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## Preface

### Overview of documentation

The SINUMERIK documentation is organized in three parts:

- General Documentation
- User Documentation
- Manufacturer/Service Documentation

### Target group

This documentation is intended for the programmer. It provides detailed information for programming the SINUMERIK 840D/840Di/840Di/810D.

### Standard scope

The Programming Guide describes the functionality included in the standard scope. Extensions or changes made by the machine tool manufacturer are documented by the machine tool manufacturer.

You can obtain more detailed information on publications about SINUMERIK 840D/840Di/810D or publications that apply to all the SINUMERIK controls (e.g. universal interface, measurement cycles, etc.), from your Siemens branch.

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SINUMERIK 810D	SW3
SINUMERIK 810DE (export version)	SW3

with operator panel fronts OP 010, OP 010C, OP 010S,  
OP 12 or OP 15 (PCU 20 or PCU 50)

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From 09.2001, the

- SINUMERIK 840D powerline and the
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will be available with improved performance. A list of the available **powerline** modules can be found in the

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The following functions are not available in the export version:

Function	810DE	840DE
Machining package for 5 axes	–	–
Transformation package handling (5 axes)	–	–
Multiple axes interpolation (> 4 axes)	–	–
Helix interpolation 2D+6	–	–
Synchronized actions stage 2	–	O <sup>1)</sup>
Measurement stage 2	–	O <sup>1)</sup>
Adaptive control	O <sup>1)</sup>	O <sup>1)</sup>
Continuous dressing	O <sup>1)</sup>	O <sup>1)</sup>
Use of the compile cycles (OEM)	–	–
Multidimensional sag compensation	O <sup>1)</sup>	O <sup>1)</sup>

– Function not available

1) Limited functionality

## Structure of the descriptions

All cycles and programming options have been described – where appropriate and possible – according to the same internal structure. The organization into different information levels allows you to find the information you need quickly.

### 1. At a glance



If you want to look up a seldom used command or the meaning of a parameter, you can see at a glance how to program the function together with an explanation of the commands and parameters.



This information is always presented at the start of the page.

#### Note:

To keep this documentation as compact as possible, it is not always possible to list all the types of representation available in the programming language for the individual commands and parameters. The commands are therefore always programmed in the context most frequently used in the workshop.

**2** Drilling cycles and drilling patterns 03.96 **2**

**2.1.2 Drilling, centering – CYCLE81**

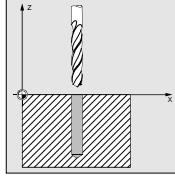
**Programming**

CYCLE81	(RTP, RFP, SDIS, DP)
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RTP real Retraction plane (absolute)  
RFP real Reference plane (absolute)  
SDIS real Safety clearance (enter without sign)  
DP real Final drilling depth (absolute)  
DPR real Final drilling depth relative to reference plane (enter without sign)

**Function**

The tool drills at the programmed spindle speed and feedrate to the programmed final drilling depth.



**Operating sequence**

Position reached before the beginning of the cycle:  
The drilling position is the position in the two axes of the selected plane.

The cycle implements the following motion sequence:

- Approach of the reference plane brought forward by the safety clearance with G0
- Travel to the final drilling depth at the feedrate programmed in the calling program (G1)
- Retraction to retraction plane with G0

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## 2. Detailed explanations

The theory part contains detailed information on the following:

 What is the purpose of the command?

 What is the effect of the command?

 What is the sequence of command?

 What effect do the parameters have?

 What else has to be taken into account?

The theory parts are suitable primarily as a guide for NC beginners. Work through the manual carefully at least once to gain an overview of the performance scope and capabilities of your SINUMERIK control.

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**Explanation of parameters**

**RFP and RTP**  
Generally, the reference plane (RFP) and the retraction plane (RTP) have different values. In the cycle it is assumed that the retraction plane lies in front of the reference plane. The distance between the retraction plane and the final drilling depth is therefore greater than the distance between the reference plane and the final drilling depth.

**SDIS**  
The safety clearance (SDIS) refers to the reference plane, which is brought forward by the safety clearance. The direction in which the safety clearance is active is automatically determined by the cycle.

**DP and DPR**  
The drilling depth can be defined either absolute (DP) or relative (DPR) to the reference plane. If it is entered as an absolute value, the value is traversed directly in the cycle.

**Additional notes**  
If a value is entered both for the DP and the DPR, the final drilling depth is derived from the DPR. If the DPR deviates from the absolute depth programmed via the DP, the message "Depth: Corresponds to value for relative depth" is output in the dialog line.

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## 3. From theory to practice

 The programming example shows you how to apply the commands in the program.

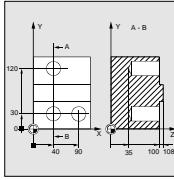
You will find an application example for practically all the commands after the theory part.

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If the values for the reference plane and the retraction plane are identical, a relative depth must not be programmed. The error message 61101 "Reference plane incorrectly defined" is output and the cycle is not executed. This error message is also output if the retraction plane lies behind the reference plane, i.e. the distance to the final drilling depth is smaller.

**Programming example**

**Drilling, centering**  
You can use this program to make 3 holes using the drilling cycle CYCLE81, whereby this cycle is called with different parameter settings. The drilling axis is always the Z axis.



N10 G0 G90 F200 S300 M3	Specification of the technology values
N20 G9 T1 X110	Traverse to first drilling position
N30 X40 Y120	Traverse to first drilling position
N40 CYCLE81 (110, 100, 2, 35)	Cycle call with absolute final drilling depth, safety clearance and incomplete parameter list
N50 Y10	Traverse to next drilling position
N60 CYCLE81 (110, 102, , 35)	Cycle call without safety clearance
N70 G0 G90 F180 S300 M03	Specification of the technology values
N80 X90	Traverse to next position
N90 CYCLE81 (110, 100, 2, , 65)	Cycle call with relative final drilling depth and safety clearance
N100 M30	End of program

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**Actions**

It must be ascertained that the Instruction Manuals have been read and understood by the persons working on the control before installation and start-up of the control.

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**Note**

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If the control is **not operated in a technically faultless state**, if proper safety precautions are not taken, or if the instructions in the Instruction Manual are not complied with.

If faults which could influence safety of operation are not remedied **before** installation and start-up of the control.

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- damage to the control, machine and other property of the company and operator.

The following notes used in the documentation have a special significance:

**Notes**

This symbol always appears in the documentation if secondary information is given and there is an important fact to be considered.

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Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, **will** result in death or serious injury or in substantial property damage.

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**Caution**

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**Notice**

Used without the safety alert symbol indicates a potential situation which, if not avoided, **may** result in an undesirable result or state.



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## 1.1 Variable and arithmetic parameters

### Function

Using variables in place of constant values makes a program more flexible. You can respond to signals such as measured values or, by storing setpoints in the variables, you can use the same program for different geometries.

With variable calculation and jump instructions a skilled programmer is able to create a very flexible program archive and save a lot of programming work.

### Variable classes

The controller uses 3 classes of variable:

User-defined variable	Name and type of variable defined by the user, e.g. arithmetic parameter.
Arithmetic parameter	Special, predefined arithmetic variable whose address is R plus a number. The predefined arithmetic variables are of the REAL type.
System variable	Variable provided by the controller that can be processed in the program (write, read). System variables provide access to zero offsets, tool offsets, actual values, measured values on the axes, control states, etc. (See Appendix for the meaning of the system variables)



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## Variable types

Type	Meaning	Value range
INT	Integers with sign	$\pm(2^{31} - 1)$
REAL	Real numbers (fractions with decimal point, LONG REAL according to IEEE)	$\pm(10^{-300} \dots 10^{+300})$
BOOL	Boolean values: TRUE (1) and FALSE (0)	1, 0
CHAR	1 ASCII character specified by the code	0 ... 255
STRING	Character string, number of characters in [...], Max. 200 characters	Sequence of values with 0 ... 255
AXIS	Axis names (axis addresses) only	All axis identifiers and spindles in the channel
FRAME	Geometric data for translation, rotation, scaling, mirroring, see Chapter 4.	

## Arithmetic variable

Address R provides 100 arithmetic variables of type REAL by default.

The exact number of arithmetic variables (up to 1000) is defined in machine data.

Example: R10=5

## System variable

The controller provides system variables that can be contained and processed in all running programs.

System variable provide machine and controller states. Some of the system variables cannot be assigned values.



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Special identifiers of system variables always begin with a "\$" sign followed by the specific names.

### Summary of system variable types

#### 1st letter

1st letter	Meaning
\$M	Machine data
\$S	Setting data
\$T	Tool management data
\$P	Programmed values
\$A	Current values
\$V	Service data

#### 2nd letter

2nd letter	Meaning
N	NCK global
C	Channel-specific
A	Axis-specific

Example: \$AA\_IM

Means: Current axis-specific value in the machine coordinate system.



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## 1.2 Variable definition



### User-defined variables

The programmer can define and assign values to variables in addition to using predefined variables. Local variables (LUD) are only valid in the program where they are defined.

Global variables (GUD) are valid in all programs.

#### **SW 4.4 and higher:**

Machine data are used to redefine the local user variables (LUD) defined in the main program as program-global user variables (PUD).



### Machine manufacturer

See machine manufacturer's specifications.

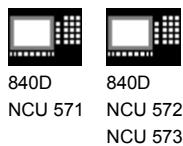
If they are defined in the main program, they will also be valid at all levels of the subprograms called. They are created with parts program start and deleted with parts program end or reset.

#### **Example:**

```
$MN_LUD_EXTENDED_SCOPE=1

PROC MAIN          ;Main program
DEF INT VAR1      ;PUD definition
...
SUB2              ;Subprogram call
...
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PROC SUB2          ;Subprogram SUB2
DEF INT VAR2      ;LUD DEFINITION
...
IF (VAR1==1)       ;Read PUD
  VAR1=VAR1+1    ;Read & write PUD
  VAR2=1         ;Write LUD
ENDIF
SUB3              ;Subprogram call
...
M17
PROC SUB3          ;Subprogram SUB3
```



```
...
IF (VAR1==1)      ;Read PUD
    VAR1=VAR1+1   ;Read & write PUD
    VAR2=1        ;Error: LUD from SUB2
                ;not known
ENDIF
...
M17
```

If machine data \$MN\_LUD\_EXTENDED\_SCOPE is set, it is not possible to define a variable with the same name in the main and subprograms.

### Variable names

A variable name consists of up to 31 characters. The first two characters must be a letter or an underscore.

The "\$" sign can not be used for user-defined variables because it is used for system variables.

## Programming

```
DEF INT name
or DEF INT name=value

DEF REAL name
or DEF REAL name1,name2=3,name4
or DEF REAL name[array_index1,array_index2]

DEF BOOL name

DEF CHAR name
or DEF CHAR name[array_index]=( "A" , "B" ,... )

DEF STRING[string_length] name

DEF AXIS name
or DEF AXIS name[array_index]

DEF FRAME name
```



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If a variable is not assigned a value on definition, the system sets zero as the default.

Variables must be defined at the beginning of the program before they are used. The definition must be made in a separate block; only one variable type can be defined per block.

## Explanation

INT	Variable type integer, i.e. whole number
REAL	Variable type real, i.e. fractional number with decimal point
BOOL	Variable type Boolean, i.e. 1 or 0 (TRUE or FALSE)
CHAR	Variable type char, i.e. ASCII-coded character (0 to 255)
STRING	Variable type string, i.e. sequence of char
AXIS	Variable type axis, i.e. axis addresses and spindles
FRAME	Variable type frame, i.e. geometric data
name	Variable name

## Programming examples

### Variable type INT

DEF INT NUMBER	This creates a variable of type integer with the name NUMBER. The system initializes the variable with zero.
DEF INT NUMBER= 7	This creates a variable of type integer with the name NUMBER. The system initializes the variable with zero.

### Variable type REAL

DEF REAL DEPTH	This creates a variable of type real with the name DEPTH. System initializes with zero (0.0).
DEF REAL DEPTH=6 . 25	This creates a variable of type real with the name DEPTH. The variable is initialized with 6.25.
DEF REAL DEPTH=3 . 1 , LENGTH=2 , NUMBER	More than one variable can be defined in a line.

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**Variable type BOOL**

```
DEF BOOL IF_TOO MUCH
```

This creates a variable of type BOOL with the name IF\_TOO MUCH.  
System initializes with zero (FALSE).

```
DEF BOOL IF_TOO MUCH=1 or
```

This creates a variable of type BOOL with the name IF\_TOO MUCH.

```
DEF BOOL IF_TOO MUCH=TRUE or
```

```
DEF BOOL WENN_ZUVIEL=FALSE
```

**Variable type CHAR**

```
DEF CHAR GUSTAV_1=65
```

A code value for the corresponding ASCII character or the ASCII character itself

```
DEF CHAR GUSTAV_1="A"
```

can be assigned to a variable of type CHAR (code value 65 corresponds to letter "A").

**Variable type STRING**

```
DEF STRING[6] MUSTER_1="BEGIN"
```

Variables of type string can contain a string (sequence of characters). The maximum number of characters is enclosed in square brackets after the variable type.

**Variable type AXIS**

```
DEF AXIS AXIS_NAME=(X1)
```

Variable of type AXIS are called AXIS\_NAME and contain the axis identifier of a channel – here X1. (Axis names with an extended address are in parentheses.)

**Variable type FRAME**

```
DEF FRAME BEVEL_1
```

Variables of type FRAME have names like BEVEL\_1.



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### Additional notes

A variable of type AXIS can contain an axis identifier and a spindle identifier of a channel.

Note:

Axis names with an extended address must be in parentheses.



### Example of programming with program-local variables

```
DEF INT COUNT
LOOP: G0 X... ;Loop
COUNT=COUNT+1
IF COUNT<50 GOTOB LOOP
M30
```



### Programming example

#### Query of existing geometry axes

```
DEF AXIS ABSCISSA; ;1. geometry axis
IF ISAXIS(1) == FALSE GOTOF CONTINUE
ABSCISSA = $P_AXN1
...
CONTINUE:
```

#### Indirect spindle programming

```
DEF AXIS SPINDLE
SPINDLE=(S1)
OVRA[SPINDLE]=80 ;Spindle override = 80%
SPINDLE=(S3)
...
```

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## 1.3 Array definition



### Programming

```
DEF CHAR NAME[n,m]
DEF INT NAME[n,m]
DEF REAL NAME[n,m]
DEF AXIS NAME[n,m]
DEF FRAME NAME[n,m]
DEF STRING[string_length] NAME[m]
DEF BOOL[n,m]
```



### Explanation

INT NAME[n,m]	Variable type (CHAR, INTEGER, REAL, AXIS, FRAME, BOOL)
REAL NAME[n,m]	n = array size for 1st dimension
	m = array size for 2nd dimension
DEF STRING[string_length] NAME[m]	Data type STRING can only be defined for 1-dimensional arrays
NAME	Variable name

The same memory size applies to type BOOL as to type CHAR.

#### Up to SW3:

The maximum size of an array is set via machine data.



### Machine manufacturer

See machine manufacturer's specifications

Type	Memory requirement per array element
BOOL	1 byte
CHAR	1 byte
INT	4 bytes
REAL	8 bytes
STRING	String length + 1
FRAME	~ 400 bytes, depending on number of axes
AXIS	4 bytes

The maximum array size determines the size of the memory blocks in which the variable memory is managed. It should not be set higher than actually required.

Standard: 812 bytes

If not large arrays are defined, select: 256 bytes.



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### **SW 4 and higher:**

An array can be larger than a memory block. The MD value for block size should be set such that arrays are fragmented only in exceptional cases.

Default: 256 bytes

Memory requirement per element: see above

#### **Example:**

Global user data must contain PLC machine data for switching the controller on/off (definition of BOOL arrays).



### **Additional notes**

Arrays with up to 2 dimensions can be defined.

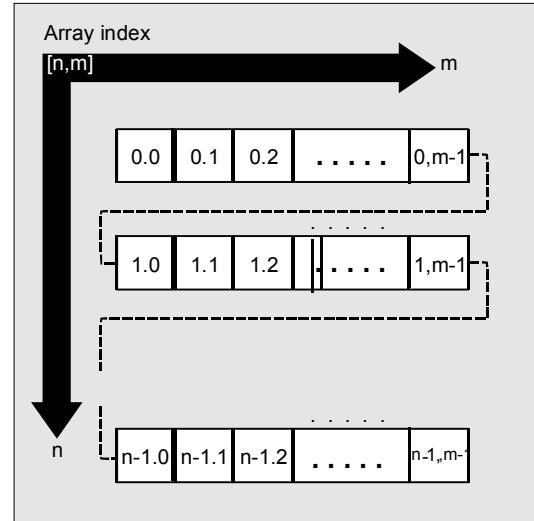
Arrays with variables of type STRING can only be 1-dimensional. The string length is specified after the data type String.



### **Array index**

Elements of an array are accessed via the array index. The array elements can either be read or assigned values using this array index.

The first array element starts with index [0,0]; for example, for array size [3,4] the maximum possible array index is [2,3].





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In the above example, the values have been initialized to double as the index of the array element. in order to illustrate the sequence of the individual array elements.



### **Initialization of arrays**

The array elements can be initialized during program run or in the array definition.

In 2-dimensional arrays, the right array index is increment first.



### **Initialization with value lists, SET**

#### **1. Initializing in the array definition**

```
DEF Type VARIABLE = SET(VALUE)
DEF Type ARRAY[n,m] = SET(VALUE, value, ...)
```

Or:

```
DEF Type VARIABLE = Value
DEF Type ARRAY[n,m] = (value, value, ...)
```

- As many array elements are assigned as initialization values are programmed.
- Array elements without values (gaps in the value list) are automatically initialized to 0.
- For variables of type AXIS, gaps in the value list are not permitted.
- Programming more values than exist in the remaining array elements triggers an alarm.

Example:

```
DEF REAL ARRAY[2,3]=(10, 20, 30, 40)
```



SET is optional in the array definition.



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## 2. Initializing during the program run

```
ARRAY[n,m]= SET(value, value, value,...)
ARRAY[n,m]= SET(expression,
expression, expression,...)
```

- Initialization is the same as in array definition.
- Expressions are possible values in this case too.
- Initialization starts at the programmed array indexes. Values can also be assigned selectively to subarrays.

Example:

Assignment of expressions

```
DEF INT ARRAY[ 5 , 5 ]
ARRAY[ 0,0 ] = SET(1, 2, 3, 4, 5 )
ARRAY[ 2,3 ] = SET(VARIABLE, 4*5.6 )
```

The axis index of axis variables is not traversed:

Example:

Initialization in one line

```
$MA_AX_VELO_LIMIT[1, AX1] = SET(1.1, 2.2, 3.3)
```

Is equivalent to:

```
$MA_AX_VELO_LIMIT[1,AX1] = 1.1
$MA_AX_VELO_LIMIT[2,AX1] = 2.2
$MA_AX_VELO_LIMIT[3,AX1] = 3.3
```

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**Initialization with the same values, REP****1. Initializing in the array definition**

```
DEF Type ARRAY[n,m] = REP(value)
```

All array elements are assigned the same value (constant).



Variables of type FRAME cannot be initialized.

Example:

```
DEF REAL ARRAY5[10,3] = REP(9.9)
```

**2. Initializing during the program run**

```
ARRAY[n,m] = REP(value)
```

```
ARRAY[n,m] = REP(expression)
```

- Expressions are possible values in this case too.
- All array elements are initialized to the same value.
- Initialization starts at the programmed array indexes. Values can also be assigned selectively to subarrays.



Variables of type FRAME are permissible and can be initialized very simply in this way.

Example:

Initialization of all elements with one value

```
DEF FRAME FRM[10]  
FRM[5] = REP(CTRANS (X,5))
```



## Programming example

Initialization of complete variable arrays.

The current assignment is shown in the drawing.

```
N10 DEF REAL FELD1[10,3] = SET(0, 0, 0, 10, 11, 12, 20, 20, 20, 30, 30,
30, 40, 40, 40, )
N20 FELD1[0,0] = REP(100)
N30 FELD1[5,0] = REP(-100)
N40 FELD1[0,0] = SET(0, 1, 2, -10, -11, -12, -20, -20, -20, -30, , ,
-40, -40, -50, -60, -70)
N50 FELD1[8,1] = SET(8.1, 8.2, 9.0, 9.1, 9.2)
```

### Array index

[1..2]		N10: Initialization with definition			N20/N30: Initialization with identical value			N40/N50: Initialization with different values		
		0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	2
0	0	0	0	0	100	100	100	0	1	2
1	10	11	12	0	100	100	100	-10	-11	-12
2	20	20	20	0	100	100	100	-20	-20	-20
3	30	30	30	0	100	100	100	-30	0	0
4	40	40	40	0	100	100	100	0	-40	-40
5	0	0	0	0	-100	-100	-100	-50	-60	-70
6	0	0	0	0	-100	-100	-100	-100	-100	-100
7	0	0	0	0	-100	-100	-100	-100	-100	-100
8	0	0	0	0	-100	-100	-100	-100	8.1	8.2
9	0	0	0	0	-100	-100	-100	9.0	9.1	9.2
		The array elements [5..0] to [9..2] have been initialized with the default value (0.0).						The array elements [3..1] to [4..0] have been initialized with the default value (0.0). The array elements [6..0] to [8..0] have not been changed.		

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## 1.4 Indirect programming



Indirect programming permits general-purpose use of programs. The extended address (index) is substituted by a variable of suitable type.



All addresses are parameterizable except:

- N – Block number
- G – G command
- L – Subprogram

Indirect programming is not possible for settable addresses.

Example: X[1] in place of X1 is not permissible.



### Programming

ADDRESS [ INDEX ]



### Programming examples

#### Spindle

S1=300

Direct programming

DEF INT SPINU=1  
S[SPINU]=300

Indirect programming:  
Speed 300rpm for the spindle whose number is stored in the SPINU variable (in this example 1).

#### Feed

FA[U]=300

Direct programming

DEF AXIS AXVAR2=U  
FA[AXVAR2]=300

Indirect programming:  
Feedrate for positioning axis whose address name is stored in the variable of type AXIS with the variable name AXVAR2.

#### Measured value

\$AA\_MM[X]

Direct programming

DEF AXIS AXVAR3=X  
\$AA\_MM[AXVAR3]

Indirect programming:  
Measured value in machine coordinates for the axis whose name is stored in variable AXVAR3.



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### Array element

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```
DEF INT FELD1[ 4 , 5 ]
```

Direct programming

```
DEFINE DIM1 AS 4
DEFINE DIM2 AS 5
DEF INT ARRAY[DIM1,DIM2]
ARRAY[DIM1-1,DIM2-1]=5
```

Indirect programming:  
Array dimensions must be stated as constant values.

---

### Axis assignment with axis variables

---

```
X1=100 X2=200
```

Direct programming

```
DEF AXIS AXVAR1 AXVAR2
AXVAR1=(X1) AXVAR2=(X2)
AX[AXVAR1]=100 AX[AXVAR2]=200
```

Indirect programming:  
Definition of the variables  
Assignment of the axis names, traversal of axes that are stored in the variables to 100 or 200.

---

### Interpolation parameters with axis variables

---

```
G2 X100 I20
```

Direct programming

```
DEF AXIS AXVAR1=X
G2 X100 IP[AXVAR1]=20
```

Indirect programming:  
Definition and assignment of the axis name  
Indirect programming of the center

---

### Indirect subprogram call

---

```
CALL "L" << R10
```

Call of the program whose number is in R10

### Additional notes

 R parameters can also be considered 1-dimensional arrays with abbreviated notation (R10 is equivalent to R[10]).

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## Indirect G code programming from SW 5

`G[<Group index>] = <integer/real variable>`

Indirect programming of G codes using variables for effective cycle programming



## Meaning of the parameters

`<Group index>` Integer constants with which the G code group is selected.

`<integer/real variable>` Variable of the integer or real type with which the G code number is selected.



## Function

### Indirect G code programming (SW 5 and higher)

The indirect programming of G codes using variables facilitates effective cycle programming.

Two parameters

- G code groups      integer constant
  - G code numbers    variable of the integer/real type
- are available for this.



### Valid G code groups

Only modal G code groups can be programmed indirectly.

Non-modal G code groups are rejected by alarm 12470.

### Valid G code numbers

Arithmetic functions are not legal in indirect G code programming.

The G code number must be stored in a variable of the integer or real type. Invalid G code numbers are rejected by alarm 12475.

If it is necessary to calculate the G code number, this must be done in a separate parts program line before the indirect G code programming.



## Additional notes

All the valid G codes are shown in the PG, in the "List of G functions/preparatory functions" section in various groups.

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## Programming example

### Indirect G code programming

; Settable zero offset G code group 8

N1010 DEF INT INT\_VAR

N1020 INT\_VAR = 2

...

N1090 G[8] = INT\_VAR G1 X0 Y0 ; G54

N1100 INT\_VAR = INT\_VAR + 1 ; G code calculation

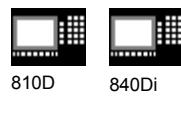
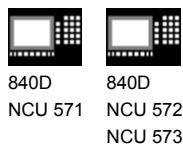
N1110 G[8] = INT\_VAR G1 X0 Y0 ; G55

; Plane selection G code group 6

N2010 R10 = \$P\_GG[6] ; Read G code for current plane

...

N2090 G[6] = R10 ; G17 – G19



## Run string as parts program line

EXECSTRING (<string variable>)

Command EXECSTRING runs a parts program line indirectly

## Meaning of the parameters

<string variable> Parameter of type string is transferred with EXECSTRING

## Function

### EXECSTRING (from SW 6.4)

Parts program command EXECSTRING transfers a string as a parameter that already contains the parts program line to run.

## Additional notes

All parts program constructions that can be programmed in a parts program can be output. That excludes PROC and DEF instructions and all use of INI and DEF files.

## Programming example

### Indirect parts program line

N100 DEF STRING[100] BLOCK	String variable to be included in parts program line
----------------------------	--

N110 DEF STRING[10] MFCT1 = "M7"	
----------------------------------	--

N200 EXECSTRING(MFCT1 << " M4711" )	Run parts program line "M7 M4711"
-------------------------------------	-----------------------------------

N300 R10 = 1	
--------------	--

N310 BLOCK = "M3"	
-------------------	--

N320 IF(R10)	
--------------	--

N330 BLOCK = BLOCK << MFCT1	
-----------------------------	--

N340 ENDIF	
------------	--

N350 EXECSTRING(BLOCK)	Run parts program line "M3 M4711"
------------------------	-----------------------------------



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## 1.5 Assignments

Values of a suitable type can be assigned to the variables/arithmetic parameters in the program.



Assignments to axis addresses (traversing instructions) always require a separate block to variable assignments. Assignment to axis addresses (traverse instructions) must be in a separate block from the variable assignments.

### Programming example

R1=10.518 R2=4 VARI1=45	Assignment of a numeric value
X=47.11 Y=R2	Assignment of a suitable type variable
R1=R3 VARI1=R4	Assignment with opposite sign (only permitted for types INT and REAL)
R4=-R5 R7=-VARI8	

### Assignment to string variable

CHARs and STRINGs distinguish between upper and lower case.

If you want to include an ' or " in the string, put it in single quotes '...'.

Example:

MSG("Viene lavorata l' ''ultima figura" )  
displays the text 'Viene lavorata l'ultima figura' on the screen.

The string can contain non-displayable characters if they are specified as binary or hexadecimal constants.

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## 1.6 Arithmetic operations and functions



The arithmetic functions are primarily for R parameters and variables (or constants and functions) of type REAL. The types INT and CHAR are also permitted.



Use of arithmetic operations requires conventional mathematical notation. Priorities for execution are indicated by parentheses. Angles are specified for trigonometry functions and their inverse functions (right angle = 90°).



### Operators/arithmetic functions

+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
DIV	NOTICE: (Type INT)/(Type INT)=(Type REAL); Example: 3/4 = 0.75 Division, for variable type INT and REAL
MOD	NOTICE: (Type INT)DIV(Type INT)=(Type INT); Example: 3 DIV 4 = 0 Modulo division (INT or REAL) produces remainder of INT division, e.g. 3 MOD 4=3
:	Chain operator (for FRAME variables)
Sin()	Sine
COS()	Cosine
TAN()	Tangent
ASIN()	Arcsine
ACOS()	Arccosine
ATAN2( , )	Arctangent2
SQRT( )	Square root
ABS( )	Absolute number
POT( )	2nd power (square)
TRUNC( )	Truncate to integer
ROUND( )	Round to integer
LN( )	Natural logarithm
EXP( )	Exponential function
CTRANS( )	Translation
CROT( )	Rotation



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CSCALE( )  
CMIRROR( )

Scaling  
Mirroring

## Programming examples

R1=R1+1

New R1 = old R1 +1

R1=R2+R3    R4=R5-R6    R7=R8\*R9

R10=R11/R12    R13=SIN(25.3)

R14=R1\*R2+R3

Multiplication or division takes precedence over addition or subtraction

R14=(R1+R2)\*R3

Parentheses are calculated first

R15=SQRT(POT(R1)+POT(R2))

Inner parentheses are resolved first

R15 = square root of ( $R1^2+R2^2$ )

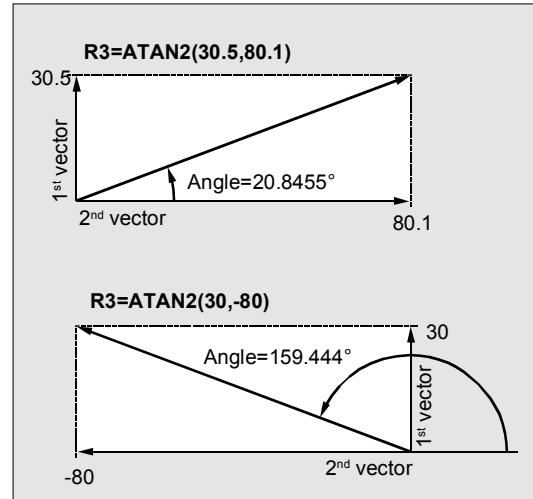
RESFRAME= FRAME1:FRAME2

The concatenation operator links frames to form a resulting frame or assigns values to frame components

FRAME3=CTRANS(...):CROT(...)

## Arithmetic function ATAN2( , )

The function calculates the angle of the total vector from two mutually orthogonal vectors. The result is in one of four quadrants ( $-180 < 0 < +180^\circ$ ). The angular reference is always based on the 2nd value in the positive direction.



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## 1.7 Comparison and logic operators



### Comparison operators

The comparison operations are applicable to variables of type CHAR, INT, REAL, and BOOL. The code value is compared with the CHAR type.

For types STRING, AXIS, and FRAME, the following are possible: == and <>.

The result of comparison operations is always of type BOOL.

Comparison operations can be used, for example, to formulate a jump condition. Complex expressions can also be compared.



### Meaning of comparison operators

==	equal to
<>	not equal to
>	greater than
<	less than
>=	greater than or equal to
<=	less than or equal to



### Programming example

```
IF R10>=100 GOTOF DEST
or
R11=R10>=100
IF R11 GOTOF DEST
```

The result of the R10>=100 comparison is first buffered in R11.



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## Precision correction on comparison errors

TRUNC (R1\*1000)

The TRUNC command truncates the operand multiplied by a precision factor



## Function

### Settable precision for comparison commands

Program data of type REAL are displayed internally with 64 bits in IEEE format. This display format can cause decimal numbers to be displayed imprecisely and lead to unexpected results when compared with the ideally calculated values.

### Relative equality

To prevent the imprecision caused by the display format from interfering with program flow, the comparison commands do not check for absolute equality but for relative equality.

### SW 6.3 and lower

#### Relative equality considered $10^{-12}$ for

- Equality                         (==)
- Inequality                         (<>)
- Greater than or equal to     (>=)
- Less than or equal to         (<=)
- Greater/less than              (><) with absolute equality

### SW 6.4 and higher

#### Relative equality considered $10^{-12}$ for

- Greater than                     (>)
- Less than                         (<)



## Programming notes

Comparisons with data of type REAL are subject to a certain imprecision for the above reasons. If deviations are unacceptable, use INTEGER calculation by multiplying the operands by a precision factor and then truncating with TRUNC.



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### Synchronized actions

The response described for the comparison commands also applies to synchronized actions.

#### Compatibility

For compatibility reasons, the check for relative equality with ( $>$ ) and ( $<$ ) can be deactivated by setting MD 10280: PROG\_FUNCTION\_MASK Bit0 = 1.



### Programming examples

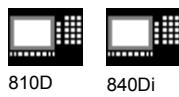
#### Precision issues

N40 R1=61.01 R2=61.02 R3=0.01	Assignment of initial values
N41 IF ABS(R2-R1) > R3 GOTOF ERROR	Jump executed (SW 6.3 and lower)
N42 M30	End of program
N43 ERROR: SETAL(66000)	

R1=61.01 R2=61.02 R3=0.01	Assignment of initial values
R11=TRUNC(R1*1000) R12=TRUNC(R2*1000)	Precision correction
R13=TRUNC(R3*1000)	
IF ABS(R12-R11) > R13 GOTOF ERROR	Jump not executed
M30	End of program
ERROR: SETAL(66000)	

#### Calculate and evaluate quotient of both operands

R1=61.01 R2=61.02 R3=0.01	Assignment of initial values
IF ABS((R2-R1)/R3)-1) > 10EX-5 GOTOF ERROR	Jump not executed
M30	End of program
ERROR: SETAL(66000)	



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## Logic operators

Logic operators are used to link truth values. AND, OR, NOT, and XOR can only be applied to variables of type BOOL. However, they can also be applied to data types CHAR, INT, and REAL by implicit type conversion.

Spaces must be left between BOOLEAN operands and operators.

For the logic (Boolean) operations, the following applies to data types BOOL, CHAR, INT, and REAL:  
0 means FALSE  
not equal to 0 means TRUE



## Meaning of logic operators

AND	AND
OR	OR
NOT	Negation
XOR	Exclusive OR

In arithmetic expressions, the execution order of all the operators can be specified by parentheses, in order to override the normal priority rules.



## Programming example

```
IF (R10<50) AND ($AA_IM[X]>=17.5) GOTOF ZIEL
```

```
IF NOT R10 GOTOB START
```

NOT is only applied to one operand.



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### Bit logic operators

Logic operations can also be applied to single bits of types CHAR and INT. Type conversion is automatic.



### Meaning of bit logic operators

B\_AND Bit AND

B\_OR Bit OR

B\_NOT Bit negation

B\_XOR Bit exclusive OR



The operator B\_NOT refers to one operand only, it comes after the operator.



### Programming example

```
IF $MC_RESET_MODE_MASK B_AND 'B10000' GOTOF ACT_PLANE
```



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## 1.8 Priority of operators



### Priority of the operators

Each operator is assigned a priority. When an expression is evaluated, the operators with the highest priority are always applied first. Where operators have the same priority, the evaluation is from left to right.

In arithmetic expressions, the execution order of all the operators can be specified by parentheses, in order to override the normal priority rules.

### Order of operators

(from the highest to lowest priority)

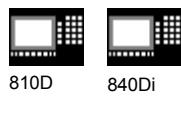
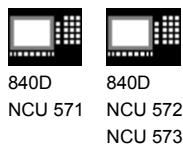
1.	NOT, B_NOT	Negation, bit negation
2.	*	Multiplication, division
3.	+, -	Addition, subtraction
4.	B_AND	Bit AND
5.	B_XOR	Bit exclusive OR
6.	B_OR	Bit OR
7.	AND	AND
8.	XOR	Exclusive OR
9.	OR	OR
10.	<<	Concatenation of strings, result type STRING
11.	==, <>, >, <, >=, <=	Comparison operators

Example of IF statement:

If (otto==10) and (anna==20) gotof end



The concatenation operator ":" for Frames must not be used in the same expression as other operators. A priority level is thus not required for this operator.



## 1.9 Possible type conversions



### Type conversion on assignment

The constant numeric value, the variable, or the expression assigned to a variable must be compatible with the variable type. If this is the case, the type is automatically converted when the value is assigned.

### Possible type conversions

from	to	REAL	INT	BOOL	CHAR	STRING	AXIS	FRAME
REAL	yes	yes*	yes <sup>1)</sup>	yes*	—	—	—	—
INT	yes	yes	yes <sup>1)</sup>	yes <sup>2)</sup>	—	—	—	—
BOOL	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	—	—	—
CHAR	yes	yes	yes <sup>1)</sup>	yes	yes	—	—	—
STRING	—	—	yes <sup>4)</sup>	yes <sup>3)</sup>	yes	—	—	—
AXIS	—	—	—	—	—	yes	—	—
FRAME	—	—	—	—	—	—	yes	—

\* During type conversion from REAL to INT, fractional values  $\geq 0.5$  are rounded up, others rounded down (cf. ROUND function)

<sup>1)</sup> Value  $\neq 0$  corresponds to TRUE, value  $= 0$  corresponds to FALSE

<sup>2)</sup> If the value is in the permissible range

<sup>3)</sup> If only 1 character

<sup>4)</sup> String length 0 = >FALSE, otherwise TRUE



If conversion produces a value greater than the target range, an error message is output.



### Additional notes

If mixed types occur in an expression, type conversion is automatic.



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## 1.10 String operations

### Overview

Further string manipulations are provided in addition to the conventional operations "Assignment" and "Comparison" described in this section:

### Explanation

#### Type conversion to STRING:

<code>STRING_ERG = &lt;&lt;bel._Typ<sup>1)</sup></code>	Result type: STRING
<code>STRING_ERG = AXSTRING (AXIS)</code>	Result type: STRING

#### Type conversion from STRING:

<code>BOOL_ERG = ISNUMBER (STRING)</code>	Result type: BOOL
<code>REAL_ERG = NUMBER (STRING)</code>	Result type: REAL
<code>AXIS_ERG = AXNAME (STRING)</code>	Result type: AXIS

#### Concatenation of strings:

<code>bel._Typ<sup>1)</sup> &lt;&lt; bel. Typ<sup>1)</sup></code>	Result type: STRING
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#### Conversion to lower/upper case:

<code>STRING_ERG = TOUPPER (STRING)</code>	Result type: STRING
<code>STRING_ERG = TOLOWER (STRING)</code>	Result type: STRING

#### Length of the string:

<code>INT_ERG = STRLEN (STRING)</code>	Result type: INT
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#### Look for character/string in the string:

<code>INT_ERG = INDEX (STRING, CHAR)</code>	Result type: INT
<code>INT_ERG = RINDEX (STRING, CHAR)</code>	Result type: INT
<code>INT_ERG = MINDEX (STRING, STRING)</code>	Result type: INT
<code>INT_ERG = MATCH (STRING, STRING)</code>	Result type: INT

#### Selection of a substring:

<code>STRING_ERG = SUBSTR (STRING, INT)</code>	Result type: INT
<code>STRING_ERG = SUBSTR (STRING, INT, INT)</code>	Result type: INT

#### Selection of a single character:

<code>CHAR_ERG = STRINGVAR [IDX]</code>	Result type: CHAR
<code>CHAR_ERG = STRINGFELD [IDX_FELD, IDX_CHAR]</code>	Result type: CHAR

<sup>1)</sup> "bel.\_Typ" stands for variable types INT, REAL, CHAR, STRING, and BOOL.



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### Special meaning of the 0 char

The 0 char is interpreted internally end-of-string.

Replacing a character by the 0 character truncates the string.

**Example:**

```
DEF STRING[ 20 ] STRG = "Axis . stopped"
STRG[ 6 ] = "X"                                ; Returns the message "Axis X
                                                       stopped"
MSG( STRG )
STRG[ 6 ] = 0
MSG( STRG )                                     ; Returns the message "Axis"
```

#### 1.10.1 Type conversion



This enables use of variables of different types in a message (MSG).

##### Conversion to STRING

Performed implicitly with use of the operator << for data types INT, REAL, CHAR, and BOOL (see "Concatenation of strings").

An INT value is converted to normal readable format. REAL values convert with up to 10 decimal places.

Variables of type AXIS can be converted to STRING by the AXSTRING function.

FRAME variables cannot be converted.

**Example:**

```
MSG( "Position: "<<$AA_IM[X] )
```



### Conversion from STRING

The NUMBER function converts from STRING to REAL.

If ISNUMBER returns the value FALSE, CALLING NUMBER with the same parameter will trigger an alarm.

The AXNAME function converts a string to data type AXIS. An alarm is output if the string cannot be assigned to any configured axis identifier.

### Syntax

BOOL_ERG = ISNUMBER ( STRING )	Result type: BOOL
REAL_ERG = NUMBER ( STRING )	Result type: REAL
STRING_ERG = AXSTRING ( AXIS )	Result type: STRING
AXIS_ERG = AXNAME ( STRING )	Result type: AXIS

### Semantics:

ISNUMBER (STRING) returns TRUE, if the string is a valid REAL by the rules of the language. It is thus possible to check whether the string can be converted to a valid number.

NUMBER (STRING) returns the number represented by the string as a REAL.

AXSTRING (AXIS) returns the specified axis identifier as a string.

AXNAME (STRING) converts the string specified to an axis identifier.

### Examples

```
DEF BOOL BOOL_ERG
DEF REAL REAL_ERG
DEF AXIS AXIS_ERG
DEF STRING[32] STRING_ERG
BOOL_ERG = ISNUMBER ( "1234.9876Ex-7" ) ;Now: BOOL_ERG == TRUE
BOOL_ERG = ISNUMBER ( "1234XYZ" ) ;Now: BOOL_ERG == FALSE
REAL_ERG = NUMBER ( "1234.9876Ex-7" ) ;Now: REAL_ERG == 1234.9876Ex-7
STRING_ERG = AXSTRING(X) ;Now: STRING_ERG == "X"
AXIS_ERG = AXNAME( "X" ) ;Now: AXIS_ERG == X
```



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### 1.10.2 Concatenation of strings



This functionality puts a string together out of separate components. The chaining function is implemented via operator: <<. This operator has STRING as the target type for all combinations of basic types CHAR, BOOL, INT, REAL and STRING. Any conversion that may be required is carried out according to existing rules. Types FRAME and AXIS cannot be used with this operator.

#### Syntax:

`bel._Typ << bel._Typ`

Result type: STRING

#### Semantics:

The strings specified (possibly implicitly converted non-string types) are concatenated.

This operator can also be used as a "unary" operator with a single operand. This can be used for explicit type conversion to STRING (not for FRAME and AXIS).

#### Syntax:

`<< bel._Typ`

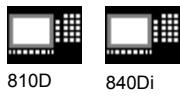
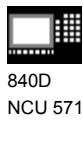
Result type: STRING

#### Semantics:

The specified type is implicitly converted to STRING type.

This can be used to put together a message or a command out of text lists and insert parameters into it (e.g. a module name):

`MSG( STRG_TAB[ LOAD_IDX ] <<MODULE_NAME )`



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The intermediate results of string concatenation must not exceed the maximum string length.



### Programming examples

```
DEF INT IDX = 2
DEF REAL VALUE = 9.654
DEF STRING[20]STRG = "INDEX:2"
IF STRG == "Index:" <<IDX GOTOF NO_MSG
MSG ("Index:" <<IDX << "/Value:" ;Display: "Index: 2/value: 9.654"
<<VALUE)
NO_MSG:
```

### 1.10.3 Conversion to lower/upper case



This functionality permits conversion of all letters of a string to standard capitalization.

#### Syntax:

STRING_ERG = TOUPPER	(STRING)	Result type: STRING
STRING_ERG = TOLOWER	(STRING)	Result type: STRING

#### Semantics:

All lower case letters are converted to either upper or lower case letters.

#### Example:

Because user inputs can be initiated on the MMC, they can be given standard capitalization (upper or lower case):

```
DEF STRING [ 29 ] STRG
...
IF "LEARN.CNC" == TOUPPER ( STRG ) GOTOF LOAD_LEARN
```



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#### **1.10.4 Length of the string**



This functionality sets the length of a string.

##### **Syntax:**

`INT_ERG = STRLEN ( STRING )`

Result type: INT

##### **Semantics:**

It returns a number of characters that are not the 0 character, counting from the beginning of the string.

##### **Example:**

This can be used to ascertain the end of the string, for example, in conjunction with the single character access described below:

```
IF (STRLEN ( MODULE_NAME ) > 10 ) GOTOF ERROR
```

#### **1.10.5 Search for character/string in a string**



This functionality searches for single characters or a string within a string. The function results specify where the character/string is positioned in the string that has been searched.

`INT_ERG = INDEX ( STRING , CHAR )` Result type: INT

`INT_ERG = RINDEX ( STRING , CHAR )` Result type: INT

`INT_ERG = MINDEX ( STRING , STRING )` Result type: INT

`INT_ERG = MATCH ( STRING , STRING )` Result type: INT

##### **Semantics:**

Search functions: They return the position in the string (first parameter) where the search has been successful. If the character/string cannot be found, the value "-1" is returned. In this case, the first character is in position 0.



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INDEX	searches for the character specified as the second parameter in the string specified as the second parameter (from the beginning).
RINDEX	searches for the character specified as the second parameter in the string specified as the second parameter (from the end).
MINDEX	same as the INDEX function except that a list of characters is specified (as a string) and the index of the first character found is returned.
MATCH	searches for a string in a string.

This can be used to break up a string by certain criteria, for example, at blanks or path separators ("/").

### Programming example

Example of breaking up an input string into path and module names:

```

DEF INT PATHIDX, PROGIDX
DEF STRING[ 26 ] INPUT
DEF INT LISTIDX
INPUT = "/_N_MPF_DIR/_N_EXECUTE_MPF"
LISTIDX = MINDEX ( INPUT, "M,N,O,P" )
                  + 1          The value returned in LISTIDX is 3
                                         because "N" is the first char from the
                                         selection list in parameter INPUT,
                                         searching from the beginning.
PATHIDX = INDEX ( INPUT, "/" ) +1      ;Therefore: PATHIDX = 1
PROGIDX = RINDEX ( INPUT, "/" ) +1    ;Therefore: PATHIDX = 1
                                         ;The SUBSTR function introduced in the
                                         ;next section can be used to break up
                                         ;variable INPUT into the components
                                         ;"Path" and "Module":
VARIABLE = SUBSTR ( INPUT, PATHIDX,
                     PROGIDX-PATHIDX-1 )           returning "_N_MPF_DIR"
VARIABLE = SUBSTR ( INPUT, PROGIDX )       returning "_N_EXECUTE_MPF"

```



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### 1.10.6 Selection of a substring



This functionality extracts a substring from a string. For this purpose, the index of the first character and the desired string length (if applicable) are specified. If no length information is specified, then the string data refers to the remaining string.

STRING_ERG = SUBSTR ( STRING , INT )	Result type: INT
STRING_ERG = SUBSTR ( STRING , INT , INT )	Result type: INT

#### Semantics:

In the first case, the substring from the position specified in the first parameter to the end of the string is returned.

In the second case, the result string goes up to the maximum length specified in the third parameter.

If the initial position is after the end of the string, the empty string (" ") will be returned.

A negative initial position or length triggers an alarm.

#### Example:

```
DEF STRING [ 29 ] ERG
ERG = SUBSTR ( "ACK: 10 to 99" ,
10 , 2 ) ;Therefore: ERG == "10"
```



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### 1.10.7 Selection of a single character



This functionality selects a single character from a string. This applies both to read access and write access operations.

#### Syntax:

CHAR_ERG = STRINGVAR [ IDX ]	Result type: CHAR
CHAR_ERG = STRINGARRAY [ IDX_FELD, IDX_CHAR ]	Result type: CHAR

#### Semantics:

The character at the specified position is read/written within the string. If the position parameter is negative or greater than the string, then an alarm is output.

#### Example messages:

Insertion of an axis identifier into a prepared string.

```
DEF STRING [50] MESSAGE = "Axis n has
reached position"
MESSAGE [6] = "X"
MSG (MESSAGE) ;returns message "Axis X has reached
position"
```

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Single character access is possible only to user-defined variables (LUD, GUD, and PUD data).

This type of access is also possible only for "call-by-value" type parameters in subprogram calls.

Examples:

**Single character access to a system, machine data, ....:**

```
DEF STRING [50] STRG
DEF CHAR ACK
...
STRG = $P_MMCA
ACK = STRG [0] ;Evaluation of acknowledgment component
```

**Single character access in call-by-reference parameter:**

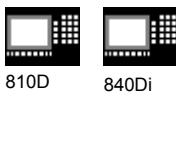
```
DEF STRING [50] STRG
DEF CHAR CHR1
EXTERN UP_CALL (VAR CHAR1) ;Call-by-reference parameter!
...
CHR = STRG [5]
UP_CALL (CHR1) ;Call-by-reference
STRG [5] = CHR1
```



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## 1.11 CASE instruction

### Programming

```
CASE (expression) OF constant1 GOTOF LABEL1 ... DEFAULT GOTOF LABELn
CASE (expression) OF constant1 GOTOB LABEL1 ... DEFAULT GOTOB LABELn
```

### Explanation of the commands

CASE	Vocabulary word for jump instruction
GOTO <sub>B</sub>	Jump instruction with jump destination backward (towards the start of program)
GOTO <sub>F</sub>	Jump instruction with jump destination forward (towards the end of program)
GOTO	Jump instruction with the jump destination first forward and then backward (the direction first to the end of the program and then to the start of the program)
GOTOC	Suppress alarm 14080 "Jump destination not found". Jump instruction with the jump destination first forward and then backward (the direction first to the end of the program and then to the start of the program)
LABEL	Destination (label within the program)
LABEL:	The name of the jump destination is followed by a colon
Expression	Arithmetic expression
Constant	Constant of type INT
DEFAULT	Program path if none of the previously named constants applies

### Function

The CASE statement enables various branches to be executed according to a value of type INT.

### Sequence

The program jumps to the point specified by the jump destination, depending on the value of the constant evaluated in the CASE statement.

For more information on the GOTO commands, see Chapter 10, Arithmetic parameters and programm jumps

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In cases where the constant matches none of the predefined values, the DEFAULT instruction can be used to determine the jump destination.

If the DEFAULT instruction is not programmed, the jump destination is the block following the CASE statement.



## Programming example

### Example 1

```
CASE(expression) OF 1 GOTOF LABEL1 2 GOTOF LABEL2 ... DEFAULT GOTOF  
LABELn
```

"1" and "2" are possible constants.

If the value of the expression = 1 (INT constant), jump to block with LABEL1

If the value of the expression = 2 (INT constant), jump to block with LABEL2

...

otherwise jump to the block with LABELn

### Example 2

```
DEF INT VAR1 VAR2 VAR3  
  
CASE(VAR1+VAR2-VAR3) OF 7 GOTOF LABEL1 9 GOTOF LABEL2 DEFAULT GOTOF LABEL3  
  
LABEL1: G0 X1 Y1  
LABEL2: G0 X2 Y2  
LABEL3: G0 X3 Y3
```



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## 1.12 Control structures

### Explanation



IF–ELSE–ENDIF	Selection between 2 alternatives
LOOP–ENDLOOP	Endless loop
FOR–ENDFOR	Count loop
WHILE–ENDWHILE	Loop with condition at beginning of loop
REPEAT–UNTIL	Loop with condition at end of loop

### Function



The control processes the NC blocks as standard in the programmed sequence.

In addition to the program branches described in this Chapter, these commands can be used to define additional alternatives and program loops.

These commands enable the user to produce well-structured and easily legible programs.

### Sequence



#### 1. IF–ELSE–ENDIF

An IF–ELSE–ENDIF block is used to select one of two alternatives:

**IF** (expression)

NC blocks

**ELSE**

NC blocks

**ENDIF**

If the value of the expression is TRUE, i.e. the condition is fulfilled, then the next program block is executed. If the condition is not fulfilled, then the ELSE program branch is executed.

The ELSE branch can be omitted.

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## 2. Endless program loop LOOP

Endless loops are used in endless programs. At the end of the loop, there is always a branch back to the beginning.

**LOOP**

NC blocks

**ENDLOOP**

## 3. Count loop FOR

The FOR loop is used if it is necessary to repeat an operation by a fixed number of runs. In this case, the count variable is incremented from the start value to the end value. The start value must be lower than the end value. The variable must be of the INT type.

**FOR** Variable = start value **TO** end value

NC blocks

**ENDFOR**

## 4. Program loop with condition at start of the loop WHILE

The WHILE program loop is executed for as long as the condition is fulfilled.

**WHILE** expression

NC blocks

**ENDWHILE**



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## 5. Program loop with condition at end of loop

### REPEAT

The REPEAT loop is executed once and repeated continuously until the condition is fulfilled.

### REPEAT

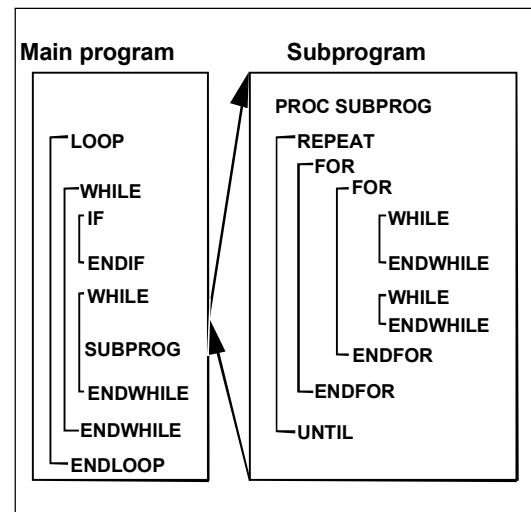
NC blocks

**UNTIL** (expression)

### Nesting depth

Check structures apply locally within programs.

A nesting depth of up to 8 check structures can be set up on each subprogram level.



### Runtime response

In interpreter mode (active as standard), it is possible to shorten program processing times more effectively by using program branches than can be obtained with check structures.

There is no difference between program branches and check structures in precompiled cycles.



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### Supplementary conditions

Blocks with check structure elements cannot be suppressed. Labels may not be used in blocks of this type.

Check structures are processed interpretively. When a loop end is detected, a search is made for the loop beginning, allowing for the check structures found in the process.

For this reason, the block structure of a program is not checked completely in interpreter mode.

It is not generally advisable to use a mixture of check structures and program branches.

A check can be made to ensure that check structures are nested correctly when cycles are preprocessed.



Check structures may only be inserted in the statement section of a program. Definitions in the program header may not be executed conditionally or repeatedly.

It is not permissible to superimpose macros on vocabulary words for check structures or on branch destinations. No such check is made when the macro is defined.



### Programming example

#### 1. Endless program

---

```
%_N_LOOP_MPF
LOOP
    IF NOT $P_SEARCH ;No block search
        G01 G90 X0 Z10 F1000
    WHILE $AA_IM[X] <= 100
        G1 G91 X10 F500 ;Drilling pattern
        Z-5 F100
    Z5
```

---



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```
ENDWHILE
Z10
ELSE ;Block search
MSG( "No drilling during block search" )
ENDIF
$A_OUT[1]=1 ;Next drilling plate
G4 F2
ENDLOOP
M30
```

## 2. Production of a fixed quantity of parts

```
%_N_WKPCCOUNT_MPF
DEF INT WKPCCOUNT
FOR WKPCCOUNT = 0 TO 100
    G01 ...
ENDFOR
M30
```



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## 1.13 Program coordination

### Channels

A channel can process its own program independently of other channels. It can control the axes and spindles temporarily assigned to it via the program.

Two or more channels can be set up for the control during startup.

### Program coordination

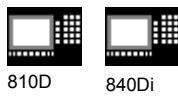
If several channels are involved in the machining of a workpiece it may be necessary to synchronize the programs.

Special instructions (commands) are available for program coordination. Each instruction is programmed separately in a block.



### Note

Program coordination in the own channel is possible from SW 5.3.



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### Instructions for program coordination

#### • Specification with absolute path

`INIT ( n , "/_HUGO_DIR/_N_name_MPF" ) or`

`INIT ( n , "/_N_MPF_DIR/_N_name_MPF" )`

The absolute path is programmed according to the following rules:

- *Current directory/\_N\_name\_MPF*  
"current directory" stands for the selected workpiece directory or the standard directory *\_N\_MPF\_DIR*.
- Selects a particular program for execution in a particular channel:  
n: Number of the channel, value per control configuration
- Complete program name

#### SW 3 and lower:

At least one executable block must be programmed between an **init** command (without synchronization) and an **NC start**.

With subprogram calls *\_SPF* must be added to the path.

#### Example:

```
INIT( 2 , "/_N_WKS_DIR/_ABRICHT_MPF" )
G01 F0.1
START
```

`INIT ( 2 , "/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_UNDER_1_SPF" )`

The same rules apply to relative path definition as for program calls.

#### • Relative path specification

##### Example:

`INIT( 2 , "DRESS" )`

`INIT( 3 , "UNDER_1_SPF" )`

With subprogram calls *\_SPF* must be added to the program name.

`START (n,n)`

Starts the selected programs in the other channels.

n,n: Number of the channel: value depends on control configuration

`WAITM (Marker No.,n,n,...)`

Sets the marker "Marker No." in the same channel. Terminate previous block with exact stop. Waits for the markers with the same "Marker no." in the specified channels "n" (current channel does not have to be specified). Marker is deleted after synchronization.  
10 markers can be set per channel simultaneously.



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`WAITMC(Marker No., n, n, ...)`

Sets the marker "Marker No." in the same channel. An exact stop is initiated only if the other channels have not yet reached the marker. Waits for the marker with the same "Marker No." in the specified channels "n" (current channel does not have to be specified). As soon as marker "Marker No." in the specified channels is reached, continue without terminating exact stop.

`WAITE(n,n)`

Waits for the end of program of the specified channels (current channel not specified)

`SETM(Marker No., Marker No., ...)`

Sets the markers "Marker No." in the same channel without affecting current processing. SETM() remains valid after RESET and NC START. SETM() can also be programmed independently of a synchronized action.

`CLEARM(Marker No., Marker No., ...)`

Deletes the markers "Marker No." in the same channel without affecting current processing. All markers can be deleted with CLEARM(). CLEARM (0) deletes the marker "0". CLEARM() remains valid after RESET and NC START. CLEARM() can also be programmed independently of a synchronized action.

### Note

All the above commands must be programmed in separate blocks.

The number of markers depends on the CPU used.

### Channel names

Channel names must be converted to numbers via variables (see Chapter 10 "Variables and Arithmetic Parameters").

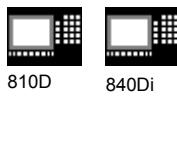
***Protect the number assignments so that they are not changed unintentionally.***



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### Example:

Channel called "MACHINE" is to contain channel number 1,

Channel called "LOADER" is to contain channel number 2,

```
DEF INT MACHINE=1, LOADER=2
```

The variables are given the same names as the channels.

The instruction START is therefore:

```
START(MACHINE)
```

### Example of program coordination

#### Channel 1:

```
%_N_MPFI00_MPFI
```

---

```
N10 INIT(2, "MPF200")
```

---

```
N11 START(2)
```

Program execution in channel 2

.

---

```
N80 WAITM(1,1,2)
```

Wait for WAIT mark 1 in channel 1 and in channel 2 and execution continued in channel 1

---

```
N180 WAITM(2,1,2)
```

Wait for WAIT mark 2 in channel 1 and in channel 2 and execution continued in channel 1

---

```
N200 WAITE(2)
```

Wait for end of program in channel 2

---

```
N201 M30
```

End of program channel 1, end all

...

#### Channel 2:

```
%_N_MPFI00_MPFI
```

---

```
; $PATH=/_N_MPFI_DIR
```

Program execution in channel 2

---

```
N70 WAITM(1,1,2)
```

Wait for WAIT mark 1 in channel 1 and in channel 2 and execution continued in channel 1

---

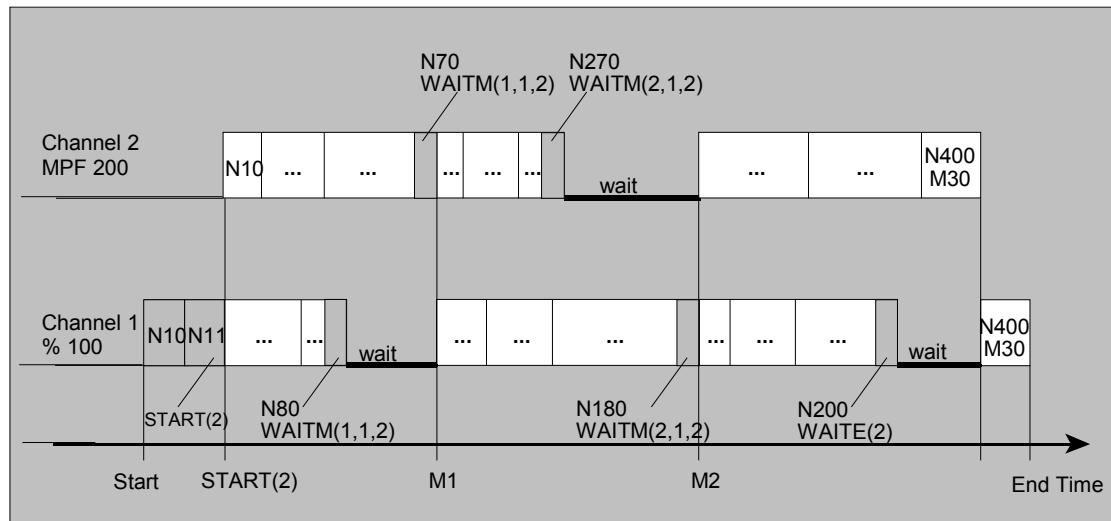
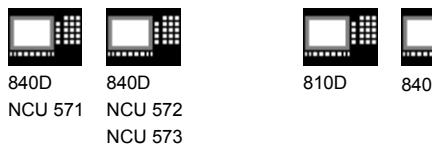
```
N270 WAITM(2,1,2)
```

Wait for WAIT mark 2 in channel 1 and in channel 2 and execution continued in channel 2

---

```
N400 M30
```

End of program in channel 2



### Example of program from workpiece

```
N10 INIT( 2 , "/_N_WKS_DIR/_N_SHAFT1_WPD/_N_CUT1_MPF" )
```

### Example of Init command with relative path definition

```
;Program /_N_MPF_DIR/_N_MAIN_MPF is selected in channel 1
N10 INIT(2,"MYPROG") ; select program /_N_MPF_DIR/_N_MYPROG_MPF in
channel 2.
```

### Additional notes

Variables which all channels can access (NCK-specific global variables) can be used for data exchange between programs. Otherwise separate programs must be written for each channel.

#### SW 3 and lower:

*WAITE must not be scanned immediately after the START command or else a program end will be detected before the program is started.*

Remedy: Programming a dwell time.

#### Example:

```
N30 START (2)
N31 G4 F0.01
N40 WAITE( 2 )
```



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## 1.14 Interrupt routine

### Programming

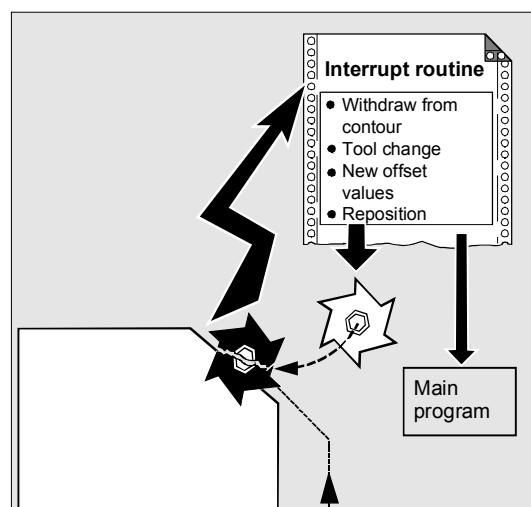
```
SETINT(3) PRIO=1 NAME
SETINT(3) PRIO=1 LIFTFAST
SETINT(3) PRIO=1 NAME LIFTFAST
G... X... Y... ALF=...
DISABLE(3)
ENABLE(3)
CLRINT(3)
```

### Explanation of the commands

SETINT(n)	Start interrupt routine if input n is enabled, n (1...8) stands for the number of the input
PRIO=1	Define priority 1 to 128 (1 has top priority)
LIFTFAST	Fast lift from contour
NAME	Name of the subprogram to be executed
ALF=...	Programmable traverse direction (in motion block)
DISABLE(n)	Deactivate interrupt routine number n
ENABLE(n)	Reactivate interrupt routine number n
CLRINT(n)	Clear interrupt assignments of interrupt routine number n

### Function

Example: The tool breaks during machining. This triggers a signal that stops the current machining process and simultaneously starts a subprogram – this subprogram is called an interrupt routine. The interrupt routine contains all the instructions which are to be executed in this case. When the interrupt routine has finished being executed and the machine is ready to continue operation, the control jumps back to the main program and continues machining at the point of interruption – depending on the REPOS command.



For further information on REPOS, see Chapter 9, Path Traversing Behavior, Repositioning.

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## Sequence

### Create interrupt routine

The interrupt routine is identified as a subprogram in the definition.

Example:

```
PROC LIFT_Z
N10...
N50 M17
```

Program name LIFT\_Z, followed by the NC blocks, finally end-of-program M17 and return to main program.



Note:

SETINT instructions can be programmed within the interrupt routine and used to activate additional interrupt routines. They are triggered via the input.



You will find more information on how to create subprograms in Chapter 2.

### Save interrupt position, SAVE

The interrupt routine can be identified with SAVE in the definition.

Example:

```
PROC LIFT_Z SAVE
N10...
N50 M17
```

At the end of the interrupt routine the modal G functions are set to the value they had at the start of the interrupt routine by means of the SAVE attribute. The programmable zero offset and the basic offset are reestablished in addition to the settable zero offset (modal G function group 8). If the G function group 15 (feed type) is changed, e.g. from G94 to G95, the appropriate F value is also reestablished.

Machining can thus be resumed later at the point of interruption.



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### Assign and start interrupt routine

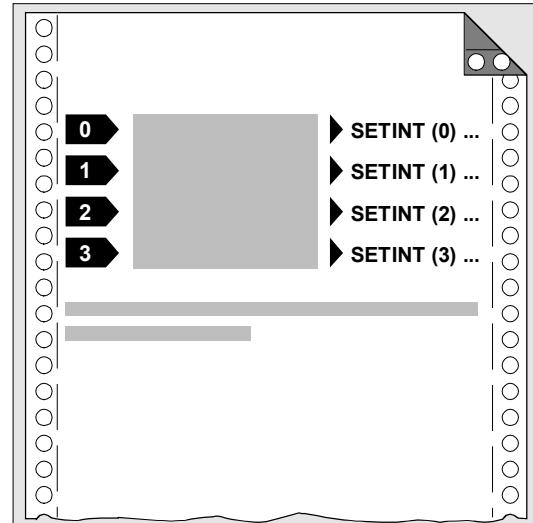
The control has signals (inputs 1...8) to interrupt the program run and start the corresponding interrupt routine.

The assignment of input to program is made in the main program.

**Example:**

```
N10 SETINT(3) PRIO=1 LIFT_Z
```

When input 3 is enabled, routine LIFT\_Z is started immediately.



### Start several interrupt routines, define the priority, PRIO=

If several SETINT instructions are programmed in your NC program and several signals can therefore occur at the same time, you must assign the priority of the interrupt routines to determine the order in which they are executed: Priority levels PRIO 1 to 128 are available, 1 has top priority.

**Example:**

```
N10 SETINT(3) PRIO=1 LIFT_Z
N20 SETINT(2) PRIO=2 LIFT_X
```

The routines are executed successively in the order of their priority if the inputs are enabled at the same time. First SETINT(3), then SETINT(2).

If new signals are received while interrupt routines are being executed, the current interrupt routines are interrupted by routines with higher priority.

### Deactivate/reactivate interrupt routine

#### DISABLE, ENABLE

You can deactivate interrupt routines in the NC program with DISABLE(n) and reactive them with ENABLE(n) (n stands for the input number).



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The input/routine assignment is retained with DISABLE and reactivated with ENABLE.

### **Reassign interrupt routines**

If a new routine is assigned to an assigned input, the old assignment is automatically canceled.

Example:

```
N20 SETINT(3) PRIO=2 LIFT_Z
...
...
N120 SETINT(3) PRIO=1 LIFT_X
```

### **Clear assignment, CLRINT**

Assignments can be cleared with CLRINT(n).

Example:

```
N20 SETINT(3) PRIO=2 LIFT_Z
N50 CLRINT(3)
```

The assignment between input 3 and the routine LIFT\_Z is cleared.

### **Rapid lift from contour**

When the input is switched, LIFTFAST retracts the tool rapidly from the workpiece contour.

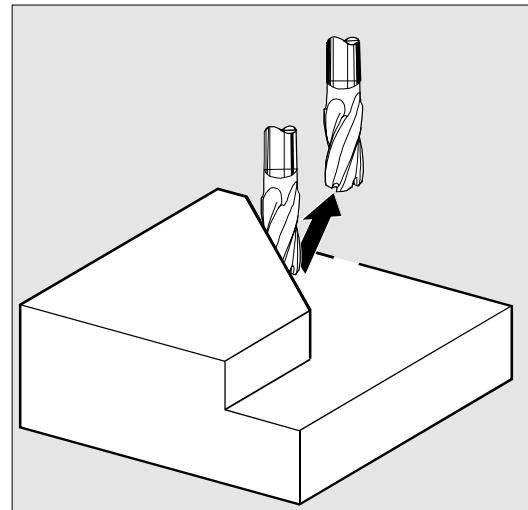
If the SETINT instruction includes an interrupt routine as well as LIFTFAST, the liftfast is executed before the interrupt routine.

Example:

```
N10 SETINT(2) PRIO=1 LIFTFAST
or
N30 SETINT(2) PRIO=1 LIFT_Z LIFTFAST
```

In both cases, the liftfast is executed when input 2 with top priority is enabled.

- With N10, execution is stopped with alarm 16010 (as no synchronized subprogram, ASUB, was specified).





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- The synchronized subprogram "LIFT-Z" is executed with N30.

When determining the lift direction, a check is performed to see whether a frame with mirror is active. If one is active, right and left are inverted for the lift direction with regard to the tangent direction. The direction components in tool direction are not mirrored. This behavior is activated via  
**MD \$MC\_LIFTFAST\_WITH\_MIRROR=TRUE**

### **i Sequence of motions with rapid lift**

The distance through which the geometry axes are retracted from the contour on liftfast can be defined in machine data.

### **Programmable traversing direction, ALF=...**

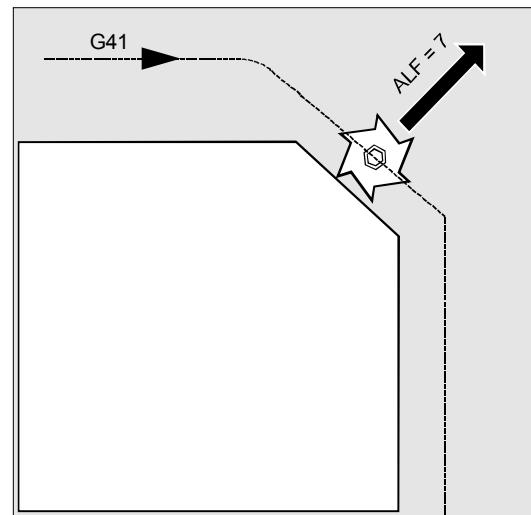
You enter the direction in which the tool is to travel on liftfast in the NC program.

The possible traversing directions are stored in special code numbers on the control and can be called up using these numbers.

Example:

```
N10 SETINT(2) PRIO=1 LIFT_Z LIFTFAST
ALF=7
```

The tool moves – with G41 activated (direction of machining to the left of the contour) – away from the contour perpendicularly as seen from above.

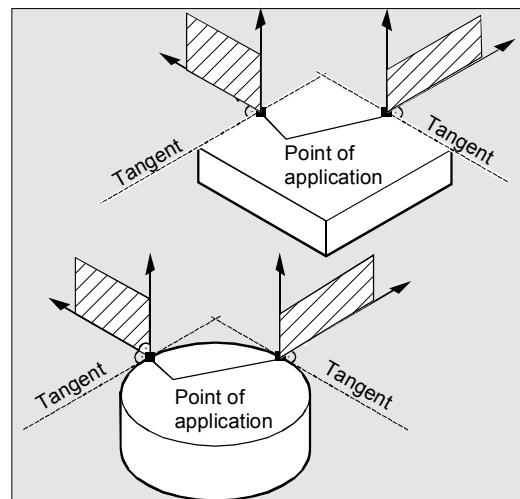


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### Reference plane for describing the traversing directions

At the point of application of the tool to the programmed contour, the tool is clamped at a plane which is used as a reference for specifying the liftoff movement with the corresponding code number.

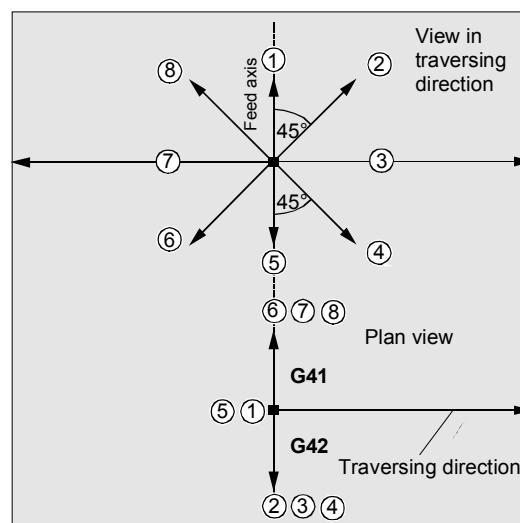
The reference plane is derived from the longitudinal tool axis (infeed direction) and a vector positioned perpendicular to this axis and perpendicular to the tangent at the point of application of the tool.



### Code number with traversing directions, overview

The code numbers and the traversing directions in relation to the reference plane are shown in the diagram on the right.

ALF=0 deactivates the liftfast function.



#### Please note:

*The following codes should **not** be used when tool radius compensation is active:*

*Codes 2, 3, 4 with G41*

*Codes 6, 7, 8 with G42.*

In these cases, the tool would approach the contour and collide with the workpiece.



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### Retraction movement in SW 4.3 and higher

The direction of the retraction movement is programmed by means of the G code **LFTXT** or **LFWP** with the variable **ALF**.

- **LFTXT**

The plane of the retraction movement is determined from the path tangent and the tool direction. This G code (default setting) is presently used for programming the behavior for fast lift.

- **LFWP**

The plane for the retraction movement is the active working plane which is selected by means of G codes G17, G18 or G19. The direction of the retraction movement is not dependent on the path tangent. Thus it is possible to program an axis-parallel fast lift.

In the retraction movement plane, **ALF** is used to program the direction in discrete steps of 45 degrees as was the case formerly. With **LFTXT** retraction in tool direction is defined for ALF=1. With **LFWP** the direction in the working plane is according to the following:

- **G17:** X/Y plane      ALF=1 retraction in X direction  
                              ALF=3 retraction in Y direction
- **G18:** Z/X plane      ALF=1 retraction in Z direction  
                              ALF=3 retraction in X direction
- **G19:** Y/Z plane      ALF=1 retraction in Y direction  
                              ALF=3 retraction in Z direction



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## Programming example

In this example, a broken tool is to be replaced automatically by an alternate tool. Machining is continued with the new tool. Machining is then continued with the new tool.

### Main program

---

```
N10 SETINT(1) PRIO=1 W_CHANGE ->
-> LIFTFAST
```

---

When input 1 is enabled, the tool is automatically retracted from the contour with liftfast (code no. 7 for tool radius compensation G41). Interrupt routine W\_CHANGE is subsequently executed.

---

```
N20 G0 Z100 G17 T1 ALF=7 D1
```

---



---

```
N30 G0 X-5 Y-22 Z2 M3 S300
```

---



---

```
N40 Z-7
```

---



---

```
N50 G41 G1 X16 Y16 F200
```

---



---

```
N60 Y35
```

---



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```
N70 X53 Y65
```

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```
N90 X71.5 Y16
```

---



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```
N100 X16
```

---



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```
N110 G40 G0 Z100 M30
```

---

### Subprogram

---

```
PROC W_CHANGE SAVE
```

---

Subprogram with storage of current operating state

---

```
N10 G0 Z100 M5
```

---

Tool changing position, spindle stop

---

```
N20 T11 M6 D1 G41
```

---

Change tool

---

```
N30 REPOS1 RMB M3
```

---

Repositioning and return to main program

-> programmed in a single block.



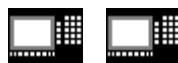
*If you do not program any of the REPOS commands in the subprogram, the axis is moved to the end of the block that follows the interrupted block.*



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## 1.15 Axis transfer, spindle transfer

### Explanation of the commands

RELEASE(axis name, axis name, ...)	Enable the axis
GET(axis name, axis name, ...)	Accept the axis
GETD (axis name, axis name, ...)	Direct acceptance of axis
Axis name	Axis assignment in system: AX1, AX2, ... or specify machine axis name
RELEASE(S1)	Enable spindles S1, S2, ...
GET(S2)	Accept spindles S1, S2, ...
GETD(S3)	Direct acceptance of spindles S1, S2, ...

### Function

One or more axes or spindles can only ever be used in one channel. If an axis has to alternate between two different channels (e.g. pallet changer) it must first be enabled in the current channel and then transferred to the other channel:  
The axis is transferred from channel to channel.

For more information on the functionality of an axis or spindle replacement, see  
/FB/, K5 Mode groups, channels, axis transfer

### Sequence

#### Preconditions for axis transfer

- The axis must be defined by machine data in all the channels that want to use the axis.
- The channel to which the axis is assigned after power ON is defined in the **axis**-specific machine data.

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**Release axis: RELEASE**

When enabling the axis please note:

1. The axis must not involved in a transformation.
2. All the axes involved in an axis link (tangential control) must be enabled.
3. A concurrent positioning axis cannot be replaced in this situation.
4. All the following axes of a gantry master axis are transferred with the master.
5. With coupled axes (coupled motion, leading value coupling, electronic gear) only the leading axis of the group can be enabled.

**Transfer axis: GET**

The actual axis transfer is performed with this command. The channel for which the command is programmed takes full responsibility for the axis.

**Effects of GET:**

Axis transfer with synchronization:

An axis always has to be synchronized if it has been assigned to another channel or the PLC in the meantime and has not been resynchronized with "WAITP", G74 or delete distance-to-go before GET.

- A preprocess stop follows (as for STOPRE)
- **Execution is interrupted until the transfer has been completed.**



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### Axis transfer without synchronization:

If the axis does not have to be synchronized no preprocess stop is generated by GET.

Example:

```
N01 G0 X0
N02 RELEASE(AX5)
N03 G64 X10
N04 X20
N05 GET(AX5)

N06 G01 F5000
N07 X20

N08 X30
N09 ...
```

If synchronization not necessary, this is not an executable block.

Not an executable block.

Not an executable block because X position as for N04.

First executable block after N05.

### Automatic "GET"

If an axis is in principle available in a channel but is not currently defined as a "channel axis", GET is executed automatically. If the axis/axes is/are already synchronized no preprocess stop is generated.



*An axis accepted with GET remains assigned to this axis even after a key or program reset. When a program is started the transferred axes or spindles must be reassigned in the program if the axis is required in its original channel.*

It is assigned to the channel defined in the machine data on power ON.

### Direct axis transfer: GETD

An axis is taken directly from another channel with GETD (GET Directly). This means that no matching RELEASE has to be programmed in another channel for this GETD. It also means that other channel communication has to be established (e.g. wait markers).



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### Programming example

Of the 6 axes, the following are used for machining in channel 1: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

The 5th and 6th axes in channel 2 are used for the workpiece change.

Axis 2 is to be transferred between the 2 channels and then assigned to channel 1 after power ON.

#### Program "MAIN" in channel 1

<code>%_N_MAIN_MPF</code>	
<code>INIT (2, "TRANSFER2")</code>	Select program TRANSFER2 in channel 2
<code>N... START (2)</code>	Start program in channel 2
<code>N... GET (AX2)</code>	Accept axis AX2
<code>...</code>	
<code>...</code>	
<code>N... RELEASE (AX2)</code>	Enable axis AX2
<code>N... WAITM (1,1,2)</code>	Wait for wait marker in channel 1 and 2 for synchronizing both channels
<code>N...</code>	Rest of program after axis transfer
<code>N... M30</code>	

#### Program "Replace2" in channel 2

<code>%_N_TRANSFER2_MPF</code>	
<code>N... RELEASE (AX2)</code>	
<code>N160 WAITM (1,1,2)</code>	Wait for wait marker in channel 1 and 2 for synchronizing both channels
<code>N150 GET (AX2)</code>	Accept axis AX2
<code>N...</code>	Rest of program after axis transfer
<code>N...M30</code>	



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### Set up variable axis transfer response

The release time of the axes can be set up using

MD 10722: AXCHANGE\_MASK as follows:

- Automatic axis transfer between two channels then also takes place when the axis has been brought to a neutral state by WAITP (response as before)
- **From SW 5.3**, it will only be possible to transfer all the axes fetched to the axis container by GET or GETD after an axis container rotation.
- **From SW 6.4**, when an intermediate block is inserted in the main run, a check will be made to determine whether or not reorganisation is required. Reorganisation is only necessary if the axis states of this block do **not** match the current axis states.

### Programming example

#### Activating an axis transfer without a preprocessing stop

```

N010 M4 S100
N011 G4 F2
N020 M5
N021 SPOS=0
N022 POS[B]=1
N023 WAITP[B]           Axis B becomes the neutral axis
N030 X1 F10
N031 X100 F500
N032 X200
N040 M3 S500
N041 G4 F2
N050 M5
N099 M30

```

Traverses the spindle (axis B) immediately after block N023 as the **PLC axis** e.g. 180 degrees and back 1 degree and back to the neutral axis. So block N040 triggers neither a preprocessing stop nor a reorganization.

## 1.16 NEWCONF: Setting machine data active (SW 4.3 and higher)



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### 1.16 NEWCONF: Setting machine data active (SW 4.3 and higher)



#### Function

All machine data of the effectiveness level "NEW\_CONFIG" are set active by means of the NEWCONF language command. The function corresponds to activating the soft key "Set MD active". When the NEWCONF function is executed there is an implicit preprocessing stop, that is, the path movement is interrupted.



#### Explanation

NEWCONF

All machine data of the "NEW\_CONFIG" effectiveness level are set active



#### Programming example

Milling operation: Machining drilling position with different technologies

N10 \$MA_CONTOUR_TOL[AX]=1.0	; Change machine data
N20 NEWCONF	; Set machine data active



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## 1.17 WRITE: Write file (SW 4.3 and higher)

### Programming

```
WRITE(var int error, char[160] filename, char[200] string)
```

The WRITE command appends a block to the end of the specified file.

### Explanation of the parameters

error	Error variable for return 0      No error 1      Path not allowed 2      Path not found 3      File not found 4      Incorrect file type 10     File is full 11     File is being used 12     No free resources 13     No access rights 20     Other error
filename	Name of file in which the string is to be written. The file name can be specified with path and file identifier. Path names must be absolute, that is, starting with "/". If the file name does not contain a domain identifier (_N_), it is added accordingly. If there is not identifier (_MPF or _SPF), the file name is automatically completed with _MPF. If there is no path specified, the file is saved in the current directory (= directory of selected program). The file name length can be up to 32 bytes, the path length up to 128 bytes.
string	Text to be written. Internally LF is then added; this means that the text is lengthened by one character.

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### Function

Using the WRITE command, data (e.g. measurement results for measuring cycles) can be appended to the end of the specified file.

The maximum length in KB of the log files is set via MD 11420 LEN\_PROTOCOL\_FILE. This length is applicable for all files created using the WRITE command.

Once the file reaches the specified length, an error message is output and the string is not saved. If there is sufficient free memory, a new file can be created.

The created files can be

- read, edited and deleted by all users,
- written in the parts program that is currently being executed.

The blocks are inserted at the end of the file, after M30.



### Programming example

```

N10 DEF INT ERROR ;  

N20 WRITE(ERROR, "TEST1", "LOG FROM ; Write text from LOG FROM  

    7.2.97") ; 7.2.97 in the file TEST1  

N30 IF ERROR ;  

N40 MSG ("Error with WRITE command: " ;  

        <<ERROR )  

N50 M0 ;  

N60 ENDIF ;  

...  

WRITE(ERROR, ; Absolute path  

" /_N_WCS_DIR/_N_PROT_WPD/_N_PROT_MPF",  

"LOG FROM 7.2.97")

```



### Additional notes

- If no such file exists in the NC, it is newly created and can be written to by means of the WRITE command.



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- If a file with the same name exists on the hard disk, it is overwritten after the file is closed (in the NC).

Remedy: Change the name in the NC under the Services operating area using the "Properties" soft key.

### Machine manufacturer

Blocks from the parts program can be stored in a file by means of the WRITE command. The file size for log files (KB) is specified in the machine data.

## 1.18 DELETE: Delete file (SW 4.3 and higher)

### Programming

```
DELETE(var int error, char[160] filename)
```

The DELETE command deletes the specified file.

### Explanation of the parameters

error	Error variable for return
0	No error
1	Path not allowed
2	Path not found
3	File not found
4	Incorrect file type
11	File is being used
12	No free resources
20	Other error

filename	Name of the file to be deleted  The file name can be specified with path and file identifier. Path names must be absolute, that is, starting with "/". If the file name does not contain a domain identifier (_N_), it is added accordingly. The file identifier ("-" plus 3 characters), e.g. _SPF) is optional. If there is no identifier, the file name is automatically added _MPF. If there is no path specified, the file is saved in the current directory (= directory of selected program). The file name length can be up to 32 bytes, the path length up to 128 bytes.
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## 1.19 READ: Read lines in file (SW 5.2 and higher)



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### Example:

```
PROTFILE
_N_PROTFILE
_N_PROTFILE_MPF
/_N_MPF_DIR/_N_PROTFILE_MPF/
```

### Function

All files can be deleted by means of the DELETE command, irrespective of whether they were created using the WRITE command or not. Files that were created using a higher access authorization can also be deleted with DELETE.

### Programming example

```
N10 DEF INT ERROR ;  
N15 STOPRE ; preprocessing stop  
N20 DELETE (ERROR,  
           "/_N_SPF_DIR/_N_TEST1_SPF") ; deletes file TEST1 in the  
                                         ; subroutine branch  
N30 IF ERROR ;  
N40 MSG ("Error with DELETE command:  
         <<ERROR)  
N50 M0 ;  
N60 ENDIF ;  
...
```

## 1.19 READ: Read lines in file (SW 5.2 and higher)

### Programming

```
READ(var int error, string[160] file, int line, int number, var  
string[255] result[])
```

The READ command reads one or several lines in the file specified and stores the information read in an array of type STRING. In this array, each read line occupies an array element.



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## Explanation of the parameters

<b>error</b>	Error variable for return (call-by-reference parameter, type INT) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 No error</li> <li>1 Path not allowed</li> <li>2 Path not found</li> <li>3 File not found</li> <li>4 Incorrect file type</li> <li>13 Insufficient access rights</li> <li>21 Line not available (parameter "line" or "number" larger than number of lines in file)</li> <li>22 Array length of "result" variable too small</li> <li>23 Line range too large (parameter "number" has been selected so large, that reading goes beyond the end of the file)</li> </ul>
<b>file</b>	Name/path of the file to be read (call-by-value parameter of type STRING with a max. length of 160 bytes). The file must be stored in the user memory of the NCK (passive file system). The file name can be preceded by the domain identifier _N_. If the domain identifier is missing, it is added correspondingly. The file identifier ("_" plus three characters, e.g. _SPF) is optional. If there is no identifier, the file name is automatically added _MPF. If there is no path specified in "file", the file is searched for in the current directory (=directory of selected program). If a path is specified in "file", it must start with a slash "/" (absolute path indication).
<b>line</b>	Position indication of the line range to be read (call-by-value parameter of type INT). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 The number of lines before the end of the file which is specified by the parameter "number" is read.</li> <li>1 to n Number of the first line to be read.</li> </ul>
<b>number</b>	Number of lines to be read (call-by-value parameter of type INT).
<b>result</b>	Array of type STRING, where the read text is stored (call-by-reference parameter with a length of 255).

## 1.19 READ: Read lines in file (SW 5.2 and higher)



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### Function

One or several lines can be read from a file with the READ command. The lines read are stored in one array element of an array. The information is available as STRING.



### Additional notes

- Binary files cannot be read in. The error message error=4:Wrong type of file is output. The following types of file are not readable: \_BIN, \_EXE, \_OBJ, \_LIB, \_BOT, \_TRC, \_ACC, \_CYC, \_NCK.
- The currently set protection level must be equal to or greater than the READ right of the file. If this is not the case, access is denied with error=13.
- If the number of lines specified in the parameter "number" is smaller than the array length of "result", the other array elements are not altered.
- Termination of a line by means of the control characters "LF" (Line Feed) or "CR LF" (Carriage Return Line Feed) is not stored in the target variable "result". Read line are cut off, if the line is longer than the string length of the target variable "result". An error message is not output.

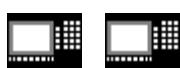


### Programming example

```
N10 DEF INT ERROR ; error variable
N20 STRING[ 255 ] RESULT[ 5 ] ; result variable
...
N30 READ( ERROR, "TESTFILE", 1, 5, ; file name without domain and file identifier
          RESULT )
...
N30 READ( ERROR, "TESTFILE_MPF", 1, 5, ; file name without domain and with file identifier
          RESULT )
...
N30 READ( ERROR, "_N_TESTFILE_MPF", 1, 5, ; file name with domain and file identifier
          RESULT )
```



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```
...
N30 READ( ERROR , " /_N_CST_DIR/N_TESTFILE      ; file name with domain and file identifier and
          _MPF" , 1 , 5 RESULT)      path specification
^...
N40 IF ERROR <>0                      ; error evaluation
N50   MSG( "ERROR" <<ERROR<< " WITH READ COMMAND" )
N60   M0
N70 ENDIF
...

```

## 1.20 ISFILE: File available in user memory NCK (SW 5.2 and higher)

### Programming

```
result=isfile(string[160]file)
```

With the ISFILE command you check whether a file exists in the user memory of the NCK (passive file system). As a result either TRUE (file exists) or False (file does not exist) is returned.

### Explanation of the parameters

file	Name/path of the file to be read (call-by-value parameter of type STRING with a max. length of 160 bytes).  The file must be stored in the user memory of the NCK (passive file system). The file name can be preceded by the domain identifier _N_. If the domain identifier is missing, it is added correspondingly.  The file identifier ("_" plus three characters, e.g. _SPF) is optional. If there is no identifier, the file name is automatically added _MPF.  If there is no path specified in "file", the file is searched for in the current directory (=directory of selected program). If a path is specified in "file", it must start with a slash "/" (absolute path indication).
result	Variable for storage of the result of type BOOL (TRUE or FALSE)

## 1.21 CHECKSUM: Creation of a checksum over an array



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### Programming example

```
N10 DEF BOOL RESULT
N20 RESULT=ISFILE( "TESTFILE" )
N30 IF(RESULT==FALSE)
N40 MSG( "FILE DOES NOT EXIST" )
N50 M0
N60 ENDIF
...
or:
N30 IF(NOT ISFILE( "TESTFILE" ))
N40 MSG( "FILE DOES NOT EXIST" )
N50 M0
N60 ENDIF
...
```

## 1.21 CHECKSUM: Creation of a checksum over an array (SW 5.2 and higher)



### Programming

```
error=CHECKSUM(var string[16] chksum,string[32]array, int first, int last)
```

The CHECKSUM function forms the checksum over an array.



### Explanation of the parameters

Parameter	Description	Representation
error	Error variable for return	
0	No error	
1	Symbol not found	
2	No array	
3	Index 1 too large	
4	Index 2 too large	
5	Invalid type of file	
10	Checksum overflow	
chksum	Checksum over the array as a string (call-by-reference parameter of type String, with a defined length of 16). The checksum is indicated as a character string of 16 hexadecimal numbers. However, no format characters are indicated. Example: in MY_CHECKSUM	

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**array**

Number of the array over which the checksum is to be formed. (Call-by-value parameter of type String with a max. length of 32).  
Permissible arrays: 1 or 2-dimensional arrays of types  
BOOL, CHAR, INT, REAL, STRING  
Arrays of machine data are not permissible.

**first**

Column number of start column (optional)

**last**

Column number of end column (optional)

### Function

With CHECKSUM you form a checksum over an array.

Stock removal application:

Check to see whether the initial contour has changed.

### Additional notes

The parameters **first** and **last** are optional. If no column indices are indicated, the checksum is formed over the whole array.

The result of the checksum is always definite. If an array element is changed, the result string will also be changed.

### Programming example

```
N10 DEF INT ERROR
N20 DEF STRING[16] MY_CHECKSUM
N30 DEF INT MY_VAR[4,4]
N40 MY_VAR=...
N50 ERROR=CHECKSUM
    (CHECKSUM; "MY_VAR", 0, 2)
...
returns in MY_CHECKSUM the value
"A6FC3404E534047C"
```

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## 2.1 Using subprograms



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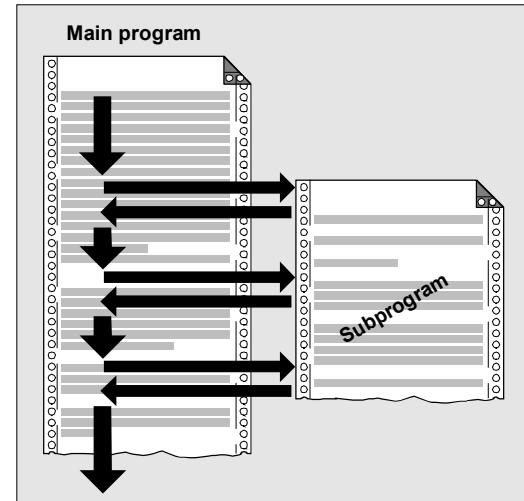
### 2.1 Using subprograms



#### What is a subprogram?

In principle, a subprogram has the same structure as a parts program. It consists of NC blocks with traverse commands and switching commands.

In principle, there is no difference between a main program and a subprogram. The subprogram contains either machining cycles or machining sections that must run more than once.



#### Use of subprograms

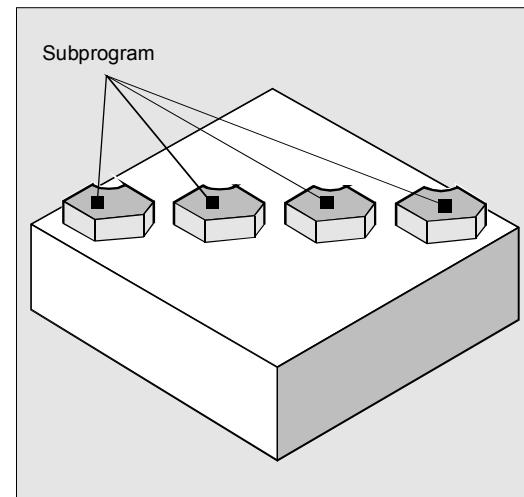
Machining sequences that recur are only programmed once in a subprogram. For example, certain contour shapes that occur more than once or machining cycles.

This subprogram can be called and executed in any main program.

#### Structure of the subprogram

The structure of a subprogram is identical to that of the main program.

In a subprogram it is also possible to program a program header with parameter definitions.





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## Nesting depth

### Nesting of subprograms

A subprogram can itself contain subprogram calls.

The subprograms called can contain further subprogram calls etc.

The maximum number of subprogram levels or the nesting depth is 12.

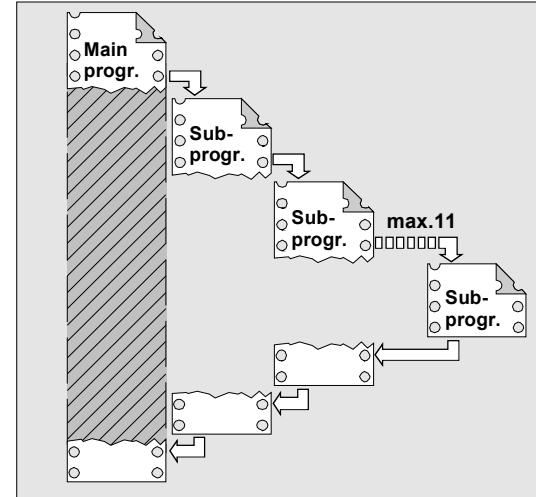
This means:

A main program can contain 11 nested subprogram calls.

### Restrictions

It is also possible to call subprograms in interrupt routines. For work with subprograms you must keep four levels free or only nest seven subprogram calls.

For SIEMENS machining and measuring cycles you require three levels. If you call a cycle from a subprogram you must do this no deeper than level 5 (if four levels are reserved for interrupt routines).



## 2.2 Subprogram with SAVE mechanism



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### 2.2 Subprogram with SAVE mechanism

#### Function

For this, specify the additional command SAVE with the definition statement with PROC.

When the subprograms have been executed, the modal G functions are set to the value they had at subprogram start due to the SAVE attribute. If G function group 8 (settable zero offset), G function group 52 (frame rotation of a turnable workpiece), or G function group 53 (frame rotation in tool direction) is changed while doing so, the corresponding frames are restored.

- The active basic frame is not changed when the subprogram returns.
- The programmable zero offset is restored

From SW 6.1 you can change the response of the settable zero offset and the basic frame via machine data MD 10617: FRAME\_SAVE\_MASK.

You will find more information in  
/FB/ K1, General Machine Data

#### Example:

##### Subprogram definition

```
PROC CONTOUR (REAL VALUE1) SAVE
N10 G91 ...
N100 M17
```

##### Main program

```
%123
N10 G0 X... Y... G90
N20...
N50 CONTOUR (12.4)
N60 X... Y...
```

In the CONTOUR subprogram G91 incremental dimension applies. After returning to the main program, absolute dimension applies again because the modal functions of the main program were stored with SAVE.



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## 2.3 Subprograms with parameter transfer



### Program start, PROC

A subprogram that is to take over parameters from the calling program when the program runs is designated with the vocabulary word PROC.

### Subprogram end M17, RET

The command M17 designates the end of subprogram and is also an instruction to return to the calling main program.

As an alternative to M17: The vocabulary word RET stands for end of subprogram without interruption of continuous path mode and without function output to the PLC.

### Interruption of continuous-path mode

To prevent continuous-path mode from being interrupted:

Make sure the subprogram does **not** have the SAVE attribute. For more information about the SAVE mechanism, see Section 2.2.



RET must be programmed in a separate NC block.

### Example:

```
PROC CONTOUR
N10...
...
N100 M17
```

### Parameter transfer between main program and subprogram

If you are working with parameters in the main program, you can use the values calculated or assigned in the subprogram as well.

For this purpose the values of the **current parameters** of the main program are passed to the **formal parameters** of the subprogram when the subprogram is called and then processed in subprogram execution.

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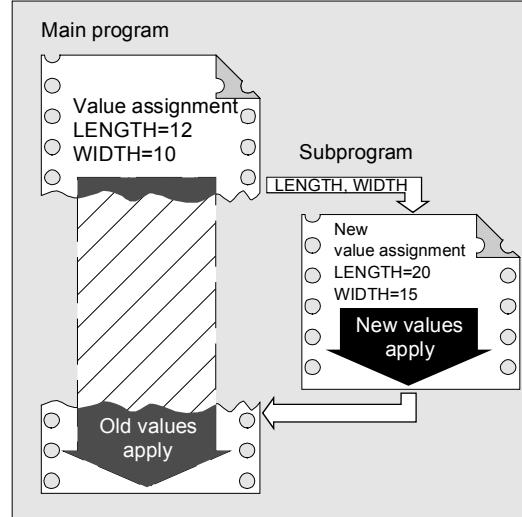


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Example:

```
N10 DEF REAL LENGTH,WIDTH
N20 LENGTH=12 WIDTH=10
N30 BORDER(LENGTH,WIDTH)
```

The values assigned in N20 in the main program are passed in N30 when the subprogram is called.  
Parameters are passed in the sequence stated.  
The parameter names do not have to be identical in the main programs and subprogram.



### Two ways of parameter transfer

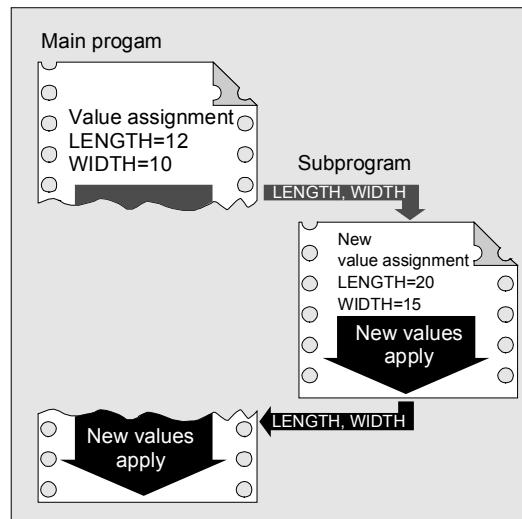
#### Values are only passed (call-by-value)

If the parameters passed are changed as the subprogram runs this does not have any effect on the main program. The parameters remain unchanged in it (see Fig.).

#### Parameter transfer with data exchange

#### (call-by-reference)

Any change to the parameters in the subprogram also causes the parameter to change in the main program (see Fig.).

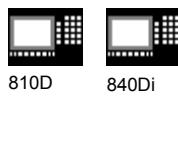




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## Programming

The parameters relevant for parameter transfer must be listed at the beginning of the subprogram with their type and name.

### **Parameter transfer call-by-value**

```
PROC PROGRAM_NAME(VARIABLE_TYPE1 VARIABLE1, VARIABLE_TYPE2 VARIABLE2, ...)
```

**Example:**

```
PROC CONTOUR(REAL LENGTH, REAL WIDTH)
```

### **Parameter transfer call-by-reference,**

### **identification with vocabulary word VAR**

```
PROC PROGRAM_NAME(VARIABLE_TYPE1 VARIABLE1, VARIABLE_TYPE2 VARIABLE2, ...)
```

**Example:**

```
PROC CONTOUR(VAR REAL LENGTH, VAR REAL WIDTH)
```

### **Array transfer with call-by-reference,**

### **identification with vocabulary word VAR**

```
PROC PROGRAM_NAME(VAR VARIABLE_TYPE1 ARRAY_NAME1[array size],  
VAR VARIABLE_TYPE2 ARRAY_NAME2[array size], VAR VARIABLE_TYPE3  
ARRAY_NAME3[array size1, array size2], VAR VARIABLE_TYPE4 ARRAY_NAME4[ ],  
VAR VARIABLE_TYPE5 ARRAY_NAME5 [,array size])
```

**Example:**

```
PROC PALLET (VAR INT ARRAY[,10])
```



## Additional notes

The definition statement with PROC must be programmed in a separate NC block. A maximum of 127 parameters can be declared for parameter transfer.

## 2.3 Subprograms with parameter transfer



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### Array definition

The following applies to the definition of the formal parameters:

With two-dimensional arrays the number of fields in the first dimension does not need to be specified, but the comma must be written.

Example:

```
VAR REAL ARRAY[ , 5 ]
```

With certain array dimensions it is possible to process subprograms with arrays of variable length. However, when defining the variables you must define how many elements it is to contain.

See the Programming Guide "Advanced" for an explanation of array definition.



### Programming example

#### Programming with variable array dimensions

%_N_DRILLING_PLATE_MP	Main program
DEF REAL TABLE[100,2]	Define position table
EXTERN DRILLING_PATTERN	
(VAR REAL[ , 2 ], INT)	
TABLE[ 0.0]=-17.5	Define positions
...	
TABLE[ 99.1 ]=45	
DRILLING_PATTERN(TABLE,100)	Subprogram call
M30	

#### Creating a drilling pattern using the position table of variable dimension passed

%_N_DRILLING_PATTERN_SPF	Subprogram
PROC DRILLING_PATTERN(VAR REAL ARRAY[ , 2 ], ->	Parameters passed
-> INT NUMBER )	
DEF INT COUNT	
STEP: G1 X=ARRAY[COUNT,0]->	Machining sequence
-> Y=ARRAY[COUNT,1] F100	
Z=IC(-5)	
Z=IC(5)	
COUNT=COUNT+1	
IF COUNT<NUMBER GOTOB STEP	
RET	End of subprogram



## 2.4 Calling subprograms: L or EXTERN

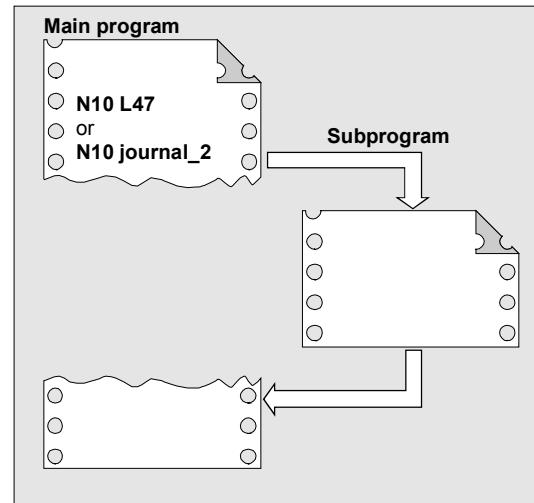
### Subprogram call without parameter transfer

In the main program you call the subprogram either with address L and the subprogram number or by specifying the program name.

Example:

N10 L47 or

N10 SPIGOT\_2



### Subprogram with parameter transfer

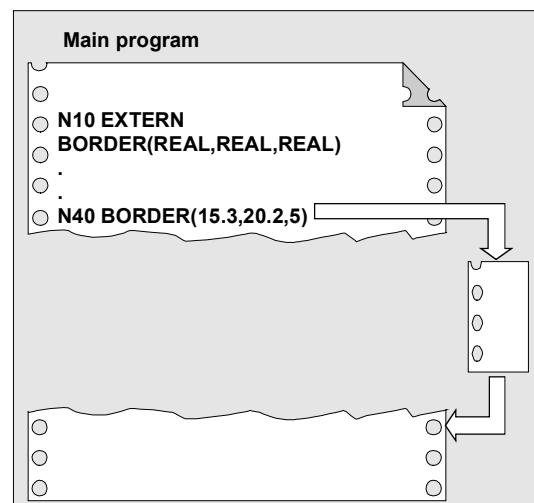
#### declaration with EXTERN

Subprograms with parameter transfer must be listed with EXTERN in the main program before they are called, e.g. at the beginning of the program.

The name of the subprogram and the variable types are declared in the sequence in which they are transferred.

You only have to specify EXTERN if the subprogram is in the workpiece or in the global subprogram directory.

You do not have to declare cycles as EXTERN.



EXTERN statement

EXTERN NAME(TYP1, TYP2, TYP3, ...) or  
EXTERN NAME(VAR TYP1, VAR TYP2, ...)

Example:

N10 EXTERN BORDER(REAL, REAL, REAL)

...

N40 BORDER(15.3,20.2,5)

N10 Declaration of the subprogram, N40  
Subprogram call with parameter transfer.

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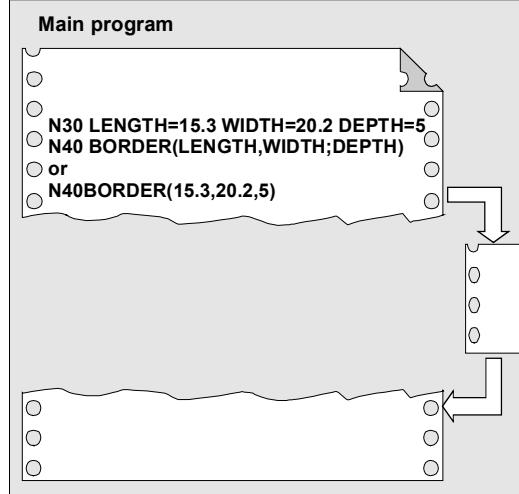
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### Subprogram call with parameter transfer

In the main program you call the subprogram by specifying the program name and parameter transfer. When transferring parameters you can transfer variables or values directly (not for VAR parameters).

**Example:**

```
N10 DEF REAL LENGTH,WIDTH,DEPTH
N20 ...
N30 LENGTH=15.3 WIDTH=20.2 DEPTH=5
N40 BORDER(LENGTH,WIDTH,DEPTH)
or
N40 BORDER(15.3,20.2,5)
```



### Subprogram definition must match subprogram call



*Both the variable types and the sequence of transfer must match the definitions declared under PROC in the subprogram name. The parameter names can be different in the main program and subprograms.*

**Example:**

Definition in the subprogram:

```
PROC BORDER(REAL LENGTH, REAL WIDTH, REAL DEPTH)
```

Call in the main program:

```
N30 BORDER(LENGTH, WIDTH, DEPTH)
```



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### Incomplete parameter transfer

In a subprogram call only mandatory values and parameters can be omitted. In this case, the parameter in question is assigned the **value zero** in the subprogram.

The comma must always be written to indicate the sequence. If the parameters are at the end of the sequence you can omit the comma as well.

Back to the last example:

N40 BORDER(15.3, , 5)

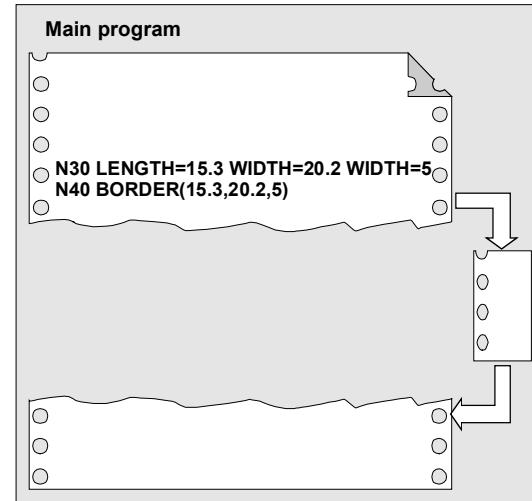
The mean value 20.2 was omitted here.

#### Note



*The current parameter of type AXIS must not be omitted.*

*VAR parameters must be passed on completely.*



### SW 4.4 and higher:

With incomplete parameter transfer, it is possible to tell by the system variable \$P\_SUBPAR[i] whether the transfer parameter was programmed for subprograms or not.

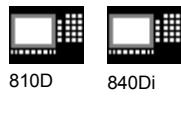
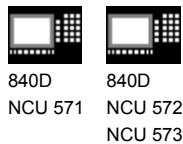
The system variable contains as argument (i) the number of the transfer parameter.

The system variable \$P\_SUBPAR returns

- TRUE, if the transfer parameter was programmed
- FALSE, if no value was set as transfer parameter.

If an impermissible parameter number was specified, parts program processing is aborted with alarm output.

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### Example:

#### Subprogram

```

PROC SUB1 ( INT VAR1, DOUBLE VAR2 )

IF $P_SUBPAR[1]==TRUE
    ;Parameter VAR1 was not
    ;in the subprogram call
ELSE
    ;Parameter VAR1 was not
    ;programmed in the subprogram call
    ;and was preset by the system
    ;with default value 0
ENDIF
IF $P_SUBPAR[2]==TRUE
    ;Parameter VAR2 was not
    ;in the subprogram call
ELSE
    ;Parameter VAR2 was not
    ;programmed in the subprogram call
    ;and was preset by the system
    ;with default value 0.0
ENDIF
;Parameter 3 is not defined
IF $P_SUBPAR[3]==TRUE -> Alarm 17020
M17

```

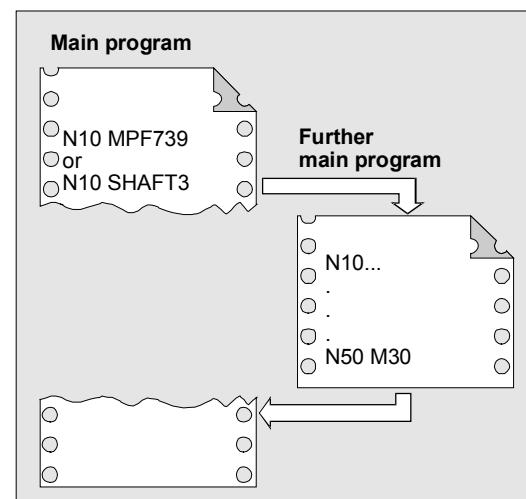
### Calling the main program as a subprogram

A main program can also be called as subprogram.  
The end of program M2 or M30 set in the main program is evaluated as M17 in this case (end of program with return to the calling program).

Program the call by specifying the program name.

#### Example:

```
N10 MPF739 or
N10 SHAFT3
```



A subprogram can also be started as a main program.



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## 2.5 Parameterizable subprogram return (SW 6.4 and higher)



### Programming

Parameterizable subprogram return with the relevant parameters

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```
RET (<block number/label>, <block after block with block number/label>,
      <number of return levels>), <return to beginning of program>)
```

---

```
RET (<block number/label>, < >, < >)
```

---

```
RET (, , <number of return levels>,
      <return to beginning of program>)
```

Subprogram return over two or more levels  
(jump back the specified number of levels).

### Explanation

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<block number/label>

1st parameter: Block number or label as STRING (constant or variable) of the block at which to resume execution. Execution is resumed in the calling program at the block with the "Block number/label".

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<block after block with block number/label>,

2nd parameter of type INTEGER  
If the **value is greater than 0**, execution is resumed at "Block number/label". If the **value is equal to 0**, the subprogram return goes to the block with <block number/label>.

---

<number of return levels>,

3rd parameter of type INTEGER with the permissible **values 1 to 11**.

Value = 1: The program is resumed in the current program level -1 (like RET without parameters).

Value = 2: The program is resumed in the current program level -2, skipping one level, etc.

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<return to beginning of program>,

4th parameter of type BOOL

**Value 1 or 0**.

Value = 1 If the return goes to the main program and ISO dialect mode is active there, execution will be resumed at the beginning of the program.



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## Function

Usually, a RET or M17 end of subprogram returns to the calling program and execution of the parts program continues with the lines following the subprogram call. However, some applications may require program resumption at another position:

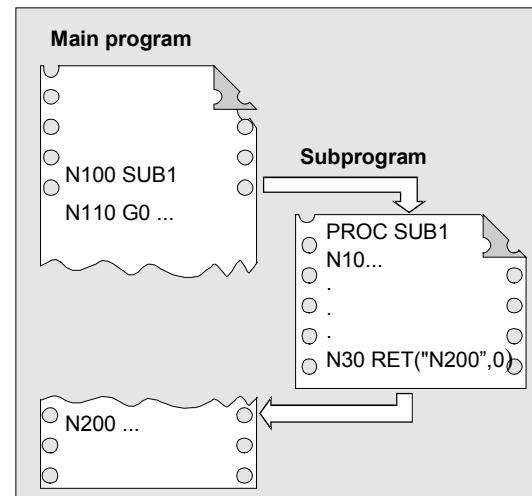
- Continuation of execution after call-up of the cutting cycles in ISO dialect mode, after the contour definition.
- Return to main program from any subprogram level (even after ASUB) for error handling.
- Return over two or more program levels for special applications in compile cycles and in ISO dialect mode.

The parameterizable command RET can fulfill these requirements with 4 parameters:

1. <block number/label>
2. <block after block with block number/label>
3. <number of return levels>
4. <return to beginning of program>

### 1. <block number/label>

Execution is resumed in the calling program (main program) at the block with the <block number/label>.





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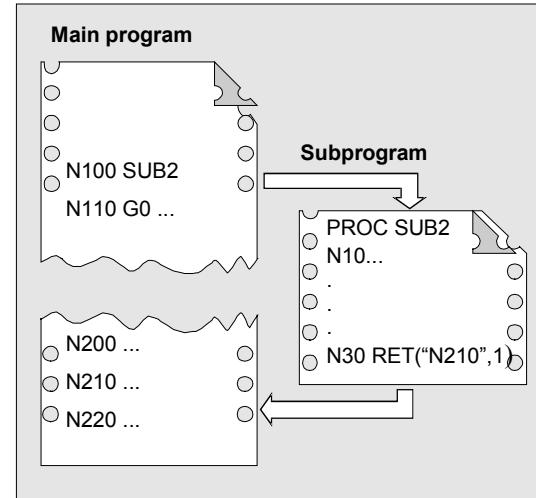


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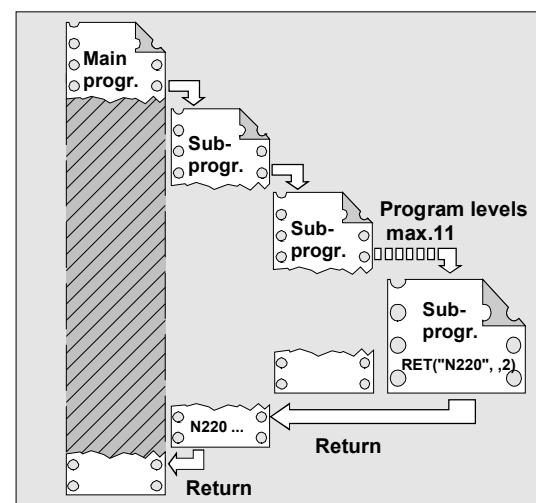
## 2. <block after block with block number/label>

The subprogram return goes back to the block with <block number/label>.



## 3. <number of return levels>

The program is resumed in the current program level minus <number of return levels>.



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**Impermissible return levels**

Programming a number of return levels with

- a negative value or
- a value greater than the currently active program level –1 (max. 11),

will output Alarm 14091 with parameter 5.

**Return with SAVE instructions**

On return over two or more program levels, the SAVE instructions of each program level are evaluated.

**Modal subprogram active on return**

If a modal subprogram is active on a return over two or more program levels and if the deselection command MCALL is programmed for the modal subprogram in one of the skipped subprograms, the modal subprogram will remain active.



*The user must always make sure that execution continues with the correct modal settings on return over two or more program levels.*

*This is done, for example, by programming an appropriate main block.*

**Programming example 1**

Error handling: Resumption in main program after ASUB execution

N10010 CALL "UP1"	; Program level 0 main program
N11000 PROC UP1	; Program level 1
N11010 CALL "UP2"	
N12000 PROC UP2	; Program level 2
N19000 PROC ASUB	; Program level 2 (ASUB execution)
... RET( "N10900" , , ...)	; Program level 3
N19100 RET(N10900, , \$P_STACK)	; Subprogram return
N10900	; Resumption in main program
N10910 MCALL	; Deactivate modal subprogram
N10920 G0 G60 G40 M5	; Correct further modal settings



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## **2.6 Subprogram with program repetition: P**



## Program repetition, P

If you want to execute a subprogram several times in succession, you can program the required number of program repetitions in the block in the subprogram call under address P.



N40 BORDER P3

The subprogram `Border` must be executed three times in succession.

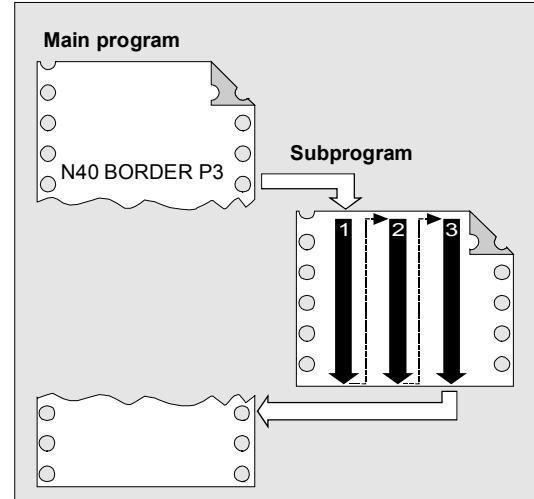


P: 1...9999

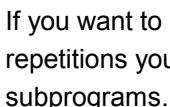


**The following applies to every subprogram call:**

*The subprogram call must always be programmed in a separate NC block.*



*Parameters are only transferred during the program call or the first pass. The parameters remain unchanged for the repetitions.*



## 2.7 Modal subprogram: MCALL



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### 2.7 Modal subprogram: MCALL



#### Modal subprogram call, MCALL

With this function the subprogram is automatically called and executed after every block with path motion.

In this way you can automate the calling of subprograms that are to be executed at different positions on the workpiece. For example, for drilling patterns.

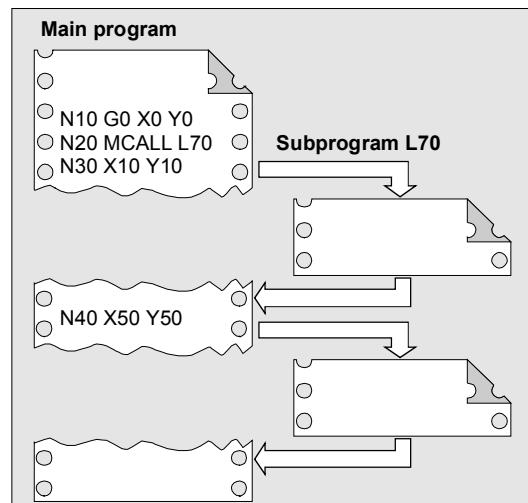
#### Examples:

```
N10 G0 X0 Y0
N20 MCALL L70
N30 X10 Y10
N40 X50 Y50
```

In blocks N30 to N40, the program position is approached and subprogram L70 is executed.

```
N10 G0 X0 Y0
N20 MCALL L70
N30 L80
```

In this example, the following NC blocks with programmed path axes are stored in subprogram L80. L70 is called by L80.



*In a program run, only one MCALL call can apply at any one time. Parameters are only passed once with an MCALL.*

*In the following situations the modal subprogram is also called without motion programming:*

*When programming the addresses S and F if G0 or G1 is active.*

*G0/G1 is on its own in the block or was programmed with other G codes.*

#### Deactivating the modal subprogram call

With MCALL without a subprogram call or by programming a new modal subprogram call for a new subprogram.



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## 2.8 Calling the subprogram indirectly: CALL

### Programming



`CALL <progname>`

### Explanation



`CALL`

Vocabulary word for indirect subprogram call

`<progname>`

Variable or constant of type string

Name of the program containing the program section to run



#### Indirect subprogram call, `CALL`

Depending on the prevailing conditions at a particular point in the program, different subprograms can be called.

The name of the subprogram is stored in a variable of type STRING. The subprogram call is issued with `CALL` and the variable name.



*The indirect subprogram call is only possible for subprograms without parameter transfer.*



For direct calling of the subprogram, store the name in a string constant.

Example:

#### Direct call with string constant:

```
CALL "/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SUBPROG_WPD/_N_PART1_SPF"
```

#### Indirect call via variable:

```
DEF STRING[100] PROGNAME
PROGNAME= "/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SUBPROG_WPD/_N_PART1_SPF"
CALL PROGNAME
```

The subprogram PART1 is assigned the variable PROGNAME. With `CALL` and the path name you can call the subprogram indirectly.



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## **2.9 Repeating program sections with indirect programming (SW 6.4 and higher)**



### **Programming**

```
CALL <progname> BLOCK <startlabel> TO <endlabel>
CALL BLOCK <startlabel> TO <endlabel>
```



### **Explanation**

CALL

Vocabulary word for indirect subprogram call

<progname> (optional)

Variable or constant of type string, name of the program containing the program section to run.

BLOCK ... TO ...

If no <progname> is programmed, the program section with <startlabel> <endlabel> in the current program is searched for and run.

<startlabel> <endlabel>

Vocabulary word for indirect program section repetition

Refers to the beginning or end of the program section to run



### **Function**

CALL is used to call up subprogram indirectly in which the program section repetitions defined with BLOCK are run according to the start label and end label.



### **Programming example**

```
DEF STRING[20] STARTLABEL, ENDLABEL
STARTLABEL = "LABEL_1"
ENDLABEL = "LABEL_2"
...
CALL "CONTUR_1" BLOCK STARTLABEL TO ENDLABEL ...
M17
PROC CONTUR_1 ...
LABEL_1 ; Beginning of program section repetition
N1000 G1 ...
LABEL_2 ; End of program section repetition
```



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## **2.10 Calling up a program in ISO language indirectly: ISOCALL**



### **Programming**

```
ISOCALL <progname>
```



### **Explanation**

ISOCALL

Subprogram call with which the ISO

<progname>

mode set in the machine data is activated

Variable or constant of type string

Name of the program in ISO language.



### **Function**

The indirect program call ISOCALL is used to call up a program in ISO language. The ISO mode set in the machine data is activated

At the end of the program, the original mode is reactivated. If no ISO mode is set in the machine data, the subprogram is called in Siemens mode.

For more information about ISO mode, see /FBFA/, "Description of Functions ISO Dialects"



#### **Example:**

Calling up a contour from ISO mode with cycle programming:

```
%_N_0122_SPF
N1010 G1 X10 Z20
N1020 X30 R5
N1030 Z50 C10
N1040 X50
N1050 M99
```

Contour description in ISO mode

```
N0010 DEF STRING[5] PROGNAME = "0122"
...
N2000 R11 = $AA_IW[X]
N2010 ISOCALL PROGNAME
N2020 R10 = R10+1
N2300 ...
N2400 M30
```

Siemens parts program (cycle)

Run program 0122.spf in ISO mode

## 2.11 Calling subprogram with path specification and param. PCALL



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### 2.11 Calling subprogram with path specification and parameters PCALL



#### Programming

Subprogram call with the absolute path and parameter transfer

```
PCALL <path/progname>(parameter 1, ..., parameter n)
```



#### Explanation

PCALL

Vocabulary word for subprogram call with absolute path name

<path name>

Absolute path name beginning"/", including subprogram names  
If no absolute path name is specified, PCALL behaves like a standard subprogram call with a program identifier.  
The program identifier is written without the leading \_N\_ and without an extension  
If you want the program name to be programmed with the leading \_N\_ and the extension, you must declare it explicitly with the leading \_N\_ and the extension as Extern.

Parameters 1 to n

Current parameters in accordance with the PROC statement of the subprogram



#### Function

With PCALL you can call subprograms with the absolute path and parameter transfer.

Example:

```
PCALL/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_WPD/SHAFT(parameter1, parameter2, ...)
```



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## 2.12 Extending a search path for subprogram calls with CALLPATH (SW 6.4 and higher)



### Programming

Adding subprograms stored outside the existing NCK file system to the existing NCK file system.

`CALLPATH <path name>`



### Explanation

`CALLPATH`

Vocabulary word for programmable search path extension. The CALLPATH command is programmed in a separate parts program line.

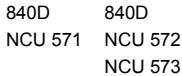
`<path name>`

Constant or variable of type string contains the absolute path of a directory beginning with "/" to extend the search path. The path must be specified complete with prefixes and suffixes.  
(e.g.: /\_N\_WKS\_DIR/\_N\_WST\_WPD)  
If `<path name>` contains the empty string or if CALLPATH is called without parameters, the search path instruction will be reset. The maximum path length is 128 bytes.



### Function

The CALLPATH command is used to extend the search path for subprogram calls. That allows you to call subprograms from a non-selected workpiece directory without specifying the complete absolute path name of the subprogram. Search path extension comes before the user cycle entry. (\_N\_CUS-DIR).



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### Example:

```
CALLPATH ( "/_N_WKS_DIR/_N_MYWPD_WPD" )
```

That sets this search path (position 5 is new):

1. current directory/ subprogram identifier
2. current directory/ subprogram identifier\_SPF
3. current directory/ subprogram identifier\_MPFF
4. /\_N\_SPF\_DIR/ subprogram identifier\_SPF
- 5. /\_N\_WKS\_DIR/\_N\_MYWPD/ subprogram identifier\_SPF**
6. N\_CUS\_DIR/\_N\_MYWPD/ subprogram identifier\_SPF
7. /\_N\_CMA\_DIR/ subprogram identifier\_SPF
8. /\_N\_CST\_DIR/ subprogram identifier\_SPF

### Deselection of the search path extension

The search path extension is deselected by the following results:

- CALLPATH with empty string
- CALLPATH without parameters
- End of parts program
- RESET

### Additional notes

- CALLPATH check whether the programmed path name really exists. An error aborts program execution with correction block alarm 14009.
- CALLPATH call also be programmed in INI files. Then it applies for the duration of execution of the INI file (WPD INI file or initialization program for NC active data, e.g. Frames in the 1st channel \_N\_CH1\_UFR\_INI). The initialization program is then reset again.



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## **2.13 Suppress current block display: DISPLOF**

### **Programming**

PROC ... DISPLOF

### **Function**

With DISPLOF the current block display is suppressed for a subprogram. DISPLOF is placed at the end of the PROC statement.

Instead of the current block, the call of the cycle or the subprogram is displayed.

By default the block display is activated. Deactivation of block display with DISPLOF applies until the return from the subprogram or end of program. If further subprograms are called from the subprogram with the DISPLOF attribute, the current block display is suppressed in these as well. If a subprogram with suppressed block display is interrupted by an synchronized subprogram, the blocks of the current subprogram are displayed.

### **Programming example**

#### **Suppress current block display in the cycle**

```
%_N_CYCLE_SPF
; $PATH=/_N_CUS_DIR
PROC CYCLE (AXIS TOMOV, REAL POSITION) SAVE DISPLOF
;Suppress current block display
;Now the cycle call is displayed as the
;current block
;E.g.: CYCLE(X, 100.0)
DEF REAL DIFF
;Cycle contents

G01 ...
;
...
RET
;Subprogram return, the following block
;of the calling program is displayed again
```

## 2.14 Single block suppression: SBLOF, SBLON (SW 4.3 and higher)



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### 2.14 Single block suppression: SBLOF, SBLON (SW 4.3 and higher)



#### Programming

```
PROC ... SBLOF      ; The command can be programmed in a PROC block or in a separate block
SBLON               ; The command must be programmed in a separate block
```



#### Explanation

SBLOF  
SBLON

Deactivate single block  
Reactivate single block



#### Function

##### Program-specific single block suppression

With all single block types the programs marked with SBLOF are executed in their entirety like one block. SBLOF is written in the PROC line and is valid until the end of the subprogram or until it is aborted.

SBLOF is also valid in the called subprograms.

##### Example:

```
PROC EXAMPLE SBLOF
G1 X10
RET
```

##### Single block suppression in the program

SBLOF can be alone in a block. From this block onwards, the single block mode is deactivated until

- the next SBLON or
- until the end of the active subprogram level.

##### Example:

```
N10 G1 X100 F1000
N20 SBLOF                               Deactivate single block
N30 Y20
N40 M100
N50 R10=90
N60 SBLON                               Reactivate single block
N70 M110
N80 ...
```



The range between N20 and N60 is executed in single block mode as one step.



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### Single block disable for synchronized subprograms

To run an ASUB in single block mode in one step, the ASUB must contain a PROC instruction with SBLOF.

This also applies to the function "editable system ASUB" in MD 11610: ASUB\_EDITABLE.

Example of "editable system ASUB":

```
N10 PROC ASUB1 SBLOF DISPLOF
N20 IF $AC_ASUB=='H200'
N30 RET
N40 ELSE
N50 REPOSA
N60 ENDIF
```

No REPOS with mode change

REPOS in all other cases

### Program control in single block mode

The single block function allows the user to run a parts program block by block. The single block function has the following settings:

- SBL1: IPO single block with stop after each machine function block.
- SBL2: Single block with stop after each block.
- SBL3: Hold in the cycle

### Single block suppression for program nesting

If "single block off" (SBLOF) is active in a subprogram, execution halts at the M17 instruction. That prevents the next block in the calling program from already running.

If single block suppression is deactivated in a subprogram with SBLON/SBLOF (independently of the attribute SBLOF), execution stops after the next block of the calling program.

If that is not wanted, SBLON must be programmed in the subprogram before the return (M17).

Execution does not stop on a return to a higher-level program with RET.

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### Supplementary conditions

- Display of the current block can be suppressed in cycles by means of DISPLOF.
- If DISPLOF is programmed together with SBLOF, then the cycle call is still displayed in single block stops within a cycle.
- If MD 10702: IGNORE\_SINGLEBLOCK\_MASK suppressed the single block stop in the system ASUB or user ASUB with Bit0 = 1 or. Bit1 = 1, you can reactivate the single block stop by programming SBLON in ASUB.
- MD 20117: IGNORE\_SINGLEBLOCK\_ASUB suppresses the single block stop in the user ASUB and cannot be reactivated any more by programming SBLON.
- By selecting SBL3 you can suppress the SBLOF command.
- **SW 6.4 and higher**  
Ignore single block stop in single block type 2.  
Single block type 2 (SBL2) does **not** stop in the SBLON block, if Bit12 = 1 is set in MD 10702: IGNORE\_SINGLEBLOCK\_MASK.



For more information about block display with/without single block suppression, see /FB/, K1 BAG, Channel, Program control "single block"



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## Programming example 1

**Cycle is to act as a command for programmer**

Main program

```
N10 G1 X10 G90 F200
N20 X-4 Y6
N30 CYCLE1
N40 G1 X0
N50 M30
```

Program cycle1

```
N100 PROC CYCLE1 DISPLOF SBLOF ; Suppress single block
N110 R10=3*SIN(R20)+5
N120 IF (R11 <= 0)
N130 SETAL(61000)
N140 ENDIF
N150 G1 G91 Z=R10 F=R11
N160 RET
```

**i** The cycle CYCLE1 is executed as one step when single block is active.

## Programming example 2

**An ASUB run from the PLC for activating modified zero offsets and tool offsets should not be visible.**

```
N100 PROC NV SBLOF DISPLOF
N110 CASE $P_UIFRNUM OF 0 GOTOF _G500
      -->1 GOTOF _G54 2 GOTOF _G55 3
      -->GOTOF _G56 4 GOTOF _G57
      -->DEFAULT GOTOF END
N120 _G54: G54 D=$P_TOOL T=$P_TOOLNO
N130 RET
N140 _G54: G55 D=$P_TOOL T=$P_TOOLNO
N150 RET
N160 _G56: G56 D=$P_TOOL T=$P_TOOLNO
N170 RET
N180 _G57: G57 D=$P_TOOL T=$P_TOOLNO
N190 RET
N200 END: D=$P_TOOL T=$P_TOOLNO
N210 RET
```

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### Programming example 3

No stop with MD 10702: IGNORE\_SINGLEBLOCK\_MASK, Bit 12 = 1

In single block type SBL2 (stop at each parts program line) in the SBLON instruction

---

```
;SBL2 is active
;$_MN_IGNORE_SINGLEBLOCK_MASK = `H1000` ; Set MD 10702: Bit 12 = 1

N10 G0 X0 ; Stop at this parts program line
N20 X10 ; Stop at this parts program line
N30 CYCLE ; Traversing block generated by the cycle
    PROC CYCLE SBLOF ; Suppress single block stop
    N100 R0 = 1
    N110 SBLON ; Because MD 10702: Bit 12 = 1, no
                  ; stop
    N120 X1 ; Stop at this parts program line
    N140 SBLOF
    N150 R0 = 2
    RET
N50 G90 X20 ; Stop at this parts program line
M30
```

---



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## Programming example 4

Single block suppression for program nesting

```

; Single block is active
N10 X0 F1000 ; Stop at this block
N20 UP1(0) ;
    PROC UP1( INT _NR ) SBLOF ; Single block OFF
    N100 X10 ;
    N110 UP2(0)
        PROC UP2( INT _NR ) ;
        N200 X20 ;
        N210 SBLON ; Single block ON
        N220 X22 ; Stop at this block
        N230 UP3(0)
            PROC UP3( INT _NR )
            N302 SBLOF ; Single block OFF
            N300 X30
            N310 SBLON ; Single block ON
            N320 X32 ; Stop at this block
            N330 SBLOF ; Single block OFF
            N340 X34
            N350 M17 ; SBLOF active
            N240 X24 ; Stop at this block, SBLON active
            N250 M17 ; Stop at this block, SBLON active
            N120 X12
            N130 M17 ; Stop at this return block, SBLOF active
N30 X0 ; Stop at this block
N40 M30 ; Stop at this block

```

## 2.15 Executing external subprogram: EXTCALL (SW 4.2 and higher)



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### 2.15 Executing external subprogram: EXTCALL (SW 4.2 and higher)



#### Programming

**EXTCALL (<path/program name>)**



#### Explanation

**EXTCALL**

Keyword for subprogram call

**<path/program name>**

Constant/variable of type STRING.

An absolute path name or program name can be specified.

The program name is written with/without the leading\_N\_ and without an extension. An extension can be appended to the program name using the <"> character.

#### Example:

**EXTCALL ( "/\_N\_WKS\_DIR/\_N\_SHAFT\_WPD/\_N\_SHAFT\_SPF" )** or  
**EXTCALL ( "SHAFT" )**



#### Function

EXTCALL can be used to reload a program from the HMI in "Processing from external source" mode. All programs that can be accessed via the directory structure of HMI can be reloaded and run.

#### External program path

SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH permits flexible setting of the call path. SD 42700 contains a path definition that builds the absolute path name of the program to be called in conjunction with the programmed subprogram identifier.

#### Call of an external subprogram

An external subprogram is called up with parts program command **EXTCALL**.

The

- subprogram names programmed with EXTCALL and
- setting data SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH



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result in the program path for the external subprogram call by character concatenation of

- the content of SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH (e.g. /\_N\_WKS\_DIR/\_N\_WKST1\_WPD)
- the character "/" as the separator (if a path was specified with SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH)
- the subprogram path or subprogram identifier specified with EXTCALL.

SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH has a blank as its default. If the external subprogram is called without an absolute path name, the same search path is executed on the HMI Advanced as for calling a subprogram from NCK memory.

1. current directory/ subprogram identifier
2. current directory/subprogram identifier\_SPF
3. current directory/subprogram identifier\_MPFI
4. /\_N\_SPF\_DIR/subprogram identifier\_SPF
5. /\_N\_CUS\_DIR/subprogram identifier\_SPF
6. /\_N\_CMA\_DIR/subprogram identifier\_SPF
7. /\_N\_CST\_DIR/subprogram identifier\_SPF

"current directory": stands for the directory in which the main program was selected.

"subprogram identifier": stands for the subprogram name programmed with EXTCALL.

#### **Adjustable load memory (FIFO buffer)**

A load memory is required in the NCK in order to process a program in "Execution from external" mode (main program or subprogram). The default setting for the size of the load memory is 30 Kbytes. MD 18360: MM\_EXT\_PROG\_BUFFER\_SIZE sets the size of the reload buffer. MD 18362:

MM\_EXT\_PROG\_BUFFER\_NUM sets the number of reload buffers. One reload buffer must be set for each program (main program or subprogram) to run concurrently in "Processing from external source" mode.

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### Programming examples

1. The program to be reloaded is located on the **local hard disk of HMI Advanced**:

Setting data SD 42700: EXT\_PROG\_PATH contains the following path: "/\_N\_WKS\_DIR/\_N\_WST1".

The main program \_N\_MAIN\_MPF is in the user memory and selected.

---

```
N10 PROC MAIN
N20 ...
N30 EXTCALL "ROUGHING" ; Call of external subprogram
; ROUGHING
N40 ...
N50 M30
```

---

Subprogram "ROUGHING" (located in the HMI Advanced directory structure under workpieces ->WST1):

---

```
N10 PROC ROUGHING
N20 G1 F1000
N30 X=... Y=... Z=...
N40 ...
N90 M17
```

---

2. The program to be reloaded is located on the **network drive or ATA card of HMI**

EXTCALL Windows path

Call for **network drive** (HMI Embedded or Advanced)

EXTCALL \\R4711\workpieces\contour1.spf

Call for **ATA card** (HMI Embedded), e.g.

EXTCALL C:\workpieces\contour2.spf

 For HMI Embedded, an absolute path must always be specified.

 For more information about operation, see

/BEM/ HMI Embedded

/BAD/ HMI Advanced



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### Additional notes

External subprograms are not permitted to include jump commands such as GOTOF, GOTOB, CASE, FOR, LOOP, WHILE or REPEAT.

Subprogram calls – even nested EXTCALL calls are possible.

### SW 6.3 and higher

IF-ELSE-ENDIF constructions are possible.

### POWER ON, RESET

Reset and power ON cause external subprogram calls to be interrupted and the associated load memory to be erased.



For more information about "Processing from external source", see:

/FB/ K1, BAG, Channel, Program control

## 2.16 Subprogram call with M/T function



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### 2.16 Subprogram call with M/T function

#### Function

The T/M function can be replaced with a subprogram call by making the appropriate setting in the machine data, for example, for calling the tool change routine. At block search subprogram calls with M/T functions behave like standard subprogram calls.

For more information about "Subprogram call with M/T functions", see:  
/FB/ K1, BAG, Channel, Program control

#### Example 1: Tool change with M6

**M function** M6 is replaced by tool change routine **TC\_UP\_M6**

```
N10 PROC ROUGHING3
N20 G1 F1000
N30 X=... Y=... Z=...
N40 T1234 M6 ; ; Call TC_UP_M6
M30
```

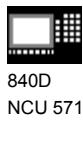
#### Associated subprogram **TC\_UP\_M6**:

```
N110 PROC TC_UP_M6
...
N130 G53 D0 G0 X=... Y=... Z=... ; ; Approach tool change point
N140 M6 ; ; Execute tool change
...
N190 M17
```

#### Example 2: Tool change with T function programming

**T function** is replaced by tool change routine **TC\_UP\_T**

```
N10 PROC ROUGHING4
N20 G1 F1000
N30 X=... Y=... Z=...
N40 T1234 ; ; Call TC_UP_T
M30
```



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#### Associated subprogram TC\_UP\_T:

```
N310 PROC TC_UP_T
...
N330 IF $C_T_PROG == 1
N340 G53 D0 G0 X=... Y=... Z=... ; Approach tool change point
N350 T=$C_T ; Execute tool change
N360 ENDIF
...
N390 M17
```

#### Extension of T function substitution

**As from SW 6.4**, T function substitution is extended to permit setting in machine data whether with programming of both:

##### D numbers or DL numbers and T numbers

- in one block, D or DL will be passed as parameters to the T substitution cycle as predefined (default) **or**
- run before the T substitution cycle call.

MD 10719: T\_NO\_FCT\_CYCLE\_MODE sets parameterization of the T function substitution as follows

Value 0: the D or DL number is passed to the cycle, as previously, (default).

Value 1: the D or DL number is calculated directly in the block.

This function is only active if the tool change was configured with an M function (MD 22550: TOOL\_CHANGE\_MODE = 1), otherwise the D or DL values are always passed.

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## 2.17 Cycles: Setting parameters for user cycles

### Files and paths



### Explanation

cov.com      Overview of cycles

uc.com      Cycle call description



### Function

Customized cycles can be parameterized with these files.



### Sequence

The cov.com file is included with the standard cycles at delivery and is to be expanded accordingly. The uc.com file is to be created by the user.

Both files are to be loaded in the passive file system in the "User cycles" directory (or must be given the appropriate path specification in the program:

`; $PATH=/_N_CUS_DIR`

### Adaptation of cov.com – Overview of cycles

The cov.com file supplied with the standard cycles has the following structure:

<code>%_N_COV_COM</code>	File name
<code>; \$PATH=/_N_CST_DIR)</code>	Path specification
<code>;Vxxx 11.12.95 Sca cycle overview</code>	Comment line
<code>C1(CYCLE81) drilling, centering</code>	Call for 1st cycle
<code>C2(CYCLE82) Boring, counterboring</code>	Call for 2nd cycle
<code>...</code>	
<code>C24(CYCLE98) Chaining of threads</code>	Call for last cycle
<code>M17</code>	End of file

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For each newly added cycle a line must be added with the following syntax:

C<Number> (<Cycle name>) comment text

Number: Any integer, must not have been used in the file before;

Cycle name: The program name of the cycle to be included

Comment text: Optionally a comment text for the cycle

**Example:**

```
C25 (MY_CYCLE_1) usercycle_1
```

```
C26 (SPECIAL CYCLE)
```

### Example of uc.com file

#### User cycle description

The explanation is based on the continuation of the example:

For the following two cycles a cycle parameterization is to be newly created:

---

```
PROC MY_CYCLE_1 (REAL PAR1, INT PAR2, CHAR PAR3, STRING[10] PAR4)
```

---

```
;The cycle has the following transfer parameters:
```

---

```
;
```

```
;PAR1: Real value in range -1000.001 <= PAR2 <= 123.456, default with 100
```

---

```
;PAR2: Positive integer value between 0 <= PAR3 <= 999999, Default with 0
```

---

```
;PAR3: 1 ASCII character
```

---

```
;PAR4: String of length 10 for a subprogram name
```

---

```
;
```

---

```
...
```

---

```
M17
```

---



---

```
PROC SPECIALCYCLE (REAL VALUE1, INT VALUE2)
```

---

```
;The cycle has the following transfer parameters:
```

---

```
;
```

```
;VALUE1: Real value without value range limitation and default
```

---

```
;VALUE2: Integer value without value range limitation and default
```

---

```
...
```

---

```
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```

---

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### Associated file uc.com

```
%_N_UC_COM
; $PATH=/_N_CUS_DIR
//C25(MY_CYCLE_1) usercycle_1
(R/-1000.001 123.456 / 100 /Parameter_2 of cycle)
(I/0 999999 / 1 / integer value)
(C// "A" / Character parameter)
(S///Subprogram name)

//C26(SPECIALCYCLE)
(R///Entire length)
(I/*123456/3/Machining type)
M17
```

### Syntax description for the uc.com file – user cycle description

#### Header line for each cycle:

as in the cov.com file preceded by "//"

```
//C<Number> (<Cycle name>) comment text
```

#### Example:

```
//C25(MY_CYCLE_1) usercycle_
```

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### Line for description for each parameter:

```
(<data type identifier> / <minimum value> <maximum value> / <default value> / <Comments>)
```

#### Data type identifier:

R for real

I for integer

C for character (1 character)

S for string

#### Minimum value, maximum value (can be omitted)

Limitations of the entered values which are checked at input; values outside this range cannot be entered.

It is possible to specify an enumeration of values which can be operated via the toggle key; they are listed preceded by "\*", other values are then not permissible.

#### Example:

```
(I/*123456/1/Machining type)
```

There are no limits for string and character types;

#### Default value (can be omitted)

Value which is the default value in the corresponding screen when the cycle is called; it can be changed via operator input.

#### Comment

Text of up to 50 characters which is displayed in front of the parameter input field in the call screen for the cycle.



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### Display example for both cycles

Display screen for cycle MY\_CYCLE\_1

Parameter 2 of the cycle	100
Integer value	1
Character parameter	
Subprograms	

Display screen for cycle SPECIAL\_CYCLE

Total length	100
Type of machining	1

## 2.18 Macros. DEFINE...AS

### What is a macro?

A macro is a sequence of individual instructions which have together been assigned a name of their own. G, M and H functions or L subprogram names can also be used as macros.

When a macro is called during a program run, the instructions programmed under the program name are executed one after the other.

### Use of macros

Sequences of instructions that recur are only programmed once as a macro in a separate macro module and once at the beginning of the program. The macro can then be called in any main program or subprogram and executed.



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## Programming

Macros are identified with the vocabulary word  
**DEFINE...AS**.

The macro definition is as follows:

```
DEFINE NAME AS <Instruction>
```

Example:

Macro definition:

```
DEFINE LINE AS G1 G94 F300
```

Call in the NC program:

```
N20 LINE X10 Y20
```

## Activate macro

- **SW 4** and lower

Macros are active after control power ON.

- **SW 5** and higher

The macro is active when it is loaded into the NC  
("Load" soft key).

## Three-digit M/G function (**SW 5 and higher**)

- **SW 4** and lower

After a three-digit M function is programmed,  
alarm 12530 is issued.

- **SW 5** and higher

Supports programming of three-digit M and G  
functions.

Example:

```
N20 DEFINE M100 AS M6
```

```
N80 DEFINE M999 AS M6
```



## Additional notes

Nesting of macros is not possible.

Two-digit H and L functions can be programmed.

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**Programming example**

Example of macro definitions.

**DEFINE M6 AS L6**

A subroutine is called at tool change to handle the necessary data transfer. The actual M function is output in the subprogram (e.g. M106).

**DEFINE G81 AS DRILL(81)**

Emulation of the DIN G function

**DEFINE G33 AS M333 G333**

During thread cutting synchronization is requested with the PLC. The original G function G33 was renamed to G333 by machine data so that the programming is identical for the user.

**Example of a global macro file:**

After reading the macro file into the control, activate the macros (see above). The macros can now be used in the parts program.

```
%_N_UMAC_DEF
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR; customer-specific macros
DEFINE PI AS 3.14
DEFINE TC1 AS M3 S1000
DEFINE M13 AS M3 M7      ;Spindle right, coolant on
DEFINE M14 AS M4 M7      ;Spindle left, coolant on
DEFINE M15 AS M5 M9      ;Spindle stop, coolant off
DEFINE M6 AS L6          ;Call tool change program
DEFINE G80 AS MCALL      ;Deselect drilling cycle
M30                      ;
```



- Vocabulary words and reserved names must not be redefined with macros.
- Use of macros can significantly alter the control's programming language!  
Therefore, exercise caution when using macros.
- Macros can also be declared in the NC program.  
Only identifiers are permissible as macro names.  
G function macros can only be defined in the macro module globally for the entire control.
- With macros you can define any identifiers, G, M, H functions and L program names.
- Macro identifiers with 1 letter and 1 digit are permissible (**FM-NC only**).

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### 3.1 Overview

#### Memory structure



The memory structure available to the user is organized in two areas.

##### 1. User memory

The user memory contains the current system and user data with which the control operates (active file system).

Example:

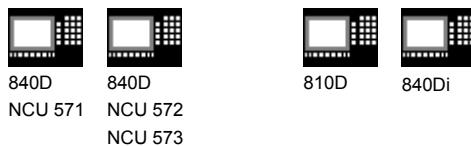
Active machine data, tool offset data, zero offsets.

##### 2. Program memory

The files and programs are stored in the program memory and are thus permanently stored (passive file system).

Example:

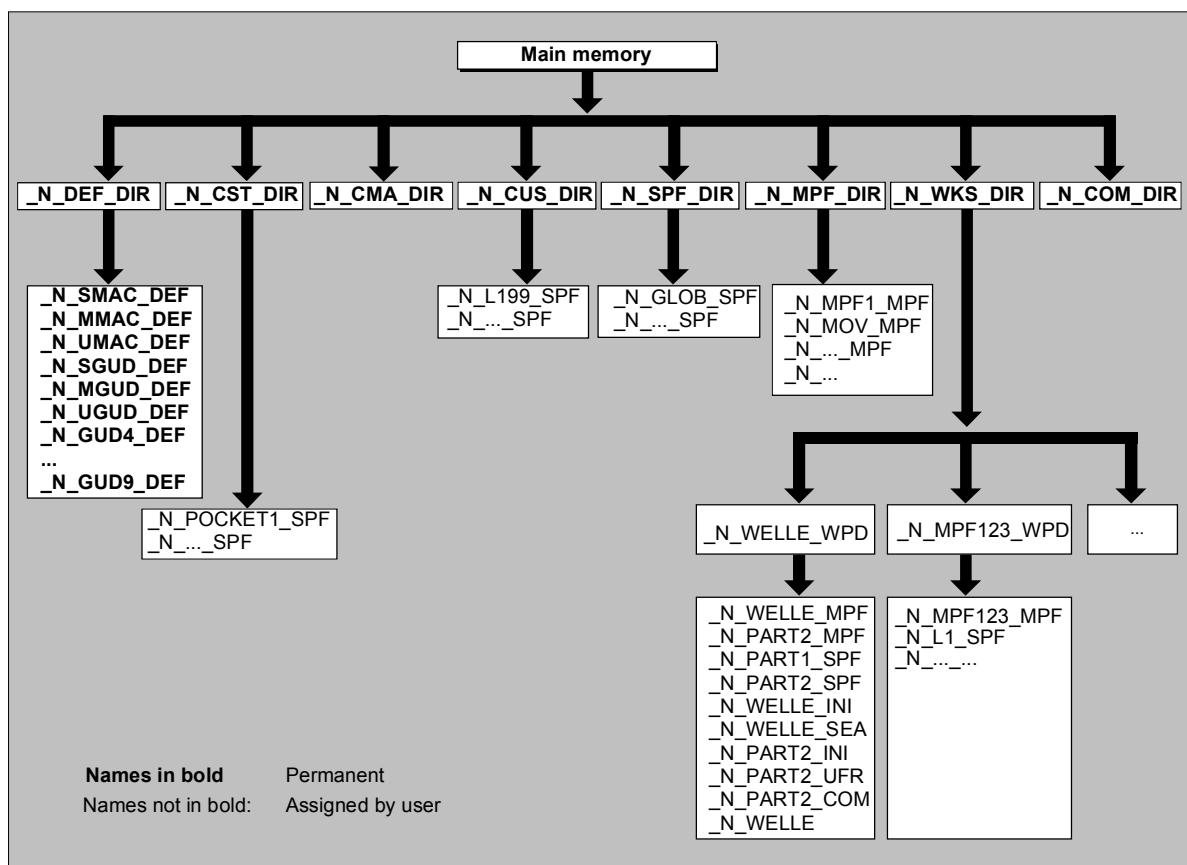
Main programs and subprograms, macro definitions.

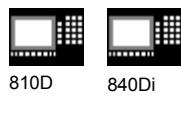
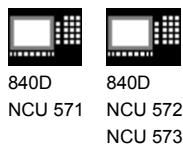


## 3.2 Program memory

### Overview

Main programs and subprograms are stored in the main memory. A number of file types are also stored here temporarily and these can be transferred to the working memory as required (e.g. for initialization purposes on machining of a specific workpiece).





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## Directories

The following directories exist by default:

1. _N_DEF_DIR	Data modules and macro modules
2. _N_CST_DIR	Standard cycles
3. _N_CMA_DIR	Manufacturer cycles
4. _N_CUS_DIR	User cycles
5. _N_WKS_DIR	Workpieces
6. _N_SPF_DIR	Global subprograms
7. _N_MPF_DIR	Standard directory for main programs
8. _N_COM_DIR	Standard directory for comments

## File types

The following file types can be stored in the main memory:

<i>name_MP</i>	Main program
<i>name_SPF</i>	Subprogram
<i>name_TEA</i>	Machine data
<i>name_SEA</i>	Setting data
<i>name_TOA</i>	Tool offsets
<i>name_UFR</i>	Zero offsets/frames
<i>name_INI</i>	Initialization file
<i>name_GUD</i>	Global user data
<i>name_RPA</i>	R parameters
<i>name_COM</i>	Comments
<i>name_DEF</i>	Definitions for global user data and macros



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### Workpiece directory, \_N\_WCS\_DIR

The workpiece directory exists in the standard setup of the program directory under the name `_N_WCS_DIR`.

The workpiece directory contains all the workpiece directories for the workpieces that you have programmed.

### Workpiece directories, Identifier WPD

To make data and program handling more flexible certain data and programs can be grouped together or stored in individual workpiece directories.

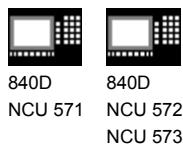
A workpiece directory contains all files required for machining a workpiece.

These can be main programs, subprograms, any initialization programs and comment files.

Example:

Workpiece directory `_N_SHAFT_WPD`, created for workpiece `SHAFT` contains the following files:

<code>_N_SHAFT_MPFI</code>	Main program
<code>_N_PART2_MPFI</code>	Main program
<code>_N_PART1_SPFI</code>	Subprogram
<code>_N_PART2_SPFI</code>	Subprogram
<code>_N_SHAFT_INI</code>	General initialization program for the data of the workpiece
<code>_N_SHAFT_SEA</code>	Setting data initialization program
<code>_N_PART2_INI</code>	General initialization program for the data for the Part 2 program
<code>_N_PART2_UFR</code>	Initialization program for the frame data for the Part 2 program
<code>_N_SHAFT_COM</code>	Comment file



### Creating workpiece directories on an external PC

The steps described below are performed on an external data station.

Please refer to your Operator's Guide for file and program management (from PC to control system) directly on the control.

#### **;\$PATH instruction**

The destination path \$PATH=... is specified within the second line of the file.

Example:

```
; $PATH=/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_WPD
```

The file is stored at the specified path.

#### **Important**

If the path is missing, files of file type SPF are stored in /\_N\_SPF\_DIR, files with extension \_INI in the working memory and all other files in /\_N\_MPF\_DIR.

Example with path for the previous example SHAFT:

```
_N_SHAFT_MPF is stored in  
/_N_WKS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_WPD
```

```
%_N_SHAFT_MPF  
; $PATH=/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_WPD
```

```
N10 G0 X... Z...
```

```
•
```

```
M2
```

```
SHAFT: _N_SHAFT_SPF is stored in  
/_N_SPF_DIR
```

```
•
```

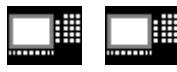
```
%_N_SHAFT_SPF
```

```
•
```

```
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```



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### Select workpiece for machining

A workpiece directory can be selected for execution in a channel.

If a main program with the **same name** or only a single main program (MPF) is stored in this directory, this is automatically selected for execution.

Example:

The workpiece directory

`/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_WPD` contains the files  
`_N_SHAFT_SPF` and `_N_SHAFT_MPF`.

### SW 5 and higher (MMC 102/103 only):

See "Operator's Guide" /BA/ Section on Job list and Selecting program for execution.

### Search path with subprogram call

If the search path is not specified explicitly in the parts program when a subprogram (or initialization file) is called, the calling program searches in a fixed search path.

Example of subprogram call with absolute path specification:

`CALL" /_N_CST_DIR/_N_CYCLE1_SPF"`

Programs are usually called without specifying a path:

Example:

`CYCLE1`

### Search path sequence

1. Current directory / `name`

Workpiece directory or standard directory  
`_N_MPF_DIR`

2. Current directory / `name_SPF`

Global subprograms

3. Current directory / `name_MPF`

User cycles

4. `/_N_SPF_DIR / name_SPF`

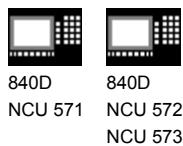
Manufacturer cycles

5. `/_N_CUS_DIR / name_SPF`

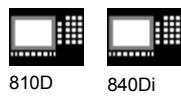
Standard cycles

6. `/_N_CMA_DIR / name_SPF`

7. `/_N_CST_DIR / name_SPF`

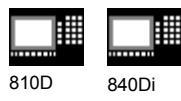


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## Programming search paths for subprogram call

(as from SW 6.4)

### CALLPATH command

The search path can be extended with the parts program command CALLPATH.

Example:

```
CALLPATH( "/_N_WKS_DIR/_N_MYWPD_WPD" )
```

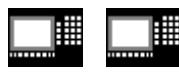
The search path is stored in front of position 5 (user cycle) as programmed.



For further information about the programmable search path for subprogram calls with CALLPATH, see Section 2.12



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### 3.3 User memory

#### Initialization programs

These are programs with which the working memory data are initialized.

The following file types can be used for this:

<i>name</i> _TEA	Machine data
<i>name</i> _SEA	Setting data
<i>name</i> _TOA	Tool offsets
<i>name</i> _UFR	Zero offsets/frames
<i>name</i> _INI	Initialization files
<i>name</i> _GUD	Global user data
<i>name</i> _RPA	R parameters

#### Data areas

The data can be organized in different areas in which they are to apply. For example, a control can use several channels (not 810D CCU1, 840D NCU 571) and can usually use several axes. The following areas are available:

Identifier	Data areas
NCK	NCK-specific data
CHn	Channel-specific data (n specifies the channel number)
AXn	Axis-specific data (n specifies the number of the machine axis)
TO	Tool data
COMPLETE	All data

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#### Generating an initialization program on an external PC

The data area identifier and the data type identifier can be used to determine the areas which are to be treated as a unit when the data are saved.

Example:

_N_AX5_TEA_INI	Machine data for axis 5
_N_CH2_UFR_INI	Frames of channel 2
_N_COMPLETE_TEA_INI	All machine data

When the control is started up initially, a set of data is automatically loaded to ensure proper operation of the control.

#### Saving initialization programs

The files in the working memory can be saved on an external PC and read in again from there.

- The files are saved with COMPLETE.
- An INI file: INITIAL can be created across all areas with \_N\_INITIAL\_INI.

#### Loading initialization programs

INI programs can also be selected and called as parts programs if they only use the data of a single channel. It is thus also possible to initialize program-controlled data.



Information on file types is given in the Operator's Guide.



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### Procedure for multi-channel controls

CHANDATA (channel number) for several channels

is only permitted in the file N\_INITIAL\_INI.

N\_INITIAL\_INI is the installation file with which all data of the control is initialized.

Example:

```
%_N_INITIAL_INI
CHANDATA(1)
;Machine axis assignment channel 1
$MC_AXCONF_MACHAX_USED[0]=1
$MC_AXCONF_MACHAX_USED[1]=2
$MC_AXCONF_MACHAX_USED[2]=3
CHANDATA(2)
;Machine axis assignment channel 2
$MC_AXCONF_MACHAX_USED[0]=4
$MC_AXCONF_MACHAX_USED[1]=5
CHANDATA(1)
;axial machine data
;Exact stop window coarse:
$MA_STOP_LIMIT_COARSE[AX1]=0.2 ;Axis 1
$MA_STOP_LIMIT_COARSE[AX2]=0.2 ;Axis 2
;Exact stop window fine:
$MA_STOP_LIMIT_COARSE[AX1]=0.01 ;Axis 1
$MA_STOP_LIMIT_COARSE[AX1]=0.01 ;Axis 2
```



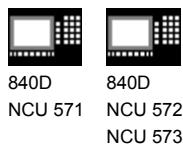
*In the parts program, the CHANDATA instruction may only be used for the channel on which the NC program is running, i.e. the instruction can be used to protect NC programs from being executed accidentally on a different channel.*

*Program processing is aborted if an error occurs.*

#### Note

INI files in job lists do not contain any CHANDATA instructions.

### 3.4 Defining user data



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#### 3.4 Defining user data

##### Function



*Definition of user data (GUD) implemented during start-up procedure.*

The necessary machine data should be initialized accordingly.

The user memory must be configured. All relevant machine data have as a component of their name GUD.

- **SW 5 and higher (01.99):**

The user data (GUD) can be defined in the Services operating area. This means that lengthy reimporting of data backup (%\_N\_INITIAL\_INI) is not necessary.

The following applies:

- Definition files that are on the hard disk are not active.
- Definition files that are on the NC are always active.

##### Reserved module names

The following modules can be stored in the directory

/\_N\_DEF\_DIR:

_N_SMAC_DEF	Contains macro definitions (Siemens, protection level 0)
_N_MMAC_DEF	Contains macro definitions (machine manufacturer, protection level 2)
_N_UMAC_DEF	Contains macro definitions (user, protection level 3)
_N_SGUD_DEF	Contains definitions for global data (Siemens, protection level 0)
_N_MGUD_DEF	Contains definitions for global data (machine manufacturer, protection level 2)
_N_UGUD_DEF	Contains definitions for global data (user, protection level 3)
_N_GUD4_DEF	Freely definable
_N_GUD5_DEF	Contains definitions for measuring cycles (Siemens, protection level 0)
_N_GUD6_DEF	Contains definitions for measuring cycles (Siemens, protection level 0)
_N_GUD7_DEF	Contains definitions for standard cycles (Siemens, protection level 0) or freely definable without standard cycles
_N_GUD8_DEF	Freely definable
_N_GUD9_DEF	Freely definable



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### Defining user data (GUD)

1. Save module \_N\_INITIAL\_INI.
2. Creating a definition file for user data
  - on an external PC (**SW 4** and lower)
  - in the Services operating area (**SW 5** and higher)

Predefined file names are provided (see previous page):

\_N\_SGUD\_DEF  
 \_N\_MGUD\_DEF  
 \_N\_UGUD\_DEF  
 \_N\_GUD4\_DEF ... \_N\_GUD9\_DEF

Files with these names can contain definitions for GUD variables.

### Programming

The GUD variables are programmed with the DEF command:

```
DEF scope preproc. stop type name[... , ...]=value
```

### Explanation

Scope	Range identifies the variable as a GUD variable and defines its validity scope:	
	NCK	Throughout NCK
	CHAN	Throughout channel
Preproc. stop		Optional attribute preprocessing stop:
	SYNR	Preprocessing stop while reading
	SYNW	Preprocessing stop while writing
	SYNRW	Preprocessing stop while reading/writing
Type	Data type	
	BOOL	
	REAL	
	INT	
	AXIS	
	FRAME	
	STRING	
	CHAR	

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Name

Variable name

[.., ..]

Optional run limits for array variables

Value

Optional preset value,  
two or more values for arrays, separated  
by commas  
REP (w1) , SET(w1, W2, ...), (w1, w2, ...)  
Initialization values are not possible for  
type Frame

- Load the definition file in the program memory of the control.

The control always creates a default directory

\_N\_DEF\_DIR.

This name is entered as the path in the header of the GUD definition file and evaluated when read in via the RS-232 interface.

#### Programming example

##### Example of a definition file, global data (Siemens):

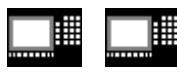
```
%_N_SGUD_DEF
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR
DEF NCK REAL RTP ;Retraction plane
DEF CHAN INT SDIS ;Safety clearance
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```



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#### 4. Activating definition files



- **SW 4** and lower

*Before read-in of the \_N\_INITIAL\_INI, save all programs, frames, and machine data because the static memory will be formatted*

The definition file is only reactivated on read-in of the \_N\_INITIAL\_INI file.

- **SW 5** and higher

When the GUD definition file is loaded into the NC ("Load" soft key), it becomes active. See "Automatic activation ..."

#### 5. Data storage

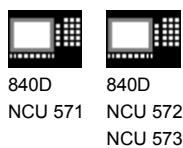
When the file \_N\_COMPLETE\_GUD is archived from the working memory, only the data contained in the file are saved. The definition files created for the global user variables must be archived separately.

The variable assignments to global user data are also stored in \_N\_INITIAL\_INI, the names must be identical with the names in the definition files.

**Example of a definition file for global data  
(machine manufacturer):**

```
%_N_MGUD_DEF
; $PATH= /_N_DEF_DIR
;Global data definitions of the machine manufacturer
DEF NCK SYNRW INT QUANTITY ;Implicit preprocessing stop during read/write
;Spec. data available in the control
;Access from all channels
DEF CHAN INT TOOLTABLE[100] ;Tool table for channel-spec. image
;of the tool number at magazine locations
M30 ;Separate table created for each channel
```

### 3.5 Defining protection levels for user data (GUD)



### 3.5 Defining protection levels for user data (GUD)

#### Programming

Protection levels for the whole module are specified in the headers

```
%_N_MGUD_DEF ; Module type
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR ; Path
APR n APW n ; Protection levels on a separate line
```

#### Explanation

APW n	Write access protection
APR n	Read access protection
n	Protection level n from 0 or 10 (highest level) to 7 or 17 (lowest level)

#### Meaning of the protection levels:

0 or 10	SIEMENS
1 or 11	OEM_HIGH
2 or 12	OEM_LOW
3 or 13	Final user
4 or 14	Key switch 3
...	...
7 or 17	Keyswitch 0
APW 0-7, APR 0-7	These values are permissible in GUD modules and in protection levels for individual variables in the REDEF instruction.
The module variables cannot be written/read via the NC program or in MDA mode.	

#### APW 10-17, APR 10-17:

The module variables can be written/read via the NC program or in MDA mode.

This values are only permissible for module-specific GUD protection level.

#### Note

To protect a complete file, the commands must be placed before the first definitions in the file. In other cases, they go into the **REDEF** instruction of the relevant data.



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## Function

Access criteria can be defined for GUD modules to protect them against manipulation. In cycles GUD variables can be queried that are protected in this way from change via the HMI or from the program.

The access protection applies to **all** variables defined in this module.

When an attempt is made to access protected data, the control outputs an appropriate alarm.

When a GUD definition file is first activated any defined access authorization contained therein is evaluated and automatically re-transferred to the read/write access of the GUD definition file.

## Note

Access authorization entries in the GUD definition file can restrict but not extend the required access authorization for the GUD definition file.

## Example

The definition file \_N\_GUD7\_DEF contains: APW2

- a) The file \_N\_GUD7\_DEF has value 3 as write protection. The value 3 is then overwritten with value 2.
- b) The file \_N\_GUD7\_DEF has value 0 as write protection. There is no change to it.

With the APW instruction a retrospective change is made to the file's write access.

With the APR instruction a retrospective change is made to the file's read access.

## Note

If you erroneously enter in the GUD definition file a higher access level than your authorization allows, the archive file must be reimported.



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### Sequence

The access protection level is programmed with the desired protection level in the relevant module before any variable is defined.

Vocabulary words must be programmed in a separate block.

Example of a definition file with access protection write (machine manufacturer), read (keyswitch 2):



### Programming example

```
%_N_GUD6_DEF
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR
APR 15 APW 12 ; Protection levels for all following
                variables
DEF CHAN REAL_CORRVAL
DEF NCK INT MYCOUNT
...
M30 ;
```

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### Automatic activation of GUDs and MACs (SW 4.4 and higher)



#### Function

The definition files for GUD and macro definitions are edited

- in the Services operating area for the MMC 102/103.

If a definition file is edited in the NC, when exiting the Editor you are prompted whether the definitions are to be set active.



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**Example:**

"Do you want to activate the definitions from file  
GUD7.DEF?"

"OK" → A request is displayed asking you whether you  
want to restore the currently active data.

"Do you want to save the previous data  
in the definitions?"

"OK" → The GUD blocks of the definition file to  
be processed are saved while the new  
definitions are activated and the  
restored data are loaded again.

"Abort" → The new definitions are activated  
while the old data are lost.

"Abort" → The changes made in the  
definition file are canceled and  
the associated data block is not  
changed.

**Unload**

If a definition file is unloaded, the associated data  
block is deleted after a query is displayed.

**Load**

If a definition file is loaded, a prompt is displayed  
asking whether to activate the file or retain the data.  
If you do not activate, the file is not loaded.

If the cursor is positioned on a loaded definition file,  
the soft key labeling changes from "Load" to  
"Activate" to activate the definitions. If you select  
"Activate", another prompt is displayed asking  
whether you want to retain the data.

 Data is only saved for variable definition files, not for  
macros.

### 3.7 Data-specific protection level change for machine and setting data



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#### Additional notes (MMC 103)

If there is not enough memory capacity for activating the definition file, once the memory size has been changed, the file must be transferred from the NC to the MMC and back into the NC again to activate it.

### 3.7 Data-specific protection level change for machine and setting data

#### 3.7.1 Change



#### Programming

REDEF Machine data/setting data protection level



#### Explanation

Protection level:

APW n	Write access protection
APR n	Read access protection

n	Protection level n from 0 (highest level) to 7 (lowest level)
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#### Function

The user **change** the protection levels. Only lower priority protection levels can be assigned in the machine data, and higher priority protection levels in the setting data.

The passwords are required for redefinition by the user.



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### Programming example

Changing rights in individual MDs

```
%_N_SGUD_DEF
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR
REDEF $MA_CTRLOUT_SEGMENT_NR APR 2 APW 2
REDEF $MA_ENC_SEGMENT_NR APR 2 APW 2
REDEF $SN_JOGL_CONT_MODE_LEVELTRIGGRD APR 2 APW 2
M30
```

### 3.7.2 Undoing a change

To undo a change to the protection levels, the original protection levels must be written back again.

### Programming example

Resetting rights in individual MDs to the original values

```
%_N_SGUD_DEF
; $PATH=/_N_DEF_DIR
REDEF $MA_CTRLOUT_SEGMENT_NR APR 7 APW 2
REDEF $MA_ENC_SEGMENT_NR APR 0 APW 0
REDEF $SN_JOGL_CONT_MODE_LEVELTRIGGRD APR 7 APW 7
M30
```

### 3.8 Changing attributes of NC language elements (SW 6.4 and higher)

The REDEF instruction available as from SW 6.4 makes the functions described in the previous subsections for defining data objects and protection levels into a general interface for setting attributes and values.



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## Programming

`REDEF NC language element attribute value`



## Explanation

NC language element

This includes:

GUD

R parameters

Machine data/setting data

Synchronized variables (\$AC\_PARAM,  
\$AC\_MARKER, \$AC\_TIMER)

System variables that can be written from part progs.  
(see Appendix)

User frames (G500, etc.)

Magazine/tool configurations

GCode, predefined functions, macros

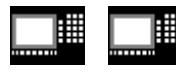
### Attribute

### Permissible for:

INIPO	GUD, R parameters, synchronized variables
INIRE	" " "
INICF	" " "
PRLOC	Setting data
SYNR	GUD
SYNW	"
SYNRW	"
APW	Machine and setting data
APR	" " "



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#### Value

Optional parameters for attributes INIPO, INIRE, INICF, PRLOC: Subsequent start values

Forms:

Single values e.g. 5

Value list e.g. (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9) for variable with 10 elements

REP (w1) with w1: value list to be repeated for variable with two or more elements, e.g. REP(12)

SET(w1, w2, w3, ...) or  
(w1, w2, w3, ...) value list

n Required parameter protection level for attributes for APR or APW

For **GUD**, the definition can contain a start value (DEF NCK INT \_MYGUD=5). If this start value is not stated (e.g. in DEF NCK INT \_MYINT), the start value can be defined subsequently in the REDEF instruction.

**Cannot** be used for R parameters and system parameters.

Only constants can be assigned. Expressions are not permitted values.

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**Meanings of the attributes**

INIPO

**INIt for Power ON**

The data are overwritten with the default(s) on battery-back restart of the NC.

INIRE

**INIt for operator panel front reset or TP end**

At the end of a main program, for example, with M2, M30, etc. or on cancellation with the operator panel front reset, the data are overwritten with the defaults. INIRE also applies for INIPO.

INICF

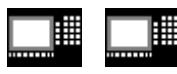
**INIt on NewConf request or TP command NEWCONF**

On NewConf request or TP command NEWCONF, the data are overwritten with the default values. INICF also applies to INIRE and INIPO.

The user is responsible for **synchronization** of the events triggering initialization. For example, if an end of parts program is executed in two **different channels**, the variables are initialized in each. That affects global and axial data!



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## PRLOC

Only program-local change

If the data is changed in a parts program, subprogram, cycle, or ASUB, it will be restored to its original value at the end of the main program (end with, for example, M2, M30, etc. or on cancellation by operator panel front reset).

This attribute is only permissible for programmable setting data.

## SYNR

Only possible for GUD:

## SYNW

Preprocess stop while reading

## SYNRW

Preprocess stop during write

Preprocess stop during read and write

## APW

Access right during write

## APR

Access right during read

For machine and setting data you can overwrite the preset access authorization subsequently. The permissible values range from

'0' (Siemens password) to

'7' (keyswitch position 0)

## Supplementary conditions

The **change** to the attributes of NC objects can only be made **after definition** of the object. In particular, it is necessary to pay attention to the DEF.../ REDEF sequence for GUD. (Setting data/system variables are implicitly created before the definition files are processed).

The symbol must always be defined first (implicitly by the system or by the DEF instruction) and only then can the REDEF be changed.

If two or more concurrent attribute changes are programmed, the last change is always active.

**Attributes of arrays** cannot be set for individual elements but only ever **for the entire array**:



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```
DEF NCK INT _MYGUS[10,10]
REDEF _MYGUD INIRE          // ok
REDEF _MYGUD[1,1] INIRE      // not possible, alarm output
                             // (array value)
```

---

Initialization of GUD arrays themselves is not affected.

---

```
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD[10] =(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD[100,100] = REP (12)
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD[100,100] ;
```

---

Make sure that a sufficiently large **memory for init values** (MD 18150: MM\_GUD\_VAL\_MEM) is available when settingINI attributes for these variables. In MD 11270: DEFAULT\_VALUES\_MEM\_MASK, Bit1 = 1 must be set (memory for initialization values active).

For R and system parameters it is not possible to specify a default that deviates from the compiled value. However, resetting to the compiled value is possible with INIPO, INIRE, or INICF.

For data type FRAME of GUD it is not possible to specify a default deviating from the compiled value either (like for definition of the data item).



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### Programming example 1

Reset behavior with GUD

```
/_N_DEF_DIR/_N_SGUD_DEF
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD1 ; Definitions
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD2 = 2
DEF NCK INT _MYGUD3 = 3
```

Initialization on operator panel front reset/end of parts program:

```
REDEF _MYGUD2 INIRE ; Initialization
M17
```

This sets "\_MYGUD2" back to "2" on operator panel front reset / end of parts program whereas "\_MYGUD1" and "\_MYGUD3" retain their value.

### Programming example 2

Modal speed limitation in the parts program (setting data)

```
/_N_DEF_DIR/_N_SGUD_DEF
REDEF $SA_SPIND_MAX_VELO_LIMS PRLOC ; Setting data for limit speed
M17
```

```
/_N_MPF_DIR/_N_MY_MPF
N10 SETMS (3)
N20 G96 S100 LIMS=2500
...
M30
```

Let the limit speed defined in setting data (\$SA\_SPIND\_MAX\_VELO\_LIMS) speed limitation be 1200rpm. Because a higher speed can be permitted in a set-up and completely tested parts program, LIMS=2500 is programmed here. After the end of the program, the value configured in the setting data takes effect here again.



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### Programmable setting data

The following SD can be initialized with the REDEF instruction:

Number	Identifier	GCODE
42000	\$SC_THREAD_START_ANGLE	SF
42010	\$SC_THREAD_RAMP_DISP	DITS/DITE
42400	\$SC_PUNCH_DWELLTIME	PDELAYON
42800	\$SC_SPIND_ASSIGN_TAB	SETMS
43210	\$SA_SPIND_MIN_VELO_G25	G25
43220	\$SA_SPIND_MAX_VELO_G26	G26
43230	\$SA_SPIND_MAX_VELO_LIMS	LIMS
43300	\$SA_ASSIGN_FEED_PER_REV_SOURCE	FPPAON
43420	\$SA_WORKAREA_LIMIT_PLUS	G26
43430	\$SA_WORKAREA_LIMIT_MINUS	G25
43510	\$SA_FIXED_STOP_TORQUE	FXST
43520	\$SA_FIXED_STOP_WINDOW	FXSW
43700	\$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1	OSP1
43710	\$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2	OSP2
43720	\$SA_OSCILL_DWELL_TIME1	OST1
43730	\$SA_OSCILL_DWELL_TIME2	OST2
43740	\$SA_OSCILL_VELO	FA
43750	\$SA_OSCILL_NUM_SPARK_CYCLES	OSNSC
43760	\$SA_OSCILL_END_POS	OSE
43770	\$SA_OSCILL_CTRL_MASK	OSCTRL
43780	\$SA_OSCILL_IS_ACTIVE	OS

### System variables that can be written from the parts program:

Section 15.2 of this description lists the system variables. All system variables that are marked W (write) or WS (write with preprocess stop) in column parts program can be initialized with the RESET instruction.



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### 3.9 Structuring instruction SEFORM in the Step editor (SW 6.4 and higher)

#### Programming

SEFORM(STRING[128] section\_name, INT level, STRING[128] icon)

#### Explanation of the parameters

SEFORM	Function call of structuring instruction with parameters: section_name, level, and icon
section_name	Identifier of the operation
level	Index for the main or sublevel. =0 means main level =1, ... means sublevel 1 to n
icon	Name of the icon displayed for this section.

#### Function

The SEFORM instruction is evaluated in the Step editor to generate the step view for HMI Advanced. The step view is available as from SW 6.3 on HMI Advanced and makes for better readability of the NC subprogram. The SEFORM structuring instruction supports Step editor (editor-based program support) over the three specified parameters.



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## Additional notes

- The SEFORM instructions are generated in the Step editor.
- The string passed with the <section\_name> parameter is stored main-run-synchronously in the OPI variable in a similar way to the MSG instruction. The information remains until overwritten by the next SEFORM instruction. Reset and end of parts program clear the content.
- The level and icon parameters are checked by the parts program processing of the NCK but not further processed.

 For more information about editor-based programming support, see:  
*/BAD/ Operator's Guide HMI Advanced*



## Protection Zones

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### 4.1 Defining the protection zones CPROTDEF, NPROTDEF

#### Programming

```
DEF INT NOT_USED
CPROTDEF(n,t,applim,applus,appminus)
NPROTDEF(n,t,applim,applus,appminus)
EXECUTE (NOT_USED)
```



#### Explanation of the commands

DEF INT NOT_USED	Define local variable, data type integer (see Chapter 10)
CPROTDEF	Channel-specific protection zones (for NCU 572/573 only)
NPROTDEF	Machine-specific protection zones
EXECUTE	End definition



#### Explanation of the parameters

n	Number of defined protection zone
t	TRUE = <b>Tool</b> -oriented protection zone FALSE = <b>Workpiece</b> -oriented protection zone
applim	Type of limit in the 3rd dimension 0 = No limit 1 = Limit in positive direction 2 = Limit in negative direction 3 = Limit in positive and negative direction
applus	Value of the limit in the positive direction in the 3rd dimension
appminus	Value of the limit in the negative direction in the 3rd dimension
NOT_USED	Error variable has no effect in protection zones with EXECUTE

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### Function

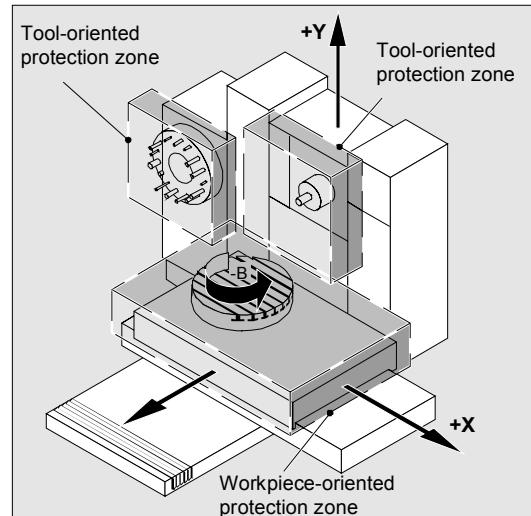
You can use protection zones to protect various elements on the machine, their components and the workpiece against incorrect movements.

#### Tool-oriented protection zones:

For parts which belong to the tool (e.g. tool, tool carrier).

#### Workpiece-oriented protection zones:

For parts which belong to the workpiece (e.g. parts of the workpiece, clamping table, clamp, spindle chuck, tailstock).



### Sequence

#### Defining protection zones

Definition of the protection zones includes the following:

- CPROTDEF for channel-specific protection zones
- NPROTDEF for machine-specific protection zones
- Contour description for protection zone
- Termination of the definition with EXECUTE



You can specify a relative offset for the reference point of the protection zone when the protection zone is activated in the NC parts program.

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### Reference point for contour description

The workpiece-oriented protection zones are defined in the basic coordinate system. The tool-oriented protection zones are defined with reference to the tool carrier reference point F.

### Contour definition of protection zones

The contour of the protection zones is specified with up to 11 traversing movements in the selected plane. The first traversing movement is the movement to the contour. The area to the left of the contour qualifies as the protection zone. The travel motions programmed between CPROTDEF or NPROTDEF and EXECUTE are not executed, but merely define the protection zone.

### Working plane

The required plane is selected before CPROTDEF and NPROTDEF with G17, G18, G19 and must not be altered before EXECUTE. The applicate must not be programmed between CPROTDEF or NPROTDEF and EXECUTE.

### Contour elements

The following are permitted:

- G0, G1 for straight contour elements
- G2 for clockwise circle segments (only for tool-oriented protection zones)
- G3 for counterclockwise circle segments

A maximum of four contour elements are available for defining one protection zone (max. of four protection zones) with the SINUMERIK FM-NC. With the 810D, a maximum of 4 contour elements are available for defining one protection zone (max. of four channel-specific and 4 NCK-specific protection zones).





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 If a full circle describes the protection zone, it must be divided into two half circles. The order G2, G3 or G3, G2 is not permitted. A short G1 block must be inserted, if necessary.

The last point in the contour description must coincide with the first.

**External protection zones** (only possible for workpiece-oriented protection zones) should be defined **in the clockwise direction**.

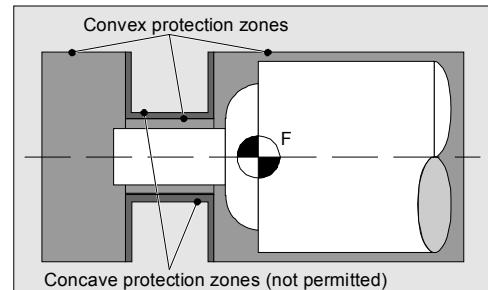
For **dynamically balanced** protection zones (e.g. spindle chucks) you must describe the **complete contour** (and not only up to the center of rotation!).

**Tool-oriented** protection zones must always be **convex**. If a concave protected zone is desired, this should be subdivided into several convex protection zones.

 The following must not be active while the protection zones are defined:

- Cutter radius or tool nose radius compensation,
- Transformation,
- Frame.

Nor must reference point approach (G74), fixed point approach (G75), block search stop or program end be programmed.



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### 4.2 Activating/deactivating protection zones: CPROT, NPROT



#### Programming

```
CPROT (n,state,xMov,yMov,zMov)
NPROT (n,state,xMov,yMov,zMov)
```



#### Explanation of the commands and parameters

CPROT	Call channel-specific protection zone (for NCU 572/573 only)
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NPROT	Call machine-specific protection zone
-------	---------------------------------------

n	Number of protection zone
---	---------------------------

state	Status parameter 0 = Deactivate protection zone 1 = Preactivate protection zone 2 = Activate protection zone
-------	---

xMov , yMov , zMov	Move defined protection zone on the geometry axes
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#### Function

Activating and preactivating previously defined protection zones for collision monitoring and deactivating protection zones.

The maximum number of protection zones which can be active simultaneously on the same channel is defined in machine data.

If no tool-oriented protection zone is active, the tool path is checked against the workpiece-oriented protection zones.



If no workpiece-oriented protection zone is active, protection zone monitoring does not take place.



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## Sequence

### Activation status

A protection zone is generally activated in the parts program with status = 2.

The status is always channel-specific even for machine-oriented protection zones.

If a PLC user program provides for a protection zone to be effectively set by a PLC user program, the required preactivation is implemented with status = 1.

The protection zones are deactivated and therefore disabled with Status = 0. No offset is necessary.

### Offset of protection zones on (pre)activation

The offset can take place in 1, 2, or 3 dimensions.

The offset refers to:

- the machine zero in workpiece-specific protection zones,
- the tool carrier reference point F in tool-specific protection zones.



## Additional notes

Protection zones can be activated straight after booting and subsequent reference point approach. The system variable `$SN_PA_ACTIV_IMMED [n]` or `$SN_PA_ACTIV_IMMED[n] = TRUE` must be set for this. They are always activated with Status = 2 and have no offset.

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### Multiple activation of protection zones

A protection zone can be active simultaneously in several channels (e.g. tailstock where there are two opposite sides).

The protection zones are only monitored if all geometry axes have been referenced. The following rules apply:

- The protection zone cannot be activated simultaneously with different offsets in a single channel.
- Machine-oriented protection zones must have the same orientation on both channels.

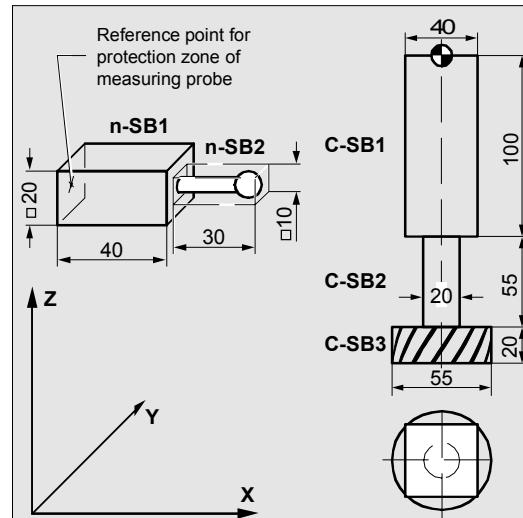
### Programming example



Possible collision of a milling cutter with the measuring probe is to be monitored on a milling machine. The position of the measuring probe is to be defined by an offset when the function is activated.

The following protection zones are defined for this:

- A machine-specific and a workpiece-oriented protection zone for both the measuring probe holder (n-SB1) and the measuring probe itself (n-SB2).
- A channel-specific and a tool-oriented protection zone for the milling cutter holder (c-SB1), the cutter shank (c-SB2) and the milling cutter itself (c-SB3).



The orientation of all protection zones is in the Z direction.

The position of the reference point of the measuring probe on activation of the function must be X = -120, Y = 60 and Z = 80.



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DEF INT PROTECTB

Definition of an auxiliary variable

#### Definition of protection zones

Set orientation

G17

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NPROTDEF(1, FALSE, 3, 10, -10) Protection zone n-SB1

G01 X0 Y-10

X40

Y10

X0

Y-10

EXECUTE ( PROTECTB )

---

NPROTDEF(2, FALSE, 3, 5, -5) Protection zone n-SB2

G01 X40 Y-5

X70

Y5

X40

Y-5

EXECUTE ( PROTECTB )

---

CPROTDEF(1, TRUE, 3, 0, -100) Protection zone c-SB1

G01 X-20 Y-20

X20

Y20

X-20

Y-20

EXECUTE ( PROTECTB )

---

CPROTDEF(2, TRUE, 3, -100, -150) Protection zone c-SB2

G01 X0 Y-10

G03 X0 Y10 J10

X0 Y-10 J-10

EXECUTE ( PROTECTB )

---

CPROTDEF(3, TRUE, 3, -150, -170) Protection zone c-SB3

G01 X0 Y-27,5

G03 X0 Y27,5 J27,5

X0 Y27,5 J-27,5

EXECUTE ( PROTECTB )

---

#### Activation of protection zones:

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NPROT(1, 2, -120, 60, 80) Activate protection zone n-SB1 with offset

---

NPROT(2, 2, -120, 60, 80) Activate protection zone n-SB2 with offset

---

CPROT(1, 2, 0, 0, 0) Activate protection zone c-SB1 with offset

---

CPROT(2, 2, 0, 0, 0) Activate protection zone c-SB2 with offset

---

CPROT(3, 2, 0, 0, 0) Activate protection zone c-SB3 with offset

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## 5.1 Approaching coded positions, CAC, CIC, CDC, CACP, CACN



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### 5.1 Approaching coded positions, CAC, CIC, CDC, CACP, CACN

#### Explanation of the commands



CAC(n)	Approach coded positions absolutely
CIC(n)	Approach coded position incrementally by n spaces in plus direction (+) or in minus direction (-)
CDC(n)	Approach coded position via shortest possible route (rotary axes only)
CACP(n)	Approach coded position absolutely in positive direction (rotary axes only)
CACN(n)	Approach coded position absolutely in negative direction (rotary axes only)
(n)	Position numbers 1, 2, ... max. 60 positions for each axis



#### Sequence

You can enter a maximum of 60 (0 to 59) positions in special position tables for two axes in machine data.

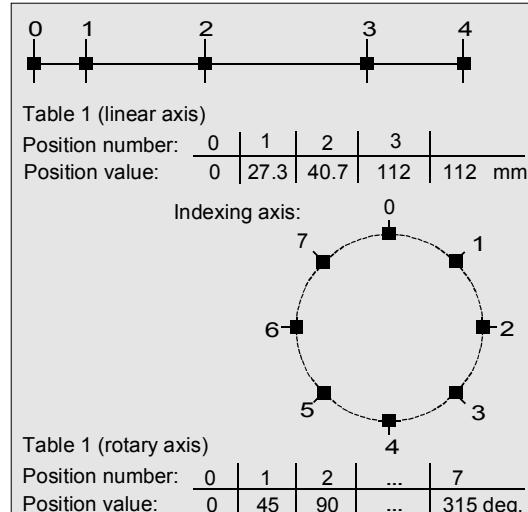
For an example of a typical position table see diagram.



#### Further details

If an axis is situated between two positions, it does not traverse in response to an incremental position command with CIC (...).

It is always advisable to program the first travel command with an absolute position value.



#### Programming example

N10 FA[B]= 300	Feed for positioning axis B
N20 POS[B]= CAC (10)	Approach coded position 10 (absolutely)
N30 POS[B]= CIC (-4)	Travel 4 spaces back from the current position



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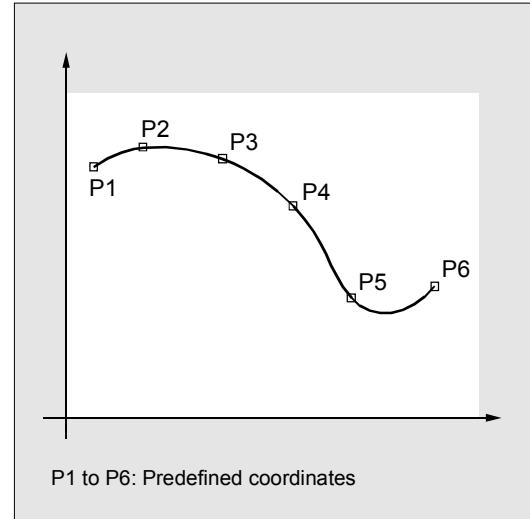
## 5.2 Spline interpolation



### Introduction

The spline interpolation function can be used to link series of points along smooth curves. Splines can be applied, for example, to create curves using a sequence of digitized points.

There are several types of spline with different characteristics, each producing different interpolation effects. In addition to selecting the spline type, the user can also manipulate a range of different parameters. Several attempts are normally required to obtain the desired pattern.



### Programming

ASPLINEX Y Z A B C

or

BSPLINE X Y Z A B C

or

CSPLINE X Y Z A B C



### Function

In programming a spline, you link a series of points along a curve.

You can select one of three spline types:

- A spline (akima spline)
- B spline (non-uniform, rational basis spline, NURBS)
- C spline (cubic spline)

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### Additional notes

A, B and C splines are modally active and belong to the group of motion commands. The tool radius offset may be used. Collision monitoring is carried out in the projection in the plane.

Axes that are to interpolate in the spline grouping are selected with command SPLINEPATH (further details on the following pages).



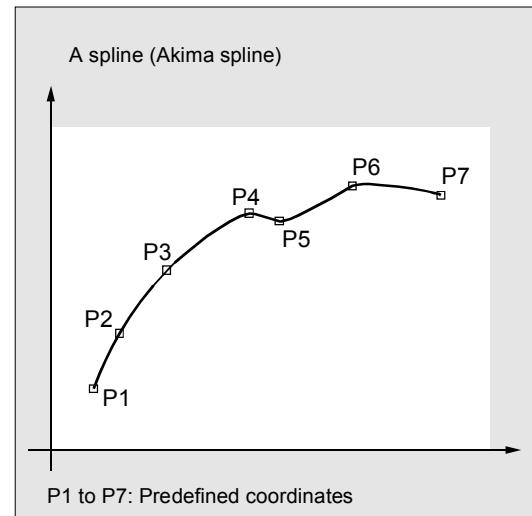
### Sequence

#### A SPLINE

The A spline (Akima spline) passes exactly through the intermediate points. While it produces virtually no undesirable oscillations, it does not create a continuous curve in the interpolation points.

The akima spline is local, i.e. a change to an interpolation point affects only up to six adjacent points.

The primary application for this spline type is therefore the interpolation of digitized points. Supplementary conditions can be programmed for akima splines (see below for more information). A polynomial of third degree is used for interpolation.





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## B SPLINE

With a B spline, the programmed positions are not intermediate points, but merely check points of the spline, i.e. the curve is "drawn towards" the points, but does not pass directly through them.

The lines linking the points form the check polygon of the spline. B splines are the optimum means for defining tool paths on sculptured surfaces. Their primary purpose is to act as the interface to CAD systems. A third degree B spline does not produce any oscillations in spite of its continuously curved transitions.

Programmed supplementary conditions (please see below for more information) have no effect on B splines. The B spline is always tangential to the check polygon at its start and end points.

### *Point weight:*

A weight can be programmed for every interpolation point.

### *Programming:*

PW = n

### *Value range:*

0 <= n <= 3; in steps of 0.0001

### *Effect:*

n > 1 The check point exerts more "force" on the curve

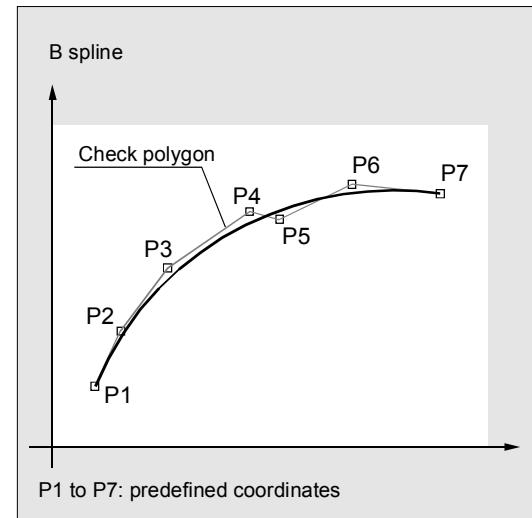
n < 1 The check point exerts less "force" on the curve

### *Spline degree:*

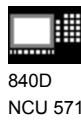
A third degree polygon is used as standard, but a second degree polygon is also possible.

### *Programming:*

SD = 2



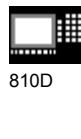
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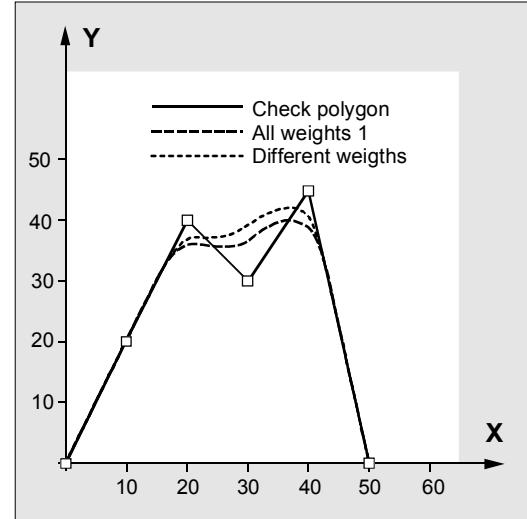
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### Distance between nodes:

Node distances are appropriately calculated internally in the control, but the system is also capable of processing user-programmed node distances.

### Programming:

$P_L$  = Value range as for path dimension



### Example of B-spline:

#### All weights 1

```
N10 G1 X0 Y0 F300 G64
N20 BSPLINE
N30 X10 Y20
N40 X20 Y40
N50 X30 Y30
N60 X40 Y45
N70 X50 Y0
```

#### Different weights

```
N10 G1 X0 Y0 F300 G64
N20 BSPLINE
N30 X10 Y20 PW=2
N40 X20 Y40
N50 X30 Y30 PW=0.5
N60 X40 Y45
N70 X50 Y0
```

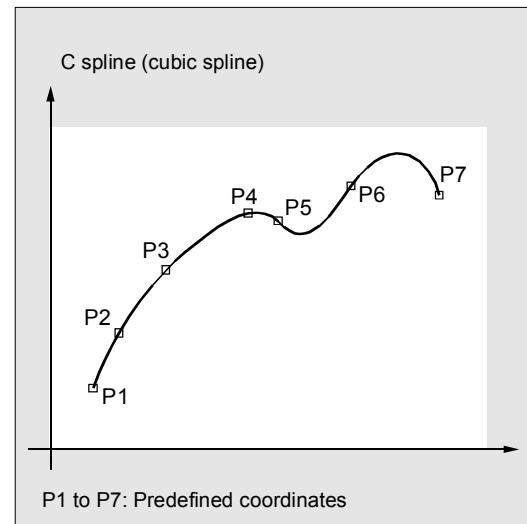
#### Check polygon

```
N10 G1 X0 Y0 F300 G64
N20 ;omitted
N30 X10 Y20
N40 X20 Y40
N50 X30 Y30
N60 X40 Y45
N70 X50 Y0
```

### C SPLINE

In contrast to the Akima spline, the cubic spline is continuously curved in the intermediate points. It tends to have unexpected fluctuations however. It can be used in cases where the interpolation points lie along an analytically calculated curve. C splines use third degree polynomials.

The spline is not local, i.e. changes to an interpolation point can influence a large number of blocks (with gradually decreasing effect).





## Supplementary conditions

The following supplementary conditions apply only to akima and cubic splines (A and C splines).

The transitional response (start and end) of these spline curves can be set via two groups of instructions consisting of three commands each.

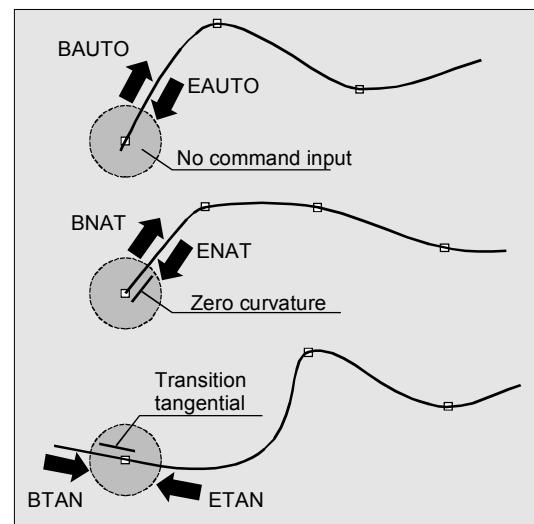
## Explanation of the commands

Start of spline curve:

BAUTO	No command input; start is determined by the position of the first point
BNAT	Zero curvature
BTAN	Tangential transition to preceding block (initial setting)

End of spline curve:

EAUTO	No command input; end is determined by the position of the last point
ENAT	Zero curvature
ETAN	Tangential transition to next block (initial setting)



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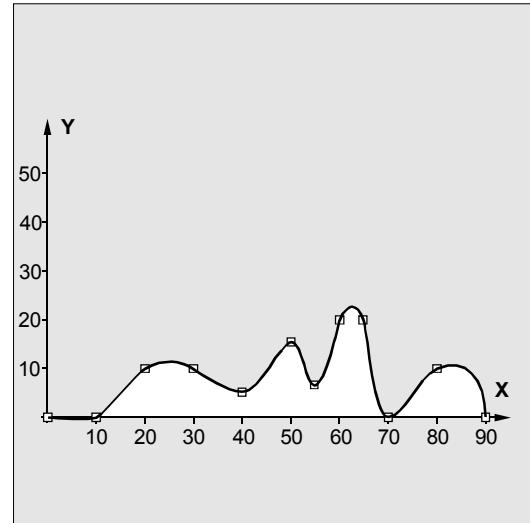


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### Example

C spline, zero curvature at start and end



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```
N10 G1 X0 Y0 F300
```

---

```
N15 X10
```

---

```
N20 BNAT ENAT
```

C spline, at start and end

Zero curvature

---

```
N30 CSPLINE X20 Y10
```

---

```
N40 X30
```

---

```
N50 X40 Y5
```

---

```
N60 X50 Y15
```

---

```
N70 X55 Y7
```

---

```
N80 X60 Y20
```

---

```
N90 X65 Y20
```

---

```
N100 X70 Y0
```

---

```
N110 X80 Y10
```

---

```
N120 X90 Y0
```

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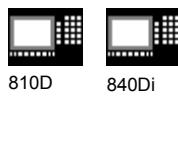
```
N130 M30
```



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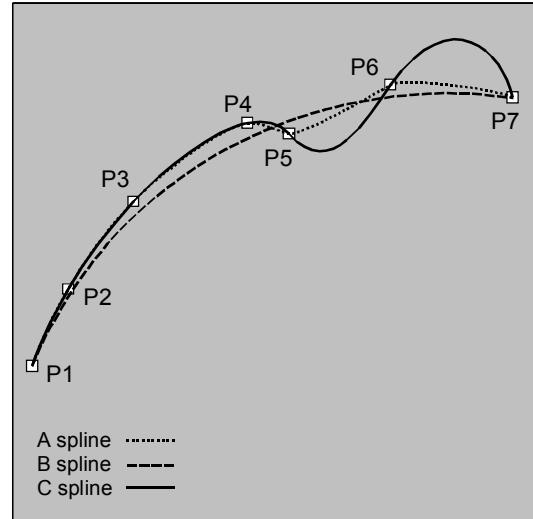
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### What does which spline do?

Comparison of three spline types with identical interpolation points:

- A spline (akima spline)
- B spline (Bezier spline)
- C spline (cubic spline)



### Spline grouping

Up to eight path axes can be involved in a spline interpolation grouping. The SPLINEPATH instruction defines which axes are to be involved in the spline. The instruction is programmed in a separate block. If SPLINEPATH is not explicitly programmed, then the first three axes in the channel are traversed as the spline grouping.

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### Programming

SPLINEPATH(n,X,Y,Z,...)



### Explanation

SPLINEPATH(n,X,Y,Z,...)

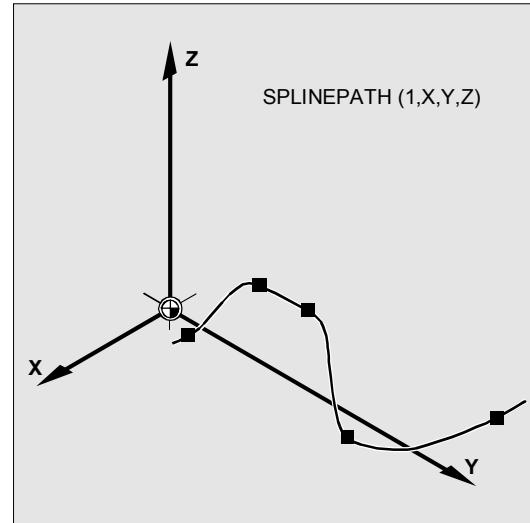
n = 1, fixed value

X,Y,Z,... path axis names



### Example

Spline grouping with three path axes



N10 G1 X10 Y20 Z30 A40 B50 F350

N11 SPLINEPATH(1,X,Y,Z) Spline grouping

N13 CSPLINE BAUTO EAUTO X20 Y30 Z40 A50 B60 C spline

N14 X30 Y40 Z50 A60 B70 Interpolation points

...

N100 G1 X... Y... Deselection of spline interpolation



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## Settings for splines

The G codes ASPLINE, BSPLINE and CSPLINE link block endpoints with splines.

For this purpose, a series of blocks (endpoints) must be simultaneously calculated.

The buffer size for calculations is ten blocks as standard.

Not all block information is a spline endpoint.  
However, the control requires a certain number of spline endpoint blocks from ten blocks.

They are as follows for:

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A spline: At least 4 blocks out of every 10 must be spline blocks. These do not include comment blocks and parameter calculations.

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B spline: At least 6 blocks out of every 10 must be spline blocks. These do not include comment blocks and parameter calculations.

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C spline: From each 10 blocks at least the contents of machine data \$MC\_CUBIC\_SPLINE\_BLOCKS+1 must be spline blocks (also in standard case 9)  
The number of points must be entered in machine data \$MC\_CUBIC\_SPLINE\_BLOCKS (standard value 8) which are used for calculating the spline segment.

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An alarm is output if the tolerated value is exceeded and likewise when one of the axes involved in the spline is programmed as a positioning axis.

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### 5.3 Compressor COMPON/COMPCURV/COMPCAD (SW 6.2)



#### Programming

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COMPOF



#### Explanation

COMPON / COMPCURV / COMPCAD	Compressor ON
COMPOF	Compressor OFF



#### Function

With G code COMPON block transitions are only constant in speed, while acceleration of the participating axes can be in jumps at block transitions. This can increase oscillation on the machine.

#### SW 4.4 and higher:

With G code COMPCURV, the block transitions are with constant acceleration. This ensures both smooth velocity and acceleration of all axes at block transitions.

#### SW 6.2 and higher:

Another compression can be selected with the G code COMPCAD. Its **surface finish and speed** can be optimized, and the interpolation precision can be determined via machine data. COMPCAD is computation- and memory-intensive and should only be used if it was not possible to improve the surface by means of the CAD/CAM program.

Properties:

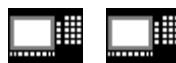
- COMPCAD generates polynomial blocks that merge into one another with constant acceleration.
- With adjacent paths, deviations head in the same direction.
- A limit angle can be defined with setting data \$SC\_CRIT SPLINE\_ANGLE; COMPCAD will leave the corners from this angle.



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- The number of blocks to be compressed is not limited to 10.
- COMPCAD eliminates poor surface transitions. In doing so, however, the tolerances are largely adhered to but the corner limit angle is ignored.
- The rounding function G642 can also be used.

#### **SW 6.2 and higher:**

The compressors COMPON, COMPCURV and COMPCAD are extended in a way that even NC programs for which orientation was programmed via directional vectors, can be compressed respecting a specifiable tolerance.

The function "Compressor for orientations" is only available if the orientation transformation option is available.

The restrictions mentioned above under "Conditions of usage" have been relieved to allow position values via parameter settings now also.

#### NC block structure in general:

```
N10 G1 X=<...> Y=<...> Z=<...> A=<...>
      B=<...> F=<...> ; comment
```

Axis positions as parameter printouts with < ... > parameter printout such as X=R1\*(R2+R3)

Active orientation transformation (TRAORI) being active, the following kinematics-independent programming options for the tool direction of 5-axis machines are possible.

1. Program the direction vector via:  
 $A3=<\dots> B3=<\dots> C3=<\dots>$
2. Program the Euler angle or RPY angle:  
 $A2=<\dots> B2=<\dots> C2=<\dots>$

The orientation motion is only compressed when the large circle interpolation is active, i.e. the tool orientation is changed in the plane which is determined by start and end orientation.

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A large circle interpolation is performed under the following conditions:

1. For MD 21104: ORI\_IPO\_WITH\_G\_CODE = FALSE, if ORIWKS is active and orientation is programmed as vector (with A3, B3, C3 or A2, B2, C2).
2. For MD 21104: ORI\_IPO\_WITH\_G\_CODE = TRUE, if ORIVECT or ORIPLANE are active. Tool orientation can be programmed either as direction vector or with rotary axis positions. If one of the G-codes ORICONxx or ORICURVE is active or if polynomials are programmed for the orientation angle (PO[PHI] and PO[PSI]) a large circle interpolation is not performed, i.e., blocks of this type are not compressed.

For **6-axis** machines you can program the tool rotation in addition to the tool orientation. You can program the angle of rotation with the identifier THETA (THETA=<...>).

NC blocks in which additional rotation is programmed, can only be compressed if the angle of rotation changes linear, meaning that you must not program a polynomial with PO[THT]=(...) for the angle of rotation.

NC block structure in general:

---

```
N... X=<...> Y=<...> Z=<...> A3=<...>
      B3=<...> C3=<...> THETA=<...> F=<...>
```

---

or

---

```
N... X=<...> Y=<...> Z=<...> A2=<...>
      B2=<...> C2=<...> THETA=<...> F=<...>
```

---

If tool orientation is specified via rotary axis positions, e.g. as:

```
N... X=<...> Y=<...> Z=<...> A=<...>
      B=<...> THETA=<...> F=<...>
```

the compression will be performed in two different ways, depending on whether a large circle interpolation is performed or not. If large circle interpolation is not performed, the compressed orientation change is represented by axial polynomials for the rotary axes.



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### Accuracy

You can compress NC blocks only if you allow the contour to deviate from the programmed contour.

You can set the maximal deviation as a compressor tolerance in the setting data. The higher these allowed tolerances are set, the more blocks can be compressed.

### Axis precision

For each axis, the compressor creates a spline curve which deviates from the programmed end points of each axis by max. the tolerance set with the axial MD.

### Contour precision

It controls the max. geometrical contour deviations (geometry axes) and the tool orientation. It is done via the setting data for:

1. Max. tolerance for the contour
2. Max. angular displacement for tool orientation
3. Max. angular displacement for the angle of tool rotation (only available for 6-axis machines)

With the channel-specific MD 20482

COMPRESSOR\_MODE, you can set tolerance specifications:

- 0: axis precision: axial tolerances for all axes (geometry axes and orientation axes).
- 1: Contour precision: Specification of the contour tolerance (1.), the tolerance for orientation via axial tolerances (a.).
- 2: Specification of the max. angular displacement for tool orientation (2.), tolerance for the contour via axial tolerances (a.).
- 3: Specification of the contour tolerance with (1.) and specification of the max. angular displacement for tool orientation with (2.).

You can specify the angular displacement of the tool orientation only if an orientation transformation (TRAORI) is active.

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### Activation

You can activate "Compressor for orientations" via one of the following commands:  
**COMPON**, **COMPCURV** (**COMPCAD** not possible).  
 References: /FB3/, F2: "3-axis to 5-axis transformation"



### Machine manufacturer

Three sets of machine data are provided for the compressor function:

- **\$MC\_COMPRESS\_BLOCK\_PATH\_LIMIT**  
 A maximum path length is set. All the blocks along this path are suitable for compression.  
 Larger blocks are not compressed.
- **\$MA\_COMPRESS\_POS\_TOL**  
 A tolerance can be set for each axis. The generated spline curve does not deviate by more than this value from the programmed end points.  
 The higher these values are set, the more blocks can be compressed.
- **\$MC\_COMPRESS\_VELO\_TOL**  
 The maximum permissible path feed deviation with active compressor can be preset in conjunction with FLIN and FCUB.

Special features with **COMPCAD**:

- **\$MN\_MM\_EXT\_PROG\_BUFFER\_SIZE** should be large, e.g. 100 (KB).
- **\$MC\_COMPRESS\_BLOCK\_PATH\_LIMIT** must be significantly increased in value, e.g. 50 (mm).
- **\$MC\_MM\_NUM\_BLOCKS\_IN\_PREP** must be  $\geq 60$ , to allow machining of much more than 10 points.
- FLIN and FCUB cannot be used.

Recommended for large block lengths and optimum velocity:

- **\$MC\_MM\_MAX\_AXISPOLY\_PER\_BLOCK = 5**  
**\$MC\_MM\_PATH\_VELO\_SEGMENTS = 5**  
**\$MC\_MM\_ARCLENGTH\_SEGMENTS = 10.**



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As a rule, CAD/CAM systems provide linear blocks that meet the programmed accuracy.

With complex contours this leads to a considerable amount of data and to short path sections. These short path sections restrict the execution speed.

With the compressor a certain number (max. 10) of these short path sections can be joined together to form one path section.

The modal G code COMPON or COMPCURV activates an "NC block compressor".

With linear interpolation, this function groups a number of straight blocks (number is restricted to 10) and approaches them by means of third degree polynomials (COMPON), or fifth degree polynomials (COMPCURV), within an error tolerance range specified via machine data. In this way, the NC processes one large motion block rather than a large number of small ones.

#### Conditions for usage:

This compression operation can only be executed on linear blocks (G1). It is interrupted by any other type of NC instruction, e.g. an auxiliary function output, but not by parameter calculations.

Only those blocks containing nothing more than the block number, G1, axis addresses, feed and comments are compressed. All other blocks are executed unchanged (no compression). Variables may not be used.

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#### Example COMPON

N10 COMPON	Or COMPCURV, compressor ON
N11 G1 X0.37 Y2.9 F600	G1 must be programmed before the end point and feed
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N12 X16.87 Y-4.698	
N13 X16.865 Y-4.72	
N14 X16.91 Y-4.799	
...	
N1037 COMPOF	Compressor OFF
...	

All blocks are compressed for which a simple syntax is sufficient.

E.g.

N19 X0.103 Y0. Z0.  
N20 X0.102 Y-0.018  
N21 X0.097 Y-0.036  
N22 X0.089 Y-0.052  
N23 X0.078 Y-0.067

Not compressed are e.g. extended addresses such as C=100 or A=AC(100).

**From NC SW 6.3:** Motion blocks with extended addresses are now also compressed.

#### Example COMPCAD

G00 X30 Y6 Z40	
G1 F10000 G642	
SOFT	
COMPCAD	Compressor interface optimization ON
STOPFIFO	
N24050 Z32.499	
N24051 X41.365 Z32.500	
N24052 X43.115 Z32.497	
N24053 X43.365 Z32.477	
N24054 X43.556 Z32.449	
N24055 X43.818 Z32.387	
N24056 X44.076 Z32.300	
...	
COMPOF	Compressor OFF
G00 Z50	
M30	



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### Example "Compressor for orientations"

```

DEF INT NUMBER= 60
DEF REAL RADIUS = 20
DEF INT COUNTER
DEF REAL ANGLE
N10 G1 X0 Y0 F5000 G64
$SC_COMPRESS_CONTOUR_TOL = 0.05
$SC_COMPRESS_ORI_TOL = 5
TRAORI
COMPCURV
N100 X0 Y0 A3=0 B3=-1 C3=1
N110 FOR COUNTER = 0 TO NUMBER
N120 ANGLE= 360 * COUNTER /NUMBER
N130 X=RADIUS*COS(WINKEL)Y=RADIUS*
    SIN(ANGLE) A3=SIN(ANGLE)
    B3=-COS(ANGLE) C3=1
N140 ENDFOR
...

```

The following program example shows how to compress a circle which is approached by a polygon definition. A synchronous tool orientation moves on the outside of a taper at the same time. Although the programmed orientation changes are executed one after the other, but in an unsteady way, the compressor generates a smooth motion of the orientation.

max. contour deviation

0.05mm

max. deviation of the orientation

5 degrees

A polygon-generated circle is traversed, while the orientation moves on a taper around the Z axis at an arc angle of 45 degrees.

## 5.4 Polynomial interpolation – POLY, POLYPATH (SW 5 and higher)



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### 5.4 Polynomial interpolation – POLY, POLYPATH (SW 5 and higher)



The control system is capable of traversing curves (paths) in which every selected path axis is operating as a function of up to SW 5 (polynomial, max. third degree), from SW 6 (polynomial, max. fifth degree).

The equation used to express the polynomial function is generally as follows:

$$f(p) = a_0 + a_1 p + a_2 p^2 + a_3 p^3 \text{ (SW 5 and lower) or}$$

$$f(p) = a_0 + a_1 p + a_2 p^2 + a_3 p^3 + a_4 p^4 + a_5 p^5 \text{ (SW 6 and higher)}$$

The letters have the following meaning:

$a_n$ : Constant coefficients

$p$ : Parameters

By assigning concrete values to these coefficients, it is possible to generate a wide variety of curve shapes such as line, parabola and power functions.

By setting the coefficients as  $a_2 = a_3 = 0$  (SW 5 and lower) or  $a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = a_5 = 0$  (SW 6 and higher) it is possible to create, e.g. a straight line with

$$f(p) = a_0 + a_1 p$$

Meanings:

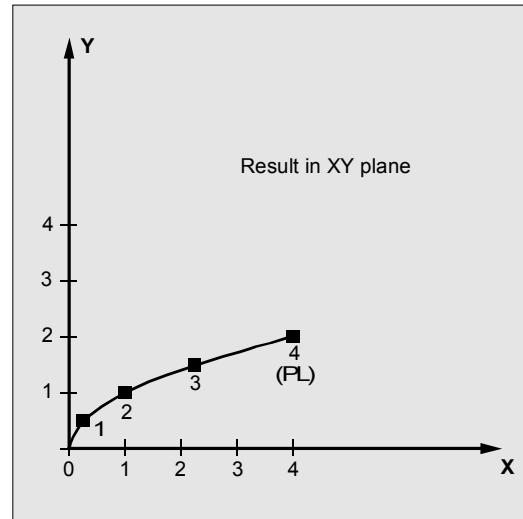
$a_0$  = Axis position at end of preceding block

$a_1$  = Difference between axis position at end of the definition range (PL) and start position

#### Definition

Polynomial interpolation (POLY) is not one of the real types of spline interpolation. Its main purpose is to act as an interface for programming externally generated spline curves where the spline sections can be programmed directly.

This mode of interpolation relieves the NC of the task of calculating polynomial coefficients. It can be applied optimally in cases where the coefficients are supplied directly by a CAD system or postprocessor.





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Polynomial interpolation belongs to the first G group along with G0, G1, G2, G3, A spline, B spline and C spline. If it is active, there is no need to program the polynomial syntax: Axes that are programmed with their name and end point only are traversed linearly to their end point. If all axes are programmed in this manner, the control system responds as if G1 were programmed.

Polynomial interpolation is deactivated by another command in the G group (e.g. G0, G1).

### **SW 5 and higher**

#### **Subprogram call POLYPATH:**

With POLYPATH the polynomial interpolation can be specified selectively for the following axis groups:

- POLYPATH ("AXES")  
All path axes and special axes.
- POLYPATH ("VECT") orientation axes  
(with orientation transformation).

As standard, the programmed polynomials are interpreted as polynomial for both axis groups.

Examples:

POLYPATH ("VECT")

Only the orientation axes are selected for the polynomial interpolation; all other axes are traversed linearly.

POLPATH ()

Deactivates the polynomial interpolation for all axes



### **Polynomial coefficient**

The PO value (PO[ ]=) or . . . =PO( . . . ) specifies all polynomial coefficients for an axis. Several values, separated by commas, are specified according to the degree of the polynomial. Different polynomial degrees can be programmed for different axes within one block.

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### Supplementary conditions

#### SW 5 and lower

- Polynomials for geometry axes/special path axes can only be programmed if either G0/G1 or POLY is active. Therefore, with circular interpolation it is not possible to traverse additional axes via polynomials. As standard, polynomials can only be programmed with PO[...] if the G code POLY is active.

#### SW 5 and higher

- It is possible to program polynomials **without** the G code POLY being active. In this case, however, the programmed polynomials are not interpolated; instead the respective programmed endpoint of each axis is approached linearly (G1). The polynomial interpolation is then activated by programming POLY.
- Also, if G code POLY is active, with the predefined subprogram POLYPATH (...), you can select which axes are to be interpolated with polynomial.

#### SW 6 and higher

- Coefficients  $a_4$  and  $a_5$  are only supported by SW 6 and higher.
- New polynomial syntax with PO  
The syntax used hitherto also remains valid



### Example of applicable polynomial syntax with PO

Polynomial syntax used hitherto  
remains valid

New polynomial syntax (SW 6  
and higher)

PO[axis identifier]=(... , ...)

Axis identifier=PO(... , ...)

PO[PHI]=(... , ...)

PHI=PO(... , ...)

PO[PSI]=(... , ...)

PSI=PO(... , ...)

PO[THT]=(... , ...)

THT=PO(... , ...)

PO[ ]=(... , ...)

PO(.. , ..)

PO[variable]=IC(... , ...)

variable=PO IC(.. , ..)

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### Programming

**POLY** PO[X]=(x<sub>e</sub>,a<sub>2</sub>,a<sub>3</sub>) PO[Y]=(y<sub>e</sub>,b<sub>2</sub>,b<sub>3</sub>) PO[Z]=(z<sub>e</sub>,c<sub>2</sub>,c<sub>3</sub>) PL=n (SW 5 and lower)  
**POLYPATH** ("AXES", "VECT") (SW 5 and higher)  
 Expansion to polynomials of the 5th degree and new polynomial syntax (SW 6 and higher)  
**POLY** X=PO(x<sub>e</sub>,a<sub>2</sub>,a<sub>3</sub>,a<sub>4</sub>,a<sub>5</sub>) Y=PO(y<sub>e</sub>,b<sub>2</sub>,b<sub>3</sub>,b<sub>4</sub>,b<sub>5</sub>) Z=PO(z<sub>e</sub>,c<sub>2</sub>,c<sub>3</sub>,c<sub>4</sub>,c<sub>5</sub>) PL=n



### Explanation

<b>POLY</b>	Activation of polynomial interpolation with a block containing POLY.
<b>POLYPATH</b>	Polynomial interpolation can be selected for both the AXIS or VECT axis groups
<b>PO[axis identifier/variable]=(...,...,...)</b>	End points and polynomial coefficients
<b>X, Y, Z</b>	Axis name
<b>x<sub>e</sub>, y<sub>e</sub>, z<sub>e</sub></b>	Specification of end position for relevant axis; value range as for path dimension
<b>a<sub>2</sub>, a<sub>3</sub>, a<sub>4</sub>, a<sub>5</sub></b>	Coefficients a <sub>2</sub> , a <sub>3</sub> , a <sub>4</sub> , and a <sub>5</sub> are written with their value; range of values as for path dimension. The last coefficient in each case can be omitted if it equals zero.
<b>PL</b>	Length of parameter interval over which the polynomials are defined (definition range of function f(p)). The interval always starts at 0. p can be set to values between 0 and PL. Theoretical value range for PL: 0.0001 ... 99 999.9999. The PL values applies to the block in which it is programmed. PL=1 is applied if no PL value is programmed.



### Example

N10 G1 X... Y... Z... F600	
N11 POLY PO[X]=(1,2.5,0.7) ->	Polynomial interpolation ON
-> PO[Y]=(0.3,1,3.2) PL=1.5	
N12 PO[X]=(0,2.5,1.7) PO[Y]=(2.3,1.7) PL=3	
...	
N20 M8 H126 ...	
N25 X70 PO[Y]=(9.3,1,7.67) PL=5	Mixed settings for axes
N27 PO[X]=(10.2.5) PO[Y]=(2.3)	No PL value programmed; PL=1 applies
N30 G1 X... Y... Z...	Polynomial interpolation OFF
...	

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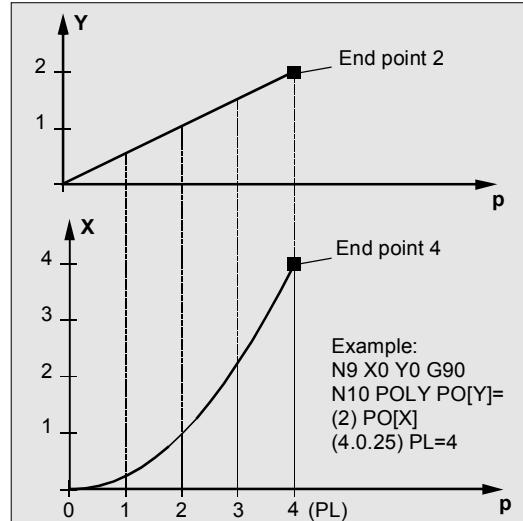
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### Example of a curve in the X/Y plane



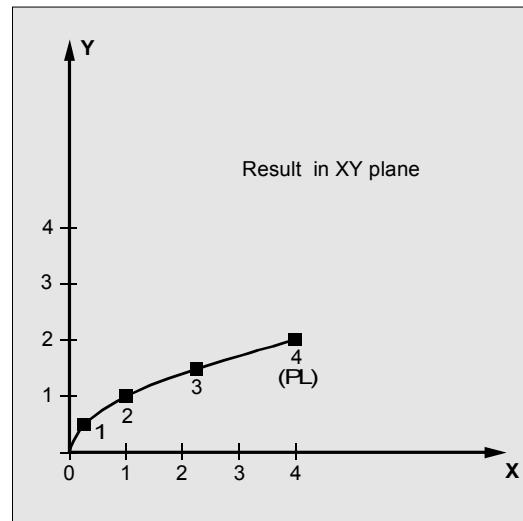

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N9 X0 Y0 G90 F100

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N10 POLY PO[Y]=(2) PO[X]=(4,0.25) PL=4

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### Special case denominator polynomial

Command `PO[ ]=( ... )` can be used to program a common denominator polynomial for the geometry axes (without specification of axes names), i.e. the motion of the geometry axes is then interpolated as the quotient of two polynomials.

With this programming option, it is possible to represent forms such as conics (circle, ellipse, parabola, hyperbola) exactly.



### Example

`POLY G90 X10 Y0 F100`

Geometry axes traverse linearly to position X10, Y0

`PO[X]=( 0 , -10 ) PO[Y]=( 10 ) PO[ ]=( 2 , 1 )`

Geometry axes traverse along quadrant to X0, Y10

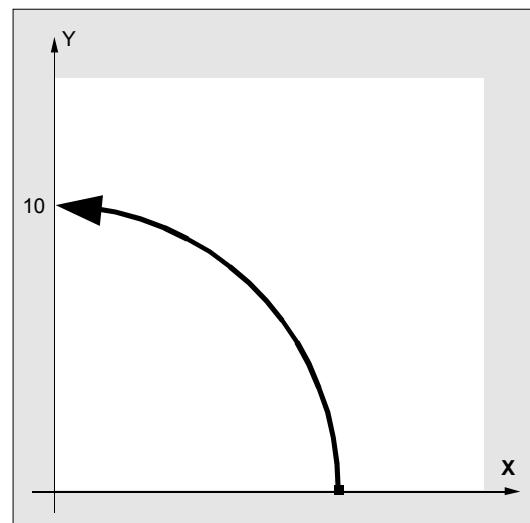
The constant coefficient ( $a_0$ ) of the denominator polynomial is always assumed to be 1, the specified end point is not dependent on G90/G91.

The result obtained from the above example is as follows:

$X(p)=10(1-p^2)/(1+p^2)$  and  $Y(p)=20p/(1+p^2)$   
where  $0 \leq p \leq 1$

As a result of the programmed start points, end points, coefficient  $a_2$  and  $PL=1$ , the intermediate values are as follows:

Numerator (X)= $10+0*p-10p^2$   
Numerator (Y)= $0+20*p+0*p^2$   
Denominator =  $1+2*p+1*p^2$



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An alarm is output if a denominator polynomial with zeros is programmed within the interval [0,PL] when polynomial interpolation is active. Denominator polynomials have no effect on the motion of special axes.

### Additional notes

Tool radius compensation can be activated with G41, G42 in conjunction with polynomial interpolation and can be applied in the same way as in linear or circular interpolation modes.



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## 5.5 Settable path reference, SPATH, UPATH (SW 4.3 and higher)



### Programming

SPATH

Path reference for FGROUP axes is length of arc

UPATH

The curve parameter is the path reference for FGROUP axes



### Introduction

During polynomial interpolation the user may require two different relationships between the velocity-determining FGROUP axes and the other path axes:  
The latter are to be controlled

- either synchronized with the path of the FGROUP axes
- or synchronized with the curve parameter.

Previously, only the first motion control variant was implemented; now SW 4.3 and higher offers a G code (SPATH, UPATH) for selecting and programming the desired response.



### Function

During polynomial interpolation - and here we are referring to polynomial interpolation in the stricter sense (POLY), all spline interpolation types (ASPLINE, BSPLINE, CSPLINE) and linear interpolation with compressor (COMPON, COMPCURV) - the positions of all path axes  $i$  are preset by means of polynomials  $p_i(U)$ . Curve parameter  $U$  moves from 0 to 1 within an NC block, therefore it is standardized.

The axes to which the programmed path feed is to relate can be selected from the path axes by means of language command FGROUP. However, during polynomial interpolation, an interpolation with constant velocity on path S of these axes usually means a non constant change of curve parameter U.

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Therefore, for the axes not contained in FGROUP

there are two ways to follow the path:

1. Either they travel synchronized with path S (SPATH)
2. or synchronized with curve parameter U of the FGROUP axes (UPATH).

Both types of path interpolation are used in different applications and can be switched via G codes SPATH and UPATH.

UPATH and SPATH also determine the relationship of the F word polynomial (FPOLY, FCUB, FLIN) with the path movement.

### Example

The example below shows a square with 20mm side lengths and corners rounded with G643.

The maximum deviations from the exact contour are defined for each axis by the machine data

MD 33100: COMPRESS\_POS\_TOL[...].

N10 G1 X... Y... Z... F500	
N20 G643	Block-internal corner rounding with G643
N30 X0 Y0	
N40 X20 Y0	20mm edge length for axes
N50 X20 Y20	
N60 X0 Y20	
N70 X0 Y0	
N100 M30	

### Supplementary conditions

The path reference set is of no importance with

- linear and circular interpolation,
- in thread blocks and
- if all path axes are contained in FGROUP.



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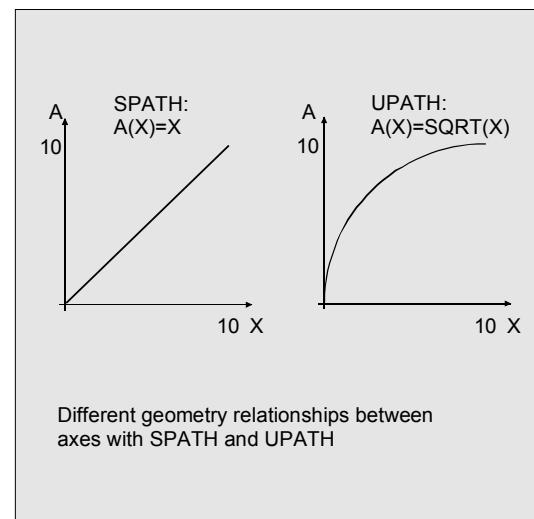


## Activation

The path reference for the axes that are not contained in FGROUP is set via the two language commands SPATH and UPATH contained in the 45th G code group. The commands are modal. If SPATH is active, the axes are traversed synchronized with the path; if UPATH is active, traversal is synchronized with the curve parameter.

## Programming example

The following program example shows the difference between both types of motion control. Both times the default setting FGROUP(X,Y,Z) is active.




---

```
N10 G1 X0 A0 F1000 SPATH
N20 POLY PO[X]=(10, 10) A10
or
N10 G1 X0 F1000 UPATH
N20 POLY PO[X]=(10, 10) A10
```

---

In block N20, path S of the FGROUP axes is dependent on the square of curve parameter U. Therefore, different positions arise for synchronized axis A along the path of X, according to whether SPATH or UPATH is active:

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### Control response at power ON, mode change, Reset, block search, REPOS

After Reset the G code defined via MD 20150:  
GCODE\_RESET\_VALUES [44] is active (45th G code group).

The basic setting value for the type of rounding is set in MD 20150: GCODE\_RESET\_VALUES [9] (10th G code group).

### Machine option data

The G code group value active after Reset is determined via machine data MD 20150:  
GCODE\_RESET\_VALUES [44].

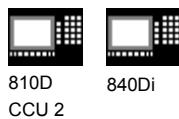
In order to maintain compatibility with existing installations, SPATH is set as default value.

The basic setting value for the type of rounding is set in MD 20150: GCODE\_RESET\_VALUES [9] (10th G code group).

Axial machine data MD 33100:  
COMPRESS\_POS\_TOL has been expanded in SW 4.3 and higher: It contains the tolerances for the compressor function and for rounding with G642.



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## 5.6 Measurements with touch trigger probe, MEAS, MEAW

### Programming

MEAS=±1	G... X... Y... Z...	(+1/+2 measurement with deletion of distance-to-go and rising edge)
MEAS=±2	G... X... Y... Z...	(-1/-2 measurement with deletion of distance-to-go and falling edge)
MEAW=±1	G... X... Y... Z...	(+1/+2 measurement without deletion of distance-to-go and rising edge)
MEAW=±2	G... X... Y... Z...	(-1/-2 measurement without deletion of distance-to-go and falling edge)

### Explanation of the commands

MEAS=±1	Measurement with probe 1 at measuring input 1
MEAS=±2*	Measurement with probe 2 at measuring input 2
MEAW=±1	Measurement with probe 1 at measuring input 1
MEAW=±2*	Measurement with probe 2 at measuring input 2

\*Max. of two inputs depending on configuration level

### Sequence

The positions coinciding with the switching edge of the probe are acquired for all axes programmed in the NC block and written for each specific axis to the appropriate memory cell. A maximum of 2 probes can be installed.

### Measurement result

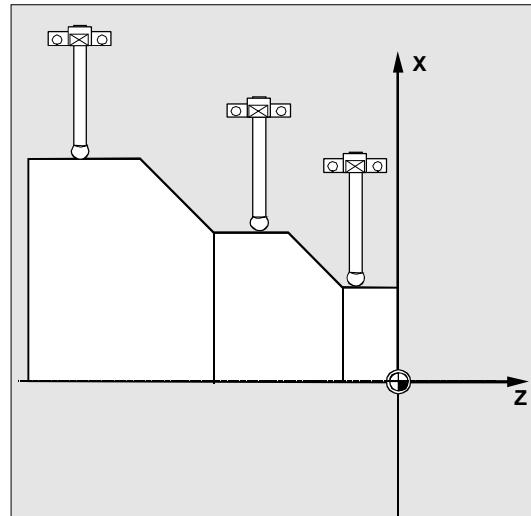
The measurement result is available under the following variables for these axes:

- Under \$AA\_MM[axis] in the machine coordinate system
- Under \$AA\_MW[axis] in the workpiece coordinate system

No internal preprocessing stop is generated when these variables are read.

A preprocessing stop must be programmed with STOPRE at the appropriate position in the program.

The system will otherwise read false values.



## 5.6 Measurements with touch trigger probe, MEAS, MEAW



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### Measuring job status

Status variable \$AC\_MEA[n] (n= number of probe) can be scanned if the switching state of the touch trigger probe needs to be evaluated in the program:

- 0 Measuring job not performed
- 1 Measuring job successfully completed  
(probe has switched state)



If the probe is deflected during program execution, this variable is set to 1. At the beginning of a measurement block, the variable is automatically set to correspond to the starting state of the probe.

### Programming measuring blocks, MEAS, MEAW

When command MEAS is programmed in conjunction with an interpolation mode, actual positions on the workpiece are approached and measured values recorded simultaneously. The distance-to-go between the actual and setpoint positions is deleted.

The MEAW function is employed in the case of special measuring tasks where a programmed position must always be approached.

MEAS and MEAW are programmed in a block with motion commands. The feeds and interpolation types (G0, G1, ...) must be selected to suit the measuring task in hand; this also applies to the number of axes.

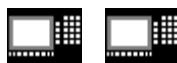
#### Example:

```
N10 MEAS=1 G1 F1000 X100 Y730 Z40
```

Measurement block with probe at first measuring input and linear interpolation. A preprocessing stop is automatically generated.



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### Measured value recording

The positions of all path and positioning axes (maximum number of axes depends on control configuration) in the block that have moved are recorded.

In the case of MEAS, the motion is braked in a defined manner after the probe has switched.

### Comment

If a GEO axis is programmed in a measurement block, the measured values for all current GEO axes are recorded.

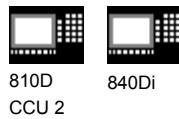
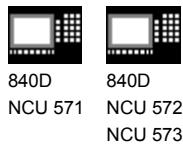
If an axis that participates in a transformation is programmed in a measurement block, the measured values for all axes that participate in this transformation are recorded.



### Additional notes

The MEAS and MEAW functions are active non-modally.

## 5.7 Extended measuring function MEASA, MEAWA, MEAC



### 5.7 Extended measuring function MEASA, MEAWA, MEAC (SW 4 and higher, option)

#### Programming

`MEASA[axis]=(mode, TE1,..., TE 4)` Measurement with delete distance-to-go

`MEAWA[Achse]=(Modus, TE 1,..., TE 4)` Measurement without delete distance-to-go

`MEAC[axis]=(mode, measurement memory,  
TE 1,...TE4)` Continuous measurement without  
deletion of distance-to-go



#### Explanation

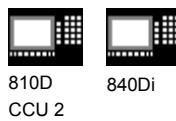
Axis	Name of channel axis used for measurement
Mode	<p>Two-digit setting for operating mode consisting of <b>Measuring mode</b> (ones decade) and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 Cancel measurement task</li> <li>1 Mode 1: Up to 4 trigger events that can be activated <b>simultaneously</b></li> <li>2 Mode 2: Up to 4 trigger events that can be activated <b>sequentially</b></li> <li>3 Mode 3: Up to 4 trigger events that can be activated <b>sequentially</b> However, no monitoring of trigger event 1 On START (alarms 21700/21703 are suppressed)</li> </ul> <p>Note: Mode 3 not possible with MEAC</p>
	<b>Measuring system</b> (tens' decade)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 or no setting: Active measuring system</li> <li>1 Measuring system 1</li> <li>2 Measuring system 2</li> <li>3 Both measuring systems</li> </ul>
TE 1...4	<b>Trigger event</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Rising edge, probe 1</li> <li>-1 Falling edge, probe 1</li> <li>2 Rising edge, probe 2</li> <li>-2 Falling edge, probe 2</li> </ul>
Measurement memory	Number of FIFO (circulating storage)



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## Function

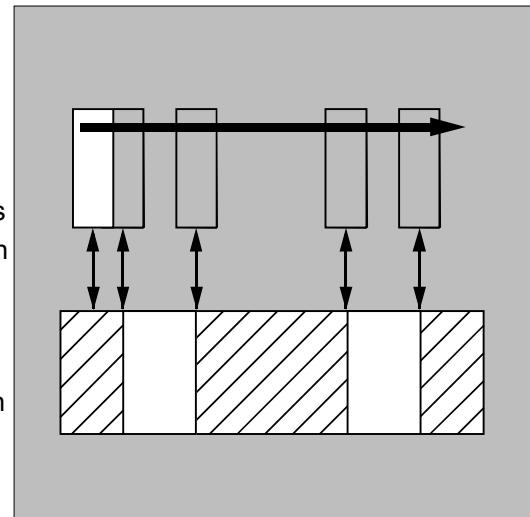
Axial measurement is available from SW 4.

With this system, measurements can be taken axially with several probes and several measuring systems.

When MEASA, MEAWA is programmed, up to four measured values are acquired for the programmed axis in each measuring run and stored in system variables in accordance with the trigger event.

MEASA and MEAWA are non-modal commands.

Continuous measuring operations can be executed with MEAC. In this case, the measurement results are stored in FIFO variables. The maximum number of measured values per measuring run is also 4 with MEAC.



## Sequence

The measurements can be programmed in the parts program **or** from a synchronized action (Chapter 10).

Please note that only one measuring job can be active at any given time for each axis.

## Additional notes

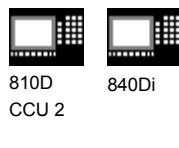
- The feed must be adjusted to suit the measuring task in hand.
- In the case of **MEASA** and **MEAWA**, the correctness of results can be guaranteed only at feedrates with which no more than one trigger event of the same type and no more than 4 trigger events occur in each position controller cycle.
- In the case of continuous measurement with **MEAC**, the ratio between the interpolation cycle and position control cycle must not exceed 8:1.



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### Trigger events

A trigger event comprises the number of the probe and the trigger criterion (rising or falling edge) of the measuring signal.

Up to 4 trigger events of the addressed probe can be processed for each measurement, i.e. up to two probes with two measuring signal edges each.

The processing sequence and the maximum number of trigger events depends on the selected mode.

 The same trigger event is only permitted to be programmed once in a measuring job (only applies to mode 1)!

### Operating mode

The first digit in the mode setting selects the desired measuring system. If only one measuring system is installed, but a second programmed, the installed system is automatically selected.

With the second digit, i.e. the **measurement mode**, measuring process is adapted to the capabilities of the connected control system:

- **Mode 1:** Trigger events are evaluated in the **chronological** sequence in which they occur.  
When this mode is selected, only one trigger event can be programmed for six-axis modules. If more than one trigger event is specified, the mode selection is switched automatically to mode 2 (without message).
- **Mode 2:** Trigger events are evaluated in the **programmed** sequence.
- **Mode 3:** Trigger events are evaluated in the **programmed** sequence, however no monitoring of trigger event 1 at START.

### Additional notes

 No more than 2 trigger events can be programmed if 2 measuring systems are in use.



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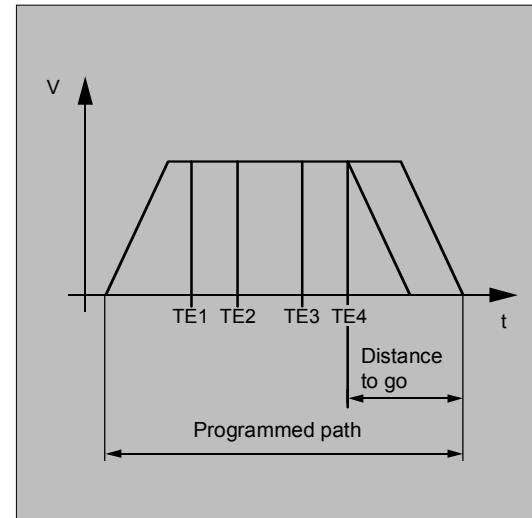
### Measurement with and without delete distance-to-go

When command MEASA is programmed, the distance-to-go is not deleted until all required measured values have been recorded.

The MEAWA function is employed in the case of special measuring tasks where a programmed position must always be approached.

MEASA and MEAWA can be programmed in the same block.

If MEASA/MEAWA is programmed with MEAS/MEAW in the same block, an error message is output.



- MEASA cannot be programmed in synchronized actions.

As an alternative, MEAWA plus the deletion of distance-to-go can be programmed as a synchronized action.

- If the measuring job with MEAWA is started from the synchronized actions, the measured values will only be available in machine coordinates.

### Measurement results for MEASA, MEAWA

The results of measurements are available under the following system variables:

- In machine coordinate system:

`$AA_MM1[axis]` Measured value of programmed measuring system on trigger event 1

...

`$AA_MM4[axis]` Measured value of programmed measuring system on trigger event 4

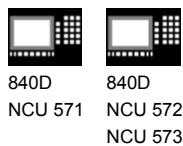
- In workpiece coordinate system:

`$AA_WM1[axis]` Measured value of programmed measuring system on trigger event 1

...

`$AA_WM4[axis]` Measured value of programmed measuring system on trigger event 4

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### Additional notes

No internal preprocessing stop is generated when these variables are read.

A preprocessing stop must be programmed with STOPRE (Section 15.1) at the appropriate position.  
False values will otherwise be read in.

If axial measurement is to be started for a geometry axis, the same measuring job must be programmed explicitly for all remaining geometry axes.

The same applies to axes involved in a transformation.

Example:

```
N10 MEASA[Z]=(1,1) MEASA[Y]=(1,1)
MEASA[X]=(1,1) GO Z100;
or
N10 MEASA[Z]=(1,1) POS[Z]=100
```



### Measuring job with two measuring systems

If a measuring job is executed by two measuring systems, each of the two possible trigger events of both measuring systems of the relevant axis is acquired. The assignment of the reserved variables is therefore preset:

\$AA_MM1[axis]	or	\$AA_MW1[axis]	Measured value of measuring system 1 on trigger event 1
\$AA_MM2[axis]	or	\$AA_MW2[axis]	Measured value of measuring system 2 on trigger event 1
\$AA_MM3[axis]	or	\$AA_MW3[axis]	Measured value of measuring system 2 on trigger event 1
\$AA_MM4[axis]	or	\$AA_MW4[axis]	Measured value of measuring system 2 on trigger event

### Measuring probe status can be read via

**\$A\_PROBE[n]**

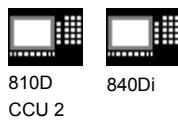
n=Probe

1==Probe deflected

0==Probe not deflected



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### Measuring job status for MEASA, MEAWA

If the probe switching state needs to be evaluated in the program, then the measuring job status can be interrogated via **\$AC\_MEA[n]**, with n = number of probe.

Once all the trigger events of probe "n" that are programmed in a block have occurred, this variable switches to the "1" stage. Its value is otherwise 0.

If measuring is started from synchronized actions, \$AC\_MEA is not updated. In this case, new PLC status signals DB(31-48) DBB62 bit 3 or the equivalent variable \$AA\_MEAACT["Axis"] must be interrogated.  
 Meaning:    \$AA\_MEAACT==1: Measuring active  
               \$AA\_MEAACT==0: Measuring not active  
 References: /FB/ M5, Measurement

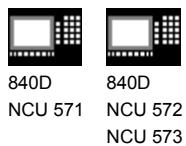
### Continuous measurement MEAC

The measured values for MEAC are available in the machine coordinate system and stored in the programmed FIFO[n] memory (circulating memory). If two probes are configured for the measurement, the measured values of the second probe are stored separately in the FIFO[n+1] memory configured especially for this purpose (defined in machine data). The FIFO memory is a circulating memory in which measured values are written to \$AC\_FIFO variables according to the circulation principle.

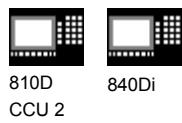
References: /PGA/ Chapter 10, Synchronized Actions

### Additional notes

- FIFO contents can be read only once from the circulating storage. If these measured data are to be used multiply, they must be buffered in user data.
- If the number of measured values for the FIFO memory exceeds the maximum value defined in machine data, the measurement is automatically terminated.
- An endless measuring process can be implemented by reading out measured values cyclically. In this case, data must be read out at the same frequency as new measured values are read in.



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## Programming example

### Measurement with delete distance-to-go in mode 1

(evaluation in chronological sequence)

#### a) with one measuring system

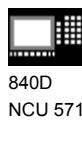
...	
N100 MEASA[X] = (1,1,-1) G01 X100 F100	Measurement in mode 1 with active measuring system. Wait for measuring signal with rising/falling edge from probe 1 on travel path to X = 100.
N110 STOPRE	Preprocessing stop
N120 IF \$AC_MEA[1] == FALSE gotof END	Check success of measurement.
N130 R10 = \$AA_MM1[X]	Store measured value acquired on first programmed trigger event (rising edge)
N140 R11 = \$AA_MM2[X]	Store measured value acquired on second programmed trigger event (falling edge)
N150 END:	



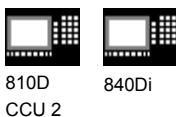
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#### b) with two measuring systems

...	
N200 MEASA[X] = (31,1-1) G01 X100 F100	Measurement in mode 1 with both measuring systems. Wait for measuring signal with rising/falling edge from probe 1 on travel path to X = 100.
N210 STOPRE	Preprocessing stop
N220 IF \$AC_MEA[1] == FALSE gotof END	Check success of measurement.
N230 R10 = \$AA_MM1[X]	Store measured value of measuring system 1 on rising edge
N240 R11 = \$AA_MM2[X]	Store measured value of measuring system 2 on rising edge
N250 R12 = \$AA_MM3[X]	Store measured value of measuring system 1 on falling edge



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N260 R13 = \$AA_MM4[X]	Store measured value of measuring system 2 on falling edge
N270 END:	

---

### Measurement with delete distance-to-go in mode 2 (evaluation in programmed sequence)

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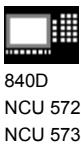
...	
N100 MEASA[X] = (2,1,-1,2,-2) G01 X100 F100	Measurement in mode 2 with active measuring system. Wait for measuring signal in the following order: Rising edge of probe 1, falling edge of probe 1, rising edge of probe 2, falling edge of probe 2, on travel path to X = 100.
N110 STOPRE	Preprocessing stop
N120 IF \$AC_MEA[1] == FALSE gotof	Check success of measurement with probe 1
PROBE2	
N130 R10 = \$AA_MM1[X]	Store measured value acquired on first programmed trigger event (rising edge probe 1)
N140 R11 = \$AA_MM2[X]	Store measured value acquired on second programmed trigger event (rising edge probe 1)
N150 PROBE2:	
N160 IF \$AC_MEA[2] == FALSE gotof END	Check success of measurement with probe 2
N170 R12 = \$AA_MM3[X]	Store measured value acquired on third programmed trigger event (rising edge probe 2)
N180 R13 = \$AA_MM4[X]	Store measured value acquired on fourth programmed trigger event (rising edge probe 2)
N190 END:	

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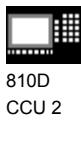
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### Programming example

#### Continuous measurement in mode 1

(evaluation in chronological sequence)

#### Measurement of up to 100 measured values

...

N110 DEF REAL MEASVALUE[100]

N120 DEF INT loop = 0

N130 MEAC[X] = (1,1,-1) G01 X1000 F100

Measure in mode 1 with active measuring system, store measured values under \$AC\_FIFO1, wait for measuring signal with falling edge from probe 1 on travel path to X = 1000.

N135 STOPRE

N140 MEAC[X] = (0)

Terminate measurement when axis position is reached.

N150 R1 = \$AC\_FIFO1[4]

Store number of accumulated measured values in parameter R1.

N160 FOR loop = 0 TO R1-1

N170 MEASVALUE[loop] = \$AC\_FIFO1[0]

Read measured values from \$AC\_FIFO1 and store.

N180 ENDFOR

#### Measurement with delete distance-to-go after ten measured values

...

(x)

Delete distance-to-go

N20 MEAC[X]=(1,1,1,-1) G01 X100 F500

N30 MEAC[X]=(0)

N40 R1 = \$AC\_FIFO1[4]

Number of measured values

...

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The following programming errors are detected and indicated appropriately:

- MEASA/MEAWA is programmed with MEAS/MEAW in the same block

Example:

```
N01 MEAS=1 MEASA[X]=(1,1) G01 F100 POS[X]=100
```

- MEASA/MEAWA with number of parameters <2 or >5

Example:

```
N01 MEAWA[X]=(1) G01 F100 POS[X]=100
```

- MEASA/MEAWA with trigger event not equal to 1/ -1/ 2/ -2

Example:

```
N01 MEASA[B]=(1,1,3) B100
```

- MEASA/MEAWA with invalid mode

Example:

```
N01 MEAWA[B]=(4,1) B100
```

- MEASA/MEAWA with trigger event programmed twice

Example:

```
N01 MEASA[B]=(1,1,-1,2,-1) B100
```

GEO axis X/Y/Z

- MEASA/MEAWA and missing GEO axis

Example:

```
N01 MEASA[X]=(1,1) MEASA[Y]=(1,1) G01 X50 Y50 Z50 F100
```

- Inconsistent measuring job with GEO axes

Example:

```
N01 MEASA[X]=(1,1) MEASA[Y]=(1,1) MEASA[Z]=(1,1,2) G01
```

```
X50 Y50 Z50 F100
```

## 5.8 Special functions for OEM users



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### 5.8 Special functions for OEM users



#### OEM addresses

The meaning of OEM addresses is determined by the OEM user.

Their functionality is incorporated by means of compile cycles. Five OEM addresses are reserved.

The address identifiers are settable.

OEM addresses can be programmed in any block.



#### OEM interpol

The OEM user can define two additional interpolations. Their functionality is incorporated by means of compile cycles.

The names of G functions (OEMIPO1, OEMIPO2) are set by the OEM user.

**OEM addresses (see above) can be used specifically for OEM interpolations.**



#### Reserved G groups G800–819

Two G groups with ten OEM G functions each are reserved for OEM users.

**These allow the functions incorporated by an OEM user to be accessed for external applications.**



#### Functions and subprograms

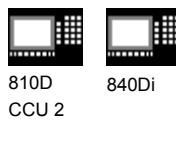
OEM users can also set up predefined functions and subprograms with parameter transfer.



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## 5.9 Programmable motion end criterion (SW 5.1 and higher)

### Programming

FINEA[<axis>]

COARSEA[<axis>]

IPOENDA[<axis>]

IPOBRKA(<axis>[, [<value as percentage>]]) Multiple specifications are possible

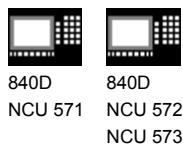
ADISPOSA(<axis>, [<int>][,[<real>]]) Multiple specifications are possible

### Explanation of the commands

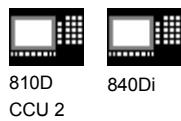
FINEA	Motion end when "Exact stop FINE" reached
COARSEA	Motion end when "Exact stop COARSE" reached
IPOENDA	Motion end when "Interpolator-Stop" reached
IPOBRKA	Block change in braking ramp possible (SW 6.2 and higher)
ADISPOSA	Size of tolerance window for end of motion criterion (SW 6.4 and higher)
Axis	Channel axis name (X, Y, ....)
Value as percentage	When relative to the braking ramp of the block change should be as %
Int	Mode 0: tolerance window not active 1: tolerance window relative to setpoint position 2: tolerance window relative to actual position
Real	Size of tolerance window. This value is entered in setting data 43610: ADISPOSA_VALUE synchronized with the main run

### Function

Similar to the block change criterion for continuous-path interpolation (G601, G602 and G603), the end of motion criterion can be programmed in a parts program for single axis interpolation or in synchronized action for the command/PLC axes. Depending on the end of motion criterion set, parts program blocks or technology cycle blocks with single axis motion take different times to complete. The same applies for PLC positioning statements via FC15/ 16/ 18.



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### System variable \$AA\_MOTEND

The default motion end characteristic can be requested via system variable \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>].

- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 1 Motion end with "Exact stop fine"
- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 2 Motion end with "Exact stop coarse"
- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 3 End of motion with "IPO-Stop".
- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 4 (SW 6.2 and higher) Block change criterion braking ramp of axis motion
- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 5 (SW 6.4 and higher) Block change in braking ramp with tolerance window relative to "setpoint position".
- \$AA\_MOTEND[<axis>] = 6 (SW 6.4 and higher) Block change in braking ramp with tolerance window relative to "actual position".

### Additional notes

The last programmed value is retained after RESET.

**References:** /FB1/, V1 Feedrates

### SW 6.2 and higher

#### Block change criterion in braking ramp

The percentage value is entered in SD 43600: IPOBRAKE\_BLOCK\_EXCHANGE synchronized with the main run. If no value is specified, the current value of this setting data is effective. The range is adjustable from 0% to 100%.

#### Additional tolerance window for IPOBRKA

SW 6.4 and higher, an additional block change criterion tolerance window can be selected as well as the existing block change criterion in the braking ramp. Release only occurs when the axis

- as before, reaches the preset %-value of its braking ramp **and**
- SW 6.4 and higher, its current actual or setpoint position is no further than a tolerance from the end of the axis in the block.

For more information on the block change criterion of the positioning axes, please refer to:

**References:** /FB2/, P2 positioning axes /PG/, Feed rate control and spindle motion



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## Programming examples

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...

```
N110 G01 POS[X]=100 FA[X]=1000 ACC[X]=90 IPOENDA[X]
```

Traversing to position X100 with a path velocity of 1000rpm, an acceleration value of 90% and end of motion on reaching the interpolator stop

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...

```
N120 EVERY $A_IN[1] DO POS[X]=50 FA[X]=2000 ACC[X]=140 IPOENDA[X]
```

Traversing to position X50 when input 1 is active, with a path velocity of 2000rpm, an acceleration value of 140% and end of motion on reaching the interpolator stop

---

...

<b>Block change criterion braking ramp</b>	<b>in the parts program</b>
--	-----------------------------

```
; default setting active
```

---

```
N40 POS[X]=100
```

; block change occurs when X-axis reaches position 100 and fine exact stop

---

```
N20 IPOBRKA(X,100)
```

; activate block change criterion braking ramp

---

```
N30 POS[X]=200
```

; block change occurs as soon as X-axis starts to brake

---

```
N40 POS[X]=250
```

; the x-axis does not brake at position 200 but continues to position 250,  
; as soon as the X-axis starts to brake, the block change occurs

---

```
N50 POS[X]=0
```

; the X-axis brakes and moves back to position 0  
; the block change occurs at position 0 and fine exact stop

---

```
N60 X10F100
```

---

```
N70 M30
```

---

...

<b>Block change criterion braking ramp</b>	<b>within synchronized actions</b>
--	------------------------------------

Within the technology cycle:

```
FINEA ; end of motion criterion fine exact stop
```

---

```
POS[X]=100 ; technology cycle block change occurs when X-axis
```

; has reached position 100 and fine exact stop

---

```
IPOBRKA(X,100) ; activate block change criterion braking ramp
```

---

```
POS[X]=100 ; POS[X]=100; technology cycle block change occurs,
```

; as soon as the X-axis starts to brake

---

```
POS[X]=250 ; the X-axis does not brake at position 200 but continues
```

; to position 250, as soon as the X-axis starts to brake

; the block change in the technology cycle occurs

---

```
POS[X]=250 ; the X-axis brakes and moves back to position 0
```

; the block change occurs at position 0 and fine exact stop

---

```
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```

---

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### **5.10 Programmable servo parameter block (SW 5.1 and higher)**



#### **Programming**

`SCPARA[ <Axis> ] = <Value>`



#### **Explanation of the commands**

SCPARA	Define parameter block
Axis	Channel axis name (X, Y, ...)
Value	Desired parameter block (1<= value <=6)



#### **Function**

Using SCPARA, it is possible to program the parameter block (consisting of MDs) in the parts program and in synchronized actions (previously only via PLC).

##### **DB3n DBB9 Bit3**

To prevent conflicts between the PLC–user request and NC–user request, a further bit is defined on the PLC–>NCK interface:

DB3n DBB9 Bit3 "Parameter block definition locked through SCPARA".



In the case of a locked parameter block for SCPARA, an error message is produced if programmed.

The current parameter block can be polled using the system variables `$AA_SCPAR[ <Axis> ]`.



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### Additional notes

- Up to SW 5.1, the servo-parameter block can be specified only by the PLC (DB3n DBB9 Bit0–2). For G33, G331 and G332, the most suitable parameter block is selected by the control.
- If the **servo parameter block** is to be changed both in a parts program and in a synchronized action and the PLC, the PLC application program must be extended.
- **References:** /FB1/V1 Feedrates

### Programming example

```
...  
N110 SCPARA[X]= 3                  The 3rd parameter block is selected for axis X  
...
```

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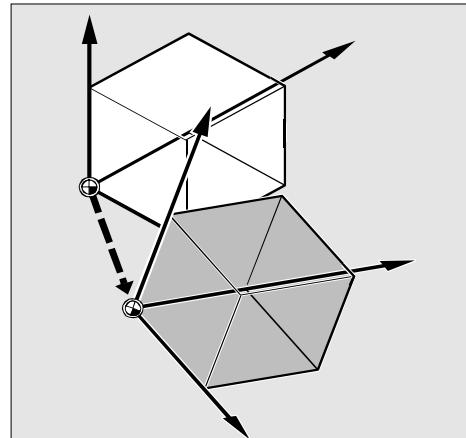


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## 6.1 Coordinate transformation via frame variables

### Definition of coordinate transformation with frame variables

In addition to the programming options already described in the Programming Guide "Fundamentals", you can also define coordinate systems with predefined frame variables.



#### Coordinate systems

The following coordinate systems are defined:

**MCS:** Machine coordinate system

**BCS:** Basic coordinate system

**BOS:** Basic origin system

**SZS:** Settable zero system

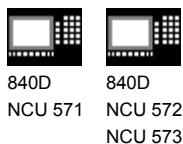
**WCS:** Workpiece coordinate system

#### What is a predefined frame variable?

Predefined frame variables are vocabulary words whose use and effect are already defined in the control language and which can be processed in the NC program.

Possible frame variable:

- Base frame (basic offset)
- Settable frames
- Programmable frame



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### Frame variable/frame relationship

A coordinate transformation can be activated by assigning the value of a frame to a frame variable.

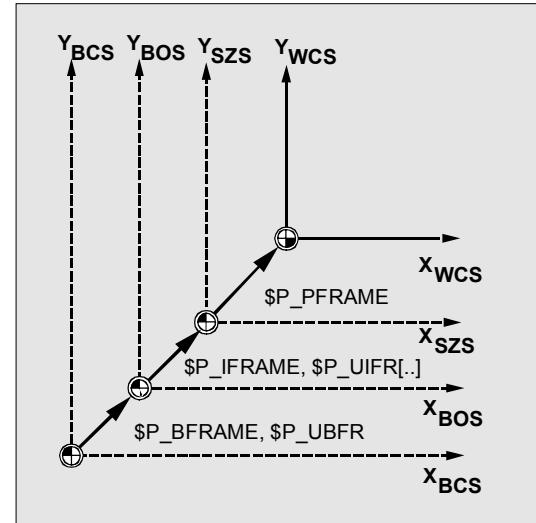
Example: `$P_PFRAME=CTRANS (X, 10)`

Frame variable:

`$P_PFRAME` means: current programmable frame.

Frame:

`CTRANS (X, 10)` means: programmable zero offset of X axis by 10 mm.



### Reading out actual values

The current actual values of the coordinate system can be read out via predefined variables in the parts program:

- `$AA_IM[axis]` Read actual value in MCS
- `$AA_IB[axis]` Read actual value in BCS
- `$AA_IBN[axis]` Read actual value in BOS
- `$AA_IEN[axis]` Read actual value in SZS
- `$AA_IW[axis]` Read actual value in WCS

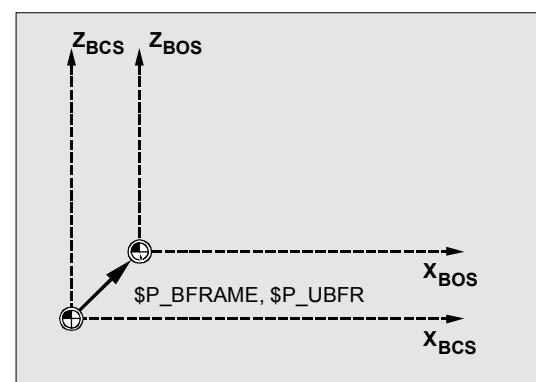
### Overview of predefined variables

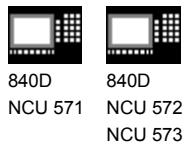
#### `$P_BFRAME`

Current base frame variable that establishes the reference between the basic coordinate system (BCS) and the basic origin system (BOS).

For the base frame described via `$P_UBFR` to be immediately active in the program, either

- you have to program a G500, G54...G599, or
- you have to describe `$P_BFRAME` with `$P_UBFR`,

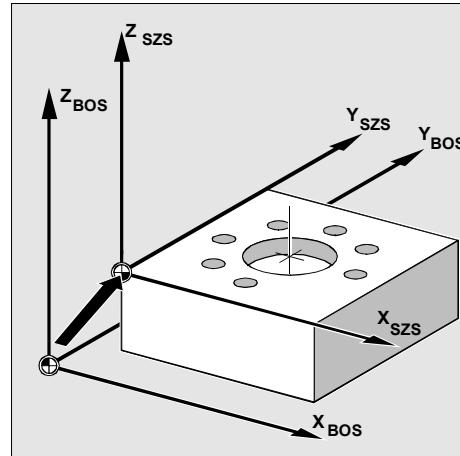


**\$P\_IFRAME**

Current, settable frame variable that establishes the reference between the basic origin system (BOS) and the settable zero system (Szs).

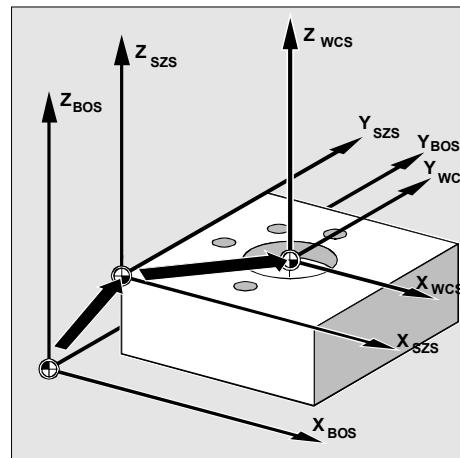
`$P_IFRAME` corresponds to `P_UIFR[$P_IFRNUM]`

After G54 is programmed, for example, `$P_IFRAME` contains the translation, rotation, scaling and mirroring defined by G54.

**\$P\_PFRAME**

Current, programmable frame variable that establishes the reference between the settable zero system (Szs) and the workpiece coordinate system (WCS).

`$P_PFRAME` contains the frame resulting from the programming of TRANS/ATRANS, ROT/AROT, SCALE/ASCALE, MIRROR/AMIRROR or the assignment of CTRANS, CROT, CMIRROR, CSCALE to the programmable FRAME.

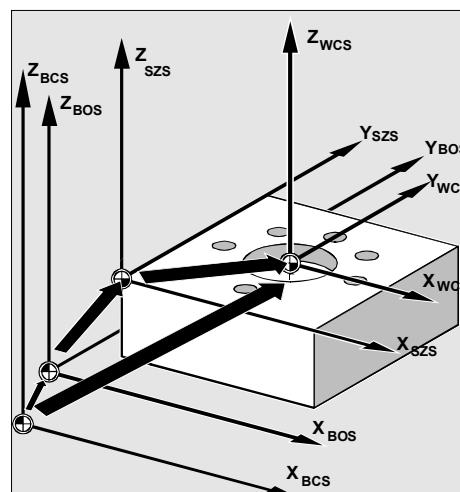
**\$P\_ACTFRAME**

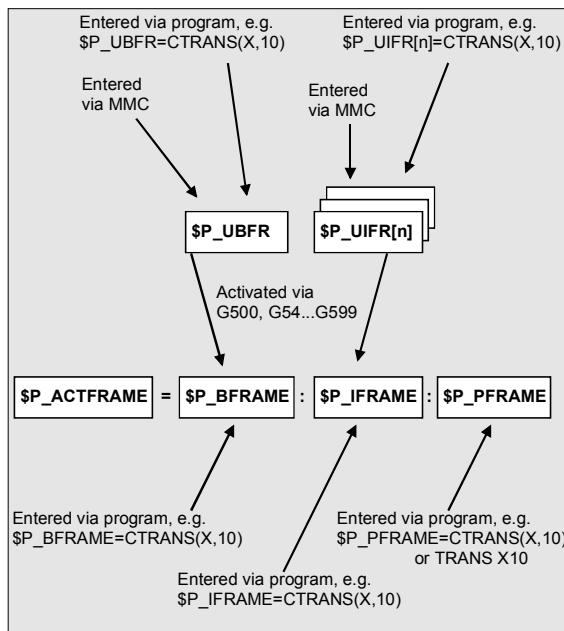
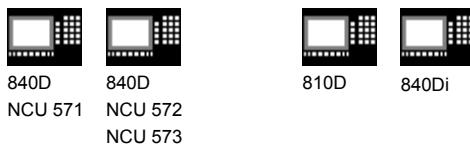
Current total frame resulting from chaining of the current base frame variable `$P_BFRAME`, the current settable frame variable `$P_IFRAME` and the current programmable frame variable `$P_PFRAME`.

`$P_ACTFRAME` describes the currently valid workpiece zero.

If `$P_IFRAME`, `$P_BFRAME` or `$P_PFRAME` are changed, `$P_ACTFRAME` is recalculated.

`$P_ACTFRAME` corresponds to  
`$P_BFRAME : $P_IFRAME : $P_PFRAME`





Base frame and settable frame are effective after Reset if MD 20110

`RESET_MODE_MASK` is set as follows:

Bit0=1, bit14=1 --> `$P_UBFR` (base frame) effective

Bit0=1, bit5=1 --> `$P_UIFR` [`$P_UIFRNUM`] (settable frame) effective

### Predefined settable frames `$P_UBFR`

The base frame is programmed with `$P_UBFR`, but it is not simultaneously active in the parts program.

The base frame programmed with `$P_UBFR` is included in the calculation if

- Reset was activated and bits 0 and 14 are set in MD `RESET_MODE_MASK` and
- instructions G500, G54...G599 were executed.

### Predefined settable frames `$P_UIFR[n]`

The predefined frame variable `$P_UIFR[n]` can be used to read or write the settable zero offsets G54 to G599 from the parts program.

These variables produce a one-dimensional array of type FRAME called `$P_UIFR[n]`.

### Assignment to G commands

Five predefined settable frames are set as standard `$P_UIFR[0]...$P_UIFR[4]` or 5 G commands with the same meaning – G500 and G54 to G57 – at whose addresses values can be stored.



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```
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 0 ] corresponds to G500  
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 1 ] corresponds to G54  
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 2 ] corresponds to G55  
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 3 ] corresponds to G56  
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 4 ] corresponds to G57
```

You can change the number of frames with machine data:

```
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 5 ] corresponds to G505  
... ... ...  
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[ 99 ] corresponds to G599
```

**i** This allows you to generate up to 100 coordinate systems which can be called up globally in different programs, for example, as zero point for various fixtures.

**⚠** *Frame variables must be programmed in a separate NC block in the NC program.*

*Exception: programming of a settable frame with G54, G55, ...*



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## 6.2 Frame variables/assigning values to frames



Values can be assigned directly, frames can be chained or frames can be assigned to other frames in the NC program.

### Direct value assignment



### Programming

```
$P_PFRAME=CTRANS (X, axis value, Y, axis value, Z, axis value, ...)  
$P_PFRAME=CROT (X, angle, Y, angle, Z, angle, ...)  
$P_PFRAME=CSCALE (X, scale, Y, scale, Z, scale, ...)  
$P_PFRAME=CMIRROR (X, Y, Z)
```

Programming \$P\_BFRAME is carried out analog to \$P\_PFRAME.



### Explanation of the commands



CTRANS	Translation of specified axes
CROT	Rotation around specified axes
CSCALE	Scale change on specified axes
CMIRROR	Direction reversal on specified axis



### Function

You can use these functions to assign frames or frame variables directly in the NC program.



### Sequence

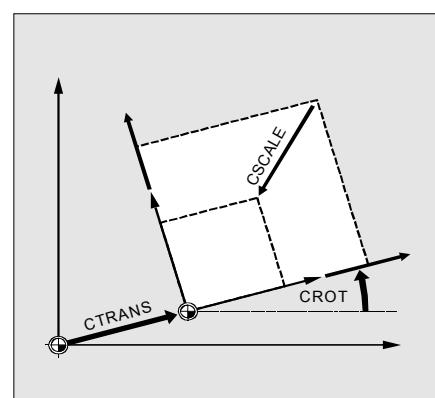
You can program several arithmetic rules in succession.

Example:

```
$P_PFRAME=CTRANS (...):CROT (...):CSCALE...
```

Please note that the commands must be connected by the colon chain operator: (...):(...).

This causes the commands firstly to be linked and secondly to be executed additively in the programmed sequence.



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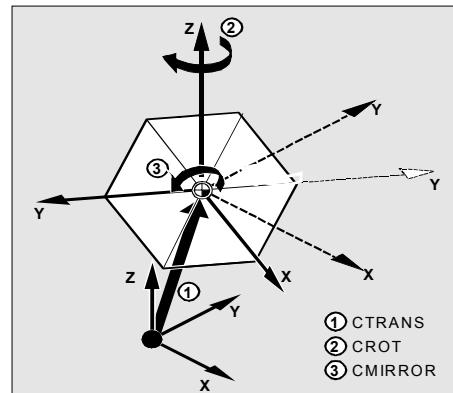
The values programmed with the above commands are assigned to the frames and stored.

The values are not activated until they are assigned to the frame of an active frame variable \$P\_BFRAME or \$P\_PFRAME.



### Programming example

Translation, rotation and mirroring are activated by value assignment to the current programmable frame.




---

```
N10 $P_PFRAME=CTRANS(X,10,Y,20,Z,5):CROT(Z,45):CMIRROR(Y)
```

---



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## Reading and changing frame components

### Programming (examples)

R10=\$P\_UIFR[\$P\_UIFRNUM, X, RT]

Assign the angle of rotation RT around the X axis from currently valid settable zero offset \$P\_UIFRNUM to the variable R10.

R12=\$P\_UIFR[25, Z, TR]

Assign the offset value TR in Z from the data record of set frame no. 25 to the variable R12.

R15=\$P\_PFRAME[Y, TR]

Assign the offset value TR in Y of the current programmable frame to the variable R15.

\$P\_PFRAME[X, TR]=25

Modify the offset value TR in X of the current programmable frame. X25 applies immediately.

### Explanation of the commands

**\$P\_UIFRNUM** This command automatically establishes the reference to the currently valid settable zero offset.

**P\_UIFR[n, ..., ...]** Specify the frame number n to access the settable frame no. n.

**TR** Specify the component to be read or modified:

TR translation, FI translation fine, RT rotation, SC scale change,  
MI mirroring.

**FI** The corresponding axis is also specified (see examples).

**RT**

**SC**

**MI**

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### Function

This feature allows you to access **individual** data of a frame, e.g. a specific offset value or angle of rotation.

You can modify these values or assign them to another variable.



### Sequence

#### Calling frame

By specifying the system variable \$P\_UIFRNUM you can access the current zero offset set with \$P\_UIFR or G54, G55, ... (\$P\_UIFRNUM contains the number of the currently set frame).

All other stored settable \$P\_UIFR frames are called up by specifying the appropriate number \$P\_UIFR[n].

For predefined frame variables and user-defined frames, specify the name, e.g. \$P\_IFRAME.

#### Calling data

The axis name and the frame component of the value you want to access or modify are written in square brackets, e.g. [X, RT] or [Z, MI].



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## Linking complete frames

A complete frame can be assigned to another frame.



## Programming (examples)

```
DEF FRAME SETTING1
SETTING1=CTRANS(X,10)
$P_PFRAME=SETTING1

DEF FRAME SETTING4
SETTING4=$P_PFRAME
$P_PFRAME=SETTING4
```

Assign the values of the user frame SETTING1 to the current programmable frame.

The current programmable frame is stored temporarily and can be recalled.



## Additional notes

### Value range for RT rotation

Rotation around 1st geometry axis:  $-180^\circ$  to  $+180^\circ$

Rotation around 2nd geometry axis:  $-89.999^\circ$  to  $+90^\circ$

Rotation around 3rd geometry axis:  $-180^\circ$  to  $+180^\circ$



## Frame chaining



## Programming (examples)

```
$P_IFRAME=$P_UIFR[15]:$P_UIFR[16]
```

`$P_UIFR[15]` contains, for example, data for zero offsets. The data of `$P_UIFR[16]`, e.g. data for rotations, are subsequently processed additively.

```
$P_UIFR[3]=$P_UIFR[4]:$P_UIFR[5]
```

The settable frame 3 is created by chaining the settable frames 4 and 5.

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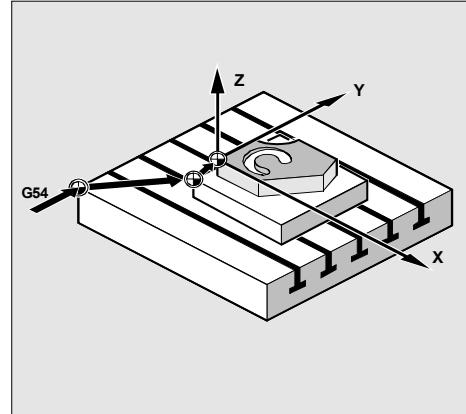


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### Function

Frame chaining is suitable for the description of several workpieces, arranged on a pallet, which are to be machined in the same process.



### Sequence

The frames are chained in the programmed sequence. The frame components (translations, rotations, etc.) are executed additively in succession.



The frame components can only contain intermediate values for the description of pallet tasks. These are chained to generate various workpiece zeroes.

Please note that the frames must be linked to one another by the colon chain operator : .



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## Definition of new frames

### Programming

```
DEF FRAME PALLET1
```

```
PALETT1=CTRANS ( ... ) :CROT ( ... ) ...
```

### Function

In addition to the predefined settable frames described above, you also have the option of creating new frames. This is achieved by creating variables of type FRAME to which you can assign a name of your choice.

### Sequence

You can use the functions CTRANS, CROT, CSCALE and CMIRROR to assign values to your frames in the NC program.

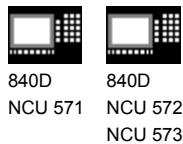
You will find more information on this subject on the previous pages.

## Frame rotation definition

### Function

Frame rotations can be used to define application-specific orientations in the area:

- ROT: Individual rotations for all geometry axes
- ROTS, AROTS, CROTS: Rotation by specifying a solid angle (max. 2); see description in /FB1/K2: coordinate systems.
- TOFRAME: Rotation by frame "TOFRAME", with Z axis pointing in the tool direction.
- TOROT: Rotation by frame "TOROT", which only overwrites the rotation component of frames that have already been programmed.



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### 6.3 Coarse/fine offset

#### Function

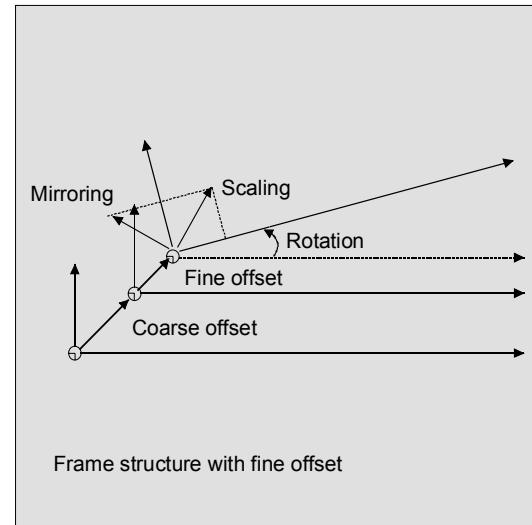
##### Fine offset

A fine offset of the base frames and of all other settable frames can be programmed with command CFINE(X, . . . , Y, . . . ).

##### Coarse offset

The coarse offset is defined with CTRANS( . . . ).

Coarse and fine offset add up to the total offset.



#### Programming

```
$P_UBFR=CTRANS(x, 10) : CFINE(x, 0.1) : CROT(x, 45) ;chaining offset, fine
                           offset and rotation
$P_UIFR[1]=CFINE(x, 0.5, y, 1.0, z, 0.1)      ;the total frame is overwritten with
                                                CFINE, incl. coarse offset.
```

Access to the individual components of the fine offset is achieved through component specification FI.

#### Programming

```
DEF REAL FINEX                      ;Definition of variable FINEX
FINEX=$P_UIFR[$P_UIFRNUM, x, FI]    ;Readout the fine offset via variable FINEX
FINEX=$P_UIFR[3, X, FI]              ;Readout the fine offset of X axis in the 3rd frame via
                                         variable FINEX
```

Fine offset can only take place if MD 18600:  
MM\_FRAME\_FINE\_TRANS=1.

A fine offset changed via operator input is only active after the corresponding frame is activated, i.e. activation is conducted via G500, G54...G599. An activated fine offset of a frame is active for as long as the frame is active.



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**i** The programmable frame has no fine offset. If the programmable frame is assigned a frame with fine offset, then the total offset is established by adding the coarse and the fine offset. When reading the programmable frame the fine offset is always zero.

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#### SW 5 and higher

The fine offset can be configured by means of MD 18600 MM\_FRAME\_FINE\_TRANS in the following variants:

0: Fine offset cannot be entered or programmed.

G58 and G59 are not possible.

1: Fine offset for settable frames, base frames, programmable frames, G58 and G59 can be entered/programmed

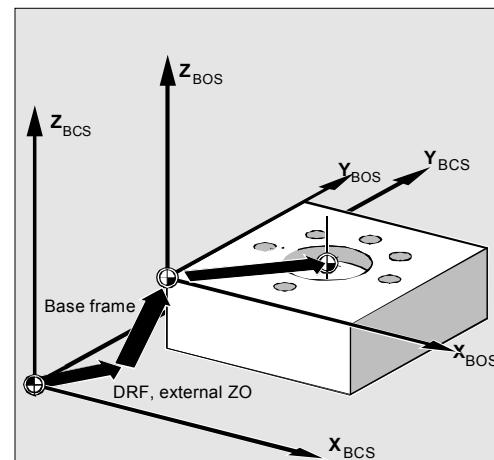
## 6.4 DRF offset

### Offset using handwheel, DRF

In addition to all the translations described in this section, you can also define zero offsets with the handwheel (DRF offset).

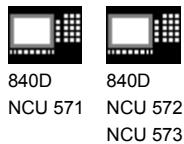
The DRF offset acts on the basic coordinate system. See the diagram for the relationships.

You will find more information in the Operator's Guide.



### Clear DRF offset, DRFOF

DRFOF clears the handwheel offset for all axes assigned to the channel. DRFOF is programmed in a separate NC block.



## 6.5 External zero offset

### External zero offset

This is another way of moving the zero point between the basic and workpiece coordinate system.

Only linear translations can be programmed with the external zero offset.

### Programming offset values, \$AA\_ETRANS

The offset values are programmed by assigning the axis-specific system variables.

Assigning offset value

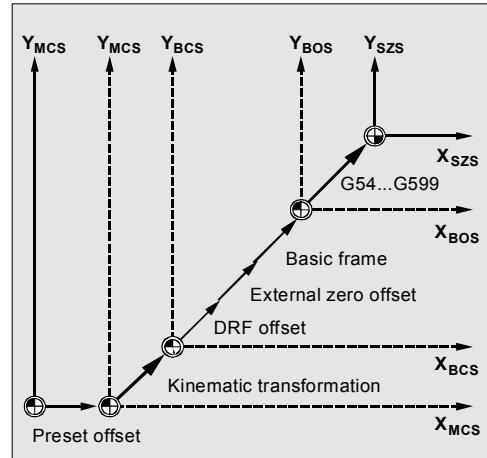
`$AA_ETRANS[axis]=Ri`

$R_i$  is the arithmetic variable of type REAL which contains the new value.

The external offset is generally set by the PLC and not specified in the parts program.



The value entered in the parts program only becomes active when the corresponding signal is enabled at the VDI interface (NCU-PLC interface).





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## 6.6 Programming PRESET offset, PRESETON



### Programming

`PRESETON(AXIS,VALUE,...)`



### Explanation of the commands

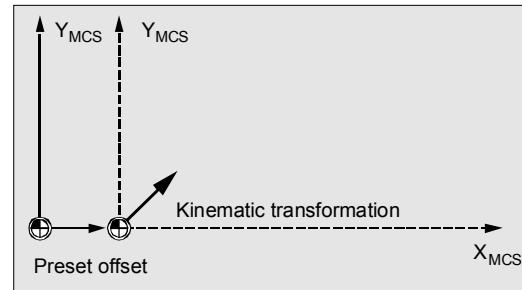
PRESETON	Set actual value
Axis	Machine axis parameter
Value	New actual value to apply to the specified axis



### Function

In special applications, it can be necessary to assign a new programmed actual value to one or more axes at the current position (stationary).

**Note:** Preset mode with synchronized actions should only be implemented the vocabulary word "WHEN" or "EVERY".



### Sequence

The actual values are assigned to the machine coordinate system – the values refer to the machine axes.

#### Example:

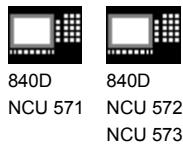
```
N10 G0 A760
N20 PRESETON(A1,60)
```

Axis A travels to position 760. At position 760, machine axis A1 is assigned the new actual value 60.

From this point, positioning is performed in the new actual value system.



*The reference point becomes invalid with the function PRESETON. You should therefore only use this function for axes which do not require a reference point. If the original system is to be restored, the reference point must be approached with G74 – see Section 3.1.*



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## 6.7 Deactivating frames

### Explanation of the commands



DRFOF	Deactivate (clear) the handwheel offsets (DRF)
G53	Non-modal deactivation of programmable and all settable frames
G153	Non-modal deactivation of programmable frames, base frames and all settable frames
SUPA	Non-modal deactivation of all programmable frames, base frames, all settable frames and handwheel offsets (DRF)

### Additional notes

The programmable frames are cleared by assigning a "zero frame" (without axis specification) to the programmable frame.

Example:

```
$P_PFRAME=TRANS()  
$P_PFRAME=ROT()  
$P_PFRAME=SCALE()  
$P_PFRAME=MIRROR()
```



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## 6.8 Frame calculation from three measuring points in the area: MEAFRAME



MEAFRAME is an extension of the 840D language used for supporting measuring cycles.

This function is valid in SW 4.3 and higher.



### Function

When a workpiece is positioned for machining, its position relative to the Cartesian machine coordinate system is generally both shifted and rotated referring to its ideal position.

For exact machining or measuring either a costly physical adjustment of the part is required or the motions defined in the parts program must be changed.

A frame can be determined by probing three points in the area for which the ideal positions are known.

Probing is performed with a tactile or optical sensor touching special holes or spheres that are precisely fixed to the backing plate.

The function MEAFRAME calculates the frame from three ideal and the corresponding measured points.

In order to map the measured coordinates onto the ideal coordinates using a rotation and a translation, the triangle formed by the measured points must be congruent to the ideal triangle. This is achieved by means of a compensation algorithm that minimizes the sum of squared deviations needed to reshape the measured triangle into the ideal triangle.

Since the effective distortion can be used to judge the quality of the measurement, MEAFRAME returns it as an additional variable.

## 6.8 Frame calculation from 3 measuring points in the area: MEAFRAME



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### Programming

```
MEAFRAME( IDEAL_POINT, MEAS_POINT, FIT_QUALITY )
```



### Explanation of the commands

MEAFRAME	Frame calculation of three measured points in space
IDEAL_POINT	2-dim. array of real data containing the three coordinates of the ideal points
MEAS_POINT	2-dim. array of real data containing the three coordinates of the measured points
FIT_QUALITY	<p>Variable of type real returning the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-1: The ideal points are located approximately on a straight line: The frame could not be calculated. The frame variable returned contains a neutral frame.</li> <li>-2: The measured points are located approximately on a straight line: The frame could not be calculated. The frame variable returned contains a neutral frame.</li> <li>-4: The calculation of the rotation matrix failed for a different reason</li> </ul> <p>Positive value:</p> <p>Sum of the distortions (distances between the points) needed to reshape the measured triangle into one that is congruent to the ideal triangle.</p>



### Application example

```
; Parts program 1
;
DEF FRAME CORR_FRAME
;
; Setting measured points
DEF REAL IDEAL_POINT[3,3] = SET(10.0,0.0,0.0, 0.0,10.0,0.0, 0.0,0.0,10.0)
DEF REAL MEAS_POINT[3,3] = SET(10.1,0.2,-0.2, -0.2,10.2,0.1, -0.2,0.2, 9.8);      for test
DEF REAL FIT_QUALITY = 0
;
DEF REAL ROT_FRAME_LIMIT = 5;      allows max. 5° rotation of the part position
DEF REAL FIT_QUALITY_LIMIT = 3;      allows max. 3 mm distortion between the ideal;
                                    and the measured triangle
DEF REAL SHOW_MCS_POS1[3]
DEF REAL SHOW_MCS_POS2[3]
DEF REAL SHOW_MCS_POS3[3]
=====
;
```



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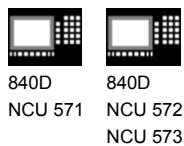


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```

N100 G01 G90 F5000
N110 X0 Y0 Z0
;
N200 CORR_FRAME=MEAFRAME(IDEAL_POINT,MEAS_POINT,FIT_QUALITY)
;
N230 IF FIT_QUALITY < 0
SETAL(65000)
GOTOF NO_FRAME
ENDIF
,
N240 IF FIT_QUALITY > FIT_QUALITY_LIMIT
SETAL(65010)
GOTOF NO_FRAME
ENDIF
;
N250 IF CORR_FRAME[X,RT] > ROT_FRAME_LIMIT;      limiting the 1st RPY angle
SETAL(65020)
GOTOF NO_FRAME
ENDIF
;
N260 IF CORR_FRAME[Y,RT] > ROT_FRAME_LIMIT;      limiting the 2nd RPY angle
SETAL(65021)
GOTOF NO_FRAME
ENDIF
;
N270 IF CORR_FRAME[Z,RT] > ROT_FRAME_LIMIT;      limiting the 3rd RPY angle
SETAL(65022)
GOTOF NO_FRAME
ENDIF
;
N300 $P_IFRAME=CORR_FRAME;      activate the probe frame via a settable frame
;
; check the frame by positioning the geometry axes at the ideal points
;
N400 X=IDEAL_POINT[0,0] Y=IDEAL_POINT[0,1] Z=IDEAL_POINT[0,2]
N410 SHOW_MCS_POS1[0]=$AA_IM[X]
N420 SHOW_MCS_POS1[1]=$AA_IM[Y]
N430 SHOW_MCS_POS1[2]=$AA_IM[Z]
;
N500 X=IDEAL_POINT[1,0] Y=IDEAL_POINT[1,1] Z=IDEAL_POINT[1,2]
N510 SHOW_MCS_POS2[0]=$AA_IM[X]
N520 SHOW_MCS_POS2[1]=$AA_IM[Y]
N530 SHOW_MCS_POS2[2]=$AA_IM[Z]
;
N600 X=IDEAL_POINT[2,0] Y=IDEAL_POINT[2,1] Z=IDEAL_POINT[2,2]
N610 SHOW_MCS_POS3[0]=$AA_IM[X]
N620 SHOW_MCS_POS3[1]=$AA_IM[Y]
N630 SHOW_MCS_POS3[2]=$AA_IM[Z]
;

```



```
N700 G500;      Deactivate settable frame, as preset with zero frame (no value set)
;
NO_FRAME:
M0
M30
```

## 6.9 NCU-global frames (SW 5 and higher)

### Function

NCU-global frames are only available once for all channels of each NCU. NCU-global frames can be written and read from all channels. The NCU-global frames are activated in the respective channel.

Channel axes and machine axes with offsets can be scaled and mirrored by means of global frames.

With global frames there is no geometrical relationship between the axes. Therefore, it is not possible to perform rotations or program geometry axis identifiers.

- It is not possible to use global frames for rotations. Programming a rotation is refused and alarm: "18310 channel %1 block %2 frame: rotation not allowed" is displayed.
- Chaining of global frames and channel-specific frames is possible. The resulting frame contains all frame elements including rotations for all axes. If a frame with rotation elements is assigned to a global frame, it is rejected and alarm "Frame: rotation not allowed" is displayed.

### **NCU-global base frames: \$P\_NCBFR[n]**

You can configure up to 8 NCU-global basic frames.



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### Machine manufacturer

The number of global base frames is configured via machine data. (See /FB/ K2, Axes, Coordinate Systems, Frames)

Channel-specific base frames can be present at the same time.

Global frames can be written and read from all channels of an NCU. When writing global frames, the user must pay attention to channel coordination, for example, by using Wait marks (WAITMC).

#### NCU-global settable frames: \$P\_UIFR[n]

All settable frames G500, G54...G599 can be configured either NCU-global or channel-specific.



### Machine manufacturer

All settable frames can be reconfigured as global frames via MD 18601 MM\_NUM\_GLOBAL\_USER\_FRAMES.

See /FB/ K2, Axes, Coordinate Systems, Frames.

Channel axis identifiers and machine axis identifiers can be used as axis identifiers for the frame program commands. Programming of geometry identifiers is rejected with an alarm.

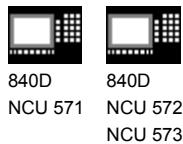
## 6.9.1 Channel-specific frames



### Function

The number of base frames can be configured in the channel via MD 28081 MM\_NUM\_BASE\_FRAMES.

The standard configuration provides at least one base frame per channel. A maximum of eight base frames are supported per channel. In addition to the eight base frames, there can also be eight NCU-global base frames in the channel.



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Settable frames/base frames can be written and read from the control and the PLC

- via the parts program and
- via the OPI.

Fine offset is also possible for global frames.

Suppression of global frames also takes place, as is the case with channel-specific frames, via G53, G153, SUPA and G500.

### **\$P\_CHBFR[n]**

The base frames can be read and written via system variable \$P\_CHBFR[n]. When writing a base frame, the chained total base frame is not activated; it is only activated when the G500, G54..G599 instruction is executed. The variable mainly serves as memory for writing processes to the MMC and PLC base frame. These frame variables are saved by data backup.

### **First basic frame in the channel**

Writing to a predefined variable \$P\_UBFR will not activate the basic frame with array index 0 simultaneously, but it will be activated only after a G500, G54..G599 command is executed. The variable can also be written and read in the program.

### **\$P\_UBFR**

\$P\_UBFR is identical to \$P\_CHBFR[0].

As standard, there is always a base frame in the channel making the system variable compatible with older versions. If there is no channel-specific base frame, an alarm is issued at read/write: "Frame: instruction not permissible".



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## 6.9.2 Frames active in the channel



### Function

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**Current system frames for**

**\$P\_PARTFRAME TCARR and PAROT**

**\$P\_SETFRAME preset actual value memory and scratching,**

**\$P\_EXTFRAME zero offset external,**

You can read and write the current system frame in the parts program via these system variables.

**\$P\_NCBFRAME[n]**

**Current NCU-global basic frames**

You can read and write the current global basic frame field elements via system variable

**\$P\_NCBFRAME[n].** The resulting total base frame is calculated by means of the write process in the channel.

The modified frame is only active in the channel in which the frame was programmed. If the frame is to be changed for all channels of an NCU, both [n] and **\$P\_NCBFRAME[n]** have to be programmed.

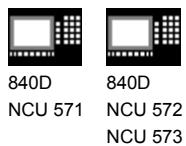
The other channels must then still activate the frame with, for example, G54. When writing a base frame, the total base frame is calculated again.

**\$P\_CHBFRAME[n]**

**Current channel basic frames**

You can read and write the current channel basic frame field elements via system variable

**\$P\_CHBFRAME[n].** The resulting total base frame is calculated by means of the write process in the channel. When writing a base frame, the total base frame is calculated again.



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### **\$P\_BFRAME**

#### **Current first basic frame in the channel**

You can read and write the current basic frame with array index 0, which applies for the channel, in the parts program via the predefined frame variable \$P\_BFRAME. The written basic frame is immediately included in the calculation.

\$P\_BFRAME is identical to \$P\_CHBFRAME[0]. The default is for the system variable to always have a valid value. If there is no channel-specific base frame, an alarm is issued at read/write: "Frame: instruction not permissible".

### **\$P\_ACTBFRAME**

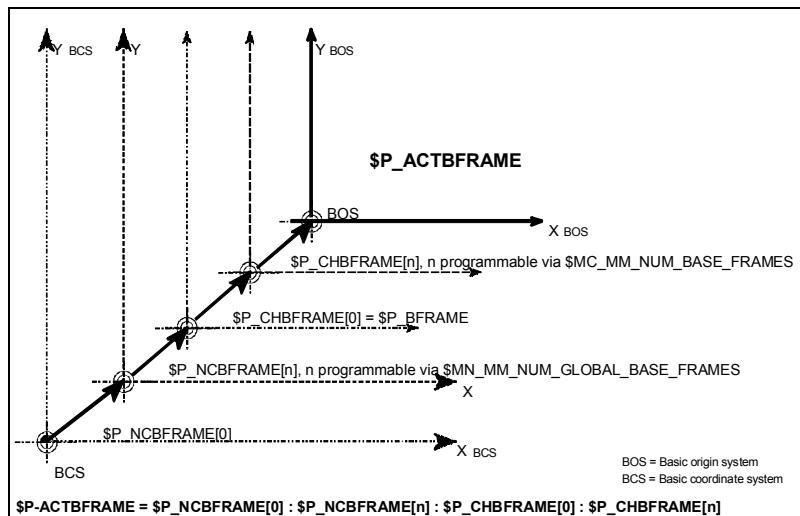
#### **Total basic frame**

Variable \$P\_ACTBFRAME determines the chained total basic frame. The variable can only be read.

\$P\_ACTBFRAME corresponds to

\$P\_NCBFRAME[0] : ... : \$P\_NCBFRAME[n] :

\$P\_CHBFRAME[0] : ... : \$P\_CHBFRAME[n].



### **\$P\_CHBFRMASK and \$P\_NCBFRMASK**

#### **Total basic frame**

Via system variables \$P\_CHBFRMASK and \$P\_NCBFRMASK, the user can select the basic frames to be included in the calculation of the "total" basic frame. The variables can only be programmed in the program and read via OPI. The value of the variable is interpreted as bit mask and determines which base frame field element of \$P\_ACTBFAME is included in the calculation.



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You can specify with \$P\_CHBFRMASK which channel-specific base frames, and with \$P\_NCBFRMASK which NCU-global base frames, are to be included in the calculation.

By programming the variables the total base frame and the total frame are calculated again. After a Reset is performed, the basic setting value is

\$P\_CHBFRMASK = \$MC\_CHBFRA ME\_RESET\_MASK and  
\$P\_NCBFRMASK = \$MN\_NCBFRA ME\_RESET\_MASK.

e.g.

```
$P_NCBFRMASK = 'H81' ; $P_NCBFRA ME[0] : $P_NCBFRA ME[7]  
$P_CHBFRMASK = 'H11' ; $P_CHBFRA ME[0] : $P_CHBFRA ME[4]
```

### **\$P\_IFRAME**

#### **Current settable frame**

You can read and write the current settable frame, which applies in the channel, in the parts program via the predefined frame variable \$P\_IFRAME. The written settable frame is immediately included in the calculation.

With NCU-global settable frames, the modified frame is only active in the channel in which the frame was programmed. If the frame is to be changed for all channels of an NCU, both \$P\_UIFR[n] and \$P\_IFRAME have to be programmed. The other channels must then still activate the respective frame with, for example, G54.

#### **SW 6.1 and higher**

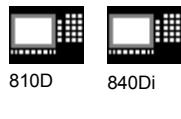
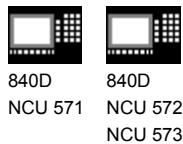
#### **Current system frames for**

#### **\$P\_TOOLFRAME TOROT and TOFRAME**

#### **SW 6.3 and higher**

#### **\$P\_WPFRAME Workpiece reference points**

You can read and write the current system frame in the parts program via these system variables.



## \$P\_PFRAME

### Current programmable frame

\$P\_PFRAME is the programmable frame which results from programming TRANS/ATRANS, G58/G59, ROT/AROT, SCALE/ASCALE, MIRROR/AMIRROR or from assigning CTRANS, CROT, CMIRROR, CSCALE to the programmable frame.

Current, programmable frame variable that establishes the reference between the settable zero system (Szs) and the workpiece coordinate system (Wcs).

## SW 6.3 and higher

### Current system frame for \$P\_CYCFRAME Cycles

You can read and write the current system frame in the parts program via this system variable.

## \$P\_ACTFRAME

### Current total frame

The current resulting total frame \$P\_ACTFRAME now results from chaining all basic frames, the current settable frame and the programmable frame.

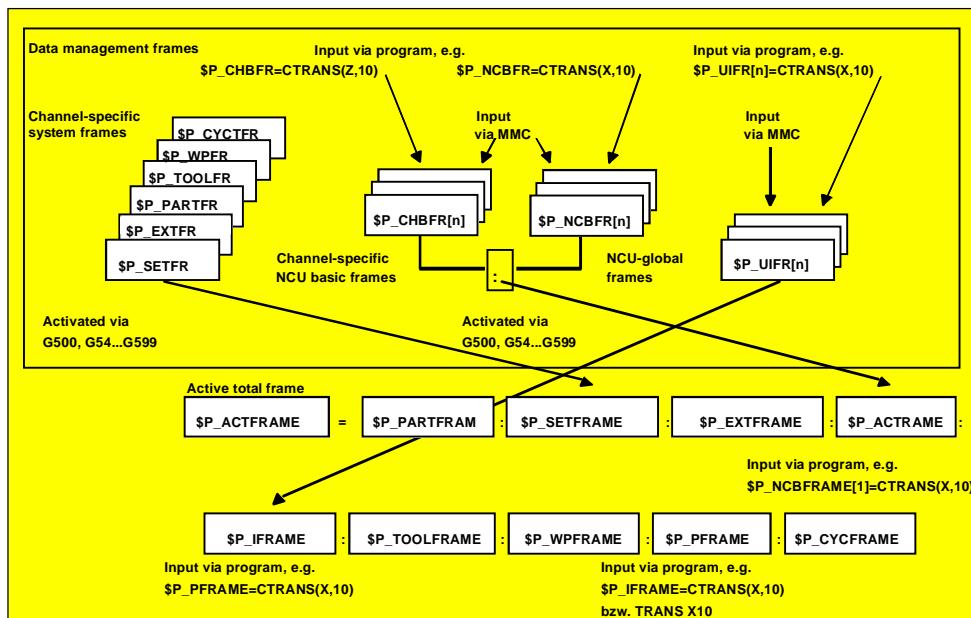
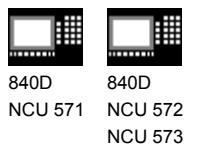
The current frame is always updated if a frame element is modified.

SW 6.3 and higher, \$P\_ACTFRAME corresponds to

\$P\_SETFRAME : \$P\_EXTFRAME : \$P\_PARTFRAME : \$P\_ACTBFRAME :  
\$P\_IFRAME : \$P\_TOOLFRAME : \$P\_WPFRAME : \$P\_PFRAME : \$P\_CYCFRAME

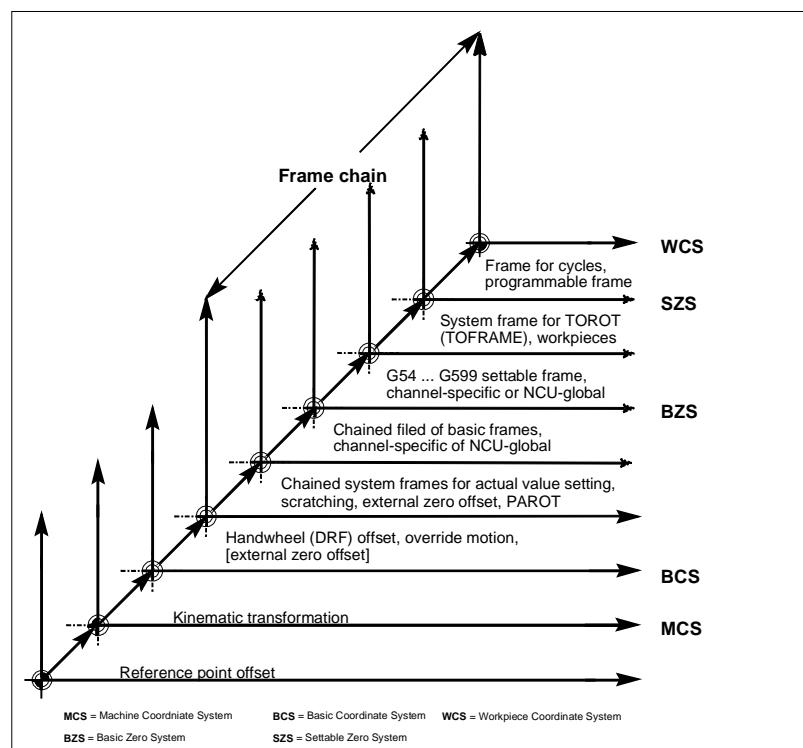
SW 6.4 and higher, \$P\_ACTFRAME corresponds to

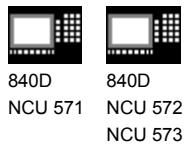
\$P\_PARTFRAME : \$P\_SETFRAME : \$P\_EXTFRAME: \$P\_ACTBFRAME :  
\$P\_IFRAME : \$P\_TOOLFRAME : \$P\_WPFRAME : \$P\_PFRAME : \$P\_CYCFRAME



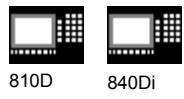
### Frame chaining

The current frame consists of the total basic frame, the settable frame, the system frame and the programmable frame according to the current total frame mentioned above.



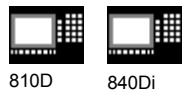


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## 7.1 Three, four and five axis transformation: TRAORI



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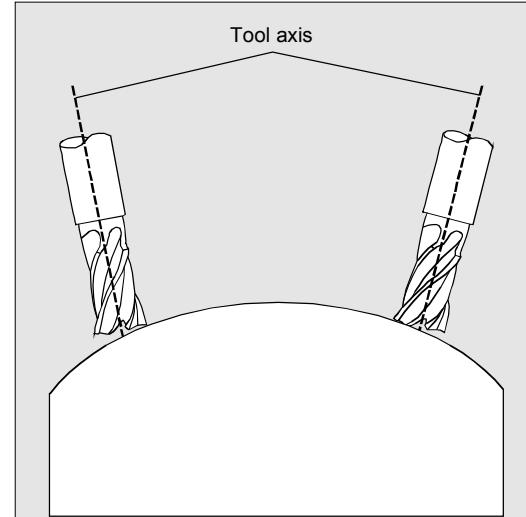
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### 7.1 Three, four and five axis transformation: TRAORI



To obtain optimum cutting conditions when machining surfaces with a three-dimensional curve, it must be possible to vary the setting angle of the tool.

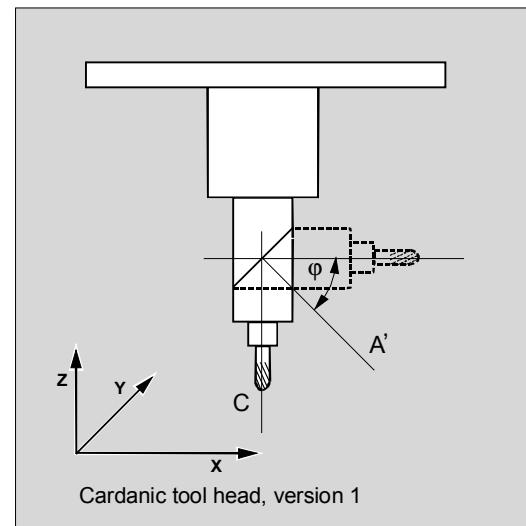
The machine design to achieve this is stored in the axis data.



#### Cardanic tool head

Three linear axes (X, Y, Z) and two orientation axes define the setting angle and the operating point of the tool here. One of the two orientation axes is created as an inclined axis, in our example A' - in many cases, placed at 45°.

The axis sequence of the orientation axes and the orientation direction of the tool are set up via the machine data subject to the machine kinematics. In the examples shown here, you can see the arrangements in the CA machine kinematics example!





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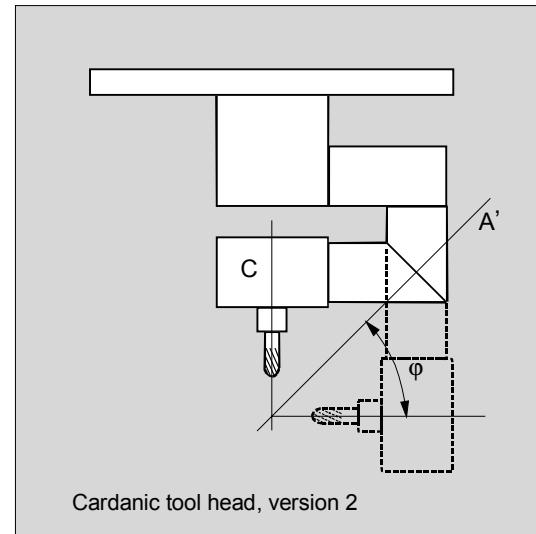
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There are the following possible relationships:

- A' is below angle  $\varphi$  to the X axis
- B' is below angle  $\varphi$  to the Y axis
- C' is below angle  $\varphi$  to the Z axis

Angle  $\varphi$  can be configured in the range  $0^\circ$  to  $+89^\circ$  via machine data.

Depending on the orientation direction selected for the tool, the active working plane (G17, G18, G19) must be set in the NC program in such a way that tool length compensation works in the direction of tool orientation.



#### Transformation with a swiveling linear axis

This is an arrangement with a moving workpiece and a moving tool.

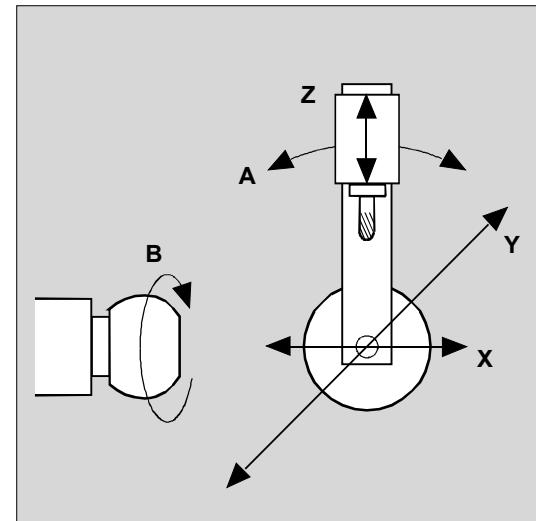
The kinematics consists of three linear axes (X, Y, Z) and two orthogonally arranged rotary axes. The first rotary axis is moved, for example, over a compound slide of two linear axes, the tool standing parallel to the third linear axis. The second rotary axis turns the workpiece. The third linear axis (swivel axis) lies in the compound slide plane.

The axis sequence of the rotary axes and the orientation direction of the tool are set up via the machine data subject to the machine kinematics.

There are the following possible relationships:

Axes:

- 1st rotary axis
- 2nd rotary axis
- Swiveled linear axis



Axis sequences:

- A A B B C C
- B C A C A B
- Z Y Z X Y X

## 7.1 Three, four and five axis transformation: TRAORI



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### 3-axis and 4-axis transformations

3-axis and 4-axis transformations are special forms of 5-axis transformations.

The user can configure two or three translatory axes and one rotary axis. The transformations assume that the rotary axis is orthogonal on the orientation plane.

Tool orientation is only possible in the plane that is perpendicular to the rotary axis. Transformation supports machine types with a mobile tool and a mobile workpiece.

Configuration and programming for 3-axis and 4-axis transformations are the same as for 5-axis transformations.



### Programming

TRAORI (n)  
TRAFOOF



### Explanation of the commands

TRAORI	Activates the first specified orientation transformation
TRAORI (n)	Activates the orientation transformation specified by n
n	The number of the transformation (n = 1 or 2), TRAORI(1) corresponds to TRAORI
TRAFOOF	Disable transformation



### Additional notes

When the transformation is enabled, the positional data (X, Y, Z) always relates to the tip of the tool.

Changing the position of the rotary axes involved in the transformation causes so many compensating movements of the remaining machine axes that the position of the tool tip is unchanged.



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### 7.1.1 Programming tool orientation



5-axis programs are usually generated by CAD/CAM systems and not entered at the control. So the following explanations are directed mainly at the programmers of postprocessors.

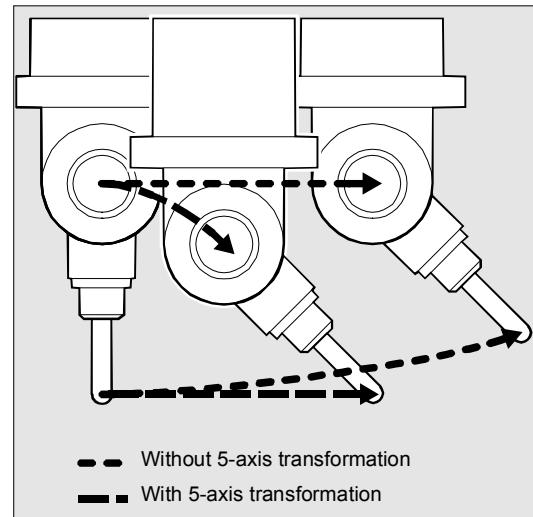
There are three options available when programming tool orientation:

1. Programming the motion of the rotary axes. The change of orientation always occurs in the basic or machine coordinate system. The orientation axes are traversed as synchronized axes.
2. Programming in Euler angles or RPY angles via A2, B2, C2  
or  
Programming the direction vector via A3, B3, C3. The direction vector points from the tool tip towards the toolholder.
3. Programming via the lead angle LEAD and the tilt angle TILT (face milling).

In all cases, orientation programming is only permissible if an orientation transformation is active.



Advantage: These programs can be transferred to any machine kinematics.



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### Programming

G1 X Y Z A B C	Programming the motion of the rotary axes.
G1 X Y Z A2= B2= C2=	Programming in Euler angles
G1 X Y Z A3= B3= C3=	Programming the direction vector
G1 X Y Z A4= B4= C4=	Programming the surface normal vector at block start
G1 X Y Z A5= B5= C5=	Programming the surface normal vector at end of block
LEAD	Lead angle for programming tool orientation
TILT	Tilt angle for programming tool orientation



Machine data can be used to switch between Euler and RPY angles.

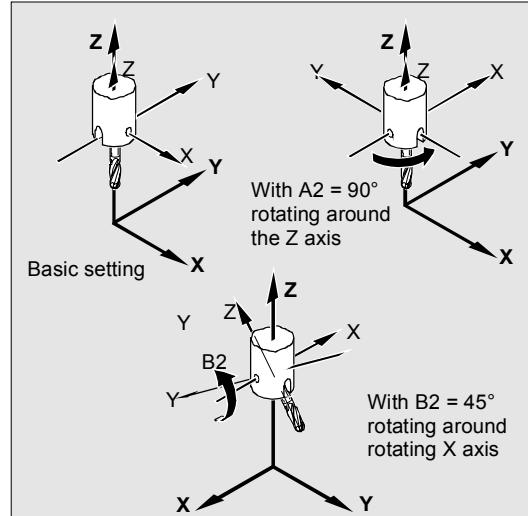


### Programming in Euler angles

The values programmed during orientation programming with A2, B2, C2 are interpreted as Euler angles (in degrees).

The orientation vector results from turning a vector in the Z direction firstly with A2 around the Z axis, then with B2 around the new X axis and lastly with C2 around the new Z axis.

In this case the value of C2 (rotation around the new Z axis) is meaningless and does not have to be programmed.





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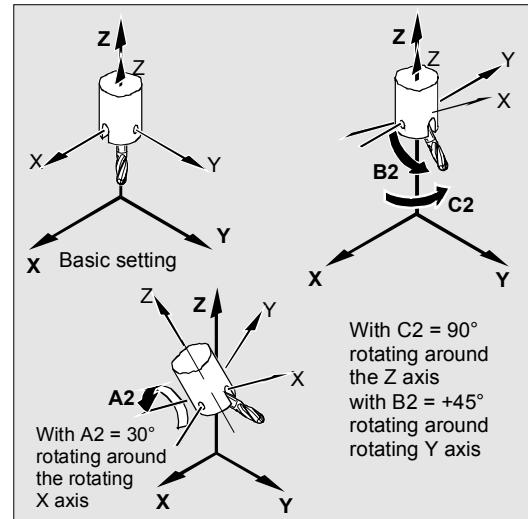
### Programming in RPY angles

The values programmed during orientation programming with A2, B2, C2 are interpreted as RPY angles (in degrees).

The orientation vector results from turning a vector in the Z direction firstly with C2 around the Z axis, then with B2 around the new Y axis and lastly with A2 around the new X axis.



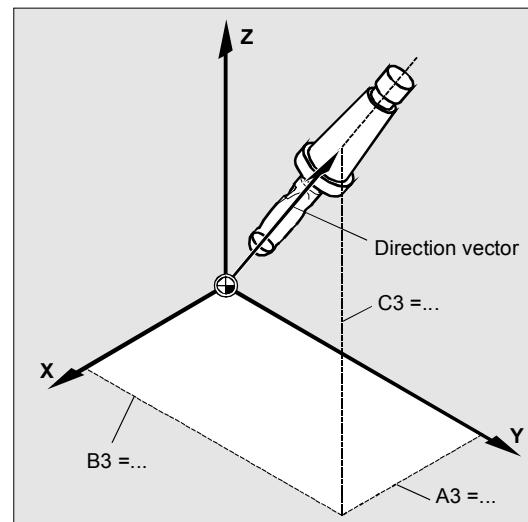
In contrast to Euler angle programming, all three values here have an effect on the orientation vector



### Programming the direction vector

The components of the direction vector are programmed with A3, B3, C3. The vector points towards the toolholder; the length of the vector is meaningless.

Vector components that have not been programmed are set equal to zero.





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### Face milling

Face milling is used to machine curved surfaces of any kind.

For this type of 3D milling, you require line-by-line definition of 3D paths on the workpiece surface.

The tool shape and dimensions are taken into account in the calculations that are normally performed in CAM.

The fully calculated NC blocks are then read into the control via postprocessors.

### Surface description

The path curvature is described by surface normal vectors with the following components:

A4, B4, C4 start vector at block start

A5, B5, C5 end vector at block end

If a block only contains the start vector, the surface normal vector will remain constant throughout the block.

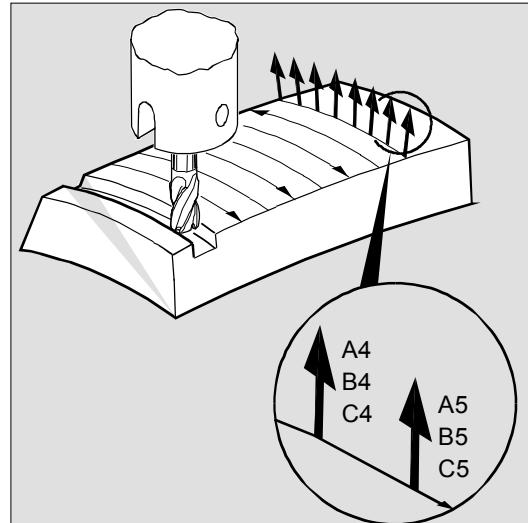
If a block only contains the end vector, interpolation will run from the end value of the previous block via large circle interpolation to the programmed end value.

If both start and end vectors are programmed, interpolation runs between the two directions, also via large circle interpolation. This allows continuously smooth paths to be created.

In the initial setting, surface normal vectors – whatever the active G17 to G19 level – point in the Z direction.

The length of a vector is meaningless.

Vector components that have not been programmed are set to zero.





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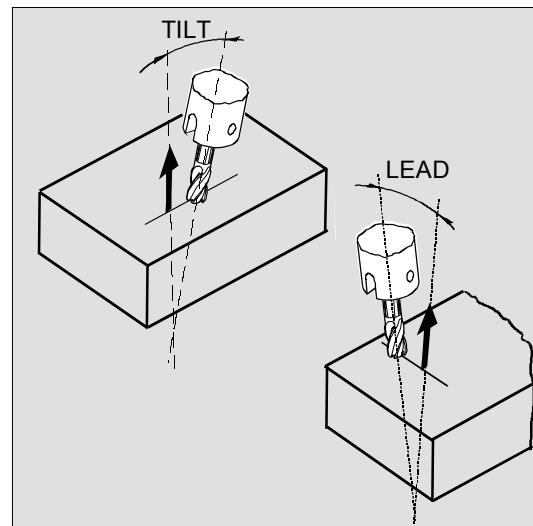
With active ORIWCS (see following pages), the surface normal vectors relate to the active frame and also turn when the frame is turned.

The surface normal vector must be perpendicular to the path tangent, within a limit value set via machine data, otherwise an alarm will be output.

### Programming the tool orientation with LEAD and TILT

The resultant tool orientation is determined from:

- the path tangent,
- the surface normal vector
- the lead angle LEAD
- the tilt angle TILT at end of block.



### Explanation of the commands

**LEAD** Angle relative to the surface normal vector in the plane put up by the path tangent and the surface normal vector

**TILT** Angle in the plane, perpendicular to the path tangent relative to the surface normal vector

### **Behavior at inside corners (for 3D-tool compensation)**

If the block at an inside corner is shortened, the resultant tool orientation is also achieved at end of block.

## 7.1 Three, four and five axis transformation: TRAORI



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### 7.1.2 Orientation axes reference – ORIWCS, ORIMCS

#### Programming

N... ORIMCS  
or  
N... ORIWCS

#### Explanation of the commands

ORIMCS	Rotation in the machine coordinate system
ORIWCS	Rotation in the workpiece coordinate system

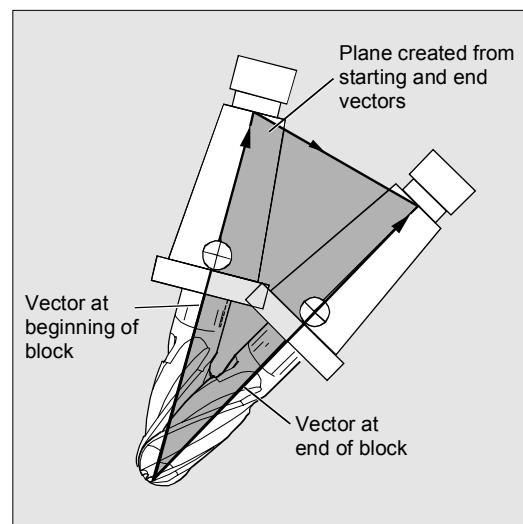
#### Function

With orientation programming in the workpiece coordinate system via Euler or RPY angles or the orientation vector, ORIMCS/ORIWCS can be used to adjust the course of the rotary motion.

#### Sequence

With ORIMCS, the movement executed by the tool is dependent on the machine kinematics. With an orientation change with a fixed tool tip, interpolation between the rotary axis positions is linear.

With ORIWCS, the tool movement is not dependent on the machine kinematics. With an orientation change with a fixed tool tip, the tool moves in the plane set up by the start and end vectors.





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### Additional notes

ORIWCS is the basic setting. If it is not immediately obvious with a 5-axis program which machine it should run on, always choose ORIWCS. Which movements the machine actually executes depend on the machine kinematics.

With ORIMCS, you can program actual machine movements, for example, to avoid collisions with devices, etc.

Machine data \$MC\_ORI\_IPO\_WITH\_G\_CODE specifies the active interpolation mode:  
ORIMCS/ORIWCS or ORIMACHAX/ORIVIRTAX  
(see Subsection 7.1.4).

### 7.1.3 Singular positions and how to handle them

#### Notes on ORIWCS:

Orientation movements in the singular setting area of the 5-axis machine require vast movements of the machine axes. (For example, with a rotary swivel head with C as the rotary axis and A as the swivel axis, all positions with A = 0 are singular.)

To avoid overloading the machine axes, the velocity control vastly reduces the tool path velocity near the singular positions.

#### With machine data

\$MC\_TRAFO5\_NON\_POLE\_LIMIT

\$MC\_TRAFO5\_POLE\_LIMIT

the transformation can be parameterized in such a way that orientation movements close to the pole are put through the pole and rapid machining is possible.

#### Note on SW 5.2:

As from SW5.2, singular positions will only be handled by MD \$MC\_TRAFO5\_POLE\_LIMIT  
(see Description of Functions Part 3, Sub-section 2.8.4).



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#### **7.1.4 Orientation axes (SW 5.2 and higher)**



##### **Programming**

N.. ORIEULER or ORIRPY

or

N.. ORIVIRT1 or ORIVIRT2

N.. G1 X Y Z A2= B2= C2=



##### **Explanation of the commands**

ORIEULER	Orientation programming using Euler angles
ORIRPY	Orientation programming using RPY angles
ORIVIRT1	Orientation programming using virtual orientation axes (definition 1), definition according to MD \$MC_ORIAAX_TURN_TAB_1
ORIVIRT2	Orientation programming using virtual orientation axes (definition 2), definition according to MD \$MC_ORIAAX_TURN_TAB_2
G1 X Y Z A2= B2= C2=	Angle programming of virtual axes



##### **Programming**

N.. ORIAxes or ORIVECT

N.. G1 X Y Z A B C



##### **Explanation of the commands**

ORIAxes	Linear interpolation of orientation axes
ORIVECT	Large circle interpolation
ORIMCS	Rotation in the machine coordinate system For description, see Subsection 7.1.2
ORIWCS	Rotation in the workpiece coordinate system For description, see Subsection 7.1.2
G1 X Y Z A B C	Programming the machine axis position



##### **Function**

The orientation axis function describes the orientation of the tool in space. This introduces an additional third degree of freedom that describes the rotation around itself. This is necessary for 6-axis transformations.



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MD \$MC\_ORI\_DEF\_WITH\_G\_CODE specifies how the programmed angles A2, B2, C2 are defined:

The definition is made according to MD

\$MC\_ORIENTATION\_IS\_EULER

(default) or

the definition is made according to G\_group 50

(ORIEULER, ORIRPY, ORIVIRT1, ORIVIRT2).

MD \$MC\_ORI\_IPO\_WITH\_G\_CODE specifies which

interpolation mode is active:

ORIWCS/ORIMCS or ORIAxes/ORIVECT.

### JOG mode

Interpolation for orientation angles in this mode of operation is always linear. During continuous and incremental traversal via the traversing keys, only one orientation axis can be traversed. Orientation axes can be traversed simultaneously using the handwheels.



For manual travel of the orientation axes, the channel-specific feed override switch or the rapid traverse override switch work at rapid traverse override.

A separate velocity setting is possible with the following machine data:

\$MC\_JOGL\_VELO\_RAPID\_GEO

\$MC\_JOGL\_VELO\_GEO

\$MC\_JOGL\_VELO\_RAPID\_ORI

\$MC\_JOGL\_VELO\_ORI

### SW 6.3 and higher

In JOG mode, the cartesian manual travel function can, for SINUMERIK 840D with the "Handling transformation package" and for Sinumerik 810D powerline from SW 6.1 set up separately the translation of the geometry axes in the reference systems MCS, WCS and TCS.



### Reference notes:

SINUMERIK 840D/FM-NC Description of Functions

(Part 3), "Handling transformation package".

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## Feed programming

FORI1

Feed for swiveling the orientation vector on the large circle

FORI2

Feed for the overlaid rotation around the swiveled orientation vector



With orientation movements, the programmable feed corresponds to an angular velocity [degrees/min].

### Effectiveness of the feed via G code:

When programming ORIAXES, the feed for an orientation axis can be limited via the FL[ ] instruction (feed limit).

When programming ORIVECT, the feed must be programmed with FORI1 or FORI2. FORI1 and FORI2 must only be programmed once in the NC block. Traversal always takes the shortest path during this programming.

The smallest feed always operates for the overlaid motion of turning and swiveling. With orientation movements, the feed corresponds to an angular velocity [degrees/min].

If geometry axes and orientation axes traverse a common path, the traversing movement is determined from the smallest feed.



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### 7.1.5 Cartesian PTP travel (from SW 5.2)

#### Programming

```
N.. TRAORI
N.. STAT='B10` TU='B100` PTP
N.. CP
```

#### Explanation of the commands

PTP	<b>Point to Point</b> (point to point movement) The movement is executed as a synchronized axis movement; the slowest axis involved in the movement is the dominating axis for the velocity.
CP	<b>Continuous path</b> (path motion) The movement is executed as cartesian path motion
STAT=	Position of the articulated joints; this value is dependent on the transformation.
TU=	TURN information This makes it possible to clearly approach axis angles between -360 degrees and +360 degrees.

#### Function

This function can be used to program a position in a cartesian coordinate system, however, the movement of the machine occurs in the machine coordinates.  
The function can be used, for example, when changing the position of the articulated joint, if the movement runs through a singularity.

#### Note:

The function is only useful in conjunction with an active transformation. Furthermore, "PTP travel" is only permissible in conjunction with G0 and G1.

#### Sequence

The commands PTP and CP effect the changeover between cartesian traversal and traversing the machine axes. These are modal. CP is the default setting.



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### Programming the position (STAT=)

A machine position is not uniquely determined just by positional data with cartesian coordinates and the orientation of the tool. Depending on the kinematics involved, there can be as many as eight different and crucial articulated joint positions. These are specific to the transformation. To be able to uniquely convert a cartesian position into the axis angle, the position of the articulated joints must be specified with the command STAT=. The "STAT" command contains a bit for each of the possible positions as a binary value.

#### Reference notes:

The various transformations are included in the document:

SINUMERIK 840D/FM-NC Description of Functions (Part 3), "Handling transformation package".

The positional bits to be programmed for "STAT" are included in the document:

SINUMERIK 840D/FM-NC Description of Functions (Part 3), "3-axis to 5-axis transformation".

### Programming the axis angle (TU=)

To be able to clearly approach by axis angles  $< \pm 360$  degrees, this information must be programmed using the command "TU=".

The command is non-modal.

The axes traverse by the shortest path:

- when no TU is programmed for a position
- with axes that have a traversing range  $> \pm 360$  degrees



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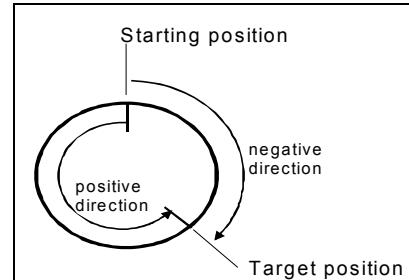
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#### Example:

The target position shown in the diagram can be approached in the negative or positive direction. The direction is programmed under the address A1.

A1=225°, TU=bit 0, → positive direction

A1=-135°, TU=bit 1, → negative direction



#### Smoothing between CP and PTP motion

A programmable transition rounding between the blocks is possible with G641.

The size of the rounding area is the path in mm or inch, from which or to which the block transition is to be rounded. The size must be specified as follows:

- for G0 blocks with ADISPOS
- for all the other motion commands with ADIS.

The path calculation corresponds to considering of the F addresses for non-G0 blocks. The feed is kept to the axes specified in FGROUP(..).

#### Feed calculation:

For CP blocks, the cartesian axes of the basic coordinate system are used for the calculation.

For PTP blocks, the corresponding axes of the machine coordinate system are used for the calculation.



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## Additional notes

### Mode change

The "Cartesian PTP travel" function is only useful in the AUTO and MDA modes of operation. When changing the mode to JOG, the current setting is retained.

When the G code PTP is set, the axes will traverse in MCS. When the G code CP is set, the axes will traverse in WCS.

### Power On / Reset

After a power ON or after a Reset, the setting is dependent on the machine data

\$MC\_GCODE\_RESET\_VALUES[48]. The default traversal mode setting is "CP".

### Repositioning

If the function "Cartesian PTP travel" was set during the interruption block, PTP can also be used for repositioning.

### Overlaid movements

DRF offset or external zero offset are only possible to a limited extent in cartesian PTP travel. When changing from PTP to CP motion, there must be no overrides in the BCS.

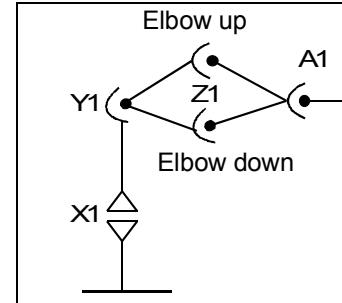


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### Programming example



N10 G0 X0 Y-30 Z60 A-30 F10000	Starting position → Elbow up
N20 TRAORI(1)	Transformation ON
N30 X1000 Y0 Z400 A0	
N40 X1000 Z500 A0 STAT='B10' TU='B100' PTP	Reorientation without transformation → Elbow down
N50 X1200 Z400 CP	Transformation active again
N60 X1000 Z500 A20	
N70 M30	



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### 7.1.6 Online tool length compensation (SW 6.4 and higher)



#### Programming

```
N... TRAORI
N... TOFFON(X,25)
N... WHEN TRUE DO $AA_TOFF[X]
```



#### Explanation of the commands

TOFFON	<b>Tool Offset ON</b> (activate online tool length compensation) When activating, an offset value can be specified for the relevant direction of compensation and this is immediately recovered.
TOFFOF	<b>Tool Offset OF</b> (reset online tool length compensation) The relevant compensation values are reset and a preprocessing stop is initiated.
X, Y, Z,	Direction of compensation for the specified offset value



#### Function

Use the system variable \$AA\_TOFF[ ] to overlay the effective tool lengths in accordance with the three tool directions three-dimensionally in real time. The three geometry axis identifiers are used as the index. This defines the number of active directions of compensation by the geometry axes active at the same time. All the overrides can be active simultaneously.

#### Application

- The online tool length compensation function can be used for:
- orientation transformation TRAORI
  - orientable toolholder TCARR



#### Note:

Online tool length compensation is an **option**, that first has to be enabled. This function is only useful in conjunction with an active orientation transformation or an active orientable toolholder.



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## Additional notes

### Block preparation

During block preparation in preprocessing, the current tool length offset active in the main run is also taken into consideration. To allow extensive use to be made of the maximum permissible axis velocity, it is necessary to stop block preparation with a STOPRE preprocessing stop while a tool offset is set up.

The tool offset is then always known at the time of preprocessing if tool length compensations can no longer be changed after program startup, or if, following a change to the tool length compensations, more blocks were executed than the IPO buffer between preprocessing and main run can accept.

### Variable \$AA\_TOFF\_PREP\_DIFF

The size of the difference between the current compensation active in the interpolator and the compensation active at the time the block was prepared, can be queried in the \$AA\_TOFF\_PREP\_DIFF[ ] variable.

### Adjusting machine data and setting data

The following machine data is available for online tool length compensation:

- MD 20610: ADD\_MOVE\_ACCEL\_RESERVE Reserve for velocity planning
- MD 21190: TOFF\_MODE The content of the system variable \$AA\_TOFF[ ] is recovered or integrated as an absolute value.
- MD 21194: TOFF\_VELO Velocity of the online tool length compensation
- MD 21196: TOFF\_ACCEL Acceleration of the online tool length compensation

Setting data for presetting limit values

- SD 42970: TOFF\_LIMIT Upper limit of the tool length compensation value



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## Programming example

### Tool length compensation selection

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```

MD 21190: TOFF_MODE          =1           ; Absolute values are approached
MD 21194: TOFF_VELO[ 0]       =1000
MD 21196: TOFF_VELO[ 1]       =1000
MD 21194: TOFF_VELO[ 2]       =1000
MD 21196: TOFF_ACCEL[ 0]      =1
MD 21196: TOFF_ACCEL[ 1]      =1
MD 21196: TOFF_ACCEL[ 2]      =1

```

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```

N5    DEF REAL XOFFSET

```

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```

N10   TRAORI(1)               ; Transformation ON

```

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```

N20   TOFFON(Z)               ; Activation of online tool length offset
                                ; for the Z tool direction

```

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```

N30   WHEN TRUE DO $AA_TOFF[Z] = 10   ; For the Z tool direction, a tool length
                                         ; offset of 10 is interpolated
      G4 F5

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```

N40   TOFFON(X)               ; Activation of online tool length offset
                                ; for the X tool direction

```

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```

N50   ID=1 DO $AA_TOFF[X] = $AA_IW[X2] ; For the X tool direction, an offset is
                                         ; executed subject to the position of axis
                                         ; X2

```

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```

N100  XOFFSET = $AA_TOFF_VAL[X]     ; Assign current offset in X direction

```

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```

N120  TOFFON(X, -XOFFSET)          ; For the X tool direction, the tool length
      G4 F5                         ; offset will be returned to 0 again

```

### Tool length compensation deselection

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```

N10   TRAORI(1)               ; Transformation ON

```

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```

N20   TOFFON(X)               ; Activating the Z tool direction

```

---

```

N30   WHEN TRUE DO $AA_TOFF[X] = 10   ; For the X tool direction, a tool length
                                         ; offset of 10 is interpolated
      G4 F5

```

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```

...

```

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```

N80   TOFFOF(X)               ; Positional offset of the X tool direction
                                ; is deleted: ...$AA_TOFF[X] = 0
                                ; No axis is traversed
                                ; To the current position in WCS, the
                                ; positional offset is added in accordance
                                ; with the current orientation

```

## References

/FB/ F2, 3-axis to 5-axis transformations



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## 7.2 Milling turned parts: TRANSMIT

### Programming



TRANSMIT or TRANSMIT(n)  
TRAFOOF

### Explanation of the commands

TRANSMIT

Activates the first specified Transmit function

TRANSMIT(n)

Activates the n-th specified Transmit function; the maximum for n is 2  
(TRANSMIT(1) corresponds to TRANSMIT).

TRAFOOF

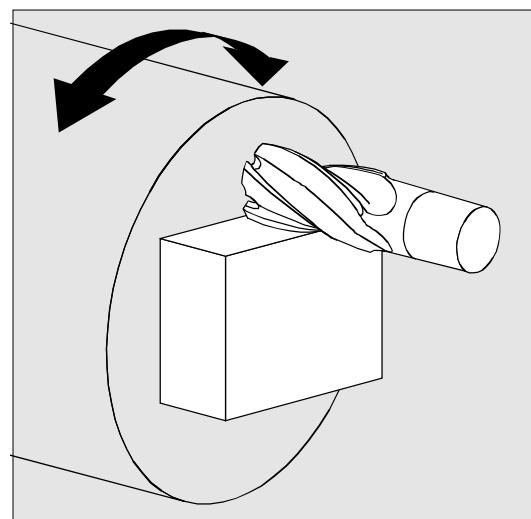
Disables an active transformation

An active TRANSMIT transformation is also disabled if one of the remaining transformations is activated in the particular channel (e.g. TRACYL, TRAANG, TRAORI).

The TRANSMIT function facilitates the following performance:

- Machining the end face of turned parts clamped for turning (holes, contours).
- A cartesian coordinate system can be used to program this machining.
- The control transforms the programmed traversing movements of the cartesian coordinate system to the traversing movements of the real machine axes (default situation):
  - Rotary axis
  - Infeed axis perpendicular to the rotary axis
  - Longitudinal axis parallel to the rotary axis

The linear axes are positioned perpendicular to one another.
- Tool center offset relative to the turning center is permissible.
- The velocity control considers the limitations defined for rotary motion.





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### Rotary axis

The rotary axis cannot be programmed, as it is assigned by a geometry axis and is thus not directly programmable as a channel axis.

### Pole

#### SW 3.x and lower

Traversing through the pole (the origin of the cartesian coordinate system) is prevented. A movement that runs through the pole stops at the pole and an alarm is output. With milling center offset, movement correspondingly stays at the edge of the area not to be approached.

#### SW 4 and higher

There are two options for traversing through the pole:

1. Traverse only the linear axis
2. Traverse to the pole, rotate the rotary axis at the pole and traveling away from the pole

Make the selection using MD 24911 and 24951.



### References

/FB/ M1 Kinematic transformations



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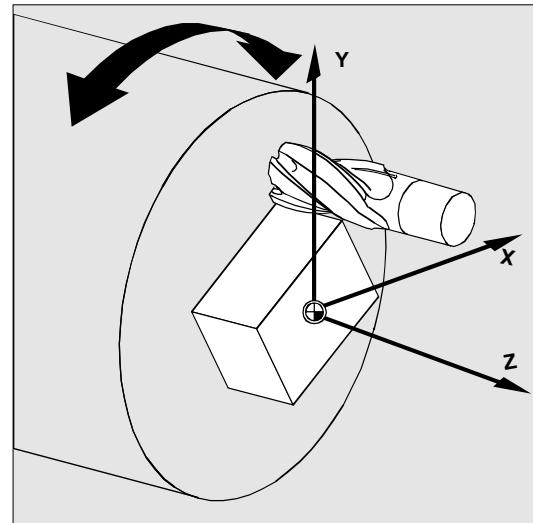
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### Programming example




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N10 T1 D1 G54 G17 G90 F5000 G94	Tool selection
N20 G0 X20 Z10 SPOS=45	Approach initial position
N30 TRANSMIT	Activate the Transmit function
N40 ROT RPL=-45	Adjust the frame
N50 ATRANS X-2 Y10	
N60 G1 X10 Y-10 G41 OFFN=1	Square roughing; allowance 1mm
N70 X-10	
N80 Y10	
N90 X10	
N100 Y-10	
N110 G0 Z20 G40 OFFN=0	Tool change
N120 T2 D1 X15 Y-15	
N130 Z10 G41	
N140 G1 X10 Y-10	Square finishing
N150 X-10	
N160 Y10	
N170 X10	
N180 Y-10	
N190 Z20 G40	Deselect frame
N200 TRANS	
N210 TRAFOOF	
N220 G0 X20 Z10 SPOS=45	Approach initial position
N230 M30	

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### 7.3 Cylinder surface transformation: TRACYL



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### 7.3 Cylinder surface transformation: TRACYL



#### Programming

TRACYL(d) or TRACYL(d,t)

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#### Explanation of the commands

TRACYL(d)	Activates the first TRACYL function specified in the channel machine data. d is the parameter for the working diameter.
TRACYL(d,n)	Activates the n-th TRACYL function specified in the channel machine data. The maximum for n is 2, TRACYL(d,1) corresponds to TRACYL(d).
d	Value for the working diameter. The working diameter is double the distance between the tool tip and the turning center.
TRAFOOF	Transformation OFF (BCS and MCS are once again identical).
OFFN	Offset contour normal: Distance of the groove side from the programmed reference contour



An active TRACYL transformation is also disabled if one of the remaining transformations is activated in the particular channel (e.g. TRANSMIT, TRAANG, TRAORI).



#### Function

##### Cylinder peripheral curve transformation

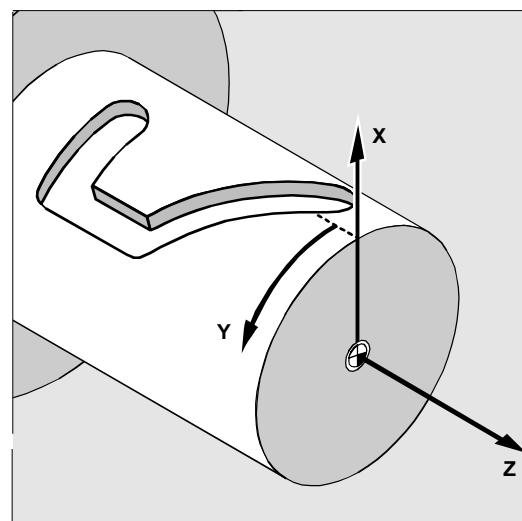
##### TRACYL

The TRACYL cylinder peripheral curve transformation facilitates the following performance:

##### Machining

- longitudinal grooves on cylindrical structures,
- transverse grooves on cylindrical structures,
- grooves in any direction on cylindrical structures.

The progression of the grooves is programmed in relation to the handled, even, peripheral surface of the cylinder.



Workpiece coordinate system



There are two instances of cylinder surface coordinate transformation:

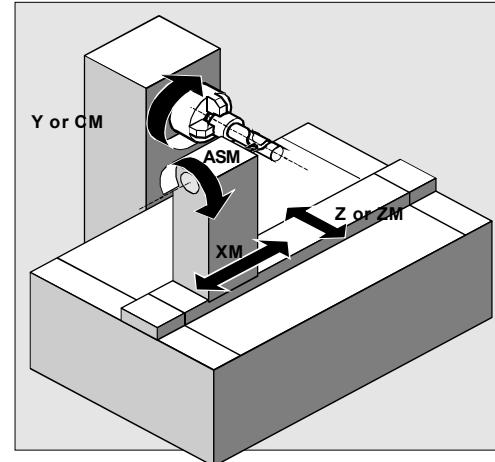
- without groove side offset (TRAFO\_TYPE\_n=512)
- with groove side offset (TRAFO\_TYPE\_n=513)

Without groove side offset:

The control transforms the programmed traversing movements of the cylinder coordinate system to the traversing movements of the real machine axes:

- Rotary axis
- Infeed axis perpendicular to the rotary axis
- Longitudinal axis parallel to the rotary axis.

The linear axes are positioned perpendicular to one another. The infeed axis cuts the rotary axis.



Machine coordinate system

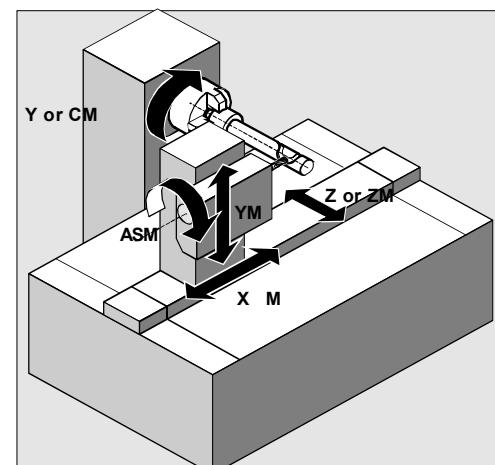
With groove side offset:

Kinematics as above, but in addition

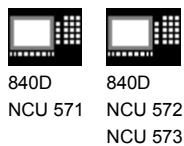
- longitudinal axis parallel to the peripheral direction.

The linear axes are positioned perpendicular to one another.

The velocity control considers the limitations defined for rotary motion.



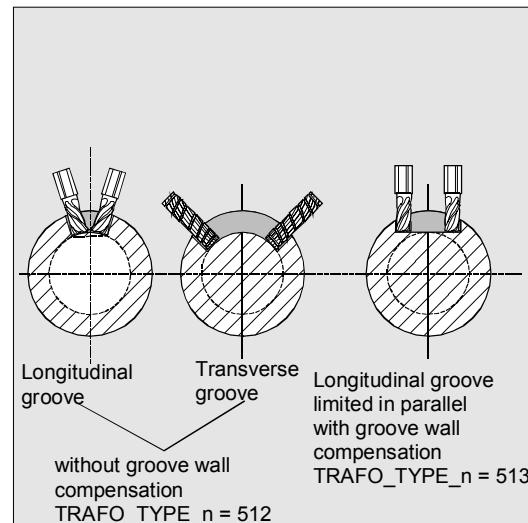
Machine coordinate system



### Groove cross section

In axis configuration 1, grooves alongside the rotary axis are only limited in parallel if the groove width corresponds exactly to the tool radius.

Grooves parallel to the circumference (transverse grooves) are not parallel at the start and at the end.



### Offset contour normal OFFN (513)

To mill grooves with TRACYL, in

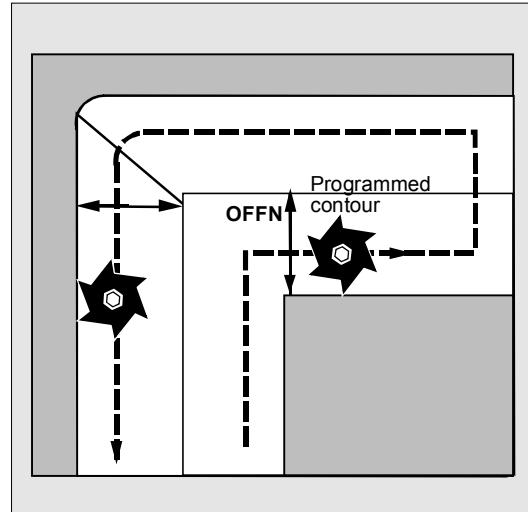
- the parts program the groove center line
- is programmed via OFFN **half the width of the groove**.

OFFN is only effective when tool radius compensation is selected, to avoid damaging the groove side.

**Furthermore, OFFN>=tool radius should also be the case to stop damage occurring to the opposite side of the groove.**

A parts program for milling a groove generally comprises the following steps:

1. Select tool
2. Select TRACYL
3. Select suitable coordinate offset (frame)
4. Position
5. Program OFFN
6. Select TRC
7. Approach block (position TRC and approach groove side)
8. Groove center line contour
9. Deselect TRC
10. Retraction block (retract TRC and move away from groove side)
11. Position
12. TRAFOOF
13. Re-select original coordinate shift (frame)





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**Special features:**

- TRC selection:

TRC is not programmed in relation to the groove side, but relative to the programmed groove center line. To prevent the tool traveling to the left of the groove side, G42 is entered (instead of G41). You avoid this if in OFFN, the groove width is entered with a negative sign.

- OFFN acts differently with TRACYL than it does without TRACYL. As, even without TRACYL, OFFN is included when TRC is active, OFFN should be reset to zero after TRAFOOF.
- It is possible to change OFFN within a parts program. This could be used to shift the groove center line from the center (see diagram).
- Guiding grooves:

TRACYL does not create the same groove for guiding grooves as it would be with a tool with the diameter producing the width of the groove.

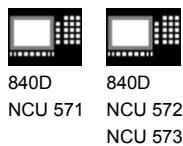
It is basically not possible to create the same groove side geometry with a smaller cylindrical tool as it is with a larger one.

TRACYL minimizes the error. To avoid problems of accuracy, the tool radius should only be slightly smaller than half the groove width.

**Note:**

OFFN and TRC

- With TRAFO\_TYPE\_n = 512, the value acts under OFFN as an allowance for TRC.
- With TRAFO\_TYPE\_n = 513, half the groove width is programmed in OFFN. The contour is retracted with OFFN-TRC.



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**i** For cylinder peripheral curve transformation with groove side compensation, the axis used for compensation should be positioned at zero ( $y=0$ ), so that the groove centric to the programmed groove center line is finished.

#### Rotary axis

The rotary axis cannot be programmed, as it is assigned by a geometry axis and is thus not directly programmable as a channel axis.

#### Axis utilization

The following axes cannot be used as a positioning axis or a reciprocating axis:

- the geometry axis in the peripheral direction of the cylinder peripheral surface (Y axis)
- the additional linear axis for groove side compensation (Z axis).

#### Tool definition

The following example is suitable for testing the parameterization of the TRACYL cylinder transformation:

Tool parameters	Meaning	Comment
<b>number (DP)</b>		
\$TC_DP1[1,1]=120	Tool type	Milling cutter
\$TC_DP2[1,1]=0	Tool point direction	For turning tools only
<b>Geometry</b>	<b>Tool length compensation</b>	
\$TC_DP3[1,1]=8.	Length compensation vector	Calculation depending
\$TC_DP4[1,1]=9.		on type and plane
\$TC_DP5[1,1]=7.		
<b>Geometry</b>	<b>Radius</b>	
\$TC_DP6[1,1]=6.	Radius	Tool radius
\$TC_DP7[1,1]=0	Slot width b for slotting saw, rounding radius for milling tools	
\$TC_DP8[1,1]=0	Overhang k	For slotting saw only
\$TC_DP9[1,1]=0		
\$TC_DP10[1,1]=0		
\$TC_DP11[1,1]=0	Angle for cone milling tools	
<b>Wear</b>	<b>Tool length and radius compensation</b>	
\$TC_DP12[1,1]=0	Remaining parameters to \$TC_DP24=0	Base dimensions/adapter



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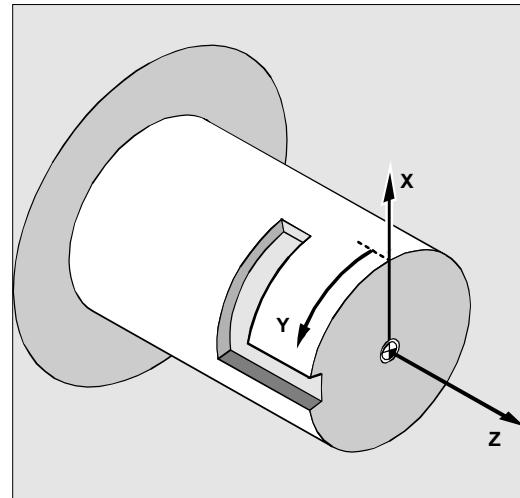
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### Programming example



N10 T1 D1 G54 G90 F5000 G94	Tool selection, clamping compensation
N20 SPOS=0	Approach initial position
N30 G0 X25 Y0 Z105 CC=200	
N40 TRACYL (40)	Enable cylinder peripheral curve transformation
N50 G19	Plane selection

#### Making a hook-shaped groove:

N60 G1 X20	Infeed tool to groove base
N70 OFFN=12	Define 12mm groove side spacing relative to groove center line
N80 G1 Z100 G42	Approach right side of groove
N90 G1 Z50	Groove cut parallel to cylinder axis
N100 G1 Y10	Groove cut parallel to circumference
N110 OFFN=4 G42	Approach left side of the groove; define 4mm groove side spacing relative to the groove center line
N120 G1 Y70	Groove cut parallel to circumference
N130 G1 Z100	Groove cut parallel to cylinder axis
N140 G1 Z105 G40	Return from groove side
N150 G1 X25	Retraction
N160 TRAFOOF	
N170 G0 X25 Y0 Z105 CC=200	Approach initial position
N180 M30	

## 7.4 Inclined axis: TRAANG



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### 7.4 Inclined axis: TRAANG



#### Programming

`TRAANG(α)` or `TRAANG(α,n)`

`TRAFOOF`



#### Explanation of the commands

`TRAANG`

If angle  $\alpha$  is omitted or zero is entered, the transformation is activated with the parameterization of the previous selection. The default selection according to the machine data applies for the initial selection.

`TRAANG(α)`

Activates the first specified inclined axis transformation

`TRAANG(α,n)`

Activates the n-th specified transformation inclined axis. the maximum for n is 2.  
`TRAANG(α,1)` corresponds to `TRAANG(α)`.

$\alpha$

Angle of the inclined axis

`TRAFOOF`

Transformation OFF



If  $\alpha$  (angle) is omitted or zero is entered, the transformation is activated with the parameterization of the previous selection. The default selection according to the machine data applies for the initial selection. (response up to SW < 6.4, for later versions, see below).

An active TRAANG transformation is also disabled if one of the remaining transformations is activated in the particular channel.  
(e.g. TRACYL, TRANSMIT, TRAORI).



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(response from SW < 6.4)

If  $\alpha$  (angle) is omitted (e.g. TRAANG(), TRAANG(,n)), the transformation is activated with the parameterization of the previous selection. The default selection according to the machine data applies for the initial selection.

An angle  $\alpha = 0$  (e.g. TRAANG(0), TRAANG(0,n)) is a valid parameter setting and no longer corresponds to omitting the parameter as it did in former versions.

Permissible values for  $\alpha$  are:

-90 degrees  $< \alpha < + 90$  degrees

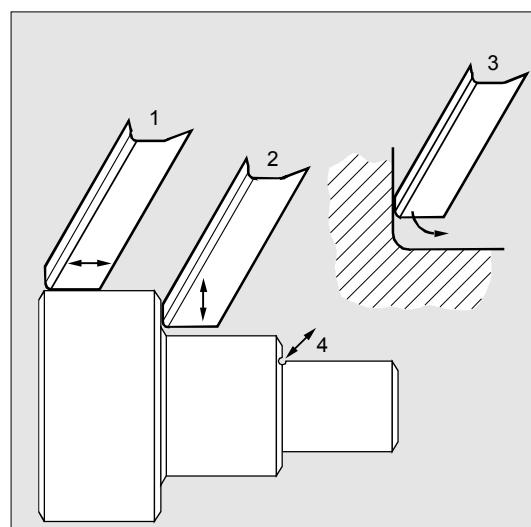
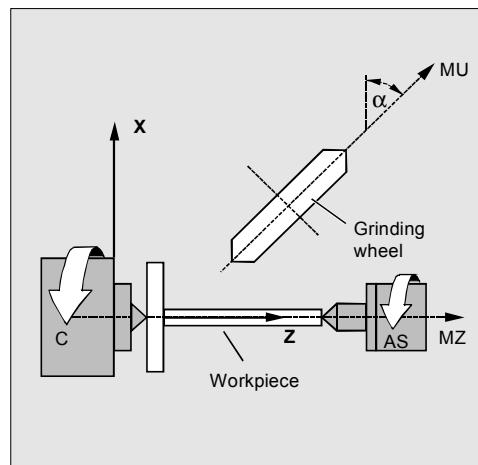
## Function

The inclined axis function is intended for grinding technology and facilitates the following performance:

- Machining with an oblique infeed axis
- A cartesian coordinate system can be used for programming.
- The control transforms the programmed traversing movements of the cartesian coordinate system to the traversing movements of the real machine axes (default situation): inclined infeed axis.

The following machining operations are possible:

1. longitudinal grinding
2. face grinding
3. grinding a specific contour
4. oblique plunge-cut grinding





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The following settings are defined in machine data:

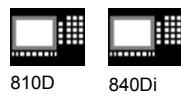
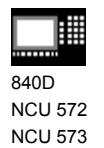
- the angle between a machine axis and the oblique axis
- the position of the zero point of the tool relative to the origin of the coordinate system specified by the "inclined axis" function
- the velocity reserve held ready on the parallel axis for the compensating movement.
- the axis acceleration reserve held ready on the parallel axis for the compensating movement.

#### **Axis configuration**

To be able to program in the cartesian coordinate system, the control must be told the relationship between this coordinate system and the actually existing machine axes (MU, MZ):

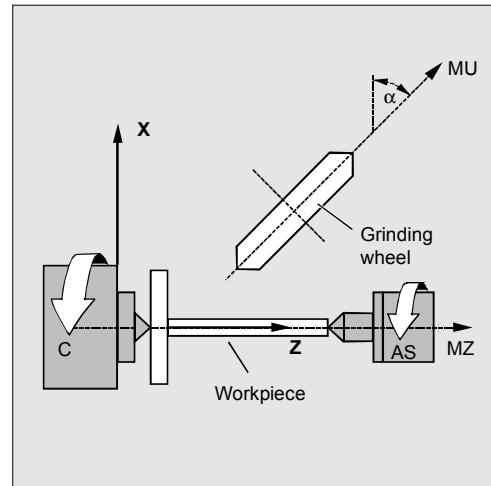
- Geometry axes designation
- Assignment of geometry axes to channel axes
  - general situation (inclined axis not active)
  - inclined axis active
- Assignment of channel axes to machine axis numbers
- Spindle identification
- Machine axis name assignment.

Apart from "inclined axis active", the procedure corresponds to the procedure for normal axis configuration.



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### Programming example



N10 G0 G90 Z0 MU=10 G54 F5000 ->	Tool selection, clamping compensation
-> G18 G64 T1 D1	Plane selection
N20 TRAANG(45)	Enable inclined axis transformation
N30 G0 Z10 X5	Approach initial position
N40 WAITP(Z)	Enable axis for reciprocation
N50 OSP[Z]=10 OSP2[Z]=5 OST1[Z]=-2 ->	Reciprocation, until dimension reached
-> OST2[Z]=-2 FA[Z]=5000	(for reciprocation, see chapter 9)
N60 OS[Z]=1	
N70 POS[X]=4.5 FA[X]=50	
N80 OS[Z]=0	
N90 WAITP(Z)	Enable reciprocating axes as positioning axes
N100 TRAFOOF	Switch off transformation
N110 G0 Z10 MU=10	Retraction
N120 M30	

-> program in a single block



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#### **7.4.1 Inclined axis programming: G05, G07 (SW 5.3 and higher)**



##### **Programming**

G07  
G05



##### **Explanation of the commands**

G07  
G05

Approach starting position  
Activates oblique plunge-cutting



The commands G07/G05 are used to make it easier to program the inclined axes.

Positions can be programmed and displayed in the cartesian coordinate system. Tool compensation and zero offset are included in cartesian coordinates. After the angle for the inclined axis is programmed in the NC-program, the starting position can be approached (G07) and then the oblique plunge-cutting (G05) performed.

In Jog-mode, the movement of the grinding wheel can either be cartesian or in the direction of the inclined axis (the display stays cartesian).

All that moves is the real U-axis, the Z-axis display is updated.



- In jog-mode, repos-offsets must be returned using cartesian coordinates.
- In jog-mode with active "PTP-travel", the cartesian operating range limit is monitored for overtravel and the relevant axis is braked beforehand. If "PTP-travel" is not active, the axis can be traversed right up to the operating range limit.

References: /FB2/ F2: 3-5-axis transformation,  
Chapter 2 "Cartesian PTP-travel".



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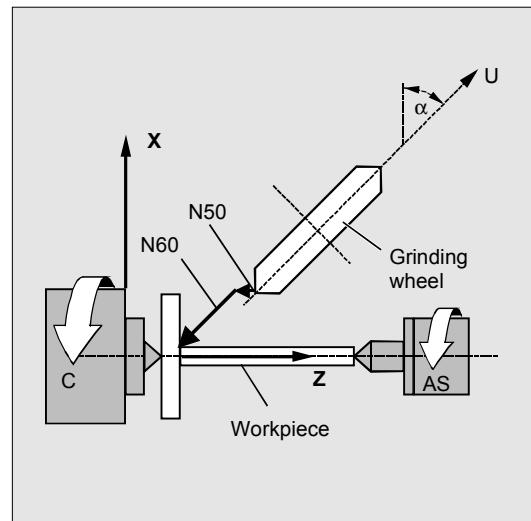


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### Programming example



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N.. Program angle for inclined axis

N20 G07 X70 Z40 F4000 Approach starting position

N30 G05 X70 F100 Oblique plunge-cutting

N40 ...

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## 7.5 Constraints when selecting a transformation



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### 7.5 Constraints when selecting a transformation



Transformations can be selected via a parts program or MDA. Please note the following

- No intermediate movement block is inserted (chamfer/radii).
- Spline block sequences must be excluded; if not, a message is displayed.
- Fine tool compensation must be deselected (FTOCOF); if not a message is displayed.
- Tool radius compensation must be deselected (G40); if not a message is displayed.
- The control adopts an activated tool length compensation into the transformation.
- The control deselects the current frame active before the transformation.
- The control deselects an active operating range limit for axes affected by the transformation (corresponds to WALIMOF).
- Protection zone monitoring is deselected.
- Continuous-path mode and smoothing are interrupted.
- DRF offsets in the axes involved in the transformation must not change between processing in preprocessing and in main run (SW 3 and earlier).
- All the axes specified in the machine data must be synchronized relative to a block.
- Axes that are exchanged are exchanged back; if not, a message is displayed.
- A message is output for dependent axes.

#### Tool change

A tool change is only permissible if tool radius compensation is deselected.

A change of tool length compensation and a tool radius compensation selection/deselection must not be programmed in the same block.



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### Frame change

All instructions that only relate to the basic coordinate system are legal (frame, tool radius compensation). However, a frame change with G91 (incremental dimension) – unlike with an inactive transformation – is not handled separately. The increment to be traveled is evaluated in the workpiece coordinate system of the new frame – regardless **of which frame** was effective in the previous block.

### Exclusions

Axes affected by the transformation cannot be used

- as the preset axis (alarm)
- for approaching a checkpoint (alarm)
- for referencing (alarm).



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## 7.6 Deselect transformation: TRAFOOF



### Programming

TRAFOOF



### Explanation of the commands

TRAFOOF

Disables all the active transformations/frames



### Function

The TRAFOOF command disables all the active transformations and frames.



Frames required after this must be activated by renewed programming.



Please note the following:

The same restrictions as for selection are applicable to deselecting the transformation (see previous section "Constraints when selecting a transformation").



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## 7.7 Chained transformations



As from SW 5, **two** transformations can always be enabled in succession (chained), so that the motion components for the axes from the first transformation are the input data for the chained second transformation. The motion components from the second transformation act on the machine axes.

- In SW 5, the chain can consist of **two** transformations.
- The **second** transformation must be "**inclined axis**" (TRAANG).
- Possible first transformations include:
  - orientation transformations (TRAORI), incl. universal milling head
  - TRANSMIT
  - TRACYL
  - TRAANG.

### Applications

- Grinding contours that have been programmed as the surface line of a cylinder development (TRACYL) with an obliquely positioned grinding wheel, e.g. tool grinding.
- Finishing a contour generated with TRANSMIT that is not round with an obliquely positioned grinding wheel.



It is a condition of using the activate command for a chained transformation that the individual transformations to be chained and the chained transformation to be activated are defined by the machine data. The constraints and special cases specified in the individual descriptions for the transformations must also be observed when they are used within a chain.



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### Additional notes

Information on configuring the machine data of the transformations can be found in the descriptions of the functions: M1 and F2.

### Machine manufacturer (MH7.1)

Take note of information provided by the machine manufacturer on any transformations predefined by the machine data.

Transformations and chained transformations are options. The current catalog always provides information about the availability of specific transformations in the chain in specific controls.

The commands available for chained transformations are:

TRACON to activate and  
TRAFOOF to deactivate.

## Activate



### Programming

TRACON(trf, par)

This activates a chained transformation.



### Explanation of the parameters

trf

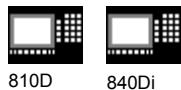
The number of the chained transformation:  
0 or 1 for the first/only chained transformation.

If nothing is programmed in this position, this means the same as specifying the value 0 or 1, i.e. the first/only transformation is activated.

2 for the second chained transformation.  
(values not equal to 0–2 generate an error alarm).



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par

one or more parameters separated by a comma for the transformations in the chain expecting parameters. For example, the angle of the inclined axis. If parameters are not set, the defaults or the parameters last used take effect. Commas must be used to ensure that the specified parameters are evaluated in the sequence in which they are expected, if defaults are to act for previous parameters. It is particularly important when specifying at least one parameter that this is preceded by a comma, even if it is not necessary to specify trf, thus for example TRACON( , 3.7).

## Function



This activates the chained transformation. A previously activated other transformation is implicitly disabled by TRACON().



A tool is always assigned to the first transformation of a chain. The subsequent transformation then behaves as if the active tool length were zero. Only the base lengths of a tool (\_BASE\_TOOL\_) set via machine data are active for the **first** transformation of the chain.

## Deactivate



### Programming

TRAFOOF



### Function

The command deactivates the last active (chained) transformation.



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## 7.8 Switchable geometry axes, GEOAX



### Programming

```
GEOAX(n,channel axis,n,channel axis,...)
```

```
GEOAX( )
```



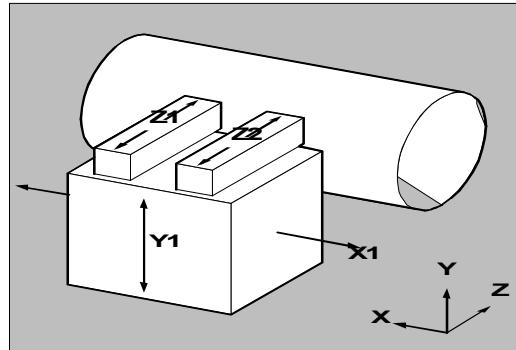
### Explanation of the parameters

GEOAX(n,channel axis,n,channel axis,...)	Switch the geometry axes.
GEOAX( )	Call the basic configuration of the geometry axes
n	Number of the geometry axis (n=1, 2 or 3) to be assigned to another channel axis. n=0: remove the specified channel axis from the geometry axis grouping without replacement.
Channel axis	Name of the channel axis to be accepted into the geometry axis grouping.



### Function

The "switchable geometry axes" function allows the geometry axis grouping configured via machine data to be modified from the parts program. A channel axis defined as a synchronized special axis can replace any geometry axis.



### Example:

A tool carriage can be traversed over channel axes X1, Y1, Z1, Z2. In the parts program, axes Z1 and Z2 should be used alternately as geometry axis Z. GEOAX is used in the parts program to switch between the axes.

After activation, the connection

X1, Y1, Z1 is effective (adjustable via MD).

```
N100 GEOAX ( 3 ,Z2 )
```

Channel axis Z2 functions as the Z axis

```
N110 G1 .....
```

Channel axis Z1 functions as the Z axis

```
N120 GEOAX ( 3 ,Z1 )
```



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## Sequence

### Geometry axis number

In the command GEOAX(n,channel axis...) the number n designates the geometry axis to which the subsequently specified channel axis is to be assigned.

Geometry axis numbers 1 to 3 (X, Y, Z axis) are permissible for loading a channel axis.

n = 0 removes an assigned channel axis from the geometry axis grouping without reassigning the geometry axis.

After the transition, an axis replaced by switching in the geometry axis grouping is programmable as a special axis via its channel name.

**i** Switching over the geometry axes deletes all the frames, protection zones and operating range limits.

### Polar coordinates:

As with a change of plane (G17–G19), replacing geometry axes with GEOAX sets the modal polar coordinates to the value 0.

### DRF, ZO:

Any existing handwheel offset (DRF) or an external zero offset, will stay active after the switchover.

### Exchange axis positions

It is also possible to change positions within the geometry axis grouping by reassigning the axis numbers to already assigned channel axes.

N... GEOAX (1, XX, 2, YY, 3, ZZ)

Channel axis XX is the first, YY the second and ZZ the third geometry axis, Channel axis U is the first, V the second and W the third geometry axis.

N... GEOAX (1, U, 2, V, 3, W)



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## Prerequisites and restrictions

1. It is not possible to switch the geometry axes over during:
  - an active transformation,
  - an active spline interpolation,
  - an active tool radius compensation,
  - an active fine tool compensation
2. If the geometry axis and the channel axis have the same name, it is not possible to change the particular geometry axis.
3. None of the axes involved in the switchover can be involved in an action that might persist beyond the block limits, as is the case, for example, with positioning axes of type A or with following axes.
4. The GEOAX command can only be used to replace geometry axes that already existed at power ON (i.e. no newly defined ones).
5. Using GEOAX for axis replacement while preparing the **contour table** (CONTPRON, CONTDCON) produces an alarm.

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## Deactivating switchover

The command GEOAX() calls the basic configuration of the geometry axis grouping.

After POWER ON and when switching over to reference point approach mode, the basic configuration is reset automatically.

## Additional notes

### **Transition and tool length compensation**

An active tool length compensation is also effective after the transition. However, for the newly adopted or repositioned geometry axes, it counts as not retracted.

So accordingly, at the first motion command for these geometry axes, the resultant travel path comprises the sum of the tool length compensation and the programmed travel path.



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Geometry axes that retain their position in the axis grouping during a switchover, also keep their status with regard to tool length compensation.

#### **Geometry axis configuration and transformation change**

The geometry axis configuration applicable in an active transformation (defined via the machine data) cannot be modified by using the "switchable geometry axes" function.

If it is necessary to change the geometry axis configuration in connection with transformations, this is only possible via an additional transformation.

A geometry axis configuration modified via GEOAX is deleted by activating a transformation.

If the machine data settings for the transformation and for switching over the geometry axes contradict one another, the settings in the transformation take precedence.

#### **Example:**

A transformation is active. According to the machine data, the transformation should be retained during a RESET, however, at the same time, a RESET should produce the basic configuration of the geometry axes. In this case, the geometry axis configuration is retained as specified by the transformation.



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## Programming example

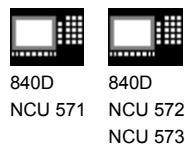
A machine has six channel axes called XX, YY, ZZ, U, V, W. The basic setting of the geometry axis configuration via the machine data is:

Channel axis XX = 1st geometry axis (X axis)  
Channel axis YY = 2nd geometry axis (Y axis)  
Channel axis ZZ = 3rd geometry axis (Z axis)

N10	GEOAX( )	The basic configuration of the geometry axes is effective.
N20	G0 X0 Y0 Z0 U0 V0 W0	All the axes in rapid traverse to position 0.
N30	GEOAX(1,U,2,V,3,W)	Channel axis U becomes the first (X), V the second (Y), W the third geometry axis (Z).
N40	GEOAX(1,XX,3,ZZ)	Channel axis XX becomes the first (X), ZZ the third geometry axis (Z). Channel axis V stays as the second geometry axis (Y).
N50	G17 G2 X20 I10 F1000	Full circle in the X, Y plane. Channel axes XX and V traverse
N60	GEOAX(2,W)	Channel axis W becomes the second geometry axis (Y).
N80	G17 G2 X20 I10 F1000	Full circle in the X, Y plane. Channel axes XX and W traverse.
N90	GEOAX( )	Reset to initial state
N100	GEOAX(1,U,2,V,3,W)	Channel axis U becomes the first (X), V the second (Y), W the third geometry axis (Z).
N110	G1 X10 Y10 Z10 XX=25	Channel axes U, V, W each traverse to position 10, XX as the special axis traverses to position 25.
N120	GEOAX(0,V)	V is removed from the geometry axis grouping. U and W are still the first (X) and third geometry axis (Z). The second geometry axis (Y) remains unassigned.
N130	GEOAX(1,U,2,V,3,W)	Channel axis U stays the first (X), V becomes the second (Y), W stays the third geometry axis (Z).
N140	GEOAX(3,V)	V becomes the third geometry axis (Z), which overwrites W and thus removes it from the geometry axis grouping. The second geometry axis (Y) is still unassigned.

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## 8.1 Offset memory

### Structure of the offset memory

Every data field can be invoked with a T and D number (except "Flat D No."); in addition to the geometrical data for the tool, it contains other information such as the tool type.

### SW 4 and higher

The "Flat D No. structure" is used if tool management takes place outside the NCK. In this case, the D numbers are generated with the associated tool offset blocks without being assigned to tools.

You can still program in the parts program using T. However, this T does not relate to the programmed D number.

Several entries exist for the geometric variables (e.g. length 1 or radius). These are added together to produce a value (e.g. total length 1, total radius) which is then used for the calculations.

Offset values not required must be assigned the value zero.

The individual values of the offset memories P1 to P25 can be read from and written to the program via system variable.



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Tool parameters	Meaning	Comment
<b>Number (DP)</b>		

\$TC_DP_1	Tool type	For overview see list
\$TC_DP_2	Tool point direction	For turning tools only
<b>Geometry</b>	<b>Tool length compensation</b>	
\$TC_DP_3	Length 1	Calculation depending
\$TC_DP_4	Length 2	on type and plane
\$TC_DP_5	Length 3	
<b>Geometry</b>	<b>Radius</b>	
\$TC_DP_6	Radius	
\$TC_DP_7	Slot width b for slotting saw, rounding radius for milling tools	
\$TC_DP_8	Overhang k	For slotting saw only
\$TC_DP_11	Angle for cone milling tools	
<b>Wear</b>	<b>Tool length and radius compensation</b>	
\$TC_DP_12	Length 1	
\$TC_DP_13	Length 2	
\$TC_DP_14	Length 3	
\$TC_DP_15	Radius	
\$TC_DP_16	Slot width b for slotting saw, rounding radius for milling tools	
\$TC_DP_17	Overhang k	For slotting saw only
\$TC_DP_20	Angle for cone milling tools	
<b>Base dimensions/adapter</b>	<b>Tool length compensation</b>	
\$TC_DP_21	Length 1	
\$TC_DP_22	Length 2	
\$TC_DP_23	Length 3	
<b>Technology</b>		
\$TC_DP_24	Clearance angle	For turning tools



### Additional notes

All other parameters are reserved.

### Machine manufacturer

User cutting edge data can be configured via MD.

## 8.2 Language commands for tool management



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### 8.2 Language commands for tool management

#### Explanation of the commands



T= "WZ"	Select tool with name
NEWT( "WZ" , DUPLO_NO )	Create new tool, duplo number optional
DELT( "WZ" , DUPLO_NO )	Delete tool, duplo number optional
GETT( "WZ" , DUPLO_NO )	Determine T number
SETPIECE(x,y)	Set piece number
GETSELT(x)	Read preselected tool number (T No.)
"WZ"	Tool name
DUPLO_NO	Quantity
x	Spindle number, entry optional



If you use the tool manager you can create and call tools by name, e.g. T="DRILL" or T="123".



#### NEWT function

With the NEWT function you can create a new tool with name in the NC program. The function automatically returns the T number created, which can subsequently be used to address the tool.

Return parameter=NEWT( "WZ" , DUPLO\_NO )

If no duplo number is specified, this is generated automatically by the tool manager.

Example:

```
DEF INT DUPLO_NO
DEF INT T_NO
DUPLO_NO = 7
T_NO=NEWT( "DRILL" , DUPLO_NO )      Create new tool "DRILL" with duplo number 7. The T
                                         number created is stored in T_NO.
```

#### DELT function

The DELT function can be used to delete a tool without referring to the T number.

DELT( "WZ" , DUPLO\_NO )



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### **GETT function**

The GETT function returns the T number required to set the tool data for a tool known only by its name.

Return parameter=GETT( "WZ" , DUPLO\_NO )

If several tools with the specified name exist, the T number of the first possible tool is returned.

Return parameter = -1: The tool name or duplo number cannot be assigned to a tool.

Examples:

---

T="DRILL"

---

R10=GETT( "DRILL" , DUPLO\_NO )

Return T number for DRILL with duplo number = DUPLO\_NO

---

The "DRILL" must first be declared with NEWT or \$TC\_TP1[ ].

---

\$TC\_DP1[GETT( "DRILL" , DUPLO\_NO ) , 1 ]=100

Write a tool parameter with tool name

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### **SETPIECE function**

This function is used to update the piece number monitoring data.

The function counts all of the tool edges which have been changed since the last activation of SETPIECE for the stated spindle number.

#### **SETPIECE(x,y)**

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x                  Number of completed workpieces

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y                  spindle number, 0 stands for master spindle (default setting)

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## 8.2 Language commands for tool management



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### GETSELT function

This function returns the T number of the tool preselected for the spindle.

This function allows access to the tool offset data before M6 and thus establishes main run synchronization slightly earlier.

### Example for tool change with tool management

- T1 Preselect tool, i.e. the tool magazine can be brought into the tool position parallel to machining.
- M6 Load preselected tool (depending on the setting in the machine data you can also program without M6).

Example:

T1 M6	Load tool 1
D1	Select tool length compensation
G1 X10 ...	Machining with T1
T= "DRILL"	Preselect drill
D2 Y20 ...	Change cutting edge T1
X10 ...	Machining with T1
M6	Load tool drill
SETPIECE( 4 )	Number of completed workpieces
D1 G1 X10 ...	Machining with drill



A complete list of all variables required for tool management is given in the list of system variables in the Appendix.



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### 8.3 Online tool offset PUTFTOCF, PUTFTOC, FTOCON, FTOCOF

#### Programming:

```
FCTDEF(Polynomial no., LLimit, ULimit,a0,a1,a2,a3)
PUTFTOCF(Polynomial No., Ref_value, Length1_2_3, Channel, Spindle)
PUTFTOC(Value, Length1_2_3, Channel, Spindle)
FTOCON
FTOCOF
```

#### Explanation of the commands

PUTFTOCF	Write online tool offsets continuously
FCTDEF	Define parameters for PUTFTOCF function
PUTFTOC	Write online tool offsets discretely
FTOCON	Activate online tool offsets
FTOCOF	Deactivate online tool offsets

#### Explanation of the parameters

Polynomial_No.	Values 1-3: A maximum of three polynomials can be programmed at the same time; polynomials up to 3rd degree
Ref_value	Reference value from which the offset is derived
Length1_2_3	Wear parameter into which the tool offset value is added
Channel	Number of channel in which the tool offset is activated; specified only if the channel is different to the present one
Spindle	Number of the spindle on which the online tool offset acts; only needs to be specified for inactive grinding wheels
LLimit	Lower limit
ULimit	Upper limit
a <sub>0</sub> ,a <sub>1</sub> ,a <sub>2</sub> ,a <sub>3</sub>	Coefficients of polynomial function
Value	Value added in the wear parameter



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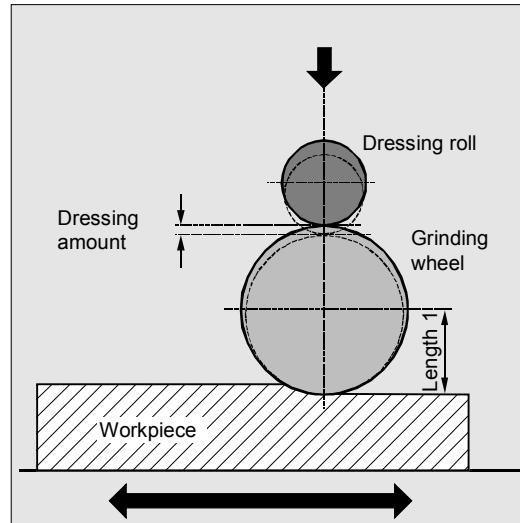


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## Function

The function makes immediate allowance for tool offsets resulting from machining by means of online tool length compensation (e.g. CD dressing: The grinding wheel is dressed parallel to machining). The tool length compensation can be changed from the machining channel or a parallel channel (dresser channel).

Online tool offset can be applied only to grinding tools.



## General information about online TO

Depending on the timing of the dressing process, the following functions are used to write the online tool offsets:

- Continuous write, non-modal: PUTFTOCF
- Continuous write, modally: ID=1 DO FTOC (see section synchronized actions)
- Discrete write: PUTFTOC

In the case of a continuous write (for each interpolation pulse) following activation of the evaluation function each change is calculated additively in the wear memory in order to prevent setpoint jumps.

In both cases:

The online tool offset can act on each spindle and lengths 1, 2 **or** 3 of the wear parameters.

The assignment of the lengths to the geometry axes is made with reference to the current plane.

The assignment of the spindle to the tool is made with reference to the tool data with GWPSON or TMON as long as it is not the active grinding wheel (see Programming Guide "Fundamentals").



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An offset is always applied for the wear parameters for the current tool side or for the left-hand tool side on inactive tools.

Where the offset is identical for several tool sides, the values should be transferred automatically to the second tool side by means of a chaining rule (see Operator's Guide for description).

If online offsets are defined for a machining channel, you cannot change the wear values for the current tool on this channel from the machining program or by means of an operator action.

The online tool offset is also applied with respect to the constant grinding wheel peripheral speed (GWPS) in addition to tool monitoring (TMON) and centerless grinding (CLGON).

## Sequence

### PUTFTOCF = Continuous write

The dressing process is performed at the same time as machining:

Dress across complete grinding wheel width with dresser roll or dresser diamond from one side of a grinding wheel to the other.

Machining and dressing can be performed on different channels. If no channel is programmed, the offset takes effect in the active channel.

PUTFTOCF(Polynomial\_No., Ref\_value, Length1\_2\_3, Channel, Spindle)

Tool offset is changed continuously on the machining channel according to a polynomial function of the first, second or third degree, which must have been defined previously with FCTDEF. The offset, e.g. changing actual value, is derived from the "Reference value" variable.

If a spindle number is not programmed, the offset applies to the active tool.



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### Set parameters for FCTDEF function

The parameters are defined in a separate block:

```
FCTDEF(Polynomial_NO., LLimit, ULimit, a0, a1, a2, a3)
```

The polynomial can be a 1st, 2nd or 3rd degree polynomial.

The limit identifies the limit values (LLimit = lower limit, ULimit = upper limit).

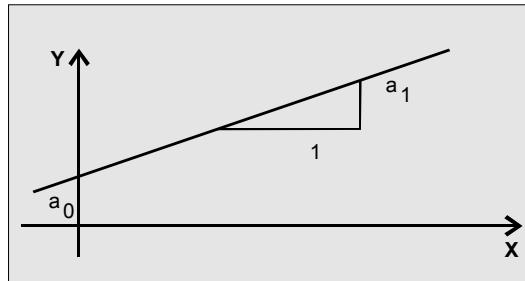
Example:

Straight line ( $y = a_0 + a_1x$ ) with gradient 1

```
FCTDEF(1, -1000, 1000, -$AA_IW[X], 1)
```

### Write online offset discretely: PUTFTOC

This command can be used to write an offset value **once**. The offset is activated immediately on the target channel.



Application of PUTFTOC:

The grinding wheel is dressed from a parallel channel, but not at the same time as machining.

```
PUTFTOC(Value, Length1_2_3, Channel,  
Spindle)
```

The online tool offset for the specified length 1, 2 **or** 3 is changed by the specified value, i.e. the value is added to the wear parameter.

### Include online tool offset: FTOCON, FTOCOF

The target channel can only receive online tool offsets when FTOCON is active.

- FTOCON must be written in the channel on which the offset is to be activated.  
With FTOCOF, the offset is no longer applied, however the complete value written with PUTFTOC is corrected in the tool edge-specific offset data.
- FTOCOF is always the reset setting.
- PUTFTOCF always acts on the subsequent traversing block.
- The online tool offset can also be selected modally with FTOC. Please refer to Section "Motion-synchronized actions" for more information.





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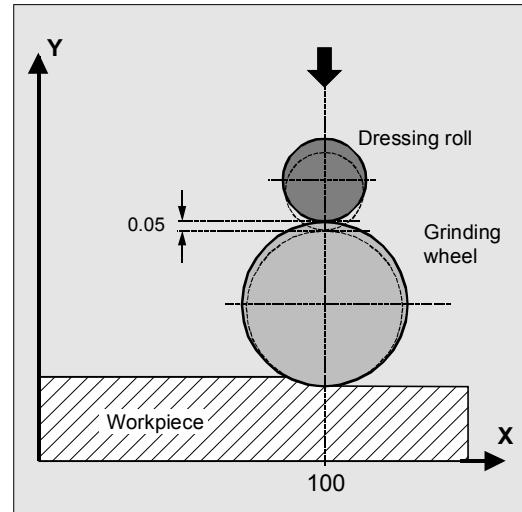
## Programming example

### Task

On a surface grinding machine with the following parameters, the grinding wheel is to be dressed by the amount 0.05 after the start of the grinding movement at X100. The dressing amount is to be active with write online offset continuously.

Y: Infeed axis for the grinding wheel  
V: Infeed axis for the dresser roll

Machine: Channel 1 with axes X, Z, Y  
Dress: Channel 2 with axis V



### Machining program in channel 1:

```
%_N_MACH_MPFF
...
N110 G1 G18 F10 G90          Basic position
N120 T1 D1                     Select current tool
N130 S100 M3 X100             Spindle on, travel to starting position
N140 INIT (2, "DRESS", "S")   Select dressing program on channel 2
N150 START (2)                 Start dressing program on channel 2
N160 X200                      Travel to destination position
N170 FTOCON                     Activate online offset
N... G1 X100                     Continue machining
N...M30
```

### Dressing program in channel 2:

```
%_N_DRESS_MPFF
...
N40 FCTDEF (1, -1000, 1000, -$AA_IW[V], 1) Define function: Straight line
N50 PUTFTOCF (1, $AA_IW[V], 3, 1)           Write online offset continuously:
                                                Length 3 of the current grinding wheel is
                                                derived from the movement of the V axis
                                                and corrected in channel 1.
N60 V-0.05 G1 F0.01 G91                   Infeed movement for dressing, PUTFTOCF
                                                is only effective in this block
...
N... M30
```



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**Dressing program, modal:**

%_N_DRESS_MP	
FCTDEF(1,-1000,1000,-\$AA_IW[V],1)	Define function:
ID=1 DO FTOC(1,\$AA_IW[V],3,1)	Select online tool offset: Actual value of the V axis is the input value for polynomial 1; the result is added length 3 of the active grinding wheel in channel 1 as the offset value.
WAITM(1,1,2)	Synchronization with machining channel
G1 V-0.05 F0.01, G91	Infeed movement for dressing
G1 V-0.05 F0.02	
...	
CANCEL(1)	Deselect online offset
...	



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## 8.4 Maintain tool radius compensation at constant level, CUTCONON (SW 4 and higher)



### Programming:

CUTCONON  
CUTCONOF



### Explanation

CUTCONON	Activate the tool radius compensation constant function
CUTCONOF	Deactivate the constant function (default setting)



### Function

The "tool radius compensation constant" function is used to suppress the tool radius compensation for a number of blocks while retaining the difference between the programmed and actual path of the tool center point accumulated in previous blocks as an offset.

This can be practical, for example, if several motion blocks are required at the reversal points during line-by-line milling but the contours (bypass strategies) generated by the tool radius compensation are not desirable.

It can be used according to the type of tool radius compensation ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ D, 3D face milling, 3D circumferential milling).



### Sequence

Tool radius compensation is normally active before the compensation suppression and is still active when the compensation suppression is deactivated again.

The offset point at the end of block position is approached in the last motion block before CUTCONON.

All following blocks in which the compensation suppression is active are executed without compensation.



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They are displaced, however, by the vector from the end point of the last compensation block to its offset point.

The interpolation type of these blocks (linear, circular, polynomial) is arbitrary.

The deactivation block of the compensation suppression, i.e. the block containing CUTCONOF, is usually corrected; it begins at the offset point of the start point.

A linear block is inserted between this point and the end point of the previous block, i.e. the last programmed motion block with active CUTCONON.

Circle blocks in which the circle plane is perpendicular to the compensation plane (vertical circles) are treated as if CUTCONON had been programmed in the blocks.

This implicit activation of compensation suppression is automatically canceled in the first motion block which is not a circle of this type but which contains a traversing movement in the compensation plane.

Vertical circles of this type can only occur with circumferential milling.

### Example

```

N10          ;                               Definition of tool d1
N20 $TC_DP1[1,1]= 110      ;               Type
N30 $TC_DP6[1,1]= 10.     ;               Radius
N40
N50 X0 Y0 Z0 G1 G17 T1 D1 F10000
N60
N70 X20 G42 NORM
N80 X30
N90 Y20
N100 X10 CUTCONON;                   Activate compensation suppression
N110 Y30 CONT      ;               Insert bypass circle if necessary on deactivation
                                         of contour suppression
N120 X-10 CUTCONOF
N130 Y20 NORM      ;               No bypass circle on deactivation of TRC
N140 X0 Y0 G40
N150 M30

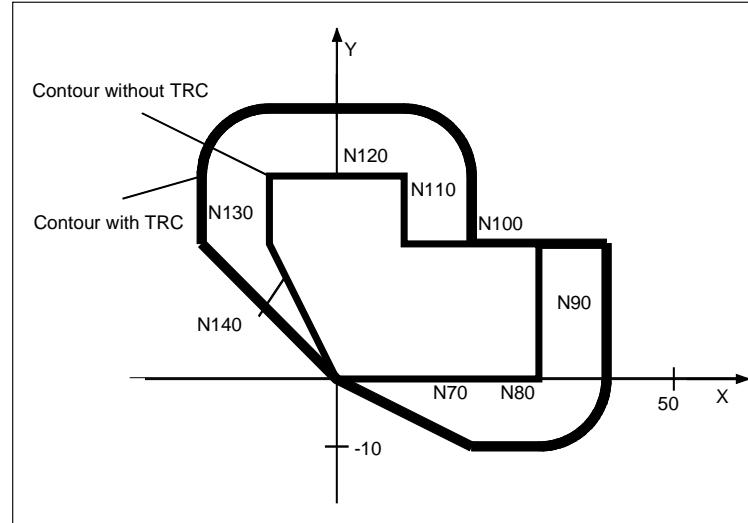
```



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#### Additional notes

1. CUTCONON has no effect if tool radius compensation is not active (G40). An alarm is output.  
The G code remains active, however. This is significant if tool radius compensation is to be activated in a subsequent block with G41 or G42.
2. It is possible to change the G code in the 7th G code group (tool radius compensation; G40 / G41 / G42) when CUTCONON is active. A change to G40 is effective immediately.  
The offset with which the previous blocks were traversed is applied.
3. If CUTCONON or CUTCONOF is programmed in a block without a traversing movement in the active compensation plane, the change does not become effective until the next block with such a traversing movement.

Further information: /FB/, W1 Tool Offset

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### 8.5 Activate 3D tool offsets

#### Explanation

CUT3DC	Activation of 3D radius offset for circumferential milling
CUT3DFS	3D tool offset for face milling with constant orientation. The tool orientation is determined by G17-G19 and is not influenced by Frames.
CUT3dff	3D tool offset for face milling with constant orientation. The tool orientation is the direction determined by G17-G19 and possibly turned by a Frame.
CUT3DF	3D tool offset for face milling with orientation change (only with active 5-axes transformation).
G40 X Y Z	To deactivate: Linear block G0/G1 with geometry axes
I\$D=Value	Insertion depth



The commands are modal and are in the same group as CUT2D and CUT2DF.

The command is not deselected until the next movement in the current plane is performed. This always applies to G40 and is independent of the CUT command.



#### Function

Tool orientation change is taken into account in tool radius compensation for cylindrical tools.

The same programming commands apply to 3D tool radius compensation as to 2D tool radius compensation. With G41/G42, the left/right-hand compensation is specified in the direction of movement. The approach method is always NORM.



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### Example

```
N10 A0 B0 X0 Y0 Z0 F5000
```

```
N20 T1 D1
```

Tool call, call tool offset values

```
N30 TRAORI(1)
```

Transformation selection

```
N40 CUT3DC
```

3D tool radius compensation selection

```
N50 G42 X10 Y10
```

Tool radius compensation selection

```
N60 X60
```

```
N70 ...
```

### Additional notes

Intermediate blocks are permitted with 3D tool radius compensation. The rules for 2 ½ D tool radius compensation apply.

3D tool radius compensation is only active when five-axis transformation is selected.

A circle block is always inserted at outside corners. G450/G451 have no effect.

The DISC command is ignored.

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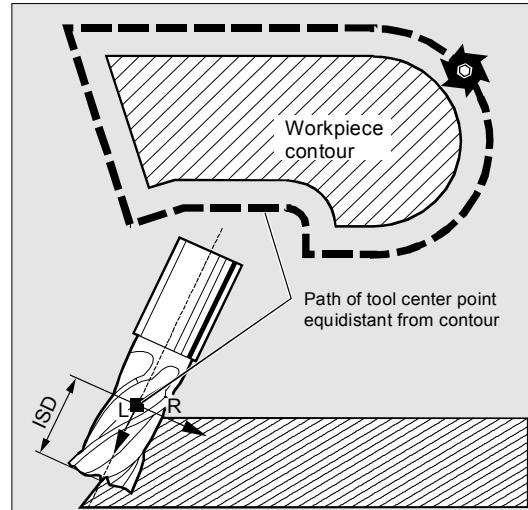
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### Difference between 2 1/2 D and 3D tool radius compensation

In 3D tool radius compensation tool orientation can be changed.

2 1/2 D tool radius compensation assumes the use of a tool with constant orientation.

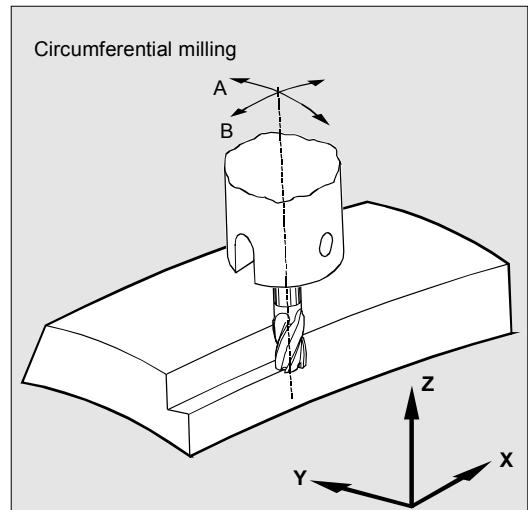
 3D tool radius compensation is also called 5D tool radius compensation, because in this case 5 degrees of freedom are available for the orientation of the tool in space.



### Circumferential milling

The type of milling used here is implemented by defining a path (guide line) and the corresponding orientation. In this type of machining, the shape of the tool on the path is not relevant. The only deciding factor is the radius at the tool insertion point.

 The 3D TRC function is limited to cylindrical tools.





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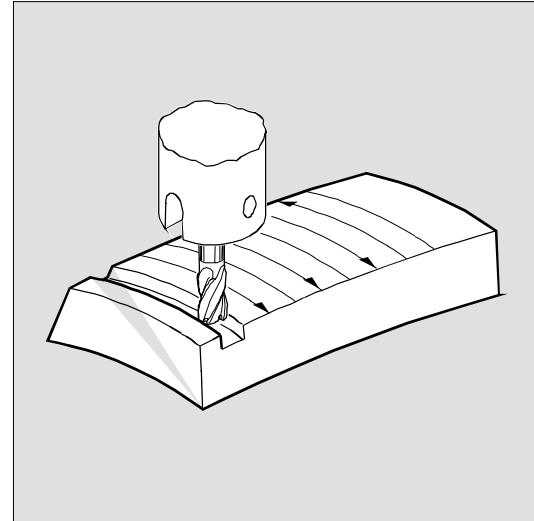
### Face milling

For this type of 3D milling, you require line-by-line definition of 3D paths on the workpiece surface.

The tool shape and dimensions are taken into account in the calculations that are normally performed in CAM.

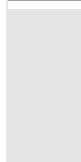
In addition to the NC blocks, the postprocessor writes the tool orientations (when five-axis transformation is active) and the G code for the desired 3D tool offset into the parts program.

This feature offers the machine operator the option of using slightly smaller tools than that used to calculate the NC paths.



#### Example:

NC blocks have been calculated with a 10mm mill.  
In this case, the workpiece could also be machined with a mill diameter of 9.9mm, although this would result in a different surface profile.



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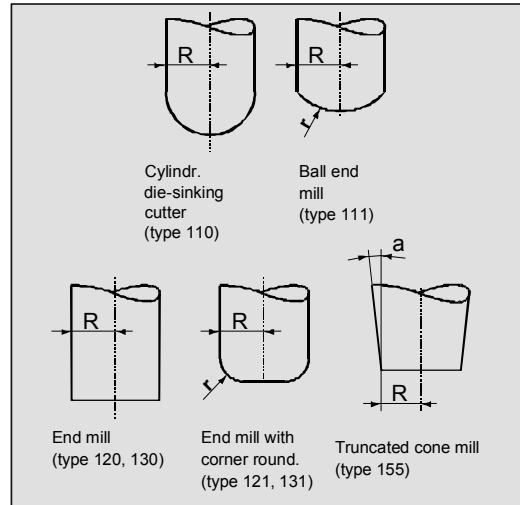
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### Mill shapes, tool data

The table below gives an overview of the tool shapes which may be used in face milling operations as well as tool data limit values.

The shape of the tool shaft is not taken into consideration – the tools 120 and 155 are identical in their effect.

If a different type number is used in the NC program than the one listed in the table, the system automatically uses tool type 110 die-sinking cutter. An alarm is output if the tool data limit values are violated.



### Milling tool type

Milling tool type	Type No.	R	r	a
Cylindrical miller	110	>0	X	X
Ball end mill	111	>0	>R	X
End mill, angle head cutter	120, 130	>0	X	X
End mill, angle head cutter with corner rounding	121, 131	>r	>0	X
Truncated cone mill	155	>0	X	>0

X=is not evaluated

### Tool length compensation

The tool tip is the reference point for length compensation (intersection longitudinal axis/surface).



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### 3D tool offset, tool change

A new tool with changed dimensions ( $R$ ,  $r$ ,  $a$ ) or a different shape may be specified only through programming G41 or G42 (transition G40 to G41 or G42, reprogramming of G41 or G42).

This rule does not apply to any other tool data, e.g. tool lengths, so that tools to which such data apply can be fitted without reprogramming G41 or G42.

### Correction of the path

With respect to face milling, it is advisable to examine what happens when the contact point "jumps" on the tool surface as shown in the example on the right where a convex surface is being machined with a vertically positioned tool.

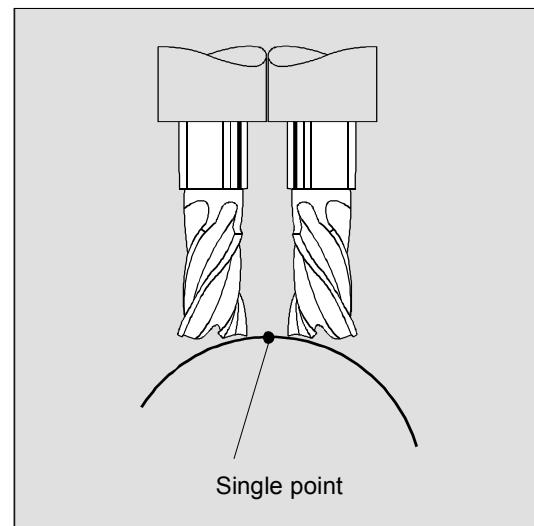
As a general rule, it is advisable to select a tool shape and tool orientation that are suitable for producing the required surface profile.

The application shown in the example should therefore be regarded as a borderline case.

This borderline case is monitored by the control that detects abrupt changes in the machining point on the basis of angular approach motions between the tool and normal surface vectors. The control inserts linear blocks at these positions so that the motion can be executed.

These linear blocks are calculated on the basis of permissible angular ranges for the side angle stored in the machine data.

The system outputs an alarm if the limit values stored in the machine data are violated.



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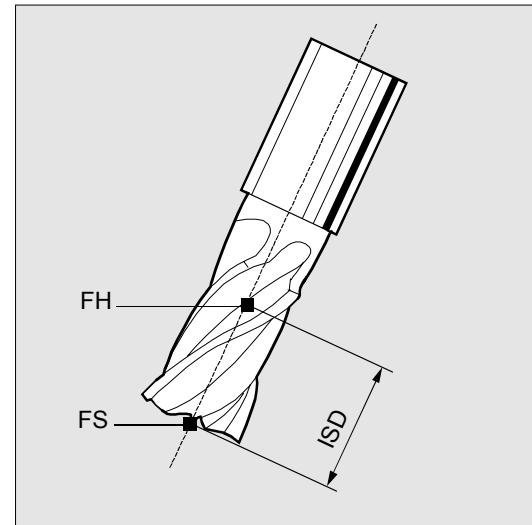
### Path curvature

Path curvature is not monitored. In such cases, it is also advisable to use only tools of a type that do not violate the contour.

### Insertion depth (ISD)

Program command ISD (insertion depth) is used to program the tool insertion depth for peripheral milling operations. This makes it possible to change the position of the machining point on the outer surface of the tool.

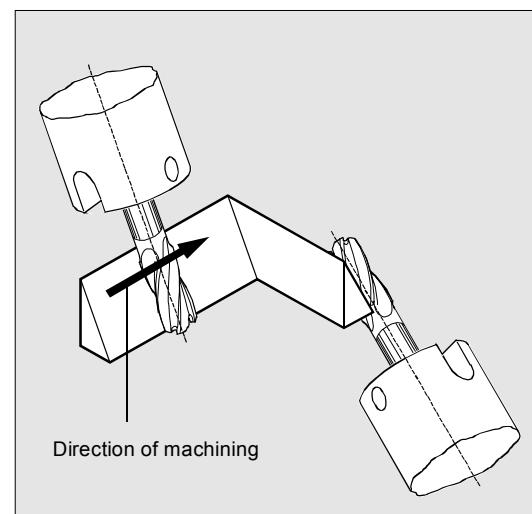
ISD specifies the distance between the cutter tip (FS) and the cutter reference point (FH). The point FH is produced by projecting the programmed machining point along the tool axis. ISD is only evaluated when 3D tool radius compensation is active.



### Inside corners/outside corners

Inside and outside corners are handled separately. The term inside or outside corner depends on the tool orientation.

When changes occur in the orientation at a corner, the corner type can change during machining. If this happens, machining stops and an error message is generated.





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### Intersection procedure for 3D compensation

(SW 5 and higher)

With 3D circumferential milling, G code G450/G451 is now evaluated at the outside corners; this means that the intersection of the offset curves can be approached. With SW 4 a circle was always inserted at the outside corners.

The new functionality is particularly advantageous for typical CAD-generated 3D programs. They often consist of short straight blocks (to approximate smooth curves), where the transitions are almost tangential between adjacent blocks.

Up to now, with tool radius compensation on the outside of the contour, circles were generally inserted to circumnavigate the outside corners.

These blocks can be very short with almost tangential transitions, resulting in undesired drops in velocity.

In these cases, as with 2½ D radius compensation, both of the curves involved are lengthened and the intersection of both lengthened curves is approached.

The intersection is determined by extending the offset curves of both blocks and defining their intersection at the corner in the plane perpendicular to the tool orientation. If there is no such intersection, the corner is handled as previously, that is, a circle is inserted.

 For more information about intersection procedure, see /FB/ W5, 3D Tool Radius Compensation



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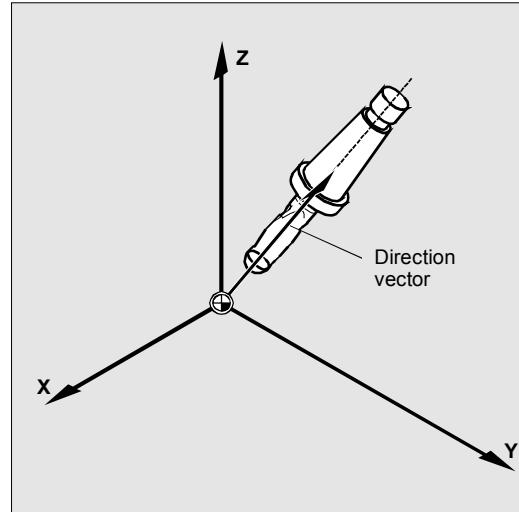
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## 8.6 Tool orientation



Tool orientation is the term given to the geometrical alignment of the tool in space.

On a 5-axis machine tool, the tool orientation can be controlled with program commands.



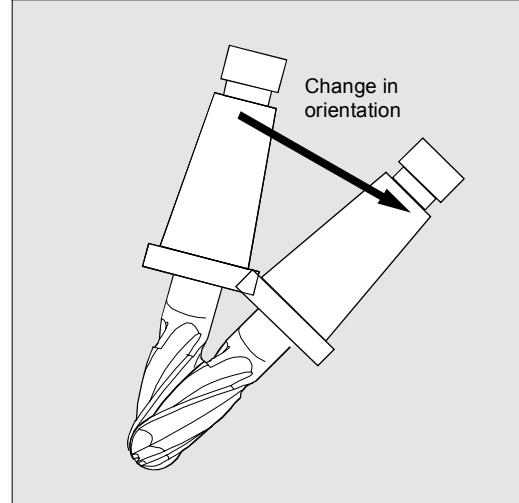
### Programming tool orientation

A change in tool orientation can be programmed by:

- Direct programming of the rotary axes
- Euler or RPY angle
- Direction vector
- LEAD/TILT (face milling)

The reference coordinate system is either the machine coordinate system (ORIMCS) or the current workpiece coordinate system (ORIWCS).

A change in orientation can be controlled by the following:



ORIC	Oriented and path movement in parallel
ORID	Oriented and path movement consecutively
OSOF	No orientation smoothing
OSC	Oriented constantly
OSS	Oriented smoothing only at beginning of block
OSSE	Oriented smoothing at beginning and end of block
ORIS	Speed of orientation change with active orientation smoothing in degrees per mm; valid for OSS and OSSE



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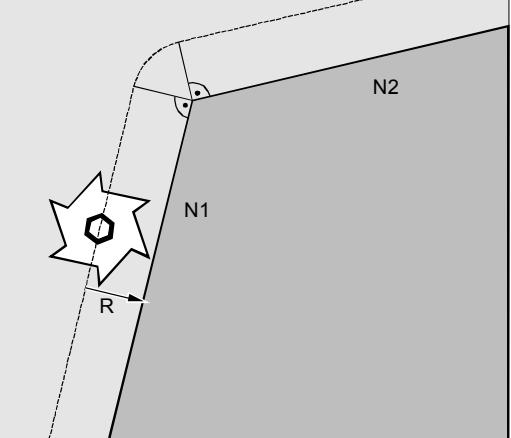
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### Behavior at outside corners

A circle block with the radius of the cutter is always inserted at an outside corner.

The program commands ORIC and ORID can be used to define whether changes in orientation programmed between blocks N1 and N2 are executed before the beginning of the inserted circle block or at the same time.

A circle block is inserted between block N1 and N2



If an orientation change is required at outside corners, this can be performed either at the same time as interpolation or separately together with the path movement.

With ORID, the inserted blocks are executed initially without a path movement. The circle block generating the corner is inserted immediately before the second of the two traversing blocks.

If several orientation blocks are inserted at an external corner and ORIC is selected, the circular movement is divided among the individual inserted blocks according to the values of the orientation changes.



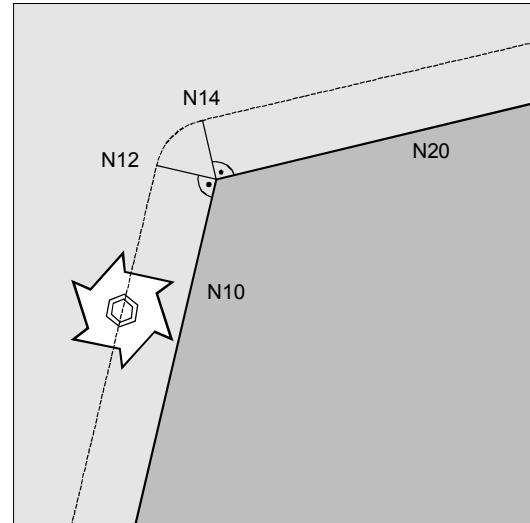
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### Programming example for ORIC

If two or more blocks with orientation changes (e.g. A2= B2= C2=) are programmed between traversing blocks N10 and N20 and ORIC is active, the inserted circle block is divided among these intermediate blocks according to the values of the angle changes.




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ORIC

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N8 A2=... B2=... C2=...

---

N10 X... Y... Z...

---

N12 C2=... B2=...

N14 C2=... B2=...

The circle block inserted at the external corner is divided among N12 and N14 in accordance with the change in orientation. The circular movement and the orientation change are executed in parallel.

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N20 X =...Y=... Z=... G1 F200

---



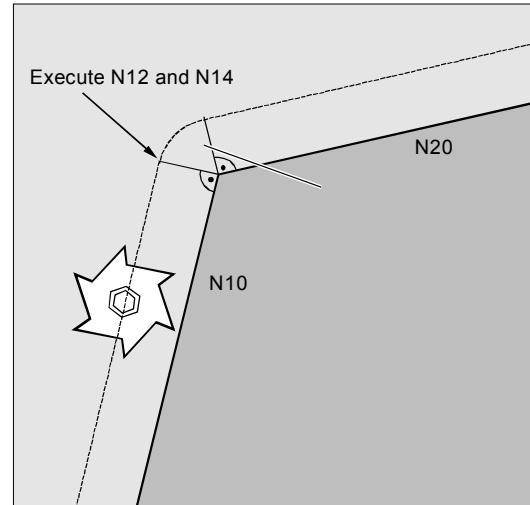
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### Programming example for ORID

If ORID is active, all the blocks between the two traversing blocks are executed at the end of the first traversing block. The circle block with constant orientation is executed immediately before the second traversing block.



ORID

N8 A2=... B2=... C2=...

N10 X... Y... Z...

N12 A2=... B2=... C2=...

Blocks N12 and N14 are executed at the end of N10. The circle block with the current orientation is subsequently traversed.

N14 M20

Auxiliary functions, etc.

N20 X... Y... Z...

The program command which is active in the first traversing block of an external corner determines the type of orientation change.



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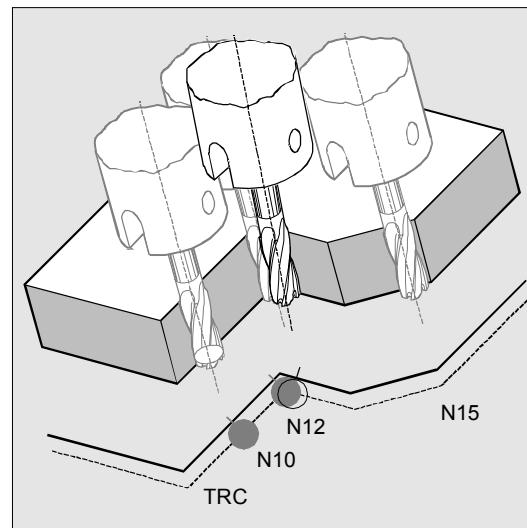
### Without orientation change

If the orientation is not changed at the block boundary, the cross-section of the tool is a circle which touches both of the contours.



### Programming example

Change the orientation at an internal corner



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N10 X ...Y... Z... G1 F500

N12 X ...Y... Z... A2=... B2=..., C2=...

N15 X Y Z A2 B2 C2



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## 8.7 Free assignment of D numbers, cutting edge number CE (SW 5 and higher)

As of SW 5, you can use the D numbers as contour numbers. You can also address the number of the cutting edge via the address CE.

You can use the system parameter \$TC\_DPCE to describe the cutting edge number.

Preset: Offset No. == Cutting edge No.

References: FB, W1 (Tool Offset)



### Machine manufacturer (MH 8.12)

The maximum number of D numbers (cutting edge numbers) and maximum number of cutting edges per tool are defined via the machine data. The following commands only make sense when the maximum number of cutting edges (MD 18105) is greater than the number of cutting edges per tool (MD 18106). Please refer to the data of the machine tool manufacturer.



### Additional notes

Besides the relative D number, you can also assign D numbers as 'flat' or 'absolute' D numbers (1–32000) without assigning a reference to a T number (inside the function 'flat D number structure').



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### 8.7.1 Check D numbers (CHKDNO)



#### Programming:

```
state=CHKDNO( Tno1 ,Tno2 ,Dno )
```



#### Explanation of the parameters

state	TRUE:	The D numbers are assigned uniquely to the checked areas.
	FALSE:	There was a D number collision or the parameters are invalid. Tno1, Tno2 and Dno return the parameters that caused the collision. These data can now be evaluated in the parts program.
CHKDNO( Tno1 ,Tno2 )		All D numbers of the part specified are checked.
CHKDNO( Tno1 )		All D numbers of Tno1 are checked against all other tools.
CHKDNO		All D numbers of all tools are checked against all other tools.



#### Function

CKKDNO checks whether the available D numbers assigned are unique.

The D numbers of all tools defined in a TO unit must only be present once. Replacement tools are not considered.



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## 8.7.2 Renaming D numbers (GETDNO, SETDNO)

### Programming:

```
d = GETDNO(t,ce)
```

```
state = SETDNO(t,ce,d)
```

### Explanation of the parameters

d	D number of the cutting edge of the tool
t	T number of the tool
ce	Cutting edge number (CE number) of the tool
state	Indicates whether the command could be executed (TRUE or FALSE).

### Function

#### GETDNO

This command returns the D number of a particular cutting edge (ce) of a tool with tool number t. If there is no D number for the specified parameters, d is set to 0. If the D number is invalid, a value greater than 32000 is returned.

#### SETDNO

This command assigns the value d of the D number to a cutting edge ce of tool t. The result of this statement is returned via state (TRUE or FALSE). If there is no data block for the specified parameter, the value FALSE is returned. Syntax errors produce an alarm. The D number cannot be set to 0 explicitly.

#### Example: (renaming a D number)

```
$TC_DP2[1,2] = 120
$TC_DP3[1,2] = 5.5
$TC_DPCE[1,2] = 3; cutting edge
                    number CE
...
N10 def int DNoOld, DNoNew = 17
N20 DNoOld = GETDNO(1,3)
N30 SETDNO(1,3,DNoNew)
```



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This assigns cutting edge CE=3 the new D value 17.

Now, these data for the cutting edge are addressed via D-number 17; both via the system parameters and in the programming with the NC address.



### **Additional notes**

You must assign unique D numbers. Two different cutting edges of a tool must not have the same D number.

#### **8.7.3 T numbers for the specified D number (GETACTTD)**



##### **Programming:**

```
status = GETACTTD(Tno, Dno)
```



##### **Explanation of the parameters**

Dno	D number to be looked for for the T number.
Tno	T number found
status	0: The T number was found. Tno contains the value of the T number. -1: The specified D number does not have a T number; Tno=0. -2: The D number is not absolute. Tno contains the value of the first tool found that contains the D number with the value Dno. -5: Unable to perform the function for another reason.



##### **Function**

For an absolute D number, GETACTTD determines the associated T number. There is not check for uniqueness. If there are several identical D numbers within a TO unit, the T number of the first tool found is returned. If 'flat' D numbers are used, it does not make sense to use the command because the value 1 is always returned (no T number in database).



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#### 8.7.4 Set final D numbers to invalid



##### Programming:

DZERO



##### Explanation

DZERO Marks all D number of the TO unit as invalid



##### Function

The command is used for support during upgrading.  
Offset block marked in this way are no longer  
checked by the language command CHKDNO.  
To regain access, you must set the D number to  
SETDNO again



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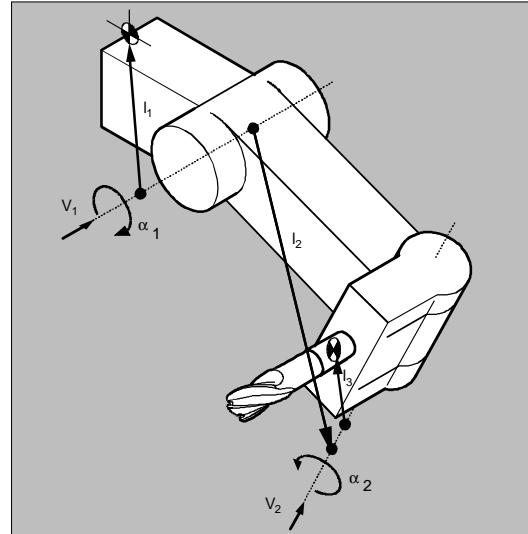


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## 8.8 Toolholder kinematics

The toolholder kinematics with up to two rotary axes is programmed by means of 17 system variables \$TC\_CARR1[m] to \$TC\_CARR17[m]. The description of the toolholder consists of:

- The vectorial distance between the first rotary axis and the toolholder reference point  $l_1$ , the vectorial distance between the first and the second rotary axis  $l_2$ , the vectorial distance between the second rotary axis and the tool reference point  $l_3$ .
- The reference vectors of both rotary axes  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ .
- The rotation angles  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  around both axes. The rotation angles are counted in viewing direction of the rotary axis vectors, positive, in clockwise direction of rotation.



### Resolved kinematics as of SW 5.3

For machines with resolved kinematics (both the tool and the part can rotate), the system variables have been extended to include the entries \$TC\_CARR18[m] to \$TC\_CARR23[m] are described as follows:

The rotatable tool table consisting of:

- The vector distance between the second rotary axis  $v_2$  and the reference point of a rotatable tool table  $l_4$  of the third rotary axis.

The rotary axes consisting of:

- The two channel identifiers for the reference to the rotary axes  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . These positions are accessed as required to determine the orientation of the orientable toolholder.

The type of kinematics with one of the values T, P or M:

- Type of kinematics T: Only tool can rotate.
- Type of kinematics P: Only part can rotate.
- Type of kinematics M: Tool and part can rotate.



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### Function of the system parameter for orientable toolholders

Designation	x components	y components	z components
$l_1$ offset vector	\$TC_CARR1[m]	\$TC_CARR2[m]	\$TC_CARR3[m]
$l_2$ offset vector	\$TC_CARR4[m]	\$TC_CARR5[m]	\$TC_CARR6[m]
$v_1$ rotary axis	\$TC_CARR7[m]	\$TC_CARR8[m]	\$TC_CARR9[m]
$v_2$ rotary axis	\$TC_CARR10[m]	\$TC_CARR11[m]	\$TC_CARR12[m]
$\alpha_1$ rotation angle	\$TC_CARR13[m]		
$\alpha_2$ rotation angle	\$TC_CARR14[m]		
$l_3$ offset vector	\$TC_CARR15[m]	\$TC_CARR16[m]	\$TC_CARR17[m]
$l_4$ offset vector	\$TC_CARR18[m]	\$TC_CARR19[m]	\$TC_CARR20[m]
Axis identifier for rotary axis $v_1$ for rotary axis $v_2$	Axis identifier for rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ (default is zero) \$TC_CARR21[m] \$TC_CARR22[m]		
Type of kinematics	\$TC_CARR23[m]		
Default T	Type of kinematics T ⇔	Type of kinematics P ⇔	Type of Kinematics M
	Only the Tool can be rotated	Only the Part can be rotated	Part and tool Mixed mode can be rotated
Offset for rotary axis $v_1$ rotary axis $v_2$	Angle in degrees of rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ when assuming the initial setting \$TC_CARR24[m] \$TC_CARR25[m]		
Angle offset for rotary axis $v_1$ rotary axis $v_2$	Offset of Hirth tooth system in degrees for rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ \$TC_CARR26[m] \$TC_CARR27[m]		
Angle increment $v_1$ rotary axis $v_2$ rotary axis	Increment of Hirth tooth system in degrees for rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ \$TC_CARR28[m] \$TC_CARR29[m]		
Minimum position rotary axis $v_1$ rotary axis $v_2$	Software limit for minimum position for rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ \$TC_CARR30[m] \$TC_CARR31[m]		
Maximum position rotary axis $v_1$ rotary axis $v_2$	Software limits for maximum position for rotary axes $v_1$ and $v_2$ \$TC_CARR32[m] \$TC_CARR33[m]		



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### Parameters of the rotary axes from SW 6.1

The system variables are extended by the entries \$TC\_CARR24[m] to \$TC\_CARR33[m] and described as follows:

The **offset** of the rotary axes

- Changing the position of rotary axis  $v_1$  or  $v_2$  during initial setting of the orientable toolholder.

The **angle offset/angle increment** of the rotary axes

- Offset or angle increment of Hirth tooth system of rotary axes  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Programmed or calculated angle is rounded up to the next value that results from  $\text{phi} = s + n * d$  when  $n$  is an integer.

The **minimum position/maximum position** of the rotary axis

- Limit angle (software limit) for rotary axis  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ .

### Additional notes

The number of the respective toolholder to be programmed is specified with "m".

The start/endpoints of the distance vectors on the axes can be freely selected. The rotation angles  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  around the two axes are defined in the initial state of the toolholder by  $0^\circ$ . In this way, the kinematics of a toolholder can be programmed for any number of possibilities.

Toolholders with only one or no rotary axis at all can be described by setting the direction vectors of one or both rotary axes to zero. With a toolholder without rotary axis the distance vectors act as additional tool offsets whose components cannot be affected by a change of machining plane (G17 to G19).



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### Clearing the toolholder data

The data of all toolholder data sets is cleared via  
`$TC_CARR1[0] = 0.`

### SW 5.3 and higher

The type of kinematics `$TC_CARR23[T] = T` must be assigned one of the three permissible uppercase or lowercase letter (T,P,M) and should not be deleted.

### Changing the toolholder data

Each of the described values can be modified by assigning a new value in the parts program.  
Any character other than T, P or M causes an alarm when you attempt to activate the orientable toolholder.

### Reading the toolholder data

Each of the described values can be read by assigning it to a variable in the parts program.

### Supplementary conditions

A toolholder can only orientate a tool in every possible direction in space if

- two rotary axes  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are available.
- the rotary axes are positioned perpendicular to one another.
- the tool length axis is perpendicular to the second rotary axis  $v_2$ .

### SW 5.3 and higher

In addition, the following requirement is applicable to machines for which all possible orientations have to be settable:

- Tool orientation must be perpendicular to the first rotary axis  $v_1$ .

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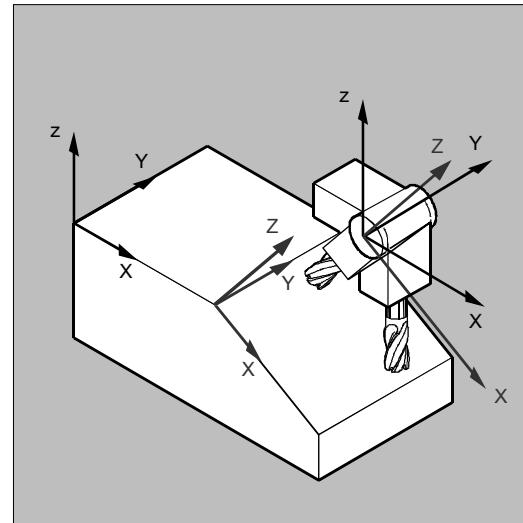
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### Programming example

The toolholder used in the following example can be fully described by a rotation around the Y axis.



N10 \$TC_CARR8[1]=1	Definition of the Y components of the first rotary axis of toolholder 1
N20 \$TC_DP1[1,1]=120	Definition of an end mill
N30 \$TC_DP3[1,1]=20	with length 20mm
N40 \$TC_DP6[1,1]=5	and with radius 5mm
N50 ROT Y37	Frame definition with 37° rotation around the Y axis
N60 X0 Y0 Z0 F10000	Approach initial position
N70 G42 CUT2DF TCOFR TCARR=1 T1 D1 X10	Set radius compensation, tool length compensation in rotated frame, select toolholder 1, tool 1
N80 X40	Execute machining under a 37° rotation
N90 Y40	
N100 X0	
N110 Y0	
N120 M30	

## Path Traversing Behavior

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#### Programming

```
TANG (FAxisF,LAxis1,LAxis2,Coupling,CS)
TANGON (FAxis,Angle)
TANGOF (FAxis)
TLIFT (FAxis)
TANGDEL (FAxis)
```



#### Explanation of the commands

TANG	Preparatory instruction for the definition of a tangential follow-up
TANGON	Activate tangential control specifying following axis and offset angle
TANGOF	Deactivate tangential control specifying following axis
TLIFT	Insert intermediate block at contour corners
TANGDEL	Delete definition of a tangential follow-up



#### Explanation of the parameters

FAxis	Following axis: additional tangential following rotary axis
LAxis1, LAxis2	Leading axes: path axes which determine the tangent for the following axis
Coupling	Coupling factor: relationship between the angle change of the tangent and the following axis. Parameter optional; default: 1
CS	Identifier for coordinate system "B" = basic coordinate system; data optional; default ["W" = workpiece coordinate system]
Angle	Offset angle of following axis



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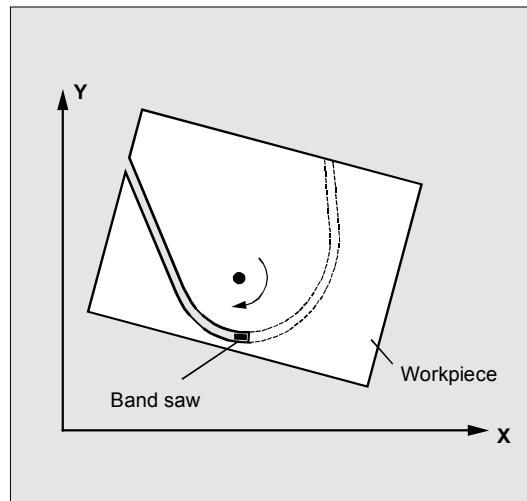
## Function

A rotary axis (= following axis) follows the programmed path of two leading axes. The following axis is located at a defined offset angle to the path tangent.

## Applications

Tangential control can be used in applications such as:

- Tangential positioning of a rotatable tool during nibbling
- Follow-up of the tool orientation on a band saw
- Positioning of a dresser tool on a grinding wheel (see diagram)
- Positioning of a cutting wheel for glass or paper working
- Tangential infeed of a wire in five-axis welding



## Sequence

### Defining following axis and leading axis

TANG is used to define the following and leading axes.

A coupling factor specifies the relationship between an angle change on the tangent and the following axis. Its value is generally 1 (default).

The follow-up can be performed in the basic coordinate system "B" (default) or the workpiece coordinate system "W".

**Example:**

TANG(C,X,Y,1,"B")

**Meaning:**

Rotary axis C follows geometry axes X and Y.



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### Activating/deactivating tangential control:

#### **TANGON, TANGOF**

Tangential control is called with TANGON specifying the following axis and the desired offset angle of the following axis:

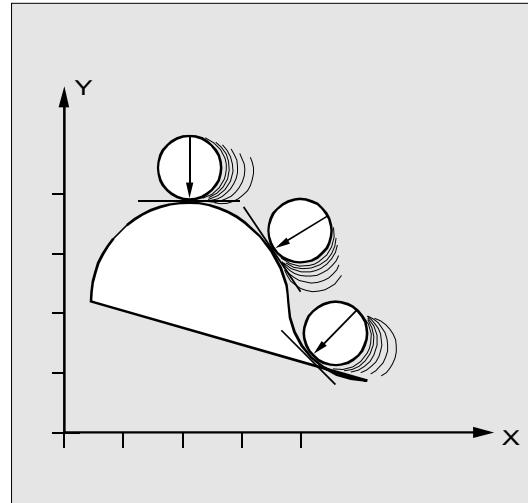
TANGON (C, 90 )

#### Meaning:

C axis is the following axis. On every movement of the path axes, it is rotated into a position at 90° to the path tangent.

The following axis is specified in order to deactivate the tangential control:

TANGOF (C)



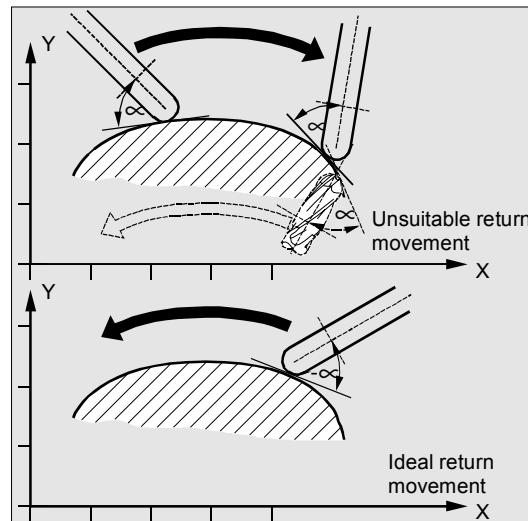
#### Angle limit through working area limitation

For path movements which oscillate back and forth, the tangent jumps through 180° at the turning point on the path and the orientation of the following axis changes accordingly.

This behavior is generally inappropriate: the return movement should be traversed at the same negative offset angle as the approach movement.

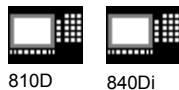
This can be achieved by limiting the working area of the following axis (G25, G26). The working area limitation must be active at the instant of path reversal (WALIMON).

If the offset angle lies outside the working area limit, an attempt is made to return to the permissible working area with the negative offset angle.





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### Insert intermediate block at contour corners,

#### TLIFT

At one corner of the contour the tangent changes and thus the setpoint position of the following axis. The axis normally tries to compensate this step change at its maximum possible velocity. However, this causes a deviation from the desired tangential position over a certain distance on the contour after the corner. If such a deviation is unacceptable for technological reasons, the instruction TLIFT can be used to force the control to stop at the corner and to turn the following axis to the new tangent direction in an automatically generated intermediate block. The axis is rotated at its maximum possible velocity.

The TLIFT(...) instruction must be programmed immediately after the axis assignment with TANG(...).

Example:

```
TANG(C,X,Y...)  
TLIFT(C)
```

#### Deactivate TLIFT

To deactivate TLIFT, repeat the axis assignment TANG(...) without inserting TLIFT(...) afterwards.



The angular change limit at which an intermediate block is automatically inserted is defined via machine data \$MA\_EPS\_TLIFT\_TANG\_STEP.

#### Delete definition of a tangential follow-up

An existing user-defined tangential follow-up must be deleted if a new tangential follow-up with the same following axis is defined in the preparation call TANG.



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### TANGDEL (FAxis)

Deletion is only possible if the coupling with TANGOF(Faxis) is deactivated.

Delete tangential follow-up

### Programming example

Example of plane change

```
N10 TANG(A, X, Y,1)
N20 TANGON(A)
N30 X10 Y20
...
N80 TANGOF(A)
N90 TANGDEL(A)
...
TANG(A, X, Z)
TANGON(A)
...
N200 M30
```

1st definition of the tang. follow-up  
Activation of the coupling

Deactivate 1st coupling  
Delete 1st definition

2nd definition of the tang. follow-up  
Activation of the new coupling

### Programming example

With geometry axis switchover and TANGDEL

```
N10 GEOAX(2,Y1)
N20 TANG(A, X, Y)
N30 TANGON(A, 90)
N40 G2 F8000 X0 Y0 I0 J50
N50 TANGOF(A)
N60 TANGDEL(A)
N70 GEOAX(2, Y2)
N80 TANG(A, X, Y)
N90 TANGON(A, 90)
...
```

An alarm is output.

Y1 is geo axis 2

Deactivation of follow-up with Y1  
Delete 1st definition  
Y2 is the new geo axis 2  
2nd definition of the tang. follow-up  
Activation of the follow-up with 2nd def.



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## Additional notes

### Influence on transformations

The position of the following rotary axis can be an input value for a transformation.

### Explicit positioning of the following axis

If an axis which is following your lead axes is positioned explicitly the position is added to the programmed offset angle.

All path definitions are possible: Path and positioning axis movements.

### Coupling status

You can query the status of the coupling in the NC program with the following system variable:

`$AA_COUP_ACT[Axis]`

0 No coupling active

1,2,3 Tangential follow-up active

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### 9.2 Coupled motion TRAILON, TRAILOF



#### Programming

```
TRAILON(FAxis, LAxis, Coupling)
TRAILOF(FAxis, LAxis, Axis2)
```



#### Explanation of the commands and parameters

TRAILON	Activate and define coupled axes; modal
TRAILOF	Deactivate coupled axes
FAxis	Axis name of trailing axis
LAxist	Axis name of trailing axis
Coupling	Coupling factor = Path of coupled-motion axis/path of trailing axis Default = 1

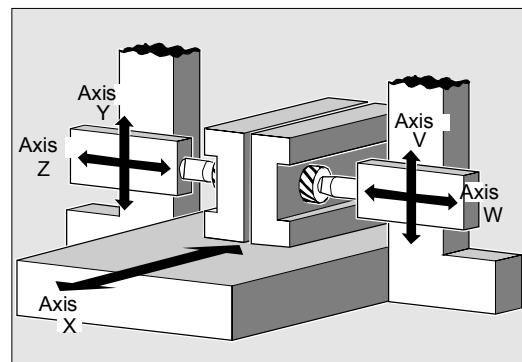


#### Function

When a defined leading axis is moved, the trailing axes (= following axes) assigned to it traverse through the distances described by the leading axis, allowing for a coupling factor. Together, the leading axis and following axis represent coupled axes.

#### Applications

- Traversing of an axis by a simulated axis. The leading axis is a simulated axis and the trailing axis is a real axis. The real axis can thus be traversed with allowance for the coupling factor.
- Two-sided machining with 2 combined axis pairs:  
1st leading axis Y, trailing axis V  
2nd leading axis Z, trailing axis W





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## Sequence

### Defining coupled-axis combinations, TRAILON

The coupled axes are defined and activated simultaneously with the modal language command TRAILON.

TRAILON(V, Y)

V = trailing axis, Y = leading axis

The number of coupled axes that can be activated simultaneously is restricted only by the possible combinations of axes on the machine.



Coupled motion always takes place in the basic coordinate system (BCS).

### Coupled axis types

A coupled-axis group can consist of any combination of linear and rotary axes. A simulated axis can also be defined as a leading axis.

### Coupled-motion axes

Up to two leading axes can be assigned simultaneously to a trailing axis. The assignment is made in different combinations of coupled axes.

A trailing axis can be programmed with all the available motion commands (G0, G1, G2, G3, ...). In addition to paths defined independently, the trailing axis also traverses the distances derived from its leading axes, allowing for the coupling factors.



A trailing axis can also act as a leading axis for other trailing axes. Various combinations of coupled axes can be set up in this way.

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### Coupling factor

The coupling factor specifies the desired ratio of the paths of trailing axis and leading axis.

$$\text{Coupling factor} = \frac{\text{Path of trailing axis}}{\text{Path of leading axis}}$$

If the coupling factor is not specified in the program, a coupling factor of 1 is automatically taken as the default.

The factor is entered as a decimal fraction (type REAL). The input of a negative value causes opposite traversing movements on the leading and trailing axes.

### Deactivate coupled axes

The following language command deactivates the coupling with a leading axis:

TRAILOF (V, Y)

**V = trailing axis, Y = leading axis**

TRAILOF with 2 parameters deactivates the coupling to only 1 leading axis.

**If a trailing axis is assigned to 2 leading axes,  
e.g. V=trailing axis and X,Y=leading axes,  
TRAILOF can be called with 3 parameters to  
deactivate the coupling:**

TRAILOF (V, X, Y)



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## Additional notes

### Acceleration and velocity

The acceleration and velocity limits of the combined axes are determined by the "weakest axis" in the combined axis pair.

### Coupling status

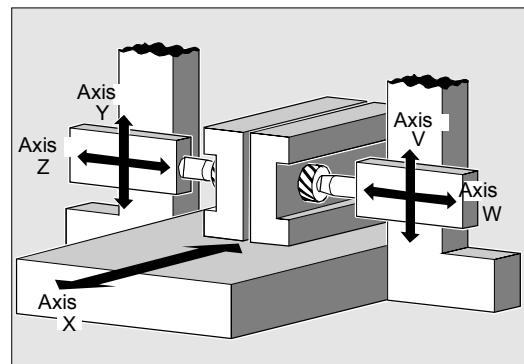
You can query the status of the coupling in the NC program with the following system variable:

\$AA\_COUP\_ACT[axis]

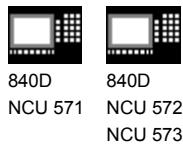
- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| 0 | No coupling active    |
| 8 | Coupled motion active |

## Programming example

The workpiece is to be machined on two sides with the axis configuration shown in the diagram. To do this, you create 2 combinations of coupled axes.



...	
N100 TRAILON(V, Y)	Activate 1st combined axis pair
N110 TRAILON(W, Z, -1)	Activate 2nd combined axis pair, coupling factor negative: trailing axis traverses in opposite direction to leading axis
N120 G0 Z10	Infeed of Z and W axes in opposite axis directions
N130 G0 Y20	Infeed of Y and V axes in same axis directions
...	
N200 G1 Y22 V25 F200	Superimpose dependent and independent movement of trailing axis "V"
...	
TRAILOF(V, Y)	Deactivate 1st coupled axis
TRAILOF(W, Z)	Deactivate 2nd coupled axis



## **9.3 Curve tables, CTABDEF, CTABEND, CTABDEL, CTAB, CTABINV, CTABSSV, CTABSEV**

### Programming

The following modal NC commands work with curve tables:

(You will find explanations of the parameters at the end of the list of functions.)

#### **A) Main functions**

Curve tables are defined in a parts program.

CTABDEF(Faxis,Laxis,n,applim, memType)	Define beginning of curve table
CTABEND()	Define end of curve table
CTABDEL(n)	Delete a curve table
CTABDEL()	Deletion of all curve tables, independently of memType
CTABDEL(n, m)	Deletion of a curve table range
CTABDEL(n, m, memType)	Deletion of the curve tables of the curve table range that are stored in memType
CTABDEL( , , memType)	Deletion of all curve tables in the specified memory
R10=CTAB(LW,n,degrees,FAxis,LAxIs)	Following value for a leading value
R10=CTABINV(FW,aproxLW,n,degrees,FAxis, LAxIs)	Leading value to a following value
R10=CTABSSV(LV,n,degree,Faxis,Laxis)	Starting value of the following axis in the segment belonging to the LV
R10=CTABSEV(LV,n,degree,Faxis,Laxis)	End value of the following axis in the segment belonging to the LV
<b>General form:</b>	<b>Set a lock</b> against deletion or overwriting.
CTABLOCK(n, m, memType)	Applications in the forms: Curve table with number n Curve tables in number range n to m All curve tables irrespective of memory type All curve tables in the specified memory type
CTABLOCK(n)	
CTABLOCK(n, m)	
CTABLOCK()	
CTABLOCK( , , memType)	



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General form:

`CTABUNLOCK(n, m, memType)`

**Cancel a lock** against deletion or overwriting.

CTABUNLOCK enables the tables disabled with CTABLOCK. Tables that function in an active coupling remain disabled, i.e. they still cannot be deleted. But the CTABLOCK lock is canceled, i.e., as soon as locking via the active coupling is canceled by deactivating the coupling, this table can be deleted. It is not necessary to call CTABUNLOCK again.

`CTABUNLOCK(n)`

Applications in the forms:

`CTABUNLOCK(n, m)`

Curve table with number n

`CTABUNLOCK()`

Curve tables in number range n to m

`CTABUNLOCK(, , memType)`

All curve tables irrespective of memory type

All curve tables in the specified memory type

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For further information about leading and following values, see Section "Axial leading value coupling" and "Path leading value coupling" in this section.

Additional functions exist for diagnostics and optimization of resource use. These are described in the M3 Description of Functions.

## Explanation

<b>FAxis</b>	Following axis: Axis that is programmed via the curve table.
<b>LAxis</b>	Leading axis Axis that is programmed with the leading value.
<b>n, m</b>	Number of the curve table; $n < m$ in $\text{CTABDEL}(n, m)$ The number of the curve table is unique and not dependent on the memory type. Tables with the same number can be in the SRAM and DRAM.
<b>p</b>	Entry location (in memory range <b>memType</b> )
<b>applim</b>	Identifier for table periodicity: 0 Table is not periodic 1 Table is periodic with regard to the leading axis 2 Table is periodic with regard to leading axis and following axis
<b>LW</b>	Leading value Positional value of the leading axis for which a following value is to be calculated.
<b>degrees</b>	Parameter name for gradient parameter
<b>FW</b>	Following value Positional value of the following axis for which a leading value is to be calculated.
<b>aproxLW</b>	Approximation solution for leading value if no specific leading value can be determined for a following value.
<b>FAxis, LAxis</b>	Optional specification of the following and/or leading axis
<b>memType</b>	Optional specification of memory type of the NC: "DRAM" / "SRAM" If no value is programmed for this parameter, the default memory type set in MD 20905: <b>CTAB_DEFAULT_MEMORY_TYPE</b> is used.



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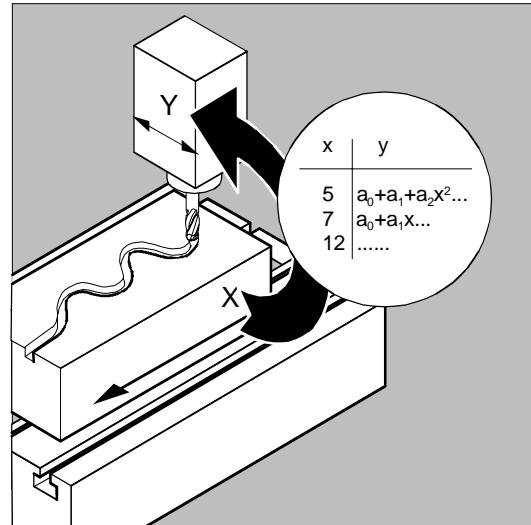
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## Function

You can use curve tables to program position and velocity relationships between 2 axes.

**Example** of substitution of mechanical cam: The curve table forms the basis for the axial leading value coupling by creating the functional relationship between the leading and the following value:  
With appropriate programming, the control calculates a polynomial that corresponds to the cam plate from the relative positions of the leading and following axes.



## Additional notes

To create curve tables the memory space must be reserved by setting the machine data.

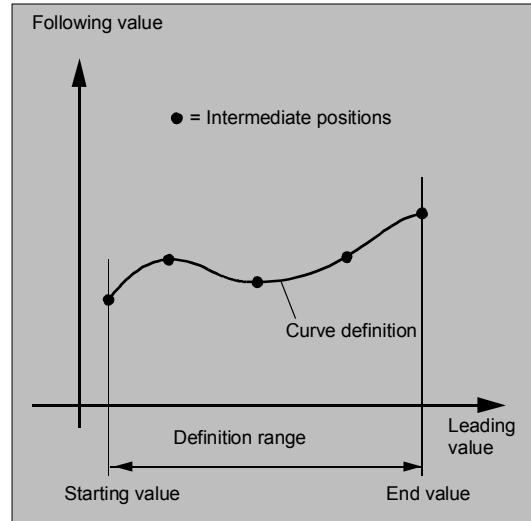
## Definition of a curve table

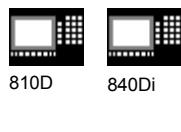
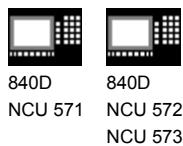
CTABDEF, CTABEND

A curve table represents a parts program or a section of a parts program which is enclosed by CTABDEF at the beginning and CTABEND at the end.

Within this parts program section, unique following axis positions are assigned to individual positions of the leading axis by traverse statements and used as intermediate positions in calculating the curve definition in the form of a polynomial up the 3rd order.

**As from SW 6**, intermediate points for curve definitions can be calculated in the form of an up to 5th order polynomial.





### **Starting and end value of the curve table:**

The starting value for the beginning of the definition range of the curve table are the first associated axis positions specified (the first traverse statement) within the curve table definition. The end value of the definition range of the curve table is determined in accordance with the last traverse command.

Within the definition of the curve table, you have use of the entire NC language.

### **Additional notes**

The following are not permissible:

- Preprocess stop
- Jumps in the leading axis movement (e.g. on changing transformations)
- Traverse statement for the following axis only
- Reversal of the leading axis, i.e. position of the leading axis must always be unique
- CTABDEF and CTABEND statement on various program levels.

### **SW 6.3**

Depending on MD 20900 CTAB\_ENABLE\_NO\_LEADMOTION, jumps of the following axis can be tolerated if leading axis motion is missing. The other restrictions give in the notice still apply.

Specification of the NC memory type can be used in table creation and deletion.

All modal statements that are made within the curve table definition are invalid when the table definition is completed. The parts program in which the table definition is made is therefore located in front of and after the table definition in the same state.

R parameter assignments are reset.





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Example:

```
...
R10=5 R11=20
...
CTABDEF
G1 X=10 Y=20 F1000
R10=R11+5 ;R10=25
X=R10
CTABEND
... ;R10=5
```

#### Repeated use of curve tables

The function relation between the leading axis and the following axis calculated through the curve table is retained under the table number beyond the end of the parts program and during power-off.

The curve table created can be applied to any axis combinations of leading and following axes whatever axes were used to create the curve table.



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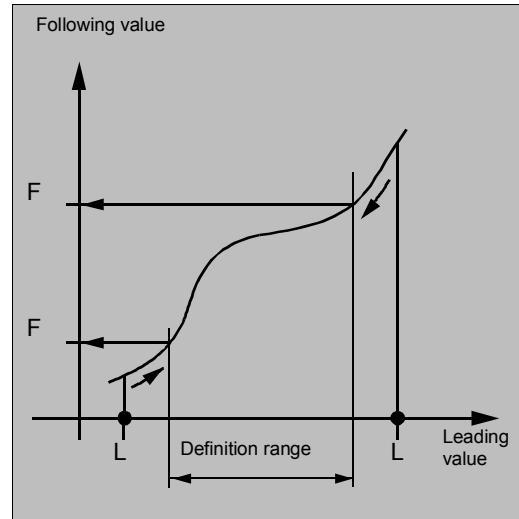
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### **i Behavior at the edges of the curve table**

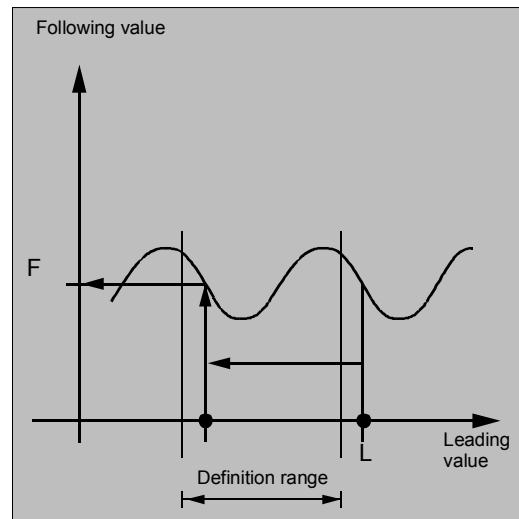
#### **Non-periodic curve table**

If the leading value is outside the definition range, the following value output is the upper or lower limit.



#### **Periodic curve table**

If the leading value is outside the definition range, the leading value is evaluated modulo of the definition range and the corresponding following value is output.





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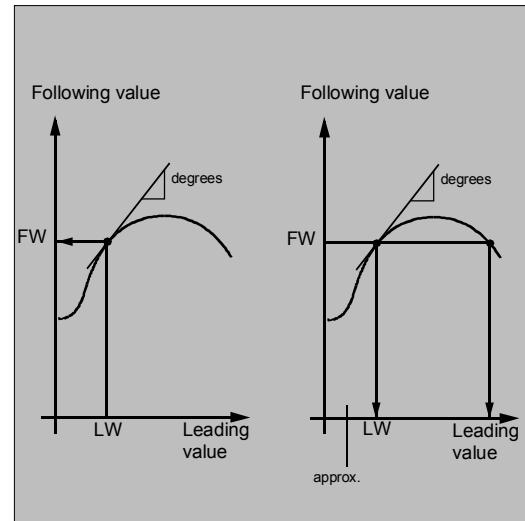


### Reading table positions, CTAB, CTABINV

With CTAB you can read the following value for a leading value directly from the parts program or from synchronized actions (Chapter 10).

With CTABINV, you can read the leading value for a following value. This assignment does not always have to be unique. CTABINV therefore requires an approximate value (aproxLW) for the expected leading value. CTABINV returns the leading value that is closest to the approximate value. The approximate value can be the leading value from the previous interpolation cycle.

Both functions also output the gradient of the table function at the correct position to the gradient parameter (degrees). In this way, the you can calculate the speed of the leading or following axis at the corresponding position.



### Reading segment positions, CTABSSV, CTABSEV

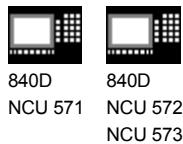
CTABSSV can be used to read the starting value of the curve segment belonging to the specified leading value directly from the parts program or from synchronous actions (Chapter 10).

CTABSEV can be used to read the end value of the curve segment belonging to the specified leading value directly from the parts program or from synchronous actions (Chapter 10).

### Additional notes

Optional specification of the leading or following axis for CTAB/CTABINV/CTABSSV/CTABSEV is important if the leading and following axes are configured in different length units.





## Programming example

### Use of CTABSSV and CTABSEV

```
N10 DEF REAL STARTPOS
N20 DEF REAL ENDPOS
N30 DEF REAL GRADIENT
```

...

```
N100 CTABDEF(Y,X,1,0)
N110 X0 Y0
N120 X20 Y10
N130 X40 Y40
N140 X60 Y10
N150 X80 Y0
N160 CTABEND
...
N200 STARTPOS = CTABSSV(30.0, 1,
                           GRADIENT)
...
N210 ENDPOS = CTABSEV(30.0, 1,
                           GRADIENT)
```

Beginning of table definition

Starting position 1st table segment

End position 1st table segment = start position 2nd table segment ...

End of table definition

Start position Y in segment 2 = 10

End position Y in segment 2 = 40

Segment 2 belongs to LV X = 30.0.



### Deleting curve tables, CTABDEL

With CTABDEL you can delete the curve tables.

Curve tables that are active in a coupling cannot be deleted. If at least one curve table is active out of a multiple delete command

CTABDEL() or CTABDEL(n, m) in a coupling, **none** of the addressed curve tables will be deleted.

As from SW 6.3, curve tables of a certain memory type can be deleted by optional memory type specification.



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### Overwriting curve tables

A curve table is overwritten as soon as its number is used in another table definition. Active tables cannot be overwritten.



### Additional notes

No warning is output when you overwrite curve tables!



### Additional notes

With the system variable \$P\_CTABDEF it is possible to query from inside a parts program whether a curve table definition is active.

The parts program section can be used as a curve table definition after excluding the statements and therefore as a real parts program again.



### Programming example

A program section is to be used unchanged for defining a curve table. The command for preprocess stop STOPRE can remain and is active again immediately as soon as the program section is not used for table definition and CTABDEF and CTABEND have been removed:

```
CTABDEF(Y,X,1,1)
...
...
IF NOT ($P_CTABDEF)
STOPRE
ENDIF
...
...
CTABEND
```

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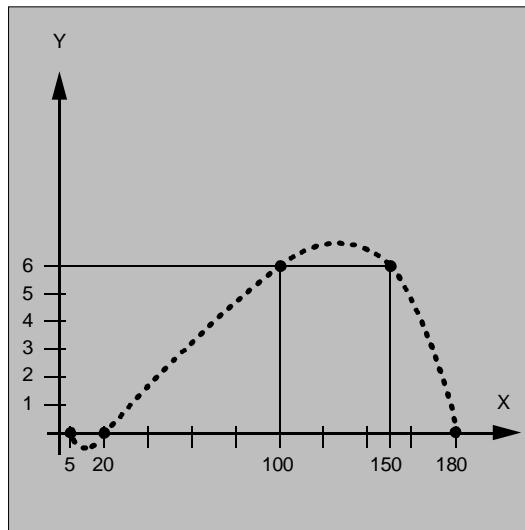
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During active block search, calculation of curve tables is not possible. If the target block is within the definition of a curve table, an alarm is output when CTABEND is reached.

**Programming example 1**

Definition of a curve table




---

N100 CTABDEF(Y,X,3,0)

Beginning of the definition of a non-periodic curve table with number 3

---

N110 X0 Y0

1. Traverse statement defines starting values and 1st intermediate point:  
Leading value: 5; Following value: 0

---

N120 X20 Y0

2. Intermediate point: Leading value: 0...20;  
Following value:  
Starting value...0

---

N130 X100 Y6

3. Intermediate point: Leading value:  
20...100;  
Following value: 0...6

---

N140 X150 Y6

4. Intermediate point: Leading value:  
100...150;  
Following value: 6...6

---

N150 X180 Y0

5. Intermediate point: Leading value:  
150...180;  
Following value: 6...0

---

N200 CTABEND

End of the definition; The curve table is generated in its internal representation as a polynomial up to the 3rd order;

---



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Path Traversing Behavior

The calculation of the curve definition depends on the modally selected interpolation type (circle, linear, spline interpolation); The parts program state before the beginning of the definition is restored.

## Programming example 2

Definition of a periodic curve table with number 2, leading value range 0 to 360, following axis motion from 0 to 45 and back to 0:

```
N10 DEF REAL DEPOS;
N20 DEF REAL GRADIENT;
N30 CTABDEF(Y,X,2,1)                                Beginning of definition
N40 G1 X=0 Y=0
N50 POLY
N60 PO[X]=(45.0)
N70 PO[X]=(90.0) PO[Y]=(45.0,135.0,-
90)
N80 PO[X]=(270.0)
N90 PO[X]=(315.0) PO[Y]=(0.0,-
135.0,90)
N100 PO[X]=(360.0)
N110 CTABEND                                         End of definition
```

Test of the curve by coupling Y to X:

```
N120 G1 F1000 X0
N130 LEADON(Y,X,2)
N140 X360
N150 X0
N160 LEADOF(Y,X)
```

Read the table function for leading value 75.0:

```
N170 DEPPOS=CTAB(75.0,2,GRADIENT)
```

Positioning of the leading and the following axis:

```
N180 G0 X75 Y=DEPPOS
```

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After activating the coupling no synchronization of  
the following axis is required:

N190 LEADON(Y,X,2)

N200 G1 X110 F1000

N210 LEADOF(Y,X)

N220 M30



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## 9.4 Axial leading value coupling, LEADON, LEADOF



### Programming

```
LEADON(FAxis, LAxis, n)
LEADOF(FAxis, LAxis, n)
```



### Explanation

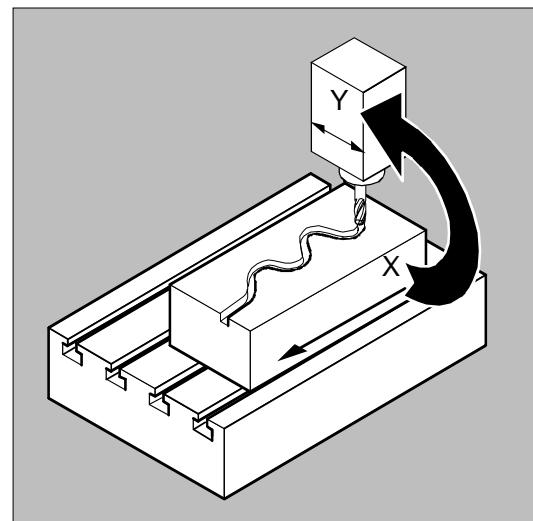
LEADON	Activate leading value coupling
LEADOF	Deactivate leading value coupling
FAxis	Following axis
LAxist	Leading axis
n	Curve table number



### Function

With the axial leading value coupling, a leading and a following axis are moved in synchronism. It is possible to assign the position of the following axis via a curve table or the resulting polynomial uniquely to a position of the leading axis – simulated if necessary.

**Leading axis** is the axis which supplies the input values for the curve table. **Following axis** is the axis which takes the positions calculated by means of the curve table.

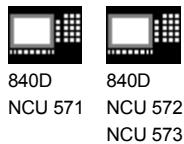


The leading value coupling can be activated and deactivated both from the parts program and during the movement from synchronized actions (Chapter 10).

The leading value coupling always applies in the basic coordinate system.



For information about creating curve table, see Chapter "Curve tables" in this chapter. For information about leading value coupling, see /FB/, M3, Coupled Motion and Leading Value Coupling.

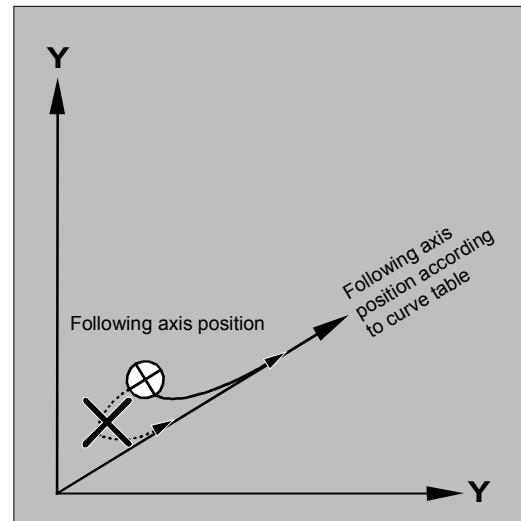


## Sequence

Leading value coupling requires synchronization of the leading and the following axes. This synchronization can only be achieved if the following axis is inside the tolerance range of the curve definition calculated from the curve table when the leading value coupling is activated.

The tolerance range for the position of the following axis is defined via machine data 37200 COUPLE\_POS\_TOL\_COARSE.

If the following axis is not yet at the correct position when the leading value coupling is activated, the synchronization run is automatically initiated as soon as the position setpoint value calculated for the following axis is approximately the real following axis position. During the synchronization procedure the following axis is traversed in the direction that is defined by the setpoint speed of the following axis (calculated from master spindle and CTAB).



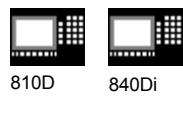
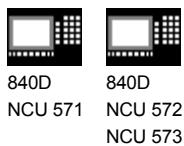
## Additional notes

If the following axis position calculated moves away from the current following axis position when the leading value coupling is activated, it is not possible to establish synchronization.

## Actual value and setpoint coupling

The following can be used as the leading value, i.e. as the output values for position calculation of the following axis:

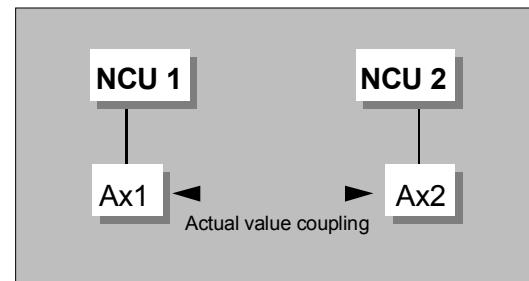
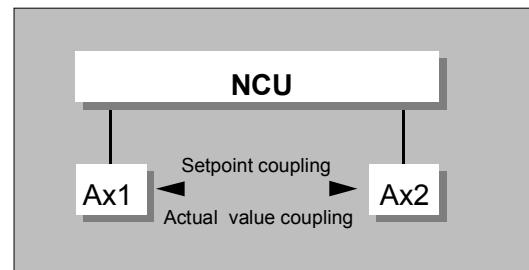
- Actual values of the leading axis position: Actual value coupling
- Setpoints of the leading axis position: Setpoint coupling



### Additional notes

Setpoint coupling provides better synchronization of the leading and following axis than actual value coupling and is therefore set by default.

Setpoint coupling is only possible if the leading and following axis are interpolated by the same NCU. With an external leading axis, the following axis can only be coupled to the leading axis via the actual values.



### Switchover between actual and setpoint coupling

A switchover can be programmed via setting data \$SA\_LEAD\_TYPE

You must always switch between the actual-value and setpoint coupling when the following axis stops. It is only possible to resynchronize after switchover when the axis is motionless.

### Application example:

You cannot read the actual values without error during large machine vibrations. If you use leading value coupling in press transfer, it might be necessary to switchover from actual-value coupling to setpoint coupling in the work steps with the greatest vibrations.

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### Leading value simulation with setpoint simulation

Via machine data, you can disconnect the interpolator for the leading axis from the servo. In this way you can generate setpoints for setpoint coupling without actually moving the leading axis.

Leading values generated from a setpoint link can be read from the following variables so that they can be used, for example, in synchronized actions:

- \$AA\_LEAD\_P
- \$AA\_LEAD\_V

Leading value position

Leading value velocity



### Additional notes

As an option, leading values can be generated with other self-programmed methods. The leading values generated in this way are written into the variables

- \$AA\_LEAD\_SP
- \$AA\_LEAD\_SV

Leading value position

Leading value velocity

and read from them. Before you use these variables, setting data \$SA\_LEAD\_TYPE = 2 must be set.

### Status of coupling

You can query the status of the coupling in the NC program with the following system variable:

\$AA\_COUP\_ACT[axis]

- |    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| 0  | No coupling active            |
| 16 | Leading value coupling active |



### Deactivate leading value coupling, LEADOF

When you deactivate the leading value coupling, the following axis becomes a normal command axis again!

### Axial leading value coupling and different operating states

Depending on the setting in the machine data, the leading value couplings are deactivated with RESET.



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## Programming example

In a pressing plant, an ordinary mechanical coupling between a leading axis (stanchion shaft) and axis of a transfer system comprising transfer axes and auxiliary axes is to be replaced by an electronic coupling system.

It demonstrates how a mechanical transfer system is replaced by an electronic transfer system. The coupling and decoupling events are implemented as **static synchronized actions**.

From the leading axis LW (stanchion shaft), transfer axes and auxiliary axes are controlled as following axes that are defined via curve tables.

### Following axes

X	Feed or longitudinal axis
YL	Closing or lateral axis
ZL	Stroke axis
U	Roller feed, auxiliary axis
V	Guiding head, auxiliary axis
W	Greasing, auxiliary axis

### Status management

Switching and coupling events are managed via real-time variables:

\$AC\_MARKER[i]=n

i Marker number

with:

n Status value

### Actions

The actions that occur include, for example, the following synchronized actions:

- Activate coupling, LEADON(following axis, leading axis, curve table number)
- Deactivate coupling, LEADOF(following axis, leading axis)
- Set actual value, PRESETON(axis, value)
- Set marker, \$AC\_MARKER[i]=value
- Coupling type: real/virtual leading value
- Approaching axis positions, POS[axis]=value

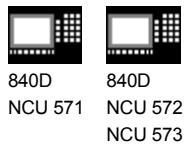
### Conditions

Fast digital inputs, real-time variables \$AC\_MARKER and position comparisons are linked using the Boolean operator AND for evaluation as conditions.

### Note

In the following example, line change, indentation and **bold** type are used for the sole purpose of improving readability of the program. To the controller, everything that follows a line number constitutes a single line.

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### Comment

; Defines all **static synchronized actions**.

; \*\*\*\* Reset marker

---

```
N2      $AC_MARKER[0]=0 $AC_MARKER[1]=0
       $AC_MARKER[2]=0 $AC_MARKER[3]=0
       $AC_MARKER[4]=0 $AC_MARKER[5]=0
       $AC_MARKER[6]=0 $AC_MARKER[7]=0
```

---

; \*\*\*\* E1 0=>1 Coupling transfer ON

---

```
N10     IDS=1      EVERY ($A_IN[1]==1) AND
        ($A_IN[16]==1) AND ($AC_MARKER[0]==0)
DO      LEADON(X,LW,1) LEADON(YL,LW,2)
        LEADON(ZL,LW,3) $AC_MARKER[0]=1
```

---

; \*\*\*\* E1 0=>1 Coupling roller feed ON

---

```
N20     IDS=11     EVERY ($A_IN[1]==1) AND
        ($A_IN[5]==0) AND ($AC_MARKER[5]==0)
DO      LEADON(U,LW,4) PRESETON(U,0)
        $AC_MARKER[5]=1
```

---

; \*\*\*\* E1 0->1 Coupling guide head ON

---

```
N21     IDS=12     EVERY ($A_IN[1]==1) AND
        ($A_IN[5]==0) AND ($AC_MARKER[6]==0)
DO      LEADON(V,LW,4) PRESETON(V,0)
        $AC_MARKER[6]=1
```

---

; \*\*\*\* E1 0->1 Coupling greasing ON

---

```
N22     IDS=13     EVERY ($A_IN[1]==1) AND
        ($A_IN[5]==0) AND ($AC_MARKER[7]==0)
DO      LEADON(W,LW,4) PRESETON(W,0)
        $AC_MARKER[7]=1
```

---

; \*\*\*\* E2 0=>1 Coupling OFF

---

```
N30     IDS=3      EVERY ($A_IN[2]==1)
DO      LEADOF(X,LW) LEADOF(YL,LW)
        LEADOF(ZL,LW) LEADOF(U,LW)
        LEADOF(V,LW) LEADOF(W,LW) $AC_MARKER[0]=0
$AC_MARKER[1]=0 $AC_MARKER[3]=0
$AC_MARKER[4]=0 $AC_MARKER[5]=0
$AC_MARKER[6]=0 $AC_MARKER[7]=0
....
```

---



---

```
N110    G04 F01
```

---



---

```
N120    M30
```

---



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## 9.5 Feed characteristic, FNORM, FLIN, FCUB, FPO



### Programming

F... FNORM

F... FLIN

F... FCUB

F=FPO( ... , ... , ... )



### Explanation

**FNORM** Basic setting. The feed value is specified as a function of the traverse path of the block and is then valid as a modal value.

**FLIN** Path velocity profile linear:  
The feed value is approached linearly via the traverse path from the current value at the block beginning to the block end and is then valid as a modal value.

**FCUB** Path velocity profile cubic:  
The non-modally programmed F values are connected by means of a spline referred to the block end point. The spline begins and ends tangentially with the previous and the following feedrate specification.  
If the F address is missing from a block, the last F value to be programmed is used.

**F=FPO...** Polynomial path velocity profile:  
The F address defines the feed characteristic via a polynomial from the current value to the block end. The end value is valid thereafter as a modal value.



### Function

To permit flexible definition of the feed characteristic, the feed programming according to DIN 66205 has been extended by linear and cubic characteristics.

The cubic characteristics can be programmed either directly or as interpolating splines.

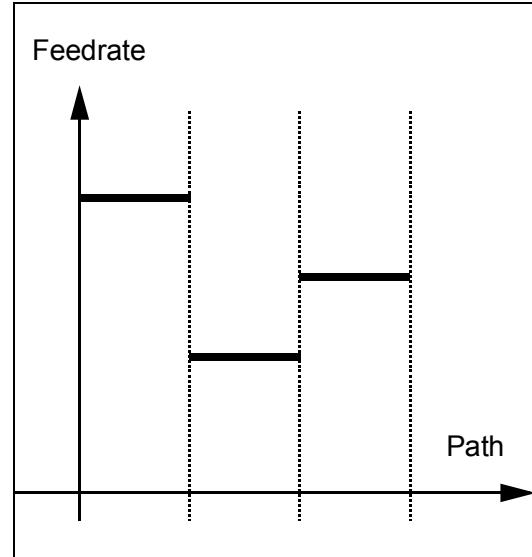
These additional characteristics make it possible to program continuously smooth velocity characteristics depending on the curvature of the workpiece to be machined.

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The feed address F defines the path feed as a constant value according to DIN 66025.

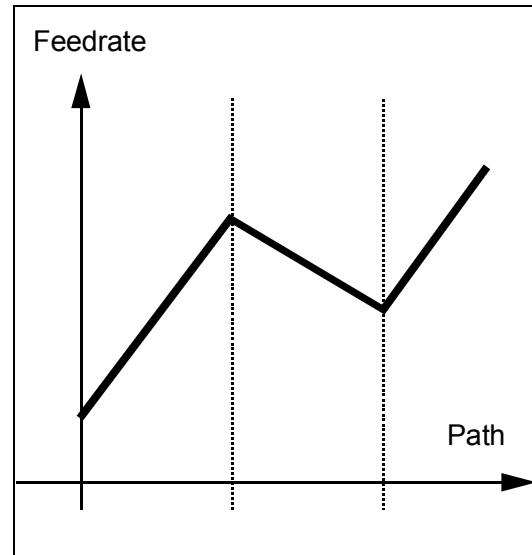
Please refer to Programming Guide "Fundamentals" for more detailed information on this subject.

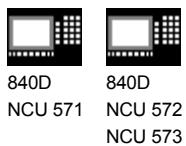
**FLIN**

The feed characteristic is approached linearly from the current feed value to the programmed F value until the end of the block.

Example:

N30 F1400 FLIN X50



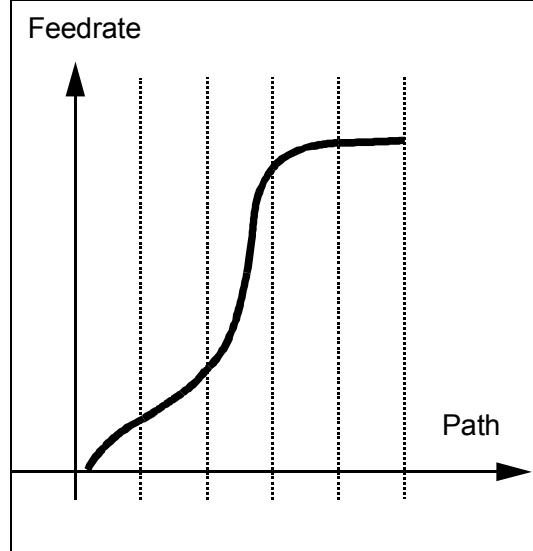


### FCUB

The feed is approached according to a cubic characteristic from the current feed value to the programmed F value until the end of the block. The control uses splines to connect all the feed values programmed non-modally that have an active FCUB. The feed values act here as interpolation points for calculation of the spline interpolation.

Example:

```
N50 F1400 FCUB X50
N60 F2000 X47
N70 F3800 X52
...
...
```



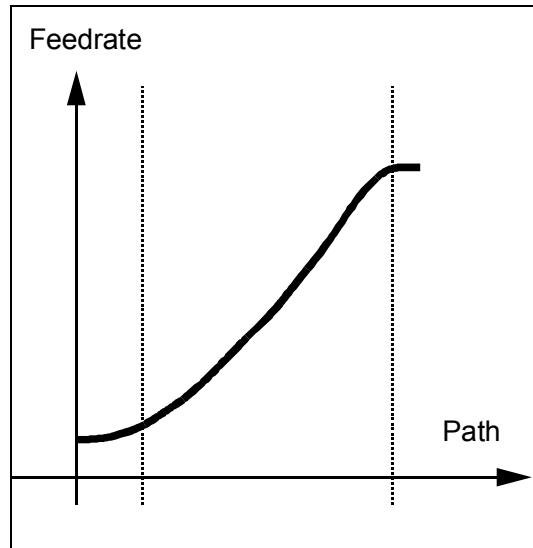
### F=FPO(...,...,...)

The feed characteristic is programmed directly via a polynomial. The polynomial coefficients are specified according to the same method used for polynomial interpolation.

Example:

```
F=FPO(endfeed, quadf, cubf)
```

endfeed, quadf and cubf are previously defined variables.




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endfeed:	Feed at block end
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quadf :	Quadratic polynomial coefficient
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cubf :	Cubic polynomial coefficient
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With an active FCUB, the spline is linked tangentially to the characteristic defined via FPO at the block beginning and block end.

### Supplementary conditions

The functions for programming the path traversing characteristics apply regardless of the programmed feed characteristic.



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The programmed feed characteristic is always absolute regardless of G90 or G91.

## Additional notes

### Compressor

With an active compressor COMPON the following applies when several blocks are joined to form a spline segment:

**FNORM:**

The F word of the last block in the group applies to the spline segment.

**FLIN:**

The F word of the last block in the group applies to the spline segment.

The programmed F value applies until the end of the segment and is then approached linearly.

**FCUB:**

The generated feed spline deviates from the programmed end points by an amount not exceeding the value set in machine data

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F=FPO(...,...,...)

These blocks are not compressed.

### Feed optimization on curved path sections

Feed polynomial F-FPO and feed spline FCUB should always be traversed at constant cutting rate CFC, thereby allowing a jerk-free setpoint feed profile to be generated. This enables creation of a continuous acceleration setpoint feed profile.



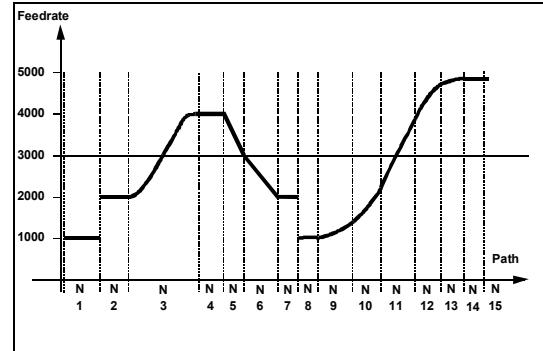
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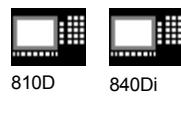
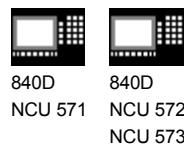
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## Programming example

This example shows you the programming and graphic representation of various feed profiles.



N1 F1000 FNORM G1 X8 G91 G64	Constant feed profile, incremental dimensioning
N2 F2000 X7	Step change in setpoint velocity
N3 F=FPO(4000, 6000, -4000)	Feed profile via polynomial with feed 4000 at block end
N4 X6	Polynomial feed 4000 applies as modal value
N5 F3000 FLIN X5	Linear feed profile
N6 F2000 X8	Linear feed profile
N7 X5	Linear feed applies as modal value
N8 F1000 FNORM X5	Constant feed profile with abrupt change in acceleration rate
N9 F1400 FCUB X8	All subsequent, non-modally programmed F values are connected via splines
N10 F2200 X6	
N11 F3900 X7	
N12 F4600 X7	
N13 F4900 X5	Deactivate spline profile
N14 FNORM X5	
N15 X20	



## 9.6 Program run with preprocessing memory, STARTFIFO, STOPFIFO, STOPRE

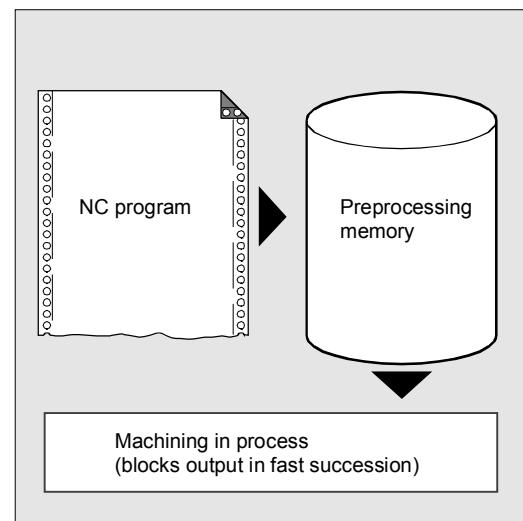
### Explanation of the commands

STOPFIFO	Stop high-speed processing section, fill preprocessing memory, until STARTFIFO, "Preprocessing memory full" or "End of program" is detected.
STARTFIFO	Start of high-speed processing section, in parallel to filling the preprocessing memory
STOPRE	Preprocessing stop

### Function

Depending on its expansion level, the control system has a certain quantity of so-called preprocessing memory in which prepared blocks are stored prior to program execution and then output as high-speed block sequences while machining is in progress. These sequences allow short paths to be traversed at a high velocity.

Provided that there is sufficient residual control time available, the preprocessing memory is always filled. STARTFIFO stops the machining process until the preprocessing memory is full or until STOPFIFO or STOPRE is detected.



### Sequence

#### Mark processing section

The high-speed processing section to be buffered in the preprocessing memory is marked at the beginning and end with STARTFIFO and STOPFIFO respectively.

#### Example:

```
N10 STOPFIFO
N20...
N100
N110 STARTFIFO
```

Execution of these blocks does not begin until the preprocessing memory is full or command STARTFIFO is detected.



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### Restrictions

The preprocessing memory is not filled or the filling process interrupted if the processing section contains commands that require unbuffered operation (reference point approach, measuring functions, ...).

### Stop preprocessing

When **STOPRE** is programmed, the following block is not processed until all previously prepared and stored blocks have been fully executed. The previous block is halted with exact stop (as for G9).

#### Example:

```
N10 ...
N30 MEAW=1 G1 F1000 X100 Y100 Z50
N40 STOPRE
```

The control system initiates an internal preprocessing stop while status data of the machine (\$A...) are accessed.

#### Example:

```
R10 = $AA_IM[X] ;Read actual value of X axis
```

### Note

*When a tool offset or spline interpolations are active, you should not program the STOPRE command as this will lead to interruption in contiguous block sequences.*



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## **9.7 Repositioning on contour, REPOSA, REPOS, REPOSQ, REPOS**



### **Programming**

REPOSA RMI DISPR=... or REPOSA RMB or REPOSA RME

REPOS RMI DISPR=... or REPOS RMB or REPOS RME

REPOSQ RMI DISPR=... DISR=... or REPOSQ RMB DISR=... or REPOSQ RME DISR=... or REPOSQA DISR=...

REPOS RMI DISPR=... DISR=... or REPOS RMB DISR=... or REPOS RME DISR=... or REPOSQA DISR=...



### **Explanation of the commands**

#### **Approach path**

REPOSA	Approach along line on all axes
REPOS	Approach along line
REPOSQ DISR=...	Approach along quadrant with radius DISR
REPOSQA DISR=...	Approach on all axes along quadrant with radius DISR
REPOS RMI DISR=...	Approach along semi-circle with diameter DISR
REPOSQA RMI DISR=...	Approach on all axes along semi-circle with diameter DISR

#### **Repositioning point**

RMI	Approach interruption point
RMI DISPR=...	Entry point at distance DISPR in mm/inch <b>in front of</b> interruption point
RMB	Approach block start point
RME DISPR=...	Approach block end point at distance DISPR in front of end point
A0 B0 C0	Axes in which approach is to be made



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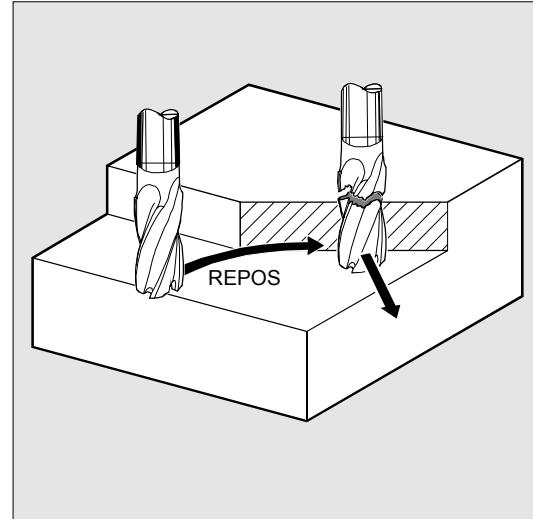


## Function

If you interrupt the program run and retract the tool during the machining operation because, for example, the tool has broken or you wish to check a measurement, you can reposition at any selected point on the contour under control by the program.

The REPOS command acts in the same way as a subprogram return jump (e.g. via M17). Blocks programmed after the command in the interrupt routine are not executed.

**i** For information about interrupting program runs, see also Section "Interrupt routine" in Programming Guide "Advanced".



## Sequence

### Defining repositioning point

With reference to the NC block in which the program run has been interrupted, it is possible to select one of three different repositioning points:

- RMI, interruption point
- RMB, block start point or last end point
- RME, block end point

RMI DISPR=... or RME DISPR=... allows you to select a repositioning point which sits before the interruption point or the block end point.

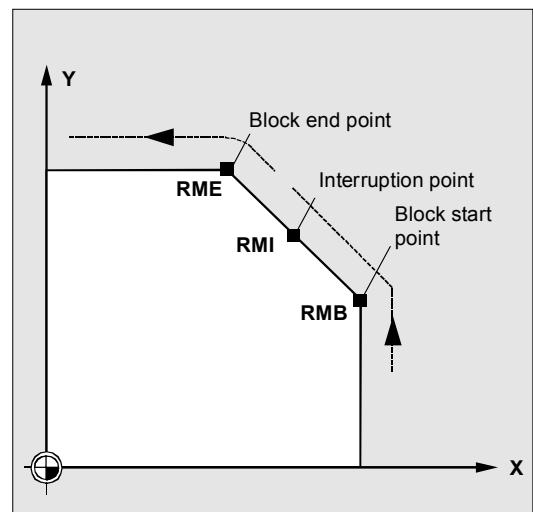
DISPR=... allows you to describe the contour distance in mm/inch between the repositioning point and the interruption **before** the end point. Even for high values, this point cannot be further away than the block start point.

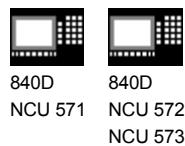
If no DISPR=... command is programmed, then DISPR=0 applies and with it the interruption point (with RMI) or the block end point (with RME).

### SW 5.2 and higher:

The sign before DISPR is evaluated.

In the case of a plus sign, the behavior is as previously.





In the case of a minus sign, approach is behind the interruption point or, with RMB, behind the block start point.

The distance between interruption point and approach point depends on the value of DISPR.

Even for higher values, this point can lie in the block end point at the maximum.

#### **Application example:**

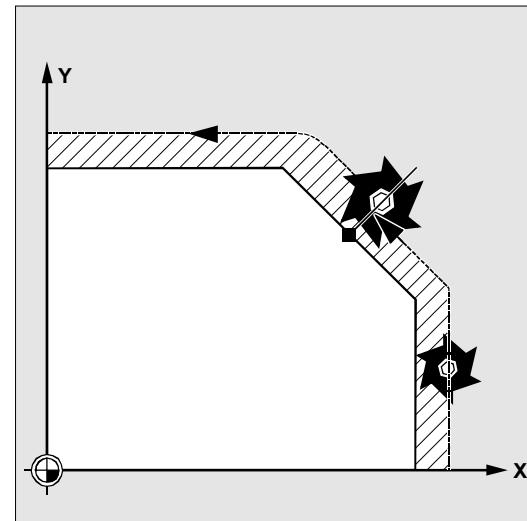
A sensor will recognize the approach to a clamp. An ASUB is initiated to bypass the clamp. Afterwards, a negative DISPR is repositioned on one point behind the clamp and the program is continued.

#### **Approach with new tool**

The following applies if you have stopped the program run due to tool breakage:

When the new D number is programmed, the machining program is continued with modified tool offset values at the repositioning point.

Where tool offset values have been modified, it may not be possible to reapproach the interruption point. In such cases, the point closest to the interruption point on the new contour is approached (possibly modified by DISPR).



#### **Approach contour**

The motion with which the tool is repositioned on the contour can be programmed. Enter zero for the addresses of the axes to be traversed.

Commands REPOSA, REPOSQA and REPOSHA automatically reposition all axes. Individual axis names need not be specified.



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When commands REPOSL, REPOSQ and REPOSH are programmed, all geometry axes are traversed automatically, i.e. they need not be named in the command. All other axes to be repositioned must be specified in the commands.

### Approach along a straight line, REPOSA, REPOSL

The tool approaches the repositioning point along a straight line.

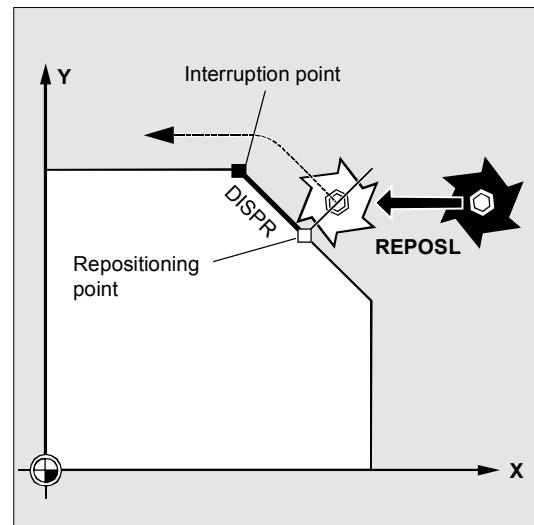
All axes are automatically traversed with command REPOSA. With REPOSL you can specify which axes are to be moved.

Example:

REPOSL RMI DISPR=6 F400

or

REPOSA RMI DISPR=6 F400

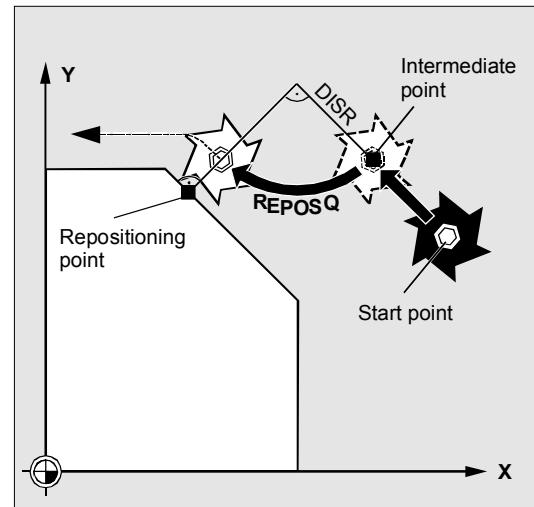


### Approach along quadrant, REPOSQ, REPOSQA

The tool approaches the repositioning point along a quadrant with a radius of  $DISR = \dots$ . The control system automatically calculates the intermediate point between the start and repositioning points.

Example:

REPOSQ RMI DISR=10 F400



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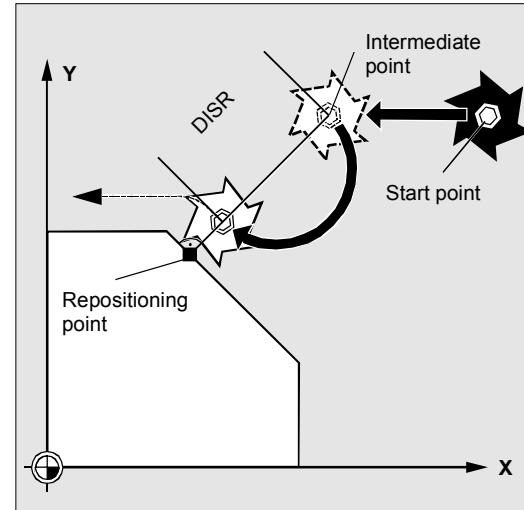
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**Approach along semi-circle, REPOSH, REPOSHA**

The tool approaches the repositioning point along a semi-circle with a diameter of  $\text{DISR} = \dots$ . The control system automatically calculates the intermediate point between the start and repositioning points.

**Example:**

REPOSH RMI DISR=20 F400

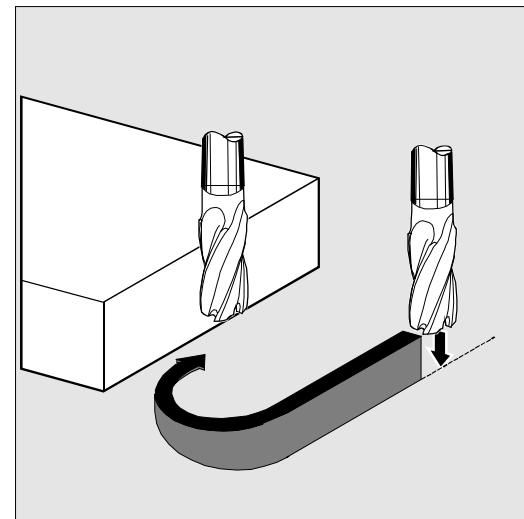
**The following applies to circular motions****REPOSH and REPOSQ:**

The circle is traversed in the specified working planes G17 to G19.  
If you specify the third geometry axis (infeed direction) in the approach block, the repositioning point is approached along a helix in case the tool position and programmed position in the infeed direction do not coincide.

In the following cases, the control automatically switches over to linear approach REPOS:

You have not specified a value for DISR.

- No defined approach direction is available (program interruption in a block without travel information).
- With an approach direction that is perpendicular to the current working plane.



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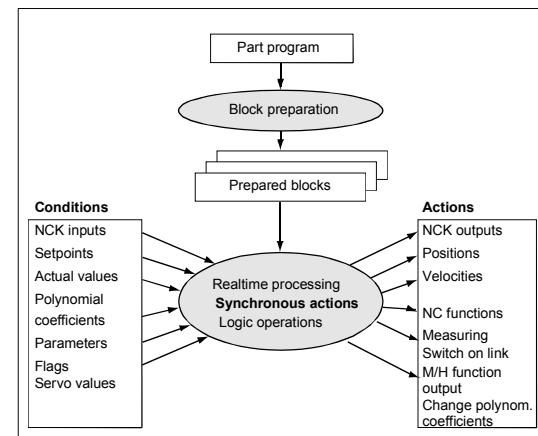
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### Function

Synchronized actions allow you to start different actions from the current parts program and to execute them synchronously.

The starting point of these actions can be defined with conditions evaluated in real time (in interpolation cycles). The actions are therefore responses to real-time events, execution of them is not limited by block boundaries.

A synchronized action also contains information about the effectiveness of the actions and about the frequency with which the programmed real-time variables are scanned and therefore about the frequency with which the actions are started. In this way, an action can be triggered just once or cyclically in interpolation cycles.



### Programming

```

DO Action1 Action2 ...
VOCABULARY_WORD condition DO action1 action2 ...
ID=n VOCABULARY_WORD condition DO action1 action2 ...
IDS=n VOCABULARY_WORD condition DO action1 action2 ...

```

### Explanation

#### Identification number ID/IDS

ID=n                           **Modal** synchronized actions in automatic mode,  
**local to program**; n = 1... 255

IDS=n                           **Modal** synchronized actions in each mode,  
**static**; n = 1... 255

Without ID/IDS               **Non-modal** synchronized actions in automatic mode

#### Vocabulary word

No vocabulary word           Execution of the action is not subject to any condition. The action is executed cyclically in any interpolation cycles.

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WHEN	The condition is tested until it is fulfilled once, the associated action is executed once.
WHENEVER	The condition is tested cyclically. The associated action is executed cyclically while the condition is fulfilled.
FROM	After the condition has been fulfilled once, the action is executed cyclically while the synchronized action is active.
EVERY	The action is initiated once when the condition is fulfilled and is executed again when the condition changes from the FALSE state to the TRUE state. The condition is tested cyclically. Every time the condition is fulfilled, the associated action is executed.
Condition	Gating logic for real-time variables, the conditions are checked in the interpolation cycle. In <b>SW 5</b> and higher, the G codes can be programmed in synchronized actions for condition evaluation.
DO	Triggers the action if the condition is fulfilled.
Action	Action started if the condition is fulfilled, e.g. assign variable, activate axis coupling, set NCK outputs, output M and H functions, ... In <b>SW 5</b> and higher, the G codes can be programmed in synchronized actions for actions/technology cycles.
<b>Coordination of synchronized actions/technology cycles</b>	
CANCEL [n]	Cancel synchronized action
LOCK [n]	Inhibit technology cycle
UNLOCK [n]	Enable technology cycle
RESET	Reset technology cycle

**Programming example**

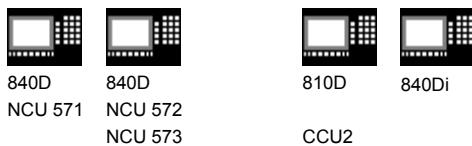
```
WHEN $AA_IW[Q1]>5 DO M172 H510 ;If the actual value of axis Q1 exceeds 5 mm, auxiliary functions M172 and H510 are output to the PLC interface.
```



If real-time variables occur in a parts program (e.g. actual value, position of a digital input or output etc.), preprocessing is stopped until the previous block has been executed and the values of the real-time variables obtained.  
The real-time variables used are evaluated in interpolation cycles.

Advantages with synchronized actions:

Preprocessing is not stopped.

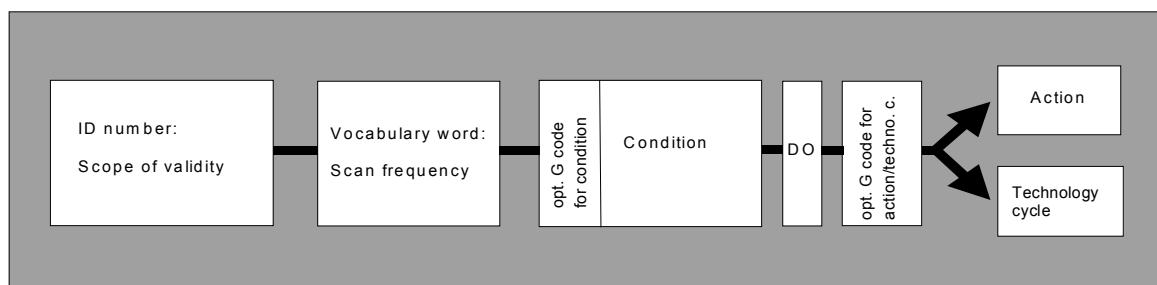
**Possible applications:**

- Optimization of runtime-critical applications (e.g. tool changing)
- Fast response to an external event
- Programming AC controls
- Setting up safety functions
- ....

**10.1.1 Programming and command elements****Function**

A synchronized action is programmed on its own in a separate block and triggers a machine function in the next executable block (e.g. traversing movement with G0, G1, G2, G3; block with auxiliary function output).

Synchronized actions consist of up to five command elements each with a different task:

**Example:**

ID=1	WHENEVER	\$A_IN[1]==1	DO	\$A_OUT[1]=1
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Synchronized action no. 1: whenever input 1 is set then set output 1

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### 10.1.2 Validity range: Identification number ID

#### Function

The scope of validity of a synchronized action is defined by the identification number (modal ID):

- **No modal ID**  
The synchronized action is active in automatic mode only. It applies only to the next executable block (block with motion instructions or other machine action), is **non-modal**.

**Example:**

---

```
WHEN $A_IN[3]==TRUE DO $A_OUTA[4]=10
G1 X20 ;Executable block
```

---

- **ID=n; n=1...255**

The synchronized action applies **modally** in the following blocks and is deactivated by CANCEL(n) or by programming a new synchronized action with the same ID.

The synchronized actions that apply in the M30 block are also still active (if necessary deactivate with the CANCEL command).

ID synchronized actions **only** apply in **automatic mode**.

**Example:**

---

```
ID=2 EVERY $A_IN[1]==1 DO POS[X]=0
```

---

- **IDS=n; n=1...255**

These **static** synchronized actions apply **modally** in **all operating modes**.

They can be defined not only for starting from a parts program but also directly after power-on from an asynchronous subprogram (ASUB) started by the PLC. In this way, actions can be activated that are executed regardless of the mode selected in the NC.

**Example:**

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```
IDS=1 EVERY $A_IN[1]==1 DO POS[X]=100
```

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#### Application:

- AC loops in JOG mode
- Logic operations for Safety Integrated
- Monitoring functions, responses to machine states in all modes

#### Sequence of execution

Synchronized actions that apply modally or statically are executed in the order of their ID(S) numbers (in the interpolation cycle).

Non-modal synchronized actions (without ID number) are executed in the programmed sequence after execution of the modal synchronized actions.

#### 10.1.3 Vocabulary word



#### Function

The vocabulary word determines how many times the following condition is to be scanned and the associated action executed.

- No vocabulary word:

If no vocabulary word is programmed, the condition is considered to be always fulfilled. The synchronous commands are executed cyclically.

**Example:**

```
DO $A_OUTA[1] = $AA_IN[X]  
;Output of actual value on analog output
```

- WHEN

The condition is scanned in each interpolation cycle until it is fulfilled once, whereupon the action is executed once.

- WHENEVER

The condition is scanned in each interpolation cycle. The action is executed in each interpolation cycle while the condition is fulfilled.

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- **FROM**

The condition is tested in each interpolation cycle until it is fulfilled once. The action is then executed while the synchronous action is active, i.e. even if the condition is no longer fulfilled.

- **EVERY**

The condition is scanned in each interpolation cycle. The action is executed once whenever the condition is fulfilled.

Pulse edge control:

The action is initiated again when the condition changes from FALSE to TRUE.

**Example:**

```
ID=1 EVERY $AA_IM[B]>75 DO  
POS[U]=IC(10) FA[U]=900;
```

When the actual value of axis B overshoots the value 75 in machine coordinates, the U axis should move forwards by 10 with an axial feed.

### Condition

Defines whether an action is to be executed by comparing two real-time variables or one real-time variable with an expression calculated during preprocessing.

**SW 4 and higher:**

Results of comparisons can also be gated by Boolean operators in the condition () .

The condition is tested in interpolation cycles. If it is fulfilled, the associated action is executed.

**SW 5 and higher:**

Conditions can be specified with a G code. This means that it is possible to have defined settings for condition evaluation and the action/technology cycle irrespective of the currently active parts program state. It is necessary to decouple synchronized actions from the programming environment because synchronized actions are to execute their actions in the defined initial state at any time when the trigger conditions are fulfilled.

**Application cases:**

Defining the measurement systems for condition assessment and action via G codes G70, G71, G700, G710.



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In SW 5 only these G codes are allowed.

A specified G code for the condition applies for assessment of the condition **as well as** for the action if there is no separate G code specified for the action.

Only one G code of the G code group may be programmed for each condition part.

### Programming example

WHENEVER \$AA_IM[X] > 10.5*SIN(45) DO ...	Comparison with an expression calculated during preprocessing
WHENEVER \$AA_IM[X] > \$AA_IM[X1] DO ...	Comparison with other real-time variable
WHENEVER (\$A_IN[1]==1) OR (\$A_IN[3]==0) DO	Two logic-gated comparisons
...	

Possible conditions:

- Comparison of real-time variables (analog/digital inputs/outputs, etc.)
- Boolean gating of comparison results
- Computation of real-time expressions
- Time/distance from beginning of block
- Distance from block end
- Measured values, measured results
- Servo values
- Velocities, axis status

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### 10.1.4 Actions



#### Function

In each synchronized action, you can program one or more actions. All actions programmed in a block are started in the same interpolation cycle.

In **SW 5** and higher, actions can be used with a G code for the action/technology cycle. This G code specifies another G code from the one set for the condition for all actions in the block and technology cycles if necessary. If there are technology cycles in the action part, then after completion of the technology cycle the G code continues to apply modally for all subsequent actions until the next G code.

Only a G code from the G code group (G70, G71, G700, G710) may be programmed.

Possible actions:

- Assign variables
- Write setting data
- Set control parameters
- DELDTG: Delete fast distance-to-go
- RDISABLE: Set read-in disable
- Output M, S and H auxiliary functions
- STOPREOF: Cancel preprocessing stop
- FTOC: Online tool offset
- Definition of evaluation functions (polynomials)
- SYNFCF: Activate evaluation functions: AC control
- Switchover between several feedrates in a programmed block depending on binary and analog signals
- Feedrate overrides
- Start/position/stop positioning axes (POS) and spindles (SPOS)
- PRESETON: Set actual value



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- Activate or deactivate coupled-axis motion/leading value coupling
- Measurement
- Set up additional safety functions
- Output of digital and analog signals
- ...

### Programming example

#### Synchronized action with two actions

```
WHEN $AA_IM[Y] >= 35.7 DO M135 $AC_PARAM=50
```

If the condition is fulfilled, M135 is output to the PLC and the override is set to 50%.



As the action, you can also specify a program (single-axis program, technology cycle). This must only comprise those actions that can also be programmed individually in synchronized actions. The individual actions of such a program are executed sequentially in interpolation cycles.

#### Note

Actions can be executed whatever mode is selected. The following actions are only active in automatic mode when the program is active

- STOPREOF,
- DELDTG.

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### 10.1.5 Overview of synchronized actions

#### SW 3.x and lower

- Programming of sequences in the interpolation cycle at the user level (parts program)
- Response to events/statuses in the interpolation cycle
- Gating logic in real time
- Access to I/Os, control status and machine status
- Programming of cyclic sequences that are executed in the interpolation cycle
- Triggering of specific NC functions (read-in disable, axially overlaid motion, ... )
- Execution of technology functions in parallel with path motion
- Triggering of technology functions regardless of block boundaries

#### SW 4 and higher

- Diagnosis possible for synchronized actions
- Expansion of the main run variable used in synchronized actions
- Complex conditions in synchronized actions
- Expansion of expressions in synchronized actions:  
Combination of real-time variables with basic arithmetic operations and functions in the interpolation cycle, indirect addressing of main run variables via index can be changed online  
Setting data from synchronized actions can be modified and evaluated online
- Configuration possibilities: Number of simultaneously active synchronized actions can be set via machine data.
- Start positioning axis motion and spindles from synchronized actions (command axes)
- Preset from synchronized actions
- Activation, deactivation, parameterization of axis coupling: Leading value coupling, coupled-axis motion
- Activation/deactivation of axial measuring function
- Software cams



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- Delete distance-to-go without stopping preprocessing
- Single-axis programs, technology cycles
- Synchronized actions active in JOG mode beyond the boundaries of the program
- Synchronized actions that can be influenced from the PLC
- Protected synchronized actions
- Expansion for overlaid motion / clearance control

#### **SW 5.x and higher**

- Travel to fixed stop FXS:  
Synchronized actions, triggered with FXS, FXST and FXSW
- Travel with limited moment/force FOC:  
Synchronized action is activated either modally or non-modally with FOCON and deactivated with FOCOF.

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### 10.2 Basic modules for conditions and actions



#### Real-time variables

Real-time variables are evaluated and written in the interpolation cycle.

The real-time variables are

- \$A..., main run variable,
- \$V..., servo variable.

To identify them specially, these variables can be programmed with \$\$:

\$AA\_IM[X] is equivalent to \$\$AA\_IM[X].

Setting and machine data must be identified with \$\$ when evaluation/assignment takes place in the interpolation cycle.



A list of variables is given in the Appendix.



#### Calculations in real time

Calculations in real time are restricted to the data types INT, REAL and BOOL.

Real-time expressions are calculations that can be executed in interpolation cycles that can be used in the condition and the action for assignment to NC addresses and variables.

- **Comparisons**

In conditions, variables or partial expressions of the same data type can be compared. The result is always of data type BOOL.

All the usual comparison operators are permissible (==, <>, <, >, <=, >=).

- **Boolean operators**

Variables, constants and comparisons can be gated using the usual Boolean operators (NOT, AND, OR, XOR)



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- **Bit operators**

The bit operators B\_NOT, B\_AND, B\_OR, B\_XOR can be used.

Operands are variables or constants of the INTEGER type.

- **Basic arithmetic operations**

Real-time variables of types INTEGER and REAL can be subjected to the basic arithmetic operations, with each other or with a constant (+, -, \*, /, DIV, MOD).

- **Mathematical functions**

Mathematical functions cannot be applied to real-time variables of data type REAL (SIN, COS, TAN, ASIN, ACOS, ABS, TRUNC, ROUND, LN, EXP, ATAN2, ATAN, POT, SQRT, CTAB, CTABINV).

**Example:**

---

```
DO $AC_PARAM[3] = COS($AC_PARAM[1])
```

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### 10.3 Special real-time variables for synchronized actions

The real-time variables listed below can be used in synchronized actions:

#### 10.3.1 Flags/counters \$AC\_MARKER[n]

##### Function

Flag variables can be read and written in synchronized actions.

##### Channel-specific flags/counters

##### \$AC\_MARKER[n]

Data type: INTEGER

A channel-specific flag variable exists under the same name once in each channel.

##### Example:

```
WHEN ... DO $AC_MARKER[ 0 ] = 2
WHEN ... DO $AC_MARKER[ 0 ] = 3
WHEN $AC_MARKER == 3 DO $AC_OVR=50
```

#### 10.3.2 Timer variable \$AC\_TIMER[n], SW 4 and higher

##### Function

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The system variable \$AC\_TIMER[n] allows actions to be started following defined waiting times.

Data type: REAL

Units: s

n: Number of the timer variable

- **Set timer**

A timer variable is incremented via value assignment \$AC\_TIMER[n]=value

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n: Number of the timer variable

value: Starting value (usually 0)

- **Halt timer**

Incrementation of a timer variable is halted by assigning a negative value \$AC\_TIMER[n]=-1

- **Read timer**

The current time value can be read when the timer is running or when it has stopped. When the timer is stopped by assigning the value -1, the most up-to-date timer value is retained and can be read.

**Example:**

Output of an actual value via analog output  
500 ms after detection of a digital input

---

```
WHEN $A_IN[1] == 1 DO $AC_TIMER[1]=0 ; Reset and start timer
WHEN $AC_TIMER[1]>=0.5 DO $A_OUTA[3]=$AA_IM[X] $AC_TIMER[1]=-1
```

---

### 10.3.3 Synchronized action parameters \$AC\_PARAM[n]

 **Function**

Data type: REAL

n: Number of parameter 0-n

Synchronized action parameters \$AC\_PARAM[n] are used for calculations and as a buffer in the synchronized actions.

The number of available AC parameter variables per channel are defined using machine data MD 28254:  
MM\_NUM\_AC\_PARAM.

The parameters are available once per channel under the same name. The \$AC\_PARAM flags are stored in the dynamic memory.



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#### 10.3.4 Access to R parameters \$Rxx



##### Function

Data type: REAL

These static variables are used for calculations in the parts program etc. They can be addressed in the interpolation cycle by appending \$.

Examples:

WHEN \$AA_IM[X]>=40.5 DO \$R10=\$AA_MM[Y]	Write access to the R parameter 10.
---	-------------------------------------

WHEN \$AA_IM[X]>=6.7 DO \$R[\$AC_MARKER[1]]=30.6	;Read access to the R parameter whose number is given in flag 1
--	---



##### Notes

Application:

The use of R parameters in synchronized actions permits

- storage of values that you want to retain beyond the end of program, NC reset, and Power On.
- display of stored value in the R parameter display
- archiving of values determined for synchronized actions

The R parameters must be used either as "normal" arithmetic variables Rxx **or** as real-time variables \$Rxx.

If you want the R parameter to be used as a "normal" arithmetic variable again after it has been used in a synchronized action, make sure that the preprocessing stop is programmed explicitly with STOPRE for synchronization of preprocessing and the main run:

**Example:**

WHEN \$AA_IM[X]>=40.5 DO \$R10=\$AA_MM[Y]	Use of R10 in synchronized actions
---	------------------------------------

G01 X500 Y70 F1000	
--------------------	--

STOPRE	Preprocessing stop
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IF R10>20	Evaluation of the arithmetic variable
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### 10.3.6 FIFO variable \$AC\_FIFO1[n] ... \$AC\_FIFO10[n] (SW 4 and higher)

#### Function

Data type: REAL

10 FIFO variables (circulating buffer store) are available to store associated data sequences.

Application:

- Cyclic measurement
- Pass execution

Each element can be accessed in read or write mode.

The number of available FIFO variables is defined using machine data MD 28260: NUM\_AC\_FIFO.

The number of values that can be written into an FIFO variable is defined using the machine data MD 28264: LEN\_AC\_FIFO. All FIFO variables are of the same length.

Indices 0 to 5 have a special significance:

n=0: While writing: New value is stored in FIFO

While reading: Oldest element is read and removed from FIFO

n=1: Accessing the oldest stored element

n=2: Accessing the most recently stored element

n=3: Sum of all FIFO elements

n=4: Number of elements available in FIFO.

Read and write access to each element is possible.

FIFO variables are reset by resetting the number of elements, e.g. for the first FIFO variable: \$AC\_FIFO1[4]=0

n=5: Current write index relative to start of FIFO

n=6 to 6+n<sub>max</sub>:

Access to nth FIFO element



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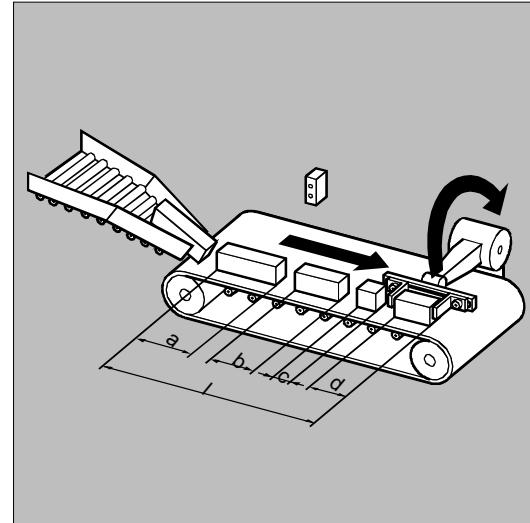
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## Programming example

### Circulating memory

During a production run, a conveyor belt is used to transport products of different lengths (a, b, c, d). The conveyor belt of transport length "l" therefore carries a varying number of products depending on the lengths of individual products involved in the process. With a constant speed of transport, the function for removing the products from the belt must be adapted to the variable arrival times of the products.




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```

DEF REAL INTV=2.5                                Constant distance between products placed
                                                    on the belt.

DEF REAL TOTAL=270                               Distance between length measurement and
                                                    removal position.

EVERY $A_IN[1]==1 DO $AC_FIFO1[4]=0            Reset FIFO at beginning of process.

EVERY $A_IN[2]==1 DO $AC_TIMER[0]=0              If a product interrupts the light barrier, start
                                                    timing.

EVERY $A_IN[2]==0 DO $AC_FIFO1[0] = $AC_TIMER[0]*$AA_VACTM[B]
                                                    ;If the light barrier is free, calculate and store in the FIFO the product length from
                                                    ;the time measured and the velocity of transport.

EVERY $AC_FIFO1[3]+$AC_FIFO1[4]*BETW>=TOTAL DO POS[Y]=-30
                                                    $R1=$AC_FIFO1[0]
                                                    ;As soon as the sum of all product lengths and intervals between products is greater than
                                                    ;or equal to the length between the placement and the removal position, remove
                                                    ;the product from the conveyor belt at the removal position, read the product
                                                    ;length out of the FIFO.

```

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## 10.4 Actions within synchronized actions

### 10.4.1 Auxiliary functions output



#### Function

If the conditions are fulfilled, up to 10 M, H and S functions can be output per machining block. Auxiliary function output is activated using the action codeword "DO". The auxiliary functions are output **immediately** in the interpolation cycle. The output timing defined in the machine data for auxiliary functions is not active. The output timing is determined when the condition is fulfilled.

#### Example:

Switch on coolant at a specific axis position:  
WHEN \$AA\_IM[X]>=15 DO M07  
POS[X]=20 FA[X]=250



#### Sequence

Auxiliary functions must only be programmed with the vocabulary words WHEN or EVERY in non modal synchronized actions (without model ID). Whether an auxiliary function is active or not is determined by the PLC, e.g. via NC start.



#### Notes

Not possible from a motion synchronized action:

- M0, M1, M2, M17, M30: Program halt/end (M2, M17, M30 possible for technology cycle)
- M70: Spindle function
- M functions for tool change set with M6 or via machine data
- M40, M41, M42, M43, M44, M45: Gear change



#### Programming example

WHEN \$AA\_IW[Q1]>5 DO M172 H510

If the actual value of axis Q1 exceeds 5 mm, auxiliary functions M172 and H510 are output to the PLC.



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#### 10.4.2 Set read-in disable RDISABLE



##### Function

With RDISABLE further block execution is stopped in the main program if the condition is fulfilled.

Programmed synchronized motion actions are still executed, the following blocks are still prepared.

At the beginning of the block with RDISABLE, exact positioning is always triggered whether RDISABLE is active or not.



##### Programming example

Start the program in interpolation cycles dependent on external inputs.

```
...
WHENEVER $A_INA[2]<7000 DO RDISABLE ;If the voltage 7V is exceeded at input 2, the
                                         ;program is stopped (1000= 1V).
N10 G1 X10 ;When the condition is fulfilled, the read-in
             ;disable is active at the end of N10
N20 G1 X10 Y20
...
...
```



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### 10.4.3 Cancel preprocessing stop STOPREOF



#### Function

In the case of an explicitly programmed preprocessing stop STOPRE or a preprocessing stop implicitly activated by an active synchronized action, STOPREOF cancels the preprocessing stop after the next machining block as soon as the condition is fulfilled.



#### Notes

STOPREOF must be programmed with the vocabulary word WHEN and non modally (without ID number).



#### Programming example

Fast program branch at the end of the block.

WHEN \$AC_DTEB<5 DO STOPREOF	;Cancel the preprocess stop when distance to block end is less than 5mm.
G01 X100	;The preprocessing stop is canceled after execution of the linear interpolation.
IF \$A_INA[7]>500 GOTOF MARKEL=X100	;If the voltage 5V is exceeded at input 7, jump to label 1.

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### 10.4.4 Deletion of distance-to-go

Delete distance-to-go can be triggered for a path and for specified axes depending on a condition.

The possibilities are:

- Fast, prepared delete distance-to-go
- Delete distance-to-go without preparation (SW 4.3 and higher)

### 10.4.5 Delete distance-to-go with preparation, DELDTG, DELDTG ("Axis 1 to x")



#### Notes

The axis designation contained in brackets behind DELDTG is only valid for one positioning axis.



#### Function

Prepared delete distance-to-go with DELDTG permits a fast response to the triggering event and is therefore used for time-critical applications, e.g., if

- the time between delete distance-to-go and the start of the next block must be very short.
- the condition for delete distance-to-go will very probably be fulfilled.



#### Sequence

At the end of a traversing block in which a prepared delete distance-to-go was triggered, preprocess stop is activated implicitly.

Continuous path mode or positioning axis movements are therefore interrupted or stopped at the end of the block with fast delete distance-to-go.



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## Programming example

### Rapid delete distance-to-go path

```
WHEN $A_IN[1]==1 DO DELEDTG  
N100 G01 X100 Y100 F1000 ;When the input is set, the movement is canceled  
N110 G01 X...  
IF $AA_DELT>50...
```



## Programming example

### Rapid axial delete distance-to-go

Stopping a programmed positioning movement:

```
ID=1 WHEN $A_IN[1]==1 DO MOV[V]=3 FA[V]=700 Start axis  
WHEN $A_IN[2]==1 DO DELEDTG(V) Delete distance-to-go, the axis is stopped using MOV=0
```

Delete distance-to-go depending on the input voltage:

```
WHEN $A_INA[5]>8000 DO DELEDTG(X1)  
;As soon as voltage on input 5 exceeds 8V, delete distance-to-go for axis X1.  
Path motion continues.  
POS[X1]=100 FA[X1]=10 G1 Z100 F1000
```



## Restriction

Prepared delete distance-to-go

- cannot be used with active tool radius correction.
- the action must only be programmed in non modal synchronized actions (without ID number).



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#### **10.4.6 Polynomial definition, FCTDEF, block-synchronized**



#### **Programming**

```
FCTDEF( Polynomial_No. ,LLIMIT ,ULIMIT ,a0 ,a1 ,a2 ,a3 )
```



#### **Explanation**

Polynomial_No.	Number of the 3rd degree polynomial
LLIMIT	Lower limit for function value
ULIMIT	Upper limit for function value
a <sub>0</sub> ,a <sub>1</sub> ,a <sub>2</sub> ,a <sub>3</sub>	Polynomial coefficient



#### **Function**

FCTDEF allows 3rd degree polynomials to be defined as  $y=a_0+a_1\cdot x+a_2\cdot x^2+a_3\cdot x^3$ . These polynomials are used by the online tool offset FTOC and the evaluation function SYNFC to calculate function values from the main run variables (real-time variables).

The polynomials are defined either block-synchronized with the function FCTDEF or via system variables:

\$AC_FCTL[n]	Lower limit for function value
\$AC_FCTUL[n]	Upper limit for function value
\$AC_FCT0[n]	a <sub>0</sub>
\$AC_FCT1[n]	a <sub>1</sub>
\$AC_FCT2[n]	a <sub>2</sub>
\$AC_FCT3[n]	a <sub>3</sub>
n	Number of the polynomial



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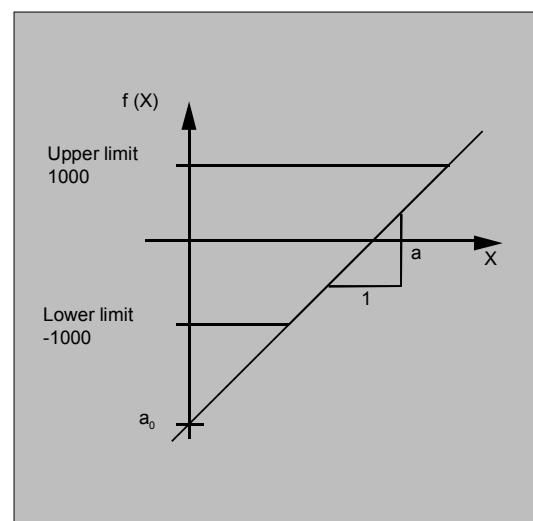
- The system variables can be written from the parts program or from a synchronized action. When writing from parts programs, program STOPRE to ensure that writing is block synchronized.
- SW 4 and higher:  
The system variables \$AC\_FCTLL[n], \$AC\_FCTUL[n], \$AC\_FCT0[n] to \$AC\_FCTn[n] can be modified from within synchronized actions (not SINUMERIK FM-NC, not SINUMERIK 840D with NCU 571).

When writing form synchronized actions, the polynomial coefficients and function value limits are active immediately.

### Programming example

Polynomial for straight section:

With upper limit 1000, lower limit -1000, ordinate section  $a_0 = \$AA\_IM[X]$  and linear gradient 1 the polynomial is:




---

FCTDEF(1, -1000, 1000, \$AA\_IM[X], 1)

---



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#### **10.4.7 Laser power control**



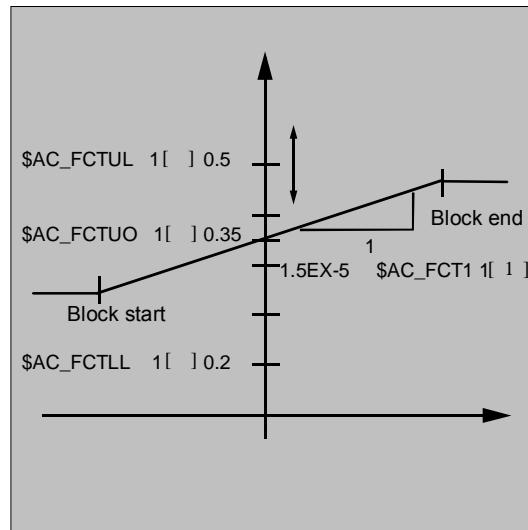
## Programming example

## Polynomial definition using variables

One of the possible applications of polynomial definition is the laser output control.

Laser output control means:

Influencing the analog output in dependence on, for example, the path velocity.



**\$AC\_FCTLL[1]=0.2**

## Definition of the polynomial coefficient

**SAC\_FCTUL[1]=0.5**

**$\$AC\_FCT0[1]=0.35$**

**\$AC\_FCT1[1]=1.5E-5**

---

STOPRE

ID=1 DO \$AC FCTUL[1] = \$A INA[2]\*0.1 +0.35 Changing the upper limit online.

---

```
ID=2 DO SYNCT(1,SA QUITA[1],$AC VACTW)
```

;In dependence on the path velocity (stored in \$AC\_VACTW) the laser output control is controlled via analog output 1



## Note

The polynomial defined above is used with SYNFT.



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#### 10.4.8 Evaluation function SYNFC



##### Programming

```
SYNFC(Polynomial_No., realtime variable output, real-time variable  
input)
```



##### Explanation

Polynomial_No.	With polynomial defined with FCTDEF (see Subsection "Polynomial definition").
Real-time variable output	Write real-time variable
Real-time variable input	Read real-time variable



##### Function

SYNFC reads real-time variables in synchronism with execution (e.g. analog input, actual value, ...) and uses them to calculate function values up to the 3rd degree (e.g. override, velocity, axis position, ...) using an evaluation polynomial (FCTDEF). The result is output in to real-time variables and subjected to upper and lower limits with FCTDEF (see Subsection 10.4.7).

As real-time variables, variables can be selected and directly included in the processing operation

- with additive influencing
- with multiplicative influencing
- as position offset
- directly.



##### Application

The evaluation function is used

- in AC control (Adaptive Control)
- in laser output control
- with position feedforward



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### 10.4.9 Adaptive control (additive)

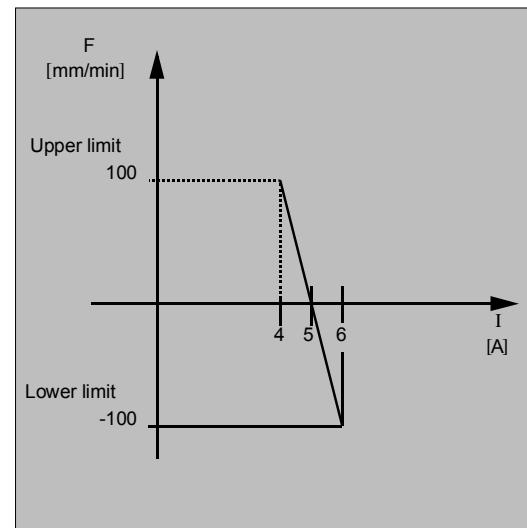


#### Programming example

##### Additive influence on the programmed feedrate

A programmed feedrate is to be controlled by adding using the current of the X axis (infeed axis):

The feedrate should only vary by  $\pm 100$  mm/min and the current fluctuates by  $\pm 1A$  around the working point of 5A.



##### 1. Polynomial definition

Determination of the coefficients

$$y = f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$$

$$a_1 = -100 \text{ mm/1 min A}$$

$$a_0 = -(-100)*5 = 500$$

$$a_2 = a_3 = 0 \text{ (not quadratic or cubic element)}$$

$$\text{Upper limit} = 100$$

$$\text{Lower limit} = -100$$

Therefore:

---

FCTDEF(1,-100,100,500,-100,0,0)

---

##### 2. Activate AC control

---

ID=1 DO SYNFCT(1,\$AC\_VC,\$AA\_LOAD[x])

---

;Read the current axis load (% of the max. drive current) via \$AA\_LOAD[x],  
calculate the path feedrate override with the polynomial defined above.

---



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#### 10.4.10 Adaptive control (multiplicative)

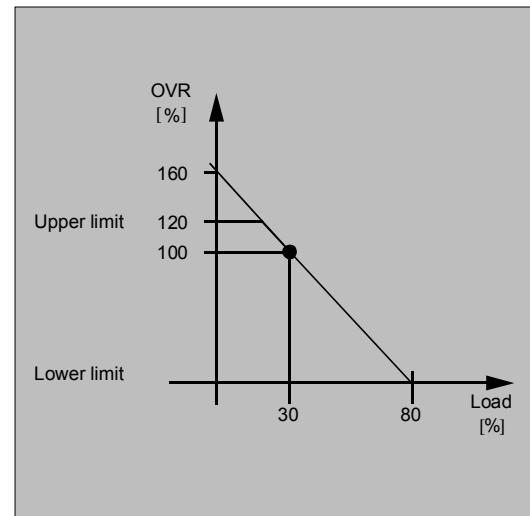


##### Programming example

###### Influence the programmed feedrate by multiplication

The aim is to influence the programmed feedrate by multiplication. The feedrate must not exceed certain limits – depending on the load on the drive:

- The feedrate is to be stopped at a drive load of 80%: Override = 0.
- At a drive load of 30% it is possible to traverse at programmed feedrate: Override = 100%.
- The feedrate can be exceeded by 20%: Max. override = 120%.



###### 1. Polynomial definition

Determination of the coefficients

$$y = f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$$

$$a_1 = -100\% / (80-30)\% = -2$$

$$a_0 = 100 + (2 \cdot 30) = 160$$

$$a_2 = a_3 = 0 \text{ (not quadratic or cubic element)}$$

$$\text{Upper limit} = 120$$

$$\text{Lower limit} = 0$$

Therefore:

---

FCTDEF(2, 0, 120, 160, -2, 0, 0)

---

###### 2. Activate AC control

---

ID=1 DO SYNFCT(2, \$AC\_OVR, \$AA\_LOAD[x])

---

;Read the current axis load (% of the max. drive current) via \$AA\_LOAD[x],  
calculate the feedrate override with the polynomial defined above.

---



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#### 10.4.11 Clearance control with limited compensation



##### Programming example

Integrating calculation of the distance values with boundary check

`$AA_OFF_MODE = 1`

##### Important:

The loop gain of the overlying control loop depends on the setting for the interpolation cycle.

Remedy: Read MD for interpolation cycle and take it into account.

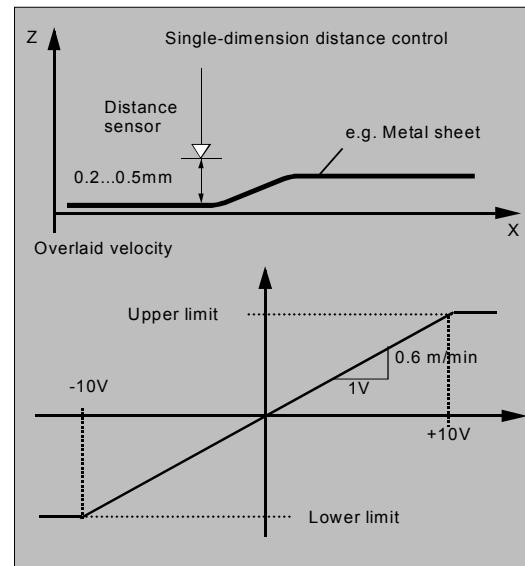
##### Note:

Restriction of the velocity of the overlying interpolator with MD 32020: JOG\_VELO

with an interpolation cycle of 12 ms:

##### Velocity:

$$\frac{0.120 \text{ mm}}{0.6 \text{ ms}} / mV = 0.6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} / V$$



##### Subroutine: Clearance control ON

<code>%_N_AON_SPF</code>	Subroutine for clearance control ON
<code>PROC AON</code>	
<code>\$AA_OFF_LIMIT[Z]=1</code>	Determine limiting value
<code>FCTDEF(1, -10, +10, 0, 0.6, 0.12)</code>	Polynomial definition
<code>ID=1 DO SYNFCT(1,\$AA_OFF[Z],\$A_INA[3])</code>	Clearance control active
<code>ID=2 WHENEVER \$AA_OFF_LIMIT[Z]&lt;&gt;0</code>	Disable axis X when limit value is overshot
<code>DO \$AA_OVR[X] = 0</code>	
<code>RET</code>	
<code>ENDPROC</code>	

##### Subroutine: Clearance control OFF

<code>%_N_AOFF_SPF</code>	Subroutine for clearance control OFF
<code>PROC AOFF</code>	
<code>CANCEL(1)</code>	Cancel clearance control synchronized action
<code>CANCEL(2)</code>	Cancel off limits check
<code>RET</code>	
<code>ENDPROC</code>	



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#### Main program:

```
%_N_MAIN_MP  
AON Clearance control ON  
...  
G1 X100 F1000  
AOFF Clearance control OFF  
M30
```

#### Notes

##### Position offset in the basic coordinate system

With the system variable \$AA\_OFF[axis] on overlaid movement of each axis in the channel is possible. It acts as a position offset in the basic coordinate system.

The position offset programmed in this way is overlaid immediately in the axis concerned, whether the axis is being moved by the program or not.

From SW 4 upwards, it is possible to limit the absolute value to be corrected (real-time variable output) to the variable in setting data SD 43350: AA\_OFF\_LIMIT.

The manner of overlaying the distance is defined in machine data MD 36750: AA\_OFF\_MODE:

- 0 Proportional valuation
- 1 Integrating valuation

With system variable \$AA\_OFF\_LIMIT[axis] a directional scan to see whether the offset value is within the limits is possible. These system variables can be scanned from synchronized actions and, when a limit value is reached, it is possible to stop the axis or set an alarm.

- 0 Offset value not within limits
- 1 Limit of offset value reached in the positive direction
- 1 Limit of the offset value reached in the negative direction



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### 10.4.12 Online tool offset FTOC



#### Programming

```
FTOC(Polynomial_No., RV, Length1_2_3 or Radius4,
      channel, spindle)
```



#### Explanation

Polynomial_No.	For polynomial defined with FCTDEF, see Subsection "Polynomial definition" in this Section.
RV	Real-time variable for which a function value for the specified polynomial is to be calculated.
Length1_2_3	Length compensation (\$TC_DP1 to 3) or radius compensation to which the calculated function value is added.
Radius4	
Channel	Number of the channel in which the offset is active. No specification is made here for an offset in the active channel. FTOCON must be activated in the target channel.
Spindle	Only specified if it is not the active spindle which is to be compensated.



#### Function

FTOC permits overlaid movement for a geometry axis after a polynomial programmed with FCTDEF depending on a reference value that might, for example, be the actual value of an axis. This means that you can also program modal, Online tool compensations or clearance controls as synchronized actions.

#### Application

Machining of a workpiece and dressing of a grinding wheel in the same channel or in different channels (machining and dressing channel). The supplementary conditions and specifications for dressing grinding wheels apply to FTOC in the same way that they apply to tool offsets using PUTFTOCF. For further information, please refer to Chapter 5 "Tool Offsets".



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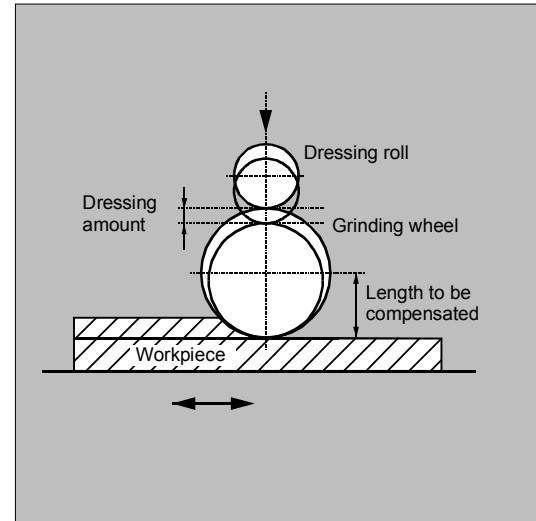


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## Programming example

In this example, we want to compensate for the length of the active grinding wheel.




---

%\_N\_DRESS\_MP

---

FCTDEF(1,-1000,1000,-\$AA\_IW[V],1)

Define function

---

ID=1 DO FTOC(1,\$AA\_IW[V],3,1)

Select online tool compensation:

Actual value of the V axis is the input value for polynomial 1; the result is added length 3 of the active grinding wheel in channel 1 as the offset value.

---

WAITM(1,1,2)

Synchronization with machining channel

---

G1 V-0.05 F0.01 G91

Infeed movement for dressing

---

G1 V-0.05 F0.02

---

...

---

CANCEL(1)

Deselect online offset

---

...

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### 10.4.13 Positioning movements



#### Function

Axes can be positioned completely unsynchronized with respect to the parts program from synchronized actions. The programming of positioning axes from synchronized actions is advisable for cyclic sequences or operations that are strongly dependent on events. Axes programmed from synchronized actions are called **command axes**.

In SW 5 and higher, G codes G70/G71/G700/G710 can be programmed in synchronized actions. They can be used for defining the measuring system for positioning tasks in synchronized actions.

**References:** /PG/ Chapter 3 "Specifying paths"  
/FBSY/ "Starting Command Axes"



The measuring system is defined using G70/G71/G700/G710.

By programming the G functions in the synchronized action, the INCH/METRIC evaluation for the synchronized action can be defined independently of the parts program context.

#### Example 1

The program environment affects the positioning travel of the positioning axis (no G function in the action part of the synchronized action)

```
N100 R1=0
N110 G0 X0 Z0
N120 WAITP(X)
N130 ID=1 WHENEVER $R==1 DO POS[X]=10
N140 R1=1
N150 G71 Z10 F10           Z=10mm   X=10mm
N160 G70 Z10 F10           Z=254mm  X=254mm
N170 G71 Z10 F10           Z=10mm   X=10mm
N180 M30
```



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### Example 2

G71 in the action part of the synchronized action clearly determines the positioning travel of the positioning axis (metric), whatever the program environment.

```
N100 R1=0
N110 G0 X0 Z0
N120 WAITP(X)
N130 ID=1 WHENEVER $R==1 DO G71 POS[X]=10
N140 R1=1
N150 G71 Z10 F10           Z=10mm   X=10mm
N160 G70 Z10 F10           Z=254mm  X=10mm (X is always
                                positioned to 10mm)
N170 G71 Z10 F10           Z=10mm   X=10mm
N180 M30
```

### Programming example

#### Disabling a programmed axis motion

If you do not want the axis motion to start at the beginning of the block, the override for the axis can be held at 0 until the appropriate time from a synchronized action.

```
WHENEVER $A_IN[1]==0 DO $AA_OVR[W]=0
      G01 X10 Y25 F750 POS[W]=1500
      FA=1000
;The positioning axis is halted as long as digital input 1 =0
```

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**10.4.14 Position axis POS****Function**

`POS[axis]=value`

Unlike programming from the parts program, the positioning axis movement has no effect on execution of the parts program.

**Explanation**

Axis:

Name of the axis to be traversed

Value:

The value to traverse by (depending on traverse mode)

**Programming example**

`ID=1 EVERY $AA_IM[B]>75 DO POS[U]=100`

Axis U is moved incrementally from the control zero by 100 (inch/mm) or to position 100 (inch/mm) independently of the traversing mode.

`ID=1 EVERY $AA_IM[B]>75 DO POS[U]=$AA_MW[V]-$AA_IM[W]+13.5`

;Axis U moved by a path calculated from real-time variables.

**10.4.15 Start/stop axis MOV****Programming**

`MOV [Axis]=value`

**Explanation**

Axis:

Name of the axis to be started

Value:

Start command for traverse/stop motion.

The sign determines the direction of motion.

The data type for the value is INTEGER.

Value>0 (usually +1):

Positive direction

Value <0 (usually -1):

Negative direction

Value ==0 :

Stop axis movement



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## Function

With MOV[axis]=value it is possible to start a command axis without specifying an end position. The axis is moved in the programmed direction until another movement is set by another motion or positioning command or until the axis is stopped with a stop command.

## Programming example

```
... DO MOV[U]=0
```

Axis U is stopped

## Note

If an indexing axis is stopped with MOV[Axis]=0, the axis is halted at the next indexing position.

### 10.4.16 Axial feed FA

## Programming example

FA[axis]=feedrate

```
ID=1 EVERY $AA_IM[B]>75 DO POS[U]=100 FA[U]=990
```

;Define fixed feedrate value

```
ID=1 EVERY $AA_IM[B]>75 DO POS[U]=100 FA[U]=$AA_VACTM[W]+100
```

;Calculate feedrate value from real-time variables

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#### 10.4.17 SW limit switch



##### Function

The working area limitation programmed with G25/G26 is taken into account for the command axes depending on the setting data SA\_WORKAREA\_PLUS\_ENABLE. Switching the working area limitation on and off with G functions WALIMON/WALIMOF in the parts program has no effect on the command axes.

#### 10.4.18 Axis coordination



##### Function

Typically, an axis is either moved from the parts program in the motion block or as a positioning axis from a synchronized action. If the same axis is to be traversed alternately from the parts program as a path or positioning axis and from synchronized actions, however, a coordinated transfer takes place between both axis movements. If a command axis is subsequently traversed from the parts program, preprocessing must be reorganized. This, in turn, causes an interruption in the parts program processing comparable to a preprocessing stop.



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## Programming example



Move the X axis from either the parts program or the synchronized actions:

N10 G01 X100 Y200 F1000 X axis programmed in the parts program

•

**N20 ID=1 WHEN \$A\_IN[1]==1 DO** Starting positioning from the synchronized action if a digital input is set  
**POS[X]=150 FA[X]=200**

1

CANCEL(1)  Deselect synchronized action

1

---

N100 G01 x240 y200 f1000

;X becomes the path axis; before motion, delay occurs because of axis transfer if digital input was 1 and X was positioned from the synchronized action.

## Programming example



Change traverse command for the same axis:

ID=1 EVERY \$A IN[1]>=1 DO POS[V]=100 FA[V]=560

;Start positioning from the synchronized action if a digital input >= 1

ID=2 EVERY \$A IN[2]>=1 DO POS[V]=\$AA IM[V] FA[V]=790

Axis follows, 2nd input is set, i.e. end position and feed

for axis V are continuously followed during a movement

when two synchronized actions are simultaneously active.

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### 10.4.19 Set actual value

#### Function

When PRESETON (axis, value) is executed, the current axis position is not changed but a new value is assigned to it.

#### Notes

PRESETON can be executed from within a synchronized action in the following cases:

- Modulo rotary axes that have been started from the parts program
- All command axes that have been started from the synchronized action

#### Restriction:

PRESETON is not possible for axes that participate in a transformation.

#### Programming example

```
WHEN $AA_IM[a] >= 89.5 DO PRESETON(a4,10.5)
```

;Offset control zero of axis a by 10.5 length units (inch or mm) in the positive axis direction.

#### Restriction

One and the same axis can be moved from the parts program and from a synchronized action, only at different times. For this reason, delays can occur in the programming of an axis from the parts program if the same axis has been programmed in a synchronized action first.

If the same axis is used alternately, transfer between the two axis movements is coordinated. Parts program execution must be interrupted for that.



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#### 10.4.20 Spindle motions



##### Function

Spindles can be positioned completely unsynchronized with respect to the parts program from synchronized actions. This type of programming is advisable for cyclic sequences or operations that are strongly dependent on events.



##### Programming example

Start/stop/position spindles

ID=1 EVERY \$A_IN[1]==1 DO M3 S1000	Set direction and speed of rotation
ID=2 EVERY \$A_IN[2]==1 DO SPOS=270	Position spindle



##### Sequence of execution

If conflicting commands are issued for a spindle via simultaneously active synchronized actions, the most recent spindle command takes priority.



##### Programming example

Set direction and speed of rotation/position spindle

ID=1 EVERY \$A_IN[1]==1 DO M3 S300	Set direction and speed of rotation
ID=2 EVERY \$A_IN[2]==1 DO M4 S500	Specify new direction and new speed of rotation
ID=3 EVERY \$A_IN[3]==1 DO S1000	Specify new speed
ID=4 EVERY (\$A_IN[4]==1) AND (\$A_IN[1]==0) DO SPOS=0	Position spindle

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**10.4.21 Coupled-axis motion TRAILON, TRAILOF****Function**

DO TRAILON(following axis, leading axis, coupling factor)	Activate coupled-axis motion
DO TRAILOF(following axis, leading axis, leading axis 2)	Deactivate coupled-axis motion

When the coupling is activated from the synchronized action, the leading axis can be in motion. In this case the following axis is accelerated up to the set velocity. The position of the leading axis at the time of synchronization of the velocity is the starting position for coupled-axis motion. The functionality of coupled-axis motion is described in the Section "Path traversing behavior".

Activate asynchronous coupled motion:

... DO **TRAILON**(FA, LA, CF)

Where: FA: Following axis

LA: Leading axis

CF: Coupling factor

Deactivate asynchronous coupled motion:

... DO **TRAILOF**(FA, LA, LA2)

Where: FA: Following axis

LA: Leading axis

LA2: Leading axis 2, optional

**Programming example**

\$A\_IN[1]==0 DO TRAILON(Y,V,1) Activate 1st combined axis pair when digital input is 1

\$A\_IN[2]==0 DO TRAILON(Z,W,-1) Activate 2nd combined axis pair

G0 Z10 Infeed of Z and W axes in opposite axis directions

G0 Y20 Infeed of Y and V axes in same axis directions

...

G1 Y22 V25 Superimpose dependent and independent movement of coupled-motion axis "V"

...

TRAILOF(Y,V) Deactivate 1st coupled axis

TRAILOF(Z,W) Deactivate 2nd coupled axis

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#### 10.4.22 Leading value coupling LEADON, LEADOF



##### Function

The axial leading value coupling can be programmed in synchronized actions without restriction.

Activate axial leading value coupling:

. . . DO **LEADON**( FA , LA , NR )

Where: FA: Following axis  
LA: Leading axis  
NR: Number of stored curve table

Deactivate axial leading value coupling:

. . . DO **LEADOF**( FA , LA )

Where: FA: Following axis  
LA: Leading axis

The axis to be coupled is released for synchronized action access by invoking the RELEASE function for the axis.

Example:

```
RELEASE ( XKAN )
ID=1 every SR1==1 to LEADON(CACH,XKAN,1)
```



##### Programming example

###### On-the-fly parting

A continuous material that runs continuously through the work area of parting device is to be separated into pieces of equal length.

X axis: Axis in which the continuous material runs. WCS

X1 axis: Machine axis of the continuous material, MCS

Y axis: Axis in which the parting device "travels" with the continuous material

It is assumed that the positioning and control of the parting tool is controlled by the PLC. The signals of the PLC interface can be evaluated for the purpose of determining the degree of synchronization between the continuous material and the parting tool.

Actions      Activate coupling, LEADON  
                Deactivate coupling, LEADOF  
                Set actual value, PRESETON

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```
%_N_SHEARS1_MPF
; $PATH=/_N_WCS_DIR/_N_DEMOFBE_WPD
N100 R3=1500 ;Length of a section to be parted
N200 R2=100000 R13=R2/300
N300 R4=100000
N400 R6=30 ;Start position Y axis
N500 R1=1 ;Start condition for conveyor axis
N600 LEADOF(Y,X) ;Delete any existing coupling
N700 CTABDEF(Y,X,1,0) ;Table definition
N800 X=30 Y=30 ;Value pair
N900 X=R13 Y=R13
N1000 X=2*R13 Y=30
N1100 CTABEND ;End of table definition
N1200 PRESETON(X1,0) ;PRESET to begin
N1300 Y=R6 G0 ;Start pos. Y axis, axis is linear
N1400 ID=1 WHENEVER $AA_IW[X]>$R3 DO PESETON(X1,0)
;PRESET after length R3, new start following parting
N1500 RELEASE(Y)
N1800 ID=6 EVERY $AA_IM[X]<10 DO LEADON(Y,X,1)
;Couple Y to X via table 1, for X < 10
N1900 ID=10 EVERY $AA_IM[X]>$R3-30 DO EADOF(Y,X)
;> 30 before traversed parting distance,
deactivate coupling
N2000 WAITP(X)
N2100 ID=7 WHEN $R1==1 DO MOV[X]=1 ;Place material axis in continuous motion
FA[X] = $R4
N2200 M30
```

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#### 10.4.23 Measurement



Compared with use in traverse blocks of the parts program, the measuring function can be activated and deactivated as required.

- Axial measurement without deletion of distance-to-go:

**MEAWA[axis]=(mode, trigger event\_1, ...\_4)**

- Continuous measurement without deletion of distance-to-go:

**MEAC[axis]=(mode, measurement memory, trigger event\_1, ...\_4)**

For further information on measuring: See Chapter 5, "Extended Measuring Function"

#### 10.4.24 Set/clear wait marks: SETM, CLEARM (SW 5.2 and higher)



##### Function

<b>SETM(MarkerNumber)</b>	Set wait marker for channel
<b>CLEARM(MarkerNumber)</b>	Clear wait marker for channel

In synchronized actions, wait markers can be set or deleted for the purpose of coordinating channels, for example.

##### SETM

The SETM command can be written in the parts program and in the action part of a synchronized action. It sets the marker MarkerNumber for the channel in which the command executes.

##### CLEARM

The CLEARM command can be written in the parts program and in the action part of a synchronized action. It resets the flag MarkerNumber for the channel in which the command executes.

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### 10.4.25 Error responses



#### Function

Incorrect responses can be programmed with synchronized actions by scanning status variables and triggering the appropriate actions.

Some possible responses to error conditions are:

- Stop axis: Override=0
- Set alarm: With SETAL it is possible to set cyclic alarms from synchronized actions.
- Set output
- All actions possible in synchronized actions



#### Programming example

```
ID=67 WHENEVER ($AA_IM[X1]-$AA_IM[X2])<4.567 DO $AA_OVR[X2]=0
;If the safety distance between axes X1 and X2 is to small, stop axis X2.
ID=67 WHENEVER ($AA_IM[X1]-$AA_IM[X2])<4.567 DO SETAL(61000)
;If the safety distance between axes X1 and X2 is to small, set an alarm.
```

### 10.4.26 Travel to fixed stop FXS and FOCON/FOCOF



#### Explanation

#### FXS and FOC in synchronized actions

FXS[axis]	Selection only in systems with digital drives (FDD, MSD, HLA)
FXST[axis]	Modification of clamping torque FXST
FXSW[axis]	Change of monitoring window FXSW
FOCON[axis]	Activation of the modal torque/force limitation
FOCOF[axis]	Deactivation of the torque/force limitation
FOCON / FOCOF	The axis is programmed in square brackets. The following are permitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Geometry axis identifier</li> <li>– Channel axis identifier</li> <li>– Machine axis identifier</li> </ul>



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## Function

The commands for **travel to fixed stop** are programmed in synchronized actions/technology cycles with the parts program commands FXS, FXST and FXSW.

Activation can take place without movement; the torque is immediately limited. As soon as the axis moves in relation to the setpoint, fixed stop is monitored.

### Travel with limited torque/force (FOC):

This function allows torque/force to be changed at any time via synchronized actions and can be activated modally or non-modally.



## Notes

### Multiple activation

The function must only be activated once. If incorrect programming activates the function again although it has already been activated (FXS[axis]=1), alarm 20092 "Travel to fixed stop still active" is output.

Programming code that scans \$AA\_FXS[] or a separate flag (here R1) in the condition will ensure that the function is not activated more than once.

Parts program extract:

---

```
N10 R1=0
N20 IDS=1 WHENEVER ($R1==0 AND
$AA_IW[AX3] > 7) DO R1=1 FXST[AX1]=12
```

---

### Block-related synchronized actions:

Travel to fixed stop can be activated during an approach motion by programming a block-related synchronized action.

Programming example:

---

```
N10 G0 G90 X0 Y0
N20 WHEN $AA_IW[X] > 17 DO FXS[X]=1 ;If X reaches a position greater than 17mm
N30 G1 F200 X100 Y110 ;FXS is activated
```

---

### Static and block-related synchronized actions:

The same commands FXS, FXST and FXSW can be used in static and block-related synchronized actions as in normal parts program execution. The values that are assigned can be generated by calculation.

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**Programming example****Travel to fixed stop (FXS)**

Triggered by a synchronized action

Y axis:	; Activate static synchronized actions: N10 IDS=1 WHENEVER (( \$R1==1) AND (\$AA_FXS[Y]==0)) DO \$R1=0 FXS[Y]=1 FXST[Y]=10 FA[Y]=200 POS[Y]=150	; By setting \$R1=1, FXS is activated for ; axis Y, the effective torque is reduced to ; 10% and a traverse motion is initiated ; in the direction of the fixed stop.
	N11 IDS=2 WHENEVER (\$AA_FXS[Y]==4) DO FXST[Y]=30	; As soon as the fixed stop is detected ; (\$AA_FXS[Y]==4), torque is increased ; to 30%
	N12 IDS=3 WHENEVER (\$AA_FXS[Y]==1) DO FXST[Y]=\$R0	; After the fixed stop is reached, torque ; is controlled by R0
	N13 IDS=4 WHENEVER (( \$R3==1) AND (\$AA_FXS[Y]==1)) DO FXS[Y]=0 FA[Y]=1000 POS[Y]=0	; Deselection according to ; R3 and ; return
	N20 FXS[Y]=0 G0 G90 X0 Y0	; Normal program run: axis Y for
	N30 RELEASE(Y)	; Enable motion in synchronized action
	N40 G1 F1000 X100	; Movement of another axis
	N50 .....	;
	N60 GET(Y)	; Put axis Y back in the path group

**Programming example****Activate torque/force limitation (FOC)**

N10 FOCON[X]	; Modal activation of limitation
N20 X100 Y200 FXST[X]=15	; X travels with reduced torque (15%)
N30 FXST[X]=75 X20	; Change the torque to 75%, X travels with ; this limited torque
N40 FOCOF[X]	; Deactivation of the torque limitation



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## 10.5 Technology cycles



### Function

As an action in synchronized actions, you can invoke programs. These must consist only of functions that are permissible as actions in synchronized actions. Programs structured in this way are called technology cycles.

Technology cycles are stored in the control as subroutines. As far as the user is concerned, they are called up like subroutines. Parameter transfer is not possible.

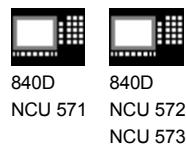
It is possible to process several technology cycles or actions in parallel in one channel.

The program end is programmed with M02/M17/M30/RET. A maximum of one axis movement per block can be programmed.



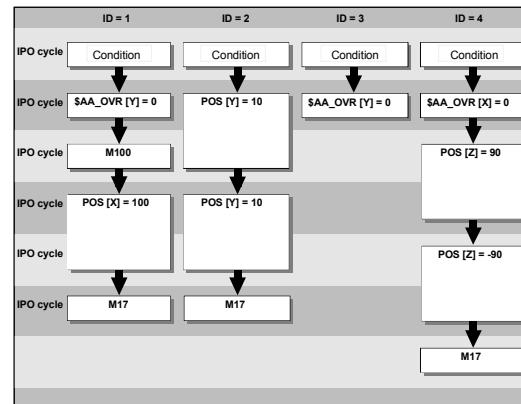
### Application

Technology cycles as axis programs: Each technology cycle controls only one axis. In this way, different axis motions can be started in the same interpolation cycle under event control. The parts program is now only used for the management of synchronized actions in extreme cases.



## Programming example

Axis programs are started by setting digital inputs.



Main program:

ID=1 EVERY \$A_IN[1]==1 DO AXIS_X	If input 1 is at 1, axis program X starts
ID=2 EVERY \$A_IN[2]==1 DO AXIS_Y	If input 2 is at 1, axis program Y starts
ID=3 EVERY \$A_IN[3]==1 DO \$AA_OVR[Y]=0	If input 3 is at 1, the override for axis Y is at 0
ID=4 EVERY \$A_IN[4]==1 DO AXIS_Z	If input 4 is at 1, axis program Z starts

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Technology cycle AXIS\_X:

\$AA_OVR[Y]=0
M100
POS[X]=100 FA[X]=300
M17

Technology cycle AXIS\_Y:

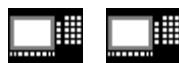
POS[Y]=10 FA[Y]=200
POS[Y]=-10
M17

Technology cycle AXIS\_Z:

\$AA_OVR[X]=0
POS[Z]=90 FA[Z]=250
POS[Z]=-90
M17



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Technology cycles are started as soon as their conditions are fulfilled. With positioning axes, several IPO cycles are required for execution. Other functions (OVR) are executed in one cycle. In the technology cycle, blocks are executed in sequence.

### Notes

If actions are called in the same interpolation cycle that are mutually exclusive, the action is started that is called from the synchronized action with the higher ID number.

#### 10.5.1 Lock, unlock, reset: LOCK, UNLOCK, RESET

### Programming

**LOCK (n, n, ...)** Lock technology cycle, the active action is interrupted

**UNLOCK (n, n, ...)** Unlock technology cycle

**RESET (n, n, ...)** Reset technology cycle, the active action is interrupted

**n** Identification number of the synchronized action

### Function

Execution of a technology cycle can be locked, unlocked or reset from within a synchronized action or from a technology cycle.

#### Lock technology cycle, LOCK

Technology cycles can be locked using LOCK from another synchronized action or from a technology cycle.

##### Example:

---

```
N100 ID=1 WHENEVER $A_IN[1]==1 DO M130
```

---



---

```
...
```

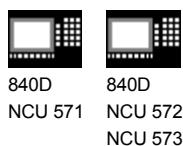
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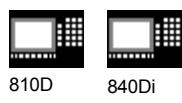
---

```
N200 ID=2 WHENEVER $A_IN[2]==1 DO LOCK(1)
```

---



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## Unlock technology cycle, UNLOCK

Locked technology cycles can be unlocked again from another synchronized action/technology cycle with UNLOCK. With UNLOCK, this is continued at the current position, this also applies to an interrupted positioning procedure.

### Example:

```
N100 ID=1 WHENEVER $A_IN[1]==1 DO M130
...
N200 ID=2 WHENEVER $A_IN[2]==1 DO LOCK(1)
...
N250 ID=3 WHENEVER $A_IN[3]==1 DO UNLOCK(1)
```

## Reset technology cycle, RESET

Technology cycles can be reset using RESET from another synchronized action or from a technology cycle.

### Example:

```
N100 ID=1 WHENEVER $A_IN[1]==1 DO M130
...
N200 ID=2 WHENEVER $A_IN[2]==1 DO RESET(1)
```

## Locking on the PLC side

Modal synchronized actions can be interlocked from the PLC with the ID numbers **n=1 ... 64**. The associated condition is no longer evaluated and execution of the associated function is locked in the NCK.

All synchronized actions can be locked indiscriminately with one signal in the PLC interface.

## Notes

A programmed synchronized action is active as standard and can be protected against overwriting/locking by a machine data setting.

### Application:

It should not be possible for end customers to modify synchronized actions defined by the machine manufacturer.



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## 10.6 Cancel synchronized action: CANCEL



### Programming

CANCEL(n,n,...)

Cancel synchronized action

n

Identification number of the synchronized  
action



### Explanation

Modal synchronized actions with the identifier  
ID(S)=n can only be canceled directly from the parts  
program with CANCEL.

#### Example:

N100 ID=2 WHENEVER \$A\_IN[1]==1 DO M130

...

N200 CANCEL(2)

Cancel synchronized action No. 2



### Notes

Incomplete movements originating from a canceled  
synchronized action are completed as programmed.

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## 10.7 Supplementary conditions

- **Power ON**

With power ON no synchronized actions are active.

However, static synchronized actions can be activated on power ON with an asynchronous subroutine (ASUB) started by the PLC.

- **Mode change**

Synchronized actions activated with the vocabulary word IDS remain active following a changeover in operating mode.

All other synchronized actions become inactive following operating mode changeover (e.g. axis positioning) and become active again following repositioning and a return to automatic mode.

- **Reset**

With NC reset, all actions started by synchronized actions are stopped. Static synchronized actions remain active. They can start new actions.

The **RESET** command can be used from the synchronized action or from a technology cycle to reset a modally active synchronized action. If a synchronized action is reset while the positioning axis movement that was activated from it is still active, the positioning axis movement is interrupted.

Synchronized actions of the WHEN type that have already been executed are not executed again following RESET.



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Response following RESET		
Synchronized action / technology cycle	Modal / non-modal	Static (IDS)
	Active actions are reset, synchronized actions are canceled	Active action is canceled, technology cycle is reset
<b>Axis / positioning spindle</b>	Movement is reset	Movement is reset
<b>Speed-controlled spindle</b>	\$MA_SPIND_ACTIVE_AFTER_RESET==1: Spindle remains active  \$MA_SPIND_ACTIVE_AFTER_RESET==0: Spindle is stopped.	\$MA_SPIND_ACTIVE_AFTER_RESET==1: Spindle remains active  \$MA_SPIND_ACTIVE_AFTER_RESET==0: Spindle is stopped.
<b>Leading value coupling</b>	\$MC_RESET_MODE_MASK, Bit13 == 1: Leading value coupling remains active  \$MC_RESET_MODE_MASK, Bit13 == 0: Leading value coupling is disconnected	\$MC_RESET_MODE_MASK, Bit13 == 1: Leading value coupling remains active  \$MC_RESET_MODE_MASK, Bit13 == 0: Leading value coupling is disconnected
<b>Measuring procedures</b>	Measurements started from synchronized actions are canceled.	Measurements started from static synchronized actions are canceled.

- **NC Stop**

**Static** synchronized actions remain active on NC stop. Movements started from static synchronized actions are not canceled.

Synchronized actions that are **local to the program** and belong to the active block remain active, movements started from them are stopped.

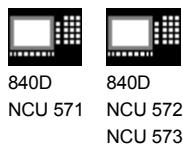
- **End of program**

End of program and synchronized action do not influence one another.

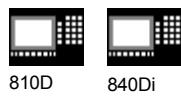
Current synchronized actions are completed even after end of program.

Synchronized actions active in the M30 block remain active. If you do not want them to remain active, cancel the synchronized action before end of program by pressing CANCEL (see preceding section).

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Response following end of program		
Synchronized action / technology cycle	Modal and non-modal are reset	Static (IDS) remain active
<b>Axis / positioning spindle</b>	M30 is delayed until the axis/spindle is stationary.	Movement continues
<b>Speed-controlled spindle</b>	End of program: $\$MA\_SPIND\_ACTIVE\_AFTER\_RESET==1$ : Spindle remains active $\$MA\_SPIND\_ACTIVE\_AFTER\_RESET==0$ : Spindle is stopped  Spindle remains active following a change in operating mode	Spindle remains active
<b>Leading value coupling</b>	$\$MC\_RESET\_MODE\_MASK$ , Bit13 == 1: Leading value coupling remains active $\$MC\_RESET\_MODE\_MASK$ , Bit13 == 0: Leading value coupling is disconnected	A coupling started from a static synchronized action remains
<b>Measuring procedures</b>	Measurements started from synchronized actions are canceled.	Measurements started from static synchronized actions remain active.

- Block search**

Synchronized actions found during a block search are collected and evaluated on NC Start; the associated actions are then started if necessary. Static synchronized actions are active during block search.  
If polynomial coefficients programmed with FCTDEF are found during a block search, they are written directly to the setting data.

- Program interruption by asynchronous subroutine**

ASUB start:  
Modal and static motion-synchronized actions remain active and are also active in the asynchronous subroutine.  
ASUB end:  
If the asynchronous subroutine is not resumed with Repos, modal and static motion-synchronized actions that were modified in the asynchronous subroutine remain active in the main program.

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- **Repositioning**

On repositioning REPOS, the synchronized actions that were active in the interrupted block are reactivated.

Modal synchronized actions changed from the asynchronous subroutine are not active after REPOS when the rest of the block is executed.

Polynomial coefficients programmed with FCTDEF are not affected by asynchronous subroutines and REPOS. No matter where they were programmed, they can be used at any time in the asynchronous subroutine and in the main program after execution of REPOS.

- **Deselection with CANCEL**

If an active synchronized action is deselected with **CANCEL**, this does not affect the active action. Positioning movements are terminated in accordance with programming.

The CANCEL command is used to interrupt a modally or statically active synchronized action.

If a synchronized action is canceled while the positioning axis movement that was activated from it is still active, the positioning axis movement is interrupted. If this is not required, the axis movement can be decelerated before the CANCEL command with axial deletion of distance-to-go:

**Example:**

```
ID=17 EVERY $A_IN[3]==1 DO  POS[X]=15 FA[X]=1500      ;Start positioning axis movement
...
WHEN ... DO DELEDTG(X)                                ;End positioning axis movement
CANCEL(1)
```

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## Oscillation

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### 11.1 Asynchronous oscillation

#### Explanation of the commands



OSP1[axis]=	Position of reversal point 1
OSP2[axis]=	Position of reversal point 2
OST1[axis]=	Stopping time at reversal points in seconds
OST2[axis]=	
FA[axis]=	Feed for oscillating axis
OSCTRL[axis]=	(Set, reset options)
OSNSC[axis]=	Number of spark-out strokes
OSE[axis]=	End position
OS[axis]=	1 = activate oscillation; 0 = deactivate oscillation



#### Function

An oscillating axis travels back and forth between two reversal points 1 and 2 at a defined feedrate, until the oscillating motion is deactivated.

Other axes can be interpolated as desired during the oscillating motion.

A path movement or a positioning axis can be used to achieve a constant infeed, however, there is **no relationship** between the oscillating movement and the infeed movement.



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### The oscillating axis

For the oscillating axis, the following applies:

- Any axis can be used as an oscillating axis.
- Several oscillating axes can be active simultaneously (maximum: number of positioning axes).
- Linear interpolation G1is always active for the oscillating axis – irrespective of the G command currently valid in the program.

The oscillating axis can

- act as an input axis for a dynamic transformation
- act as a guide axis for gantry and combined-motion axes
- be traversed
  - without jerk limitation (BRISK) or
  - with jerk limitation (SOFT) or
  - with acceleration curve with a knee (as for positioning axes).

### Oscillation reversal points

The current offsets must be taken into account when oscillation positions are defined:

- Absolute specification

OSP1[Z]=value

Position of reversal point = sum of offsets + programmed value

- Relative specification

OSP1[Z]=IC(value)

Position of reversal point = reversal point 1 + programmed value

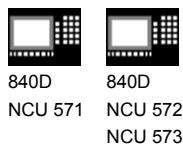
Example:

N10 OSP1[Z]=100 OSP2[Z]=110

.

.

N40 OSP1[Z]=IC(3)



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### Properties of asynchronous oscillation

- Asynchronous oscillation is active beyond block limits on an axis-specific basis.
- Block-oriented activation of the oscillation movement is ensured by the parts program.
- Combined interpolation of several axes and superimposing of oscillation paths are not possible.

### Setting data

The setting data necessary for asynchronous oscillation can be set in the parts program.

If the setting data are described directly in the program, the change takes effect during preprocessing. A synchronized response can be achieved by means of a STOPRE.

Example:

### Oscillation with online change of reversal position

---

```
$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z]=-10
$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z]=10
```

---



---

```
G0 X0 Z0
WAITP(Z)
```

---



---

```
ID=1 WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z] < $$AA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z] DO $AA_OVR[X]=0
ID=2 WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z] < $$AA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z] DO $AA_OVR[X]=0
;If the actual value of the oscillation axis
;has exceeded the reversal point,
;the infeed axis is stopped.
```

---

```
OS[Z]=1 FA[X]=1000 POS[X]=40 ;Switch on oscillation
OS[Z]=0 ;Switch off oscillation
```

---

```
M30
```

---



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## Notes on individual functions

The following addresses allow asynchronous oscillation to be activated and controlled from the parts program.

The programmed values are entered in the corresponding setting data with block synchronization during the main run and remain active until changed again.

### Activate, deactivate oscillation: OS

`OS[axis] = 1: Activate`  
`OS[axis] = 0: Deactivate`



WAITP (axis):

- If oscillation is to be performed with a geometry axis, you must enable this axis for oscillation with WAITP.
- When oscillation has finished, this command is used to enter the oscillating axis as a positioning axis again for normal use.

### Stopping times at reversal points:

**OST1, OST2**

Hold time	Movement in exact stop area at reversal point
-2	Interpolation is continued without waiting for exact stop
-1	Wait for exact stop coarse
0	Wait for exact stop fine
>0	Wait for exact stop fine and then wait for stopping time

The unit for the stopping time is identical to the stopping time programmed with G4.



### Note

#### Oscillation with motion-synchronous action and stopping times "OST1/OST2".

When the stopping times have elapsed, the internal block change takes place during oscillation (visible at the new residual paths of the axes). When block change has been completed, the deactivation function is checked. During checking, the deactivation function is defined according to the control setting for the "OSCTRL" sequence of motions.

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### This timing is affected by the feedrate override.

Under certain circumstances, an oscillating stroke is performed before the spark out strokes are started or the end position approached.

**The impression created is that the deactivation response changes. However, this is not the case.**

### Setting feed FA

The feedrate is the defined feedrate of the positioning axis.

If no feedrate is defined, the value stored in the machine data applies.

### Defining the sequence of motions: OSCTRL

The control settings for the movement are set with enable and reset options.

#### Reset options

These options are deactivated (only if they have previously been activated as setting options).

#### Set options

These options are switched over. When OSE (end position) is programmed, option 4 is implicitly activated.



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Option value	Meaning
0	When the oscillation is deactivated, stop at the next reversal point (default) only possible by resetting values 1 and 2
1	When the oscillation is deactivated, stop at reversal point 1
2	When the oscillation is deactivated, stop at reversal point 2
3	When the oscillation is deactivated, do not approach reversal point if no spark-out strokes are programmed
4	Approach end position after spark-out
8	If the oscillation movement is canceled by deletion of the distance-to-go: then execute spark-out strokes and approach end position if appropriate
16	If the oscillation movement is canceled by deletion of the distance-to-go: reversal position is approached as with deactivation
32	New feed is only active after the next reversal point
64	FA = 0: Path overlay is active FA 0: Speed overlay is active
128	For rotary axis DC (shortest path)
256	0=The sparking out stroke is a dual stroke.(default) 1=single stroke.

Several options are appended with plus characters.

Example:

OSCTRL[Z] = (1+4, 16+32+64)



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## Programming example

Oscillating axis Z is to oscillate between 10 and 100.

Approach reversal point 1 with exact stop fine,  
reversal point 2 with exact stop coarse. Machining  
takes place with feedrate 250 for the oscillating axis.

At the end of the machining operation, 3 spark-out  
strokes must be executed and end position 200  
approached with the oscillating axis.

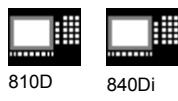
The feed for the infeed axis is 1, the end of the  
infeed in the X direction is at 15.

WAITP(X, Y, Z)	Starting position
G0 X100 Y100 Z100	Switch over in positioning axis operation
N40 WAITP(X, Z)	
N50 OSP1[Z]=10 OSP2[Z]=100 ->	Reversal point 1, reversal point 2
-> OSE[Z]=200 ->	End position
-> OST1[Z]=0 OST2[Z]=-1 ->	Stopping time at U1: exact stop fine
-> FA[Z]=250 FA[X]=1 ->	Stopping time at U2: exact stop coarse
-> OSCTRL[Z]=(4,0) ->	Feed for oscillating axis, infeed axis
-> OSNSC[Z]=3 ->	Setting options
N60 OS[Z]=1	Three spark-out strokes
	Start oscillation
N70 WHEN \$A_IN[3]==TRUE ->	Deletion of distance-to-go
-> DO DELDTG(X)	
N80 POS[X]=15	Starting position X axis
N90 POS[X]=50	
N100 OS[Z]=0	Stop oscillation
M30	

-> can be programmed in a single block.



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## 11.2 Oscillation controlled via synchronous actions

### Programming:

1. Define parameters for oscillation
2. Define motion-synchronous actions
3. Assign axes, define infeed

#### Parameters for oscillation

OSP1[oscillating axis]=	Position of reversal point 1
OSP2[oscillating axis]=	Position of reversal point 2
OST1[oscillating axis]=	Stopping time at reversal point 1 in seconds
OST2[oscillating axis]=	Stopping time at reversal point 2 in seconds
FA[OscillationAxis]=	Feed for oscillating axis
OSCTRL[OscillationAxis]=	Set or reset options
OSNSC[oscillating axis]=	Number of spark-out strokes
OSE[OscillationAxis]=	End position
WAITP(OscillationAxis)	Enable axis for oscillation

#### Axis assignment, infeed

```
OSCILL[OscillationAxis] = (InfeedAxis1, InfeedAxis2, InfeedAxis3)
POSP[InfeedAxis] = (Endpos, Partial length, Mode)
```

OSCILL	Assign infeed axis or axes for oscillating axis
POSP	Define complete and partial infeeds (see Chapter 3)
Endpos	End position for the infeed axis after all partial infeeds have been traversed.
Partial length	Length of the partial infeed at reversal point/reversal area
Mode	Division of the complete infeed into partial infeeds 0 = Two residual steps of equal size (default); 1 = All partial infeeds of equal size

#### Motion-synchronized actions

WHEN... ... DO	when ... , do ...
WHENEVER ... DO	whenever ... , do ...

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## Control oscillation via synchronized actions

With this mode of oscillation, an infeed motion may only be executed at the reversal points or within defined reversal areas.

Depending on requirements, the oscillation movement can be

- continued or
- stopped until the infeed has been finished executing.



## Sequence

### 1. Define oscillation parameters

The parameters for oscillation should be defined before the movement block containing the assignment of infeed and oscillating axes and the infeed definition (see "Asynchronized oscillation").

### 2. Define motion-synchronized actions

The following synchronization conditions can be defined:

- **Suppress infeed** until the oscillating axis is within a reversal area (ii1, ii2) or at a reversal point (U1, U2).
- **Stop oscillation motion** during infeed at reversal point.
- **Restart oscillation movement** on completion of partial infeed.
- **Define start of next partial infeed.**

### 3. Assign oscillating and infeed axes as well as partial and complete infeed.



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### Assignment of oscillating and infeed axes

#### OSCILL

```
OSCILL[oscillating axis] = (infeed axis1, infeed axis2, infeed axis3)
```

The axis assignments and the start of the oscillation movement are defined with the OSCILL command.

Up to 3 infeed axes can be assigned to an oscillating axis.



Before oscillation starts, the synchronization conditions must be defined for the behavior of the axes.



### Define infeeds: POSP

```
POSP[InfeedAxis] = (EndPosition, Part, Mode)
```

The following are declared to the control with the POSP command:

- Complete infeed (with reference to end position)
- The length of the partial infeed at the reversal point or in the reversal area
- The partial infeed response when the end position is reached (with reference to mode)

Mode = 0

The distance-to-go to the destination point for the last two partial infeeds is divided into 2 equal steps (default setting).

Mode = 1

All partial infeeds are of equal size. They are calculated from the complete infeed.

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### The synchronized actions

The synchronized motion actions listed below are used for general oscillation.

You are given example solutions for individual tasks which you can use as modules for creating user-specific oscillation movements.



In individual cases, the synchronization conditions can be programmed differentially.



### Vocabulary words

WHEN ... DO ...      when ... , do ...

WHENEVER ... DO      whenever ... , do ...



You can implement the following functions with the language resources described in detail below:

1. Infeed at reversal point
2. Infeed at reversal area.
3. Infeed at both reversal points.
4. Stop oscillation movement at reversal point.
5. Restart oscillation movement
6. Do not start partial infeed too early.

The following assumptions are made for all examples of synchronized actions presented here:

- Reversal point 1 < reversal point 2
- Z = oscillating axis
- X = infeed axis



You will find more information on synchronized motion actions in Section 11.3.



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### Infeed in reversal area

The infeed motion must start within a reversal area before the reversal point is reached.

These synchronized actions inhibit the infeed movement until the oscillating axis is within the reversal area.



The following instructions are used subject to the above assumptions:



#### Reversal area 1:

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]>$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z]+ii1 DO $AA_OVR[X]=0
```

Whenever greater than then the current position of oscillating axis in the MCS is the start of reversal area 1 set the axial override of the infeed axis to 0%.

#### Reversal area 2:

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z] <$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z]+ii2 DO $AA_OVR[X]=0
```

Whenever less than then the current position of oscillating axis in the MCS is the start of reversal area 2 set the axial override of the infeed axis to 0%.

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**Infeed at reversal point**

As long as the oscillating axis has not reached the reversal point, no movement takes place on the infeed axis.



The following instructions are used subject to the above assumptions:

**Reversal point 1:**

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]<>$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z] DO $AA_OVR[X]=0 ->  
-> $AA_OVR[Z]=100
```

Whenever  
greater or less than  
then  
and

the current position of oscillating axis Z in the MCS is  
the position of reversal point 1  
set the axial override of infeed axis X to 0%  
set the axial override of oscillating axis Z to 100%.

**Reversal point 2:**

For reversal point 2:

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]<>$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z] DO $AA_OVR[X]=0 ->  
-> $AA_OVR[Z]=100
```

Whenever  
greater or less than  
then  
and

the current position of oscillating axis Z in the MCS is  
the position of reversal point 2  
set the axial override of infeed axis X to 0%  
set the axial override of oscillating axis Z to 100%.



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### Stop oscillation motion at reversal point

The oscillation axis is stopped at the reversal point,  
the infeed motion starts at the same time.

The oscillating motion is continued when the infeed  
movement is complete.

This synchronized action can also be used to start  
the infeed movement if this has been stopped by a  
previous synchronized action which is still active.



The following instructions are used subject to the  
above assumptions:

#### Reversal point 1:

```
WHENEVER $SA_IM[Z]==$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z] DO $AA_OVR[Z]=0 ->  
-> $AA_OVR[X] = 100
```

Whenever                   the current position of oscillating axis in the MCS is  
equal to                   the position of reversal point 1  
then                       set the axial override of the oscillating axis to 0%  
and                       set the axial override of the infeed axis to 100%.

#### Reversal point 2:

```
WHENEVER $SA_IM[Z] ==$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z] DO $AA_OVR[Z]= 0 ->  
-> $AA_OVR[X]=100
```

Whenever                   the current position of oscillating axis in the MCS is  
equal to                   the position of reversal point 2  
then                       set the axial override of the oscillating axis to 0%  
and                       set the axial override of the infeed axis to 100%.

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**Online evaluation of reversal point**

If there is a main run variable coded with \$\$ on the right of the comparison, then the two variables are evaluated and compared with one another continuously in the IPO cycle.



Please refer to Section "Motion-synchronized actions" for more information.

**Restart oscillation movement**

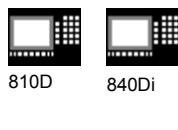
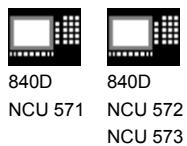
This synchronized action is used to continue the oscillating movement when the partial infeed movement is complete.



The following instructions are used subject to the above assumptions:

```
WHENEVER $AA_DTEPW[X]==0 DO $AA_OVR[Z]= 100
```

Whenever the distance-to-go for the partial infeed on infeed axis X in the WCS is equal to zero then set the axial override of the oscillating axis to 100%.



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### Next partial infeed

When infeed is complete, a premature start of the next partial infeed must be inhibited.

A channel-specific marker (`$AC_MARKER[ Index ]`) is used for this purpose. It is enabled at the end of the partial infeed (partial distance-to-go = 0) and deleted when the axis leaves the reversal area. A synchronized action is then used to inhibit the next infeed movement.



On the basis of the given assumptions, the following instructions apply for reversal point 1:

#### 1. Set marker

```
WHENEVER $AA_DTEPW[X] == 0 DO $AC_MARKER[1]=1
```

Whenever equal to then the distance-to-go for the partial infeed on infeed axis X in the WCS is zero set the marker with index 1 to 1.

#### 2. Clear marker

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]<>$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[Z] DO $AC_MARKER[1]=0
```

Whenever greater or less than then the current position of oscillating axis Z in the MCS is the position of reversal point 1 set marker 1 to 0.

#### 3. Inhibit infeed

```
WHENEVER $AC_MARKER[1]==1 DO $AA_OVR[X]=0
```

Whenever equal to then marker 1 is 1, set the axial override of the infeed axis to 0%.



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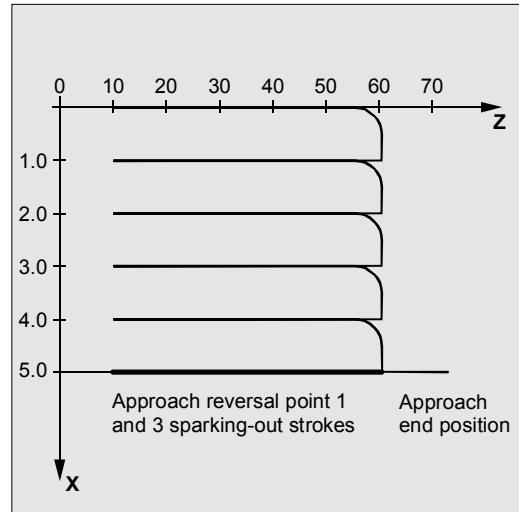


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## Programming example

No infeed is to take place at reversal point 1. At reversal point 2, the infeed is to start at a distance of  $i2$  before reversal point 2 and the oscillating axis is not to wait at the reversal point for the end of the partial infeed. Axis Z is the oscillating axis and axis X the infeed axis.



## Program extract

### 1. Define parameters for oscillation

DEF INT $ii2$	Define variable for reversal area 2
OSP1[Z]=10 OSP2[Z]=60	Define reversal points 1 and 2
OST1[Z]=0 OST2[Z]=0	Reversal point 1: exact stop fine Reversal point 2: exact stop fine
FA[Z]=150 FA[X]=0.5	Oscillating axis Z feedrate, infeed axis X feedrate
OSCTRL[Z]=(2+8+16,1)	Deactivate oscillating motion at reversal point 2; after delete DTG spark-out and approach end position; after delete DTG approach reversal position
OSNC[Z]=3	3 spark-out strokes
OSE[Z]=70	End position = 70
$ii2=2$	Set reversal area
WAITP(Z)	Enable oscillation for Z axis



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## 2. Motion-synchronized actions

---

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]<$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z]-i12 DO ->
-> $AA_OVR[X]=0 $AC_MARKER[0]=0
```

Whenever the current position of oscillating axis Z in the MCS is less than the start of reversal area 2  
then set the axial override of infeed axis X to 0%  
and set the marker with index 0 to value 0.

---

```
WHENEVER $AA_IM[Z]>=$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[Z] DO $AA_OVR[Z]=0
```

Whenever the current position of oscillating axis Z in the MCS is greater or equal to the position of reversal point 2  
then set the axial override of oscillating axis Z to 0%.

---

```
WHENEVER $AA_DTEPW[X]==0 DO $AC_MARKER[0]=1
```

Whenever the distance-to-go of the partial infeed is equal to 0,  
then set the marker with index 0 to value 1.

---

```
WHENEVER $AC_MARKER[0]==1 DO $AA_OVR[X]=0 $AA_OVR[Z]=100
```

Whenever the marker with index 0 is 1,  
then set the axial override of infeed axis X to 0% in order to inhibit premature infeed (oscillating axis Z has not yet left reversal area 2 but infeed axis X is ready for a new infeed)  
set the axial override of oscillating axis Z to 100% (this cancels the 2nd synchronized action).

-> must be programmed in a separate block

## 3. Start oscillation

---

```
OSCILL[Z]=(X) POSP[X]=(5,1,1)
```

Start axes

Assign axis X as the infeed axis for oscillating axis Z.

Axis X is to travel to end position 5 in steps of 1.

---

```
M30
```

End of program



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## Notes

## Punching and Nibbling

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## **12.1 Activation, deactivation**

### **12.1.1 Language commands**



#### **Programming**

```
PDELAYON
PON G... X... Y... Z...
PONS G... X... Y... Z...
PDELAYOF
SON G... X... Y... Z...
SONS G... X... Y... Z...
SPOF
PUNCHACC(Smin, Amin, Smax, Amax)
```



#### **Explanation of the parameters**

PON	Punching on
PONS	Punching with leader on
SON	Nibbling on
SONS	Nibbling with leader on
SPOF	Punching, nibbling Off
PDELAYON	Punching with delay On
PDELAYOF	Punching with delay Off
PUNCHACC	Travel dependent acceleration PUNCHACC ( $S_{\min}$ , $A_{\min}$ , $S_{\max}$ , $A_{\max}$ )
• "S <sub>min</sub> "	Minimum hole spacing
• "S <sub>max</sub> "	Maximum hole spacing
• "A <sub>min</sub> "	The initial acceleration $A_{\min}$ can be greater than $A_{\max}$
• "A <sub>max</sub> "	The end acceleration $A_{\min}$ can be less than $A_{\max}$



#### **Function**

##### **Punching and Nibbling, activate/deactivate, PON/SON**

The punching and nibbling functions are activated with PON and SON respectively. SPOF terminates all functions specific to punching and nibbling operations.

Modal commands PON and SON are mutually exclusive, i.e. PON deactivates SON and vice versa.



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### Punching and nibbling with leader, PONS/SONS

The SONS and PONS commands also activate the punching or nibbling functions.

In contrast to SON/PON - stroke control on interpolation level - PONS and SONS control stroke initiation on the basis of signals on servo level.

This means that you can work with higher stroke frequencies and thus with an increased punching capacity.

While signals are evaluated in the leader, all functions that cause the nibbling or punching axes to change position are inhibited.

Example: Handwheel mode, changes to frames via PLC, measuring functions.

Otherwise PONS and SONS work in exactly the same way as PON and SON.

### Punching with delay

PDELAYON effects a delay in the output of the punching stroke. The command is modal and has a preparatory function. It is thus generally programmed before PON.

Punching continues normally after PDELAYOF.

### Travel-dependent acceleration PUNCHACC

The NC command PUNCHACC( $S_{\min}$ ,  $A_{\min}$ ,  $S_{\max}$ ,  $A_{\max}$ ) specifies an acceleration characteristic that defines different accelerations ( $A$ ), depending on the hole spacing ( $S$ ). Example for PUNCHACC(2, 50, 10, 100)

#### Hole spacing less than 2mm:

Traversal acceleration is 50% of maximum acceleration.

#### Hole spacing from 2mm to 10mm:

Acceleration is increased to 100%, proportional to the spacing.

#### Hole spacing greater than 10mm:

Traverse at an acceleration of 100%.



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## Initiation of stroke

### Initiation of the first stroke

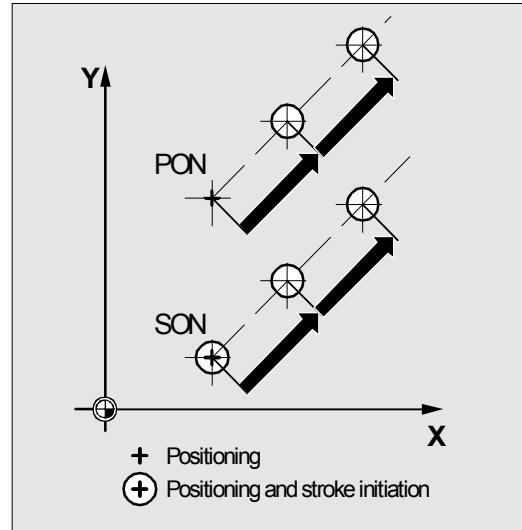
The instant at which the first stroke is initiated after activation of the function differs depending on whether nibbling or punching is selected:

#### PON/PONS:

- All strokes – even the one in the first block after activation – are executed at the block end.

#### SON/SONS:

- The first stroke after activation of the nibbling function is executed at the start of the block.
- Each of the following strokes is initiated at the block end.



### Punching and nibbling on the spot

A stroke is initiated only if the block contains traversing information for the punching or nibbling axes (axes in active plane).

However, if you wish to initiate a stroke at the same position, you can program one of the punching/nibbling axes with a traversing path of 0.

## Additional notes

### Machining with rotatable tools

Use the tangential control function if you wish to position rotatable tools at a tangent to the programmed path.



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### 12.1.2 Use of M commands



By using macro technology, you can also use M commands instead of language commands:

DEFINE M22 AS SON	Nibbling on
DEFINE M122 AS SONS	Nibbling with leader on
DEFINE M25 AS PON	Punching on
DEFINE M125 AS PONS	Punching with leader on
DEFINE M26 AS PDELAYON	Punching on with delay
DEFINE M20 AS SPOF	Punching, nibbling off
DEFINE M23 AS SPOF	Punching, nibbling off



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## 12.2 Automatic path segmentation



### Programming

SPP=  
SPN=



### Explanation

SPP	Size of path section (maximum distance between strokes); modal
SPN	Number of path sections per block; non-modal



### Function

#### Path segmentation

When punching or nibbling is active, SPP and SPN cause the total traversing distance programmed for the path axes to be divided into a number of path sections of equal length (equidistant path segmentation). Each path segment corresponds internally to a block.

#### Number of strokes

When punching is active, the first stroke is executed at the end of the first path segment. In contrast, the first nibbling stroke is executed at the start of the first path segment.

The number of punching/nibbling strokes over the total traversing path is thus as follows:

Punching:

Number of strokes = number of path segments

Nibbling:

Number of strokes = number of path segments  
+ 1

#### Auxiliary functions

Auxiliary functions are executed in the first of the generated blocks.



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### 12.2.1 Path segmentation for path axes



#### Sequence

##### Length of SPP path segment

With the SPP command, you specify the maximum distance between strokes and thus the maximum length of the path segments into which the total traversing distance is to be divided.

The command is deactivated with SPOF or SPP=0.

Example:

```
N10 G1 SON X0 Y0
N20 SPP=2 X10
```

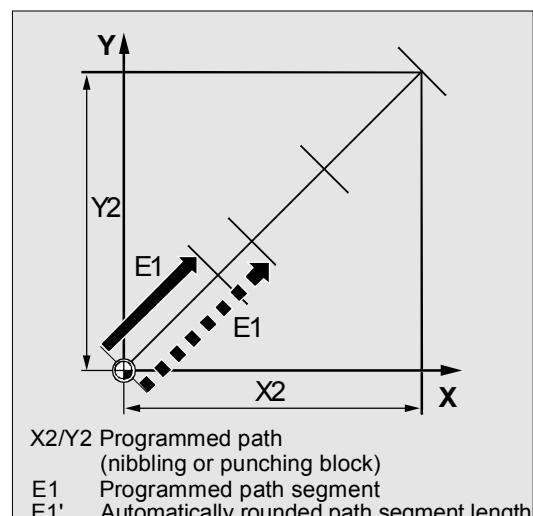
In this example, the total traversing distance of 10mm is divided into 5 path segments of 2mm (SPP=2) each.



The path segments effected by SPP are always equidistant, i.e. all segments are equal in length. In other words, the programmed path segment size (SPP setting) is valid only if the quotient of the total traversing distance and the SPP value is an integer. If this is not the case, the size of the path segment is reduced internally such as to produce an integer quotient.

Example:

```
N10 G1 G91 SON X10 Y10
N20 SPP=3.5 X15 Y15
```



When the total traversing distance is 15mm and the path segment length 3.5mm, the quotient is not an integer value (4.28).

In this case, the SPP value is reduced down to the next possible integer quotient. The result in this example would be a path segment length of 3mm.

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### Number of SPN path segments

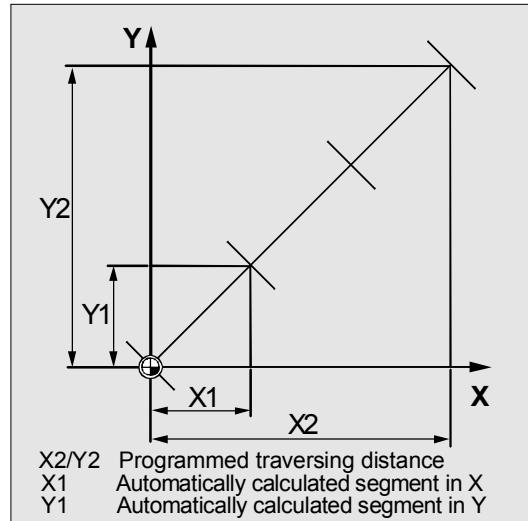
SPN defines the number of path segments to be generated from the total traversing distance. The length of the segments is calculated automatically.

Since SPN is non-modal, punching or nibbling must be activated beforehand with PON or SON respectively.

### SPP and SPN in the same block

If you program both the path segment length (SPP) and the number of path segments (SPN) in the same block, then SPN applies to this block and SPP to all the following blocks.

If SPP was activated before SPN, then it takes effect again after the block with SPN.



### Additional notes

Provided that punching/nibbling functions are available in the control, then it is possible to program the automatic path segmentation function with SPN or SPP even when the punching/nibbling functions are not in use.

### 12.2.2 Path segmentation for single axes

**i** If single axes are defined as punching/nibbling axes in addition to path axes, then the automatic path segmentation function can be activated for them.

#### Response of single axis to SPP

The programmed path segment length (SPP) basically refers to the path axes. For this reason, the SPP value is ignored in blocks which contain a single axis motion and an SPP value, but not a programmed path axis.



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If both a single axis and a path axis are programmed in the block, then the single axis responds according to the setting of the appropriate machine data.

### 1. Default setting

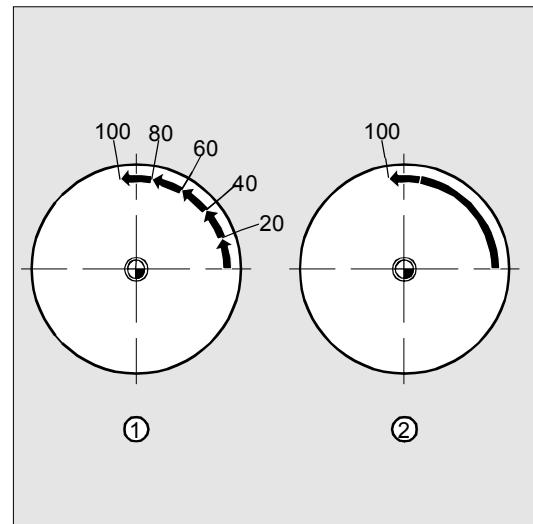
The path traversed by the single axis is distributed evenly among the intermediate blocks generated by SPP.

Example:

N10 G1 SON X10 A0  
N20 SPP=3 X25 A100

As a result of the programmed distance between strokes of 3mm, five blocks are generated for the total traversing distance of the X axis (path axis) of 15mm.

The A axis thus rotates through 20° in every block.



### 2. Single axis without path segmentation

The single axis traverses the total distance in the first of the generated blocks.

### 3. With/without path segmentation

The response of the single axis depends on the interpolation of the path axes:

- Circular interpolation: With path segmentation
- Linear interpolation: Without path segmentation

### Response to SPN

The programmed number of path segments is applicable even if a path axis is not programmed in the same block.

Precondition: The single axis is defined as a punching/nibbling axis.



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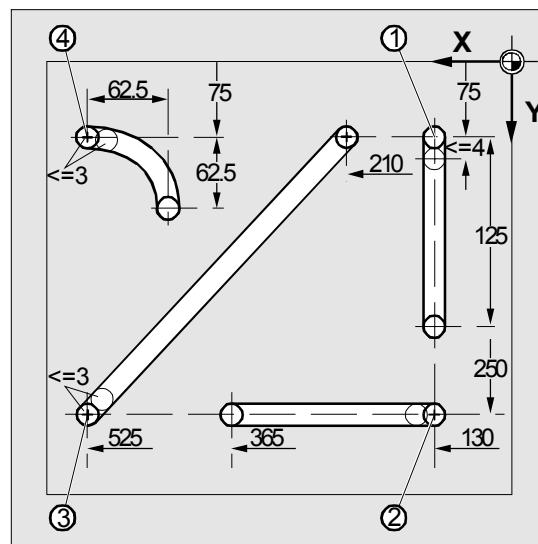
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### 12.2.3 Programming examples



#### Programming example 1

The programmed nibbling paths must be divided automatically into equidistant path segments.



#### Program extract

N100 G90 X130 Y75 F60 SPOF	Position at starting point 1
N110 G91 Y125 SPP=4 SON	Nibbling on, maximum path segment length for automatic path segmentation: 4mm
N120 G90 Y250 SPOF	Nibbling off, position at starting point 2
N130 X365 SON	Nibbling on, maximum path segment length for automatic path segmentation: 4mm
N140 X525 SPOF	Nibbling off, position at starting point 3
N150 X210 Y75 SPP=3 SON	Nibbling on, maximum path segment length for automatic path segmentation: 3mm
N140 X525 SPOF	Nibbling off, position at starting point 4
N170 G02 X-62.5 Y62.5 I J62.5 SPP=3 SON	Nibbling on, maximum path segment length for automatic path segmentation: 3mm
N180 G00 G90 Y300 SPOF	Nibbling off



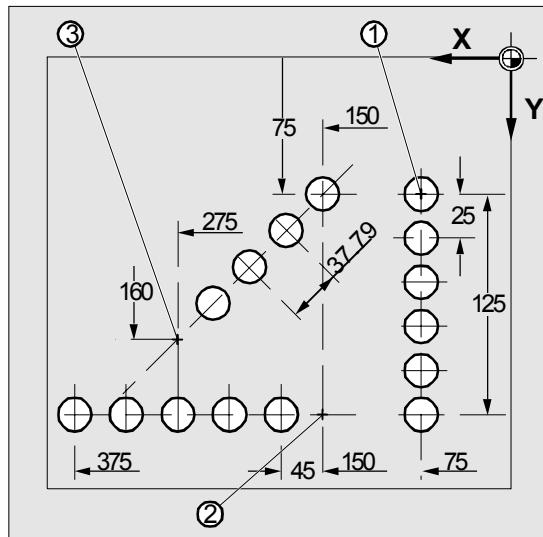
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## Programming example 2

Automatic path segmentation is to be used to create the individual rows of holes. The maximum path segment length (SPP value) is specified in each case for segmentation purposes.



## Program extract

N100 G90 X75 Y75 F60 PON	Position at starting point 1; punching on; punch one hole
N110 G91 Y125 SPP=25	Maximum path segmentation length for automatic segmentation: 25mm
N120 G90 X150 SPOF	Punching off, position at starting point 2
N130 X375 SPP=45 PON	Punching on, maximum path segment length for automatic path segmentation: 45mm
N140 X275 Y160 SPOF	Punching off, position at starting point 3
N150 X150 Y75 SPP=40 PON	Punching on, the calculated path segment length of 37.79mm is used instead of the 40mm programmed as the path segment length.
N160 G00 Y300 SPOF	Punching off, position

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## 13.1 Axis functions AXNAME, SPI, ISAXIS, AXSTRING (SW 6 and higher)

### Programming

```
AXNAME( "TRANSVERSE AXIS" )
AX[AXNAME( "string" )]
AXSTRING ( (SPI(n) )
SPI(n)(spindle number)
ISAXIS(geometry axis number)
```

### Explanation of the commands

AXNAME	Converts an input string to an axis identifier. The input string must contain valid axis names.
SPI	Converts a spindle number to an axis identifier. The parameter transferred must contain a valid spindle number.
n	Spindle number
AXSTRING	Up until SW 5, the axis index of the axis which was assigned to the spindle was output as spindle number. From SW 6 the string is output with the associated spindle number.
AX	Variable axis identifier
ISAXIS	Checks whether the specified geometry axis exists.

### Function

AXNAME is used, for example, to create generally applicable cycles when the name of the axes are not known (see also Section 13.10. "String functions").  
SPI is used, for example, when axis functions are used for a spindle, e.g. the synchronized spindle.  
ISAXIS is used in universal cycles in order to ensure that a specific geometry axis exists and thus that any following \$P\_AXNX call is not aborted with an error message.

#### (SW 6 and higher)

##### Extensions SPI(n):

The axis function SPI(n) can now also be used for reading and writing frame components, for example, for writing frames with syntax

\$S\_PFRAME[SPI](1),TR]=2.22.



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Additional programming of the axis position via address `AX[SPI(1)] = <axis position>` allows an axis to be traversed.

#### Troubleshooting for AXSTRING( SPI(n) )

When programming

`AXSTRING( SPI(n) )` up to SW 5  
the axis index of the axis which was assigned to the spindle was output as spindle number.

Example:

Spindle 1 is assigned to the 5th axis.

`( $MA_SPIND_ASSIGN_TO_MACHAX[ AX5 ]=1 ),  
AXSTRING( SPI(1) )` returns the incorrect string  
"`S4`"

With SW 6 and higher,

`AXSTRING[ SPI(n) ]` will output the string "`Sn`".

Example:

`AXSTRING( SPI(2) )` returns string "`S2`"



#### Programming example

Move the axis defined as a facing axis.

<code>OVRA[AXNAME( "Transverse axis" )]=10</code>	Transverse axis
<code>AX[AXNAME( "Transverse axis" )]=50.2</code>	Final position for transverse axis
<code>OVRA[SPI(1)]=70</code>	Override for spindle 1
<code>IF ISAXIS(1) == FALSE GOTOF CONTINUE</code>	Does abscissa exist?
<code>AX[\$P_AXN1]=100</code>	Move abscissa

`CONTINUE :`



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## 13.2 Function call ISVAR ( ) (SW 6.3 and higher)

### Programming

```
ISVAR ( "variable identifier")
ISVAR (identifier, [value, value])
```

### Explanation of the commands

Variable identifiers	Transfer parameter of type string can be undimensioned, 1-dimensional, or 2-dimensional
Identifier	Identifier with a known variable with or without an array index as machine data, setting data, system variable, or general variable
Value	Function value of type BOOL

### Structure

The transfer parameter can have the following structure:

1. Undimensioned variable:  
    identifier
2. 1-dimensional variable without array index:  
    identifier[ ]
3. 1-dimensional variable with array index:  
    identifier[value]
4. 2-dimensional variable without array index:  
    identifier[ , ]
5. 2-dimensional variable with array index:  
    identifier[value, value]

### Function

The ISVAR command is a function as defined in the NC language with a:

- Function value of type                           BOOL
- Transfer parameter of type                       STRING

The ISVAR command returns TRUE, if the transfer parameter contains a variable known in the NC (machine data, setting data, system variable, general variables such as GUD's).

## 13.2 Function call ISVAR ( ) (SW 6.3 and higher)



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### Checks

The following checks are made in accordance with the transfer parameter:

- Does the identifier exist
- Is it a 1- or 2-dimensional array
- Is an array index permitted

Only if all these checks have a positive result will TRUE be returned. If a check has a negative result or if a syntax error has occurred, it will return FALSE. Axial variables are accepted as an index for the axis names but not checked.

### Examples:

```

DEF INT VAR1
DEF BOOL IS_VAR=FALSE ; Transfer parameter is a general variable
N10 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VAR1" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE in this case

DEF REAL VARARRAY[10,10]
DEF BOOL IS_VAR=FALSE ; Different syntax variations
N20 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VARARRAY[ , ]" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE with a 2-dimensional array
N30 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VARARRAY" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE, variable exists
N40 IS_VAR=ISVAR ; IS_VAR is FALSE, array index is not allowed

        ( "VARARRAY[ 8 , 11 ]" )
N50 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VARARRAY[ 8 , 8 " ) ; IS_VAR is FALSE, syntax error for missing "]"
N60 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VARARRAY[ , 8 ]" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE, array index is allowed
N70 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "VARARRAY[ 8 , ]" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE

DEF BOOL IS_VAR=FALSE ; Transfer parameter is a machine data
N100 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "$MC_GCODE_RESET_VALUES[ 1 ]" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE

DEF BOOL IS_VAR=FALSE ; Transfer parameter is a system variable
N10 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "$P_EP" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE in this case
N10 IS_VAR=ISVAR( "$P_EP[X]" ) ; IS_VAR is TRUE in this case

```



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### 13.3 Learn compensation characteristics: QECLRNON, QECLRNOF



#### Explanation of the commands

QECLRNON Activate "Learn quadrant error compensation" function  
(axis.1,...4)

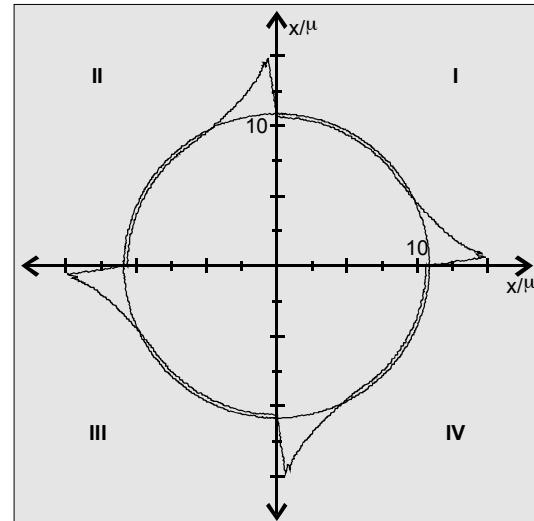
QECLRNOF Deactivate "Learn quadrant error compensation" function

#### Function

Quadrant error compensation (QEC) reduces contour errors that occur on reversal of the traversing direction due to mechanical non-linearities (e.g. friction, backlash) or torsion.

On the basis of a neural network, the optimum compensation data can be adapted by the control during a learning phase in order to determine the compensation characteristics automatically.

Learning can take place simultaneously for up to four axes.



#### Sequence

The traversing movements of the axes required for the learning process are generated with the aid of an NC program. The learning movements are stored in the program in the form of a learning cycle.

#### First teach-in

Sample NC programs contained on the disk of the standard PLC program are used to teach the movements and assign the QEC system variables in the initial learning phase during startup of the control:



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QECLRN.SPF

Learning cycle

QECDAT.MPF

Sample NC program for assigning system variables and the parameters for the learning cycle

QECTEST.MPF

Sample NC program for circle shape test

### Subsequent learning

The learnt characteristics can be optimized with subsequent learning. The data stored in the user memory are used as the basis for optimization.

Optimization is performed by adapting the sample NC programs to your needs.

The parameters of the learning cycle (e.g. QECLRN.SPF) can also be changed for optimization

- Set "Learn mode" = 1
- Reduce "Number of learn passes" if required
- Activate "Modular learning" if required and define area limits.

### Activate learning process: QECLRNON

The actual learning process is activated in the NC program with the command QECLRNON and specification of the axes:

QECLRNON (x1, y1, z1, Q)

Only if this command is active are the quadrants changed.

### Deactivate learning process: QECLRNOF

When the learning movements for the desired axes are complete, the learning process is deactivated simultaneously for all axes with QECLRNOF.



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## 13.4 Synchronized spindle

### Programming

```

COUPDEF (FS,LS,SRFS,SRLS, block change
beh., coupling)
COUPDEL (FS,LS)
COUPRES (FS,LS)
COUPON (FS,LS,PSFS)
COUPOF (FS,LS,POSFS,POSLS)
WAITC (FS,block ratio,LS,block ratio.)

```

### Explanation of the commands

COUPDEF	Define/change user coupling
COUPON	Activate coupling
COUPOF	Deactivate coupling
COUPRES	Reset coupling parameters
COUPDEL	Delete user-defined coupling
WAITC	Wait for synchronism condition

### Explanation of the parameters

FS, LS	Name of following and leading spindle; specified with spindle number: e.g. S2
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Ü <sub>FS</sub> , Ü <sub>LS</sub>	Speed ratio parameter for following spindle and leading spindle Default setting = 1.0; specification of denominator optional
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Block change behavior:	Block change method; Block change is implemented by:
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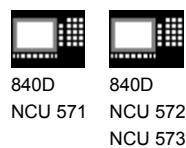
• "NOC"	immediate (default)
• "FINE"	in response to "Synchronization run fine"
• "COARSE"	in response to "Synchronization run coarse"
• "IPOSTOP"	in response to IPOSTOP (i.e. after setpoint synchronization run)

Coupling	Coupling type: Coupling between FS and LS
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• "DV"	Setpoint coupling (default)
• "AV"	Actual-value coupling

PS <sub>FS</sub>	Angle offset between leading and following spindles
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POS <sub>FS</sub> , POS <sub>LS</sub>	Deactivation positions of following and leading spindles
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## Function

In synchronized mode, there is a leading spindle (LS) and a following spindle (FS). They are referred to as the **synchronous spindle pair**. The following spindle follows the movements of the leading spindle when the coupling is active (synchronized mode) in accordance with the functional relationship specified in the parameters.

This function enables turning machines to perform workpiece transfer from spindle 1 to spindle 2 on-the-fly, e.g. for final machining. This avoids downtime caused, for example, by rechucking.

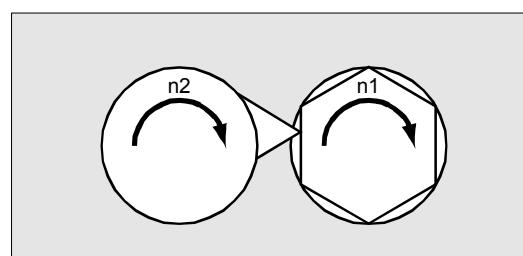
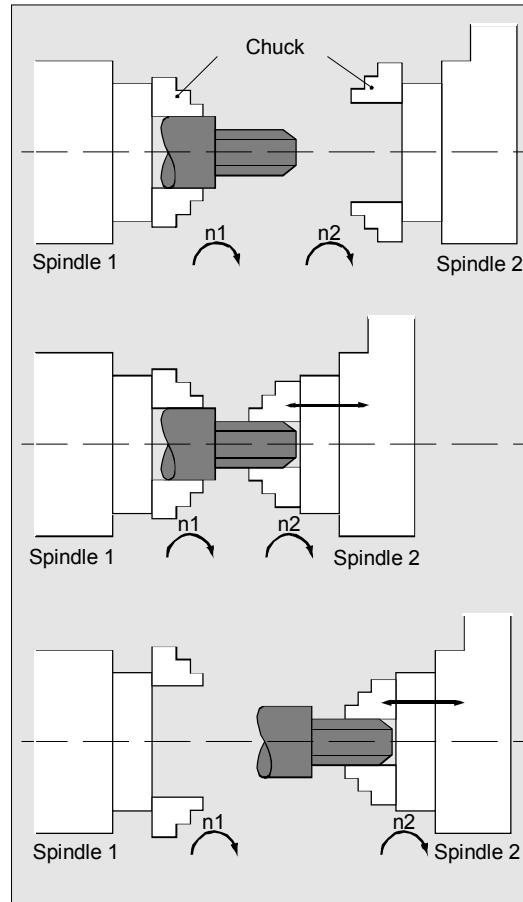
The transfer of the workpiece can be performed with:

- Speed synchronism ( $n_{FS} = n_{LS}$ )
- Position synchronism ( $\varphi_{FS} = \varphi_{LS}$ )
- Position synchronism with angular offset ( $\varphi_{FS} = \varphi_{LS} + \Delta\varphi$ )

A speed ratio  $k_U$  can also be specified between the main spindle and a "tool spindle" for multi-edge machining (polygon turning).

 The synchronized spindle pair can be defined permanently for each machine with channel-specific machine data or defined by the user in the CNC parts program.

Up to two synchronized spindle pairs can be operated simultaneously on each NC channel.





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## Sequence

### Define synchronized spindle pair Options

Fixed definition of coupling:

The leading and following spindle are defined in machine data.

With this coupling, the machine axes defined for the LS and FS cannot be changed from the NC parts program. The coupling can nevertheless be parameterized in the NC parts program by means of COUPDEF (on condition that no write protection is valid).

User-defined coupling:

The language instruction COUPDEF can be used to create new couplings and change existing ones in the NC parts programs. If a new coupling relationship is to be defined, any existing user-defined coupling must be deleted with COUPDEL.

### Define new coupling COUPDEF

The following paragraphs define the parameters for the predefined subroutine:

COUPDEF (FS,LS,SR<sub>FS</sub>,SR<sub>LS</sub>, block change beh., coupling)

### Following and leading spindles: FS and LS

The axis names FS and LS are used to identify the coupling uniquely.

They must be programmed for each COUP statement. Further coupling parameters only need to be defined if they are to be changed (modal scope).

Example:

N... COUPDEF(S2,S1, $\ddot{U}_{FS}$ , $\ddot{U}_{LS}$ )

Meaning:

S2 = following spindle, S1 = leading spindle

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### Positioning the following spindle: Options

When the synchronized spindle coupling is active, following spindles can also be positioned within the  $\pm 180^\circ$  range independently of the motion initiated by the master spindle.

#### Positioning SPOS

The following spindle can be interpolated with SPOS=...

Please refer to Programming Guide "Fundamentals" for more information about SPOS.

Example:

```
N30 SPOS[2]=IC(-90)
```

#### FA, ACC, OVRA:

##### Speed, acceleration

The position speeds and acceleration rates for following spindles can be programmed with FA[SPI(Sn)] or FA[Sn], ACC[SPI(Sn)] or ACC[Sn] and OVRA[SPI(n)] or OVRA[Sn] (see Programming Guide, Fundamentals). "n" stands for spindle number 1...n.

#### Programmable block change WAITC

WAITC can be used to define the block change behavior with various synchronism conditions (coarse, fine, IPOSTOP) for continuation of the program, e.g. after changes to coupling parameters or positioning operations.

WAITC causes a delay in the insertion of new blocks until the appropriate synchronism condition is fulfilled, thereby allowing the synchronized state to be processed faster.

If no synchronism conditions are specified, then the block change behavior programmed/configured for the relevant coupling applies.



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### Examples:

N200 WAITC

Wait for synchronism conditions for all active slave spindles without specification of these conditions.

N300 WAITC(S2, "FINE", S4, "COARSE")

Wait for the specified "Coarse" synchronism conditions for slave spindles S2 and S4.

### Speed ratio $k_{\text{U}}$

The speed ratio is defined with parameters for FS (numerator) and LS (denominator).

#### Options:

- The following and leading spindles rotate at the same speed ( $n_{\text{FS}} = n_{\text{LS}}$ ;  $\text{SR}_T$  positive)
- Rotation in the same or opposite direction ( $\text{SR}_T$  negative) between LS and FS
- The following and leading spindles rotate at different speeds  
( $n_{\text{FS}} = k_{\text{U}} \cdot n_{\text{LS}}$ ;  $k_{\text{U}} \neq 1$ )

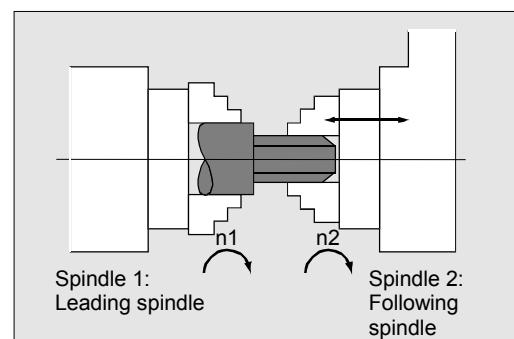
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### Example:

N... COUPDEF(S2, S1, 1.0, 4.0)

#### Meaning:

Following spindle S2 and leading spindle S1 rotate at a speed ratio of 0.25.



- The numerator must be programmed. If no numerator is programmed, "1" is taken as the default.
- The speed ratio can also be changed on-the-fly, when the coupling is active.





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### Block change behavior

The following options can be selected during definition of the coupling to determine when the block change takes place:

- |                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| " <b>NOC</b> "     | Immediately (default)  |
| " <b>FINE</b> "    | At "Synchronization fine"                                    |
| " <b>COARSE</b> "  | At "Synchronization coarse"                                  |
| " <b>IPOSTOP</b> " | At IPOSTOP (i.e. after synchronization on the setpoint side) |

It is sufficient to specify the characters typed in bold when specifying the block change method.

The block change method is modal!

### Coupling type

- |               |   |
|---------------|---|
| " <b>DV</b> " | Setpoint coupling between FS and LS (default) |
| " <b>AV</b> " | Actual-value coupling between FS and LS       |

The coupling type is modal.



### Notice

*The coupling type may be changed only when the coupling is deactivated!*



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### Activate synchronized mode

- Fastest possible activation of coupling with any angle reference between LS and FS:

N ... COUPON (S2, S1)

- Activation with angular offset  $POS_{FS}$   
Position-synchronized coupling for profiled workpieces.

$POS_{FS}$  refers to the 0° position of the lead spindle in the positive direction of rotation.

Value range  $POS_{FS}$ : 0° ... 359,999°:

COUPON (S2, S1, 30)

You can use this method to change the angle offset even when the coupling is already active.

### Deactivate synchronized mode COUPOF

Three variants are possible:

- For the fast possible activation of the coupling and immediate enabling of the block change:

COUPOF (S2, S1)

- After the deactivation positions have been crossed; the block change is not enabled until the deactivation positions  $POS_{FS}$  and, where appropriate,  $POS_{LS}$  have been crossed.

Value range 0° ... 359.999°:

COUPOF (S2, S1, 150)

COUPOF (S2, S1, 150, 30)



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### Delete couplings, COUPDEL

An existing user-defined synchronized spindle coupling must be deleted if a new coupling relationship is to be defined and all user-configurable couplings (1 or 2) are already defined.

N ... COUPON (S2, S1)

SPI(2) = following spindle, SPI(1) = leading spindle



A coupling can only be deleted if it has been deactivated first (COUPOF).



A permanently configured coupling cannot be deleted by means of COUPDEL.

### Reset coupling parameters, COUPRES

Language instruction "COUPRES" is used to

- activate the parameters stored in the machine data and setting data (permanently defined coupling) and
- activate the presettings (user-defined coupling)

The parameters programmed with COUPDEF (including the transformation ratio) are subsequently deleted.

N ... COUPRES (S2, S1)

S2 = following spindle, S1 = leading spindle



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## System variables

### Current coupling status following spindle

The current coupling status of the following spindle can be read in the NC parts program with the following axial system variable:

`$AA_COUP_ACT[FS]`

FS = axis name of the following spindle with spindle number, e.g. S2.

The value which is read has the following meaning for the following spindle:

- 0: No coupling active
- 4: synchronized spindle coupling active

### Current angular offset

The setpoint of the current position offset of the FS to the LS can be read in the parts program with the following axial system variable:

`$AA_COUP_OFFSET[ S2 ]`

The actual value for the current position offset can be read with:

`$VA_COUP_OFFSET[ S2 ]`

FS = axis name of the following spindle with spindle number, e.g. S2.



When the controller has been disabled and subsequently re-enabled during active coupling and follow-up mode, the position offset when the controller is re-enabled is different to the original programmed value. In this case, the new position offset can be read and, if necessary, corrected in the NC parts program.



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## Programming example

Working with master and slave spindles.

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	;Leading spindle = master spindle = spindle 1
	;Slave spindle = spindle 2
N05 M3 S3000 M2=4 S2=500	;Master spindle rotates at 3000rpm, slave spindle at 500rpm
N10 COUPDEF (S2, S1, 1, 1, "NOC", "Dv")	;Def. of coupling, can also be configured
...	
N70 SPCON	;Include master spindle in position control (setpoint coup.)
N75 SPCON(2)	;Include slave spindle in position control
N80 COUPON (S2, S1, 45)	;On-the-fly coupling to offset position = 45 degrees
...	
N200 FA [S2] = 100	;Positioning speed = 100 degrees/min
N205 SPOS[2] = IC(-90)	;Traverse with 90° overlay in negative direction
N210 WAITC(S2, "Fine")	;Wait for "fine" synchronism
N212 G1 X... Y... F...	;Machining
...	
N215 SPOS[2] = IC(180)	;Traverse with 180° overlay in positive direction
N220 G4 S50	;Dwell time = 50 revolutions of master spindle
N225 FA [S2] = 0	;Activate configured speed (MD)
N230 SPOS[2]=IC(-7200)	;20 rev. with configured speed in negative direction
...	
N350 COUPOF (S2, S1)	;Decouple on-the-fly, S=S2=3000
N355 SPOSA[2] = 0	;Stop slave spindle at zero degrees
N360 G0 X0 Y0	
N365 WAITS(2)	;Wait for spindle 2
N370 M5	;Stop slave spindle
N375 M30	

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## 13.5 EG: Electronic gear (SW 5 and higher)

### Introduction

The "Electronic gear" function allows you to control the movement of a **following axis** according to linear traversing block as a function of up to five **leading axes**. The relationship between the leading axis and the following axis are defined by the coupling factor for each leading axis.

The following axis motion part is calculated by an addition of the individual leading axis motion parts multiplied by their respective coupling factors.

When activating an EG axis grouping, the following axis can be synchronized according to a defined position.

A gear group can be

- defined,
- activated,
- deactivated, and
- deleted

from the parts program.

The following axis movement can be optionally derived from

- Setpoints of the leading axes, as well as
- Actual values of the leading axes.

As an expansion, with **SW 6 and higher** nonlinear relations between the leading axes and the following axis can also be achieved via **curve tables** (see Chapter 9). Electronic gears can be cascaded, i.e. the following axis of an electronic gear can be the leading axis for another electronic gear.

### 13.5.1 Define electronic gear: EGDEF

#### Function

An EG axis grouping is defined by specifying the following axis and a minimum of one and a maximum of five leading axes with the respective coupling type: EGDEF (following axis, leading axis 1, coupling type 1, leading axis 2, coupling type 2, ...)



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## Explanation

Following axis	Axis that is influenced by the leading axes
Leading axis 1, ... leading axis 5	Axes that influence the following axis
Coupling type 1, ... coupling type 5	Following axis is influenced by: 0: actual value 1: setpoint of the respective leading axis

## Programming

EGDEF(C, B, 1, Z, 1, Y, 1)

B, Z, Y influence C via setpoint

The coupling type does not need to be identical for all leading axes and is therefore specified for each leading axis individually.

The coupling factors are preset with zero for definition of the EG coupling group.

Requirement for an EG axis grouping definition:

A following axis must not yet be defined for the coupled axes (if necessary, delete any existing one with EGDEL first).

## Note

EGDEF triggers preprocessing stop. Gear definition with EGDEF must also be used unchanged, if with systems using **SW 6** and higher, one or more leading axes influence the following axis via the **curve table**.

### 13.5.2 Activate electronic gear

There are 3 variants for the activation command:

- **Variant 1:**

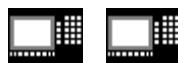
The EG axis grouping is activated selectively

**without** synchronization with:

EGON(FA, "Block change mode", LA1, Z1,  
N1, LA2, Z2, N2,..LA5, Z5, N5.)



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## Explanation

FA	Following axis
Block change mode	The following modes can be used: "NOC" Immediate block change "FINE" Block change occurs at "Synchronization fine" "COARSE" Block change occurs at "Synchronization coarse" "IPOSTOP" Block change occurs at setpoint synchronization run
LA1, ... LA5	Leading axes
Z1, ... Z5	Counter for coupling factor i
N1, ... N5	Denominator for coupling factor i Coupling factor i = Counter i / Denominator i

You may only program the leading axes that have previously been specified with EGDEF. At least one leading axis must be programmed.

The positions of the leading axes and following axis at the time of activation are saved as "synchronized positions". The "synchronized positions" can be read via system variable \$AA\_EG\_SYN.

- **Variant 2:**

The EG axis grouping is activated selectively **with** synchronization with:

```
EGONSYN(FA, "Block change mode", SynPosFA,[, LAi, SynPosLAI, Zi, Ni])
```

## Explanation

FA	Following axis:
Block change mode	The following modes can be used: "NOC" Immediate block change "FINE" Block change occurs at "Synchronization fine" "COARSE" Block change occurs at "Synchronization coarse" "IPOSTOP" Block change occurs at setpoint synchronization run



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[, LAi, SynPosLAI, Zi, Ni ]	(do not write the square brackets) min. 1, max. 5 sequences of:
LA1, ... LA5	Leading axes
SynPosLAI	Synchronized position for i-th leading axis
Z1, ... Z5	Counter for coupling factor i
N1, ... N5	Denominator for coupling factor i Coupling factor i = Counter i / Denominator i

- Variant 3:

The EG axis grouping is activated selectively **with** synchronization. The **approach mode** is specified with:

```
EGONSYNE(FA, "Block change mode", SynPosFA, approach mode
[, LAi, SynPosLAI, Zi, Ni])
```



### Explanation

Approach mode:

The parameters are the same as for variation 2 as regards:

The following modes can be used:

"NTGT"	Approach next tooth gap time-optimized
"NTGP"	Approach next tooth gap path-optimized
"ACN"	Traverse rotary axis in negative direction absolute
"ACP"	Traverse rotary axis in positive direction absolute
"DCT"	Time-optimized to programmed synchronized position
"DCP"	Path-optimized to programmed synchronized position



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Variation 3 only effects modulo following axes coupled to modulo leading axes. Time optimization takes account of velocity limits of the following axis.

The tooth distance (deg.) is calculated like this:  
 $360 * Zi/Ni$ . If the following axis is stopped at the time of calling, path optimization returns responds identically to time optimization. If the following axis is already in motion, NTGP will synchronize at the next tooth gap irrespective of the current velocity of the following axis.

If the following axis is already in motion, NTGT will synchronize at the next tooth gap depending on the current velocity of the following axis. The axis is also decelerated, if necessary.

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If a **curve table** is used for one of the leading axes, then you must set:

Ni	the denominator for the coupling factor for linear couplings must be set to 0. (Denominator 0 is illegal for linear couplings.) To the control, denominator zero means that
Zi	is to be interpreted as the number of the curve table to be used. The curve table with the specified number must already be defined when the control is switched on.
LAi	Specification of the leading axis corresponds to the leading axis specification with coupling via coupling factor (linear coupling).

 For more information about using curve tables and cascading and synchronizing electronic gears, please refer to:

/FB/ M 3, Coupled Motion and Leading Value Coupling

It is only permissible to program leading axes that have previously been specified with EGDEF.



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Via the programmed "synchronized positions" for the following axis (SynPosFA) and for the leading axes (SynPosLA), positions are defined in which the coupling group is valid as *synchronized*. If the electronic gear is not in synchronized state when it is activated, the following axis will traverse to its defined synchronized position.

If modulo axes are contained in the coupling group, their position values are modulus-reduced. This ensures that the next possible synchronized position is approached (so-called *relative synchronization*: e.g. the next tooth gap). The synchronized position is only approached if "Enable following axis override" interface signal DB(30 + axis number), DBX 26 bit 4 is issued for the following axis. If it is not issued, the program stops at the EGONSYN block and self-clearing alarm 16771 is output until the above mentioned signal is set.

### 13.5.3 Deactivate electronic gear

There are three different ways to deactivate an active EG axis grouping.

#### Variant 1:

`EGOFS(following axis)`

The electronic gear is deactivated. The following axis is decelerated until it is motionless.

The call triggers preprocessing stop.

#### Variant 2:

`EGOFS(following axis, leading axis 1,  
... leading axis 5)`

This command parameter setting make it possible to **selectively** remove the control the individual leading axes have over the following axis' motion.

At least one leading axis must be specified. The influence of the specified leading axes on the following axis is selectively disabled.

The call triggers preprocessing stop.

If leading axes are still active, the following axis will continue to operate under their control. If all leading axis influences have been disabled in this manner, the following axis is decelerated until it reaches a standstill.



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### Variant 3:

EGOFC(following spindle)

The electronic gear is deactivated. The following spindle continues to operate with the current speed that was valid at the time of deactivation.

The call triggers preprocessing stop.

#### Note

This functions is only allowed for spindles.

### 13.5.4 Delete definition of an electronic gear



An EG axis grouping must be deactivated as described in the preceding section before you can delete its definition.

EGDEL(following axis)

The coupling definition of the axis grouping is deleted.

Additional axis groupings can be defined by means of EGDEF until the maximum number of simultaneously activated axis groupings is reached.

The call triggers preprocessing stop.

### 13.5.5 Revolutionary feedrate (G95)/electronic gear (SW 5.2)



In SW 5 and higher, using the FPR() command, it is also possible to define the following axis of an electronic gear as the axis determining the revolutionary feedrate. The following applies in this case:

- The feed is dependent on the setpoint speed of the following axis of the electronic gear.
- The setpoint speed is calculated from the speed of the leading spindles and modulo leading axes (that are not path axes) and their assigned coupling factors.
- Speed parts of linear or non-modulo leading axes and overlaid movement of the following axis are not taken into account.



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### 13.5.6 Response of EG at Power ON, RESET, mode change, block search

After Power ON there are **no** active couplings.

Active couplings are retained after reset and mode change.

With block search, commands for switching, deleting and defining the electronic gear are not executed or retained, instead they are skipped.

### 13.5.7 The electronic gear's system variables



By means of the electronic gear's system variables, the parts program can determine the current states of an EG axis grouping and react to them if required.



#### Additional notes

The system variables for the electronic gear are listed in the Annex. They are characterized by names beginning with:

\$AA\_EG\_ ...

or

\$VA\_EG\_ ...



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## 13.6 Extended stopping and retract (SW 5 and higher)

### Function

The "Extended stopping and retract" function ESR provides a means to react flexibly to selective error sources while preventing damage to the workpiece.

"Extended stopping and retract" provides the following part reactions:

- **"Extended stopping"** (independent drive, SW 5)  
is a time-delayed stop.
- **"Retract"** (independent of drive)  
means "escaping" from the machining plane to a safe retraction position. This means any risk of collision between the tool and the workpiece is avoided.
- **"Generator operation"** (independent of drive)  
For the cases in which the energy of the DC link is not sufficient for a safe retraction, generator operation is possible. As an independent drive mode, it provides the drive DC link with the necessary power to perform an orderly "stop" and "retract" in the event of a power failure or similar occurrence.

### From SW 6 also:

- **Extended shut down** (NC-controlled)  
is a defined, time-delayed, contour-friendly shut down controlled by the NC.
- **Retract** (NC-controlled)  
means "escaping" from the machining level to a safe retraction position under the control of the NC. This means any risk of collision between the tool and the workpiece is avoided. With gear cutting, for example, retract will cause a retraction from tooth gaps that are currently being machined.

All reactions can be used independently from one another.

For further information, see  
/FB/ M3, Axis Couplings and ESR

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### 13.6.1 Drive-independent reactions



#### Function

Drive-independent reactions are defined axially; if activated, each drive processes its stop/retract request independently. There is no interpolatory coupling of axes or coupling adhering to the path at stop/retract, the reference to the axes is time-controlled.

During and after execution of drive-independent reactions, the respective drive no longer follows the NC enables or NC travel commands. Power OFF/Power ON is necessary. Alarm "26110: Drive-independent stop/retract triggered" draws attention to this.

#### Generator operation

Generator operation is

- Configured: via MD 37500: **10**
- Enabled: system variable \$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE
- Activated: depending on the setting of the drive machine data when the voltage in the DC link falls below the value.

#### Retract (drive-independent)

Drive-independent retract is

- Configured: via MD 37500: **11**; time specification and return velocity are set in MD, see "Example: Using the drive-independent reaction" at the end of this chapter,
- Enabled: system variable \$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE
- Triggered: system variable \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER.

#### Stop (independent drive)

Drive-independent stop is

- Configured: via MD 37500: **12** as well as time specification via MD;
- Enabled (\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE) and
- Triggered: system variable \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER.



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### 13.6.2 NC-controlled reactions



#### Function

##### Retract

Preconditions:

- the axes selected with POLFMASK
- the axis-specific positions defined with POLF
- the time window in MD 21380:  
  ESR\_DELAY\_TIME1 and MD 21381:  
  ESR\_DELAY\_TIME2
- the trigger via system variable  
  \$AC\_ESR\_TRIGGER
- the defined ESR reaction MD 37500:  
  ESRREACTION = 21

If system variable \$AC\_ESR\_TRIGGER = 1 is set,  
and if a retract axis is configured in this channel (i.e.  
MD 37500: ESRREACTION = 21) and  
\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE=1 is set for this axis, then

**LIFTFAST** is activated in this channel.

The retract position must have been programmed in  
the parts program. The enabling signals must have  
been set for the retraction movement and  
must remain set.

The retracting movement configured with **LFPOS**,  
**POLF** for the axis/axes selected with **POLFMASK**  
replaces the path motion set in the parts program for  
these axes. The extended retracting movement (i.e.  
LIFTFAST/LFPOS triggered via  
\$AC\_ESR\_TRIGGER) **cannot be interrupted** and  
can only be terminated before completion by an  
emergency STOP. The maximum time allowed for  
the retraction consists of the sum of the times  
specified in MD 21380: ESR\_DELAY\_TIME1 and  
MD 21381: ESR\_DELAY\_TIME2.

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After this time has lapsed, rapid deceleration is initiated for the retracting axis too, with subsequent correction.

The frame that was active when fast retraction was activated is used.

#### Important:

Frames with rotation also influence the lifting direction via **POLF**. The NC-controlled retraction is

- configured: via MD 37500: **21** as well as 2 time specification via MD (see above);
- enabled (**\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE**) and triggered: System variable **\$AC\_ESR\_TRIGGER**



## Programming

**POLF[geo | mach]= value**

Target position of retracting axis



## Explanation of the commands

<b>POLF</b>	Command, modal
<b>geo   mach</b>	Geometry axis or Channel/machine axis that retracts
<b>value</b>	Retract position, WCS is valid for geometry axis, otherwise MCS. When using the same identifiers for geometry axis and channel/machine axis, the workpiece coordinate system is used for retraction. Incremental programming is permissible.



## Programming

**POLFMASK(axisname1, axisname2, ...)**

Axis selection for the retraction



## Explanation of the commands

<b>POLFMASK</b>	Command
	<b>POLFMASK()</b> without axis specification deactivates rapid lift for all axes.
<b>axisnamei</b>	Names of the axes that are to travel to positions defined with <b>POLF</b> in case of <b>LIFTFAST</b> . All the axes specified must be in the same coordinate system. Before rapid lift to a defined position can be enabled via <b>POLFMASK</b> , you need to program a position via <b>POLF</b> for the selected axes.



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There are no machine data with default settings for **POLF** values.

When interpreting **POLFMASK**, alarm 16016 is issued if **POLF** has not yet been programmed.

#### Notice

*The positions programmed with **POLF** and the activation via **POLFMASK** are deleted at parts program start. This means that the user must program the values for **POLF** and the selected axes (**POLFMASK**) in each parts program.*



#### Function

##### Stop

The sequence for extended stop (NC-controlled) is specified in the following machine data:

MD 21380: ESR\_DELAY\_TIME1 and

MD 21381: ESR\_DELAY\_TIME2.

The axis continues interpolating as programmed for the time duration specified in MD 21380.

After the time delay specified in MD 21380 has lapsed, controlled braking is initiated by interpolation.

The maximum time available for the interpolatory controlled braking is specified in MD 21381; after this time has lapsed, rapid deceleration with subsequent correction is initiated.

The NC-controlled stop is

- configured: via MD 37500: **22** as well as 2 time specification via MD (see above);
- enabled (\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE) and
- triggered: System variable \$AC\_ESR\_TRIGGER



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### **13.6.3 Possible trigger sources**

#### **Function**

The following error sources for starting "Extended stop and retract" are possible:

- General sources (NC-external/global or mode group/channel-specific):
  - Digital inputs (e.g. on NCU modules or terminal blocks) or mapping the digital outputs within the control (\$A\_IN, \$A\_OUT)
  - Channel status (\$AC\_STAT)
  - VDI signals (\$A\_DB)
  - Group messages from a number of alarms (\$AC\_ALARM\_STAT)
- Axial sources:
  - Emergency retraction threshold of the following axis (synchronization of electronic coupling, \$VA\_EG\_SYNCDIFF[following axis])
  - Drive: DC link warning threshold (pending undervoltage), \$AA\_ESR\_STAT[axis]
  - Drive: Generator minimum velocity threshold (no more regenerative rotation energy available), \$AA\_ESR\_STAT[axis].

### **13.6.4 Logic gating functions: Source/reaction operation**

#### **Function**

The static synchronized actions' flexible gating possibilities are used to trigger specific reactions according to the sources.

The operator has several options for gating all relevant sources by means of static synchronized actions. Users can evaluate the source system variable as a whole or also selectively by means of bit masks and gate their desired reactions to them. The static synchronized actions are effective in all operating modes.



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For a more detailed description on how to use synchronized actions, please refer to

**References:** /FBSY/ Description of Functions  
Synchronized Actions

### 13.6.5 Activation



Enabling functions:

`$AA_ESR_ENABLE`

The generator operation, stop and retract functions are enabled by setting the associated control signal (`$AA_ESR_ENABLE`). This control signal can be modified by the synchronized actions.

#### Triggering functions (general triggering of all released axes)

`$AN_ESR_TRIGGER`

- Generator operation is "automatically" active in the drive when a pending DC link undervoltage is detected.
- Drive-independent stop and/or retract are active when a communications failure (between the NC and drive) is detected, as well as when a DC link undervoltage is detected in the drive (providing it is configured and enabled).
- Drive-independent stop and/or retract can also be triggered from the NC side by setting the corresponding control signal `$AN_ESR_TRIGGER` (broadcast command to all drives).

### 13.6.6 Generator operation/DC link backup



#### Function

By configuring drive MD and carrying out the required programming via static synchronized actions (`$AA_ESR_ENABLE`), temporary DC link voltage drops can be compensated. The time that can be bridged depends on how much energy the generator that is used as DC link backup has stored, as well as how much energy is required to maintain the active movements (DC link backup and monitoring for generator speed limit).

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When the value falls below the DC link voltage lower limit, the axis/spindle concerned switches from position or speed-controlled operation to generator operation. Drive deceleration (default speed setpoint = 0) causes regeneration of energy in the DC link.

For more information see

/FB/ M 3, Coupled Motion and Leading Value

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### 13.6.7 Drive-independent stop

#### Function

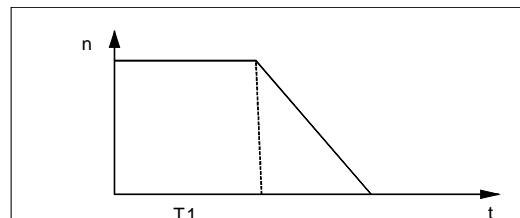
The drives of a previously coupled grouping can be stopped by time-controlled cutout delay keeping the difference between them to a minimum, if the control is unable to achieve this.

Drive-independent stop is configured and enabled via MD (delay time T1 in MD) and is enabled by system variable \$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE and started with \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER.

#### Reactions

For time T1 the speed setpoint that was active when the error occurred is still output. This is an attempt to maintain the movement that was active before the failure until the physical contact is annulled or the retraction movement initiated simultaneously in other drives is completed. This can be necessary for all leading/following drives or for drives that are coupled or in a grouping.

After time T1, all axes with speed setpoint feedforward zero are stopped at the current limit, and the pulses are deleted when zero speed is reached or when the time has expired (+drive MD).





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### 13.6.8 Drive-independent retract



#### Function

Axes with digital 611D drives can (if configured and released) also execute a retraction movement independently

- at control failure (sign-of-life detection)
- if the DC link voltage falls below a warning threshold
- if triggered by the system variable \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER.

The retraction movement is performed independently by drive 611D.

Once the retraction phase is initiated, the drive independently maintains its enables at the values that were previously valid.



For more information see  
/FB/ M 3, Coupled Motion and Leading Value  
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### 13.6.9 Example: Using the drive-independent reaction

#### Example configuration

- Axis A is to operate as generator drive,
- axis X is to retract by 10 mm at maximum speed in event of an error and
- axes Y and Z are to stop with a time delay of 100 ms, such that the retraction axis has time to cancel the mechanical coupling.



#### Sequence

1. Activate options "Ext. Stop and retract" and "Mode-independent actions" (includes "Static synchronized actions IDS ...").
2. Function assignment:  
`$MA_ESRREACTION[X]=11,  
$MA_ESRREACTION[Y]=12,  
$MA_ESRREACTION[Z]=12,  
$MA_ESRREACTION[A]=10;`

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### 3. Drive configuration:

MD 1639 RETRACT\_SPEED[X] =400000H in pos. direction (max. speed),  
=FFC00000H in neg. direction,  
MD 1638 RETRACT\_TIME[X] =10ms (retract time),  
MD 1637 GEN\_STOP\_DELAY[Y] =100ms,  
MD 1637 GEN\_STOP\_DELAY[Z] =100ms,  
MD 1635 GEN\_AXIS\_MIN\_SPEED[A] =Generator min. speed (rpm).

### 4. Function enable (from parts program or

synchronized actions): \$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE[X]=1,  
\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE[Y]=1,  
\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE[Z]=1,  
\$AA\_ESR\_ENABLE[A]=1

### 5. Get the generator operation to "momentum" speed

(e.g. in spindle operation M03 S1000)

### 6. Formulate trigger condition as static synchronized action(s), e.g.:

- dependent on intervention of the generator axis:  
IDS=01 WHENEVER \$AA\_ESR\_STAT[A]>0 DO  
\$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER=1
- and/or dependent on alarms that trigger follow-up mode  
(bit13=2000H):  
IDS=02 WHENEVER (\$AC\_ALARM\_STAT B\_AND  
'H2000')>0  
DO \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER=1
- and also dependent on EU synchronized operation (if, for example, Y is defined as EU following axis and if the max. allowed deviation of synchronized operation shall be 100 µm):  
IDS=03 WHENEVER ABS(\$VA\_EG\_SYNCDIFF[Y])>0.1  
DO \$AN\_ESR\_TRIGGER=1

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### Function

The NCU link, which connects several NCU units from an installation, is used in configurations with a distributed system design. When there is a high demand for axes and channels, e.g. with revolving machines and multi-spindle machines, computing capacity, configuration options and memory areas can reach their limits when only one NCU is used.



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Several networked NCUs connected by means of an NCU link module represent an open, scalable solution that meets all the requirements of this type of machine tool. The NCU link module (hardware) provides high-speed NCU-to-NCU communication.



Options providing this functionality can be ordered separately.



### Function

Several NCUs linked via link modules can have read and write access to a global NCU memory area via the system variables described in the following.

- Each NCU linked via a link module can use **global link variables**. These link variables are addressed in the same way by all connected NCUs.
- Link variables can be programmed as system variables.  
As a rule, the machine manufacturer defines and documents the meaning of these variables.
- Applications for link variables:
  - Global machine states
  - Workpiece clamping open/closed
  - Etc.
- Relatively small data volume
- Very high transfer speed,  
therefore: Use is intended for time-critical information.
- These system variables can be accessed from the **parts program** and from **synchronized actions**. The size of the memory area for global NCU system variables configurable.

When a value is written in a global system variable, it can be read by all the NCUs connected after one interpolation cycle.

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Link variables are **global system data** that can be

addressed by the connected NCUs as **system**

**variables**. The

- **contents** of these variables,

- their **data type**,

- **use**, and

- position (**access index**) in the link memory

are defined by the user (in this case generally the machine manufacturer).

Link variables are stored in the link memory.

After power-up, the link memory is initialized with 0.

The following link variables can be addressed within the link memory:

- INT \$A\_DLW[i] ; data byte (8 bits)
- INT \$A\_DLW[i] ; data word (16 bits)
- INT \$A\_DLD[i] ; double data word (32 bits)
- REAL \$A\_DLR[i] ; real data (64 bits)

According to the type in question, 1, 2, 4 or 8 bytes are addressed when the link variables are written/read.

Index **i** defines the start of the respective variable in relation to the start of the configured link memory.

The index is counted from 0 up.

### Value ranges

The different data types have the following value

ranges:

BYTE: 0 to 255

WORD: -32768 to 32767

DWORD: -2147483648 to 2147483647

REAL: -4.19e-308 to 4.19e-307

**i** The various NCU applications sharing access to the link memory **at the same time** must use the link

memory in a **uniform manner**. When the process is completely separate in time, the link memory can be occupied differently.



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### Warning

A link variable write process is only then completed when the written information is also available to all the other NCUs. Approximately two interpolation cycles are necessary for this process. Local writing to the link memory is delayed by the same time for purposes of consistency.

For more information, please refer to the Description of Functions B3 (SW 5)



### Programming example

`$A_DL8[5]=21`

The 5th byte in the shared link memory is assigned value 21.

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## 13.8 Axis container (SW 5.2 and higher)



### Function

With revolving machines/multi-spindle machines the axes holding the workpiece move from one machining station to the next.

As the machining stations are controlled by different NCU channels, at station/position change the axes holding the workpiece must be dynamically reassigned to the appropriate NCU channel. The **axis container** is provided for this purpose.

Only one workpiece clamping axis/spindle can be active at any one time at the local machining station.

The axis container compiles the possible connections with all clamping axes/spindles, of which only exactly **one** is always **activated** for the machining station.

The following can be assigned via axis containers:

- Local axes and/or
- Link axes (see Fundamentals)

The available axes that are defined in the axis container can be changed by switching the entries in the axis container.

This switching function can be triggered from the **parts program**.

The axis containers with link axes are a tool that is valid across NCUs (NCU global) and is coordinated by the control.

It is also possible to have axis containers in which only local axes are managed.



Detailed information on configuring axis containers can be found in /FB/, B3 (SW 5.2)

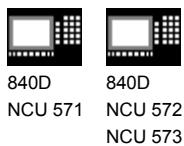
The entries in the axis container can be switched by increment n via the commands:



### Programming

`AXCTSWE (CTi)`  
`AXCTSWED (CTi)`

`AXIS_CONTAINER_SWITCH_ENABLE`  
`AXIS_CONTAINER_SWITCH_ENABLE`  
`DIRECT`



## Explanation



$CT_i$  or

e.g. A\_CONT1

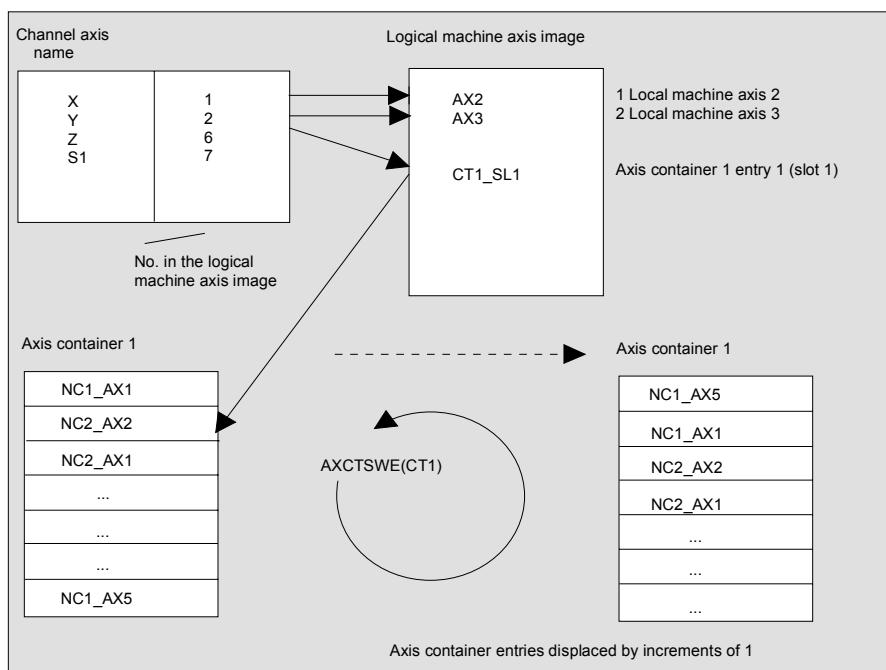
Number of the axis container whose contents are to be switched or individual name of axis container set via MD.

## Function



AXCTSWE ()

Each channel whose axes are contained in the specified container issues an **enable for a container rotation**, if it has finished machining the position/station. Once the control receives the enables from **all** channels for the axes in the container, the container is rotated with the increment specified in the SD.



In the preceding example, after axis container rotation by 1, axis AX5 on NCU1 is assigned to channel axis Z instead of axis AX1 on NCU1.

The command variant AXCTSWED( $CT_i$ ) can be used to simplify startup. Under the sole effect of the active channel, the axis container rotates around the increment stored in the SD.

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This call may only be used if the other channels, which have axes in the container are in the **RESET** state.

**i** After an axis container rotation, **all NCUs** whose channels refer to the rotated axis container via the logical machine axis image are affected by the new axis assignment.

## 13.9 Program execution time/Workpiece counter (SW 5.2 and higher)

### Function

Information on the program execution time and on the workpiece count are provided to support the person working at the machine tool.

This information is specified in the respective machine data and can be edited as a system variable in the NC and/or PLC program. This information is also available to the MMC at the operator panel front interface.

### 13.9.1 Program runtime

#### Function

Under this function, timers are provided as system variables, which can be used to monitor technological processes.

These timers can only be read. They can be accessed at any time by the MMC in read mode.

#### Explanation

The following two timers are defined as NCK-specific system variables and always active.

`$AN_SETUP_TIME`

Time in minutes since the last setup;  
is reset with SETUP



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**\$AN\_POWERON\_TIME**

Time in minutes since the last PowerOn;  
is reset with POWERON

The following three timers are defined as  
channel-specific system variables and can be  
activated via machine data.

**\$AC\_OPERATING\_TIME**

Total execution time in seconds of NC  
programs in the automatic mode

**\$AC\_CYCLE\_TIME**

Execution time in seconds of the selected NC  
program

**\$AC\_CUTTING\_TIME**

Tool operation time in seconds

**\$MC\_RUNTIMER\_MODE**

Tool operation time in seconds



All timers are reset with default values when the  
control is powered up, and can be read independent  
of their activation.



### Programming example

1. Activate runtime measurement for the active NC  
program; no measurement with active dry run  
feedrate and program testing:

**\$MC\_PROCESSTIMER\_MODE = 'H2'**

2. Activate measurement for the tool operating time;  
measurement also with active dry run feedrate and  
program testing:

**\$MC\_PROCESSTIMER\_MODE= 'H34'**

3. Activate measurement for the total runtime and  
tool operating time; measurement also during  
program testing:

**\$MC\_PROCESSTIMER\_MODE= 'H25'**

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### 13.9.2 Workpiece counter



#### Function

The "Workpiece counter" function can be used to prepare counters, e.g. for internal counting of workpieces on the control. These counters exist as channel-specific system variables with read and write access within a value range from 0 to 999 999 999.

Machine data can be used to control counter activation, counter reset timing and the counting algorithm.



#### Explanation

The following counters are provided:

<code>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS</code>	Number of workpieces required  In this counter you can define the number of workpieces at which the actual workpiece counter <code>\$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS</code> is reset to zero. Machine data can be used to configure the generation of the display alarm "Required number of workpieces reached" and the channel VDI signal "Required number of workpieces reached".
<code>\$AC_TOTAL_PARTS</code>	Total number of workpieces actually produced (total actual)  The counter indicates the total number of workpieces produced since the starting time. The counter is automatically reset with default values only when the control is powered up.
<code>\$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS</code>	Number of actual workpieces. This counter records the number of all workpieces produced since the starting time. The counter is automatically reset to zero (on condition that <code>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS</code> is not equal to 0) when the required number of workpieces ( <code>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS</code> ) has been reached.
<code>\$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS</code>	Number of workpieces specified by the user  This counter allows user-defined workpiece counting. Alarm output can be defined for the case of identity with <code>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS</code> (workpiece target). The user must reset the counter



The "Workpiece counter" function operates independently of the tool management functions. All counters can be read and written from the MMC. All counters are reset with default values when the control is powered up, and can be read/written independent of their activation.



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## Programming example

### 1. Activate workpiece counter \$AC\_REQUIRED\_PARTS:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER='H3'</pre>	<p>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS is active, display alarm on \$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS == \$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS</p>
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### 2. Activate workpiece counter \$AC\_TOTAL\_PARTS:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER='H10' \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[0]=80</pre>	<p>\$AC_TOTAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M02, \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[0] is irrelevant</p>
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### 3. Activate workpiece counter \$AC\_ACTUAL\_PARTS:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER='H300' \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[1]=17</pre>	<p>\$AC_TOTAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M17</p>
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### 4. Activate workpiece counter \$AC\_SPECIAL\_PARTS:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER='H3000' \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[2]=77</pre>	<p>\$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M77</p>
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### 5. Deactivate workpiece counter \$AC\_ACTUAL\_PARTS:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER='H200' \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[1]=50</pre>	<p>\$AC_TOTAL_PARTS is not active, rest irrelevant</p>
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### 6. Activate all counters, examples 1-4:

<pre>\$MC_PART_COUNTER           ='H3313' \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[0]   =80 \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[1]   =17 \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[2]   =77</pre>	<p>\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS is active Display alarm on \$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS == \$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS \$AC_TOTAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M02 \$MC_PART_COUNTER_MCODE[0] is irrelevant \$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M17 \$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS is active, the counter is incremented by 1 on each M77</p>
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## 13.10 Interactive window call from parts program, command MMC (SW 4.4 and higher)



### Programming

```
MMC ( "CYCLES, PICTURE_ON, T_SK.COM, PICTURE, MGUD.DEF, PICTURE_3.AWB,
TEST_1, A1", "S" )
```



### Explanation

CYCLES

Operating area in which the configured user dialog boxes are implemented.

PICTURE\_ON or PICTURE\_OFF

Command: display selection or display deselection

T\_SK.COM

Com file: Name of the dialog display file (user cycles). The dialog display design is defined here. The dialog displays can show user variables and/or comments.

DISPLAY

Name of dialog display: The individual displays are selected via the names of the dialog displays.

MGUD.DEF

User data definition file, which is addressed while reading/writing variables.

PICTURE\_3.AWB

Graphics file

TEST\_1

Display time or acknowledgement variable

A1

Text variables..." ,

" S "

Acknowledgement mode: synchronous, acknowledgement via "OK" soft key



### Function

With the MMC command, user-defined dialog windows (dialog displays) can be displayed on the MMC/HMI from the parts program.

The dialog window design is defined in pure text configuration (COM file in cycles directory), while the MMC/HMI system software remains unchanged.

User-defined dialog windows cannot be called simultaneously in different channels.



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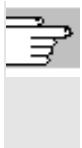
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Please see the detailed notes on how to program the MMC command (incl. programming examples) in /IAM/ in the manuals IM1 through IM4 depending on the MMC/HMI software used.

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#### 13.11.1 Percentage jerk correction: JERKLIM



##### Programming

```
JERKLIM[axis] = ...
```



##### Explanation of the command

JERKLIM

Percentage change for the greatest permissible jerk relative to the value set in the machine data for the axis

Axis

Machine axis whose jerk limit has to be adapted



##### Function

In critical program sections, it may be necessary to limit the jerk to below maximum value, for example, to reduce mechanical stress. The acceleration mode SOFT must be active.

The function only effects path axes.



##### Sequence

In the AUTOMATIC modes, the jerk limit is limited to the percentage of the jerk limit stored in the machine data.

**Example:** N60 JERKLIM[X]=75

Meaning: The axis carriage in the X direction must be accelerated/decelerated with only 75% of the jerk permissible for the axis.

**Value range:** 1 ... 200

100 corresponds to: no effect on jerk.

100 is applied after RESET and parts program start.



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### Additional notes

A further example will follow at the end of the next subsection.

## 13.11.2 Percentage velocity correction: VELOLIM



### Programming

VELOLIM[axis]= ...



### Explanation of the command

VELOLIM

Percentage change for the greatest permissible velocity relative to the value set in the machine data for the axis

Axis

Machine axis whose velocity limit has to adapted



### Function

In critical program sections, it may be necessary to limit the velocity to below maximum values, for example, to reduce mechanical stress or enhance finish. The function only effects path and positioning axes.



### Sequence

In the AUTOMATIC modes, the velocity limit is limited to the percentage of the velocity limit stored in the machine data.

**Example:** N70 VELOLIM[X]=80

Meaning: The axis carriage in the X direction must travel at only 80% of the velocity permissible for the axis.



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**Value range:** 1 ... 100

100 corresponds to: no effect on velocity.

100 is applied after RESET and parts program start.



### Programming example

```
N1000 G0 X0 Y0 F10000 SOFT G64
N1100 G1 X20 RNDM=5 ACC[X]=20
          ACC[Y]=30
N1200 G1 Y20 VELOLIM[X]=5
          JERKLIM[Y]=200
N1300 G1 X0 JERKLIM[X]=2
N1400 G1 Y0
M30
```

### 13.12 Master/slave grouping



#### Programming:

MASLDEF(Slv1, Slv2, ..., master axis)

For dynamic configuration  
(SW 6.4 and higher)

MASLDEL(Slv1, Slv2, ..., )

For dynamic configuration  
(SW 6.4 and higher)

MASLON(Slv1, Slv2, ..., )

MASLOF(Slv1, Slv2, ..., )

(SW 6.4 and higher)

### =? Explanation of the parameters

Slv1, Slv2, ...

Slave axes led by a master axis

Master axis

Axis leading slave axes defined in a  
master/slave grouping



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## Function

The master/slave coupling in SW 6.4 and lower permitted coupling of the slave axes to their master axis only while the axes involved are stopped.

Extension of SW 6.4 permits coupling and uncoupling of **rotating**, speed-controlled spindles and dynamic configuration.

### Dynamic configuration

MASLDEF

(SW 6.4 and higher)

Definition of a master/slave grouping from the parts program. In SW 6.4 and lower, definition as in the machine data only.

MASLDEL

(SW 6.4 and higher)

The instruction cancels assignment of the slave axes to the master axis and simultaneously uncouples the current coupling, like MASLOF.

The master/slave definitions declared in the machine data are retained.

### General

MASLON

Enable a temporary coupling

MASLOF

This instruction uncouples an active coupling.

(SW 6.4 and higher)

For spindles in speed control mode, this instruction is executed immediately. The slave spindles rotating at this time retain their speeds until next speed programming.



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## MASLOFS

(SW 6.4 and higher)

The MASLOFS instruction can be used to decelerate slave spindles automatically on uncoupling. For axes and spindles in positioning mode, uncoupling is only possible while stopped.

### More information (SW 6.4 and higher)

For MASLOF/MASLOFS, the implicit preprocessing stop is not required. Because of the missing preprocessing stop, the \$P system variables for the slave axes do not provide updated values until next programming.

### Programming example

Dynamic configuration of a master/slave coupling from the parts program:

The axis relevant after axis container rotation must become the master axis.

MASLDEF (AUX , S3 )	; S3 master for AUX
MASLON (AUX )	; Coupling ON for AUX
M3=3 S3=4000	; Clockwise rotation
MASLDEL (AUX )	; Clear configuration and ; uncoupling
AXCTSWE (CT1 )	; Container rotation



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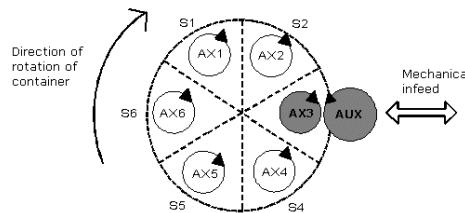
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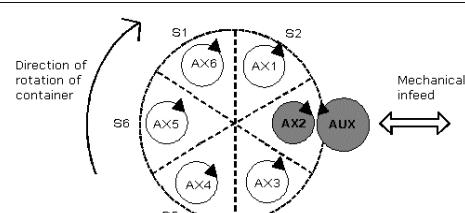
To enable coupling with another spindle after container rotation, the previous coupling must be uncoupled, the configuration cleared, and a new coupling configured.

Example of a coupling sequence Position 3 / Container CT1

See /FB/, B3 Section 2.6 Axis container



Original situation



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## 14.1 Supporting functions for stock removal



### User stock removal programs

Preprogrammed stock removal programs are provided for stock removal. You can also use the following functions to develop your own stock removal programs.

CONTPRON	Activate tabular contour preparation (11 columns)
CONTDCON	Activate tabular contour decoding (6 columns)
INTERSEC	Calculate intersection of two contour elements. (Only for tables created by CONTPRON).
EXECTAB	Block-by-block execution of contour elements of a table (Only for tables created by CONTPRON).
CALCDAT	Calculate radii and center points



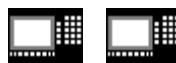
You can use these functions universally, not just for stock removal.



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## 14.2 Contour preparation: CONTPRON

### Programming

```
CONTPRON (TABNAME, MACH, NN, MODE)
EXECUTE (ERROR)
```

### Explanation of the parameters

CONTPRON	Activate contour preparation
TABNAME	Name of contour table
MACH	Parameters for type of machining: "G": Longitudinal turning: Inside machining "L": Longitudinal turning: External machining "N": Face turning: Inside machining "P": Face turning: External machining
NN	Number of relief cuts in result variable of type INT
MODE (SW 4.4 and higher)	Direction of machining, type INT 0 = Contour preparation forward (SW 4.3 and lower, default value) 1 = Contour preparation in both directions
EXECUTE	Terminate contour preparation
ERROR	Variable for error checkback, type INT 1 = error; 0 = no error

### Function

The blocks executed after CONTPRON describe the contour to be prepared.

The blocks are not processed but are filed in the contour table.

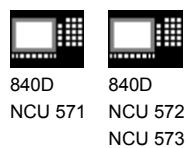
Each contour element corresponds to one row in the two-dimensional array of the contour table.

The number of relief cuts is returned.

EXECUTE deactivates the contour preparation and switches back to the normal execution mode.

Example:

```
N30 CONTPRON( ... )
N40 G1 X... Z...
N50...
N100 EXECUTE( ... )
```



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## Additional notes

### Preconditions for the call

Before CONTPRON is called

- a starting point must be approached which permits collision-free machining,
- tool edge radius compensation with G40 must be deactivated.

### Permitted traversing commands, coordinate system

Only G commands G0 to G3 are permitted for contour programming in addition to rounding and chamfer.

SW 4.4 and higher supports circular-path programming via CIP and CT.

The functions Spline, Polynomial, thread produce errors.

It is not permitted to change the coordinate system by activating a frame between CONTPRON and EXECUTE. The same applies to a change between G70 and G71/ G700 and G710.

Changing the geometry axes with GEOAX while preparing the contour table produced an alarm.

### Terminate contour preparation

When you call the predefined subroutine EXECUTE (variable), contour preparation is terminated and the system switches back to normal execution when the contour has been described. The variable then indicates:

1 = error

0 = no error (the contour is error free).

### Relief cut elements

The contour description for the individual relief cut elements can be performed either in a subroutine or in individual blocks.

### Stock removal irrespective of the programmed contour direction (SW 4.4 and higher)

In SW 4.4 and higher, contour preparation has been expanded. Now when CONTPRON is called, the contour table is available irrespective of the programmed direction.



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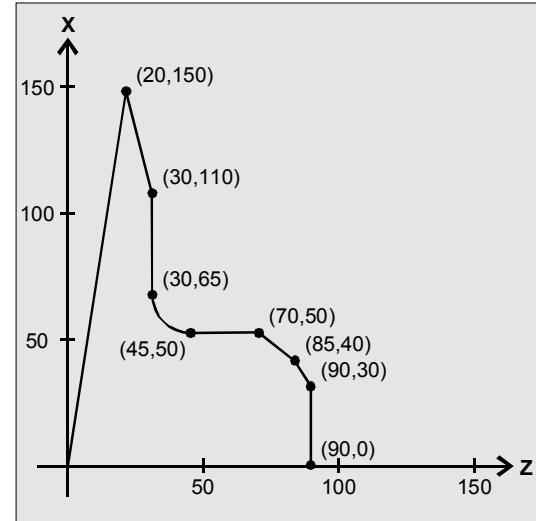
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### Programming example 1

Create a contour table with

- name KTAB,
- up to 30 contour elements (circles, straight lines),
- a variable for the number of relief cut elements,
- a variable for error messages



### NC parts program

```

N10 DEF REAL KTAB[ 30 ,11 ]
N20 DEF INT ANZHINT
N30 DEF INT ERROR
N40 G18
N50 CONTPRON ( KTAB , "G" ,ANZHINT )
N60 G1 X150 Z20
N70 X110 Z30
N80 X50 RND=15
N90 Z70
N100 X40 Z85
N110 X30 Z90
N120 X0
N130 EXECUTE( ERROR )
N140 ...

```

Contour table named KTAB and, for example, a maximum of 30 contour elements

Parameter value 11 is a fixed size

Variable for number of relief cut elements with name ANZHINT

Variable for acknowledgment  
0 = no error, 1 = error

Contour preparation call

N60 to N120 contour description

Terminate filling of contour table, switch to normal program execution

Continue processing table

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**Table KTAB**

(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
7	7	11	0	0	20	150	0	82.40535663	0	0
0	2	11	20	150	30	110	-	104.0362435	0	0
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1	3	11	30	110	30	65	0	90	0	0
2	4	13	30	65	45	50	0	180	45	65
3	5	11	45	50	70	50	0	0	0	0
4	6	11	70	50	85	40	0	146.3099325	0	0
5	7	11	85	40	90	30	0	116.5650512	0	0
6	0	11	90	30	90	0	0	90	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Explanation of column contents**

- (0) Pointer to next contour element (to the row number of that column)
- (1) Pointer to previous contour element
- (2) Coding of contour mode for the movement  
Possible values for X = abc  
  - a =  $10^2$  G90 = 0 G91 = 1
  - b =  $10^1$  G70 = 0 G71 = 1
  - c =  $10^0$  G0 = 0 G1 = 1 G2 = 2 G3 = 3
- (3), (4) Starting point of contour elements  
(3) = abscissa, (4) = ordinate in current plane
- (5), (6) Starting point of contour elements  
(5) = abscissa, (6) = ordinate in current plane
- (7) Max/min indicator: Identifies local maximum and minimum values on the contour
- (8) Maximum value between contour element and abscissa (for longitudinal machining) or ordinate (for transverse machining).  
The angle depends on the type of machining programmed.
- (9), (10) Center point coordinates of contour element, if it is a circle block.  
(9) = abscissa, (10) = ordinate



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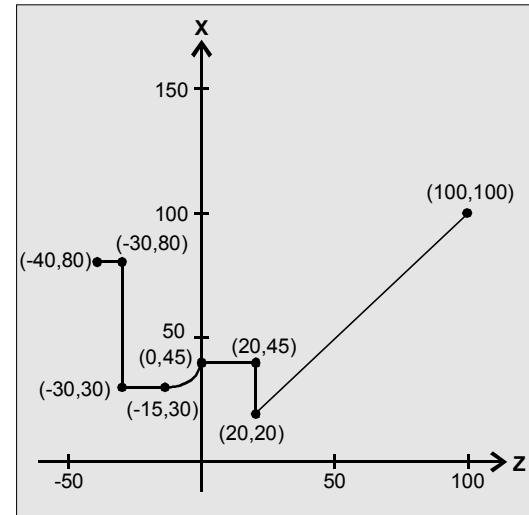
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## Programming example 2

Create a contour table with

- name KTAB,
- up to 92 contour elements (circles, straight lines),
- mode: Longitudinal turning, external machining
- preparation forwards and backwards.



## NC parts program

N10 DEF REAL KTAB[ 92 , 11 ]	Contour table named KTAB and, for example, a maximum of 92 contour elements
N20 CHAR BT= "L"	Parameter value 11 is a fixed size
N30 DEF INT HE=0	Mode for CONTPRON: Longitudinal turning, external machining
N40 DEF INT MODE=1	Number of relief cut elements=0
N50 DEF INT ERR=0	Preparation forwards and backwards
...	Error checkback message
N100 G18 X100 Z100 F1000	
N105 CONTPRON (KTAB, BT, HE, MODE)	Contour preparation call
N110 G1 G90 Z20 X20	
N120 X45	
N130 Z0	
N140 G2 Z-15 X30 K=AC(-15) I=AC(45)	
N150 G1 Z-30	
N160 X80	
N170 Z-40	
N180 EXECUTE (ERR)	Terminate filling of contour table, switch to normal program execution
...	

## 14.2 Contour preparation: CONTPRON

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After contour preparation is finished, the contour is available in both directions.

Row	Column										
	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
0	6 <sup>1)</sup>	7 <sup>2)</sup>	11	100	100	20	20	0	45	0	0
1	0 <sup>3)</sup>	2	11	20	20	20	45	-3	90	0	0
2	1	3	11	20	45	0	45	0	0	0	0
3	2	4	12	0	45	-15	30	5	90	-15	45
4	3	5	11	-15	30	-30	30	0	0	0	0
5	4	7	11	-30	30	-30	45	-1111	90	0	0
6	7	0 <sup>4)</sup>	11	-30	80	-40	80	0	0	0	0
7	5	6	11	-30	45	-30	80	0	90	0	0
8	1 <sup>5)</sup>	2 <sup>6)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	...										
83	84	0 <sup>7)</sup>	11	20	45	20	80	0	90	0	0
84	90	83	11	20	20	20	45	-1111	90	0	0
85	0 <sup>8)</sup>	86	11	-40	80	-30	80	0	0	0	0
86	85	87	11	-30	80	-30	30	88	90	0	0
87	86	88	11	-30	30	-15	30	0	0	0	0
88	87	89	13	-15	30	0	45	-90	90	-15	45
89	88	90	11	0	45	20	45	0	0	0	0
90	89	84	11	20	45	20	20	84	90	0	0
91	83 <sup>9)</sup>	85 <sup>10)</sup>	11	20	20	100	100	0	45	0	0

**Explanation of column contents**

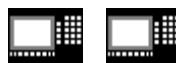
- (0) Pointer to next contour element (to the row number of that column)
- (1) Pointer to previous contour element
- (2) Coding of contour mode for the movement  
Possible values for X = abc  
  - a = 10<sup>2</sup> G90 = 0 G91 = 1
  - b = 10<sup>1</sup> G70 = 0 G71 = 1
  - c = 10<sup>0</sup> G0 = 0 G1 = 1 G2 = 2 G3 = 3
- (3), (4) Starting point of contour elements  
(3) = abscissa, (4) = ordinate in current plane
- (5), (6) Starting point of contour elements  
(5) = abscissa, (6) = ordinate in current plane
- (7) Max/min indicator: Identifies local maximum and minimum values on the contour
- (8) Maximum value between contour element and abscissa (for longitudinal machining) or ordinate (for transverse machining)  
The angle depends on the type of machining programmed.



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- (9), (10) Center point coordinates of contour element, if it is a circle block.  
(9) = abscissa, (10) = ordinate

#### Explanation of comment in columns

- Always in table line 0:**      1) Previous: Line n contains the contour end forwards  
                                        2) Following: Line n is the contour table end forwards

#### Once each within the contour elements forwards:

- 3) Previous: Contour start (forwards)  
4) Following: Contour end (forwards)

#### Always in line contour table end (forwards) +1:

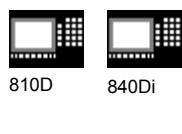
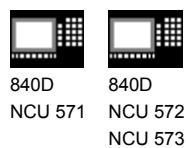
- 5) Previous: Number of relief cuts forwards  
6) Following: Number of relief cuts backwards

#### Once each within the contour elements backwards:

- 7) Following: Contour end (backwards)  
8) Previous: Contour start (backwards)

#### Always in last line of table:

- 9) Previous: Line n is the contour table start (backwards)  
10) Following: Line n contains the contour start (backwards)



### **14.3 Contour decoding: CONTDCON (SW 5.2 and higher)**



#### **Programming**

```
CONTDCON ( TABNAME , MODE )
EXECUTE ( ERROR )
```



#### **Explanation of the parameters**

CONTDCON	Activate contour preparation
TABNAME	Name of contour table
MODE	Direction of machining, type INT 0 = Contour preparation (default) according to the contour block sequence
EXECUTE	Terminate contour preparation
ERROR	Variable for error checkback, type INT 1 = error; 0 = no error



#### **Function**

The blocks executed after CONTPRON describe the contour to be decoded.

The blocks are not processed but stored, memory-optimized, in a 6-column contour table.

Each contour element corresponds to one row in the contour table. When familiar with the coding rules specified below, you can combine DIN code programs from the tables to produce applications (e.g. cycles). The data for the starting point are stored in the table cell with the number 0. The G codes permitted for CONTDCON in the program section to be included in the table are more comprehensive than for the CONTPRON function. In addition, feedrates and feed type are also stored for each contour section.

EXECUTE deactivates the contour preparation and switches back to the normal execution mode.

Example:

```
N30 CONTDCON( ... )
N40 G1 X... Z...
N50...
N100 EXECUTE( ... )
```



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## Additional notes

### Preconditions for the call

Before CONTDCON is called

- a starting point must be approached which permits collision-free machining,
- tool edge radius compensation with G40 must be deactivated.

### Permitted traversing commands, coordinate system

The following G groups and specified commands are permissible for contour programming:

G group 1: G0, G1, G2, G3

G group 10: G9

G group 11: G60, G44, G641, G642

G group 13: G70, G71, G700, G710

G group 14: G90, G91

G group 15: G93, G94, G95, G96

also corner and chamfer.

Circular-path programming is possible via CIP and CT. The functions Spline, Polynomial, thread produce errors.

It is not permitted to change the coordinate system by activating a frame between CONDCRON and EXECUTE. The same applies to a change between G70 and G71/ G700 and G710.

Changing the geometry axes with GEOAX while preparing the contour table produced an alarm.

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### Terminate contour preparation

When you call the predefined subroutine EXECUTE( ERROR), contour preparation is terminated and the system switches back to normal execution when the contour has been described. The associated variable ERROR gives the return value:

0 = no error (contour produced no errors)

1 = error

Impermissible commands, incorrect initial conditions, CONTDCON call repeated without EXECUTE( ), too few contour blocks or table definitions too small produce additional alarms.

### Stock removal in the programmed contour

#### direction

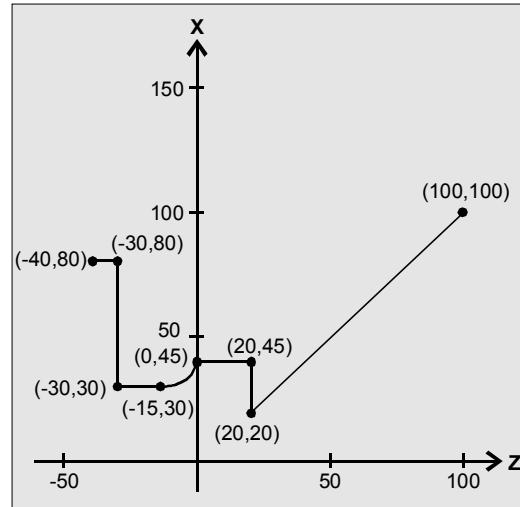
The contour table produced using CONTDCON is used for stock removal in the programmed direction of the contour.

### Programming example



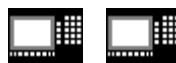
Create a contour table with

- name KTAB,
- contour elements (circles, straight lines),
- mode: Turning
- preparation forward





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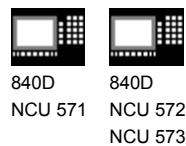


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### NC parts program

N10 DEF REAL KTAB[ 9 , 6 ]	Contour table with name KTAB and 9 table cells. These allow 8 contour sets. Parameter value 6 (column number in table) is fixed.
N20 DEF INT MODE = 0	Default value 0: Only in programmed contour direction. Value 1 is not permitted.
N30 DEF INT ERROR = 0	Error checkback message
...	
N100 G18 G64 G90 G94 G710	
N101 G1 Z100 X100 F1000	
N105 CONTDCON (KTAB, MODE)	Call contour decoding MODE may be omitted (see above)
N110 G1 Z20 X20 F200	Contour description
N120 G9 X45 F300	
N130 Z0 F400	
N140 G2 Z-15 X30 K=AC(-15) I=AC(45)F100	
N150 G64 Z-30 F600	
N160 X80 F700	
N170 Z-40 F800	
N180 EXECUTE(ERROR)	Terminate filling of contour table, switch to normal program execution
...	

Column index	0	1	2	3	4	5
Line index	Contour mode	End point abscissa	End point ordinate	Center point Abscissa	Center point ordinate	Feed
0	30	100	100	0	0	7
1	11031	20	20	0	0	200
2	111031	20	45	0	0	300
3	11031	0	45	0	0	400
4	11032	-15	30	-15	45	100
5	11031	-30	30	0	0	600
6	11031	-30	80	0	0	700
7	11031	-40	80	0	0	800
8	0	0	0	0	0	0



### Explanation of column contents

Line 0: Coding for **starting point**:

Column 0:

$10^0$  (ones): G0 = 0

$10^1$  (tens): G70 = 0, G71 = 1, G700 = 2, G710 = 3

Column 1: starting point of abscissa

Column 2: starting point of ordinate

Column 3-4: 0

Column 5 Line index of last contour piece in the table

Lines 1-n: Entries for **contour pieces**:

Column 0:

$10^0$  (ones): G0 = 0, G1 = 1, G2 = 2, G3 = 3

$10^1$  (tens): G70 = 0, G71 = 1, G700 = 2, G710 = 3

$10^2$  (hundreds): G90 = 0, G91 = 1

$10^3$  (thousands): G93 = 0, G94 = 1, G95 = 2, G96 = 3

$10^4$  (ten thousands): G60 = 0, G44 = 1, G641 = 2, G642 = 3

$10^5$  (hundred thousands): G9 = 1

Column 1: End point abscissa

Column 2: End point ordinate

Column 3: Center point Abscissa for circular interpolation

Column 4: Center point ordinate for circular interpolation

Column 5: Feedrate

## 14.4 Intersection of two contour elements: INTERSEC



### Programming

```
VARIB=INTERSEC (TABNAME1[n1], TABNAME2[n2], TABNAME3)
```



### Explanation of the parameters

VARIB	Variable for status	TRUE: Intersection found FALSE: No intersection found
TABNAME1[n1]	Table name and n1st contour element of the first table	
TABNAME2[n2]	Table name and n2nd contour element of the second table	
TABNAME3	Table name for the intersection coordinates in the active plane G17–G19	



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## Function

INTERSEC calculates the intersection of two normalized contour elements from the contour table generated with CONTPRON. The indicated status specifies whether or not an intersection exists (TRUE = intersection, FALSE = no intersection).



## Additional notes

Please note that variables must be defined before they are used.



## Programming example

Calculate the intersection of contour element 3 in table KTAB1 and contour element 7 in table KTAB2. The intersection coordinates in the active plane are stored in CUT (1st element = abscissa, 2nd element = ordinate).

If no intersection exists, the program jumps to NOCUT (no intersection found).

DEF REAL KTAB1 [12, 11]	Contour table 1
DEF REAL KTAB2 [10, 11]	Contour table 2
DEF REAL CUT [2]	Intersection table
DEF BOOL ISPOINT	Variable for status
...	
N10 ISPOINT=INTERSEC (KTAB1[3],KTAB2[7],CUT)	Call intersection of contour elements
N20 IF ISPOINT==FALSE GOTOF NOCUT	Jump to NOCUT
...	



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## 14.5 Traversing a contour element from the table: EXECTAB



### Programming

EXECTAB (TABNAME[ n ] )



### Explanation of the parameter

TABNAME [ n ] Name of table with number n of the element



### Function

You can use command EXECTAB to traverse contour elements block by block in a table generated, for example, with the CONTPRON command.



### Programming example

The contour elements stored in Table KTAB are traversed non-modally by means of subroutine EXECTAB. Elements 0 to 2 are passed in consecutive calls.

N10 EXECTAB (KTAB[ 0 ]) Traverse element 0 of table KTAB

N20 EXECTAB (KTAB[ 1 ]) Traverse element 1 of table KTAB

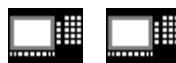
N30 EXECTAB (KTAB[ 2 ]) Traverse element 2 of table KTAB



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## 14.6 Calculate circle data: CALCDAT



### Programming

```
VARIB = CALCDAT(PT[n,2],NO,RES)
```



### Explanation of the parameters

VARIB	Variable for status TRUE = circle, FALSE = no circle
PT[n,2]	Points for calculation n = number of points (3 or 4); 2 = point coordinates
NO.	Number of points used for calculation: 3 or 4
RES[3]	Variable for result: specification of circle center point coordinates and radius; 0 = abscissa, 1 = ordinate of circle center point; 2 = radius



### Function

Calculation of radius and circle center point coordinates from three or four known circle points.

The specified points must be different.

Where 4 points do not lie directly on the circle an average value is taken for the circle center point and the radius.

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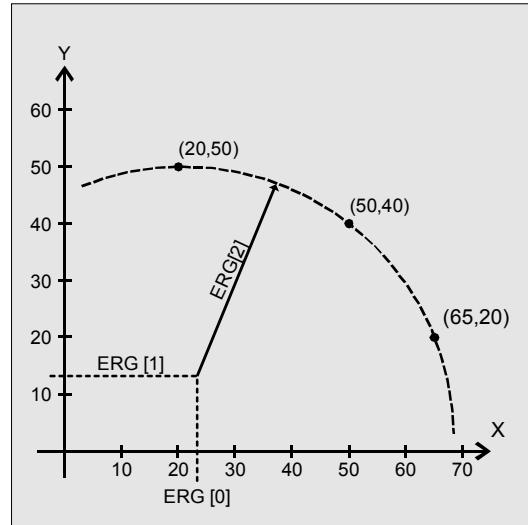
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**Programming example**

The program determines whether the three points lie along the arc of a circle.



N10 DEF REAL	Point definition
PT[3,2]=(20,50,50,40,65,20)	
N20 DEF REAL RES[3]	Result
N30 DEF BOOL STATUS	Variable for status
N40 STATUS = CALCDAT(PT,3,RES)	Call calculated circle data
N50 IF STATUS == FALSE GOTOF ERROR	Jump to error

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## 15.1 List of instructions

### Legend:

- <sup>1</sup> Default setting at start of program (in delivery state of control system provided that another setting is not programmed).
- <sup>2</sup> The group numbers correspond to the table "List of G functions/Preparatory functions" in /PG/, Programming Guide Fundamentals, Section 12.3
- <sup>3</sup> Absolute end points: Modal; incremental end points: Non-modal; otherwise modal/non-modal depending on syntax of G function
- <sup>4</sup> IPO parameters act incrementally as arc centers. They can be programmed in absolute mode with AC. When they have other meanings (e.g. pitch), the address modification is ignored.
- <sup>5</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK FM-NC/810D
- <sup>6</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK FM-NC/810D/NCU571
- <sup>7</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK 810D
- <sup>8</sup> The OEM user can incorporate two extra interpolation types and modify their names.
- <sup>9</sup> Vocabulary word applies only to SINUMERIK FM-NC
- <sup>10</sup> The extended address block format may not be used for these functions.

Name	Meaning	Value assignment	Description, comment	Syntax	Modal/non-modal	Group <sup>2</sup>
:	Block number - main block (see N)	0 ... 9999 9999 integer values only, no sign	Special code for blocks - instead of N... ; this block should contain all instructions for a following complete machining section	e.g. :20		
A	Axis	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
A2 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Euler angle	Real			s	
A3 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Direction vector component	Real			s	
A4 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block beginning	Real			s	
A5 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block end; Normal vector component	Real			s	
ABS	Absolute value	Real				
AC	Dimension input, absolute	0, ..., 359.9999°		X=AC(100)	s	
ACC <sup>5</sup>	Axial acceleration	Real, without sign			m	
ACN	Absolute dimension setting for rotary axes, approach position in negative direction			A=ACN(...) B=ACN(...) C=ACN(...)	s	

ACP	Absolute dimension setting for rotary axes, approach position in positive direction			A=ACP(...) B=ACP(...) C=ACP(...)	s	
ACOS	Arc cosine (trigon. function)	Real				
ADIS	Resurfacing distance for path functions G1, G2, G3, ...	Real, without sign			m	
ADISPOS	Resurfacing distance for rapid traverse G0	Real, without sign			m	
ADISPOSA	Size of the tolerance window for IPOBRKA	Integer, real,		ADISPOSA=.. or ADISPOSA(<axis>[,REAL])	m	
ALF	Angle lift fast	Integer, without sign			m	
AMIRROR	Programmable mirroring (additive mirror)			AMIRROR X0 Y0 Z0 ; separate block	s	3
AND	Logical AND					
ANG	Contour definition angle	Real				
AP	Polar angle (Angle Polar)	0, ..., ± 360°			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
APR	Read/display access protection (access protection read)	Integer, without sign				
APW	Write access protection (access protection write)	Integer, without sign				
AR	Aperture angle (angle circular)	0, ..., 360°			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
AROT	Programmable rotation (additive rotation)	Rotation around 1st geom. axis: -180° .. 180° 2nd geom. axis: -89.999° .. 90° 3rd geo. axis: -180° .. 180°		AROT X... Y... Z... ;separate AROT RPL= block	s	3
AROTS	programmable frame rotations with solid angles (additive rotation)			AROT X... Y... AROT Z... X... AROT Y... Z... ;own AROT RPL= block	s	3
AS	Macro definition	String				
ASCALE	Programmable scaling (additive scale)			ASCALE X... Y... Z... ; separate block	s	3
ASIN	Arc sine (trigon. function)	Real				
ASPLINE	Akima spline				m	1
ATAN2	Arc tangent 2	Real				
ATRANS	Additive programmable offset (additive translation)			ATRANS X... Y... Z... ; separate block	s	3
AX	Integer without sign	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	

AXCSWAP	Switch container axis			AXCSWAP(CTn,CTn+1,...)		25
AXIS	Data type: Axis name		Name of file can be added			
AXNAME	Converts the input string to an axis name (get axname)		String	An alarm is generated if the input string does not contain a valid axis name		
AXSTRING	Up to SW 5, axis identifier is converted to string (get axis as string) With SW 6 and higher, the spindle number converts the string (get string)		Up to SW 5 AXIS from SW 6 string	Name of file can be added	AXSTRING( SPI(n) ) From SW 6 AXSTRING[ SPI(n) ]	
B	Axis		Real		m,s <sup>3</sup>	
B_AND	Bit AND					
B_NOT	Bit negation					
B_OR	Bit OR					
B_XOR	Bit exclusive OR					
B2 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Euler angle		Real		s	
B3 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Direction vector component		Real		s	
B4 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block beginning		Real		s	
B5 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block end; Normal vector component		Real		s	
BAUTO	Definition of first spline segment by means of following 3 points (begin not a knot)				m	19
BLSYNC	Processing of interrupt routine is only to start with the next block change					
BNAT <sup>1</sup>	Natural transition to first spline block (begin natural)				m	19
BOOL	Data type: Boolean value TRUE / FALSE or 0 / 1					
BRISK <sup>1</sup>	Brisk path acceleration				m	21
BRISKA	Activate brisk axis acceleration for the programmed axes					
BSPLINE	B spline				m	1
BTAN	Tangential transition to first spline block (begin tangential)				m	19
C	Axis		Real		m,s <sup>3</sup>	
C2 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Euler angle		Real		s	
C3 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation: Direction vector component		Real		s	
C4 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block beginning		Real		s	

C5 <sup>5</sup>	Tool orientation for block end; Normal vector component	Real			s	
CAC	Absolute approach of position (coded position: absolute coordinate)		Coded value is table index; table value is approached			
CACN	Absolute approach in negative direction of value stored in table. (coded position absolute negative)		Permissible for programming rotary axes as positioning axes			
CACP	Absolute approach in positive direction of value stored in table. (coded position absolute positive)					
CALCDAT	Calculate radius and center point or circle from 3 or 4 points (calculate circle data)	VAR Real [3]	The points must be different.			
CALL	Indirect subroutine call		CALL PROGVAR			
CALLPATH	Programmable search path for subprogram calls		A path can be programmed to the existing NCK file system with CALLPATH.	CALLPATH(/_N_WKS _DIR/ _N_MYWPD/subprogram _ID_SPF)		
CANCEL	Cancel modal synchronized action	INT	Cancel with specified ID. Without parameter: All modal synchronized actions are deselected.			
CASE	Conditional program branch					
CDC	Direct approach of position (coded position: direct coordinate)		See CAC			
CDOF <sup>1</sup>	Collision detection OFF				m	23
CDON	Collision detection ON				m	23
CDOF2	Collision detection OFF		For CUT3DC only		m	23
CFC <sup>1</sup>	Constant feed on contour				m	16
CFIN	Constant feed at internal radius only, not at external radius				m	16
CFTCP	Constant feed at tool center point (center-point path) (constant feed in tool-center-point)				m	16
CHAN	Specify validity range for data		once per channel			

CHANDATA	Set channel number for channel data access	INT	Only permissible in the initialization module		
CHAR	Data type: ASCII character	0, ..., 255			
CHF SW 3.5 and higher CHR	Chamfer; value = length of chamfer in direction of movement (chamfer) Chamfer; value = length of chamfer	Real, without sign		s	
CHKDNO	D number check				
CIC	Incremental approach of position (coded position: incremental coordinate)		See CAC		
CIP	Circular interpolation through intermediate points			CIP X... Y... Z... I1=... J1=... K1=...	m 1
CLEARM	Reset one/several markers for channel coordination	INT, 1 - n	Does not influence machining in own channel		
CLGOF	Const. workpiece speed for centerless grinding OFF				
CLGON	Const. workpiece speed for centerless grinding ON				
CLRINT	Deselect interrupt:	INT	Parameter: Interrupt number		
CMIRROR	Mirror on a coordinate axis	FRAME			
COARSEA	Motion end when "Exact stop coarse" reached			COARSEA=.. or COARSEA[n]=..	m
COMPOF <sup>1,6</sup>	Compressor OFF				m 30
COMPON <sup>6</sup>	Compressor ON				m 30
COMPCURV	Compressor ON constant curve polynomials				m 30
COMPCAD	Compressor ON optimized surface finish				m 30
CONTPRON	Activate contour preparation (contour preparation ON)				m 49
COS	Cosine (trigon. function)	Real			
COUPDEF	Definition ELG group / synchronous spindle group (couple definition)	String	Block change (software) response: NOC: no software control, FINE/COARSE: software on "Synchronization fine / coarse", IPOSTOP: software on setpoint-dependent termination of overlaid movement		
COUPDEL	Delete ELG group (couple delete)				
COUPOF	ELG group / synchronous spindle pair OFF (couple OFF)				
COUPON	ELG group / synchronous spindle pair ON (couple ON)				

COUPRE S	Reset ELG group (couple reset)		Programmed values invalid; machine data values valid		
CP	Path movement (continuous path)			m	49
CPRECOF 1,6	Programmable contour precision OFF			m	39
CPRECON <sup>6</sup>	Programmable contour precision ON			m	39
CProt	Channel-specific protection zone ON/OFF				
CProtDef	Channel specific protection area definition				
CR	Circle radius	Real, without sign		s	
CROT	Rotation of the current coordinate system.	FRAME	Maximum number of parameters: 6		
CROTS	programmable frame rotations with solid angles (rotations in the indicated axes)		CROT X... Y... CROT Z... X... CROT Y... Z... ;own CROT RPL= block	s	
CSCALE	Scale factor for multiple axes.	FRAME	Maximum number of parameters: 2 * axis number <sub>max</sub>		
CSPLINE	Cubic spline			m	1
CTAB	Define following axis position according to leading axis position from curve table	Real	If parameter 4/5 not programmed: Standard scaling		
CTABDEF	Table definition ON				
CTABDEL	Clear curve table				
CTABEND	Table definition OFF				
CTABINV	Define leading axis position according to following axis position from curve table	Real	See CTAB		
CT	Circle with tangential transition		CT X... Y.... Z...	m	1
CTRANS	Zero offset for multiple axes	FRAME	Max. of 8 axes		
CUT2D <sup>1</sup>	2 ½D tool offset (cutter compensation type 2-dimensional)			m	22
CUT2DF	2 ½D tool offset (cutter compensation type 2-dimensional frame); The tool offset acts in relation to the current frame (inclined plane)			m	22
CUT3DC <sup>5</sup>	3D cutter compensation type 3-dimensional circumference milling			m	22
CUT3DCC <sup>5</sup>	Cutter compensation type 3-dimensional circumference milling with limit surfaces			m	22

CUT3DCCD <sup>5</sup>	Cutter compensation type 3-dimensional circumference milling with limit surfaces with differential tool				m	22
CUT3DF <sup>5</sup>	3D tool offset face milling (cutter compensation type 3-dimensional face)				m	22
CUT3DFF <sup>5</sup>	3D tool offset face milling with constant tool orientation as a function of active frame (cutter compensation type 3-dimensional face frame)				m	22
CUT3DFS <sup>5</sup>	3D tool offset face milling with constant tool orientation irrespective of active frame (cutter compensation type 3-dimensional face frame)				m	22
CUTCONO <sup>1</sup>	Constant radius compensation OFF				m	40
CUTCONON	Constant radius compensation ON				m	40
D	Tool offset number	1, ..., 9 SW 3.5 and higher 1, ... 32 000	includes compensation data for a certain tool T... ; D0 → compensation values for a tool	D...		
DC	Absolute dimension setting for rotary axes, approach position directly			A=DC(...) B=DC(...) C=DC(...) SPOS=DC(...)	s	
DEF	Variable definition	Integer, without sign				
DEFAULT	Branch in CASE branch		Jump to if expression does not fulfill any of the specified values			
DEFINE	Define macro					
DELDTG	Delete distance-to-go					
DELT	Delete tool		Duplo number can be omitted			
DIAMCYOF	Radius programming for G90/91: ON. The G-code of this group that was last active remains active for display		Radius programming last active G-code		m	29
DIAMOF <sup>1</sup>	Diametral programming: OFF		Radius programming for G90/G91		m	29
DIAMON	Diametral programming: ON		Diameter progr. for G90/G91		m	29
DIAM90	Diameter program for G90, radius progr. for G91				m	29
DILF	Rapid lift length				m	
DISABLE	Interrupt OFF					

DISC	Transition circle overshoot in tool radius compensation	0, ..., 100			m	
DISPLOF	Suppress current block display (display OFF)					
DISPR	Distance path for repositioning	Real, without sign			s	
DISR	Distance for repositioning	Real, without sign			s	
DITE	Thread run-out path	Real			m	
DITS	Thread run-in path	Real			m	
DIV	Integer division					
DL	Tool sum compensation	INT			m	
DRFOF	Deactivate the handwheel offsets (DRF)				m	
DRIVE <sup>9</sup>	Velocity-dependent path acceleration				m	21
DRIVEA	Switch on bent acceleration characteristic curve for the programmed axes					
DZERO	Set D number of all tools of the TO unit assigned to the channel invalid					
EAUTO	Definition of last spline segment by last 3 points (end not a knot)				m	20
EGDEF	Definition of an electronic gear (Electronic gear define)	for 1 following axis with up to 5 leading axes				
EGDEL	Delete coupling definition for the following axis (Electronic gear delete)	Triggers preprocessing stop				
EGOFC	Switch off electronic gear continuous (Electronic gear OFF continuous)					
EGOFS	Switch off electronic gear selectively (Electronic gear OFF selective)					
EGON	Switch on electronic gear (electronic gear ON)	without synchronization				
EGONSYN	Switch on electronic gear (electronic gear ON synchronized)	with synchronization				
EGONSYNE	Switch on electronic gearing, stating approach mode (electronic gear ON synchronized)	with synchronization				
ELSE	Program branch, if IF condition not fulfilled					
ENABLE	Interrupt ON					
ENAT <sup>1,7</sup>	Natural curve transition to next traversing block (end natural)				m	20
ENDFOR	End line of FOR counter loop					
ENDIF	End line of IF branch					
ENDLOOP	End line of endless program loop LOOP					

ENDPROC	End line of program with start line PROC					
ENDWHILE	End line of WHILE loop					
ETAN	Tangential curve transition to next traversing block at beginning of spline (end tangential)				m	20
EVERY	Execute synchronized action if condition changes from FALSE to TRUE					
EXECSTRING	Transfer of a string variable with the parts program line to run		Indirect parts program line	EXECSTRING(MFCT1 << M4711)		
EXECTAB	Execute an element from a motion table (execute table)					
EXECUTE	Program execution ON		Switch back to normal program execution from reference point edit mode or after creating a protection zone			
EXP	Exponent function $e^x$	Real				
EXTCALL	Run external subprogram		Reload program from HMI in "Processing from external source" mode			
EXTERN	Broadcast a subroutine with parameter passing					
F	Feed value (dwell time is also programmed under F in conjunction with G4)	0.001, ..., 99 999.999	Tool/workpiece path velocity; Dimension in mm/min or mm/revolution as a function of G94 or G95	F=100 G1 ...		
FA	Axial feed (feed axial)	0.001, ..., 999999.999 mm/min, degree/min; 0.001, ..., 39999.9999 inch/min		FA[X]=100	m	
FAD	Infeed feedrate for smooth approach and retraction (Feed approach / depart)	Real, without sign				
FALSE	Logical constant: False	BOOL	Can be replaced with integer constant 0			

FCTDEF	Define polynomial function		Is evaluated in SYFCT or PUTFTOCF.		
FCUB <sup>6</sup>	Feed variable according to cubic spline (feed cubic)			m	37
FD	Path feed for handwheel override (feed DRF)	Real, without sign		s	
FDA	Axial feed for handwheel override (feed DRF axial)	Real, without sign		s	
FENDNORM	Corner deceleration OFF			m	57
FFWOF <sup>1</sup>	Feedforward control OFF (feed forward OFF)			m	24
FFWON	Feedforward control ON (feed forward ON)			m	24
FGREF	Reference radius			m	
FGROUP	Define axis(axes) with path feed		F applies to all axes programmed under FGROUP	FGROUP (Axis1, [Axis2], ...)	
FIFOCTRL	Control of the preprocessing memory			m	4
FIFOLEN	Programmable preprocessing depth				
FINEA	Motion end when "Exact stop fine" reached			FINEA=... or FINEA[n]=..	m
FL	Limit velocity for synchronous axes (feed limit)	Real, without sign	The unit set with G93, G94, G95 applies (max. rapid traverse)	FL [Axis] =...	m
FLIN <sup>6</sup>	Linearly variable feed (feed linear)			m	37
FMA	Feed multiple axial	Real, without sign			m
FNORM <sup>1,6</sup>	Normal feed acc. to DIN66025 (feed normal)			m	37
FOR	Counter loop with fixed number of passes				
FORI1	Feed for swiveling the orientation vector on the large circle				m
FORI2	Feed for the overlaid rotation around the swiveled orientation vector				m
FP	Fixed point: numb. of fixed points to be approached	Integer, without sign		G75 FP=1	s
FPO	Feed characteristic programmed via a polynomial (feed polynomial)	Real	Quadratic, cubic polynomial coefficient		
FPR	Rotary axis identification	0.001 ... 999999.999		FPR (rotary axis)	
FPRAOF	Deactivate revolutionary feedrate				
FPRAON	Activate revolutionary feedrate				

FRAME	Data type to define the coordinate system		Contains for each geometry axis: Offset, rotation, angle of shear, scaling, mirroring; For each special axis: Offset, scaling, mirroring			
FRC	Feed for radius and chamfer				s	
FRCM	Feed for radius and chamfer modal				m	
FTOC	Change fine tool offset		As a function of a 3rd degree polynomial defined with FCTDEF			
FTOCOF <sup>1,6</sup>	Online fine tool offset OFF (fine tool offset OFF)				m	33
FTOCON <sup>6</sup>	Online fine tool offset ON (fine tool offset ON)				m	33
FXS	Travel to fixed stop ON (fixed stop)	Integer, without sign	1 = select, 0 = deselect		m	
FXST	Torque limit for travel to fixed stop (fixed stop torque)	%	Optional setting		m	
FXSW	Monitoring window for travel to fixed stop (fixed stop window)	mm, inch or degree	Optional setting			

G functions						
G	G function (preparatory function) G functions are divided into G groups. Only one of the G functions in a group may be programmed in a block. A G function can be modally active (until it is canceled by another function in the same group) or it is active only in the block in which it is programmed (non-modal).	Integer, preset values only		G...		
G0	Linear interpolation with rapid traverse (rapid traverse motion)		Motion commands	G0 X... Z...	m	1
G1 <sup>1</sup>	Linear interpolation with feed (linear interpolation)			G1 X... Z... F...	m	1
G2	Circular interpolation clockwise			G2 X... Z... I... K... F... ; center and end points G2 X... Z... CR=... F... ; radius and end points G2 AR=... I... K... F... ; aperture angle and center point G2 AR=... X... Z... F... ; aperture angle and end point	m	1
G3	Circular interpolation counterclockwise			G3 ... ; otherwise as for G2	m	1
G4	Predefined dwell time	Special motion		G4 F... ; dwell time in s or G4 S... ; dwell time in spindle rotations ; separate block	s	2
G9	Exact stop deceleration				s	11
G17 <sup>1</sup>	Selection of working plane X/Y	Infeed direction Z			m	6
G18	Selection of working plane Z/X	Infeed direction Y			m	6
G19	Selection of working plane Y/Z	Infeed direction X			m	6
G25	Lower working area limitation	Value assignment in channel axes	G25 X.. Y.. Z.. ; separate block	s	3	
G26	Upper working area limitation		G26 X.. Y.. Z.. ; separate block	s	3	

G33	Thread interpolation with constant pitch	0.001, ..., 2000.00 mm/rev	Motion command	G33 Z... K... SF=... ; cylinder thread G33 X... I... SF=... ; face thread G33 Z... X... K... SF=... ; taper thread (path longer in Z axis than in X axis) G33 Z... X... I... SF=... ; taper thread path longer in X axis than in Z axis)	m	1
G34	Increase in thread pitch (progressive change)		Motion command	G34 Z... K... F <sub>ZU</sub> =...	m	1
G35	Decrease in thread pitch (degressive change)		Motion command	G35 Z... K... F <sub>AB</sub> =...	m	1
G40 <sup>1</sup>	Tool radius compensation OFF				m	7
G41	Tool radius compensation to left of contour				m	7
G42	Tool radius compensation to right of contour				m	7
G53	Suppression of current zero offset (non-modal)	incl. Programmed offsets			s	9
G54	1st settable zero offset				m	8
G55	2nd settable zero offset				m	8
G56	3rd settable zero offset				m	8
G57	4th settable zero offset				m	8
G58	Programmable offset	replacing axially			s	3
G59	Programmable offset	replacing additive axially			s	3
G60 <sup>1</sup>	Exact stop deceleration				m	10
G62	Corner deceleration at inside corners with active tool radius compensation (G41, G42)	Together with continuous-path mode only	G62 Z... G1		m	57
G63	Tapping with compensating chuck		G63 Z... G1		s	2
G64	Exact stop - contouring mode				m	10
G70	Dimension in inches (lengths)				m	13
G71 <sup>1</sup>	Metric dimension (lengths)				m	13
G74	Reference point approach	Machine axes	G74 X... Z...; separate block	s	2	
G75	Fixed point approach		G75 FP=.. X1=... Z1=...; separate block	s	2	
G90 <sup>1</sup>	Dimension setting, absolute		G90 X... Y... Z...(...) Y=AC(...) or X=AC Z=AC(...)	m s	14	
G91	Incremental dimension setting		G91 X... Y... Z... or X=IC(...) Y=IC(...) Z=IC(...)	m s	14	

G93	Inverse-time feedrate rpm		Execution of a block: Time	G93 G01 X... F...	m	15
G94 <sup>1</sup>	Linear feed F in mm/min or inch/min and %/min				m	15
G95	Revolutional feedrate F in mm/rev or inch/rev				m	15
G96	Constant cutting speed ON			G96 S... LIMS=... F...	m	15
G97	Constant cutting speed OFF				m	15
G110	Polar programming relative to last programmed set position			G110 X.. Y.. Z..	s	3
G111	Pole programming relative to zero point of current workpiece coordinate system			G110 X.. Y.. Z..	s	3
G112	Polar programming relative to last valid pole			G110 X.. Y.. Z..	s	3
G140 <sup>1</sup>	Direction of approach WAB defined by G41/G42				m	43
G141	Direction of approach WAB left of contour				m	43
G142	Direction of approach WAB right of contour				m	43
G143	Direction of approach WAB dependent on tangent				m	43
G147	Smooth approach with straight line				s	2
G148	Smooth retraction with straight line				s	2
G153	Suppression of current frame incl. base frame				s	9
G247	Smooth approach with quadrant				s	2
G248	Smooth retraction with quadrant				s	2
G331	Tapping	$\pm 0.001, \dots,$	Motion		m	1
G332	Retraction (tapping)	2000.00 mm/rev	commands		m	1
G340 <sup>1</sup>	Approach block spatial (depth and in plane at same time (helix))		for smooth approach and retract		m	44
G341	Approach in the perpendicular axis (z), then approach in plane		for smooth approach and retract		m	44
G347	Smooth approach with semicircle				s	2
G348	Smooth retract with semi-circle				s	2
G450 <sup>1</sup>	Transition circle		Tool compensation response		m	18
G451	Intersection of equidistant paths		at corners		m	18
G460 <sup>1</sup>	Approach/retraction behavior with TRC				m	48
G461	Approach/retraction behavior with TRC				m	48
G462	Approach/retraction behavior with TRC				m	48
G500 <sup>1</sup>	Deactivation of all settable frames, if no value in G500				m	8
G505 .... G599	5. ... 99. Settable zero offset				m	8

G601 <sup>1</sup>	Block change in response to exact stop fine	Effective only in conjunction with active G60 or G9 with programmable transition rounding		m	12
G602	Block change in response to exact stop coarse			m	12
G603	Block change in response to IPO end of block			m	12
G641	Exact stop - contouring mode		G641 ADIS=...	m	10
G642	Rounding with axial precision			m	10
G643	Block-internal corner rounding			m	10
G644	Smoothing with axis dynamics default			m	10
G621	Corner deceleration at all corners	Together with continuous-path mode only	G621 ADIS=...	m	57
G700	Dimension in inches and inch/min (lengths + velocities + system variable)			m	13
G710 <sup>1</sup>	Metric dimension in mm and mm/min (lengths + velocities + system variable)			m	13
G810 <sup>1</sup> , ..., G819	G group reserved for OEM users				31
G820 <sup>1</sup> , ..., G829	G group reserved for OEM users				32
G931	Feedrate specified by travel time	Travel time		m	15
G942	Freeze linear feedrate and constant cutting rate or spindle speed			m	15
G952	Freeze revolutional feedrate and constant cutting rate or spindle speed			m	15
G961	Constant cutting speed ON	without additional spindle rotation	G961 S... LIMS=... F...	m	15
G962	Linear or revolutional feedrate and constant cutting rate			m	15
G971	Constant cutting speed OFF			m	15
G972	Freeze linear or revolutional feedrate and constant spindle speed			m	15
GEOAX	Assign new channel axes to geometry axes 1 - 3	Without parameter: MD settings effective			
GET	Assign machine axis/axes	Axis must be released in the other channel with RELEASE			
GETD	Assign machine axis/axes directly	See GET			
GETACTT	Get active tool from a group of tools with the same name				
GETSEL	Get selected T number				
GETT	Get T number for tool name				
GOTOF	Jump instruction forwards (towards the end of program)				
GOTOB	Jump instruction back (towards start of program)				

GOTO	Jump instruction first forward then backward (direction initially to end of program and then to start of program)				
GOTOC	Alarm 14080 Suppress jump destination not found.	see GOTO			
GWPSOF	Deselect constant grinding wheel peripheral speed (GWPS)		GWPSOF (T No.)	s	
GWPSON	Select constant grinding wheel peripheral speed (GWPS)		GWPSON (T No.)	s	
H...	Auxiliary function output to PLC	Real/INT	Settable via MD (machine manufacturer)	H100 or H2=100	
I <sup>4</sup>	Interpolation parameter	Real			s
I1	Intermediate point coordinate	Real			s
IC	Incremental dimension setting	0, ..., ±99999.999°	X=IC(10)	s	
IDS	Identification of static synchronized actions				
IF	Introduce conditional jump		Structure: IF - ELSE - ENDIF		
INDEX	Define index of character in input string	0, ..., INT	String: Param. 1, character: Param. 2		
INIT	Select module for execution in a channel				
INT	Data type: Integer with leading sign	- (2 <sup>31</sup> -1), ..., 2 <sup>31</sup> -1			
INTERSEC	Calculate intersection between two contour elements	VAR REAL [2]	Error status BOOL		
IP	Variable interpolation parameter	Real			
IPOBRKA	Motion criterion from braking ramp activation		Braking ramp with 100% to 0%	IPOBRKA=.. or IPOBRKA(<axis>[,REAL])	m
IPOENDA	Motion end when "IPO stop" reached			IPOENDA=.. or IPOENDA[n]=..	m
ISAXIS	Check if geometry axis 1 – 3 specified as parameter exist	BOOL			
ISD	Insertion depth	Real			m
ISNUMBER	Check whether the input string can be converted to a number	BOOL	Convert input string to number		
ISVAR	Check whether the transfer parameter contains a variable known in the NC	BOOL	Machine data, setting data and variables as GUDs		
J <sup>4</sup>	Interpolation parameter	Real			s
J1	Intermediate point coordinate	Real			s
JERKA	Activate acceleration response set via machine data for programmed axes				
K <sup>4</sup>	Interpolation parameter	Real			s
K1	Intermediate point coordinate	Real			s

KONT	Traverse around contour for tool compensation				m	17
L	Subprogram number		Integer, up to 7 places	L10	s	
LEAD <sup>5</sup>	Lead angle		Real		m	
LEADOF	Leading value coupling OFF (lead off)					
LEADON	Leading value coupling ON (lead on)					
LFOF <sup>1</sup>	Interruption of thread cutting OFF				m	41
LFON	Interruption of thread cutting ON				m	41
LFTXT <sup>1</sup>	Tool direction tangential at lift				m	46
LFWP	Tool direction not tangential at lift				m	46
LIFTFAST	Rapid lift before interrupt routine call					
LIMS	Spindle speed limitation (limit spindle speed) with G96	0.001 ... 99 999.999			m	
LN	Natural logarithm	Real				
LOCK	Disable synchronized action with ID (stop technology cycle)					
LOG	(Common) logarithm	Real				
LOOP	Introduction of an endless loop		Structure: LOOP - ENDLOOP			
M...	Switching operations	0, ..., 9999 9999	Max. of 5 free special functions to be defined by machine manufacturer			
M0 <sup>10</sup>	Programmed stop					
M1 <sup>10</sup>	Optional stop					
M2 <sup>10</sup>	Program end, main program with reset to program start					
M3	Clockwise spindle rotation for master spindle					
M4	Counterclockwise spindle rotation for master spindle					
M5	Spindle stop for master spindle					
M6	Tool change					
M17 <sup>10</sup>	End of subprogram					
M19	Spindle positions					
M30 <sup>10</sup>	Program end, as for M2					
M40	Automatic gear change					
M41... M45	Gear stage 1, ..., 5					
M70	Transition to axis operation					
MASLDEF	Define master/slave axis grouping					
MASLDEL	Uncouple master/slave axis grouping and clear grouping definition					
MASLOF	Disable a temporary coupling					

MASLOFS	Deactivate a temporary coupling with automatic slave axis stop					
MASLON	Enable a temporary coupling					
MCALL	Modal subprogram call		Without subprogram name: Deselection			
MEAC	Continuous measurement without deletion of distance-to-go	Integer, without sign			s	
MEAFRAME	Frame calculation from measuring points	FRAME				
MEAS	Measurement with touch trigger probe (measure)	Integer, without sign			s	
MEASA	Measurement with deletion of distance-to-go				s	
MEAW	Measurement with touch trigger probe without deletion of distance-to-go (measure without deleting distance-to-go)	Integer, without sign			s	
MEAWA	Measurement without deletion of distance-to-go				s	
MI	Access to frame data: Mirroring					
MINDEX	Define index of character in input string	0, ..., INT	String: Parameter 1, character: Parameter 2			
MIRROR	Programmable mirror			MIRROR X0 Y0 Z0 ; separate block	s	3
MMC	Calling the dialog window interactively from the parts program on the MMC/HMI	STRING				
MOD	Modulo division					
MOV	Start positioning axis (start moving positioning axis)	Real				
MSG	Programmable messages			MSG("message")	m	
N	Subblock number	0, ..., 9999 9999 integer values only, no sign	Can be used to identify blocks with a number; position at beginning of block	E.g. N20		

NCK	Specify validity range for data	once per NCK			
NEWCONF	Accept modified machine data				
NEWT	Create new tool	Duplo number can be omitted			
NORM <sup>1</sup>	Normal setting at start and end points for tool offset			m	17
NOT	Logical NOT (negation)				
NPROT	Machine-specific protection zone ON/OFF				

NPROTDEF	Machine-specific protection area definition (NCK-specific protection area definition)					
NUMBER	Convert input string to number		Real			
OEMIPO1 <sup>6,8</sup>	OEM interpolation 1				m	1
OEMIPO2 <sup>6,8</sup>	OEM interpolation 2				m	1
OF	Vocabulary word in CASE branch					
OFFN	Allowance for programmed contour			OFFN=5		
OMA1 <sup>6</sup>	OEM address 1	Real			m	
OMA2 <sup>6</sup>	OEM address 2	Real			m	
OMA3 <sup>6</sup>	OEM address 3	Real			m	
OMA4 <sup>6</sup>	OEM address 4	Real			m	
OMA5 <sup>6</sup>	OEM address 5	Real			m	
OFFN	Offset compensation - normal	Real			m	
OR	Logical OR					
ORIC <sup>1,6</sup>	Changes in orientation at outer corners are overlaid on the circular block to be inserted (orientation change continuously)				m	27
ORID <sup>6</sup>	Changes in orientation are performed before the circular block (orientation change discontinuously)				m	27
ORIAXPOS	Orientation angle via virtual orientation axes with rotary axis positions				m	50
ORIEULER	Orientation angles using Euler angles				m	50
ORIAxes	Linear interpolation of machine axes or orientation axes		Final orientation: Vector A3, B2, C2  Additional inputs: Rotational vectors A6, B6, C6	Parameter settings as follows:  Direction vectors normalized A6=0, B6=0, C6=0  Arc angle implemented as travel angle with SLOT=...  SLOT=+... at $\leq 180$ degrees SLOT= - ... at $\geq 180$ degrees	m	51
ORICONC W	Interpolation on a circular peripheral surface in CW direction				m	51
ORICONC CW	Interpolation on a circular peripheral surface in CCW direction		Arc angle of taper in degrees: 0< SLOT<180 deg. Intermediate vectors: A7, B7, C7 2nd contact point of tool: XH, YH, ZH	Arc angle implemented as travel angle with SLOT=...  SLOT=+... at $\leq 180$ degrees SLOT= - ... at $\geq 180$ degrees  Intermediate orientation normalized A7=0, B7=0, C7=1	m	51
ORICONIO	Interpolation on a circular peripheral surface with intermediate orientation setting				m	51
ORICONTO	Interpolation on circular peripheral surface in tangential transition (final orientation)				m	51
ORICURVE	Interpolation of orientation with specification of motion of two contact points of tool				m	51
ORIPLANE	Interpolation in a plane (corresponds to ORIVECT)				m	51
ORIPATH	Tool orientation trajectory referred to path				m	51
ORIRPY	Orientation angles using RPY angles				m	50
ORIS <sup>5</sup>	Change in orientation (orientation smoothing factor)	Real	Referred to path		m	
ORIVECT	Large-radius circular interpol. (identical to ORIPLANE)				m	51

ORIVIRT1	Orientation angles using virtual orientation axes (def. 1)			m	50
ORIVIRT2	Orientation angles using virtual orientation axes (definition 1)			m	50
ORIMCS <sup>6</sup>	Tool orientation in machine coordinate system			m	25
ORIWKS <sup>1,6</sup>	Tool orientation in workpiece coordinate system			m	25

OS	Oscillation ON / OFF	Integer, without sign			
OSC <sup>6</sup>	Constant smoothing for tool orientation			m	34
OSCILL	Axis assignment for oscillation - activate oscillation		Axis: 1–3 infeed axes	m	
OSCTRL	Oscillation control options	Integer, without sign		m	
OSE	Oscillation: End point			m	
OSNSC	Oscillation: Number of spark- out cycles number spark out cycles)			m	
OSOF <sup>1,6</sup>	Constant smoothing for tool orientation OFF			m	34
OSP1	Oscillation: Left-hand reversal point (oscillating: position 1)	Real		m	
OSP2	Oscillation: Right-hand reversal point (oscillating: position 2)	Real		m	
OSS <sup>6</sup>	Tool orientation smoothing at end of block			m	34
OSSE <sup>6</sup>	Tool orientation smoothing at beginning and end of block			m	34
OST1	Oscillation: Stop in left-hand reversal point	Real		m	
OST2	Oscillation: Stop in right-hand rev. point	Real		m	
OVR	Spindle override	1, ..., 200%		m	
OVRA	Axial spindle override	1, ..., 200%		m	
P	Number of subprogram passes	1 ... 9999, integer without sign	E.g. L781 P... ; separate block		
PCALL	PCALL calls subprograms with the absolute path and parameter transfer	No absolute path response like CALL			
PDELAYOF <sub>6</sub>	Delay for punching OFF (punch with delay OFF)			m	36
PDELAYON <sub>1,6</sub>	Delay for punching ON (punch with delay ON)			m	36
PL	Parameter interval length	Real, without sign		s	
PM	per minute		Feed per minute		

PO	Polynomial	Real, without sign			s	
POLF	Position LIFTFAST	Real, without sign		POLF[Y]=10	m	
POLY <sup>5</sup>	Polynomial interpolation				m	1
POLYPATH <sup>5</sup>	Polynomial interpolation can be selected for the AXIS or VECT axis groups			POLYPATH ("AXES") POLYPATH ("VECT")	m	1
PON <sup>6</sup>	Punching ON (punch ON)				m	35
PONS <sup>6</sup>	Punching ON in IPO cycle (punch ON slow)				m	35
POS	Position axis			POS[X]=20		
POSA	Position axis across block boundaries			POSA[Y]=20		
POSP	Positioning in part sections (oscillation) (Position axis in parts)	Real: End position, part length;  Integer: option				
POT	Square (arithmetic function)	Real				
PR	Per revolution			Revolutional feedrate		
PRESETON	Set actual value for programmed axes	An axis name is programmed with the corresponding value in the next parameter.  Up to 8 axes possible		PRESETON(X,10,Y,4.5)		
PRIOR	Vocabulary word for setting the priority for interrupt processing					
PROC	First instruction in a program			Block number - PROC - identifier		
PTP	Point to point movement				m	49
PUTFTOC	Tool offset fine for parallel dressing (continuous dressing)					
PUTFTOCF	Put fine tool correction function dependent: Fine tool offset dependent on a function for continuous dressing defined with FCtDEF					
PW	Point weight	Real, without sign			s	
QECLRNOF	Quadrant error compensation learning OFF					
QECLRNON	Quadrant error compensation learning ON					
QU	Fast additional (auxiliary) function output					

R...	Arithmetic parameters SW 5 and higher: also as settable address identifier and with numerical extension	±0.0000001, ..., 9999 9999	R parameter number can be set via MD	R10=3 ;R parameter assignment X=R10 ;Axis value R[R10]=6 ;indirect programming		
RDISABLE	Read-in disable					
READAL	Read alarm		Alarms are searched according to ascending numbers			
REAL	Data type: floating point variable with leading sign (real numbers)	Corresponds to the 64-bit floating point format of the processor				
REDEF	Setting for machine data, which user groups they are displayed for					
RELEASE	Release machine axes		Multiple axes can be programmed			
REP	Vocabulary word for initialization of all elements of an array with the same value					
REPEAT	Repeat a program loop		until (UNTIL) a condition is fulfilled			
REPEATB	Repeat a program line		nnn times			
REPOSA	Reposition all axes linearly				s	2
REPOSH	Reposition along semi-circle				s	2
REPOSHA	Reposition all axes along semi-circle: Reposition all axes, geometry axes along quadrant				s	2
REPOS L	Reposition linearly				s	2
REPOS Q	Reposition along quadrant				s	2
REPOS QA	Reposition all axes along quadrant Reposition all axes linearly, geometry axes along quadrant				s	2
RESET	Reset technology cycle		One or several IDs can be programmed			
RET	End of subprogram		Use in place of M17 – without function output to PLC	RET		

RINDEX	Define index of character in input string	0, ..., INT	String: Parameter 1, character: Parameter 2			
RMB	Reposition at beginning of block (Repos mode begin of block)			m	26	
RME	Reposition at end of block (Repos mode end of block)			m	26	
RMI <sup>1</sup>	Reposition at interruption point (Repos mode interrupt)			m	26	
RMN	Reapproach to nearest path point (Repos mode end of nearest orbital block)			m	26	
RND	Round contour corner	Real, without sign	RND=...	s		
RNDM	Modal rounding	Real, without sign	RNDM=... RNDM=0: disable modal rounding	m		
ROT	Programmable rotation	Rotation around 1st geom. axis: -180° .. 180° 2nd G axis: -89.999°, ..., 90° 3rd G axis: -180° .. 180°		ROT X... Y... Z... ROT RPL= ; separate block	s	3
ROTS	programmable frame rotations with solid angles (rotation)			ROT X... Y... ROT Z... X... ROT Y... Z... ;own ROT RPL= block	s	3
ROUND	Round decimal places	Real				
RP	Polar radius (radius polar)	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
RPL	Rotation in plane (rotation plane)	Real, without sign			s	
RT	Parameter for access to frame data: Rotation					
s	Spindle speed or (with G4, G96) another meaning	0.1 ... 99999999.9	Spindle speed in rev/min G4: Dwell time in spindle rotations G96: Cutting rate in m/min	S....: Spindle speed for master spindle S1....: Spindle speed for spindle 1	m,s	
SAVE	Attribute for saving information at subroutine calls		The following are saved: All modal G functions and the current frame			

SBLOF	Suppress single block (single block OFF)		The following blocks are executed in single block like a block.		
SBLON	Clear single block suppression (single block ON)				
SC	Parameter for access to frame data: Scaling (scale)				
SCALE	Programmable scaling (scale)		SCALE X... Y... Z... ; separate block	s	3
SD	Spline degree	Integer, without sign		s	
SEFORM	Structuring instruction in Step editor to generate the step view for HMI Advanced		Evaluated in Step editor.	SEFORM(<section_name>, <level>, <icon> )	
SET	Vocabulary word for initialization of all elements of an array with listed values				
SETAL	Set alarm				
SETDNO	Set D number of tool (T) and its cutting edge to new				
SETINT	Define which interrupt routine is to be activated when an NCK input is present		Edge 0 → 1 is analyzed		
SETM	Set one/several markers for channel coordination		Machining in the local channel is not influenced by this.		
SETMS	Switch back to master spindle programmed in machine data				
SETMS(n)	Spindle n must act as master spindle				
SETPIECE	Set piece number for all tools assigned to the spindle.		Without spindle number: Valid for master spindle		
SF	Start point offset for thread cutting (spline offset)	0.0000, ..., 359.999°		m	
SIN	Sine (trigon. function)	Real			
SOFT	Soft axis acceleration			m	21
SOFTA	Switch on soft axis acceleration for the programmed axes				
SON <sup>6</sup>	Nibbling ON (stroke ON)			m	35
SONS <sup>6</sup>	Nibbling ON in IPO cycle (stroke ON slow)			m	35
SPATH <sup>1</sup>	Path reference for FGROUP axes is length of arc			m	45
SPCOF	Switch master spindle or spindle (n) from speed control over to position control		SPCON SPCON (n)		
SPCON	Switch master spindle or spindle (n) from position control over to speed control		SPCON SPCON (n)		

SPIF1 <sup>1,6</sup>	High-speed NCK inputs/outputs for punching/nibbling byte 1 (stroke/punch interface 1)		see /FB/, N4: Punching and Nibbling		m	38
SPIF2 <sup>6</sup>	High-speed NCK inputs/outputs for punching/nibbling byte 2 (stroke/punch interface 2)		see /FB/, N4: Punching and Nibbling		m	38
SPLINE-PATH	Define spline grouping		Max. of 8 axes			
SPOF <sup>1,6</sup>	Stroke OFF, punching, nibbling OFF (stroke/punch OFF)				m	35
SPN <sup>6</sup>	Number of path sections per block (stroke/punch number)	Integer			s	
SPP <sup>6</sup>	Length of a path section (stroke/punch path)	Integer			m	
SPOS	Spindle position			SPOS=10 or SPOS[n]=10	m	
SPOSA	Spindle position across block boundaries			SPOSA=5 or SPOSA[n]=5	m	
SQRT	Square root; arithmetic function	Real				
SR	Sparking-out retraction path for synchronized action	Real, without sign			s	
SRA	Sparking-out retraction path with input axial for synchronized action			SRA[Y]=0.2	m	
ST	Sparking-out time for synchronized action	Real, without sign			s	
STA	Sparking out time axial for synchronized action				m	
START	Start selected programs simultaneously in several channels from current program		ineffective for the local channel			
STAT	Position of articulated joints	Integer			s	
STARTFIFO <sup>1</sup>	Execute; fill preprocessing buffer in parallel				m	4
STOPFIFO	Stop processing; fill preprocessing buffer until STARTFIFO, preprocessing buffer "full" or end of program is detected				m	4
STOPRE	Stop preprocessing until all prepared blocks are executed in main run.					
STOPREOF	Stop preprocessing OFF					
STRING	Data type: String	Max. 200 characters				
STRLEN	Define string length	INT				
SUBSTR	Define index of character in input string	Real	String: Parameter 1, character: Parameter 2			

SUPA	Suppression of current zero offset		incl. programm. offsets, handwheel offsets (DRF), external zero offsets and PRESET offset		s	9
SYNFCT	Evaluation of a polynomial as a function of a condition in the motion-synchronous action		VAR REAL			
SYNR	The variable is read synchronously, i.e. at execution time (synchronous read)					
SYNRW	The variable is read and written synchronously, i.e. at execution time (synchronous read-write)					
SYNW	The variable is written synchronously, i.e. at execution time (synchronous write)					
T	Call tool (change only if so defined in machine data; otherwise M6 command required)	1 ... 32 000	Call via T No.: or via tool name:  E.g. T3 or T=3  E.g. T="DRILL"			
TAN	Tangent (trigon. function)	Real				
TANG	Determine tangent for the follow-up from both specified leading axes					
TANGOF	Tangent follow-up mode OFF					
TANGON	Tangent follow-up mode ON					
TCARR	Request toolholder (number "m")	Integer	m=0: Deselect active toolholder	TCARR=1		
TCOABS <sup>1</sup>	Determine tool length components from current tool orientation		Required after resetting machine, e.g.		m	42
TCOFR	Determine tool length components from orientation of active frame		by manual setting		m	42
TCOFRX	Determine tool orientation of an active frame during tool selection, tool points in X direction		Tool perpendicular to sloping surface		m	42
TCOFRY	Determine tool orientation of an active frame during tool selection, tool points in Y direction		Tool perpendicular to sloping surface		m	42
TCOFRZ	Determine tool orientation of an active frame during tool selection, tool points in Z direction		Tool perpendicular to sloping surface		m	42
TILT <sup>5</sup>	Side angle	Real			m	
TMOF	Deselect tool monitoring function		T number required only if tool with this number is not active.	TMOF (T No.)		

TMON	Select tool monitoring function	T No. = 0: Deactivate monitoring function for all tools	TMON (T No.)		
TO	Defines the end value in a FOR counter loop				
TOFFOF	Deactivate on-line tool offset				
TOFFON	Activate online tool length compensation <b>(Tool Offset ON)</b>	3-dimensional offset direction	TOFFON (Z, 25) with offset direction Z offset value 25		
TOFRAME	Set current programmable frame to tool coordinate system	Frame rotations in tool direction		m	53
TOFRAMEX	X axis parallel to tool direction, secondary axis Y, Z			m	53
TOFRAMEY	Y axis parallel to tool direction, secondary axis Z, X			m	53
TOFRAMEZ	Z axis parallel to tool direction, secondary axis X, Y			m	53
TOFROF	Frame rotations in tool direction OFF			m	53
TOFRONT	Z axis parallel to tool orientation	Frame rotations ON Rotation component of programmed frame		m	53
TOFRONTX	X axis parallel to tool orientation			m	53
TOFRONTY	Y axis parallel to tool orientation			m	53
TOFRONTZ	Z axis parallel to tool orientation			m	53
TOLOWER	Convert letters of the string into lowercase				
TOWSTD	Initial setting value for corrections in tool length	Including tool wear		m	56
TOWBCS	Wear values in basic coordinate system BCS			m	56
TOKCS	Wear values in the coordinate system of the tool head for kinetic transformation (differs from MCS by tool rotation)			m	56
TOWMCS	Wear values in machine coordinate system (MCS).			m	56
TOWTCS	Wear values in the tool coordinate system (tool carrier ref. point T at the tool holder)			m	56
TOWWCS	Wear values in workpiece coordinate system WCS			m	56
TOUPPER	Convert letters of the string into uppercase				
TR	Parameter for access to frame data: Translation				
TRAANG	Transformation inclined axis	Several transformations settable per channel			
TRACEOF	Circularity test: Transfer of values OFF				
TRACEON	Circularity test: Transfer of values ON				
TRACON	Transformation concatenated				
TRACYL	Cylinder: Peripheral surface transformation	see TRAANG			

TRAFOOF	Switch off transformation			TRAFOOF( )		
TRAILOF	Synchronous coupled motion of axes OFF (trailing OFF)					
TRAILON	Synchronous coupled motion of axes ON (trailing ON)					
TRANS	Programmable offset (translation)			TRANS X. Y. Z.;separate block	s	3
TRANSMIT	Polar transformation		see TRAANG			
TRAORI	4-axis, 5-axis transformation (transformation oriented)		see TRAANG			
TRUE	Logical constant: True	BOOL	Can be replaced with integer constant 1			
TRUNC	Truncate decimal places	Real				
TU	Axis angle	Integer		TU=2	s	
TURN	No. of turns for helix	0, ..., 999			s	
UNLOCK	Enable synchronized action with ID (continue technology cycle)					
UNTIL	Condition for end of REPEAT loop					
UPATH	Curve parameter is path reference for FGROUP axes				m	45
VAR	Vocabulary word: Type of parameter passing		With VAR: Call by reference			
WAITC	Wait until coupling block change criterion for axes / spindles is fulfilled (wait for couple condition)		Up to 2 axes/spindles can be programmed.	WAITC(1,1,2)		
WAITM	Wait for marker in specified channel; terminate previous block with exact stop.			WAITM(1,1,2)		
WAITMC	Wait for marker in specified channel; exact stop only if other channels have not yet reached the marker			WAITMC(1,1,2)		
WAITP	Wait for end of travel			WAITP(X) ; separate block		
WAITS	Wait until spindle position is reached			WAITS (main spindle) WAITS (n,n,n)		
WALIMOF	Working area limitation OFF			; separate block	m	28
WALIMON <sup>1</sup>	Working area limitation ON			; separate block	m	28
WHILE	Start of WHILE program loop		End: ENDWHILE			
WRITE	Write block in file system					
X	Axis	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
XOR	Logical exclusive OR					
Y	Axis	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	
Z	Axis	Real			m,s <sup>3</sup>	

Legend:

<sup>1</sup> Default setting at start of program (in delivery state of control system provided that another setting is not programmed).

<sup>2</sup> The group numbering corresponds to the numbering in table "Overview of instructions" in Section 11.3

<sup>3</sup> Absolute end points: Modal; incremental end points: Non-modal; otherwise modal/non-modal depending on syntax of G function

<sup>4</sup> IPO parameters act incrementally as arc centers. They can be programmed in absolute mode with AC. When they have other meanings (e.g. pitch), the address modification is ignored.

<sup>5</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK FM-NC/810D

<sup>6</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK FM-NC/810D/NCU571

<sup>7</sup> Vocabulary word does not apply to SINUMERIK 810D

<sup>8</sup> The OEM user can incorporate two extra interpolation types and modify their names.

<sup>9</sup> Vocabulary word applies only to SINUMERIK FM-NC

<sup>10</sup> The extended address block format may not be used for these functions.



## 15.2 List of system variables

### Legend:

<b>Parts pr.</b>	Parts program
<b>Syn</b>	Synchronized action
<b>O</b>	The index can be calculated online in synchronized actions. (+)
<b>S</b>	Software version
<b>R</b>	Read access possible
<b>W</b>	Write access possible
<b>RS</b>	A preprocessor stop takes place implicitly on read access
<b>WS</b>	A preprocessor stop takes place implicitly on write access
<b>+</b>	In column O: The index can be calculated online in synchronized actions.

### 15.2.1 R parameters

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
<b>R</b>	REAL	Rn or R[n] The max. number of R parameters is defined in machine data	R	W		1
<b>\$R</b>				R	W	4

### 15.2.2 Channel-specific synchronized action variables

<b>\$AC_PARAM</b>	REAL	\$AC_PARAM[n] Arithmetic variable for motion-synchronized actions The dimension is fixed by the machine data \$MC_MM_NUM_AC_PARAM.	R S	W S	R	W	+	3
<b>\$AC_SYSTEM_PARAM</b>	REAL	\$AC_SYSTEM_PARAM[n] Arithmetic variable for motion-synchronized actions Reserved for SIEMENS applications The dimension is fixed by the machine data \$MC_MM_NUM_AC_SYSTEM_PARAM.	R S	W S	R	W	+	6 .3
<b>\$AC_MARKER</b>	INT	\$AC_MARKER[n] Marker variable for motion-synchronized actions The dimension is fixed by the machine data \$MC_MM_NUM_AC_MARKER.	R S	W S	R	W	+	2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_SYSTEM_MARKER	INT	\$AC_SYSTEM_MARKER[n] Marker variable for motion-synchronized actions Reserved for SIEMENS applications The dimension is fixed by the machine data \$MC_MM_NUM_AC_SYSTEM_MARKER.	R S	W S	R	W + 6. 3

### 15.2.3 Frames 1

\$P_UIFR	FRAME	\$P_UIFR[n] Settable frames, can be activated via G500, G54 .. G599. 5 to 100 settable frames with MD \$MC_MM_NUM_USER_FRAMES	R	W			2
\$P_CHBFR	FRAME	\$P_CHBFR[n] Channel base frames, can be activated via G500, G54 .. G599. 0 to 8 channel base frames via MD \$MC_MM_NUM_BASE_FRAMES.	R	W			5
\$P_SETFR	FRAME	\$P_SETFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 1
\$P_EXTFR	FRAME	\$P_EXTFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 1
\$P_PARTFR	FRAME	\$P_PARTFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 1
\$P_TOOLFR	FRAME	\$P_TOOLFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 1
\$P_WPFR	FRAME	\$P_WPFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 3
\$P_CYCFR	FRAME	\$P_CYCFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W			6. 3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_TRAFR	FRAME	\$P_TRAFR  Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		6. 4
\$P_NCBFR	FRAME	\$P_NCBFR[n]  NCU base frames, can be activated via G500, G54 .. G599. 0 to 8 NCU base frames via MD \$MN_MM_NUM_GLOBAL_BASE_FRAMES.	R	W		5

#### 15.2.4 Toolholder data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR1	REAL	\$TC_CARR1[n]  x component of offset vector I1  Notice! All system parameters with the '\$TC_' prefix are contained in the TOA area.  The special property of this area is that it is possible, conditional on machine data 28085 = MM_LINK_TOA_UNIT, for various NCK channels to access these parameters.  If an NCK parameterization of this type has been selected, then it must be clearly understood that when this data is changed, the changes may also have an adverse effect on another channel; or there must be evidence that the change only has a local effect on the channel that is changed.  The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR2	REAL	\$TC_CARR2[n]  y component of offset vector I1  The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR3	REAL	\$TC_CARR3[n] z component of offset vector l1 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR4	REAL	\$TC_CARR4[n] x component of offset vector l2 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR5	REAL	\$TC_CARR5[n] y component of offset vector l2 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR6	REAL	\$TC_CARR6[n] z component of offset vector l2 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR7	REAL	\$TC_CARR7[n] x component of axis of rotation v1 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR8	REAL	\$TC_CARR8[n] y component of axis of rotation v1 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR9	REAL	\$TC_CARR9[n] z component of axis of rotation v1 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR10	REAL	\$TC_CARR10[n] x component of axis of rotation v2 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR11	REAL	\$TC_CARR11[n] y component of axis of rotation v2 The maximum number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR12	REAL	\$TC_CARR12[n] z component of axis of rotation v2 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR13	REAL	\$TC_CARR13[n] Angle of rotation alpha1 (in degrees) The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR14	REAL	\$TC_CARR14[n] Angle of rotation alpha2 (in degrees) The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		4
\$TC_CARR15	REAL	\$TC_CARR15[n] x component of offset vector l3 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		5
\$TC_CARR16	REAL	\$TC_CARR16[n] y component of offset vector l3 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		5
\$TC_CARR17	REAL	\$TC_CARR17[n] z component of offset vector l3 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		5
\$TC_CARR18	REAL	\$TC_CARR18[n] x component of offset vector l4 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR19	REAL	\$TC_CARR19[n] y component of offset vector l4 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR20	REAL	\$TC_CARR20[n] z component of offset vector l4 The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR21	AXIS	\$TC_CARR21[n] Axis identifier for the 1st axis of rotation The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR22	AXIS	\$TC_CARR22[n] Axis identifier for the 2nd axis of rotation The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR23	CHAR	\$TC_CARR23[n] Kinematics type: P: rotatable workpiece (Part) M: rotatable tool and rotatable part (Mixed) T or any other character apart from P and M: rotatable tool The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = T; i.e. toolholder with orientable tool.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR24	REAL	\$TC_CARR24[n] Offset of the 1st rotary axis in degrees Indicates the angle in degrees of the 1st rotary axis at which the axis takes up its initial setting. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR25	REAL	\$TC_CARR25[n] Offset of the 2nd rotary axis in degrees Indicates the angle in degrees of the 2nd rotary axis, at which the axis takes up its initial setting. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR26	REAL	\$TC_CARR26[n] Indicates the offset of the 1st rotary axis if its position cannot be changed continuously (Hirth tooth system). It will only be analyzed if \$TC_CARR28 does not equal zero. For detailed explanation see the description of \$TC_CARR28 The maximum number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR27	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR27[n]</p> <p>Indicates the offset of the 1st rotary axis if its position cannot be changed continuously (Hirth tooth system).</p> <p>It will only be analyzed if \$TC_CARR29 does not equal zero.</p> <p>For detailed explanation see the description of \$TC_CARR29</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR28	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR28[n]</p> <p>Specifies the size of the minimum increment step (in degrees), by which the first rotary axis can be changed (e.g. for Hirth tooth systems).</p> <p>A programmed or calculated angle is rounded to the nearest value that arises with integer n from</p> <pre>phi = s + n * d while s = \$TC_CARR28 d = \$TC_CARR26</pre> <p>If \$TC_CARR28 equals zero, \$TC_CARR26 and \$TC_CARR28 are not used.</p> <p>Instead, machine data</p> <p>\$MC_TOCARR_ROT_ANGLE_INCR[i] and \$MC_TOCARR_ROT_ANGLE_OFFSET[i]</p> <p>are accessed.</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR29	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR29[n]</p> <p>Specifies the size of the minimum increment step (in degrees), by which the second rotary axis can be changed (e.g. for Hirth tooth systems).</p> <p>A programmed or calculated angle is rounded to the nearest value that arises with integer n from</p> $\text{phi} = s + n * d$ <p>while</p> $s = \$TC\_CARR29$ $d = \$TC\_CARR27$ <p>If \$TC_CARR29 equals zero, \$TC_CARR28 and \$TC_CARR29 are not used.</p> <p>Instead, machine data</p> $\$MC\_TOCARR\_ROT\_ANGLE\_INCR[i]$ and $\$MC\_TOCARR\_ROT\_ANGLE\_OFFSET[i]$ are accessed. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR30	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR30[n]</p> <p>Indicates the minimum position of the 1st rotary axis. For a detailed description, see \$TC_CARR32</p> <p>The maximum number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR31	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR31[n]</p> <p>Indicates the minimum position of the 2nd rotary axis. For a detailed description, see \$TC_CARR33</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR32	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR32[n]</p> <p>Indicates the maximum position of the 1st rotary axis. When calculating the angle of the 1st rotary axis of an orientable toolholder during alignment to a frame (TCOFR), only those solutions that fall within the range \$TC_CARR30 to \$TC_CARR32 are accepted as valid. The same applies for an angle of rotation programmed as absolute (TCOABS).</p> <p>If both \$TC_CARR30 and \$TC_CARR32 equal zero, the limitations will not be analyzed.</p> <p>The maximum number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_CARR33	REAL	<p>\$TC_CARR33[n]</p> <p>Indicates the maximum position of the 2nd rotary axis. When calculating the angle of the 2nd rotary axis of an orientable toolholder during alignment to a frame (TCOFR), only those solutions that fall within the range \$TC_CARR31 to \$TC_CARR33 are accepted as valid. The same applies for an angle of rotation programmed as absolute (TCOABS).</p> <p>If both \$TC_CARR31 and \$TC_CARR33 equal zero, the limitations will not be analyzed.</p> <p>The maximum number of toolholders can be set via machine data.</p> <p>Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p>	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR34	STRING	<p>\$TC_CARR34[n]</p> <p>Contains a user-definable string. This is intended to be a free identifier for the orientable toolholder.</p> <p>However, within the NCK it is currently totally meaningless and is not evaluated either.</p> <p>The identifier should not be used for other purposes, as in a later expansion, the activation of an orientable toolholder should also be possible via names instead of numbers.</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p> <p>2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$TC_CARR35	STRING	<p>\$TC_CARR35[n]</p> <p>Contains a user-definable string. This is intended to be a free identifier for the first rotary axis.</p> <p>However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either.</p> <p>It can therefore also be used for any other purposes.</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p> <p>2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$TC_CARR36	STRING	<p>\$TC_CARR36[n]</p> <p>Contains a user-definable string. This is intended to be a free identifier for the second rotary axis.</p> <p>However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either.</p> <p>It can therefore also be used for any other purposes.</p> <p>The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.</p> <p>2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN</p>	R	W		6 .4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_CARR37	INT	\$TC_CARR37[n] Contains an integer to identify the toolholder. However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .4
\$TC_CARR38	REAL	\$TC_CARR38[n] Contains a position (X component of the retraction position) However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .4
\$TC_CARR39	REAL	\$TC_CARR39[n] Contains a position (Y component of the retraction position) However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .4
\$TC_CARR40	REAL	\$TC_CARR40[n] Contains a position (X component of the retraction position) However, within the NCK it is totally meaningless and is not evaluated either. The max. number of toolholders can be set via machine data. Default setting is = 0; i.e. NCK has no such data.	R	W		6 .4

### 15.2.5 Channel-specific protection zones

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$SC_PA_ACTIV_IMMED	BOOL	\$SC_PA_ACTIV_IMMED[n] Protection zone active immediately? TRUE: The protection zone is active immediately once the control is powered up and the axes are referenced FALSE: The protection zone is not active immediately n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_T_W	CHAR	\$SC_PA_T_W[n] Part/tool related protection zone 0: Part-related protection zone 3: Tool-related protection zone n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$SC_PA_ORI	INT	\$SC_PA_ORI[n] Orientation of protection zone 0: Polygon in plane from 1st and 2nd geo axis 1: Polygon in plane from 3rd and 1st geo axis 2: Polygon in plane from 2nd and 3rd geo axis n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_LIM_3DIM	INT	\$SC_PA_LIM_3DIM[n] Code for restricting the protection zone in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition 0: = No limit 1: = Limit in positive direction 2: = Limit in negative direction 3: = Limit in both directions n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_PLUS_LIM	REAL	\$SC_PA_PLUS_LIM[n] Positive limit of the protection zones in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_MINUS_LIM	REAL	\$SC_PA_MINUS_LIM[n] Negative limitation of protection zones in the negative direction in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_CONT_NUM	INT	\$SC_PA_CONT_NUM[n] Number of valid contour elements n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_CONT_TYP	INT	\$SC_PA_CONT_TYP [n,m] Contour element type (G1, G2, G3) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10 (MAXNUM_CONTOURNO_PROTECTAREA)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_CONT_ORD	REAL	\$SC_PA_CONT_ORD[n,m] End point of contour element (ordinate) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10 (MAXNUM_CONTOURNO_PROTECTAREA)	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$SC_PA_CONT_ABS	REAL	\$SC_PA_CONT_ABS[n,m] End point of contour element (abscissa) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10 (MAXNUM_CONTOURNO_PROTECTAREA)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_CENT_ORD	REAL	\$SC_PA_CENT_ORD[n,m] Center point of contour element (ordinate) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10 (MAXNUM_CONTOURNO_PROTECTAREA)	R	W		2
\$SC_PA_CENT_ABS	REAL	\$SC_PA_CENT_ABS[n,m] Center point of contour element (abscissa) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10 (MAXNUM_CONTOURNO_PROTECTAREA)	R	W		2

### 15.2.6 Tool parameters

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DP1	INT	\$TC_DP1[t,d] Tool type With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP1[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP2	REAL	\$TC_DP2[t,d] Tool edge position With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP2[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP3	REAL	\$TC_DP3[t,d] Geometry - Length 1 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP3[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DP4	REAL	\$TC_DP4[t,d] Geometry - Length 2 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP4[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP5	REAL	\$TC_DP5[t,d] Geometry - Length 3 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP5[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP6	REAL	\$TC_DP6[t,d] Geometry - Radius With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP6[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP7	REAL	\$TC_DP7[t,d] Slotting saw: Corner radius With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP7[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP8	REAL	\$TC_DP8[t,d] Slotting saw: Length With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP8[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP9	REAL	\$TC_DP9[t,d] Reserved With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP9[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP10	REAL	\$TC_DP10[t,d] Angle between face of tool and torus surface With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP10[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DP11	REAL	\$TC_DP11[t,d] Angle between tool longitudinal axis and upper end of torus surface With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP11[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP12	REAL	\$TC_DP12[t,d] Wear - Length 1 - \$TC_DP3 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP12[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP13	REAL	\$TC_DP13[t,d] Wear - Length 2 - \$TC_DP4 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP13[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP14	REAL	\$TC_DP14[t,d] Wear - Length 3 - \$TC_DP5 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP14[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP15	REAL	\$TC_DP15[t,d] Wear - Radius - \$TC_DP6 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP15[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP16	REAL	\$TC_DP16[t,d] Slotting saw: Wear, corner radius - \$TC_DP7 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP16[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DP17	REAL	\$TC_DP17[t,d] Slotting saw: Wear - Length - \$TC_DP8 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP17[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP18	REAL	\$TC_DP18[t,d] Wear - Reserved - \$TC_DP9 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP18[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP19	REAL	\$TC_DP19[t,d] Wear - Angle between face of tool and torus surface - \$TC_DP10 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP19[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP20	REAL	\$TC_DP20[t,d] Wear angle between tool longitudinal axis and upper end of torus surface - \$TC_DP11 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP20[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP21	REAL	\$TC_DP21[t,d] Base - Length 1 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP21[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP22	REAL	\$TC_DP22[t,d] Base - Length 2 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP22[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DP23	REAL	\$TC_DP23[t,d] Base - Length 3 With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP23[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP24	REAL	\$TC_DP24[t,d] Clearance angle With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP24[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DP25	REAL	\$TC_DP25[t,d] Reserved With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DP25[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		4
\$TC_DPCE	INT	\$TC_DPCE[t,d] = 'Cutting edge number' of offset data block t,d With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPCE[d] CE stands for <C>utting<E>dge Range of values of legal 'cutting edge numbers': 1 to the value of machine data \$MN_MM_MAX_CUTTING_EDGE_PERTOOL. t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_DPH	INT	\$TC_DPH[t,d] = 'H cutting edge number' of offset data block t,d for Fanuc0 M With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPH[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5 .1
\$TC_DPV	INT	\$TC_DPV[t,d] = tool cutting edge orientation With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPV[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DPV3	REAL	\$TC_DPV3[t,d] = X-component of tool cutting edge orientation With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPV3[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_DPV4	REAL	\$TC_DPV4[t,d] = Y-component of tool cutting edge orientation With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPV4[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_DPV5	REAL	\$TC_DPV5[t,d] = Z-component of tool cutting edge orientation With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPV5[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1

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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DPC1	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPC1[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPC1[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DPC2	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPC2[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPC2[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_DPC <sub>i</sub>	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPC[i,t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPC[i,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
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\$TC_DPC10	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPC10[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPC10[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_DPCS1	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPCS1[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPCS1[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_DPCS2	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPCS2[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPCS2[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_DPCS <sub>i</sub>	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPCS[i,t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPCS[i,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
...						
\$TC_DPCS10	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is DOUBLE \$TC_DPCS10[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_DPCS10[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC SCP13	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC SCP13[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP13[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP14	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC SCP14[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP14[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC SCP21	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC SCP21[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP21[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP23	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC SCP23[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP23[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP24	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC SCP24[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP24[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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#\$TC SCP31	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC SCP31[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP31[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC SCP33	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP3: \$TC SCP33[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP33[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP34	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP4: \$TC SCP34[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP34[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC SCP41	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP11: \$TC SCP41[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP41[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP43	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP3: \$TC SCP43[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP43[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP44	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP4: \$TC SCP44[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP44[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC SCP51	REAL	Offset for \$TC DP11: \$TC SCP51[t,d] analogous to \$TC DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP51[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC SCP53	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC SCP53[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP53[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP54	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC SCP54[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP54[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC SCP61	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC SCP61[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP61[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP63	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC SCP63[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP63[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC SCP64	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC SCP64[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP64[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC SCP71	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC SCP71[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC SCP71[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_ECP13	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP13[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP13[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP14	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP14[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP14[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
...						
\$TC_ECP21	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP21[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP21[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP23	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP23[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP23[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP24	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP24[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP24[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
...						
\$TC_ECP31	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP31[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP31[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_ECP33	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP33[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP33[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP34	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP34[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP34[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC_ECP41	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP41[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP41[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP43	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP43[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP43[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP44	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP44[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP44[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC_ECP51	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP51[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP51[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_ECP53	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP53[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP53[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP54	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP54[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP54[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
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\$TC_ECP61	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP61[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP61[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP63	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP3: \$TC_ECP63[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP12[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP63[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ECP64	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP4: \$TC_ECP64[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP13[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP64[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
...						
\$TC_ECP71	REAL	Offset for \$TC_DP11: \$TC_ECP71[t,d] analogous to \$TC_DP20[t,d] With active 'Flat D number management' function, the syntax is as follows: \$TC_ECP71[d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

### 15.2.8 Monitoring data for tool management

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MOP1	REAL	\$TC_MOP1[t,d] Prewarning limit for tool life t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOP2	REAL	\$TC_MOP2[t,d] Remaining tool life t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOP3	INT	\$TC_MOP3[t,d] Prewarning limit for number of workpieces t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOP4	INT	\$TC_MOP4[t,d] Remaining number of workpieces t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOP5	REAL	\$TC_MOP5[t,d] Prewarning limit wear t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_MOP6	REAL	\$TC_MOP6[t,d] Remaining wear t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_MOP11	REAL	\$TC_MOP11[t,d] Service life setpoint t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_MOP13	INT	\$TC_MOP13[t,d] Workpiece count setpoint t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_MOP15	REAL	\$TC_MOP15[t,d] Wear setpoint t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		5

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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MOPC1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPC1[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOPC2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPC2[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
...						
\$TC_MOPC10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPC10[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_MOPCS1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPCS1[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_MOPCS2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPCS2[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
...						
\$TC_MOPCS10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MOPCS10[t,d] t: Tool number 1–32000 d: Cutting edge number/D number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1

### 15.2.10 Tool-related data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_TP1	INT	\$TC_TP1[t] Duplo number t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP2	STRING	\$TC_TP2[t] Tool name t: Tool number 1–32000 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R	W		2
\$TC_TP3	INT	\$TC_TP3[t] Size to left t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP4	INT	\$TC_TP4[t] Size to right t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP5	INT	\$TC_TP5[t] Size toward top t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP6	INT	\$TC_TP6[t] Size toward bottom t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP7	INT	\$TC_TP7[t] Magazine location type t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP8	INT	\$TC_TP8[t] Status t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP9	INT	\$TC_TP9[t] Type of tool monitoring t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP10	INT	\$TC_TP10[t] Tool info t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TP11	INT	\$TC_TP11[t] Replacement strategy t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPC1	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPC1[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_TPC2	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPC2[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
...						
\$TC_TPC10	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPC10[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPCS1	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPCS1[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_TPCS2	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPCS2[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1
...						
\$TC_TPCS10	REAL	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_TPCS10[t] t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		6 .1

### 15.2.11 Tool-related grinding data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_TPG1	INT	\$TC_TPG1[t] Spindle number t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG2	INT	\$TC_TPG2[t] Chaining rule t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG3	REAL	\$TC_TPG3[t] Minimum grinding wheel radius t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG4	REAL	\$TC_TPG4[t] Minimum grinding wheel width t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG5	REAL	\$TC_TPG5[t] Current grinding wheel width t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG6	REAL	\$TC_TPG6[t] Maximum rotation speed t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG7	REAL	\$TC_TPG7[t] Maximum surface speed t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG8	REAL	\$TC_TPG8[t] Inclination angle for oblique grinding wheel t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2
\$TC_TPG9	INT	\$TC_TPG9[t] Parameter number for radius calculation t: Tool number 1–32000	R	W		2

### 15.2.12 Magazine location data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MPP1	INT	\$TC_MPP1[n,m] Location class n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP2	INT	\$TC_MPP2[n,m] Location type n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP3	BOOL	\$TC_MPP3[n,m] Adjacent location consideration on/off n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP4	INT	\$TC_MPP4[n,m] Location status n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP5	INT	\$TC_MPP5[n,m] Buffer magazine: Location class index Real magazines: Wear group number n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP6	INT	\$TC_MPP6[n,m] T-no. of the tool at this location n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		2
\$TC_MPP7	INT	\$TC_MPP7[n,m] Adapter number of tool adapter at this location n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		5
\$TC_MPP66	INT	\$TC_MPP66[n,m] T-no. of the tool in the buffer, for which the location specified by n,m is reserved. A write operation only makes sense when loading a backup file to the NCK. Name assignment follows the \$TC_MPP6 - tool no. of the tool at the magazine location. n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W		6 1

### 15.2.13 Magazine location data for OEM users

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
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\$TC_MPPC1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPC1[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			2
\$TC_MPPC2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPC2[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			2
...							
\$TC_MPPC10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPC10[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			2

\$TC_MPPCS1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPCS1[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			6 .1
\$TC_MPPCS2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPCS2[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			6 .1
...							
\$TC_MPPCS10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MPPCS10[n,m] n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			6 .1

\$TC_MDP1	INT	\$TC_MDP1[n,m] Distance between change position of magazine n and location m of the 1st internal magazine internal mag. 1 distance parameter n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			2
\$TC_MDP2	INT	\$TC_MDP2[n,m] Distance between change position of magazine n and location m of the 2nd internal magazine internal mag. 2 distance parameter n: Physical magazine number: m: Physical location number	R	W			2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MLSR	INT	<p>\$TC_MLSR[n,m]=0</p> <p>Assignment between buffer location n and buffer location m</p> <p>m must identify a location of type 'spindle'.</p> <p>n must identify a location not of type 'spindle'.</p> <p>This can be used to define, for example, which grippers,... are assigned to which spindles. The value for parameter value is defined as fix = 0.</p> <p>The write process defines a relation, the read process checks whether a particular relation applies. If not, an alarm is produced during a read operation.</p> <p>define links of grippers,... to spindles.</p> <p>n: Physical magazine location number of location class not equal to SPINDLE</p> <p>m: Physical magazine location number of location class equal to SPINDLE</p>	R	W		3
\$TC_MPTh	INT	<p>\$TC_MPTh[n,m]</p> <p>Magazine location type hierarchy</p> <p>mag. location (place)types hierarchy parameter</p> <p>n: Hierarchy 0 - 8-1</p> <p>m: Location type 0 - 8 - 1</p>	R	W		3

#### 15.2.14 Magazine description data for tool management

\$TC_MAP1	INT	\$TC_MAP1[n] Type of magazine n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP2	STRING	\$TC_MAP2[n] Identifier of the magazine n: Magazine number 1 to ... 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP3	INT	\$TC_MAP3[n] State of magazine n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP4	INT	\$TC_MAP4[n] Chaining with following magazine n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP5	INT	\$TC_MAP5[n] Chaining with previous magazine n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP6	INT	\$TC_MAP6[n] Number of rows n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MAP7	INT	\$TC_MAP7[n] Number of columns n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP8	INT	\$TC_MAP8[n] Current magazine position with reference to the change position n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAP9	INT	\$TC_MAP9[n] Current wear group number n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		5
\$TC_MAP10	INT	\$TC_MAP10[n] Current magazine search strategies. - tool search strategy - empty location search strategy The default entered by the NCK is the value \$TC_MAMP2. n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		6 .1

### 15.2.15 Tool management magazine description data for OEM users

\$TC_MAPC1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPC1[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
\$TC_MAPC2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPC2[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2
...						
\$TC_MAPC10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPC10[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		2

\$TC_MAPCS1	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPCS1[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		6 .1
\$TC_MAPCS2	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPCS2[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		6 .1
...						
\$TC_MAPCS10	INT	The type can be defined in the machine data. The default is INT \$TC_MAPCS10[n] n: Magazine number 1 to ...	R	W		6 .1

### 15.2.16 Magazine module parameter

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$TC_MAMP1	STRING	\$TC_MAMP1 Identifier of the magazine module Scalar variable 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R	W		2
\$TC_MAMP2	INT	\$TC_MAMP2 Type of tool search Scalar variable	R	W		2
\$TC_MAMP3	INT	\$TC_MAMP3 Handling of tools with wear groups Scalar variable	R	W		5

### 15.2.17 Adapter data

\$TC_ADPTT	INT	\$TC_ADPTT[a] Adapter transformation number a: Adapter number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ADPT1	REAL	\$TC_ADPT1[a] Adapter geometry: Length 1 a: Adapter number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ADPT2	REAL	\$TC_ADPT2[a] Adapter geometry: Length 2 a: Adapter number 1–32000	R	W		5
\$TC_ADPT3	REAL	\$TC_ADPT3[a] Adapter geometry: Length 3 a: Adapter number 1–32000	R	W		5

### 15.2.18 Measuring system compensation values

\$AA_ENC_COM_P	REAL	\$AA_ENC_COMP[n,m,a] Compensation values a: Machine axis n: Encoder no. 0–1 m: Point no. 0–<MD value> Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_ENC_COM_P_STEP	REAL	\$AA_ENC_COMP_STEP[n,a] Step width a: Machine axis n: Encoder no. 0–1 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AA_ENC_COM_P_MIN	REAL	\$AA_ENC_COMP_MIN[n,a] Compensation start position a: Machine axis n: Encoder no. 0–1  Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_ENC_COM_P_MAX	REAL	\$AA_ENC_COMP_MAX[n,a] Compensation end position a: Machine axis n: Encoder no. 0–1  Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_ENC_COM_P_IS_MODULO	BOOL	\$AA_ENC_COMP_IS_MODULO[n,a] Compensation is modulo a: Machine axis n: Encoder no. 0–1  Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2

### 15.2.19 Quadrant error compensation

\$AA_QEC	REAL	\$AA_QEC[n,m,a] Result of learning process a: Machine axis n: 0 m: No. of point: 0 - \$MN_MM_QEC_MAX_POINTS Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_COA_RSE_STEPS	INT	\$AA_QEC_COARSE_STEPS[n,a] Compensation value: Coarse quantization of the characteristic a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_FINE_STEPS	INT	\$AA_QEC_FINE_STEPS[n,a] Fine quantization of characteristic a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_ACC_EL_1	REAL	\$AA_QEC_ACCEL_1[n,a] Acceleration in 1st knee-point according to definition [mm/s <sup>2</sup> o. inch/s <sup>2</sup> o. degrees/s <sup>2</sup> ] a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AA_QEC_ACC EL_2	REAL	\$AA_QEC_ACCEL_2[n,a] Acceleration in 2nd knee-point according to definition [mm/s <sup>2</sup> o. inch/s <sup>2</sup> o. degrees/s <sup>2</sup> ] a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_ACC EL_3	REAL	\$AA_QEC_ACCEL_3[n,a] Acceleration in 3rd knee-point according to definition [mm/s <sup>2</sup> o. inch/s <sup>2</sup> o. degrees/s <sup>2</sup> ] a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_1	REAL	\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_1[n,a] Measuring time for the range \$AA_QEC_ACCEL_1 a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_2	REAL	\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_2[n,a] Measuring time for the range \$AA_QEC_ACCEL_2 a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_3	REAL	\$AA_QEC_MEAS_TIME_3[n,a] Measuring time for the range \$AA_QEC_ACCEL_3 a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_TIME_1	REAL	\$AA_QEC_TIME_1[n,a] 1st filter time for feedforward element a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_TIME_2	REAL	\$AA_QEC_TIME_2[n,a] 2nd filter time for feedforward element a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_LEARNING_RATE	REAL	\$AA_QEC_LEARNING_RATE[n,a] Learning rate for network a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2
\$AA_QEC_DIRECTIONAL	BOOL	\$AA_QEC_DIRECTIONAL[n,a] TRUE: Compensation is directional FALSE: Compensation is not directional a: Machine axis n: 0 Axes: Machine axis	R	W		2

### 15.2.20 Interpolatory compensation

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AN_CEC	REAL	\$AN_CEC[n,m] Compensation value n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: No. of interpolation point 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_INPU T_AXIS	AXIS	\$AN_CEC_INPUT_AXIS[n]: Name of axis whose setpoint is to act as the compensation table input n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_OUT PUT_AXIS	AXIS	\$AN_CEC_OUTPUT_AXIS[n]: Name of axis which is influenced by the compensation table output n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
v\$AN_CEC_STE P	REAL	\$AN_CEC_STEP[n] Distance between compensation values n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_MIN	REAL	AN_CEC_MIN[n] Start position of compensation table n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_MAX	REAL	AN_CEC_MAX[n] End position of compensation table n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_DIRE CTION	INT	\$AN_CEC_DIRECTION[n] Activates directional action of compensation table n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_MUL T_BY_TABLE	INT	\$AN_CEC_MULT_BY_TABLE[n] Number of table for which the initial value is to be multiplied by the initial value of the compensation table 0: Both traversing directions of basic axis 1: Positive traversing direction of basic axis -1: Negative traversing direction of basic axis n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$AN_CEC_IS_M ODULO	BOOL	\$AN_CEC_IS_MODULO[n] TRUE: Cyclic repetition of compensation table FALSE: No cyclic repetition of compensation table n: No. of compensation table 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2

### 15.2.21 NCK-specific protection zones

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$SN_PA_ACTIV_IMMED	BOOL	\$SN_PA_ACTIV_IMMED[n] Protection zone active immediately? TRUE: The protection zone is active immediately once the control is powered up and the axes are referenced FALSE: The protection zone is not active immediately n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_T_W	CHAR	\$SN_PA_T_W[n] Part/tool related protection zone 0: Part-related protection zone 3: Tool-related protection zone n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_ORI	INT	\$SN_PA_ORI[n] Orientation of protection zone 0: Polygon in plane from 1st and 2nd geo axis 1: Polygon in plane from 3rd and 1st geo axis 2: Polygon in plane from 2nd and 3rd geo axis n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_LIM_3DIM	INT	\$SN_PA_LIM_3DIM[n] Code for restricting the protection zone in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition 0: = No limit 1: = Limit in positive direction 2: = Limit in negative direction 3: = Limit in both directions n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_PLUS_LIM	REAL	\$SN_PA_PLUS_LIM[n] Positive limit of the protection zones in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_MINUS_LIM	REAL	\$SN_PA_MINUS_LIM[n] Negative limitation of protection zone in the negative direction in the axis that lies perpendicular to the polygon definition n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2
\$SN_PA_CONT_NUM	INT	\$SN_PA_CONT_NUM[n] Number of valid contour elements n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD)	R	W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
<b>\$SN_PA_CONT_TYP</b>	INT	\$SN_PA_CONT_TYP[n,m] Contour element type (G1, G2, G3) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10	R	W		2
<b>\$SN_PA_CONT_ORD</b>	REAL	\$SN_PA_CONT_ORD[n,m] End point of contour element (ordinate) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10	R	W		2
<b>\$SN_PA_CONT_ABS</b>	REAL	\$SN_PA_CONT_ABS[n,m] End point of contour element (abscissa) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10	R	W		2
<b>\$SN_PA_CENT_ORD</b>	REAL	\$SN_PA_CENT_ORD[n,m] Center point of contour element (ordinate) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10	R	W		2
<b>\$SN_PA_CENT_ABS</b>	REAL	\$SC_PA_CENT_ABS[n,m] Center point of contour element (abscissa) n: Number of protection zone 0 - (maximum value settable via MD) m: Number of contour element 0–10	R	W		2

### 15.2.22 Cycle parameterization

<b>\$C_A</b>	REAL	\$C_A Value of programmed address A in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1
<b>\$C_B</b>	REAL	\$C_B Value of programmed address B in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1
...						
<b>\$C_H</b>	REAL	\$C_H Value of programmed address H in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$C_I	REAL	\$C_I[] Value of programmed address I in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization and macro technique with G65/G66. For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address I. The values are in the programmed sequence in the array.	R	W		5 .1
\$C_J	REAL	\$C_J[] Value of programmed address J in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization and macro technique with G65/G66. For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address J. The values are in the programmed sequence in the array.	R	W		5 .1
\$C_K	REAL	\$C_K[] Value of programmed address K in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization and macro technique with G65/G66. For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address K. The values are in the programmed sequence in the array.	R	W		5 .1
\$C_L	REAL	\$C_L Value of programmed address L in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1
\$C_M	REAL	\$C_M Value of programmed address M in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1
...						
\$C_Z	REAL	\$C_Z Value of programmed address Z in Fanuc mode for cycle parameterization	R	W		5 .1
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\$C_DL	REAL	Value of programmed address DL (additive tool offset) for A subroutine call by M/T function replacement	R	W		6 .1
\$C_TS	STRING	\$C_TS String of the tool identifier programmed under address T for tool function replacement (during active tool monitoring only)	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$C_A_PROG	INT	<p>\$C_A_PROG</p> <p>Address A is programmed to a block with cycle call</p> <p>0 = not programmed</p> <p>1 = programmed</p> <p>3 = programmed as incremental</p> <p>Bit 0 / value 1 is set when the address is programmed as absolute or incremental. To distinguish between absolute and incremental,</p> <p>bit 1 / value 3 is also set.</p> <p>The bit 2 =0 value is programmed as INT</p> <p>the =1 value is programmed as REAL</p>	R	W		5 .1
\$C_B_PROG	INT	<p>\$C_B_PROG</p> <p>Address B is programmed to a block with cycle call</p> <p>0 = not programmed</p> <p>1 = programmed</p> <p>3 = programmed as incremental</p> <p>Bit 0 / value 1 is set when the address is programmed as absolute or incremental. To distinguish between absolute and incremental,</p> <p>bit 1 / value 3 is also set.</p> <p>The bit 2 =0 value is programmed as INT</p> <p>the =1 value is programmed as REAL</p>	R	W		5 .1
...						
\$C_Z_PROG	INT	<p>\$C_Z_PROG</p> <p>Address Z is programmed to a block with cycle call</p> <p>0 = not programmed</p> <p>1 = programmed</p> <p>3 = programmed as incremental</p> <p>Bit 0 / value 1 is set when the address is programmed as absolute or incremental. To distinguish between absolute and incremental,</p> <p>bit 1 / value 3 is also set.</p> <p>The bit 2 =0 value is programmed as INT</p> <p>the =1 value is programmed as REAL</p>	R	W		5 .1
\$C_DL_PROG	INT	<p>Queries whether during a subroutine call by M/T function replacement the address DL (additive tool offset) has been programmed.</p> <p>0 = not programmed</p> <p>1 = An additive tool offset has been programmed under the address DL.</p>	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$C_TS_PROG	INT	Queries whether, in the case of a subroutine call by T function replacement a tool identifier has been programmed under address T. (with active tool monitoring only) 0 = not programmed 1 = programmed	R	W		6 .1
\$C_ALL_PROG	INT	\$C_ALL_PROG Bit pattern of all the programmed addresses in a block with cycle call bit0 = address "A" .... bit25 = address "Z" bit = 1 -> address programmed bit = 0 -> address not programmed	R	W		5 .1
\$C_INC_PROG	INT	\$C_INC_PROG Bit pattern of all the addresses programmed as incremental in a block with cycle call bit0 = address "A" .... bit25 = address "Z" bit = 1 -> address programmed as incremental bit = 0 -> address programmed as absolute	R	W		6 .1
\$C_TYP_PROG	INT	\$C_TYP_PROG Bit pattern of all the programmed addresses with the value INT or REAL bit0 = address "A" .... bit25 = address "Z" Bit = 1 -> address programmed with real value Bit = 0 -> address programmed with int value	R	W		6 .4
\$C_I_NUM	INT	\$C_I_NUM \$C_I_NUM contains the number of I addresses programmed in the block. For cycle programming, this value is always 1 whenever bit 0 in \$C_I_PROG is set. In the case of macro programming with G65/G66, this contains the number of "I" addresses programmed in the block, (max. 10).	R	W		6 .1
\$C_J_NUM	INT	\$C_J_NUM \$C_J_NUM contains the number of "J" addresses programmed in the block. For cycle programming, this value is always 1 whenever bit 0 in \$C_J_PROG is set. In the case of macro programming with G65/G66, this contains the number of "J" addresses programmed in the block, (max. 10).	R	W		6 .1
\$C_K_NUM	INT	\$C_K_NUM \$C_K_NUM contains the number of K addresses programmed in the block. For cycle programming, this value is always 1 whenever bit 0 in \$C_K_PROG is set. In the case of macro programming with G65/G66, this contains the number of "K" addresses programmed in the block, (max. 10).	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$C_I_ORDER	INT	\$C_I_ORDER[] Number of the IJK block, in which I has been programmed For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address I. These can be used to evaluate the IJK sequence. A note is always made of which IJK go together.	R	W		6. 4
\$C_J_ORDER	INT	\$C_J_ORDER[] Number of the IJK block, in which J has been programmed For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address J. These can be used to evaluate the IJK sequence. from the parts program. A note is always made of which IJK go together.	R	W		6. 4
\$C_K_ORDER	INT	\$C_K_ORDER[] Number of the IJK block, in which K has been programmed For macro programming with G65/G66, up to 10 entries are possible in the block with address K. These can be used to evaluate the IJK sequence from the parts program. A note is always made of which IJK go together.	R	W		6. 4
\$C_ME	INT	\$C_ME Address extension for address M in the case of a subroutine call by M function	R	W		6. 1
\$C_TE	INT	\$C_TE Address extension for address T in the case of a subroutine call by T function	R	W		6. 1
\$C_MACPAR	REAL	\$MAC_PAR[n] Macro variable in ISO2/3 mode programmed in the original program with #<Number> The max. number of ISO macro parameters is 33	R	W		6. 3

### 15.2.23 System data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AN_SETUP_TIME	REAL	IF \$AN_SETUP_TIME > 60000 GOTOF MARK01 Time since last power up of control with default values (in minutes)	RS	WS	R	W 6 .1
\$AN_POWERON_TIME	REAL	IF \$AN_POWERON_TIME == 480 GOTOF MARK02 Time since last power-on of control (in minutes)	RS	WS	R	W 6 .1
\$AN_NCK_VERSION	REAL	NCK version: NCK version: only the part of the floating-point number prior to the decimal point is evaluated, the part after the decimal point can contain identification for intermediate states within development. The part prior to the decimal point contains the official software version identifier of the NCK: For example, if 20.00.00 is for the NCK version, the value of the variable is 200000.0 compare OPI N/Y nckVersion	RS		R	

### 15.2.24 Frames 2

\$P_UBFR	FRAME	\$P_UBFR 1st base frame in channel activated after G500, G54..G599. Corresponds to \$P_CHBFR[0]. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		4
\$P_SETFRAME	FRAME	\$P_SETFRAME Current system frame for preset actual value memory and scratching. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		6 .1
\$P_EXTFRAME	FRAME	\$P_EXTFRAME Current system frame for zero offset external. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		6 .1
\$P_PARTFRAME	FRAME	\$P_PARTFRAME Current system frame for TCARR and PAROT. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R			6 .1
\$P_TOOLFRAME	FRAME	\$P_TOOLFRAME Current system frame for TOROT and TOFRAME. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R			6 .1
\$P_WPFRAME	FRAME	\$P_WPFRAME Current system frame for part reference points. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		6 .3
\$P_CYCFRAME	FRAME	\$P_CYCFRAME Current system frame for cycles. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		6 .3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_CHBFRAME	FRAME	\$P_CHBFRAME[n] Current base frames in the channel. Configurable via MD \$MC_MM_NUM_BASE_FRAMES. The dimension is checked on variable access. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		5
\$P_NCBFRAME	FRAME	\$P_NCBFRAME[n] Current NCU base frames. Configurable via MD \$MN_MM_NUM_GLOBAL_BASE_FRAMES. The dimension is checked on variable access. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		5
\$P_ACTBFRAME	FRAME	\$P_ACTBFRAME Current chained total basic frame Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R			5
\$P_BFRAME	FRAME	\$P_BFRAME Current 1st base frame in the channel. Corresponds to \$P_CHBFRAME[0]. Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		4
\$P_IFRAME	FRAME	\$P_IFRAME Current settable frame Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		2
\$P_PFRAME	FRAME	\$P_PFRAME Current programmable frame Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R	W		2
\$P_ACTFRAME	FRAME	\$P_ACTFRAME Current total frame Axes: (geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis)	R			2
\$P_UIFRNUM	INT	\$P_UIFRNUM Number of the active \$P_UIFR	R			2
\$P_NCBFRMASK	INT	\$P_NCBFRMASK Bit screenform is used for definition of the NCU global base frames that are included in the calculation of the total base frame.	R	W		5
\$P_CHBFRMASK	INT	\$P_CHBFRMASK Bit screenform is used for definition of channel-specific base frames that are included in the calculation of the total base frame.	R	W		5

### 15.2.25 Tool data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_AD	REAL	\$P_AD[n] Active tool offsets n: Parameter number 1–31 n = 1-25 \$TC_DP1 to \$TC_DP25 n = 26 \$TC_DPCE n = 27 \$TC_DPH n = 28 \$TC_DPV n = 29 \$TC_DPV3 n = 30 \$TC_DPV4 n = 31 \$TC_DPV5	R	W		2
\$P_ADT	REAL	\$P_ADT[n] With an active tool adapter, the transformed compensation values of the tool adapter transformation are returned when reading the values tool compensations are transformed n: Parameter number 1–31 n = 1-25 \$TC_DP1 to \$TC_DP25 n = 26 \$TC_DPCE n = 27 \$TC_DPH n = 28 \$TC_DPV n = 29 \$TC_DPV3 n = 30 \$TC_DPV4 n = 31 \$TC_DPV5	R	W		6 .1
\$P_DLNO	INT	\$P_DLNO Active cumulative compensation number DL=0 - DL='max.'; 'max'= value of \$MN_MM_MAX_SUMCORR_PER_CUTTEDGE	R			6 .1
\$P_TOOL	INT	\$P_TOOL Active tool cutting edge D0 - D'max.'; 'max'= value of \$MN_MM_MAX_CUTTING_EDGE_NO	R			2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S		
\$P_TOOLNO	INT	<p>\$P_TOOLNO</p> <p>Active tool number T0 - T32000; with active function 'flat D number' T can have 8 digits</p> <p>The command should generally not be used when magazine management is active.</p> <p>When magazine management is active, GETEXET should be used instead.</p> <p>(The programming is only ever reliable in a situation where \$MC_CUTTING_EDGE_DEFAULT=-1, &gt; 0 applies.</p> <p>The wrong tool number can be determined for \$MC_CUTTING_EDGE_DEFAULT=0, or =-2.</p> <p>If programming takes place after programming D &gt; 0, it is also always reliable.</p> <p>NOTICE: Especially for \$MC_CUTTING_EDGE_DEFAULT=-2, \$P_TOOLNO</p> <p>(the tool no. of the active tool with which the currently effective D offset was being calculated) and GETEXET (the changed tool) can return different tool numbers.</p> <p>-&gt;also see \$P_MTHSDC and documentation on the topic of more than one tool holder/spindle.</p>	R					2
\$P_TOOLP	INT	<p>\$P_TOOLP</p> <p>Last programmed tool number T0 - T32000 (for operation without magazine management).</p> <p>The command cannot be used when magazine management is active.</p> <p>When magazine management is active, GETSELT must be used instead.</p>	R					6 .1
\$P_TOOLL	REAL	\$P_TOOLL[n]	R					2
\$P_TOOLO	REAL	\$P_TOOLO[n]	R					6 .1
\$AC_TOOLO_ACT	REAL	\$AC_TOOLO_ACT[n] Active setpoint orientation. n: Component 1–3	RS	R				6 .4
\$AC_TOOLO_END	REAL	\$AC_TOOLO_END[n] End orientation of the active block n: Component 1–3	RS	R				6 .4
\$AC_TOOLO_DIFF	REAL	\$AC_TOOLO_DIFF Residual angle of tool orientation in the active block	RS	R				6 .4
\$VC_TOOLO	REAL	\$VC_TOOLO[n] Actual orientation n: Component 1–3	RS	R				6 .4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$VC_TOOLO_DIFF	REAL	\$VC_TOOLO_DIFF Angle between setpoint orientation and actual orientation	RS	R	6 .4	
\$VC_TOOLO_STATUS	INT	\$VC_TOOLO_STATUS Status of the calculation of actual orientation	RS	R	6 .4	
\$P_TC	INT	\$P_TC Active tool carrier	R		6 .1	
\$AC_TC	INT	\$AC_TC Active tool carrier	RS	R	6 .4	
\$P_TCANG	REAL	\$P_TCANG[n] Active angle of toolholder axis n: Angle 1–2	R		5	
\$P_TCDIFF	REAL	\$P_TCDIFF[n] The difference between the calculated and the used angle of a toolholder axis when incrementing (Hirth tooth system) the angle n: Angle 1–2	R		6 .1	
\$P_TCSOL	INT	\$P_TCSOL Number of solutions when specifying the axis of rotation angle of an orientable toolholder from a frame With 0 to 2 solutions, the corresponding value is returned. With an infinite number of solutions, the return value is 3. If the angles are specified (TCOABS), the number of solutions is always 1.	R		6 .1	
\$P_TCSTAT	INT	\$P_TCSTAT Specifies the status of an orientable toolholder. The variable is bit-coded with the following significance: 0x1 The first rotary axis is available 0x2 The second rotary axis is available 0x4 The angles used for the calculation come from an orientation in the frame direction 0x8 The angles used for the calculation have been specified as absolute 0x10 The pole axis angle is indeterminate for orientation in the frame direction 0x1000 Only the tool can be rotated (kinematics type T) 0x2000 Only the workpiece can be rotated (kinematics type P) 0x4000 Tool and workpiece can be rotated (kinematics type M) Bits not designated here are currently unassigned.	R		6 .4	
\$P_TOOLR	REAL	\$P_TOOLR Active tool radius (total)	R		2	

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_TOOLND	INT	\$P_TOOLND[t] Number of cutting edges of tool t t: Tool number 1–32000	R			4
\$P_TOOLEXIST	BOOL	\$P_TOOLEXIST[t] Tool with T No. t exists t: Tool number 1–32000	R			4
\$P_D	INT	\$P_D Current D number in ISO_2-language mode	R			6 .1
\$P_H	INT	\$P_H Current H number in ISO_2-language mode	R			6 .1
\$A_TOOLMN	INT	\$A_TOOLMN[t] Magazine number of tool t t: Tool number 1–32000		R		4
\$A_TOOLMLN	INT	\$A_TOOLMLN[t] Magazine location number of tool t t: Tool number 1–32000		R		4
\$A_MYMN	INT	\$A_MYMN[t] Owner magazine number of the tool with T number t. Result value = 0 = tool is not loaded (if \$A_TOOLMN > 0, then manual tool). Result value = -1 = tool management is not active Result value = -2 = tool with T number t does not exist. t: Tool number 1–32000		R		6 .1
\$A_MYMLN	INT	\$A_MYMLN[t] Owner magazine location number of the tool with T number t. Result value = 0 = tool is not loaded (if \$A_TOOLMLN > 0, then manual tool). Result value = -1 = tool management is not active Result value = -2 = tool with T number t does not exist. t: Tool number 1–32000		R		6 .1
\$A_MONIFACT	REAL	\$A_MONIFACT Factor for tool length monitoring	R	WS	R	W

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_TOOLNG	INT	\$P_TOOLNG Number of defined tool groups assigned to the channel OPI module type = TM	R			6 .1
\$P_TOOLNT	INT	\$P_TOOLNT Number of defined tools assigned to the channel OPI module type = TV	R			6 .1
\$P_TOOLT	INT	\$P_TOOLT[i] i-th tool number T OPI module type = TV i= 1,..., \$P_TOOLNT	R			6 .1
\$P_TOOLD	INT	\$P_TOOLD[t,i] i-th D-no of the tool with T number t; i=1,2... if t is the value of a non-defined tool, -2 is returned If i is a value outside the permitted range, 0 is returned. OPI module type = TO t = 1, ..., 32000 i = 1,....., \$P_TOOLND	R			6 .1
\$P_USEKT	INT	\$P_USEKT (= USE Kind of Tool) Is a bit-coded value All the tools whose parameter \$TC_TP11 has set one of the bits of \$P_USEKT, are available to the following tool changes. The value zero has the same content as 'all bits set' OPI module = C/S	R	W		6 .1
\$P_TOOLNDL	INT	\$P_TOOLNDL[t,d] Number of DL offsets of the D offset given by T number t and D number d >0 Number of DL offsets 0 no DL offset for this D offset -1 sum offset function not active -2 t is the value of a non-defined tool -3 d is the value of a non-defined D offset OPI module type = TO memory; TO unit t = 1, ..., 32000 d = 1,....., 32000	R			6 .1

### 15.2.26 Magazines

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_MAGN	INT	\$P_MAGN Number of defined magazines assigned to the channel > 0 successful read access 0 no magazines defined -1 TMMG not active OPI module = TM	R			6 .1
\$P_MAG	INT	\$P_MAG[ i ] i-th magazine number > 0 successful read access 0 i is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG not active OPI module = TM i= 1,..., \$P_MAGN	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGNDIS	INT	P_MAGNDIS[ n, m ] Number of magazines interconnected with location m of the internal magazine n. > 0 successful read access 0 no magazine interconnected with the buffer location -1 TMMG not active -2 n is not the number of an internal magazine -3 m is not the number of an internal magazine location OPI module = TPM n= must be the number of the buffer magazine or of the loading magazine m= 1,..., max. number of a location in the internal magazine mentioned	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGDISS	INT	P_MAGDISS[ l, i ] Number of the i-th magazine interconnected with location l of the buffer magazine. > 0 successful read access 0 i is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG not active -2 m is not the number of a buffer location -3 no buffer magazine defined OPI module = TPM l= 1,..., max. number of a location in the buffer magazine i= 1,..., \$P_MAGNDIS[ no. of the buffer magazine, refLoc ]	R			6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_MAGDISL	INT	P_MAGDISL[ i, i ] Number of the i-th magazine interconnected with location i of the loading magazine. > 0 successful read access 0 i is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG not active -2 m is not the number of a loading magazine location -3 no loading magazine defined OPI module = TPM i= 1,..., max. number of a location in the loading magazine i= 1,..., \$P_MAGNDIS[ no. of the loading magazine, refLoc ]	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGNS	INT	\$P_MAGNS Number of spindle locations / toolholder locations in the buffer assigned to the channel. > 0 successful read access 0 no spindle locations defined -1 TMMG not active -3 no buffer magazine defined	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGS	INT	\$P_MAGS[ n ] nth number of the spindle / of the toolholder in the buffer > 0 successful read access 0 n is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG not active -3 no buffer magazine defined n= 1,..., max. toolholder number	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGNREL	INT	\$P_MAGNREL[ n ] Number of the buffer assigned to the spindle number / toolholder number n > 0 successful read access 0 spindle location has no buffer location assigned -1 TMMG not active -2 n is not the number of a spindle location -3 no buffer magazine defined n= 1,..., max. toolholder number	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGREL	INT	P_MAGREL[ n, m ] m-th buffer number of the n-th spindle number / toolholder number > 0 successful read access 0 m is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG not active -2 n is not the number of a spindle location -3 no buffer magazine defined n= 1,..., max. toolholder number m= 1,..., \$P_MAGNREL	R			6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_MAGNH	INT	\$P_MAGNH Number of defined magazine location type hierarchies assigned to the channel. > 0 successful read access 0 no location type hierarchies are defined -1 TMMG not active OPI module = TT	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGNHLT	INT	\$P_MAGNHLT[ n ] Number of defined location types in the nth defined hierarchy > 0 successful read access 0 n is outside the defined range -1 TMMG not active OPI module = TT n= 1,..., \$P_MAGNH	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGHLT	INT	P_MAGHLT[ n, m ] m-th location type of hierarchy n; n= 1,..., \$P_MAGNH; m= 1,..., \$P_MAGNHLT > 0 successful read access 0 m is outside the defined range -1 TMMG not active -2 hierarchy n has no defined location types OPI module = TT n= 1,..., \$P_MAGNH m= 1,..., \$P_MAGNHLT	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGNA	INT	\$P_MAGNA Number of defined adapters assigned to the channel > 0 successful read access 0 no adapters defined -1 TMMG or 'Adapter' function not active OPI module = AD	R			6 .1
\$P_MAGA	INT	\$P_MAGA[ i ] i-th adapter number > 0 successful read access 0 i is outside the permitted range -1 TMMG or 'Adapter' function not active OPI module = AD i= 1,..., \$P_MAGNA	R			6 .1
\$P_MTHSDC	INT	\$P_MTHSDC Master toolholder no. or master spindle no. relative to that of the active tool for which the next D offset selection is specified. > 0 successful read access 0 No master toolholder or master spindle available. The next D offset works with T0. -1 TMMG not available	R			6 .4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_MONMIN	REAL	\$AC_MONMIN Ratio between tool monitoring actual value and setpoint. Threshold for tool search strategy "load only tools with actual value greater than threshold"	R	WS	R	W 6 .1
\$P_VDITCP	INT	\$P_VDITCP[n] Available parameters for magazine management on VDI interface n: Index 1–3	R	W		2
\$A_DNO	INT	\$A_DNO[i] Read a D number defined by the PLC via VDI interface i: Index 1–9 for table location in D number table			R	4
\$P_ATPG	REAL	\$P_ATPG[n] Current tool-related grinding data n: Parameter number 1–9	R	W		2
\$P_TOOLENV	STRING	\$P_TOOLENV[i] Returns the name of the tool environment stored under (internal) index i. If i refers to a non-defined data block, the zero string is returned. If index i is invalid, in other words, if i is less than 1 or more than the maximum number of data blocks for tool environments (\$MN_MM_NUM_TOOLENV), an alarm is output. A maximum number of tool environments is configurable via MD \$MN_MM_NUM_TOOLENV. 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R			6 .3
\$P_TOOLENVN	INT	\$P_TOOLENVN Indicates the number of defined data blocks for describing tool environments.	R			6 .3
\$P_AP	REAL	\$P_AP Programmed angle for polar coordinates	R			6 .1

### 15.2.27 Programmed geometry axis values

\$P_AXN1	AXIS	\$P_AXN1 Current address of the geometry axis - abscissa	R			3
\$P_AXN2	AXIS	\$P_AXN2 Current address of the geometry axis - ordinate	R			3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_AXN3	AXIS	\$P_AXN3 Current address of the geometry axis - applicate	R			3
\$P_ACTGEOAX	AXIS	\$P_ACTGEOAX[1] Current geometry axis assignment, dependent on plane Returns the current geometry axis assignment programmed with geometry axis(1,X,2,Y,3,Z) Array index 1–3 for 1st to 3rd geometry axis n: Number of input 1 - ...	R			4

### 15.2.28 G groups

\$P_GG	INT	\$P_GG[n] Current G function of a G group (index as PLC interface) n: Number of the G group	R			2
\$P_EXTGG	INT	\$P_EXTGG[n] Can only be used in Siemens mode: Current G function of a G group with external NC languages (index as PLC interface) n: Number of the G group	R			5
\$A_GG	INT	\$A_GG[n] Read current G function of a G group from SA (index like PLC interface) n: Number of the G group		R		5

### 15.2.29 Programmed values

\$P_SEARCH	BOOL	\$P_SEARCH Block search is active if TRUE (1)	R			2
\$P_SEARCH1	BOOL	\$P_SEARCH1 Block search with calculation is active if TRUE (1)	R			2
\$P_SEARCH2	BOOL	\$P_SEARCH2 The last selected search type was block search without calculation, if TRUE (1)	R			2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_SEARCHL	INT	R1 = \$P_SEARCHL Returns the last selected search type: (coding analogous to PI service _N_FINDBL) 0 : No block search 1 : Block search without calculation 2 : Block search with calculation on contour 3 : Reserved 4 : Block search with calculation at end of block position 5 : Block search in extended program test	R			5
\$P_SUBPAR	BOOL	\$P_SUBPAR[n] Query whether during subroutine call with parameter transfer parameter n was actually programmed (TRUE) or whether the system has set a default parameter (FALSE). n: Parameter number 1 to n corresponding to the definition in the PROC instruction	R			5
\$P_CTABDEF	BOOL	\$P_CTABDEF Definition of curve tables is active if TRUE (1)	R			4
\$P_MC	INT	\$P_MC Status of modal subprogram call FALSE (0) -> Subprogram call not modal TRUE (1) -> Subprogram call modal	R			2
\$P_REPINF	INT	\$P_REPINF Status info for repositioning with REPOS command (0) -> Repositioning with REPOS not possible for following reasons - Call is not executed in an ASUB - Call is executed in an ASUB, which was started in the reset state JOG mode - Call is executed in an ASUB, which was started in JOG mode (1) -> Repositioning with REPOS possible	R			4
\$P_SIM	BOOL	\$P_SIM Simulation runs if TRUE (1)	R			2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_DRYRUN	BOOL	\$P_DRYRUN Dry run on if TRUE, else FALSE	R			2
\$P_OFFN	REAL	\$P_OFFN Programmed offset contour normal	R			5 .1
\$PI	REAL	\$PI Circle constant PI = 3.1415927	R			2
\$P_PROG_EVENT	INT	The system variable \$P_PROG_EVENT can be used to query whether the program was implicitly activated by an event configured by \$MC_PROG_EVENT_MASK or by \$MN_SEARCH_RUN_MODE. \$P_PROG_EVENT returns an integer value between 0 and 5 with the following significance: 0 : explicit activation via NC Start or ASUB Start over the VDI or ASUB interface 1 : Implicit activation via event "Parts program start" 2 : Implicit activation via event "Parts program end" 3 : Implicit activation via event "Operator panel front reset" 4 : Implicit activation via event "Booting" 5 : Implicit activation subsequent to last action block display after block search	R			6 .1
\$P_PROGPATH	STRING	PCALL (\$P_PROGPATH << _N_MYSUB_SPF) Call a subprogram from the current directory Example: The current directory is /_N_WKS_DIR/_N_SHAFT_DIR/. The above call starts the subprogram /_N_WKS_DIR/_N_SHAFT%_DIR/_N_MYSUB_SPF.  2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R			3
\$P_PROG	STRING	\$P_PROG[0] Returns the program name of the program in program level 0 = main program name, in string variable NAME Defines the program level from which the program name is to be read. 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R			5 .1
\$P_STACK	INT	\$P_STACK Returns the program level in which a parts program is active. progLevel = \$P_STACK , writes in the integer variable the number of the current program level 802S/C: Range of values = [0,5]	R			5 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_PATH	STRING	<p>Application Reading the path name of the calling program.  \$P_PATH[0] returns the directory of the current main program, for example,  "/_N_WKS_DIR/_N_WELLE_WPD"</p> <p>The variable is used, for example, to store a parts program generated with WRITE in the same directory as the calling program:</p> <pre>PROC MYPRINTSUB DEF INT ERROR WRITE (ERROR, \$P_PATH[\$P_STACK - 1] &lt;&lt; "_N_LIST_MP", "X10 Y20")</pre> <p>If the subroutine was called from the shaft (WELLE) workpiece directory, a new file is generated in  /_N_WKS_DIR/_N_WELLE_WPD/_N_LIST_MP.</p> <p>Defines the program level from which the program path is to be read</p> <p>2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN</p>	R			5 .1
\$P_ACTID	BOOL	\$P_ACTID[n] Modal synchronized action with ID n active if TRUE n: 1–16	R			2

### 15.2.30 Channel states

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_STAT	INT	\$AC_STAT -1: Invalid 0: Channel in reset mode 1: Channel interrupted 2: Channel active		R		4
\$AC_PROG	INT	\$AC_PROG -1: Invalid 0: Program in reset mode 1: Program stopped 2: Program active 3: Program waiting 4: Program interrupted		R		4
\$AC_SYNAMEM	INT	\$AC_SYNAMEM Free memory for motion-synchronized actions indicates how many elements of the memory assigned with \$MC_MM_NUM_SYNC_ELEMENTS are still unassigned, readable from the parts program and the motion-synchronized actions		R		4
\$AC_IPO_BUF	INT	\$AC_IPO_BUF IPO buffer level, readable from the parts program and the motion-synchronized actions The status is read from the parts program without feedforward stop while interpreting the block		R		4
\$AC_BLOCKTYPE	INT	\$AC_BLOCKTYPE Type of the current main run block. 0: Block is a programmed block (main block). 1: Block was not generated by the system as an intermediate block.		R		6 .4
\$AC_TANEBO	REAL	\$AC_TANEBO Tangent ANgle at End of Block The angle between the path tangent at the end point of the current block and the path tangent at the starting point of the following block.		R		6 .4
\$AC_IW_STAT	INT	\$AC_IW_STAT Position information of the articulated joints (transformation-specific) for cartesian PTP travel	RS	R		6 .1
\$AC_IW_TU	INT	\$AC_IW_TU Position information of the axes (MCS) for cartesian PTP travel	RS	R		6 .1
\$AC_TRANS_SYS	INT	\$AC_TRANS_SYS Reference system for translation during the manual cartesian travel 0: axis-spec. manual travel active 1: cartesian manual travel in BCS 2: cartesian manual travel in WCS 3: cartesian manual travel in TCS	RS	R		6 .3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_JOG_COO RD	INT	\$AC_JOG_COORD Setting the coordinate system for manual travel 0: manual travel in WCS 1: manual travel in Szs	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_ROT_SYS	INT	\$AC_ROT_SYS Reference system for orientation during the manual cartesian travel 0: axis-spec. manual travel active 1: cartesian manual travel in BCS 2: cartesian manual travel in PCS 3: cartesian manual travel in TCS	RS	R		6 .3
\$A_PROBE	INT	\$A_PROBE[1]: Status of first probe \$A_PROBE[2]: Status of second probe 0 => not deflected 1 => deflected n: Number of probe	RS	R		4
\$AC_MEA	INT	\$AC_MEA[n] Probe has been triggered if TRUE (1) n: Number of probe 1 - MAXNUM_PROBE		R		2
\$AC_TRAFO	INT	\$AC_TRAFO Code number of the active transformation corresponding to machine data \$MC_TRAFO_TYPE_n	RS	R		3
\$P_TRAFO	INT	\$P_TRAFO Code number of the programmed transformation corresponding to machine data \$MC_TRAFO_TYPE_n	R			6 .1
\$AC_TRAFO_P AR	REAL	\$AC_TRAFO_PAR[n] Parameter of the active transformation n: Number of the parameter	RS	R		6 .1
\$P_TRAFO_P AR	REAL	\$P_TRAFO_PAR[n] Parameter of the programmed transformation n: Number of the parameter	R			6 .1
\$AC_TRAFO_P ARSET	INT	\$AC_TRAFO_PARSET Number of the active transformation record Variable is '0' if no transformer active	RS	R		6 .3
\$P_TRAFO_PA RSET	INT	\$P_TRAFO_PARSET Number of the programmed transformation record Variable is '0' if no transformer active	R			6 .3
\$AC_LIFTFAST	INT	\$AC_LIFTFAST Information about execution of liftfast. 0: Initial state. 1: Liftfast has been executed. At the start of the liftfast operation, the NC sets the value of the variable internally to "1". The evaluating program (if available) must reset the variable to its initial setting (\$AC_LIFTFAST=0) to enable a subsequent liftfast to be detected.	RS	WS	R W	4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$P_LIFTFAST	INT	<p>\$P_LIFTFAST</p> <p>Information about execution of liftfast.</p> <p>0: Initial state.</p> <p>1: Liftfast has been executed.</p> <p>At the start of the liftfast operation, the NC sets the value of the variable internally to "1".</p> <p>The evaluating program (if available) must reset the variable to its initial setting to enable a subsequent liftfast to be detected.</p> <p>The reset is initiated by writing \$AC_LIFTFAST!</p>	R			6 .3
\$AC_ASUB	INT	<p>\$AC_ASUB</p> <p>Code number for the cause of the ASUB activation. The reasons are bit-coded and have the following significance:</p> <p>BIT0: Activation due to: User interrupt "ASUB with Blsync" Activation by: VDI signal, digital/analog interface Continuation by: user-selectable Reorg or Ret</p> <p>BIT1: Activation due to: User interrupt "ASUB" For program continuation with Repos, the position, after which the stop occurred is stored. Activation by: VDI signal, digital/analog interface Continuation by: user-selectable</p> <p>BIT2: Activation due to: User interrupt "ASUB from Ready channel status" Activation by: VDI signal, digital/analog interface Continuation by: user-selectable</p> <p>BIT3: Activation due to: User interrupt "ASUB not READY in a manual mode and channel status" Activation by: VDI signal, digital/analog interface Continuation by: user-selectable</p> <p>BIT4: Activation due to: Activation due to: User interrupt "ASUB" For program continuation with Repos, the actual position when the interrupt occurred is stored. Activation by: VDI signal, digital/analog interface Continuation by: user-selectable</p>	RS	R		4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S	
\$AC_ASUB (continuation)	INT	<p>BIT5: Activation due to: Cancelation of subprogram repetition Activation by: VDI signal Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT6: Activation due to: Activation of decoding single block Activation by: VDI signal (+OPI) Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT7: Activation due to: Activation of delete distance to go Activation by: VDI signal Continuation by: using system ASUB Ret</p> <p>BIT8: Activation due to: Activation of axis synchronization Activation by: VDI signal Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT9: Activation due to: Mode change Activation by: VDI signal Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS or RET (see MD.)</p> <p>BIT10: Activation due to: Program continuation with teach-in or after teach-in deactivation Activation by: VDI signal Continuation by: using system ASUB Ret</p> <p>BIT11: Activation due to: Overstore selection Activation by: Pi selection Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT12: Activation due to: Alarm with reaction of compensation block with Repos (COMPBLOCKWITHREORG) Activation by: Internal Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT13: Activation due to: Retraction movement on G33 and Stop Activation by: Internal Continuation by: using system ASUB Ret</p> <p>BIT14: Activation due to: Activation of dry run feedrate Activation by: VDI Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p> <p>BIT15: Activation due to: Deactivation of dry run feedrate Activation by: VDI Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS</p>	RS		R		4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
<b>ASUB (continuation)</b>		BIT16: Activation due to: Activation of block suppression Activation by: VDI Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS BIT17: Activation due to: Deactivation of block suppression Activation by: VDI Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS BIT18: Activation due to: Set machine data active Activation by: Pi Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS BIT19: Activation due to: Set tool offset active Activation by: Pi "_N_SETUDT" Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS BIT20: Activation due to: System ASUB after search type SERUPRO has reached the search target. Activation by: Pi "_N_FINDBL" Parameter == 5 Continuation by: using system ASUB REPOS	RS	R		4
<b>\$P_ISTEST</b>	BOOL	\$P_ISTEST Check test mode in parts program TRUE = Program test active FALSE = Program test not active	R			4
<b>\$P_MMCA</b>	STRING	\$P_MMCA MMC task acknowledgment 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R	W		2
<b>\$A_PROTO</b>	BOOL	\$A_PROTO Activate / disable Logging function for the first user	RS	WS	R W	4
<b>\$A_PROTOC</b>	BOOL	\$A_PROTOC Activate / disable Logging function for a user 0–9, USER	RS	WS	R W	6 . 1

### 15.2.31 Synchronized actions

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_FIFO1	REAL	<p>\$AC_FIFO1[n] FIFO for motion-synchronized actions and cyclic measurements n: Parameter number 0 - max. FIFO element Special meaning: n=0: On write accesses with index 0, a new value is stored in the FIFO, On read accesses with index 0, the oldest element is read and deleted from the FIFO n=1: Read access to oldest element n=2: Read access to latest element n=3: Sum of all the elements located in the FIFO when in MD \$MC_MM_MODE_FIFO, bit0 is set n=4: Read access to current number of FIFO elements n=5-m: Read access to individual FIFO elements 5 is the oldest element 6 is the second-oldest, etc.</p>	RS	W	R	W + 4
\$AC_FIFO2	REAL	<p>\$AC_FIFO2[n] FIFO for motion-synchronized actions and cyclic measurements n: Parameter number 0 - max. FIFO element Special meaning: n=0: On write accesses with index 0, a new value is stored in the FIFO, On read accesses with index 0, the oldest element is read and deleted from the FIFO n=1: Read access to oldest element n=2: Read access to latest element n=3: Sum of all the elements located in the FIFO when in MD \$MC_MM_MODE_FIFO, bit0 is set n=4: Read access to current number of FIFO elements n=5-m: Read access to individual FIFO elements 5 is the oldest element 6 is the second-oldest, etc.</p>	RS	W	R	W + 4
...						
\$AC_FIFO10	REAL	\$AC_FIFO10[n] as \$AC_FIFO01 ...	RS	W	R	W + 4

**15.2.32 I/Os**

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$A_IN	BOOL	\$A_IN[n] Digital input NC n: Number of input 1 - ... The max. input number results from MD \$MN_FASTIO_DIG_NUM_INPUTS	RS		R	
\$A_OUT	BOOL	\$A_OUT[n] Digital output NC n: Number of output 1 - ... The max. input number results from MD \$MN_FASTIO_DIG_NUM_OUTPUTS	RS	W	R	W
\$A_INA	REAL	\$A_INA[n] Analog input NC n: Number of input 1 - ... The max. input number results from MD \$MN_FASTIO_ANA_NUM_INPUTS	RS		R	
\$A_OUTA	REAL	\$A_OUTA[n] Analog output NC When writing, the value does not become active until the next IPO cycle at which point it is read back. n: Number of output 1 - ... The max. input number results from MD \$MN_FASTIO_ANA_NUM_OUTPUTS	RS	W	R	W
\$A_INCO	BOOL	\$A_INCO[n] Comparator input n: Number of output 1 - ... The max. input number results from the MD	RS		R	

**15.2.33 Reading and writing PLC variables**

\$A_DBB	INT	\$A_DBB[n] Read/write data byte (8 bits) from/to PLC n: Position offset within I/O area 0 - ...	RS	W	R	W	+	4
\$A_DBW	INT	\$A_DBW[n] Read/write data word (16 bits) from/to PLC n: Position offset within I/O area 0 - ...	RS	W	R	W	+	4
\$A_DBD	INT	\$A_DBD[n] Read/write double data word (32 bits) from/to PLC n: Position offset within I/O area 0 - ...	RS	W	R	W	+	4
\$A_DBR	REAL	\$A_DBR[n] Read/write Real data (32 bits) from/to PLC n: Position offset within I/O area 0 - ...	RS	W	R	W	+	4

### 15.2.34 NCU link

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$A_DLW	INT	\$A_DLW[n] Read/write data byte (8 bits) from/to NCU link n: Position offset within the link memory area 0 - ...  \$A_DLW[n] Read/write data word (16 bits) from/to NCU link n: Position offset within the link memory area 0 - ...  synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W + 5
\$A_DLD	INT	\$A_DLD[n] Read/write data double word (32 bits) from/to NCU link n: Position offset within the link memory area 0 - ...  synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W + 5
\$A_DLR	REAL	\$A_DLR[n] Read/write Real data (32 bits) from/to NCU link n: Position offset within the link memory area 0 - ...  synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W + 5
\$A_LINK_TRAN_S_RATE	INT	\$A_LINK_TRANS_RATE Number of bytes that can still be transferred via NCU link Communication in the current IPO cycle.		R		5

### 15.2.35 Direct PLC I/O

\$A_PBB_IN	INT	\$A_PBB_IN[n] Read data byte (8 bits) directly from PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC input area 0 - ...	RS		R	5
\$A_PBW_IN	INT	\$A_PBW_IN[n] Read data word (16 bits) directly from PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC input area 0 - ...	RS		R	5
\$A_PBD_IN	INT	\$A_PBD_IN[n] Read data double word (32 bits) directly from PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC input area 0 - ...	RS		R	5
\$A_PBR_IN	REAL	\$A_PBR_IN[n] Read Real data (32 bits) directly from PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC input area 0 - ...	RS		R	6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$A_PBB_OUT	INT	\$A_PBB_OUT[n] Write data byte (8 bits) directly to PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC output area 0 - ... synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W 5
\$A_PBW_OUT	INT	\$A_PBW_OUT[n] Write data word (16 bits) directly to PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC output area 0 - ... synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W 5
\$A_PBD_OUT	INT	\$A_PBD_OUT[n] Write data double word (32 bits) directly to PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC output area 0 - ... synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W 5
\$A_PBR_OUT	REAL	\$A_PBR_OUT[n] Write Real data (32 bits) directly to PLC I/O n: Position offset within PLC output area 0 - ... synchronized with main run	RS	W	R	W 5
\$C_IN	BOOL	\$C_IN[n] Signal from PLC to Cycle reserved for SIEMENS applications n: Number of input 1 - ...	RS		R	6 . 1
\$C_OUT	BOOL	\$C_OUT[n] Signal from Cycle to PLC reserved for SIEMENS applications n: Number of output 1 - ...	RS	W	R	W 6 . 1

### 15.2.36 Tool management

These system variables have value –1 if no tool management command is active at time of reading.

\$AC_TC_CMDT	INT	\$AC_TC_CMDT Trigger variable: \$AC_TC_CMDT (CoMmandTrigger) then always takes on the value 1 for an interpolation cycle when a new magazine management command is output to the PLC.	RS		R	6 . 1
\$AC_TC_ACKT	INT	\$AC_TC_ACKT Trigger variable: \$AC_TC_ACKT (ACKnowledgeTrigger) then always takes on a value of 1 for an interpolation cycle when the PLC acknowledges a tool management command.	RS		R	6 . 1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	WS	R	W	Syn	O	S	
\$AC_TC_CMDC	INT	\$AC_TC_CMDC Counter variable: \$AC_TC_CMDC (CoMmandCounter) is incremented by 1 for each tool management command output to the PLC. synchronized with main run	RS					6	.	1
\$AC_TC_ACKC	INT	\$AC_TC_ACKC Counter variable: \$AC_TC_CMDC (ACKnowledgeCounter) on acknowledging a tool management command is incremented by 1 via the PLC. synchronized with main run	RS	WS	R	W		6	.	1
\$AC_TC_FCT	INT	\$AC_TC_FCT Command number. Specifies which action is desired. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		
\$AC_TC_STATUS	INT	\$AC_TC_STATUS Status enjoyed by the command to read via \$AC_TC_FCT. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		
\$AC_TC_THNO	INT	\$AC_TC_THNO Number of the toolholder (spec. the spindle no.) where the new tool is to be changed. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		
\$AC_TC_TNO	INT	\$AC_TC_TNO NCK-internal T number of new tool (to be changed). 0: There is no new tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		
\$AC_TC_MMYN	INT	\$AC_TC_MMYN Owner magazine number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no new tool, or the new tool (if \$AC_TC_TNO > 0) is not loaded (manual tool). -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			6	.	4
\$AC_TC_LMYN	INT	\$AC_TC_LMYN Owner location number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no new tool, or the new tool (if \$AC_TC_TNO > 0) is not loaded (manual tool). -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			6	.	4
\$AC_TC_MFN	INT	\$AC_TC_MFN Source magazine number of new tool. 0: There is no new tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		
\$AC_TC_LFN	INT	\$AC_TC_LFN Source location number of new tool. 0: There is no new tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS		R			5		

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$AC_TC_MTN	INT	\$AC_TC_MTN Target magazine number of new tool. 0: There is no new tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5
\$AC_TC_LTN	INT	\$AC_TC_LTN Target location number of new tool. 0: There is no new tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5
\$AC_TC_MFO	INT	\$AC_TC_MFO Source magazine number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no old tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5
\$AC_TC_LFO	INT	\$AC_TC_LFO Source location number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no old tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5
\$AC_TC_MTO	INT	\$AC_TC_MTO Target magazine number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no old tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5
\$AC_TC_LTO	INT	\$AC_TC_LTO Target location number of old tool (to be changed). 0: There is no old tool. -1: No tool management command is active at the time of reading.	RS	R		5

### 15.2.37 Timers

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Syn	O	S
\$A_YEAR	INT	\$A_YEAR System time, year	RS		R	3
\$A_MONTH	INT	\$A_MONTH System time, month	RS		R	3
\$A_DAY	INT	\$A_DAY System time, day	RS		R	3
\$A_HOUR	INT	\$A_HOUR System time, hour	RS		R	3
\$A_MINUTE	INT	\$A_MINUTE System time, minute	RS		R	3
\$A_SECOND	INT	\$A_SECOND System time, second	RS		R	3
\$A_MSECOND	INT	\$A_MSECOND System time, millisecond	RS		R	3
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\$AC_TIME	REAL	\$AC_TIME Time from the beginning of block in seconds This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions	RS		R	2
\$AC_TIMEC	REAL	\$AC_TIMEC Time from the beginning of block in IPO clock cycles This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions	RS		R	3
\$AC_TIMER	REAL	\$AC_TIMER[n] Timer - unit in seconds Time is counted internally in multiples of the interpolation cycle; Counting for the time variable is started by assigning the value \$AC_TIMER[n]=<starting value> To stop the counter variable, assign a negative value: \$AC_TIMER[n]=-1 The current time can be read while the counter is active or stopped. Stopping the time variable, by assigning -1 stops the last current time value which can then be read The dimension is defined in MD \$MC_MM_NUM_AC_TIMER.	RS	WS	R W +	4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_PRTIME_M	REAL	\$AC_PRTIME_M "ProgramRunTIME-Main" Set (initialize) the accumulated program runtime (main time)		W		4
\$AC_PRTIME_A	REAL	\$AC_PRTIME_A "ProgramRunTIME-Auxiliary" Set (initialize) the accumulated program runtime (auxiliary time)		W		4
\$AC_PRTIME_M_INC	REAL	\$AC_PRTIME_M_INC "ProgramRunTIME-Main- INCrement" Increment the accumulated program runtime (main time)		W		4
\$AC_PRTIME_A_INC	REAL	\$AC_PRTIME_A_INC "ProgramRunTIME-Auxiliary- INCrement" Increment the accumulated program runtime (auxiliary time)		W		4

### 15.2.38 Path movement

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_PATHN	REAL	\$AC_PATHN Normalized path parameter value between 0=start of block and 1=end of block This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions	RS	R		2
\$AC_DTBW	REAL	\$AC_DTBW Geometric distance from start of block in workpiece coordinate system The programmed position is decisive for computing the distance; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions	RS	R		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_REPOS_P ATH_MODE	INT	<p>\$AC_REPOS_PATH_MODE</p> <p>REPOS mode type</p> <p>0 not defined.</p> <p>1 == RMB</p> <p>Repositioning approach to start of interrupted block</p> <p>2 == RMI</p> <p>Repositioning approach to interruption point of interrupted block</p> <p>3 == RME</p> <p>Repositioning approach to end of interrupted block</p> <p>4 == RMN</p> <p>Repositioning approach to geometrically nearest point of interrupted block</p> <p>The variable is defined just as REPOS is being executed, or if a new REPOS mode has been specified via VDI.</p>	RS	R	6 .4	
\$AC_DTBB	REAL	<p>\$AC_DTBB</p> <p>Geometric distance from start of block in basic coordinate system</p> <p>The programmed position is decisive for computing the distance; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here.</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS	R		2
\$AC_DTEW	REAL	<p>\$AC_DTEW</p> <p>Geometric distance from end of block in workpiece coordinate system</p> <p>The programmed position is decisive for computing the distance; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here.</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS	R		2
\$AC_DTEB	REAL	<p>\$AC_DTEB</p> <p>Geometric distance from end of block in basic coordinate system</p> <p>The programmed position is decisive for computing the distance; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here.</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS	R		2
\$AC_PLTBB	REAL	<p>\$AC_PLTBB</p> <p>Path distance from start of block in basic coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS	R		3
\$AC_PLTEB	REAL	<p>\$AC_PLTEB</p> <p>Path distance from end of block in basic coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS	R		3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_DELTA	REAL	\$AC_DELTA Stored distance-to-go path in the workpiece coordinate system subsequent to deletion of the residual distance during synchronized motion actions		R		3
\$P_APDV	BOOL	\$P_APDV Returns True if the position values readable with \$P_APR[X] and \$P_AEP[X] (approach and depart starting point and contour point when smoothing) are valid.	R			4

### 15.2.39 Speeds/accelerations

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_F	REAL	\$P_F Path feed F last programmed	R			2
\$AC_F	REAL	\$AC_F Programmed path feed F		R		6 · 3
\$AC_OVR	REAL	\$AC_OVR: Path override for synchronized actions Multiplicative override component, works in addition to operation OV, programmed OV and transformation OV. However, the overall factor remains limited to the maximum value defined by machine data \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_LIMIT_BIN and \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_FEEDRATE[31]. If a value of < 0.0 is entered, 0 is assumed and alarm 14756 reported. Must be rewritten in every interpolator cycle, otherwise the value is 100%. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions		R W		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_VC	REAL	<p>\$AC_VC</p> <p>Additive path feed compensation for synchronized actions</p> <p>The compensation value does not work with G0, G33, G331, G332 and G63.</p> <p>It must be rewritten in every interpolator cycle, otherwise the value is 0.</p> <p>With an override of 0, the compensation value has no effect, otherwise the override has no impact on the compensation value.</p> <p>The compensation value cannot make the total feedrate negative.</p> <p>The upper value is limited such that the maximum axis velocities and accelerations are not exceeded.</p> <p>The computation with different feedrate components is not affected by \$AC_VC.</p> <p>The override defined by machine data  \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_LIMIT_BIN,  \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_FEEDRATE[30],  \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_AX_SPEED[30] and  \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_SPIND_SPEED</p> <p>Override values cannot be exceeded. The additive feedrate override is limited such that the resulting feedrate does not exceed the maximum override value of the programmed feedrate.</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>		R	W	2
\$AC_PATHACC	REAL	<p>\$AC_PATHACC</p> <p>Specification of an increased path acceleration for override changes and Stop/Start events.</p> <p>\$AC_PATHACC is only considered when the value is greater than the prepared acceleration limitation.</p> <p>The value 0 deselects the function.</p> <p>Values that lead to machine axis accelerations that are twice as high as that parameterized in \$MA_MAX_AX_ACCEL[..], are accordingly restricted internally.</p>	RS	WS	R	W 6 3
\$AC_PATHJERK	REAL	<p>\$AC_PATHJERK</p> <p>Specification of an increased path jerk for override changes and Stop/Start events.</p> <p>\$AC_PATHJERK is only considered when the value is greater than the prepared jerk limitation.</p> <p>The value 0 deselects the function.</p>	RS	WS	R	W 6 3
\$AC_VACTB	REAL	<p>\$AC_VACTB</p> <p>Path velocity in the base coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS		R	2
\$AC_VACTW	REAL	<p>\$AC_VACTW</p> <p>Path velocity in workpiece coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p>	RS		R	2

### 15.2.40 Spindles

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_S	REAL	\$P_S[n] Last programmed spindle speed n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			2
\$AA_S	REAL	\$AA_S[n] Spindle actual speed. The sign corresponds to the direction of rotation. n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	RS	R		4
\$P_CONSTCUT_S	REAL	\$P_CONSTCUT_S[n] Last programmed constant cutting speed. n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			6 .1
\$AC_CONSTCU_T_S	REAL	\$AC_CONSTCUT_S[n] Current constant cutting speed. n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	RS	R		6 .1
\$P_SEARCH_S	REAL	\$P_SEARCH_S[n] The last programmed spindle speed or cutting rate picked up during search mode n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			6 .1
\$P_SDIR	INT	\$P_SDIR[n] Last direction of spindle rotation to be programmed. 3: Clockwise spindle rotation, 4: Counterclockwise spindle rotation, 5: Spindle stop n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			3
\$AC_SDIR	INT	\$AC_SDIR[n] Current direction of spindle rotation 3: Clockwise spindle rotation, 4: Counterclockwise spindle rotation, 5: Spindle stop n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	RS	R		3
\$P_SEARCH_SDIR	INT	\$P_SEARCH_SDIR[n] The last programmed spindle programming picked up during search mode: 3: M3 Clockwise spindle rotation 4: M4 Counterclockwise spindle rotation 5: M5 Spindle stop -19: M19, SPOS, SPOSA spindle positioning, position and approach mode are read from SEARCH variables 70: M70 Switch over to axis mode -5: No direction of spindle rotation programmed, no output. n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_SMODE	INT	<p>\$P_SMODE[n]</p> <p>Last programmed spindle mode:</p> <p>0: No spindle in the channel or spindle is active in another channel or is being used by the PLC (FC18) or by synchronized actions.</p> <p>1: Speed control mode</p> <p>2: Positioning mode</p> <p>3: synchronized mode</p> <p>4: Axis mode</p> <p>n: Spindle number</p> <p>0 ... max. spindle number</p>	R			3
\$AC_SMODE	INT	<p>\$AC_SMODE[n]</p> <p>Spindle mode currently active</p> <p>0: No spindle in the channel</p> <p>1: Speed control mode</p> <p>2: Positioning mode</p> <p>3: synchronized mode</p> <p>4: Axis mode</p> <p>n: Spindle number</p> <p>0 ... max. spindle number</p>	RS	R		3
\$P_SGEAR	INT	<p>\$P_SGEAR[n]</p> <p>Spindle gear stage last programmed or requested during M40 by S programming</p> <p>1: 1st gear stage requested</p> <p>....</p> <p>5: 5th gear stage requested</p> <p>n: Spindle number</p> <p>0 ... max. spindle number</p>	R			6 .1
\$AC_SGEAR	INT	<p>\$AC_SGEAR[n]</p> <p>Active spindle gear stage</p> <p>1: 1st gear stage is active</p> <p>....</p> <p>5: 5th gear stage is active</p> <p>n: Spindle number</p> <p>0 ... max. spindle number</p>	RS	R		6 .1
\$P_SAUTOGEAR	INT	<p>\$P_SAUTOGEAR[n]</p> <p>Automatic gear stage change (M40) is programmed.</p> <p>0: Gear stages are requested by M41..M45</p> <p>1: The gear stage is calculated and requested (M40 Automatic gear stage change is active) to fit the programmed speed (S)</p> <p>n: Spindle number</p> <p>0 ... max. spindle number</p>	R			6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_SEARCH_S GEAR	INT	\$P_SEARCH_SGEAR[n] The last programmed gear stages M function picked up during search mode. 40: M40 Automatic gear stage change 41: M41 1st gear stage requested ... 45: M45 5th gear stage requested n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R			6 . 1
\$P_SEARCH_S POS	REAL	\$P_SEARCH_SPOS[n] The last spindle position or travel path programmed by M19, SPOS or SPOSA picked up during search mode. Position: 0...359.999, when the value in MD 30330 MODULO_RANGE is 360.0 degrees Path: -100000000 ... 100000000 degrees. The sign indicates the traversing direction. n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R	W		6 . 1
\$P_SEARCH_S POSMODE	INT	\$P_SEARCH_SPOSMODE[n] The last position approach mode programmed by M19, SPOS or SPOSA picked up during search mode. 0: DC 1: AC 2: IC 3: DC 4: ACP 5: ACN n: Spindle number 0 ... max. spindle number	R	W		6 . 1
\$P_NUM_SPINDLES	INT	\$P_NUM_SPINDLES Calculates the maximum number of spindles in the channel 0: No spindle in the channel. 1..n: Number of spindles in the channel	R			6 . 1
\$P_MSNUM	INT	\$P_MSNUM Returns the number of the master spindle. 0: No spindle in the channel 1..n: Number of the master spindle	R			6 . 1
\$AC_MSNUM	INT	\$AC_MSNUM Returns the number of the current master spindle. 0: No spindle exists 1..n: Number of the master spindle	RS	R		3
\$P_MTHNUM	INT	\$P_MTHNUM - only useful with active magazine management Returns the number of the master tool carrier: 0: No master tool carrier 1..n: Number of master tool carrier	R			6 . 1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MTHNUM	INT	\$AC_MTHNUM - only useful with active magazine management Returns the number of the current master tool carrier: 0: No master tool carrier 1..n: Number of master tool carrier	RS	R	6 .1	
\$P_GWPS	BOOL	\$P_GWPS[n] Constant grinding wheel surface speed on if TRUE n: Spindle number	R		2	

#### 15.2.41 Polynomial values for synchronized actions

\$AC_FCT1LL	REAL	\$AC_FCT1LL Lower limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 1	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT2LL	REAL	\$AC_FCT2LL Lower limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 2	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT3LL	REAL	\$AC_FCT3LL Lower limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 3	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT1UL	REAL	\$AC_FCT1UL Upper limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 1	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT2UL	REAL	\$AC_FCT2UL Upper limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 2	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT3UL	REAL	\$AC_FCT3UL Upper limit value for evaluation function FCTDEF 3	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT1C	REAL	\$AC_FCT1C[n] Polynomial coefficient a0–a3 for evaluation function FCTDEF 1 n: Degree of coefficient 0–3	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT2C	REAL	\$AC_FCT2C[n] Polynomial coefficient a0–a3 for evaluation function FCTDEF 2 n: Degree of coefficient 0–3	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCT3C	REAL	\$AC_FCT3C[n] Polynomial coefficient a0–a3 for evaluation function FCTDEF 3 n: Degree of coefficient 0–3	RS	WS	R	W	+	2
\$AC_FCTL	REAL	\$AC_FCTL[n] Lower limit of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W	+	4
\$AC_FCTUL	REAL	\$AC_FCTUL[n] Upper limit of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W	+	4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_FCT0	REAL	\$AC_FCT0[n] a0 coefficient of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W + 4
\$AC_FCT1	REAL	\$AC_FCT1[n] a1 coefficient of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W + 4
\$AC_FCT2	REAL	\$AC_FCT2[n] a2 coefficient of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W + 4
\$AC_FCT3	REAL	\$AC_FCT3[n] a3 coefficient of polynomial for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) n: Number of polynomial, limited by machine data	RS	WS	R	W + 4

## 15.2.42 Channel states

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_ALARM_S TAT	INT	\$AC_ALARM_STAT (Selected) alarm reactions for synchronized actions (SYNFCT)	RS	R		5
\$AN_ESR_TRIG GER	BOOL	\$AN_ESR_TRIGGER = 1 Trigger "Extended stop and retract"		R W		5
\$AN_BUS_FAIL _TRIGGER	BOOL	\$AN_BUS_FAIL_TRIGGER = 1 Simulation of a drive bus failure for test purposes		R W		6 .4
\$AC_ESR_TRIG GER	BOOL	\$AC_ESR_TRIGGER = 1 Triggering "NC controlled ESR"		R W		6 .1
\$AC_OPERATIN G_TIME	REAL	IF \$AC_OPERATING_TIME < 12000 GOTOB STARTMARK Total execution time ( in seconds ) of NC programs in automatic mode	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_CYCLE_TI ME	REAL	IF \$AC_CYCLE_TIME > 2400 GOTOF ALARM01 Execution time of the selected NC program ( in seconds )	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_CUTTING_ TIME	REAL	IF \$AC_CUTTING_TIME > 6000 GOTOF ACT_M06 Tool operation time ( in seconds )	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_REQUIRE D_PARTS	REAL	\$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS = ACTUAL_LOS Definition of number of parts required, e.g. for definition of a batch size, daily production target, etc.	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_TOTAL_PA RTS	REAL	IF \$AC_TOTAL_PARTS > SERVICE_COUNT GOTOF MARK_END Total number of all parts produced	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_ACTUAL_ PARTS	REAL	IF \$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS == 0 GOTOF NEW_RUN Actual number of parts produced For \$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS == \$AC_REQUIRED_PARTS, \$AC_ACTUAL_PARTS = 0 automatically.	RS	WS R W		6 .1
\$AC_SPECIAL_ PARTS	REAL	\$AC_SPECIAL_PARTS = R20 Number of parts counted according to a user strategy. without internal impact.	RS	WS R W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_G0MODE	INT	<p>\$AC_G0MODE</p> <p>0: G0 not active</p> <p>1: G0 and linear interpolation active</p> <p>2: G0 and nonlinear interpolation active</p> <p>The response of the path axes at G0 is dependent on machine data \$MC_G0_LINEAR_MODE (Siemens mode) or \$MC_EXTERN_G0_LINEAR_MODE (ISO mode): with linear interpolation, the path axes traverse together, with non-linear interpolation, the path axes traverse as positioning axes.</p>		R		6 .1

### 15.2.43 Measurement

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MEAS_SEMA	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_SEMA = 1</p> <p>Assigning the measuring interface.</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_LATCH	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_LATCH[0] = 1</p> <p>Writing the actual axis values to the 1st measuring point.</p> <p>0: 1st measuring point, .., 3: 4th measuring point</p>	R	WS	R	6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_P1_COORD	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_P1_COORD =</p> <p>0: WCS 1: BCS 2: MCS</p> <p>Coordinate system of the 1st measuring point.</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_P2_COORD	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_P2_COORD =</p> <p>0: WCS 1: BCS 2: MCS</p> <p>Coordinate system of the 2nd measuring point.</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_P3_COORD	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_P3_COORD =</p> <p>0: WCS 1: BCS 2: MCS</p> <p>Coordinate system of the 3rd measuring point.</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_P4_COORD	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_P4_COORD =</p> <p>0: WCS 1: BCS 2: MCS</p> <p>Coordinate system of the 4th measuring point.</p>	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_SET_COORD	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_SET_COORD =</p> <p>0: WCS 1: BCS 2: MCS</p> <p>Coordinate system of the setpoint.</p>	R	W		6 .4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MEAS_WP_SETANGLE	REAL	\$AC_MEAS_WP_SETANGLE = 0.0 Setpoint angle of the part position for part gauging.	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_CORNERS_SETANGLE	REAL	\$AC_MEAS_CORNERS_SETANGLE = 90.0 Setpoint cutting angle of the corner for part gauging.	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_DIR_APPROACH	INT	\$AC_MEAS_DIR_APPROACH = 0: +x 1: -x 2: +y 3: -y 4: +z 5: -z Direction of approach to the part.	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_ACT_PLANE	INT	\$AC_MEAS_ACT_PLANE = 0: G17 1: G18 2: G19 Setting the plane for calculation and measuring.	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_FINE_TRANS	INT	\$AC_MEAS_FINE_TRANS = 0: Offset in Trans 1: Offset in Fine Trans Setting the fine offset for calculation and measuring.	R	W		6 .3
\$AC_MEAS_FRAME_SELECT	INT	\$AC_MEAS_FRAME_SELECT = 0: \$P_SETFRAME 10..25: \$P_CHBFRAME[0..15] 50..65: \$P_NCBFRAME[0..15] 100..199: \$P_IFRAME 1010..1025: \$P_CHBFRAME[0..15], with active G500 1050..1065: \$P_NCBFRAME[0..15], with active G500 2000: \$P_SETFR 2010..2025: \$P_CHBFR[0..15] 2050..2065: \$P_NCBFR[0..15] 2100..2199: \$P_UIFR[0..99] 3010..3025: \$P_CHBFR[0..15], with active G500 3050..3065: \$P_NCBFR[0..15], with active G500 Selecting the frames for part gauging.	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_CHSFR	INT	\$AC_MEAS_CHSFR = 'B1001' System frame bit mask in accordance with \$MC_MM_SYSTEM_FRAME_MASK	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_NCBFR	INT	\$AC_MEAS_NCBFR = 'B1' Global basic frame mask to set up the new frame.	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_CHBFR	INT	\$AC_MEAS_CHBFR = 'B1' Channel basic frame mask to set up the new frame.	R	W		6 .4
\$AC_MEAS_UIFR	INT	\$AC_MEAS_UIFR = 1 Adjustable data management frame to set up the new frame.	R	W		6 .4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MEAS_PFRAME	INT	\$AC_MEAS_PFRAME = 1 Programmable frame not included.	R	W		6 . 4
\$AC_MEAS_T_NUMBER	INT	\$AC_MEAS_T_NUMBER = 1 Selecting the tool for calculation and measuring.	R	W		6 . 1
\$AC_MEAS_TOOL_MASK	INT	\$AC_MEAS_TOOL_MASK = 'B1' Setting the tool for calculation and measuring.	R	W		6 . 4
\$AC_MEAS_D_NUMBER	INT	\$AC_MEAS_D_NUMBER = 1 Selecting the cutting edge for calculation and measuring.	R	W		6 . 1
\$AC_MEAS_TYPE	INT	\$AC_MEAS_TYPE = 0: default 1: x edge 2: y edge 3: z edge 4: corner 1 5: corner 2 6: corner 3 7: corner 4 8: bore hole 9: shaft 10: tool length 11: tool diameter 12: groove 13: bar 14: preset actual value memory for geometry and special axes 15: preset actual value memory for special axes only 16: oblique edge 17: Plane_Angles (2 solid angles of a plane) 18: Plane_Normal (3 solid angles of a plane with setpoint input) 19: Dimension_1 (1-dimensional setpoint input) 20: Dimension_2 (2-dimensional setpoint input) 21: Dimension_3 (3-dimensional setpoint input) 22: ToolMagnifier (ShopTurn: Measuring tool lengths with a zoom-in function) 23: ToolMarkedPos (ShopTurn: Measuring a tool length with a marked position) 24: coordinate transformation of a position 25: rectangle Specification of the measuring type.	R	W		6 . 1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MEAS_VA LID	INT	<p>\$AC_MEAS_VALID = 0</p> <p>Validity bits of the measuring variables. The value should be set to 0 prior to all measuring processes. The individual bits are set implicitly when writing to the corresponding variables.</p> <p>Bit 0: \$AA_MEAS_POINT1[axis]        Bit 1: \$AA_MEAS_POINT2[axis]        Bit 2: \$AA_MEAS_POINT3[axis]        Bit 3: \$AA_MEAS_POINT4[axis]        Bit 4: \$AA_MEAS_SETPOINT[axis]        Bit 5: \$AC_MEAS_WP_SETANGLE        Bit 6: \$AC_MEAS_CORNER_SETANGLE        Bit 7: \$AC_MEAS_T_NUMBER        Bit 8: \$AC_MEAS_D_NUMBER        Bit 9: \$AC_MEAS_DIR_APPROACH        Bit 10: \$AC_MEAS_ACT_PLANE        Bit 11: \$AC_MEAS_FRAME_SELECT        Bit 12: \$AC_MEAS_TYPE        Bit 13: \$AC_MEAS_FINE_TRANS        Bit 14: \$AA_MEAS_SETANGLE[axis]        Bit 15: \$AC_MEAS_SCALEUNIT        Bit 16: \$AC_MEAS_TOOL_MASK        Bit 17: \$AC_MEAS_P1_COORD        Bit 18: \$AC_MEAS_P2_COORD        Bit 19: \$AC_MEAS_P3_COORD        Bit 20: \$AC_MEAS_P4_COORD        Bit 21: \$AC_MEAS_SET_COORD        Bit 22: \$AC_MEAS_CHSFR        Bit 23: \$AC_MEAS_NCBFR        Bit 24: \$AC_MEAS_CHBFR        Bit 25: \$AC_MEAS_UIFR        Bit 26: \$AC_MEAS_PFRAME</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_FR AME	FRAME	<p>\$AC_MEAS_FRAME</p> <p>Result frame for part gauging.</p>	R	W		6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_WP _ANGLE	REAL	<p>\$AC_MEAS_WP_ANGLE</p> <p>Calculated part position angle for part gauging.</p>	R			6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_CO RNER_ANGLE	REAL	<p>\$AC_MEAS_CORNER_ANGLE</p> <p>Calculated cutting angle of the corner for part gauging.</p>	R			6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_DIA METER	REAL	<p>\$AC_MEAS_DIAMETER</p> <p>Calculated diameter for part and tool gauging.</p>	R			6 .1
\$AC_MEAS_TO OL_LENGTH	REAL	<p>\$AC_MEAS_TOOL_LENGTH</p> <p>Calculated tool length for tool gauging.</p>	R			6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_MEAS_RESULTS	REAL	R0 = \$AC_MEAS_RESULTS[0] Measured results	R			6. 3
\$AC_MEAS_SCALEUNIT	INT	Unit of measurement in accordance with the configuration \$AC_MEAS_SCALEUNIT = 0 Unit of measurement relative to the active G code G70/G700/G71/G710	R	W		6. 4
\$P_CHANNO	INT	Query the current channel number.	R			6. 4
\$AC_SERUPRO	INT	\$AC_SERUPRO Query whether search run type SERUPRO is active. (SERUPRO: "Search run via program testing") Possible to use in SYNACTs and in the parts program \$AC_SERUPRO == 0 SERUPRO search run type not active \$AC_SERUPRO == 1 SERUPRO search run type is active		R		6. 4

#### 15.2.44 Positions

\$P_EP	REAL	\$P_EP[X] The system variable \$P_EP always returns the current WCS setpoint position in the interpreter. The numerical value is not inevitably the same as the programmed value in the parts program. In the following situations there are differences - during incremental programming - when changing the WCS by frame or tool selection If an ASUB starts after a block search with calculation, this event will synchronize positions in the interpreter. \$P_EP then returns in ASUB the position at which the axes actually are. The search run position that is picked up can be queried via system variable \$AC_RETPOINT.  Axes: channel axis	R					2
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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_EPM	REAL	\$P_EPM[X] Current MCS position in the interpreter (also see \$P_EP). Axes: channel axis	R			6 .1
\$P_APR	REAL	\$P_APR[X] Position of axis in the workpiece coordinate system at the start of the approach motion for soft approach to the contour. Axes: channel axis	R			4
\$P_AEP	REAL	\$P_AEP[X] Approach point: first contour point in the workpiece coordinate system for soft approach to contour. Axes: channel axis	R			4
\$P_POLF	REAL	\$P_POLF[X] X: Axis returns the programmed return position of the axis Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R			6 .4
\$P_POLF_VALID	INT	\$P_POLF_VALID[X] X: Axis 0: no axis return programmed 1: return programmed in abs. position 2: return programmed as distance Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R			6 .4
\$AA_IW	REAL	\$AA_IW[X] Actual value in workpiece coordinate system (WCS) Axes: channel axis	RS		R	2
\$AA_REPOS_DELAY	BOOL	\$AA_REPOS_DELAY[X] TRUE: For this axis REPOS suppression is just active. FALSE: otherwise Axes: channel axis	RS		R	+ 6 .4
\$AA_IEN	REAL	\$AA_IEN[X] Actual value in the settable origin system (SOS). Axes: channel axis	RS		R	5
\$AA_IBN	REAL	\$AA_IBN[X] Actual value in the basic origin system (BOS). Axes: channel axis	RS		R	5
\$AA_IB	REAL	\$AA_IB[X] Actual value in basic coordinate system (BCS) Axes: channel axis	RS		R	2
\$AA_IM	REAL	\$AA_IM[X] Actual value in machine coordinate system (MCS). Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	2

### 15.2.45 Indexing axes

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_ACT_INDE X_AX_POS_NO	INT	\$AA_ACT_INDEX_AX_POS_NO[X] 0: No indexing axis, therefore no indexing position available. > 0: Number of indexing position last reached or crossed  Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_PROG_INDE X_AX_POS_NO	INT	\$AA_PROG_INDEX_AX_POS_NO[X] 0: No indexing axis, thus no indexing position available or indexing axis currently not approaching an indexing position > 0: Number of programmed indexing position Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5

### 15.2.46 Encoder values

\$AA_ENC_ACTI VE	BOOL	\$AA_ENC_ACTIVE[X] Active measuring system is operating below encoder limit frequency Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		4
\$AA_ENC1_ACT IVE	BOOL	\$AA_ENC1_ACTIVE[X] Encoder 1 is operating below encoder limit frequency Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		4
\$AA_ENC2_ACT IVE	BOOL	\$AA_ENC2_ACTIVE[X] Encoder 2 is operating below encoder limit frequency Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		4
\$VA_IM	REAL	\$VA_IM[X] Encoder actual value in machine coordinate system (measured on active measuring system), actual value compensations are corrected (leadscrew error compensation, backlash compensation, quadrant error compensation) With active spindle/axis disable, the default return is the current setpoint. If the actual value is then returned, BIT3 must be set in \$MA_MISC_FUNCTION_MASK.	RS	R		4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$VA_IM1	REAL	\$VA_IM1[X] Actual value in the machine coordinate system (measured Encoder 1), compensations are corrected With active spindle/axis disable the default return is the current setpoint. If the actual value is then returned, BIT3 must be set in \$MA_MISC_FUNCTION_MASK.	RS		R	4
\$VA_IM2	REAL	\$VA_IM2[X] Actual value in the machine coordinate system (measured Encoder 2), compensations are corrected With active spindle/axis disable the default return is the current setpoint. If the actual value is then returned, BIT3 must be set in \$MA_MISC_FUNCTION_MASK.	RS		R	4
\$AA_MW	REAL	\$AA_MW[X] Measured value in workpiece coordinate system Axes: channel axis	R	WS	R W	2
\$AA_MM	REAL	\$AA_MM[X] Measured value in machine coordinate system	R	WS	R W	2
\$AA_MW1	REAL	\$AA_MW1[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 1 in WCS Axes: channel axis	R	WS	R W	4
\$AA_MW2	REAL	\$AA_MW2[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 2 in WCS Axes: channel axis	R	WS	R W	4
\$AA_MW3	REAL	\$AA_MW3[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 3 in WCS Axes: channel axis	R	WS	R W	4
\$AA_MW4	REAL	\$AA_MW4[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 4 in WCS Axes: channel axis	R	WS	R W	4

#### 15.2.47 Axial measurement

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_MM1	REAL	\$AA_MM1[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 1 in MCS	R	WS	R W	4
\$AA_MM2	REAL	\$AA_MM2[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 2 in MCS	R	WS	R W	4
\$AA_MM3	REAL	\$AA_MM3[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 3 in MCS	R	WS	R W	4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_MM4	REAL	\$AA_MM4[X] Measurement result of axial measurement Trigger event 4 in MCS	R	WS	R	W
\$AA_MEAACT	BOOL	\$AA_MEAACT[X] Value is TRUE if axial measurement is active for X Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis		R		4

### 15.2.48 Offsets

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_DRF	REAL	\$AC_DRF[X] DRF offset Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AC_PRESET	REAL	\$AC_PRESET[X] Last given PRESET value Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AA_ETRANS	REAL	\$AA_ETRANS[X] External zero offset Axes: channel axis	R	W		2
\$AA_MEAS_P1_VALID	INT	\$AA_MEAS_P1_VALID[X] = 1 Writing the actual axis value to the 1st measuring point. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	WS	R	W
\$AA_MEAS_P2_VALID	INT	\$AA_MEAS_P2_VALID[X] = 1 Writing the actual axis value to the 2nd measuring point. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	WS	R	W
\$AA_MEAS_P3_VALID	INT	\$AA_MEAS_P3_VALID[X] = 1 Writing the actual axis value to the 3rd measuring point. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	WS	R	W
\$AA_MEAS_P4_VALID	INT	\$AA_MEAS_P4_VALID[X] = 1 Writing the actual axis value to the 4th measuring point. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	WS	R	W
\$AA_MEAS_POI_NT1	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_POINT1[x] = \$AA_IW[x] \$AA_MEAS_POINT1[y] = \$AA_IW[y] \$AA_MEAS_POINT1[z] = \$AA_IW[z] First measuring point for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1
\$AA_MEAS_POI_NT2	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_POINT2[x] = \$AA_IW[x] \$AA_MEAS_POINT2[y] = \$AA_IW[y] \$AA_MEAS_POINT2[z] = \$AA_IW[z] Second measuring point for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_MEAS_POI_NT3	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_POINT3[x] = \$AA_IW[x] \$AA_MEAS_POINT3[y] = \$AA_IW[y] \$AA_MEAS_POINT3[z] = \$AA_IW[z] Third measuring point for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1
\$AA_MEAS_POI_NT4	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_POINT4[x] = \$AA_IW[x] \$AA_MEAS_POINT4[y] = \$AA_IW[y] \$AA_MEAS_POINT4[z] = \$AA_IW[z] Fourth measuring point for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1
\$AA_MEAS_SP_VALID	INT	\$AA_MEAS_SP_VALID[X] = 0 Invalidate the x-axis setpoint for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1
\$AA_MEAS_SETPONT	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_SETPOINT[X] = 0.0 \$AA_MEAS_SETPOINT[y] = 0.0 \$AA_MEAS_SETPOINT[z] = 0.0 Setpoint position for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .1
\$AA_MEAS_SETANGLE	REAL	\$AA_MEAS_SETANGLE[x] = 0.0 \$AA_MEAS_SETANGLE[y] = 0.0 \$AA_MEAS_SETANGLE[z] = 0.0 Setpoint angle for part and tool gauging. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R	W		6 .4
\$AA_OFF	REAL	\$AA_OFF[X] Overlaid motion for programmed axis Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	W	R W	3
\$AA_OFF_LIMIT	INT	\$AA_OFF_LIMIT[axis] Limit value for axial offset \$AA_OFF[axis] 0: Limit value not reached 1: Limit value reached in positive axis direction -1: Limit value reached in negative axis direction Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	4
\$AA_OFF_VAL	REAL	\$AA_OFF_VAL[axis] Integrated value of the overlaid movement for one axis. An overlaid movement can be undone by using the negative value of these variables. For example \$AA_OFF[axis] = -\$AA_OFF_VAL[axis] Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AC_RETPOINT	REAL	\$AC_RETPOINT[X] \$AC_RETPOINT[] returns the WCS position of an axis at which an ASUB was started. Then repositioning to this position can take place in the ASUB. If an ASUB is started up directly after a block search with calculation, \$AC_RETPOINT returns the search run position that has been picked up. Axes: channel axis	RS	R		2
\$AA_TOFF	REAL	\$AA_TOFF[geometry axis] Overlaid value in the tool coordinate system. Axes: geometry axis	RS	W R W	6 .4	
\$AA_TOFF_VAL	REAL	\$AA_TOFF_VAL[geometry axis] Overlaid value in the tool coordinate system (integrated). Axes: geometry axis	RS	R		6 .4
\$AA_TOFF_LIMIT	INT	\$AA_TOFF_LIMIT[geo axis] Limit value for axial offset \$AA_TOFF[geo axis] 0: Limit value not reached 1: Limit value reached in positive axis direction -1: Limit value reached in negative axis direction Axes: geometry axis	RS	R		6 .4
\$AA_TOFF_PRE_P_DIFF	REAL	\$AA_TOFF_PREP_DIFF[geometry axis] Difference value of the override in the tool coordinate system between the main run and preprocessing. Axes: geometry axis	RS	R		6 .4
\$AA_SOFTENDP	REAL	\$AA_SOFTENDP[X] Software end position, positive direction Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2
\$AA_SOFTENDN	REAL	\$AA_SOFTENDN[X] Software end position, negative direction Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2

### 15.2.49 Axial paths

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
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\$AA_DTBW	REAL	<p>\$AA_DTBW[X] axial path from start of block in the workpiece coordinate system for positioning and synchronized axes for motion synchronized action The programmed position is decisive for computing the path; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R		2
\$AA_DTBB	REAL	<p>\$AA_DTBB[X] Axial distance from start of block in basic coordinate system for positioning and synchronized axes with motion-synchronized actions The programmed position is decisive for computing the path; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R		2
\$AA_DTEW	REAL	<p>\$AA_DTEW[X] Axial distance to end of block in workpiece coordinate system for positioning and synchronized axes with motion-synchronized actions The programmed position is decisive for computing the path; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R		2
\$AA_DTEB	REAL	<p>\$AA_DTEB[X] Axial distance to end of block in basic coordinate system for positioning and synchronized axes with motion-synchronized actions The programmed position is decisive for computing the path; if the axis is a coupling axis, the position part that results from axis coupling is not considered here. This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R		2

### 15.2.50 Oscillation

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_DTEPW	REAL	\$AA_DTEPW[X] Axial distance-to-go for infeed oscillation in workpiece coordinate system This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AA_DTEPB	REAL	\$AA_DTEPB[X] Axial distance-to-go for infeed oscillation in basic coordinate system This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AA_OSCILL_R EVERSE_POS1	REAL	\$AA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1[X] Current reversal position 1 for oscillation In synchronized actions, the setting data value \$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS1 is evaluated online This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AA_OSCILL_R EVERSE_POS2	REAL	\$AA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2[X] Current reversal position 2 for oscillation In synchronized actions, the setting data value \$SA_OSCILL_REVERSE_POS2 is evaluated online This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions Axes: channel axis	RS		R	
\$AA_DELT	REAL	\$AA_DELT[X] Stored axial distance-to-go path in the workpiece coordinate system subsequent to deletion of the residual distance during synchronized motion actions Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis			R	

### 15.2.51 Axial velocities

\$P_FA	REAL	\$P_FA[X] Last programmed axial feedrate Axes: channel axis	R						2
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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_OVR	REAL	<p>\$AA_OVR[X]</p> <p>Axial override for motion-synchronized actions</p> <p>Multiplicative override component acting in addition to the user OV, programmed OV and transformation OV.</p> <p>The value is limited to max. 200%. If a value &lt; 0.0 is entered, 0 is assumed and alarm 14756 reported.</p> <p>Must be rewritten in every interpolator cycle, otherwise the value is 100%.</p> <p>The spindle override is changed with \$AA_OVR[S1].</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from motion-synchronized actions</p> <p>Axes: channel axis</p>		R	W	2
\$AA_VC	REAL	<p>\$AA_VC[X]</p> <p>Additive axial feed compensation for motion-synchronized actions</p> <p>It must be rewritten in every interpolator cycle, otherwise the value is 0.</p> <p>With an override of 0, the compensation value has no effect, otherwise the override has no impact on the compensation value.</p> <p>The compensation value cannot make the total feedrate negative.</p> <p>The upper value is limited such that the maximum axis velocities and accelerations are not exceeded.</p> <p>The computation of the other feedrate components is not affected by \$AA_VC.</p> <p>The override defined by machine data \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_LIMIT_BIN, \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_FEEDRATE[30], \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_AX_SPEED[30] and \$MN_OVR_FACTOR_SPIND_SPEED</p> <p>Override values cannot be exceeded. The additive feedrate override is limited such that the resulting feedrate does not exceed the maximum override value of the programmed feedrate.</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p> <p>Axes: channel axis</p>		R	W	2
\$AA_VACTB	REAL	<p>\$AA_VACTB[X]</p> <p>Axis velocity in the base coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p> <p>Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R	2
\$AA_VACTW	REAL	<p>\$AA_VACTW[X]</p> <p>Axis velocity in workpiece coordinate system</p> <p>This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions</p> <p>Axes: channel axis</p>	RS		R	2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_VACTM	REAL	\$AA_VACTM[X] Axis velocity, setpoint-related in machine coordinate system Can also be read for replacement and PLC axes This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions  Axes: channel axis	RS	R		4
\$VA_VACTM	REAL	\$VA_VACTM[X] Axis velocity, actual value-related in machine coordinate system The variable returns an undefined value if the encoder limit frequency is exceeded This variable can only be accessed from synchronized actions  Axes: channel axis	RS	R		4

### 15.2.52 Drive data

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_LOAD	REAL	\$AA_LOAD[X] Drive capacity utilization as % (for 611D or PROFIBUS only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2
\$VA_LOAD	REAL	\$VA_LOAD[X] Drive capacity utilization as % (for 611D or PROFIBUS only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5 .1
\$AA_TORQUE	REAL	\$AA_TORQUE[X] Drive torque setpoint in Nm (for 611D only) Force actual value in N (611D-HLA only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2
\$VA_TORQUE	REAL	\$VA_TORQUE[X] Drive torque setpoint in Nm (for 611D only) Force actual value in N (611D-HLA only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5 .1
AA_POWER	REAL	\$AA_POWER[x] Drive active power in W (for 611D only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2
\$VA_POWER	REAL	\$VA_POWER[x] Drive active power in W (for 611D only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5 .1
\$AA_CURR	REAL	\$AA_CURR[X] Actual current value of axis or spindle in A (for 611D only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		2

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$VA_CURR	REAL	\$VA_CURR[X] Actual current value of axis or spindle in A (for 611D only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	5 .1	
\$VA_DIST_TORQUE	REAL	\$VA_DIST_TORQUE[X] Disturbing torque/max. motor torque (output of disturbance torque observer) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6 .3	
\$VA_VALVELIFT	REAL	\$VA_VALVELIFT[X] Actual valve stroke in mm (for 611D hydraulics only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	5 .1	
\$VA_PRESSURE_A	REAL	\$VA_PRESSURE_A[X] Pressure on A side of cylinder in bar (for 611D hydraulics only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	5 .1	
\$VA_PRESSURE_B	REAL	\$VA_PRESSURE_B[X] Pressure on B side of cylinder in bar (for 611D hydraulics only) Axes: channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	5 .1	
\$VA_DP_ACT_TEL	INT	\$VA_DP_ACT_TEL[b,a] b: Word index (16-bit access) in PROFIBUS frame a: Machine axis b: Word index in PROFIBUS actual value frame  Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6 .4	

### 15.2.53 Axis statuses

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_STAT	INT	\$AA_STAT[X] Axis status: 0: No axis status available 1: Traversing motion in progress 2: Axis has reached IPO end applies only to axes in the channel 3: Axis in position (exact stop coarse) for all axes 4: Axis in position (exact stop fine) for all axes Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	4	

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_SNGLAX_STAT	INT	\$AA_SNGLAX_STAT[X] Axis status: 0: Axis is not a single axis 1: Single axis in reset 2: Single axis is ended 3: Single axis is interrupted 4: Single axis is active 5: Single axis alarm pending Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 4
\$AA_REF	INT	\$AA_REF[X] Axis status: 0: Axis is not referenced 1: Axis is referenced Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_TYP	INT	\$AA_TYP[X] Axis type: 0: Axis on other channel 1: Channel axis of local channel 2: Neutral axis 3: PLC axis 4: Oscillating axis 5: Neutral axis currently traversing in JOG mode 6: Master value linked following axis 7: Coupled motion following axis 8: Command axis 9: Compile cycle axis 10: Linked slave axis (master/slave function) Axes: geometry axis, channel axis	RS	R		4

### 15.2.54 Master/slave links

\$AA_MASL_STAT	INT	The current status of a master/slave link. Value 0: Axis is no slave axis, or no active link. Value > 0: Active link; the associated machine axis number of the master axis is returned. \$AA_MASL_STAT[X]  Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 1
\$P_SEARCH_MASLC	INT	\$P_SEARCH_MASLC[axis identifier] The current status of a master/slave link was changed in search mode.  Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R			6. 1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_SEARCH_M ASLD	REAL	\$P_SEARCH_MASLD[axis identifier] In search mode, the positional offset determined when closing the link between the master and the slave axis.  Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	R			6 .1

### 15.2.55 Travel to fixed stop

\$AA_FXS	INT	\$AA_FXS[X] Setpoint status state "travel to fixed stop" 0: Axis not at fixed stop 1: Fixed stop successfully approached 2: Fixed stop approach has failed 3: Travel to fixed stop selection active 4: Fixed stop detected 5: Travel to fixed stop deselection active Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	WS	R	W	2
\$VA_FXS	INT	\$VA_FXS[X] Actual status state "travel to fixed stop" 0: Axis not at fixed stop 1: Fixed stop successfully approached 2: Fixed stop approach has failed 3: Travel to fixed stop selection active 4: Fixed stop detected 5: Travel to fixed stop deselection active Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R		6 .3
\$VA_FXS_INFO	INT	\$VA_FXS_INFO[X] Additional information for "travel to fixed stop" when \$VA_FXS[] = 2 0: No additional information available 1: No approach motion programmed 2: Programmed end position reached, motion ended 3: Abort caused by NC reset (pushbutton reset) 4: Exit fixed stop window 5: Drive has refused torque reduction 6: PLC has canceled enabling Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R		6 .3
\$VA_TORQUE_AT_LIMIT	INT	\$VA_TORQUE_AT_LIMIT[X] Status "Torque limit reached" 0: Torque limit not yet reached 1: Torque limit reached In the digital 611D systems, the drive returns the status indicating whether the programmed torque limit has been reached. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R		6 .1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_FOC	INT	\$AA_FOC[X] Setpoint status state "ForceControl" 0: ForceControl not active 1: ForceControl modal active 2: Block-related ForceControl active Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	WS	R	W 6 .1
\$VA_FOC	INT	\$VA_FOC[X] Actual status state "ForceControl" 0: ForceControl not active 1: ForceControl modal active 2: Block-related ForceControl active Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	W 6 .3
\$AA_COUP_ACT	INT	\$AA_COUP_ACT[SPI(2)] Current coupling status of following spindle/following axis: 0: Axis/spindle is not coupled to a leading spindle/leading axis 3: Tangential follow-up of axis 4: synchronized spindle coupling 8: Axis is trailing 16: Following axis of master value coupling The respective values apply to one coupling. If several couplings are active for a following axis, this is represented by the sum of the relevant numerical values. Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	W 2

### 15.2.56 Electronic gear

AA_EG_SYNFA	REAL	\$AA_EG_SYNFA[a] a: Following axis Synchronized position of the following axis Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	W 5
\$P_EG_BC	STRING	\$P_EG_BC[a] Block change condition for EGONSYN, EGON, WAITC. 2nd dimension for TYPE_STRING is automatically MAXSTRINGLEN	R			W 6 .1
\$AA_EG_NUM_LA	INT	\$AA_EG_NUM_LA[a] a: Following axis Number of leading axes specified with EGDEF Axes: geometry axis, channel axis	RS		R	W 5
\$VA_EG_SYNC_DIFF	REAL	\$VA_EG_SYNCDIFF[a] a: Following axis Synchronized run difference Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	W 5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$VA_EG_SYNC_DIFF_S	REAL	\$VA_EG_SYNCDIFF_S[a] a: Following axis Synchronized run difference with sign Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6 4	
\$AA_EG_AX	AXIS	\$AA_EG_AX[n,a] n: Index for leading axis a: Following axis Identifier for nth leading axis n: Index for leading axis (nth leading axis) Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6 1	

### 15.2.57 Leading value coupling

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_LEAD_SP	REAL	\$AA_LEAD_SP[LW] Simulated master value - position	RS	WS	R	W 4
\$AA_LEAD_SV	REAL	\$AA_LEAD_SV[LW] Simulated master value - velocity	RS	WS	R	W 4
\$AA_LEAD_P_TURN	REAL	\$AA_LEAD_P_TURN[LW] current leading value position parts lost through modulo reduction. The actual master value position (which the control uses for internal calculation) is \$AA_LEAD_P[LW] + \$AA_LEAD_P_TURN[LW] If MV is a modulo axis, \$AA_LEAD_P_TURN is an integral multiple of \$MA_MODULO_RANGE. If MV is not a modulo axis, \$AA_LEAD_P_TURN is always 0. Example_1: \$MA_MODULO_RANGE[LW]=360 \$AA_LEAD_P[LW] =290 \$AA_LEAD_P_TURN[LW] =720 The actual master value position (used internally by the control in calculations) is 1010. Example_2: \$MA_MODULO_RANGE[LW]=360 \$AA_LEAD_P[LW] =290 \$AA_LEAD_P_TURN[LW] =-360 The actual master value position (used internally by the control in calculations) is -70.	RS		R	4
\$AA_LEAD_P	REAL	\$AA_LEAD_P[LW] Current master value - position (modulo-reduced) If MV is a modulo axis, the following always applies: 0 <= \$AA_LEAD_P[LW] <= \$MA_MODULO_RANGE[LW]	RS		R	4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_LEAD_V	REAL	\$AA_LEAD_V[LW] Current master value - velocity	RS	R		4
\$AA_SYNC	INT	\$AA_SYNC [FA] Coupling status of following axis in master value coupling 0 => No synchronism 1 => Coarse synchronism 2 => Fine synchronism 3 => Synchronized run coarse and fine Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		4
\$AA_IN_SYNC	INT	\$AA_IN_SYNC[FA] Synchronization status of the following axis for master value coupling and ELG 1 => Synchronization in progress, i.e. following axis is synchronized out Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6 . 4

### 15.2.58 Synchronized spindle

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$P_COUP_OFFS	REAL	\$P_COUP_OFFS[S2] Programmed positional offset for the synchronous spindle (following spindle)	R			6 . 3
\$AA_COUP_OF_FS	REAL	\$AA_COUP_OFFS[S2] Positional offset for synchronous spindle (following spindle) setpoint value viewpoint	RS	R		2
\$VA_COUP_OF_FS	REAL	\$VA_COUP_OFFS[SPI(2)] Positional offset for synchronous spindle (following spindle) actual value viewpoint	RS	R		2
\$AA_SCTRACE	BOOL	\$AA_SCTRACE[X] = 1 Write: Initiate IPO trigger for servo trace 0: No action 1: Initiate trigger Read: Always 0, as the trigger cannot be read back Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	WS	R	W . 4
\$VA_DPE	BOOL	\$VA_DPE[X1] Status of power enable of a machine axis Axes: Machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_ACC	REAL	\$AA_ACC Current acceleration value of axis with 1-axis interpolation. \$AA_ACC = \$MA_MAX_AX_ACCEL * progr. acceleration correction	RS	R		5

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$PA_ACCLIMA	INT	\$PA_ACCLIMA Acceleration override set in preprocessing with ACCLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis		R	6	.
					4	
\$PA_VELOLIMA	INT	\$PA_VELOLIMA Velocity override set in preprocessing with VELOLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis		R	6	.
					4	
\$PA_JERKLIMA	INT	\$PA_JERKLIMA Jerk override set in preprocessing with JERKLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis		R	6	.
					4	
\$AA_ACCLIMA	INT	\$AA_ACCLIMA Acceleration override set in main run with ACCLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6	.
					4	
\$AA_VELOLIMA	INT	\$AA_VELOLIMA Velocity override set in main run with VELOLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6	.
					4	
\$AA_JERKLIMA	INT	\$AA_JERKLIMA Jerk override set in main run with JERKLIMA Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R	6	.
					4	
\$AA_MOTEND	INT	\$AA_MOTEND Current motion end criterion at 1-axis interpolation 1 = Motion end at exact stop FINE 2 = Motion end at exact stop COARSE 3 = Motion end at exact stop, IPO stop 4 = Block change in braking ramp of axis motion 5 = Block change in braking ramp of axis motion with tolerance window with regard to setpoint 6 = Block change in braking ramp of axis motion with tolerance window with regard to actual value Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_SCPAR	INT	\$AA_SCPAR Read current servo parameter set Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_ESR_STAT	INT	\$AA_ESR_STAT[X] Status of "Extended stop and retract", bit-coded: BIT0: Generator operation triggered BIT1: Retraction triggered BIT2: Ext. stop triggered BIT3: DC link undervoltage BIT4: Generator minimum speed Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		5
\$AA_ESR_ENA BLE	BOOL	\$AA_ESR_ENABLE[X] = 1 Enable "Extended stop and retract" Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	WS	R	W
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Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_ESR_TRIGGER	BOOL	\$AA_ESR_TRIGGER = 1 Trigger "NC-driven ESR" for PLC controlled axis Axes: channel axis		R	W	6. 4
\$AA_POLFA	REAL	\$AA_POLFA[X] X: Single axis returns the programmed return position of the single axis Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 4
\$AA_POLFA_VALID	INT	\$AA_POLFA_VALID[X] X: Retraction programmed for this single axis, returns 0: Single axis retraction not programmed 1: Retraction programmed as position 2: Retraction programmed as distance Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 4
\$AA_ALARM_STATUS	INT	\$AA_ALARM_STAT (Selected) alarm reactions for synchronized actions (SYNFCT) Axes: channel axis	RS	R		6. 4
\$AN_AXCTSWA	BOOL	EVERY \$AN_AXCTSWA[n] == TRUE DO M99 Read: TRUE: an axis container rotation is currently being executed on the container with the axis container name n FALSE: No active axis container rotation is active		R		5
\$AN_AXCTAS	INT	Read: Axis container rotation current rotation: The number of slots the axis container has currently been advanced is indicated for the axis container with axis container name n. The value range is from 0 to the maximum number of assigned slots in axis container -1		R		5
\$AC_AXCTSWA	BOOL	IF \$AC_AXCTSWA[n] == TRUE GOTOB MARK1 Read: TRUE: The channel has enabled axis container rotation for the axis container name n and the rotation has not yet been completed. FALSE: The axis container rotation is terminated.		R		5
\$AA_EG_TYPE	INT	\$AA_EG_TYPE[a,b] a: Following axis b: Leading axis Type of coupling for leading axis b 0: Actual-value coupling 1: Setpoint linkage Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 1
\$AA_EG_NUMERA	REAL	\$AA_EG_NUMERA[a,b] a: Following axis b: Leading axis Numerator of coupling factor for leading axis b Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6. 1

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$AA_EG_DENOM	REAL	\$AA_EG_DENOM[a,b] a: Following axis b: Leading axis Denominator of coupling factor for leading axis b Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	6 . 1
\$AA_EG_SYN	REAL	\$AA_EG_SYN[a,b] a: Following axis b: Leading axis Synchronized position of leading axis b Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	6 . 1
\$AA_EG_ACTIVE	BOOL	\$AA_EG_ACTIVE[a,b] a: Following axis b: Leading axis Coupling for leading axis b is active, i.e. switched on Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS		R	6 . 1

### 15.2.59 Safety Integrated

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$A_STOPESI	INT	Current Safety Integrated Stop E for any axis: Value 0: no Stop E Value not equal to 0: There is currently a Stop E at one of the axes	RS		R	6 . 4
\$A_INSE	BOOL	\$A_INSE[n] Image of a Safety input signal (ext. NCK interface) n: Number of input 1 - ...	RS		R	6 . 3
\$A_INSED	INT	\$A_INSED[n] Image of Safety input signals (ext. NCK interface) n: Number of input word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 . 3
\$A_INSEP	BOOL	\$A_INSEP[n] Image of a Safety input signal (ext. PLC interface) n: Number of input 1 - ...	RS		R	6 . 4
\$A_INSEPD	INT	\$A_INSEPD[n] Image of Safety input signals (ext. PLC interface) n: Number of input word 0 - ...	RS		R	6 . 3
\$A_OUTSE	BOOL	\$A_OUTSE[n] Image of a Safety output signal (ext. NCK interface) n: Number of output 1 - ...	RS	WS	R W	6 . 4
\$A_OUTSED	INT	\$A_OUTSED[n] Image of Safety output signals (ext. NCK interface) n: Number of output word 1 - ...	RS	WS	R W	6 . 3
\$A_OUTSEP	BOOL	\$A_OUTSEP[n] Image of a Safety output signal (ext. PLC interface) n: Number of output 1 - ...	RS		R	6 . 3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$A_OUTSEPD	INT	\$A_OUTSEPD[n] Image of Safety output signals (ext. PLC interface) n: Number of output word 0 - ...	RS		R	6 .4
\$A_INSI	BOOL	\$A_INSI[n] Image of a Safety input signal (int. NCK interface) n: Number of input 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .3
\$A_INSID	INT	\$A_INSID[n] Image of Safety input signals (int. NCK interface) n: Number of input word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .4
\$A_INSIP	BOOL	\$A_INSIP[n] Image of a Safety input signal (int. PLC interface) n: Number of input word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .4
\$A_INSIPD	INT	\$A_INSIPD[n] Image of Safety input signals (int. PLC interface) n: Number of input word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .4
\$A_OUTSI	BOOL	\$A_OUTSI[n] Image of a Safety output signal (int. NCK interface) n: Number of output 1 - ...	RS	WS	R	6 .4
\$A_OUTSID	INT	\$A_OUTSID[n] Image of Safety output signals (int. NCK interface) n: Number of output word 1 - ...	RS	WS	R	6 .3
\$A_OUTSIP	BOOL	\$A_OUTSIP[n] Image of a Safety output signal (int. PLC interface) n: Number of output 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .3
\$A_OUTSIPD	INT	\$A_OUTSIPD[n] Image of Safety output signals (int. PLC interface) n: Number of output word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .3
\$A_MARKERSI	BOOL	\$A_MARKERSI[n] Markers for Safety programming n: Number of marker 1 - ...	RS	WS	R	6 .3
\$A_MARKERSID	INT	\$A_MARKERSID[n] Marker word (32 bits) for Safety programming n: Number of marker word 1 - ...	RS	WS	R	6 .3
\$A_MARKERSIP	BOOL	\$A_MARKERSIP[n] Image of PLC Safety markers n: Number of marker 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .3
\$A_MARKERSIPD	INT	\$A_MARKERSIPD[n] Image of PLC Safety marker words n: Number of marker word 1 - ...	RS		R	6 .3

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$A_TIMERSI	REAL	<p>\$A_TIMERSI[n] Safety timer - unit in seconds Time is counted internally in multiples of the interpolation cycle; Counting for the time variable is started by assigning the value \$A_TIMERSI[n]=&lt;start value&gt; To stop the counter variable, assign a negative value: \$A_TIMERSI[n]=-1 The current time can be read while the counter is active or stopped. Stopping the counter variable, by assigning -1 stops the last current time value which can then be read n: Number of timer 1 - ...</p>	RS	WS	R W +	6 . 3
\$A_STATSID	INT	<p>\$A_STATSID Safety: Status of cross-checking between NCK and PLC. If value is not equal to zero, there is a cross-checking error</p>	RS		R	6 . 3
\$A_CMDSI	BOOL	<p>\$A_CMDSI[n] Safety: Control word for cross-checking between NCK and PLC. Array index n = 1: Increase timer for signal change monitoring to 10s n: Number of control signal for cross-checking NCK - PLC</p>	RS	WS	R W +	6 . 3
\$A_LEVELSID	INT	<p>\$A_LEVELSID Safety: Display of signal change monitoring level. Indicates the current number of signals marked for cross-checking.</p>	RS		R	6 . 3
\$A_XFAULTSI	INT	<p>Information on Safety Integrated Stop F for an axis: Bit 0 is set: During crosschecking between NCK and 611D, an actual value error has been discovered on an axis. Bit 1 is set: During crosschecking between NCK and 611D, an error has been discovered on an axis and the wait time before Stop B is triggered is running or has expired (\$MA_SAFE_STOP_SWITCH_TIME_F).</p>	RS		R	6 . 4
\$A_PLCSIIN	BOOL	<p>\$A_PLCSIIN[n] Communication from PLC-SPL to NCK-SPL n: Number of signal 1 - ... from the PLC</p>	RS		R	+ 6 . 4
\$A_PLCSIOUT	BOOL	<p>\$A_PLCSIOUT[n] Communication from NCK-SPL to PLC-SPL n: Number of signal 1 - ... to the PLC</p>	RS	WS	R W +	6 . 4

Identifier	Type	Description: System variable/value range/index	Parts pr.	Sync	O	S
\$VA_IS	REAL	\$VA_IS[X] Reliable actual position (SISITEC) Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6 .4
\$VA_STOPSI	INT	\$VA_STOPSI[X] Current Safety Integrated Stop for the particular axis Value Meaning -1 No stop 0 Stop A 1 Stop B 2 Stop C 3 Stop D 4 Stop E 5 Stop F 10 Test stop NC 11 Test ext. pulse suppression Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis	RS	R		6 .4
\$VA_XFAULTSI	INT	Information on Safety Integrated Stop F for this axis: Bit 0 is set: During crosschecking between NCK and 611D, an actual value error has been discovered. Bit 1 is set: During crosschecking between NCK and 611D, an error has been discovered and the wait time before Stop B (\$MA_SAFE_STOP_SWITCH_TIME_F) is triggered is running or has expired Axes: geometry axis, channel axis, machine axis		R		6 .4



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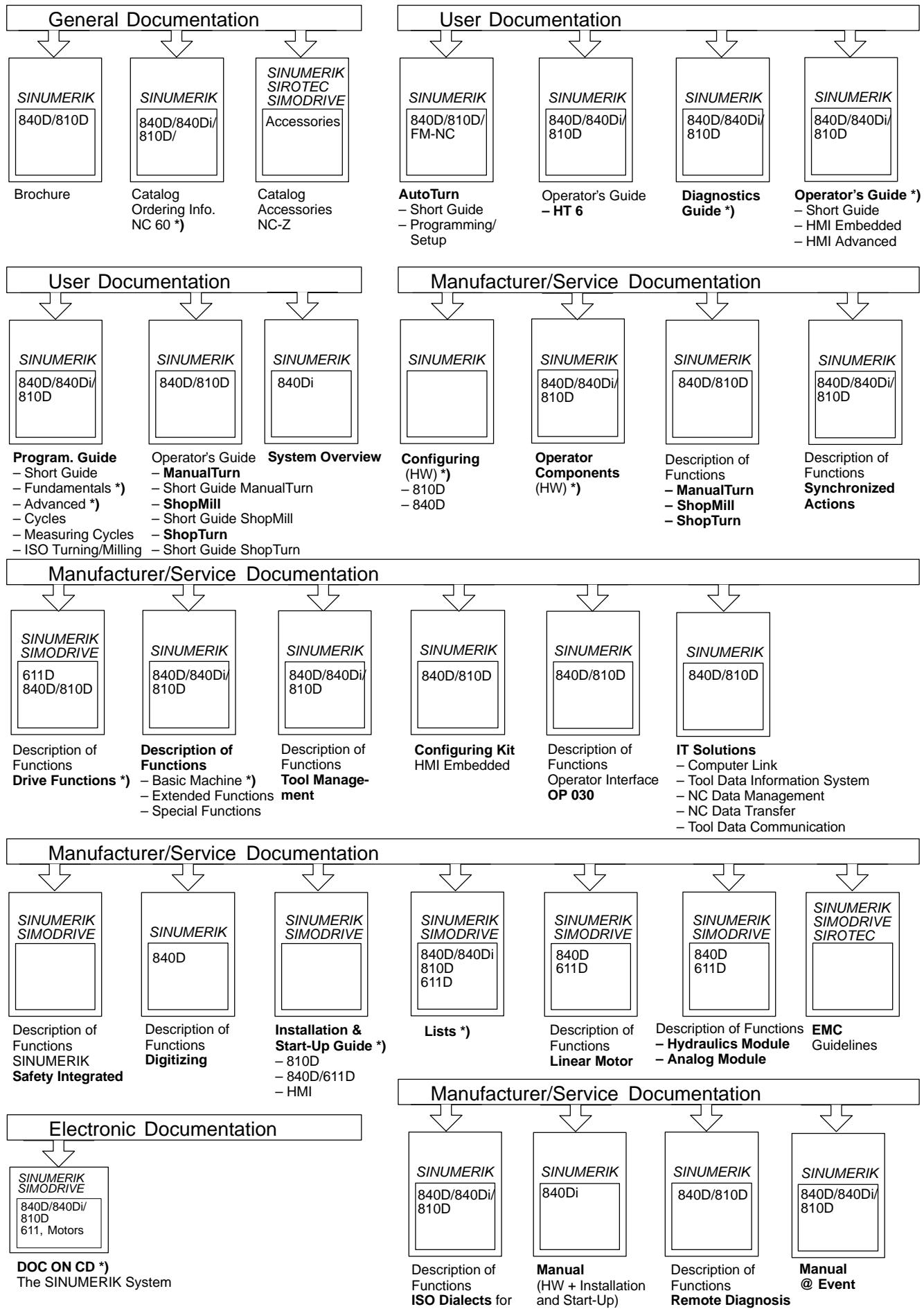
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