Machine Measurement







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Machine Tool Positional and Contouring Errors







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QC20 Ballbar – The Industry Standard!

- •A verification device for a range of machine tools
- •Very quick and simple test (Typically 10 minutes)
- Diagnoses twenty machine tool errors
- Volumetric verification
- •Test any 2 linear axes XY YZ ZX
- •Software simple to use and very powerful
- Use to identify machine faults
- Use to "Bench-mark" machine capability
- •Gives an early warning of potential problems





QC20 Ballbar Test



Result - Percentages Graph



Result - Diagnostic Table

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	<u>1</u> Percentages <u>2</u> Values	<u>3</u> Table <u>4</u> Test cond	itions			
	Ballbar diagnostics table				RENI	5HAW.E
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130	Backlash Y	- 18.2	ν 22.3 μm	22.3 µm	(9%)	(4)
230-4	Reversal spikes X	♦ 49.7	4 31.5 um	49.7 um	(21%)	(2)
	Reversal spikes Y	▲ 31.2	= 30.8 µm	31.2 µm	(13%)	(3)
ASME		- 31.2	• 30.0 pm	31.2 pm	(10/0)	(0)
B5.57		• 4.9	۰.9 µm	3.4 µm	(1%)	(11)
	Lateral play Y	▲ -6.6	-1.8 μm	4.7 µm	(2%)	(7)
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6404	Cyclic error Y	个3.9	Ψ2.3 μm	3.9 µm	(2%)	(9)
0194	Servo mismatch	-1.74 ms		87.6 µm	(37%)	(1)
	Squareness	30.7 µm/m		4.6 µm	(2%)	(8)
	Straightness X	1.5 µm		1.2 µm	(0%)	(12)
	Straightness Y	6.7 μm		5.1 µm	(2%)	(6)
	Scaling mismatch	-0.4 µm		0.2 µm	(0%)	(13)
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		5.0400 mm				
	Scaling error X	-690.6 µm/m				
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	Centre offset X	-0.0 µm				
	Positional tolerance	678 7 um				
	Best fit radius	149 8965 mm				
l [u]	Circularity	111 5 um				

Identify and rank errors

Decide on corrective action depending on error type



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Backlash – Physical lost motion in the axis of travel during change of direction. This will have a direct affect on positioning and contouring ability.







Reversal Spikes - The 'dwell' in the change in direction of the axis that the servo is driving. This will have a direct affect on contouring ability.







Servo Miss-match – This is caused by one axis servo moving faster than the other causing an oval shaped movement of the axis. As the test is done in both directions we can distinguish it from a squareness error. This will have a direct affect on contouring ability.

XY+veY leads XXY-veX leads YZX+veX leads ZZX-veZ leads XYZ+veY leads Z	Planes being tested	Value given by software	Leading axis	
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Cyclic Error – The run-out of the ballscrew caused by a 'drunk' ballscrew, or eccentricity of the ballscrew or encoder mountings. This will have a direct affect on positioning and contouring ability.







Scaling error – Here one axis is moving a different distance to the other. A reason for this is wear in the ballscrew and can be cured by pitch error compensation using XL80 / ML10. This will have a direct affect on positioning ability.







Straightness – This indicates the condition of the guideways of the machine. It can show the guides to be bent possibly due to a crash or worn in the normal working area of the machine. This will have a direct affect on positioning and contouring ability.







Lateral Play – The 'slop' in the axis guideways of the machine also known as 'yaw'. This will have a direct affect on positioning and contouring ability.







Squareness – This is simply the out of square to each other of the two axes being tested. This condition is unaffected by the federate of the test. This will have a direct affect on positioning and contouring ability.





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Who Needs the Ballbar system

Production Department

•Checking machines are capable of producing parts to drawing specifications before you start cutting

Machine performance quickly validated after a crash

•Monitor machine tool performance

Match accurate work to accurate machines



Who Needs the Ballbar system

Maintenance Department

•Planned maintenance program, rather than fire fighting!



•Early warning of potential problems

Make quick adjustments to improve machine performance



360 Lathe Adapter

Adding the 360 degree adapter to the standard kit allows testing of CNC Lathes





VTL Adapter

- Allows testing of any 2 axis CNC machine tool
- Special retractable centre-mount
- Example applications include :-
 - Vertical turning lathes
 - Laser cutting machines
 - Pick & place machines



- Wire eroding machines



Error Simulation Software

Ballbar result

- -1.74ms Servo error
- Circularity = <u>111um</u>

If servo error is removed Circularity = 57um

Predict the Machine



Improvements that could be made in advance





Ballbar History

- Schedule regular tests to spot drift and deviation
- View results from a series of tests for any parameter
- Apply "Pass", "Warning" & "Fail" Tolerance Bands







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XL80 Laser System – The Industry Standard

 A Calibration tool used to calibrate Machine Tools, CMM's and motion control systems

 Used for corrective maintenance when and where necessary

 Data gathered is analysed to National & International standards

Giving traceability back to NPL

Measurements up to 80 metres

 Output power <1mW (class II) Eye safe laser





 $<\!\!<\!\!>$ •Most accurate laser on the market of it's type +/- 0.5 ppm

XL80 laser system



XL80 laser system

Linear accuracy & repeatability

Angular (pitch & yaw)

Squareness

Straightness

Rotary axes



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Example Linear set-up

- Position Over travel & Under travel
- Repeatability
- •Dynamic
- •Automatic linear error compensation





Linear Measurement



Before and after linear correction

• XL80 improves machining accuracy...



Angular measurement



PITCH

&

YAW

ANGULAR MEASUREMENT



ANGULAR MEASUREMENT



ANGULAR MEASUREMENT





Effect of Pitch – Z and X axis Positional Errors





Effect of Yaw – X and Y axis Positional Errors



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Typical angular result





•BENDING OF SLIDES •WEAR IN

SLIDES

•MISALIGNMENT IN GUIDEWAYS





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Effects of Straightness





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•Determines the out-of square of two axes















Flatness Measurement



Moody Method



Grid Method



Flatness Measurement



Rotary Measurement



Automatic self-calibration

 Automatic data capture over 360 degrees

 Used vertically or horizontally

Wireless connection

Accuracy +/- 1 arc sec

Effect Of Rotary Miss-positioning





Rotary Measurement



- Easy, accurate and fast
- Fully automatic data capture
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• Lightweight and portable



Rotary Measurement



Rotary Measurement – Off Axis Centreline



Rotary Measurement



LaserXL Windows Software



The Machine Performance Measurement Cycle



Maximising Your Manufacturing Process



Questions?

