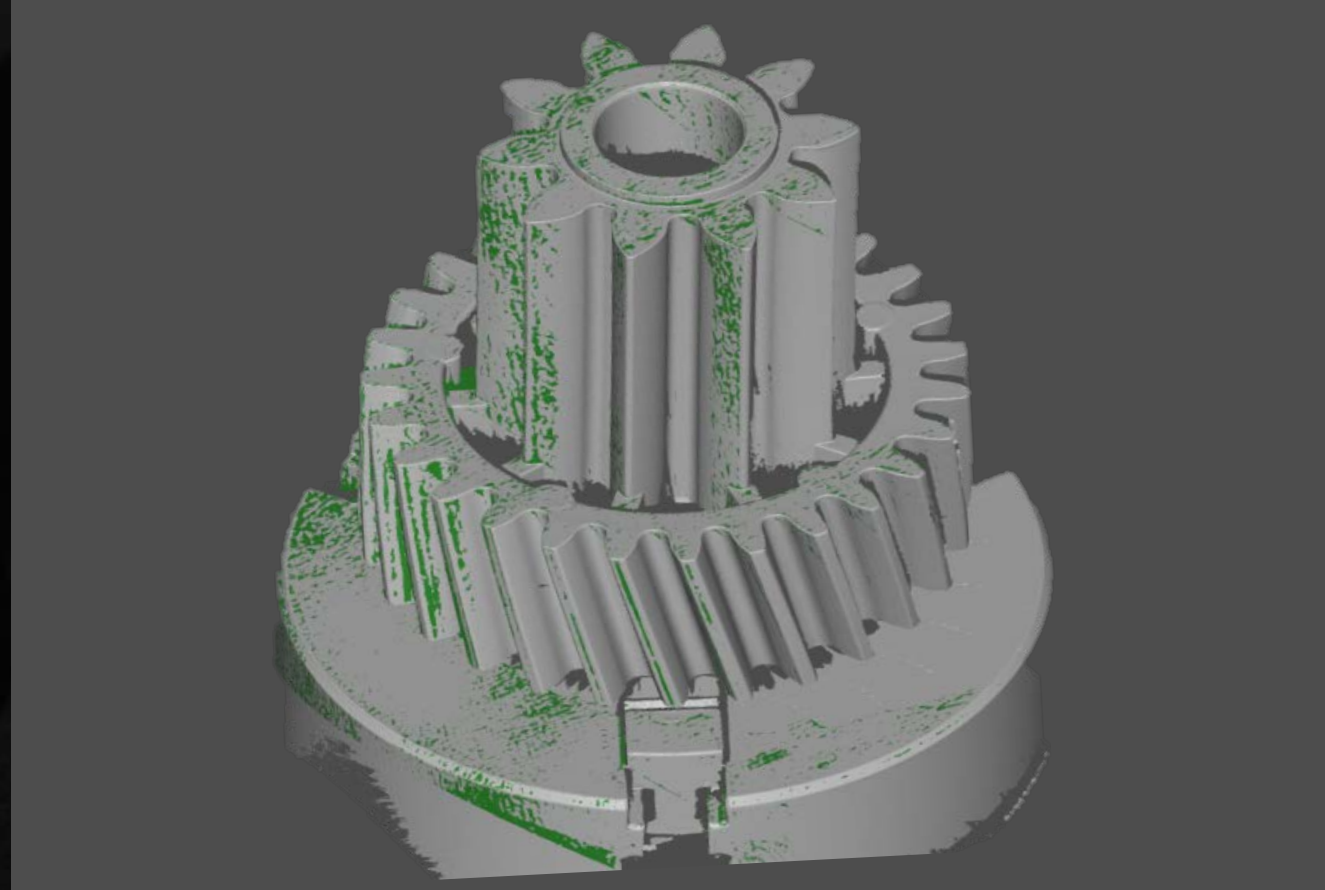


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Plastic gears on Coordinate Measuring Machines und non-contact metrology systems



Agenda



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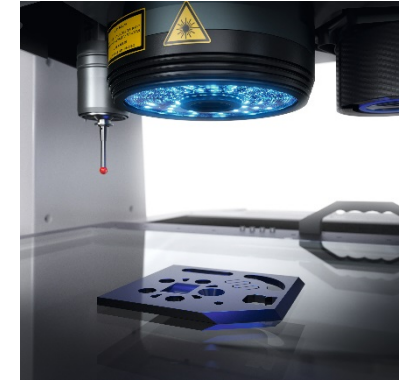
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Introduction and presentation of the compared workpieces.



Non-contact metrology systems are established in a wide range of application fields



- Which possibilities arise for the application field gears regarding accuracy / comparability / measurement time reduction / totally captured surface?
- Measurement comparison with focus on numerical gear specific parameters acc. to ISO 1328-1:2013-09

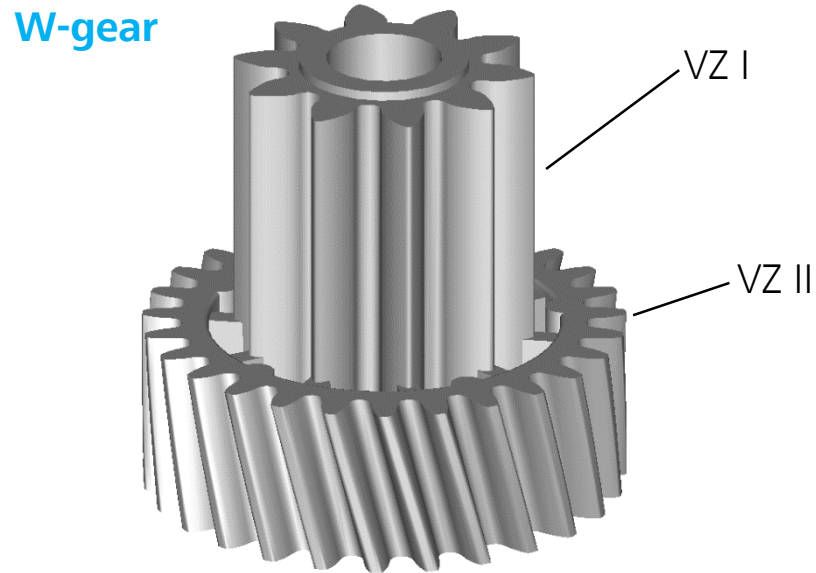
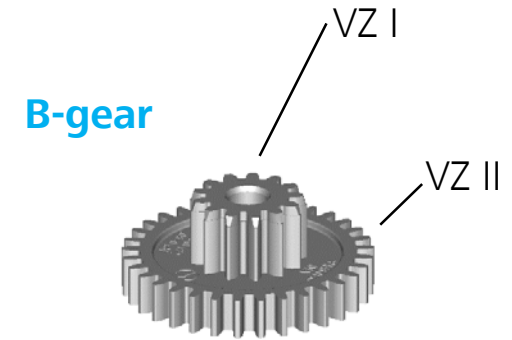
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Introduction and presentation of the compared workpieces.

Requirements for an practically orientated measurement comparison

- Gears instead of splines
- Spur and helical gears
- Pressure angle $\alpha \leq 30^\circ$
- Plastic due to good radiolucency properties (suitable for CT systems)
- Different workpiece surface properties (challenge for non-contact systems)



Gear	W-gear		B-gear	
Gearing	VZ I	VZ II	VZ I	VZ II
Label	W-gear_ z10_m2.5 _β0	W-gear_ z27_m1.75 _β15	B-gear_ z13_m0.75 _β0	B-gear_ z33_m0.75 _β0
No. of teeth z	10	27	13	33
Module m_n	2.5 mm	1.75 mm	0.75 mm	0.75 mm
Pressure angle α	20°	20°	20°	20°
Helix angle β	0°	15° L	0°	0°
Tip diameter d_a	32 mm	50.95 mm	11.85 mm	25.25 mm
Face width b	28 mm	18 mm	6 mm	4 mm

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Overview of the compared measuring principles.

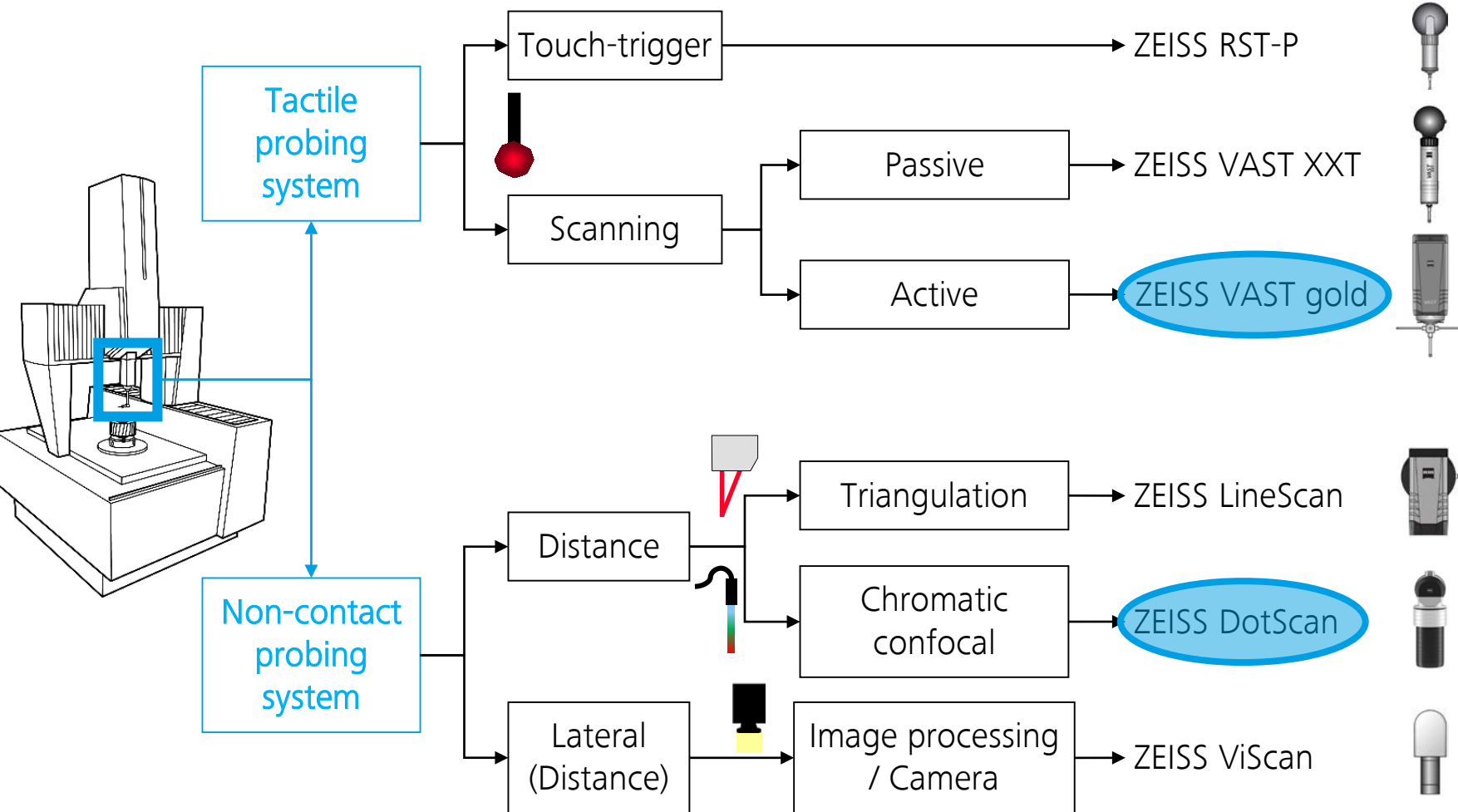
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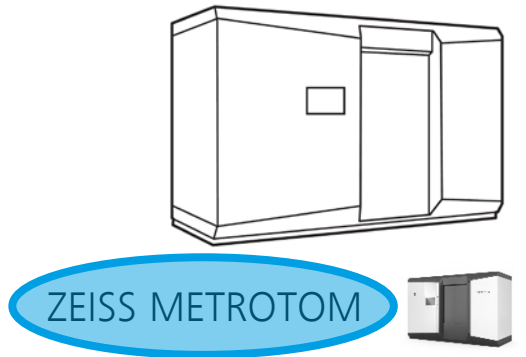
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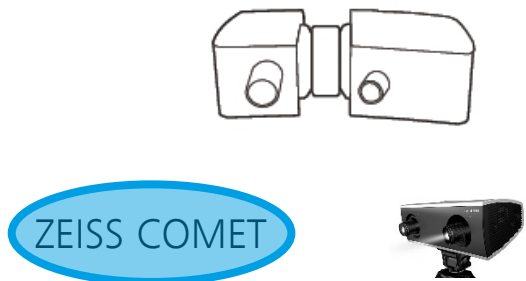
Coordinate Measuring Machine



Computed Tomography System



Triangulation / Fringe projection



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Overview of the compared metrology systems.

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Overview of the compared metrology systems.



Tactile – ZEISS PRISMO ultra with VAST gold



W-gear with VAST gold and RT-AB

Triangulation / fringe projection – ZEISS COMET



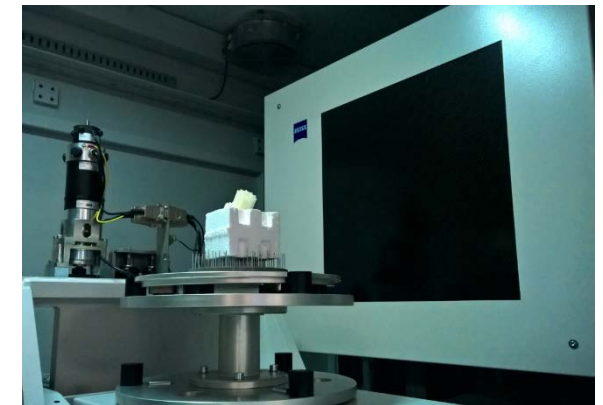
W-gear with COMET LED 8M

Chromatic confocal – ZEISS PRISMO ultra with DotScan



B-gear with DotScan 3 mm

Computed tomography – ZEISS METROTOM



W-gear with METROTOM 1500

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Measurement comparison.

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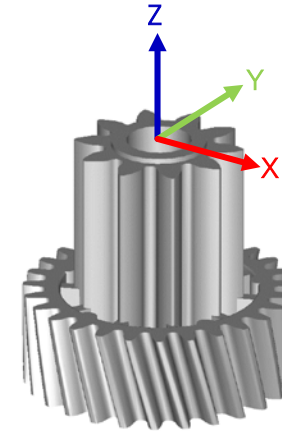
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Measurement comparison.

Measurement strategy

- Measuring scope and workpiece alignment is identical for all measuring systems
- Workpiece alignment is determined in the bore of the gear
- Evaluation of profile and helix on all teeth on both gearings
- Pitch, runout and tooth thickness are calculated from the profile measurement
- 5 repeatability runs for each measuring system



Workpiece properties

- W-gear: white plastic with volume scattering semitransparent surface (challenge for non-contact systems)
- B-gear: black plastic (better material properties for optical systems)
- Workpieces with big deviations to the nominal geometry were selected deliberately (pre-production parts)
 - W-gear: profile and helix angle deviation up to 100 μm
total pitch deviation up to 80 μm / tooth thickness deviation up to 400 μm
 - B-gear: profile and helix angle deviation up to 15 μm
total pitch deviation up to 150 μm / tooth thickness deviation up to 150 μm

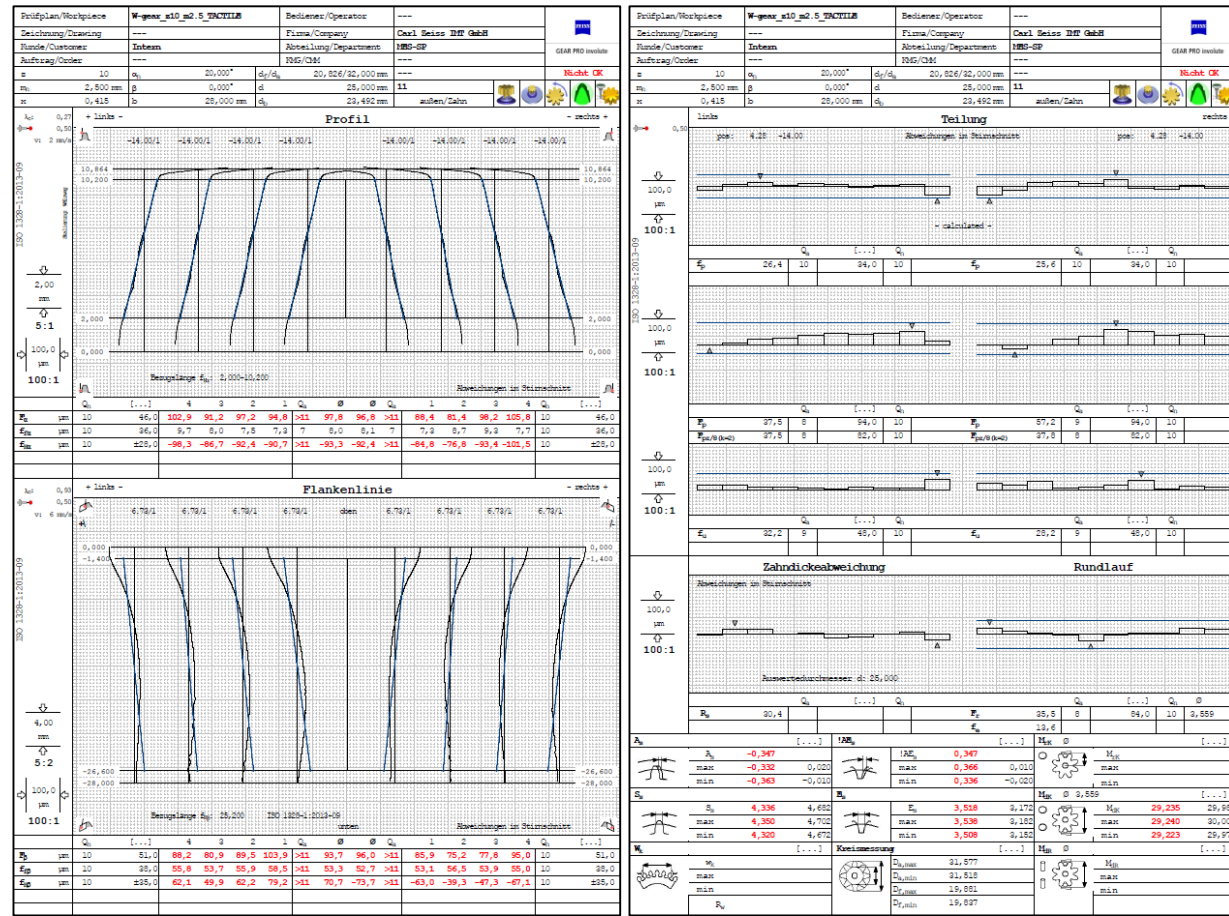
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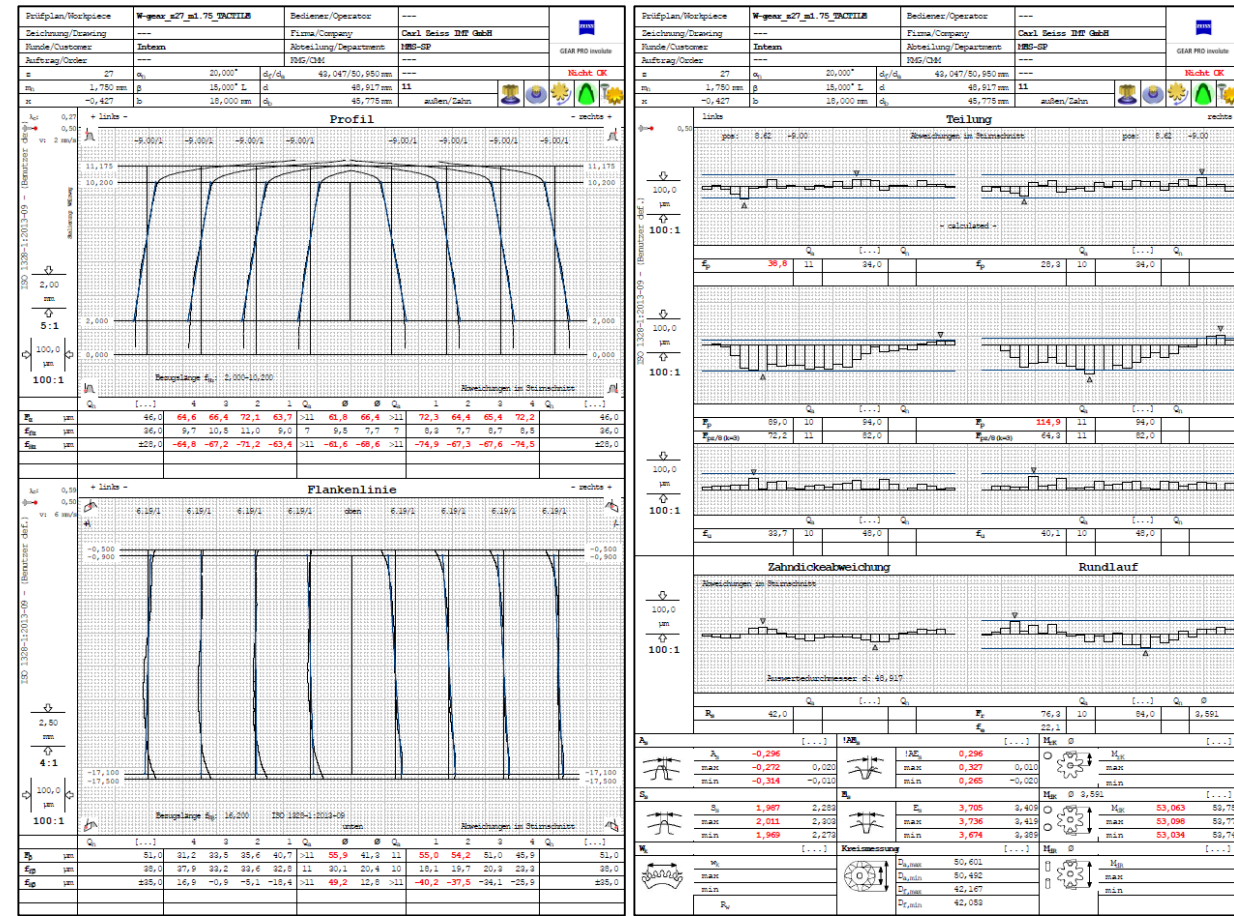
Measurement comparison.

Example printout tactile W-gear

W-gear_z10_m2.5_β0



W-gear_z27_m1.75_β15



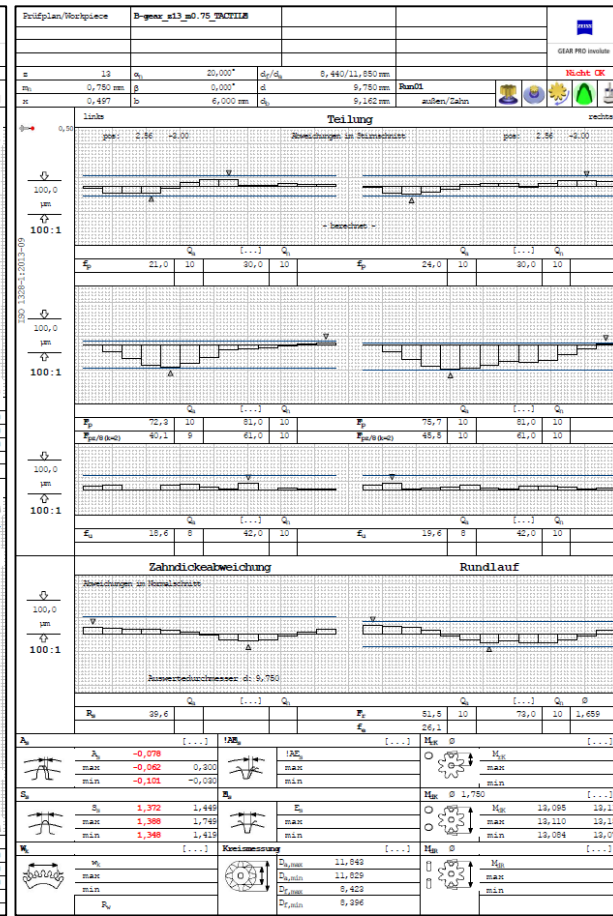
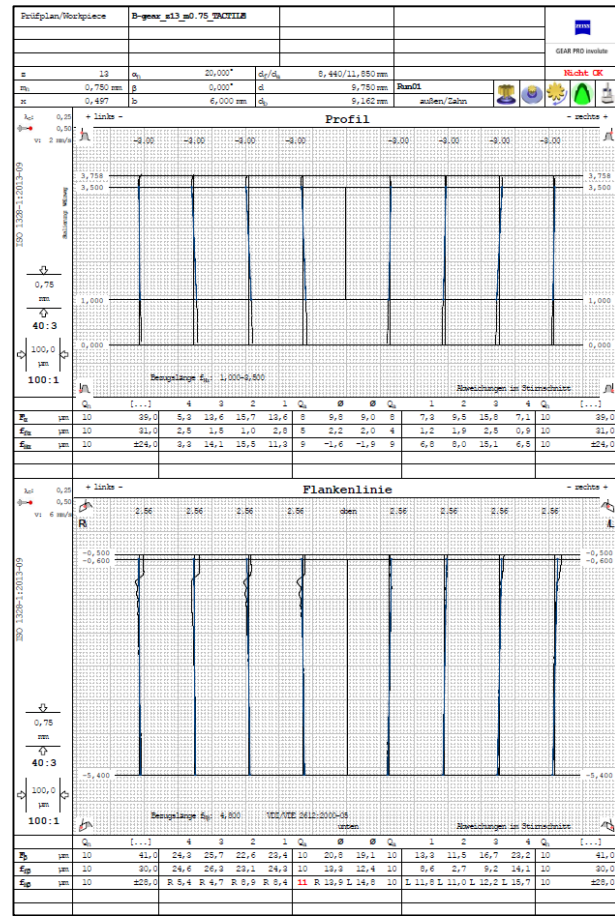
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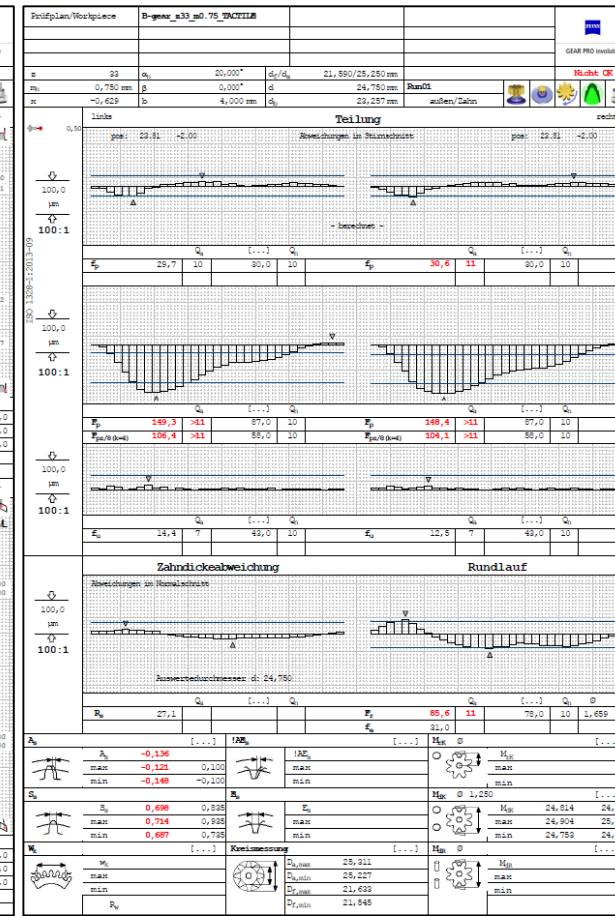
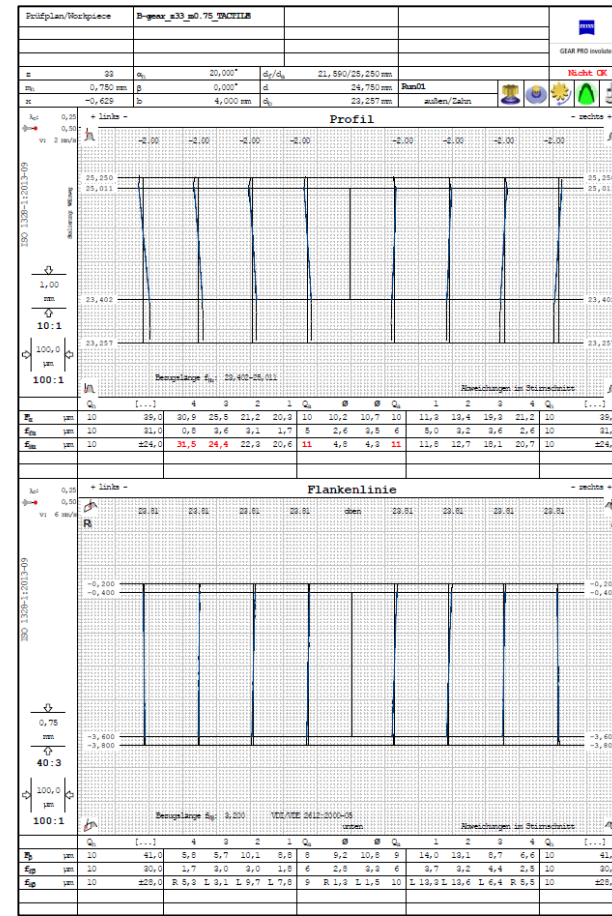
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Example printout tactile B-gear

B-gear_z13_m0.75_β0



B-gear_z33_m0.75_β0



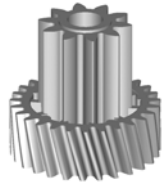
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Measurement comparison.

Result overview over all measurements from VZ I and VZ II

W-gear







↔ D: 51 mm
↑↓ H: 50 mm

B-gear



↔ D: 25 mm
↑↓ H: 10 mm

Measuring principle	Tactile	Chromatic confocal		Fringe projection		Computed tomography	
Metrology system	ZEISS VAST gold 	ZEISS DotScan 3 mm 		ZEISS COMET L3D 8M 		ZEISS METROTOM 1500 	
W-gear	RANGE	RANGE	BIAS	RANGE	BIAS	RANGE	BIAS
Profile form	0.2 µm	2 µm	6 µm	3 µm	2 µm	3 µm	12 µm
Profile angle	0.5 µm	3 µm	8 µm	2 µm	10 µm	2 µm	4 µm
Helix form	0.2 µm	2 µm	3 µm	3 µm	2 µm	2 µm	12 µm
Helix angle	0.5 µm	3 µm	3 µm	2 µm	10 µm	2 µm	4 µm
Pitch	0.5 µm	4 µm	2 µm	4 µm	10 µm	5 µm	4 µm
Runout	0.5 µm	4 µm	2 µm	4 µm	10 µm	5 µm	5 µm
Tooth thickness	0.5 µm	2 µm	8 µm	2 µm	20 µm	4 µm	4 µm
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Preparation [t]	7 Min	9 Min		15 Min		5 Min	
Measurement time [t]	30 Min	30 Min		6 Min		10 Min	
Evaluation time [t]	< 1 Min	< 1 Min		< 1 Min		< 1 Min	
Total time [t]	38 Min	40 Min		42 Min		66 Min	

Measuring principle	Tactile	Chromatic confocal		Fringe projection		Computed tomography	
Metrology system	ZEISS VAST gold 	ZEISS DotScan 3 mm 		ZEISS COMET L3D 8M 		ZEISS METROTOM 1500 	
B-gear	RANGE	RANGE	BIAS	RANGE	BIAS	RANGE	BIAS
Profile form	0.2 µm	2 µm	3 µm	2 µm	3 µm	3 µm	4 µm
Profile angle	0.5 µm	1 µm	3 µm	2 µm	6 µm	2 µm	2 µm
Helix form	0.2 µm	2 µm	3 µm	2 µm	3 µm	3 µm	4 µm
Helix angle	0.5 µm	1 µm	3 µm	2 µm	6 µm	2 µm	2 µm
Pitch	0.5 µm	3 µm	4 µm	5 µm	10 µm	3 µm	2 µm
Runout	0.5 µm	3 µm	4 µm	5 µm	12 µm	4 µm	5 µm
Tooth thickness	0.5 µm	1 µm	5 µm	4 µm	10 µm	4 µm	4 µm
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Measurement time [t]	22 Min	22 Min		4 Min		9 Min	
Evaluation time [t]	< 1 Min	< 1 Min		< 1 Min		< 1 Min	
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Analysis.


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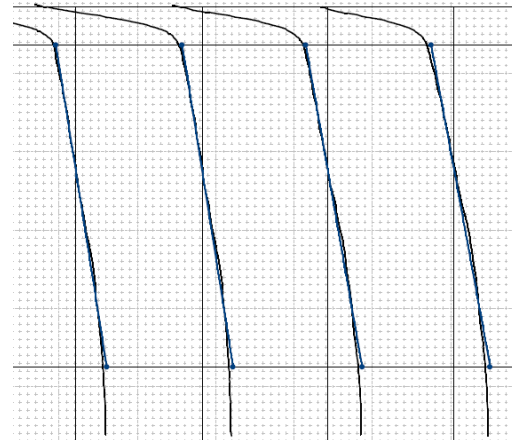
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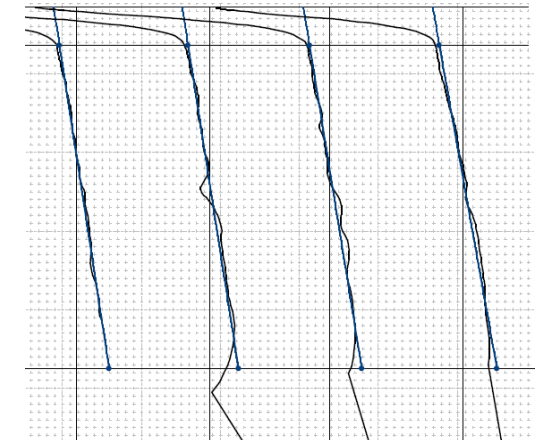
Chromatic confocal – ZEISS DotScan

Measuring principle	Chromatic confocal	
Metrology system	ZEISS DotScan 3 mm 	
W-gear	RANGE	BIAS
Profile form	2 µm	6 µm
Profile angle	3 µm	8 µm
Helix form	2 µm	3 µm
Helix angle	3 µm	3 µm
Pitch	4 µm	2 µm
Runout	4 µm	2 µm
Tooth thickness	2 µm	8 µm
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- Profile and tooth thickness conspicuous
- W-gear z27 m1.75 β15 Profile tactile



Profile chromatic confocal



- Due to the probing system housing poor accessibility into small bores
- For the workpiece alignment maybe a probing system change to a tactile probing system is necessary (total time and measurement uncertainty are increasing)
- Limited accessibility especially in the root area of the gaps (acceptance angle is limiting)
- Semitransparent surface is distorting the measurement signal, due to the volume scattering no clear measurement point at the surface of the W-gear is possible (focus point inside the material)

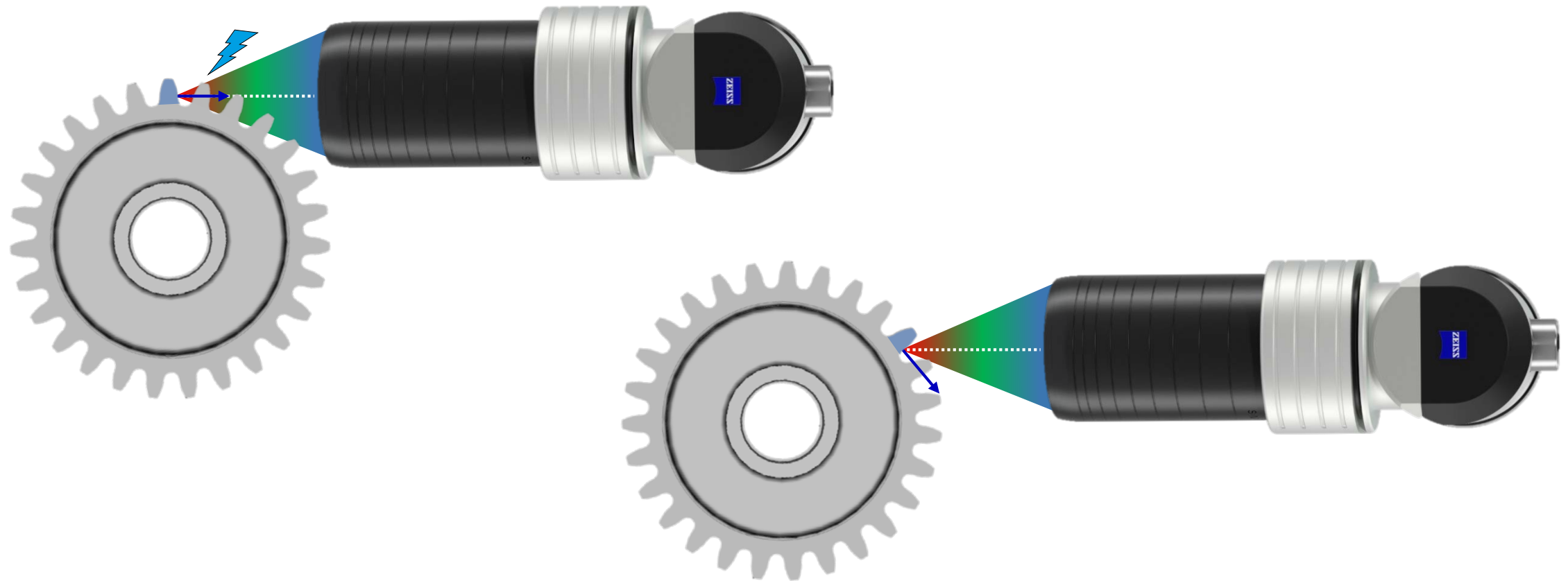
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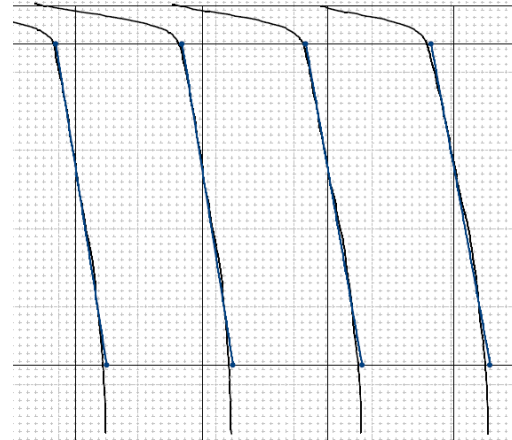
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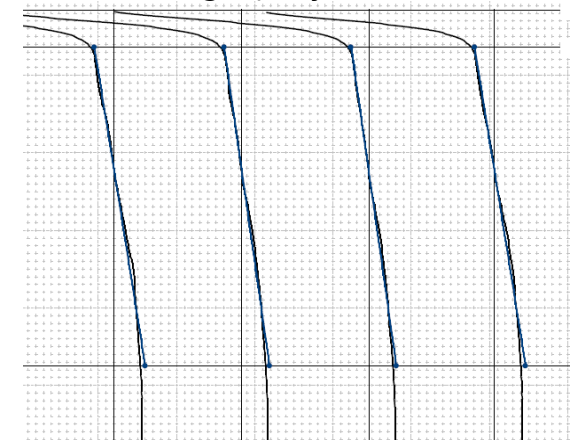
Triangulation / fringe projection – ZEISS COMET

Measuring principle	Fringe projection	
Metrology system	ZEISS COMET LED 8M	
		
W-gear	RANGE	BIAS
Profile form	3 µm	2 µm
Profile angle	2 µm	10 µm
Helix form	3 µm	7 µm
Helix angle	2 µm	10 µm
Pitch	4 µm	10 µm
Runout	4 µm	10 µm
Tooth thickness	2 µm	20 µm
Dataset size	40 MB	
Dataset creation time [t]	20 Min	
Preparation [t]	15 Min	
Measurement time [t]	6 Min	
Evaluation time [t]	< 1 Min	
Total time [t]	42 Min	

- Angle deviations, pitch, runout and tooth thickness conspicuous
- W-gear z27 m1.75 β15 Profile tactile



Profile fringe projector



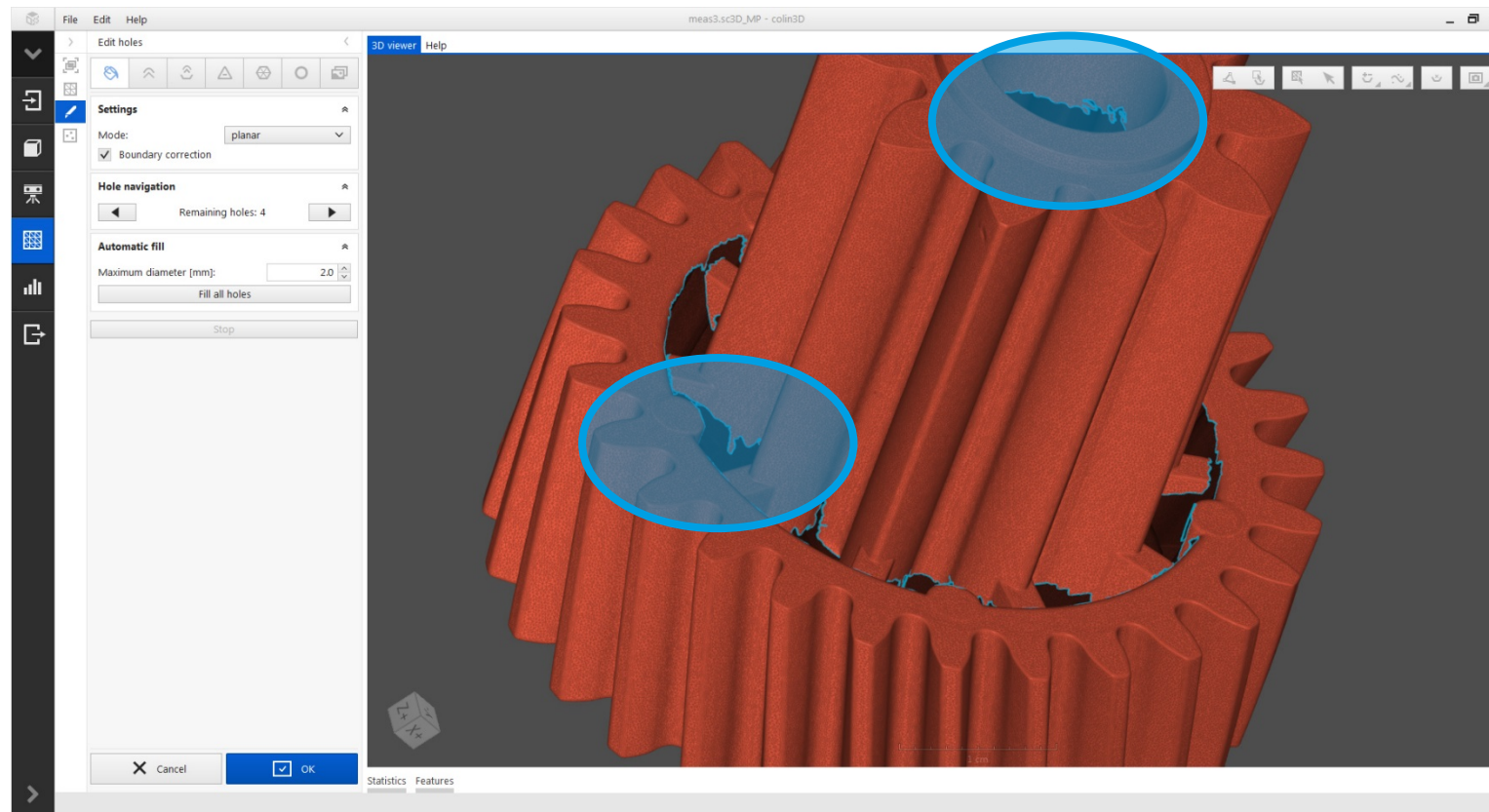
- Determined by the system poor accessibility in small bores
- For an almost complete capturing 2 orientations with 30 angle steps are necessary
- Antireflection spray necessary (minimization of reflections at mirroring surfaces)
- Homogeneous spraying of antireflection spray over the tooth height/face width is not easy, angle deviations and tooth thickness is influenced by factor 2

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Triangulation / fringe projection – ZEISS COMET

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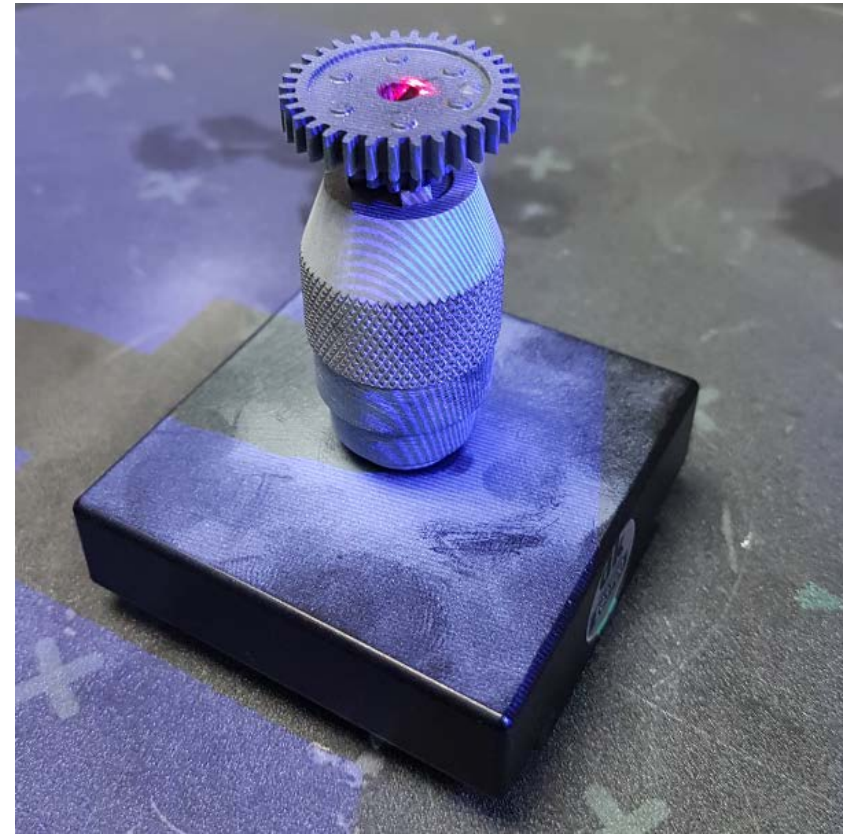
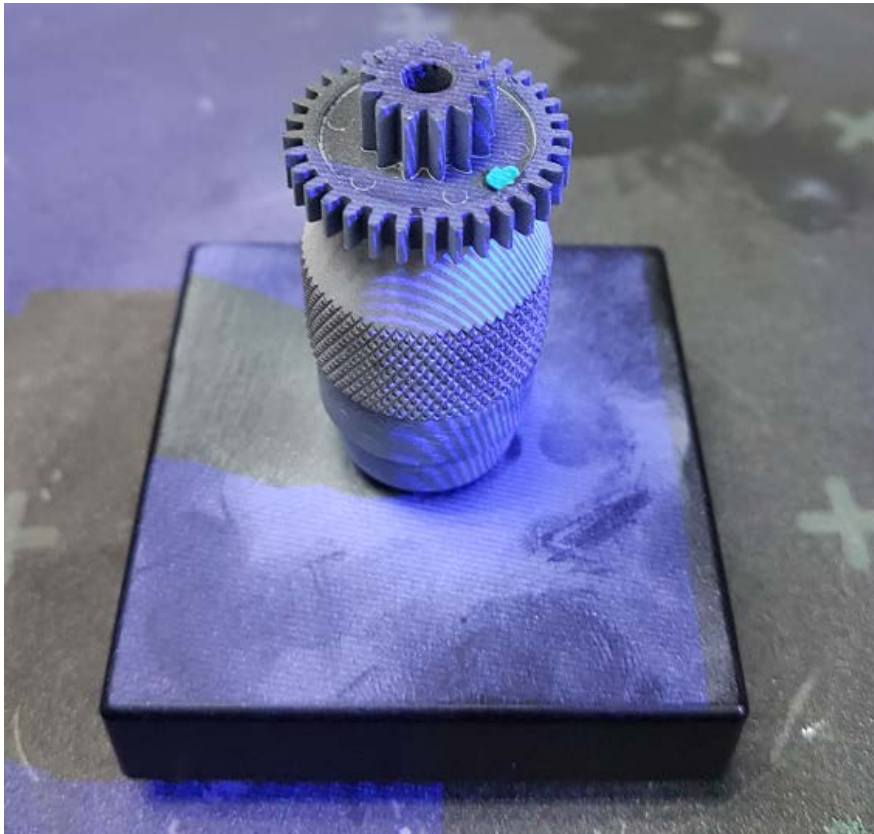
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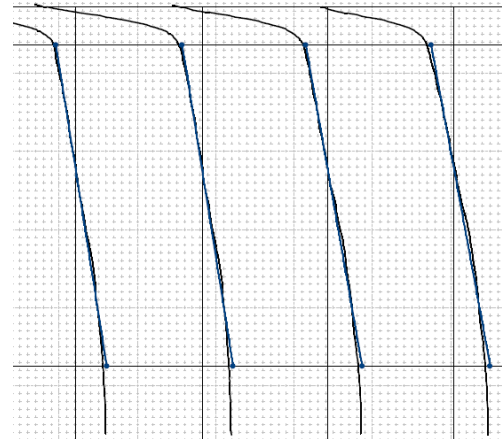
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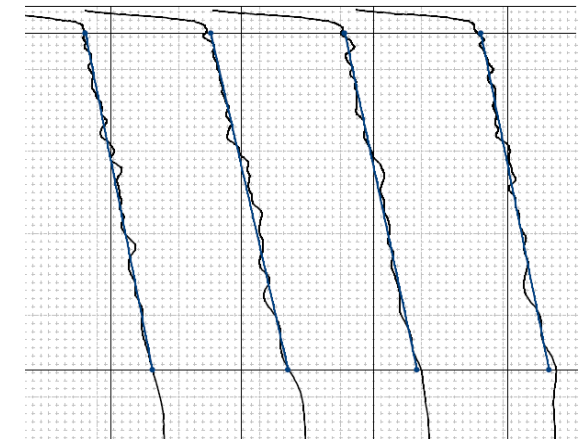
Computed tomography – ZEISS METROTOM

Measuring principle	Computed tomography	
Metrology system	ZEISS METROTOM 1500 	
W-gear	RANGE	BIAS
Profile form	3 µm	12 µm
Profile angle	2 µm	2 µm
Helix form	2 µm	12 µm
Helix angle	2 µm	4 µm
Pitch	5 µm	4 µm
Runout	5 µm	5 µm
Tooth thickness	4 µm	4 µm
Dataset size	8000 MB	
Dataset creation time [t]	50 Min	
Preparation [t]	5 Min	
Measurement time [t]	10 Min	
Evaluation time [t]	< 1 Min	
Total time [t]	66 Min	

- Form deviations conspicuous
- W-gear z27 m1.75 β15 Profile tactile



Profile computed tomography



- Determined by the system the resolution is depending from the necessary radiography power
- The bigger and thick-walled the workpiece is, the more power is required
- The higher the power, the bigger the arising focal spot on the object surface is and due to this less measurement points or less accurate points can be captured
- Higher filter settings can achieve better comparable form deviations

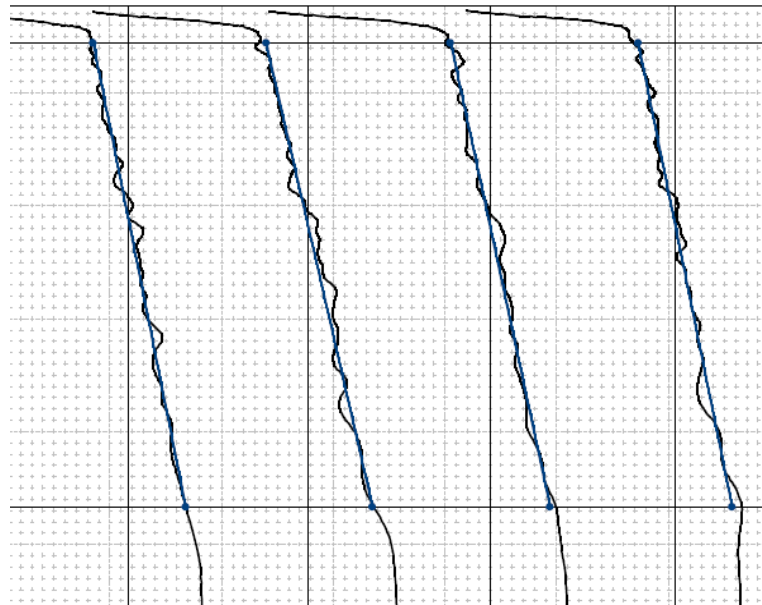
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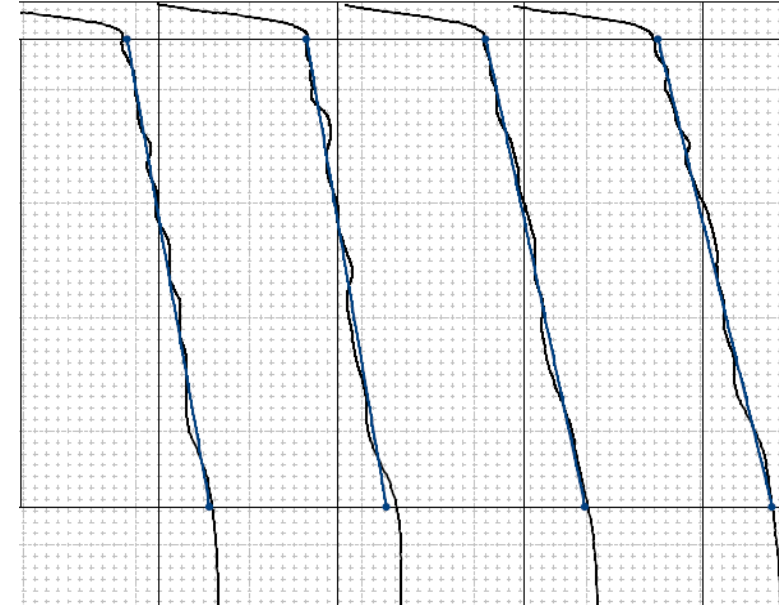


Computed tomography – ZEISS METROTOM

- Higher filter settings can achieve better comparable form deviations



W-gear z27 m1.75 β 15 resulting ISO filter 0,27 mm



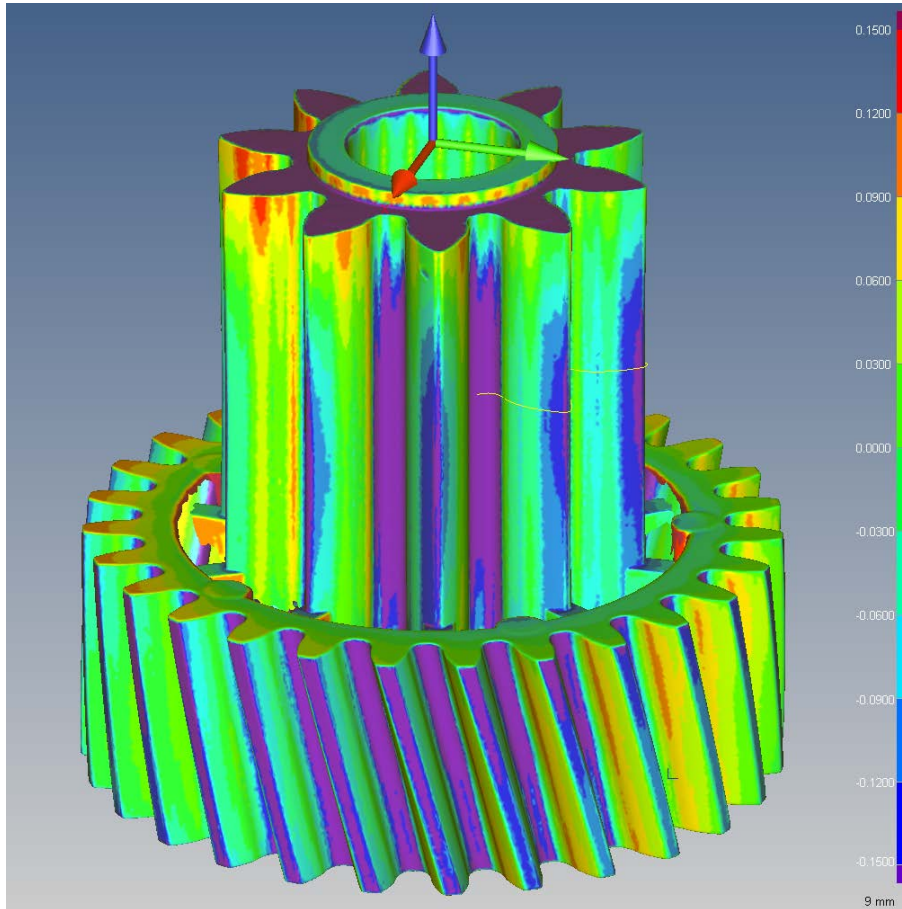
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Advantages of surface capturing non-contact metrology systems



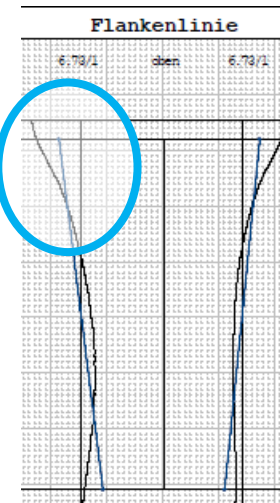
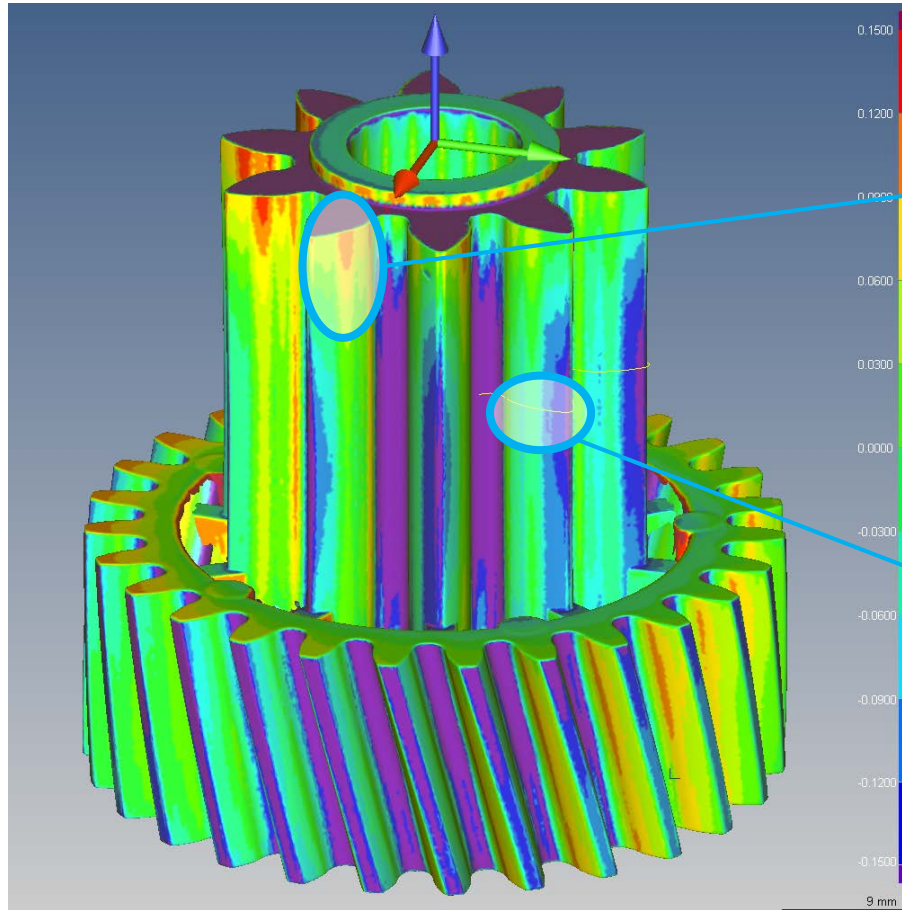
- Complete surface capturing
- Comprehensive visualization
- Colored chromatic deviation presentation / nominal/actual comparison directly on CAD model
- Gear specific parameters from the report can be completely visualized in a 3D view

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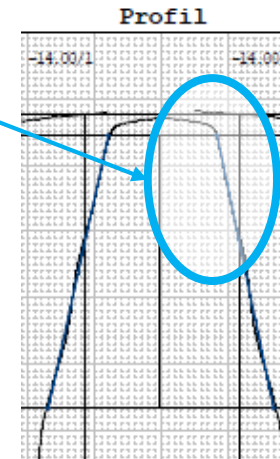
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Helix

Concave flank in axial direction with plus material (red) at the upper reference plane



Profile

Minus material (blue) in the area tooth tip / middle of face width

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Summary.

Plastic gears on Coordinate Measuring Machines und non-contact metrology systems

Tactile

- Highest accuracy for gear specific parameters
- Repeatability $\ll 1 \mu\text{m}^*$
- Surface capturing very time-consuming
- Measurement force can have negative influence on soft materials - active probing systems offer benefits



Triangulation / fringe projection

- Very good suitable for surface capturing
- Color chromatic deviation presentation
- Antireflection spray is influencing the result
- Disadvantages at mirroring surfaces (scattered reflections)
- Repeatability $< 5 \mu\text{m}^*$
- Bias $< 20 \mu\text{m}^*$



Chromatic confocal

- Good accuracy for good accessible gears (splines and spur gears)
- Advantages at 360° transversal intersection measurements (cycloids, rotors)
- Surface capturing very time-consuming
- Repeatability $< 5 \mu\text{m}^*$
- Bias $< 8 \mu\text{m}^*$



Computed tomography

- Very good suitable for surface capturing and non-destructive testing inside the material
- Color chromatic deviation presentation
- Strong limitations regarding object size and workpiece properties
- Repeatability $< 5 \mu\text{m}^*$
- Bias $< 15 \mu\text{m}^*$

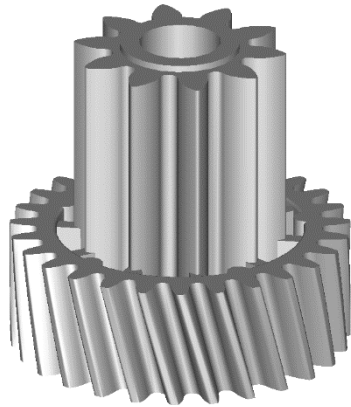


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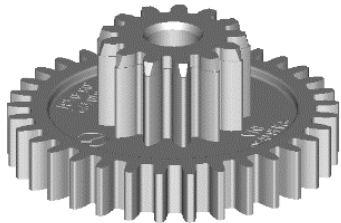


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