
Test code for machine tools —

Part 6:

**Determination of positioning accuracy on
body and face diagonals (Diagonal
displacement tests)**

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Foreword

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ISO 230 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Test code for machine tools*:

- *Part 1: Geometric accuracy of machines operating under no-load or finishing conditions*
- *Part 2: Determination of accuracy and repeatability of positioning numerically controlled axes*
- *Part 3: Determination of thermal effects*
- *Part 4: Circular tests for numerically controlled machine tools*
- *Part 5: Determination of the noise emission*
- *Part 6: Determination of positioning accuracy on body and face diagonals (Diagonal displacement tests)*
- *Part 7: Axes of rotation — Methods for specifying and testing*

Annex A of this part of ISO 230 is for information only.

Test code for machine tools —

Part 6:

Determination of positioning accuracy on body and face diagonals (Diagonal displacement tests)

1 Scope

This part of ISO 230 specifies diagonal displacement tests which allow estimation of the volumetric performance of a machine tool. Complete testing of the volumetric performance of a machine tool is a difficult and time-consuming process. Diagonal displacement tests reduce the time and cost associated with testing the volumetric performance.

A diagonal displacement test is not in itself a diagnostic test, although conclusions of a diagnostic nature may sometimes be possible from the results. In particular, when face diagonal tests are included, a direct measurement of the axes squareness is possible. Diagonal displacement tests on body diagonals may be supplemented by tests in the face diagonals, by tests parallel to the machine axes in accordance with ISO 230-2, or by the evaluation of the contouring performance in the three coordinate planes as defined in ISO 230-4.

Diagonal displacement tests may be used for acceptance purposes and as reassurance of machine performance where parameters of the test are used as comparison index.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 230. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 230 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 230-1:1996, *Test code for machine tools — Part 1: Geometric accuracy of machines operating under no-load or finishing conditions*

ISO 230-2:1997, *Test code for machine tools — Part 2: Determination of accuracy and repeatability of positioning numerically controlled axes*

ISO 230-3:2001, *Test code for machine tools — Part 3: Determination of thermal effects*

ISO 230-4:1996, *Test code for machine tools — Part 4: Circular tests for numerically controlled machine tools*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 230, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

working volume

volume defined by the travel of the machine linear axes for machining operations (not including those travels used for auxiliary operations, e.g. tool change)

**3.2
body diagonal**

D
space diagonal of a rectangular prism within the working volume of the machine tool

NOTE 1 Four body diagonals are defined by the working volume.

NOTE 2 The user may reference a body diagonal using its starting position, for example +X+Y-Z is the diagonal that goes from +X+Y-Z to -X-Y+Z. An alternative nomenclature using NNP (for X positive, Y negative, Z positive, direction of travel) is also acceptable.

See Figure 1.

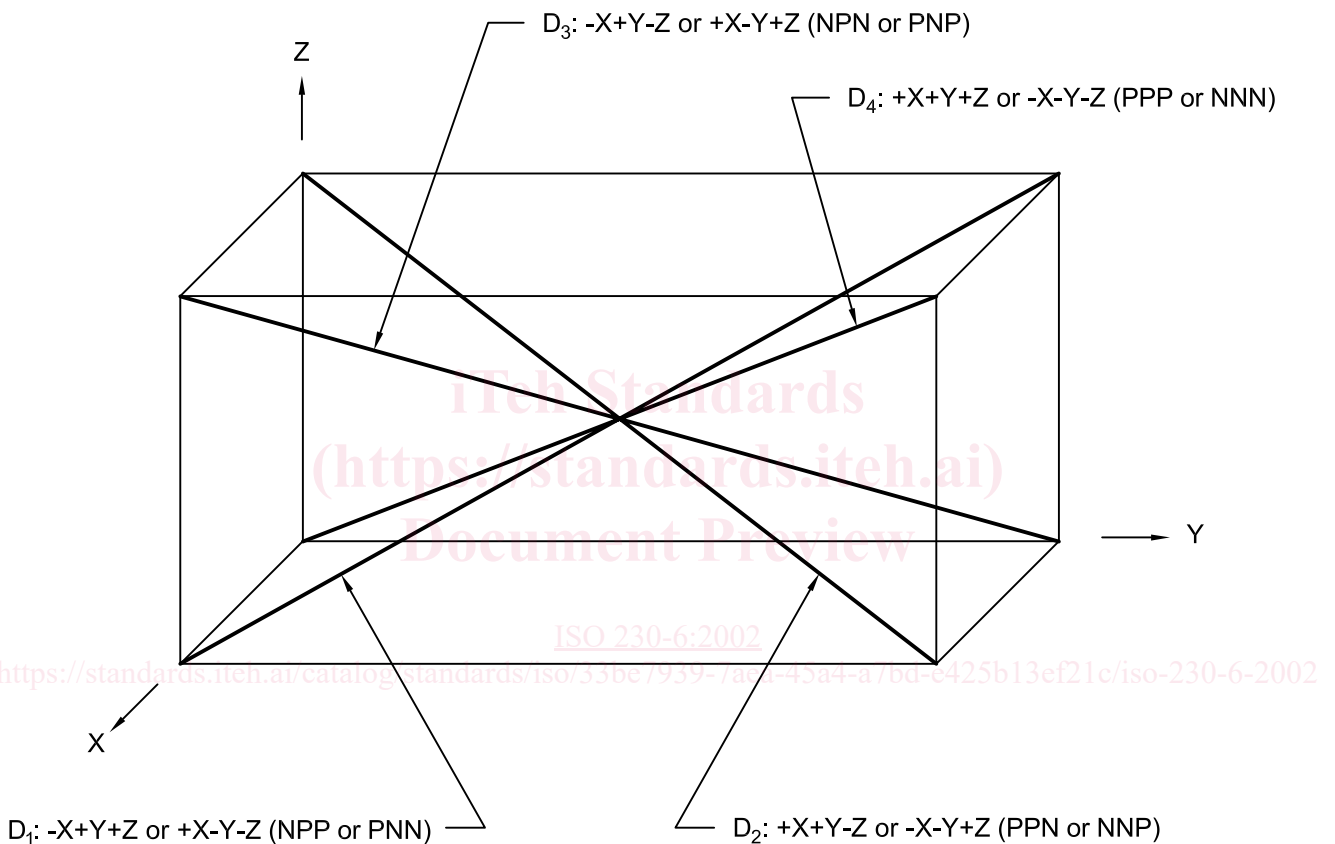


Figure 1 — Four body diagonals of a rectangular prism

**3.3
face diagonal**

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diagonal in a face plane of a rectangular prism within the working volume of a machine tool

NOTE 1 Six different types of face diagonal may be defined within the working volume. For each diagonal selected, it is necessary to define further its location in the third axis. Ideally, the plane of the face diagonals should be either an external face or a central slice, as shown in Figure 2.

NOTE 2 The user may reference a face diagonal using its start position, for example +X-Y is the diagonal that goes from +X-Y to -X+Y. To define the third axis, the form +X -Y Z300 may be used to define an XY diagonal at Z = 300. An alternative nomenclature using NP or NP300 (for X negative, Y positive, Z missing, directions of travel) is also acceptable.

NOTE 3 Face diagonals are usually selected in crossed pairs for each plane as shown in Figure 2.

See Figure 2.