THREAD LOCATING AND TRACKING PROBLEM

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General Assembly

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 - The Main Idea
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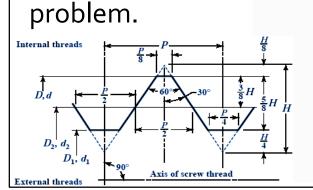
The Main Idea

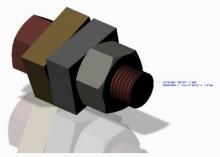
• The **object** of this work is to <u>develop a robust automatic method</u> for measuring a thread location as current approaches are limited to only do this manually, individually and most of the times not 100% regarding the quantity of those threads on a part;

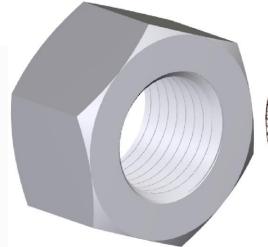
 Additionally, estimate the accuracy for true position (TP) location which includes a lot error to predict

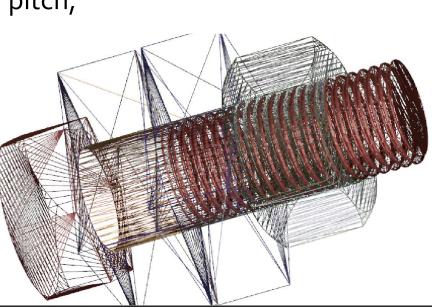
• Where and if possible, to collect thread specifications like pitch, thread count, thread type: being left or right and fine or coarse;

• Make a solution foundation for this



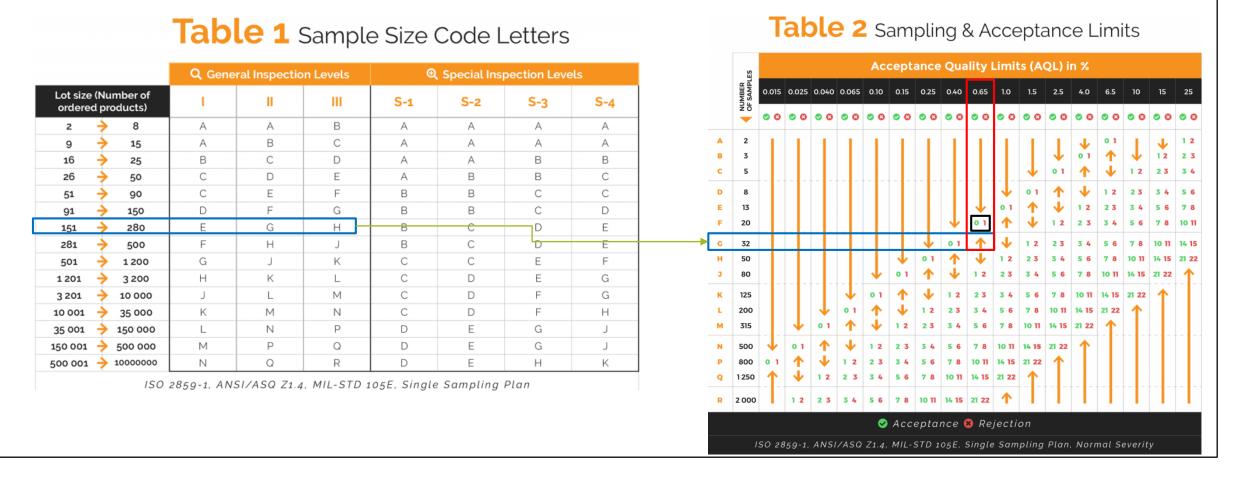






Business Problem

- Incoming inspection of product acceptance sampling is based on AQL (acceptable quality limit): The lot of 200 parts will be rejected if found only 1 non-conforming part. The part with \$500/pc price is made 400 pcs/day!
- This is only 1 part taken as an example out of thousands, millions...

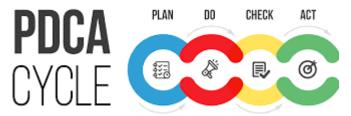


Business Problem (cont-d.)

- Thread (bolt, nut, screw) is one of the features to have difficulty in measuring the coordinate or relative location against 3 axes or Datum.
- This is in part due to inaccuracy of thread manufacturing process.
- Because of improper/incomplete mating male (or bolt) and female (or nut) threads, parts are rejected by the customer leading to the lot rejection hence sorting with really slow (w thread gage) and way faster (w CMM) methods.
- Almost every 10th part have threads with a big probability of being rejected.
- There is no any method on correct screening process with CMM thus leading to good parts to be rejected or bad parts to be <u>accepted</u> in manufacturing.
- Implementation of such a practice, would save these plus more:
- Eventually, this would be a breakthrough for QA/QC field.

Stakeholders: Suppliers & Customers

• Business success in manufacturing depends on the customer satisfaction, but with no clear confidence on the part quality, we can't take chances.





- **During the business plan elaboration**, we assume that <u>we won't make bad products</u>, but it is *unavoidable* sometimes. Those times may be the reason for discontinuation of that given part loosing a lot of jobs, employees, time and financial losses as well.
- Preliminary studies have showed already that <u>many customers' satisfaction level is getting</u> <u>better</u> with **current state of the findings** but it still needs to have clear model or methodology to focus on specifics of the production process for different product lines along with its own improvement thanks to <u>Data Science</u>.

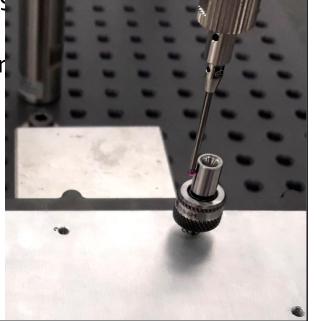
Data Collection - Design of Experiment, DOE-1

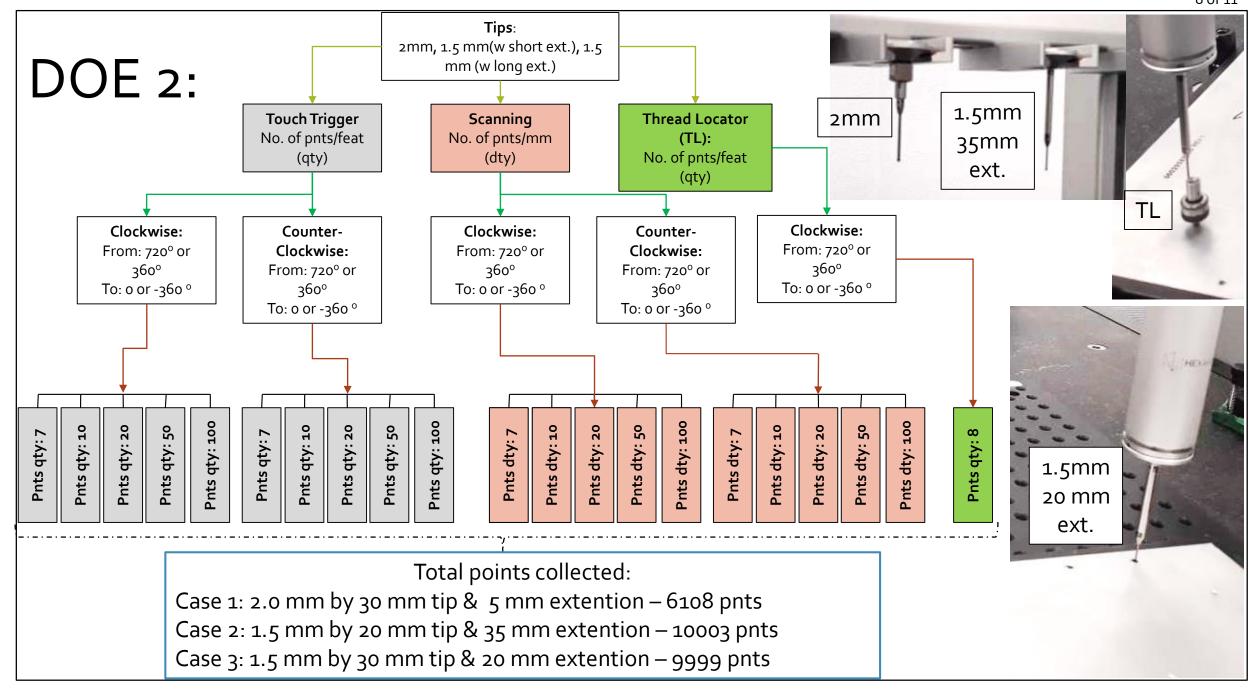
- Before starting the work, room condition is checked: temperature and humidity
- Coordinate measuring machine (CMM) is the main tool;
- 1, 1.5 & 2 mm sphere tips are used for CMM
- Thread locator is the reference to verify the error.
- Input data for samples: #4-40 inch and M3x0.5 metric internal threads;
- 1 thread is measured several times in 2 approaches making from 720 to 0 and
 - Touch trigger probe: 7, 10 & 20 pnts per pitch clock- and counter-clockwise
 - Scanning probe speed: 7, 10, & 20 pnts/mm (density) per pitch clock- and counter
 - Scan acceleration: 11.099 mm/s2, offset force: 0.076 N;
 - Tolerance: Size-0.100 mm, Location -0.100 mm, Form-0.100 mm.
 - Filters: Outlier- 3Sigma, filter-Gausian, UPR-50;











Tip Calibration

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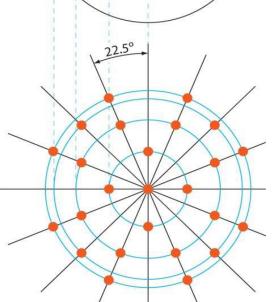
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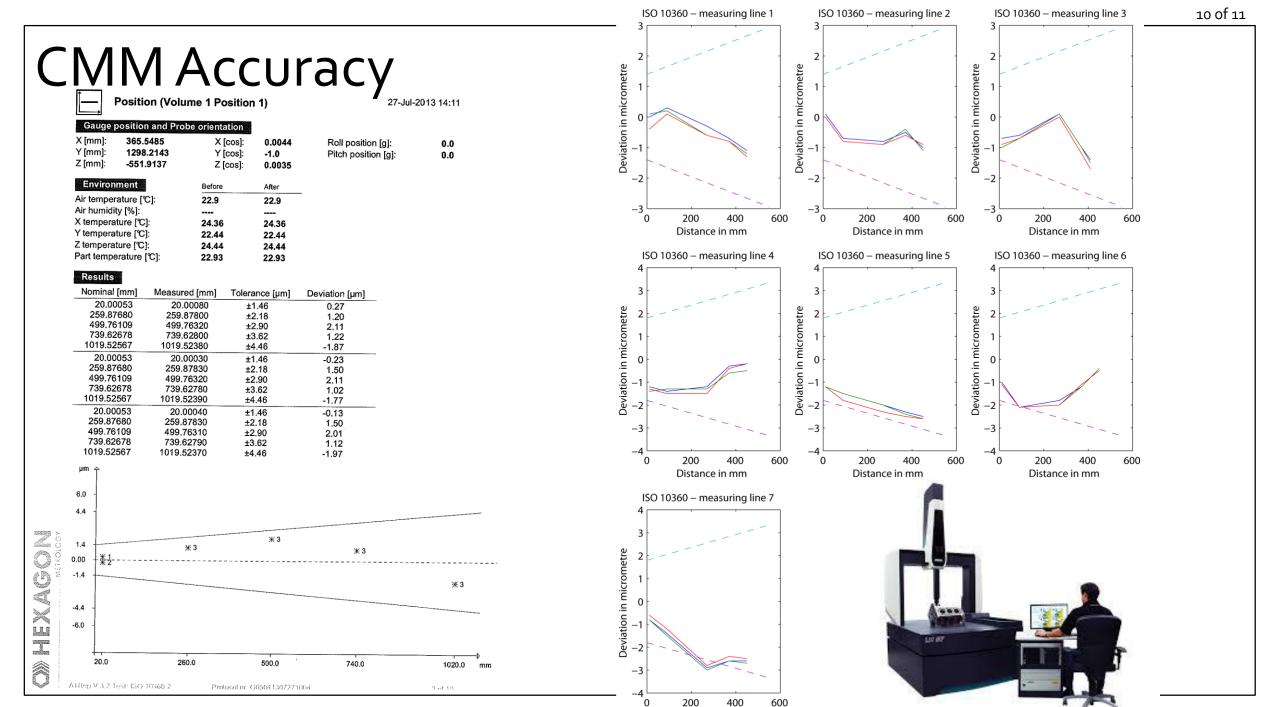
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Distance in mm

Room temperature and humidity

Room Condition during initial tests:

• 9/13/2019, 6.37 pm: 69.8 F, 46 RH%

• 9/13/2019, 6.50 pm: 70.0 F, 46 RH%

• 9/13/2019, 7.01 pm: 70.0 F, 46 RH%

• 9/13/2019, 7.09 pm: 69.8 F, 46 RH%

• 9/20/2019, 3.20 pm: 68.7 F, 42 RH%

Room Condition during final tests:

• 9/23/2019, 10.06 am: 70.0 F, 46 RH%

• 9/23/2019, 11.22 am: 70.0 F, 45 RH%



Let's Go to the Data Analysis part of the project