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# TA202A - Manufacturing Processes II

## Mechanisms

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Lecture 2

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# Design of mechanical systems

The design of any mechanical system needs proper understanding of:

- i. The geometrical aspects of motion (kinematics), and
- ii. The various forces involved in motion (kinetics and dynamics, i.e., mechanics)



# Mechanism and machines

- Mechanism: is a combination of rigid or restraining bodies so shaped that they can move upon each other with a definite relative motion
- Machine: is a mechanism or a collection of mechanisms which performs useful mechanical work
- Every machine is a mechanism, but not vice versa

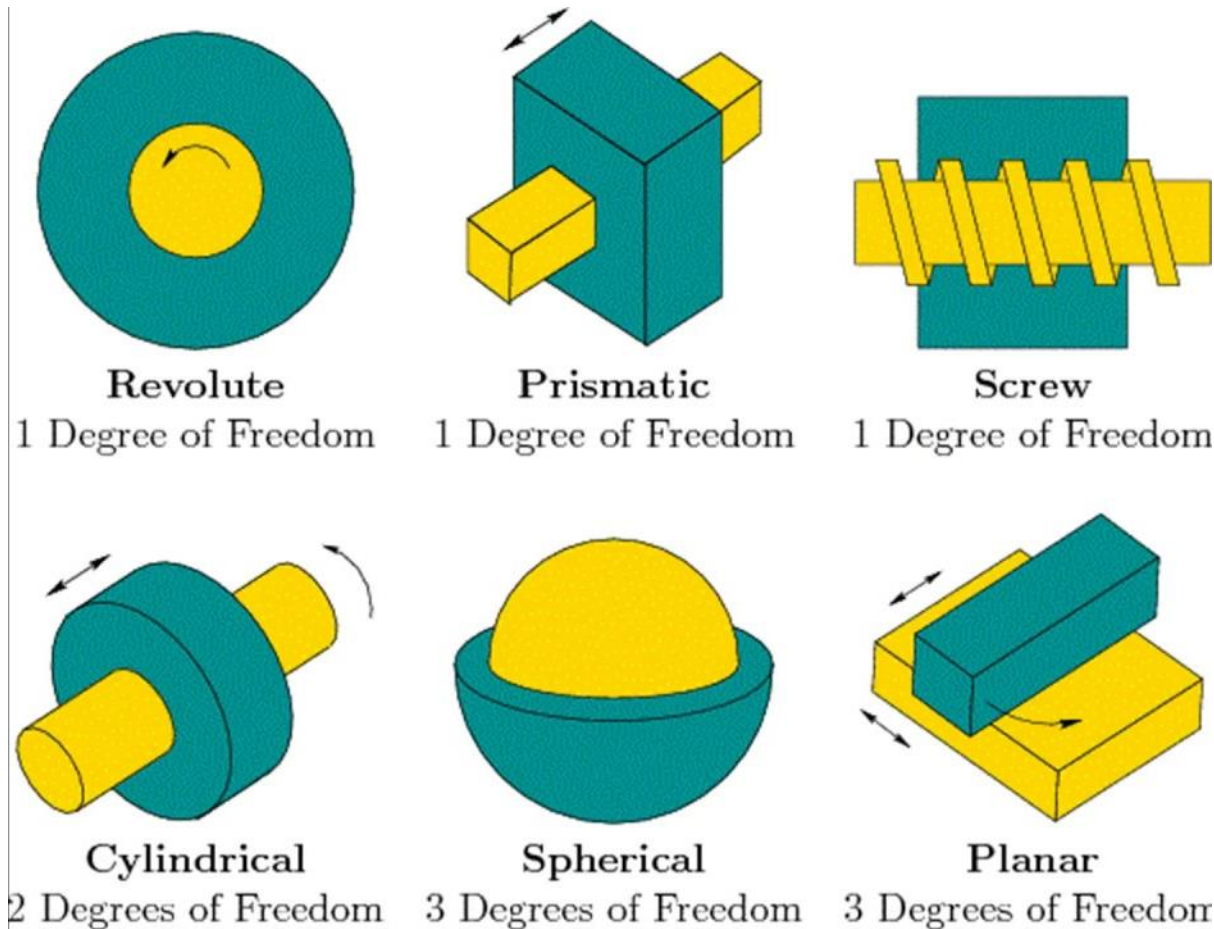


# Structure of this lecture

- What is a mechanism?
  - Building blocks of mechanisms
- Mechanisms of interest to us
  - Cams
  - Belt-pulley, chain-sprocket
  - Gears
    - Spur, Bevel, Worm, Trains
  - Quick return
  - Indexing
- How different components of mechanisms are made



# Building blocks of mechanisms – kinematic pairs



Degree of freedom of a kinematic pair is given by the number of independent coordinates required to specify the relative movement

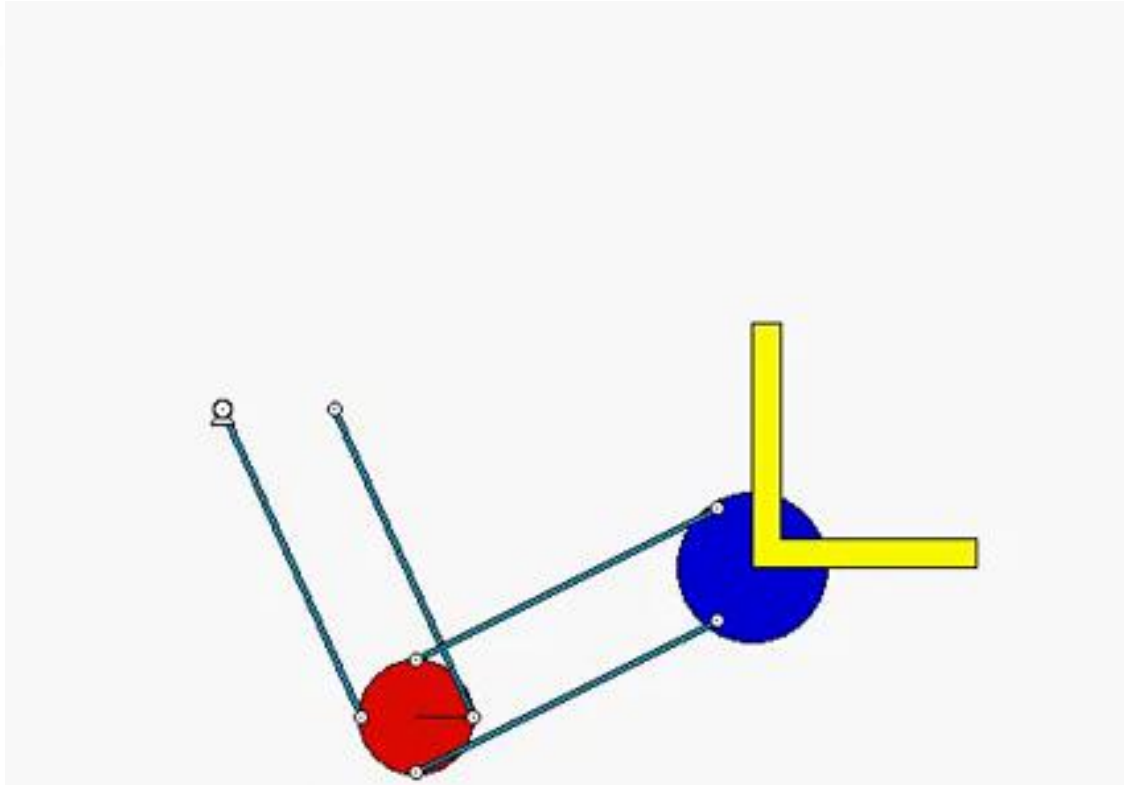
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# Mechanisms you are familiar with



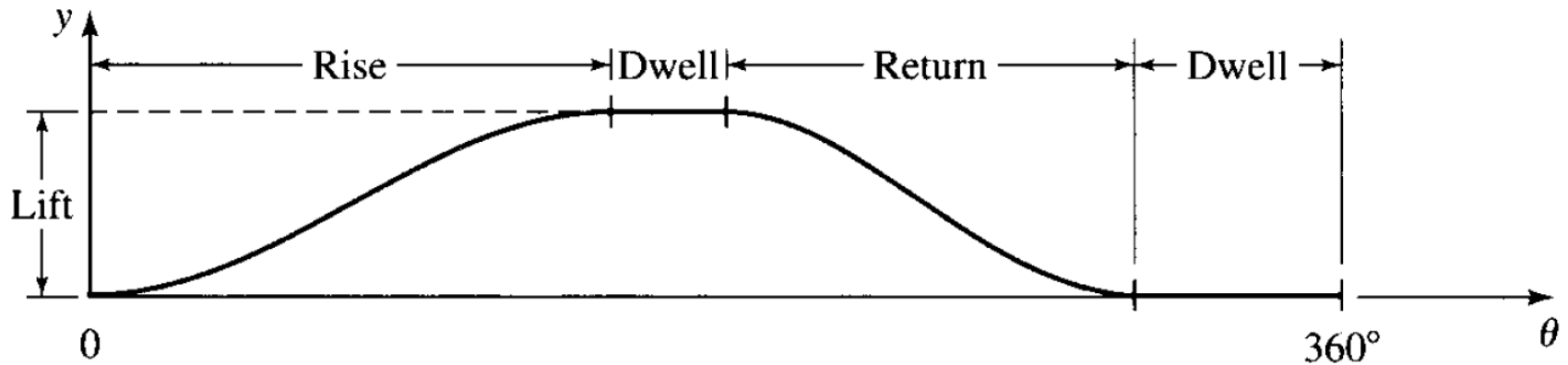
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# Desired motion

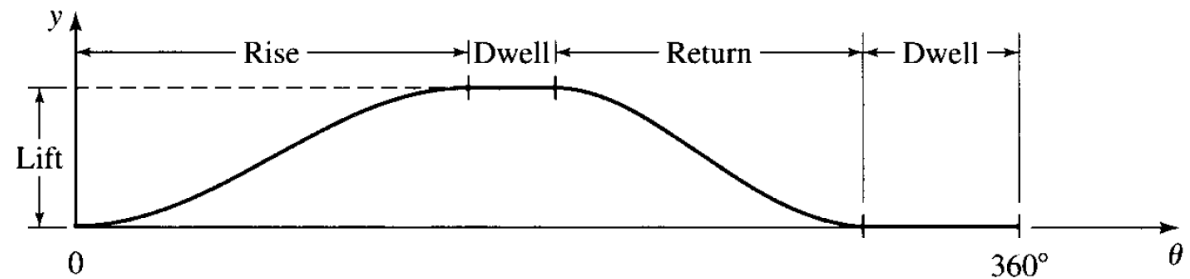
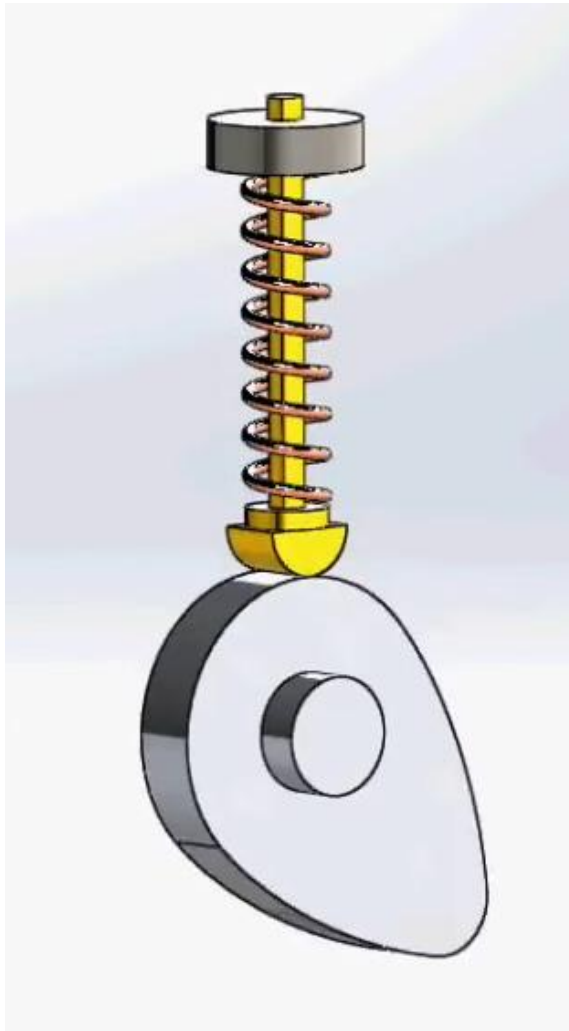


What kind of mechanism will provide me this motion?

Source: Shigley and Uicker, Theory of Machines and Mechanisms



# Cam



- Follower motion,  $y$  is the ordinate, and the cam motion,  $\theta$  is on the abscissa.
- In general:  $y = y(\theta)$
- 1<sup>st</sup> derivative is the measure of steepness:  $y'(\theta) = \frac{dy}{d\theta}$
- 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative is a measure of the radius of curvature:

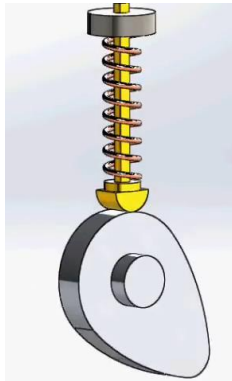
$$y''(\theta) = \frac{d^2y}{d\theta^2}$$



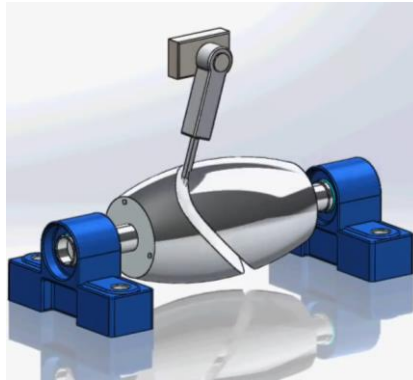


# Types of Cams

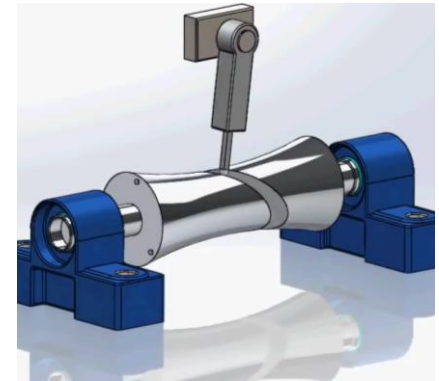
Radial cam



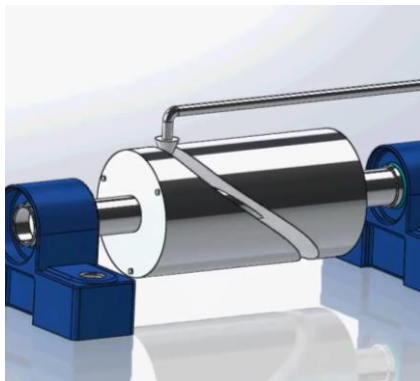
Convex cam



Concave cam



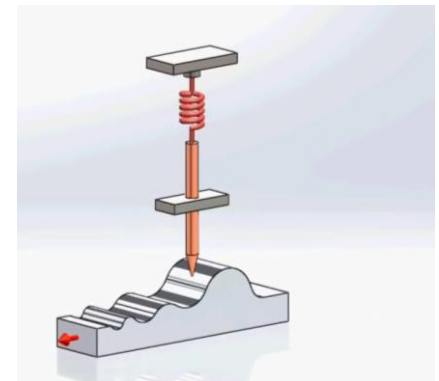
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Spherical cam



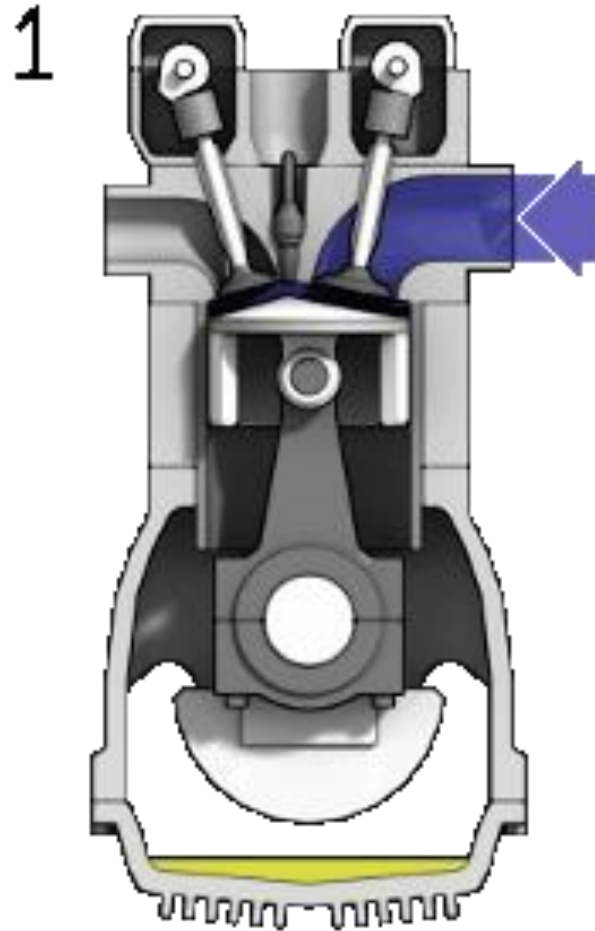
Flat/wedge cam



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# A common example of the use of a cam

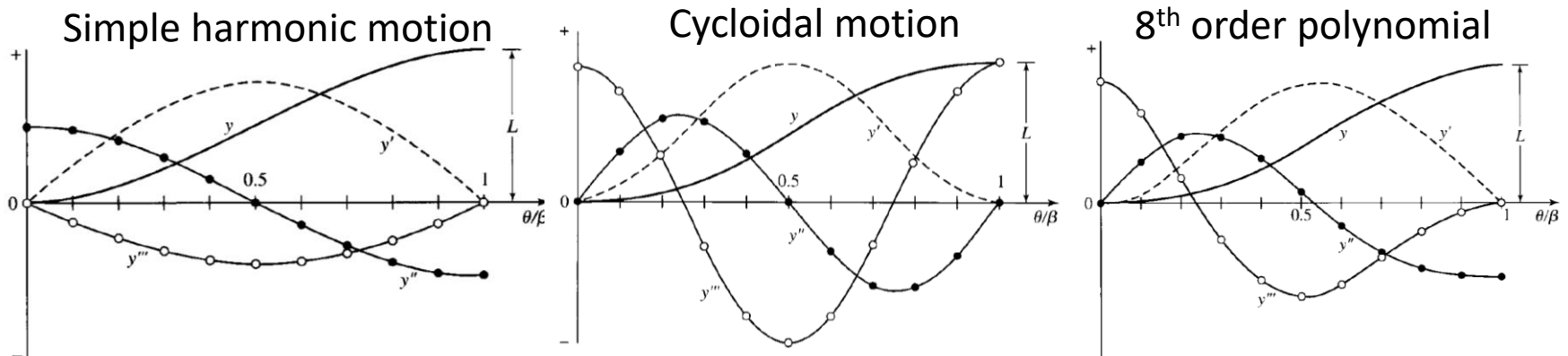


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# How are Cams designed?

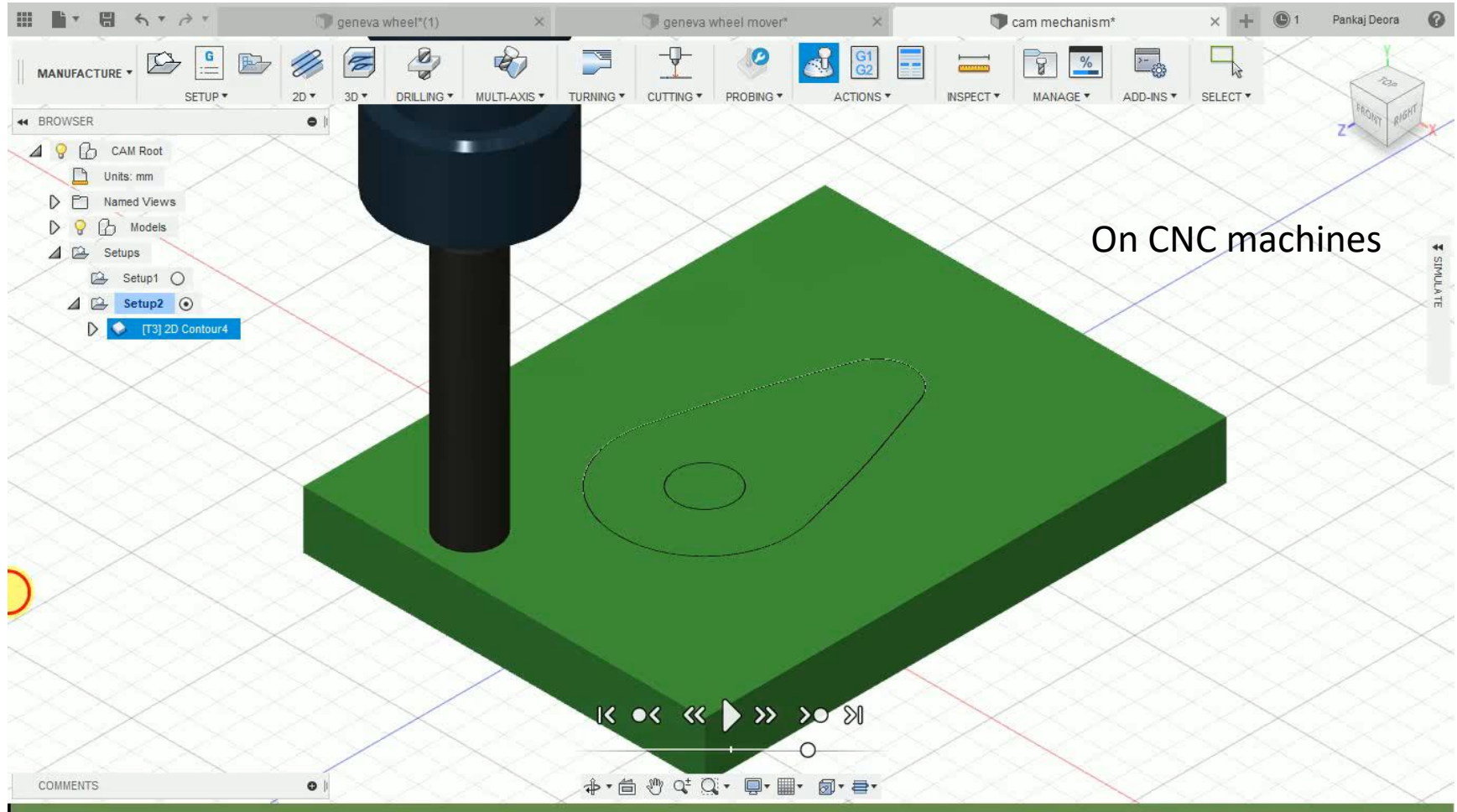
- Usually, the total lift, dwell, and return cycles depend on application, and are predetermined.
- However, there are many possible choices of follower motion that can achieve the desired lift/return and dwell
- The key step in cam design is hence the right choice for these motions
- We would preferably like smooth velocity, acceleration and jerk profiles
- Matching derivatives of displacement diagrams with the desired motion profile



Source: Shigley and Uicker, Theory of Machines and Mechanisms



# How are cams manufactured?



# Belt + pulley drive



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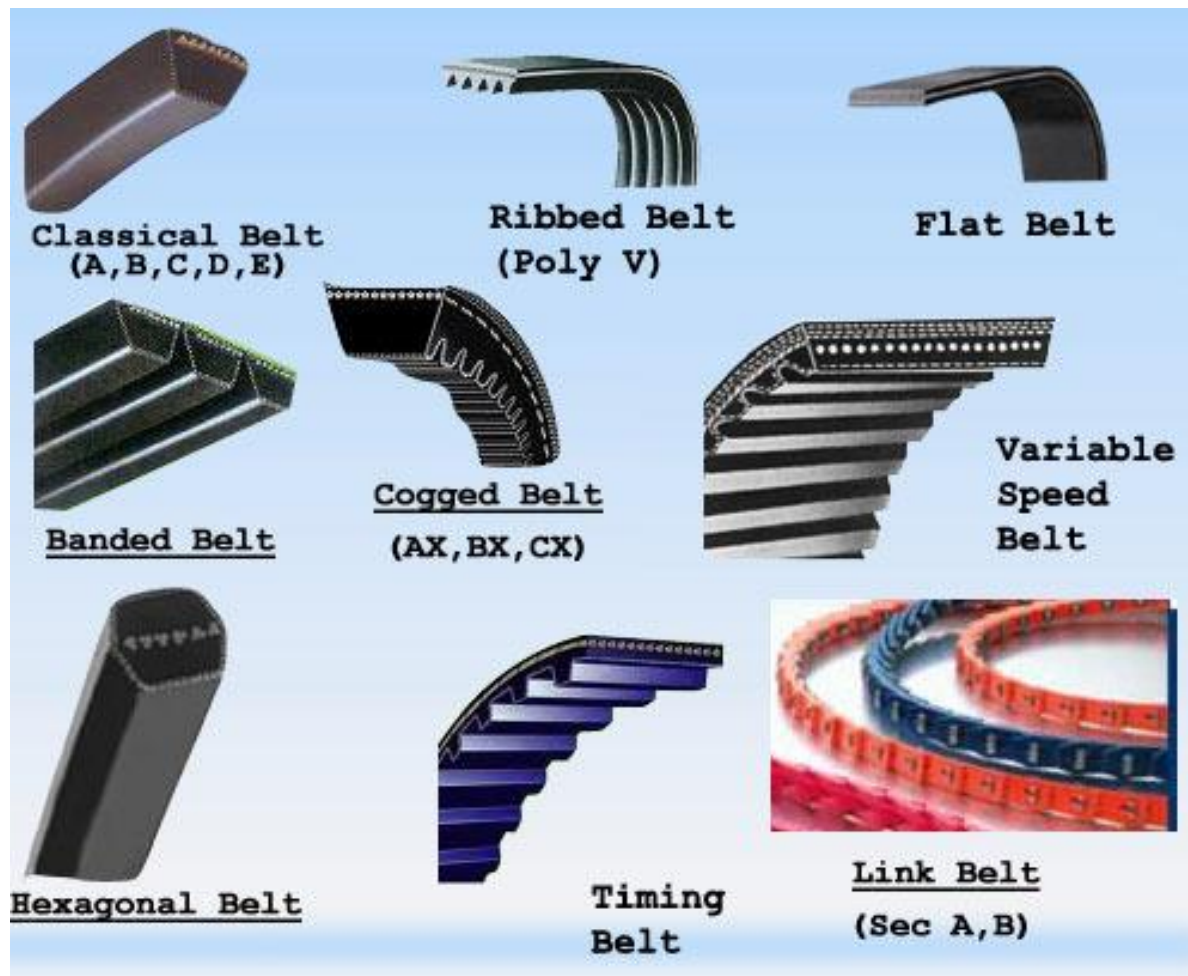
# Line-shafts with flat belts



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# Other types of belts



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# Chain + sprocket drives



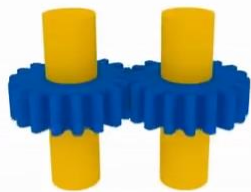
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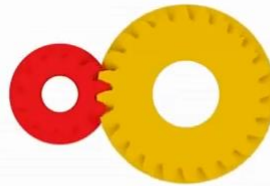


# Gears

Gears are a positive drive, i.e., no slipping, i.e., angular velocity of gear 1 is the same as angular velocity of gear 2



1. Spur gear



2. Helical gear



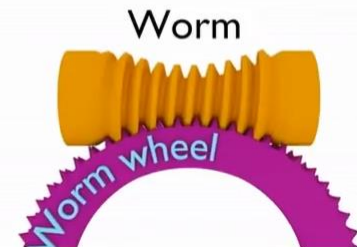
3. Herringbone gear



4. Rack and pinion



5. Bevel gear

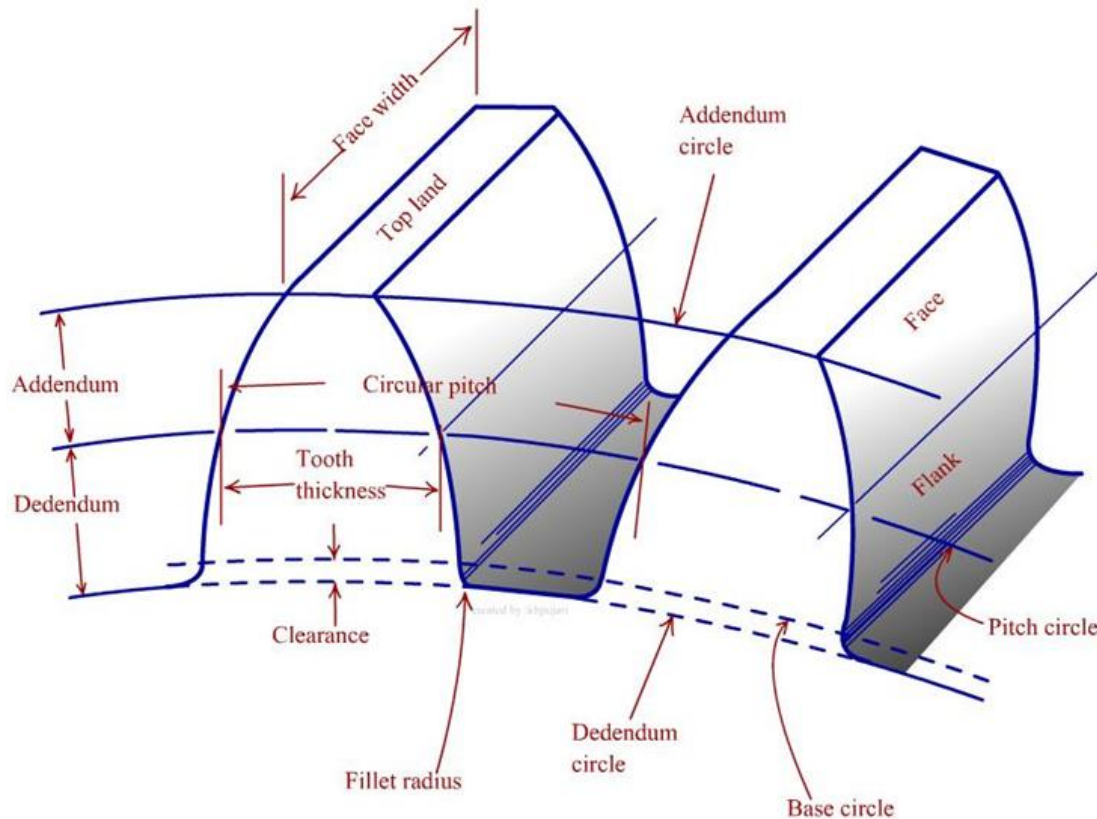


6. Worm and worm wheel

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# Spur gear nomenclature



Diametrical pitch:  $P = \frac{N}{d}$

Module of the gear:  $m = \frac{d}{N}$

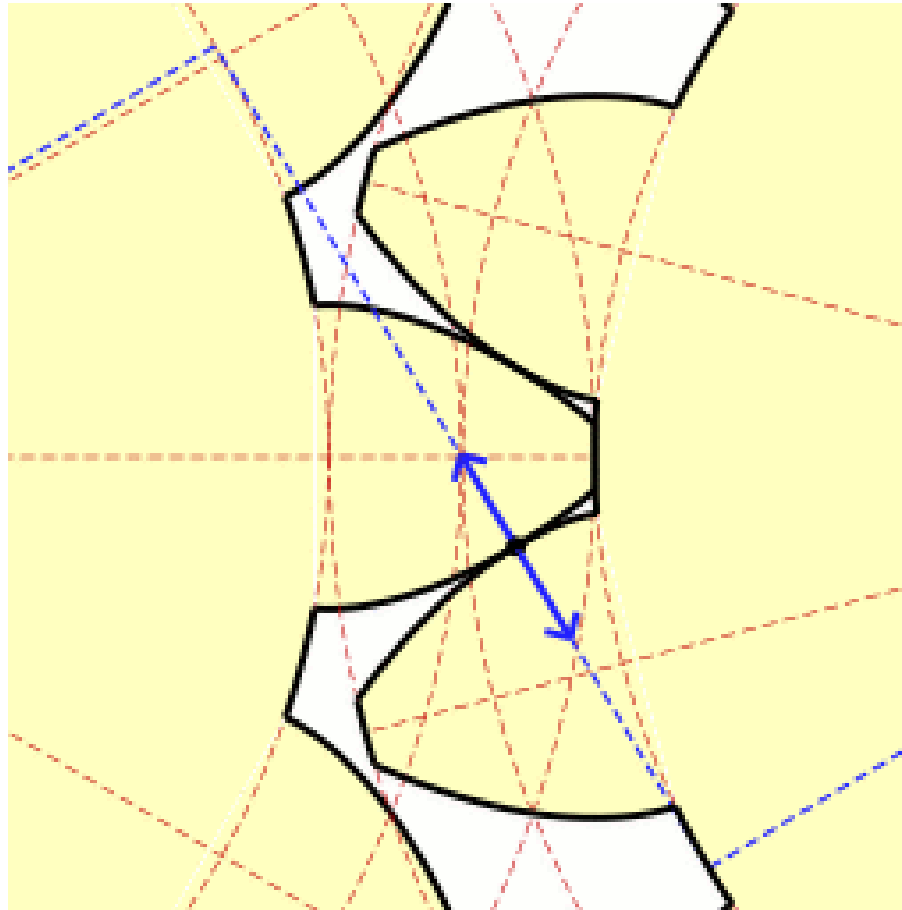
Circular pitch:  $p = \frac{\pi d}{N} = \pi m$

$N$  – number of teeth;  
 $d$  – pitch circle diameter

Source: Shigley and Uicker, Theory of Machines and Mechanisms



# The involute gear



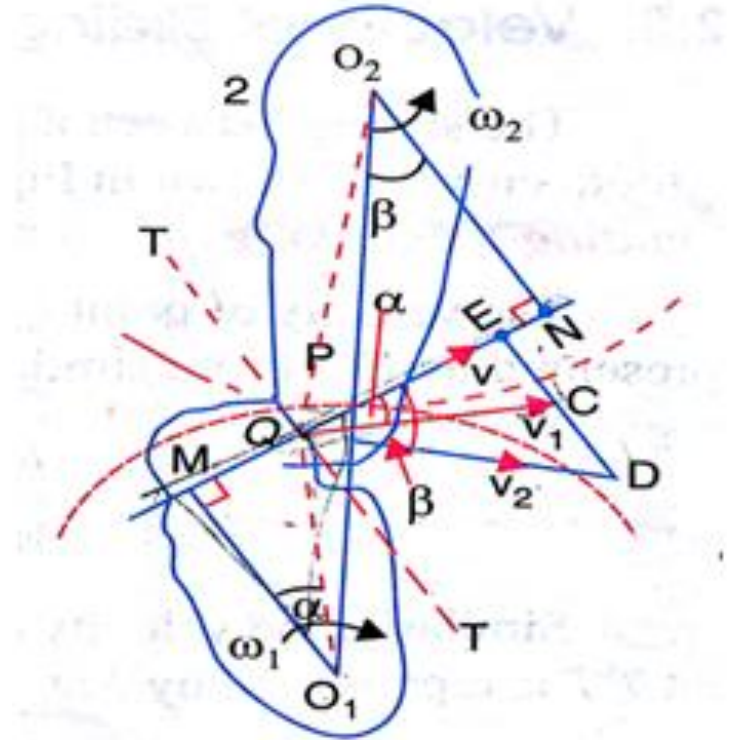
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# Law of gearing

- the angular velocity ratio of all gears of a meshed gear system must remain constant,
- also the common normal at the point of contact must pass through the pitch point.
- Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be the velocities of the point Q on the wheels 1 and 2 respectively. If the teeth are to remain in contact, then the components of these velocities along the common normal MN must be equal, i.e.,

$$v_1 \cos \alpha = v_2 \cos \beta \rightarrow (\omega_1 \times O_1Q) \cos \alpha = (\omega_2 \times O_2Q) \cos \beta \rightarrow \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{O_2N}{O_1M} = \frac{O_2P}{O_1P}$$



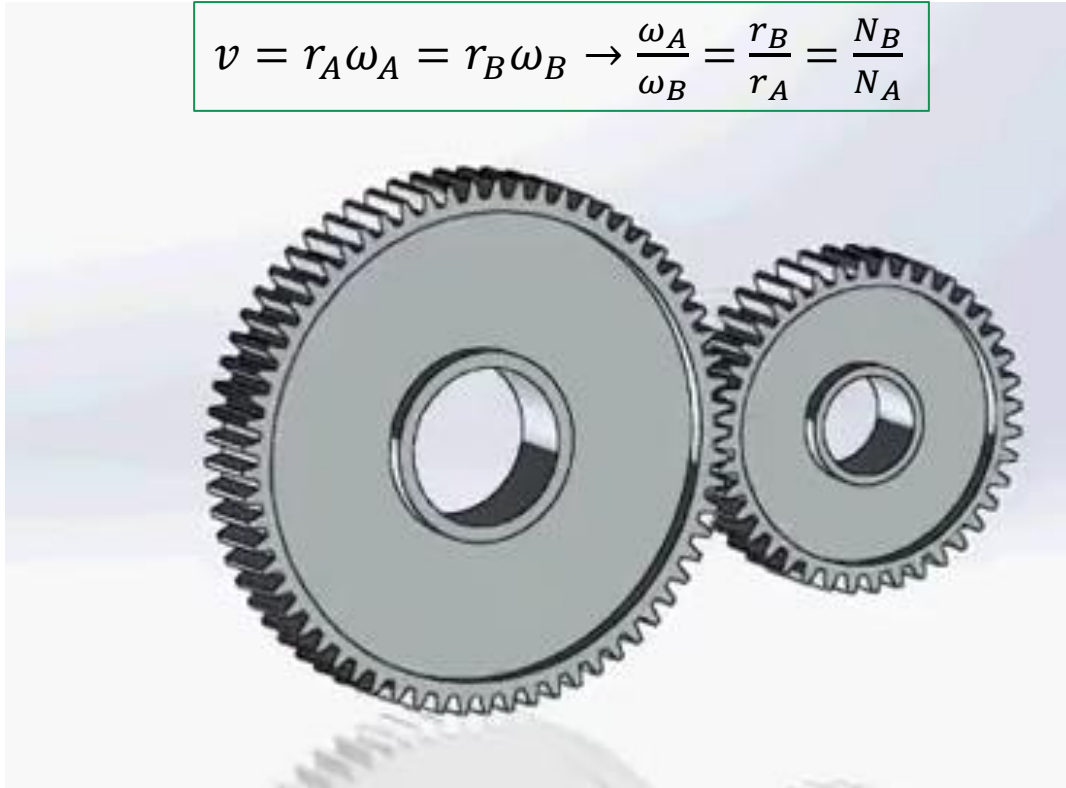
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# Spur gears

Spur gears are used to transmit rotary motion between parallel shafts

$$v = r_A \omega_A = r_B \omega_B \rightarrow \frac{\omega_A}{\omega_B} = \frac{r_B}{r_A} = \frac{N_B}{N_A}$$

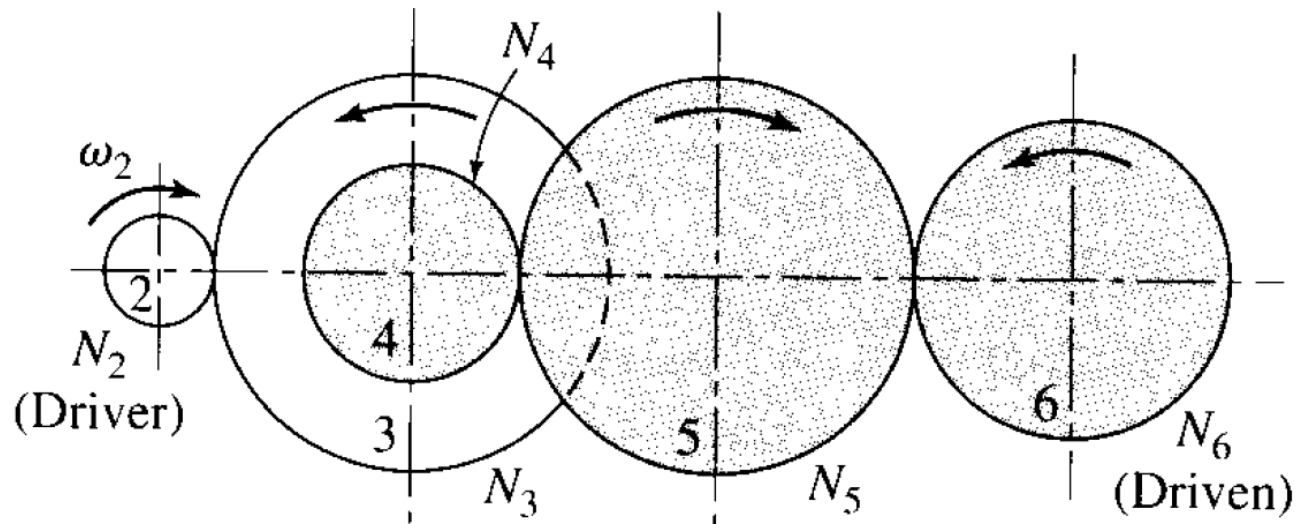


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# Spur gear train

What is the speed of the driven gear?



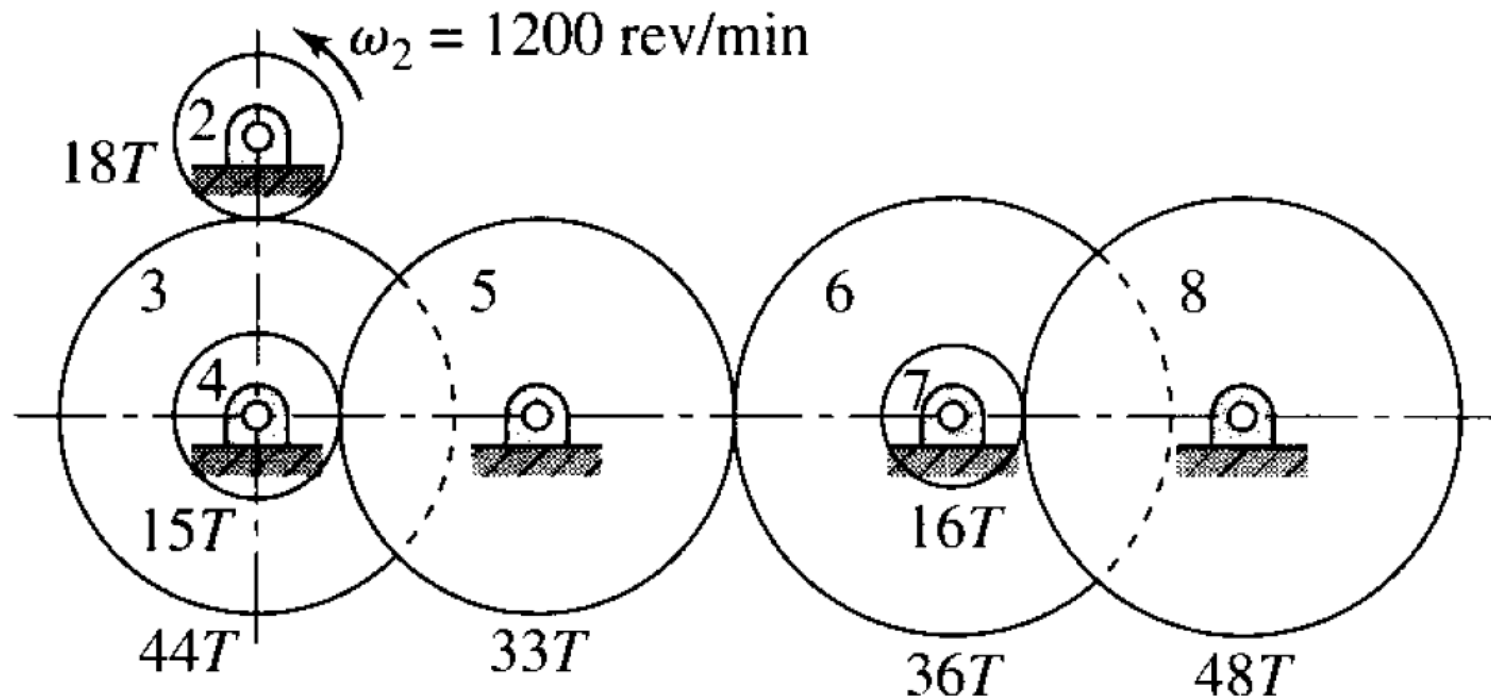
$$\omega_6 = \frac{N_2}{N_3} \frac{N_4}{N_5} \frac{N_5}{N_6} \omega_2$$

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# Gear trains

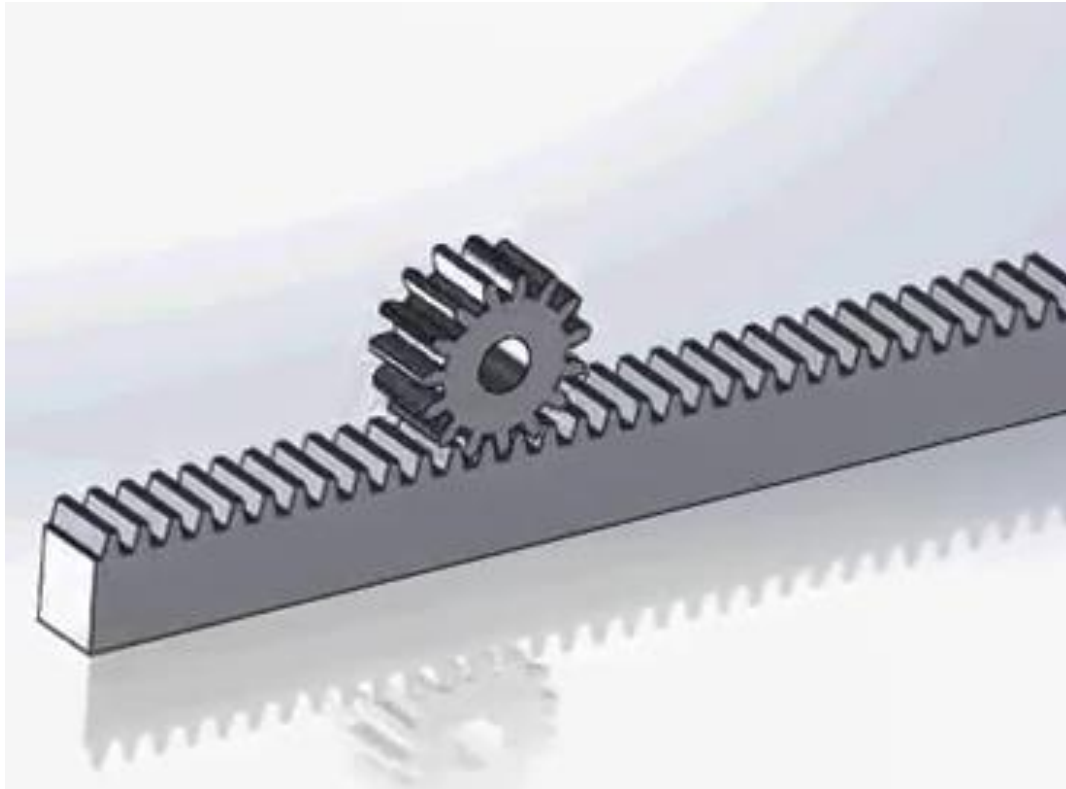
What is the speed of the driven gear, gear # 8?



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# Rack and pinion (spur gears)

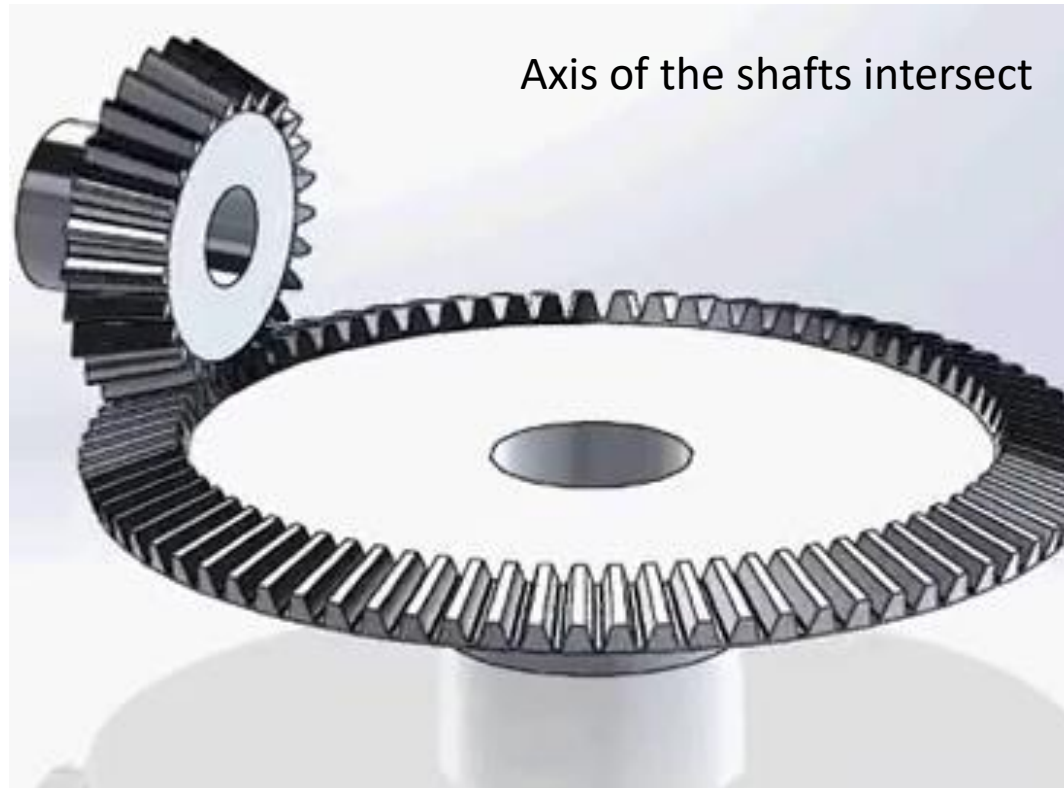


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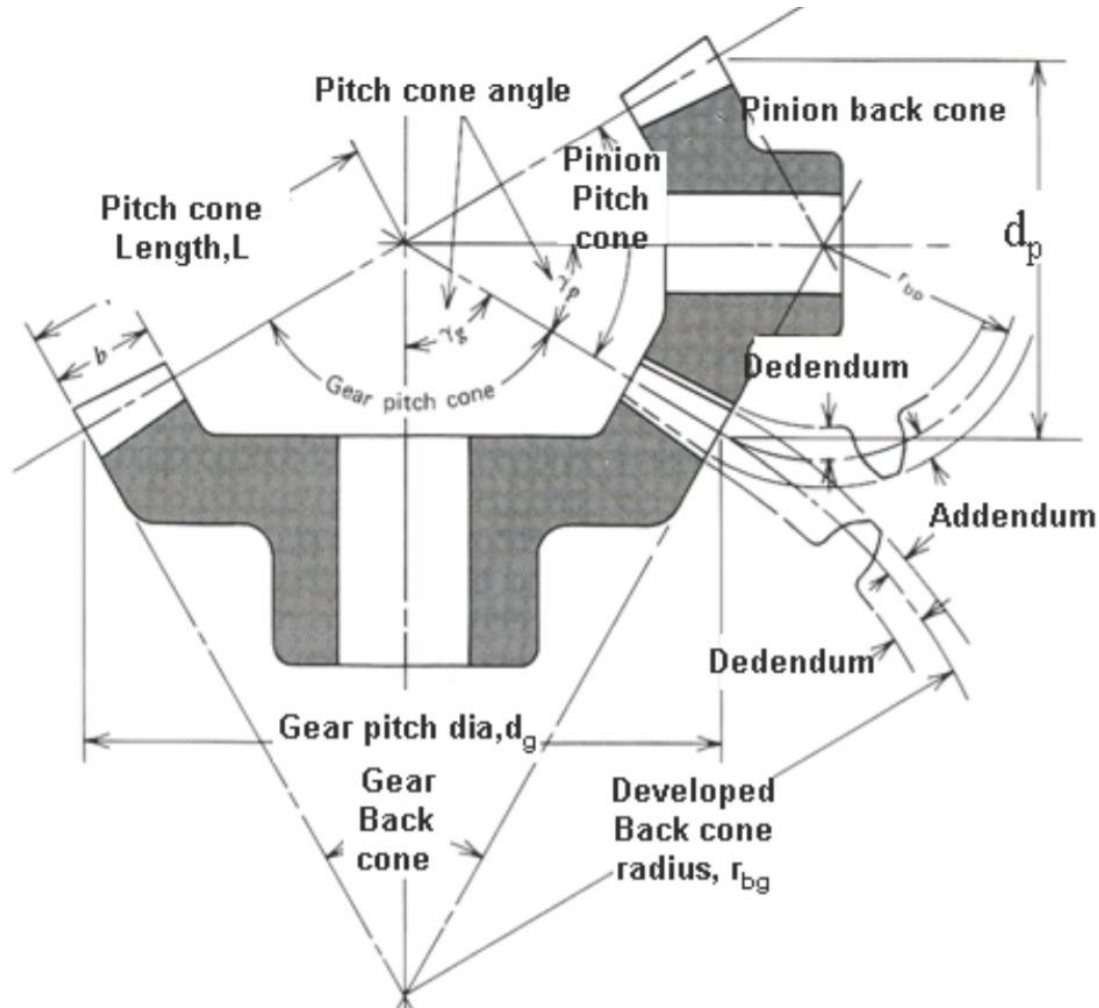
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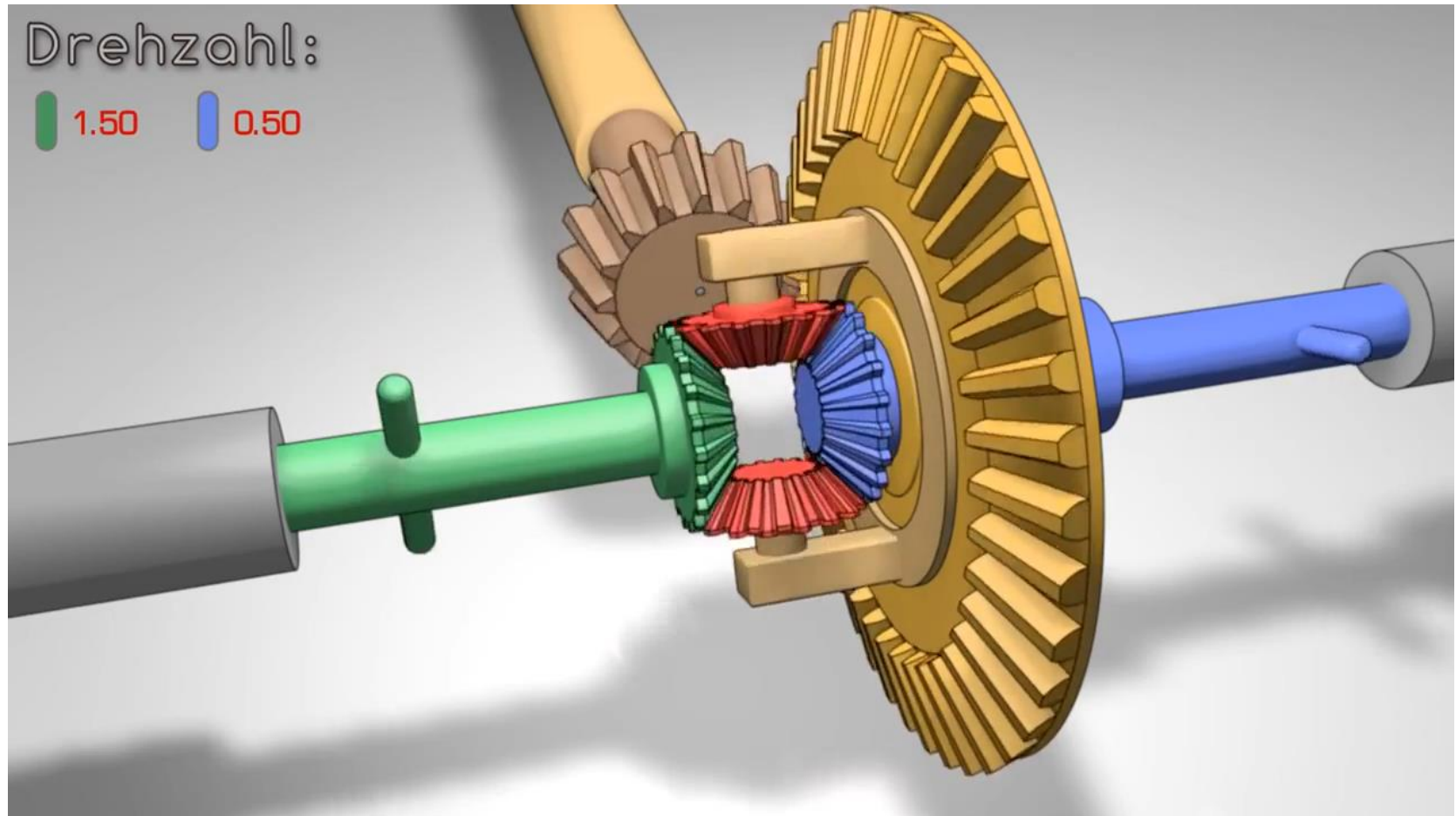
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# Bevel gears



# Where are bevel gears used?

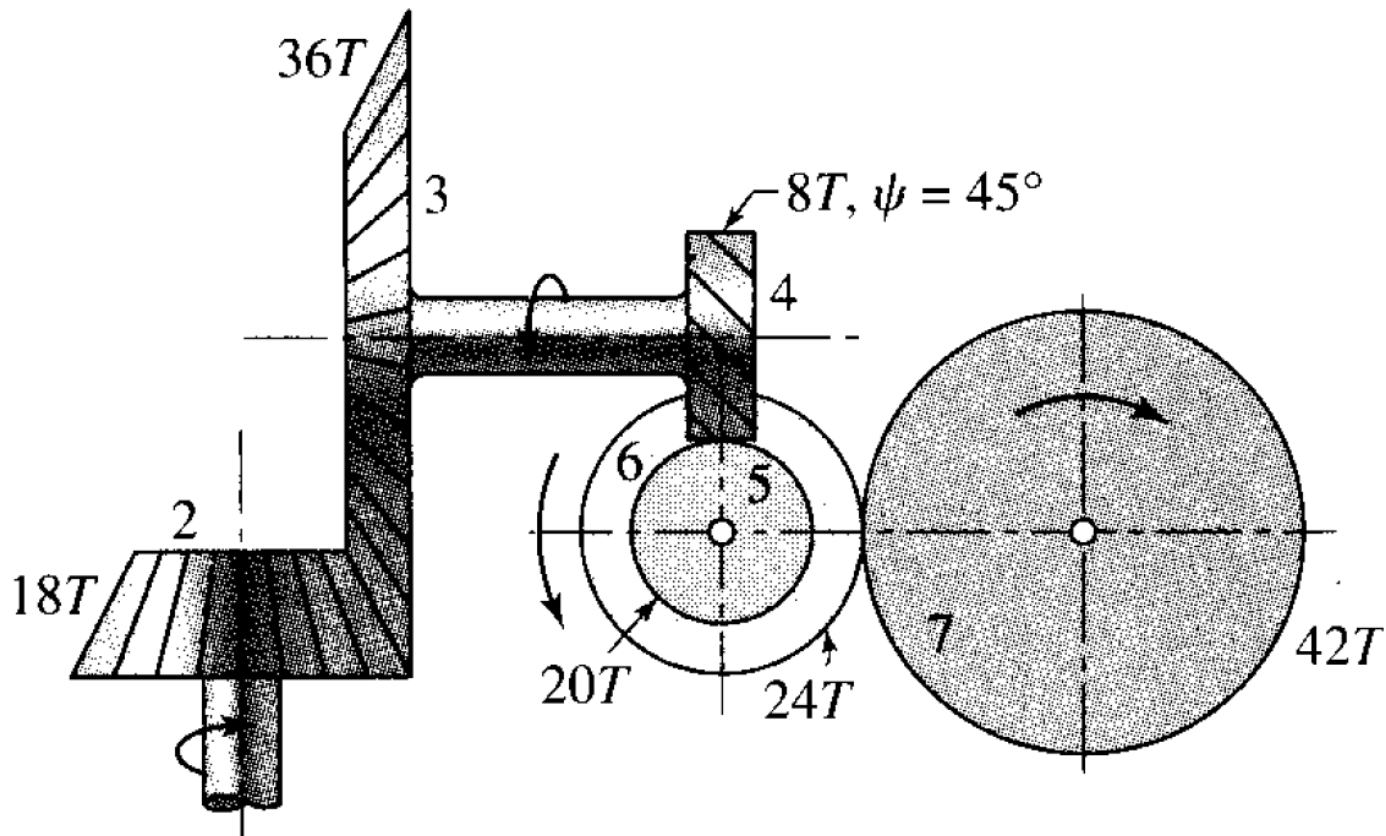


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# Gear trains

Given the speed of gear 2, what will be the speed of gear 7?

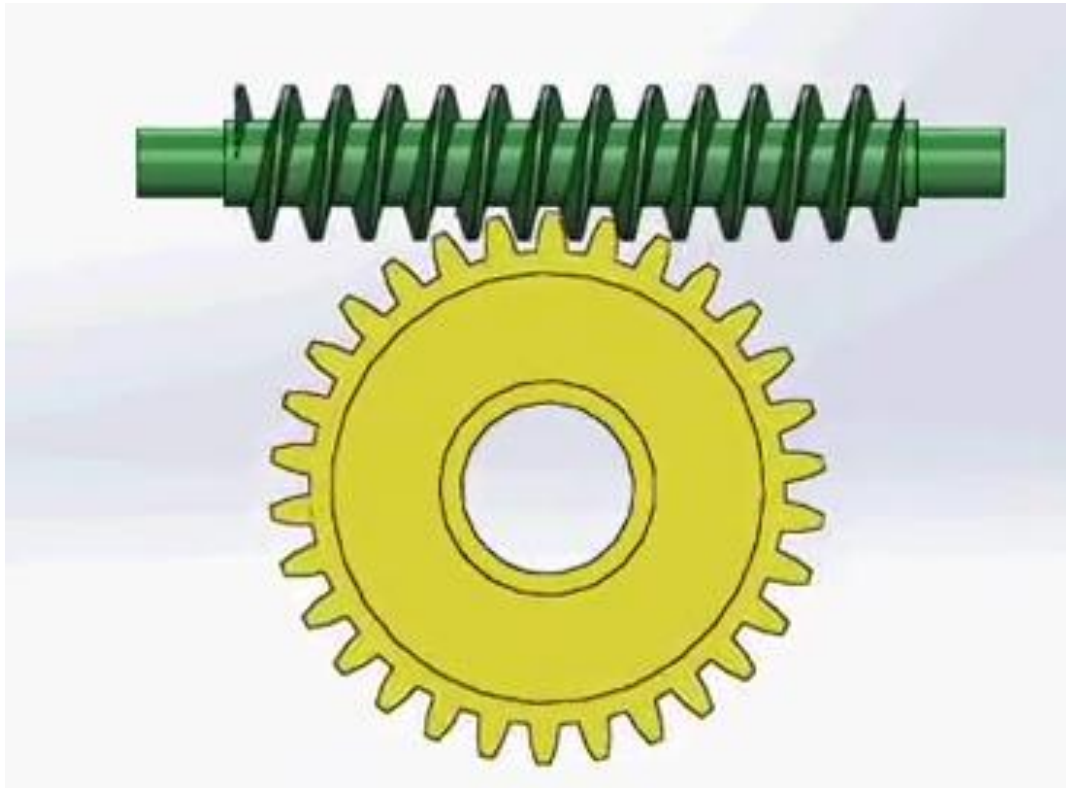


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# Worm gears

Normally used with nonintersecting shafts which are usually at a shaft angle of  $90^\circ$



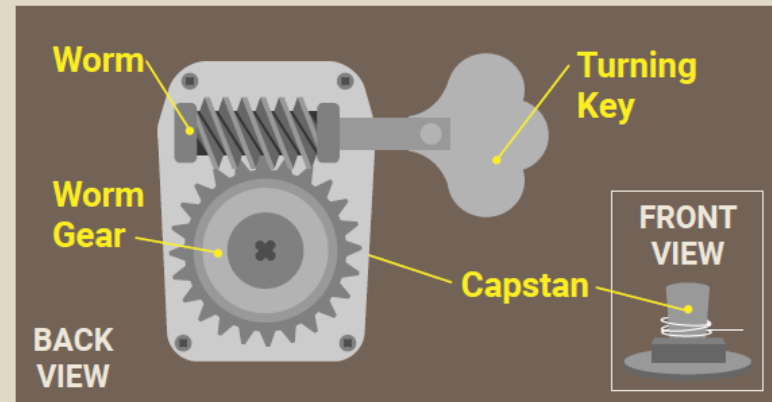
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# Everyday example of use of worm gears

Worm gear drives on string instruments' machine heads adjust and hold the tension of strings:

- A worm gear links the pinion gear's capstan and tuning knob
- The guitar string enters a hole in the capstan and wraps around it
- A player turns the capstan using the tuning knob to tighten the string
- The worm gear keeps the capstan in position



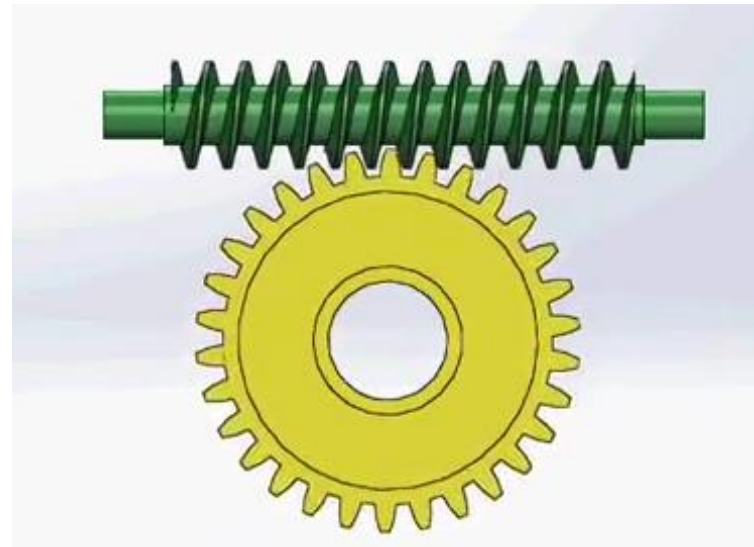
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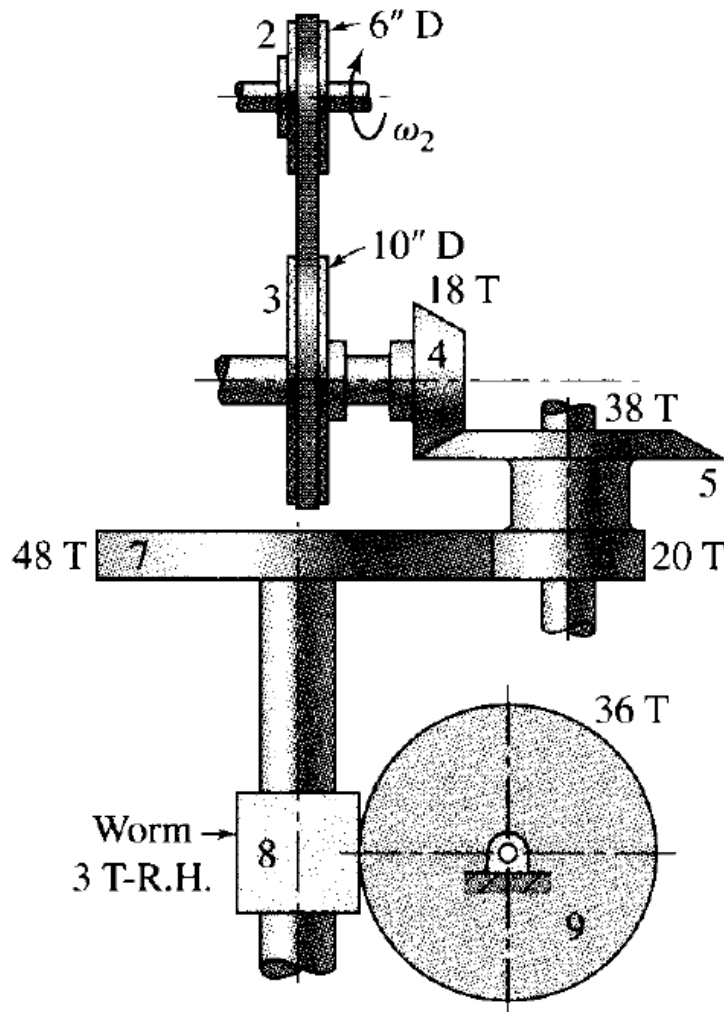


# Worm gears

- One rotation of the worm moves one tooth on the worm wheel (gear)
- Very high gear ratios
- For example, if you have
  - 8 teeth, ratio is 1/8
  - 24 teeth, ratio is 1/24
  - ...
- These are one directional, and hence 'self-locking'



# Gear trains



Given the speed of gear 2, what will be the speed of gear 9?

Note that there are spur gears, bevel gears, and a worm and worm wheel in this gear train

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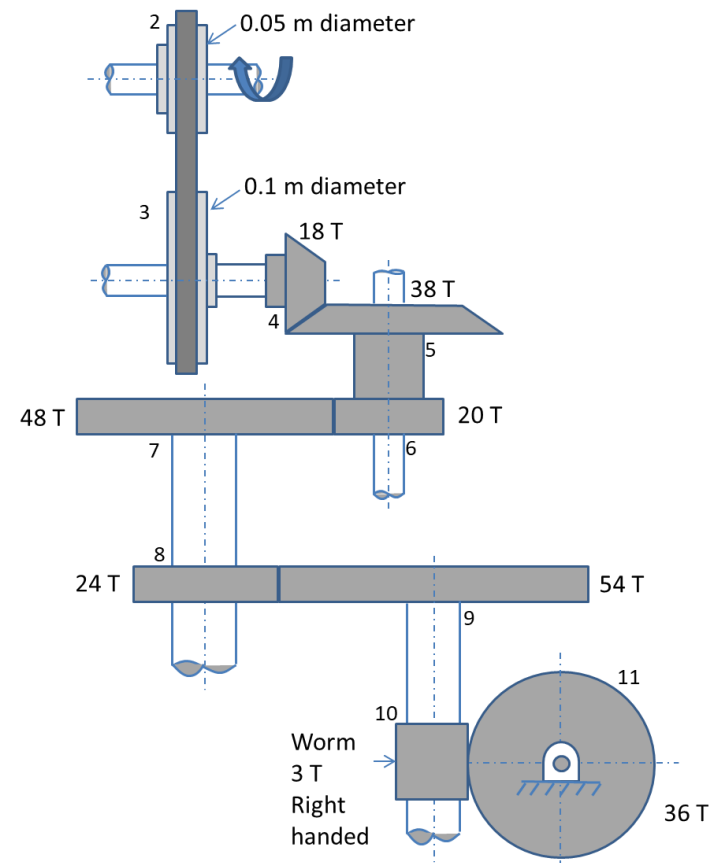
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## Question 1

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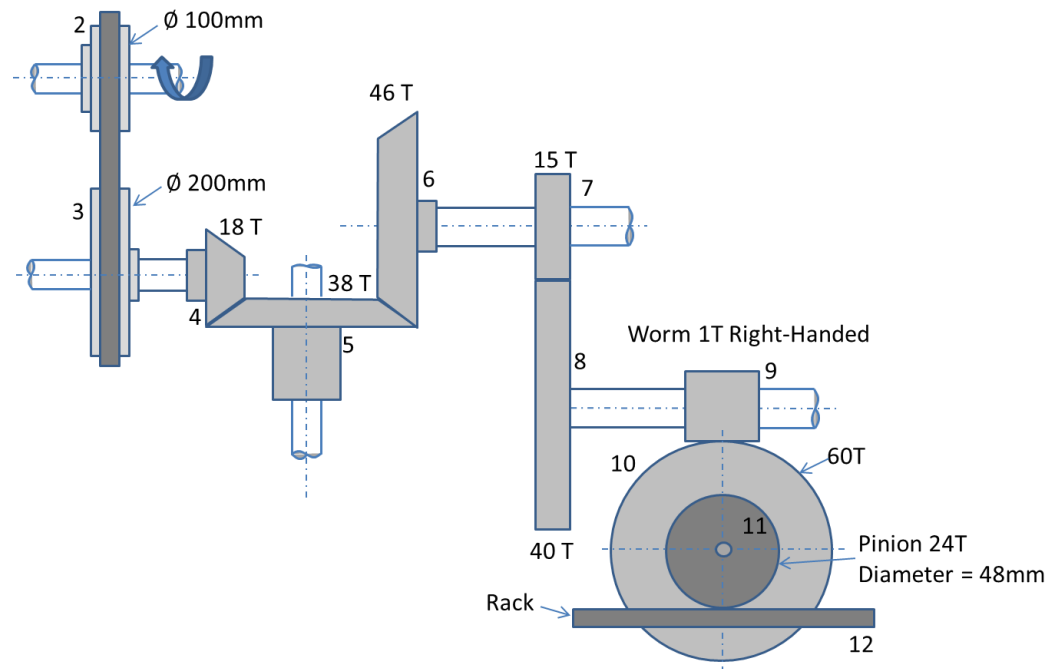
A gear train is shown on the right. It includes a pulley drive, a set of bevel gears, two sets of spur gears, and a worm and worm wheel pair. The number of teeth (T) on each gear is as shown. If the input speed of the driving pulley (# 2 in the figure) is 30 RPM, what is the output speed of the worm wheel? Also, if the required output torque at the worm wheel is 10 Nm, what should be the torque supplied by the motor driving the pulley # 2? Keep in mind that if the input gear rotates faster than the output gear, then the gear train amplifies the input torque.

Show all steps in your calculations for a full grade.



# Exam question from 2019 - 2020 - II

A gear train is shown below. It includes two pulleys, bevel gears, spur gears, a worm and worm wheel pair, and a rack and a pinion. The number of teeth (T) on each gear is as shown. If the input speed of the driving pulley (# 2 in the figure) is 30 RPM, and if the required output torque at gear # 11 is  $\sim 817$  Nm, what should be the torque supplied by the motor driving the pulley # 2? Also, if the driving pulley rotates in the clockwise direction, what is the direction of translation of the rack, i.e., does it move right or left? Also, what will be the linear speed (in m/s) of the rack? Show detailed calculations for a full grade.



# How are gears made?

Gear hobbing



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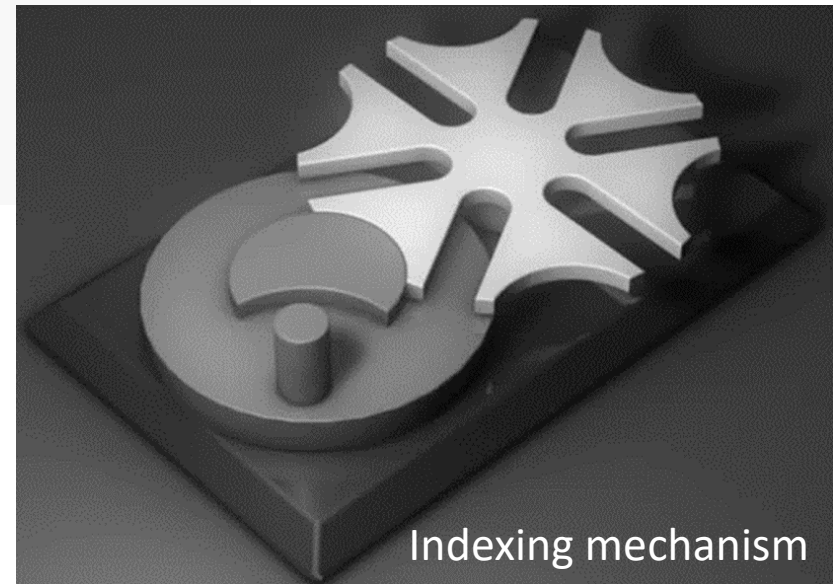
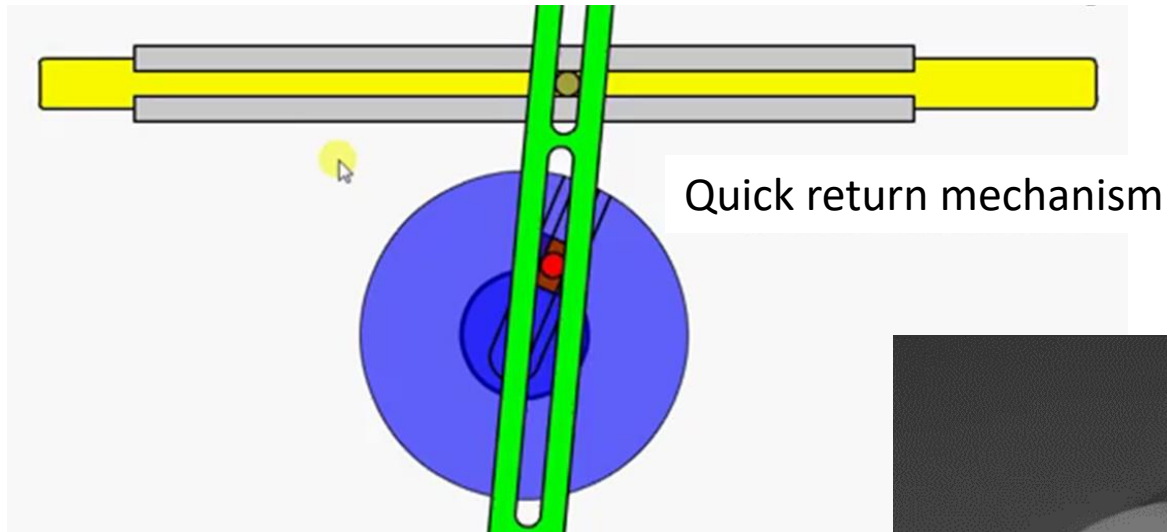
Gear tooth form cutting



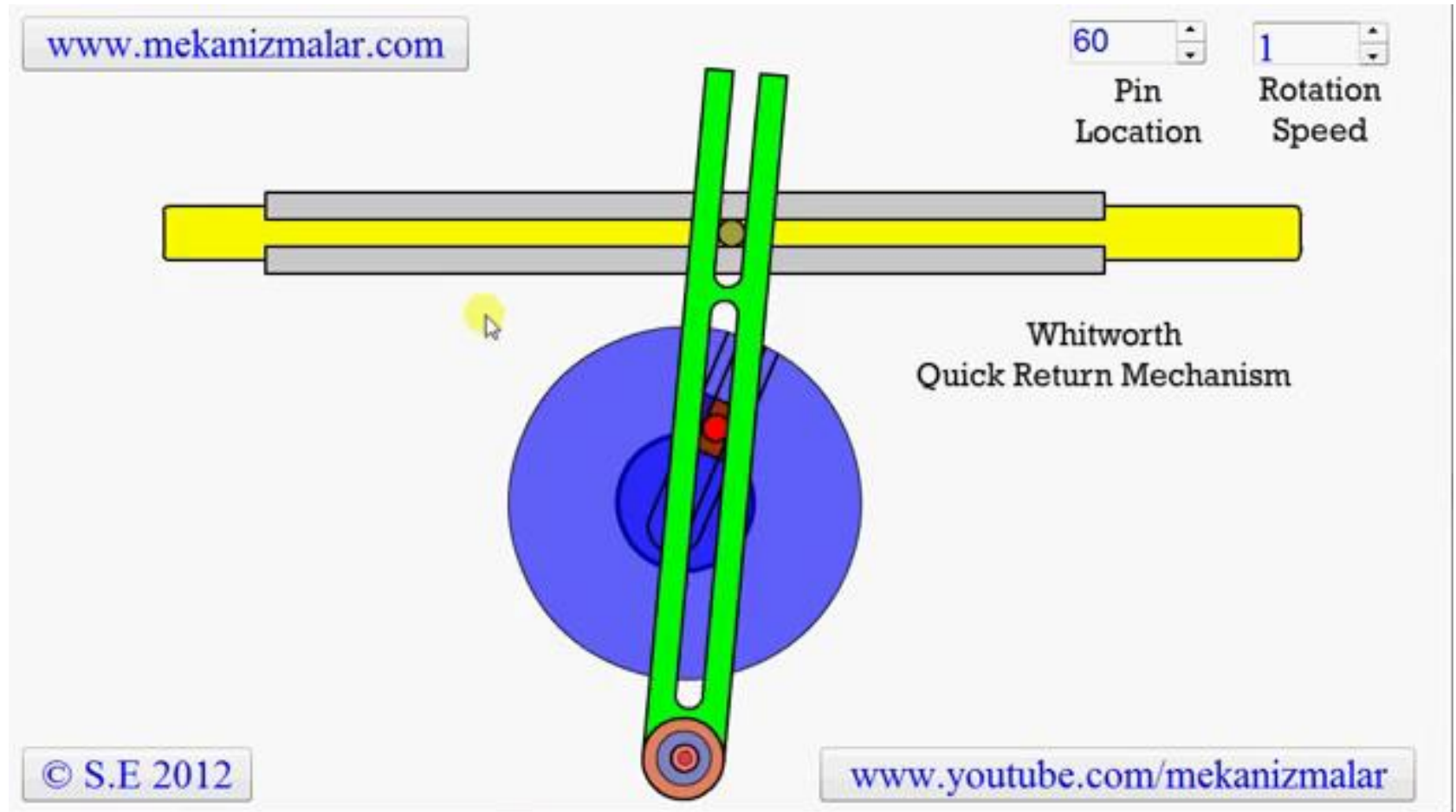
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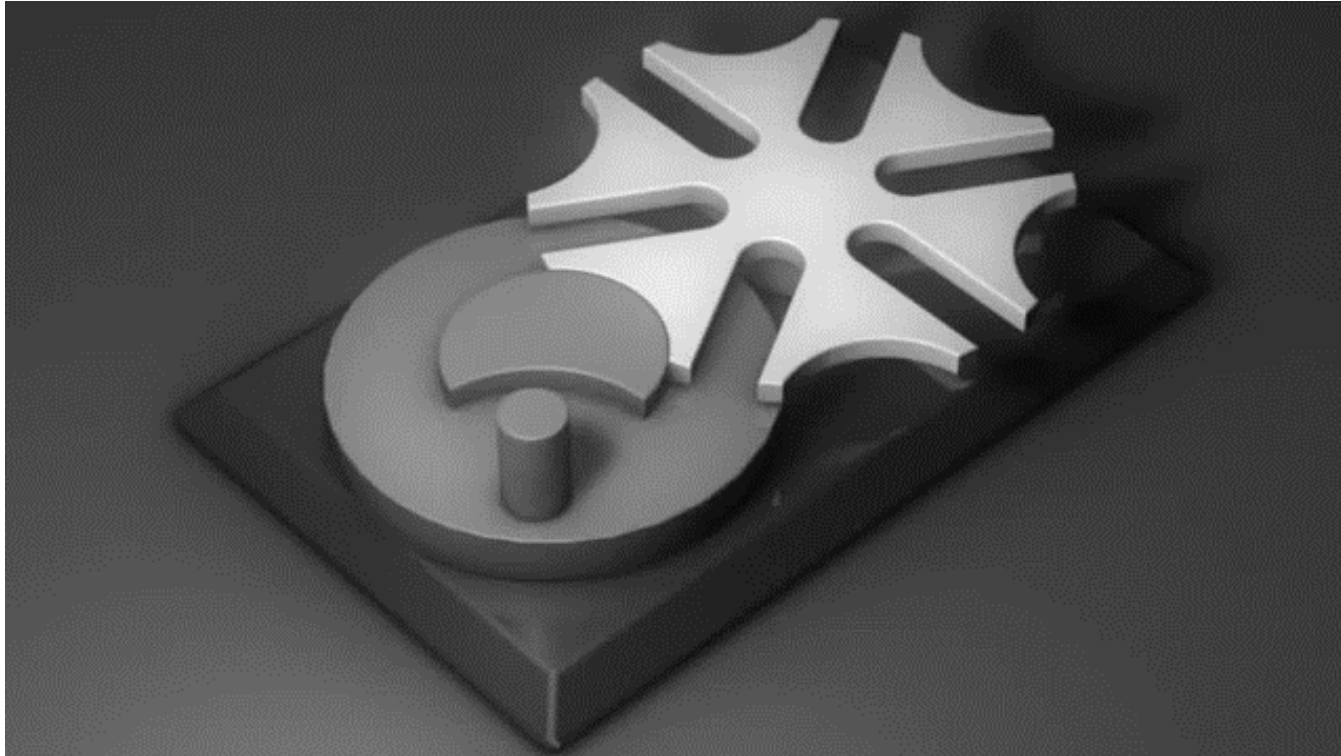
# Other interesting and relevant mechanisms



# Quick return mechanism



# Geneva indexing mechanism

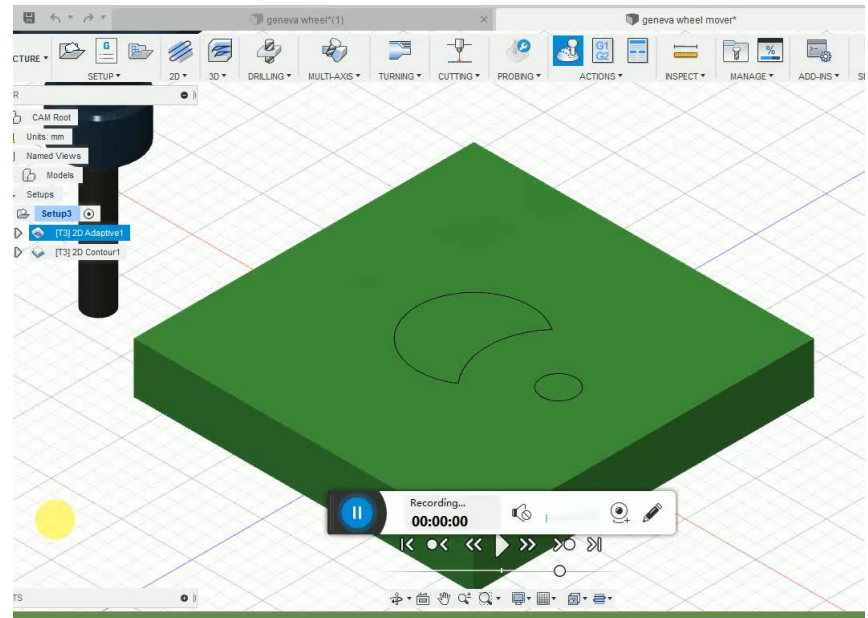
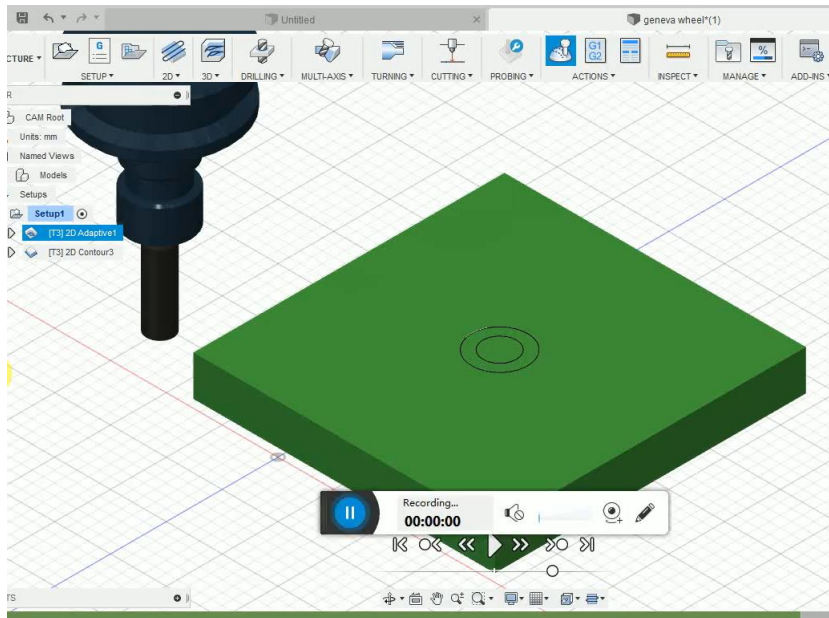


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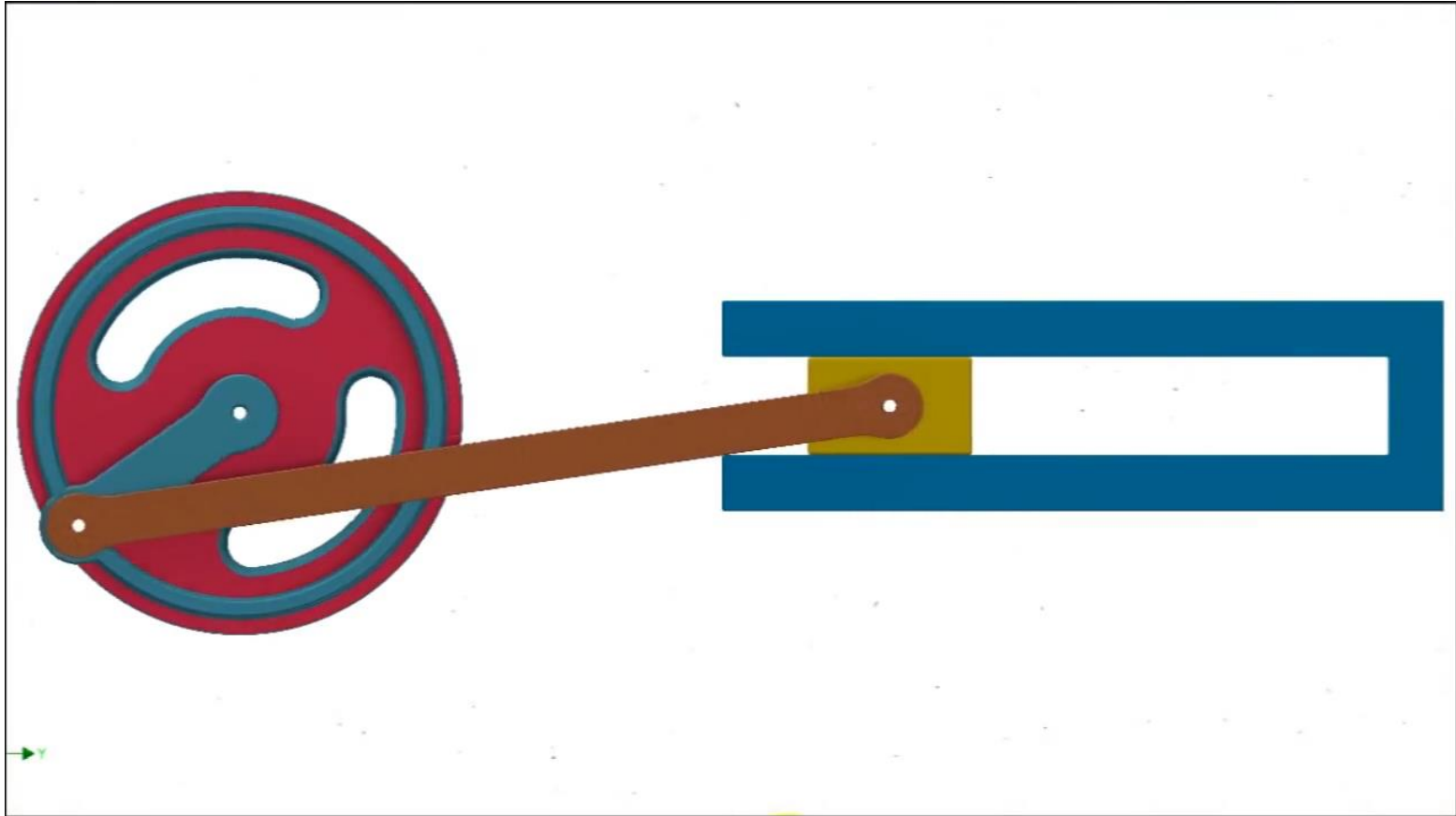
# How are Geneva mechanisms made?



On CNC machines



# One the most famous mechanisms



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# Exam question from 2019 - 2020 - I

## Question 2

[1]

Say you have a motor, and you want to use the motor to drive a mechanism that results in translational motion. Sketch any two such mechanisms (other than what is already discussed in Question 4) that can translate rotary motion to linear motion. Please make neat sketches and label all parts for a full grade.



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