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Foreword

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ISO/TR 15144 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Calculation of micropitting load capacity of cylindrical spur and helical gears*:

— *Part 1: Introduction and basic principles*

— *Part 2: Examples of calculation for micropitting*

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Introduction

This part of ISO/TR 15144 provides principles for the calculation of the micropitting load capacity of cylindrical involute spur and helical gears with external teeth.

The basis for the calculation of the micropitting load capacity of a gear set is the model of the minimum operating specific lubricant film thickness in the contact zone. There are many influence parameters such as surface topology, contact stress level, and lubricant chemistry. While these parameters are known to affect the performance of micropitting for a gear set, the subject area remains a topic of research and, as such, the science has not yet developed to allow these specific parameters to be included directly in the calculation methods. Furthermore, the correct application of tip and root relief (involute modification) has been found to greatly influence micropitting; the suitable values should therefore be applied. Surface finish is another crucial parameter. At present, *R*a is used but other aspects such as *R*z or skewness have been observed to have significant effects which could be reflected in the finishing process applied.

Although the calculation of specific lubricant film thickness does not provide a direct method for assessing micropitting load capacity, it can serve as an evaluation criterion when applied as part of a suitable comparative procedure based on known gear performance.

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Calculation of micropitting load capacity of cylindrical spur and helical gears —

Part 1:
Introduction and basic principles

1 Scope

This part of ISO/TR 15144 describes a procedure for the calculation of the micropitting load capacity of cylindrical gears with external teeth. It has been developed on the basis of testing and observation of oil-lubricated gear transmissions with modules between 3 mm and 11 mm and pitch line velocities of 8 m/s to 60 m/s. However, the procedure is applicable to any gear pair where suitable reference data are available, provided the criteria specified below are satisfied.

The formulae specified are applicable for driving, as well as for driven cylindrical gears with tooth profiles in accordance with the basic rack specified in ISO 53. They are also applicable for teeth conjugate to other basic racks where the virtual contact ratio is less than $\varepsilon_{\alpha n} = 2{,}5$. The results are in good agreement with other methods for normal working pressure angles up to 25°, reference helix angles up to 25°, and in cases where pitch line velocity is higher than 2 m/s.

This part of ISO/TR 15144 is not applicable for the assessment of types of gear tooth surface damage other than micropitting.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 53, *Cylindrical gears for general and heavy engineering — Standard basic rack tooth profile*

ISO 1122-1, *Vocabulary of gear terms — Part 1: Definitions related to geometry*

ISO 1328-1, *Cylindrical gears — ISO system of flank tolerance classification — Part 1: Definitions and allowable values of deviations relevant to flanks of gear teeth*

ISO 6336-1, *Calculation of load capacity of spur and helical gears — Part 1: Basic principles, introduction and general influence factors*

ISO 6336-2, *Calculation of load capacity of spur and helical gears — Part 2: Calculation of surface durability (pitting)*

3 Terms, definitions, symbols, and units

3.1 Terms and definitions

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