

MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

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MILLING OPERATIONS

MILLING

- In **MILLING**, a rotating tool with multiple cutting edges is fed slowly across the work material to generate a plane or straight surface.
- The axis of **rotation** of the cutting tool is **perpendicular** to the direction of **feed**.
- This **orientation** between the tool axis and the feed direction is one of the features that **distinguishes milling from drilling**.
- In drilling, the cutting tool is fed in a direction parallel to its axis of rotation.

MILLING

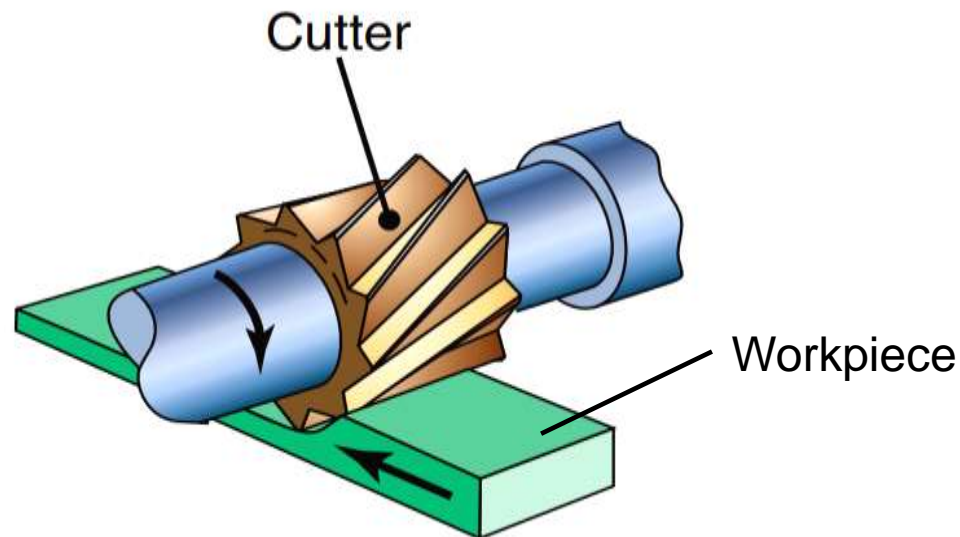
- The cutting tool in milling is called a **milling cutter** and the cutting edges are called **teeth**.
- The conventional machine tool that performs this operation is a **milling machine**.

TYPES OF MILLING OPERATIONS

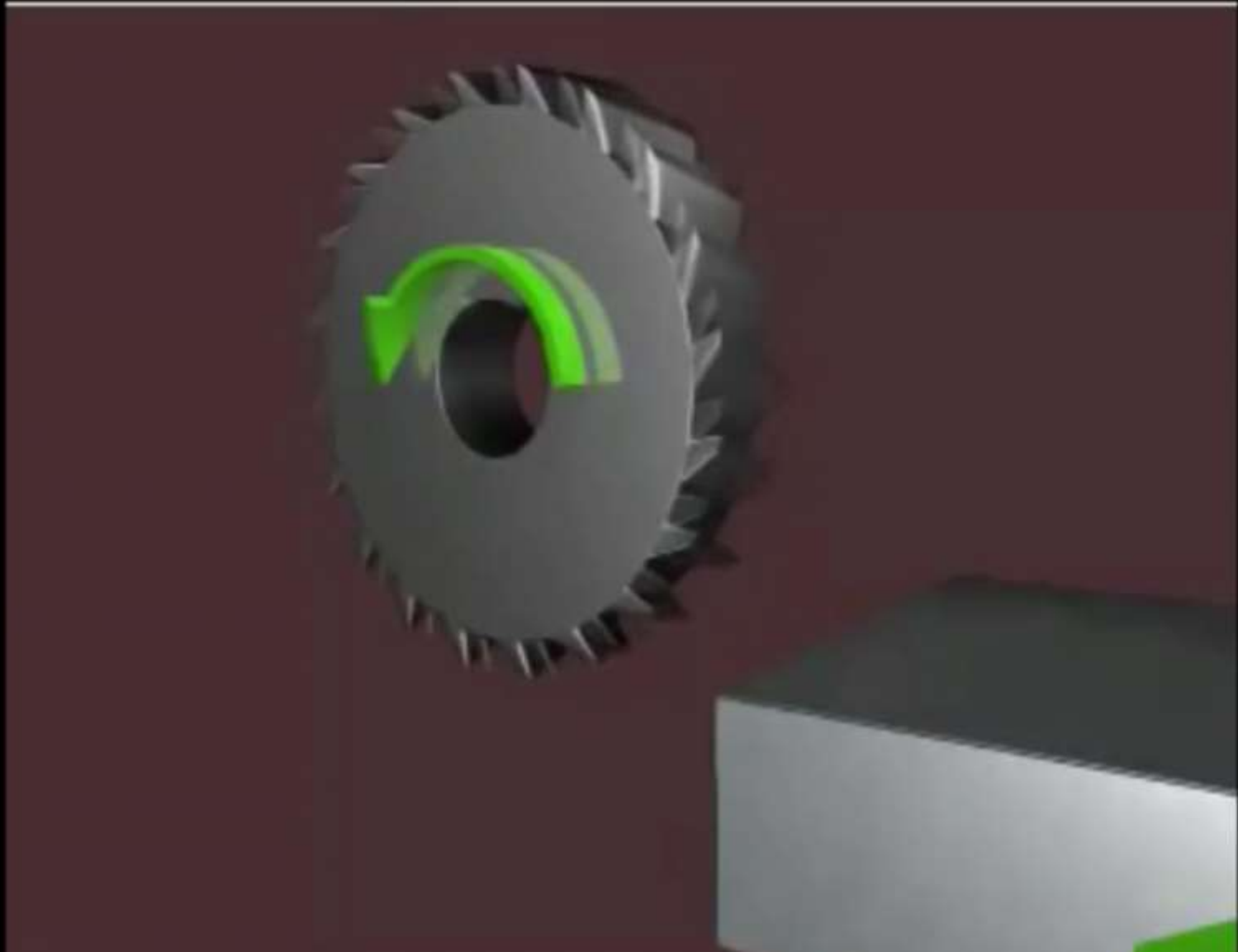
- There are three basic types of milling operations.
 - (A) peripheral milling
 - (B) face milling
 - (C) end milling

(A) PERIPHERAL MILLING

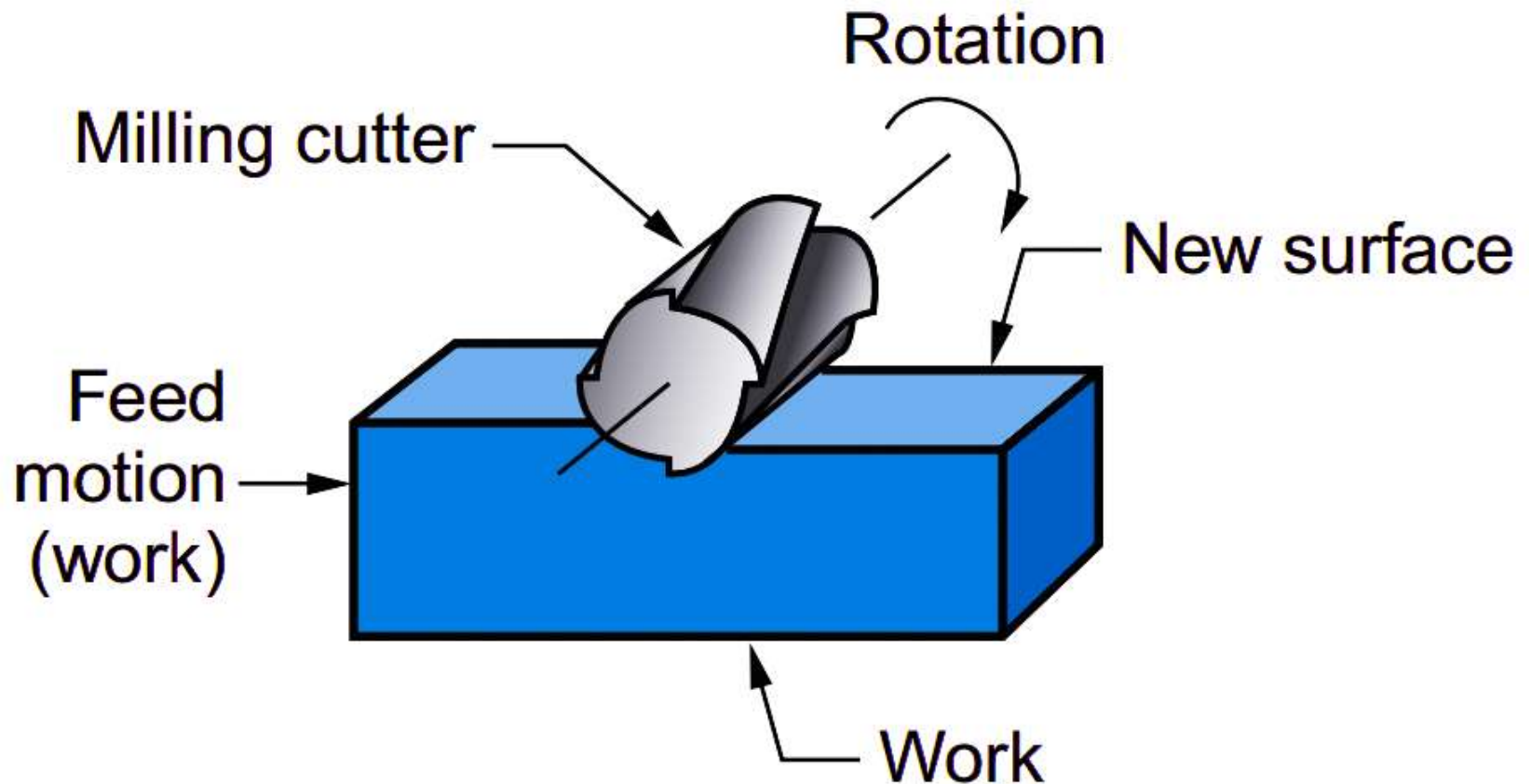
- In **PERIPHERAL MILLING**, also called **plain milling**, the **axis** of the tool is **parallel** to the surface being machined, and the operation is performed by cutting edges on the outside periphery of the cutter.



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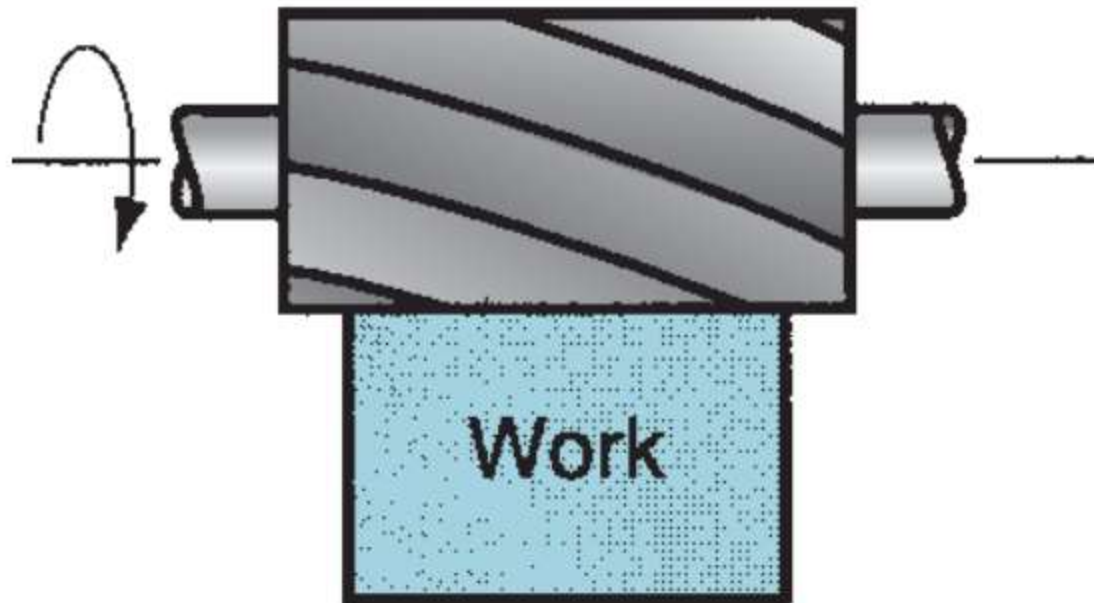


(A) PERIPHERAL MILLING



1. SLAB MILLING

- **SLAB MILLING** , the basic form of peripheral milling in which the cutter width extends beyond the workpiece on both sides.

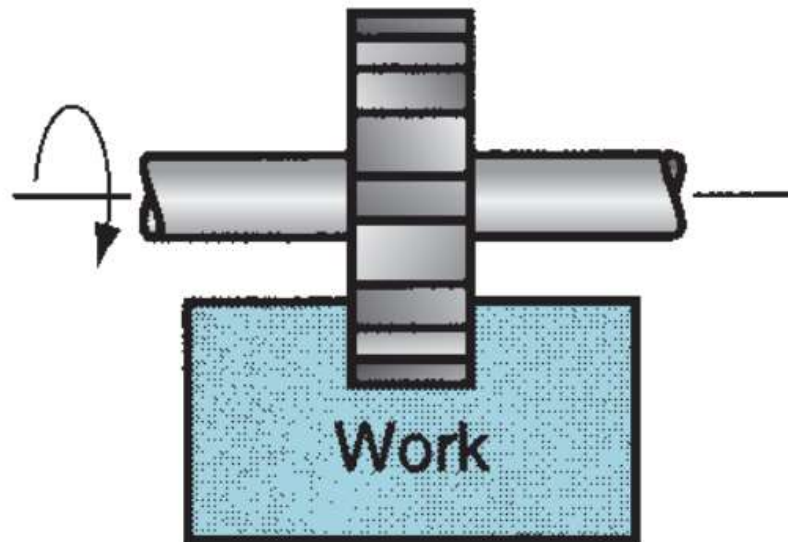


1. SLAB MILLING



2. SLOTTING/ SLOT MILLING

- **SLOTTING** , also called **SLOT MILLING** ,in which the **width of the cutter is less than the workpiece width**, creating a slot in the work—when the cutter is very thin, this operation can be used to mill narrow slots or cut a workpart in two, called **saw milling**.



2. SLOTTING/ SLOT MILLING

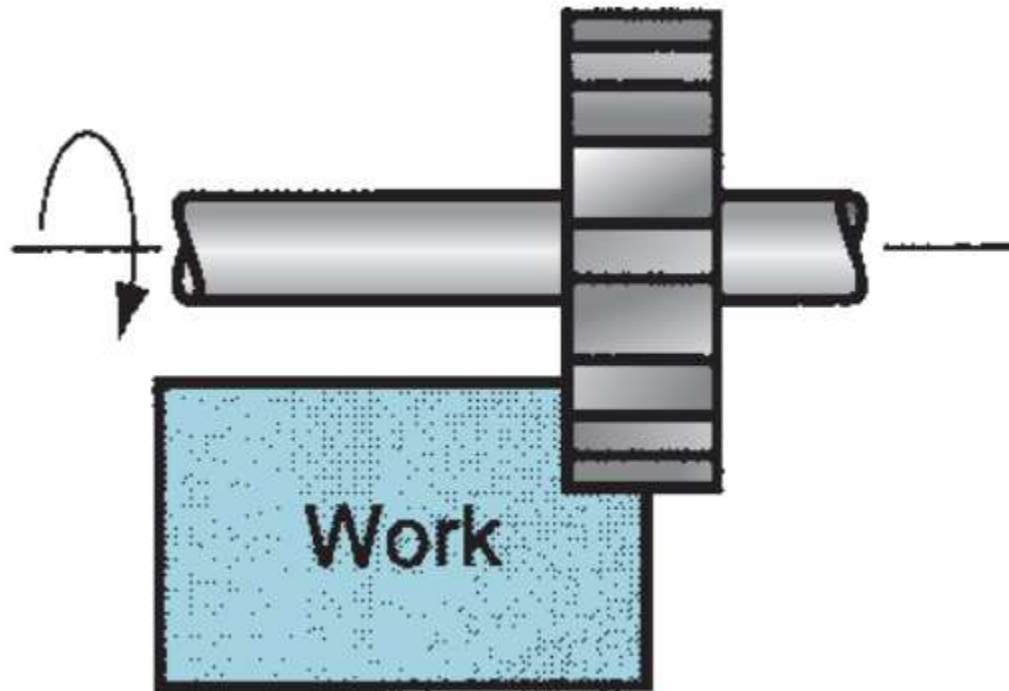


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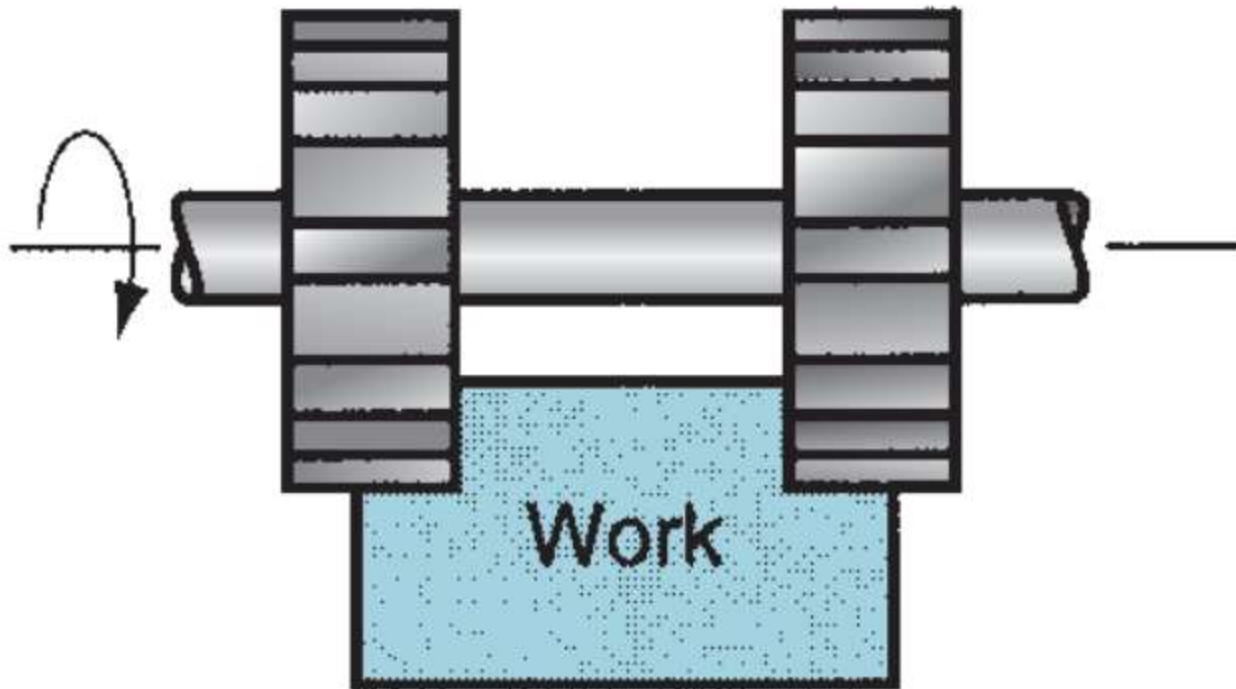
3. SIDE MILLING

- **SIDE MILLING** , in which the cutter machines the side of the workpiece



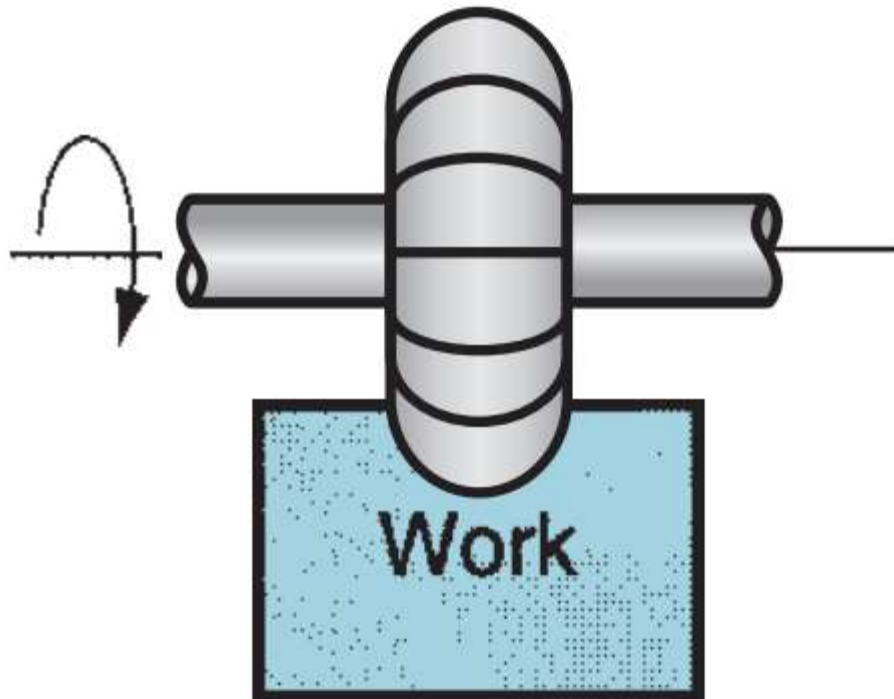
4. STRADDLE MILLING

- **STRADDLE MILLING** , the same as side milling, only cutting takes place on both sides of the work.

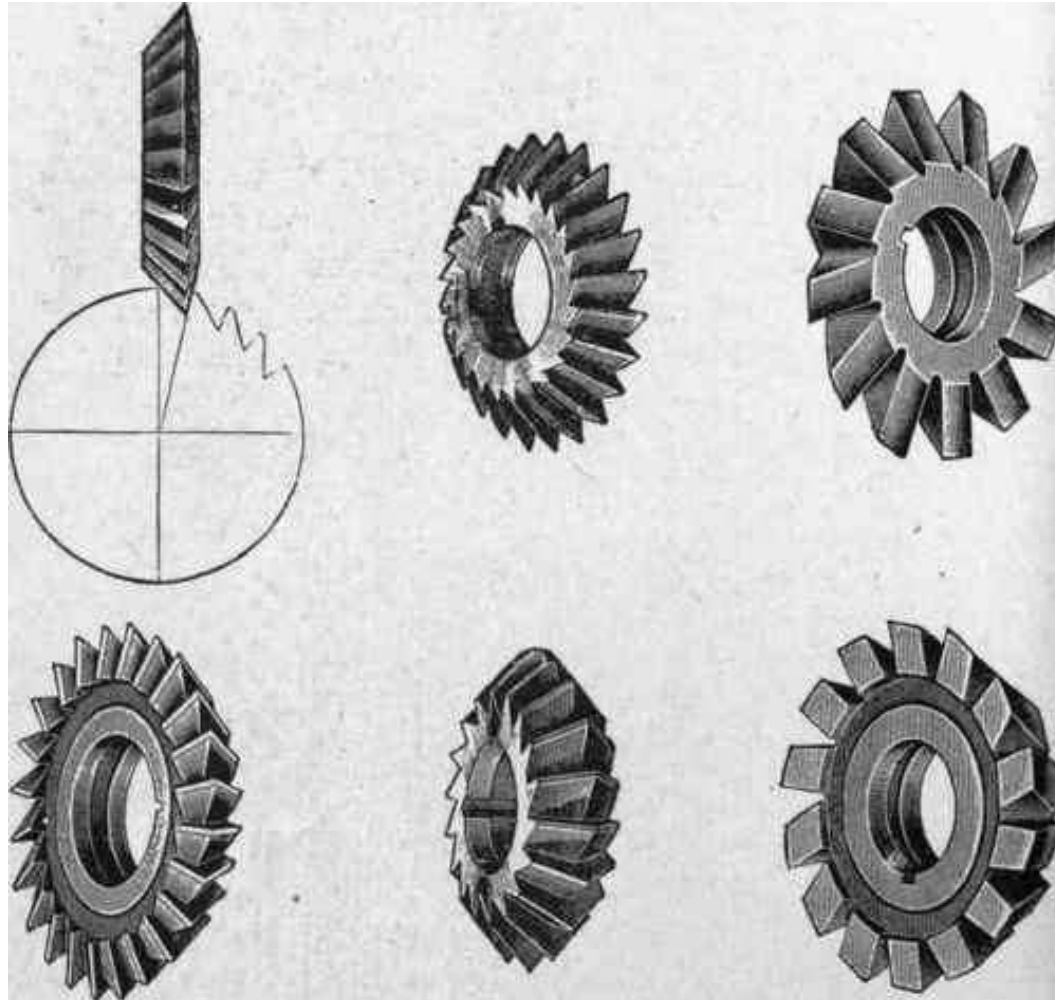


5. FORM MILLING

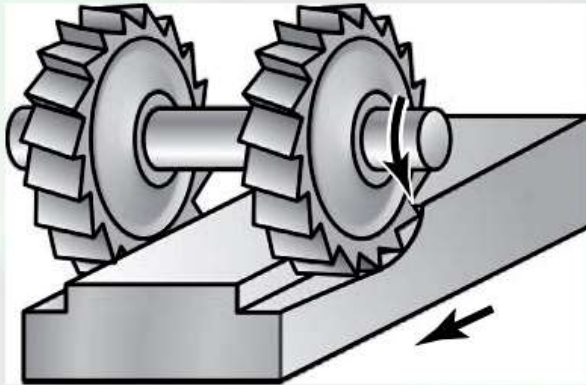
- **FORM MILLING** , in which the milling teeth have a special profile that determines the shape of the slot that is cut in the work.



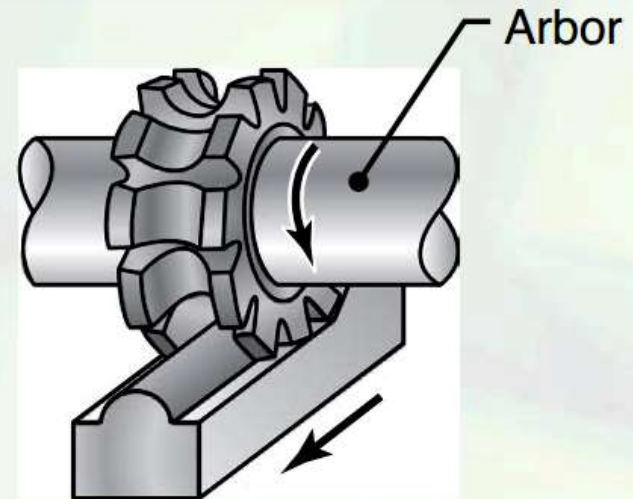
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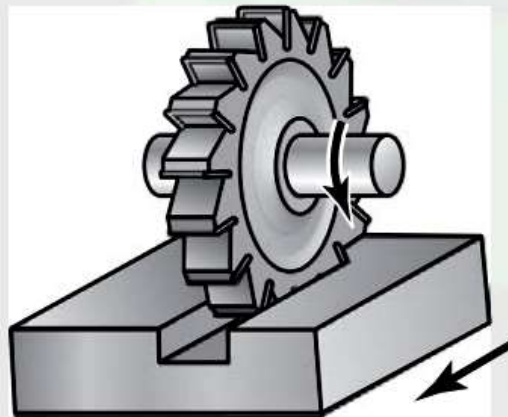
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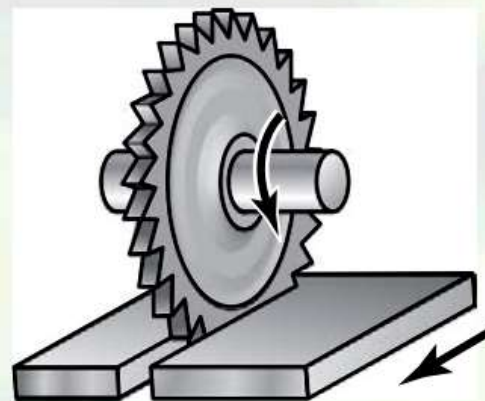
(a) Straddle milling



(b) Form milling



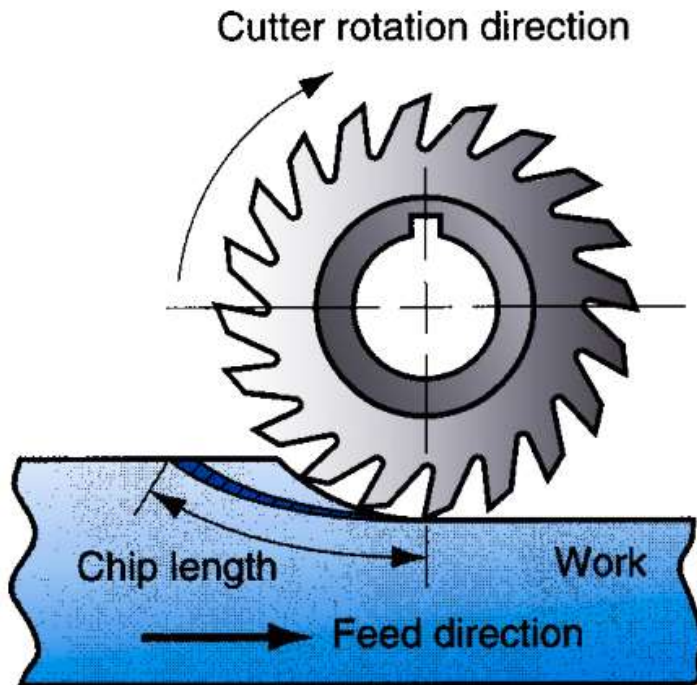
(c) Slotting



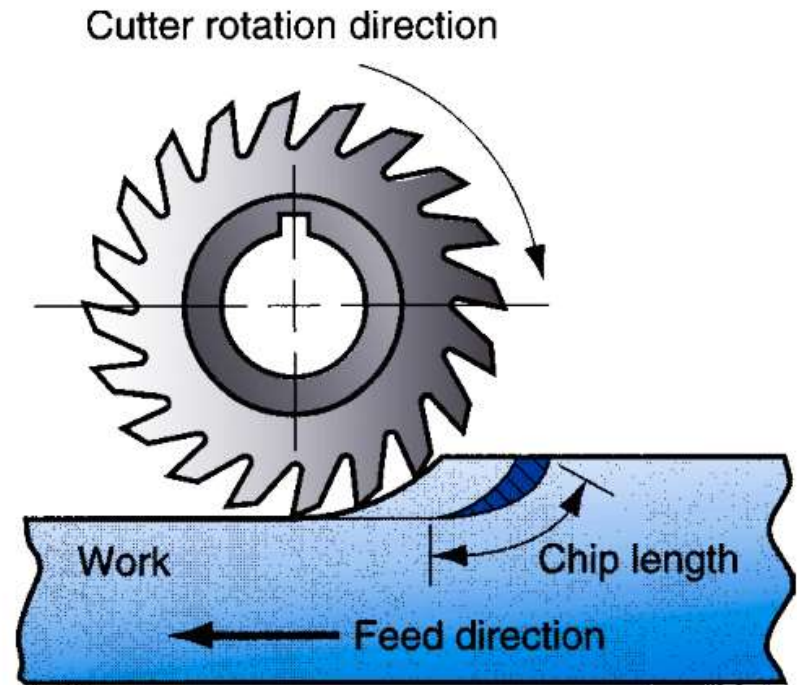
(d) Slitting

UP/DOWN MILLING

- In milling, the direction of cutter rotation distinguishes two forms of milling:



UP MILLING



DOWN MILLING

UP/DOWN MILLING

UP/Conventional MILLING

- In **UP MILLING** , also called **conventional milling** , the direction of motion of the cutter teeth is opposite the feed direction when the teeth cut into the work.
- It is milling “ **against the feed.**”
- The **maximum** chip thickness is at the **end** of the cut as the tooth leaves the workpiece surface.
- The cutter tends to push the work along and **lift it upward** from the table.

UP/Conventional MILLING

- The action tends to **loosen the work** from the fixture.
- Therefore, **greater clamping forces** must be employed, with the danger of deflecting the part.
- **More power required** due to increased friction caused by the chip beginning at the minimum width.
- There may be a tendency for the **tool to chatter**.

UP/Conventional MILLING

- In up milling, **chips can be carried** into the newly machined surface, causing the **surface finish** to be **poorer** (rougher) than in down milling and causing damage to the insert.

DOWN/Climb MILLING

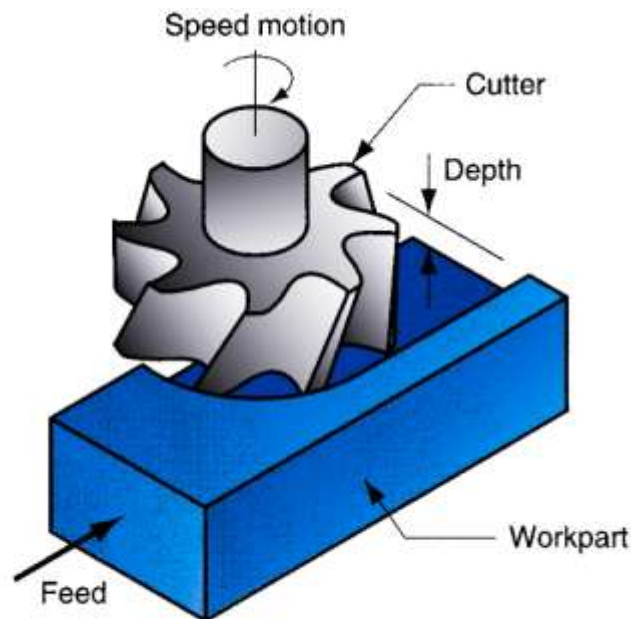
- In **DOWN MILLING** ,also called **climb milling** , the direction of cutter motion is the same as the feed direction when the teeth cut the work.
- It is milling “ **with the feed.**”
- Chips are cut to **maximum thickness at initial** engagement of cutter teeth with the work, and decrease to zero at the end of its engagement.

DOWN/Climb MILLING

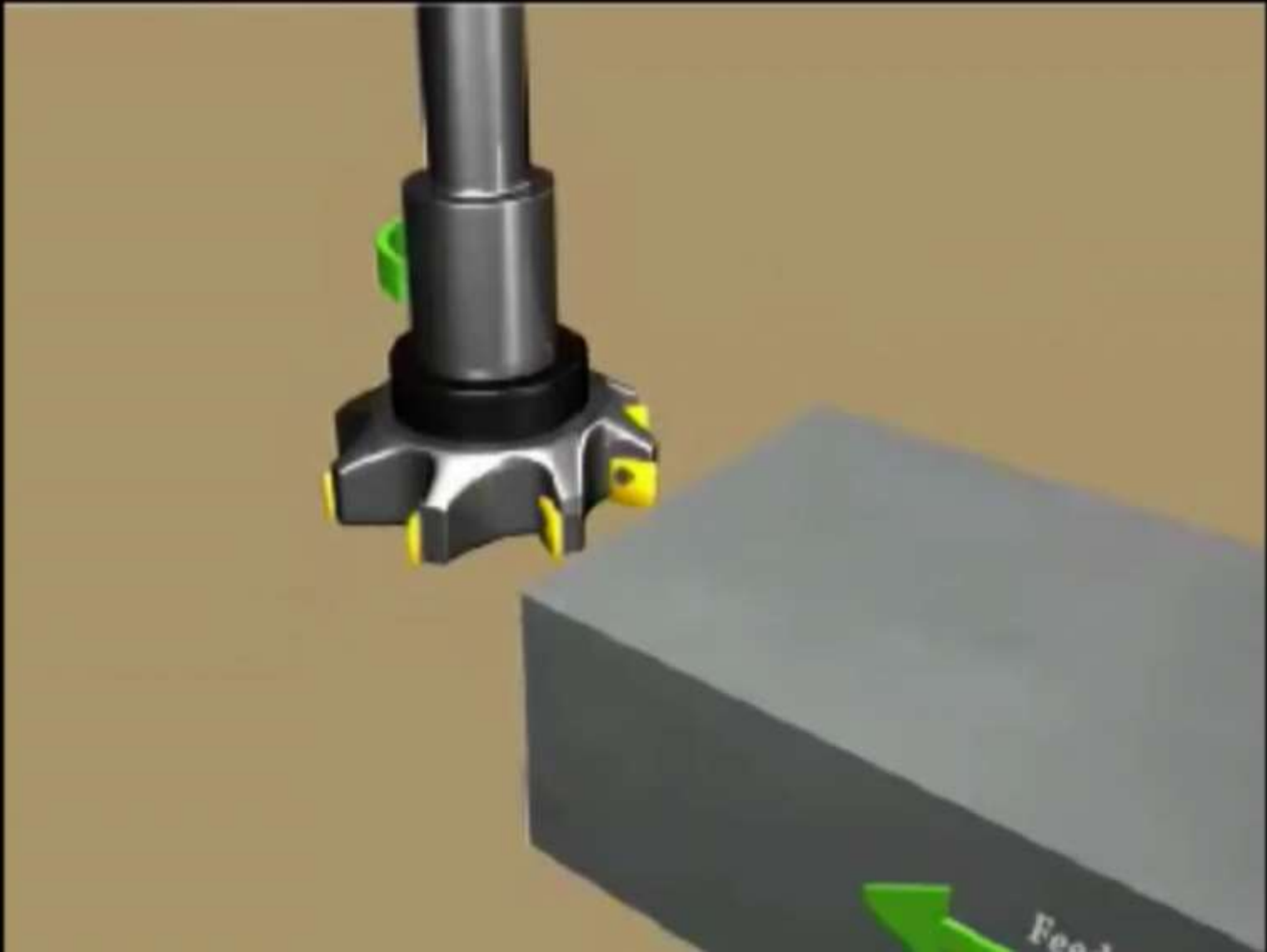
- The cutting force tends to **hold the work** against the machine table, permitting **lower clamping forces**.
- Slightly **lower power consumption** is obtainable by climb milling, since there is no need to drive the table against the cutter.
- Down-milling is characterized by **fewer tendencies of chattering and vibration**, which leads to **improved surface finish**.
- **Easier chip disposal** - chips removed behind cutter.

(B) FACE MILLING

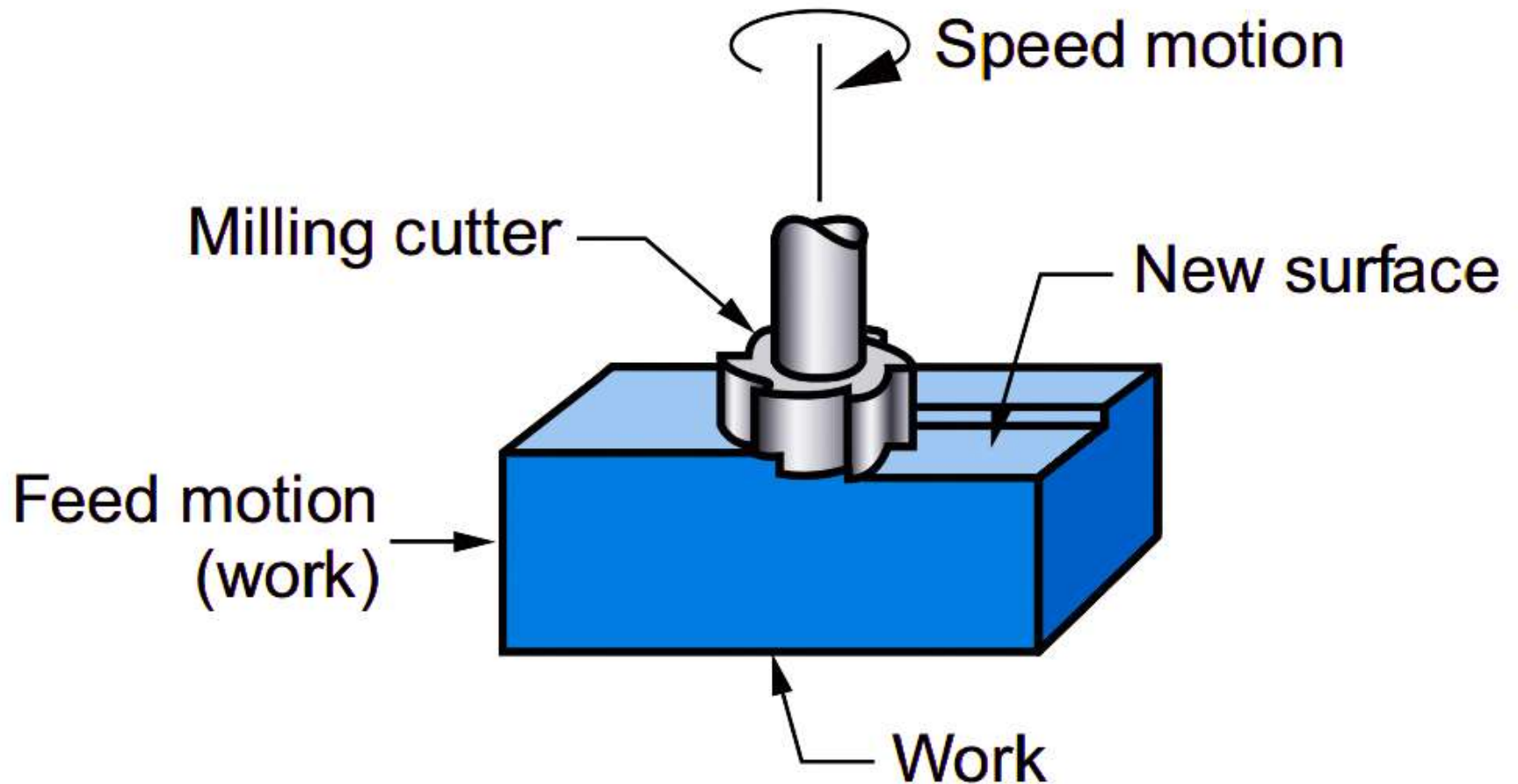
- In **FACE MILLING**, the axis of the **cutter** is **perpendicular** to the **surface** being milled, and machining is performed by cutting edges on both the end and outside periphery of the cutter.



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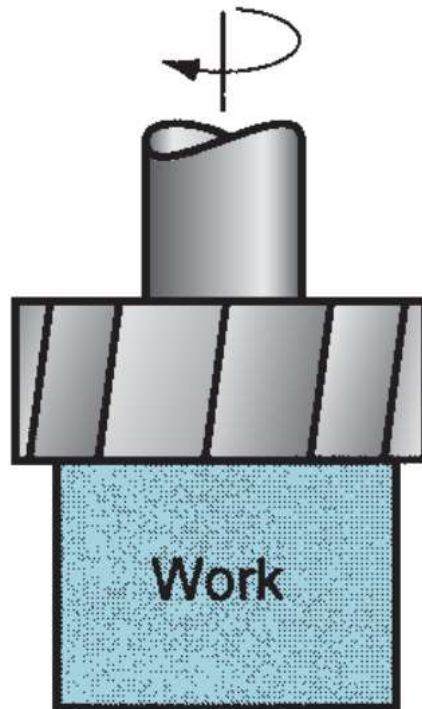


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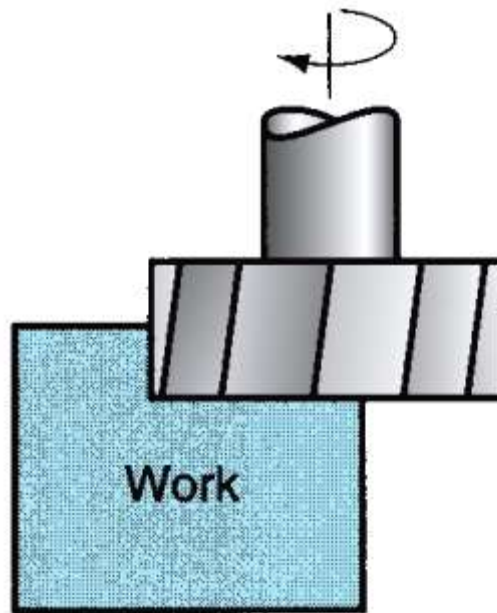
CONVENTIONAL FACE MILLING

- **CONVENTIONAL FACE MILLING** , in which the diameter of the cutter is greater than the workpart width, so the cutter overhangs the work on both sides.



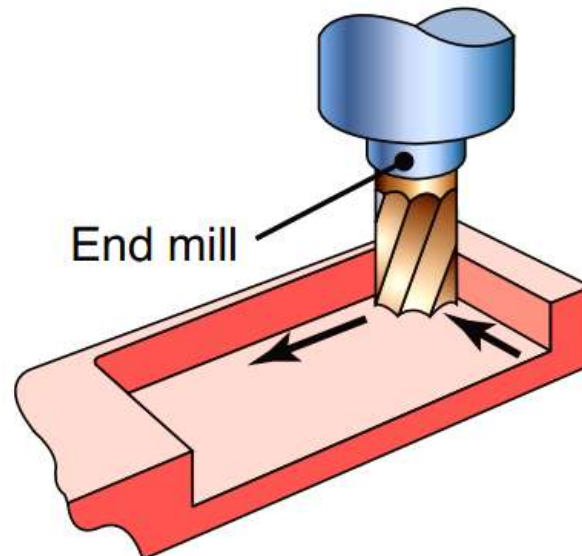
PARTIAL FACE MILLING

- **PARTIAL FACE MILLING** , where the cutter overhangs the work on only one side.



(C) END MILLING

- In case of **end milling** thin (low diameter) cutter are used as compared to workpiece width. It is used to make slot in the workpiece.
- **A milling cutter that performs a mix of peripheral and face milling.**



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- End milling, in which a rotating cutter travels along a certain depth in the workpiece and produces a cavity.
- End milling is an important and common machining operation because of its versatility and capability to produce various profiles and curved surfaces.
- The cutter, called an end mill.

(C) END MILLING

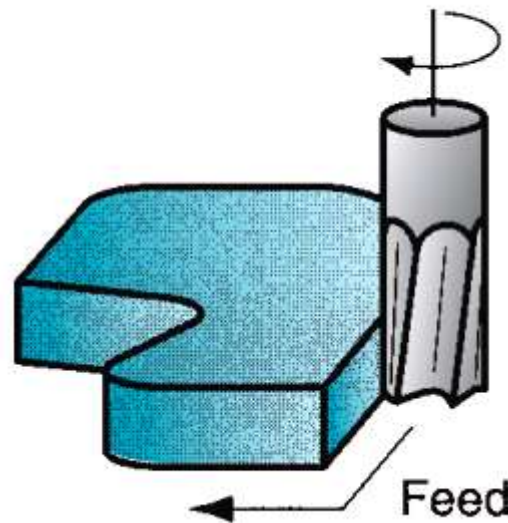
- The cutter usually rotates on an axis perpendicular to the workpiece surface, and it also can be tilted to conform to machine-tapered or curved surfaces.
- Machining can also be carried out in areas not accessible to other types of cutters.
- However, the length-to-diameter ratio of end mills is high and they can be supported only at one end, so they are less rigid than cutters for other milling methods.

(C) END MILLING

- Lighter feeds may be required to reduce cutter deflection.
- Material removal rates are less than with other milling methods and accuracy may not be as great.

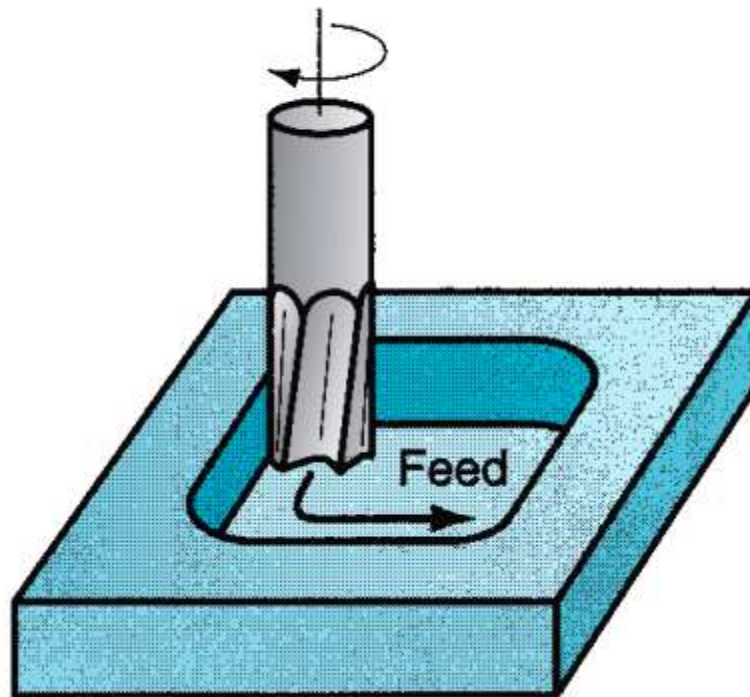
PROFILE MILLING

- **PROFILE MILLING**, a form of end milling in which the outside periphery of a flat part is cut.



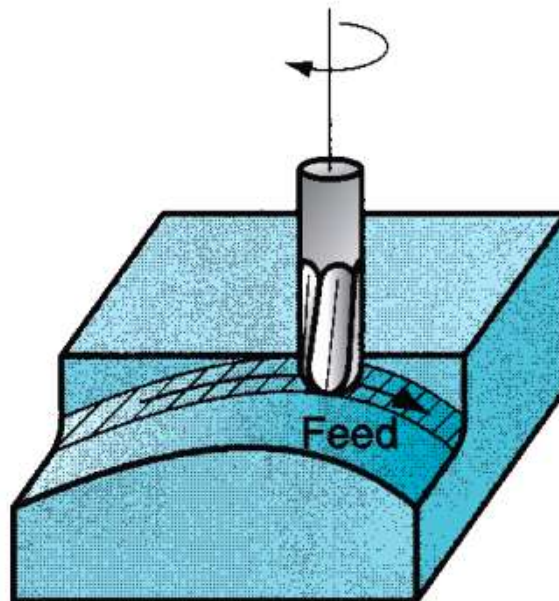
POCKET MILLING

- **POCKET MILLING** , another form of end milling used to mill shallow pockets into flat parts.



SURFACE CONTOURING

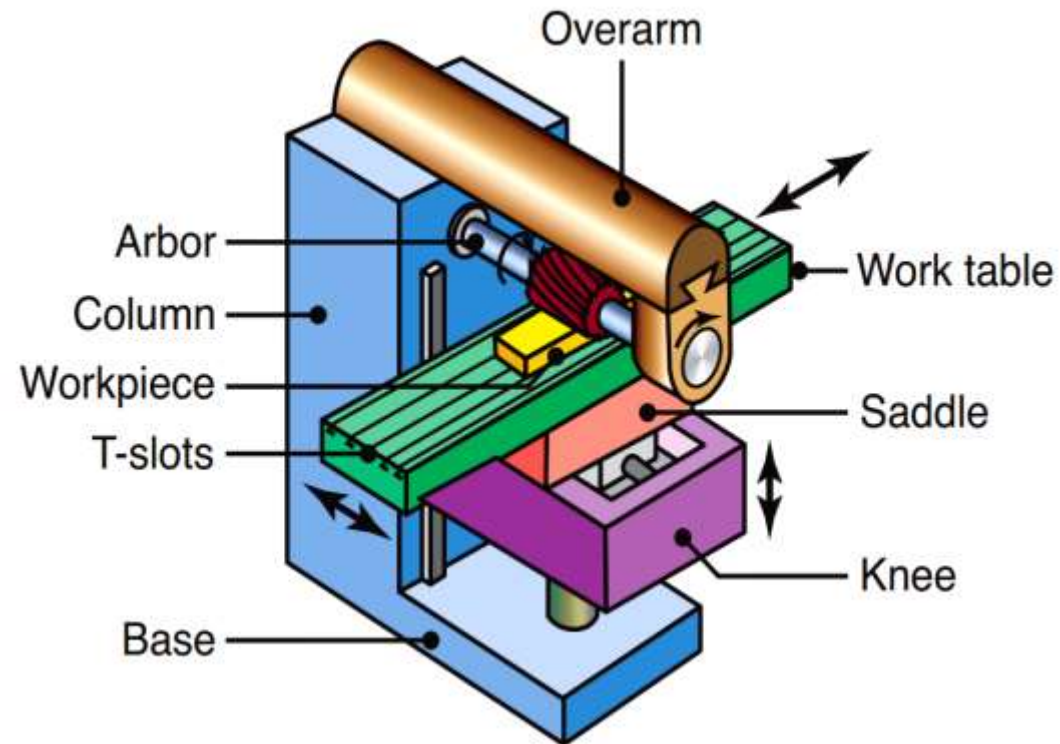
- **SURFACE CONTOURING** , in which a ball-nose cutter (rather than square-end cutter) is fed back and forth across the work along a curvilinear path at close intervals to create a three-dimensional surface form.



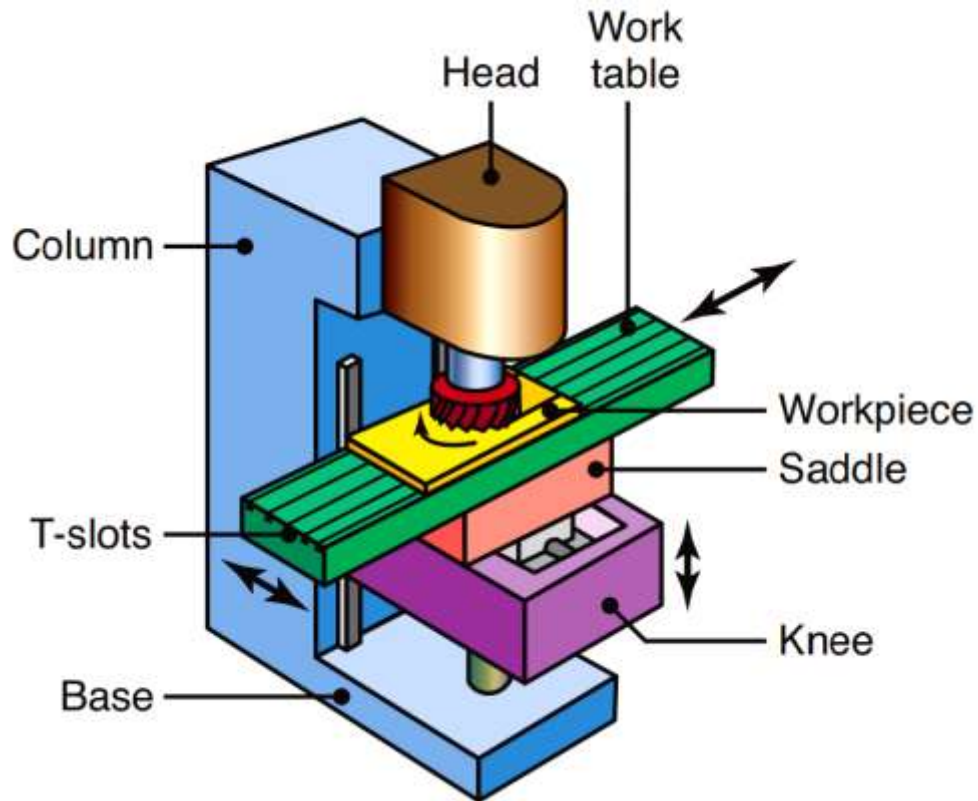
TYPES OF MILLING MACHINES

- **Horizontal milling machine**
- **Vertical milling machine**

HORIZONTAL MILLING MACHINE



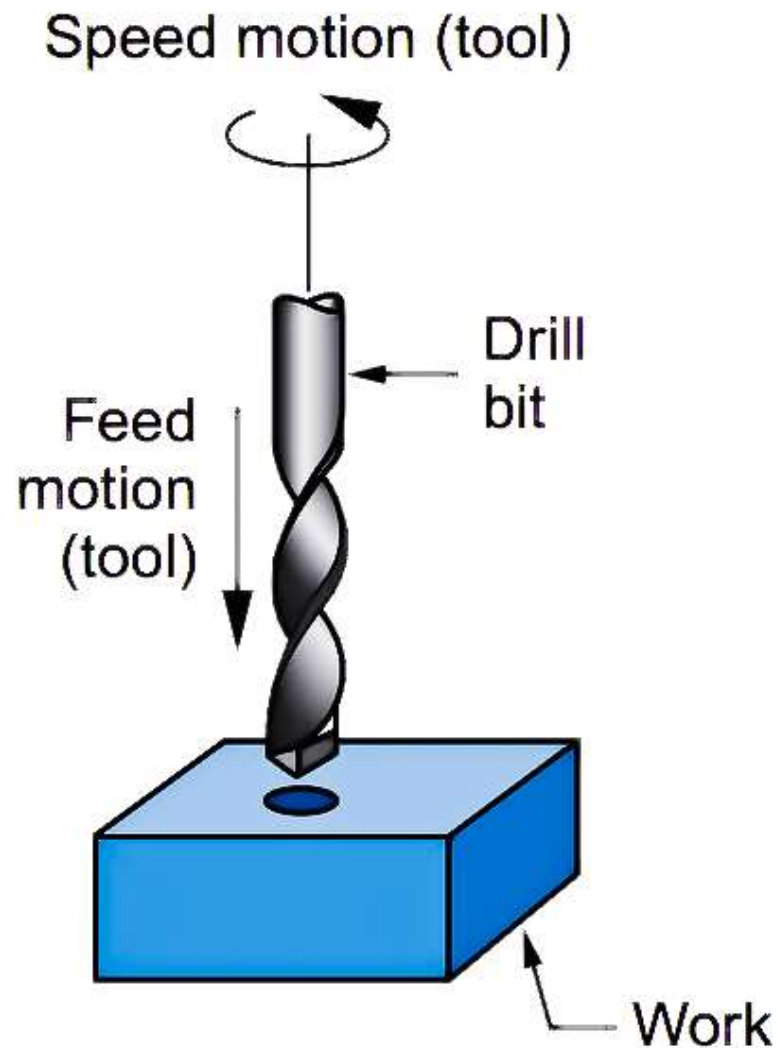
VERTICAL MILLING MACHINE



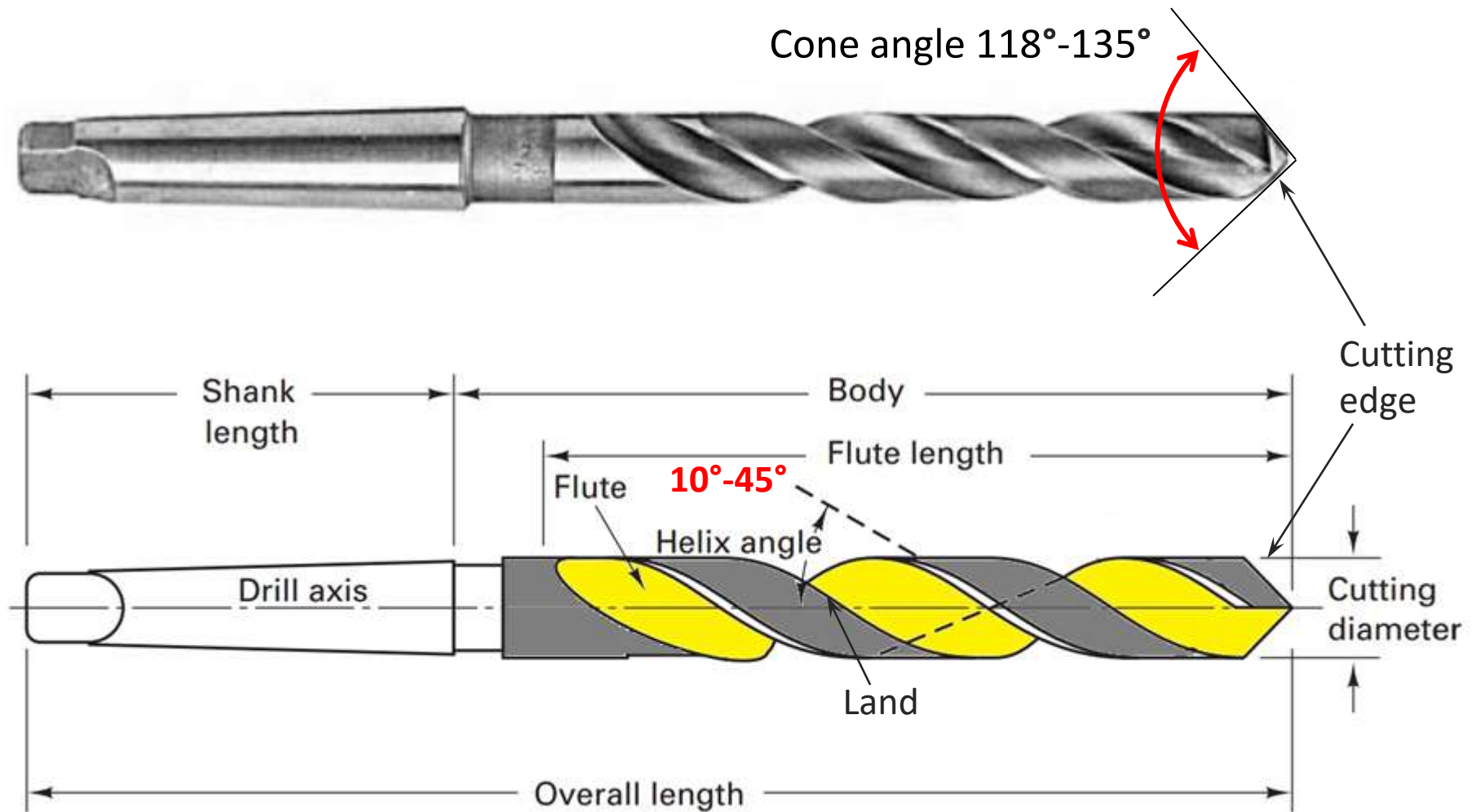
DRILLING

- **DRILLING** is a machining operation used to create a round hole in a workpart.
- Drilling is usually performed with a rotating cylindrical tool that has **two cutting edges** on its **working end**.
- The tool is called a **drill** or **drill bit**.
- The tool is **fed** in a direction **parallel to its axis of rotation** into the workpart to form the round hole.

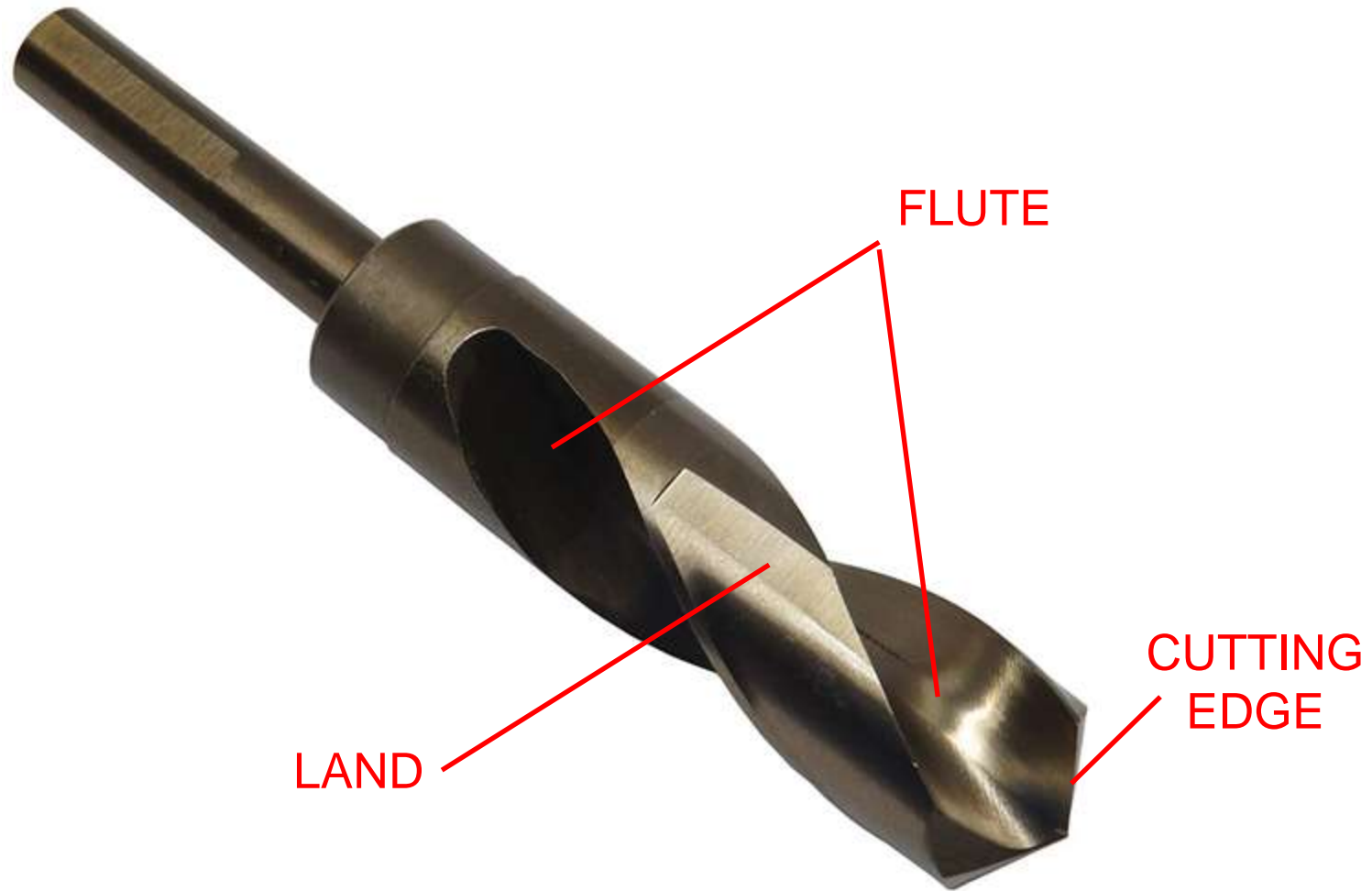
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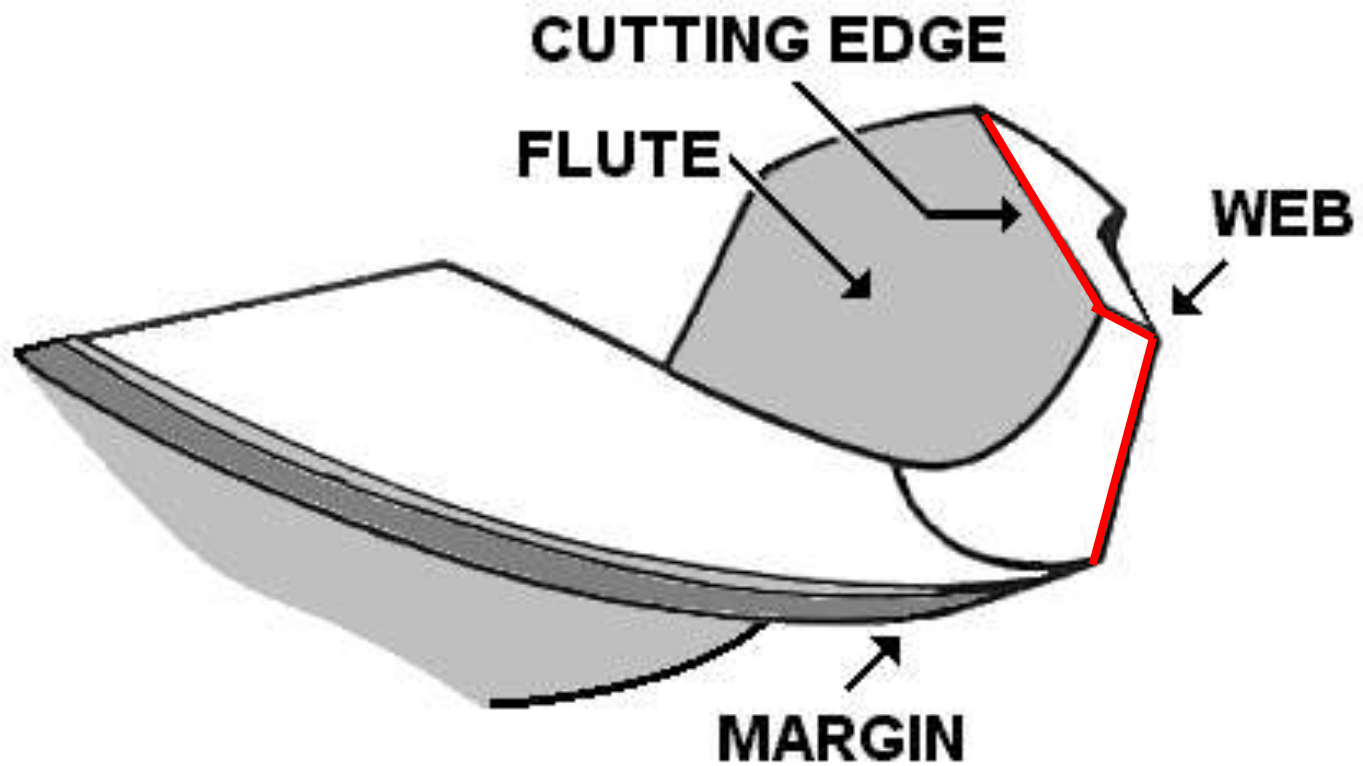
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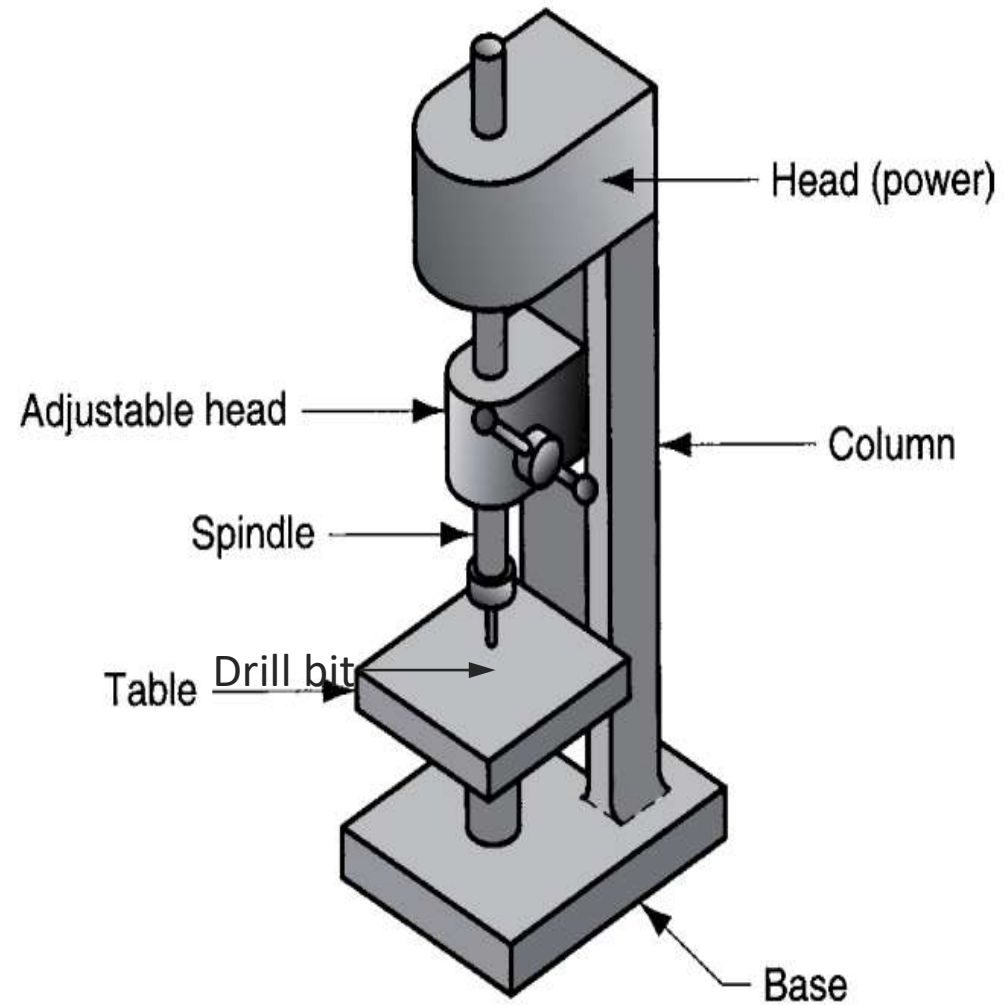
DRILLING

- The most common types of drills are **twist drills** .
- These have three basic parts: the **body**, the **point**, and the **shank**.
- The body contains two or more spiral or helical grooves, called **flutes**, separated by **lands** .
- The **lands terminate in the point**, with the leading edge of each land **forming a cutting edge**.

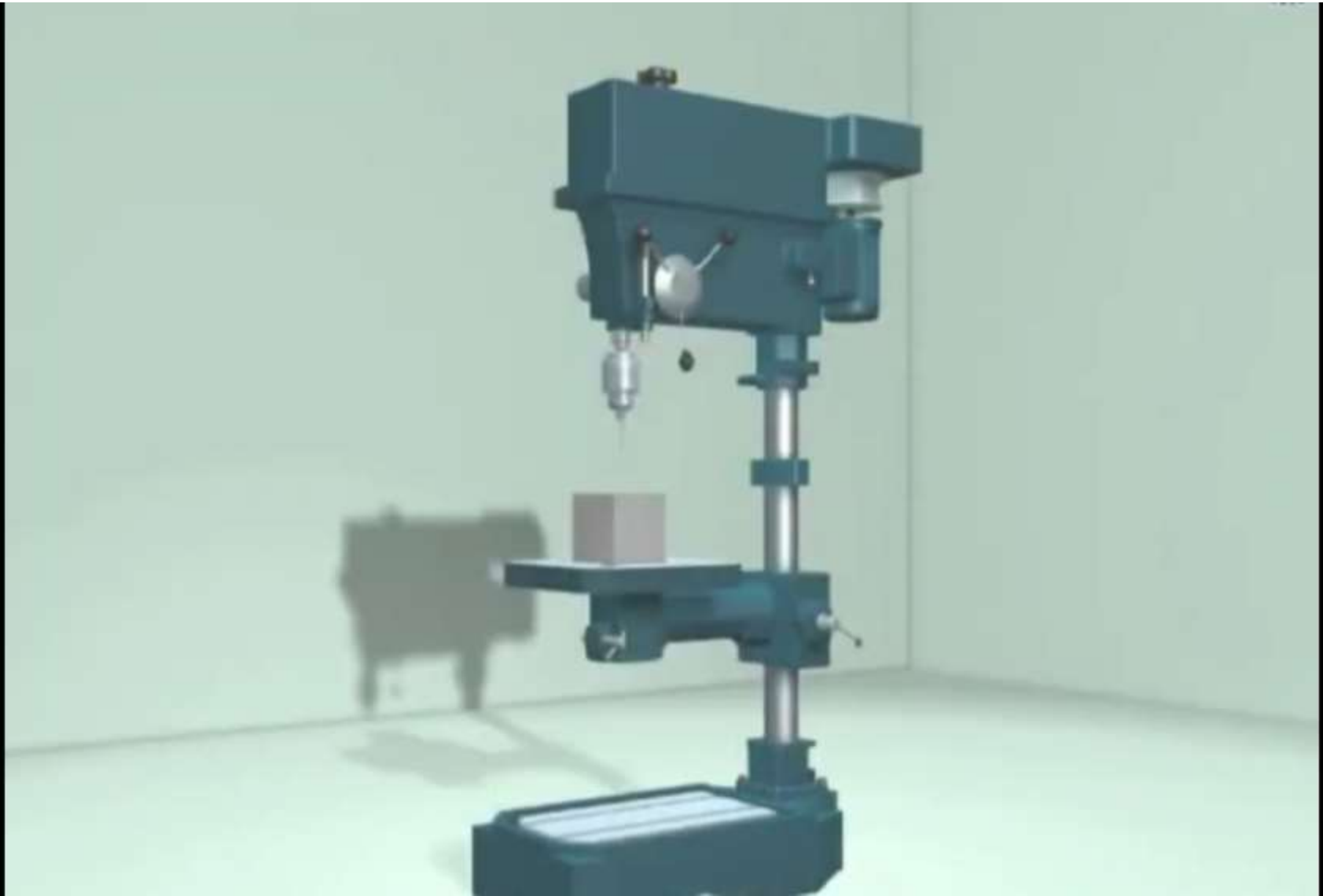
DRILLING

- The **flutes serve as channels** through which the chips are withdrawn from the hole and coolant gets to the cutting edges.
- The **cone-shaped point** on a drill contains the **cutting edges** and the various clearance angles.
- The rotating drill feeds into the stationary workpart to form a hole whose diameter is equal to the drill diameter.
- Drilling is customarily performed on a **drill press** , although other machine tools also perform this operation.

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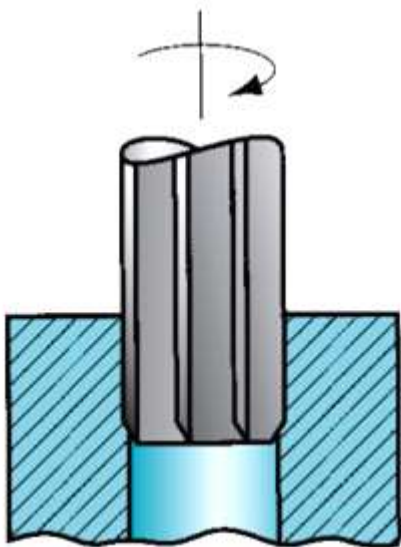
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OPERATIONS RELATED TO DRILLING

- Several operations are related to drilling.
- Most of the operations follow drilling; a hole must be made first by drilling, and then the hole is modified by one of the other operations.
- Centering and spot facing are exceptions to this rule.
- All of the operations use rotating tools.

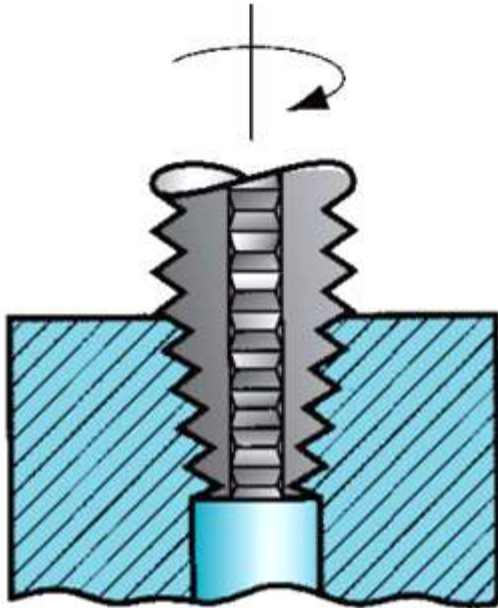
REAMING

- Reaming is used to *slightly enlarge a hole*, to provide a *better tolerance* on its diameter, and to *improve its surface finish*.
- The tool is called a reamer, and it usually has straight flutes.



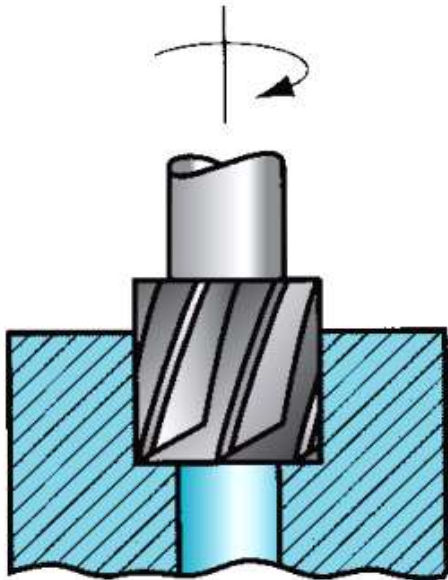
TAPPING

- This operation is performed by a tap and is used to provide *internal screw threads* on an existing hole.



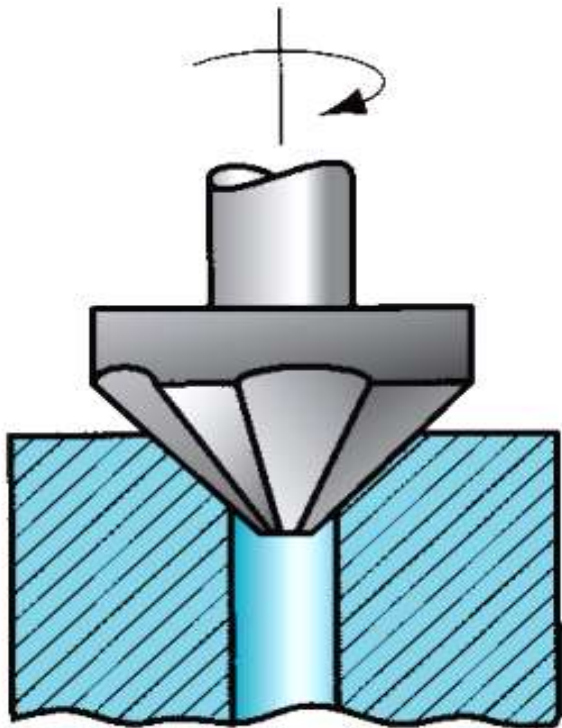
COUNTERBORING

- Counterboring provides *a stepped hole*, in which a larger diameter follows a smaller diameter partially into the hole.
- A counterbored hole is *used to seat bolt heads* into a hole so the heads do not protrude above the surface.



COUNTER SINKING

- This is *similar to counterboring*, except that the step in the hole is *cone-shaped* for flat head screws and bolts.



CENTERING

- Also called center drilling, this operation drills a *starting hole* to accurately establish its location for subsequent drilling.
- The tool is called a center drill.

