





Cutting lead times in gear manufacturing

Machining gears normally requires dedicated tools for the specific gear profile. With the patented InvoMilling process it is possible to use the same cutters for different gear profiles. By changing the CNC program instead of changing the tool, the time from receiving an order for a component and delivering it can be greatly reduced.

Since multi-task machines or five-axis machining centres are used, complete components can be machined in one set-up. For manufacturers that move components between different machines or outsource the gear operation, InvoMilling can reduce lead times and shorten total manufacturing time significantly.

In-house gear milling in standard machines

- Flexibility same tools for many gear profiles
- · Gear machining in multi-task machines and five-axis machining centres
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Complete components in one machine and one set-up
- · More environmentally-friendly runs dry, does not use cutting oil

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Success story Gear wheel data 6 mm/4.23 inch⁻¹ Module, mn/diametral pitch, DP: Number of teeth, z: 27 17 degrees Helix angle, ß: Face width, b: 130 mm/5.12 inch 170 mm/6.69 inch Pitch circle, d: The preferred solution for small Result: 1 pass HSS hob 2 passes HSS hob New method on to medium batch stable hobbing machine "old" hobbing machine multi-task machine sizes! 31.5 minutes 57 minutes 23 minutes First choice for large batch sizes - CoroMill® 176.

Full flexibility!

Tools for different module sizes

CoroMill[®] 161

CoroMill 161 cutter is for manufacturing smaller module gears. High-precision insert seats ensure low tool run-out plus excellent component quality. Furthermore, modules from 2 to 4 can be efficiently covered with only a limited range of inserts. CoroMill 161 cutter is supplied in various diameters, starting at 66 mm, in both Coromant Capto® and arbor coupling configurations.



CoroMill® 162

CoroMill 162 cutter uses a unique i-Lock interface between the insert and tool body to ensure both stability and precision. CoroMill 162 comes in two sizes. Size 4 is ideal for the efficient manufacturing of module 4 to 8 gears starting with a diameter of 90 mm, while size 6 performs equally well for manufacturing module 6 to 12 gears. Tools are available with different arbor coupling sizes.



Cutter CoroMill 161 CoroMill 162 Ideal module range 2–4 4–12 Possible module range >2 >4

For more information see www.sandvik.coromant.com/coromill161 and www.sandvik.coromant.com/coromill162

Measuring example:

Produce a high quality gear

To precise machine movements and a high precision cutter, InvoMilling yields a high quality gear both regarding dimensional accuracy and surface finish. A gear measurement report for helical gear manufacture using InvoMilling is shown on pages 4 and 5.



Helical gear

Data

Normal module, mn/diametral pitch, DP: Number of teeth, z: Helix angle, ß: Profile shift, x (high profile): Pressure angle: Tip diameter, d_a: Root diameter, d_f: Face width, b: Material: 4.15 mm/6.12 inch⁻¹ 22 -22.5 degrees 0.41 20 degrees 112.8 mm/4.44 inch 87.4 mm/3.44 inch 30 mm/1.18 inch 42CrMo4 (260 HB) Example of a helical gear produced using the InvoMilling method.

Surface finish, from root to tip, Rz:

2 microns

Profile example of a helical gear produced using the InvoMilling method.

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Tw: 20°C

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Easy to program

The software InvoMillingTM 1.0 is developed for quick and easy CNC programming of the patented InvoMilling process. Combine the software with our dedicated precision cutters CoroMill[®] 161 and CoroMill[®] 162 for truly flexible gear manufacturing.



1. Define your gear geometry.







3. Simulate the machining process to verify tool paths.

Comparison of methods

Sandvik Coromant has an extensive portfolio of gear manufacturing tools and methods. For large batch production of spur and helical gears, where high productivity is paramount, we offer a range of competitive disc cutters and hobs, e.g. CoroMill[®] 170 and CoroMill 176. Both offer much higher productivity than HSS tools.

First choice cutters for medium batch sizes are CoroMill 171 and CoroMill 172. These disc cutters are easily applied in machining centres, multi-task machines and turning centres, making it possible to machine complete components in one set-up.

InvoMilling with CoroMill 161 or CoroMill 162 cutters is the natural choice for small to medium batches when the focus is on greater flexibility. The productivity of InvoMilling is nevertheless comparable to HSS hobbing. What's more, all the advantages of using a multi-task machine still apply.





Gear cutters for your demands

Sandvik Coromant has developed a new assortment of indexable insert gear milling cutters, an initiative that has taken place in close cooperation with our customers and MTM partners. Unrivalled engineering know-how together with extensive metal cutting experience ensures a tool solution that suits your needs.

Over recent years, we have introduced a completely new insert generation. Developments in insert substrates, coating materials, coating manufacturing, and post processes provide higher metal-removal rates with longer tool-life. These new gear milling tools deliver all the performance and benefits you need to take your production to levels not possible with conventional HSS cutters.

With Sandvik Coromant as your partner, you gain all the experience to optimize your overall manufacturing and reduce your cost per component.

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