

B. Derivation of surface roughness during SPDT

Appendices B is meant to derive an expression of theoretical surface roughness attainable during nanometric cutting by applying the principles of geometry.

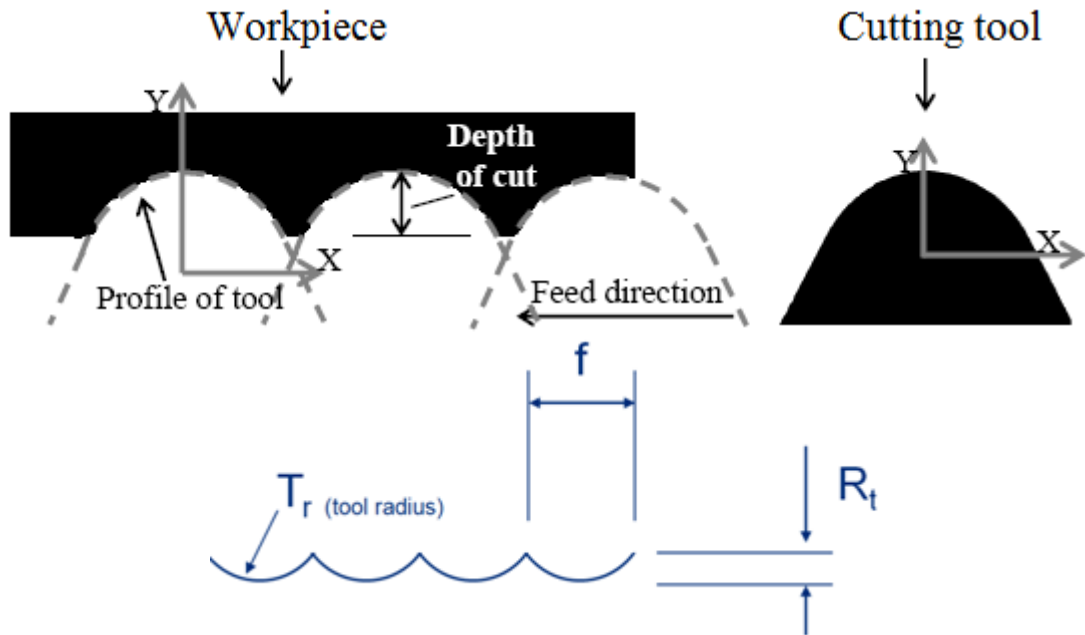


Figure B1: Schematic for model of surface roughness.

Conventionally, Scattergood *et al.* [22] gave the following empirical relation for the measurement of surface roughness (R_t) as shown in figure B1.

$$R_t \approx \frac{f^2}{8 * T_r}$$

where f = feed rate, T_r = tool radius, and R_t = maximum individual peak to valley height. However, this applies only if $f/R < 1$. A modification in the above equation was proposed later [302] to incorporate the asynchronous errors arising from the machine spindle as follows:

$$R_t \approx \frac{f^2}{8 * T_r} + K \{A_{asynchronous}\}$$

Author of this thesis has attempted to derive a fresh mathematical expression to deduce the mathematical expression of surface roughness for an ultra precision engineering operation such that of SPDT. Accordingly, figure B2 shows a schematic diagram to deduce a modified expression for surface roughness R_t .

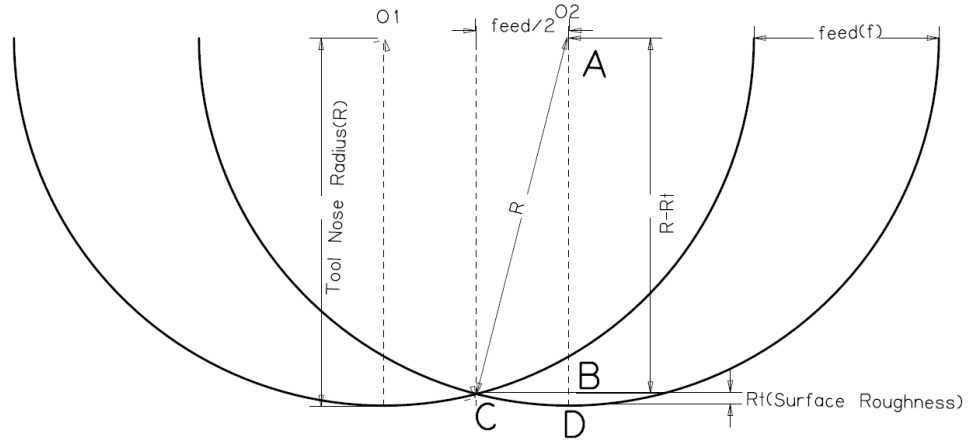


Figure B2: Proposed schematic to measure surface roughness.

In triangle ABC, using Pythagoras theorem,

$$(R - R_t)^2 + \left(\frac{f}{2}\right)^2 = R^2$$

Solving above equation

$$R^2 + R_t^2 - 2RR_t + \left(\frac{f}{2}\right)^2 = R^2$$

$$4R_t^2 - 8RR_t + f^2 = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation of a form $ax^2+bx+c=0$ with its root $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

In the above equation, $a = 4$; $b = -8R$; $c = f^2$

$$\text{Therefore, } R_t = \frac{8R \pm \sqrt{64R^2 - 4 \times 4 f^2}}{2 \times 4}$$

$$R_t = R \pm \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{f^2}{4}}$$

It shall be noted that since $R_t < f < R$ so, $R_t = R + \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{f^2}{4}}$ may be neglected.

The final expression after incorporating the asynchronous errors arising from the machine spindle reduces to:

$$R_t = R - \sqrt{R^2 - \frac{f^2}{4}} + K \{A_{asynchronous}\}$$

where R_t is the surface roughness, R is tool nose radius of the round tool and f is the feed rate.