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TNC 620

The Compact Contouring Control for Milling, Drilling and Boring Machines



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This brochure describes the functions and specifications of the TNC 620 with NC software 81760x-04.

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Compact and versatile

– The right control for milling, drilling and boring machines

For more than 35 years, TNC controls from HEIDENHAIN have been proving themselves in daily use on milling, drilling and boring machines, as well as machining centers. During this period the controls have been continuously developed with the needs of the machine operator always placed foremost.

You'll also find these principles realized in the TNC 620: workshop-oriented programmability with graphic support, many field-proven cycles and an operational design that you are familiar with from other HEIDENHAIN controls.

Shop-oriented programming

You program conventional milling and drilling operations yourself at the machine, in Klartext—the dialog-guided, workshop-oriented programming language from HEIDENHAIN. The TNC 620 provides you with optimum support with practical prompts, questions and meaningful help graphics.

Standard operations and even complex applications are on call as a large variety of real-world machining cycles or coordinate transformations.

Simple operation

For simple work, such as face milling, you need not write a program on the TNC 620. It is just as easy to operate the machine manually by pressing the axis keys or—for maximum sensitivity—using the electronic handwheel.

Offline program creation

The TNC 620 can be programmed remotely just as well. Its Fast Ethernet interface guarantees very short transfer times, even of long programs.



The TNC 620 is compact and easy to read.

The TNC 620 is a compact but versatile contouring control for up to five controlled axes and a controlled spindle. Thanks to its flexible operation—workshop-oriented programmability with HEIDENHAIN conversational programming or offline programming—and its scope of features, it is especially suited for use on universal milling, drilling and boring machines for the following:

- Series and single-part production
- Tool making
- Machine building
- Research and development
- Prototypes and pilot plants
- Repair departments
- Training and education facilities

It also offers the applicable features both necessary and helpful for:

Universal milling machines

- Free contour programming
- Milling cycles for complex contours
- Fast presetting with HEIDENHAIN touch probes

Drilling and boring machines

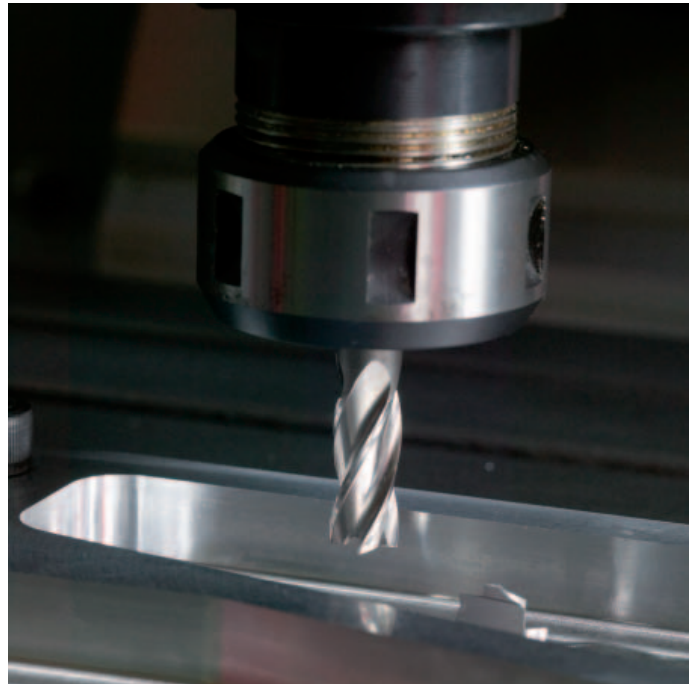
- Cycles for drilling, boring and spindle alignment
- Cycles for Cartesian and polar point patterns
- Drilling oblique holes

Five-axis machining with swivel head and rotary table

- When you are programming away from the machine, the TNC 620 automatically takes the machine geometry into account
- Tilting the working plane
- Cylinder surface machining
- 3-D tool compensation
- Fast execution through short block processing times

Machines with parallel secondary axes

- Compensating movement in the secondary axes U, V, W through the principal axes X, Y, Z
- Defining the principal and secondary axes in the NC program makes it possible to run programs on different machine configurations
- Including movements of the parallel axes in the position display of the associated principal axis (sum display)



Well designed and user friendly

– The TNC 620 in dialog with the user

The screen

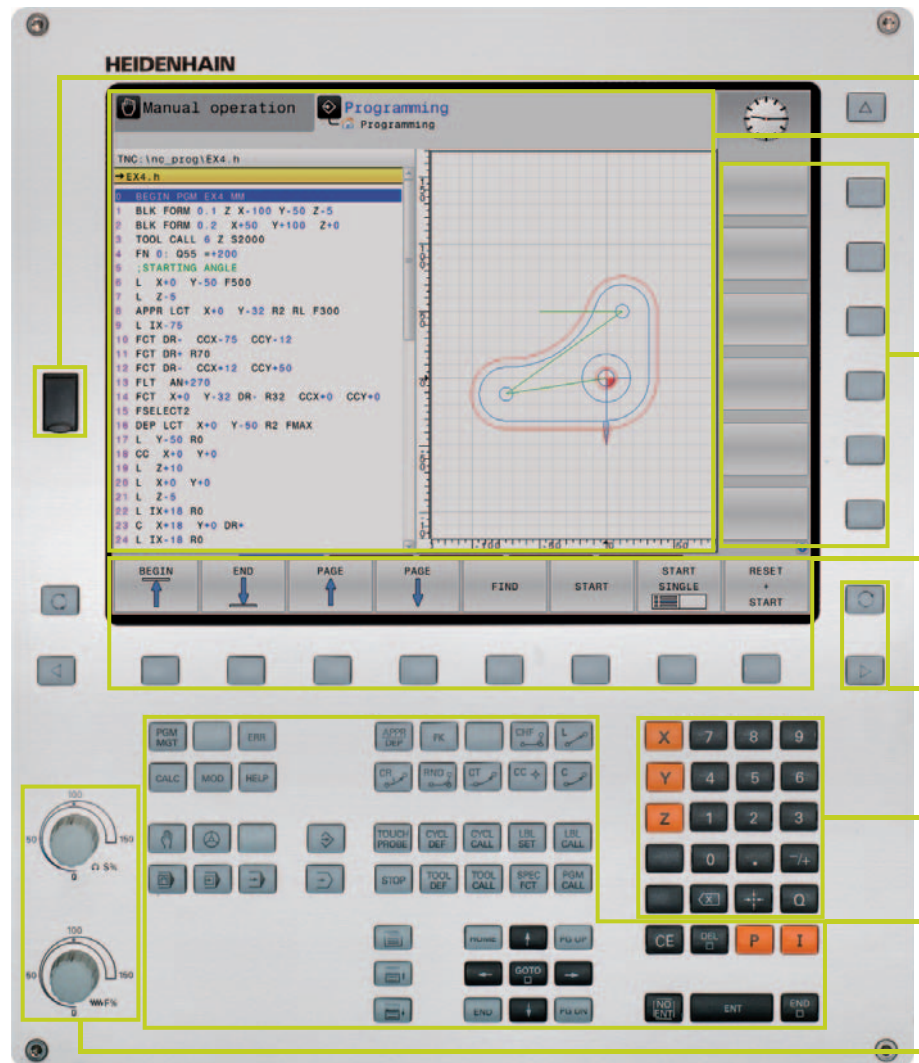
The 15-inch TFT color flat-panel display shows a clear overview of all relevant information for programming, operating, and inspecting the machine tool and control, such as program blocks, comments and error messages. More information is provided through graphic support during program entry, test run and actual machining.

The selectable “split screen” display shows the part program blocks in one half of the screen and the graphics or the status display in the other half.

During the course of the program, status displays will always offer information to keep you up to date on tool position, the current program, active cycles and coordinate transformations, and other data. The TNC 620 even shows the current machining time.

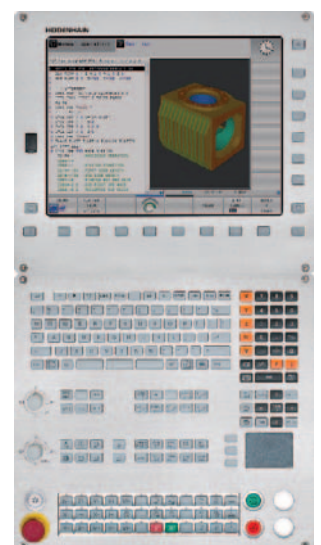
The keyboard

As with all TNCs from HEIDENHAIN, the operating panel is oriented to the programming process. The well-thought-out arrangement of keys in a clear division into **function groups**, i.e. programming modes, machining modes, management/ TNC functions and navigation, supports you during program input. Simple key assignment and easily understandable symbols or abbreviations clearly indicate each key's function. You use the **override potentiometers** to make delicate adjustments to the feed rate and spindle speed.



Like the iTNC 530 and TNC 640—the large HEIDENHAIN controls—the TNC 620 version with a separate keyboard unit provides additional function units:

The **alphabetic keypad** enables you to easily enter comments and G codes. The integrated **machine operating panel** features easily exchangeable snap-on keys that allow simple adaptation to the respective machine configuration. And the operating panel features a complete **set of PC keys** and a **touchpad**.



USB port for additional data storage or pointing devices

The screen content includes two operating modes, the program, graphics and the machine status

PLC function keys (soft keys) for machine functions

Self-explanatory **function keys** (soft keys) for NC programming

Keys for **screen management** (screen layout), operating mode and switching between soft-key rows

Axis-selection keys and **numeric keypad**

Function keys for programming modes, machine modes, TNC functions, management and navigation

Override potentiometers for feed rate and spindle speed

Ergonomic and elegant, state-of-the-art and field-proven—HEIDENHAIN controls in a new design. Judge for yourself:

Durable

The high-quality stainless steel design of the TNC 620 features a special protective coating and is therefore highly resistant to soiling and wear.

Smooth

The rectangular, slightly rounded keys are pleasant to the touch and reliable in operation. Their inscriptions do not wear off, even under extreme workshop conditions.

Versatile

Soft keys both for the programming and the machine functions always show only the currently available selections.

Sensitive

With the handy control knobs you can individually adjust the feed-rate and spindle speed.

Communicative

The fast USB 2.0 interface lets you connect storage media or pointing devices to the keyboard simply and directly.

Flexible

The integrated machine operating panel (on versions with separate keyboard unit) features easily exchangeable snap-on keys.

Reliable

The elevated key bed of the machine operating panel (on versions with separate keyboard unit) prevents accidental actuation. LEDs serve for status display of each key by clearly indicating the active machine functions.



Well designed and user friendly

– The functional user interface

The combination of the straightforward and ergonomically designed keyboard and the well-designed screen layout are the essence of reliable and fatigue-free operation—principles that HEIDENHAIN has always represented. However, the TNC 620 also offers a number of features that make working with the control even easier and user-friendlier than ever.

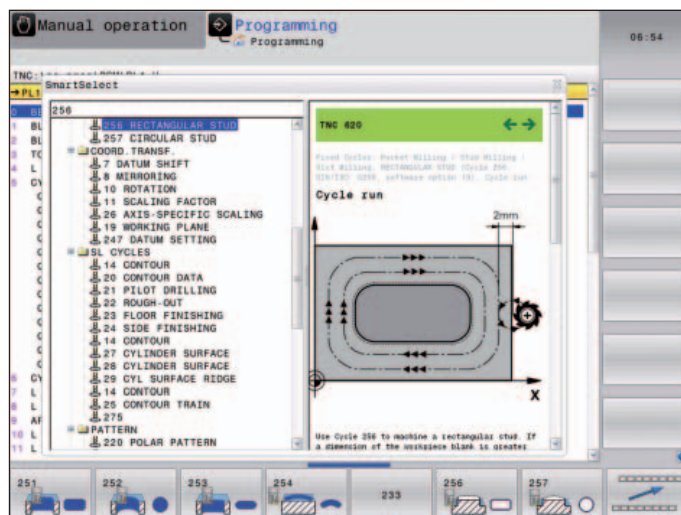
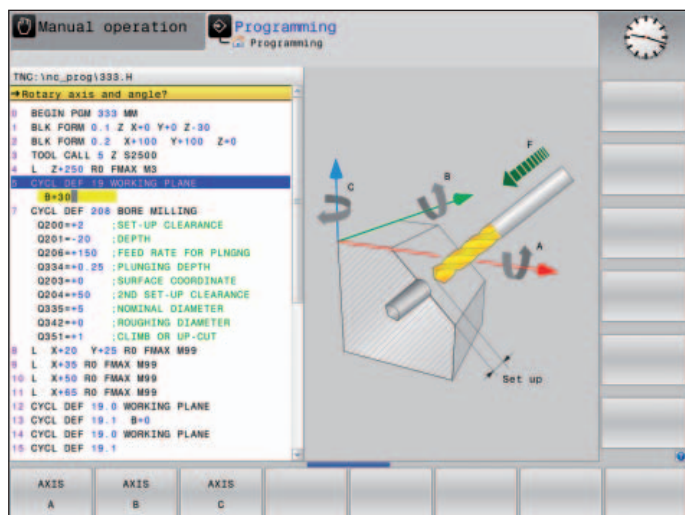
Attractive view

The user interface of the TNC 620 has a modern appearance, with slightly rounded forms, color gradients and a homogeneously designed font. The individual screen areas are clearly distinguished and the operating modes are also indicated by their respective symbols.

To better distinguish between the priority of error messages, the TNC 620 displays them in color-coded categories. A color-coded warning triangle is also displayed.

Fast function overview

With **smartSelect** you enjoy dialog guidance for quick and easy selection of functions that up to now were accessible only through the soft-key structure. As soon as you open smartSelect, it displays a tree structure with all subordinate functions that can be defined in the control's current condition. Moreover, in the right part of the smartSelect window, the TNC displays the integrated help. With the cursor or a mouse click, you immediately access detailed information on the respective function. Also, smartSelect enables you to define fixed cycles, touch probe cycles, special functions (SPEC FCT), and quickly access the parameter programming.



Color-structured programs

The content of a program line can be quite comprehensive: line number, program function, input values, comment. To help you always find your way even in complex programs, the individual program elements on the TNC 620 are shown in different colors. The color syntax highlighting improves your overview when editing NC programs. It enables you to see at a glance, for example, where the editable input values are.

Uniform table editor

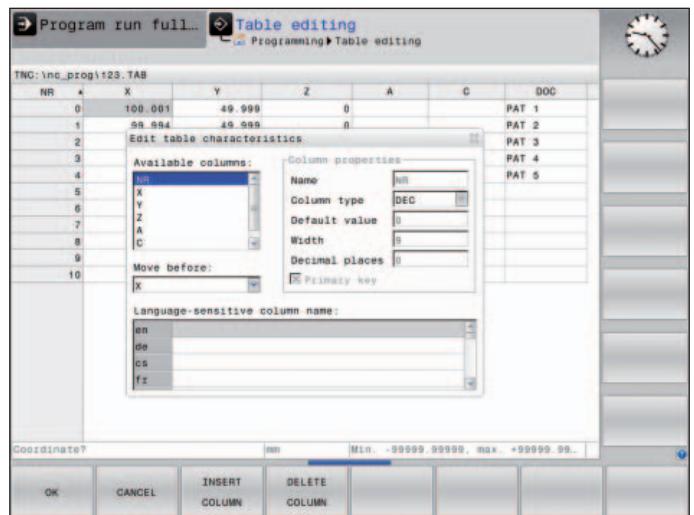
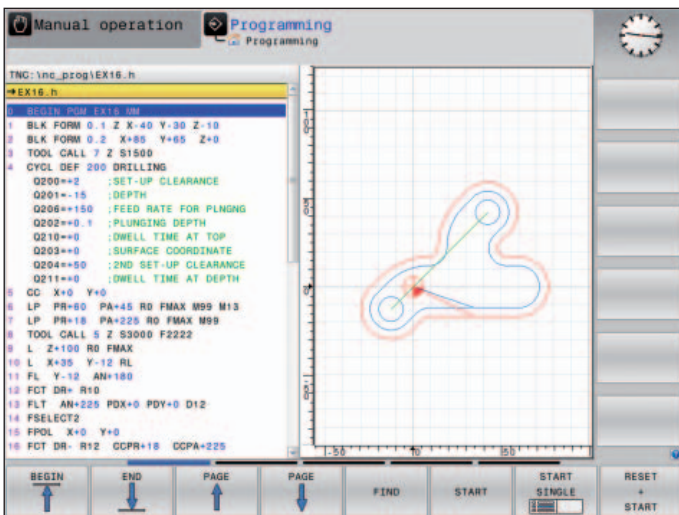
Regardless of which table you are editing—whether the tool table, datum table or pallet table—the function and operation of the table editor are always the same.

Info line

In the info line, the TNC 620 shows the respective submode condition and helps you to orient yourself. The function is comparable with the history function in web browsers.

MOD function

The additional mode MOD offers a myriad of possible settings in a standardized layout regardless of the operating mode.



Quick and reliable machining with high contour accuracy

– The TNC 620 permits optimum tool movement

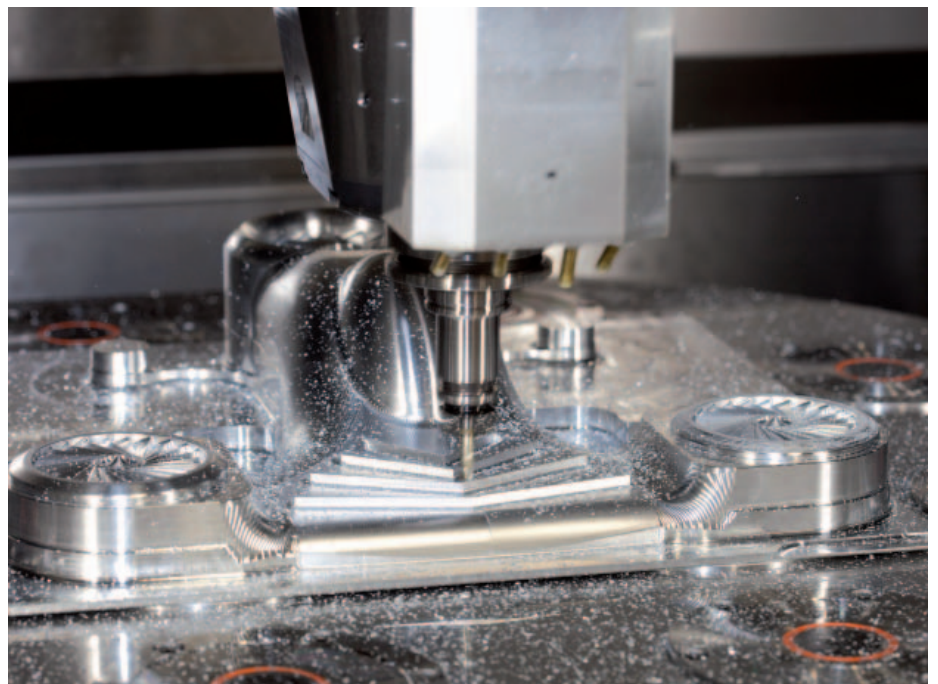
Very high contour accuracy and surface quality

TNC controls from HEIDENHAIN are known for their **jerk-smoothed as well as velocity- and acceleration-optimized motion control**. In this way you can ensure optimized surface quality and workpiece accuracy. With the TNC 620 you can exploit state-of-the-art developments. The TNC 620 looks ahead, thinks along with you, and can calculate the contour dynamically before machining. Special filters specifically and additionally suppress machine-specific natural vibrations.

With **look-ahead**, the TNC 620 recognizes directional changes beforehand and adapts the traversing speed to the course of the contour and the surface to be machined. You simply program the maximum machining velocity as feed rate and, in **Cycle 32 TOLERANCE**, enter in the control the maximum permissible deviations from the ideal contour. The TNC 620 automatically adapts the machining to the tolerance that you define. No contour damage occurs with this method.

Advanced Dynamic Prediction (ADP)

ADP expands the previous advance calculation of the permissible maximum feed rate profile. ADP compensates differences in feed rate profiles resulting from point distribution on neighboring paths, especially in NC programs from CAM systems. This provides, among other things, a particularly symmetrical feed rate behavior on the back-and-forth path during bidirectional finish milling, and very smooth feed rate curves on parallel milling paths.



Fast machining and computing processes

The fast block processing time of maximum 1.5 ms enables the TNC 620 to run fast advance calculations in order to optimally use the dynamic parameters of the machine. In this way, functions like ADP and look-ahead not only provide very high contour accuracy and surface definition—they also optimize the machining time.

One of the reasons for the TNC 620's high speed is its **uniformly digital control design**. It consists on the one hand of the integrated digital drive technology from HEIDENHAIN, and on the other hand all control components are interconnected with digital interfaces—the control components via HSCI (HEIDENHAIN Serial Controller Interface), and the encoders via EnDat 2.2. This makes it possible to realize very high feed rates. And the TNC 620 interpolates simultaneously in up to five axes. To attain the required cutting speeds, the TNC 620 controls spindle speeds up to **100000 rpm** digitally.

The TNC 620's powerful 5-axis machining enables you to manufacture even complex 3-D contours. The required programs are usually created on external CAM systems and comprise a large number of very short line segments that are transferred to the control. With its short block processing time, the TNC 620 quickly executes even complex NC programs. Thanks to its computing power, however, it can also transfer complex advance calculations to simpler NC programs. This makes it unimportant what data volume the NC programs from their CAD systems have: with the TNC 620, the finished workpiece will be a virtually perfect reflection of the generated program.



Quick and reliable machining with high contour accuracy

– Dynamic Precision

dynamic + precision

The control concept of the TNC 620 guarantees high accuracy and surface definition at high machining speeds. These are made possible by differing technologies, cycles and functions. Individually or in combination, they ensure optimized motion control, effective jerk limiting, dynamic contour look-ahead and therefore perfect surfaces with very short machining times.

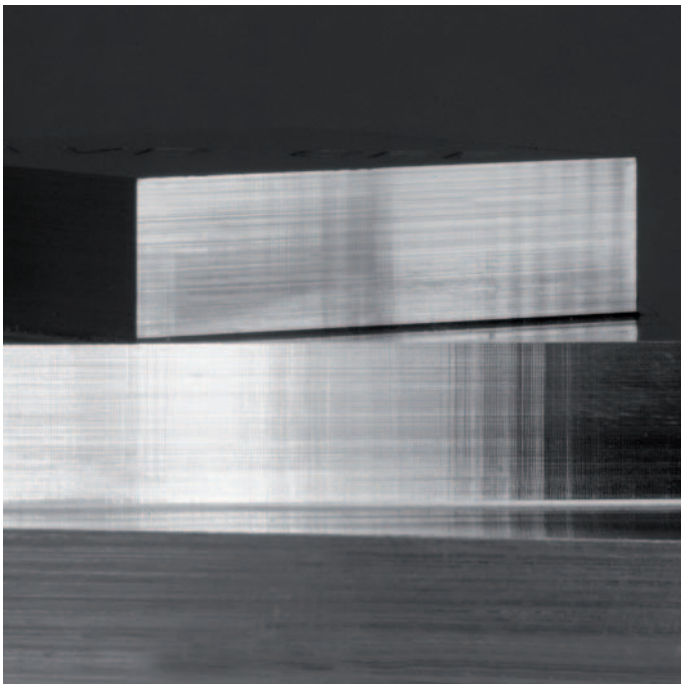
The hypernym **Dynamic Precision** stands for a number of HEIDENHAIN solutions for metal cutting that can dramatically improve the dynamic accuracy of a machine tool. It is the result of a new perspective on the competing demand for accuracy, high surface quality and short machining times. The dynamic accuracy of machine tools manifests itself in deviations at the tool center point (TCP). These deviations depend on kinetic quantities such as velocity and acceleration (also jerk), and result, among other things, from the vibrations of machine components.



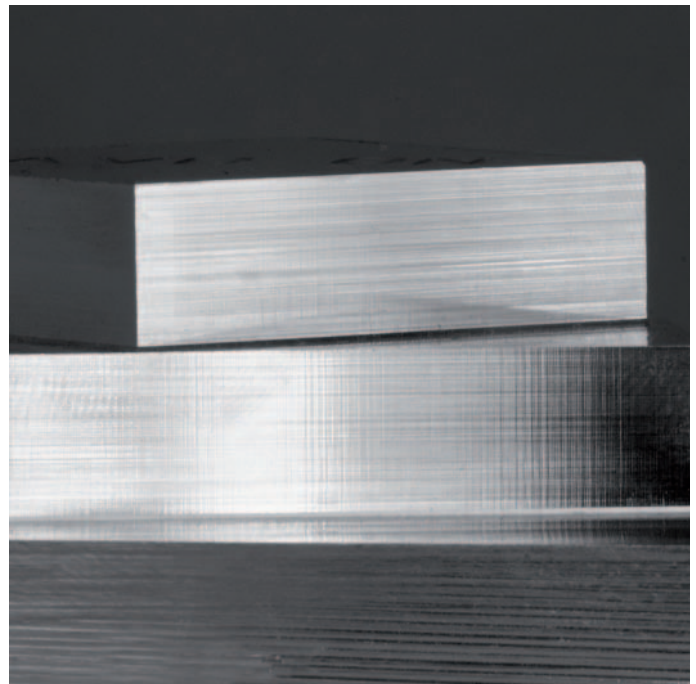
All the influences are together responsible for dimensional inaccuracies and faults in the workpiece surface. They therefore have a decisive influence on quality and, when poor-quality parts are scrapped, also on productivity. Dynamic Precision counteracts these problems with intelligent control technology to enable designers to further improve the quality and dynamic performance of machine tools. That saves time and money in production.

The machine tool builder can use the options comprised by **Dynamic Precision** either individually or in combination:

- **CTC** – Compensation of position errors due to machine elasticity between the encoder and the TCP. This increases accuracy during acceleration phases
- **AVD** – Active vibration damping improves surfaces
- **PAC** – Position-dependent adaptation of control parameters
- **LAC** – Load-dependent adaptation of control parameters enhances accuracy regardless of load and aging
- **MAC** – Motion-dependent adaptation of control parameters



Vibrations can significantly impair surface quality



With AVD, visibly superior surface quality is achieved

Quick and reliable machining with high contour accuracy

– Machining any contour slots with trochoidal milling (option)

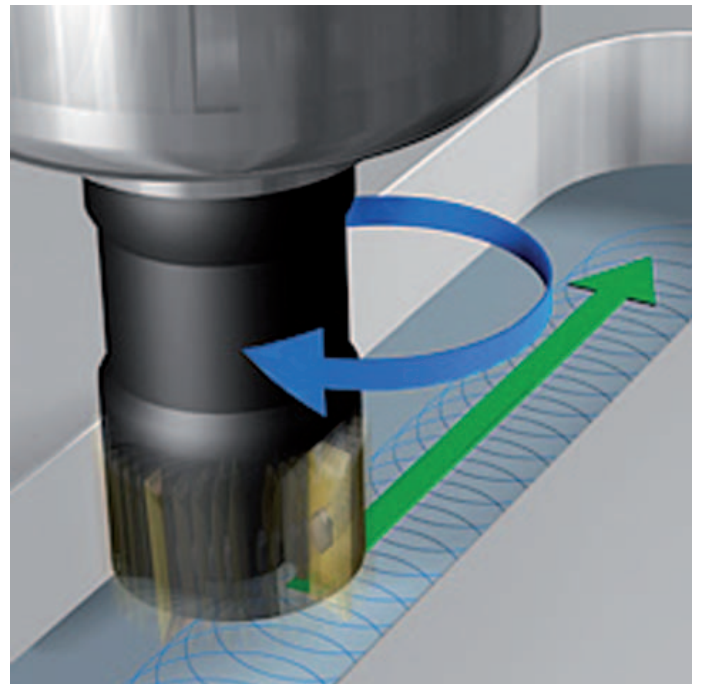
The benefit of trochoidal milling is its ultra-efficient machining of slots of all kinds. The roughing process is a circular motion superimposed on a forward linear motion. This procedure is referred to as trochoidal milling. It is used particularly for milling high-strength or hardened materials, where the high loads placed on the tool and machine usually only permit small infeeds.

With trochoidal milling, on the other hand, large cutting depths are possible since the prevailing cutting conditions do not increase the wear and tear on the tool. On the contrary, the entire length of a plain cutter's cutting edges can be used. This enables you to achieve a greater chip volume per tooth. Circular plunging into the material places less radial force on the tool. This reduces the mechanical load on the machine and prevents vibration.

The slot to be machined is described in a contour subprogram as a contour train. You define the dimensions of the slot and the cutting data in a separate cycle. Any residual material remaining can then easily be removed with a subsequent finishing cut.

The benefits include:

- Engagement of the entire cutter length
- Higher chip volume
- Relief from mechanical load on the machine
- Less vibration
- Integrated finishing of the side wall



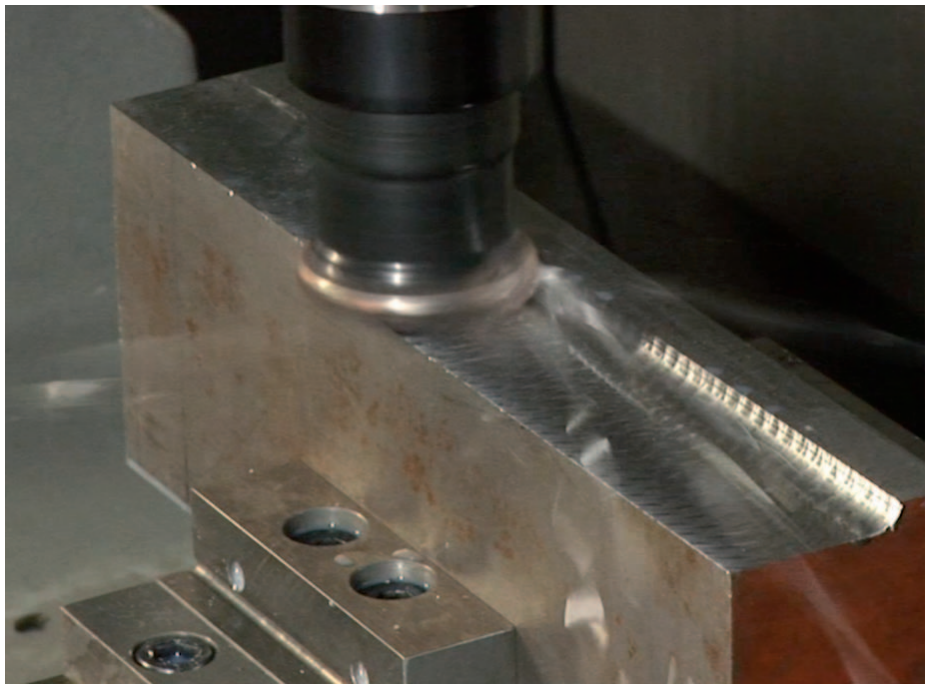
– Active Chatter Control option (ACC)

Strong forces come into play during roughing (power milling). Depending on the tool spindle speed, the resonances in the machine tool, and the chip volume (metal-removal rate during milling), the tool can sometimes begin to “chatter.” This chattering places heavy strain on the machine, and causes ugly marks on the workpiece surface. The tool, too, is subject to heavy and irregular wear from chattering. In extreme cases it can result in tool breakage.

To reduce the inclination to chattering, HEIDENHAIN now offers an effective control function with its Active Chatter Control option (ACC). The use of this control function is particularly advantageous during heavy cutting. ACC makes substantially higher metal removal rates possible. This enables you to increase your metal removal rate by up to 25 % and more, depending on the type of machine. You reduce the mechanical load on the machine and increase the life of your tools at the same time.



Heavy machining without ACC (upper image) and with ACC (lower image)



Machining with five axes

– Swivel head and rotary table controlled by the TNC

Many 5-axis operations that at first glance may seem very complex can be reduced to conventional 2-D movements that are simply tilted about one or more rotary axes or wrapped onto a cylindrical surface. The TNC supports you with application-oriented functions to help you write and edit such programs quickly and simply without a CAD/CAM system.

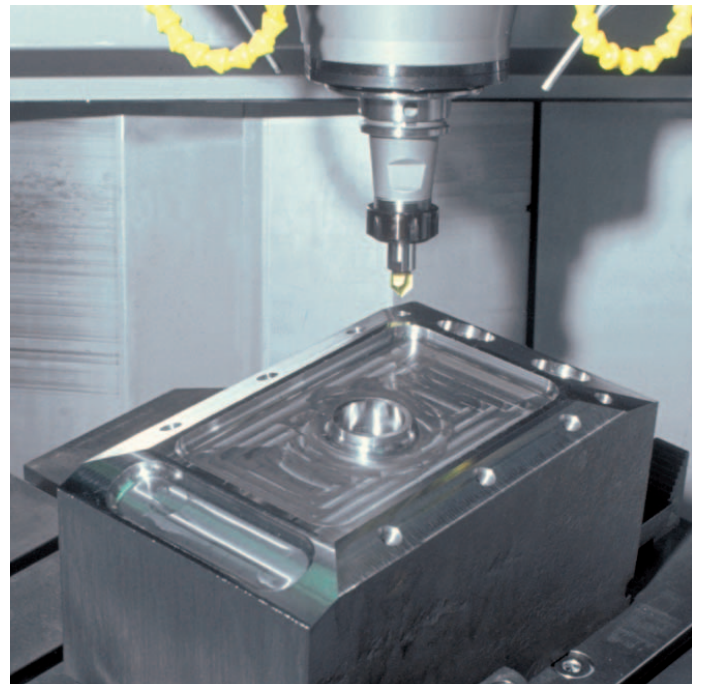
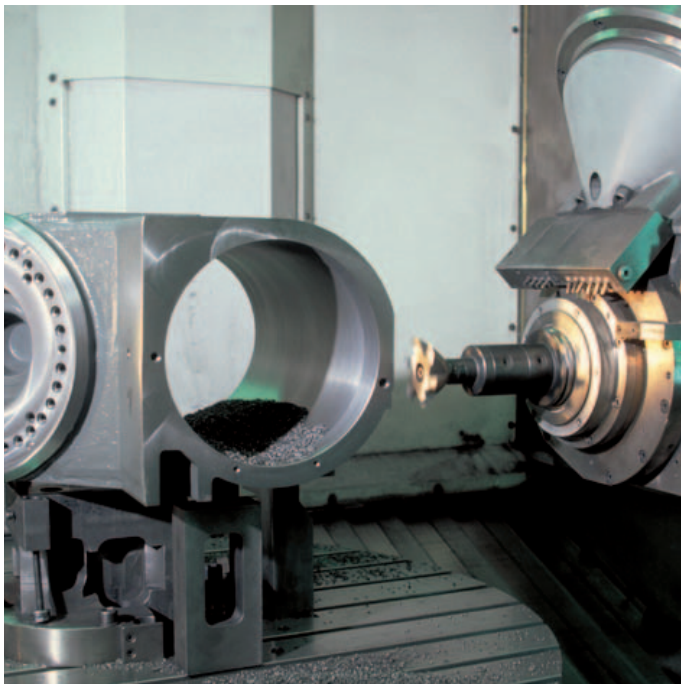
Tilting the working plane* (option 8)

Programs for contours and holes on inclined surfaces are often very complex and require time-consuming computing and programming work. Here the TNC 620 helps you to save a great deal of programming time.

You program the machining operation as usual in the main plane, for example in X/Y. The machine runs the program in a plane that has been tilted by one or more rotary axes with respect to the main plane.

The PLANE feature makes it easy to define a tilted working plane: You can specify tilted working planes in seven different ways, depending on the information on the workpiece drawing. Clearly arranged support graphics assist you during input.

You can also use the PLANE function to define the positioning behavior for tilting so that there are no unpleasant surprises when the program is run. The settings for defining the positioning behavior are identical for all PLANE functions, making everything that much easier.



Cylinder surface machining* (option 8)

With the TNC 620 it is quite easy to program contours (which consist of straight lines and arcs) on cylindrical surfaces using rotary and tilting tables: You simply program the contour in a plane as if the cylinder surface were unrolled. You enter a contour in two dimensions—as if in a plane—and the TNC 620 then calculates and machines the corresponding cylindrical contour.

The TNC 620 features four cycles for cylindrical surface machining:

- Slot milling (the slot width is the same as the tool diameter)
- Guide-groove milling (the slot width is greater than the tool diameter)
- Ridge milling
- Outside contour milling

*The machine must be prepared by the machine tool builder for this function.

Feed rate for rotary axes and tables in mm/min* (option 8)

By default, the feed rate of rotary axes is programmed in degrees/minutes. However, the TNC 620 can interpret this feed rate in mm/min as well. The feed rate at the contour is then independent of the distance of the tool center from the center of the rotary axis.



Minimize setup times

– The TNC 620 makes setup easy

Before you can begin machining, you must first clamp the tool and set up the machine, find the position and orient the workpiece on the machine, and set the workpiece reference point. This is a time-consuming but indispensable procedure. After all, any error directly reduces the machining accuracy. Particularly in small and medium-sized production runs, as well as for very large workpieces, setup times become quite a significant factor.

The TNC 620 features application-oriented, real-world setup functions. They support the user, help to reduce non-productive time, and make overnight, unattended production possible. Together with the **touch probes**, the TNC 620 offers numerous probing cycles for automatic alignment of the workpieces, presetting, and measurement of the workpiece and the tool.

Delicate manual traverse

For setup, you can use the direction keys to move the machine axes manually or in incremental jog. A simpler and more reliable way, however, is to use the electronic handwheels from HEIDENHAIN (see page 35). With the handwheels you are always close to the action, enjoy a close-up view of the setup process, and can control the infeed responsively and precisely.

Adapting the probing velocity

Frequently, the workpiece has to be probed at hidden locations or in cramped spaces. In this case, the standard probing feed rate is usually too fast. In such situations you can use the override knob to change the feed rate during probing. What is special about this option is that it does not influence accuracy.

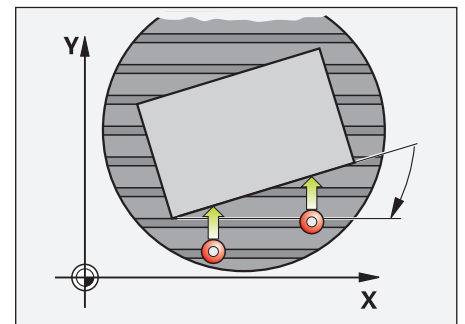
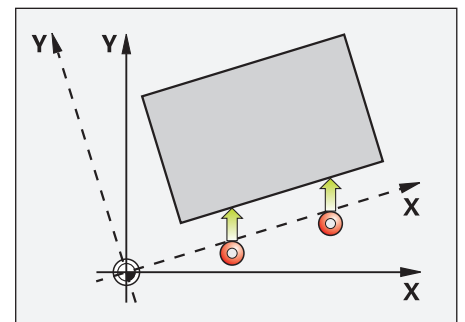
Workpiece alignment (option 17)

With HEIDENHAIN touch probes (see page 36) and the probing functions of the TNC 620, you can forgo any tedious manual alignment of the workpiece:

- Clamp the workpiece in any position.
- The touch probe determines the actual workpiece position by probing a surface, two holes, or two studs.
- The TNC 620 compensates the misalignment with a “basic rotation,” which means that in the NC program the part is rotated by the measured misalignment, or the rotary table itself is turned to correct the misalignment.

Compensating for workpiece misalignment

by rotating the coordinate system or turning the table



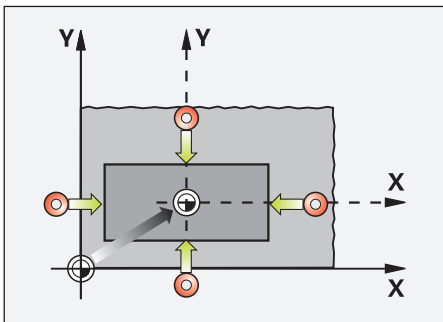
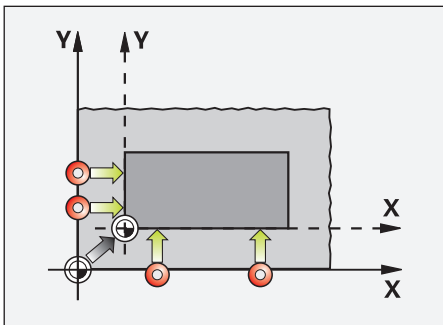
Setting reference points

You can use a reference point to assign a defined value in the TNC display to any workpiece position. Finding this point quickly and reliably reduces nonproductive time and increases machining accuracy. The TNC 620 features probing cycles (option 17) for automatic setting of reference points. Once found, you can save these points

- in the reference-point manager,
- in a datum table, or
- by directly setting the displayed value.

Setting a reference point

at a corner, for example, or in the center of a circular stud



Reference-point management with the preset table

The reference-point manager makes flexible machining, shorter setup times and increased productivity possible. In other words, it makes it much easier to set up the machine.

In the reference-point manager you can save **any number of reference points** and assign an individual basic rotation to each one. To permanently save fixed reference points in the machine working space, you can also write-protect individual lines.

There are three ways to save reference points rapidly in the reference-point manager:

- In the Manual mode by soft key
- By using the probing functions
- With the automatic probing cycles

Saving datums

In datum tables, you can save positions or values given or measured with respect to the workpiece. Datums are always relative to the active reference point.

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Automated machining

– The TNC 620 measures, manages and communicates

The difference in requirements placed on the classical machine for tool and mold-making and machining centers is becoming ever less distinct. Of course the TNC 620 is capable of controlling automated manufacturing processes. It masters the range of functions needed to start the proper machining operations on individual workpieces in any setup, and even in interlinked machining.

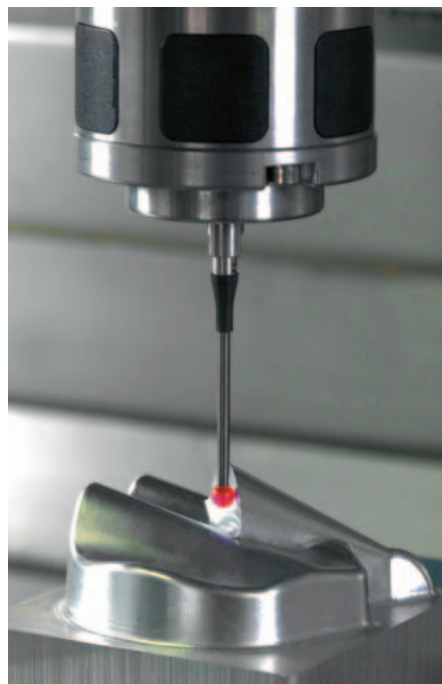
Inspecting workpieces for proper machining and dimensional accuracy (option 17)

The TNC 620 features a number of measuring cycles for checking the geometry of the machined workpieces. For the measuring cycles you insert a 3-D touch probe from HEIDENHAIN (see page 36) into the spindle in place of a tool. This enables you to

- recognize a workpiece and call the appropriate part program,
- check whether all machining operations were conducted correctly,
- determine infeeds for finishing,
- detect and compensate tool wear,
- check the workpiece geometry and sort the parts,
- log measured data,
- ascertain the machining error trend.

Tool measurement and automatic compensation of tool data (option 17)

Together with the TT and TL for tool measurement (see page 37), the TNC 620 makes it possible to measure tools automatically while they are in the machine spindle. The TNC 620 saves the ascertained values of tool length and radius in the central tool file. By inspecting the tool during machining you can quickly and directly measure wear or breakage to prevent scrap or rework. If the measured deviations lie outside the tolerances, or if the monitored life of the tool is exceeded, the TNC 620 locks the tool and automatically inserts a replacement tool.



Tool management

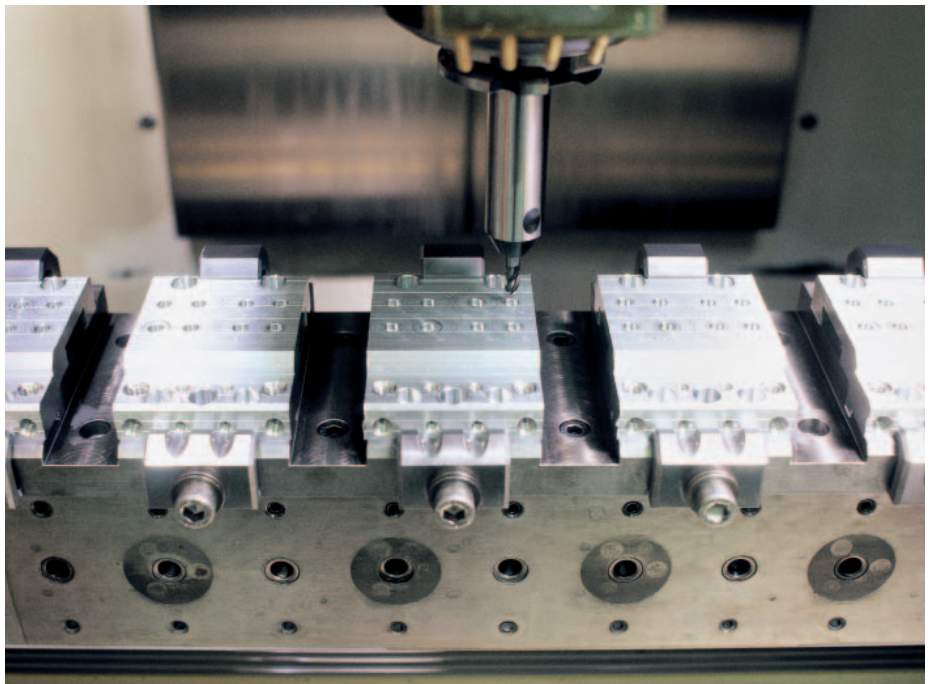
For machining centers with automatic tool changers, the TNC 620 offers a central tool memory for any number of tools. The tool memory is a freely configurable file and can therefore be optimally fitted to your needs. You can even have the TNC 620 manage your tool names. The control prepares the next tool change while the current tool is still cutting. This significantly reduces the non-cutting time required for changing tools.

With the optionally available extended tool management you can also graphically prepare and display any data.*

* The machine must be prepared by the machine tool builder for this function.

Pallet management (option 22)

The TNC 620 can assign the appropriate part program and datum shift to parts mounted on pallets and brought to the machine in any sequence. If a pallet is exchanged, the TNC 620 automatically calls the correct part program. This permits automatic machining of a variety of parts in any sequence.



Programming, editing, testing

– The TNC 620 opens endless possibilities

The TNC 620 is just as universal in application as it is flexible in machining and programming.

Positioning with Manual Data Input

You can start working with the TNC 620 even before writing a complete part program. Simply machine a part step by step—switching as you want between manual operation and automatic positioning.

Programming at the machine

HEIDENHAIN controls are workshop oriented, which means that they were conceived for programming right at the machine. With Klartext conversational programming you can forget about memorizing G codes. Instead you use dedicated keys and soft keys to program line segments, circular arcs and cycles. You initiate a HEIDENHAIN Klartext dialog with a keystroke and the TNC immediately begins to support you actively in your work. Unambiguous questions and prompts help you enter all the required information.

Whether plain-language prompts, dialog guidance, programming steps or soft keys, all texts are available in numerous languages.

Creating programs offline

The TNC 620 is also well equipped for offline programming. Through its interfaces it can be integrated into networks and connected with programming stations or other data storage devices. The TNC 620 can also run programs that were written in DIN/ISO format.



– Graphic support in any situation

Programming graphics

The two-dimensional programming graphics give you additional security: while you are programming, the TNC 620 draws every entered traverse command on the screen. You can select among plan view, side view, and front view. Also, tool paths and rapid-traverse movements can be hidden, and the view can be scaled.

Program verification graphics (option 20)

To play it safe before running a program, the TNC 620 can simulate the machining of the workpiece, and can show this with high-resolution graphics. The TNC 620 can present different views of the simulation:

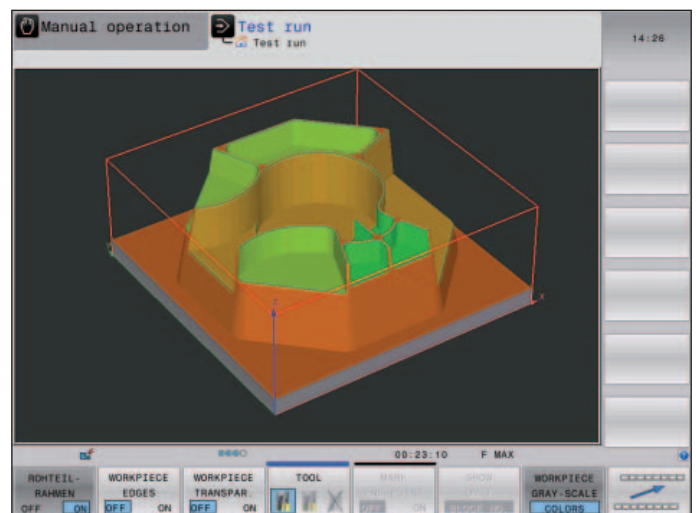
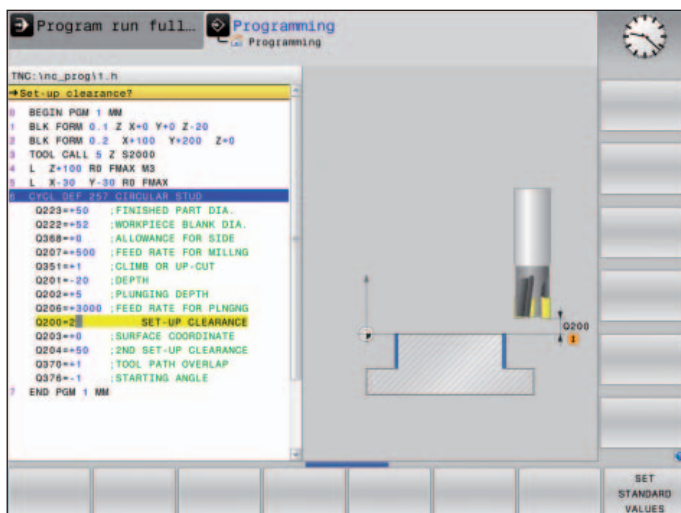
- In a plan view with different shades of depth
- In three projections
- In a solid model, 3-D view

You can adjust the type and quality of the image. Details can be displayed in magnification. In addition, the TNC 620 indicates the calculated machining time in hours, minutes and seconds.

In the 3-D view, you can display the programmed tool-center path in three dimensions. With the powerful zoom function you can also see the finest details. You should especially use the 3-D line graphics to inspect programs created offline for irregularities before machining, in order to avoid undesirable traces of the machining process on the workpiece, e.g. when points are output incorrectly by the postprocessor. The TNC also features a measuring function in the 3-D view. You can position the mouse pointer anywhere in the graphic to see the coordinates.

Program-run graphics (option 20)

The program-run graphics display the workpiece in real time to show you the current stage of machining. Direct workpiece observation is usually impossible due to the coolant and the safety enclosure. During workpiece machining, you can switch at any time between various operating modes, for example to create programs. You then use free moments for a keystroke to take a glance at the progress of workpiece machining.



Programming in the workshop

– Straightforward function keys for complex contours

Programming 2-D contours

Two-dimensional contours are the bread and butter of the modern machine shop. Here the TNC 620 offers a variety of possibilities.

Programming with path function keys

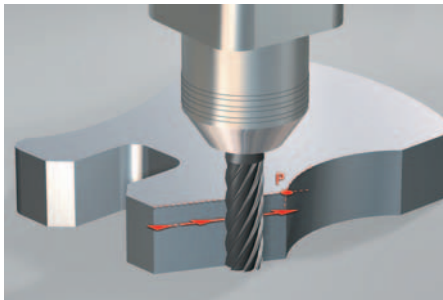
If contours are dimensioned for NC, which means that the end points are specified in Cartesian or polar coordinates, then you can program them directly with the path function keys.

Straight and circular contour elements

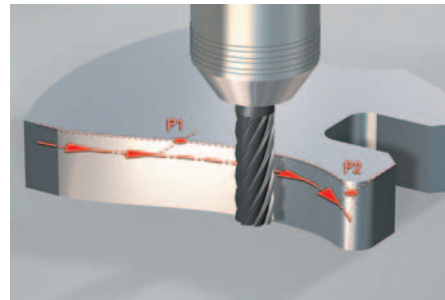
To program a line segment, for example, simply press the key for linear traverse. The TNC 620 asks in plain language for all information required for a complete programming block, such as target coordinates, feed rate, cutter radius compensation and machine functions. Appropriate path function keys for circular movement, chamfers, and corner rounding simplify your programming. To avoid surface blemishes during approach to or departure from the contour, it must be approached smoothly—that is, tangentially.

You simply specify the starting or end point of the contour and the approaching or departing radius of the cutter edge—the control does the rest for you.

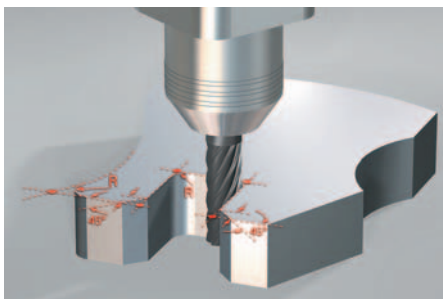
The TNC 620 can look ahead over a radius-compensated contour for up to 99 blocks to watch for back cutting and avoid contour damage such as can occur when roughing a contour with a large tool.



Straight line defined by its end point



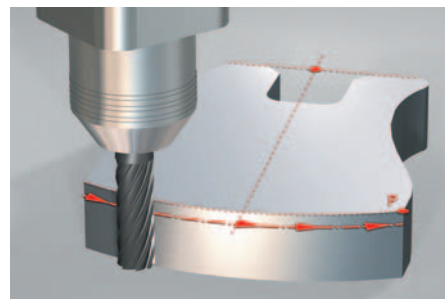
Circular path with smooth, (tangential) connection with the preceding contour element, defined by end point



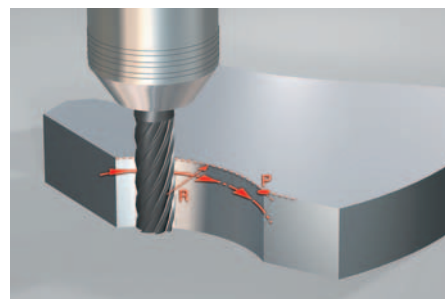
Corner rounding: circular path with smooth (tangential) connection on both sides, defined by radius and corner point



Chamfer defined by the corner point and chamfer length



Circular path defined by its center, end point, and rotational direction

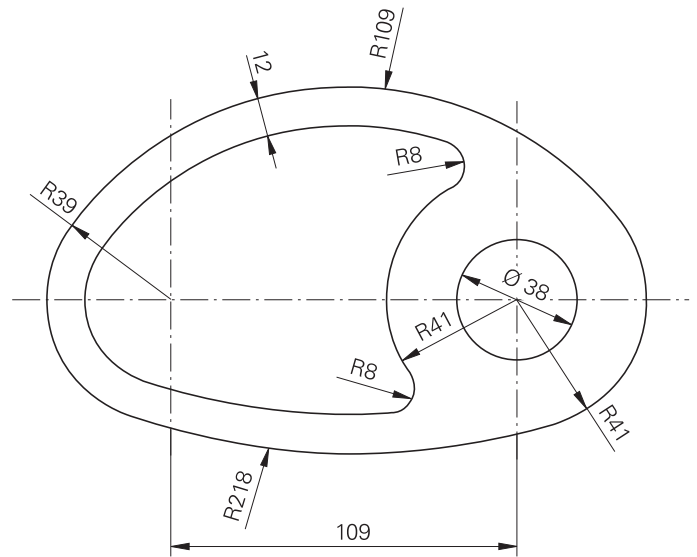
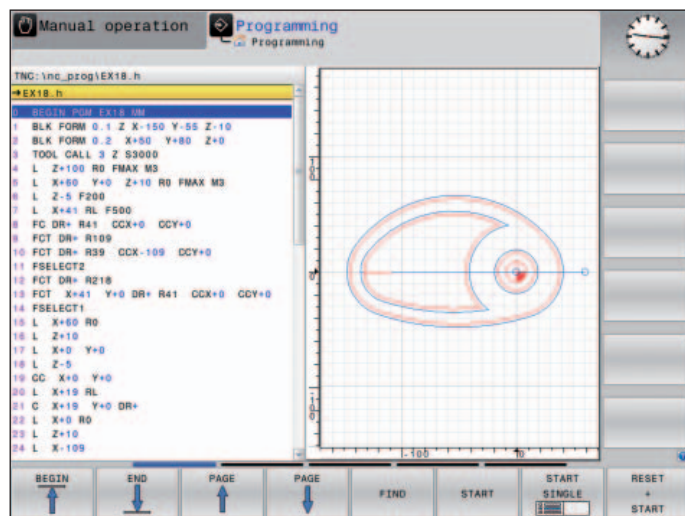


Circular path defined by its radius, end point and rotational direction

– Programming contours unconventionally

FK free contour programming (option 19)

Not all workpieces are dimensioned for conventional NC programming. Thanks to FK, the control's free contour programming feature, in such cases you simply type in the known data—without first having to convert or calculate your data! It does not matter if individual contour elements are not completely defined as long as the complete contour has been. If the given data result in more than one mathematical solution, the helpful TNC 620 programming graphics show you the possible variants for your selection.



Programming in the workshop

– Field-proven cycles for recurring operations

Comprehensive fixed cycles for milling, drilling and boring

Frequently recurring operations that comprise several working steps are stored in the TNC 620 as cycles. You program them under conversational guidance and are supported by graphics that clearly illustrate the required input parameters.

Standard cycles

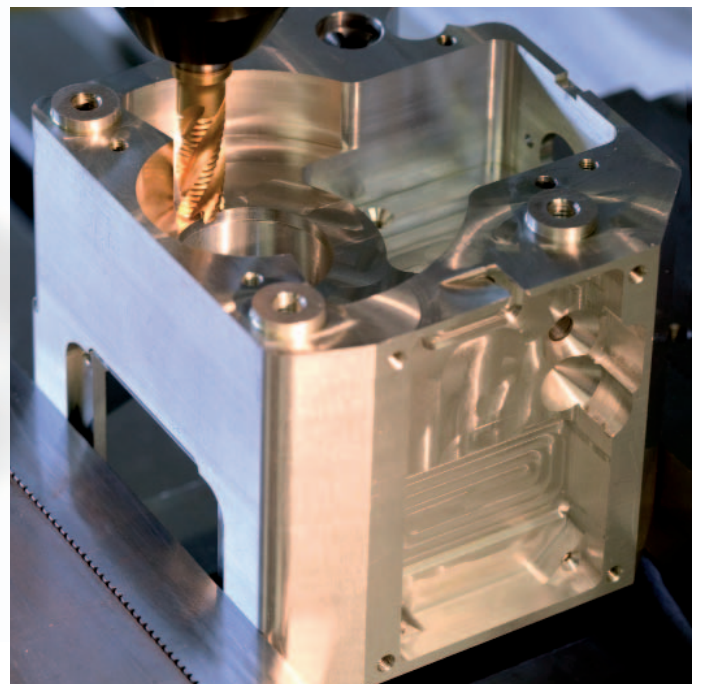
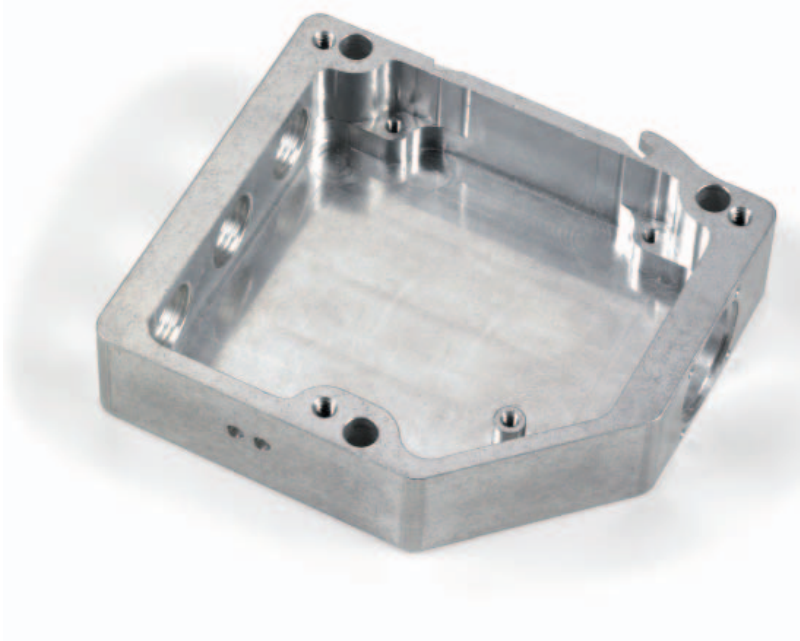
Besides the fixed cycles for drilling and tapping (with or without floating tap holder), there are optional cycles (option 19) for thread milling, reaming, boring and for hole patterns, as well as milling cycles for clearing plane surfaces, and for roughing and finishing pockets, slots and studs.

Cycles for complex contours (option 19)

The **Subcontour List cycles (SL)** are particularly helpful for clearing pockets with combined contours. This term is used to identify machining cycles for pilot drilling, roughing and finishing when the contour or subcontours are specified in subroutines. In this way, one contour description can be used for more than one operation using different tools.

Up to twelve **subcontours** can be superimposed for machining. The control automatically calculates the resulting contour and the tool paths for roughing or clearing the surfaces. Subcontours can be pockets or islands. Different components are combined to form a single pocket in which the tool avoids the islands.

The TNC 620 maintains a **finishing allowance** on the wall and floor surfaces during roughing. When **roughing** with different tools, the control identifies material remaining in inside corners so that it can be cleared later with smaller tools. A separate cycle is used for milling to the finished dimension.



OEM cycles (option 19)

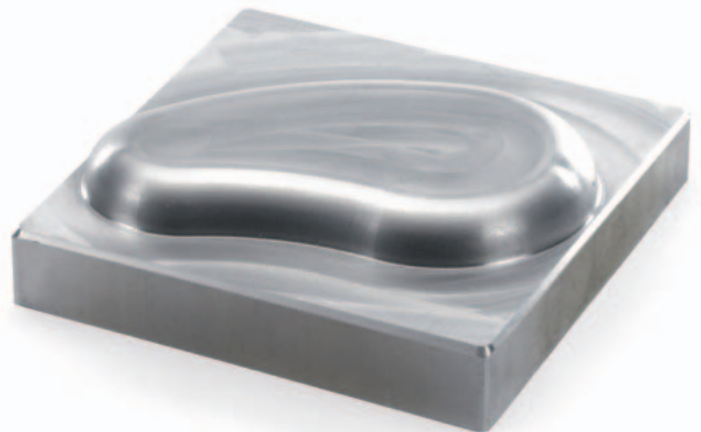
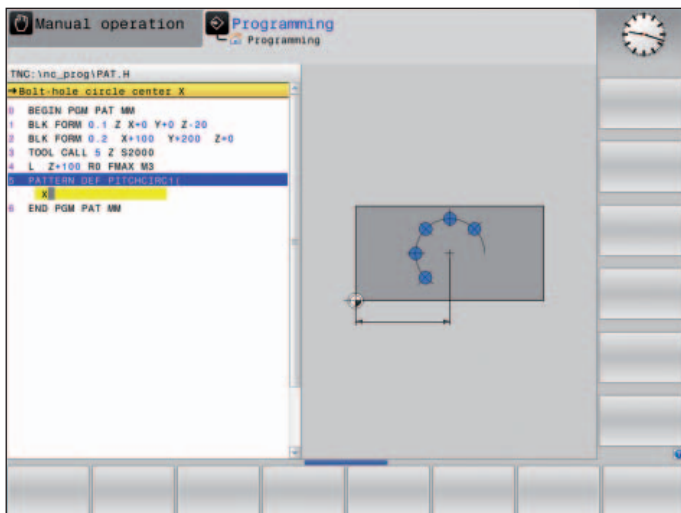
As original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), machine tool builders can contribute their special manufacturing know-how by designing additional fixed cycles and saving them in the TNC 620. However, the end user can write his own cycles as well. HEIDENHAIN makes this possible with its PC program CycleDesign. This enables you to organize the input parameters and soft-key structure of the TNC 620 to suit your own needs.

Stay simple and flexible when programming machining patterns

Machining positions are often arranged in patterns on the workpiece. With the TNC 620, you can program very diverse machining patterns simply and extremely flexibly—of course with graphic support. You can define as many point patterns as desired with various numbers of points. Then you can execute all points at once or each point individually.

3-D machining with parametric programming

With parameter functions you can program simple 3-D geometric figures that can easily be described mathematically. Here you can use the basic arithmetical operations, trigonometric functions, roots, powers, logarithmic functions, parentheses, and logical comparisons with conditional jump instructions. Parametric programming also offers you a simple method of realizing 3-D operations. Of course, parametric programming is also suited for **2-D contours** that cannot be described with line segments or circular arcs, but rather through mathematical functions.



Programming in the workshop

– Reusing programmed contour elements

Coordinate transformation

If you should need a contour that has already been programmed at another position or in a different size, the TNC 620 offers you a simple solution: coordinate transformation.

With coordinate transformation you can, for example, **rotate or mirror** the coordinate system, or **shift the datum**. With a **scaling factor** you can enlarge or reduce contours to respect shrinkage or oversizes.

Program section repeats and subprograms

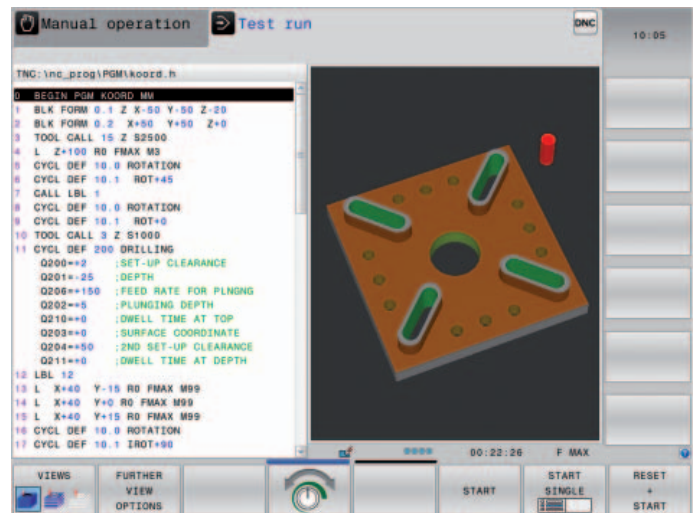
Many machining operations repeat themselves either on the same workpiece or on different workpieces. Once you have programmed a detail, there is no reason to have to program it again. With its sub-programming feature, the TNC can save you a great deal of programming time.

In **program section repeats**, you label a section of the program and during program run the TNC repeats the section successively as many times as required.

You can mark a program section as a **subprogram** and then call it at any point in the program and as often as you want.

With the **program call** function you can even use a completely separate program at any place in your current program. This gives you convenient access to pre-programmed, frequently needed working steps or contours.

Of course you can also combine these programming techniques as often as desired.



– Fast availability of all information

Do you have questions on a programming step but your User's Manual is not at hand? No problem: The TNC 620 numerical control and TNC 620 programming station now feature TNCguide, a convenient help system that can show the user documentation in a separate window.

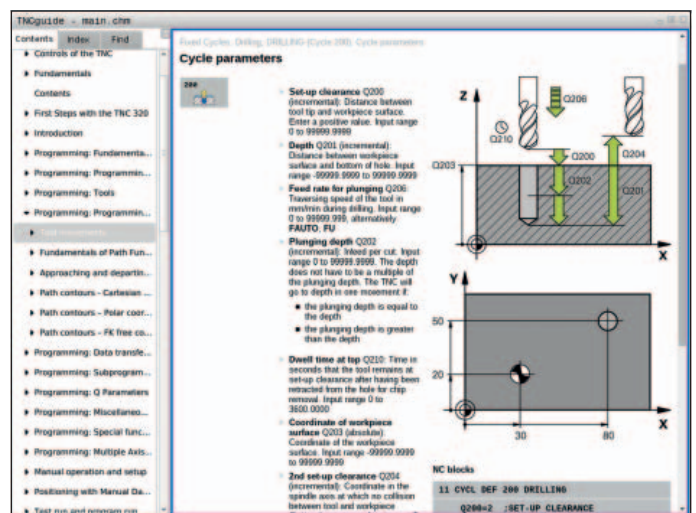
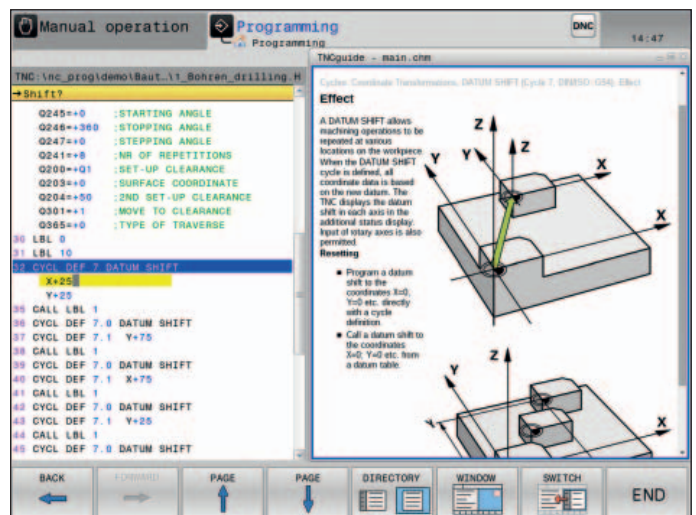
You can activate TNCguide by simply pressing the help key on the TNC keyboard or by clicking any soft key when the mouse pointer has a question mark. You switch the cursor by simply clicking the help symbol that is always visible on the TNC screen.

TNCguide usually displays the information in the immediate context of the element in question (context-sensitive help). This means that you immediately receive the relevant information. This function is particularly helpful with the soft keys. The method and effect of operation are explained in detail.

You can download the documentation in the desired language free of charge from the HEIDENHAIN homepage into the corresponding language directory on the TNC hard disk.

The following manuals are available in the help system:

- User's manual for Klartext conversational programming
- User's manual for cycle programming
- User's manual for ISO programming
- User's manual for the TNC 620 programming station (installed only with the programming station)



Open for communication

–The TNC 620 understands CAD files

Why program complex contours when your drawing is already in DXF format anyway? You can open DXF files directly on the TNC 620 in order to extract contours or machining positions from it. This not only saves time otherwise spent on programming and testing, you can also be sure that the finished contour is exactly according to the design engineer's specifications.

The DXF format—particularly the DXF format supported by the TNC 620—is very widespread and is supported by all common CAD and graphics programs.

After the DXF file has been loaded onto the TNC from the network or a USB stick, you can open the file in the file manager of the TNC, just like an NC program.

As a rule, DXF files contain multiple layers, with which the design engineer organizes the drawing. So that as little unnecessary information as possible appears on the screen during selection of the contours, with a keystroke you can hide all **excessive layers** contained in the DXF file. An external pointing device is required for this. The TNC can select a contour train even if it has been saved over **different layers**.

The TNC also supports you when **defining the workpiece datum**. The datum of the drawing for the DXF file is not always located in a manner that lets you use it directly as a reference point for the workpiece, especially when the drawing contains multiple views. For this reason, the TNC has a function with which you can shift the drawing datum to a suitable location simply by clicking an element.

You can define the following locations as reference points:

- The beginning, end or mid-point of a line
- The beginning, end or center point of a circular arc
- Quadrant transitions or center point of a circle
- Intersection of two lines, regardless of whether it is located inside or outside the programmed segments
- Intersection of a line and a circular arc
- Intersection of a line and a circle

If multiple intersections can result between two elements (e.g., between a straight line and a circle), you can select the correct intersection with a mouse click.



Contour selection is exceptionally user friendly. You select any element by clicking it with the mouse. As soon as you select a second element, the TNC detects your desired direction of machining, and starts the **automatic contour detection**. The TNC automatically selects all clearly identifiable contour elements until the contour closes or branches out. There you click the immediately following contour element. In this way you can define even extensive contours with just a few mouse clicks. If desired, you can also shorten, lengthen or interrupt the contour elements.

But you can also select **machining positions** and save them as point files, particularly in order to use drilling positions

or starting points for pocket machining. This can be done very easily: using the mouse, simply select the desired area. In a pop-up window with filter function, the TNC displays all hole diameters that are within the area you have selected. To select the desired hole diameters and restrict the number of hole positions, simply click the corresponding filter symbol to change the filter limits.

A zoom function and various possibilities for settings round out the functionality of the DXF converter. In addition, you can define the resolution of the contour program to be output in case you want to use it on older TNC controls, or a transition tolerance if occasionally the elements do not quite adjoin.

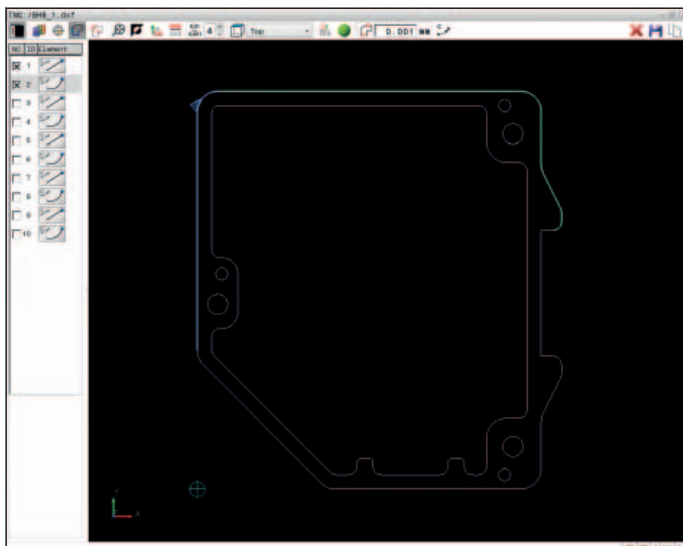
CAD viewer (standard)

The integrated CAD viewer allows you to open 3-D CAD models and drawings directly on the TNC 620. This powerful viewer is a simple and simultaneously efficient solution for displaying CAD design data on the shop floor. Different viewing options and functions for rotating and zooming enable you to visually monitor and analyze your CAD data in detail.

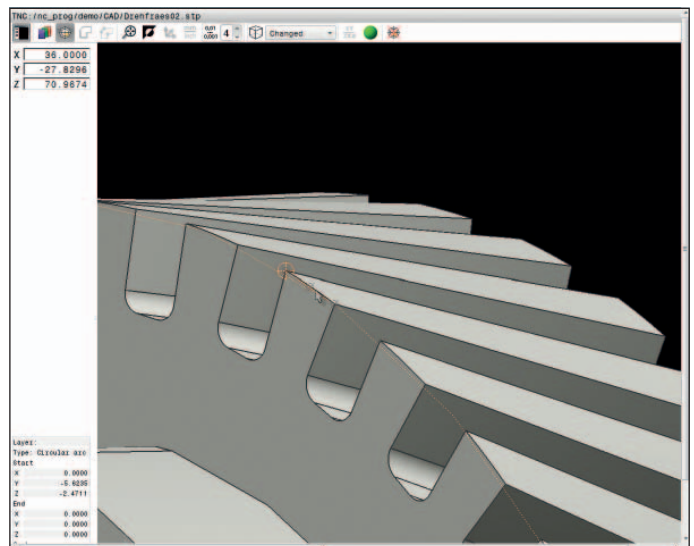
Moreover, you can also use the viewer to find position values and dimensions from the 3-D model. And you can set the datum as desired and select elements in the model. The CAD viewer shows the coordinates of the selected elements in a window.

The TNC 620 can display the following file formats:

- STEP files (.STP and .STEP)
- IGES files (.IGS and .IGES)
- DXF files (.DXF)



Contour selection from an imported DXF file



Display of a 3-D model in the CAD viewer

Open for communication

– Uniformly digital order management with Connected Machining

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The well functioning transfer of knowledge contributes decisively to the success of any company. To transfer knowledge quickly and without loss, effective communication via e-mail is just as much a matter of course as the universal availability of electronic production documents or the transfer of data to merchandise management systems and production activity control systems. The tools and raw materials in stock, tool data, fixture setups, CAD data, NC programs, and inspection instructions must be available to machine operators across all shifts. Economic manufacturing therefore demands an efficiently working process chain and a numeric control connected to this network.

The TNC 620, with its **Connected Machining** package of functions, integrates itself flexibly into your process chain and helps you to optimize the transfer of knowledge

within your company. So also grant your workshop all the information available in your company. **Connected Machining** makes uniformly digital order management possible in networked manufacturing. You thus profit from:

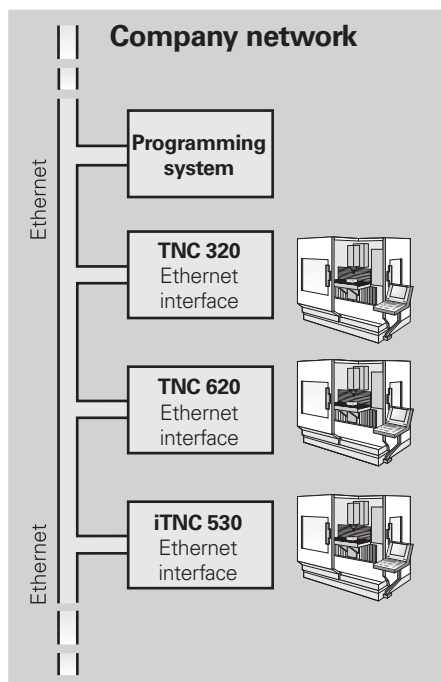
- Easy data usage
- Time-saving procedures
- Transparent processes

The networked TNC 620

By integrating the TNC 620 with its **Connected Machining** functions in your company network, the control connects the workshop with PCs, programming stations, and other data storage devices in other areas of your company:

- Design
- Programming
- Simulation
- Production planning
- Production

Even in its standard version, the TNC 620 features a latest-generation Gigabit Ethernet interface in addition to its RS-232-C/V.24 data interface. The TNC 620 communicates with NFS servers and Windows networks in TCP/IP protocol without needing additional software. The fast data transfer at rates of up to 1000 Mbps guarantees very short transfer times. The TNC 620 offers the best technological conditions for **Connected Machining**, the networking of the control in the workshop with all areas of your company that accompany production.



Standard performance range

In order to be able to use the data that you have transmitted to the control via the standard network connections, the TNC 620 offers you several interesting applications, even as part of the standard scope of functions. A CAD viewer, PDF viewer oder the web browser Mozilla Firefox make the simplest form of **Connected Machining** possible: access to manufacturing process data right at the control.

The operation of web-based documentation software or ERP systems is just as possible here as is access to your e-mail inbox. The following file formats can also be opened directly on the TNC:

- Text files ending with .txt or .ini
- Graphic files ending with .gif, .bmp, .jpg, or .png
- Table files ending with .xls or .csv
- HTML files

Data transfer with Connected Machining

An additional solution for uniformly digital order management as part of **Connected Machining** is the free **TNCremo** software for PCs. With it, and even over the Ethernet interface, you can

- transfer remotely stored part programs and tool or pallet tables in both directions, and
- start the machine.

With the powerful **TNCremoPlus** software for PCs you can also transfer the screen contents of the control to your PC using the live-screen function.

Using order-related data on the control

With the **REMOTE DESKTOP MANAGER** (option 133) you operate a Windows PC directly from the TNC 620. You can access IT systems of the process chain directly from the control, and you also profit from much more efficient setup procedures by eliminating tedious journeys between the machine and the office. Technical drawings, CAD data, NC programs, tool data, work instructions, parts lists and warehouse information are digitally available at the machine. E-mails can be sent and received very easily. With a simple keystroke on the machine operating panel you can switch between the control screen and the screen of the Windows PC. It can be a computer in the local network or an industrial PC in the machine's electrical cabinet.

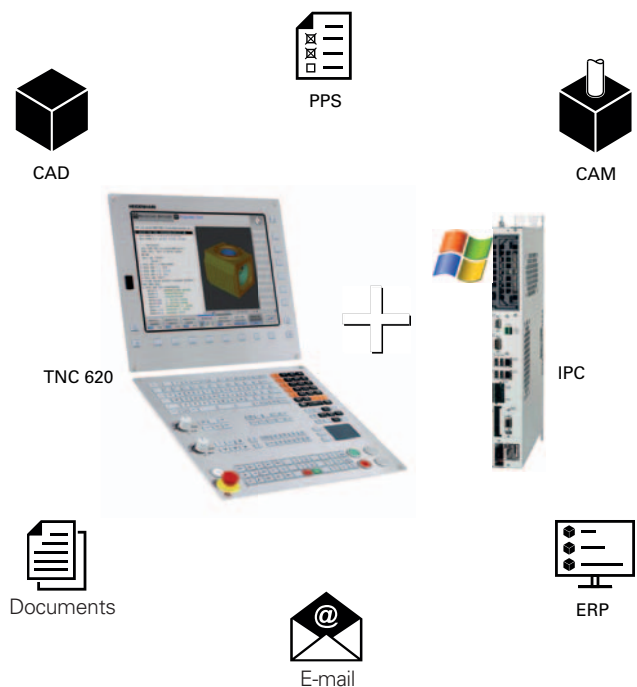
With the IPC 6641, HEIDENHAIN offers an industrial PC with very high computing power and the newest processor architecture for installation in an electrical cabinet. This enables you to easily and efficiently solve even the most computationally intensive tasks in CAD/CAM on your TNC control.

Detailed data for an optimal organization of the production process

HEIDENHAIN DNC* has several functions, including the connection of TNC controls to merchandise management systems and production activity control systems. For example, this interface can be used for the configuration of automatic feedback messages about active production processes. This increases transparency in manufacturing even with a batch size of one and supports timely order management.

With the TNC 620 and **Connected Machining**, uniformly digital order management becomes surprisingly simple. Optimize your processes and use the full innovative potential of your workshop.

* The machine must be prepared by the machine tool builder for this function.



Open for communication

– The TNC 620 programming station

Why a programming station?

It's well known that it is easy to create part programs on a TNC 620 at the machine, even while another part is being machined. Nevertheless, short reloading times and other machining tasks can often hinder any prolonged or concentrated programming work. With the TNC 620 programming station you have the capability to program just as you do at the machine, but away from the noise and distractions of the shop floor.

Creating programs

Programming, testing and optimizing HEIDENHAIN conversational or DIN/ISO programs with the programming station substantially reduces machine idle times. You need not adjust your way of thinking—every keystroke fits. On the programming station you program on the same keyboard as at the machine.

Testing of programs created offline

Of course you can also test programs that were written on a CAD/CAM system. The various views of the program verification graphics help you to easily spot contour damage and hidden details.

Training with the programming station

Because the TNC 620 programming station is based on the same software as the TNC 620, it is ideally suited for apprentice and advanced training. The program is entered on the original keyboard unit. Even the test run functions exactly as it does on the machine. This gives the trainee the experience needed to enable him to safely operate the machine later.

Because the TNC 620 can be programmed in plain language and in DIN/ISO, the TNC 620 programming station can also be used in schools for TNC programming training.

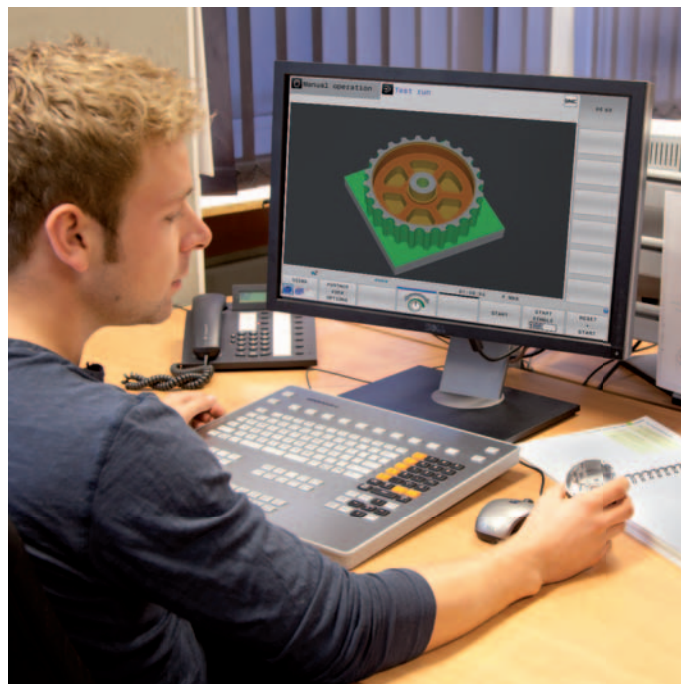
Your workstation

The programming station software runs on a PC. The PC screen shows you the TNC user interface as on the control, and offers the familiar graphic support. Depending on the version of the programming station, there are several types of possibilities for using it.

The free **demo version** contains all functions of the TNC 620, and permits short programs to be saved. It is programmed via the PC keyboard.

On the version with a **TNC operating panel** you then create your programs as always, on a keyboard with the same function keys as on the control of the machine. It also has a PC keyboard for G-code programming, file names and comments.

But you can also work without the TNC operating panel: a **virtual keyboard** simulating the TE appears on the PC screen. It provides the TNC 620's most important dialog initiation keys.



Programming station with TNC operating panel

More information about the programming station and a free demo version is available on the Internet at www.heidenhain.de. Or simply ask for the *TNC Programming Station* CD or brochure.

Positioning with the electronic handwheel

– Delicate axis traverse

To set up the workpiece you can use the direction keys to move the machine axes manually. A simpler and more sensitive way, however, is to use the electronic handwheels from HEIDENHAIN.

You can move the axis slide through the feed motors in direct relation to the rotation of the handwheel. For delicate operations you can set the transmission ratio to certain preset distances per handwheel revolution.

Panel-mounted handwheels

The HR 130 and HR 150 panel-mounted handwheels from HEIDENHAIN can be integrated in the machine operating panel or mounted at another location on the machine. An adapter permits connection of up to three HR 150 electronic panel-mounted handwheels.

Portable handwheels

The HR 510, HR 520 and HR 550 portable handwheels are particularly helpful for when you have to work close to the machine's working space. The axis keys and certain functional keys are integrated in the housing. In this way you can switch axes and set up the machine at any time—regardless of where you happen to be standing. The HR 520 and HR 550 handwheels feature an integrated display for user-friendly remote operation of the control. As a wireless handwheel, the HR 550 is ideal for use on large machine tools. If you no longer need the handwheel, just attach it to the machine somewhere by its built-in magnets.

The following functions are available on the HR 520 and HR 550 handwheels:

- Traverse distance per revolution can be set
- Display for operating mode, actual position value, programmed feed rate and spindle speed, error messages
- Override potentiometer for feed rate and spindle speed
- Selection of axes via keys or soft keys
- Keys for continuous traverse of the axes
- Emergency stop button
- Actual position capture
- NC start/stop
- Spindle on/off
- Soft keys for machine functions defined by the machine tool builder



Workpiece measurement

– Setup, presetting and measuring with touch trigger probes

Workpiece touch probes* from HEIDENHAIN help you to reduce costs in the workshop and in series production: Together with the TNC 620, touch probes can automatically perform setup, measuring and inspection functions.

The stylus of a TS touch trigger probe is deflected upon contact with a workpiece surface. At that moment the TS generates a trigger signal that, depending on the model, is transmitted either by cable or over an infrared beam to the control.

The touch probe* is inserted directly into the machine tool spindle. It can be equipped with various shanks depending on the machine. The ruby ball tips are available in several diameters, and the styli in different lengths.

* Machine and TNC must be specially adapted by the machine tool builder.

Touch probes with **cable connection for signal transmission** for machines with manual tool change and for grinding machines and lathes:

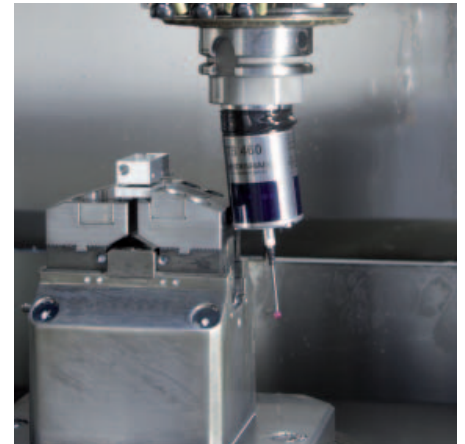
TS 260 – New generation, axial or radial cable

Touch probe with **radio or infrared signal transmission** for machines with automatic tool change:

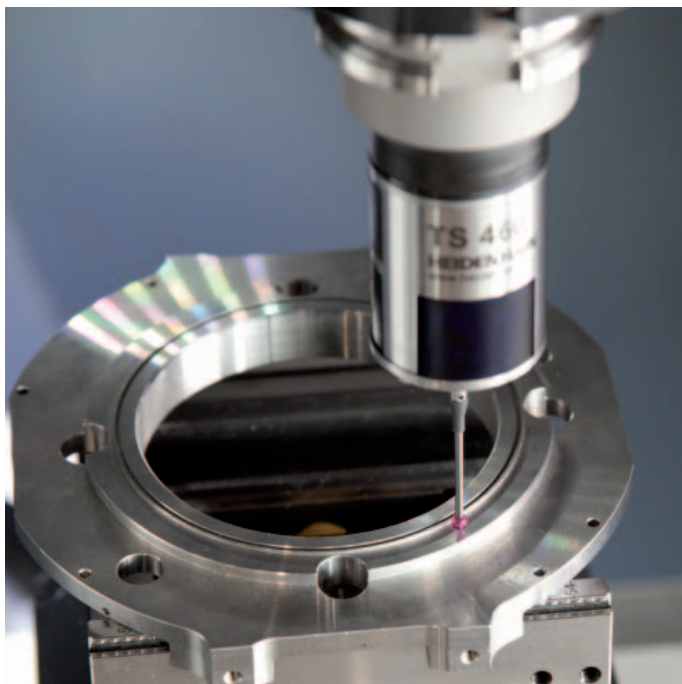
TS 460 – New-generation standard touch probe for radio and infrared transmission with compact dimensions, energy-saving mode, optional collision protection and thermal decoupling

TS 444 – Battery-free voltage supply through integrated air turbine generator from compressed air, for infrared transmission, with compact dimensions

TS 740 – High probing accuracy and repeatability, low probing force, with infrared transmission



TS 460 with collision protection



TS 460



SE 660

More information about workpiece touch probes is available on the Internet at www.touch-probes.com or in the *Touch Probes* brochure.

Tool measurement

– Measuring length, radius and wear directly in the machine

The tool is of course a decisive factor in ensuring a consistently high level of production quality. This means that an exact measurement of the tool dimensions and periodic inspection of the tool for wear and breakage, as well as the shape of each tooth, are necessary. HEIDENHAIN offers the TT trigger tool touch probes as well as the non-contacting TL Nano and TL Micro laser systems for tool measurement.

The systems are installed directly in the machine's workspace, where they permit tool measurement either before machining or during interruptions.

The **TT tool touch probes** measure the tool length and radius. When probing the rotating or stationary tool, e.g. during individual tooth measurement, the contact plate is deflected and a trigger signal is transmitted directly to the TNC 620.

The **TT 160** uses signal transmission by cable, whereas the **TT 460** operates with wireless signal transmission over radio or an infrared beam. It is therefore particularly suitable for use on rotary and tilting tables.

The **TL Nano** and **TL Micro laser systems** are available for various maximum tool diameters. Using a laser beam, they probe the tool without contact, and can detect form errors of individual teeth along with the tool length and radius.



TT 460



TL Micro

More information about tool touch probes is available on the Internet at www.touch-probes.com or in the *Touch Probes* brochure.

Inspecting and optimizing machine accuracy

– Calibrating rotary axes simply with KinematicsOpt (option)

Accuracy requirements are becoming increasingly stringent, particularly in the area of 5-axis machining. Complex parts need to be manufactured with precision and reproducible accuracy even over long periods.

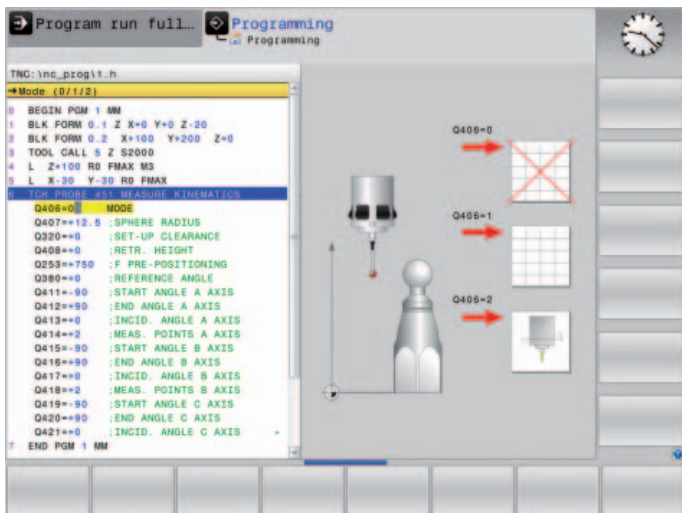
The TNC function **KinematicsOpt** is an important component to help you meet these high requirements: With a HEIDENHAIN touch probe inserted, a 3-D touch probe cycle measures your machine's rotary axes fully automatically. The results of measurement are the same regardless of whether the axis is a rotary table, a tilting table or a swivel head.

To measure the rotary axes, a calibration sphere is fixed at any position on the machine table and probed with the HEIDENHAIN touch probe. But first you define the resolution of the measurement and define for each rotary axis the range that you want to measure.

From the measured values, the TNC calculates the static tilting accuracy. The software minimizes the spatial error arising from the tilting movements and, at the end of the measurement process, automatically saves the machine geometry in the respective machine constants of the kinematics description.

Of course, a comprehensive log file is also saved with the actual measured values and the measured and optimized dispersion (measure of the static tilting accuracy), as well as the actual compensation values.

An especially rigid calibration sphere is necessary for optimum use of KinematicsOpt. This helps to reduce deformations that occur as the result of probing forces. That is why HEIDENHAIN offers calibration spheres with highly rigid holders that are available in various lengths.



Overview

– Specifications

Specifications	Standard	Option	
Components	•		MC main computer with operating panel and integrated 15.1-inch TFT color flat-panel display or MC main computer with separate TE 730 or TE 735 operating panel and integrated 15.1-inch TFT color flat panel display
Operating system	•		HEROS 5 real-time operating system for machine control
Memory	•		1.8 GB (on CFR compact flash memory card) for NC programs
Input resolution and display step	• •	23 23	Linear axes: to 0.1 µm Rotary axes: to 0.0001° Linear axes: to 0.01 µm Rotary axes: to 0.00001°
Input range	•		Maximum 999 999 999 mm or 999 999 999°
Interpolation	• • •	9 8	Linear in 4 axes Linear in 5 axes (subject to export permit) Circular in 2 axes Circular in 3 axes with tilted working plane Helical: superimposition of circular and straight paths
Block processing time	•		1.5 ms (3-D straight line without radius compensation)
Axis feedback control	• •		Position loop resolution: Signal period of the position encoder/1024 Cycle time of interpolator: 3 ms
Range of traverse	•		Maximum 100 m
Spindle speed	•		Maximum 60000 rpm (with 2 pole pairs)
Error compensation	• •		Linear and nonlinear axis error, backlash, reversal peaks during circular movements, thermal expansion Static friction, sliding friction, reversal error
Data interfaces	• • • •	18	RS-232-C/V.24 max. 115 kbps Extended data interface with LSV-2 protocol for remote operation of the TNC 620 over the data interface with the HEIDENHAIN software TNCremo or TNCremoPlus Gigabit Ethernet interface 1000BASE-T 5 x USB (1 x front USB 2.0; 4 x back panel USB 3.0) HEIDENHAIN-DNC for communication between a Windows application and TNC (DCOM interface)
Diagnostics	•		Fast and simple troubleshooting through integrated diagnostic aids
Ambient temperature	• •		Operation: +5 °C to +45 °C Storage: -35 °C to +65 °C

Overview

– User functions

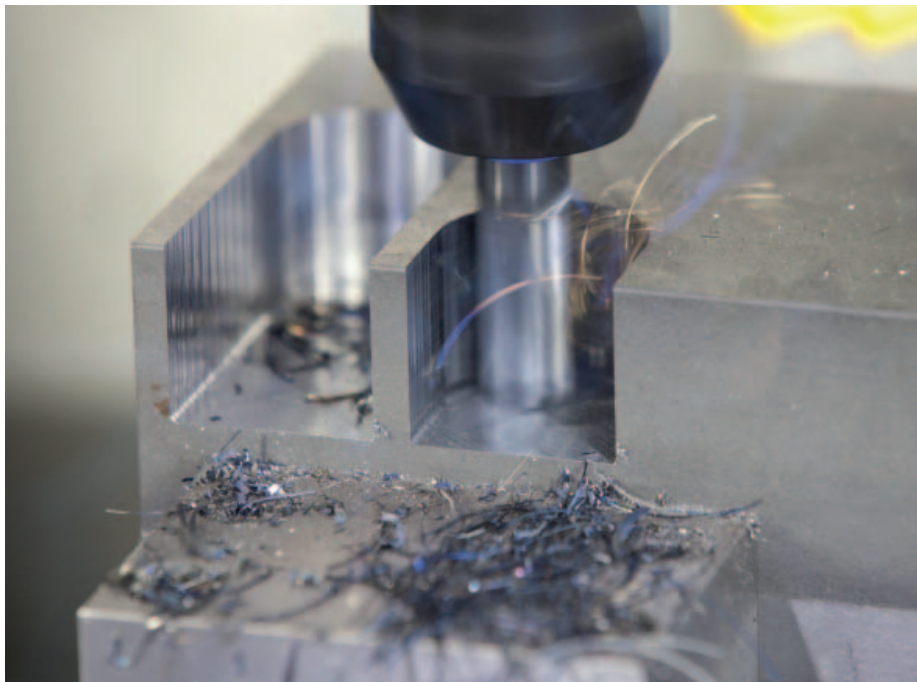
User functions	Standard	Option	
Short description	•	0/1	Basic version: 3 axes plus spindle One or two additional NC axes Digital current and shaft speed control
Program entry	• •	42	HEIDENHAIN Klartext conversational ISO (<i>with integrated operating panel</i> : via soft keys or external standard USB keyboard; <i>with separate operating panel</i> : via ASCII keyboard) Direct loading of contours or machining positions from DXF files and saving as Klartext conversational contouring program or as point table
Position information	• • •		Nominal positions for lines and arcs in Cartesian coordinates or polar coordinates Incremental or absolute dimensions Display and entry in mm or inches
Tool compensation	•	21 9	Tool radius in the working plane and tool length Radius compensated contour look ahead for up to 99 blocks (M120) Three-dimensional tool-radius compensation for changing tool data without having to recalculate an existing program
Tool tables	•		Multiple tool tables with any number of tools
Cutting data	•		Automatic calculation of spindle speed, cutting speed, feed per tooth and feed per revolution
Constant contour speed	• •		Relative to the path of the tool center Relative to the tool's cutting edge
Parallel operation	•		Creating a program with graphical support while another program is being run
3-D machining	•	9 9 9 9	Motion control with highly smoothed jerk 3-D tool compensation through surface normal vectors Keeping the tool normal to the contour Tool radius compensation normal to the tool direction Manual traverse in the active tool-axis system
Machining with a rotary table		8 8	Programming of cylindrical contours as if in two axes Feed rate in distance per minute
Contour elements	• • • • • • •		Straight line Chamfer Circular path Circle center Circle radius Tangentially connecting circular arc Corner rounding
Approaching and departing the contour	• •		Via straight line: tangential or perpendicular Via circular arc
FK free contour programming		19	FK free contour programming in HEIDENHAIN conversational format with graphic support for workpiece drawings not dimensioned for NC
Program jumps	• • •		Subprograms Program section repeats Calling any program as a subprogram

User functions	Standard	Option	
Fixed cycles	•	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	Drilling, conventional and rigid tapping, rectangular and circular pockets Peck drilling, reaming, boring, counterboring, centering Milling internal and external threads Clearing level and oblique surfaces Multi-operation machining of rectangular and circular pockets, rectangular and circular studs Multioperation machining of straight and circular slots Cartesian and polar point patterns Contour train, contour pocket Contour slot with trochoidal milling Engraving cycle: Engrave text or numbers in a straight line or on an arc OEM cycles (special cycles developed by the machine tool builder) can be integrated
Coordinate transformation	•	8	Shifting, rotating, mirroring, scaling (axis specific) Tilting the working plane, PLANE function
Q parameters Programming with variables	•		Mathematical functions =, +, -, *, /, sin α , cos α , tan α , arc sin, arc cos, arc tan, a^n , e^n , ln, log, \sqrt{a} , $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ Logical operations (=, = /, <, >) Calculating with parentheses Absolute value of a number, constant π , negation, truncation of digits before or after the decimal point Functions for calculation of circles Functions for text processing
Programming aids	•		Calculator Complete list of all current error messages Context-sensitive help function for error messages TNCguide: The integrated help system. User information available directly on the TNC 620 Graphic support for programming cycles Comment and structure blocks in the NC program
Teach-In	•		Actual positions can be transferred directly into the NC program
Test graphics Display modes		20 20 20	Graphic simulation before a program run, even while another program is running Plan view/projection in 3 planes/3-D view, also in tilted working plane/3-D line graphics Detail zoom
Programming graphics	•		In the Programming and Editing mode, the contours of the NC blocks are drawn on screen while they are being entered (2-D pencil-trace graphics), even while another program is running
Program-run graphics Display modes		20 20	Graphic simulation during real-time machining Plan view/projection in three planes/3-D view
Machining time	•		Calculation of machining time in the Test Run operating mode Display of the current machining time in the Program Run operating modes
Returning to the contour	•		Mid-program startup in any block in the program, returning the tool to the calculated nominal position to continue machining Program interruption, contour departure and return
Reference-point management	•		For saving any reference points
Datum tables	•		Multiple datum tables for storing workpiece-specific datums
Pallet tables		22	Workpiece-oriented execution of pallet tables with any number of entries for selection of pallets, NC programs and datums

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– User functions (continued)

User functions	Standard	Option	
Touch probe cycles		17 17 17 17	Touch probe calibration Compensation of workpiece misalignment, manual or automatic Datum setting, manual or automatic Automatic tool and workpiece measurement
Parallel secondary axes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•••		Compensating movement in the secondary axes U, V, W through the principal axes X, Y, Z Including movements of the parallel axis in the position display of the associated principal axis (sum display) Defining the principal and secondary axes in the NC program makes it possible to run programs on different machine configurations
Conversational languages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•		English, German, Czech, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, Dutch, Polish, Hungarian, Russian (Cyrillic), Chinese (traditional, simplified), Slovenian, Slovak, Norwegian, Korean, Turkish, Romanian
CAD viewer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•		Display CAD models on the TNC



– Accessories

Accessories	
Electronic handwheels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One HR 510 portable handwheel or • one HR 520 portable handwheel with display, or • one HR 550 portable wireless handwheel with display, or • one HR 130 panel-mounted handwheel, or • Up to three HR 150 panel-mounted handwheels through an HRA 110 handwheel adapter
Workpiece measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TS 230: 3-D touch trigger probe with cable connection or • TS 440: 3-D touch trigger probe with infrared transmission or • TS 444: 3-D touch trigger probe with infrared transmission or • TS 640: 3-D touch trigger probe with infrared transmission or • TS 740: 3-D touch trigger probe with infrared transmission
Tool measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TT 140: 3-D touch trigger probe or • TT 449: 3-D touch trigger probe with infrared transmission • TL Nano: Laser system for contact-free tool measurement or • TL Micro: Laser system for contact-free tool measurement
Programming station	<p>Control software for PCs for programming, archiving, and training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single-station license with original control keyboard • Single-station license with virtual keyboard • Network license with virtual keyboard • Demo version with virtual keyboard or PC keyboard—free of charge
Software for PCs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TeleService: Software for remote diagnostics, monitoring, and operation • CycleDesign: Software for creating your own cycle structure • TNCremo: Software for data transfer—free of charge • TNCremoPlus: Software for data transfer with live-screen function

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– Options

Option number	Option	As of NC software 81776x-	ID	Comment
0	Additional axis	01	354540-01	Additional control loop 1
1	Additional axis	01	353904-01	Additional control loop 2
8	Advanced function set 1	01	617920-01	Machining with a rotary table <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programming of cylindrical contours as if in two axes • Feed rate in distance per minute Interpolation: Circular in 3 axes with tilted working plane Coordinate transformation: Tilting the working plane, PLANE function
9	Advanced function set 2	01	617921-01	Interpolation: Linear in 5 axes 3-D machining <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-D tool compensation through surface normal vectors • Using the electronic handwheel to change the angle of the swivel head during program run without affecting the position of the tool point (TCPM = Tool Center Point Management); only with option 21 • Keeping the tool normal to the contour • Tool radius compensation normal to the tool direction • Manual traverse in the active tool-axis system
17	Touch probe functions	01	634063-01	Touch probe cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compensation of workpiece misalignment, datum setting • Automatic tool and workpiece measurement • Touch probe input enabled for non-HEIDENHAIN systems
18	HEIDENHAIN DNC	01	526451-01	Communication with external Windows applications over COM component
19	Advanced programming features	01	628252-01	FK free contour programming Fixed cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peck drilling, reaming, boring, counterboring, centering • Milling internal and external threads • Clearing level and oblique surfaces • Multioperation machining of straight and circular slots • Multioperation machining of rectangular and circular pockets • Cartesian and polar point patterns • Contour train, contour pocket—also with contour-parallel machining • Contour slot with trochoidal milling • Special cycles developed by the machine tool builder can be integrated
20	Advanced graphic features	01	628253-01	Program-verification graphics, program-run graphics Plan view, projection in three planes, 3-D view, 3-D line graphic
21	Advanced function set 3	01	628254-01	Tool compensation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radius compensated contour look ahead for up to 99 blocks (LOOK AHEAD) 3-D machining <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superimpose handwheel positioning during program run
22	Pallet management	01	628255-01	Pallet management

Option number	Option	As of NC software 81776x-	ID	Comment
23	Display step	01	632986-01	Display step to 0.01 μm or 0.00001°
24	Gantry axes	01	634621-01	Gantry axes in master-slave torque control
42	DXF converter	01	526450-01	Load and convert DXF contours
46	Python OEM process	01	579650-01	Python application on the TNC
48	KinematicsOpt	01	630916-01	Touch-probe cycles for automatic measurement of rotary axes
49	Double speed	01	632223-01	Short control-loop cycle times for direct drives
93	Extended tool management	01	676938-01	Extended tool management
133	Remote Desk. Manager	01	894423-01	Display and remote operation of external computer units (e.g. a Windows PC)
141	Cross Talk Comp.	01	800542-01	CTC: Compensation of axis couplings
142	Pos. Adapt. Control	01	800544-01	PAC: Position-dependent adaptation of the control parameters
143	Load Adapt. Control	01	800545-01	LAC: Load-dependent adaptation of the control parameters
144	Motion Adapt. Control	01	800546-01	MAC: Motion-dependent adaptation of control parameters
145	Active chatter control	01	800547-01	ACC: Active suppression of chatter
146	Active vibration damping	01	800548-01	AVD: Active suppression of vibration

Overview

– Comparison of controls

Comparison of controls	TNC 620 NC SW 81760x-04	TNC 640 NC SW 34059x-07	iTNC 530 NC SW 60642x-04
Area of application	Standard milling	High-end milling/turning	High-end milling
• Simple machining centers (up to 5 axes + 1 spindle)	●	●	●
• Machine tools/machining centers (up to 18 axes + 2 spindles)	–	●	●
• Milling/turning operations (up to 18 axes + 2 spindles)	–	Option	–
Program entry			
• HEIDENHAIN Klartext conversational	●	●	●
• According to ISO	●	●	●
• DXF converter	Option	Option	Option
• CAD viewer	●	●	Option
• FK free contour programming	Option	●	●
• Extended milling and drilling cycles	Option	●	●
• Turning cycles	–	Option	–
NC program memory	1.8 GB	> 21 GB	> 21 GB
5-axis and high-speed machining	Option	Option	Option
Block processing time	1.5 ms	0.5 ms	0.5 ms
Input resolution and display step (standard/option)	0.1 μm/0.01 μm	0.1 μm/0.01 μm	0.1 μm/–
New design of the screen and keyboard	15-inch screen	15/19-inch screen	15/19-inch screen
Optimized user interface	●	●	–
Adaptive feed control (AFC)	–	Option	Option
Active chatter control (ACC)	Option	Option	Option
Dynamic collision monitoring (DCM)	–	Option	Option
KinematicsOpt	Option	Option	Option
KinematicsComp	–	Option	Option
Touch probe cycles	Option	●	●
Pallet management	Option	●	●
Parallel axis function	●	●	–

- Standard
- Not available

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