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Part 1:
Machines with horizontal spindle

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Partie 1: Machines à broche horizontale

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Foreword

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ISO 1701 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Test conditions for milling machines with table of variable height — Testing of the accuracy*:

— *Part 1: Machines with horizontal spindle*

— *Part 2: Machines with vertical spindle*

Test conditions for milling machines with table of variable height — Testing of the accuracy —

Part 1:
Machines with horizontal spindle

1 Scope

This part of ISO 1701 specifies, with reference to ISO 230-1, both geometric and machining tests on general purpose, normal accuracy, horizontal-spindle milling machines with table of variable height. It also specifies the applicable tolerances corresponding to the above-mentioned tests.

NOTE   Milling machines with table of fixed height are covered by ISO 1984.

This part of ISO 1701 deals only with the verification of accuracy of the machine. It does not apply to the testing of the running of the machine (vibration, abnormal noise, stick-slip motion of components, etc.), nor to machine characteristics (such as speeds, feeds, etc.), as such checks are generally carried out before testing the accuracy.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 230-1:1996, *Test code for machine tools — Part 1: Geometric accuracy of machines operating under no-load or finishing conditions*

ISO 3855, *Milling cutters — Nomenclature*

3 Terminology, designation of axes and milling operations

3.1 Terminology and designation of axes
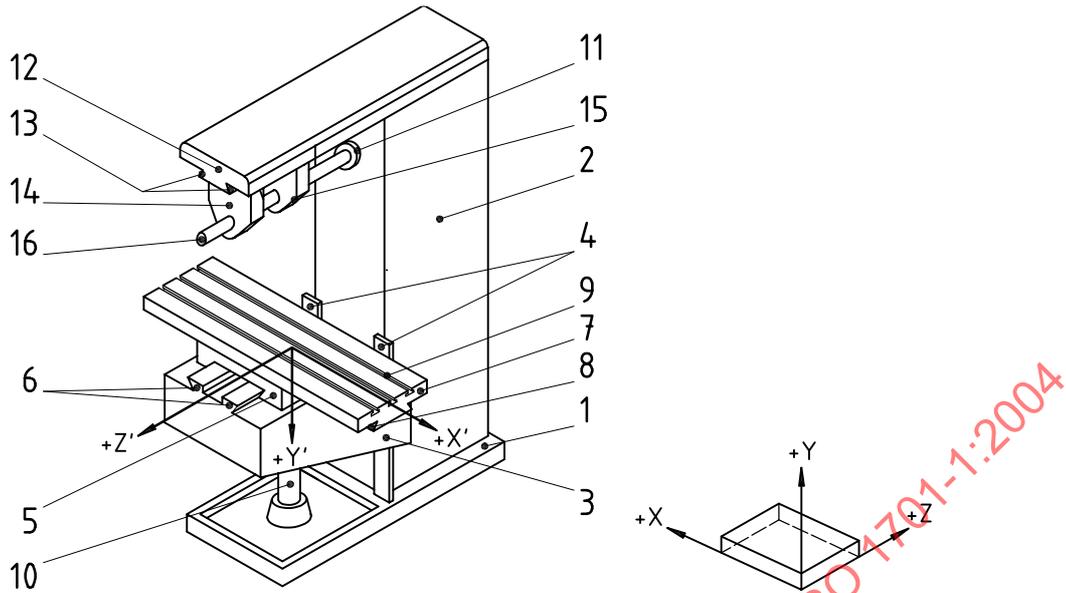
See Figures 1 and 2 and Tables 1 and 2.

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Figure 1 — Milling machine with table of variable height, with fixed horizontal spindle

Table 1 — Terminology

Key	Désignation		
	English	**French**	**Russian**
1	Base-plate with tray	Socle	Основание
2	Column	Montant	Стойка
3	Knee	Console	Консоль
4	Knee slideways	Glissières de la console	Направляющие консоли
5	Saddle	Chariot transversal	Салазки
6	Saddle slideways	Glissières du mouvement transversal de la table	Направляющие салазок
7	Table	Table porte-pièce	Стол
8	Table slideways	Glissières du mouvement longitudinal de la table	Направляющие стола
9	Table surface	Surface utile de la table	Рабочая поверхность стола
10	Vertical feed-screw	Vis verticale	Винт вертикального перемещения
11	Spindle nose	Nez de broche	Передний конец шпинделя
12	Overarm	Bras-support	Хобот
13	Overarm slideways	Glissière du bras-support	Направляющая хобота
14	Front arbor support	Lunette avant	Передняя серьга
15	Rear arbor support	Lunette arrière	Задняя серьга
16	Arbor	Arbre porte-fraise	Оправка

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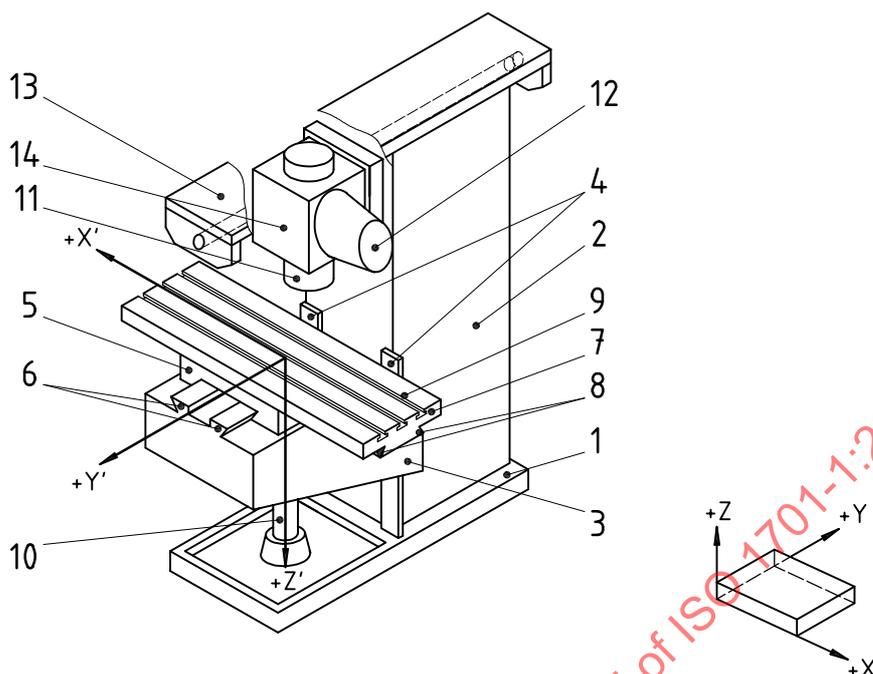
Figure 2 — Milling machine with table of variable height, with a movable head, with horizontal or vertical spindle

Table 2 — Terminology

Key	Designation		
	English	**French**	**Russian**
1	Base-plate with tray	Socle	Основание
2	Column	Montant	Стойка
3	Knee	Console	Консоль
4	Knee slideways	Glissières de la console	Направляющие консоли
5	Saddle	Chariot transversal	Салазки
6	Saddle slideways	Glissières du mouvement transversal de la table	Направляющие салазок
7	Table	Table porte-pièce	Стол
8	Table slideways	Glissières du mouvement longitudinal de la table	Направляющие стола
9	Table surface	Surface utile de la table	Рабочая поверхность стола
10	Vertical feed-screw	Vis verticale	Винт вертикального перемещения
11	Vertical spindle nose	Nez de broche verticale	Конец вертикального шпинделя
12	Horizontal spindle nose	Nez de broche horizontale	Конец горизонтального шпинделя
13	Horizontal milling attachment	Dispositif de fraisage horizontal	Ползун
14	Movable head	Tête amovible	Поворотная головка
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3.2 Milling operations

Milling is a machining operation, which consists of removing material by means of a rotary tool called a "milling cutter" of which there are several different types.

The usual operations of milling can be divided into three categories:

— slab milling operations (see Figure 3);

— face milling operations (see Figure 4);
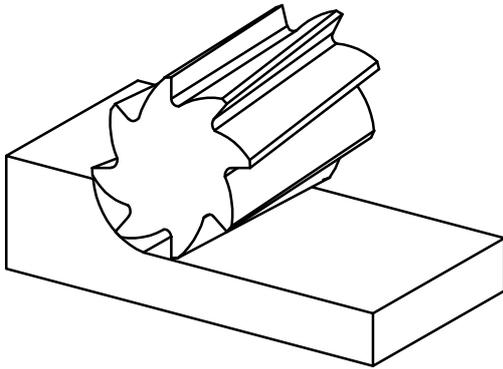
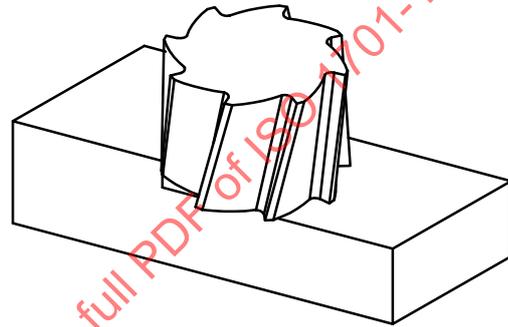— end milling operations (see Figure 5).

Figure 3 — Slab milling operation   **Figure 4 — Face milling operation**
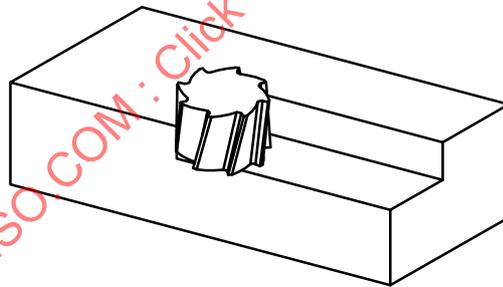
Figure 5 — End milling operation

3.3 Description of machines

In milling machines with table of variable height with horizontal spindle, the base-plate is rigidly fixed to the column (see Figures 1 and 2).

In this type of machine, the cutting movement is given by the spindle, the axis of which is horizontal.

The feed movements are as follows:

a) **Milling machine with horizontal spindle** (see Figure 1)

— The X axis of motion constitutes the longitudinal movement of the table.

— The Y axis of motion constitutes the vertical movement of the table.

— The Z axis of motion is parallel to the spindle axis and constitutes the transverse movement of the table.

b) **Milling machine with movable head with horizontal or vertical spindle axis** (see Figure 2)

— The X axis of motion constitutes the longitudinal movement of the table.

— The Y axis of motion constitutes the transverse movement of the table.

— The Z axis of motion constitutes the vertical movement of the table.

NOTE   All these feed movements may be carried out by a rapid traverse of the element in question.

4   Preliminary remarks

4.1   Measuring units

In this part of ISO 1701, all linear dimensions, deviations and corresponding tolerances are expressed in millimetres; angular dimensions are expressed in degrees, and angular deviations and the corresponding tolerances are in principle expressed in ratios but in some cases, microradians or arcseconds may be used for clarification purposes. The equivalence of the following expressions should always be kept in mind:

$$0,010/1\ 000 = 10 \times 10^{-6} = 10 \text{ μrad} \approx 2"$$

4.2   Reference to ISO 230-1

To apply this part of ISO 1701, reference shall be made to ISO 230-1, especially for the installation of the machine before testing, warming up of the spindle and other moving components, description of measuring methods and recommended accuracy of testing equipment.

In the "Observations" block of the tests described in Clauses 5 and 6, the instructions are followed by a reference to the corresponding clause in ISO 230-1 in cases where the test concerned is in compliance with the specifications of that part of ISO 230.

4.3   Testing sequence

The sequence in which the tests are presented in this part of ISO 1701 in no way defines the practical order of testing. In order to make the mounting of instruments or gauging easier, tests may be performed in any order.

4.4   Tests to be performed

When testing a machine, it is not always necessary or possible to carry out all the tests described in this part of ISO 1701. When the tests are required for acceptance purposes, it is up to the user to choose, in agreement with the supplier/manufacturer, those tests relating to the components and/or the properties of the machine which are of interest. These tests are to be clearly stated when ordering a machine. Mere reference to this part of ISO 1701 for the acceptance tests, without specifying the tests to be carried out, and without agreement on the relevant expenses, cannot be considered as binding for any contracting party.

4.5   Measuring instruments

The measuring instruments indicated in the tests described in Clauses 5 and 6 are examples only. Other instruments measuring the same quantities and having at least the same accuracy may be used. Dial gauges shall have a resolution of 0,001 mm or better.

4.6 Machining tests

Machining tests shall be made with finishing cuts only, not with roughing cuts which are liable to generate appreciable cutting forces.
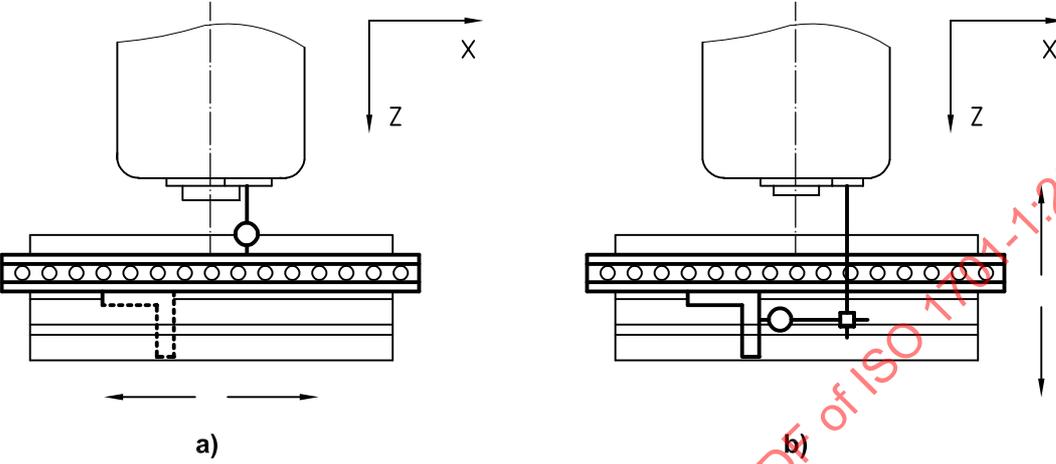
4.7 Minimum tolerance

When the tolerance for a geometric test is established for a measuring length different from that given in this part of ISO 1701 (see 2.311 of ISO 230-1:1996), it shall be taken into consideration that the minimum value of tolerance is 0,005 mm.

5 Geometric tests

5.1 Axes of motion

Object	**G1**

Checking of straightness of the vertical movement of the knee (Y axis):

a)   in the vertical plane of symmetry of the machine (YZ plane);

b)   in the plane perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry of the machine (XY plane).

Diagram

a)   b)

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
For a) and b) 0,02 for any measuring length of 300	a) b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and square

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.232.11

Instead of a straightedge, use the vertical arm of the square.

Adjust the square to obtain similar readings at both ends of its measuring length so that straightness deviation can be calculated as the maximum difference of dial gauge readings.

Table in central position:

a)   saddle (Z axis) locked;

b)   table (X axis) locked.

If the spindle can be locked, the dial gauge may be mounted on it. If the spindle cannot be locked, the dial gauge shall be placed on a fixed part of the machine.

Object	G2
Checking of squareness between the transverse cross-slide movement (Z axis) and the longitudinal table movement (X axis).	

Diagram

a)   b)

Tolerance	Measured deviation
0,02 for a measuring length of 300	

Measuring instruments

Straightedge, dial gauge and square

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.522.4

Knee (Y axis) locked.

a) The straightedge shall be set parallel to the longitudinal table movement (X axis); then the square shall be placed against the straightedge. The table shall then be locked in the central position. This test can be performed as well without the straightedge, aligning the long arm of the square parallel to the X axis.

b) The saddle movement (Z axis) shall then be checked.

If the spindle can be locked, then the dial gauge may be mounted on it. If the spindle cannot be locked, the dial gauge shall be placed on a fixed part of the machine.

Object	**G3**

Checking of angular deviation of the table in its longitudinal movement (X axis):

a)   in the vertical YZ plane perpendicular to the table movement (roll EAX);

b)   in the vertical XY plane parallel to the table movement (pitch ECX).

Diagram

a)   **b)**
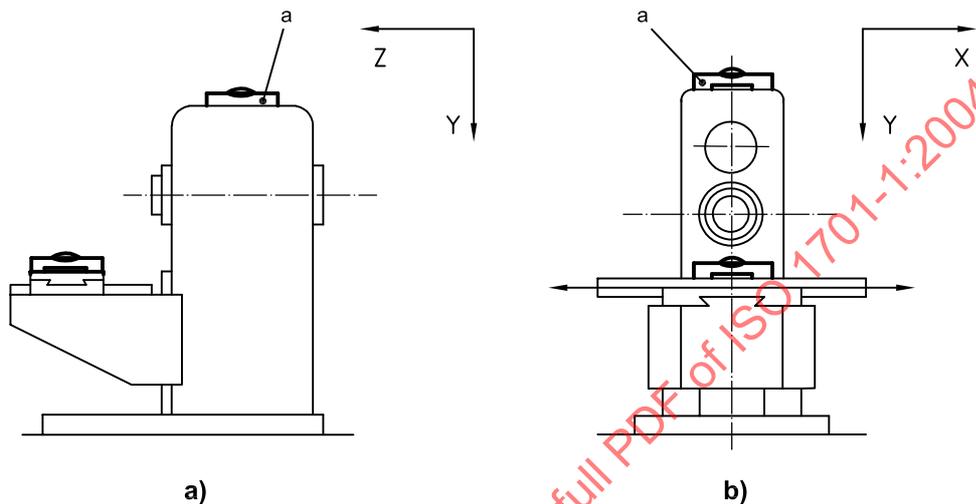
a   Reference level.

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
a) 0,04/1 000 (or 40 µrad or 8")	a)
b) X ⩽ 1 000 0,08/1 000 (or 80 µrad or 16")	b)
X > 1 000 0,12/1 000 (or 120 µrad or 24")	

Measuring instruments

Precision level

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.232.2

These tests should only be performed when the knee (Y axis) is clamped on the column.

The level shall be placed in the centre of the table:

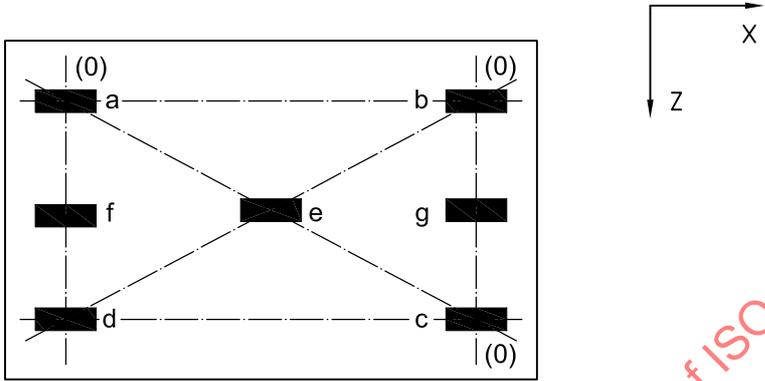a)   transversely;

b)   longitudinally.

Measurements are taken at several positions, moving the table by 200 mm or 250 mm steps.
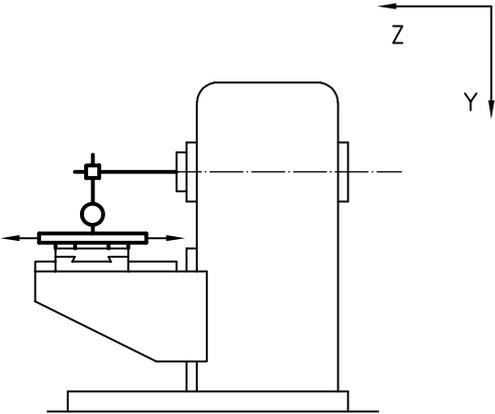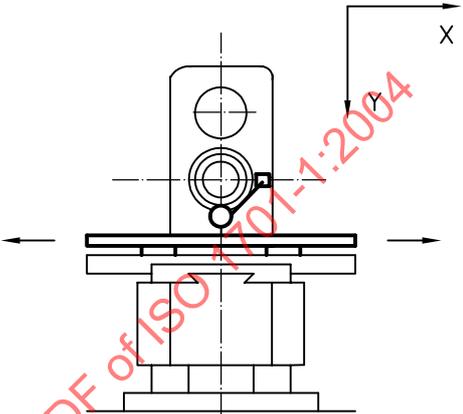
When X axis motion causes an angular movement of both the spindle head and the work-holding table, differential measurements of the two angular movements shall be made and this shall be stated.
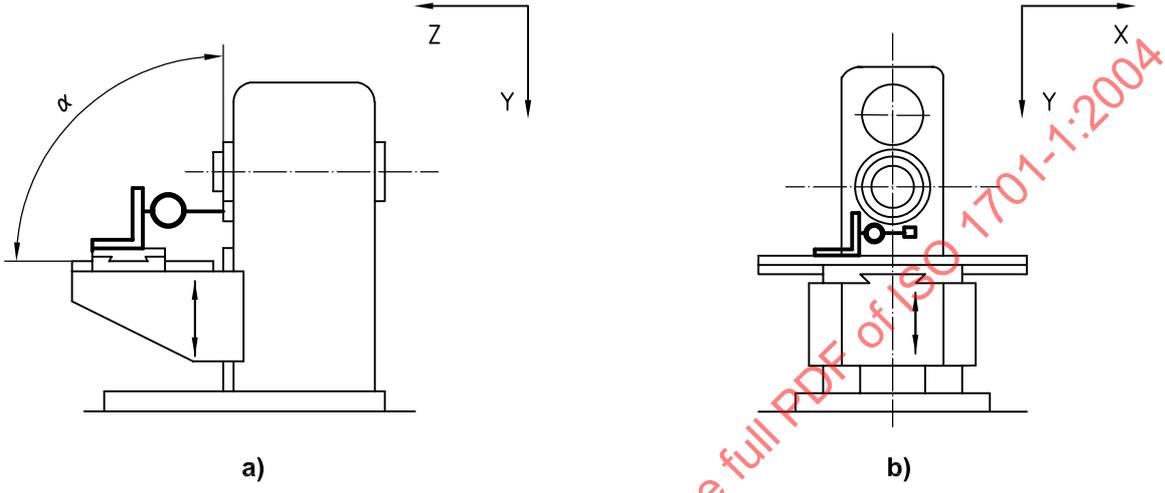
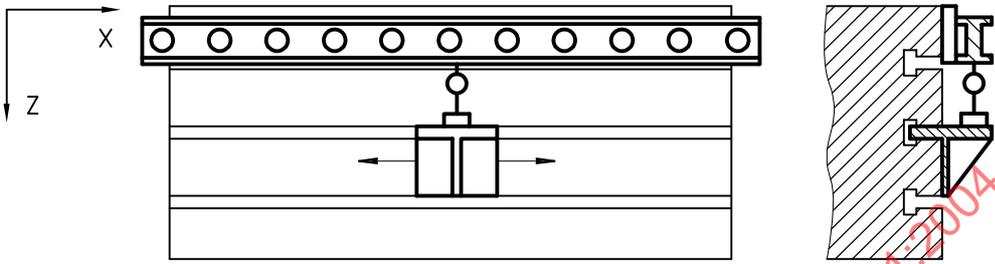The reference level shall be located on the column.

The difference between the maximum and minimum readings (excluding the above angular contribution) of both directions of movement shall not exceed the tolerance.

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5.2 Table

Object	**G4**

Checking of flatness of the table surface.

Diagram

Tolerance

       0,04 for a measuring length up to 1 000, concave only

For each 1 000 mm increase in table length, add 0,005

Maximum tolerance: 0,05

Local tolerance: 0,02 for any measuring length of 300

Measured deviation

Measuring instruments

Precision level or straightedge and gauge blocks

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.322 and 5.323

Table (X axis) and saddle (Z axis) in central position, table not locked, knee and saddle locked.

NOTE   The alphabetical references on the diagram correspond to those used in Figure 41 of ISO 230-1:1996.

Object	**G5**

Checking of parallelism between the table surface and

a) the saddle movement (Z axis), in the vertical YZ plane;

b) its longitudinal movement (X axis), in the vertical XY plane.

Diagram

a)   b)

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
For a) and b) 0,025 for any measuring length of 300 Maximum tolerance: 0,05	a) b)

Measuring instruments

Straightedge and dial gauge

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.422.21

The stylus of the dial gauge shall be placed at approximately the working position of the tool.

The measurement may be made on a straightedge laid parallel to the table surface.

If the table length is greater than 1 600 mm, carry out the inspection by successive movements of the straightedge.

Knee (Y axis) locked:

a) table (X axis) locked;

b) saddle (Z axis) locked.

If the spindle can be locked, the dial gauge may be mounted on it. If the spindle cannot be locked, the dial gauge shall be placed on a fixed part of the machine.
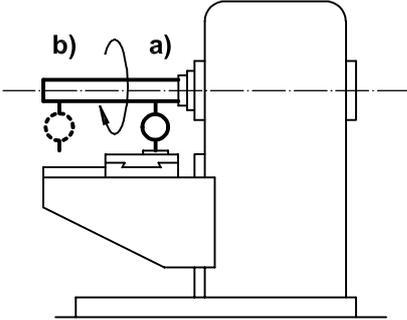
Object	G6

Checking of squareness between the table surface and the vertical movement of the knee (Y axis) (in three positions: in the middle and near the extremities of the travel):

a) in the vertical plane of symmetry of the machine (YZ plane);

b) in the plane perpendicular to the vertical plane of symmetry of the machine (XY plane).

Diagram

a)

b)

Tolerance	Measured deviation
a) 0,025 for a measuring length of 300 with $\alpha \leqslant 90°$	a)
b) 0,025 for a measuring length of 300	b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and square

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.522.2

Table in central position, knee (Y axis) locked when taking measurements:

a) saddle (Z axis) locked;

b) table (X axis) locked.

If the spindle can be locked, the dial gauge may be mounted on it. If the spindle cannot be locked, the dial gauge shall be placed on a fixed part of the machine.

Object	**G7**
Checking of straightness of the median or reference T-slot of the table.	

Diagram

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
0,01 for any measuring length of 300 Maximum tolerance: 0,03	

Measuring instruments

Straightedge and dial gauge or gauge blocks, or taut wire and microscope, or autocollimator

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996	5.212, 5.212.1 and 5.212.23

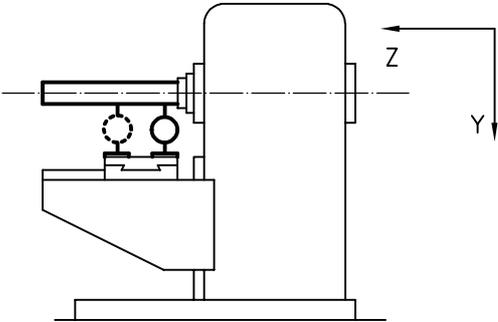The straightedge may be placed directly on the table.

Object	**G8**
Checking of parallelism between the median or reference T-slot and the longitudinal movement of the table.	

Diagram
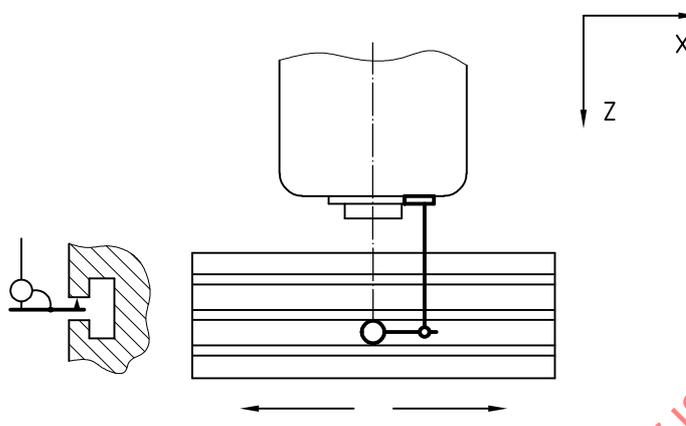
Tolerance	Measured deviation
0,015 for a measuring length of 300 Maximum tolerance: 0,04	

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.422.1 and 5.422.21

Saddle (Z axis) and knee (Y axis) locked.

If the spindle can be locked, the dial gauge may be mounted on it. If the spindle cannot be locked, the dial gauge shall be placed on a fixed part of the machine.

5.3 Spindle

| **Object** | **G9** |

a) Checking of run-out of the external centering surface on the spindle nose (for machines having this feature).

b) Checking of periodic axial slip.

c) Checking of camming of the face of the spindle nose (including periodic axial slip).

Diagram

Tolerance			**Measured deviation**
a) 0,01	b) 0,01	c) 0,02	a)
			b)
			c)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996

a) 5.612.2

b) 5.622.1 and 5.622.2

A force F, specified by the supplier/manufacturer of the machine, can be exerted by pressing toward the housing for tests b) and c).

c) 5.632

The distance A of the dial gauge c) from the spindle axis shall be as large as possible.

Object	**G10**

Checking of the run-out of the internal taper of the spindle:

a)   at the spindle nose;

b)   at a distance of 300 mm from the spindle nose.

Diagram

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
a) 0,01 b) 0,02	a)
	b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and test mandrel

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.612.3

Object	**G11**
Checking of parallelism between the spindle axis and the table surface.	

Diagram

Tolerance	**Measured deviation**
0,025 for a measuring length of 300 (free end of the test mandrel inclined downwards)	

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and test mandrel

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.412.4

Table (X axis) and saddle (Z axis) not locked, knee (Y axis) locked.

The measurement shall be at the mean position of rotation; i.e., measure at a position of spindle rotation and then repeat the measurement after rotating the spindle with mandrel 180° and take the mean value of the two measurements.

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Object	G12

Checking of parallelism between the spindle axis and the transverse movement of the table (saddle movement) (Z axis):

a) in the vertical YZ plane;

b) in the horizontal ZX plane.

Diagram

a)   b)

Tolerance	Measured deviation
a) 0,025 for a measuring length of 300 (free end of the test mandrel inclined downwards)	a)
b) 0,025 for a measuring length of 300	b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and test mandrel

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.422.3

Table (X axis) in central position.

Knee (Y axis) locked.

The measurement shall be at the mean position of rotation; i.e., measure at a position of spindle rotation and then repeat the measurement after rotating the spindle with mandrel 180° and take the mean value of the two measurements.

Object	**G13**
Checking of squareness between the spindle axis and the median or reference T-slot of the table.	

Diagram
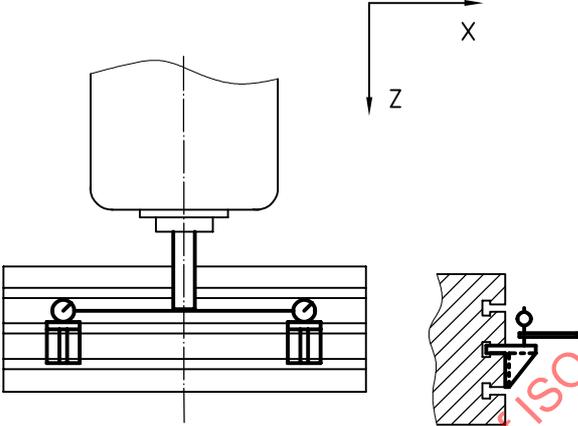
Tolerance

0,02/300 [a]

[a]   300 is the distance between the two measuring points touched.

Measured deviation

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.512.1 and 5.512.42

Table (X axis) in central position.

Table (X axis), saddle (Z axis) and knee (Y axis) locked.

5.4   Arbor support

Object	G14

Object

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Checking of parallelism between the arbor support guide on the overarm(s) and the spindle axis:

a)   in the vertical YZ plane;

b)   in the horizontal ZX plane.

Diagram

a)   b)

Tolerance

a)   0,02 for a measuring length of 300 (overarm inclined downwards)

b)   0,02 for a measuring length of 300

Measured deviation

a)

b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge and possibly precision level with special fixture

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.412.5 or 5.412.3 and 5.412.1

Overarm(s) locked.

Object	G14 (alternative)

Checking of parallelism between the arbor support guide on the overarm(s) and the transverse movement of the table (saddle movement) (Z axis):

a) in the vertical YZ plane;

b) in the horizontal ZX plane.

Diagram

a) b)

Tolerance	Measured deviation
a) 0,02 for a measuring length of 300 (overarm inclined downwards)	a)
b) 0,02 for a measuring length of 300	b)

Measuring instruments

Dial gauge

Observations and references to ISO 230-1:1996   5.422.3 and 5.422.4

Overarm(s) locked.