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# Practical analysis of productivity of grinding tools in the process of internal generating gear grinding

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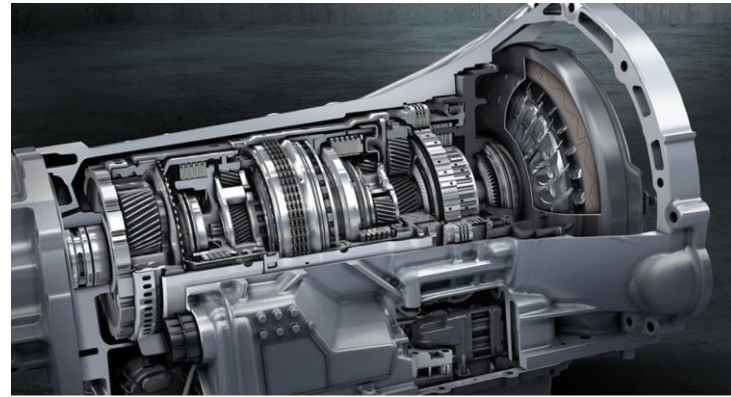
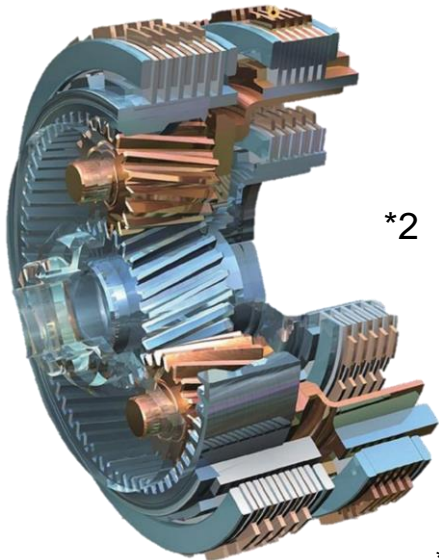


# Transmission trend



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High reduction ratio  
Up to 40% smaller\*<sup>1</sup>  
Up to 50% lighter\*<sup>1</sup>



Multi speed  
Complex structure

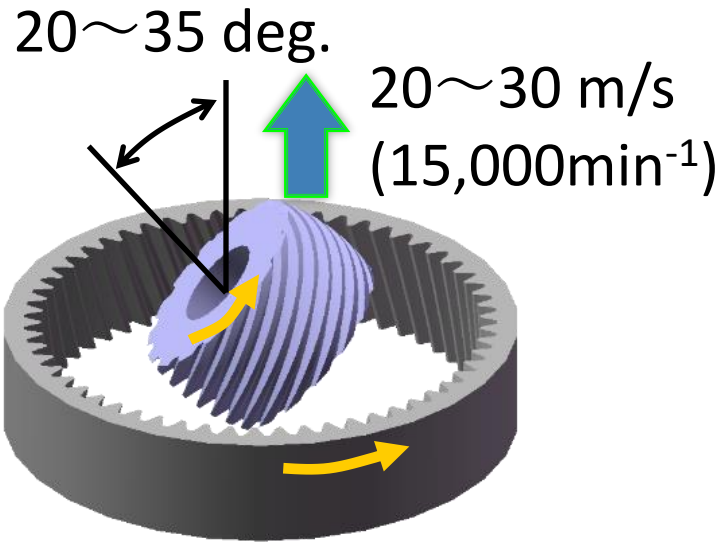


Single speed  
Simple structure  
➔ Sensitive to noise, vibration

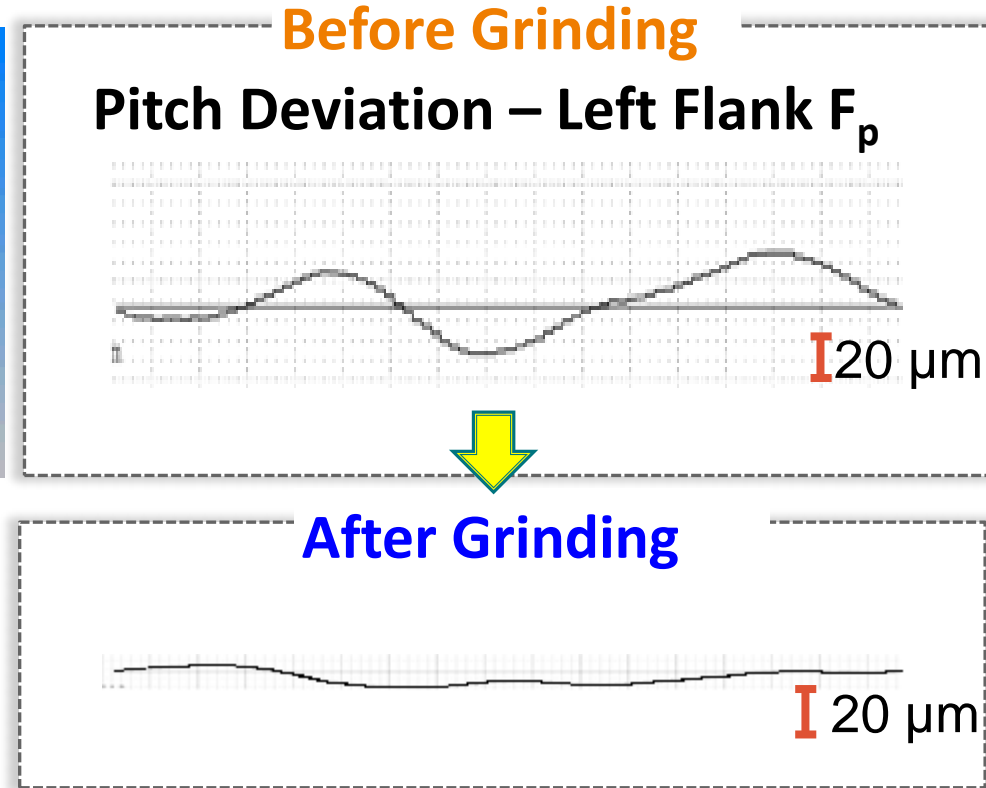
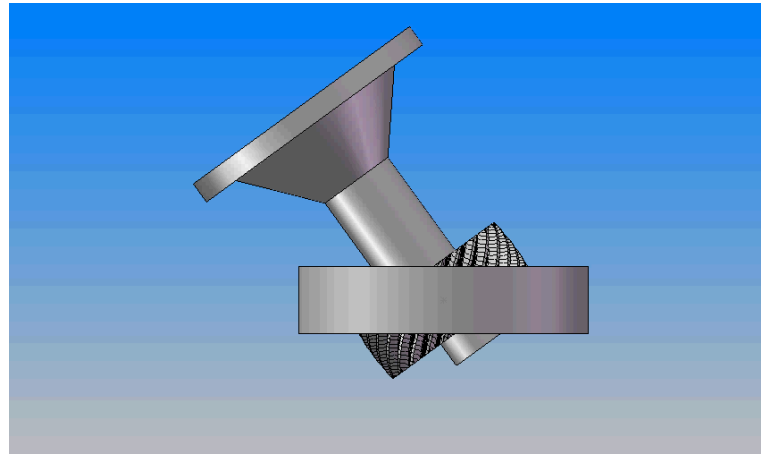
Ring gear application with high accuracy increasing

\*1 Klocke, F.; Brecher, C.: Zahnrad- und Getriebetechnik. Auslegung – Herstellung – Untersuchung – Simulation. Munich: Hanser 2017  
\*2 Motor Fan illustrated Vol.124  
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# Internal generating grinding



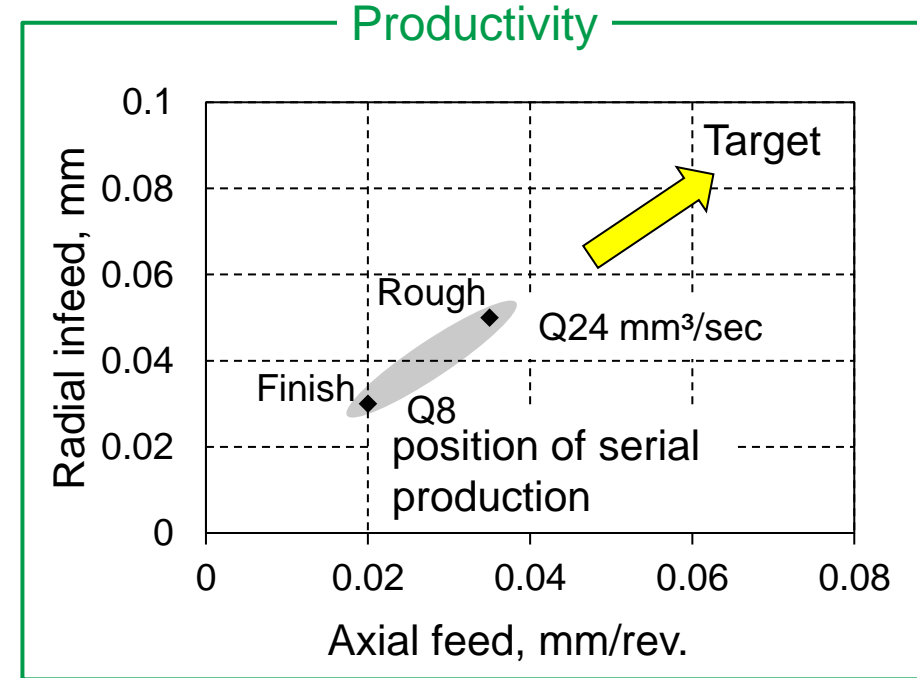
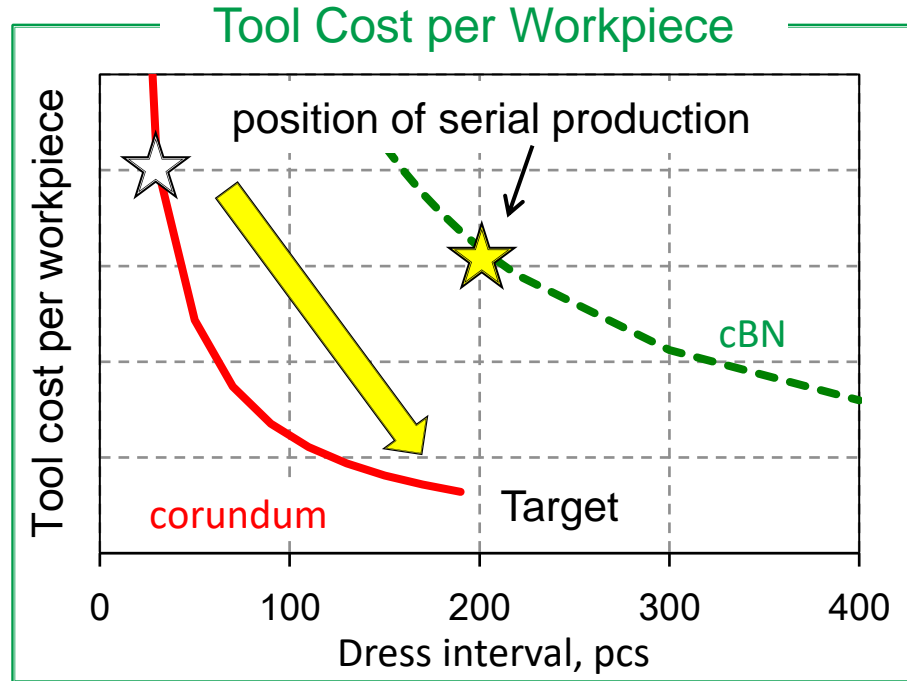
Ground by axial motion



# Motivation



- Further improvements in tool cost and productivity are required.
- The Application of corundum wheels is key, but the investigation of corundum wheel's possibility is not yet done.



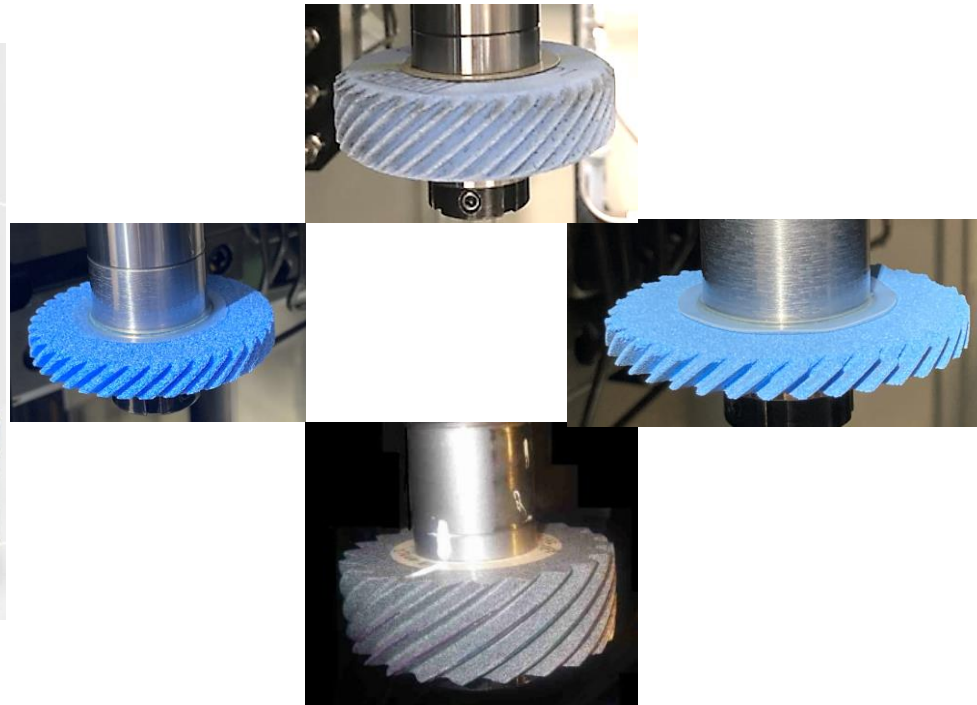
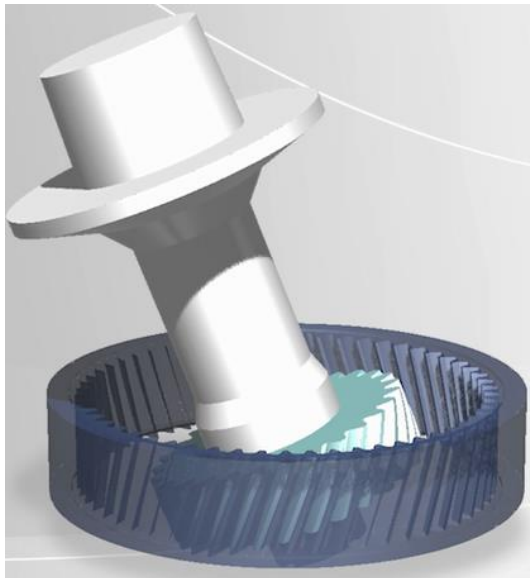




# Objective



The investigation of the influence of cBN and corundum grinding wheels on the productivity as well as gear quality for the process of internal generating gear grinding.





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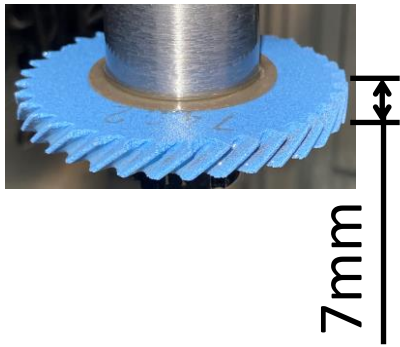


# Description of methods



Step 1

Analogy process trial

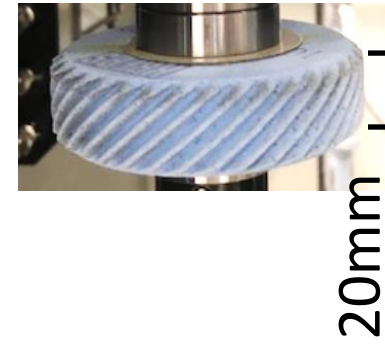


7mm

Width of wheel  $\times 1/3$   
Tool wear  $\times 3$

Step 2

Standard process trial



20mm

Same as serial production

50 gears x 6 corundom  
1 cBN



145 parts x 1 Best specification

Step 1, 2 common

Inspection: geometry, surface roughness on every 4 gear, Nital etching on last gear  
Criteria : ISO class5, Ra 0.4

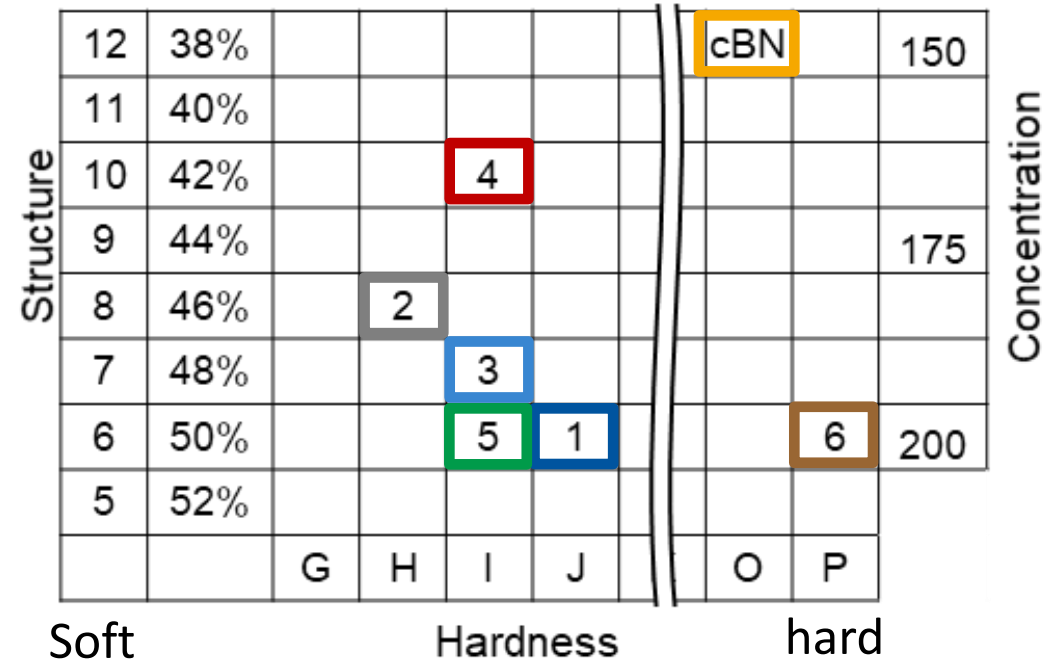


# Wheel selection for analogy process trials



		grain size	grain
corundum	1	120/180	● mixed
	2	120	●
	3	90	●
	4	100	
	5	120	●
	6	120	
cBN		200	

● special shape grain



# Grinding conditions

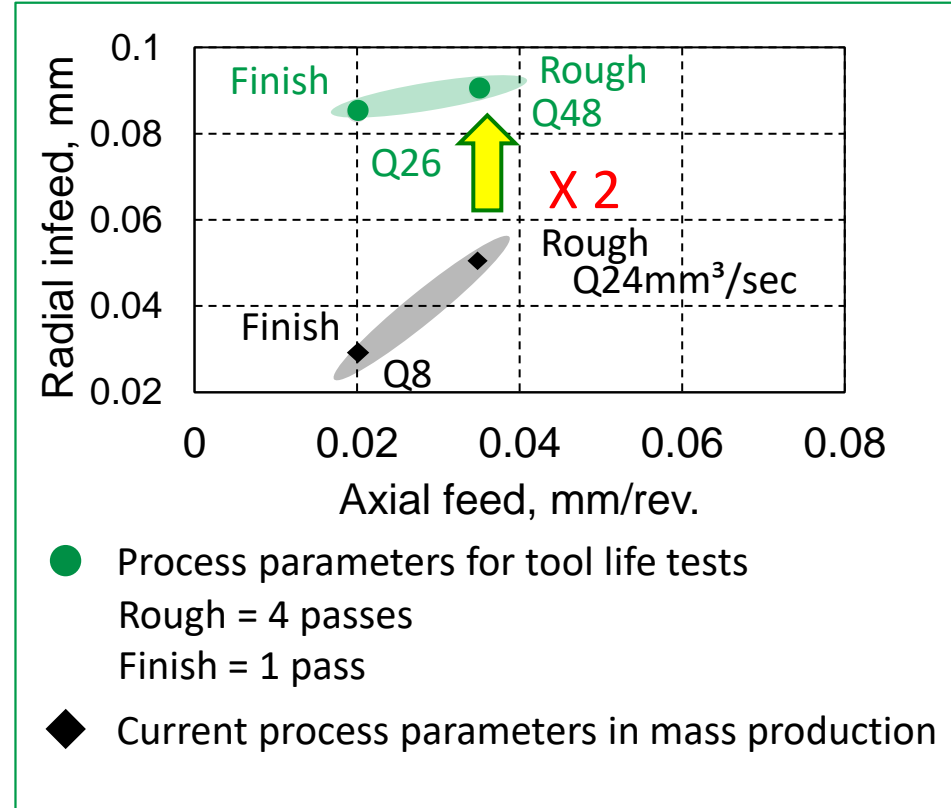


## Workpiece Specifications

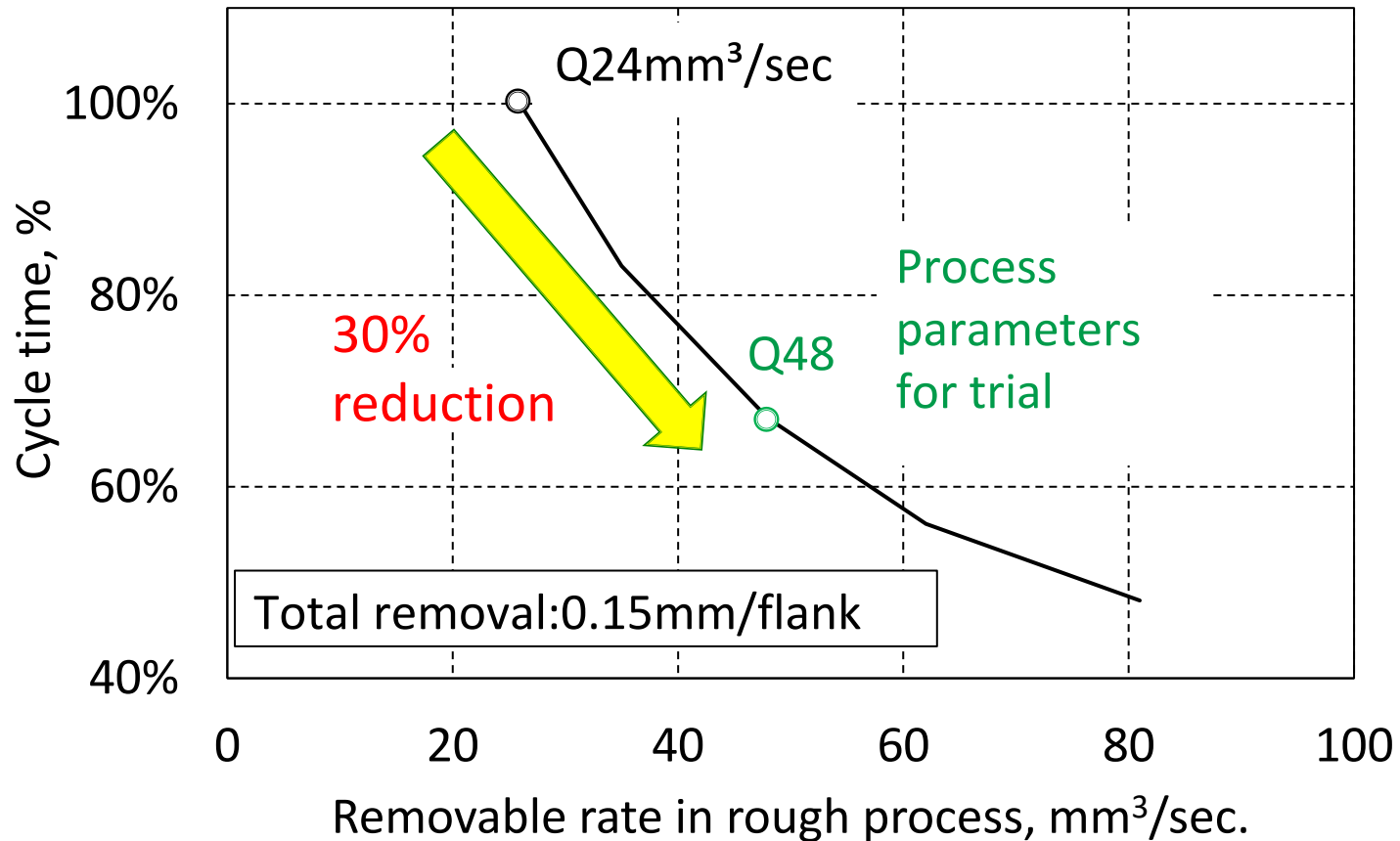
- Module  $m_n = 1.25\text{mm}$
- Number of teeth  $z = 85$
- Pressure angle  $\alpha_n = 20^\circ$
- Helix angle  $\beta = 20^\circ$
- Tip diameter  $d_a = 111.17\text{mm}$

## Grinding Parameters for Tool life Test

- Fixed for all tools
- Wheel spindle speed =  $12,000\text{ min}^{-1}$
- Table Speed =  $5,200\text{ min}^{-1}$
- Sliding speed =  $25\text{ m/s}$
- Total removal per flank =  $0.15\text{ mm}$
- Cycle time =  $125\text{ seconds}$



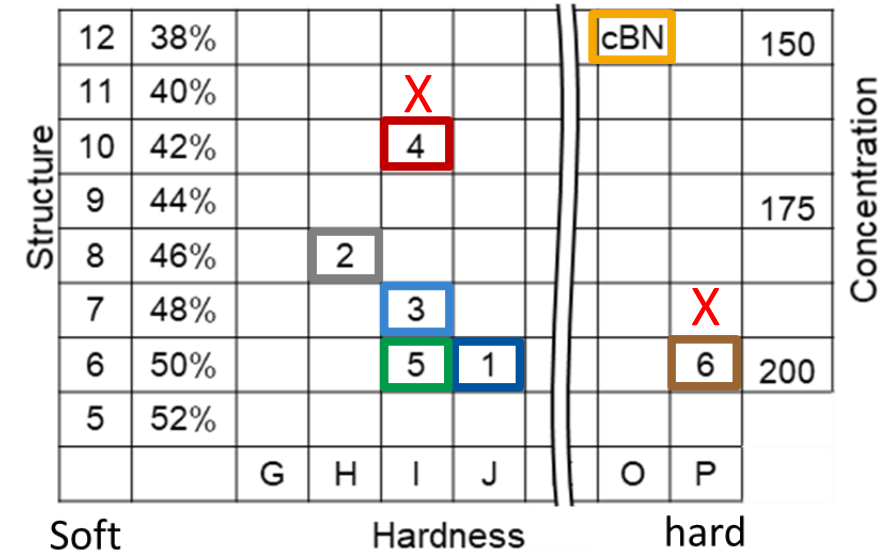
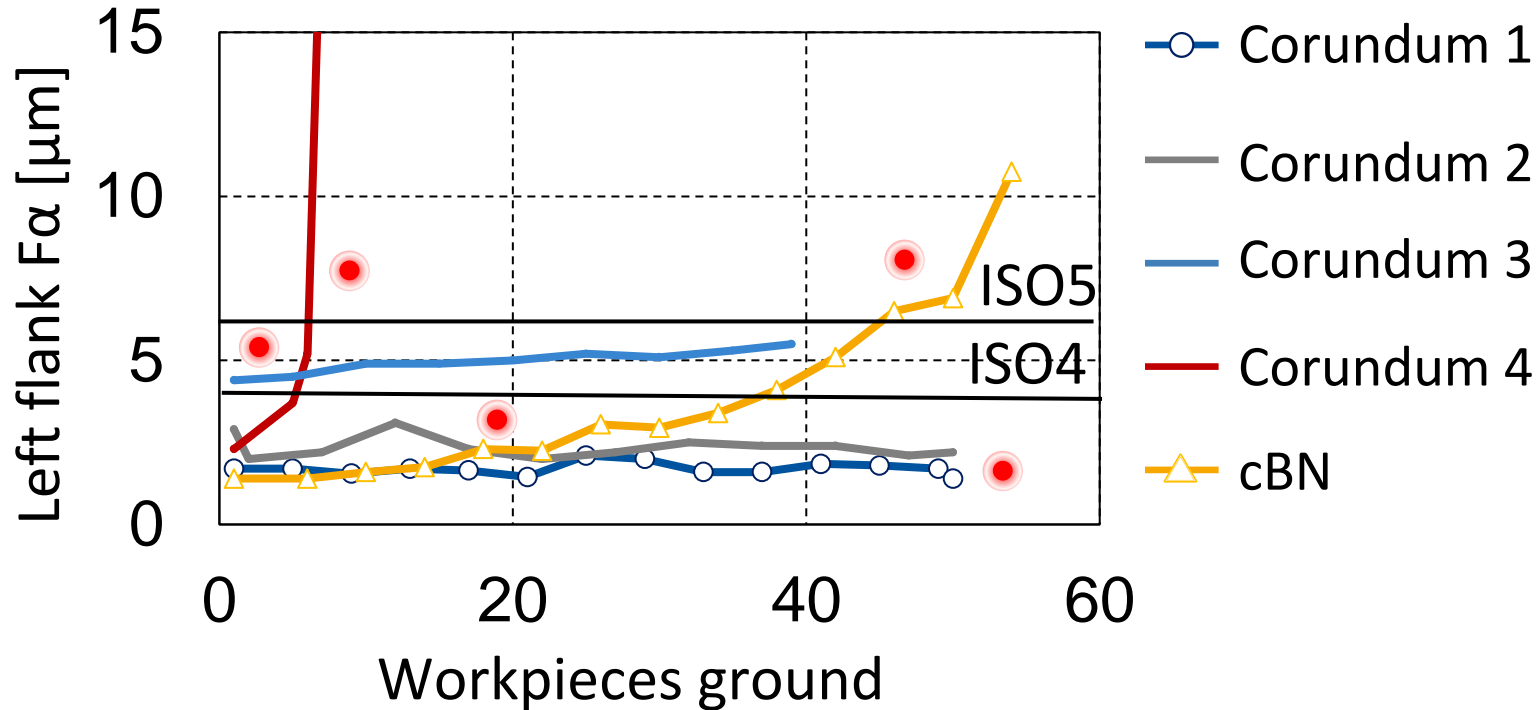
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# Results of analogy trials



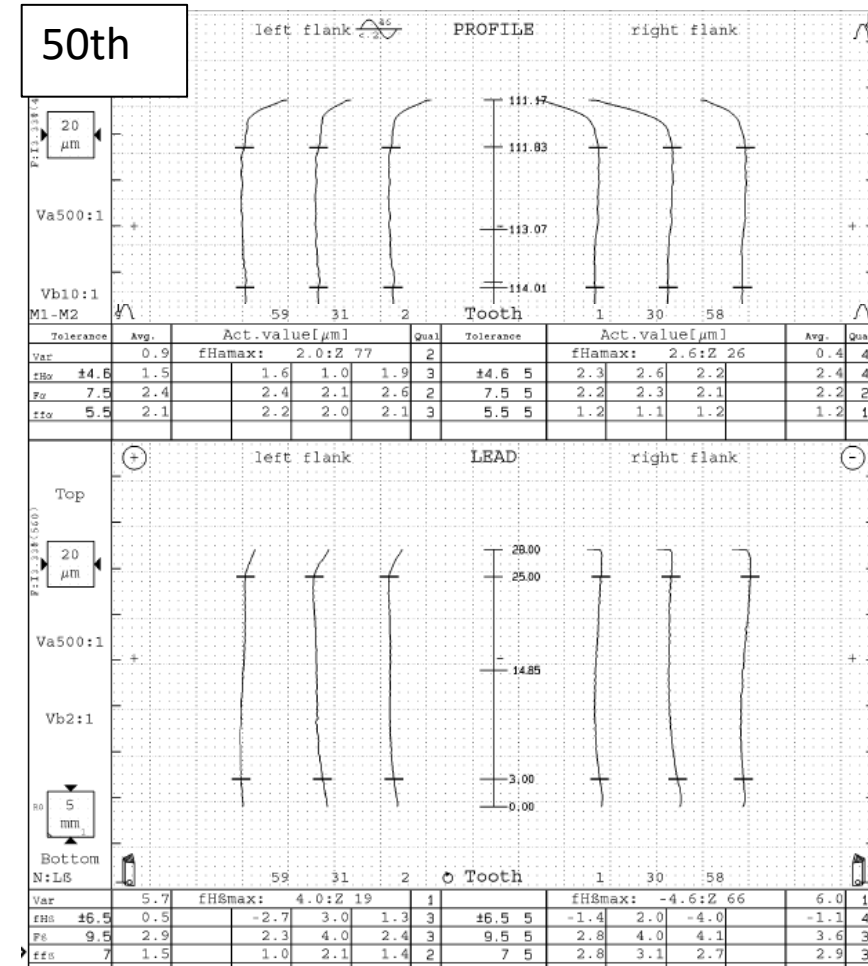
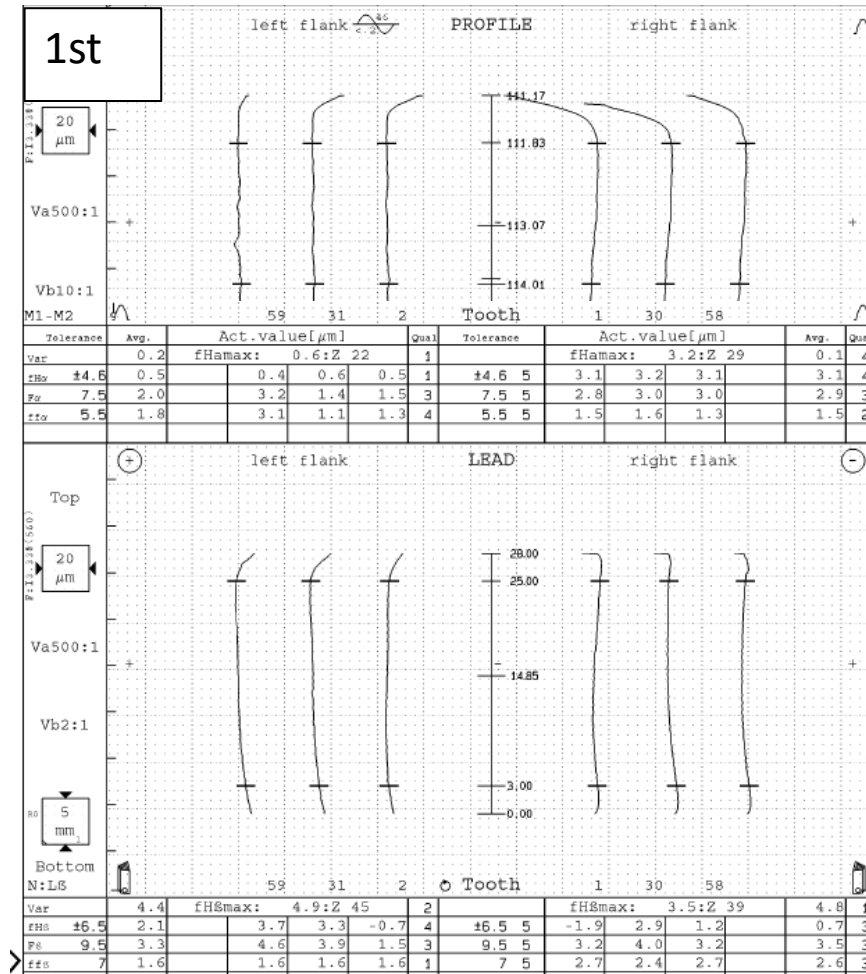
Corundum 5, 6 are not shown because of breakage after the first trial



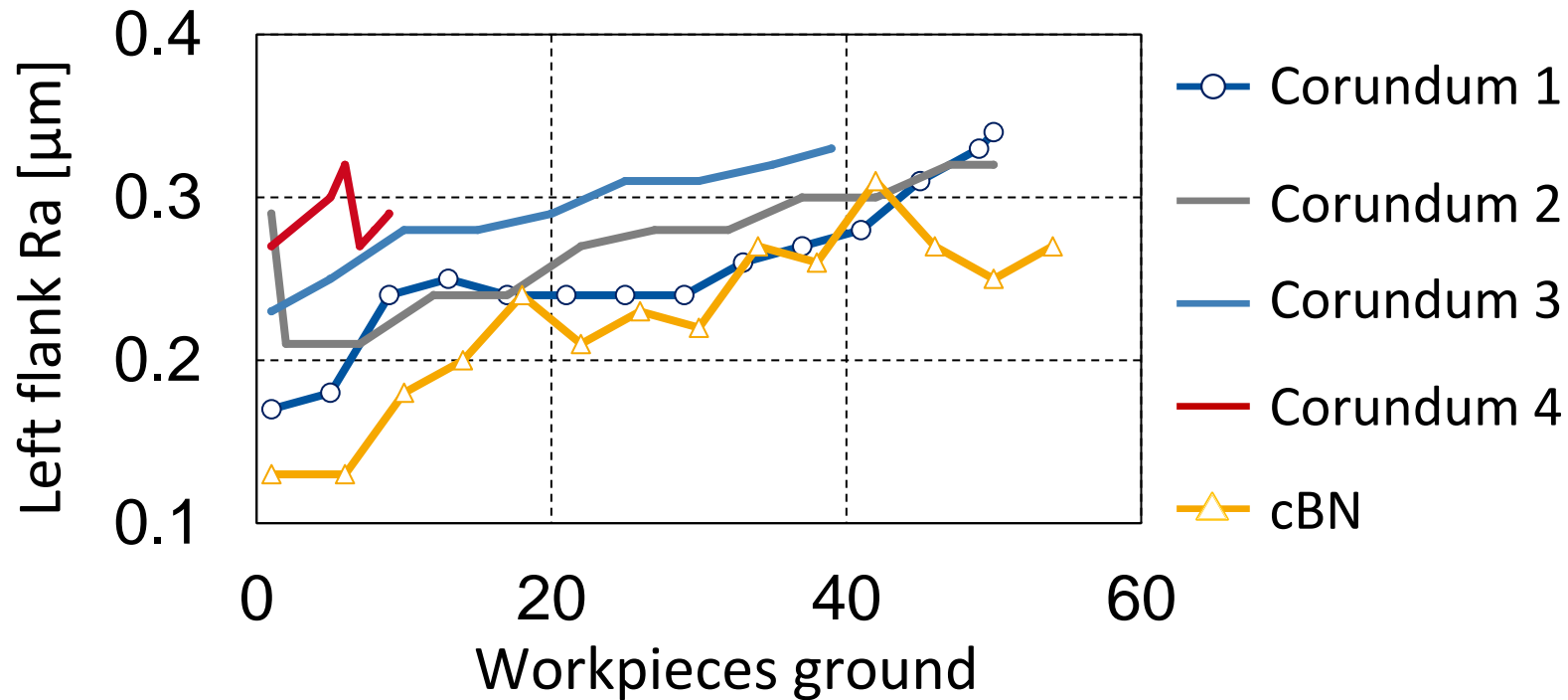
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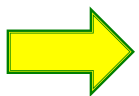
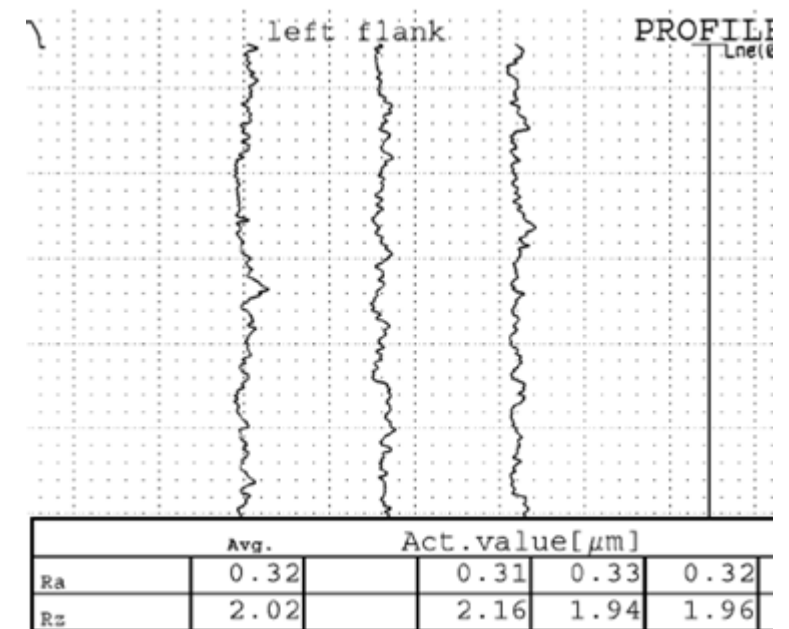
Corundom 1



# Results of analogy trials



50th, Corundom 1



Corundom 1 was chosen for standard process trial

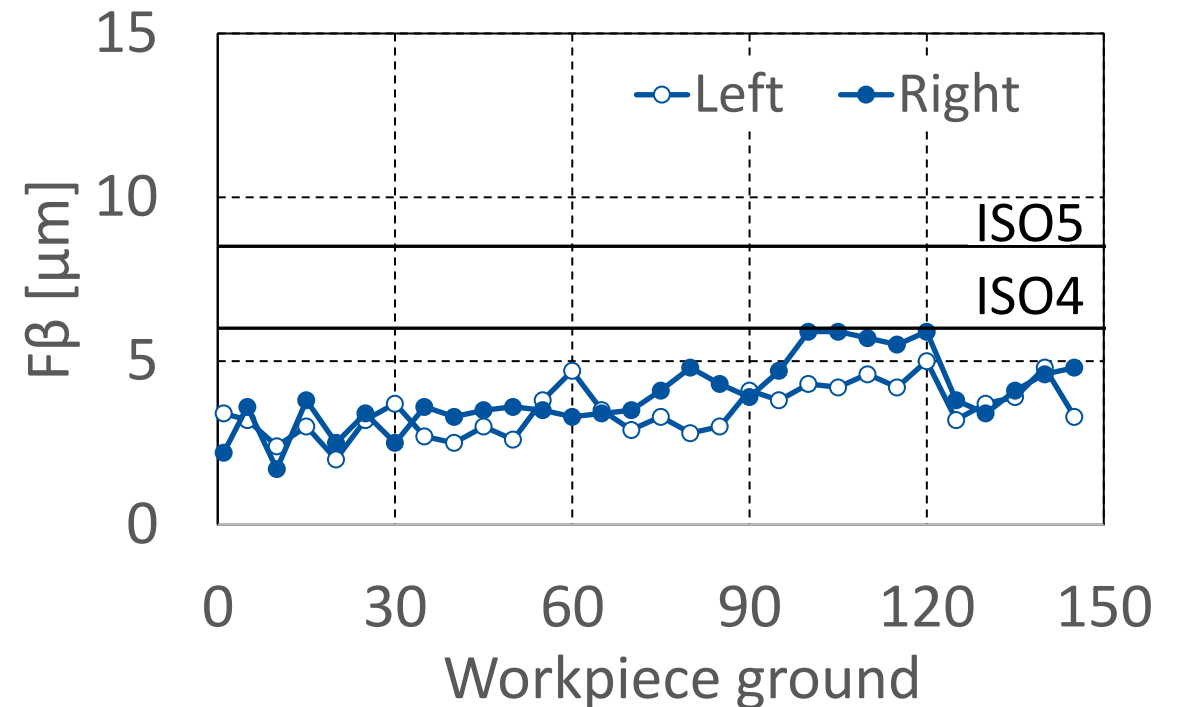
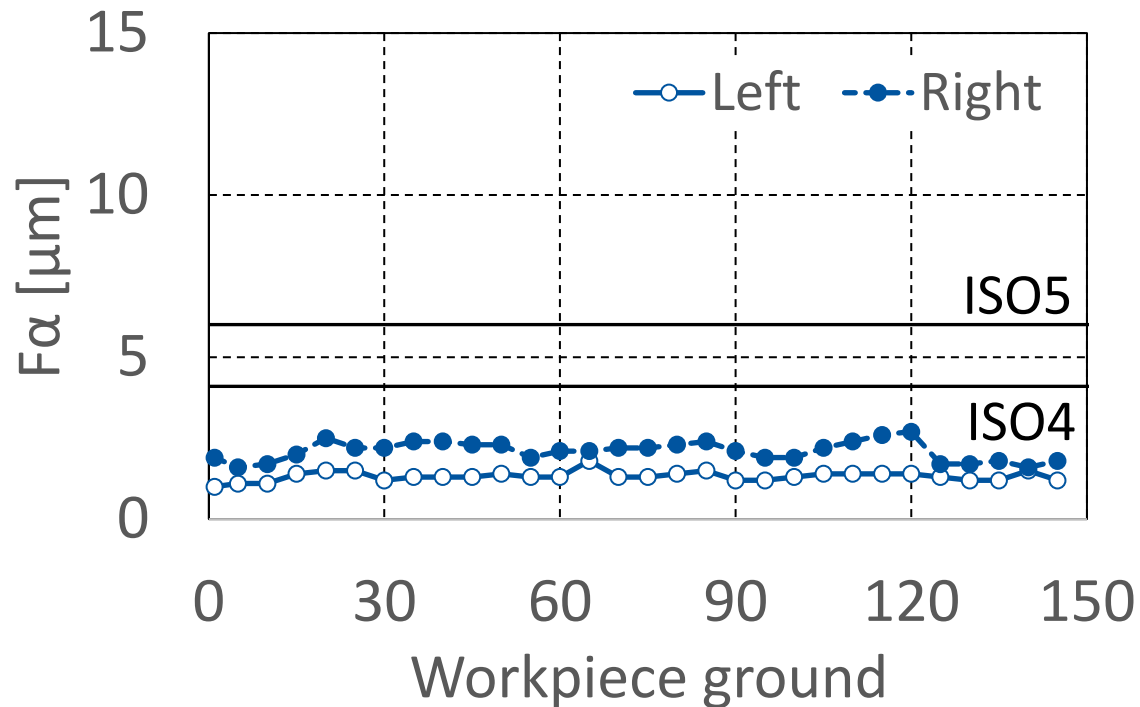


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# Results of standard process trials



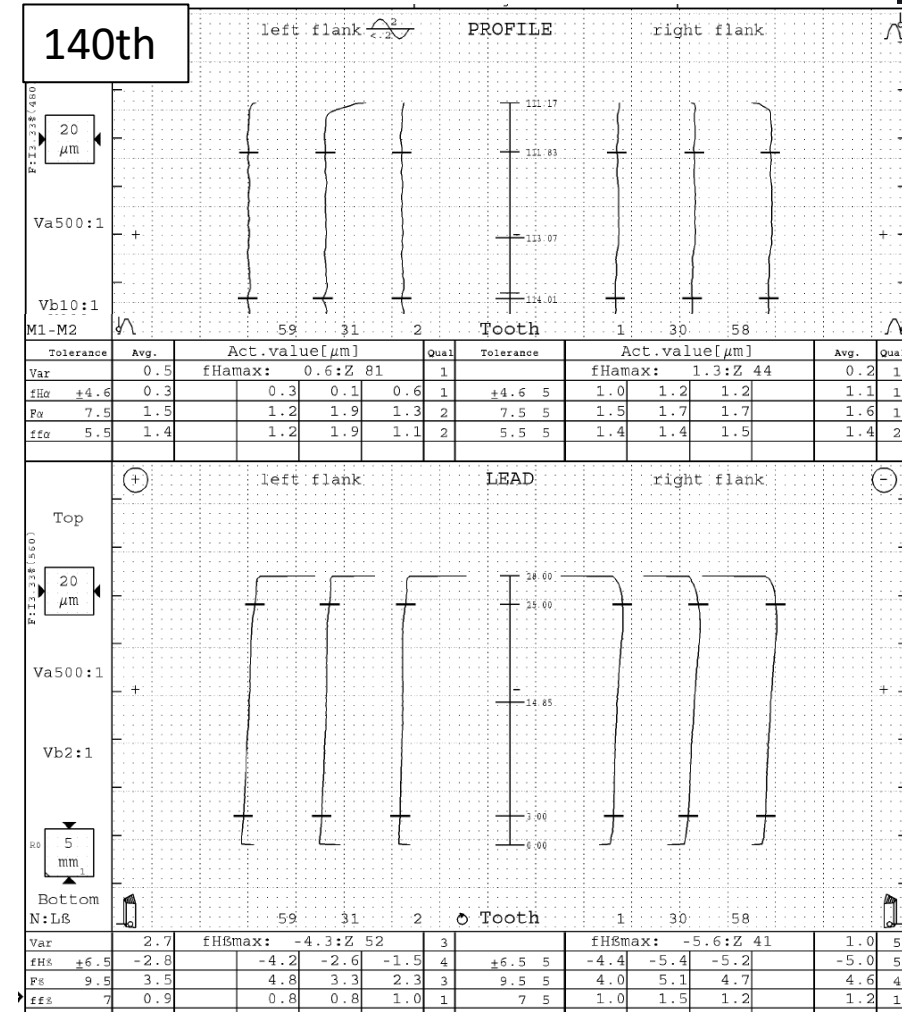
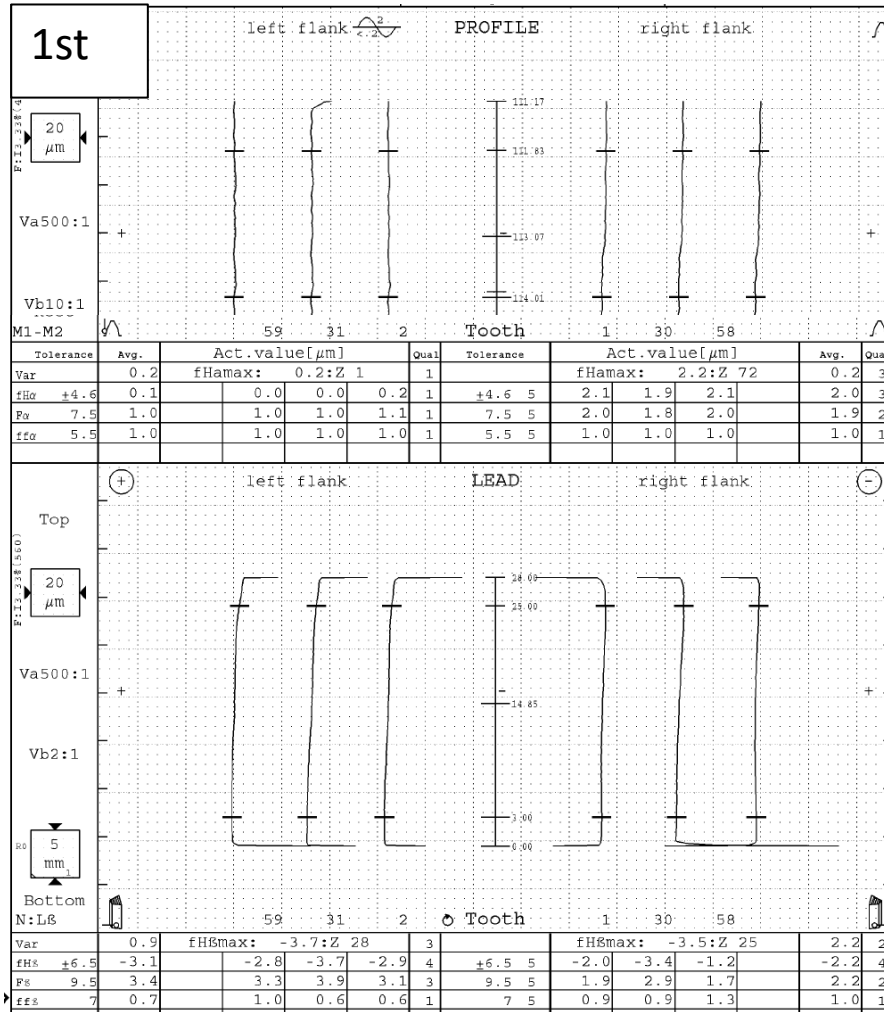
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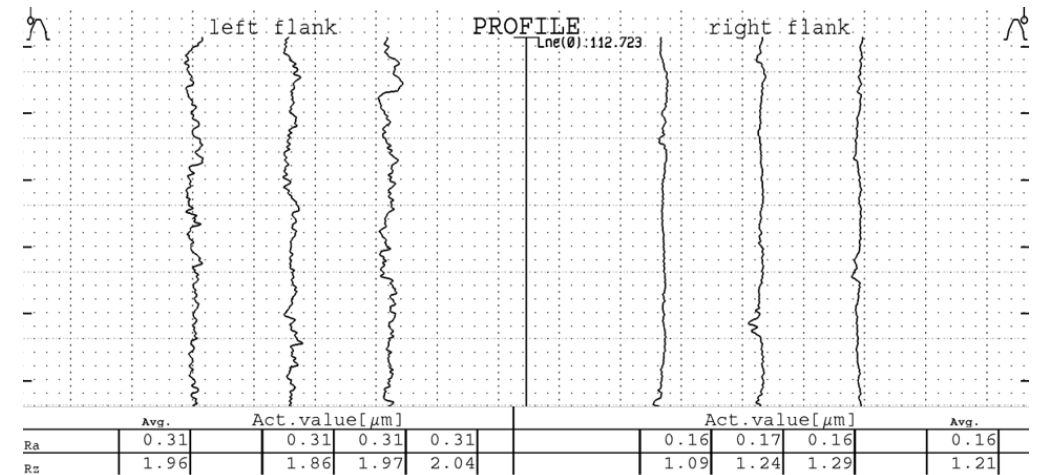
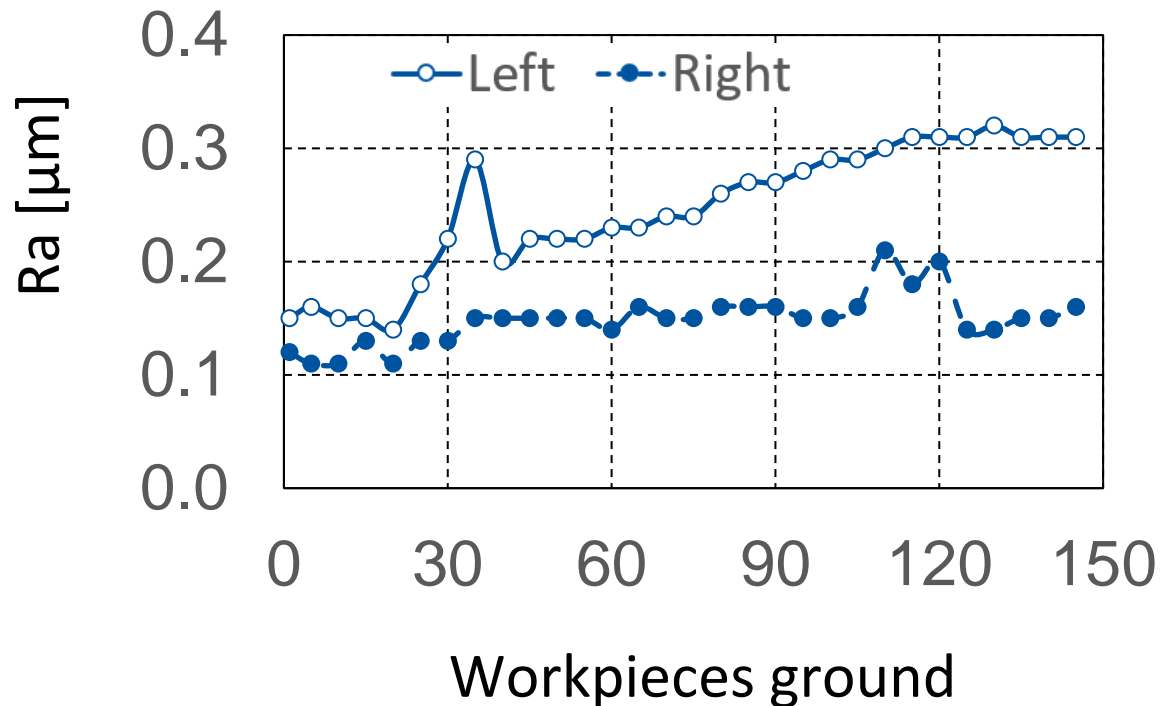




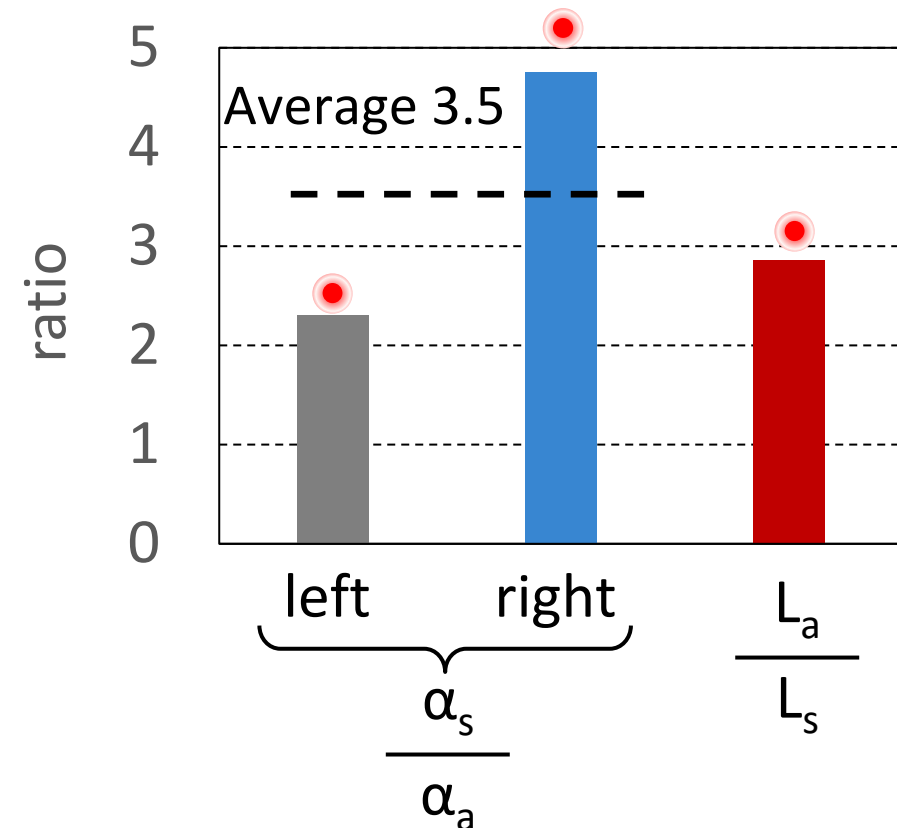
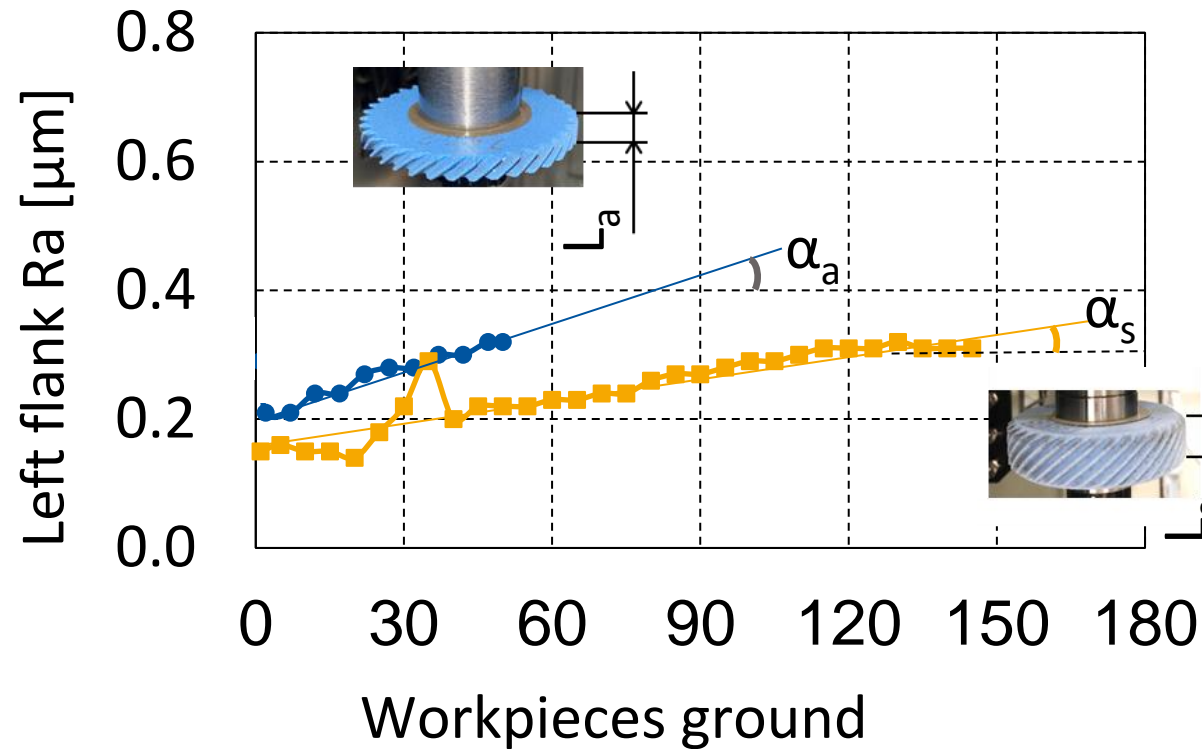
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# Evaluation of analogy trials developed

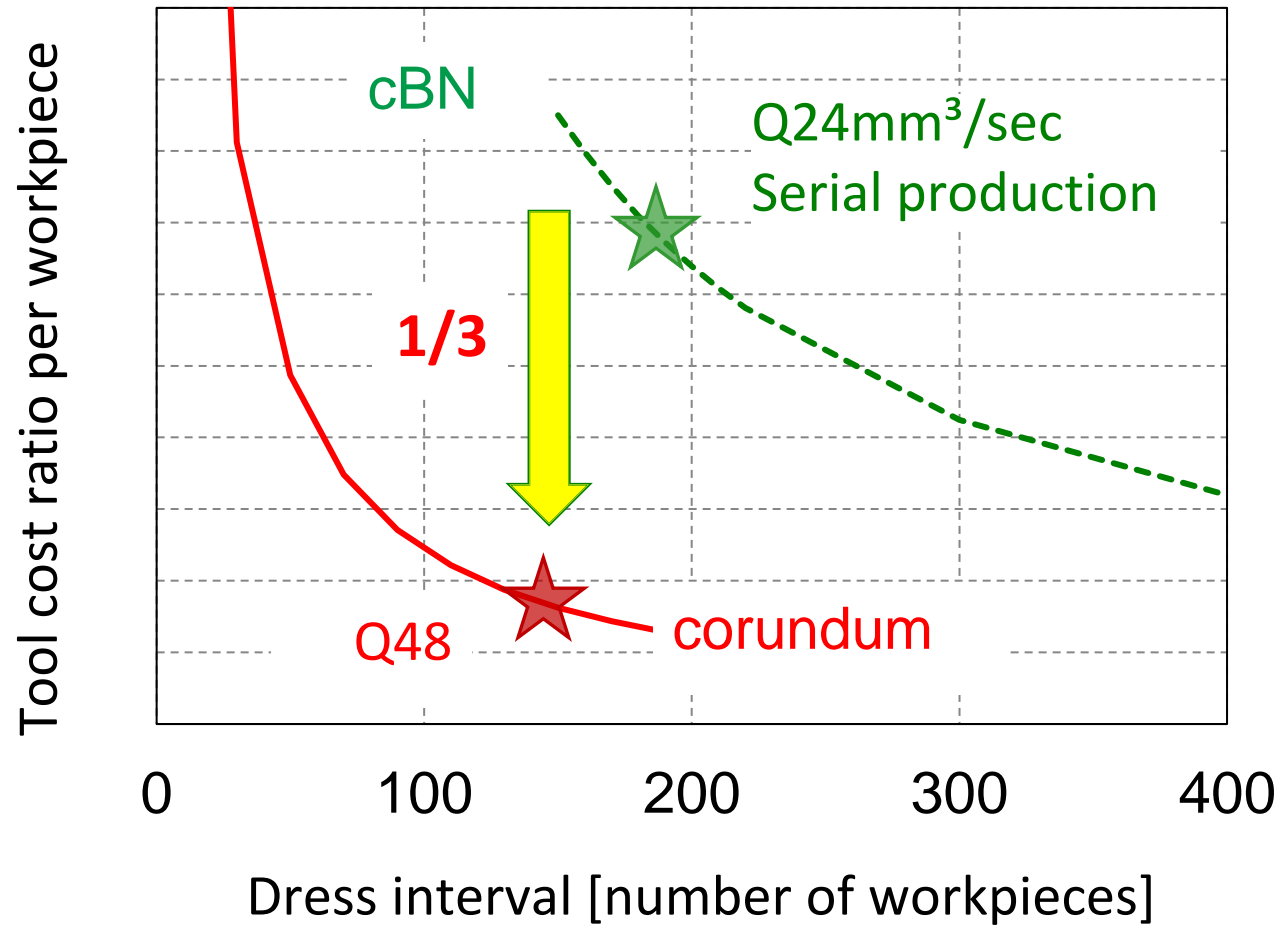


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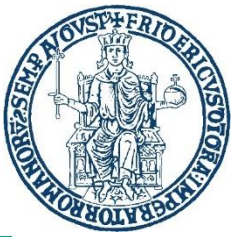


# Conclusions



To analyze the influence of corundum and cBN grinding wheels, 2 step trials were performed.

- In the analogy trial, six corundum and one cBN wheels were evaluated. Corundum type 1, which combines normal corundum grains and special shape grains with hardness J, structure 5, showed the best result, quality below ISO4 even after 50 gears ground
- In the Standard process trial, Corundum type 1 showed below ISO4 after 145 gears ground with two times higher removal rate than conventional conditions of cBN. This indicated Corundum type 1 can reduce tooling cost by one third with 30% cycle time reduction than current serial production.
- A correlation between the grinding wheel thickness and the tool ware by means of the surface roughness slope angle can be found. The analogy trial developed is able to estimate tool wear in the standard process in a short period efficiently.



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