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PROGRAMM-EINSPEICHERN/EDITIEREN

9 RND R75
10 L Y+70
11 CT X+30 Y+30
12 L Y+60
13 CR X+60 Y+30 R+10 DR
14 L X+30
15 CHF 6
16 L Y+60
17 L X+60 Y+10
18 L X+10
19 RND R20

BOLL
X +150,000
Y -25,500
Z +200,000
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TNC Models, Software and Features

This manual describes functions and features provided by the TNCs with the following NC software number.

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The machine tool builder adapts the useable features of the TNC to his machine by setting machine parameters. Therefore, some of the functions described in this manual may not be among the features provided by your machine tool.

TNC functions that may not be available on your machine include:

- Probing function for the 3-D touch probe
- Digitizing option
- Tool measurement with the TT 120
- Rigid tapping

Please contact your machine tool builder to become familiar with the individual implementation of the control on your machine.

Many machine manufacturers, as well as HEIDENHAIN, offer programming courses for the TNCs. We recommend these courses as an effective way of improving your programming skill and sharing information and ideas with other TNC users.

Location of use

The TNC complies with the limits for a Class A device in accordance with the specifications in EN 55022, and is intended for use primarily in industrially-zoned areas.
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Introduction
1.1 The TNC 310

HEIDENHAIN TNC controls are shop-floor programmable contouring controls for milling, drilling and boring machines.

You can program conventional milling, drilling and boring operations right at the machine with the easily understandable interactive conversational guidance. The TNC 310 can control up to 4 axes. Instead of the fourth axis, you can also change the angular position of the spindle under program control.

Keyboard and screen layout are clearly arranged in a such way that the functions are fast and easy to use.

Programming: HEIDENHAIN conversational format

HEIDENHAIN conversational programming is an especially easy method of writing programs. Interactive graphics illustrate the individual machining steps for programming the contour. Workpiece machining can be graphically simulated during test run.

You can also enter one program while the TNC is running another.

Compatibility

The TNC can execute all part programs that were written on HEIDENHAIN controls TNC 150 B and later.
1.2 Visual Display Unit and Keyboard

Visual display unit
The figure at right shows the keys and controls on the VDU:

1. Setting the screen layout
2. Soft key selector keys
3. Switching the soft-key rows
4. Header

When the TNC is on, the selected operating mode is shown in the screen header. Dialog prompts and TNC messages also appear here (unless the TNC is showing only graphics).

5. Soft keys
In the right margin the TNC indicates additional functions in a soft-key row. You can select these functions by pressing the keys immediately beside them. Directly beneath the soft-key row are rectangular boxes indicating the number of soft-key rows. These rows can be called with the shift key. The box representing the active soft-key row is filled in.

Screen layout
You select the screen layout yourself: In the PROGRAMMING AND EDITING mode of operation, for example, you can have the TNC show program blocks in the left window while the right window displays programming graphics. You could also display help graphics for cycle definition in the right window instead, or display only program blocks in one large window. The available screen windows depend on the selected operating mode.

To change the screen layout:

- Press the SPLIT SCREEN key: The soft-key row shows the available layout options.
- Select the desired screen layout.
1.3 Modes of Operation

The TNC offers the following modes of operation for the various functions and working steps that you need to machine a workpiece:

**MANUAL OPERATION and ELECTRONIC HANDWHEEL Operating Modes**

The MANUAL OPERATION mode is required for setting up the machine tool. In this operating mode, you can position the machine axes manually or by increments. Datums can be set by the usual scratching method or by using the TS 220 triggering touch probe. The TNC also supports the manual traverse of the machine axes using a HR electronic handwheel.

**Soft keys for selecting the screen layout**

There are no select options available. The TNC always shows the position display.
POSITIONING WITH MANUAL DATA INPUT (MDI)

This mode of operation is used for programming simple traversing movements, such as for face milling or pre-positioning.

Soft keys for selecting the screen layout
There are no select options available. The TNC always shows the position display.

PROGRAMMING AND EDITING

In this mode of operation you can write your part programs. The various cycles help you with programming and add necessary information. If desired, you can have the programming graphics show the individual steps.

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![Programming and Editing Diagram](image-url)
**TEST RUN**

In the TEST RUN mode of operation, the TNC checks programs and program sections for errors, such as geometrical incompatibilities, missing or incorrect data within the program or violations of the work space. This simulation is supported graphically in different display modes. Use a soft key to activate the test run in the PROGRAM RUN operating mode.

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<td>Left: program blocks, right: positions and coordinates</td>
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<td>Left: program blocks, right: coordinate transformations</td>
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PROGRAM RUN/SINGLE BLOCK and PROGRAM RUN/FULL SEQUENCE

In the PROGRAM RUN, FULL SEQUENCE mode of operation the TNC executes a part program continuously to its end or to a manual or programmed stop. You can resume program run after an interruption.

In the PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK mode of operation you execute each block separately by pressing the NC START button.

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1.4 Status Displays

“General” status display

The status display informs you of the current state of the machine tool. It is displayed automatically in all modes of operation:

In the operating modes MANUAL OPERATION and ELECTRONIC HANDWHEEL and POSITIONING WITH MDI the status display appears in the large window.
### Information in the status display

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<td>Actual or nominal coordinates of the current position</td>
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<td><strong>XYZ</strong></td>
<td>Machine axes</td>
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<td><strong>S FM</strong></td>
<td>Spindle speed S, feed rate F and active M functions</td>
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<td>*</td>
<td>Program run started</td>
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<td>←</td>
<td>Axis locked</td>
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<td>ROT</td>
<td>Axes are moving under a basic rotation.</td>
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### Additional status displays

The additional status displays contain detailed information on the program run. They can be called in all operating modes, except in the MANUAL OPERATION mode.

#### To switch on the additional status display:

1. Call the soft-key row for screen layout.
   - ![Soft-key row](image)
2. Select the layout option for the additional status display, e.g. positions and coordinates.
You can also choose between the following additional status displays:

### General program information
1. Name of main program / Active block number
2. Program called via Cycle 12
3. Active machining cycle
4. Circle center CC (pole)
5. Dwell time counter
6. Operating time

### Positions and coordinates
1. Name of main program / Active block number
2. Position display
3. Type of position display, e.g. distance-to-go
4. Angle of a basic rotation
Information on tools

1. Tool number
2. Tool axis
3. Tool length and radius
4. Oversizes (delta values) from TOOL CALL block

Coordinate transformations

1. Name of main program / Active block number
2. Active datum shift (Cycle 7)
3. Active rotation angle (Cycle 10)
4. Mirrored axes (Cycle 8)
5. Active scaling factor (Cycle 11)

See also section 8.7 “Coordinate Transformation Cycles.”
1.5 Accessories: HEIDENHAIN 3-D Touch Probes and Electronic Handwheels

3-D Touch Probes
With the various HEIDENHAIN 3-D touch probe systems you can:
- Automatically align workpieces
- Quickly and precisely set datums

TS 220 touch trigger probe
This touch probe is particularly effective for automatic workpiece alignment, datum setting and workpiece measurement. The TS 220 transmits the triggering signals to the TNC via cable.

Principle of operation: HEIDENHAIN triggering touch probes feature a wear resisting optical switch that generates an electrical signal as soon as the stylus is deflected. This signal is transmitted to the TNC, which stores the current position of the stylus as an actual value.

HR electronic handwheels
Electronic handwheels facilitate moving the axis slides precisely by hand. A wide range of traverses per handwheel revolution is available. Apart from the HR 130 and HR 150 integral handwheels, HEIDENHAIN also offers the HR 410 portable handwheel.
Manual Operation and Setup
2.1 Switch-On

Switch-on and traversing the reference points can vary depending on the individual machine tool. Refer to your machine manual for more information.

- Switch on the power supply for control and machine.

The TNC automatically initiates the following dialog:

**MEMORY TEST**

The TNC memory is automatically checked.

**POWER INTERRUPTED**

TNC message that the power was interrupted — clear the message.

**TRANSLATE PLC PROGRAM**

The PLC program of the TNC is automatically translated.

**RELAY EXT. DC VOLTAGE MISSING**

Switch on the control voltage.

The TNC checks the functioning of the EMERGENCY STOP circuit.

**TRAVERSE REFERENCE POINTS**

Cross the reference points in any sequence:
- Press and hold the machine axis direction button for each axis until the reference point has been traversed, or

Cross the reference points with several axes at the same time: Use softkeys to select the axes (axes are then shown highlighted on the screen), and then press the NC START button.

The TNC is now ready for operation in the MANUAL OPERATION mode.
2.2 Moving the Machine Axes

Traversing the machine axes with the axis direction keys is a machine-dependent function. Refer to your machine tool manual for more information on operating times.

Traverse the axis with the axis direction keys

Select the MANUAL OPERATION mode.

Press the axis direction button and hold it as long as you wish the axis to move.

...or move the axis continuously:

Press and hold the axis direction button, then press the NC START button: The axis continues to move after you release the keys.

Press the NC STOP key to stop the axis.

You can move several axes at a time with these two methods.
Traversing with the HR 410 electronic handwheel

The portable HR 410 handwheel is equipped with two permissive buttons. The permissive buttons are located below the star grip. You can only move the machine axes when an permissive button is depressed (machine-dependent function).

The HR 410 handwheel features the following operating elements:

1. EMERGENCY STOP
2. Handwheel Modes
3. Permissive buttons
4. Axis address keys
5. Actual-position-capture key
6. Keys for defining the feed rate (slow, medium, fast; the feed rates are set by the machine tool builder)
7. Direction in which the TNC moves the selected axis
8. Machine function (set by the machine tool builder)

The red indicators show the axis and feed rate you have selected.

To move an axis:

- Select the MANUAL OPERATION mode.
- Activate handwheel, set soft key to ON
- Press the permissive button.
- Select the axis on the handwheel
- Select the feed rate.
- Move the active axis in the positive or negative direction.
2.2 Moving the Machine Axes

**Incremental jog positioning**

With incremental jog positioning you can move a machine axis by a preset distance each time you press the corresponding axis direction button.

Select the MANUAL OPERATION mode.

Select incremental jog positioning, set the softkey to ON.

**JOG INCREMENT?**

Select the jog increment via soft key (select 2nd or 3rd soft-key row)

Press the axis direction button to position as often as desired.

Enter the jog increment in millimeters (here, 8 mm), or
2.3 Spindle Speed S, Feed Rate F and Miscellaneous Functions M

In the operating mode MANUAL OPERATION, you can enter the spindle speed S and the miscellaneous functions M with soft keys. The miscellaneous functions are described in Chapter 7 “Programming: Miscellaneous Functions.” The feed rate is defined in a machine parameter and can be changed only with the override knobs (see next page).

**Entering values**

Example: Entering the spindle speed S

| S | To select the spindle speed, press the S soft key. |

**SPINDLE SPEED S=**

| 1000 | Enter the desired spindle speed, |

| NC | and confirm with the NC START button |

The spindle speed S with the entered rpm is started with a miscellaneous function.

Proceed in the same way to enter the miscellaneous functions M.

**Changing the spindle speed and feed rate**

With the override knobs you can vary the spindle speed S and feed rate F from 0% to 150% of the set value.

The knob for spindle speed override is effective only on machines with a stepless spindle drive.

The machine tool builder determines which miscellaneous functions M are available on your TNC and what effects they have.
2.4 Datum Setting (Without a 3-D Touch Probe)

You fix a datum by setting the TNC position display to the coordinates of a known position on the workpiece.

**Preparation**
- Clamp and align the workpiece.
- Insert the zero tool with known radius into the spindle.
- Ensure that the TNC is showing the actual position values.

**Setting the datum**
Fragile workpiece? If the workpiece surface must not be scratched, you can lay a metal shim of known thickness \( d \) on it. Then enter a tool axis datum value that is larger than the desired datum by the value \( d \).

Select the MANUAL OPERATION mode.

Move the tool slowly until it touches the workpiece surface.

Select the function for setting the datum

Select the axis.

**DATUM SET Z**

Zero tool: Set the display to a known workpiece position (here, 0) or enter the thickness \( d \) of the shim.

Repeat the process for the remaining axes.

If you are using a preset tool, set the display of the tool axis to the length \( L \) of the tool or enter the sum \( Z=L+d \).
Positioning with Manual Data Input (MDI)
3.1 Programming and Executing Simple Positioning Blocks

The operating mode POSITIONING WITH MANUAL DATA INPUT is particularly convenient for simple positioning blocks and for programming a tool call. You can write the individual blocks in HEIDENHAIN conversational programming and execute them immediately. The entered blocks are not stored by the TNC.

Select the POSITIONING WITH MDI mode of operation.

Enter a simple positioning block without radius compensation and feed rate, e.g. X+25 R0 F50

Conclude entry.

Press the NC START button: The TNC executes the entered block.
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Programming:
Fundamentals of NC, File Management, Programming Aids
4.1 Fundamentals of NC

Position encoders and reference marks

The machine axes are equipped with position encoders that register the positions of the machine table or tool. When a machine axis moves, the corresponding position encoder generates an electrical signal. The TNC evaluates this signal and calculates the precise actual position of the machine axis.

If there is an interruption of power, the calculated position will no longer correspond to the actual position of the machine slide. The TNC can re-establish this relationship with the aid of reference marks when power is returned. The scales of the position encoders contain one or more reference marks that transmit a signal to the TNC when they are crossed over. From the signal the TNC identifies that position as the machine-axis reference point and can re-establish the assignment of displayed positions to machine axis positions.

Linear encoders are generally used for linear axes. Rotary tables and tilt axes have angle encoders. If the position encoders feature distance-coded reference marks, you only need to move each axis a maximum of 20 mm (0.8 in.) for linear encoders, and 20° for angle encoders, to re-establish the assignment of the displayed positions to machine axis positions.
Reference system

A reference system is required to define positions in a plane or in space. The position data are always referenced to a predetermined point and are described through coordinates.

The Cartesian coordinate system (a rectangular coordinate system) is based on three coordinate axes X, Y and Z. The axes are mutually perpendicular and intersect at one point called the datum. A coordinate identifies the distance from the datum in one of these directions. A position in a plane is thus described through two coordinates, and a position in space through three coordinates.

Coordinates that are referenced to the datum are referred to as absolute coordinates. Relative coordinates are referenced to any other known position (datum) you define within the coordinate system. Relative coordinate values are also referred to as incremental coordinate values.

Reference systems on milling machines

When using a milling machine, you orient tool movements to the Cartesian coordinate system. The illustration at right shows how the Cartesian coordinate system describes the machine axes. The figure at right illustrates the “right-hand rule” for remembering the three axis directions: the middle finger is pointing in the positive direction of the tool axis from the workpiece toward the tool (the Z axis), the thumb is pointing in the positive X direction, and the index finger in the positive Y direction.

The TNC 310 can control up to 4 axes. The axes U, V and W are secondary linear axes parallel to the main axes X, Y and Z, respectively. Rotary axes are designated as A, B and C. The illustration shows the assignment of secondary axes and rotary axes to the main axes.
**Polar coordinates**

If the production drawing is dimensioned in Cartesian coordinates, you also write the part program using Cartesian coordinates. For parts containing circular arcs or angles it is often simpler to give the dimensions in polar coordinates.

While the Cartesian coordinates X, Y and Z are three-dimensional and can describe points in space, polar coordinates are two-dimensional and describe points in a plane. Polar coordinates have their datum at a circle center (CC), or pole. A position in a plane can be clearly defined by the

- Polar Radius, the distance from the circle center CC to the position, and the
- Polar Angle, the size of the angle between the reference axis and the line that connects the circle center CC with the position.

See figure to the lower right.

**Definition of pole and angle reference axis**

The pole is set by entering two Cartesian coordinates in one of the three planes. These coordinates also set the reference axis for the polar angle PA.

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<tr>
<th>Coordinates of the pole (plane)</th>
<th>Reference axis of the angle</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>XY</td>
<td>+X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YZ</td>
<td>+Y</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ZX</td>
<td>+Z</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

See figure to the lower right.
Absolute and relative workpiece positions

Absolute workpiece positions
Absolute coordinates are position coordinates that are referenced to the datum of the coordinate system (origin). Each position on the workpiece is uniquely defined by its absolute coordinates.

Example 1: Holes dimensioned in absolute coordinates

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hole</th>
<th>Absolute coordinates</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>X=10 mm Y=10 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>X=30 mm Y=20 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>X=50 mm Y=30 mm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Relative workpiece positions
Relative coordinates are referenced to the last programmed nominal position of the tool, which serves as the relative (imaginary) datum. When you write a part program in incremental coordinates, you thus program the tool to move by the distance between the previous and the subsequent nominal positions. Incremental coordinates are therefore also referred to as chain dimensions.

To program a position in incremental coordinates, enter the prefix “I” (soft key) before the axis.

Example 2: Holes dimensioned with relative coordinates

Absolute coordinates of hole 4:
X = 10 mm
Y = 10 mm

Hole 5 referenced to hole 4
IX = 20 mm
IY = 10 mm

Hole 6 referenced to hole 5
IX = 20 mm
IY = 10 mm

Absolute and incremental polar coordinates
Absolute polar coordinates always refer to the pole and the reference axis.

Incremental polar coordinates always refer to the last programmed nominal position of the tool.
Selecting the datum

A production drawing identifies a certain point on the workpiece — usually a corner — as the absolute datum. Before setting the datum, you align the workpiece with the machine axes and move the tool in each axis to a known position relative to the workpiece. You then set the TNC display to either zero or a predetermined position value. This establishes the reference system for the workpiece, which will be used for the TNC display and your part program.

If the production drawing is dimensioned in relative coordinates, simply use the coordinate transformation cycles. For further information, refer to section 8.6 “Coordinate Transformation Cycles.”

If the production drawing is not dimensioned for NC, set the datum at a position or corner on the workpiece, which is the most suitable for deducing the dimensions of the remaining workpiece positions.

The fastest, easiest and most accurate way of setting the datum is by using a 3-D touch probe from HEIDENHAIN. For further information, refer to section 11.2 “Setting the Datum with a 3-D Touch Probe.”

Example

The workpiece drawing at right illustrates the holes 1 to 4, which are dimensioned to an absolute datum with the coordinates X=0 Y=0. The holes 5 to 7 are referenced to a relative datum with the absolute coordinates X=450 Y=750. By using the DATUM SHIFT cycle you can shift the datum temporarily to the position X=450, Y=750 and program the holes 5 to 7 without any further calculations.
4.2 File Management

Files and file management
When you write a part program on the TNC, you must first enter a file name. The TNC then stores the program as a file with the same name. You can also store tables as files.

File names
The name of a file can have up to 8 characters. When you store programs and tables as files, the TNC adds an extension to the file name, separated by a point. This extension identifies the file type (see table at right).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>35720</th>
<th>.H</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>File name</td>
<td>File type</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The TNC can manage up to 64 files. Their total size, however, must not exceed 128 MB.

Working with the file manager
This section informs you about the meaning of the individual screen information, and describes how to select files. If you are not yet familiar with the TNC file manager, we recommend that you read this section completely and test the individual functions on your TNC.

Call the file manager.

Press the PGM NAME soft key: the TNC displays the file management window.

The window shows all of the files that are stored in the TNC. Each file is shown with additional information that is illustrated in the table on the next page.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Files in the TNC Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Program in HEIDENHAIN conversational format</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Table for Tools</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Display</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FILE NAME</td>
<td>Name with up to 8 characters and file type</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number following the name:</td>
<td>File size in bytes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Status</td>
<td>Properties of the file:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M</td>
<td>Program is selected in a Program Run operating mode</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P</td>
<td>Protect a file against editing and erasure (Protected)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The window shows all of the files that are stored in the TNC. Each file is shown with additional information that is illustrated in the table on the next page.
Select a file

Call the file manager.

Use the arrow keys to move the highlight to the desired file:

Move the highlight up or down

Enter the first or more numbers of the file you wish to select and then press the GOTO key: The highlight moves to the first file that matches these numbers.

The selected file is opened in the operating mode from which you have the called file manager: Press ENT.

Copy a file

Move the highlight to the file you wish to copy.

Press the COPY soft key to select the copying function.

Enter the name of the destination file and confirm your entry with the ENT key: The TNC copies the file. The original file is retained.

Rename a file

Move the highlight to the file you wish to rename.

Select the renaming function.

Enter the new file name; the file type cannot be changed.

To execute renaming, press the ENT key.

Delete a file

Move the highlight to the file you want to delete.

To select the erasing function, press the DELETE soft key. The TNC inquires whether you really intend to erase the file.

To confirm erasure: Press the YES soft key. Abort with the NO soft key if you do not wish to erase the directory.

Protecting a file/Canceling file protection

Move the highlight to the file you want to protect.

To enable file protection, press the PROTECT/UNPROTECT soft key. The file now has status P.

To cancel file protection, proceed in the same way using the PROTECT/UNPROTECT soft key. You also need to enter the code number 86357.
Read in/read out files

To read in or read out files: Press the ENT soft key.
The TNC provides the following functions:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Functions for reading in/reading out files</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Read in all files</td>
<td>![TRANSFER][EXIT][TNC]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Only read in selected files; To accept a file suggested by the TNC, press the YES soft key; Press the NO soft key if you do not want to accept it.</td>
<td>![TRANSFER][EXIT][TNC]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Read in the selected file: Enter the file name</td>
<td>![TRANSFER][EXIT][TNC]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Read out the selected file: Move the highlight to the desired file and confirm with ENT</td>
<td>![TRANSFER][EXIT][TNC]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Read out all of the files in the TNC memory</td>
<td>![TRANSFER][TNC][EXIT]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Display the file directories of the external unit on your TNC screen</td>
<td>![SHOW][EXIT][DIRECTORY]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4.3 Creating and Writing Programs

Organization of an NC program in HEIDENHAIN conversational format.

A part program consists of a series of program blocks. The figure at right illustrates the elements of a block.

The TNC numbers the blocks in ascending sequence.

The first block of a program is identified by “BEGIN PGM,” the program name and the active unit of measure.

The subsequent blocks contain information on:

- The blank form
- Tool definitions and tool calls,
- Feed rates and spindle speeds as well as
- Path contours, cycles and other functions.

The last block of a program is identified by “END PGM,” the program name and the active unit of measure.

Defining the blank form — BLK FORM

Immediately after initiating a new program, you define a cuboid workpiece blank. This definition is needed for the TNC’s graphic simulation feature. The sides of the workpiece blank lie parallel to the X, Y and Z axes and can be up to 30 000 mm long. The blank form is defined by two of its corner points:

- MIN point: the smallest X, Y and Z coordinates of the blank form, entered as absolute values.
- MAX point: the largest X, Y and Z coordinates of the blank form, entered as absolute or incremental values.

The TNC can display the graphic only if the short side of the BLK FORM is longer than 1/64 of the long side.
Creating a new part program
You always enter a part program in the PROGRAMMING AND EDITING mode of operation.

Program initiation in an example:

Select the PROGRAMMING AND EDITING mode of operation.

Call up the file manager: Press the PGM NAME soft key

Enter the new program number and confirm your entry with the ENT key.

Select the default setting for unit of measurement (mm): Press the ENT key, or

Switch to using inches: Press the CHANGE MM/INCH soft key
Define the blank

Open the dialog for blank definition: Press the BLK FORM soft key

WORKING SPINDLE AXIS X/Y/Z ?

Enter the spindle axis.

DEF BLK FORM: MIN-CORNER?

Enter in sequence the X, Y and Z coordinates of the MIN point.

0  

0  

-40  

DEF BLK FORM: MAX-CORNER?

Enter in sequence the X, Y and Z coordinates of the MAX point.

100  

100  

0  

The program blocks window shows the following BLK FORM definition

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Block</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>BEGIN PGM 3056 MM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-40</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>END PGM 3056 MM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The TNC automatically generates the block numbers as well as the BEGIN and END blocks.
Programming tool movements in conversational format

To program a block, initiate the dialog by pressing a soft key. In the screen headline, the TNC then asks you for all the information necessary to program the desired function.

Example of a dialog

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Initiate the dialog.</th>
<th>[L]</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Enter the target coordinate for the X axis.</td>
<td>[X] 10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter the target coordinate for the Y axis, and go to the next question with ENT.</td>
<td>[Y] 5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter “No radius compensation” and go to the next question with ENT.</td>
<td>[ENT]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter a feed rate of 100 mm/min for this path contour; go to the next question with ENT.</td>
<td>[F=] 100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter the miscellaneous function M3 “spindle ON”; pressing the ENT key will terminate this dialog.</td>
<td>[MISC] 3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The program blocks window will display the following line:

| 3 L X+10 Y+5 R0 F100 M3 |
Editing program lines
While you are creating or editing a part program, you can select any desired line in the program or individual words in a block with the arrow keys (see table at right).

Looking for the same words in different blocks

To select a word in a block, press the arrow keys repeatedly until the highlight is on the desired word.

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Erasing blocks and words

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<tr>
<th>Erasing blocks and words</th>
<th>Key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Set the selected word to zero</td>
<td>CE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Erase an incorrect number</td>
<td>CE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clear a (non-blinking) error message</td>
<td>CE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delete the selected word</td>
<td>DEL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delete the selected block (cycle)</td>
<td>DEL</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Inserting blocks at any desired location

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Editing and inserting words

Select a word in a block and overwrite it with the new one. The plain-language dialog is available while the word is highlighted.

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4.4 Interactive Programming Graphics

While you are writing the part program, you can have the TNC generate a graphic illustration of the programmed contour.

To generate/not generate graphics during programming:
- To switch the screen layout to displaying program blocks to the left and graphics to the right, press the SPLIT SCREEN key and PGM + GRAPHICS soft key.

- Set the AUTO DRAW soft key to ON. While you are entering the program lines, the TNC generates each path contour you program in the graphics window in the right screen half.

If you do not wish to have graphics generated during programming, set the AUTO DRAW soft key to OFF.

AUTO DRAW ON does not simulate program section repeats.

To generate a graphic for an existing program:
- Use the arrow keys to select the block up to which you want the graphic to be generated, or press GOTO and enter the desired block number.

- To generate graphics, press the RESET + START soft key.

Additional functions are listed in the table at right.

To erase the graphic:
- Shift the soft-key row (see figure at right)

- Delete graphic: Press CLEAR GRAPHIC soft key

Functions Soft key
Generate interactive graphics blockwise
Generate a complete graphic or complete it after RESET + START
Interrupt interactive graphics
This soft key only appears while the TNC generates the interactive graphics
Magnifying or reducing a detail

You can select the graphics display by selecting a detail with the frame overlay. You can now magnify or reduce the selected detail.

- Select the soft-key row for detail magnification/reduction (last row, see figure at right)
- The following functions are available:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Reduce the frame overlay — press and hold the soft key to reduce the detail</td>
<td>![Left Arrow]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enlarge the frame overlay — press and hold the soft key to magnify the detail</td>
<td>![Right Arrow]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move the frame overlay to the left: Press and hold the soft key. Move the frame overlay to the right: Press and hold the arrow to the right soft key</td>
<td>![Left Arrow]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Confirm the selected section with the WINDOW DETAIL soft key

With the WINDOW BLK FORM soft key, you can restore the original section.
4.5 HELP Function

Certain TNC programming functions are explained in more detail in the HELP function. You can select a HELP topic using soft keys.

Select the HELP function

- Press the HELP key
- Select a topic: Press one of the available soft keys

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Help topics / Functions</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>M functions</td>
<td>M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cycle parameters</td>
<td>Q</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HELP that is entered by the machine manufacturers (optional)</td>
<td>PLC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to previous page</td>
<td>PAGE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to next page</td>
<td>PAGE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to beginning of file</td>
<td>BEGIN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to end of file</td>
<td>END</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select search functions; Enter a number, begin search with ENT key</td>
<td>FIND</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Leave HELP function

Press the END key or the HELP key.
Programming:
Tools
5.1 Entering Tool-Related Data

Feed rate F
The feed rate is the speed (in millimeters per minute or inches per minute) at which the tool center moves. The maximum feed rates can be different for the individual axes and are set in machine parameters.

Input
You can enter the feed rate in every positioning block. For further information refer to section 6.2 “Fundamentals of Path Contours.”

Rapid traverse
If you wish to program rapid traverse, enter FMAX. To enter F, press the ENT key or the FMAX soft key as soon as the dialog question “FEED RATE F = ?” appears on the TNC screen.

Duration of effect
A feed rate entered as a numerical value remains in effect until a block with a different feed rate is reached. F MAX is only effective in the block in which it is programmed. After the block with F MAX is executed, the feed rate will return to the last feed rate entered as a numerical value.

Changing the spindle speed during program run
You can adjust the feed rate during program run with the feed-rate override knob.

Spindle speed S
The spindle speed S is entered in revolutions per minute (rpm) in a TOOL CALL block.

Programmed change
In the part program, you can change the spindle speed in a TOOL CALL block by entering the spindle speed only:

To program a tool call, press the TOOL CALL soft key (3rd soft-key row)
Ignore the dialog question for „TOOL NUMBER ?“ with the right arrow key
Ignore the dialog question for „WORKING SPINDLE AXIS X/Y/Z ?“ with the right arrow key
Enter the new spindle speed for the dialog question “SPINDLE SPEED S= ?”

Changing the spindle speed during program run
You can adjust the spindle speed during program run with the spindle-speed override knob.
5.2 Tool Data

You usually program the coordinates of path contours as they are dimensioned in the workpiece drawing. To allow the TNC to calculate the tool center path — i.e. the tool compensation — you must also enter the length and radius of each tool you are using.

Tool data can be entered either directly in the part program with TOOL DEF or (and) separately in tool tables. The TNC will consider all of the data entered when executing the part program.

Tool number
Each tool is identified by a number between 0 and 254. If you are working with tool tables, each tool in the table is given a number between 0 and 99.

The tool number 0 is automatically defined as the zero tool with the length L=0 and the radius R=0. In tool tables, tool 0 should also be defined with L=0 and R=0.

Tool length L
There are two ways to determine the tool length L:

1 The length L is the difference between the length of the tool and that of a zero tool L₀.

For the algebraic sign:
- The tool is longer than the zero tool \( L > L₀ \)
- The tool is shorter than the zero tool: \( L < L₀ \)

To determine the length:
- Move the zero tool to the reference position in the tool axis (e.g. workpiece surface with Z=0).
- Set the datum in the tool axis to 0 (datum setting).
- Insert the desired tool.
- Move the tool to the same reference position as the zero tool.
- The TNC displays the difference between the current tool and the zero tool.
- Enter the value in the TOOL DEF block or in the tool table by pressing the „ACTUAL POSITION“ key

2 If you determine the length L with a tool presetter, this value can be entered directly in the TOOL DEF block without further calculations.
5.2 Tool Data

**Tool radius R**
You can enter the tool radius R directly.

**Delta values for lengths and radii**
Delta values are offsets in the length and radius of a tool.
A positive delta value describes a tool oversize (DR>0), a negative delta value describes a tool undersize (DR<0). Enter the delta values when you are programming with TOOL CALL.

Input range: You can enter a delta value with up to ± 99.999 mm.

**Entering tool data into the program**
The number, length and radius of a specific tool is defined in the TOOL DEF block of the part program.

To select tool definition, press the TOOL DEF key.

Enter the TOOL NUMBER: Each tool is uniquely identified by its number. When the tool table is active, enter tool numbers greater than 99 (dependent on MP7260).

To enter the TOOL LENGTH, enter the compensation value for the tool length.

Enter the TOOL RADIUS.

During the dialog, you can take the values for length and radius directly from the position display with the soft keys „CUR.POS X, CUR.POS Y or CUR.POS Z“.

**Resulting NC block:**

```
4 TOOL DEF 5 L+10 R+5
```
Entering tool data in tables

You can define and store up to 99 tools and their tool data in the tool table TOOL.T. (The maximum number of tools in the table can be set in machine parameter 7260).

Tool table: Available input data

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Abbr.</th>
<th>Input</th>
<th>Dialog</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>Number by which the tool is called in the program</td>
<td>–</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L</td>
<td>Value for tool length compensation</td>
<td>TOOL LENGTH ?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R</td>
<td>Tool radius R</td>
<td>TOOL RADIUS ?</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Editing the tool table

The tool table has the file name TOOL.T. The TOOL.T file can be edited in the PROGRAMMING AND EDITING operating mode. TOOL.T is automatically active in a program run operating mode.

To open the tool table TOOL.T:

► Select the PROGRAMMING AND EDITING mode of operation.
► Call the file manager.
► Move the highlight to TOOL.T. Confirm with the ENT key.

When you have opened the tool table, you can edit the tool data by moving the cursor to the desired position in the table with the arrow keys (see figure at center right). You can overwrite the stored values, or enter new values at any position. The available editing functions are illustrated in the table on the next page.

To leave the tool table:

► Finish editing the tool table: Press the END key.
► Call the file manager and select a file of a different type, e.g. a part program.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Editing functions for tool tables</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Take the value from the position display</td>
<td>ACTUAL POS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to the previous page of the table (2nd soft-key row)</td>
<td>PAGE up</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Go to the next page of the table (2nd soft-key row)</td>
<td>PAGE down</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move the highlight one column to the left</td>
<td>LEFT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move the highlight one column to the right</td>
<td>RIGHT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delete incorrect numerical value, re-establish preset value</td>
<td>CE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Re-establish the last value stored</td>
<td>DEL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Move the highlight back to beginning of line</td>
<td>END</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Calling tool data

A TOOL CALL block in the part program is defined with the following data:

- Select the tool call function with the TOOL CALL key

  - TOOL NUMBER: Enter the number of the tool. The tool must already be defined in a TOOL DEF block or in the tool table.
  - WORKING SPINDLE AXIS X/Y/Z: Enter the tool axis.
  - SPINDLE SPEED S
  - TOOL LENGTH OVERSIZE: Enter the delta value for the tool length.
  - TOOL RADIUS OVERSIZE: Enter the delta value for the tool radius.

Example:
Call tool number 5 in the tool axis Z with a spindle speed 2500 rpm.
The tool length is to be programmed with an oversize of 0.2 mm, the tool radius with an undersize of 1 mm.

```
20 TOOL CALL 5 Z S2500 DL+0.2 DR-1
```

The character D preceding L and R designates delta values.

Tool change

The tool change function can vary depending on the individual machine tool. Your machine manual provides more information on M101.

Tool change position

A tool change position must be approachable without collision. With the miscellaneous functions M91 and M92, you can enter machine-referenced (rather than workpiece-referenced) coordinates for the tool change position. If TOOL CALL 0 is programmed before the first tool call, the TNC moves the tool spindle in the tool axis to a position that is independent of the tool length.

Manual tool change

To change the tool manually, stop the spindle and move the tool to the tool change position:

- Move to the tool change position under program control.
- Interrupt program run (see section 10.3 “Program Run”).
- Change the tool.
- Resume the program run (see section 10.3 “Program Run”).
## 5.3 Tool Compensation

The TNC adjusts the spindle path in the tool axis by the compensation value for the tool length. In the working plane, it compensates the tool radius.

If you are writing the part program directly on the TNC, the tool radius compensation is effective only in the working plane.

**Tool length compensation**

Length compensation becomes effective automatically as soon as a tool is called and the tool axis moves. To cancel length compensation call a tool with the length L=0.

- If you cancel a positive length compensation with TOOL CALL 0, the distance between tool and workpiece will be reduced.
- After TOOL CALL, the path of the tool in the tool axis, as entered in the part program, is adjusted by the difference between the length of the previous tool and that of the new one.

For tool length compensation, the TNC takes the delta values from the TOOL CALL block into account:

\[
\text{Compensation value} = L + DL_{\text{TOOL CALL}}
\]

- \(L\) is the tool length \(L\) from the TOOL DEF block or tool table
- \(DL_{\text{TOOL CALL}}\) is the oversize for length \(DL\) in the TOOL CALL block (not taken into account by the position display)

**Tool radius compensation**

The NC block for programming a tool movement contains:

- RL or RR for compensation in the tool radius
- R+ or R– for radius compensation in single-axis movements
- R0 if no radius compensation is required

Radius compensation becomes effective as soon as a tool is called and is moved in the working plane with RL or RR. To cancel radius compensation, program a positioning block with R0.
For tool radius compensation, the TNC takes the delta values from the TOOL CALL block into account:

\[ \text{Compensation value} = R + DR_{\text{TOOL CALL}} \]

where

- \( R \) is the tool radius \( R \) from the TOOL DEF block or tool table
- \( DR_{\text{TOOL CALL}} \) is the oversize for radius \( DR \) in the TOOL CALL block (not taken into account by the position display)

**Tool movements without radius compensation: R0**

The tool center moves in the working plane to the programmed path or coordinates.

Applications: Drilling and boring, pre-positioning (see figure at center right)

**Tool movements with radius compensation: RR and RL**

- RR The tool moves to the right of the programmed contour
- RL The tool moves to the left of the programmed contour

The tool center moves along the contour at a distance equal to the radius. “Right” or “left” are to be understood as based on the direction of tool movement along the workpiece contour (see illustrations on the next page).

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Between two program blocks with different radius compensations (RR and RL) you must program at least one block without radius compensation (that is, with R0).

Radius compensation does not come into effect until the end of the block in which it is first programmed.

Whenever radius compensation is activated with RR/RL or canceled with R0, the TNC positions the tool perpendicular to the programmed starting or end position. Position the tool at a sufficient distance from the first or last contour point to prevent the possibility of damaging the contour.
**Entering radius compensation**
When you program a path contour, the following dialog question is displayed after entry of the coordinates:

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<td><strong>RL</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>To select tool movement to the left of the contour, press the RL soft key, or</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>RR</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>To select tool movement to the right of the contour, press the RR soft key, or</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ENT</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>To select tool movement without radius compensation or to cancel radius compensation, press the ENT key or the R0 soft key.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>END</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>To terminate the dialog, press the END key.</td>
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</table>
Radius compensation: Machining corners

Outside corners
If you program radius compensation, the TNC moves the tool in a transitional arc around corners. The tool “rolls around” the corner point. If necessary, the TNC reduces the feed rate at outside corners to reduce machine stress, for example at very great changes of direction.

Inside corners
The TNC calculates the intersection of the tool center paths at inside corners under radius compensation. From this point it then starts the next contour element. This prevents damage to the workpiece. The permissible tool radius, therefore, is limited by the geometry of the programmed contour.

To prevent the tool from damaging the contour, be careful not to program the starting or end position for machining inside corners at a corner of the contour.

Machining corners without radius compensation
If you program the tool movement without radius compensation, you can change the tool path and feed rate at workpiece corners with the miscellaneous function M90. See “7.4 Miscellaneous Functions for Contouring Behavior.”
Programming:
Programming Contours
6.1 Overview of Tool Movements

Path functions
A workpiece contour is usually composed of several contour elements such as straight lines and circular arcs. With the path functions, you can program the tool movements for straight lines and circular arcs.

Miscellaneous functions M
With the TNC’s miscellaneous functions you can affect
- program run, such as a program interruption
- machine functions, such as switching spindle rotation and coolant supply on and off
- contouring behavior of the tool.

Subprograms and program section repeats
If a machining sequence occurs several times in a program, you can save time and reduce the chance of programming errors by entering the sequence once and then defining it as a subprogram or program section repeat. If you wish to execute a specific program section only under certain conditions, you also define this machining sequence as a subprogram. In addition, you can have a part program call a separate program for execution.

How subprograms and program section repeats are used in programming is described in Chapter 9.
6.2 Fundamentals of Path Functions

Programming tool movements for workpiece machining

You create a part program by programming the path functions for the individual contour elements in sequence. You usually do this by entering **the coordinates of the end points of the contour elements** given in the production drawing. The TNC calculates the actual path of the tool from these coordinates, and from the tool data and radius compensation.

The TNC moves all axes programmed in a single block simultaneously.

Movement parallel to the machine axes

The program block contains only one coordinate. The TNC thus moves the tool parallel to the programmed axis.

Depending on the individual machine tool, the part program is executed by movement of either the tool or the machine table on which the workpiece is clamped. Nevertheless, you always program path contours as if the tool moves and the workpiece remains stationary.

Example:

`L X+100`

Path function for “straight line”

`X+100` Coordinate of the end point

The tool retains the Y and Z coordinates and moves to the position X=100. See figure at upper right.

Movement in the main planes

The program block contains two coordinates. The TNC thus moves the tool in the programmed plane.

Example:

`L X+70 Y+50`

The tool retains the Z coordinate and moves in the XY plane to the position X=70, Y=50. See figure at center right.

Three-dimensional movement

The program block contains three coordinates. The TNC thus moves the tool in space to the programmed position.

Example:

`L X+80 Y+0 Z-10`

This example is illustrated in the figure at lower right.
Circles and circular arcs
The TNC moves two axes simultaneously in a circular path relative to the workpiece. You can define a circular movement by entering the circle center CC.

When you program a circle, the TNC assigns it to one of the main planes. This plane is defined automatically when you set the spindle axis during a tool call:

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<td>Y</td>
<td>ZX</td>
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<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>YZ</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Direction of rotation DR for circular movements
When a circular path has no tangential transition to another contour element, enter the direction of rotation DR:

Clockwise direction of rotation: DR–
Counterclockwise direction of rotation: DR+

Radius compensation
Radius compensation must be programmed before the block containing the coordinates for the first contour element. You cannot begin radius compensation in a circle block. It must be activated beforehand in a straight-line block.

Pre-positioning
Before running a part program, always pre-position the tool to prevent the possibility of damaging it or the workpiece.
Creating the program blocks with the path function keys
Use the path function keys to open a conversational dialog. The TNC asks you successively for all the necessary information and inserts the program block into the part program.

Example — programming a straight line:

**Initiate the programming dialog (here, for a straight line).**

**COORDINATES ?**

- **X** 10 Enter the coordinates of the straight-line end point.
- **Y** 5

**Transfer the coordinates of the selected axis:**
Press ACTUAL POSITION soft key (second soft-key row)

**RADIUS COMP. RL/RR/NO COMP. ?**

- **RL** Select the radius compensation (here, press the RL soft key — the tool moves to the left of the programmed contour).

**FEED RATE F=**

- **100** Enter the feed rate (here, 100 mm/min), and confirm your entry with ENT.

**MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M ?**

- **3** Enter a miscellaneous function (here, M3), and terminate the dialog with ENT.

The part program now contains the following line:

**L X+10 Y+5 RL F100 M3**
### 6.3 Path Contours — Cartesian Coordinates

#### Overview of path functions

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<td>Straight line</td>
<td>Coordinates of the straight-line end point</td>
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<tr>
<td>CHamFer</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="CHF" /></td>
<td>Chamfer between two straight lines</td>
<td>Chamfer side length</td>
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<tr>
<td>Circle Center</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="CC" /></td>
<td>No tool movement</td>
<td>Coordinates of the circle center or pole</td>
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<tr>
<td>Circle</td>
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<td>Circular arc around a circle center CC to an arc end point</td>
<td>Coordinates of the arc end point, direction of rotation</td>
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<td>Circle by Radius</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="CR" /></td>
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<td>Corner RouNDing</td>
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<td>Circular arc with tangential connection to the preceding and subsequent contour elements</td>
<td>Rounding-off radius ( R )</td>
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</table>
**Straight line L**

The tool moves on a straight line from its current position to the line end point. The starting point for the straight line is the end point that was programmed in the preceding block.

![Diagram of straight line L](image)

- Enter the COORDINATES of the end point.

Further entries, if necessary:
- RADIUS COMPENSATION RL/RR/R0
- FEED RATE F
- MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M

**Example NC blocks**

```
7 L X+10 Y+40 RL F200 M3
8 L Ix+20 IY-15
9 L X+60 IY-10
```

**Inserting a chamfer CHF between two straight lines**

The chamfer enables you to cut off corners at the intersection of two straight lines.

- The blocks before and after the CHF block must be in the same working plane.
- The radius compensation before and after the chamfer block must be the same.
- An inside chamfer must be large enough to accommodate the current tool.

![Diagram of chamfer](image)

- CHAMFER SIDE LENGTH: Enter the length of the chamfer

**Example NC blocks**

```
7 L X+30 Y+30 RL F300 M3
8 L X+40 IY+5
9 CHF 12
10 L IX+5 IY+0
```

You cannot start a contour with a CHF block.
A chamfer is possible only in the working plane.
The feed rate for chamferring is taken from the preceding block.
The corner point is cut off by the chamfer and is not part of the contour.
Circle center CC

You can define a circle center CC for circles that are programmed with the C soft key (circular path C). This is done in the following ways:

- Entering the Cartesian coordinates of the circle center
- Using the circle center defined in an earlier block
- Capturing the coordinates with the „ACTUAL POSITION“ soft key

Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key (2nd soft-key row)

COORDINATES CC: Enter the circle center coordinates

If you want to use the last programmed position, do not enter any coordinates.

Example NC blocks

5 CC X+25 Y+25

or

10 L X+25 Y+25
11 CC

The program blocks 10 and 11 do not refer to the illustration.

Duration of effect

The circle center definition remains in effect until a new circle center is programmed.

Entering the circle center CC incrementally

If you enter the circle center with incremental coordinates, you have programmed it relative to the last programmed position of the tool.

The only effect of CC is to define a position as a circle center — the tool does not move to the position.

The circle center also serves as the pole for polar coordinates.
Circular path C around circle center CC

Before programming a circular path C, you must first enter the circle center CC. The last programmed tool position before the C block is used as the circle starting point.

- Move the tool to the circle starting point.
- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key (2nd soft-key row)
- Enter the COORDINATES of the circle center.
- Enter the COORDINATES of the arc end point
- DIRECTION OF ROTATION DR

Further entries, if necessary:
- FEED RATE F
- MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M

Example NC blocks

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<td>CC</td>
<td>X+25 Y+25</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>X+45 Y+25 RR F200 M3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>X+45 Y+25 DR+</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Full circle

Enter the same point you used as the starting point for the end point in a C block.

The starting and end points of the arc must lie on the circle.

Input tolerance: up to 0.016 mm.
Circular path CR with defined radius

The tool moves on a circular path with the radius R.

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key (2nd soft-key row)
- Enter the COORDINATES of the arc end point.
- RADIUS R
  Note: The algebraic sign determines the size of the arc.
- DIRECTION OF ROTATION DR
  Note: The algebraic sign determines whether the arc is concave or convex.

Further entries, if necessary:
- FEED RATE F
- MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M

Full circle
For a full circle, program two CR blocks in succession:
The end point of the first semicircle is the starting point of the second. The end point of the second semicircle is the starting point of the first. See figure at upper right.

Central angle CCA and arc radius R
The starting and end points on the contour can be connected with four arcs of the same radius:
Smaller arc: CCA<180°
Enter the radius with a positive sign R>0
Larger arc: CCA>180°
Enter the radius with a negative sign R<0
The direction of rotation determines whether the arc is curving outward (convex) or curving inward (concave):
Convex: Direction of rotation DR– (with radius compensation RL)
Concave: Direction of rotation DR+ (with radius compensation RL)

Example NC blocks
See figures at middle and lower right.

```plaintext
10 L X+40 Y+40 RL F200 M3
11 CR X+70 Y+40 R+20 DR– (arc 1)
or
11 CR X+70 Y+40 R+20 DR+ (arc 2)
or
11 CR X+70 Y+40 R-20 DR– (arc 3)
or
11 CR X+70 Y+40 R-20 DR+ (arc 4)
```

Please observe the notes on the next page!
Circular path CT with tangential connection

The tool moves on an arc that starts at a tangent with the previously programmed contour element.

A transition between two contour elements is called “tangential” when there is no kink or corner at the intersection between the two contours — the transition is smooth.

The contour element to which the tangential arc connects must be programmed immediately before the CT block. This requires at least two positioning blocks.

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key (2nd soft-key row)
- Enter the COORDINATES of the arc end point.

Further entries, if necessary:
- FEED RATE F
- MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M

Example NC blocks

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<td>L</td>
<td>X+0 Y+25 RL</td>
<td>F300 M3</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>X+25 Y+30</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>CT</td>
<td>X+45 Y+20</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>Y+0</td>
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A tangential arc is a two-dimensional operation: the coordinates in the CT block and in the contour element preceding it must be in the same plane of the arc.
### Corner Rounding RND

The RND function is used for rounding off corners.

The tool moves on an arc that is tangentially connected to both the preceding and subsequent contour elements.

The rounding arc must be large enough to accommodate the tool.

- **ROUNDING-OFF RADIUS:** Enter the radius of the arc.
- **FEED RATE** for rounding the corner.

#### Example NC blocks

```
5 L X+10 Y+40 RL F300 M3
6 L X+40 Y+25
7 RND R5 F100
8 L X+10 Y+5
```

In the preceding and subsequent contour elements, both coordinates must lie in the plane of the rounding arc.

The corner point is cut off by the rounding arc and is not part of the contour.

A feed rate programmed in the RND block is effective only in that block. After the RND block, the previous feed rate becomes effective again.

You can also use an RND block for a tangential contour approach if you do not want to use an APPR function.
Example: Linear movements and chamfers with Cartesian coordinates

```
0 BEG
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20 Define blank form for graphic workpiece simulation
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+10 Define tool in the program
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S4000 Call tool in the spindle axis and with the spindle speed S
5 L Z+250 R0 F MAX Retract tool in the spindle axis at rapid traverse FMAX
6 L X-20 Y-10 R0 F MAX Pre-position the tool
7 L Z-5 R0 F1000 M3 Move to working depth at feed rate F = 1000 mm/min
8 L X+5 Y+5 RL F300 Approach the contour at point 1
9 RND R2 Tangential approach to circle with R=2 mm
10 L Y+95 Move to point 2
11 L X+95 Point 3: first straight line for corner 3
12 CHF 10 Program chamfer with length 10 mm
13 L Y+5 Point 4: 2nd straight line for corner 3, 1st straight line for corner 4
14 CHF 20 Program chamfer with length 20 mm
15 L X+5 Move to last contour point 1, second straight line for corner 4
16 RND R2 Tangential departure from circle with R=2 mm
17 L X-20 R0 F1000 Retract tool in the working plane
18 L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2 Retract tool in the spindle axis, end of program
19 END PGM 10 MM
```
Example: Circular movements with Cartesian coordinates

Define blank form for graphic workpiece simulation

Define tool in the program

Call tool in the spindle axis and with the spindle speed S

Retract tool in the spindle axis at rapid traverse FMAX

Pre-position the tool

Move to working depth at feed rate F = 1000 mm/min

Approach the contour at point 1

Tangential approach to circle with R=2 mm

Point 2: first straight line for corner 2

Insert radius with R = 10 mm, feed rate: 150 mm/min

Move to point 3: Starting point of the arc with CR

Move to point 4: End point of the arc with CR, radius 30 mm

Move to point 5

Move to point 6

Move to point 7: End point of the arc, radius with tangential connection to point 6, TNC automatically calculates the radius

Move to last contour point 1

Tangential departure from circle with R=2 mm

Retract tool in the working plane

Retract tool in the spindle axis, end of program
Example: Full circle with Cartesian coordinates

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<td>BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20</td>
<td>Define the blank form</td>
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<td>BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+12.5</td>
<td>Define the tool</td>
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<td>TOOL CALL 1 Z S3150</td>
<td>Call the tool</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>CC X+50 Y+50</td>
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<td>L Z-5 R0 F1000 M3</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>L X+0 Y+50 RL F300</td>
<td>Approach starting point of circle</td>
</tr>
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<td>10</td>
<td>RND R2</td>
<td>Tangential approach to circle with R=2 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>C X+0 DR-</td>
<td>Move to the circle end point (= circle starting point)</td>
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6.4 Path Contours—Polar Coordinates

With polar coordinates you can define a position in terms of its angle PA and its distance PR relative to a previously defined pole CC. See section “4.1 Fundamentals of NC.”

Polar coordinates are useful with:
- Positions on circular arcs
- Workpiece drawing dimensions in degrees, e.g. bolt hole circles

Overview of path functions with polar coordinates

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<td>Polar radius, polar angle of the straight-line end point</td>
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<tr>
<td>Circular arc CP</td>
<td>![Circular arc CP](C + P)</td>
<td>Circular path around circle center/pole CC to arc end point</td>
<td>Polar angle of the arc end point, direction of rotation</td>
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<tr>
<td>Circular arc CTP</td>
<td>![Circular arc CTP](CT + P)</td>
<td>Circular path with tangential connection to the preceding contour element</td>
<td>Polar radius, polar angle of the arc end point</td>
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<tr>
<td>Helix (Helix)</td>
<td>![Helix (Helix)](C + P)</td>
<td>Combination of a circular and a linear movement</td>
<td>Polar radius, polar angle of the arc end point, coordinate of the end point in the tool axis</td>
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Polar coordinate origin: Pole CC

You can define the pole CC anywhere in the part program before blocks containing polar coordinates. Enter the pole in Cartesian coordinates as a circle center in a CC block.

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key
- COORDINATES CC: Enter Cartesian coordinates for the pole, or:
  - If you want to use the last programmed position, do not enter any coordinates.
**Straight line LP**

The tool moves in a straight line from its current position to the straight-line end point. The starting point for the straight line is the end point that was programmed in the preceding block.

- Select straight line function: Press the L soft key
- Select entry of polar coordinates: Press the P soft key (2nd soft-key row).
  - **POLAR COORDINATES-RADIUS PR**: Enter the distance from the pole CC to the straight-line end point.
  - **POLAR COORDINATES-ANGLE PA**: Angular position of the straight-line end point between –360° and +360°.

The sign of PA depends on the angle reference axis:
- Angle from angle reference axis to PR is counterclockwise: PA>0
- Angle from angle reference axis to PR is clockwise: PA<0

**Example NC blocks**

```plaintext
12 CC X+45 Y+25
13 LP PR+30 PA+0 RR F300 M3
14 LP PA+60
15 LP IPA+60
16 LP PA+180
```

**Circular path CP around pole CC**

The polar coordinate radius PR is also the radius of the arc. It is defined by the distance from the starting point to the pole CC. The last programmed tool position before the CP block is the starting point of the arc.

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key
- Select circular path C: Press the C soft key
- Select entry of polar coordinates: Press the P soft key (2nd soft-key row).
- **POLAR COORDINATES-ANGLE PA**: Angular position of the arc end point between –5400° and +5400°
- **DIRECTION OF ROTATION DR**
Circular path CTP with tangential connection

The tool moves on a circular path, starting tangentially from a preceding contour element.

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key
- Select the circular path CT: Press the CT soft key
- Select entry of polar coordinates: Press the P soft key (2nd soft-key row).
  - POLAR COORDINATES-RADIUS PR: Distance from the arc end point to the pole CC.
  - POLAR COORDINATES-ANGLE PA: Angular position of the arc end point.

Example NC blocks

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<td>16</td>
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The pole CC is **not** the center of the contour arc!
Helical interpolation

A helix is a combination of a circular movement in a main plane and a linear movement perpendicular to this plane.

A helix is programmed only in polar coordinates.

Applications

- Large-diameter internal and external threads
- Lubrication grooves

Calculating the helix

To program a helix, you must enter the total angle through which the tool is to move on the helix in incremental dimensions, and the total height of the helix.

For calculating a helix that is to be cut in a upward direction, you need the following data:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Thread revolutions n</th>
<th>Thread revolutions + thread overrun at the start and end of the thread</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total height h</td>
<td>Thread pitch P x thread revolutions n</td>
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<tr>
<td>Incremental total angle IPA</td>
<td>Thread revolutions x 360° + angle for beginning of thread + angle for thread overrun</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Starting coordinate Z</td>
<td>Thread pitch P x (thread revolutions + thread overrun at start of thread)</td>
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Shape of the helix

The table below illustrates in which way the shape of the helix is determined by the work direction, direction of rotation and radius compensation.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Internal thread</th>
<th>Work direct.</th>
<th>Direction</th>
<th>Radius compens.</th>
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<td>Right-handed</td>
<td>Z+</td>
<td>DR+</td>
<td>RL</td>
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<td>Z+</td>
<td>DR–</td>
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<td>Right-handed</td>
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<td>Left-handed</td>
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</table>
Programming a helix

Always enter the same algebraic sign for the direction of rotation DR and the incremental total angle IPA. The tool may otherwise move in a wrong path and damage the contour.

For the total angle IPA, you can enter a value from $-5400^\circ$ to $+5400^\circ$. If the thread has more than 15 revolutions, program the helix in a program section repeat (see section 9.2 “Program Section Repeats”).

- Select circle functions: Press the „CIRCLE“ soft key
- Select circular path C: Press the C soft key
- Select entry of polar coordinates: Press the P soft key (2nd soft-key row).
- POLAR COORDINATES-ANGLE: Enter the total angle of tool traverse along the helix in incremental dimensions. **After entering the angle, identify the tool axis using a soft key.**
- Enter the COORDINATE for the height of the helix in incremental dimensions.
- Direction of rotation DR
  - Clockwise helix: DR–
  - Counterclockwise helix: DR+
- RADIUS COMPENSATION RL/RR/R0
  Enter the radius compensation according to the table above.

**Example NC blocks**

```
12 CC X+40 Y+25
13 Z+0 F100 M3
14 LP PR+3 PA+270 RL F50
15 CP IPA−1800 IZ+5 DR− RL F50
```
Example: Linear movement with polar coordinates

0 BEGIN PGM 40 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20 Define the blank form
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+7.5 Define the tool
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S4000 Call the tool
5 CC X+50 Y+50 Define the datum for polar coordinates
6 L Z+250 R0 F MAX Retract the tool
7 LP PR+60 PA+180 R0 F MAX Pre-position the tool
8 L Z-5 R0 F1000 M3 Move to working depth
9 LP PR+45 PA+180 RL F250 Approach the contour at point 1
10 RND R1 Tangential approach to circle with R=1 mm
11 LP PA+120 Move to point 2
12 LP PA+60 Move to point 3
13 LP PA+0 Move to point 4
14 LP PA-60 Move to point 5
15 LP PA-120 Move to point 6
16 LP PA+180 Move to point 1
17 RND R1 Tangential departure from circle with R=1 mm
18 LP PR+60 PA+180 R0 F1000 Retract tool in the working plane
19 L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2 Retract tool in the spindle axis, end of program
20 END PGM 40 MM
Example: Helix

To cut a thread with more than 16 revolutions

```
0 BEGIN PGM 50 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20 Define the blank form
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+5 Define the tool
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S1400 Call the tool
5 L Z+250 R0 F MAX Retract the tool
6 L X+50 Y+50 R0 F MAX Pre-position the tool
7 CC Transfer the last programmed position as the pole
8 L Z-12.75 R0 F1000 M3 Move to working depth
9 LP PR+32 PA-180 RL F100 Approach contour
10 RND R2 Tangential approach to circle with R=2 mm
11 CP IPA+3240 IZ+13,5 DR+ F200 Helical interpolation
12 RND R2 Tangential departure from circle with R=2 mm
13 L X+50 Y+50 R0 F MAX Retract tool in the working plane
14 L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2 Retract tool in the spindle axis, end of program
15 END PGM 50 MM
```

Identify beginning of program section repeat

Enter the thread pitch as an incremental IZ dimension

Program the number of repeats (thread revolutions)
Programming:
Miscellaneous Functions
7.1 Entering Miscellaneous Functions M and STOP

With the TNC’s miscellaneous functions — also called M functions — you can affect:

- Program run, such as a program interruption
- Machine functions, such as switching spindle rotation and coolant supply on and off
- Contouring behavior of the tool

The machine tool builder may add some M functions that are not described in this User’s Manual. Refer to your machine manual for more information.

M functions are always entered at the end of a positioning block. The TNC then displays the following dialog question:

**MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M ?**

Only enter the number of the M function in the programming dialog.

In the MANUAL OPERATION operating mode, the M functions are entered with the M soft key.

Please note that some F functions become effective at the start of a positioning block, and other at the end.

M functions come into effect in the block in which they are called. Unless the M function is only effective blockwise, it is canceled in a subsequent block or at the end of program. Some M functions are effective only in the block in which they are called.

**Entering an M function in a STOP block**

If you program a STOP block, the program run or test run is interrupted at the block, for example for tool inspection. You can also enter an M function in a STOP block:

- To program an interruption of program run, press the STOP key.
- Enter a MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTION M.

**Resulting NC block**

87 STOP M6
7.2 Miscellaneous Functions for Program Run Control, Spindle and Coolant

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>M</th>
<th>Effect</th>
<th>Effective at</th>
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<td>M00</td>
<td>Stop program run</td>
<td>Block end</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Spindle STOP</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Coolant OFF</td>
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<td>M01</td>
<td>Stop program run</td>
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<td>M02</td>
<td>Stop program run</td>
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<td>Go to block 1</td>
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<td>Clear the status display (dependent</td>
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<td></td>
<td>on machine parameter 7300)</td>
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<td>M03</td>
<td>Spindle ON clockwise</td>
<td>Block start</td>
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<td>M04</td>
<td>Spindle ON counterclockwise</td>
<td>Block start</td>
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<td>M05</td>
<td>Spindle STOP</td>
<td>Block end</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M06</td>
<td>Tool change</td>
<td>Block end</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Spindle STOP</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>Program run stop (dependent on machine</td>
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<td></td>
<td>parameter 7440)</td>
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<td>M08</td>
<td>Coolant ON</td>
<td>Block start</td>
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<tr>
<td>M09</td>
<td>Coolant OFF</td>
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<td>M13</td>
<td>Spindle ON clockwise</td>
<td>Block start</td>
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<td>Coolant ON</td>
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<td>M14</td>
<td>Spindle ON counterclockwise</td>
<td>Block start</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Coolant ON</td>
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<tr>
<td>M30</td>
<td>Same as M02</td>
<td>Block end</td>
</tr>
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</table>

7.3 Miscellaneous Functions for Coordinate Data

Programming machine-referenced coordinates: M91/M92

Scale reference point
On the scale, a reference mark indicates the position of the scale reference point.

Machine datum
The machine datum is required for the following tasks:

- Defining the limits of traverse (software limit switches)
- Moving to machine-referenced positions (such as tool change positions)
- Setting the workpiece datum
The distance in each axis from the scale reference point to the machine datum is defined by the machine tool builder in a machine parameter.

**Standard behavior**
The TNC references coordinates to the workpiece datum (see “Datum setting”).

**Behavior with M91 — Machine datum**
If you want the coordinates in a positioning block to be referenced to the machine datum, end the block with M91.

The coordinate values on the TNC screen are referenced to the machine datum. Switch the display of coordinates in the status display to REF (see section 1.4 “Status Displays”).

**Behavior with M92 — Additional machine datum**
In addition to the machine datum, the machine tool builder can also define an additional machine-based position as a reference point.

For each axis, the machine tool builder defines the distance between the machine datum and this additional machine datum. Refer to the machine manual for more information.

If you want the coordinates in a positioning block to be based on the additional machine datum, end the block with M92.

Radius compensation remains the same in blocks that are programmed with M91 or M92. The tool length, however, is not compensated.

**Effect**
M91 and M92 are effective only in the blocks in which they are programmed with M91 or M92.

M91 and M92 become effective at the start of block.

**Workpiece datum**
The figure at right shows coordinate systems with the machine datum and workpiece datum.
7.4 Miscellaneous Functions for Contouring Behavior

Smoothing corners: M90

Standard behavior
The TNC stops the tool briefly in positioning blocks without tool radius compensation. This is called an accurate stop.

In program blocks with radius compensation (RR/RL), the TNC automatically inserts a transition arc at outside corners.

Behavior with M90
The tool moves at corners with constant speed: This provides a smoother, more continuous surface. Machining time is also reduced. See figure at center right.

Example application: Surface consisting of a series of straight line segments.

Effect
M90 is effective only in the blocks in which it is programmed with M90.

M90 becomes effective at the start of block. Operation with servo lag must be active.

Independently of M90, you can use machine parameter MP7460 to set a limit value up to which the tool moves at constant path speed (effective with servo lag and feedforward control).
Machining small contour steps: M97

**Standard behavior**
The TNC inserts a transition arc at outside corners. If the contour steps are very small, however, the tool would damage the contour. See figure at upper right.

In such cases the TNC interrupts program run and generates the error message “TOOL RADIUS TOOL LARGE.”

**Behavior with M97**
The TNC calculates the intersection of the contour elements — as at inside corners — and moves the tool over this point. See figure at lower right.

Program M97 in the same block as the outside corner.

**Effect**
M97 is effective only in the blocks in which it is programmed with M97.

A corner machined with M97 will not be completely finished. You may wish to rework the contour with a smaller tool.

**Example NC blocks**

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<th>Block</th>
<th>Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>TOOL DEF L ... R+20</td>
<td>Large tool radius</td>
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<td>...</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>L X ... Y ... R .. F .. M97</td>
<td>Move to contour point 13</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>L IY-0.5 .... R .. F ..</td>
<td>Machine small contour step 13 to 14</td>
</tr>
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<td>15</td>
<td>L IX+100 ....</td>
<td>Move to contour point 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>L IY+0.5 ... R .. F .. M97</td>
<td>Machine small contour step 15 to 16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td>L X .. Y ..</td>
<td>Move to contour point 17</td>
</tr>
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</table>
**Machining open contours: M98**

**Standard behavior**
The TNC calculates the intersections of the cutter paths at inside corners and moves the tool in the new direction at those points.

If the contour is open at the corners, however, this will result in incomplete machining (see figure at upper right).

**Behavior with M98**
With the miscellaneous function M98, the TNC temporarily suspends radius compensation to ensure that both corners are completely machined (see figure at lower right).

**Effect**
M98 is effective only in the blocks in which it is programmed with M98.

M98 becomes effective at the end of block.

**Example NC blocks**
Move to the contour points 10, 11 and 12 in succession:

```
10 L X ... Y... RL F
11 L X... IY... M98
12 L IX+ ...
```
7.5 Miscellaneous Function for Rotary Axes

Reducing display of a rotary axis to a value less than 360°: M94

Standard behavior
The TNC moves the tool from the current angular value to the programmed angular value.

Example:
Current angular value: 538°
Programmed angular value: 180°
Actual path of traverse: –358°

Behavior with M94
At the start of block, the TNC first reduces the current angular value to a value less than 360° and then moves the tool to the programmed value. If several rotary axes are active, M94 will reduce the display of all rotary axes.

Example NC blocks
To reduce display of all active rotary axes:

L M94

To reduce display of all active rotary axes and then move the tool in the C axis to the programmed value:

L C+180 FMAX M94

Effect
M94 is effective only in the block in which M94 is programmed.
M94 becomes effective at the start of block.
Programming:
Cycles
8.1 General Overview of Cycles

Frequently recurring machining cycles that comprise several working steps are stored in the TNC memory as standard cycles. Coordinate transformations and other special cycles are also provided as standard cycles. The table at right shows the various cycle groups.

Fixed cycles with number starting with 200 use Q parameters as transfer parameters. Parameters with specific functions that are required in several cycles always have the same number: For example, Q200 is always assigned the setup clearance, Q202 the plunging depth, etc.

Defining a cycle

\( \text{CYCL DEF} \)

\( \text{DRILLING} \)

\( \text{200} \)

The soft-key row shows the available groups of cycles.

Press the soft key for the desired group of cycles, for example DRILLING for the drilling cycles.

Select a cycle, e.g. DRILLING. The TNC initiates the programming dialog and asks all required input values. At the same time a graphic of the input parameters is displayed in the right screen window. The parameter that is asked for in the dialog prompt is highlighted. Select the screen layout PROGRAM + HELP GRAPHIC.

Enter all parameters asked by the TNC and conclude each entry with the ENT key.

The TNC terminates the dialog when all required data have been entered.

Resulting NC blocks

14 CYCL DEF 200 DRILLING

Q200=2
Q201=-40
Q206=250
Q202=5
Q210=0
Q203=-10
Q204=20

Group of Cycles

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Soft Key</th>
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<td>DRILLING</td>
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<td>COORD. TRANSF.</td>
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<td>MULTIPASS MILLING</td>
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<tr>
<td>SPECIAL CYCLES</td>
</tr>
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8.1 General Information on Cycles
Calling the Cycle

Prerequisites

The following data must always be programmed before a cycle call:

- BLK FORM for graphic display (needed only for test graphics)
- Call the tool
- Direction of spindle rotation (M functions M3/M4)
- Cycle definition (CYCL DEF).

For some cycles, additional prerequisites must be observed. They are described with the individual cycle.

The following cycles become effective automatically as soon as they are defined in the part program. These cycles cannot and must not be called:

- Cycles for circular and linear hole patterns
- Coordinate transformation cycles
- DWELL TIME cycle

All other cycles are called as described below.

If the TNC is to execute the cycle once after the last programmed block, program the cycle call with the miscellaneous function M99 or with CYCL CALL:

- Press the CYCL CALL soft key to program a cycle call
- Enter a miscellaneous function, for example for coolant supply.

If the TNC is to execute the cycle automatically after every positioning block, program the cycle call with M89 (depending on machine parameter 7440).

To cancel M89, enter:

- M99 or
- CYCL CALL or
- CYCL DEF
## 8.2 Drilling Cycles

The TNC offers 7 cycles for all types of drilling operations:

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<tr>
<th>Cycle</th>
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<td>1 PECKING</td>
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<tr>
<td>Without automatic pre-positioning</td>
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<td>200 DRILLING</td>
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<td>With automatic pre-positioning and 2nd set-up clearance</td>
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<td>201 REAMING</td>
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<td>202 BORING</td>
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<td>With automatic pre-positioning and 2nd set-up clearance</td>
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<tr>
<td>203 UNIVERSAL DRILLING</td>
<td>203</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>With automatic pre-positioning, 2nd set-up clearance, chip breaking, and decrement</td>
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<td>2 TAPPING</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>With a floating tap holder</td>
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<td>17 RIGID TAPPING</td>
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<tr>
<td>Without a floating tap holder</td>
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</table>
PECKING (Cycle 1)

1 The tool drills from the current position to the first PECKING DEPTH at the programmed FEED RATE F.

2 When it reaches the first pecking depth, the tool retracts in rapid traverse FMAX to the starting position and advances again to the first PECKING DEPTH minus the advanced stop distance t.

3 The advanced stop distance is automatically calculated by the control:
   - At a total hole depth of up to 30 mm: $t = 0.6$ mm
   - At a total hole depth exceeding 30 mm: $t = \text{hole depth} / 50$

   Maximum advanced stop distance: 7 mm

4 The tool then advances with another infeed at the programmed FEED RATE F.

5 The TNC repeats this process (1 to 4) until the programmed TOTAL HOLE DEPTH is reached.

6 After a dwell time at the hole bottom, the tool is returned to the starting position in rapid traverse FMAX for chip breaking.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

- Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.
- Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).
- The algebraic sign for the cycle parameter TOTAL HOLE DEPTH determines the working direction.

1. SET-UP CLEARANCE 1 (incremental value):
   Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface

2. TOTAL HOLE DEPTH 2 (incremental value):
   Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of hole (tip of drill taper)

3. PECKING DEPTH 3 (incremental value):
   Infeed per cut. The tool will drill to the DEPTH in one movement if:
   - the PECKING DEPTH equals the TOTAL HOLE DEPTH
   - the PECKING DEPTH is greater than the MILLING DEPTH

   The TOTAL HOLE DEPTH does not have to be a multiple of the PECKING DEPTH.

4. DWELL TIME IN SECONDS: Amount of time the tool remains at the total hole depth for chip breaking

5. FEED RATE F: Traversing speed of the tool during drilling in mm/min
DRILLING (Cycle 200)

1 The TNC positions the tool in the tool axis at rapid traverse FMAX to the SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2 The tool drills to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the programmed FEED RATE F.

3 The tool is retracted to SET-UP CLEARANCE in FMAX, remains there — if programmed— for the entered dwell time, and advances again in FMAX to 0.2 mm above the first PLUNGING DEPTH.

4 The tool then drills deeper by the PLUNGING DEPTH at the programmed FEED RATE F.

5 The TNC repeats this process (2 to 4) until the programmed TOTAL HOLE DEPTH is reached.

6 At the hole bottom, the tool is retraced to SET-UP CLEARANCE or — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE in rapid traverse FMAX.

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Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of hole (tip of drill taper)
- FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206: Traversing speed of the tool during drilling in mm/min
- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Infeed per cut. The tool will drill to the DEPTH in one movement if:
  - the PLUNGING DEPTH is equal to the DEPTH
  - the PLUNGING DEPTH is greater than the DEPTH

  The DEPTH does not have to be a multiple of the PLUNGING DEPTH.

- DWELL TIME AT TOP Q210: Time in seconds that the tool remains at SET-UP CLEARANCE after having been retracted from the hole for chip release.
REAMING (Cycle 201)

1 The TNC positions the tool in the tool axis at rapid traverse FMAX to the programmed SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2 The tool reams to the entered DEPTH at the programmed FEED RATE F.

3 If programmed, the tool remains at the hole bottom for the entered dwell time.

4 The tool then retracts to SET-UP CLEARANCE at the FEED RATE F, and from there — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE in FMAX.

**Before you begin programming, note the following:**

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

**201 Drilling Cycles**
BORING (Cycle 202)

Machine and control must be specially prepared by the machine tool builder to enable Cycle 202.

1. The TNC positions the tool in the tool axis at rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2. The tool drills to the programmed DEPTH at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

3. If programmed, the tool remains at the hole bottom for the entered dwell time with active spindle rotation for cutting free.

4. The TNC then orients the spindle to the 0° position with an oriented spindle stop.

5. If retraction is selected, the tool retracts in the programmed direction by 0.2 mm (fixed value).

6. The tool then retracts to SET-UP CLEARANCE at the RETRACTION FEED RATE F, and from there — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE in FMAX.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

The algebraic sign for the cycle parameter DEPTH determines the working direction.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of hole.
- FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206: Traversing speed of the tool during boring in mm/min.
- DWELL TIME AT DEPTH Q211: Time in seconds that the tool remains at the hole bottom.
- RETRACTION FEED RATE Q208: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when retracting from the hole. If you enter Q208 = 0, the tool retracts at FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.
- WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): Coordinate of workpiece surface.
- 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
DISENGAGING DIRECTION (0/1/2/3/4) Q214:
Determine the direction in which the TNC retracts the tool at the hole bottom (after spindle orientation).

0: Do not retract tool
1: Retract tool in the negative main axis direction
2: Retract tool in the negative secondary axis direction
3: Retract tool in the positive main axis direction
4: Retract tool in the positive secondary axis direction

Danger of collision
Check the position of the tool tip when you program a spindle orientation to 0° (for example, in the POSITIONING WITH MANUAL DATA INPUT mode of operation). Align the tool tip so that it is parallel to a coordinate axis. Select a DISENGAGING DIRECTION in which the tool moves away from the edge of the hole.

UNIVERSAL DRILLING (Cycle 203)

1 The TNC positions the tool in the tool axis at rapid traverse FMAX to the programmed SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2 The tool drills to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the programmed FEED RATE F.

3 If you have programmed chip breaking, the tool then retracts by 0.2 mm. If you are working without chip breaking, the tool retracts at the RETRACTION FEED RATE to SET-UP CLEARANCE, remains there — if programmed — for the entered dwell time, and advances again in FMAX to 0.2 mm above the first PLUNGING DEPTH.

4 The tool then advances with another infeed at the programmed FEED RATE. If programmed, the PLUNGING DEPTH is decreased after each infeed by the DECREMENT.

5 The TNC repeats this process (2 to 4) until the programmed TOTAL HOLE DEPTH is reached.

6 The tool remains at the hole bottom — if programmed — for the entered DWELL TIME to cut free, and then retracts to SET-UP CLEARANCE at the RETRACTION FEED RATE. If you have entered a 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, the tool subsequently moves to that position in FMAX.
Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

The algebraic sign for the cycle parameter DEPTH determines the working direction.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of hole (tip of drill taper)
- FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206: Traversing speed of the tool during drilling in mm/min
- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Infeed per cut. The tool will drill to the DEPTH in one movement if:
  - the PECKING DEPTH equals the DEPTH
  - the PECKING DEPTH is greater than the DEPTH
The DEPTH does not have to be a multiple of the PLUNGING DEPTH.
- DWELL TIME AT TOP Q210: Time in seconds that the tool remains at SET-UP CLEARANCE after having been retracted from the hole for chip breaking.
- WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface
- 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
- DECREMENT Q212 (incremental value): Value by which the TNC decreases the PLUNGING DEPTH after each infeed.
- NR OF BREAKS BEFORE RETRACTING Q213: Number of chip breaks after which the TNC is to withdraw the tool from the hole for chip release. For chip breaking, the TNC retracts the tool each time by 0.2 mm.
- MINIMUM PLUNGING DEPTH Q205 (incremental value): If you have entered a decrement, the TNC limits the PLUNGING DEPTH to the value entered with Q205.
- DWELL TIME AT DEPTH Q211: Time in seconds that the tool remains at the hole bottom
- RETRACTION FEED RATE Q208: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when retracting from the hole. If you enter Q208 = 0, the tool retracts in FMAX.
TAPPING with a floating tap holder (Cycle 2)

1 The thread is cut in one pass.

2 Once the tool has reached the TOTAL HOLE DEPTH, the direction of spindle rotation is reversed and the tool is retracted to the starting position at the end of the DWELL TIME.

3 At the starting position, the direction of spindle rotation reverses once again.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

A floating tap holder is required for tapping. It must compensate the tolerances between feed rate and spindle speed during the tapping process.

When a cycle is being run, the spindle speed override knob is disabled. The feed rate override knob is active only within a limited range, which is defined by the machine tool builder (refer to your machine manual).

For tapping right-hand threads activate the spindle with M3, for left-hand threads use M4.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE 1 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface. Standard value: approx. 4 times the thread pitch
- TOTAL HOLE DEPTH 2 (thread length, incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and end of thread
- DWELL TIME IN SECONDS: Enter a value between 0 and 0.5 seconds to avoid wedging of the tool during retraction.
- FEED RATE F: Traversing speed of the tool during tapping

The feed rate is calculated as follows: \( F = S \times p \), where

- \( F \) is the feed rate in mm/min,
- \( S \) is the spindle speed in rpm,
- and \( p \) is the thread pitch in mm
RIGID TAPPING (Cycle 17)

Machine and control must be specially prepared by the machine tool builder to enable rigid tapping.

The TNC cuts the thread without a floating tap holder in one or more passes.

Rigid tapping offers the following advantages over tapping with a floating tap holder:

- Higher machining speeds possible
- Repeated tapping of the same thread is possible; repetitions are enabled via spindle orientation to the 0° position during cycle call (depending on machine parameter 7160).
- Increased traverse range of the spindle axis due to absence of a floating tap holder.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (hole center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).

The algebraic sign for the parameter TOTAL HOLE DEPTH determines the working direction.

The TNC calculates the feed rate from the spindle speed.
If the spindle speed override is used during tapping, the feed rate is automatically adjusted.

The feed-rate override knob is disabled.

At the end of the cycle the spindle comes to a stop.
Before the next operation, restart the spindle with M3 (or M4).

- SET-UP CLEARANCE 1 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface
- TOTAL HOLE DEPTH 2 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface (beginning of thread) and end of thread
- PITCH 3: Pitch of the thread. The algebraic sign differentiates between right-hand and left-hand threads:
  + = right-hand thread
  – = left-hand thread
Example: Drilling cycles

8.2 Drilling Cycles

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### Example: Drilling cycles

**Process**
- Plate has already been pilot drilled for M12, depth of the plate: 20 mm
- Program tapping cycle
- For safety reasons, pre-positioning should be done first of all in the main plane and then in the spindle axis

#### 8.2 Drilling Cycles

**Diagram**

![Drilling Cycles Diagram](image)

**Code Snippet**

```
0 BEGIN PGM 2 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20
  Define the blank form
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+4.5
  Tool definition
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S100
  Call the tool
5 L Z+250 R0 FMAX
  Retract the tool
6 CYCL DEF 2 .0 TAPPING
  Cycle definition for tapping
7 CYCL DEF 2 .1 SET UP 2
8 CYCL DEF 2 .2 DEPTH -25
9 CYCL DEF 2 .3 DWELL 0
10 CYCL DEF 2 .4 F175
11 L X+20 Y+20 R0 FMAX M3
  Approach hole 1 in the machining plane
12 L Z+2 R0 FMAX M99
  Pre-position in the tool axis
13 L X+70 Y+70 R0 FMAX M99
  Approach hole 2 in the machining plane
14 L Z+250 R0 FMAX M2
  Retract in the tool axis, end of program
15 END PGM 2 MM
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### 8.3 Cycles for Milling Pockets, Studs and Slots

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POCKET MILLING (Cycle 4)

1. The tool penetrates the workpiece at the starting position (pocket center) and advances to the first PECKING DEPTH.
2. The cutter begins milling in the positive axis direction of the longer side (on square pockets, always starting in the positive Y direction) and then roughs out the pocket from the inside out.
3. This process (1 to 3) is repeated until the DEPTH is reached.
4. At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool to the starting position.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (pocket center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

This cycle requires a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641), or pilot drilling at the pocket center.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE 1 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface
- MILLING DEPTH 2 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of pocket
- PECKING DEPTH 3 (incremental value): Infeed per cut. The tool will advance to the DEPTH in one movement if:
  - the PECKING DEPTH equals the DEPTH
  - the PECKING DEPTH is greater than the DEPTH
- FEED RATE FOR PECKING: Traversing speed of the tool during penetration
- FIRST SIDE LENGTH 4: Pocket length, parallel to the main axis of the working plane
- SECOND SIDE LENGTH 5: Pocket width
- FEED RATE F: Traversing speed of the tool in the working plane
DIRECTION OF THE MILLING PATH
DR + : climb milling with M3
DR − : up-cut milling with M3

Rounding radius: Radius of the pocket corners.
If radius = 0 is entered, the pocket corners will be rounded with the radius of the cutter.

Calculations:
Stepover factor \( k = K \times R \)

where
\( K \) is the overlap factor, preset in machine parameter 7430, and
\( R \) is the cutter radius

POCKET FINISHING (Cycle 212)

1. The TNC automatically moves the tool in the tool axis to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE and then to the center of the pocket.

2. From the pocket center, the tool moves in the working plane to the starting point for machining. The TNC takes the ALLOWANCE and tool radius into account for calculating the starting point. If necessary, the TNC plunge-cuts into the pocket center.

3. If the tool is at the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, it moves in rapid traverse \( \text{FMAX} \) to SET-UP CLEARANCE, and from there advances to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

4. The tool then moves tangentially to the contour of the finished part and, using climb milling, machines one revolution.

5. After this, the tool departs the contour tangentially and returns to the starting point in the working plane.

6. This process (3 to 5) is repeated until the programmed DEPTH is reached.

7. At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool in rapid traverse to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, and finally to the center of the pocket (end position = starting position).

Before you begin programming, note the following:
The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

If you want to clear and finish the pocket with the same tool, use a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641) and enter a low FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

Minimum size of the pocket: 3 times the tool radius.
- **SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200** (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- **DEPTH Q201** (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of pocket.
- **FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206**: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving to DEPTH. If you are plunge-cutting into the material, enter a low value; if you have already cleared the pocket, enter a higher feed rate.
- **PLUNGING DEPTH Q202** (incremental value): Infeed per cut; enter a value greater than 0.
- **FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207**: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
- **WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203** (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface.
- **2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204** (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
- **CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216** (absolute value): Center of the pocket in the main axis of the working plane.
- **CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217** (absolute value): Center of the pocket in the secondary axis of the working plane.
- **FIRST SIDE LENGTH Q218** (incremental value): Pocket length, parallel to the reference axis of the working plane.
- **SECOND SIDE LENGTH Q219** (incremental value): Pocket length, parallel to the secondary axis of the working plane.
- **CORNER RADIUS Q220**: Radius of the pocket corner. If you make no entry here, the TNC assumes that the CORNER RADIUS is equal to the tool radius.
- **ALLOWANCE IN 1ST AXIS Q221** (incremental value): Allowance in the main axis of the working plane referenced to the length of the pocket. This value is only required by the TNC for calculating the preparatory position.
**STUD FINISHING (Cycle 213)**

1. The TNC moves the tool in the tool axis to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, and subsequently to the center of the stud.

2. From the stud center, the tool moves in the working plane to the starting point for machining. The starting point lies to the right of the stud by a distance approx. 3.5 times the tool radius.

3. If the tool is at the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, it moves in rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, and from there advances to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

4. The tool then moves tangentially to the contour of the finished part and, using climb milling, machines one revolution.

5. After this, the tool departs the contour tangentially and returns to the starting point in the working plane.

6. This process (3 to 5) is repeated until the programmed DEPTH is reached.

7. At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool in FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, and finally to the center of the stud (end position = starting position).

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**Before you begin programming, note the following:**

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

If you want to clear and finish the stud with the same tool, use a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641) and enter a low FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

**SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value):**
Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.

**DEPTH Q201 (incremental value):**
Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of stud

**FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206:**
Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving to DEPTH. If you are plunge-cutting into the material, enter a low value; if you have already cleared the stud, enter a higher feed rate.

**PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value):**
Infeed per cut. The tool will drill to the DEPTH in one movement if: Enter a value greater than 0.

**FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207:**
Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface

2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.

CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the stud in the reference axis of the working plane

CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the stud in the secondary axis of the working plane

FIRST SIDE LENGTH Q218 (incremental value): Stud length, parallel to the reference axis of the working plane

SECOND SIDE LENGTH Q219 (incremental value): Stud length, parallel to the secondary axis of the working plane

CORNER RADIUS Q220: Radius of the stud corner

ALLOWANCE IN 1ST AXIS Q221 (incremental value): Allowance in the main axis of the working plane referenced to the length of the stud. This value is only required by the TNC for calculating the preparatory position.

CIRCULAR POCKET MILLING (Cycle 5)

1 The tool penetrates the workpiece at the starting position (pocket center) and advances to the first PECKING DEPTH.

2 The tool subsequently follows a spiral path at the FEED RATE F — see figure at right. For calculating the stepover factor k, see Cycle 4 POCKET MILLING.

3 This process is repeated until the DEPTH is reached.

4 At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool to the starting position.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point (pocket center) in the working plane with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

This cycle requires a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641), or pilot drilling at the pocket center.
- SET-UP CLEARANCE $1$ (incremental value): Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface
- MILLING DEPTH $2$ (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of pocket
- PECKING DEPTH $3$ (incremental value): Infeed per cut. The tool will advance to the DEPTH in one movement if:
  - the PECKING DEPTH equals the DEPTH
  - the PECKING DEPTH is greater than the DEPTH
- FEED RATE FOR PECKING: Traversing speed of the tool during penetration
- CIRCLE RADIUS: Radius of the circular pocket
- FEED RATE F: Traversing speed of the tool in the working plane
- DIRECTION OF THE MILLING PATH
  - DR $+$: climb milling with M3
  - DR $-$: up-cut milling with M3
CIRCULAR POCKET FINISHING (Cycle 214)

1 The TNC automatically moves the tool in the tool axis to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE and then to the center of the pocket.

2 From the pocket center, the tool moves in the working plane to the starting point for machining. The TNC takes the workpiece blank diameter and tool radius into account for calculating the starting point. If you enter a workpiece blank diameter of 0, the TNC plunge-cuts into the pocket center.

3 If the tool is at the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, it moves in rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, and from there advances to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

4 The tool then moves tangentially to the contour of the finished part and, using climb milling, machines one revolution.

5 After this, the tool departs the contour tangentially and returns to the starting point in the working plane.

6 This process (4 to 5) is repeated until the programmed DEPTH is reached.

7 At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool in FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or — if programmed — to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, and finally to the center of the pocket (end position = starting position).

Before you begin programming, note the following:

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

If you want to clear and finish the pocket with the same tool, use a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641) and enter a low FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of pocket.
- FEED RATE Q206 FOR PLUNGING: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving to DEPTH. If you are plunge-cutting into the material, enter a low value; if you have already cleared the stud, enter a higher feed rate.
- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Infeed per cut.
- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
> WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface
> 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
> CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the pocket in the main axis of the working plane
> CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the pocket in the secondary axis of the working plane
> WORKPIECE BLANK DIA. Q222: Diameter of the premachined pocket. Enter the workpiece blank diameter to be less than the diameter of the finished part. If you enter Q222 = 0, then the TNC plunge-cuts into the pocket center.
> FINISHED PART DIA. Q223: Diameter of the finished pocket. Enter the diameter of the finished part to be greater than the workpiece blank diameter.

**CIRCULAR STUD FINISHING (Cycle 215)**

1. The TNC automatically moves the tool in the tool axis to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE and then to the center of the stud.

2. From the stud center, the tool moves in the working plane to the starting point for machining. The starting point lies to the right of the stud by a distance approx. 3.5 times the tool radius.

3. If the tool is at the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE, it moves in rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, and from there advances to the first PLUNGING DEPTH at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

4. The tool then moves tangentially to the contour of the finished part and, using climb milling, machines one revolution.

5. After this, the tool departs the contour tangentially and returns to the starting point in the working plane.

6. This process (4 to 5) is repeated until the programmed DEPTH is reached.

7. At the end of the cycle, the TNC retracts the tool in FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE, or, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE and then to the center of the pocket (end position = starting position)
Before you begin programming, note the following:

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

If you want to clear and finish the stud with the same tool, use a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641) and enter a low FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of stud

- FEED RATE Q206 FOR PLUNGING: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving to DEPTH. If you are plunge-cutting into the material, enter a low value; if you have already cleared the stud, enter a higher feed rate.

- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Infeed per cut; enter a value greater than 0.

- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.

- WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface

- 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.

- CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the stud in the reference axis of the working plane

- CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the stud in the secondary axis of the working plane

- WORKPIECE BLANK DIAMETER Q222: Diameter of the premachined stud. Enter the workpiece blank diameter to be greater than the diameter of the finished part.

- DIAMETER OF FINISHED PART Q223: Diameter of the finished stud. Enter the diameter of the finished part to be less than the workpiece blank diameter.
SLOT MILLING (Cycle 3)

Roughing process

1. The TNC moves the tool inward by the milling allowance (half the difference between the slot width and the tool diameter). From there it plunge-cuts into the workpiece and mills in the longitudinal direction of the slot.

2. After downfeed at the end of the slot, milling is performed in the opposite direction.

This process is repeated until the programmed MILLING DEPTH is reached.

Finishing process

3. The TNC advances the tool at the slot bottom on a tangential arc to the outside contour. The tool subsequently climb mills the contour (with M3).

4. At the end of the cycle, the tool is retracted in rapid traverse FMAX to SETUP CLEARANCE.

If the number of infeeds was odd, the tool returns to the starting position at the level of the SETUP CLEARANCE.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the working plane — to the center of the slot (SECOND SIDE LENGTH) and, within the slot, offset by the tool radius — with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0.

Program a positioning block for the starting point in the tool axis (SETUP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface).

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

This cycle requires a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641), or pilot drilling at the starting point.

The cutter diameter must be not be larger than the SLOT WIDTH and not smaller than half the SLOT WIDTH.

- SETUP CLEARANCE 1 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip (at starting position) and workpiece surface
- MILLING DEPTH 2 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of pocket
- PECKING DEPTH 3 (incremental value): Infeed per cut. The tool will advance to the DEPTH in one operation if:
  - the PECKING DEPTH equals the DEPTH
  - the PECKING DEPTH is greater than the DEPTH
FEED RATE FOR PECKING: Traversing speed of the tool during penetration

FIRST SIDE LENGTH: Slot length; specify the sign to determine the first milling direction

SECOND SIDE LENGTH: Slot width

FEED RATE F: Traversing speed of the tool in the working plane

### SLOT with reciprocating plunge-cut (Cycle 210)

**Before you begin programming, note the following:**

- The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.
- The cutter diameter must not be larger than the SLOT WIDTH and not smaller than a third of the SLOT WIDTH.
- The cutter diameter must be smaller than half the slot length. The TNC otherwise cannot execute this cycle.

#### Roughing process

1. At rapid traverse, the TNC positions the tool in the tool axis to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE and subsequently to the center of the left circle. From there, the TNC positions the tool to SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2. The tool moves at the FEED RATE FOR MILLING to the workpiece surface. From there, the cutter advances in the longitudinal direction of the slot — plunge-cutting obliquely into the material — until it reaches the center of the right circle.

3. The tool then moves back to the center of the left circle, again with oblique plunge-cutting. This process is repeated until the programmed MILLING DEPTH is reached.

4. At the MILLING DEPTH, the TNC moves the tool for the purpose of face milling to the other end of the slot and then back to the center of the slot.

#### Finishing process

5. The TNC advances the tool from the slot center tangentially to the contour of the finished part. The tool subsequently climb mills the contour (with M3).

6. When the tool reaches the end of the contour, it departs the contour tangentially and returns to the center of the slot.

7. At the end of the cycle, the tool is retracted in rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE and, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE.
- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of slot.
- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Total extent by which the tool is fed in the tool axis during a reciprocating movement.
- MACHINING OPERATION (0/1/2) Q215: Define the extent of machining:
  0: Roughing and finishing
  1: Roughing only
  2: Finishing only
- WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute value): Coordinate of the workpiece surface.
- 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Z coordinate at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
- CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the slot in the reference axis of the working plane.
- CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the slot in the secondary axis of the working plane.
- FIRST SIDE LENGTH Q218 (value parallel to the main axis of the working plane): Enter the length of the slot.
- SECOND SIDE LENGTH Q219 (value parallel to the secondary axis of the working plane): Enter the slot width. If you enter a slot width that equals the tool diameter, the TNC will carry out the roughing process only (slot milling).
- ANGLE OF ROTATION Q224 (absolute value): Angle by which the entire slot is rotated. The center of rotation lies in the center of the slot.
**CIRCULAR SLOT with reciprocating plunge-cut**  
*(Cycle 211)*

### Roughing process

1. At rapid traverse, the TNC positions the tool in the tool axis to the 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE and subsequently to the center of the right circle. From there, the tool is positioned to the programmed SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface.

2. The tool moves at the MILLING FEED RATE to the workpiece surface. From there, the cutter advances — plunge-cutting obliquely into the material — to the other end of the slot.

3. The tool then moves at a downward angle back to the starting point, again with oblique plunge-cutting. This process (2 to 3) is repeated until the programmed MILLING DEPTH is reached.

4. At the MILLING DEPTH, the TNC moves the tool for the purpose of face milling to the other end of the slot.

### Finishing process

5. For finishing the slot, the TNC advances the tool tangentially to the contour of the finished part. The tool subsequently climb-mills the contour (with M3). The starting point for the finishing process is the center of the right circle.

6. When the tool reaches the end of the contour, it departs the contour tangentially.

7. At the end of the cycle, the tool is retracted in rapid traverse FMAX to SET-UP CLEARANCE and, if programmed, to the 2nd SET-UP CLEARANCE.

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**Before you begin programming, note the following:**

The algebraic sign for the DEPTH parameter determines the working direction.

The cutter diameter must not be larger than the slot width and not smaller than a third of the slot width.

The cutter diameter must be smaller than half the slot length. The TNC otherwise cannot execute this cycle.

- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- DEPTH Q201 (incremental value): Distance between workpiece surface and bottom of slot.
- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
- PLUNGING DEPTH Q202 (incremental value): Total extent by which the tool is fed in the tool axis during a reciprocating movement.
MACHINING OPERATION (0/1/2) Q215:
  Define the extent of machining:
  0: Roughing and finishing
  1: Roughing only
  2: Finishing only

WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute value): Coordinate of the workpiece surface

2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Z coordinate at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.

CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the slot in the reference axis of the working plane

CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the slot in the secondary axis of the working plane

PITCH CIRCLE DIAMETER Q244: Enter the diameter of the pitch circle

SECOND SIDE LENGTH Q219: Enter the slot width. If you enter a slot width that equals the tool diameter, the TNC will carry out the roughing process only (slot milling).

STARTING ANGLE Q245 (absolute value): Enter the polar angle of the starting point.

ANGULAR LENGTH Q248 (incremental value): Enter the angular length of the slot
### Example: Milling pockets, studs and slots

**Diagram Description:**
- Dimensions: 100x100mm
- Features: pockets, studs, and slots
- Orientation: X, Y, Z axes
- Angular measurements: 90°, 45°
- Radial dimensions: 8mm, 50mm
- Toolpath:
  - Define blank form
  - Define tool for roughing/finishing
  - Define slotting mill
  - Call tool for roughing/finishing
  - Retract the tool
  - Define cycle for machining the contour outside
  - Setup clearance
  - Depth
  - Feed rate for plunging
  - Plunging depth
  - Feed rate for milling
  - Coordinate surface
  - 2nd set-up clearance
  - Center in X axis
  - Center in Y axis
  - 1st side length
  - 2nd side length
  - Rounding-off radius
  - Oversize

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8.4 Cycles for Machining Hole Patterns

The TNC provides two cycles for machining hole patterns:

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You can combine Cycle 220 and Cycle 221 with the following fixed cycles:

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CIRCULAR PATTERN (Cycle 220)

1 At rapid traverse, the TNC moves the tool from its current position to the starting point for the first machining operation. The tool is positioned in the following sequence:
   ■ Move to 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE (tool axis)
   ■ Approach starting point in the working plane
   ■ Move to SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface (tool axis)

2 From this position, the TNC executes the last defined fixed cycle.

3 The tool then approaches the starting point for the next machining operation on a straight line at SET-UP CLEARANCE (or 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE).

4 This process (1 to 3) is repeated until all machining operations have been executed.

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Before you begin programming, note the following:

Cycle 220 is DEF active, which means that Cycle 220 automatically calls the last defined fixed cycle.

If you combine Cycle 220 with one of the fixed cycles 200 to 204 and 212 to 215, the SET-UP CLEARANCE, workpiece surface and 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE that you defined in Cycle 220 will be effective for the selected fixed cycle.

- CENTER IN 1ST AXIS Q216 (absolute value): Center of the pitch circle in the main axis of the working plane
- CENTER IN 2ND AXIS Q217 (absolute value): Center of the pitch circle in the secondary axis of the working plane
- PITCH CIRCLE DIAMETER Q244: Diameter of the pitch circle
- STARTING ANGLE Q245 (absolute value): Angle between the main axis of the working plane and the starting point for the first machining operation on the pitch circle
- STOPPING ANGLE Q246 (absolute value): Angle between the main axis of the working plane and the starting point for the last machining operation on the pitch circle. Do not enter the same value for the STOPPING ANGLE and STARTING ANGLE. If you enter the STOPPING ANGLE greater than the STARTING ANGLE, machining will be carried out counterclockwise; otherwise, machining will be clockwise.

8.4 Cycles for Machining Hole Patterns
**STEPPING ANGLE Q247** (incremental value): Angle between two machining operations on a pitch circle. If you enter a STEPPING ANGLE of 0, the TNC will calculate the STEPPING ANGLE from the STARTING and STOPPING ANGLES. If you enter a value other than 0, the TNC will not take the STOPPING ANGLE into account. The sign for the STEPPING ANGLE determines the working direction (– = clockwise).

**NUMBER OF REPETITIONS Q241**: Number of machining operations on a pitch circle.

**SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200** (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface. Enter a positive value.

**WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203** (absolute): coordinate of workpiece surface.

**2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204** (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.

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**LINEAR PATTERN (Cycle 221)**

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**Before you begin programming, note the following:**

Cycle 221 is DEF active, which means that Cycle 221 calls the last defined fixed cycle.

If you combine Cycle 221 with one of the fixed cycles 200 to 215, the SET-UP CLEARANCE, workpiece surface and 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE that you defined in Cycle 221 will be effective for the selected fixed cycle.

1. The TNC automatically moves the tool from its current position to the starting point for the first machining operation.

   The tool is positioned in the following sequence:
   - Move to 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE (tool axis)
   - Approach starting point in the working plane
   - Move to SET-UP CLEARANCE above the workpiece surface (tool axis)

2. From this position, the TNC executes the last defined fixed cycle.

3. The tool then approaches the starting point for the next machining operation in the positive main axis direction at SET-UP CLEARANCE (or 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE).

4. This process (1 to 3) is repeated until all machining operations on the first line have been executed. The tool is located above the last point on the first line.
5 The tool subsequently moves to the last point on the second line where it carries out the machining operation.

6 From this position, the tool approaches the starting point for the next machining operation in the negative main axis direction.

7 This process (5 to 6) is repeated until all machining operations in the second line have been executed.

8 The tool then moves to the starting point of the next line.

9 All subsequent lines are processed in a reciprocating movement.

- STARTING POINT 1ST AXIS Q225 (absolute value): Coordinate of the starting point in the main axis of the working plane
- STARTING POINT 2ND AXIS Q226 (absolute value): Coordinate of the starting point in the secondary axis of the working plane
- SPACING IN 1ST AXIS Q237 (incremental value): Spacing between the individual points on a line
- SPACING IN 2ND AXIS Q238 (incremental): Spacing between the individual lines
- NUMBER OF COLUMNS Q242: Number of machining operations on a line
- NUMBER OF LINES Q243: Number of passes
- ANGLE OF ROTATION Q224 (absolute value): Angle by which the entire pattern is rotated. The center of rotation lies in the starting point.
- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and workpiece surface.
- WORKPIECE SURFACE COORDINATE Q203 (absolute): Coordinate of workpiece surface
- 2ND SET-UP CLEARANCE Q204 (incremental value): Coordinate in the tool axis at which no collision between tool and workpiece (clamping devices) can occur.
Example: Circular hole patterns

```
0 BEGIN PGM 3589M
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-40 Define the blank form
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+3 Tool definition
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S3500 Call the tool
5 L Z+250 R0 F MAX M3 Retract the tool
6 CYCL DEF 200 DRILLING Cycle definition: drilling
   Q200=2 Setup clearance
   Q201=-15 Depth
   Q202=250 Feed rate for boring
   Q206=4 Plunging depth
   Q210=0 Dwell time above
   Q203=B0 Coordinate surface
   Q204=0 2nd set-up clearance
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### 8.4 Cycles for Machining Hole Patterns

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<td>10 END PGM 3589 MM</td>
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8.5 Cycles for multipass milling

The TNC offers two cycles for machining surfaces with the following characteristics:

- Flat, rectangular surfaces
- Flat, oblique-angled surfaces
- Surfaces that are inclined in any way
- Twisted surfaces

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MULTIPASS MILLING (Cycle 230)

1. From the current position, the TNC positions the tool in rapid traverse in the working plane to the starting position. During this movement, the TNC also offsets the tool by its radius to the left and upward.

2. The tool then moves in FMAX in the tool axis to SETUP CLEARANCE. From there it approaches the programmed starting position in the tool axis at the FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING.

3. The tool subsequently advances to the stopping point 2 at the FEED RATE FOR MILLING. The stopping point is calculated from the programmed starting point, the programmed length and the tool radius.

4. The TNC offsets the tool to the starting point in the next pass at the STEPOVER FEED RATE. The offset is calculated from the programmed width and the number of cuts.

5. The tool then returns in the negative X direction

6. Multipass milling is repeated until the programmed surface has been completed.

7. At the end of the cycle, the tool is retracted in FMAX to SETUP CLEARANCE.
Before you begin programming, note the following:

From the current position, the TNC positions the tool at the starting point 1, first in the working plane and then in the tool axis.

Pre-position the tool in such a way that no collision between tool and clamping devices can occur.

Before beginning the program:

- STARTING POINT IN 1ST AXIS Q225 (absolute value): MIN point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the main axis of the working plane
- STARTING POINT IN 2ND AXIS Q226 (absolute value): MIN point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the secondary axis of the working plane
- STARTING POINT IN 3RD AXIS Q227 (absolute value): Height in the spindle axis at which multipass-milling is carried out.
- FIRST SIDE LENGTH Q218 (incremental value): Length of the surface to be multipass-milled in the main axis of the working plane, referenced to the STARTING POINT IN 1ST AXIS
- SECOND SIDE LENGTH Q219 (incremental value): Length of the surface to be multipass-milled in the secondary axis of the working plane, referenced to the STARTING POINT IN 2ND AXIS
- NUMBER OF CUTS Q240: Number of passes to be made over the width
- FEED RATE FOR PLUNGING Q206: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving from SET-UP CLEARANCE to the milling depth
- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min while milling.
- STEP OVER FEED RATE Q209: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when moving to the next pass. If you are moving the tool transversely in the material, enter Q209 to be smaller than Q207. If you are moving it transversely in the open, Q209 may be greater than Q207.
- SET-UP CLEARANCE Q200 (incremental value): Distance between tool tip and milling depth for positioning at the start and end of the cycle.
**RULED SURFACE (Cycle 231)**

1. From the current position, the TNC positions the tool in a linear 3-D movement to the starting point 1.

2. The tool then moves to the stopping point 2 at the FEED RATE FOR MILLING.

3. From this point, the tool moves in rapid traverse FMAX by the tool diameter in the positive tool axis direction, and then back to starting point 1.

4. At the starting position 1, the TNC moves the tool back to the the last traversed Z value.

5. Then the TNC moves the tool in all three axes from point 1 in the direction of point 4 to the next line.

6. From this point, the tool moves to the stopping point on this pass. The TNC calculates the stopping point using point 2 and an offset in the direction of point 3.

7. Multipass milling is repeated until the programmed surface has been completed.

8. At the end of the cycle, the tool is positioned above the highest programmed point in the tool axis, offset by the tool diameter.

**Cutting motion**

You can freely choose the starting point and thus the milling direction since the TNC always performs the individual cuts from point 1 to point 2 and the process sequence is executed from points 1 / 2 to point 3 / 4. You can position point 1 in any corner of the surface to be machined.

If you are using an end mill for the machining operation, you can optimize the surface finish in the following ways:

- a shaping cut (tool axis coordinate of point 1 greater than tool axis coordinate of point 2) for slightly inclined surfaces.

- a drawing cut (tool axis coordinate of point 1 less than tool axis coordinate of point 2) for steep surfaces.

- When milling twisted surfaces, program the main cutting direction (from point 1 to point 2) parallel to the direction of the steeper inclination. See figure at center right.

If you are using a spherical cutter for the machining operation, you can optimize the surface finish in the following way:

- When milling twisted surfaces, program the main cutting direction (from point 1 to point 2) perpendicular to the direction of the steeper inclination. See figure at lower right.
Before you begin programming, note the following:

From the current position, the TNC positions the tool in a linear 3-D movement to the starting point 1. Pre-position the tool in such a way that no collision between tool and clamping devices can occur.

The TNC moves the tool with RADIUS COMPENSATION R0 to the programmed positions.

If required, use a center-cut end mill (ISO 1641).

- STARTING POINT IN 1ST AXIS Q225 (absolute value): Starting point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the main axis of the working plane
- STARTING POINT IN 2ND AXIS Q226 (absolute value): Starting point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the secondary axis of the working plane
- STARTING POINT IN 3RD AXIS Q227 (absolute value): Starting point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the tool axis
- 2ND POINT IN 1ST AXIS Q228 (absolute value): Stopping point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the main axis of the working plane
- 2ND POINT IN 2ND AXIS Q229 (absolute value): Stopping point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the secondary axis of the working plane
- 2ND POINT IN 3RD AXIS Q230 (absolute value): Stopping point coordinate of the surface to be multipass-milled in the tool axis
- 3RD POINT IN 1ST AXIS Q231 (absolute): Coordinate of point 3 in the main axis of the working plane
- 3RD POINT IN 2ND AXIS Q232 (absolute): Coordinate of point 3 in the subordinate axis of the working plane
- 3RD POINT IN 3RD AXIS Q233 (absolute): Coordinate of point 3 in the tool axis
- 4TH POINT IN 1ST AXIS Q234 (absolute): Coordinate of point 4 in the main axis of the working plane
- 4TH POINT IN 2ND AXIS Q235 (absolute): Coordinate of point 4 in the subordinate axis of the working plane
- 4TH POINT IN 3RD AXIS Q236 (absolute): Coordinate of point 4 in the tool axis
- NUMBER OF CUTS Q240: Number of passes to be made between points 1 and 4, and between points 2 and 3
- FEED RATE FOR MILLING Q207: Traversing speed of the tool in mm/min when milling the first pass. The TNC calculates the feed rate for all subsequent passes dependent on the stepover factor of the tool (offset less than tool radius = higher feed rate, high stepover factor = lower feed rate)
Example: Multipass milling

0 BEGIN PGM 230 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z+0                    Define the blank form
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+40
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+5                            Tool definition
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z S3500                            Call the tool
5 L Z+250 RO F MAX                               Retract the tool
6 CYCL DEF 230 MULTIPASS MILLNG                 Cycle definition: MULTIPASS MILLING
   Q225=+0                                        Starting point for X axis
   Q226=+0                                        Starting point for Y axis
   Q227=+35                                       Starting point for Z axis
   Q218=100                                       1st side length
   Q219=100                                       2nd side length
   Q240=25                                        Number of cuts
   Q206=250                                       Feed rate for plunging
   Q207=400                                       Feed rate for milling
   Q209=150                                       Feed rate for cross pecking
   Q200=2                                         Setup clearance
7 L X-25 Y+0 RO F MAX M3                        Pre-position near the starting point
8 CYCL CALL                                      Cycle call
9 L Z+250 RO F MAX M2                           Retract in the tool axis, end of program
10 END PGM 230 MM
8.6 Coordinate transformation cycles

Once a contour has been programmed, you can position it on the workpiece at various locations and in different sizes through the use of coordinate transformations. The TNC provides the following coordinate transformation cycles:

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<td>For rotating contours in the working plane</td>
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<tr>
<td>For increasing or reducing the size of contours</td>
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**Effect of coordinate transformations**

A coordinate transformation becomes effective as soon as it is defined — it is not called. It remains in effect until it is changed or canceled.

**To cancel coordinate transformations:**

- Define cycles for basic behavior with a new value, such as scaling factor 1.0
- Execute a miscellaneous function M02, M30, or an END PGM block (depending on machine parameter 7300)
- Select a new program
DATUM SHIFT (Cycle 7)

A datum shift allows machining operations to be repeated at various locations on the workpiece.

Effect

When the DATUM SHIFT cycle is defined, all coordinate data is based on the new datum. The TNC displays the datum shift in each axis in the additional status display.

- **DATUM SHIFT**: Enter the coordinates of the new datum. Absolute values are referenced to the manually set workpiece datum. Incremental values are always referenced to the datum which was last valid — this can be a datum which has already been shifted.

- **REF**: Press the REF soft key (2nd soft-key row) to reference the programmed datum to the machine datum. In this case the TNC indicates the first cycle block with REF.

Cancellation

A datum shift is canceled by entering the datum shift coordinates X=0, Y=0 and Z=0.

Status Displays

If datums are referenced to the machine datum, then

- The actual position values are referenced to the active (shifted) datum.
- The datum shown in the additional status display is referenced to the machine datum, whereby the TNC accounts for the manually set datum.
**MIRROR IMAGE (Cycle 8)**

The TNC can machine the mirror image of a contour in the working plane. See figure at upper right.

**Effect**

The MIRROR IMAGE cycle becomes effective as soon as it is defined in the program. Cycle 10 is also effective in the POSITIONING WITH MDI mode of operation. The active mirrored axes are shown in the additional status display.

- If you mirror only one axis, the machining direction of the tool is reversed (except in fixed cycles).
- If you mirror two axes, the machining direction remains the same.

The result of the mirror image depends on the location of the datum

- If the datum lies on the contour to be mirrored, the element simply flips over — see figure at lower right.
- If the datum lies outside the contour to be mirrored, the element also “jumps” to another location — see figure at lower right.

**Cancellation**

Program the MIRROR IMAGE cycle once again with NO ENT.
ROTATION (Cycle 10)
The TNC can rotate the coordinate system about the active datum in the working plane within a program.

Effect
The ROTATION cycle becomes effective as soon as it is defined in the program. Cycle 10 is also effective in the POSITIONING WITH MDI mode of operation. The active rotation angle is shown in the additional status display.

Reference axis for the rotation angle:
- X/Y plane   X axis
- Y/Z plane   Y axis
- Z/X plane   Spindle axis

Before you begin programming, note the following:
An active radius compensation is canceled by defining Cycle 10 and must therefore be reprogrammed, if necessary.

After defining Cycle 10, you must move both axes of the working plane to activate rotation for all axes.

Cancellation
Program the ROTATION cycle once again with a rotation angle of 0°.
SCALING FACTOR (Cycle 11)

The TNC can increase or reduce the size of contours within a program, enabling you to program shrinkage and oversize allowances.

Effect
The SCALING FACTOR becomes effective as soon as it is defined in the program. It is also effective in the POSITIONING WITH MDI mode of operation. The active scaling factor is shown in the additional status display.

The scaling factor can be applied
- in the working plane, or on all three coordinate axes at the same time (depending on machine parameter 7410)
- to the dimensions in cycles
- to the parallel axes U,V,W

Prerequisite
It is advisable to set the datum to an edge or a corner of the contour before enlarging or reducing the contour.

8.6 Cycles for Coordinate Transformations

Cancellation
Program the SCALING FACTOR cycle once again with a scaling factor of 1.

SCALING FACTOR ?: Enter the scaling factor SCL. The TNC multiplies the coordinates and radii by the SCL factor (as described under “Activation” above)

Enlargement: SCL greater than 1 (up to 99.999 999)
Reduction: SCL less than 1 (down to 0.000 001)
Example: Coordinate transformation cycles

Process
- Program the coordinate transformations in the main program
- Program the machining operation in subprogram 1 (see section 9 “Programming: Subprograms and Program Section Repeats”)

8.6 Cycles for Coordinate Transformations

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<td>BEGIN PGM 11 MM</td>
<td>Define the blank form</td>
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<td>BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20</td>
<td>Define the blank form</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>BLK FORM 0.2 X+130 Y+130 Z+0</td>
<td>Define the blank form</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+1</td>
<td>Tool definition</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>TOOL CALL 1 Z S4500</td>
<td>Call the tool</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>L Z+250 RO F MAX</td>
<td>Retract the tool</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 7.0 DATUM SHIFT</td>
<td>Shift datum to center</td>
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<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 7.1 X+65</td>
<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 7.2 Y+65</td>
<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>LBL 10</td>
<td>Set label for program section repeat</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 10.0 ROTATION</td>
<td>Rotate by 45° (incremental)</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 10.1 IROT+45</td>
<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>CALL LBL 10 REP 6/6</td>
<td>Return jump to LBL 10; execute the milling operation six times</td>
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<td>CYCL DEF 10.0 ROTATION</td>
<td>Reset the rotation</td>
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<td>CYCL DEF 10.1 ROT+0</td>
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<td>CYCL DEF 7.0 DATUM SHIFT</td>
<td>Reset the datum shift</td>
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<td>Call milling operation</td>
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<td>L Z+250 RO F MAX M2</td>
<td>Retract in the tool axis, end of program</td>
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<td>Subprogram 1:</td>
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<td>L X+0 Y+0 R0 F MAX</td>
<td>Define milling operation</td>
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<td>END PGM 11 MM</td>
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8.6 Cycles for Coordinate Transformations
8.7 Special Cycles

DWELL TIME (Cycle 9)
This cycle causes the execution of the next block within a running program to be delayed by the programmed dwell time. A dwell time can be used for such purposes as chip breaking.

Effect
Cycle 9 becomes effective as soon as it is defined in the program. Modal conditions such as spindle rotation are not affected.

PROGRAM CALL (Cycle 12)
Routines that you have programmed (such as special drilling cycles or geometrical modules) can be written as main programs and then called like fixed cycles.

Example: Program call
A callable program 50 is to be called into a program via a cycle call.

Resulting NC blocks

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<td>CYCL DEF 12.1</td>
<td>PGM 50</td>
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<td>57</td>
<td>L X+20 Y+50</td>
<td>FMAX M99</td>
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Definition:
Program 50 is a cycle
Call program 50
ORIENTED SPINDLE STOP (Cycle 13)

The TNC and the machine tool must be specially prepared by the machine tool builder for the use of Cycle 13.

The control can address the machine tool spindle as a 4th axis and rotate it to a given angular position.

Oriented spindle stops are required for

- Orientation of the transmitter/receiver window of HEIDENHAIN 3-D touch probes with infrared transmission

**Effect**

The angle of orientation defined in the cycle is positioned to by entering M19.

If you program M19 without having defined Cycle 13, the TNC positions the machine tool spindle to an angle that has been set in a machine parameter (see your machine manual).

![Diagram of oriented spindle stop](image)

**ANGLE OF ORIENTATION:** Enter the angle according to the reference axis of the working plane.

- **Input range:** 0 to 360°
- **Input resolution:** 0.1°
Programming:
Subprograms and
Program Section Repeats
9.1 Marking Subprograms and Program Section Repeats

Subprograms and program section repeats enable you to program a machining sequence once and then run it as often as desired.

Labels
The beginnings of subprograms and program section repeats are marked in a part program by labels.

A label is identified by a number between 1 and 254. Each label can be set only once with LABEL SET in a program.

LABEL 0 (LBL 0) is used exclusively to mark the end of a subprogram and can therefore be used as often as desired.

9.2 Subprograms

Operating sequence
1. The TNC executes the part program up to the block in which a subprogram is called with CALL LBL.
2. The subprogram is then executed from beginning to end. The subprogram end is marked with LBL 0.
3. The TNC then resumes the part program from the block after the subprogram call.

Operating constraints
- A main program can contain up to 254 subprograms.
- You can call subprograms in any sequence and as often as desired.
- A subprogram cannot call itself.
- Write subprograms at the end of the main program (behind the block with M2 or M30).
- If subprograms are located before the block with M02 or M30, they will be executed at least once even if they are not called.
Programming a subprogram

- To mark the beginning, press the LBL SET key and enter a LABEL NUMBER.
- Enter the subprogram.
- To mark the end, press the LBL SET key and enter the LABEL NUMBER “0”.

Calling a subprogram

- To call a subprogram, press the LBL CALL key.

  - LABEL NUMBER: Enter the label number of the program you wish to call.
  - REPEAT REP: Ignore the dialog question with the NO ENT key. REPEAT REP is used only for program section repeats.

CALL LBL 0 is not permitted (label 0 is only used to mark the end of a subprogram).

9.3 Program Section Repeats

The beginning of a program section repeat is marked by the label LBL. The end of a program section repeat is identified by CALL LBL /REP.

Operating sequence

1. The TNC executes the part program up to the end of the labeled program section, i.e. to the block with CALL LBL /REP.
2. Then the program section between the called LBL and the label call is repeated the number of times entered after REP.
3. The TNC then resumes the part program after the last repetition.

Operating constraints

- You can repeat a program section up to 65 534 times in succession.
- The number behind the slash after REP indicates the number of repetitions remaining to be run.
- The total number of times the program section is executed is always one more than the programmed number of repeats.
Programming a program section repeat

- To mark the beginning, press the LBL SET key and enter a LABEL NUMBER for the program section you wish to repeat.
- Enter the program section.

Calling a program section repeat

- Press the LBL CALL key and enter the LABEL NUMBER of the program section you want to repeat as well as the number of repeats (with REPEAT REP).
9.4 Nesting

You can nest subprograms and program section repeats in the following ways:

- Subprograms within a subprogram
- Program section repeats within a program section repeat
- Subprograms repeated
- Program section repeats within a subprogram

Nesting depth
The nesting depth is the number of successive levels in which program sections or subprograms can call further program sections or subprograms.

- Maximum nesting depth for subprograms: 8
- You can nest program section repeats as often as desired

Subprogram within a subprogram

Example NC blocks

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<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call the subprogram marked with LBL1</td>
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<td>L Z+100 R0 FMAX M2</td>
<td>Last program block of the main program (with M2)</td>
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<td>39 CALL LBL 2</td>
<td>Call the subprogram marked with LBL2</td>
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<td>End of subprogram 1</td>
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<tr>
<td>46</td>
<td>LBL 2</td>
<td>Beginning of subprogram 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>62</td>
<td>LBL 0</td>
<td>End of subprogram 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>63</td>
<td>END PGM 15 MM</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.4 Nesting

Program execution

1st step: Main program 15 is executed up to block 17.

2nd step: Subprogram 1 is called, and executed up to block 39.

3rd step: Subprogram 2 is called, and executed up to block 62. End of subprogram 2 and return jump to the subprogram from which it was called.

4th step: Subprogram 1 is called, and executed from block 40 up to block 45. End of subprogram 1 and return jump to the main program 15.

5th step: Main program 15 is executed from block 18 to block 35. Return jump to block 1 and end of program.

Repeating program section repeats

Example NC blocks

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>0</th>
<th>BEGIN PGM 16 MM</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
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<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>LBL 1</td>
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<td>...</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>LBL 2</td>
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<td>...</td>
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<tr>
<td>27</td>
<td>CALL LBL 2 REP 2/2</td>
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<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
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<td>35</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1 REP 1/1</td>
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<td>...</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50</td>
<td>END PGM 16 MM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Program execution

1st step: Main program 16 is executed up to block 27.

2nd step: Program section between block 27 and block 20 is repeated twice.

3rd step: Main program 16 is executed from block 28 to block 35.

4th step: Program section between block 35 and block 15 is repeated once (including the program section repeat between 20 and block 27).

5th step: Main program 16 is executed from block 36 to block 50. End of program.
Repeating a subprogram

Example NC blocks

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<table>
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<td>0</td>
<td>BEGIN PGM 17 MM</td>
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<td>...</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>LBL 1</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>CALL LBL 2</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1 REP 2/2</td>
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<td></td>
<td>...</td>
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<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>L Z+100 R0 FMAX M2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>LBL 2</td>
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<td></td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28</td>
<td>LBL 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td>END PGM 17 MM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Program execution

1st step: Main program 17 is executed up to block 11.
2nd step: Subprogram 2 is called and executed.
3rd step: Program section between block 12 and block 10 is repeated twice. This means that subprogram 2 is repeated twice.
4th step: Main program 17 is executed from block 13 to block 19. End of program.
9 Programming: Subprograms and Program Section Repeats

9.5 Programming Examples

Example: Milling a contour in several infeeds

Process
- Pre-position the tool to the workpiece surface
- Enter the infeed depth in incremental values
- Mill the contour
- Repeat downfeed and contour-milling

![Contour Milling Diagram]

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Line</th>
<th>Code/Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>BEGIN PGM 95 MM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-40</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>TOOL CALL 1 Z S4000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>L Z+250 R0 F MAX</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>L X-20 Y-20 R0 F MAX</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>L Z0 R0 F2000 M3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>LBL 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>L IZ-4 R0 F2000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>L X+5 Y+5 RL F300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>RND R2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>L Y+85</td>
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<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>RND R10 F150</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>L X+30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>CR X+70 Y+95 R+30 DR-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>L X+95</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>L Y+40</td>
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<tr>
<td>18</td>
<td>CT X+40 Y+5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>L X+5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>RND R2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>L X-20 Y-20 R0 F1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1 REP 4/4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td>L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>END PGM 95 MM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Example: Groups of holes**

**Process**
- Approach the groups of holes in the main program
- Call the group of holes (subprogram 1)
- Program the group of holes only once in subprogram 1

```plaintext
0 BEGIN PGM UP1 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z-20
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+2.5 Define the tool
4 TOOL CALL 1 Z 55000 Call the tool
5 L Z+250 R0 F MAX Retract the tool
6 CYCL DEF 200 DRILLING Cycle definition: drilling
  Q200=2 Set-up clearance
  Q201=-10 Depth
  Q206=250 Feed rate for drilling
  Q202=5 Pecking depth
  Q210=0 Dwell time at top
  Q203=+0 Surface coordinate
  Q204=10 2nd set-up clearance
7 L X+15 Y+10 R0 F MAX M3 Move to starting point for group 1
8 CALL LBL 1 Call the subprogram for the group
9 L X+45 Y+60 R0 F MAX Move to starting point for group 2
10 CALL LBL 1 Call the subprogram for the group
11 L X+75 Y+10 R0 F MAX Move to starting point for group 3
12 CALL LBL 1 Call the subprogram for the group
13 L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2 End of main program
```
Example: Groups of holes with several tools

Process

- Program the fixed cycles in the main program
- Call the entire hole pattern (subprogram 1)
- Approach the groups of holes in subprogram 1, call group of holes (subprogram 2)
- Program the group of holes only once in subprogram 2

```
14 LBL 1 Beginning of subprogram 1: Group of holes
15 CYCL CALL 1st hole
16 L IX+20 R0 F MAX M99 Move to 2nd hole, call cycle
17 L IY+20 R0 F MAX M99 Move to 3rd hole, call cycle
18 L IX–20 R0 F MAX M99 Move to 4th hole, call cycle
19 LBL 0 End of subprogram 1
20 END PGM UP1 MM
```

```
0 BEGIN PGM UP2 MM
1 BLK FORM 0.1 Z X+0 Y+0 Z–20
2 BLK FORM 0.2 X+100 Y+100 Z+0
3 TOOL DEF 1 L+0 R+4 Define tool: center drill
4 TOOL DEF 2 L+0 R+3 Define tool: drill
5 TOOL DEF 3 L+0 R+3.5 Define tool: reamer
6 TOOL CALL 1 Z S5000 Call tool: center drill
7 L Z+250 R0 F MAX Retract the tool
```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Line</th>
<th>Code</th>
<th>Comment</th>
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<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 200 DRILLING</td>
<td>Cycle definition: Centering</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q200=2</td>
<td>Set-up clearance</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q201=-3</td>
<td>Depth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q206=250</td>
<td>Feed rate for drilling</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q202=3</td>
<td>Pecking depth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q210=0</td>
<td>Dwell time at top</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q203=+0</td>
<td>Surface coordinate</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q204=10</td>
<td>2nd set-up clearance</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call subprogram 1 for the entire hole pattern</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>L Z+250 R0 F MAX M6</td>
<td>Tool change</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>TOOL CALL 2 Z S4000</td>
<td>Call the drilling tool</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>FN 0: Q201 = −25</td>
<td>New depth for drilling</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>FN 0: Q202 = +5</td>
<td>New plunging depth for drilling</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call subprogram 1 for the entire hole pattern</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>L Z+250 R0 F MAX M6</td>
<td>Tool change</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>TOOL CALL 3 Z S500</td>
<td>Tool call: reamer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td>CYCL DEF 201 REAMING</td>
<td>Cycle definition: REAMING</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q200=2</td>
<td>Set-up clearance</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q201=-15</td>
<td>Depth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q206=250</td>
<td>Feed rate for reaming</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q211=0,5</td>
<td>Dwell time at depth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q208=400</td>
<td>Retraction feed rate</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q203=+0</td>
<td>Surface coordinate</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Q204=10</td>
<td>2nd set-up clearance</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18</td>
<td>CALL LBL 1</td>
<td>Call subprogram 1 for the entire hole pattern</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>L Z+250 R0 F MAX M2</td>
<td>End of main program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>LBL 1</td>
<td>Beginning of subprogram 1: Entire hole pattern</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>L X+15 Y+10 R0 F MAX M3</td>
<td>Move to starting point for group 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>CALL LBL 2</td>
<td>Call subprogram 2 for the group</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td>L X+45 Y+60 R0 F MAX</td>
<td>Move to starting point for group 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>CALL LBL 2</td>
<td>Call subprogram 2 for the group</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25</td>
<td>L X+75 Y+10 R0 F MAX</td>
<td>Move to starting point for group 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26</td>
<td>CALL LBL 2</td>
<td>Call subprogram 2 for the group</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27</td>
<td>LBL 0</td>
<td>End of subprogram 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28</td>
<td>LBL 2</td>
<td>Beginning of subprogram 2: Group of holes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td>CYCL CALL</td>
<td>1st hole with active fixed cycle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td>L IX+20 R0 F MAX M99</td>
<td>Move to 2nd hole, call cycle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31</td>
<td>L IY+20 R0 F MAX M99</td>
<td>Move to 3rd hole, call cycle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>32</td>
<td>L IX–20 R0 F MAX M99</td>
<td>Move to 4th hole, call cycle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>33</td>
<td>LBL 0</td>
<td>End of subprogram 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>34</td>
<td>END PGM UP2 MM</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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Test Run and Program Run
10.1 Graphics

In the TEST RUN mode of operation the TNC graphically simulates the machining of the workpiece. Using soft keys, select whether you desire:

- Plan view
- Projection in 3 planes
- 3-D view

The TNC graphic depicts the workpiece as if it were being machined with a cylindrical end mill.

The TNC will not show a graphic if

- the current program has no valid blank form definition
- no program is selected

A graphic simulation is not possible for program sections or programs in which rotary axis movements are defined. In this case, the TNC will display an error message.

Overview of display modes

After you have pressed the PGM TEST soft key in the operating mode PROGRAM RUN, the TNC displays the following soft keys:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Display mode</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Plan view</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Projection in 3 planes</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3-D view</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Plan view**

Press the soft key for plan view.

The deeper the surface, the darker the shade.

Plan view is the fastest of the three graphic display modes.

**Projection in 3 planes**

Similar to a workpiece drawing, the part is displayed with a plan view and two sectional planes. A symbol to the lower left indicates whether the display is in first angle or third angle projection according to ISO 6433 (selected with MP7310).

In addition, you can shift the sectional planes with the corresponding soft keys:

- Press the soft key for projection in three planes.
- Shift the soft-key row until the TNC displays the following soft keys:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft keys</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Shift the vertical sectional plane to the left or to the right</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Soft key" /> <img src="image" alt="Soft key" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shift the horizontal sectional plane upwards or downwards</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Soft key" /> <img src="image" alt="Soft key" /></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The positions of the sectional planes are visible during shifting.
3-D view

The workpiece is displayed in three dimensions, and can be rotated about the vertical axis.

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In the TEST RUN mode of operation you can isolate details for magnification (see “Magnifying details”).

Press the soft key for 3-D view.

To rotate the 3-D view

Shift the soft-key row until the following soft keys appear:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft keys</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Rotate the workpiece in 90° steps about the vertical axis</td>
<td>![Soft key image]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Magnifying details

You can isolate a detail in the TEST RUN operating mode, when the 3-D display mode is selected.

The graphic simulation must first have been stopped. A detail magnification is always effective in all display modes.

Shift the soft-key row in the TEST RUN mode of operation until the following soft keys appear:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft keys</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Select the workpiece surface to be trimmed: Press the soft key several times</td>
<td>![Soft key image]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shift the sectional plane to reduce or magnify the blank form</td>
<td>![Soft key image]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select the isolated detail</td>
<td>![Soft key image]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
To change the detail magnification:
The soft keys are listed in the table above.

- Interrupt the graphic simulation, if necessary.
- Select the workpiece surface with the corresponding soft key (see table).
- To reduce or magnify the blank form, press the minus or plus soft key, respectively.
- To select the isolated detail, press the TRANSFER DETAIL soft key
- Restart the test run or program run.

Repeating graphic simulation
A part program can be graphically simulated as often as desired, either with the complete workpiece or with a detail of it.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Restore workpiece blank to the detail magnification in which it was last shown</td>
<td>![RESET BLK FORM]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reset detail magnification so that the machined workpiece or workpiece blank is displayed as it was programmed with BLK FORM</td>
<td>![WINDOW BLK FORM]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The WINDOW BLK FORM soft key will return the blank form to its original shape or size, even if a detail has been isolated and not yet magnified with TRANSFER DETAIL.
Measuring the machining time

program run modes of operation
The timer counts and displays the time from program start to program end. The timer stops whenever machining is interrupted.

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The timer displays the approximate time which the TNC calculates from the duration of tool movements. The time calculated by the TNC cannot be used for calculating the production time because the TNC does not account for the duration of machine-dependent interruptions, such as tool change.

To activate the stopwatch function
Shift the soft-key rows until the TNC displays the following soft keys with the stopwatch functions:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Stopwatch functions</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Store displayed time</td>
<td>STORE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Display the sum of stored time and displayed time</td>
<td>+</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clear displayed time</td>
<td>RESET</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

10.2 Test Run

In the TEST RUN mode of operation you can simulate programs and program sections to prevent errors from occurring during program run. The TNC checks the programs for the following errors:

- Geometrical incompatibilities
- Missing data
- Impossible jumps
- Violation of the machine’s working space

The following functions are also available:

- Blockwise test run
- Interrupt test at any block
- Functions for graphic simulation
- Additional status display
Running a program test

- Select the PROGRAM RUN operating mode
- Select the TEST RUN mode of operation.
- Call the file manager with the PGM NAME key and select the file you wish to test, or
- Go to the program beginning: Select line “0” with the GOTO key and confirm your entry with the ENT key.

The TNC displays the following soft keys (1st or 2nd soft-key row):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Test the entire program</td>
<td>START</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Test each program block individually</td>
<td>START SINGLE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Show the blank form and test the entire program</td>
<td>STOP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interrupt the test run</td>
<td>STOP</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Running a program test up to a certain block

With the STOP AT N function the TNC does a test run up to the block with block number N.

- Go to the program beginning in the TEST RUN mode of operation.
- To do a test run up to a certain block, press the STOP AT N soft key.
  - TO BLOCK NUMBER :=: Enter the block number at which you wish the test to stop.
  - To test a program section, press the ENT soft key. The TNC will test the program up to the entered block.
10.3 Program Run

In the PROGRAM RUN operating mode the TNC executes a part program either in single block or continuously.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK (default setting)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROGRAM RUN, FULL SEQUENCE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK you must start each block separately by pressing the NC START button.

In PROGRAM RUN, FULL SEQUENCE the TNC executes a part program continuously to its end or up to a program stop.

The following TNC functions can be used in the program run modes of operation:

- Interrupt program run
- Start program run from a certain block
- Additional status display

To run a part program:

To prepare the TNC:
1. Clamp the workpiece to the machine table.
2. Set the datum
3. Select the part program (status M).

You can adjust the feed rate and spindle speed with the override knobs.

PROGRAM RUN, FULL SEQUENCE

- Start machining program with the NC start button

PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK

- Start each block of the part program individually with the NC START button.
Interrupt machining.

There are several ways to interrupt a program run:

- Programmed interruptions
- Machine STOP button
- Switching to PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK

If the TNC registers an error during program run, it automatically interrupts the machining process.

Programmed interruptions

You can program interruptions directly in the part program. The TNC interrupts the program run at a block containing one of the following entries:

- STOP (with and without a miscellaneous function)
- Miscellaneous functions M0, M1 (see „10.4 Optional Program Run Interruption”), M2 or M30
- Miscellaneous function M6 (determined by the machine tool builder)

 Interruption with NC STOP button

➤ Press the NC STOP button: The block which the TNC is currently executing is not completed. The asterisk in the status display blinks.

➤ If you do not wish to continue the machining process you can reset the TNC with the STOP soft key. The asterisk in the status display goes out. In this case, the program must be restarted from the program beginning.

 Interruption of machining by switching to the PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK mode of operation.

You can interrupt a program that is being run in the PROGRAM RUN, FULL SEQUENCE mode of operation by switching to PROGRAM RUN, SINGLE BLOCK. The TNC interrupts the machining process at the end of the current block.
Resuming program run after an interruption

If a program run is interrupted during a fixed cycle, the program must be resumed from the beginning of the cycle. This means that some machining operations will be repeated.

When a program run is interrupted, the TNC stores:

- The data of the last defined tool
- Active coordinate transformations
- The coordinates of the circle center that was last defined
- The current count of program section repeats
- The number of the block where a subprogram or a program section repeat was last called
**Resuming program run with the NC START button**
You can resume program run by pressing the NC START button if the program was interrupted in one of the following ways:

- NC STOP button was pressed
- A programmed interruption
- The EMERGENCY STOP button was pressed (machine-dependent function)

If you interrupted program run with the STOP soft key, you can select another block with the GOTO key and resume machining there.

If you select block 0, the TNC resets all stored data (tool data, etc.)

If you interrupted program run during a program section repeat, you can only use GOTO to select other blocks within the program section repeat.

**Resuming program run after an error**

- If the error message *is not blinking*
  - Remove the cause of the error.
  - To clear the error message from the screen, press the CE key.
  - Restart the program, or resume program run at the place at which it was interrupted.

- If the error message *is blinking*
  - Switch off the TNC and the machine.
  - Remove the cause of the error.
  - Start again.

If you cannot correct the error, write down the error message and contact your repair service agency.
10.4 Optional Program Run Interruption

The TNC optionally interrupts the program or test run at blocks containing M01:

- Do not interrupt program run or test run at blocks containing M01: Set soft key to OFF
- Interrupt program run or test run at blocks containing M01: Set soft key to ON

10.5 Blockwise Transfer: Running Longer Programs

Machine programs that require more memory space than is available in the TNC can be transferred „blockwise“ from an external memory.

The program blocks are read in via data interface and are then deleted immediately after being executed. In this way programs of unlimited length can be executed.

The program may have a maximum of 20 TOOL DEF blocks. If you require more tools then use a tool table.

If the program contains a PGM CALL block, the called program must be stored in the TNC memory.

The program may not include:
- Subprograms
- Program section repeats
- Function FN15:PRINT

Blockwise program transfer

Configure the data interface with the “Set block buffer” MOD function (see section 12.4 “Setting the Data Interface”).

- Select the Program Run, Full Sequence mode or the Program Run, Single Block mode.
- Begin blockwise transfer: Press the BLOCKWISE TRANSFER soft key.
- Enter the program name and confirm your entry with the ENT key. The TNC reads in the selected program via data interface
- Start the part program with the machine start button. If you have defined a block buffer greater than 0, the TNC waits with the program start until the defined number of NC blocks has been read in.
3-D Touch Probes
### 11.1 Touch probe cycles in the operating mode MANUAL OPERATION

The TNC must be specially prepared by the machine tool builder for the use of a 3-D touch probe.

After you press the NC START button, the touch probe approaches the workpiece in a paraxial movement in the selected probe function. The machine tool builder sets the probe feed rate (see figure at right). When the probe contacts the workpiece, it
- transmits a signal to the TNC: the coordinates of the probed position are stored,
- The touch probe stops moving, and
- returns to its starting position in rapid traverse.

If the stylus is not deflected within a defined distance, the TNC displays an error message (MP 6130).

**Select the touch probe function**

- Select the MANUAL OPERATION mode.

To choose the touch probe functions, press the TOUCH PROBE soft key (2nd soft-key row). The TNC displays additional soft keys — see table at right.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Soft key</th>
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<tr>
<td>Calibrate the effective length</td>
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<tr>
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<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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<tr>
<td>Calibrate the effective radius</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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<tr>
<td>(2nd soft-key row)</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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<tr>
<td>Basic rotation</td>
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<tr>
<td>Set the datum</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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<tr>
<td>Set the datum at a corner</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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<tr>
<td>Set the datum at a circle center</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="" /></td>
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</table>
Calibrating a touch trigger probe

The touch probe must be calibrated

- commissioning
- when the stylus breaks
- when the stylus is changed
- when the probe feed rate is changed
- in case of irregularities such as those resulting from thermal changes in the machine

During calibration, the TNC finds the “effective” length of the stylus and the “effective” radius of the ball tip. To calibrate the touch probe, clamp a ring gauge of known height and known internal radius to the machine table.

To calibrate the effective length:

- Set the datum in the tool axis such that for the machine tool table Z=0.
- To select the calibration function for the touch probe length, press the TOUCH PROBE and CAL L soft keys. The TNC then displays a menu window with four input fields.
  - Use a soft key to select the TOOL AXIS
  - DATUM: Enter the height of the ring gauge.
  - The menu items EFFECTIVE BALL RADIUS and EFFECTIVE LENGTH do not require input.
  - Move the touch probe to a position just above the ring gauge.
  - To change the displayed traverse direction (if necessary), press an arrow key.
  - To probe the upper surface, press the NC START button

Calibrating the effective radius and compensating center misalignment

After the touch probe is inserted it normally needs to be exactly aligned with the spindle axis. The misalignment is measured with this calibration function and compensated electronically.

For this operation the TNC rotates the 3-D touch probe by 180°. The rotation is initiated by a miscellaneous function that is set by the machine tool builder in the machine parameter 6160.
The center misalignment is measured after the effective ball tip radius is calibrated.

In the MANUAL OPERATION mode, position the ball tip in the bore of the ring gauge.

To select the calibration function for the ball-tip radius and the touch probe center misalignment, press the CAL R soft key.

Enter the TOOL AXIS. The remaining menu items do not require input.

To start probing: 4 x NC START button. The touch probe contacts a position on the bore in each axis direction and calculates the effective ball-tip radius.

If you want to terminate the calibration function at this point, press the END soft key.

If you want to determine the ball-tip center misalignment, press the 180° soft key. The TNC rotates the touch probe by 180°.

To start probing: 4 x NC START button. The touch probe contacts a position on the bore in each axis direction and calculates the ball-tip center misalignment.

Displaying calibration values
The TNC stores the effective length and radius, and the center misalignment for use when the touch probe is needed again. You can display the values on the screen with the soft keys CAL L and CAL R.

Compensating workpiece misalignment
The TNC electronically compensates workpiece misalignment by computing a “basic rotation.”

For this purpose, the TNC sets the rotation angle to the desired angle with respect to the reference axis in the working plane. See figure at lower right.

Select the probe direction perpendicular to the angle reference axis when measuring workpiece misalignment.

To ensure that the basic rotation is calculated correctly during program run, program both coordinates of the working plane in the first positioning block.
To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING ROT soft key.

Position the ball tip at a starting position near the first touch point.

Select the probe direction perpendicular to the angle reference axis: Select the axis with an arrow key.

To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button.

Position the ball tip at a starting position near the second touch point.

To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button.

The TNC saves the basic rotation in non-volatile memory. The basic rotation is effective for all subsequent program runs and test runs.

**Displaying a basic rotation**

The angle of the basic rotation appears after ROTATION ANGLE whenever PROBING ROT is selected. The TNC also displays the rotation angle in the additional status display (STATUS POS.).

In the status display a symbol is shown for a basic rotation whenever the TNC is moving the axes according to a basic rotation.

**To cancel a basic rotation:**

- To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING ROT soft key.
- Enter a ROTATION ANGLE of zero and confirm with the ENT key.
- To terminate the probe function, press the END key.

### 11.2 Setting the Datum with a 3-D Touch Probe

The following functions are available for setting the datum on an aligned workpiece:

- Datum setting in any axis with PROBING POS
- Defining a corner as datum with PROBING P
- Setting the datum at a circle center with PROBING CC
To set the datum in any axis (see figure at upper right)

- To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING POS soft key
- Move the touch probe to a starting position near the touch point.
- Select the probe axis and direction in which you wish to set the datum, such as Z in direction Z–. Selection is made with the arrow keys.
- To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button
- DATUM: Enter the nominal coordinate and confirm your entry with ENT.

Corner as datum — using points that were already probed for a basic rotation (see figure at center right)

- Select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING P soft key
- TOUCH POINTS OF BASIC ROTATION?: Press YES to transfer the touch point coordinates to memory.
- Position the touch probe at a starting position near the first touch point of the side that was not probed for basic rotation.
- Select the probe direction: Select the axis with an arrow key.
- To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button
- Position the touch probe near the second touch point on the same side.
- To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button
- DATUM: Enter both datum coordinates into the menu window, and confirm your entry with the ENT key.
- To terminate the probe function, press the END key.

Corner as datum — without using points that were already probed for a basic rotation

- Select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING P soft key
- TOUCH POINTS OF BASIC ROTATION?: Press NO to ignore the previous touch points. (The dialog question only appears if a basic rotation was made previously.)
- Probe both workpiece sides twice.
- Enter the datum coordinates and confirm your entry with ENT.
- To terminate the probe function, press the END key.
**Circle center as datum**

With this function, the centers of bore holes, circular pockets, cylinders, studs, circular islands, etc. can be defined as datums.

**Inside circle**

The TNC automatically probes the inside wall in all four coordinate axis directions.

For incomplete circles (circular arcs) you can choose the appropriate probing direction.

► Position the touch probe approximately in the center of the circle.

► Select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING CC soft key

► To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button four times. The touch probe touches four points on the inside of the circle.

► If you are probing to find the stylus center (only available on machines with spindle orientation, depending on MP6160), press the 180° soft key and probe another four points on the inside of the circle.

► If you are not probing to find the stylus center, press the END key.

► DATUM: Enter both circle center coordinates into the menu window, and confirm your entry with ENT.

► To terminate the probe function, press the END key.

**Outside circle**

► Position the touch probe at the starting position for the first touch point outside of the circle.

► Select the probe direction with a soft key.

► To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button.

► Repeat the probing process for the remaining three points. See figure at center right.

► Enter the datum coordinates and confirm your entry with ENT.

After the probing procedure is completed, the TNC displays the coordinates of the circle center and the circle radius PR.
11.3 Measuring Workpieces with a 3-D Touch Probe

With a 3-D touch probe you can determine:
- position coordinates, and from them,
- dimensions and angles on the workpiece.

To find the coordinate of a position on an aligned workpiece:

1. To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING POS soft key
2. Move the touch probe to a starting position near the touch point.
3. Select the probe direction and axis of the coordinate. Use the arrow keys for selection.
4. To start probing, press the NC START button

The TNC shows the coordinates of the touch point as DATUM.

Finding the coordinates of a corner in the working plane

Find the coordinates of the corner point as described under “Corner as datum.” The TNC displays the coordinates of the probed corner as datum.

Measuring workpiece dimensions

1. To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING POS soft key
2. Position the touch probe at a starting position near the first touch point A.
3. Select the probe direction with the arrow key.
4. To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button
5. If you will need the current datum later, write down the value that appears in the DATUM display.
6. DATUM: Enter “0”.
7. To terminate the dialog, press the END key.
8. Select the touch probe function again: Press the PROBING POS soft key
Position the touch probe at a starting position near the second touch point B.
Select the probe direction with an arrow key: Same axis but opposite direction as for A.
To probe the workpiece, press the NC START button.

The value displayed as DATUM is the distance between the two points on the coordinate axis.

To return to the datum that was active before the length measurement:
To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING POS soft key.
Probe the first touch point again.
Set the DATUM to the value that you wrote down previously.
To terminate the dialog, press the END key.

Measuring angles
You can also use the 3-D touch probe to measure angles in the working plane. You can measure:
- the angle between the angle reference axis and a workpiece side, or
- the angle between two sides.

The measured angle is displayed as a value of maximum 90°.

To find the angle between the angle reference axis and a side of the workpiece:
Select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING ROT soft key.
ROTATION ANGLE: If you will need the current basic rotation later, write down the value that appears under ROTATION ANGLE.
Make a basic rotation with the side of the workpiece (see “Compensating workpiece misalignment”).
Press the PROBING ROT soft key to display the angle between the angle reference axis and the side of the workpiece as the ROTATION ANGLE.
Cancel the basic rotation, or restore the previous basic rotation:
This is done by setting the ROTATION ANGLE to the value that you wrote down previously.
To measure the angle between two workpiece sides:

- To select the touch probe function: Press the PROBING ROT soft key
- ROTATION ANGLE: If you will need the current basic rotation later, write down the value that appears under ROTATION ANGLE.
- Make a basic rotation for the first side (see “Compensating workpiece misalignment”).
- Probe the second side as for a basic rotation, but do not set the ROTATION ANGLE to zero!
- Press the PROBING ROT soft key to display the angle PA between the two sides as the ROTATION ANGLE.
- Cancel the basic rotation, or restore the previous basic rotation by setting the ROTATION ANGLE to the value that you wrote down previously.
MOD Functions

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12.1 Selecting, Changing and Exiting the MOD Functions

The MOD functions provide additional displays and input possibilities.

To select the MOD functions
Call the mode of operation in which you wish to change the MOD function.

To select the MOD functions, press the MOD key. The figure at upper right shows the „MOD screen“.

You can make the following changes:

- Select position display
- Unit of measurement (mm/inches)
- Enter code number
- Set data interface
- Machine-specific user parameters
- Axis traverse limits
- Display NC software number
- Display PLC software number

To change the MOD functions:

- Select the desired MOD function in the displayed menu with the arrow keys.
- Press the ENT key repeatedly until the desired function is highlighted, or enter the appropriate numbers and confirm your entry with ENT.

To exit the MOD functions:

- To exit the MOD function, press the END key.

12.2 System Information

You can use the soft key INFO SYSTEM to display the following information:

- Free program memory
- NC software number
- PLC software number

are displayed on the TNC screen after the functions have been selected.
12.3 Enter Code Number

To enter the code number, press the soft key with the key symbol. The TNC requires a code number for the following functions:

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<th>Code number</th>
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<td>Selecting user parameters</td>
<td>123</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cancel file protection</td>
<td>86357</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating hours counter for:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CONTROL ON</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROGRAM RUN</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPINDLE ON</td>
<td>857282</td>
</tr>
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</table>

12.4 Setting the Data Interface

Press the soft key marked RS 232 SETUP to call a menu with the following options for setting the data interfaces:

**Setting the OPERATING MODE of the external device**

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<th>External device</th>
<th>RS232 INTERFACE</th>
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<tr>
<td>HEIDENHAIN floppy disk unit</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FE 401 and FE 401B</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-HEIDENHAIN devices such as tape punchers, PC without TNC.EXE</td>
<td>EXT1, EXT2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PC with HEIDENHAIN software TNC.EXE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No data transfer; e.g. working</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>without a connected external device</td>
<td>none</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Setting the BAUD RATE**

You can set the BAUD-RATE (data transfer speed) from 110 to 115,200 baud. The TNC stores an individual BAUD RATE for each operating mode (FE, EXT1 etc.). When you select BAUD RATE using an arrow key, the TNC recalls the value that was last stored for this operating mode.
12.5 Machine-Specific User Parameters

The machine tool builder can assign functions to up to 16 USER PARAMETERS. Refer to your machine manual.

12.6 Position Display Types

In the MANUAL OPERATION mode and in the program run modes of operation, you can select the type of coordinates to be displayed.

The figure at right shows the different tool positions:

1. Starting position
2. Target position of the tool
3. Workpiece datum
4. Machine datum

The TNC position displays can show the following coordinates:

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<th>Display</th>
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<tr>
<td>Nominal position: the value presently commanded by the TNC</td>
<td>NOML.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Actual position: current tool position</td>
<td>ACTL.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reference position: the actual position as referenced to the machine datum</td>
<td>REF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Distance remaining to the programmed position; difference between actual and target positions</td>
<td>DIST.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Servo lag: difference between nominal and actual positions</td>
<td>LAG</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

With the MOD function POSITION DISPLAY 1 you can select the position display in the status display. With POSITION DISPLAY 2 you can select the position display in the additional status display.
12.7 Unit of Measurement

The MOD function CHANGE MM/INCHES determines whether the coordinates are displayed in millimeters (metric system) or inches.

- To select the metric system (e.g. X = 15.789 mm) set the CHANGE MM/INCHES function to MM. The value is displayed with 3 digits after the decimal point.
- To select the inch system (e.g. X = 0.6216 inch) set the CHANGE MM/INCHES function to INCHES. The value is displayed to 4 decimal places.

This MOD function also determines the unit of measurement when you open a new program.

12.8 Enter Axis Traverse Limits

The AXIS LIMIT mod function allows you to set limits to axis traverse within the machine’s actual working envelope.

Possible application:
- to protect an indexing fixture against tool collision.

The maximum range of traverse of the machine tool is defined by software limit switches. This range can be additionally limited through the AXIS LIMIT mod function. With this function, you can enter the maximum and minimum traverse positions for each axis, referenced to the machine datum.

Working without additional traverse limits
To allow a machine axis to use its full range of traverse, enter the maximum traverse of the TNC (+/- 30 000 mm) as the AXIS LIMIT.

To find and enter the maximum traverse:

- Select POSITION DISPLAY REF
- Move the spindle to the positive and negative end positions of the X, Y and Z axes.
- Write down the values, including the algebraic sign.
- To select the MOD functions, press the MOD key.

- To enter the traverse limits, press the AXIS LIMIT soft key and enter the values that you wrote down as LIMITS in the corresponding axes.
- To exit the MOD function, press the END key.

The tool radius is not automatically compensated in the axis traverse limit value.

The traverse range limits and software limit switches become active as soon as the reference points are traversed.
Tables and Overviews
13.1 General User Parameters

General user parameters are machine parameters affecting TNC settings that the user may want to change in accordance with his requirements.

Some examples of user parameters are:
- Dialog language
- Interface behavior
- Traversing speeds
- Sequence of machining
- Effect of overrides

Input possibilities for machine parameters

Enter the machine parameters as decimal numbers.

Some machine parameters have more than one function. The input value for these machine parameters is the sum of the individual values. For these machine parameters the individual values are preceded by a plus sign.

Selecting general user parameters

General user parameters are selected with code number 123 in the MOD functions.

The MOD functions also include machine-specific user parameters (USER PARAMETERS).
### External data transfer

**Determining the control character for blockwise transfer**

#### Integrating TNC interfaces EXT1 (5020.0) and EXT2 (5020.1) to an external device

<table>
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<th>Parameter</th>
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<tr>
<td>7 data bits (ASCII code, 8th bit = parity)</td>
<td>+0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8 data bits (ASCII code, 9th bit = parity)</td>
<td>+1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Block Check Character (BCC) any</td>
<td>+0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Block Check Character (BCC) control character not permitted</td>
<td>+2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transmission stop through RTS active</td>
<td>+4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transmission stop through RTS inactive</td>
<td>+0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transmission stop through DC3 active</td>
<td>+8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transmission stop through DC3 inactive</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Character parity even</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Character parity odd</td>
<td>+16</td>
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<td>Character parity not desired</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Character parity desired</td>
<td>+32</td>
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<tr>
<td>11/2 stop bits</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<td>2 stop bits</td>
<td>+64</td>
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<td>1 stop bit</td>
<td>+128</td>
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<td>RTS always active</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<td>RTS only active if data transfer has been started</td>
<td>+256</td>
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<tr>
<td>Send EOT after ETX</td>
<td>+0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Do not send EOT after ETX</td>
<td>+512</td>
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</table>

#### Example:

Use the following setting to adjust the TNC interface EXT2 (MP 5020.1) to an external non-HEIDENHAIN device:

- 8 data bits, any BCC, transmission stop through DC3, even character parity, character parity desired, 2 stop bits

Input for **MP 5020.1**: \(1 + 0 + 8 + 0 + 32 + 64 = 105\)
### 3-D Touch Probes

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<td>Probing feed rate for triggering touch probes</td>
<td><strong>MP6120</strong></td>
<td>80 to 3000 [mm/min]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum traverse to first probe point</td>
<td><strong>MP6130</strong></td>
<td>0.001 to 30000 [mm]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Safety clearance to probing point during automatic measurement</td>
<td><strong>MP6140</strong></td>
<td>0.001 to 30000 [mm]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rapid traverse for triggering touch probes</td>
<td><strong>MP6150</strong></td>
<td>1 to 30000 [mm/min]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Measure center misalignment of the stylus when calibrating a triggering touch probe</td>
<td><strong>MP6160</strong></td>
<td>0 to 180° rotation of the 3-D touch probe during calibration: 0  1 to 88 M function for 180° rotation of the touch probe during calibration:</td>
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### TNC displays, TNC editor

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<tr>
<td>Programming station</td>
<td><strong>MP7210</strong></td>
<td>TNC with machine: 0  TNC as programming station with active PLC: 1  TNC as programming station with inactive PLC: 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Acknowledgment of POWER INTERRUPTED after switch-on</td>
<td><strong>MP7212</strong></td>
<td>Acknowledge with key: 0  Acknowledge automatically: 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dialog language</td>
<td><strong>MP7230</strong></td>
<td>German: 0  English: 1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Configure tool tables</td>
<td><strong>MP7260</strong></td>
<td>Inactive: 0  Number of tools in the tool table: 1 to 99</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
**MANUAL OPERATION MODE:** Display of feed rate

**MP7270**
Display feed rate \( F \) only if an axis direction button is pressed: \(+0\)
Display feed rate \( F \) even if no axis direction button is pressed (feed rate of the “slowest” axis): \(+1\)
Spindle speed \( S \) and miscellaneous function \( M \) effective after STOP: \(+0\)
Spindle speed \( S \) and miscellaneous function \( M \) no longer effective after STOP: \(+2\)

**Decimal character**

**MP7280**
The decimal character is a comma: \(0\)
The decimal character is a point: \(1\)

**Position display in the tool axis**

**MP7285**
Display is referenced to the tool datum: \(0\)
Display in the tool axis is referenced to the tool face: \(1\)

**Display step for the X axis**

**MP7290.0**
0.1 mm or 0.1°: \(0\)
0.05 mm or 0.05°: \(1\)
0.01 mm or 0.01°: \(2\)
0.005 mm or 0.005°: \(3\)
0.001 mm or 0.001°: \(4\)

**Display step for the Y axis**

**MP7290.1**
see MP 7290.0

**Display step for the Z axis**

**MP7290.2**
see MP 7290.0

**Display step for the IVth axis**

**MP7290.3**
see MP 7290.0

**Reset status display, Q parameters and tool data**

**MP7300**
Do not cancel Q parameters and status display: \(+0\)
Q parameters and status display with M02, M30, END PGM: \(+1\)
After a power interruption do not activate tool data that was last active: \(+0\)
After a power interruption re-activate tool data that was last active: \(+4\)
### Graphic display mode

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<td>Graphic display mode</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Projection in three planes according to ISO 6433, projection method 1: +0</td>
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<td>Projection in three planes according to ISO 6433, projection method 2: +1</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
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<td>Do not rotate coordinate system for graphic display: +0</td>
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<td>Rotate coordinate system for graphic display by 90°: +2</td>
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### Machining and program run

#### Cycle 17: Oriented spindle stop at beginning of cycle

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<tr>
<td>MP7160</td>
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<td>Spindle orientation: 0</td>
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<td>No spindle orientation: 1</td>
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#### Effect of Cycle 11 SCALING FACTOR

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<tr>
<td>MP7410</td>
<td></td>
<td>SCALING FACTOR effective in 3 axes: 0</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>SCALING FACTOR effective in the working plane only: 1</td>
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#### Cycle 4 POCKET MILLING and Cycle 5 CIRCULAR POCKET MILLING: Overlap factor

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<thead>
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<tr>
<td>MP7430</td>
<td></td>
<td>0.1 to 1.414</td>
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Angle of tool-path directional change up to which the feed rate will remain constant (applies for radius-compensated inside corners and corners with R0)

This feature works both during operation with servo lag as well as with velocity feedforward.

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<td>MP7460</td>
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<td>0.000 to 179.999 [°]</td>
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#### Maximum contouring speed at a feed rate override setting of 100% in the program run modes

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<tr>
<td>MP7470</td>
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<td>0 to 99 999 [mm/min]</td>
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### Electronic handwheels

#### Handwheel type

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<td>MP7640</td>
<td></td>
<td>Machine without handwheel: 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HR 330 with additional keys _ the handwheel keys for traverse direction and rapid traverse are evaluated by the NC: 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HR 130 without additional keys: 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HR 330 with additional keys _ the handwheel keys for traverse direction and rapid traverse are evaluated by the PLC: 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HR 332 with twelve additional keys: 4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Multi-axis handwheel with additional keys: 5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HR 410 with miscellaneous functions: 6</td>
</tr>
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<th>RS-232 Adapter block</th>
<th>HEIDENHAIN connecting cable max. 17 m</th>
<th>X21 TNC</th>
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<tr>
<td>e.g. FE</td>
<td>Id.-Nr. 274 545 01</td>
<td>Id.-Nr. 239 758 01</td>
<td>Id.-Nr. 286 998 ..</td>
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</table>

#### Connector Pin Layout

- **GND**
- **TXD** (1)
- **RXD** (2)
- **RTS** (3)
- **CTS** (4)
- **DSR** (5)
- **DTR** (6)
- **GND** (7)
- **TXD** (8)
- **RXD** (9)
- **RTS** (10)
- **CTS** (11)
- **DSR** (12)
- **DTR** (13)
- **GND** (14)
- **TXD** (15)
- **RXD** (16)
- **RTS** (17)
- **CTS** (18)
- **DSR** (19)
- **DTR** (20)
- **GND** (21)
- **TXD** (22)
- **RXD** (23)
- **RTS** (24)
- **CTS** (25)

**Connector Pin Descriptions**

- **TXD**: Transmit Data
- **RXD**: Receive Data
- **DSR**: Data Set Ready
- **GND**: Signal Ground
- **DTR**: Data Terminal Ready
- **RTS**: Clear To Send
- **CTS**: Request To Send

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**Non-HEIDENHAIN devices**

The connector pin layout of a non-HEIDENHAIN device may differ considerably from that of a HEIDENHAIN device.

This often depends on the unit and type of data transfer. The figure above shows the connector pin layout on the adapter block.

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The connector pin layout on the adapter block differs from that on the TNC logic unit (X21).

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HEIDENHAIN TNC 310
## 13.3 Technical Information

### TNC features

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<th>Contouring control for machines with:</th>
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<td>4 controlled axes and non-controlled spindle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>3 controlled axes and controlled spindle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Components</td>
<td>Compact control with integrated flat-panel display (192 mm x 120 mm, 640 x 400 pixels) and integrated operating keys</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data interface</td>
<td>RS-232-C/V.24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Simultaneous axis control for contour elements</td>
<td><a href="#">Interactive</a> programming graphics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><a href="#">Test run</a> graphics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Background programming</td>
<td>One part program can be edited while the TNC runs another program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Graphics</td>
<td>HEIDENHAIN conversational programming</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>File types</td>
<td>Tool table</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Program memory</td>
<td>Buffer battery back-up for approx. 6000 NC blocks (dependent on length of block), 128 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Up to 64 files possible</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tool definitions</td>
<td>Up to 254 tools in the program or up to 99 in the table</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Programming support</td>
<td>Functions for approaching and departing the contour</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>HELP</td>
</tr>
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### Programmable functions

| Contour elements | Straight line
|                  | Chamfer
|                  | Circular arc
|                  | Circle center
|                  | Circle radius
|                  | Tangentially connecting circle
|                  | Corner rounding
|                  | Straight lines and circular arcs for contour approach and departure

| Program jumps | Subprograms
|              | Program section repeats

| Fixed cycles | Drilling cycles for drilling, pecking, reaming, boring, tapping with a floating tap holder, rigid tapping
|              | Milling and finishing rectangular and circular pockets
|              | Cycles for milling linear and circular slots
|              | Linear and circular hole patterns
|              | Cycles for multipass milling of flat and twisted surfaces

| Coordinate transformations | Datum shift
|                          | Mirroring
|                          | Rotation
|                          | Scaling

| 3-D touch probe applications | Touch probe functions for setting the datum

### TNC Specifications

| Block processing time | 40 ms/block
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Control loop cycle time | Contouring interpolation: 6 ms
| Data transfer rate | Maximum 115 200 baud
| Ambient temperature | In operation: 0°C to +45°C
|                      | Storage: −30°C to +70°C
| Traverse range | Maximum 30 m (1181 inches)
| Traversing speed | Maximum 30 m/min (1181 inches/min)
| Spindle speed | Maximum 30 000 rpm
| Input range | Minimum 1 µm (0.0001 inches) or 0.001°
|                      | Maximum 30 000 mm (1181 inches) or 30 000°
13.4 TNC Error Messages

The TNC automatically generates error messages when it detects problems such as

- Incorrect data input
- Logical errors in the program
- Contour elements that are impossible to machine
- Incorrect use of the touch probe system

Some of the more frequent TNC error messages are explained in the following list.

An error message that contains a program block number was caused by an error in the indicated block or in the preceding block. To clear the TNC error message, first correct the error and then press the CE key.

**TNC error messages during programming**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Message</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>FURTHER PROGRAM ENTRY IMPOSSIBLE</td>
<td>Erase some old files to make room for new ones.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ENTRY VALUE INCORRECT</td>
<td>Enter a correct label number.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Note the input limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EXT. IN-/OUTPUT NOT READY</td>
<td>Connect the data transfer cable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Transfer cable is defective or not soldered properly</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Switch on the connected device (PC, printer).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The data transfer speeds (baud rates) are not identical</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROTECTED PGM !</td>
<td>Cancel edit protection if you wish to edit the program.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LABEL NUMBER ALREADY ASSIGNED</td>
<td>A given label number can only be entered once in a program.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JUMPTO LABEL 0 NOT PERMITTED</td>
<td>Do not program CALL LBL 0.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**TNC error messages during test run and program run**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error Message</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>AXIS DOUBLE PROGRAMMED</td>
<td>Each axis can have only one value for position coordinates.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SELECTED BLOCK NOT ADDRESSED</td>
<td>Before a test run or program run, you must enter GOTO 0.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOUCH POINT INACCESSIBLE</td>
<td>Pre-position the 3-D touch probe to a position nearer the model</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ARITHMETICAL ERROR</td>
<td>You have calculated with non-permissible values</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Define values within the range limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Choose probe positions for the 3-D touch probe that are farther apart.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PATH OFFSETWRONGLY ENDED</td>
<td>Do not cancel tool radius compensation in a block with a circular path.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PATH OFFSETWRONGLY STARTED</td>
<td>Use the same radius compensation before and after an RND and CHF block.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Do not begin tool radius compensation in a block with a circular path.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Error Message</td>
<td>Description</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-------------------------------------</td>
<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CYCL INCOMPLETE</td>
<td>- Define the cycles with all data in the proper sequence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Do not call the coordinate transformation cycles</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Define a cycle before calling it</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Enter a pecking depth other than 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BLK FORM DEFINITION INCORRECT</td>
<td>- Program the MIN and MAX points according to the instructions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Choose a ratio of sides that is less than 200:1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLANE WRONGLY DEFINED</td>
<td>- Do not change the tool axis while a basic rotation is active</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Correctly define the main axes for circular arcs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Define both main axes for CC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WRONG AXIS PROGRAMMED</td>
<td>- Do not attempt to program locked axes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Program a rectangular pocket or slot in the working plane.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Do not mirror rotary axes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Enter a positive chamfer length</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WRONG RPM</td>
<td>Program a spindle speed within the programmed range.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CHAMFER NOT PERMITTED</td>
<td>A chamfer block must be located between two straight-line blocks with</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>identical radius compensation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FAULTY PROGRAM DATA</td>
<td>The program that was read in through the data interface contains incorrect</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>block formats.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GROSS POSITIONING ERROR</td>
<td>The TNC monitors positions and movements.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>If the actual position deviates excessively from the nominal position,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>this blinking error message is displayed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>You must press the END key for a few seconds to acknowledge the error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>message (system reset).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NO EDITING OF RUNNING PROGRAM</td>
<td>A program cannot be edited while it is being executed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CIRCLE END POS. INCORRECT</td>
<td>- Enter complete information for the connecting arc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Enter end points that lie on the circular path.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CIRCLE CENTER UNDEFINED</td>
<td>- Define a circle center with the CC key</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Define a pole with the CC key</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LABEL NUMBER NOT FOUND</td>
<td>Only call label numbers that have been set.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCALING FACTOR NOT PERMITTED</td>
<td>Enter identical scaling factors for coordinate axes in the plane of the</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>circle.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PGM-SECTION CANNOT BE SHOWN</td>
<td>- Enter a smaller tool radius.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- Enter a tool axis for simulation that is the same as the axis in the</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>BLK FORM.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RADIUS COMP. UNDEFINED</td>
<td>Radius compensation RR or RL is only possible when tool radius is not</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>equal to 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUNding-OFF NOT PERMITTED</td>
<td>Enter tangentially connecting arcs and rounding arcs correctly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUNding RADIUS TOOL LARGE</td>
<td>Rounding arcs must fit between contour elements.</td>
</tr>
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### 13.4 TNC Error Messages

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<td><strong>KEY NON-FUNCTIONAL</strong></td>
<td>This message always appears when you press a key that is not needed for the current dialog.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>STYLUS ALREADY IN CONTACT</strong></td>
<td>Before probing, pre-position the stylus where it is not touching the workpiece surface.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>PROBE SYSTEM NOT READY</strong></td>
<td>Check whether the touch probe is ready for operation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>PROGRAM START UNDEFINED</strong></td>
<td>Begin the program only with a TOOL DEF block. Do not resume an interrupted program at a block with a tangential arc or if a previously defined pole is needed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>FEED RATE IS MISSING</strong></td>
<td>Enter the feed rate for the positioning block. Enter FMAX in each block.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOOL RADIUS TOO LARGE</strong></td>
<td>Enter a tool radius that lies within the given limits permits the contour elements to be calculated and machined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ANGLE REFERENCE MISSING</strong></td>
<td>Complete your definition of the arc and its end points. If you enter polar coordinates, define the polar angle correctly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>EXCESSIVE SUBPROGRAMMING</strong></td>
<td>Conclude all subprograms with LBL0. Program CALL LBL for subprograms without REP. Program CALL LBL for program section repeats to include the repetitions (REP). Subprograms cannot call themselves. Subprograms cannot be nested in more than eight levels.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
13.5 Exchanging the Buffer Battery

A buffer battery supplies the TNC with current to prevent the data in RAM memory from being lost when the TNC is switched off.

If the TNC displays the error message EXCHANGE BUFFER BATTERY, then you must replace the batteries. The batteries are located in the control housing (refer also to your Machine Manual). The TNC also has an power storage device that provide the control with current while you are exchanging the batteries (for a maximum of 24 hours).

To exchange the buffer battery, first switch off the TNC!
The buffer battery must be exchanged only by trained service personnel!

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<td></td>
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<td>77</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>Optional program run interruption</td>
<td></td>
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<td>Stop program run/Spindle STOP/Coolant OFF/Clear status display (depending on machine parameter)/Go to block 1</td>
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<td>Spindle ON clockwise</td>
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<td>M04</td>
<td>Spindle ON counterclockwise</td>
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