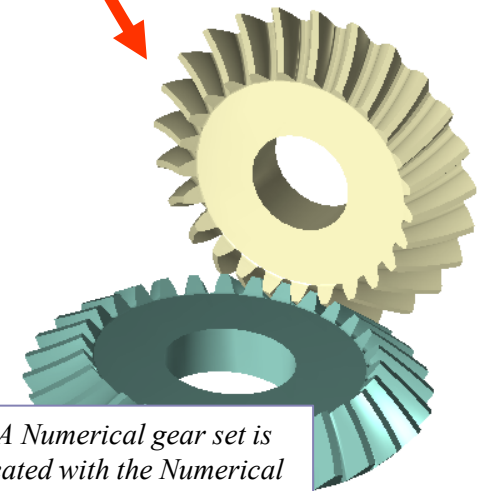
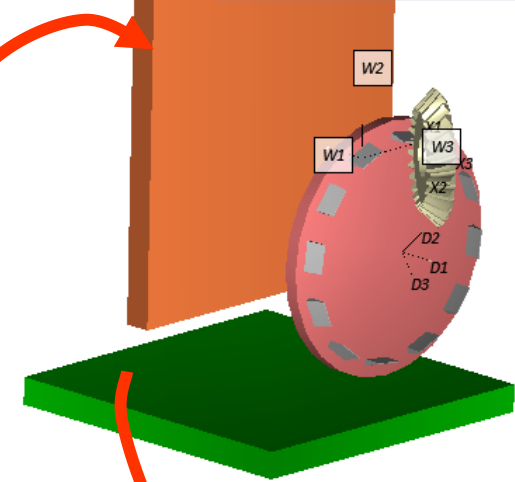


1: The reference machine is discretized in a series of ref. frames

2: The Vector Model uses the ref. frames of the discretized machine



3: A Numerical machine is created from the Vector Model



4: A Numerical gear set is created with the Numerical machine.

The coordinates and normal vectors at any point on the tooth flanks are obtained by applying machine specific rotations and translations to cutter definition.

Point on tooth flank:

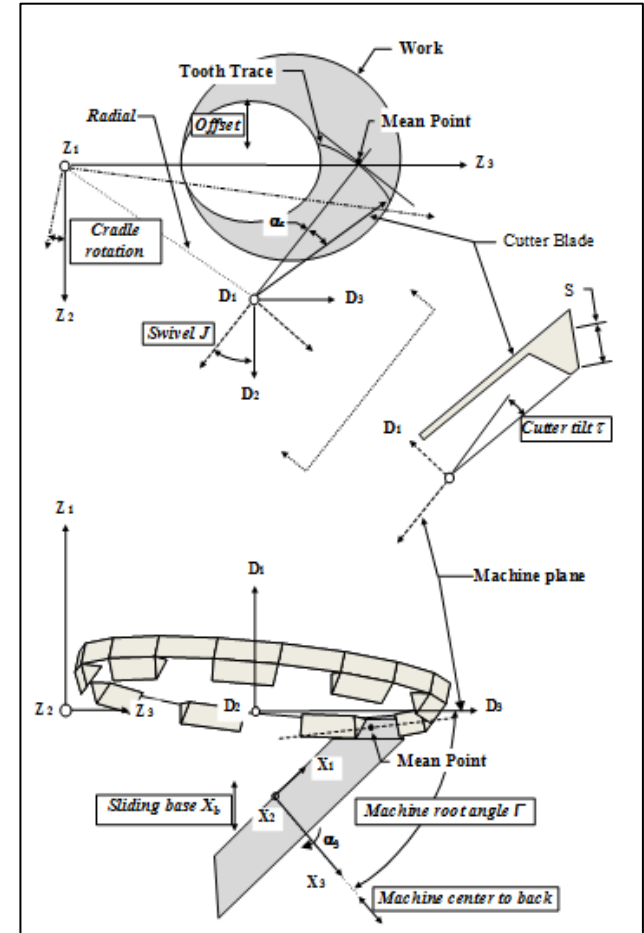
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha_c) & \sin(\alpha_c) \\ 0 & -\sin(\alpha_c) & \cos(\alpha_c) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S \cos(\phi) \\ 0 \\ (R \pm S \sin(\phi)) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{D} [\tau]^3 [k]^1 [\text{Radial}] [L_1]^3 [\text{Dist}] [\gamma_m]^2 [\theta_3]^3$$

Normal on tooth flank:

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\alpha_c) & \sin(\alpha_c) \\ 0 & -\sin(\alpha_c) & \cos(\alpha_c) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\phi) \\ 0 \\ \mp \cos(\phi) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N_x = N [\tau]^3 [k]^1 [L_1]^3 [\gamma_m]^2 [\theta_3]^3$$



Higher order changes, up to 6th order, are superimposed to tool and work piece movements in order to achieve specific kinematic behavior.

Example 1) Modified Roll higher order changes:

$$L_{1m} = \alpha_3 R_r + \frac{2C}{2} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^2 - \frac{6D}{6} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^3 + \frac{24E}{24} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^4 - \frac{120F}{120} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^5 + \frac{720G}{720} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^6$$

where:

L_{1m} :	modified cradle angle
α_3 :	work piece roll angle
R_r :	ratio of roll, cradle to work piece
C_r :	cradle ref. position
2C:	2 nd Order parameter (Gleason notation)
6D:	3 rd Order parameter
24E:	4 th Order parameter
120F:	5 th Order parameter
720G:	6 th Order parameter

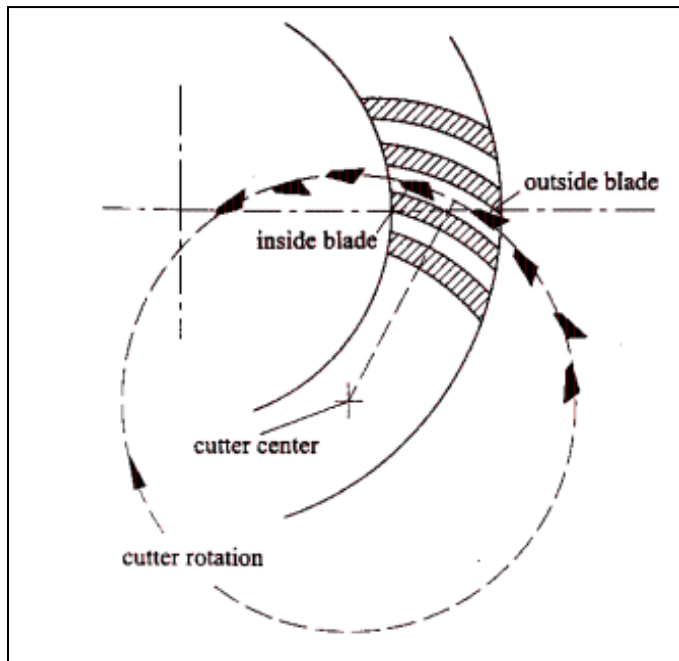
Example 2) Helical Motion higher order changes:

$$X_{bm} = X_b + 1_{st} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r) + 2_{nd} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^2 + 3_{rd} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^3 + 4_{th} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^4 + 5_{th} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^5 + 6_{th} (C_r - \alpha_3 R_r)^6$$

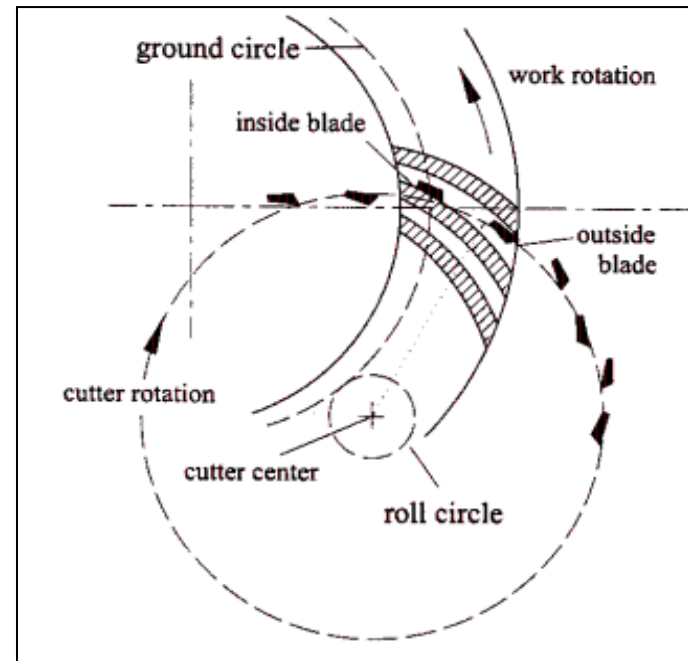
where:

X_{bm} :	modified sliding base
α_3 :	work piece roll angle
R_r :	ratio of roll, cradle to work piece
C_r :	cradle ref. position
1 st :	1 st Order parameter
2 nd :	2 nd Order parameter
3 rd :	3 rd Order parameter
4 th :	4 th Order parameter
5 th :	5 th Order parameter
6 th :	6 th Order parameter

Both the Face Milling and Face Hobbing processes are supported for all Spiral Bevel type gears.



Face Milling (single indexing)



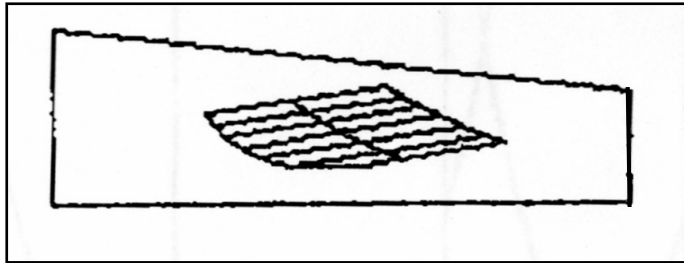
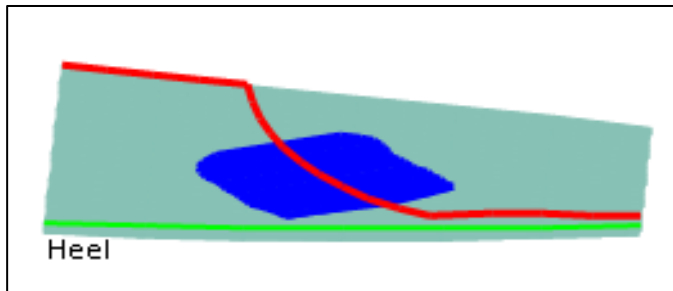
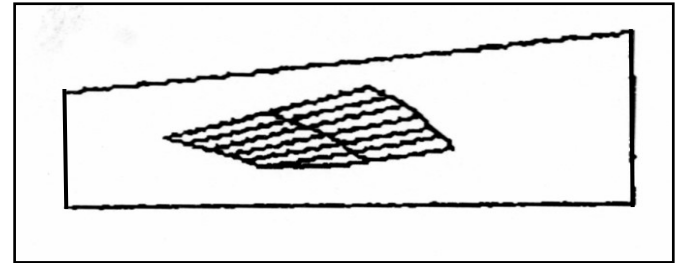
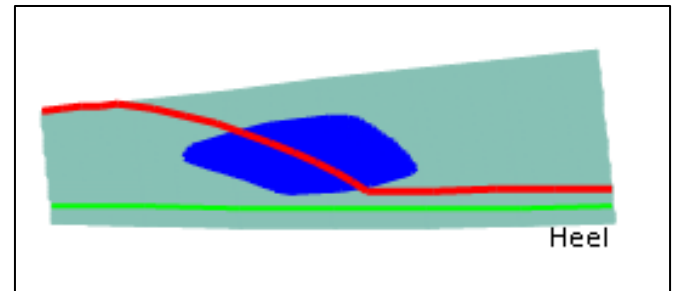
Face Hobbing (continuous indexing)

HyGEARS has been extensively calibrated against Gleason's CAGE and Klingelnberg's KIMoS softwares for tooth flank coordinates, Contact Pattern and Transmission Error, CMM output, Corrective Machine Settings (Closed Loop), LTCA Contact Stresses, etc.

Some important milestones:

- 1993-1994: Machine Calibration (Gleason and Yutaka machines)*
- 1994: Closed Loop 1st Order*
- 1995: Closed Loop 2nd Order*
- 1996: Experimental TE*
- 1997: Experimental LTCA*
- 1998: Fillet Stress (against FEA)*
- 2001: Contact Stress (against Gleason)*
- 2004: Bending and Contact Stress – Face Hobbing – (against Gleason)*
- 2006: Lapping Prediction (with AAM)*
- 2011: First 5Axis CnC Interface*

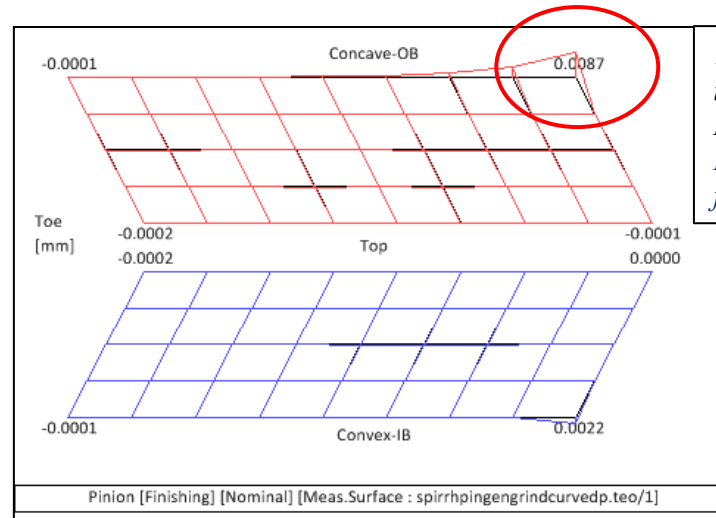
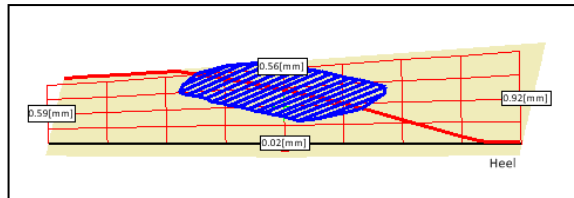
Consistently equivalent results are obtained, as is shown in the following pages.

Contact Pattern Comparison: Gleason TCA vs HyGEARS TCA*13x24 Face Milled Spiral Bevel gear set*Drive SideCoast Side**Gleason****HyGEARS**

Tooth Flank Topography Comparison: Gleason and Klingelnberg vs HyGEARS

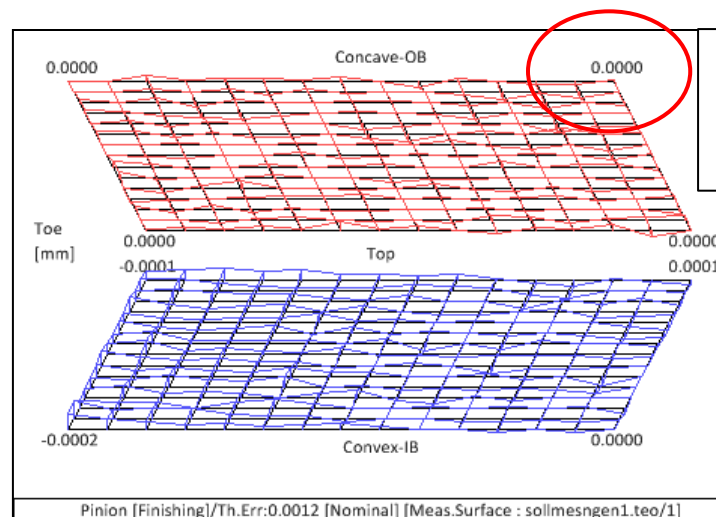
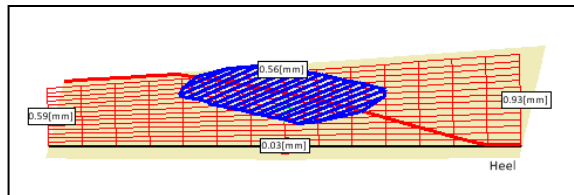
8x39 **Face Milled Spiral Bevel** gear set: comparing Nominals using the same machine settings

HyGEARS vs. Gleason Nominal



The colored lines are the Gleason nominal; HyGEARS is in black
Note the deviation at fillet, Heel-OB

HyGEARS vs. KIMoS Nominal



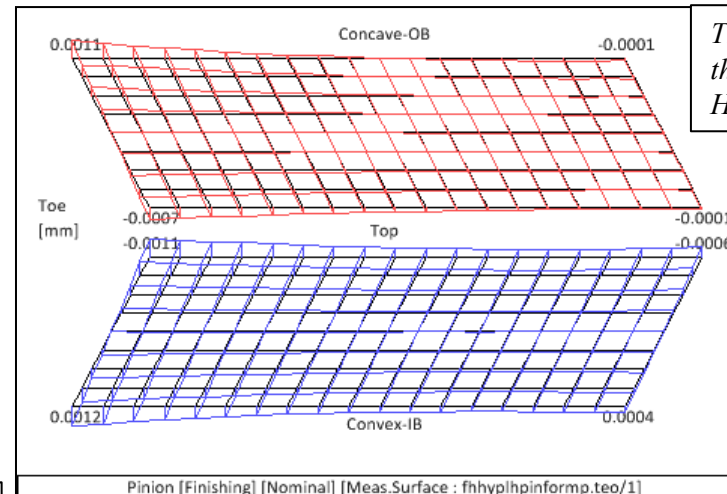
The colored lines are the KIMoS nominal; HyGEARS is in black
No deviation here !

Tooth Flank Topography Comparison: Gleason and Klingelnberg vs HyGEARS

8x39 **Face Hobbed** Hypoid gear set: comparing Nominals using the same machine settings

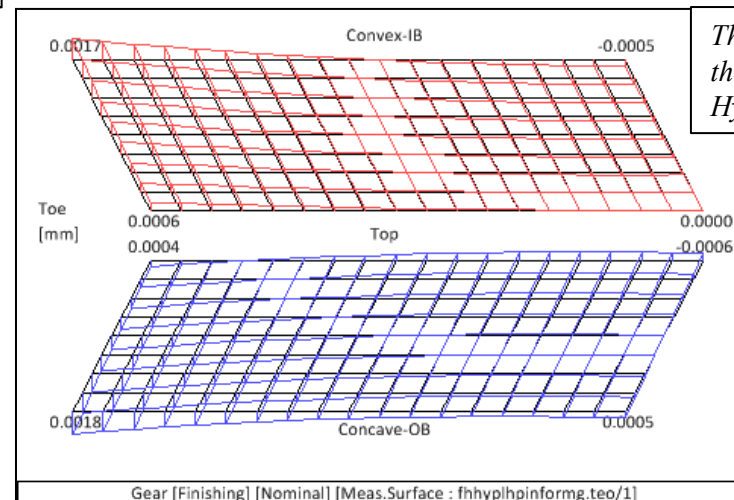
HyGEARS vs. Gleason - Pinion

Typical differences are less than 1 μm



The colored lines are the Gleason nominal; HyGEARS is in black.

HyGEARS vs. Gleason - Gear



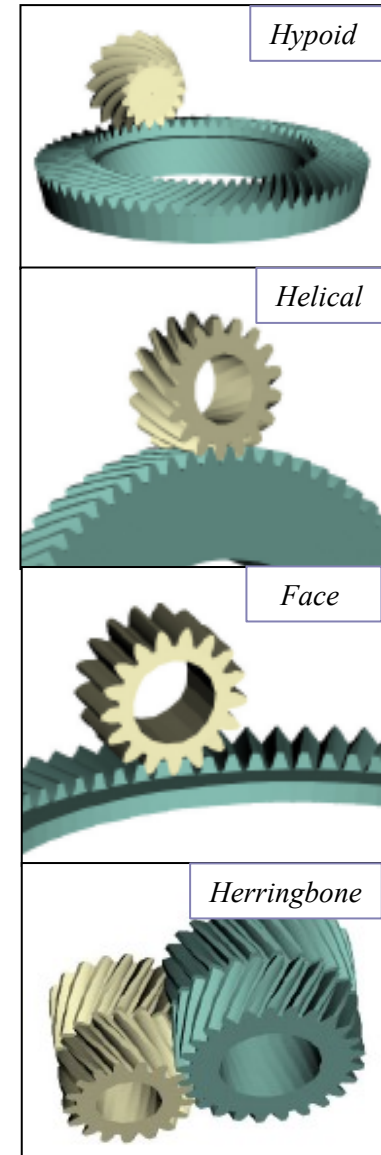
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*The most popular gear types are supported by HyGEARS.
All can be cut on any CnC machine.*

- *Spur/Helical*
- *Herringbone*
- *Spiral Bevel: Face Milled, Face Hobbed, Cyclo-Palloid*
- *Hypoids, both conventional and High Ratio (HRH)*
- *Straight Bevels*
- *Coniflex (™ The Gleason Works)*
- *Beveloid*
- *Face Gears*
- *Spiral Bevel Face Clutches*

Spiral-Bevel/Hypoid cutting processes:

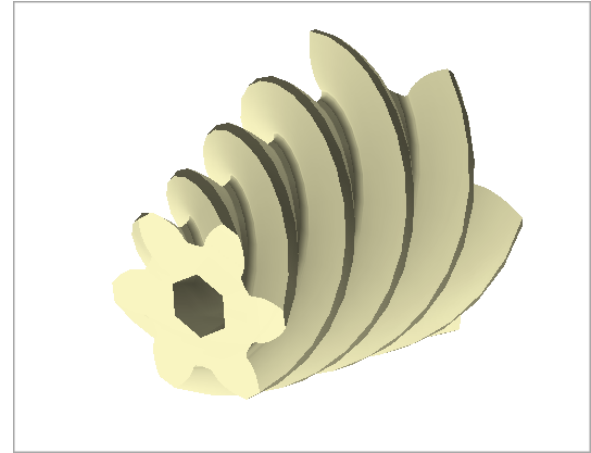
- *Fixed Setting (i.e. the old 5 cut system);*
- *Non Generated (i.e. Formate ®)*
- *Spread Blade*
- *Modified Roll*
- *Duplex Helical*
- *Semi-Completing*
- *Face Hobbed*
- *Cyclo-Palloid*



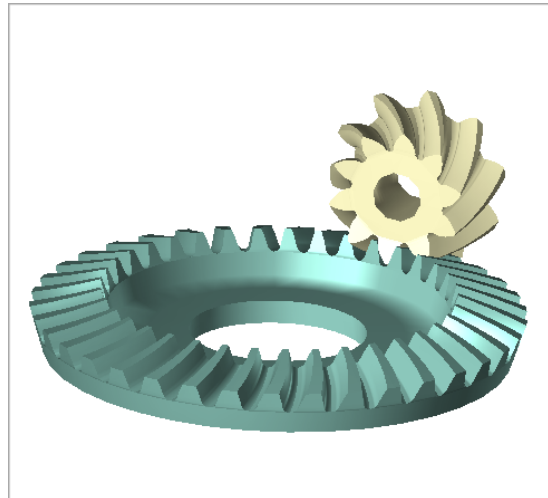
Fixed Setting Hypoid Pinion



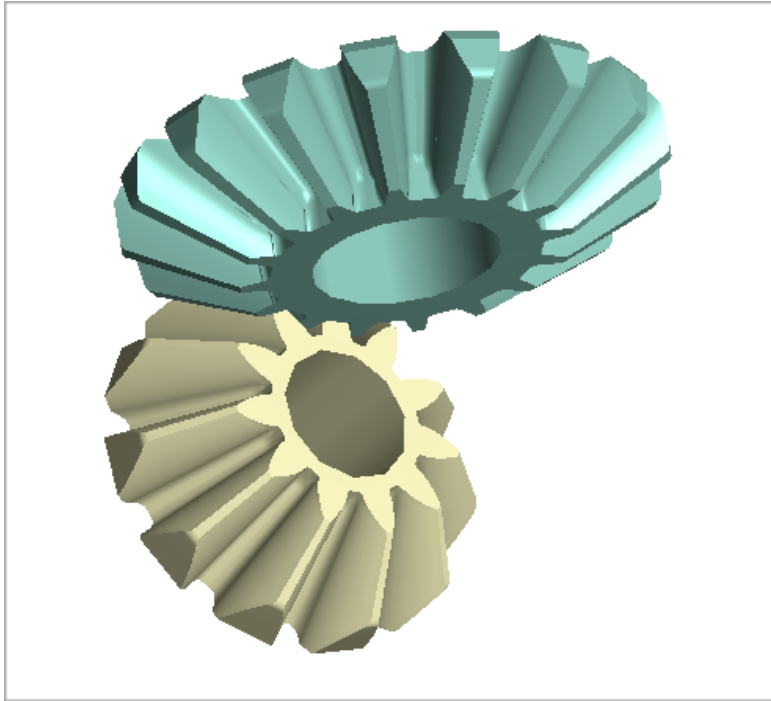
Duplex Helical Hypoid Pinion



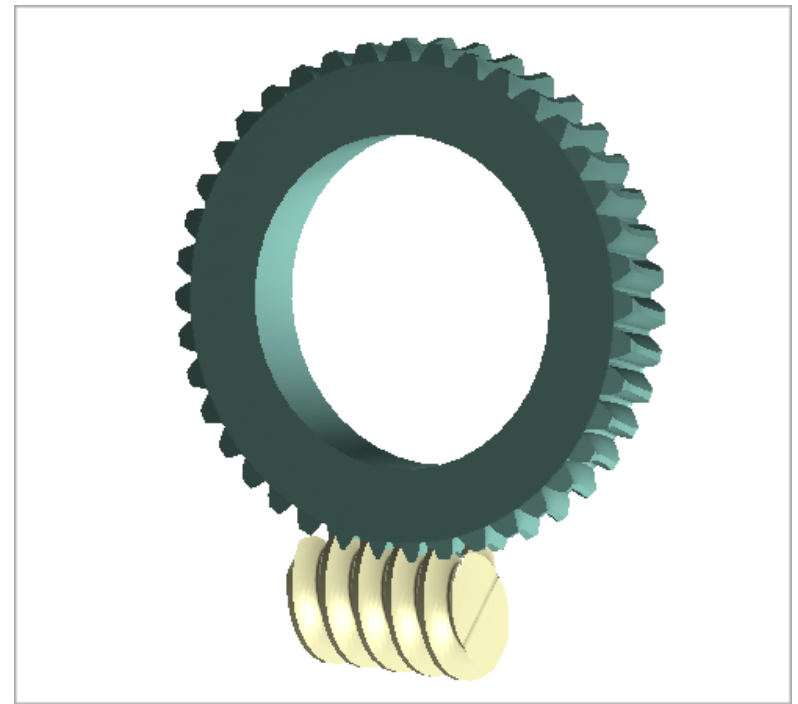
Cyclo Palloid Gear Set



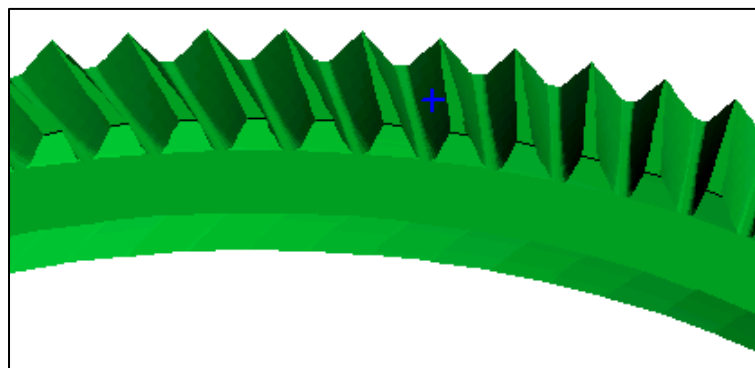
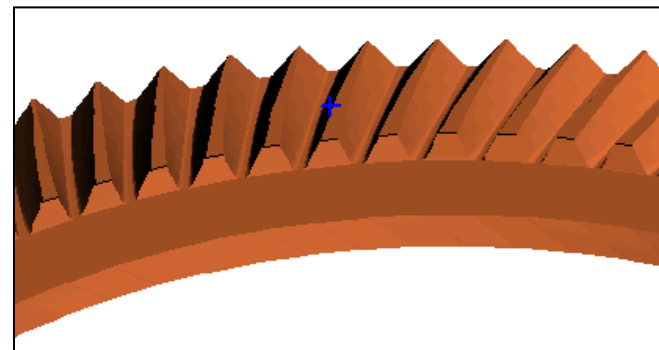
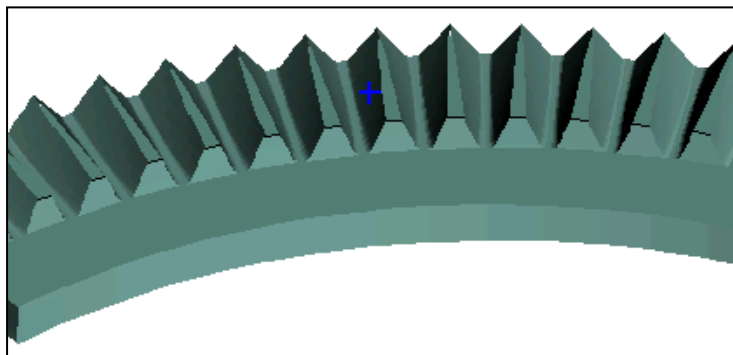
Differential Straight Bevel Gears



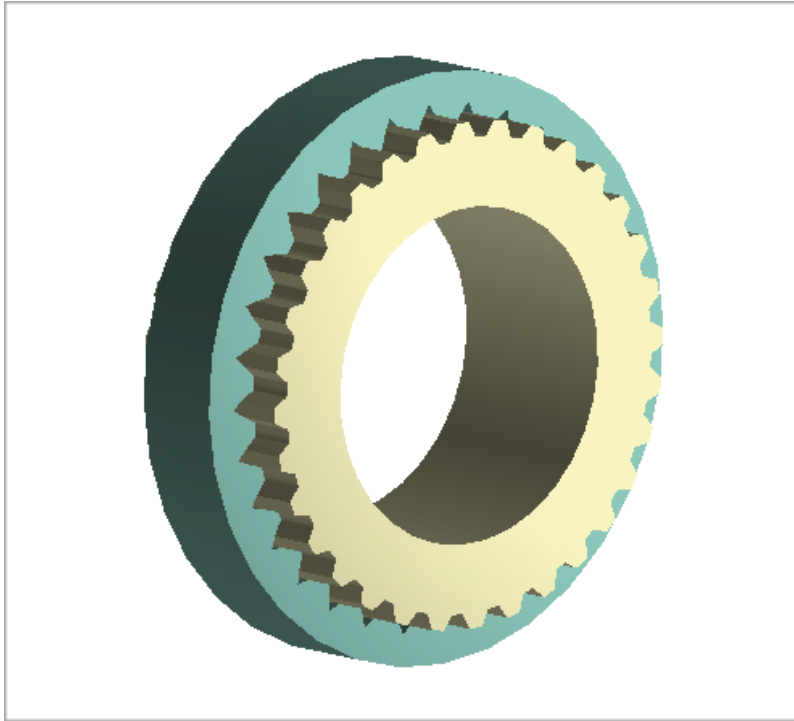
Worm Gears



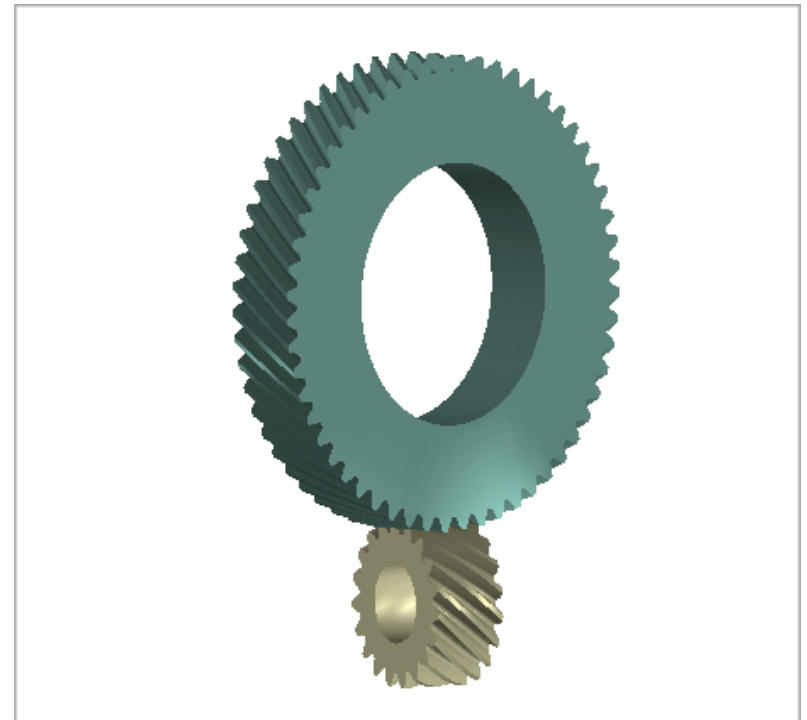
Face Gears



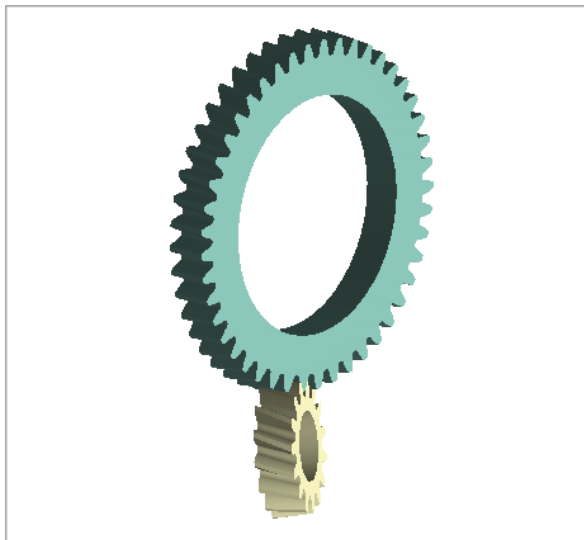
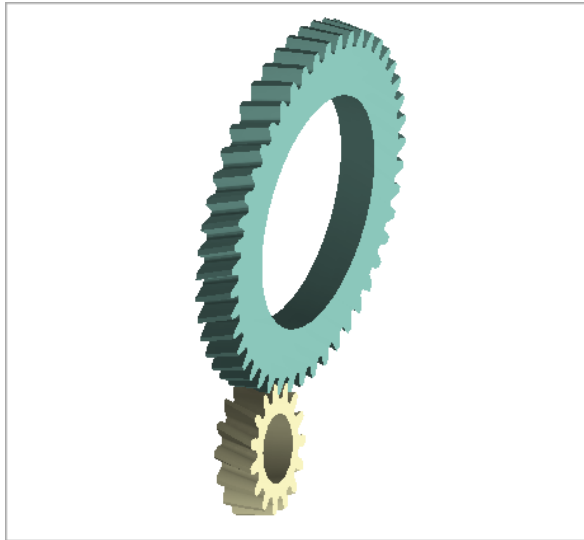
Splines/Internal Gears



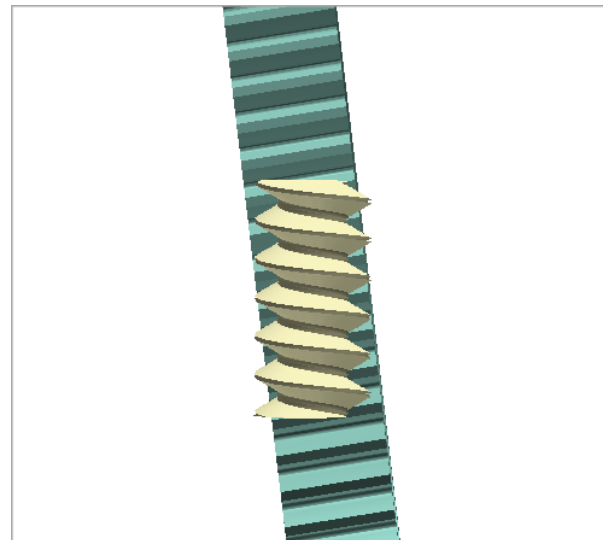
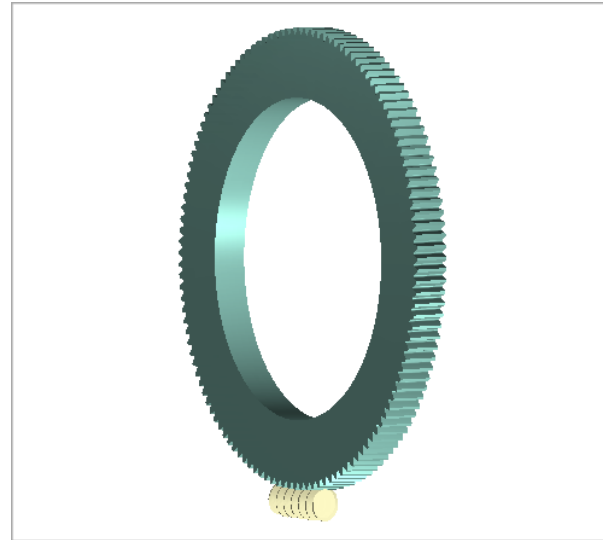
Crossed Axis Helical Gears



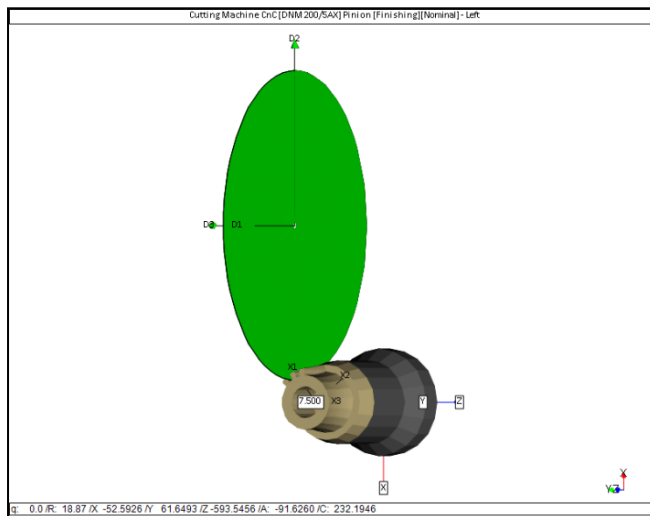
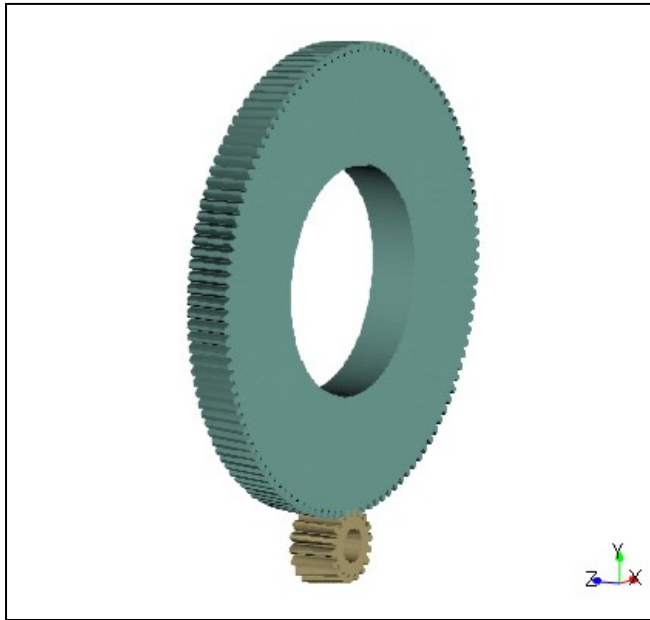
Beveloid Gears



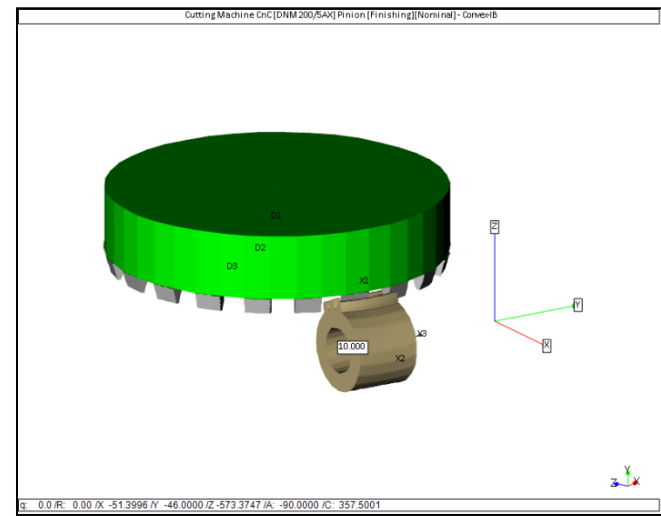
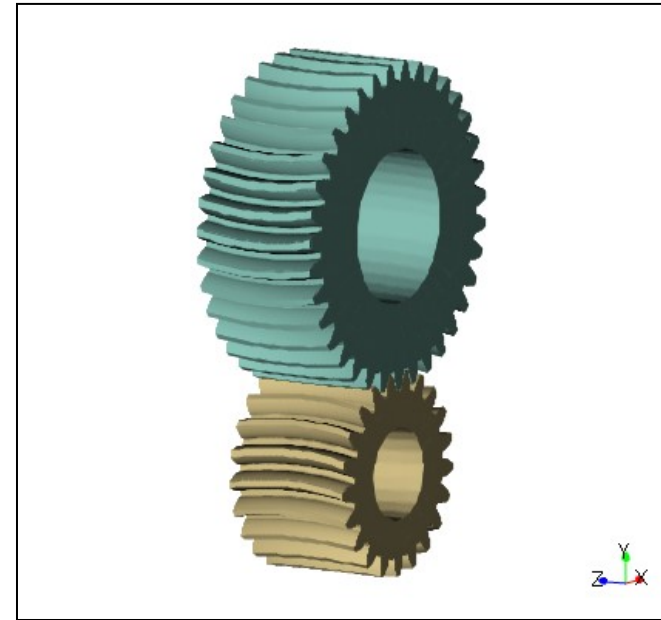
Worm & Helical Gears



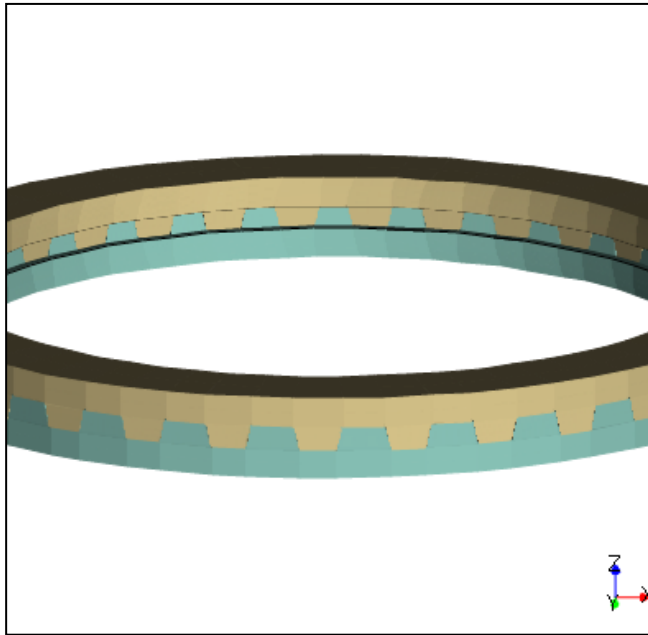
Spurniflex Gears



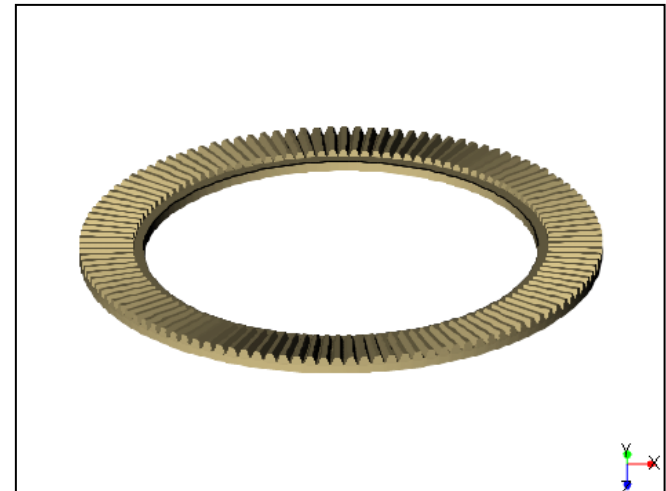
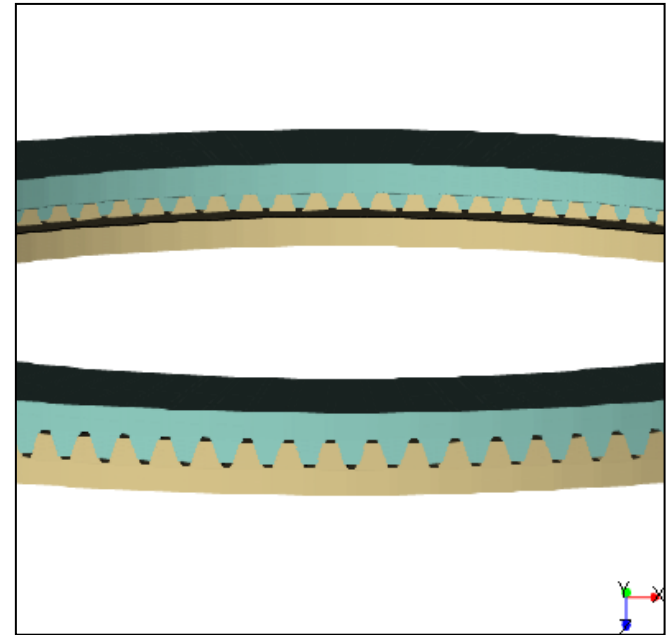
Spurved Gears



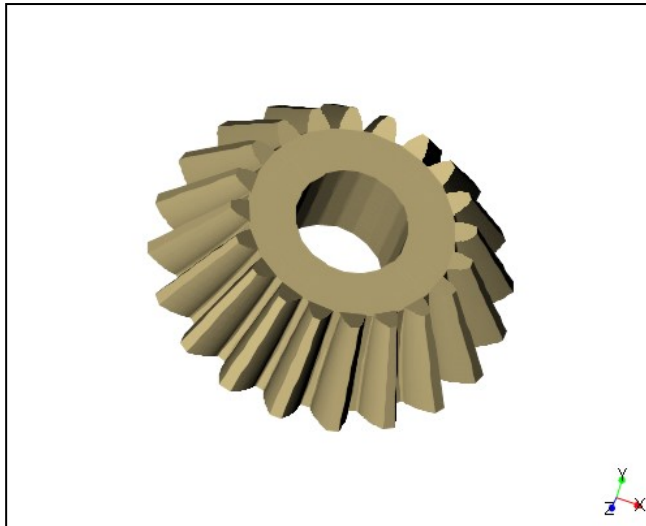
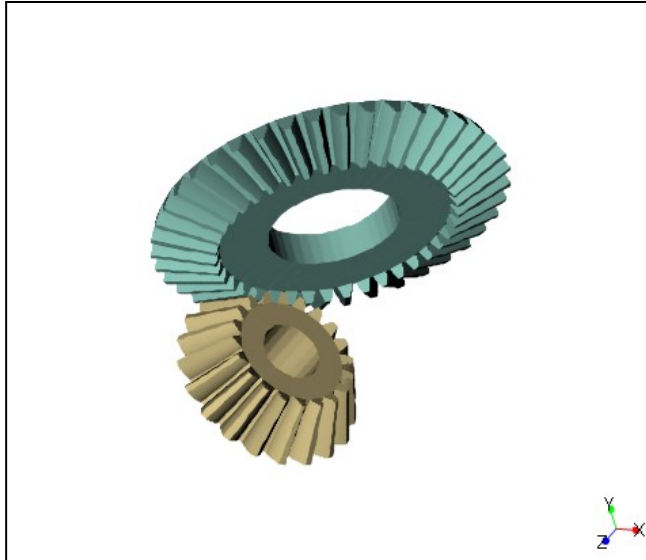
Spiral Face Clutch



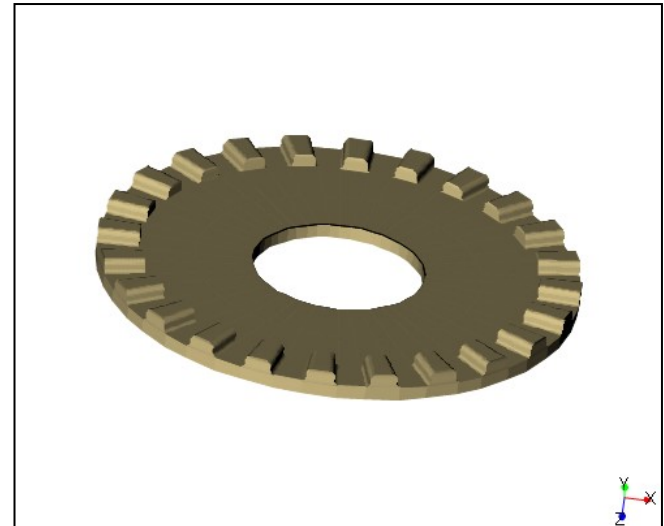
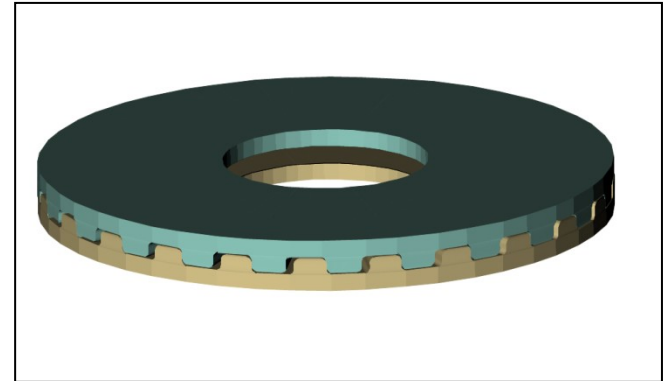
Hirth Coupling



Coniflex Bevel Gears



Cogged Teeth Coupling



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Overview:

*HyGEARS integrates a **Post-Processor** which generates CnC part programs to cut **any HyGEARS supported gear type on any 3, 4 and 5 Axis CnC machine using any tool.***

*The part programs are based on the exact tooth definition, **need no user intervention** and can be uploaded directly to any 3, 4 and 5Axis CnC machine.*

***Tool and machine movements are displayed in 3D**, can be rotated in any direction for viewing, and can be animated or single stepped to allow visualization and collision detection throughout the tool path.*

The use of the Post-processor is easy, intuitive, and reflects the actual work done on the shop floor.

The Post-processor supports horizontal lathe and vertical milling center machine architectures.

Other architectures are supported through workpiece coordinates in Traori/TCP/TCPM/TCPC mode

Specific machines can be created and saved for later use: the translation and rotation axes can be renamed, and their positive direction can be inverted.

Typical tools include Face Milling, Coniflex™ dish, CoSIMT (i.e. Conical Side Milling Tool), End Mill and Ball Mill cutters. A tool box for each tool type can be created by the users to suit their needs.

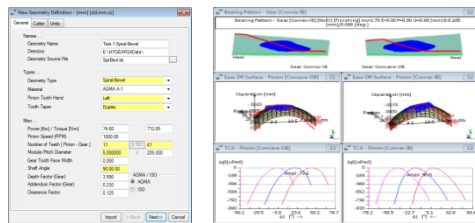
The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Navigation: all steps are integrated; no outside software support required.

1- Design and optimize gear sets using HyGEARS V 5.0 tools :

- Spiral bevel / hypoid / Zerol
- Spur/helical/herringbone
- Face gears
- Straight bevel/Coniflex
- Beveloid

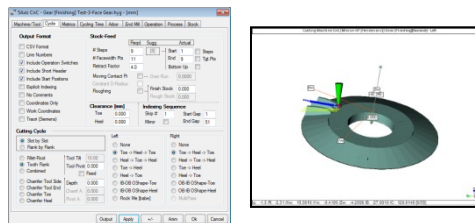
Contact Pattern location and TE can be modified to user's desire in a few steps.



2- Create machine ready part programs in a few steps using any cutting tool :

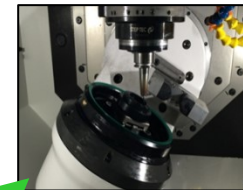
- Face Mill cutters
- Coniflex cutters
- End Mill, Ball Mill cutters
- CoSIMT (conical side milling tool)

Part program definitions are *parametric and saved as re-usable Operations*.



3- Cut the part on the *selected* CnC machine.

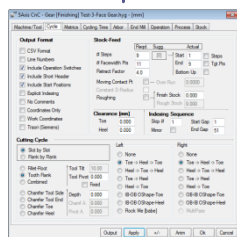
Part programs can be in Machine or Work piece coordinates.



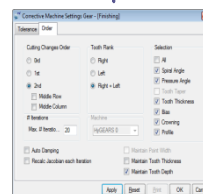
Closed Loop

7- Re-cut: only if needed !

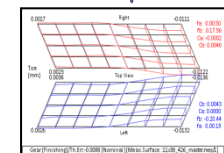
6- Re-generate: re-use the Operation in 2. to generate a new part program with the modified Machine Settings.



5- Integrated Closed Loop: from CMM output, get changes in machine settings to offset tool and machine errors.

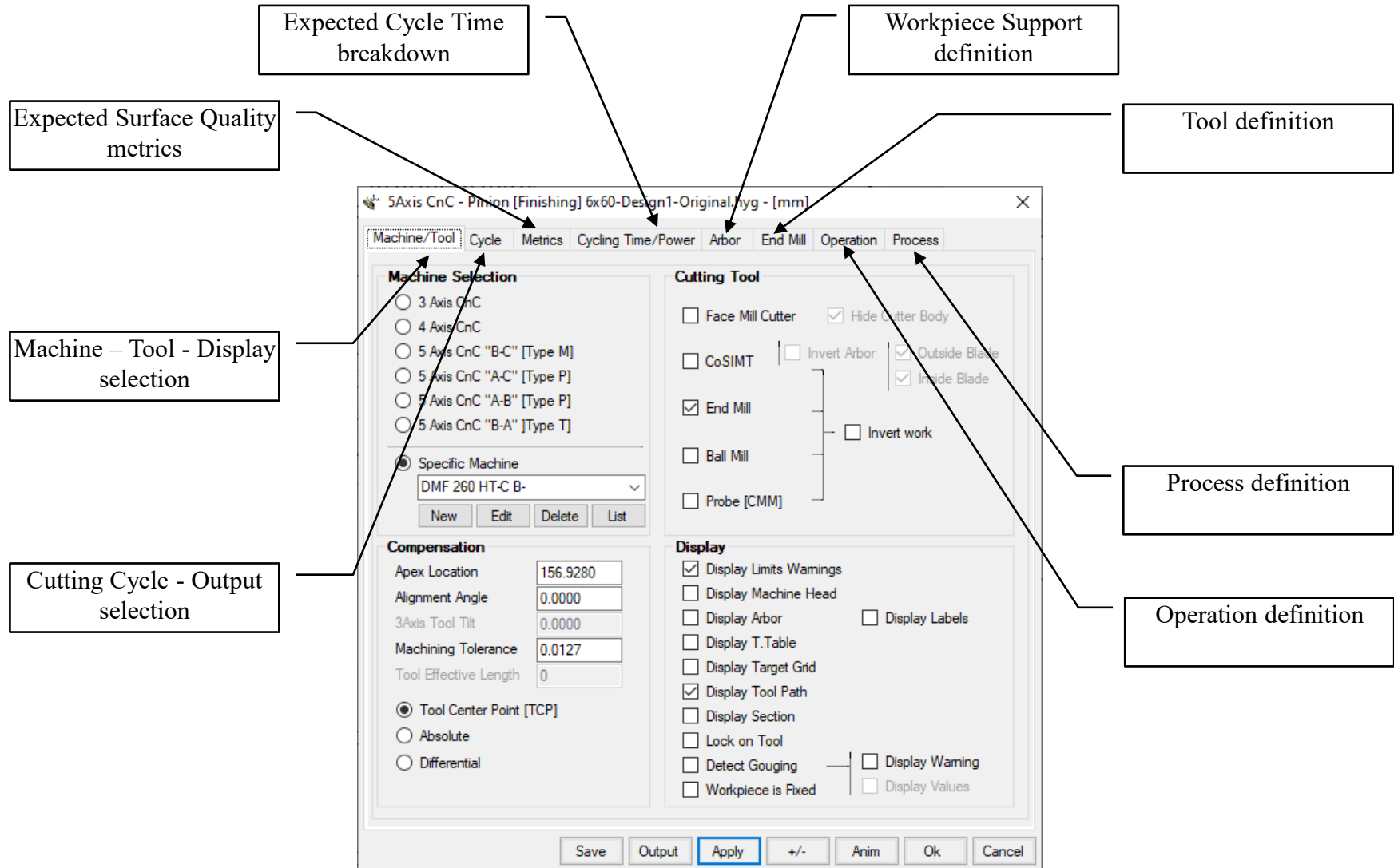


4- Measure the part on any CMM (Klingelnberg, Gleason, Zeiss, Leitz, MdM, Mitutoyo, etc.)



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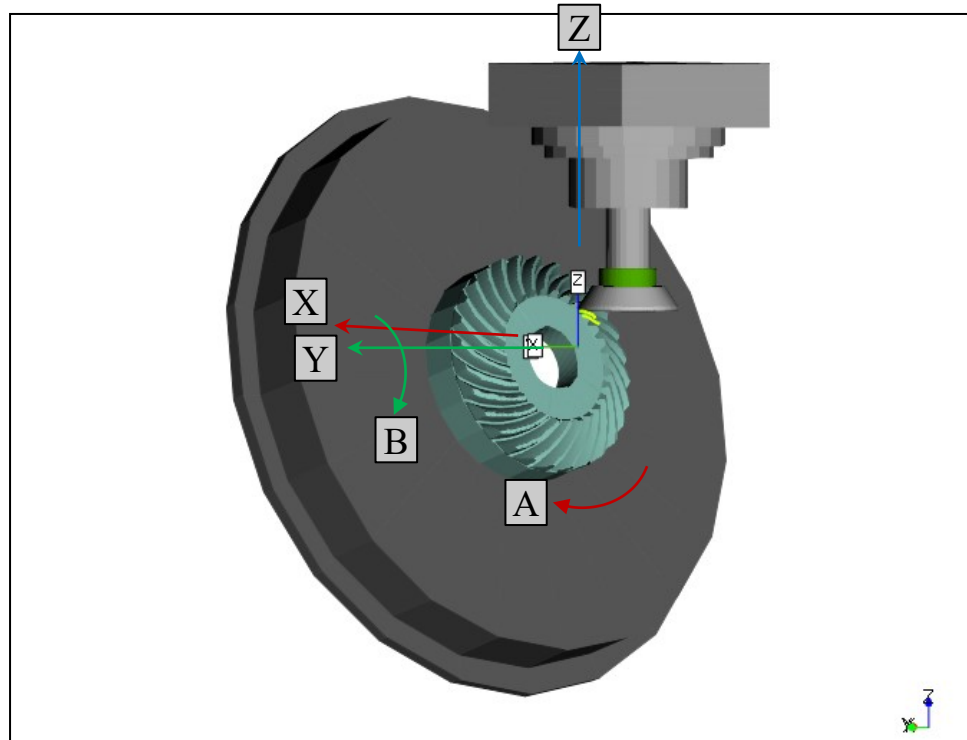
User Interface: simple switch selection from a single window; instant display;



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

A-B VMC machine architecture:

- X, Y, Z translations (tool and/or work piece)
- Work tilt about Y axis: angle B
- Work rotation : angle A

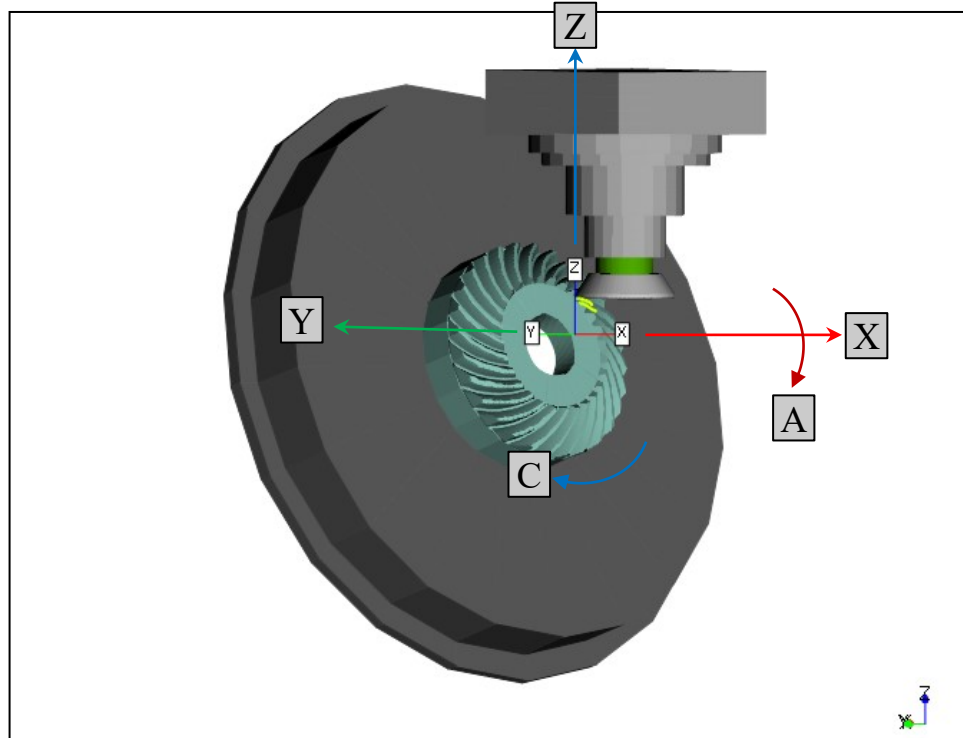


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A-C VMC machine architecture:

- X, Y, Z translations (tool and/or work piece)
- Work tilt about X axis: angle A
- Work rotation : angle C

Note: corresponds to an A-B machine pivoted 90 deg. around the tool spindle axis.

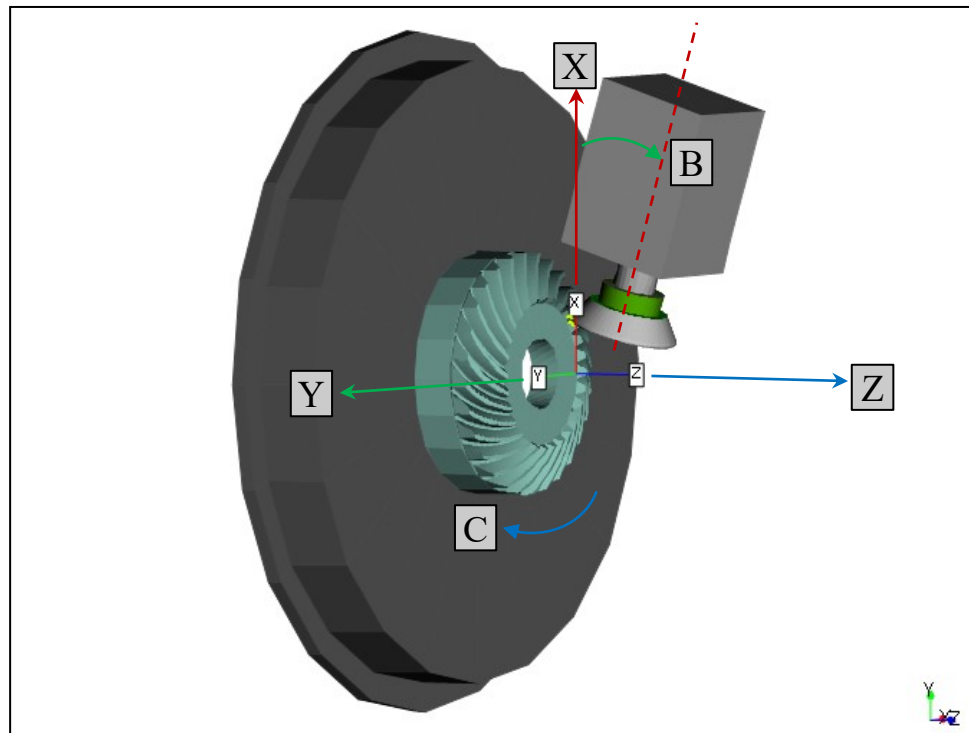


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B-C Horizontal Lathe machine architecture:

- X, Y, Z translations (tool and/or work piece)
- Tool tilt about Y axis: angle B
- Work rotation : angle C

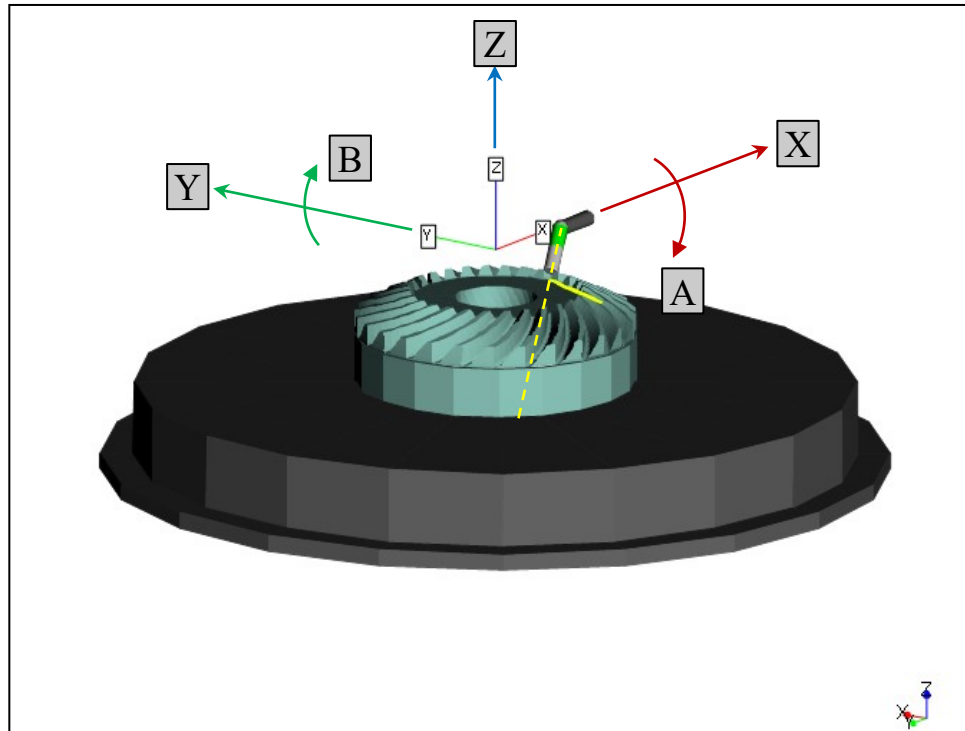
Note: the turntable axis may be horizontal or vertical



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B-A machine architecture:

- X, Y, Z translations (tool and/or work piece)
- Tool swivel about X axis: angle A
- Tool tilt about Y axis: angle B



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Main features of the Post-Processor:

- *supports “AB”, “AC”, “BA” and “BC” architecture machines;*
- *supports GCodes, Heidenhain, Siemens, Okuma, Fanuc and Mazak controllers;*
- *supports Traori (Siemens), TCPM (Heidenhain), TCPC (Okuma) and TCP (Fanuc);*
- *allows creation of specific 3, 4 and 5Axis machines from 4 basic architectures; specific machines can be fully customized by the user to reproduce the exact implementation of any machine;*
- *offers 14+ pre-defined cutting cycles for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools; and 6 pre-defined cutting cycles for Face Mill tools (single roll/double roll);*
- *CoSIMT and End Mill cutting edges can be linear or circular (to cut a Face Gear for example);*
- *allows single pass and multi-pass roughing/semi-finishing/finishing for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools;*
- *allows the generation of a negative protuberance in the fillet;*
- *the tool path is easily customized by the user in order to optimize both cycle time and product quality;*
- *allows automated / single stepping animation of the tool and work piece through the cutting cycle;*
- *allows the display of the supporting arbor and the machine head to detect potential collisions;*
- *allows the creation of “Operations” which define a given task; Operations can be re-used on different parts;*
- *allows the creation of “Processes” which are a series of “Operations” in a specific order; Processes can thus generate a complete program sequence including roughing and semi-finishing of the tooth flank and fillet using different tools.*

Part Programs:

- *can be in CSV (comma separated values) format for import in Excel;*
- *can include or exclude comments describing the logic and operations performed;*
- *can be for Face Milling cutters (spiral bevel gears), Dish type cutters (Coniflex - ™ The Gleason Works - gears), CoSIMT (such as made by Ingersoll Rand, Sandvik), End Mill, Ball Mill cutters.*

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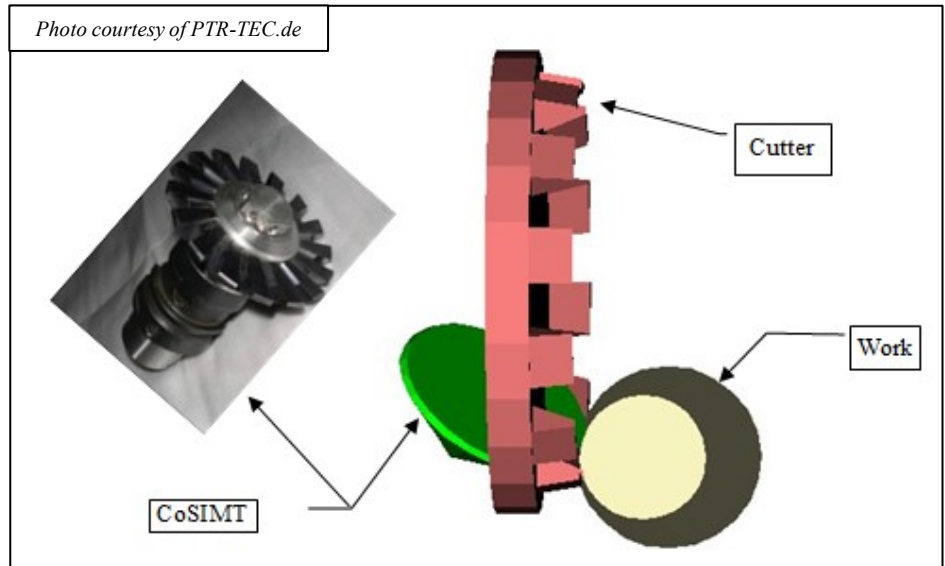
Conversion: To generate a part program, HyGEARS converts the movements of the conventional cutter (in a conventional machine) into movements of a Face Mill, Coniflex™ dish, CoSIMT, End Mill or a Ball Mill tool in a 5Axis CnC machine where:

- the **relative orientation** between the ref. frames of tool and work in the conventional machine are maintained in the CnC machine;
- the **relative position** between the ref. frames of tool and work in the conventional machine are maintained in the CnC machine.

The figure to the right shows a Face Mill cutter (pink) and a CoSIMT (green) with coincident cutting edges.

The HyGEARS Post Processor tracks the movements of the Face Mill cutter in the conventional machine and converts them to CoSIMT movements in a 5Axis CnC machine.

The same approach is applied to all tools and gear types.



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Machine/Tool: Machine and Tool selection; display options

Machines are optional;

- Generic type
- Specific type

Apex Location: used in
“Machine” coordinates

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Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Machine Selection

☐ 3 Axis CnC

☐ 4 Axis CnC

☐ 5 Axis CnC "B-C" [Type M]

☐ 5 Axis CnC "A-C" [Type P]

☐ 5 Axis CnC "A-B" [Type P]

☐ 5 Axis CnC "B-A" [Type T]

☒ Specific Machine

MAZAK Integrex i-200ST [DTD]

New Edit Delete List

Cutting Tool

☐ Face Mill Cutter ☐ Hide Cutter Body

☐ CoSIMT ☐ Invert Arbor ☒ Outside Blade ☒ Inside Blade

☒ End Mill ☐ Invert work

☐ Ball Mill

☐ Probe [CMM]

Compensation

Apex Location 0

Alignment Angle 0.0000

3Axis Tool Tilt 0.0000

Machining Tolerance 0.0127

Tool Effective Length 0

☒ Tool Center Point [TCP]

☐ Absolute

☐ Differential

Display

☒ Display Limits Warnings

☒ Display Machine Head

☐ Display Arbor ☐ Display Labels

☐ Display T. Table

☐ Display Target Grid

☒ Display Tool Path

☐ Display Section

☐ Lock on Tool

☐ Detect Gouging ☐ Display Warnings

☒ Workpiece is Fixed ☐ Display Values

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

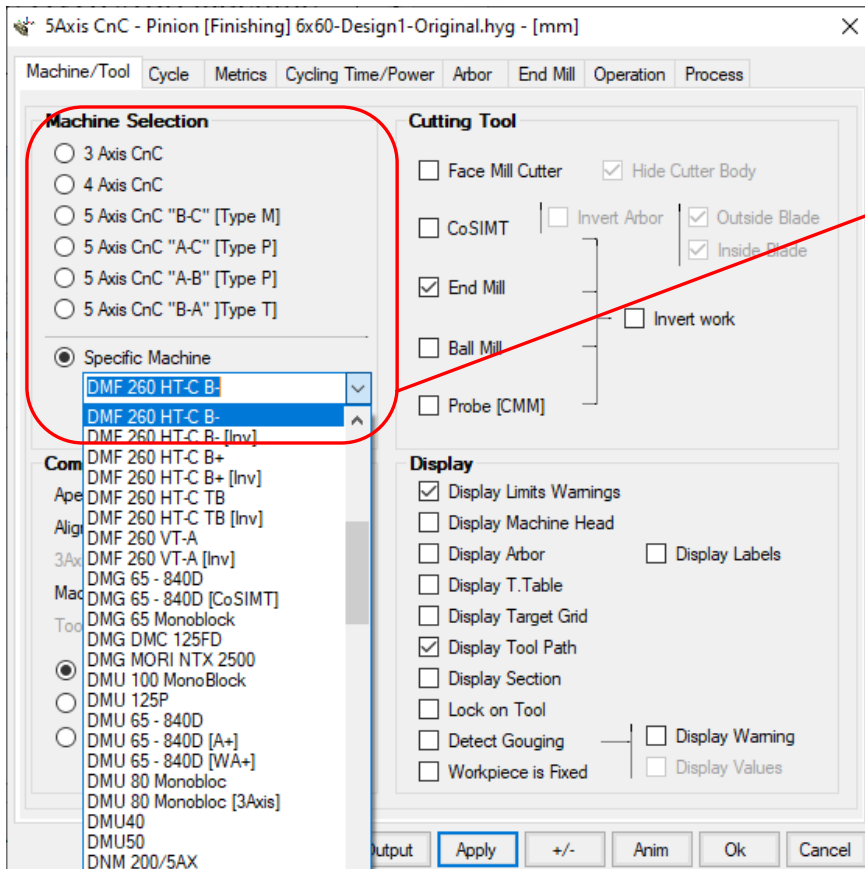
Cutting Tools are
optional; they are user
defined.

Display switches control
what is shown on screen.

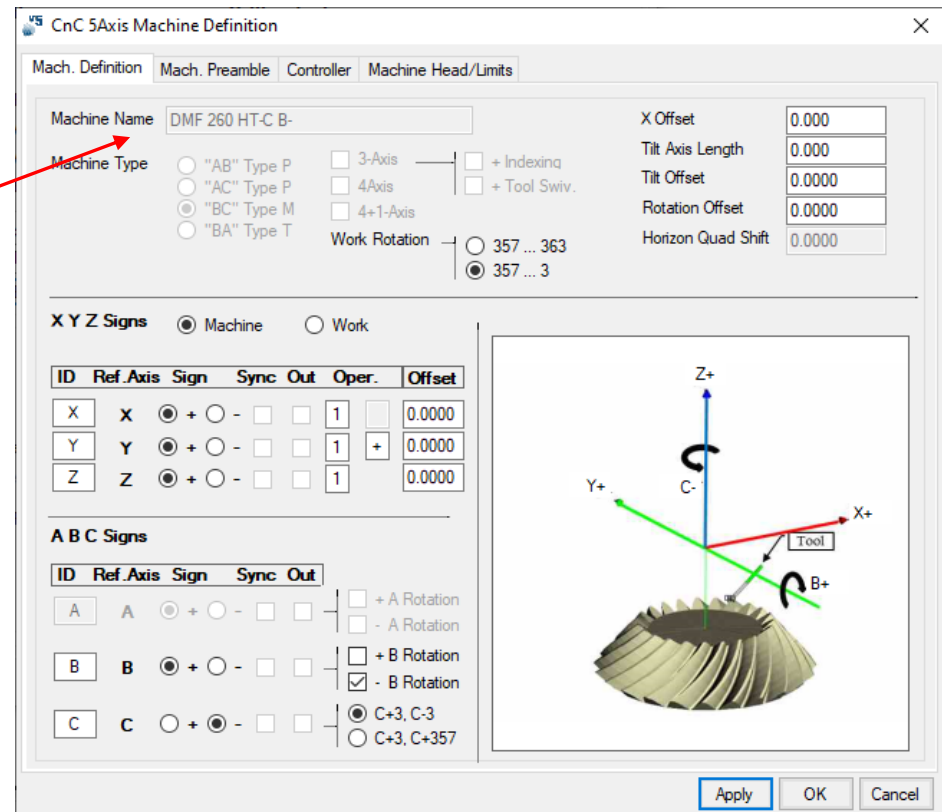
The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Machines: 4 basic CnC machine architectures are available: AB, AC, BA and BC.

Any specific machine can be derived from the basic types using the HyGEARS machine editor (bottom right figure).



Machine Selection

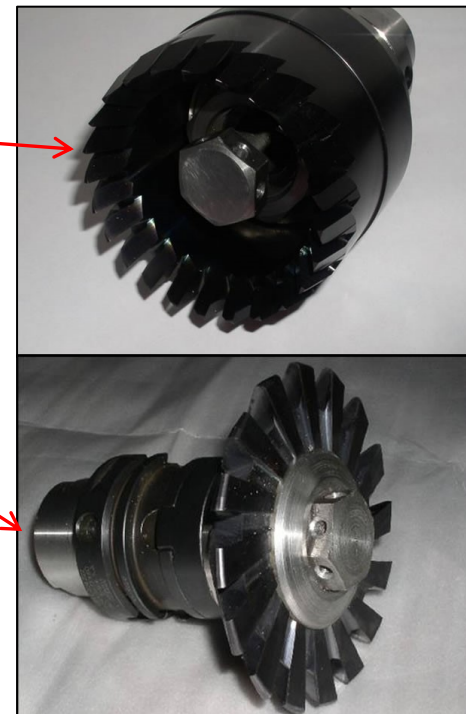
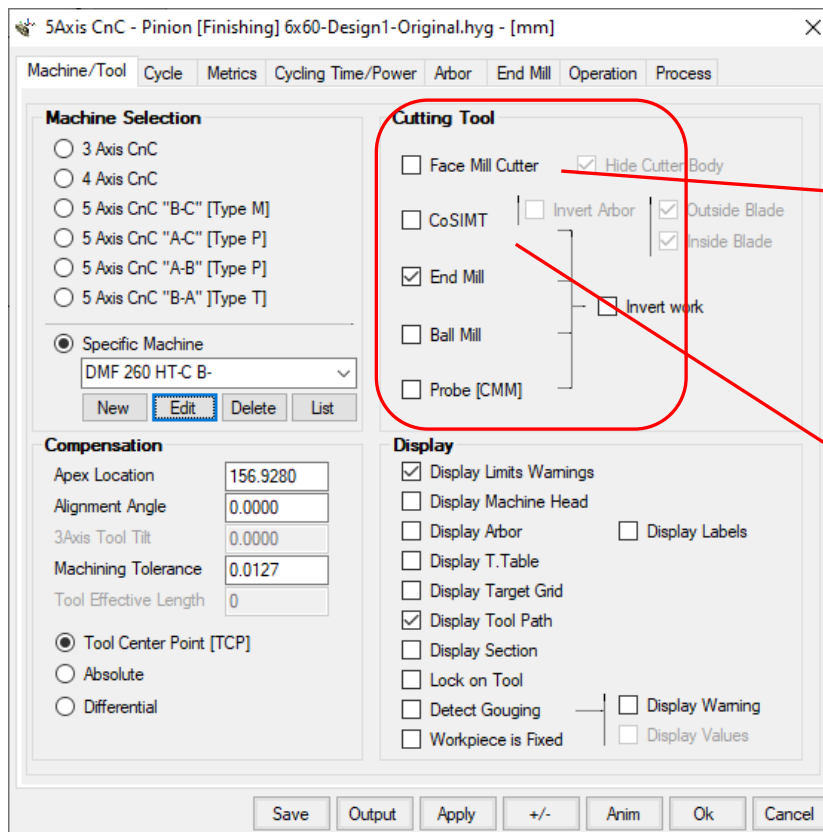


Machine Editor

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Tools: HyGEARS offers 6 different tools:

Face Mill cutter	(spiral bevel, Zerol, hypoid gears)
Dish cutter	(Coniflex™ gears)
CoSIMT	(all gear types)
End Mill	(all gear types)
Ball Mill	(all gear types)
Probe (CMM)	(all gear types; for measurement)

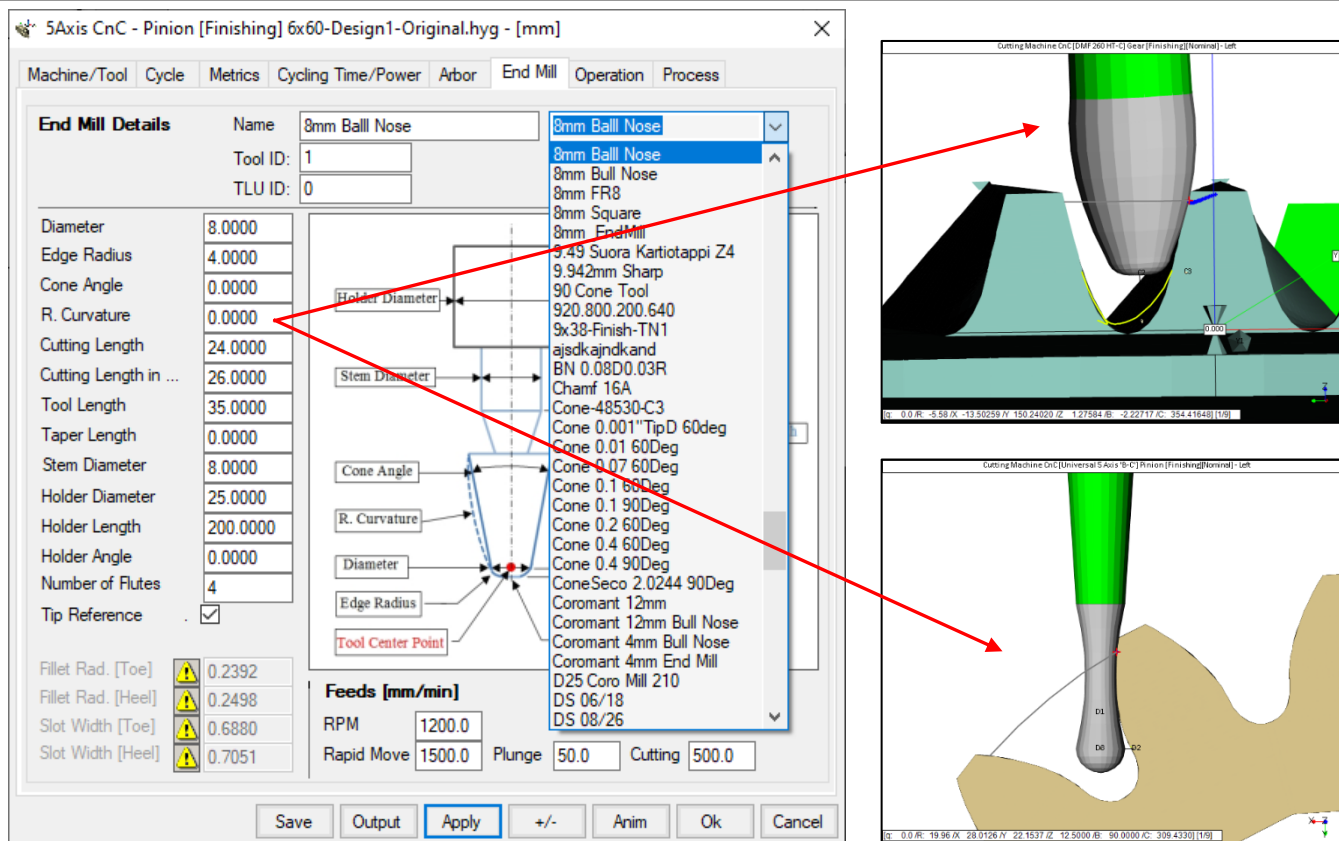


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The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Tools: Each tool is described in a dedicated data page where the defining dimensions are entered by the user. The 30 character-long tool name is user defined.

The tools can be saved for re-use and are specific to users, i.e. they are not distributed with HyGEARS. Hence, proprietary information remains proprietary.

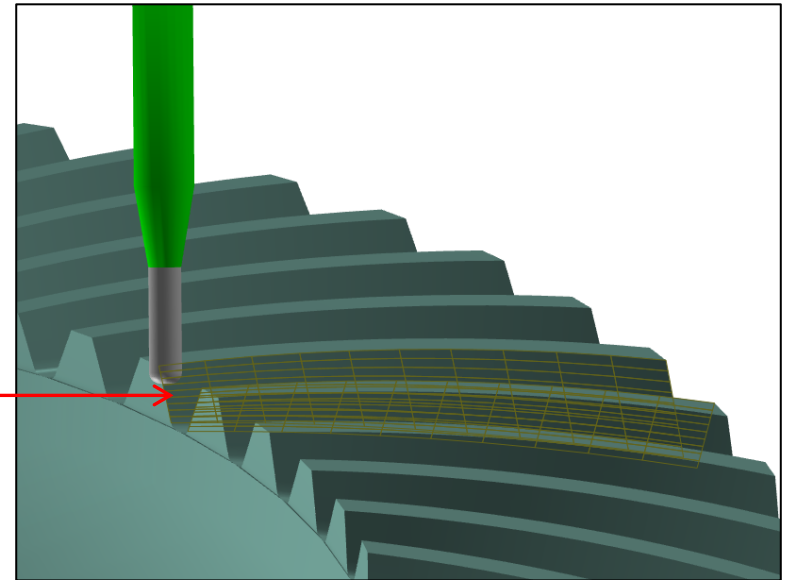
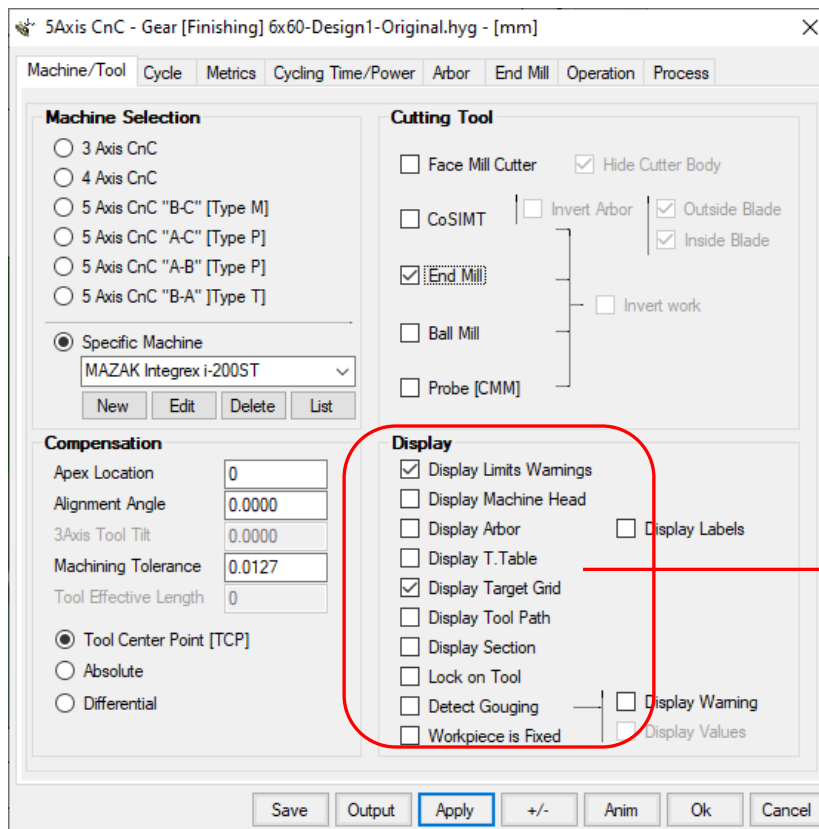


Definition of an 8mm Bull Nose

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Display: Several options allow selective information display. These include:

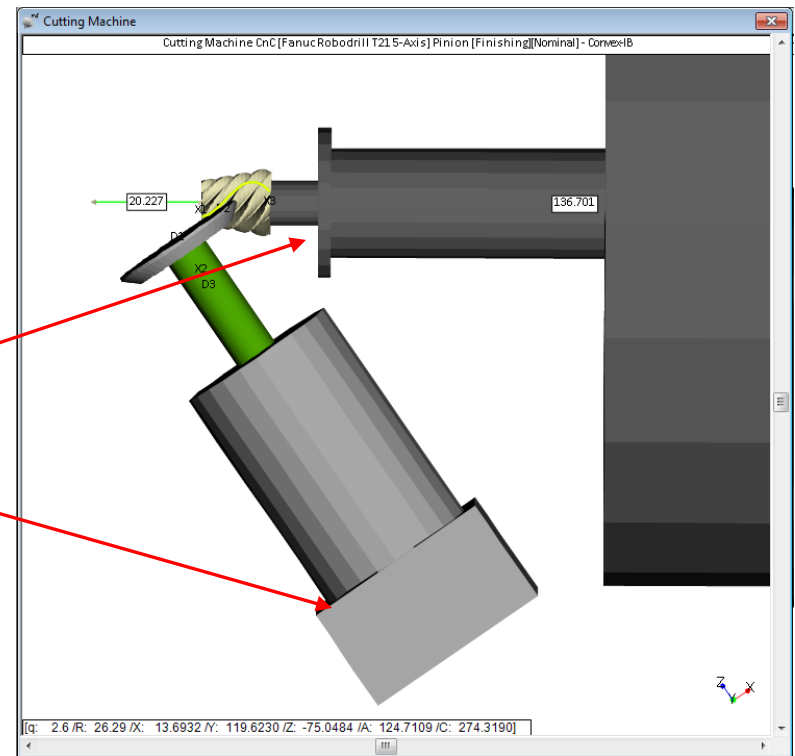
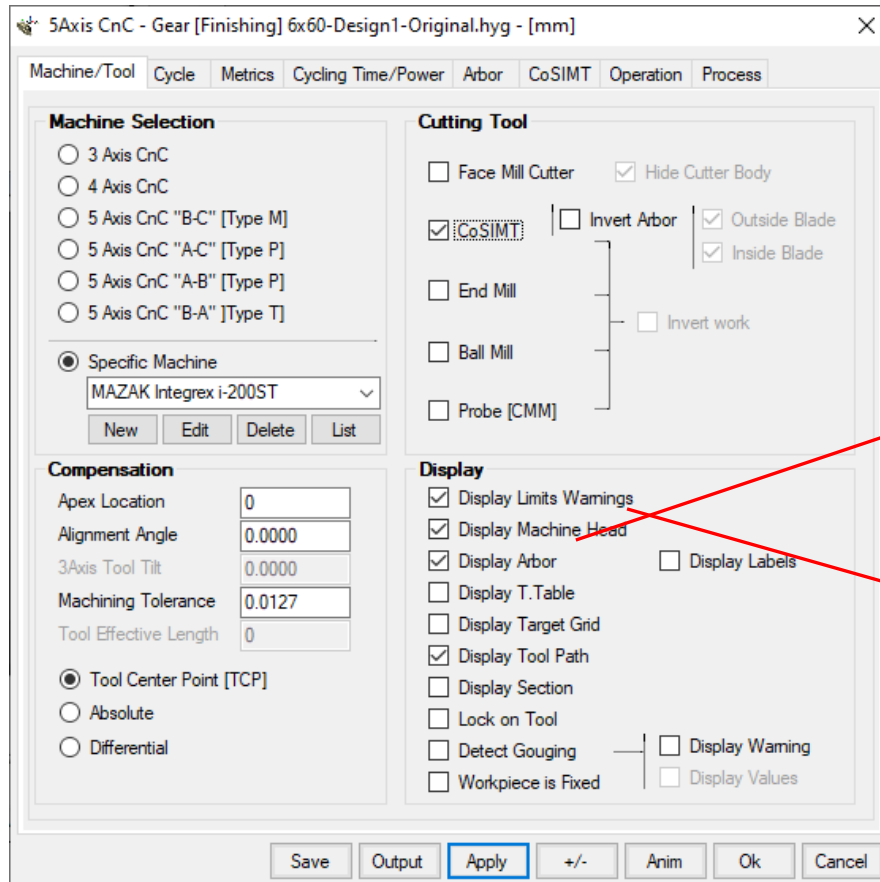
- the Machine Head,
- the Machine Turn Table
- the Work Arbor and support,
- the Target Grid, where the target coordinates are displayed in wire frame mesh,
- the Tool Path.



Display of the Target Grid (beige)

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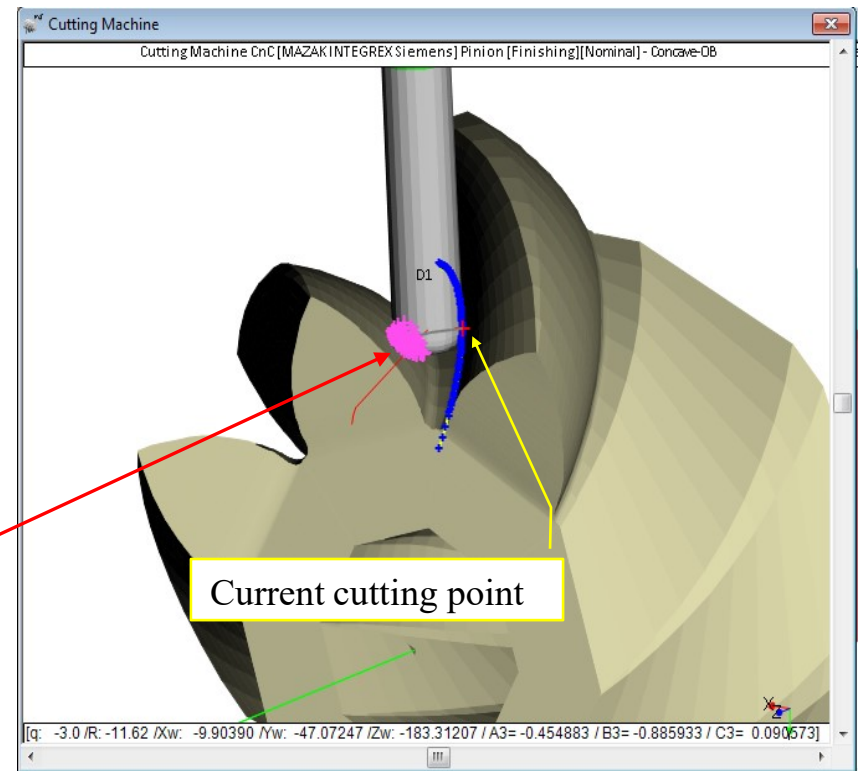
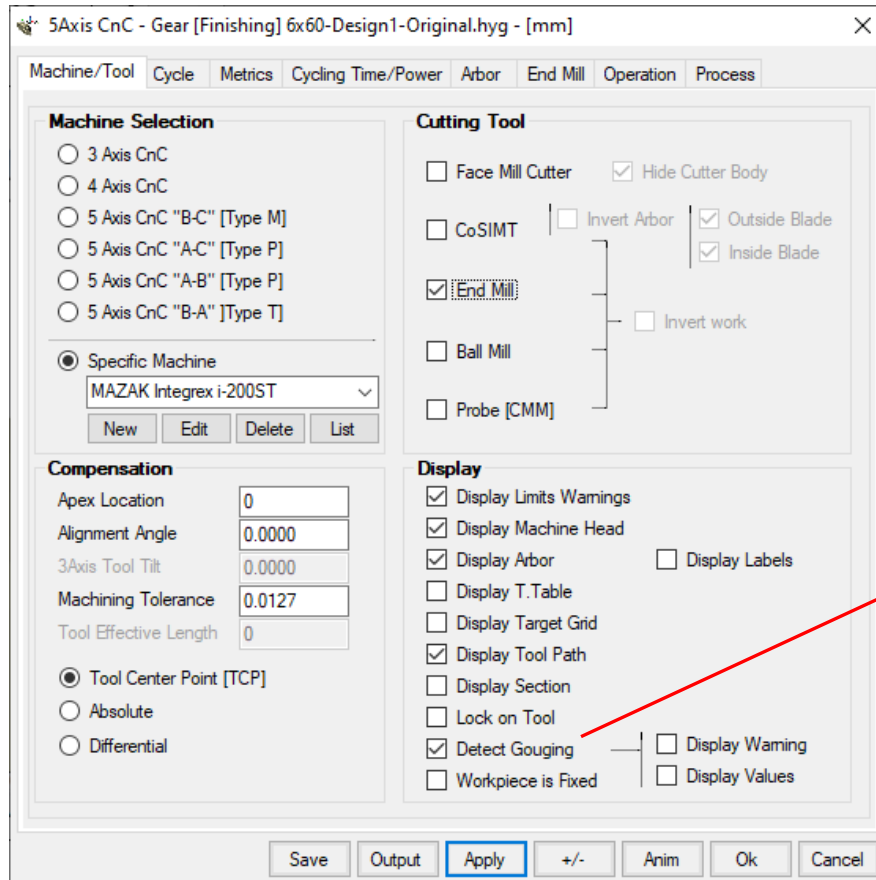
Display: Example of Tool Holder and Work Arbor with CoSIMT and 1.2 mm module hypoid pinion.



Display of the Arbor and Tool Holder

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Display: Detection of Gouging interference (tool back side contact with opposite tooth flank): HyGEARS can determine, and display where, if any Gouging occurs such as to alert the user of potential profile mutilation; valid for CoSIMT, End Mill, Ball Mill tools.



Display of Gouging points with Pink crosses

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycle: Selection of Output, Stock, Feed, Clearances, Tooth area, and Cutting Cycle

The screenshot shows the 'Cycle' tab of the '5Axis CnC - Gear [Finishing] Hypoid-N10x60x120-01-Test-452_Corr.hyg - [mm]' dialog. The dialog is divided into several sections: Output Format, Stock-Feed, Clearance [mm], Indexing Sequence, and Cutting Cycle. Annotations point to various settings:

- Output Format:**
 - Annotations: 'Output Format: allows selecting wanted or unwanted features' (points to the section header), 'Machine: XYZ ABC', 'Work: XwYwZw ABC', 'Traori: XwYwZw ijk' (points to the 'Coordinates Only' checkbox).
- Stock-Feed:**
 - Annotations: 'Controls step depth, cycle coarseness, Toe and Heel clearances, gap indexing.' (points to the 'Reqd.' column), '# Gaps skipped between 2 cuts. If "/X" where X = 1, 2, ..., n, then' (points to the 'Skip #' field), 'Start Gap = 1', 'End Gap = Z' (points to the 'End Gap' field).
- Clearance [mm]:**
 - Annotations: 'Distributed about one central tooth gap' (points to the 'Toe' and 'Heel' fields).
- Cutting Cycle:**
 - Annotations: 'Cuts the Complete Gap or Cuts all the Convex flanks and then cuts all the Concave flanks.' (points to the 'Slot by Slot' and 'Flank by Flank' radio buttons), 'Tool movement types during cutting cycle' (points to the 'Convex [IB]' and 'Concave [OB]' sections).
- Targeted tooth region:**
 - Annotations: 'Fillet', 'Flank', 'Combined', 'Chamfering' (points to the 'Fillet-Root', 'Tooth Flank', 'Combined', 'Chamfer Tool Side', 'Chamfer Tool End', 'Chamfer Toe', 'Chamfer Heel' radio buttons).

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Cutting cycles can be extensively tailored to user preferences, depending on tool choice.*

5Axis CnC - Gear [Finishing] 6x60-Design1-Original.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

- ☐ Use Actual Tooth
- ☐ CSV Format
- ☐ Preset ABC Angles
- ☐ Include Operation Switches
- ☒ Include Short Header
- ☒ Include Start Positions
- ☐ Explicit Indexing
- ☐ No Comments
- ☐ Coordinates Only
- ☐ Work Coordinates
- ☐ TCP (Mazak)
- ☐ _____

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual	
# Steps	9	[7]	Start 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Steps
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 9	<input type="checkbox"/> Tgt. Pts
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retract Factor	3.0			
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.0000	
Constant D-Radius	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000	
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.127	

Clearance [mm]

Toe	10
Heel	5

Indexing Sequence

Skip #	1	Start Gap	1
Mirror	<input type="checkbox"/>	End Gap	6

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt 0.00

☐ Fixed

Depth 0.000
 Chamf A. 0.000
 Pivot A. 0.000

Convex [IB]

- ☐ None
- ☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
- ☐ Rock Me [babe]
- ☐ Plunge Generation

Concave [OB]

- ☐ None
- ☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
- ☐ Rock Me [babe]
- ☐ Plunge Generation

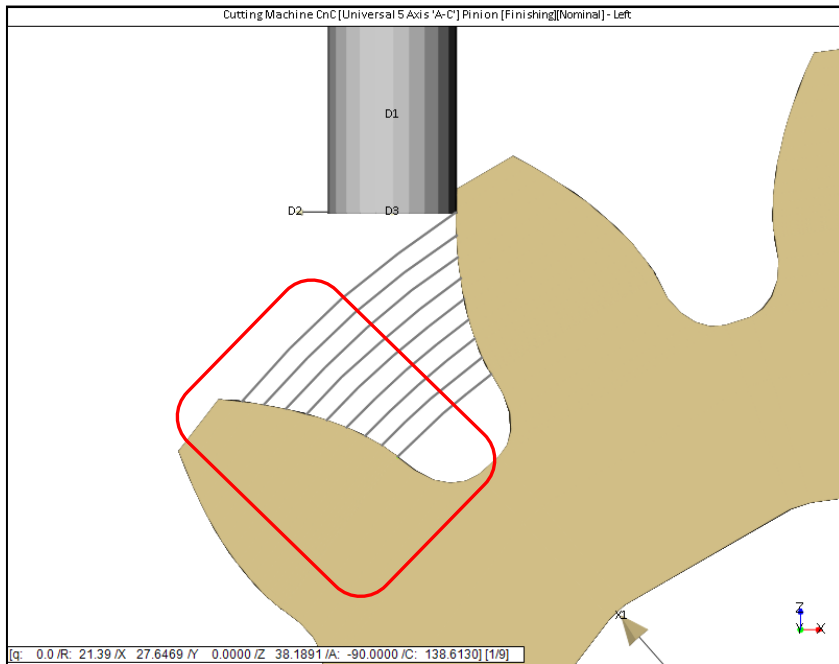
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Cycle Options for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools

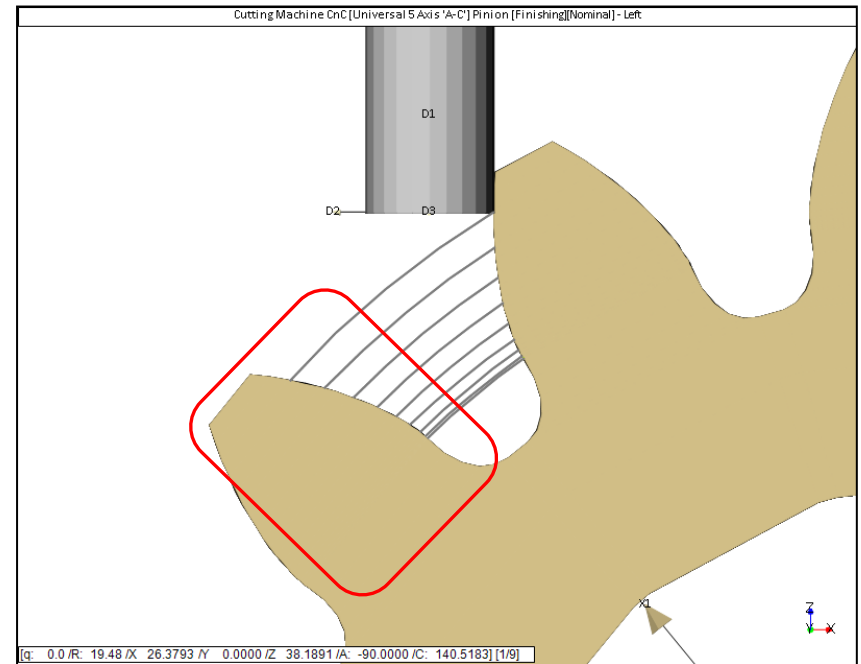
- *Stock-Feed along the face width (#Facewidth Pts) and tooth depth (#Steps)*
- *When cutting starts and ends (Start / End)*
- *Tool retraction at end of cycle (Retract Factor, based on Heel tooth depth)*
- *Whether the tooth description is with constant roll angles or constant radius (Constant D-Radius)*
- *Whether the contact point moves, or does not move, along the tool's cutting edge (Moving Contact Pt)*
- *Roughing and Finishing cycles*
- *Toe and Heel clearances*
- *Tip, Toe and Heel chamfering*
- *Indexing sequence in order to spread tool wear and thermal load over non sequential teeth (Skip#).*

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Cycles: *Constant D-Radius:* checked: *constant radial steps; insensitive for $Z > \sim 25$*
un-checked: *constant roll-angle steps – improved surface near fillet
better for $Z < \sim 20$*



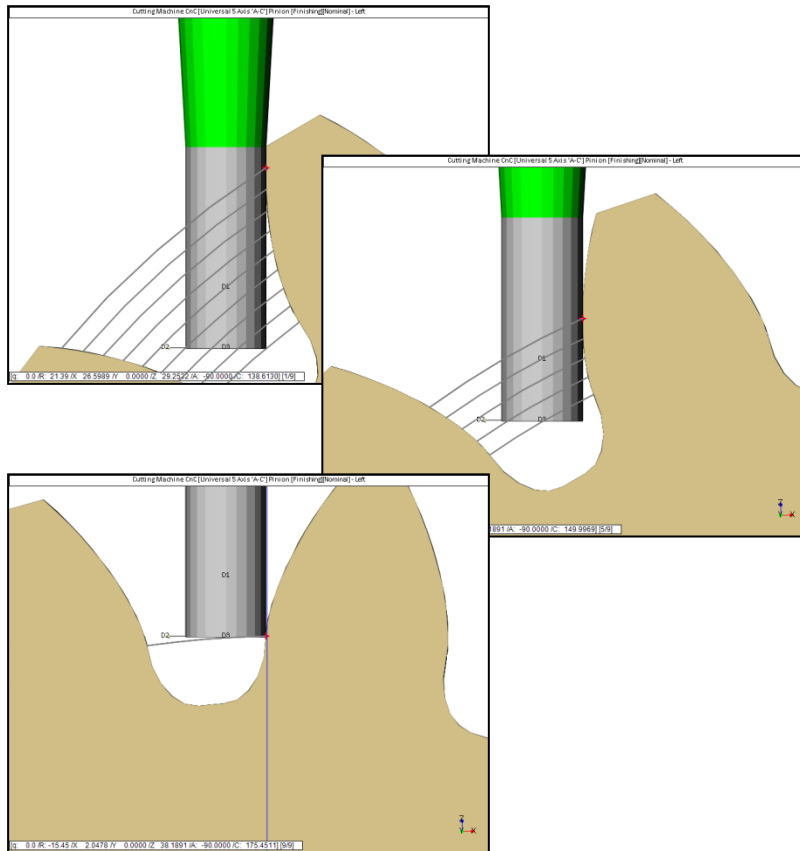
Constant D-Radius



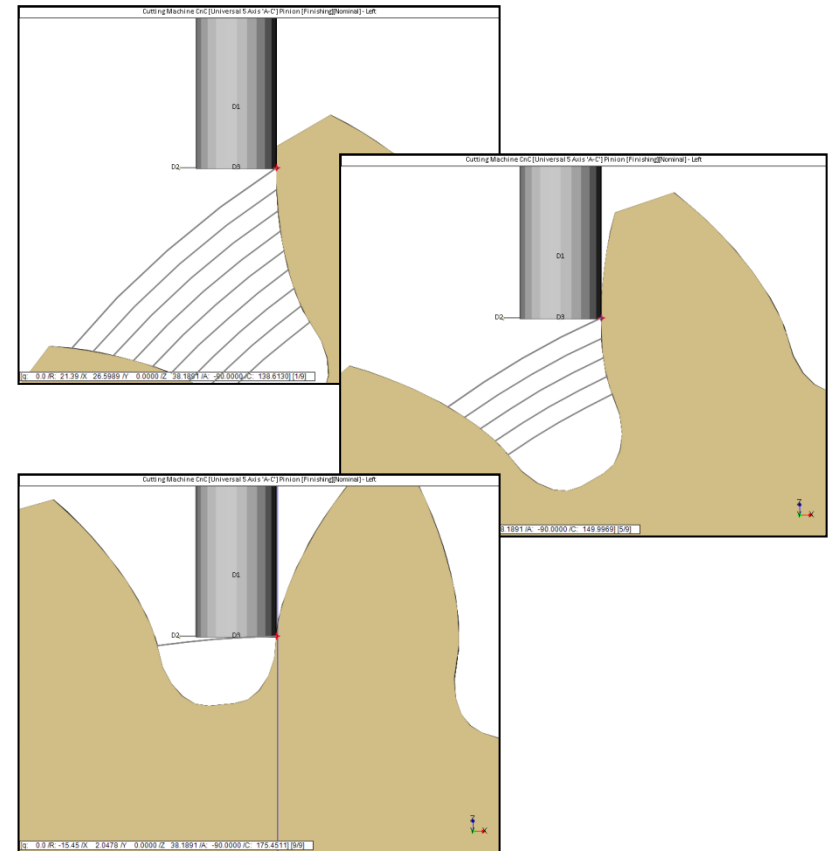
Constant D-Roll

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Cycles: *Moving Contact Pt: checked: contact point moves along tool edge; better Finish and reduced tool wear;*
un-checked: contact point always at tool tip: more tool wear



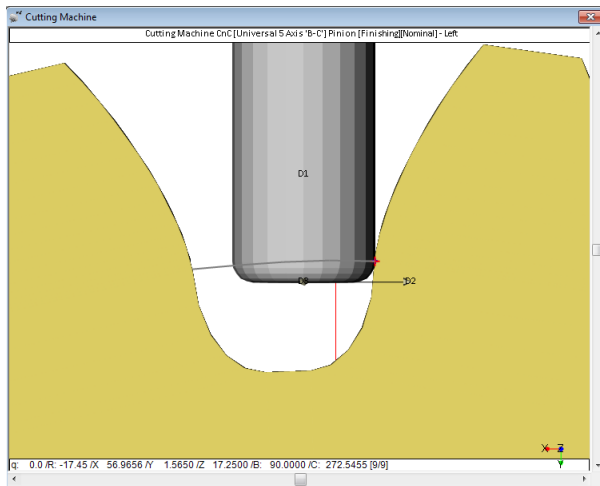
Moving Contact Pt: Finishing



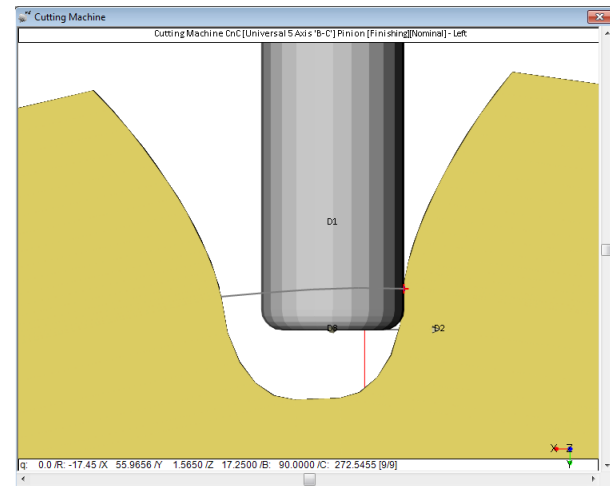
Fixed Contact Pt: Roughing

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Over Run:* = 0: *End Mill stops at Fillet Line*
 > 0: *End Mill extends below the Fillet Line: prevents lip forming in the fillet when negative stock is used on the flank*



Over Run: 0



Over Run > 0

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: HyGEARS offers 7 cycles for Face Mill cutters and 1 cycle for the Coniflex™ dish cutter.

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 6x60-Design1-Original.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Cycling Time/Power Arbor Face Mill Operation Process

Output Format

- ☐ Use Actual Tooth
- ☐ CSV Format
- ☐ Preset ABC Angles
- ☐ Include Operation Switches
- ☒ Include Short Header
- ☒ Include Start Positions
- ☐ Explicit Indexing
- ☐ No Comments
- ☐ Coordinates Only
- ☐ Work Coordinates
- ☐ TCPM (Heidenhain)
- ☐ Haas Horizon

Stock-Feed

Steps: 50
Bottomland Pts: 0
Facewidth Pts: 11
Retract Factor: 2.0
Moving Contact Pt: ☐ Over Run: 0.0000
Constant D-Radius: ☐
Roughing: ☐ Finish Stock: 0.000
Rough Stock: 0.127

Clearance [mm]

Toe: 0.000
Heel: 0.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip #: 1 Start Gap: 1
Mirror: ☐ End Gap: 6

Cutting Cycle

Face Mill Cycle

- ☒ Single Roll - Toe to Heel
- ☐ Single Roll - Heel to Toe
- ☐ Plunge Roll - Toe to Heel
- ☐ Plunge Roll - Heel to Toe
- ☐ Double Roll - Toe to Heel
- ☐ Double Roll - Heel to Toe
- ☐ Non Gen. Plunge Cut
- ☐ Center Roll T-H: 0.000

	Depth	Fact	Feed	RPM	Dwell (Rot)	Waguri Orbit
Rapid						
Z1:	1.05		1500.0	1200		
Z2:	0.25		500.0			
Z3:	0.30					
Z4:	0.00		500.0	250	1.20	0.0

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

Cycles for Face Mill cutters / Completing

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Cycling Time/Power Arbor Face Mill Operation Process

Output Format

- ☐ Use Actual Tooth
- ☐ CSV Format
- ☐ Preset ABC Angles
- ☐ Include Operation Switches
- ☒ Include Short Header
- ☒ Include Start Positions
- ☐ Explicit Indexing
- ☐ No Comments
- ☐ Coordinates Only
- ☐ Work Coordinates
- ☐ Traori (Siemens)
- ☐ -----

Stock-Feed

Steps: 9
Bottomland Pts: 0
Facewidth Pts: 11
Retract Factor: 4.0
Moving Contact Pt: ☐ Over Run: 0.0000
Constant D-Radius: ☐
Roughing: ☐ Finish Stock: 0.000
Rough Stock: 0.000

Clearance [mm]

Toe: 0.000
Heel: 0.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip #: 1 Start Gap: 1
Mirror: ☐ End Gap: 12

Cutting Cycle

Face Mill Cycle

- ☒ Toe -Heel/ Toe -Heel
- ☐ Toe -Heel/ Heel-Toe
- ☐ Heel-Toe / Heel-Toe
- ☐ Heel-Toe / Toe -Heel
- ☐ Double Roll - Toe to Heel
- ☐ Double Roll - Heel to Toe
- ☐ Non Gen. Plunge Cut
- ☐ Center Roll T-H: 0.000

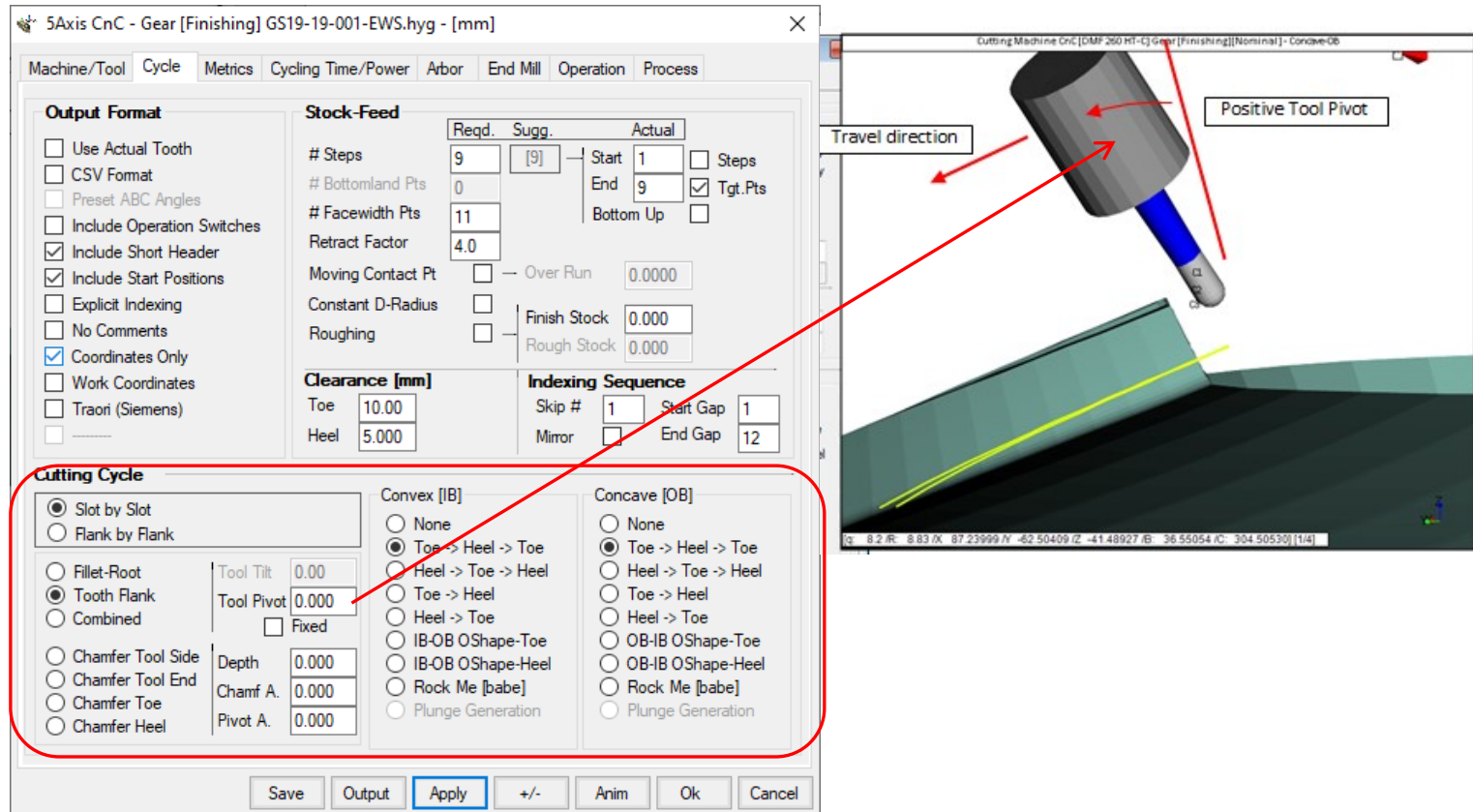
	Depth	Fact	Feed	RPM	Dwell (Rot)	Waguri Orbit
Rapid						
Z1:	1.00		1500.0	1200		
Z2:	0.00		500.0			
Z3:	0.00					
Z4:	0.00		500.0	250	1.20	0.0

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

Cycles for Face Mill cutters / Fixed Setting - Semi-Completing

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: HyGEARS offers 14+ different cutting cycles for End Mill and Ball Mill tools, and 15 for CoSIMT tools. Tool can be Pivoted to improve cutting conditions.



Cycles for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Finishing cycles for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools.*

The screenshot shows the '5Axis CnC - Gear [Finishing] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm]' window. The 'Cycle' tab is selected. The 'Output Format' section includes checkboxes for 'Use Actual Tooth', 'CSV Format', 'Preset ABC Angles', 'Include Operation Switches', 'Include Short Header', 'Include Start Positions', 'Explicit Indexing', 'No Comments', 'Coordinates Only', 'Work Coordinates', and 'Traori (Siemens)'. The 'Stock-Feed' section includes fields for '# Steps' (9), '# Bottomland Pts' (0), '# Facewidth Pts' (11), 'Retract Factor' (4.0), 'Moving Contact Pt', 'Constant D-Radius', 'Roughing', 'Reqd.' (9), 'Sugg.' ([9]), 'Actual' (1), 'Start' (1), 'End' (9), 'Bottom Up', 'Over Run' (0.0000), 'Finish Stock' (0.000), and 'Rough Stock' (0.000). The 'Clearance [mm]' section includes 'Toe' (10.00) and 'Heel' (5.000). The 'Indexing Sequence' section includes 'Skip #' (1), 'Start Gap' (1), 'Mirror', and 'End Gap' (12). The 'Cutting Cycle' section is highlighted with a red box and includes radio buttons for 'Slot by Slot' (selected) and 'Flank by Flank'. Below these are radio buttons for 'Fillet-Root', 'Tooth Flank' (selected), and 'Combined'. To the right of these are fields for 'Tool Tilt' (0.00), 'Tool Pivot' (0.000), 'Fixed' (checkbox), 'Depth' (0.000), 'Chamf A.' (0.000), and 'Pivot A.' (0.000). The 'Convex [IB]' section includes radio buttons for 'None', 'Toe -> Heel -> Toe' (selected), 'Heel -> Toe -> Heel', 'Toe -> Heel', 'Heel -> Toe', 'IB-OB OShape-Toe', 'IB-OB OShape-Heel', 'Rock Me [babe]', and 'Plunge Generation'. The 'Concave [OB]' section includes radio buttons for 'None', 'Toe -> Heel -> Toe' (selected), 'Heel -> Toe -> Heel', 'Toe -> Heel', 'Heel -> Toe', 'OB-IB OShape-Toe', 'OB-IB OShape-Heel', 'Rock Me [babe]', and 'Plunge Generation'. The bottom of the window has buttons for 'Save', 'Output', 'Apply' (highlighted with a blue box), '+/-', 'Anim', 'Ok', and 'Cancel'.

- *Fillet/Root, Tooth Flank, Toe, Heel and Tip Chamfer (Deburring) are different operations;*
- *They can be cut Slot by Slot or Flank by Flank, depending on machine selection, work size, and how much travel is required by the machine or tool between tooth flanks;*
- *Finishing cycles can be different on each tooth flank.*

Finishing Cycles for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Roughing cycles for End Mill and Ball Mill tools.*

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Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

- ☐ Use Actual Tooth
- ☐ CSV Format
- ☐ Preset ABC Angles
- ☐ Include Operation Switches
- ☒ Include Short Header
- ☒ Include Start Positions
- ☐ Explicit Indexing
- ☐ No Comments
- ☒ Coordinates Only
- ☐ Work Coordinates
- ☐ Traori (Siemens)

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual
# Steps	9	[9]	Start 1
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 9
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up
Retract Factor	4.0		
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.0000
Constant D-Radius	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000
Roughing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.000

Clearance [mm]

Toe	10.00
Heel	5.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip #	1	Start Gap	1
Mirror	<input type="checkbox"/>	End Gap	12

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt: 0.00
Tool Pivot: 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth: 0.000
Chamf A: 0.000
Pivot A: 0.000

Convex [IB]

- ☐ None
- ☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
- ☐ Rock Me [babe]
- ☒ Center Slot T-H-T

Concave [OB]

- ☒ None
- ☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
- ☐ MultiPass
- ☐ Center Slot H-T-H

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

Roughing Cycles for End Mill and Ball Mill tools

- *Fillet/Root and Tooth Flank are different operations;*
- *They can be cut Slot by Slot or Flank by Flank, depending on machine selection, work size, and how much travel is required by the machine or tool between tooth flanks;*
- *Roughing cycles need not be the same on both tooth flanks;*
- *Center Slot cuts a through in the center of the gap; may start at Toe or Heel;*
- *MultiPass is a Slot by Slot operation; it makes an even number of passes per Step, based on slot width and tool diameter; the number of passes is calculated at each Step; allows greater tool feeds over Center Slot because the tool is never captive in a through.*

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Cycles: *Roughing cycles for CoSIMT tools.*

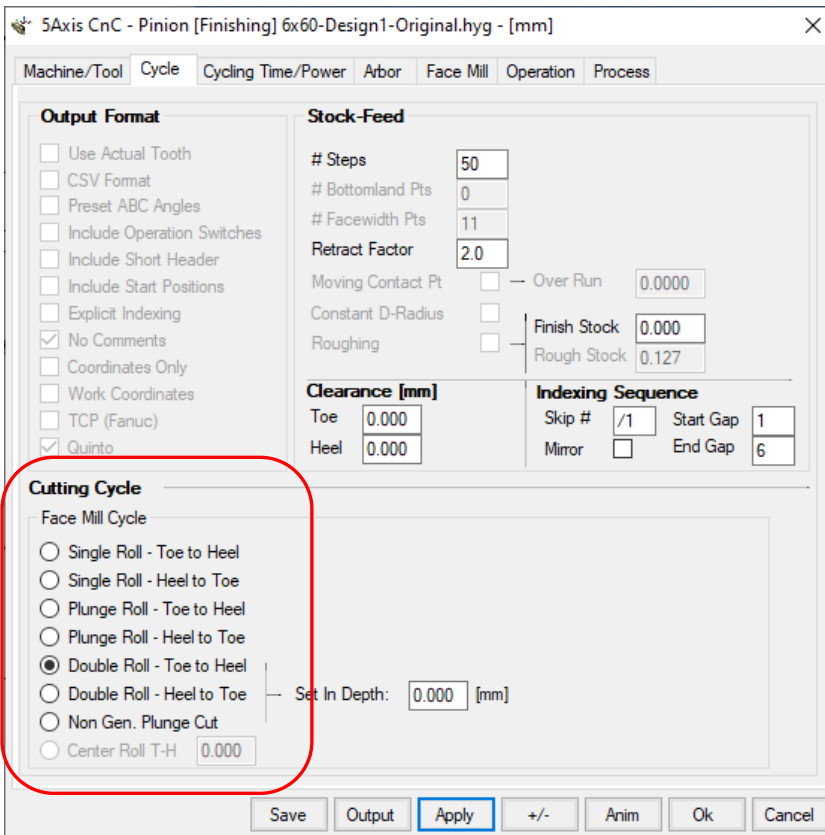
The screenshot shows the '5Axis CnC - Gear [Finishing] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm]' window. The 'Cycle' tab is selected. The 'Output Format' section includes checkboxes for 'Use Actual Tooth', 'CSV Format', 'Preset ABC Angles', 'Include Operation Switches', 'Include Short Header', 'Include Start Positions', 'Explicit Indexing', 'No Comments', 'Coordinates Only', 'Work Coordinates', and 'Traori (Siemens)'. The 'Stock-Feed' section has input fields for '# Steps' (9), '# Bottomland Pts' (0), '# Facewidth Pts' (11), 'Retract Factor' (4.0), 'Moving Contact Pt', 'Over Run' (0.0000), 'Constant D-Radius' (checked), 'Roughing' (checked), 'Finish Stock' (0.000), and 'Rough Stock' (0.000). The 'Clearance [mm]' section has 'Toe' (10.00) and 'Heel' (5.000). The 'Indexing Sequence' section has 'Skip #' (1), 'Start Gap' (1), 'Mirror' (unchecked), and 'End Gap' (12). The 'Cutting Cycle' section, highlighted with a red box, includes radio buttons for 'Slot by Slot', 'Flank by Flank' (selected), 'Fillet-Root', 'Tooth Flank', 'Combined', 'Chamfer Tool Side', 'Chamfer Tool End', 'Chamfer Toe', and 'Chamfer Heel'. It also has input fields for 'Tool Tilt' (0.00), 'Tool Pivot' (0.000), 'Depth' (0.000), 'Chamf A.' (0.000), and 'Pivot A.' (0.000). The 'Convex [IB]' section has radio buttons for 'None', 'Toe -> Heel -> Toe', 'Heel -> Toe -> Heel', 'Toe -> Heel', 'Heel -> Toe', 'IB-OB OShape-Toe', 'IB-OB OShape-Heel', 'Rock Me [babe]', and 'Center Slot T-H-T' (selected). The 'Concave [OB]' section has radio buttons for 'None', 'Toe -> Heel -> Toe', 'Heel -> Toe -> Heel', 'Toe -> Heel', 'Heel -> Toe', 'OB-IB OShape-Toe', 'OB-IB OShape-Heel', 'MultiPass', and 'Center Slot H-T-H'. The bottom of the window has buttons for 'Save', 'Output', 'Apply' (highlighted), '+/-', 'Anim', 'Ok', and 'Cancel'.

Roughing Cycles for CoSIMT tools

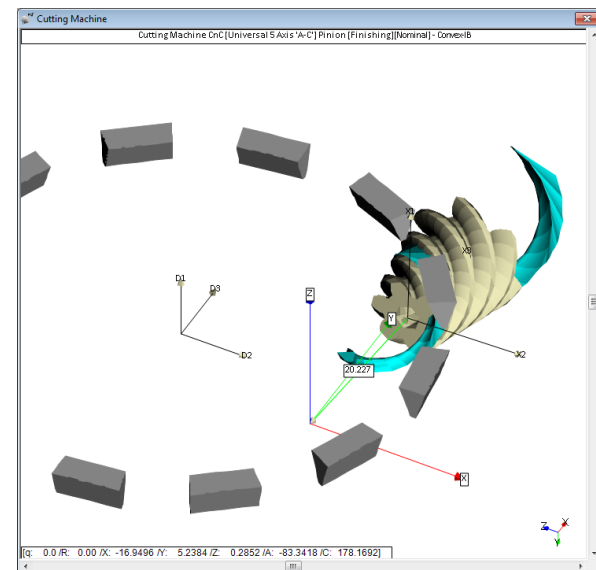
- *Fillet/Root and Tooth Flank are different operations;*
- *They can be cut Slot by Slot or Flank by Flank, depending on machine selection, work size, and how much travel is required by the machine or tool between tooth flanks;*
- *Center Slot cuts a through in the center of the gap; may start at Toe or Heel;*
- *MultiPass is a Slot by Slot operation; it makes an even number of passes per Step, based on slot width and tool diameter, the number of passes is calculated at each Step; allows greater tool feeds when compared to Center Slot;*

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Face Mill Cutter – Completing cutting processes*



- *can be Single Roll/Double Roll;*
- *Double Roll plunges the cutter to full depth between the start and end of the 1st roll, and then generates full depth on the 2nd roll;*
- *can be Toe to Heel or Heel to Toe;*
- *the use of Toe/Heel clearances allows progressive cutter entry/retract for better tool life (see the Target Volume in light blue below);*
- *the Indexing Sequence allows spreading tool wear and thermal load over non-consecutive tooth slots.*

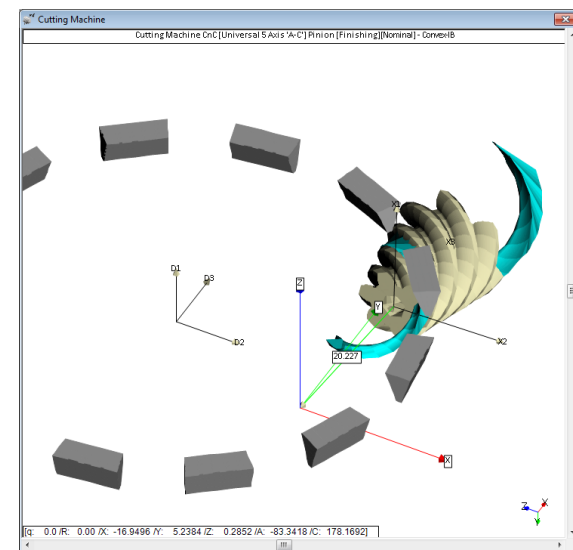


Cycles for Face Mill cutters

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Face Mill Cutter – Fixed Setting / Semi-Completing cutting processes*

- *xx / yy: 1st part is Convex flank; 2nd part is Concave flank*
- *the use of Toe/Heel clearances allows progressive cutter entry/retract for better tool life (see the Target Volume in light blue below);*
- *Negative Finish stock pushes the cutter In such as to compensate for tool wear;*
- *the Indexing Sequence allows spreading tool wear and thermal load over non-consecutive tooth slots.*



Cycles for Face Mill cutters

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Face Mill Cutter*

- the Face Mill cutter used on the 5Axis CnC machine can be defined and saved;
- cutter Diameter, Blade angles, Edge Radii, and Point Width are those described in the Summary Editor (see below).

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Cycling Time/Power Arbor Face Mill Operation Process

Face Mill Details

Name: 2" 17.5 / 17.5 2" 17.5 / 17.5

Tool ID: 1

TLU ID: 0

Clear Save Delete DXF

Body Diameter: 55.0000

Body Height: 5.0000

Blade Depth: 4.8353

Cutter Gaging: 0.0000

Number of Blades: 12

Tooth Depth: 3.3060

Point Width: 0.6001

Tool Length: 19.8353

Cutter Holder: ...

Fillet Rad. [Toe]: 0.3405

Fillet Rad. [Heel]: 0.2457

Slot Width [Toe]: 2.8390

Slot Width [Heel]: 3.7451

Feeds [mm/min]

RPM: 1200.0

Rapid Move: 1500.0

Plunge: 500.0

Cutting: 500.0

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

Pinion [Spiral-Bevel] [Finishing][Nominal] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm] [dd....]

Blank Cutter TopRem Machine Hi Order Other Operating Rim-Material Bevel

Concave-OB

Convex-IB

Average Diameter: 51.0007

Blade Angle: 17.5000

B.Edge Rad.: 0.1499

Point Width: 0.5994

Cutter Edge: Circular

Rad. of Curvature: 499.9990

Ref. Height: 1.5011

Number of Blades: 12

Cutter Gaging: 0.0000

Rad. of Curvature-Ref. Height: 1.5011

Apply OK Cancel

Face Mill cutter definition

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *CoSIMT, End Mill, Ball Mill*

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] GS19-19-001-EWS.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

☐ Use Actual Tooth
☐ CSV Format
☐ Preset ABC Angles
☐ Include Operation Switches
☒ Include Short Header
☒ Include Start Positions
☐ Explicit Indexing
☐ No Comments
☐ Coordinates Only
☐ Work Coordinates
☐ Traori (Siemens)

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual	
# Steps	9	[9]	Start 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Steps
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tgt.Pts
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retract Factor	2.0			
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.0000	
Constant D-Radius	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000	
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.000	

Clearance [mm]

Toe 0.000
 Heel 0.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip # 1 Start Gap 1
 Mirror ☐ End Gap 6

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt 0.00
 Tool Pivot 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth 0.000
 Chamf A. 0.000
 Pivot A. 0.000

Convex [IB]

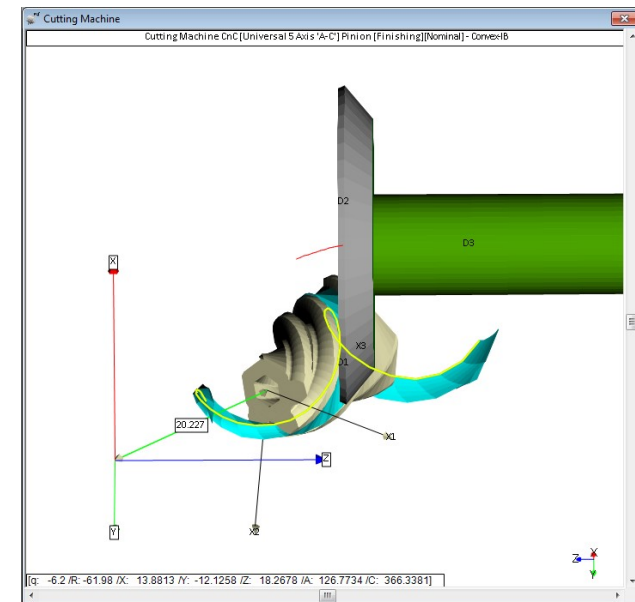
☐ None
☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation

Concave [OB]

☐ None
☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- *CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools can **rough** and **finish** tooth flanks and fillet;*
- *CoSIMT, Bull Nose End Mill and Ball Mill tools can finish the fillet, and a protuberance can be imposed in the form of negative Stock;*
- *End Mill and Ball Mill can Chamfer (i.e. deburring) tooth Tip;*
- *Positive and Negative stock can be used;*
- *Toe and Heel clearances can be imposed;*
- *The Indexing Sequence can be selected.*



Cycles for CoSIMT, End Mill and Ball Mill tools

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: Example: End Mill tool, Toe-Heel-Toe (IB-Side) / Heel-Toe-Heel (OB-Side)

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

☐ Use Actual Tooth
☐ CSV Format
☐ Line Numbers
☐ Include Operation Switches
☒ Include Short Header
☒ Include Start Positions
☐ Explicit Indexing
☒ No Comments
☐ Coordinates Only
☒ Work Coordinates
☐ TCP (Mazak)
☐ -----

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual	
# Steps	21	[18]	Start 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Steps
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tgt.Pts
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retract Factor	2.0			
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.000	
Constant D-Radius	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000	
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.000	

Clearance [mm]

Toe 20
 Heel 10

Indexing Sequence

Skip # /1 Start Gap 1
 Mirror ☐ End Gap 7

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

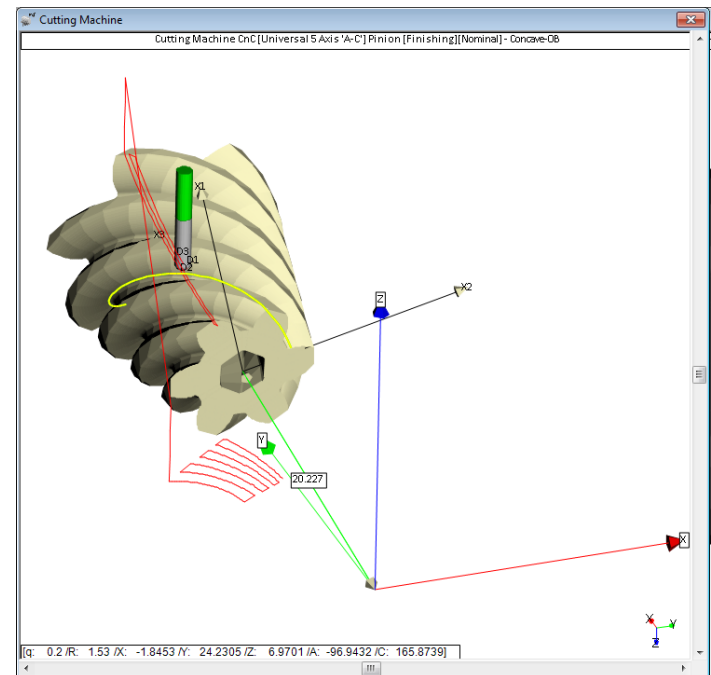
Tool Tilt 10.00
 Tool Pivot 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth 0.000
 Chamf A. 0.000
 Pivot A. 0.000

Convex [IB]	Concave [OB]
<input type="radio"/> None	<input type="radio"/> None
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Toe -> Heel -> Toe	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Toe -> Heel -> Toe
<input type="radio"/> Heel -> Toe -> Heel	<input type="radio"/> Heel -> Toe -> Heel
<input type="radio"/> Toe -> Heel	<input type="radio"/> Toe -> Heel
<input type="radio"/> Heel -> Toe	<input type="radio"/> Heel -> Toe
<input type="radio"/> IB-OB OShape-Toe	<input type="radio"/> OB-IB OShape-Toe
<input type="radio"/> IB-OB OShape-Heel	<input type="radio"/> OB-IB OShape-Heel
<input type="radio"/> Rock Me [babe]	<input type="radio"/> Rock Me [babe]
<input type="radio"/> Plunge Generation	<input type="radio"/> Plunge Generation
<input type="radio"/> VCut Toe-Heel	<input type="radio"/> VCut Heel-Toe

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- Cutting cycles can be different for each tooth flank (IB-OB, Left-Right);
- a cutting cycle may start on the IB and finish on the OB (Left-Right for non spiral-bevels);
- for example, with the selections made in the left figure, given the IB cycle ends at Heel, unless otherwise dictated it could make sense to start the OB cycle at Heel to reduce cycle time (the tool path is the red line in the figure below).



End Mill cycles

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Example: tapered End Mill tool, O-Shaped cycles*

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

☐ Use Actual Tooth
☐ CSV Format
☐ Line Numbers
☐ Include Operation Switches
☒ Include Short Header
☒ Include Start Positions
☐ Explicit Indexing
☒ No Comments
☐ Coordinates Only
☒ Work Coordinates
☐ TCP (Mazak)
☐ -----

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual
# Steps	21	[18]	Start 1
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 3
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up
Retract Factor	2.0		
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.000
Constant D-Radius	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.000

Clearance [mm]

Toe 20
 Heel 10

Indexing Sequence

Skip # /1 Start Gap 1
 Mirror ☐ End Gap 7

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt 10.00
 Tool Pivot 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth 0.000
 Chamf A. 0.000
 Pivot A. 0.000

Convex [IB]

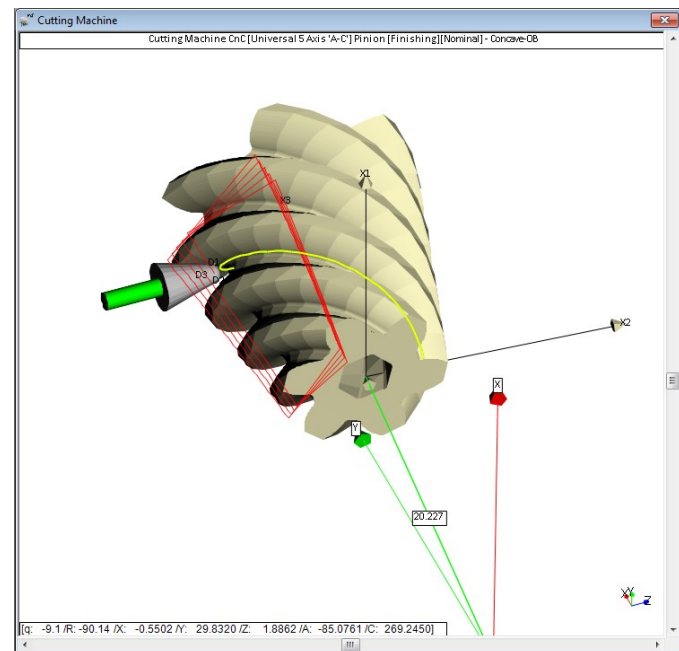
☐ None
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☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☒ IB-OB OShape-Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Toe-Heel

Concave [OB]

☒ None
☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Heel-Toe

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- one starting flank – IB / OB - and tooth end – Toe / Heel - is selected, the other being slave;
- for O-Shaped cycles, the cutting cycle takes a pass along the face width on the one flank and switches to the opposite flank for return; the cycle then switches back to the starting and takes one step depth wise before starting over again;
- can be a real time saver when used with a Tapered End Mill or a CoSIMT.



O-Shaped cycles

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: Example: CoSIMT tool, Rock-Me (babe)

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor CoSIMT Operation Process

Output Format

☐ Use Actual Tooth
☐ CSV Format
☐ Line Numbers
☒ Include Operation Switches
☒ Include Short Header
☒ Include Start Positions
☐ Explicit Indexing
☐ No Comments
☐ Coordinates Only
☐ Work Coordinates
☐ TCP (Mazak)

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual
# Steps	21	[20]	Start 1
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 21
# Facewidth Pts	21		Bottom Up
Retract Factor	2.5		
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.0000
Constant D-Radius	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.100

Clearance [mm]

Toe	15.000
Heel	10.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip #	1	Start Gap	1
Mirror	<input type="checkbox"/>	End Gap	7

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt: 10.00
Tool Pivot: 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth: 0.000
Chamf A: 0.000
Pivot A: 0.000

Convex [IB]

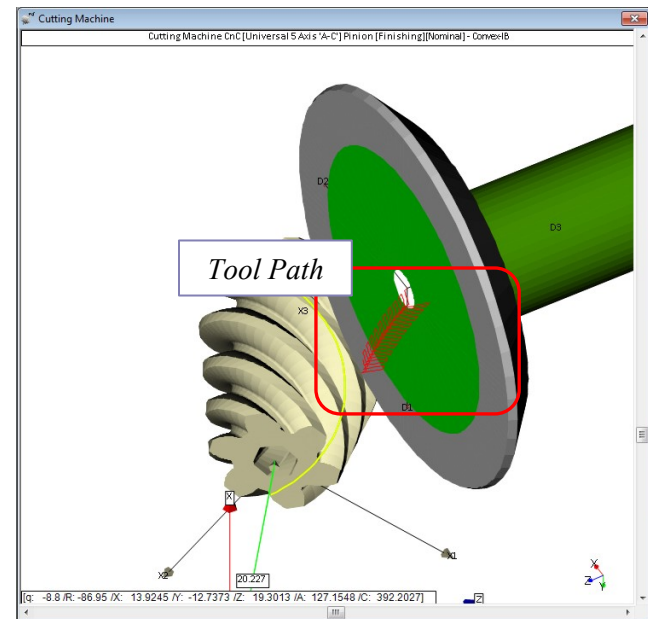
☐ None
☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
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☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
☒ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Toe-Heel

Concave [OB]

☐ None
☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
☒ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Heel-Toe

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- the cycle starts at IB Toe-Tip, generates depth wise to the Fillet, switches to the OB and generates from Fillet to Tip, advances along the OB face width, generates depth wise along the OB side to the Fillet, switches to the IB and generates till Tip, advances along the IB face width, and starts over until Heel is reached;
- may be done individually for each flank;
- this process is well suited to CoSIMT and finishing in one operation.



Rock Me (babe) cycle

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycles: *Example: End Mill tool, Fillet*

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Output Format

☐ Use Actual Tooth
☐ CSV Format
☐ Line Numbers
☒ Include Operation Switches
☒ Include Short Header
☒ Include Start Positions
☐ Explicit Indexing
☐ No Comments
☐ Coordinates Only
☐ Work Coordinates
☐ TCP (Mazak)
☐ -----

Stock-Feed

	Reqd.	Sugg.	Actual	
# Steps	6	[6]	Start 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Steps
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 6	<input type="checkbox"/> Tgt.Pts
# Facewidth Pts	11		Bottom Up	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retract Factor	2.5			
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>		Over Run 0.000	
Constant D-Radius	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Finish Stock 0.000	
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>		Rough Stock 0.100	

Clearance [mm]

Toe	3
Heel	3

Indexing Sequence

Skip #	1	Start Gap	1
Mirror	<input type="checkbox"/>	End Gap	7

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank
☒ Fillet-Root
☐ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined
☐ Chamfer Tool Side
☐ Chamfer Tool End
☐ Chamfer Toe
☐ Chamfer Heel

Tool Tilt 10.00
Tool Pivot 0.000
☐ Fixed
Depth 0.000
Chamf A. 0.000
Pivot A. 0.000

Convex [IB]

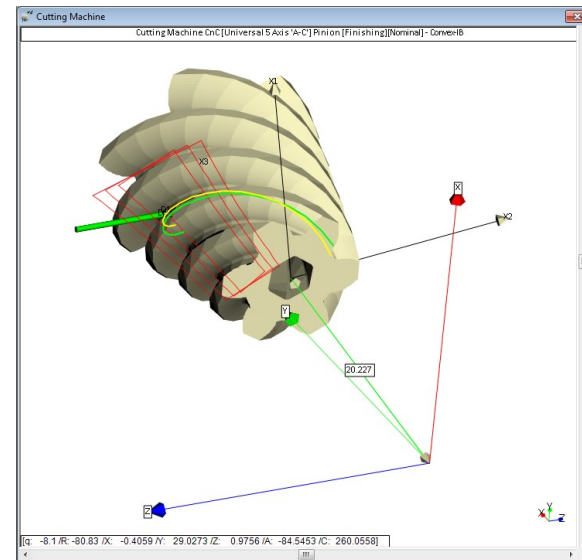
☐ None
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☐ Heel -> Toe
☒ IB-OB OShape-Toe
☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Toe-Heel

Concave [OB]

☒ None
☐ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
☐ Toe -> Heel
☐ Heel -> Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
☐ Rock Me [babe]
☐ Plunge Generation
☐ VCut Heel-Toe

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- *Fillet finishing is integral to tooth flank finishing when using a Face Mill cutter since the tool sweeping movement generates the fillet;*
- *Fillet finishing is done in a distinct operation when using CoSIMT, End Mill or Ball Mill tools;*
- *negative Stock can be imposed to produce a protuberance;*
- *End Mill and Ball Mill tools can be tilted away from the tooth to avoid interference;*
- *Fillet finishing uses the same cycles as for Flank finishing.*



Fillet cycles

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Metrics: Profile-wise step depth, slot width, expected surface quality

Profile-wise Steps

Considered Tooth flank

Step by step breakdown

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] Hypoid-N10x60x120-01-Test-452_Corr.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle **Metrics** Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Stepping Dimensions

Profile-Wise Steps

Finishing Convex-IB [Toe] [mm]

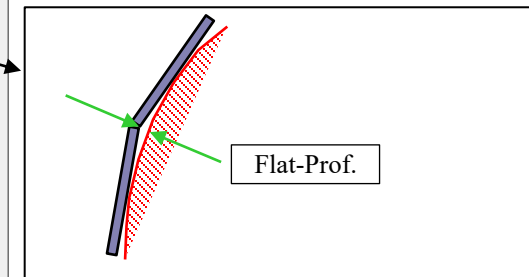
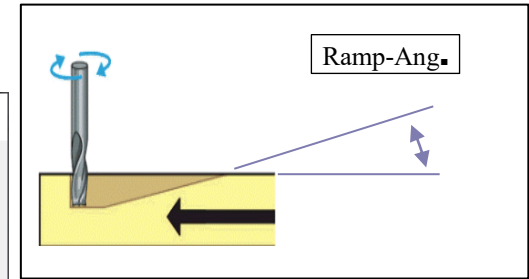
Step#	Slot-Width	Step-Depth	Tot.Depth	Flat-Width	Flat-Prof.	Ramp-Ang.
[Tooth Tip Diameter]						
Starting Depth: 0.3309						
1>2	1.2590	0.2942	0.6251	0.3806	0.0050	-
2>3	0.9361	0.2409	0.8660	0.2841	0.0036	-
3>4	0.7159	0.1725	1.0385	0.1868	0.0022	-
4	0.5947					
Total :		0.7076				
Ending Depth :		1.0385				

Finishing Convex-IB [Heel] [mm]

Step#	Slot-Width	Step-Depth	Tot.Depth	Flat-Width	Flat-Prof.	Ramp-Ang.
[Tooth Tip Diameter]						
Starting Depth: 0.5977						
1>2	1.8786	0.5617	1.1593	0.8214	0.0072	0.7352
2>3	1.3044	0.5057	1.6650	0.6562	0.0053	0.7277
3>4	0.8860	0.4227	2.0878	0.4915	0.0036	0.6877
4	0.6341					
Total :		1.4901				
Ending Depth :		2.0878				

Finishing Concave-OB [Toe] [mm]

Save Output **Apply** +/- Anim Ok Cancel



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Metrics: Length-wise step depth, slot width, expected surface quality

Length-wise Steps

Considered Tooth flank

Step by step breakdown

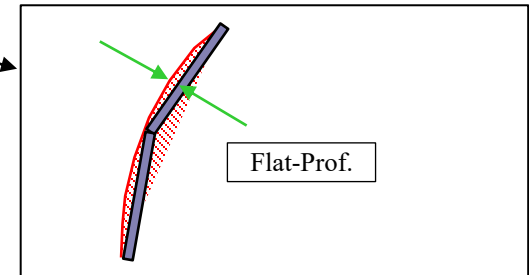
5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] Hypoid-N10x60x120-01-Test-452_Corr.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle **Metrics** Cycling Time/Power Arbor End Mill Operation Process

Stepping Dimensions

Length-Wise Steps		
Finishing Convex-IB [mm]		
Point#	Flat Length	Flat-Prof.
[Toe]		
1>2	1.9052	0.0497
2>3	1.9376	0.0507
3>4	1.9719	0.0516
4>5	2.0085	0.0525
5>6	2.0478	0.0535
6>7	2.0930	0.0546
7>8	2.1381	0.0558
8>9	2.1893	0.0572
9>10	2.2458	0.0589
10>11	2.3086	0.0609
Total :	20.8460	
Finishing Concave-OB [mm]		
Point#	Flat Length	Flat-Prof.
[Toe]		
1>2	1.9079	0.0149
2>3	1.9349	0.0153
3>4	1.9647	0.0156
4>5	1.9969	0.0158
5>6	2.0315	0.0160

Save Output **Apply** +/- Anim Ok Cancel



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Metrics: Scallop height: for Plunge Generation with CoSIMT

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] Hypoid-N10x60x120-01-Test-452_Corr.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle **Metrics** Cycling Time/Power Arbor CoSIMT Operation Process

Stepping Dimensions

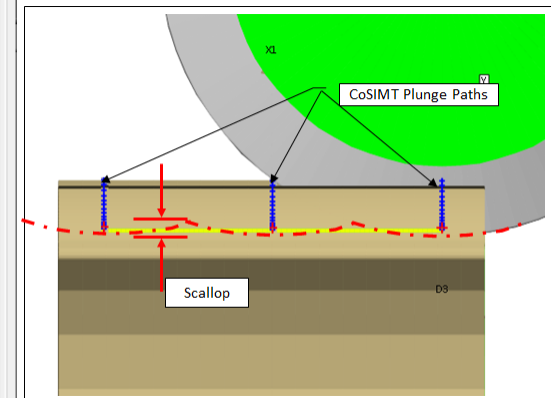
4>5	2.1141	0.0604
5>6	2.1527	0.0609
6>7	2.1951	0.0617
7>8	2.2422	0.0627
8>9	2.2935	0.0639
9>10	2.3518	0.0655
10>11	2.4167	0.0675
Total :	21.9072	

Finishing Concave-OB [mm]

Point#	Flat Length	Flat-Prof.
[Toe]		
1>2	2.0120	0.0226
2>3	2.0390	0.0225
3>4	2.0687	0.0224
4>5	2.1010	0.0223
5>6	2.1356	0.0222
6>7	2.1728	0.0221
7>8	2.2120	0.0220
8>9	2.2535	0.0218
9>10	2.2974	0.0216
10>11	2.3436	0.0213
Total :	21.6356	

Scallop Height [mm] : 0.015

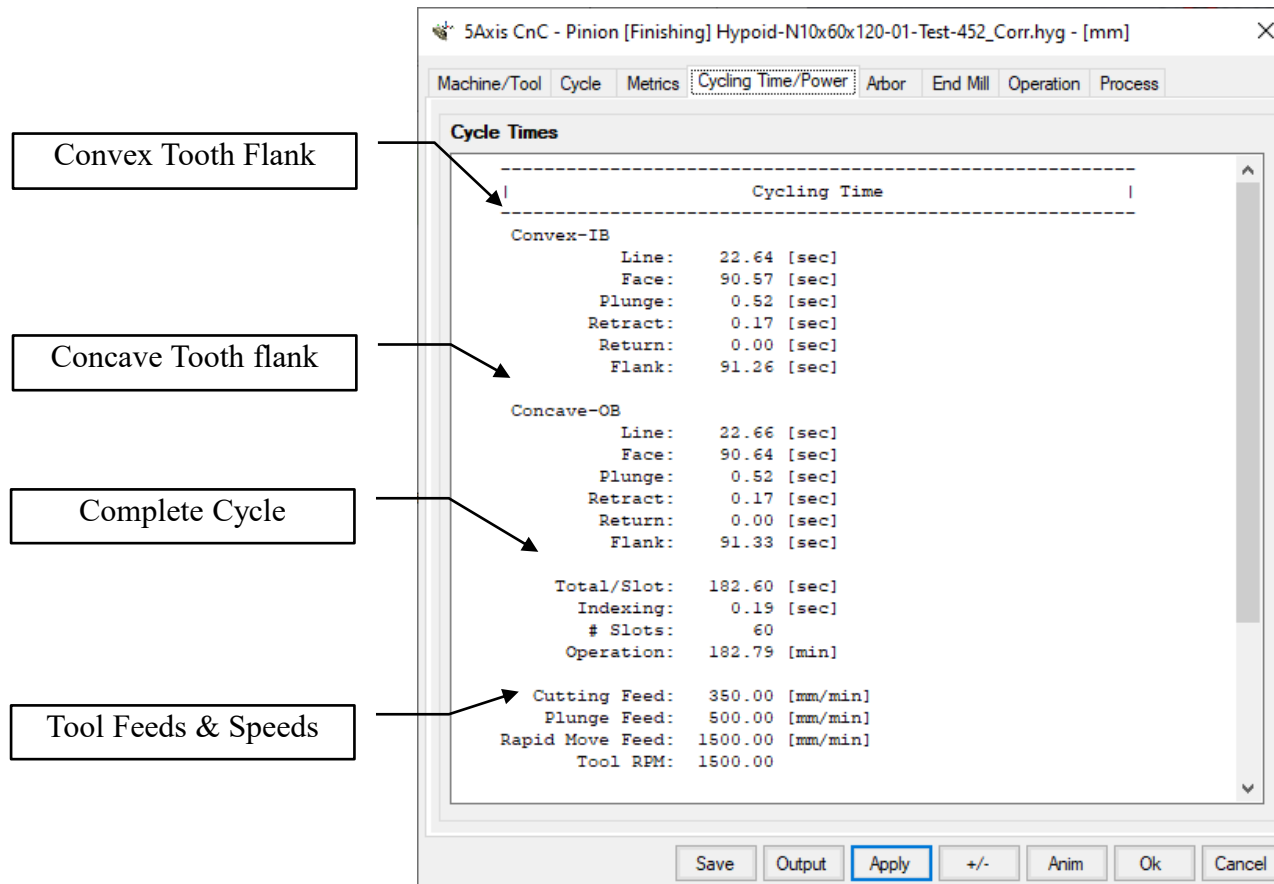
Save Output **Apply** +/- Anim Ok Cancel



Scallop Height

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Cycling Time: Flank by flank operation Cycling time breakdown



For Each Tooth Flank

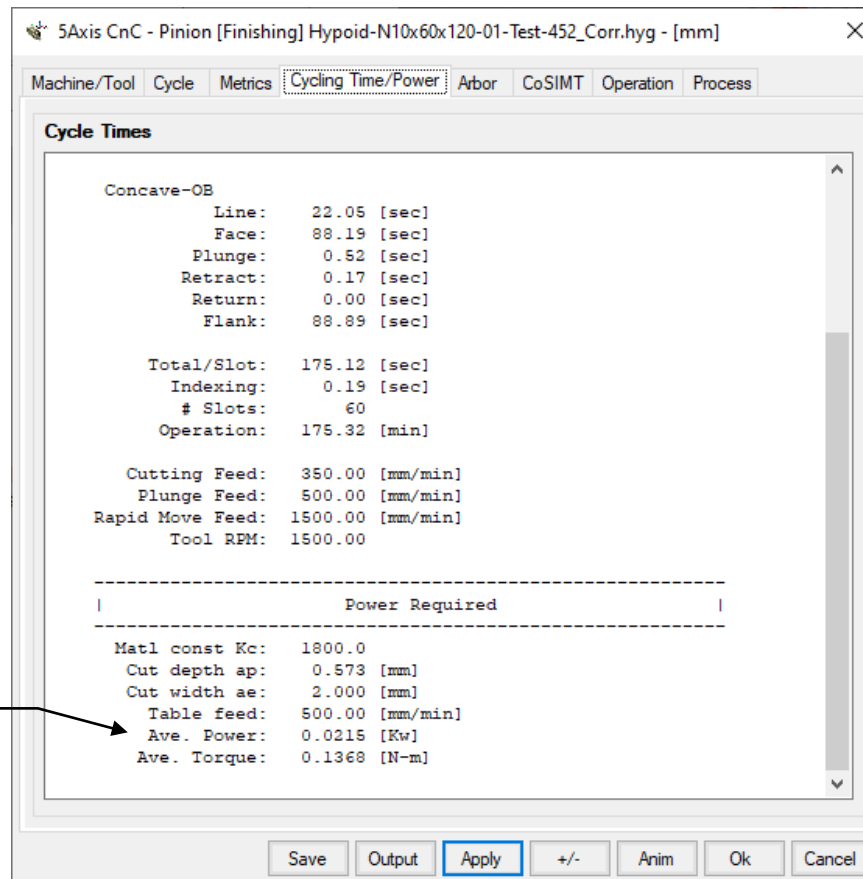
- *Line: each line in the face width direction*
- *Face: the complete tooth flank*
- *Plunge/Retract: time needed to go in and out of the slot;*
- *Return: return trip time (when applicable)*

For the current cycle

- *Total/Slot: total time per slot*
- *Indexing: indexing time*
- *Operation: time needed to complete the operation*

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Power Required: Estimate of average cutting torque required from tool



Power required

CoSIMT, End Mill Ball Mill:
depending on the type of cutting cycle selected, HyGEARS will calculate the *ae* value, which is the size of the cut / tool blade or flute, in order to estimate torque and power based on material *Kc* value.

Face Mill / Coniflex:
HyGEARS calculates the volume of material to be removed from the gap and the time required to remove this volume in order to obtain the Ave. Torque and Ave. Power values.

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

***Arbor:** Blank supports on the machine.*

Work body between Heel arbor and Heel fillet

Heel arbor definition

Toe arbor definition

	Length	Diameter	Angle
Work Back	4.220	35.000	
	0.000	0.000	
	0.000	0.000	
Heel	47.000	35.000	
	22.500	30.000	
	11.500	28.000	
	37.000	25.000	
	58.700	23.400	
Chuck Length	0.000		
Toe	0.000	0.000	
	0.000	0.000	
	0.000	0.000	

Save Output

MD

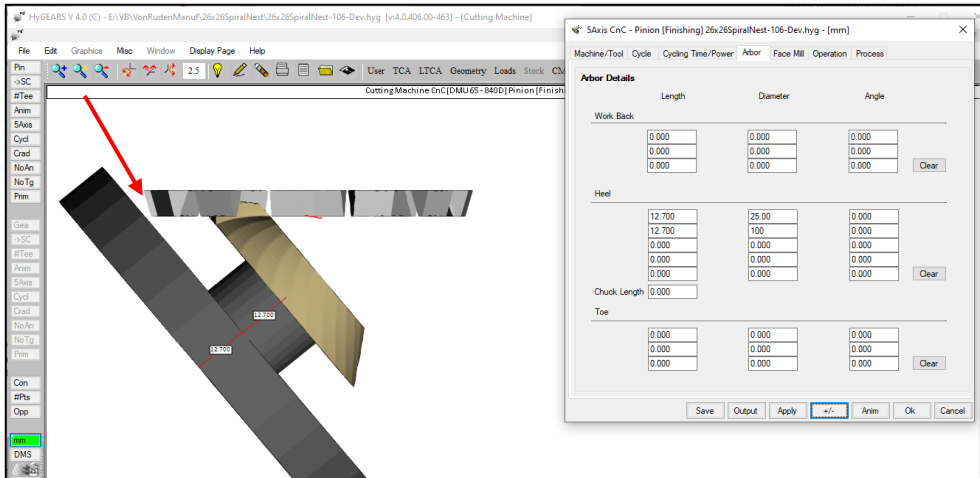
Pitch Apex

Work Back

Heel Arbor

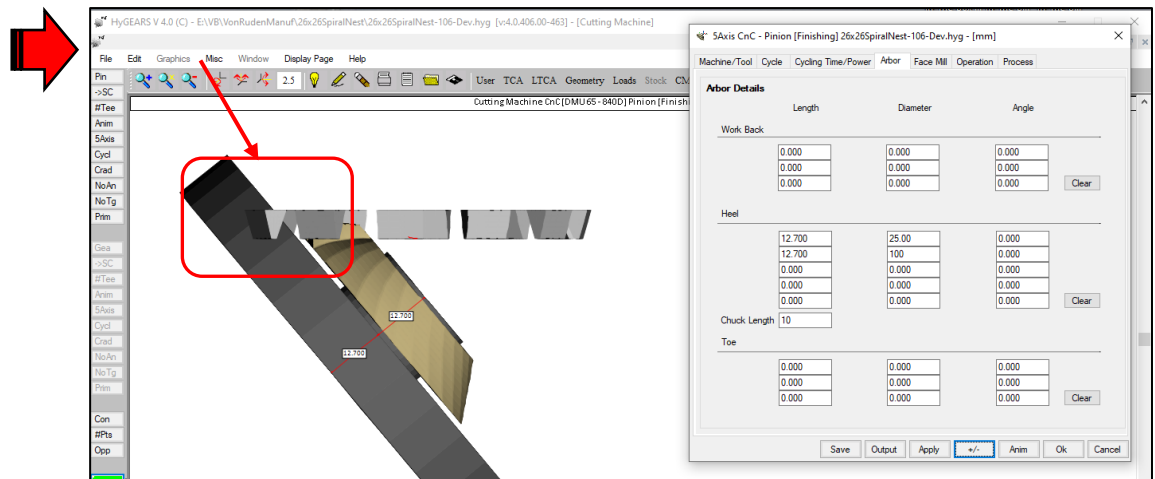
The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Arbor: *Chuck Length.:* moves the workpiece relative to the arbor without having to modify the arbor. This way, one can assess what change in Chuck Length is required to avoid the tool hitting the support arbor behind the workpiece.



For example, the Face Mill cutter is seen quite close to the support arbor behind the part. The Chuck Length is null in this setup.

Because of the configuration of the installation, the Chuck Length must be increased by 10 mm to have better holding support. In this condition, we can see that the Face Mill cutter will hit the support and an alternative approach must be found.



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Tool Definition: Tool dimensions, reference (tools are user defined).

Tool name & ID

Tool list

Tool dimensions

Tip reference warning

Tooth reference dims.

Tool feeds & speeds

End Mill Details

Name: 1.5mm Ball Nose

Tool ID: 1

TLU ID: 0

Diameter: 1.5000

Edge Radius: 0.7500

Cone Angle: 0.0000

R. Curvature: 0.0000

Cutting Length: 4.5000

Cutting Length in ...: 1.7500

Tool Length: 10.0000

Taper Length: 1.5000

Stem Diameter: 3.0000

Holder Diameter: 20.0000

Holder Length: 30.0000

Holder Angle: 0.0000

Number of Flutes: 4

Tip Reference: ☒

Fillet Rad. [Toe]: 0.3405

Fillet Rad. [Heel]: 0.2457

Slot Width [Toe]: 2.8390

Slot Width [Heel]: 3.7450

Feeds [mm/min]

RPM: 12000.0

Rapid Move: 3000.0

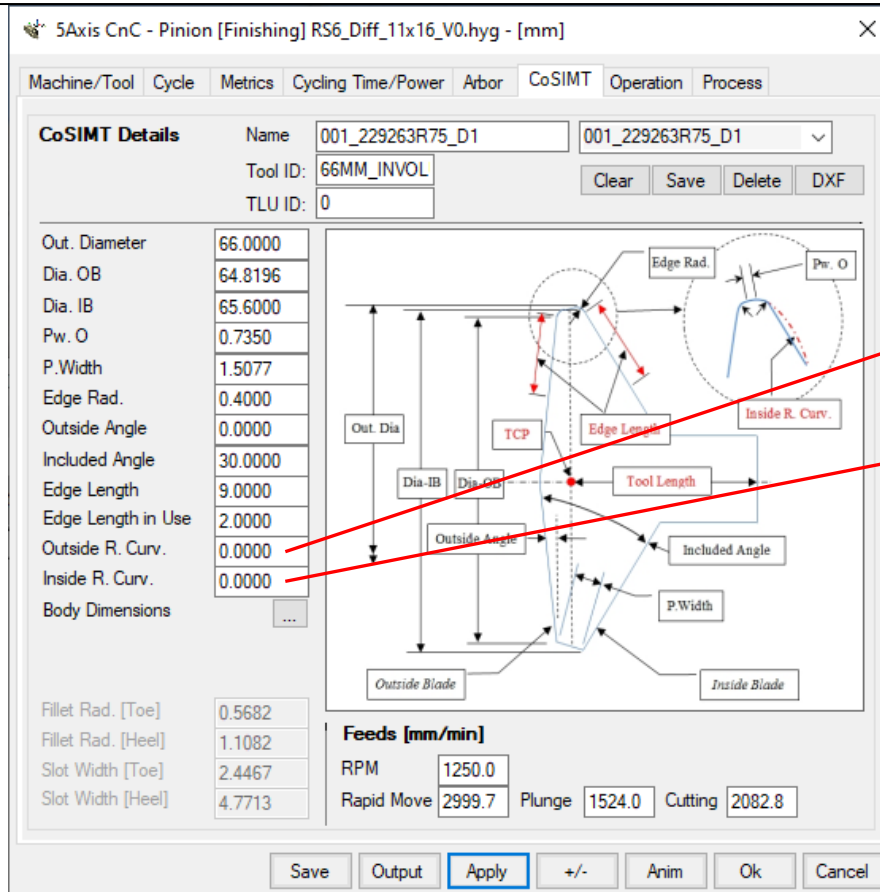
Plunge: 1500.0

Cutting: 100.0

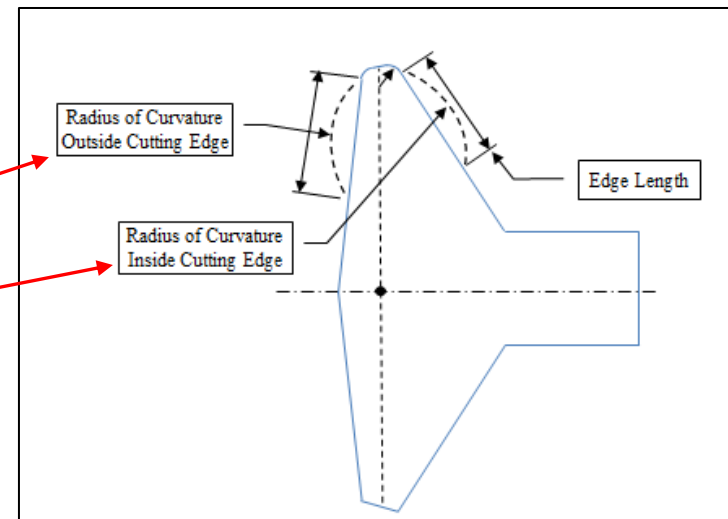
Buttons: Save, Output, Apply, +/-, Anim, Ok, Cancel

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Tools: CoSIMT tools (or Conical Side Milling Tool; same as Sandvik's InvoMill and Gleason's UpGear) can have circular cutting edges which allow the generation of tooth profiles with concave profile curvature, such as Face Gears. Blade angles are totally flexible.



Definition of a CoSIMT



Spherical Cutting Edge

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Tools: CoSIMT tools can also have an Involute profile such as to allow grinding Face Gears. When doing so, the same Involute profile as defined for the reference shaper is used on the CoSIMT, but the profile is shifted radially such as to satisfy the entered OD.

5Axis CnC - Gear [Finishing] Test-1-Face Gear.hyg - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor CoSIMT Operation Process

CoSIMT Details

Name: 225OD-Involute-0.20R 225OD-Involute-0.20R

Tool ID: 1 Clear Save Delete DXF

TLU ID: 0

Out. Diameter: 225.0000

Dia. OB: 224.7368

Dia. IB: 224.7379

Pw. O: 0.0776

P.Width: 0.4532

Edge Rad.: 0.2000

Outside Angle: 20.0326

Included Angle: 40.2042

D-Thickness: -0.1750

Edge Length in Use: 9.3590

Outside R. Curv.: 0.0000

Inside R. Curv.: 0.0000

Body Dimensions: ...

☒ Involute Profile

Fillet Rad. [Toe]: 1.1888

Fillet Rad. [Heel]: 1.0000

Slot Width [Toe]: 3.2340

Slot Width [Heel]: 3.3706

Feeds [mm/min]

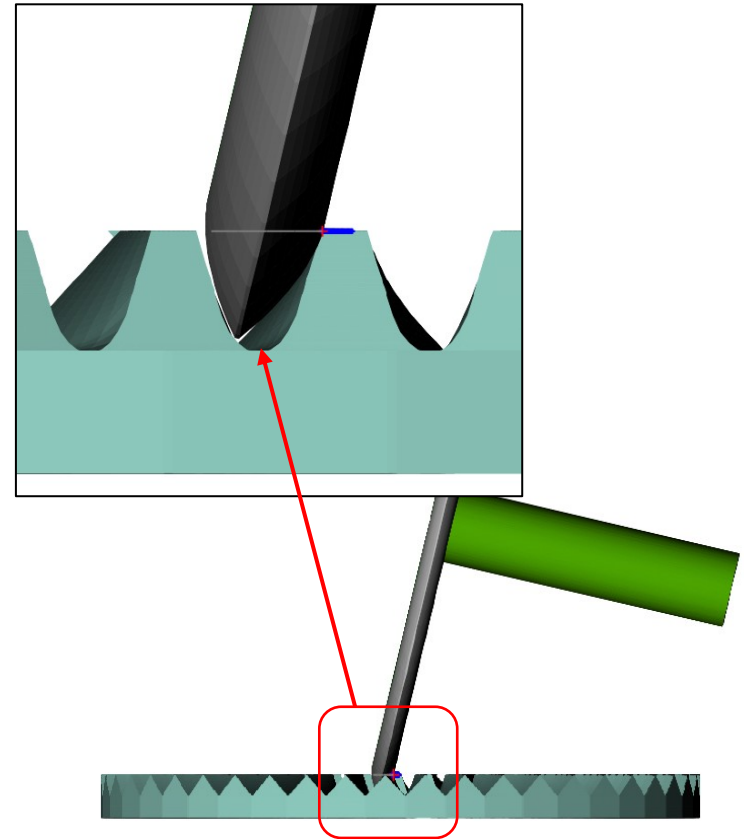
RPM: 1200.0

Rapid Move: 1500.0 Plunge: 500.0 Cutting: 500.0

Diagram illustrating the geometry of an involute CoSIMT tool profile, showing dimensions such as Out. Dia, Dia-OB, Dia-IB, Pw. O, Edge Rad., Outside Angle, Included Angle, Tool Length, Edge Length, TCP, Inside R. Curv., Outside Blade, and Inside Blade.

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

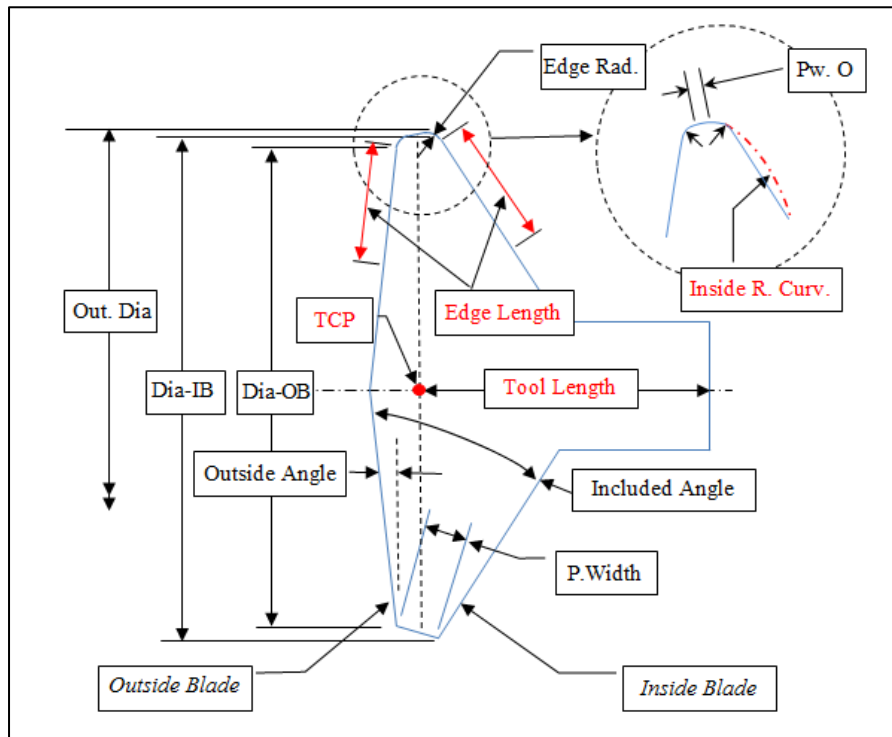
Definition of an Involute CoSIMT



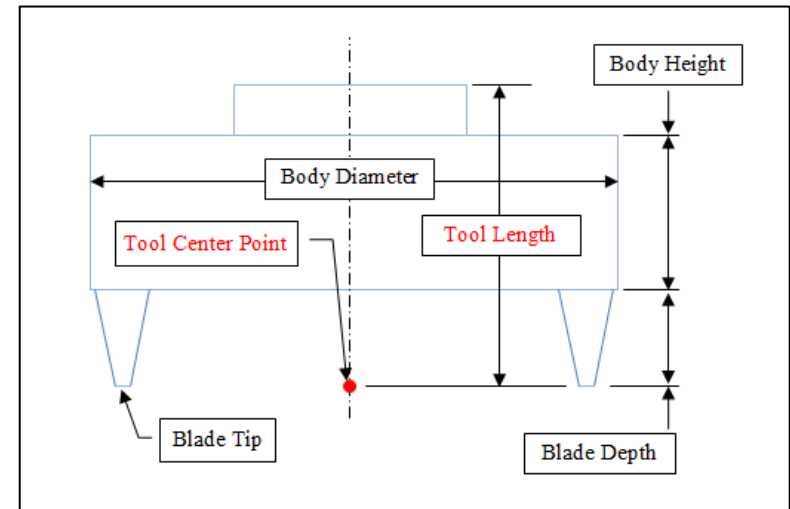
Involute Cutting Edge

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Tool Reference Point: the *Tool Length* to be entered in the 5Axis machine controller depends on the location of the *Tool Center Point (TCP)*, as follows.



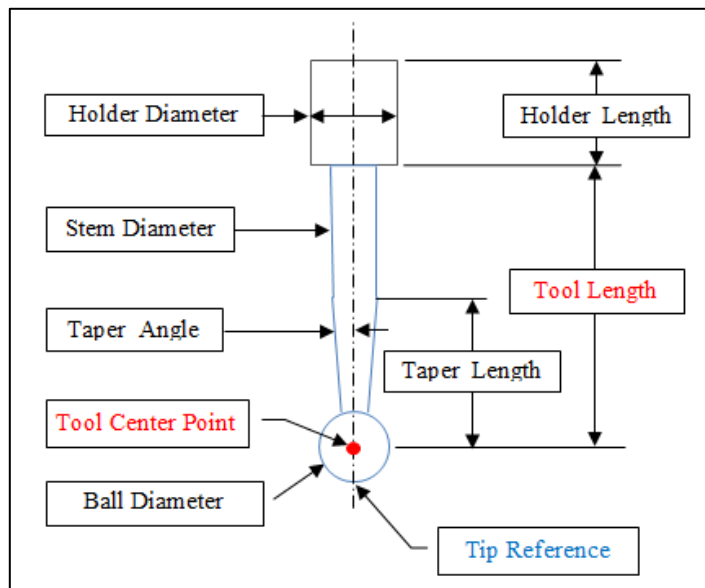
CoSIMT : TCP (located @ mid P.Width)



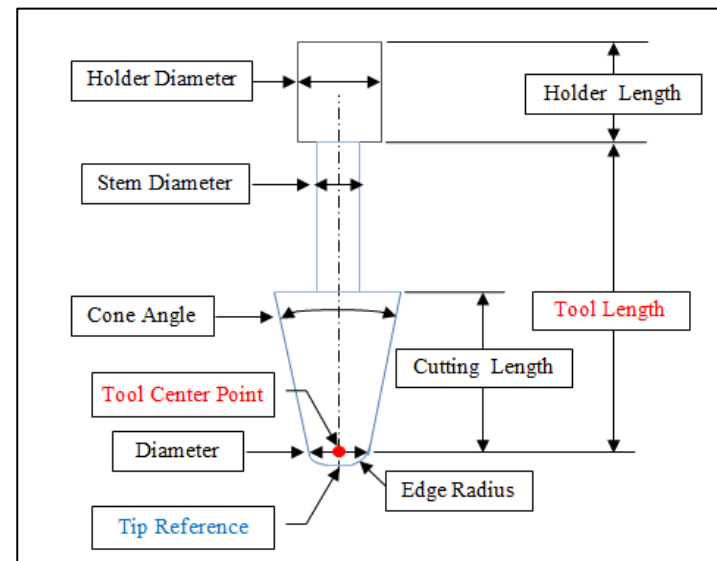
Face Mill Cutter: TCP (in the plane of blade tips)

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Tool Reference Point: End Mill / Ball Mill tools: reference can be given at *TCP* or *Tip*.



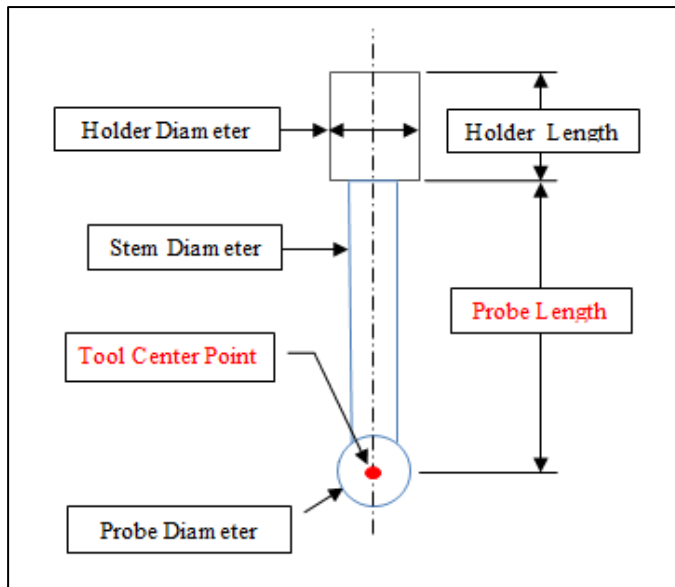
Ball Mill : TCP and Tip



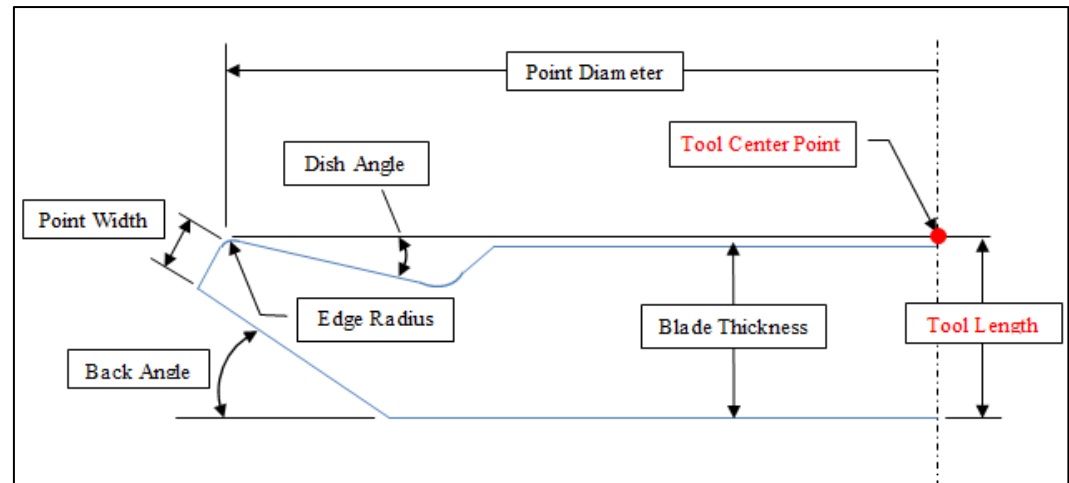
End Mill: TCP and Tip

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Tool Reference Point: Probe and Coniflex™ dish type cutter: *TCP*.



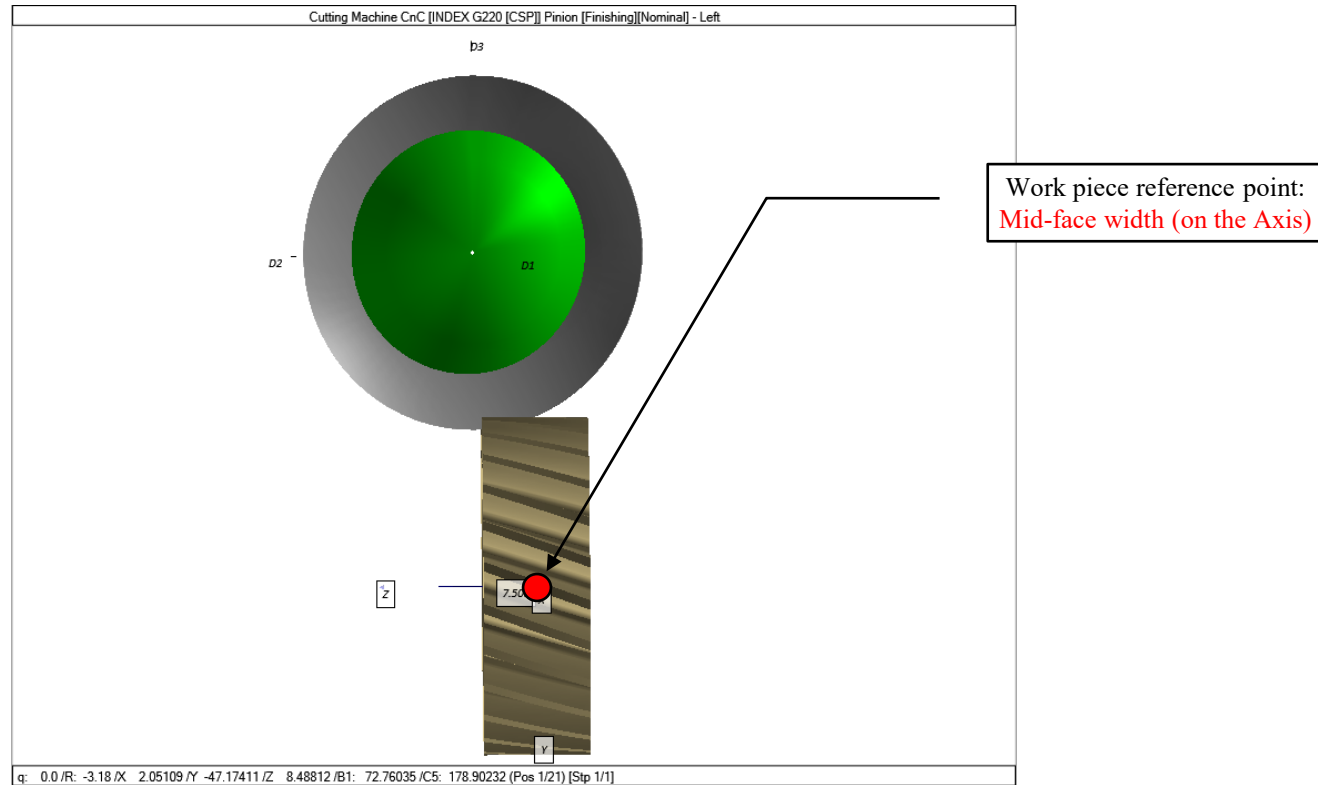
Probe: TCP



Coniflex Dish Reference Point

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

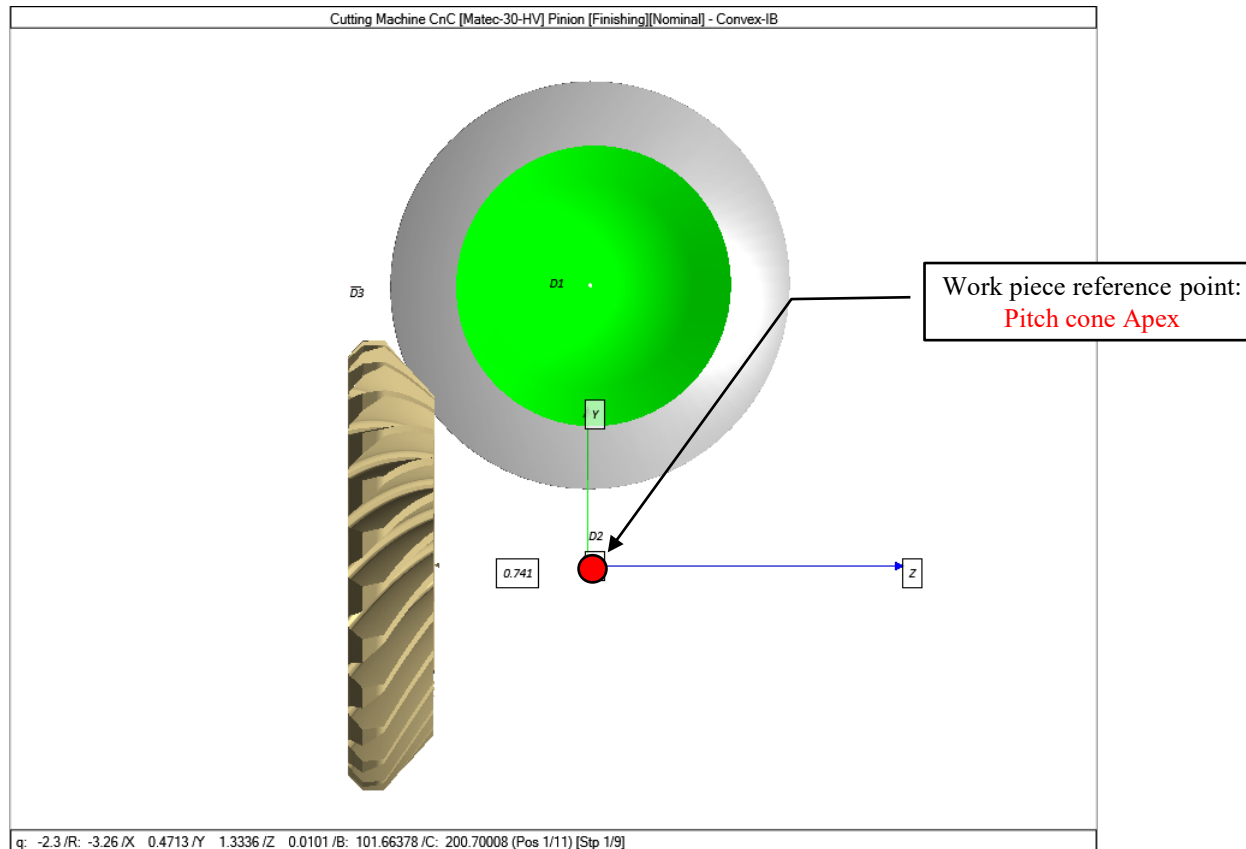
Part Reference Point: *The reference point on the work piece changes with geometry type; it is tool independent.*



Spur/Helical/Beveloid/Herringbone gears

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

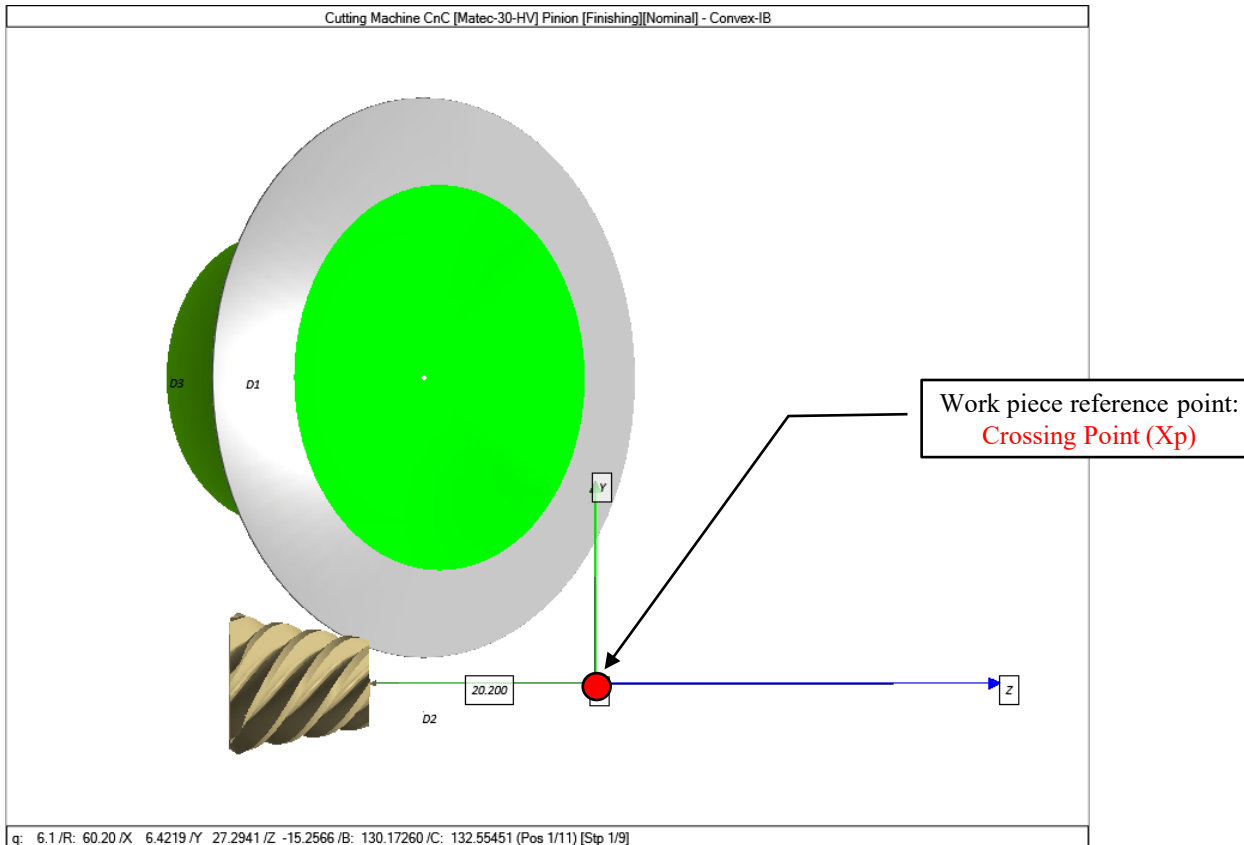
Part Reference Point: *Straight Bevel / Spiral Bevel / Zerol / Coniflex gears.*



Straight Bevel/Spiral Bevel/Zerol/Coniflex gears

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

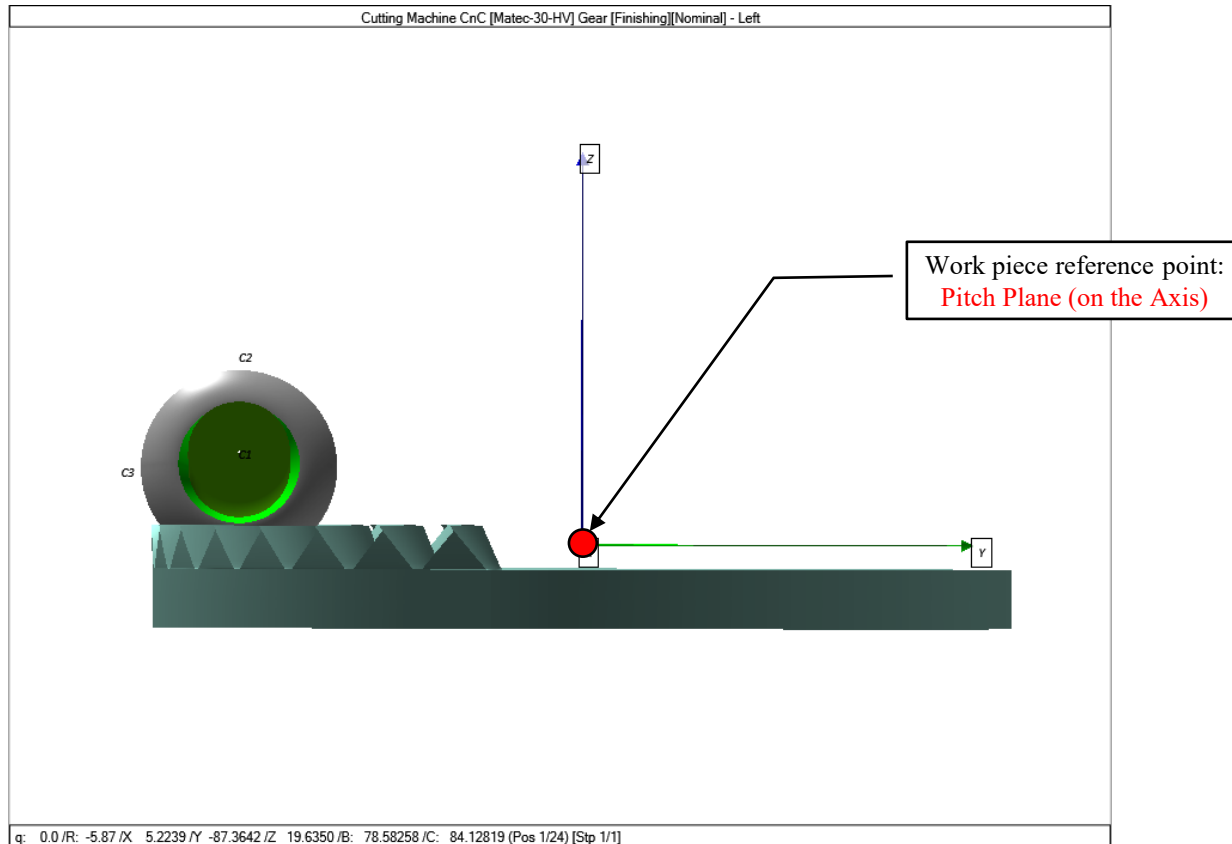
Part Reference Point: *Hypoid gears.*



Hypoid gears

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Part Reference Point: *Face gears.*



Face gears

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Operation: Saves all switches and choices such as to be reusable.

The screenshot shows the 'Operation' dialog box for a 5-axis CNC post-processor. The dialog has tabs for Machine/Tool, Cycle, Metrics, Cycling Time/Power, Arbor, CoSIMT, Operation, and Process. The 'Operation' tab is active, showing fields for Name, ID #, and buttons for Save, Delete, Import, STEP, and Output. Below this is a 'Tool Change' section with a table for Tool ID, TLU ID, and Gap #. The 'Switches' section includes checkboxes for Coolant On, Spindle CW, Spindle CCW, and Return Trip, along with code fields. The 'Feeds [mm/min]' section has input fields for Rapid Move, Plunge, and Cutting, with sub-fields for different tool orientations. On the right, cutting parameters Vc, fz, ae, and Kc are listed. Annotations with arrows point to various fields and sections, explaining their function.

Operation name

Operation list

Operation ID
Used for the name of the part program and sub- programs

Programmed tool change
If 1st Gap = 0, then no Tool change occurs.

Operation switches
May be turned On/Off in the Output Format

Tool feeds & speeds
Origin from tool, and are overridden here.

Main and sub programs in same file

Tool cutting torque; used to estimate required torque & power.

Imposes the tool return path

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Operations: The Operations page allows saving combinations of Machine, Tool and Cutting Cycle selections, for the current geometry, under one identifier such as to be able to use the same combinations with different geometries, or when defining Processes.

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor CoSIMT **Operation** Process

Operation

Name #1: Flank MPass CoSIMT [1-11/11] #2: Flank CoSIMT [0-21/21] ☐ Internal Subroutine

ID #: 60

Save Delete Import STEP Output

Tool Change

Tool ID	1	0	0	0	0	0
TLU ID	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gap #	1	0	0	0	0	0

Switches

☒ Coolant On Coolant On Code 8 Coolant Off Code 9

☒ Spindle CW Spindle RPM 1500 Vc: 0.0 [m/min]

☐ Spindle CCW fz: 0.0167 [mm]

☐ Return Trip ae: 0.000 [mm]

Steps 11 Kc: 1800.0

Feeds [mm/min]

Rapid Move	1500.0
Plunge	500.0
Cutting	IB Toe->Heel 300.0 IB Heel->Toe 300.0 OB Toe->Heel 300.0 OB Heel->Toe 300.0

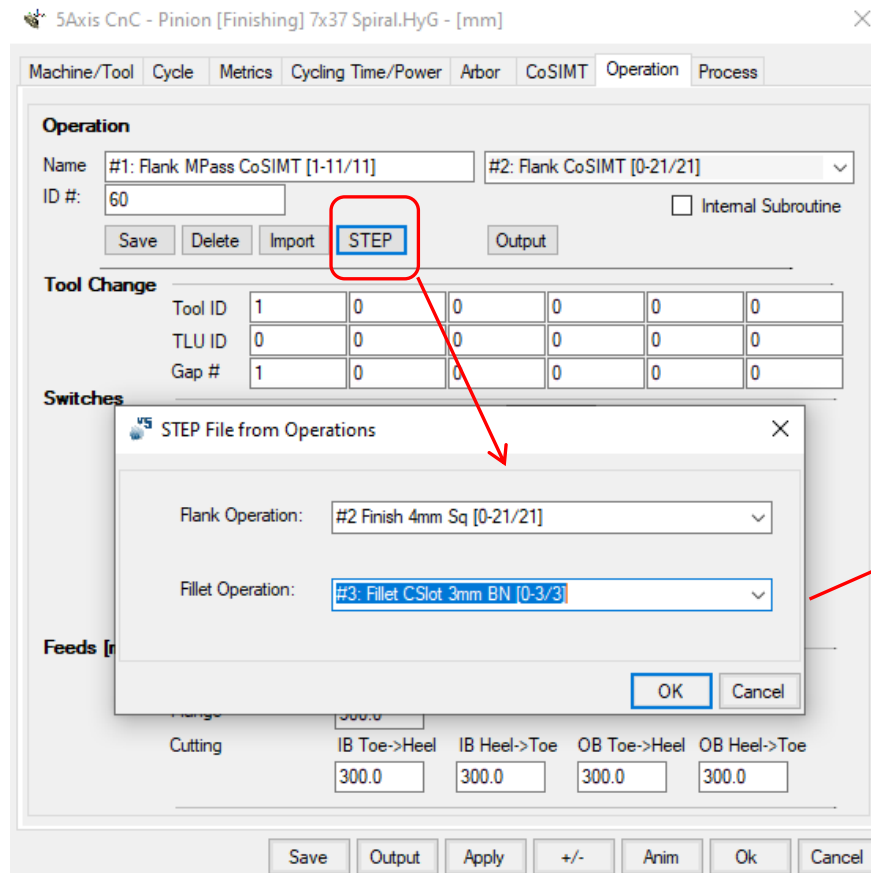
Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

- an Operation is specific to a geometry, i.e. it is saved in the “Operations.fil” file stored in a geometry’s folder;
- the **Save / Delete** buttons conserve and erase the selected operation;
- the **Import** button allows importing Operations from other geometries; thus, Operations can be re-used;
- the **Output** button generates the part program for the selected Operation;
- **Tool Changes** can be imposed at specified tooth gaps;
- Several **Switches** can be imposed to any given operation.

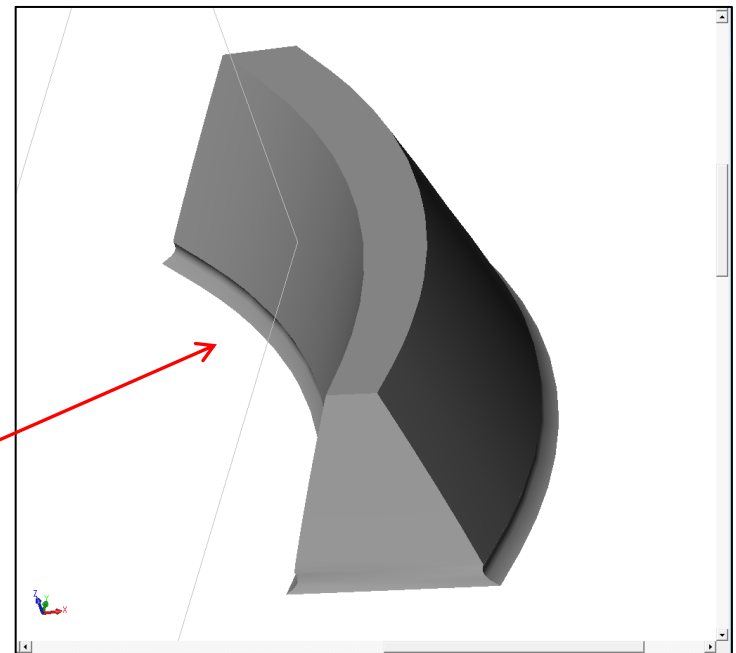
Operations Tab

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Operations: The STEP button displays a selection window where one Flank and one Fillet operation are selected, and then combines the selected operations in one STEP file which can be read by any CAD-CAM software, such that the actual shape of the tooth can be exported for assessment at any intermediate manufacturing step.



Operations: STEP output



Final tooth: 0 Flank Stock, -1.5 mm Fillet Stock

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Process: Organizes Operations in a user defined sequence.

The screenshot shows the 'Process' tab of the HyGEARS 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor. The window title is '5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]'. The 'Processes' section has a 'Name' field containing 'CoSIMT + EM' and an 'ID #' field containing '60'. Below these are buttons for 'Save', 'Delete', 'Import', 'Summ', and 'Output'. To the right of the 'ID #' field are checkboxes for 'Internal Subroutine' (checked) and 'No Comments' (unchecked), and an 'Apex Loc.' field with '0.000'. Below the 'Processes' section are two panes: 'Available Operations' on the left and 'Process Content' on the right. The 'Available Operations' pane lists various operations such as '#1 Rough OShape 4mm EM [1-6/7]', '#2 Finish 4mm Sq [0-21/21]', and '#4 Fillet 3mm BN [1-2/3]'. The 'Process Content' pane shows a list of operations for the selected process, including '#1: Flank MPass CoSIMT [1-11/11]', '#2: Flank CoSIMT [0-21/21]', and '#3: Fillet CSLOT CoSIMT [1-2/3]'. The '#2: Flank CoSIMT [0-21/21]' operation is highlighted in blue. At the bottom of the window are buttons for 'Save', 'Output', 'Apply', '+/-', 'Anim', 'Ok', and 'Cancel'.

Process name

Process ID
Used for the name of the
part program and sub
programs

Available Operations

Process list

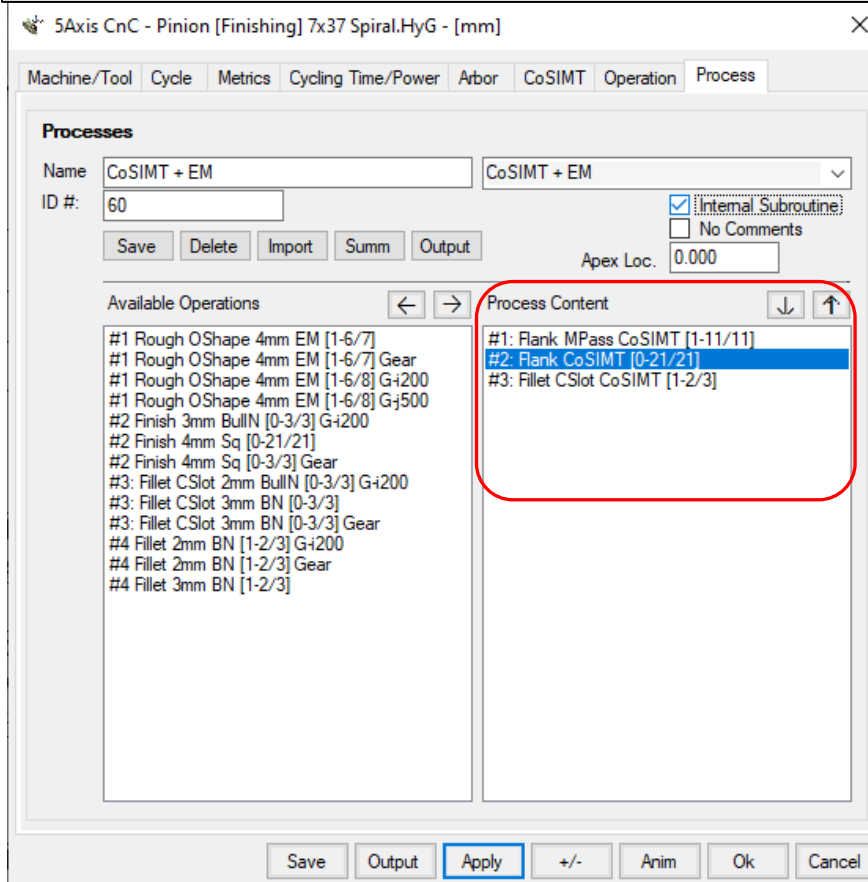
All Main and sub
programs in same file

Overrides the *No
Comments* switch for all
Operations of a Process

Selected Operations

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Process: *A Process is an ordered sequence of Operations in which a Main, or Calling, program is generated which calls the selected Operations in the requested order. For example, right column in the figure below, the Main program would call Operation “Rough MPass” first, and then Operation “Rough Fil-MPass”*



- *A Process is specific to a geometry, i.e. it is saved in the “Processes.fil” file stored in a geometry’s folder;*
- *A Process can contain any number of operations – the controller’s memory being the practical limit;*
- *the **Save / Delete** buttons conserve and erase the selected Process;*
- *the **Import** button allows importing Processes from other geometries;*
- *the **Output** button generates the complete part program for the selected Process;*
- *All **Switches** imposed in any given operation appear in each step of the Process.*

Processes Tab

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Output: The Output button instructs HyGEARS to read the selected user choices, generate the part program and send the output to a Text Results window.

5Axis CnC - Pinion [Finishing] 7x37 Spiral.HyG - [mm]

Machine/Tool Cycle Metrics Cycling Time/Power Arbor CoSIMT Operation Process

Output Format

- ☐ Use Actual Tooth
- ☐ CSV Format
- ☐ Preset ABC Angles
- ☐ Include Operation Switches
- ☒ Include Short Header
- ☒ Include Start Positions
- ☐ Explicit Indexing
- ☐ No Comments
- ☐ Coordinates Only
- ☐ Work Coordinates
- ☐ TCP (Mazak)
- ☐ -----

Stock-Feed

	Regd.	Sugg.	Actual	
# Steps	9	[6]	Start 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Steps
# Bottomland Pts	0		End 9	<input type="checkbox"/> Tgt. Pts
# Facewidth Pts	21		Bottom Up	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retract Factor	2.5			
Moving Contact Pt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over Run	0.0000	
Constant D-Radius	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Finish Stock	0.000	
Roughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rough Stock	0.100	

Clearance [mm]

Toe	15.000
Heel	10.000

Indexing Sequence

Skip #	1	Start Gap	1
Mirror	<input type="checkbox"/>	End Gap	7

Cutting Cycle

☒ Slot by Slot
☐ Flank by Flank

☐ Fillet-Root
☒ Tooth Flank
☐ Combined

Tool Tilt: 0.00
Tool Pivot: 0.000
☐ Fixed

Depth: 0.000
Chamf A: 0.000
Pivot A: 0.000

Convex [IB]

- ☐ None
- ☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Toe
- ☐ IB-OB OShape-Heel
- ☐ Rock Me [babe]
- ☐ Plunge Generation

Concave [OB]

- ☐ None
- ☒ Toe -> Heel -> Toe
- ☐ Heel -> Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Toe -> Heel
- ☐ Heel -> Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Toe
- ☐ OB-IB OShape-Heel
- ☐ Rock Me [babe]
- ☐ Plunge Generation

Save Output Apply +/- Anim Ok Cancel

Part program Output

A part program comprises:

- a **Header**, in which user selections, machine settings and tool definition are listed; this is optional at output time using the “No comment lines” switch;
- a **Preamble**, specific to the selected machine, where machine code desired by the operator is added automatically;
- the **Indexing Sequence**, where each tooth slot calls the actual cutting program in the specified sequence order;
- the actual cutting program with tool path coordinates;
- Work Coordinates indicate that X, Y and Z are in work piece coordinates, and that angles A, B, C are machine angles;
- Traori, TCPM, TCP and TCPC indicate that the unit vector of the tool axis is provided along with X, Y and Z in work piece coordinates.

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Output: *the Header lists user selections, machine settings and tool definition.*

```
Part Program for: Gear [Finishing] 13x33d400_final_REG.hyg
File Edit
*****
;PROGRAM NAME      : #2 Finish Moving Contac [1-10/10]
;PROGRAM DATE      : 07-21-2015
;SUMMARY VERSION    : [Nominal]
;TOOL ID           : 120121 27588 367
;TOOL DIAMETER      : 6.00[mm]
;TOOL LENGTH        : 40.00[mm]
*****
; Date / Time       : 21/07/2015 / 6:13:44 PM
; General Units     : [mm] [dd.mm.ss]
; Cutter Units      : [mm]
; Prepared by       : Claude Gosselin
; Version           : 4.0.404.60-457
;
; ----- Start Header -----
; HyGEARS V 4.0 © ©
;
; Part Program      : 13x33d400_final_REG.hyg
;
; Machine           : CnC [Ultrix] - [Finishing][Nominal]
;
; Operation         : #2 Finish Moving Contac [1-10/10]
;
; Member           : Gear
; Controller        : Siemens
; Coordinates       : Work Piece
; Indexing          : Controller code
; Contact Point     : Fixed
; Tooth line sep.   : Cst D-Roll
; Stock left        : -0.5000
; Tool Length       : 40.000
; Apex Location     : 0.000
; # Gaps            : 33
; Start             : 1
; End               : 33
; Increment         : 1
; # Steps           : 6
; Start            : 1
; End              : 6
; # Points width    : 11
; Tool Tilt Angle   : 10.000
; Retract factor    : 2.0
; Toe Clear. [#pts] : 50.000[3]
; Heel Clear. [#pts]: 20.000[3]
; Compensation      : Tool Center Point
; Cutting Cycle     : Slot by Slot
; Target           : Fillet Area
; IB/Left Cycle     : Toe-Heel-Toe
; OB/Right Cycle    : Toe-Heel-Toe
; -----
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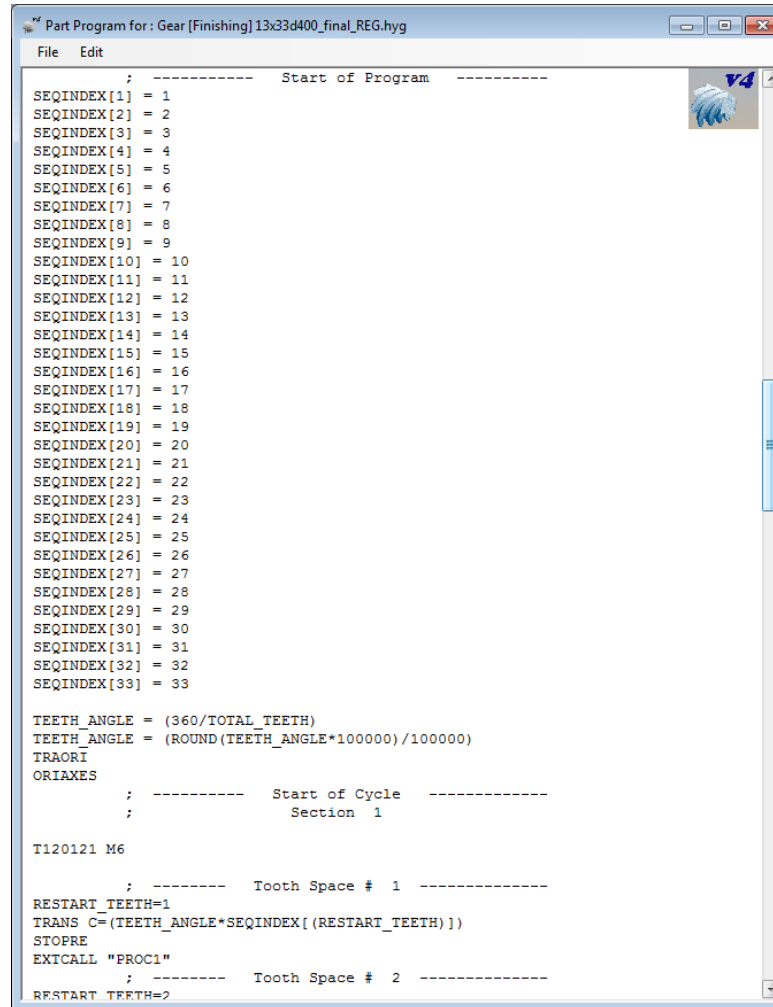
Output: Header – 1st part

```
Part Program for: Gear [Finishing] 13x33d400_final_REG.hyg
File Edit
; GEAR [FINISHING]
; CUTTER SPECIFICATIONS [I.B.] [O.B.]
;
; Average Diameter      : 304.8000
; Blade Angle           : 28.4178 11.4156
; Blade Edge Radius     : 4.1910
; Point Width           : 6.1112
; Rad. of Curvature     : 6350.0000 6350.0000
; Rad. of Curvature-Ref. Height : 0.0000 0.0000
; TopRem Depth          : 0.0000 0.0000
; TopRem Radius         : 88.9000 0.0000
; Cutter Gaging         : 0.0000 0.0000
;
; GEAR [FINISHING] :Spread Blade
; MACHINE SETTINGS - #175-S
;
; Radial Distance       : 148.9870
; Cutter Tilt           : 6.1644
; Swivel Angle          : 197.3272
; Blank Offset          : 0.0000
; Machine Root Angle    : 64.5626
; Machine Center To Back : 0.0947
; Sliding Base          : 13.7400
; Rate of Roll          : 1.07255
; Cradle Angle          : 54.3272
;
; WORKPIECE DIMENSIONS
; # Teeth               : 33
; Module                : 12.121
; Face Angle            : 69.746
; Face Width            : 78.749
; Front Crown to Xp     : 49.047
; OD Toe                : 266.512
; OD Heel               : 400.036
;
; END MILL TOOL DEFINITION
;
; Name                  :
; Diameter              : 6.000
; Edge Radius           : 3.000
; Cone Angle            : 0.000
; Cutting Length        : 30.000
; Cutting Length in Use : 30.000
; Tool Length           : 40.000
; Stem Diameter         : 8.000
; Holder Diameter       : 0.000
```

Output: Header – 2nd part

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Output: *Indexing Sequence: indexes the work piece axis in the specified sequence.*

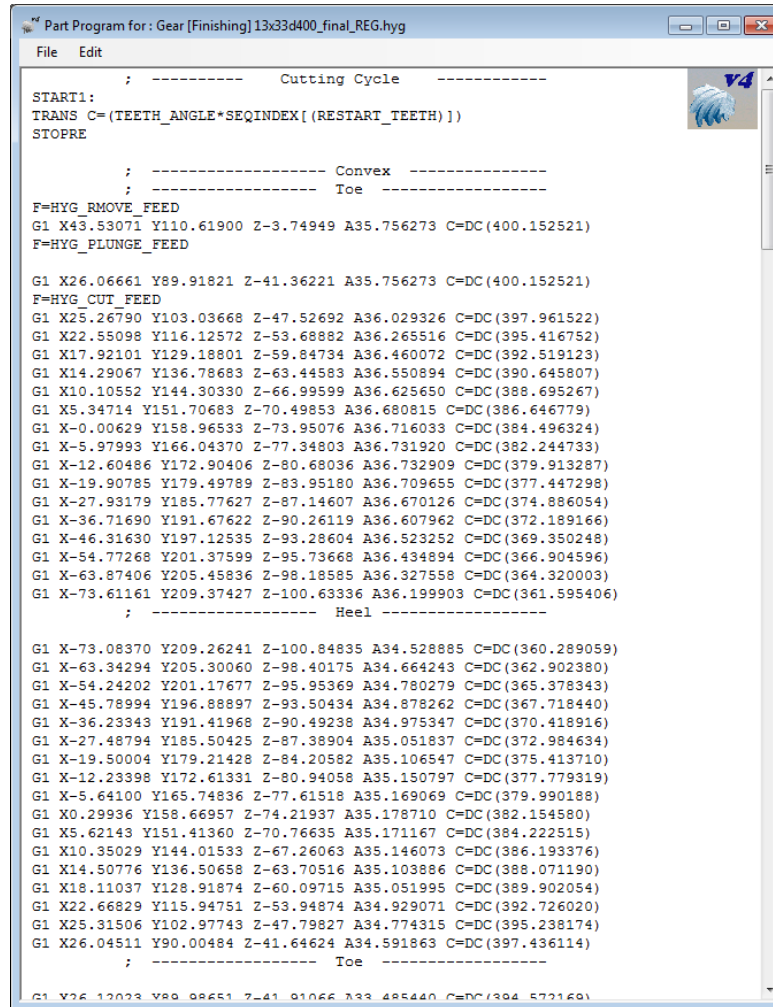
A screenshot of a CNC post-processor window titled "Part Program for : Gear [Finishing] 13x33d400_final_REG.hyg". The window has a menu bar with "File" and "Edit". The main text area contains a series of assignments for an indexing sequence, followed by calculations for teeth angle and cycle start, and then a loop structure for tooth spaces. The code is as follows:

```
; ----- Start of Program -----  
SEQINDEX[1] = 1  
SEQINDEX[2] = 2  
SEQINDEX[3] = 3  
SEQINDEX[4] = 4  
SEQINDEX[5] = 5  
SEQINDEX[6] = 6  
SEQINDEX[7] = 7  
SEQINDEX[8] = 8  
SEQINDEX[9] = 9  
SEQINDEX[10] = 10  
SEQINDEX[11] = 11  
SEQINDEX[12] = 12  
SEQINDEX[13] = 13  
SEQINDEX[14] = 14  
SEQINDEX[15] = 15  
SEQINDEX[16] = 16  
SEQINDEX[17] = 17  
SEQINDEX[18] = 18  
SEQINDEX[19] = 19  
SEQINDEX[20] = 20  
SEQINDEX[21] = 21  
SEQINDEX[22] = 22  
SEQINDEX[23] = 23  
SEQINDEX[24] = 24  
SEQINDEX[25] = 25  
SEQINDEX[26] = 26  
SEQINDEX[27] = 27  
SEQINDEX[28] = 28  
SEQINDEX[29] = 29  
SEQINDEX[30] = 30  
SEQINDEX[31] = 31  
SEQINDEX[32] = 32  
SEQINDEX[33] = 33  
  
TEETH_ANGLE = (360/TOTAL_TEETH)  
TEETH_ANGLE = (ROUND(TEETH_ANGLE*1000000)/1000000)  
TRAORI  
ORIAxes  
  
; ----- Start of Cycle -----  
; Section 1  
  
T120121 M6  
  
; ----- Tooth Space # 1 -----  
RESTART TEETH=1  
TRANS C=(TEETH_ANGLE*SEQINDEX[(RESTART_TEETH)])  
STOPRE  
EXTCALL "PROC1"  
; ----- Tooth Space # 2 -----  
RESTART TEETH=2
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Output: Header – Indexing Sequence

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Output: *Tool path coordinates: the actual tooth flank cutting commands.*



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Part Program for : Gear [Finishing] 13x33d400_final_REG.hyg
File Edit

; ----- Cutting Cycle -----
START1:
TRANS C=(TEETH_ANGLE*SEQINDEX[(RESTART_TEETH)])
STOPRE

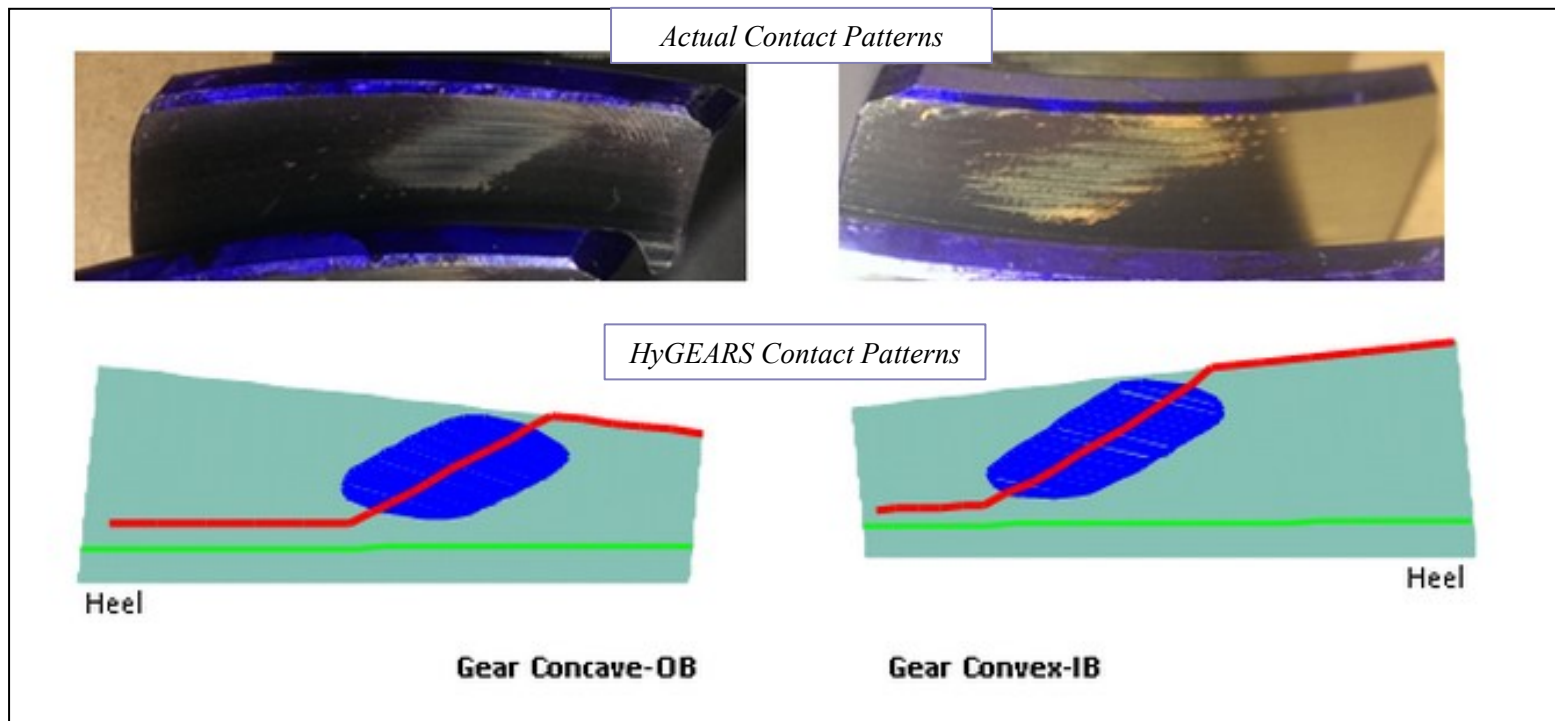
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; ----- Toe -----
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F=HYG_PLUNGE_FEED

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F=HYG_CUT_FEED
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G1 X22.55098 Y116.12572 Z-53.68882 A36.265516 C=DC(395.416752)
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; ----- Heel -----
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; ----- Toe -----
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Output: Tool path coordinates (with comments)

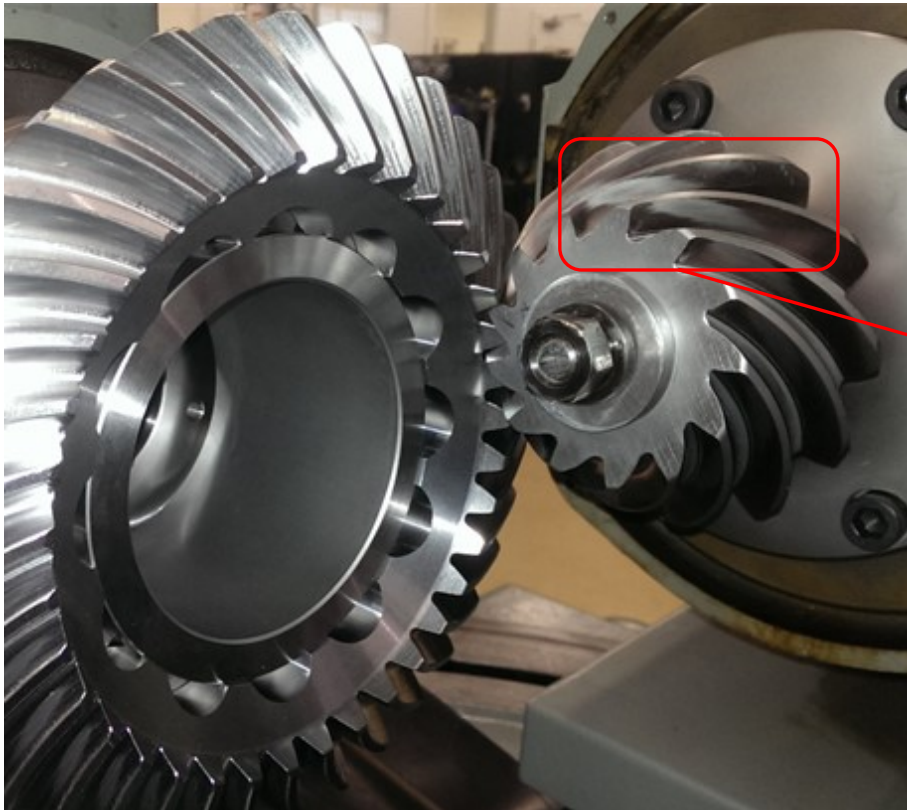
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Sample Result 1: 13x37 6.5 mm module, Face Milled hypoid gear set: **soft-finish**.
Contact Pattern checks show perfect agreement with HyGEARS' prediction.



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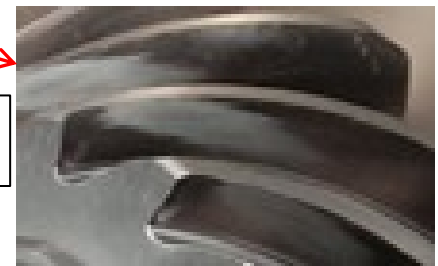
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Contact Pattern check shows perfect agreement with HyGEARS' prediction.



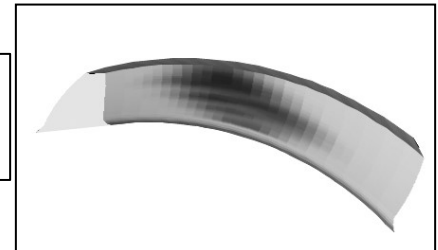
13x37 hypoid gear pair on the VH tester

- Pinion Fixed Setting – Generated
- Gear Spread Blade – Generated
- Cut on DMU65 Monoblock (AC type machine)
- Roughing : CoSIMT
- Pre-Finishing : Bull Nose End Mill
- Hard finish : Tapered End Mill

Actual Contact Pattern
Pinion OB

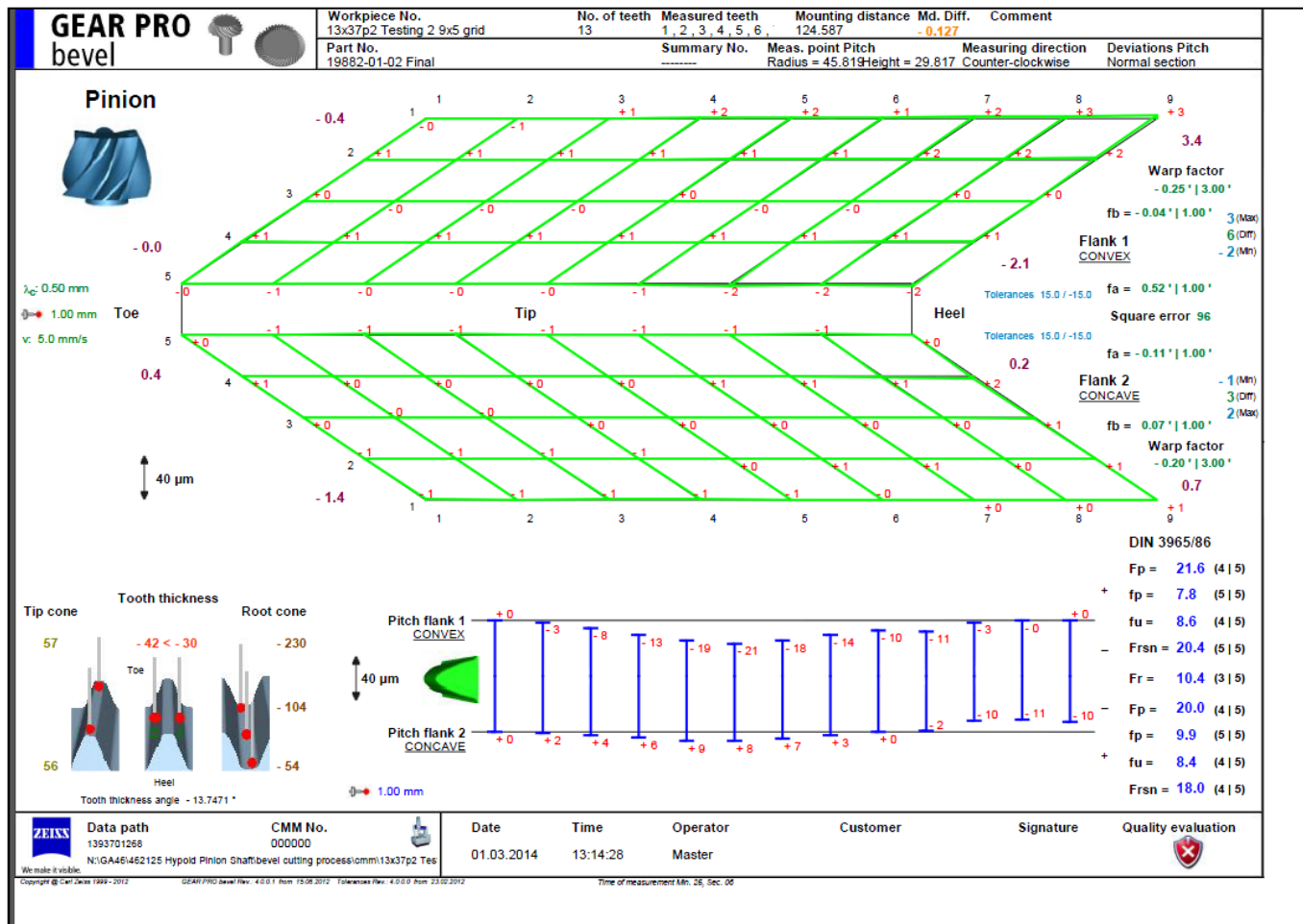


HyGEARS'
Predicted Contact Pattern
Pinion OB



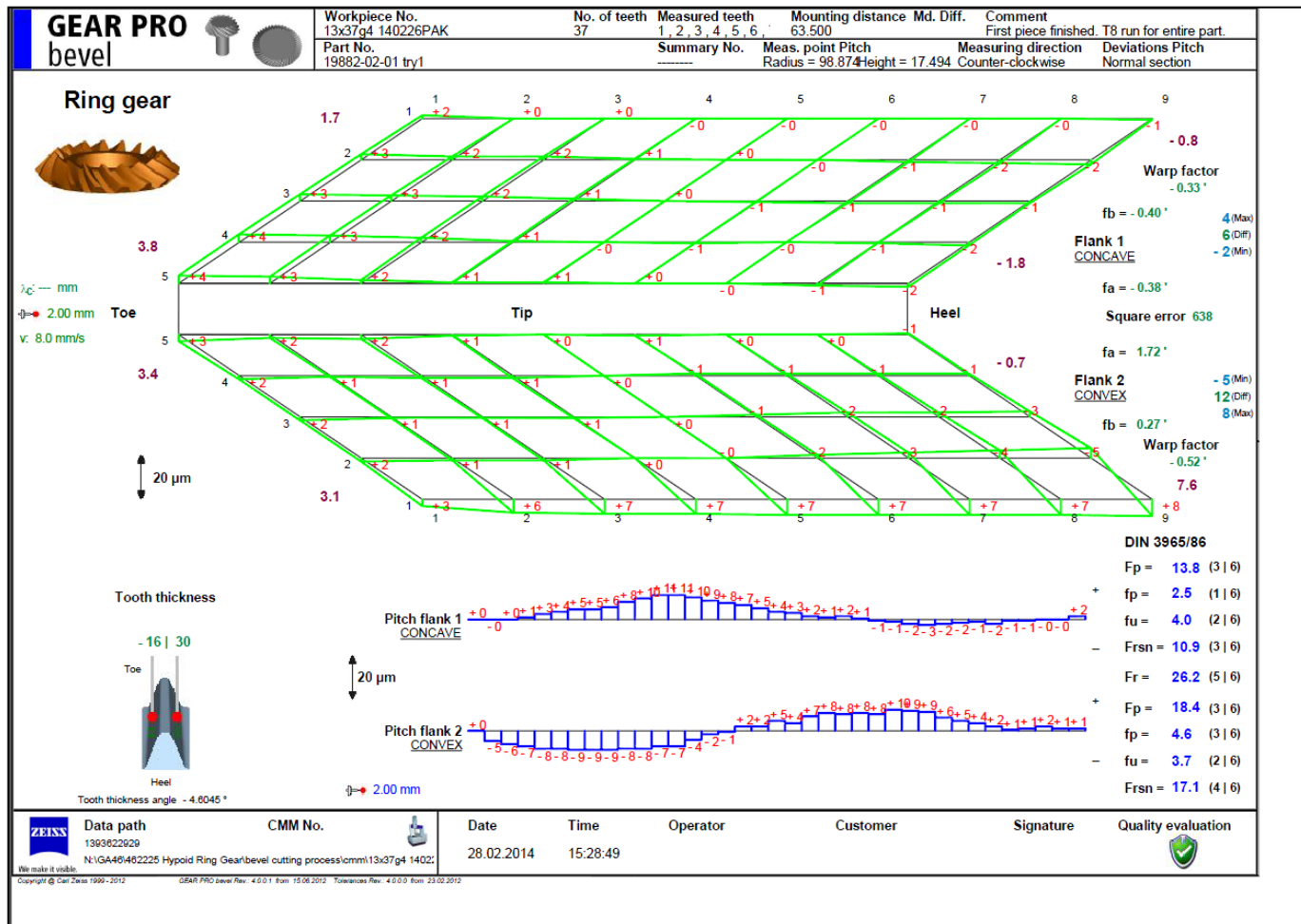
The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Sample Result 1: 13x37 6.5 mm module, Face Milled hypoid gear set: Pinion CMM output after hard-finish shows negligible deviations between actual and HyGEARS' theoretical.



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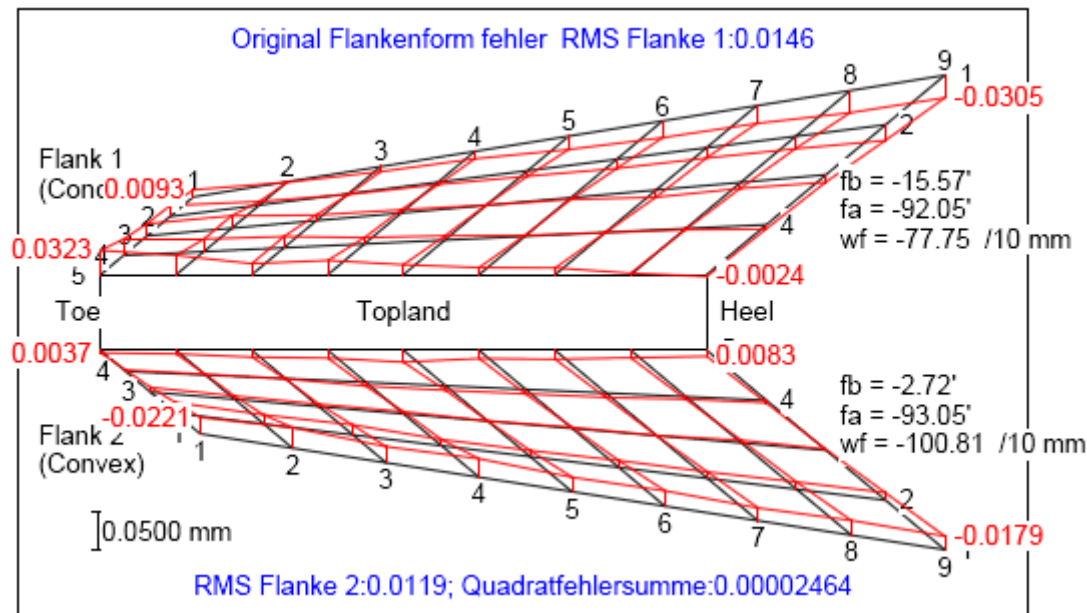
Sample Result 1: 13x37 6.5 mm module, Face Milled hypoid gear set: Gear CMM output after hard-finish shows negligible deviations between actual and HyGEARS' theoretical.



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Sample Result 2: 26x26, 1.5 mm module, duplex helical spiral-bevel pinion cut using a Face Mill cutter.

Pinion CMM output after soft cut show a combination of pressure and spiral angle errors, plus some surface bias and lengthwise crowning.



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Sample Result 2: *GAGE's calculated Correction data and expected residual errors after re-cut show negligible pressure and spiral angle errors, but crowning will remain on the Concave tooth flank.*

GLEASON Maschinenkorrekturen

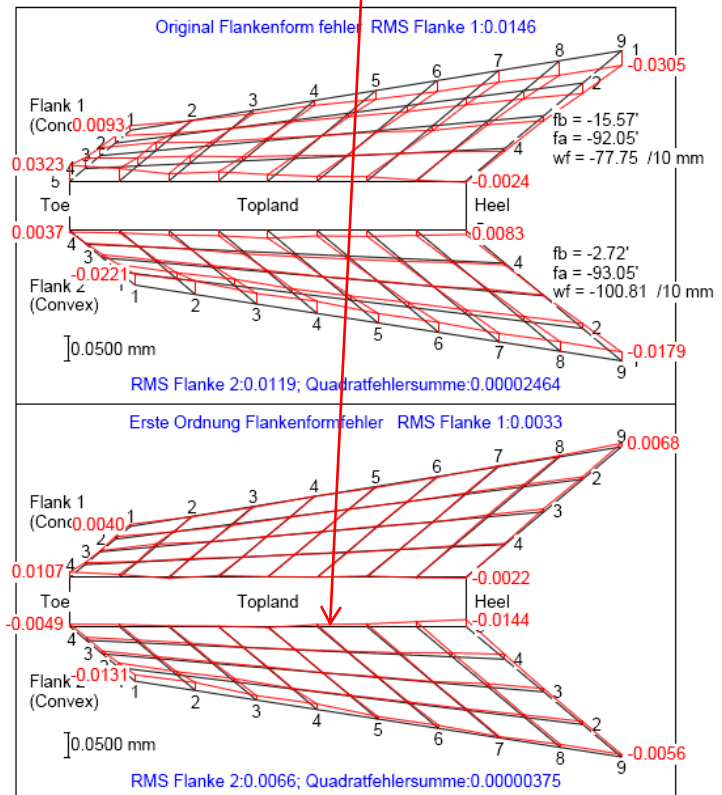
Flankformmessung bezogen auf modifizierte Solidaten - 11/26/2014/13:10:14
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Nullte Ordnung

Erste Ordnung: Kreuztragend Lahmtragend Zehe/Ferse Kopf/Fuß
Ritzel - Spreizmesser

Radialabstand	0.0735mm
Neigungswinkel	-0.0129°
Schwenkwinkel	-0.0603°
Maschinengrundwinkel	-0.0108°
Schlittenplatte	-0.1921mm
Wälzverhältnis	0.017765
Wälzmitte	-0.1579°
A.M. Eingriffswinkel	0.0000°
I.M. Eingriffswinkel	0.0000°
Zahndickenfehler	0.1805mm
Quadratfehlersumme (original)	0.00002464
Quadratfehlersumme (nach 1st)	0.00000375

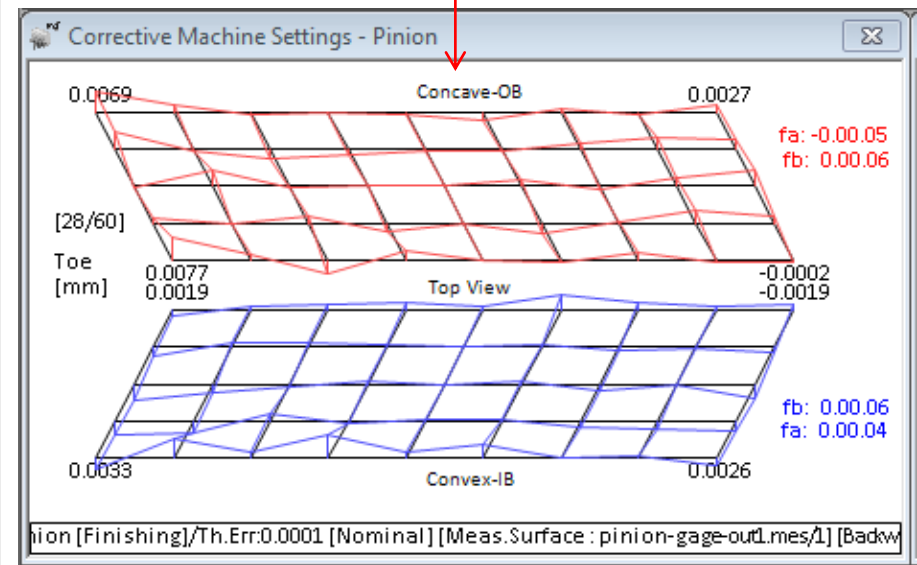
Mittlerer Fehler	Konkav Flanke	Konvex Flanke
Eingriffswinkel	-92.05'	-93.05'
Spiralwinkel	-15.57'	-2.72'
Verwindungsfaktor	-77.75' /10 mm	-100.81' /10 mm
RMS Fehler (Original)	0.0146mm	0.0119mm
RMS Fehler (nach 1st)	0.0033mm	0.0066mm



The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Sample Result 2: *HyGEARS' calculated Correction data and expected residual errors after re-cut show negligible pressure and spiral angle errors, and crowning on the Concave tooth flank disappears.*

Corrective Machine Settings			
Machine Setting Changes			
175U - Meas.Surface : pinion-gage-out1.mes/1			
Pinion [Finishing] [2/2] [Backward]			
2nd Order Changes	(O.B.)	(I.B.)	
Radial Distance	:	0.1969	
Cutter Tilt	:	0.2661	
Swivel Angle	:	-0.8929	
Blank Offset	:	0.2178	
Machine Root Angle	:	-360.0001	
Machine Center To Back	:	-0.3698	
Sliding Base	:	-0.0545	
Rate of Roll	:	0.01307	
Cradle Angle	:	-0.8929	
Blade Angle	:	0.0000	0.0000
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Point Width	:	0.0000	0.0000
Modified Roll			
Helical Motion			

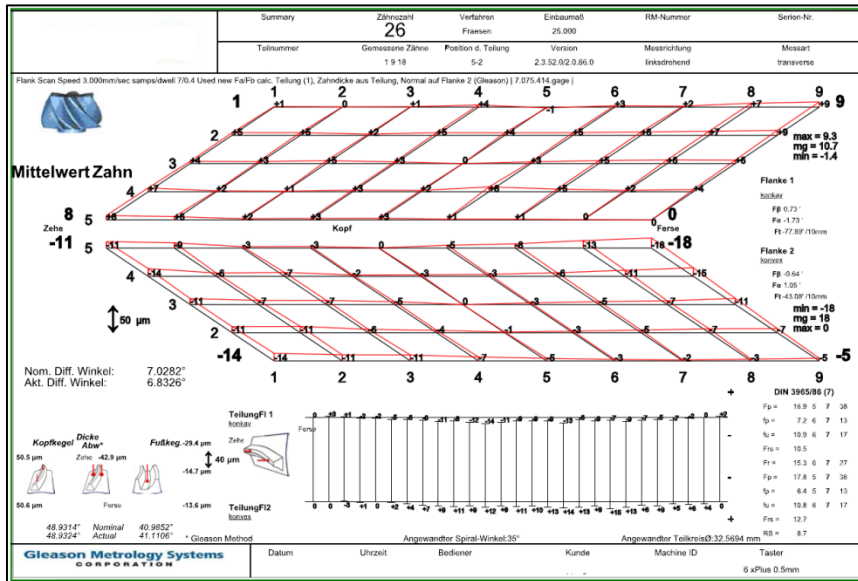


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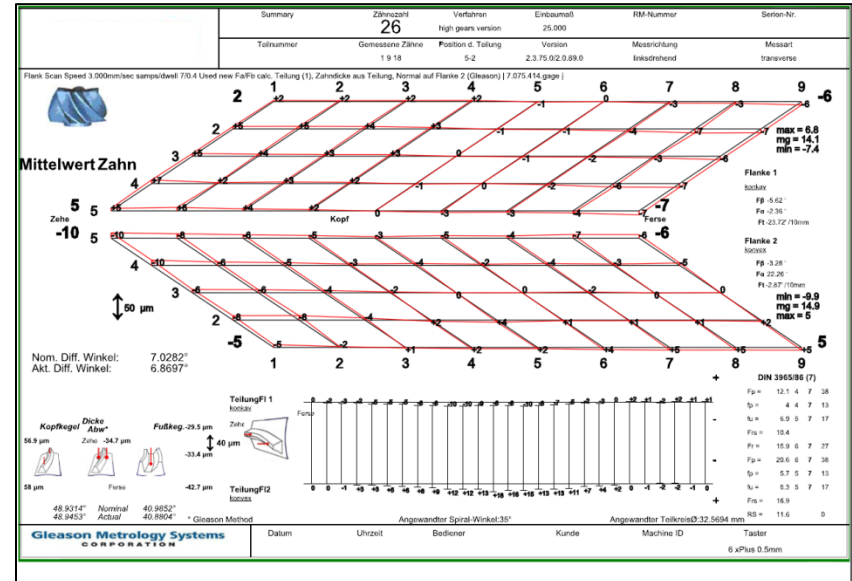
Sample Result 2:

CMM results after the 1st corrective cycle appear below. As expected, crowning remains in the GAGE corrected tooth while it is not visible in the HyGEARS corrected tooth.

In both the GAGE and HyGEARS corrected teeth, spiral and pressure angle errors have been eliminated.



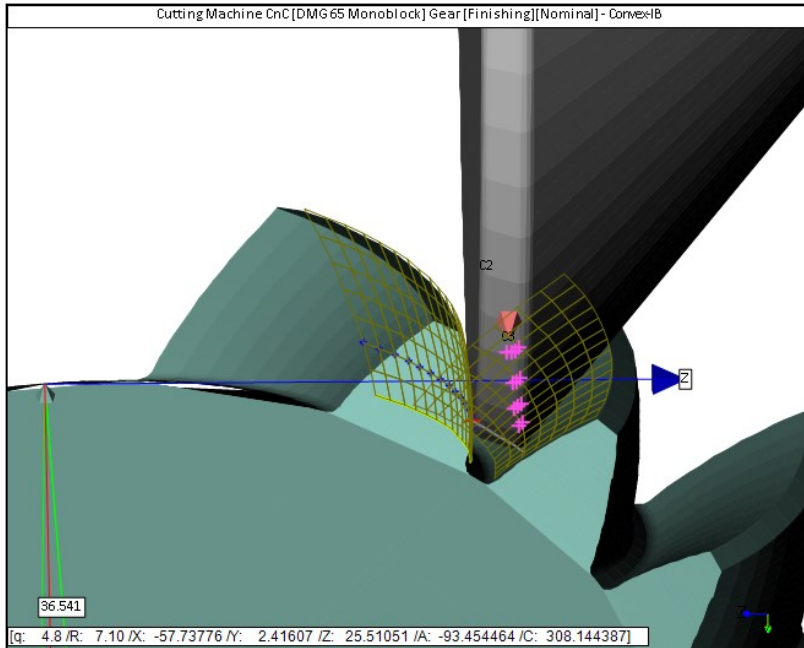
GAGE correction



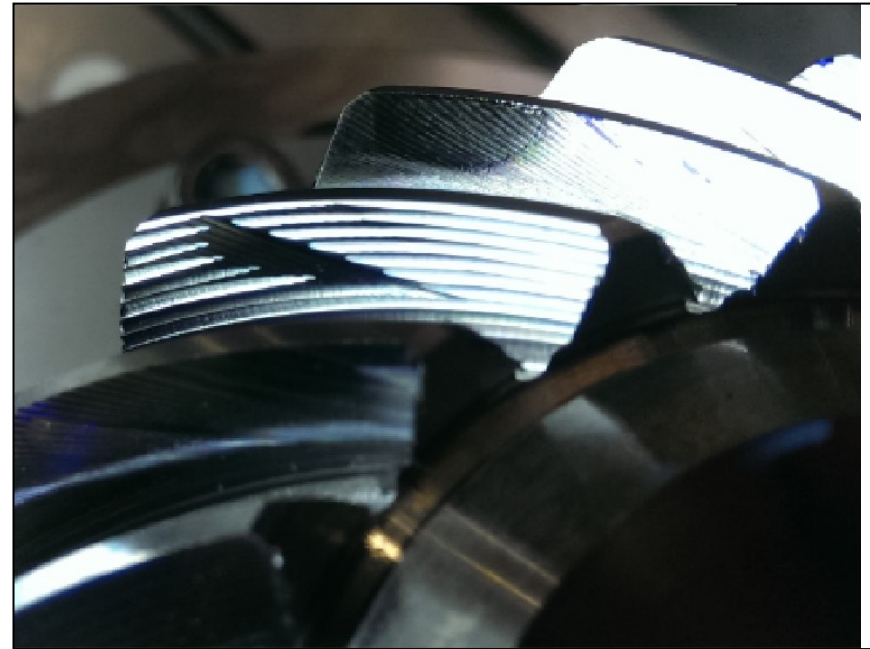
HyGEARS correction

The HyGEARS™ 5 Axis CnC Post-Processor

Sample Result 3: *Gouging detection is a desirable feature to prevent the mutilation of the tooth flank opposite that being cut by the back face of the tool. The left figure below shows the HyGEARS detected gouging points (pink crosses) on the concave side while the convex side is being cut. The right figure shows what happened in practice. The correlation is obvious.*



HyGEARS predicted gouging on OB



Actual gouging on OB

Summary

1. *HyGEARS' tooth flank generation and TCA calculations match Gleason's CAGE and Klingelnberg's KIMoS; therefore, the **reference topography** in HyGEARS is the **exact tooth definition**;*
2. ***HyGEARS designs gear set geometries**, i.e. the Dimension sheet and Machine settings for all HyGEARS supported geometries are calculated and a Summary is created;*
3. *Geometries can be **imported from Gleason SPA, KIMoS ND and BECAL ND** files;*
4. *Spiral bevel cutting processes such as Face Milling and Face Hobbing are **integral to HyGEARS**;*
5. *Geometry kinematics can be **analyzed unloaded and loaded** for contact and tooth fillet stresses;*
6. ***5Axis CnC machine Post-Processing**, i.e. the generation of a part program "machine ready", is integral to HyGEARS;*
7. *Part programs are **generated in reference to the exact tooth surface** definition (rather than an interpolated surface as is the case with other CAM softwares);*
8. *Part program generation is **based on a wide range of user selected cycle features**;*
9. *Any **5Axis CnC machine architecture** can be accommodated; current architectures include "AB", "AC", "BA" and "BC"; **any controller can be accommodated**; current controllers include GCodes, Siemens, Heidenhain, Okuma, Fanuc and Mazak;*
10. *Part programs can be in **Machine coordinates, Work piece coordinates** with axis angles, or **Work piece coordinates** with tool axis vector (**Traori, TCPM, TCP and TCPC**);*

Summary

11. Users can **define their own tool box** for Face Mill, CoSIMT, End Mill, Ball Mill and Probe tools;
12. Cutting Cycles include **Slot by Slot** and **Flank by Flank**, both for tooth flank and fillet; Toe, Heel and Tip chamfering is available;
13. **Animations and single stepping** allow the visualization of tool movements and the verification of tool paths and possible interference;
14. A “Metrics” function gives an **estimate of the deviations** between the theoretical tooth flank and the “flats” and “peaks” created by the discrete movements of the tool; thus, the # of depth wise and face width steps can be adjusted to **optimize quality and cycle time**;
15. **Toe and Heel clearances** allow smooth tool entry and exit, and full speed tool plunge;
16. **“Stock” allowance** is available for roughing and finishing;
17. The **“Roughing mode”** allows to quickly remove material before the finishing operation;
18. **“Operations”**, including all user selections for a given task, may be saved for later re-use; **“Processes”** allow the organization of several Operations in 1 file;
19. **Closed Loop** (i.e. Corrective Machine Settings) is **integral to HyGEARS** and allows the seamless manufacture of gears to the **required topography and tolerances**.
20. The **HyGEARS** Closed Loop corrections match (and in some respect are better than) those of Gleason’s GAGE.

HyGEARS covers just about all your needs for the design and manufacture of gears.