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Foreword

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Introduction

A turning centre is a machine tool in which the principal movement is the rotation of the workpiece against the stationary cutting tool(s). It is a numerically controlled machine tool capable of performing multiple machining operations, including milling, turning, boring, drilling and tapping, as well as automatic tool changing from a magazine or similar storage unit in accordance with a machining program.

The objective of ISO 13041 (all parts) is to provide information as wide and comprehensive as possible on geometric, positional, contouring, thermal and machining tests which can be carried out for comparison, acceptance, maintenance or any other purpose.

ISO 13041 (all parts) specifies, with reference to ISO 230-1 and ISO 230-7, tests for turning centres and numerically controlled turning machines with/without tailstocks standing alone or integrated in flexible manufacturing systems. ISO 13041 (all parts) also establishes the tolerances or maximum acceptable values for the test results corresponding to general-purpose and normal-accuracy turning centres and numerically controlled turning machines.

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Part 2: Geometric tests for machines with a vertical workholding spindle

1 Scope

This document specifies, with reference to ISO 230-1 and ISO 230-7, the geometric tests for general purpose numerically controlled (NC) turning machines and turning centres with vertical workholding spindles, as well as the corresponding applicable tolerances.

This document explains different concepts or configurations and common features of NC turning machines and turning centres with vertical workholding spindles. It also provides a terminology and designation of controlled axes (see [Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4](#)).

This document deals only with the verification of the accuracy of the machine. It does not apply to the operational testing of the machine (e.g. vibration, abnormal noise, stick slip motion of components) nor to machine characteristics (e.g. speeds, feeds). Test not concerning the pure geometric accuracy of the machine are dealt with in other parts of ISO 13041.

NOTE In addition to terms used in the official ISO languages (English and French), this document gives the equivalent terms in German, Italian and Persian languages in [Annex B](#). These are published under the responsibility of the member body/National Committee for Germany (DIN), Italy (UNI), and Iran (ISIRI) and are given for information only. Only the terms and definitions given in the official languages can be considered as ISO terms and definitions.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 230-1:2012, *Test code for machine tools — Part 1: Geometric accuracy of machines operating under no-load or quasi-static conditions*

ISO 230-7:2015, *Test code for machine tools — Part 7: Geometric accuracy of axes of rotation*

ISO 841:2001, *Industrial automation systems and integration — Numerical control of machines — Coordinate system and motion nomenclature*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

**3.1
turning machine**

machine tool in which the principal movement is the rotation of the workpiece against the stationary cutting tool(s)

**3.2
numerical control**

**NC
computerized numerical
CNC**

automatic control of a process performed by a device that makes use of numerical data introduced while the operation is in progress

[SOURCE: ISO 2806:1994, 2.1.1 and 2.1.2, modified]

**3.3
numerically controlled turning machine
NC turning machine**

turning machine (3.1) that operates under numerical control or computerized numerical control (3.2)

**3.4
numerically controlled vertical spindle-turning machine**

numerically controlled turning machine (3.3) where the workpiece is mounted on a vertical workholding spindle against the stationary cutting tool(s) and where cutting energy is brought by the workpiece and not by the tool

Note 1 to entry: This machine is controlled by numerical control (NC) providing automatic function.

Note 2 to entry: For vertical spindle-turning machines with inverted workholding spindle, i.e. with workholding device at the lower end of the spindle, see ISO 13041-3.

**3.5
vertical spindle-turning centre**

numerically controlled vertical spindle-turning machine (3.4) equipped with toolholding spindles and the capacity to orientate the workholding spindle around its axis

Note 1 to entry: Such a machine can perform several operations such as milling, tapping, drilling, and others by power driven tools nested in live spindles.

Note 2 to entry: This machine may include additional features such as automatic tool changing from a magazine or Y-axis motion.

Note 3 to entry: For vertical spindle-turning machines with inverted workholding spindle, i.e. with workholding device at the lower end of the spindle, see ISO 13041-3.

4 Preliminary remarks

4.1 Measurement units

In this document, all linear dimensions, deviations, and corresponding tolerances are expressed in millimetres; angular dimensions are expressed in degrees, and angular deviations and the corresponding tolerance are expressed in ratios; but in some cases, micro-radians or arc seconds may be used for clarification purposes. The equivalence of the following expressions should always be kept in mind.

$$0,010/1\ 000 = 10 \times 10^{-6} = 10 \mu\text{rad} \approx 2 \text{ in}$$

4.2 Reference to ISO 230-1 and ISO 230-7

To apply this document, reference shall be made to ISO 230-1, especially for installation of the machine before testing, warming up of the spindle and moving components, description of measuring methods and recommended instrument uncertainty of testing equipment.

In the “Observation” block of the tests described in [Clause 5](#), the instructions are preceded by a reference to the corresponding clause in ISO 230-1:2012 or in ISO 230-7:2015 in cases where the test concerned is in compliance with their specifications. Tolerances are given for each test (see G1 to G20, R1 and R2).

4.3 Machine levelling

Prior to conducting tests on a machine, the machine should be levelled according to the recommendations of the supplier/manufacturer (see ISO 230-1:2012, 6.1.2).

4.4 Test sequence

The sequence in which tests are presented in this document in no way defines the practical order of testing. In order to make the mounting of instruments or gauging easier, tests may be performed in any order.

4.5 Test to be performed

When testing a machine, it is not always necessary or possible to carry out all the tests described in this document. When the tests are required for acceptance purposes, it is up to the user to choose, in agreement with the supplier/manufacturer, those tests relating to the components and/or the properties of the machine which are of interest. These tests are to be clearly stated when ordering a machine. Mere reference to this document for the acceptance tests, without specifying the tests to be carried out, and without agreement on the relevant expenses, cannot be considered as binding for any contracting party (see also ISO 230-1:2012, Annex A).

4.6 Measuring instruments

Measuring instruments indicated in the tests described in the following sections are examples only. Other instruments capable of measuring the same quantities and having the same, or a smaller, measurement uncertainty may be used. Reference shall be made to ISO 230-1:2012, Clause 5, that indicates the relationship between measurement uncertainties and the tolerances.

When a “dial gauge” is referred to, it can mean not only dial test indicators (DTI) but any type of linear displacement sensor such as analogue or digital dial gauges, linear variable differential transformer (LVDTs), linear scale displacement gauges, or non-contact sensors, when applicable to the test concerned (see ISO 230-1:2012, Clause 4).

Similarly, when a “straightedge” is referred to, it can mean any type of straightness reference artefact, such as a granite or ceramic or steel or cast iron straightedge, one arm of a square, one generating line on a cylinder square, any straight path on a reference cube, or a special, dedicated artefact manufactured to fit in the T-slots or other references.

In the same way, when a “square” is mentioned, it can mean any type of squareness reference artefact, such as a granite or ceramic or steel or cast iron square, a cylinder square, a reference cube, or, again, a special, dedicated artefact.

4.7 Diagrams

In this document, for reasons of simplicity, the diagrams associated with geometric tests generally illustrate only one type of machine.

4.8 Software compensation

When built-in software facilities are available for compensating certain geometric deviations, their use during these tests for acceptance purposes shall be based on an agreement between the user and the manufacturer/supplier, with due consideration of the machine tool intended use. When software compensation is used, this shall be stated in the test report. It shall be noted that when software compensation is used, axes shall not be locked for test purposes (see ISO/TR 16907).

4.9 Gravity influence for two railhead machines

For machine tools provided with two slides on the cross rail [see [Figures 2 a\)](#) and [b\)](#) and [Figure 4](#)], the railhead not under test shall be in a defined park position according to the manufacturer's recommendation. If both railheads are used, the deviations may change due to gravity influences.

4.10 Tolerances

In this document, all tolerance values (see in ISO 230-1:2012, 4.1) are guidelines. When they are used for acceptance purposes, other values can be agreed upon between the user and the manufacturer/supplier. The required/agreed tolerance values are to be clearly stated when ordering the machine.

When the tolerance for a geometric test is established for a measuring length different from that given in this document (see ISO 230-1:2012, 4.1), it shall be taken into consideration that the minimum value of tolerance is 0,005 mm.

4.11 Machine classifications

The machines considered in this document are divided into the following basic configurations:

- Type A: single-column machines ([Figure 1](#)); related nomenclature is given in [Table 1](#) and [Figure 3](#).
- Type B: double-column machines ([Figure 2](#)); related nomenclature is given in [Table 2](#) and [Figure 4](#).

Type B machine configurations are further classified into the following types:

- fixed columns — portal type;
- moving columns — gantry type.

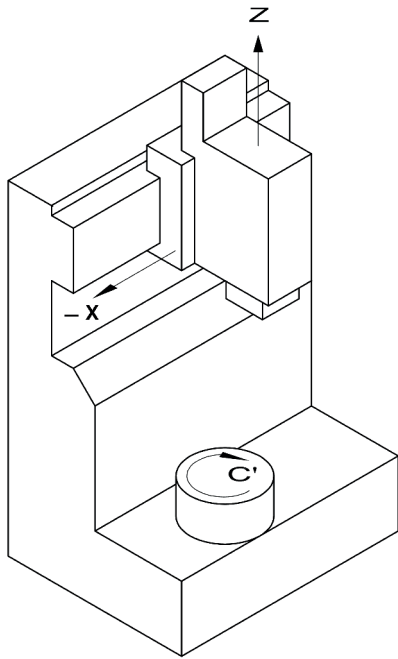
4.12 Linear motions

For simplicity, all the machine examples shown in [Figures 1](#) and [2](#) use the axis designation of a letter and a number (e.g. X, X1, X2,...) as defined in ISO 841:2001, 6.1. In all examples, the use of the letters U, V, or W could be substituted.

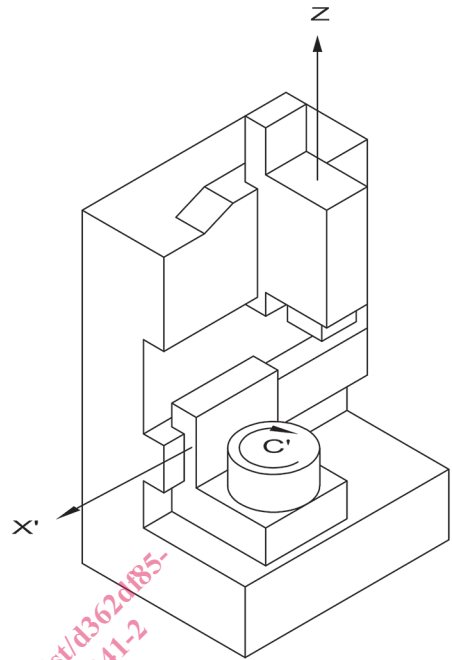
4.13 Turrets or toolholding components (element)

Depending on the machine configuration, cutting tools (stationary or power driven) can be clamped in a tool holder or in a turret located on the railhead ram and/or the side head ram and/or the turret. An automatic tool change device can also be used. However, this document does not provide any test methods for automatic tool change operations.

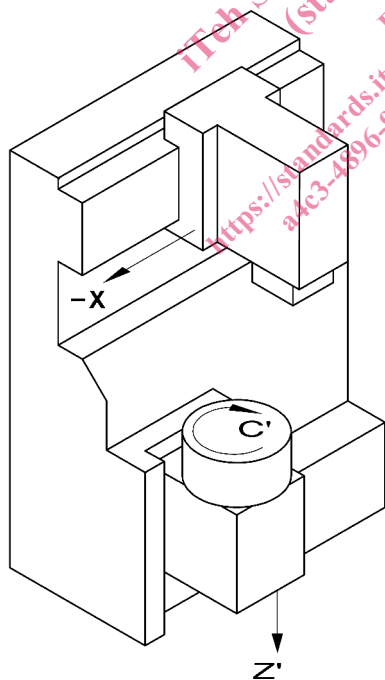
4.14 Machine configurations and designation of axes



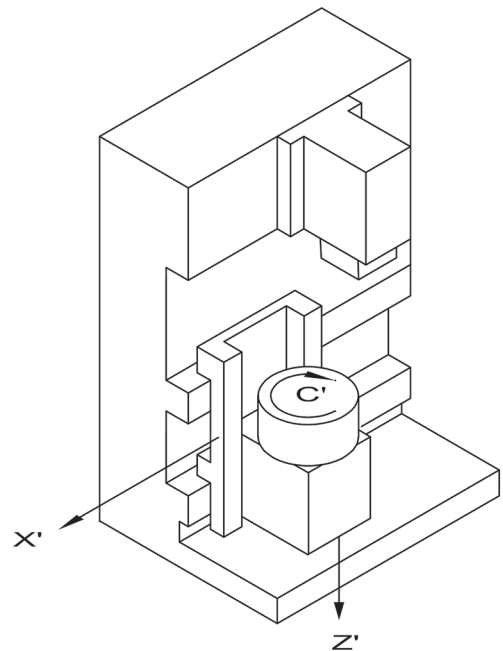
a) **Compound head type**
[t Z X b C' w]



b) **Shared motion (moving workholding spindle) type**
[t Z b X' C' w]

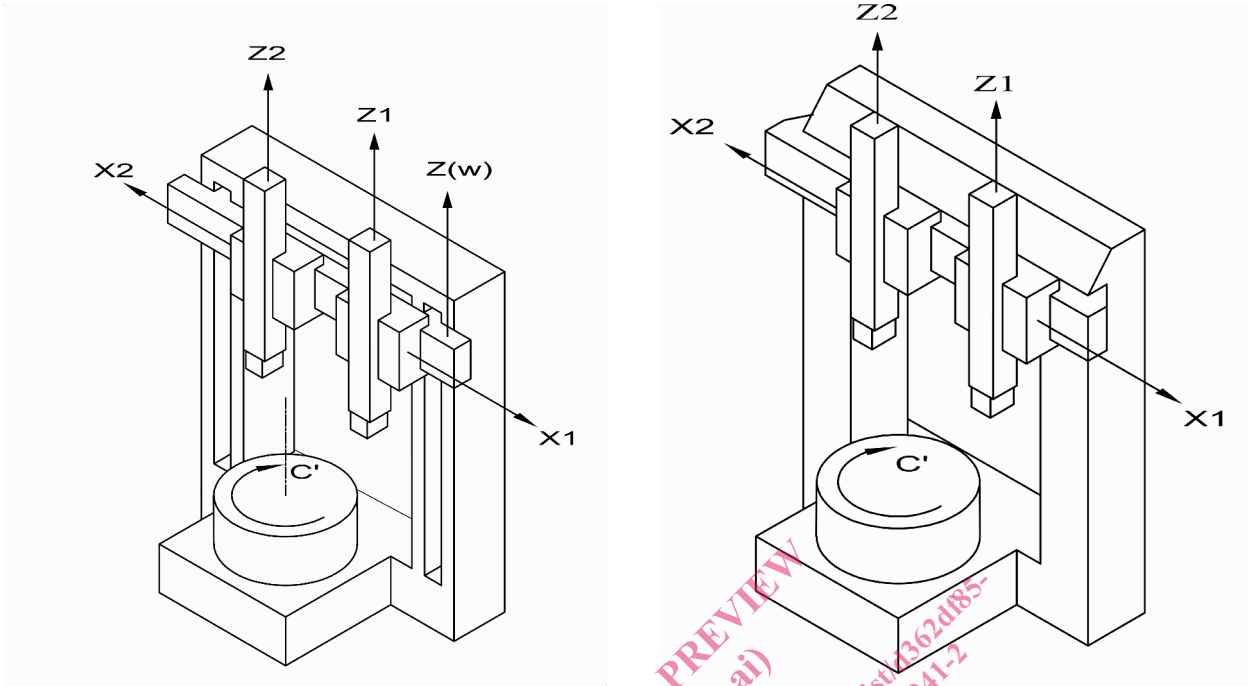


c) **Shared motion (moving head/saddle) type**
[t X b Z' C' w]



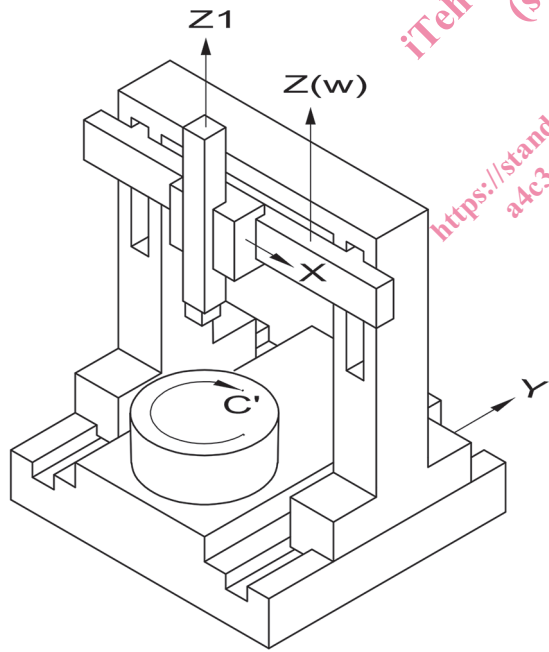
d) **Compound workholding spindle type**
[t b X' Z' C' w]

Figure 1 — Examples of machine configurations: Single-column machines (Type A)

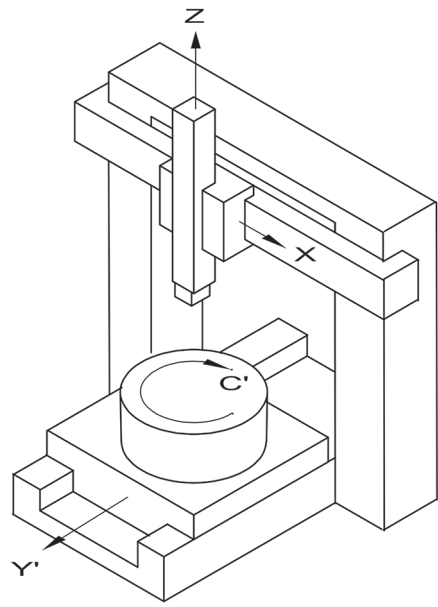


a) Fixed column, moving cross-rail
 $[t_1 Z1 X1 Z b C' w]$
 $[t_2 Z2 X2 Z b C' w]$

b) Fixed column, fixed cross-rail
 $[t_1 Z1 X1 b C' w]$
 $[t_2 Z2 X2 b C' w]$



c) Moving column (gantry type), moving cross-rail
 $[t Z1 X Z Y b C' w]$



d) Fixed column (portal type), moving workholding spindle (Y-axis)
 $[t Z X b Y' C' w]$

Figure 2 — Examples of machine configurations: Double-column machines (Type B)