Coordinate metrology using computed tomography systems — an overview of PTB's activities with a focus to standardization

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1. Introduction

Standardization for dimensional CT Recent development & open issues for CT Material impact on measured lengths

2. Performance testing of CT systems

Length measuring error testing using a hole plate New hole plate design

Probing error testing

Structural resolution for coordinate metrology

New approach to resolution testing

3. Summary

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National standardization

Germany: VDI/VDE 2630-1.3 (2011-12) on specifications (acceptance testing)

International standardization

ISO TC 213 WG 10:Preliminary working item CT has been definedTask force objective: Create ISO 10360-11 for CT

Principles (written form is pending):

- 1) CMS (former CMMs) shall be tested as *integrated systems* (no component testing)
- Tests shall include the *dominant error behavior* New classification for influence quantities (<5%, 5 % ··· 15%, > 15%)
- Tests shall comprise local and global performance characteristics
 Test of probing errors for size PS and form PF
 Test of length measurement errors E

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Open issues & recent developments for ISO work on CT:

Create comparable characteristics

Finalize test design & procedures

Include material influence in tests

Analyse behavior for uni- and bidirectional measurands (length measurements *E*)

Solve structural resolution testing issue for dimensional measurements

Focus of following presentation and discussion

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Length measurement error E testing

- MPE_{Em} including material influence; examples, implicit with internal features
 - a: hole plate
 - b: "calotte" plate
 - c: "calotte" cube



Under discussion:

Test with hole plate sufficient to show material influence?

MPE_{Ez} negligible material influence

- d: multiple sphere standards (stylus or probe forest)
- e: stylus star





Additional measurements for material influence testing required (e.g. step cylinder)

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Hole plate featuring 4 primitive directions



CT measurement (PTB CT system):

Fitpoint deviation in mm 0.004 0.001 -0.001 -0.004

190 kV, 10.3 W, 0.3 mm Cu, 1640 projections Magnification 4.0 - voxel size (50.0 μ m)³ 95% form dispersion values of individual cylinder 3.1 μ m

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Length measurement testing

Classical approach: bidirectional test

Now: unidirectional test becoming standard (additional bidirectional statement feasible either by measurement or correction)

(approach due to problems of optical sensors and due to ongoing consideration of sensor and mover separation)

Here:

Unidirectional length measurement errors = Centre distance errors of cylinders

Bidirectional length measurement errors = Centre distance errors of cylinders + correction <u>Conversion uni- to bidirectional</u> based on VDI/VDE 2630-1.3 and ISO 10360-8:

Add bidirectional measure to unidirectional values here:

Two-point diameter error of one hole collinear to measurement line





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Test study using hole plate

U = 190 kV, P = 10.3 W, 0.3 mm Cu filter, 1640 projections Magnification: 4.0 (voxel size: 50 μ m), fast CT mode (1h 50min), tilted setup 4 verified direction on plate (0°, 90°, 45° and 135°) Reconstruction: w/o, with soft and mid beam hardening correction

Quality assurance provisions:

1) Correct residual scaling error before hole plate test

- 2) Correct residual rotation axis tilt before hole plate test
- 3) Check drift of scaling if present after hole plate test



Length measurement error analysis



Big material influence for bidirectional length measurements!

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New design of hole plate with 28 holes



Advantage of new design:

7 lengths measured in one setting

Size considerations for aluminum (low magnification case)

X-ray tube	Dimensions of square-shaped hole plate in mm			
voltage in kV	Side	Thickness	Diameter of holes	Material
90	18.0	3.0	1.5	
130	30.0	5.0	2.5	
225	48.0	8.0	4.0	AI
450	66.0	11.0	5.5	
600	77.0	13.0	6.0	

Size considerations for steel

(high magnification case)

X-ray tube	Dimensions of square-shaped hole plate in mm			
voltage in kV	Side	Thickness	Diameter of holes	Material
90	6.0	1.0	0.5	
130				Fe
225				
450				ZrO ₂
600				WC

CAD sketch of steel hole plate







Manufactured steel hole plates



Price for three specimen (industrial manufacturing): 2400 € incl. VAT

Currently ISO test study on material impact on dimensional CT started (results due Feb. 2014). Hole plates are in use here



Probing error testing





Magnified pole region

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Property of CMS described by curvature transfer

Presentation for one direction:





using the known arc opening angle and known radius

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Structural resolution S deduced from ratio of measured radius *R*[´] and calibrated radius *R*

Result of simulations:



Analytic description (implicit equation!)

$$r = \frac{R'}{R} = \frac{1}{erf\left(\frac{\tan(\alpha/2)}{(S/R)/\sqrt{2}}\right)}$$

Parametric approximation (also implicit)

$$r \simeq 1 + I \cdot e^{-1,06/I}, \quad I = \frac{0,628 \cdot (S/R)}{\tan(\alpha/2)}$$

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Reference standard





Selected radii: 1 µm – 5 µm (nominal)

Manufacturing:

Diamond turned amorphous Ni-P on copper (PTB scientific instrumentation department)

REM images of reference standard



Mounted reference standard



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Application to CT





CT measurement using

- Nikon XT 255 ST
- VG Studio Max 2.2



Parameters: U = 150 kV P = 1.95 Wno filter Mag. 120 1.67 µm voxel size 1500 projections 3h20 min measured adaptive surface determination

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- Standardization of dimensional CT started in 2004 in Germany (VDI/VDE 2630 series) Today ISO TC 213 WG 10 is working on future ISO 10360-CT. Due to the complexity of CT open issues exist — esp. for standardization: Material influence, test design & data analysis and structural resolution for dimensional measurements
- Measurements and a new standard design for hole plates have been presented showing the ability to assess length measurement errors <u>and</u> material impact.
 Bidirectional error statements appear still necessary for *E* testing of CT
- Structural resolution testing is a necessary add-on to tests of length measurement & probing errors. New approach has been presented which appears applicable also to CT. Further work has to be done to create comparability to other sensors and to detail testing conditions as e.g. lateral averaging





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