

News from Length/Mass/Force at PSL

IMOG Meeting
October 7-9, 2008
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Primary Standards Lab

- Provides guidance/consultation for DOE NNSA standards & calibration programs (and other activities) per D&P Manual
- Length/Mass/Force Metrology Lab:
 - Hy D. Tran, project leader
 - Meghan Shilling, technical staff
 - Orlando Espinosa, technologist (length & force)
 - Ben Casados, technologist (mass)
- Technologists have 60 + yrs aggregate experience; staff have advanced degrees in engineering



Capabilities

- PSL has accreditation from NVLAP (ISO 17025) in various scopes
- Mass capability to calibrate OIML E-2 level
- Force by deadweight to 1000 lbf (4448 N); by comparison to load cells to 100000 lbf (444.8 kN)
- Gauge blocks to 100 mm mastered by interferometry, then, mechanical comparisons for customers. Comparisons in a paired design (two PSL masters with two customer sets)
- Gaging balls, thread wires; roundness; surface finish; all by comparison



Leitz PMM-C Infinity

- New coordinate measuring machine acquired with funds from NIST
 - Leitz PMM-C Infinity ($MPE_E = (0.3 + L/1000) \mu\text{m}$ per ISO 10360:2).
- Equipment arrived June 2008
- Acceptance testing finished September 2008



M48 Leaves





New Base





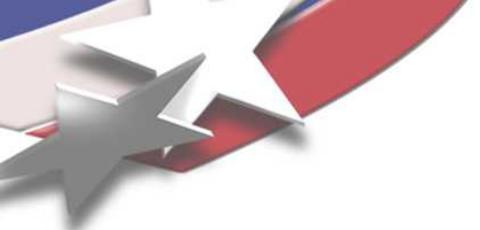
Putting it Together





New Leitz PMM-C Infinity





LMF News

- NVLAP audit September 30 – October 2
- Maximo replaced Benchtop on August 5th
 - Handles recalls, certificate generation, billing
 - Electronic copy is now our official copy
 - Have been some transition problems

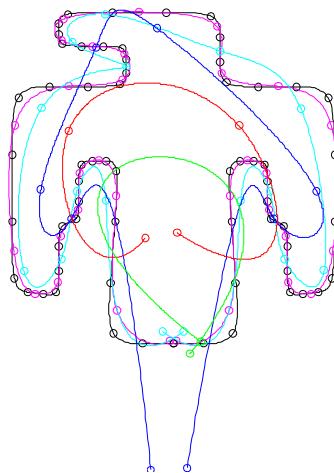
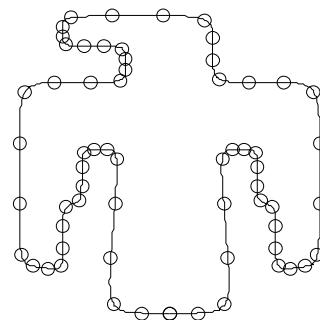


R&D at LMF

- Hybrid artifact for qualification of vision-probing machines (such as OGPs), funded by SNL LDRD program project completed 9/20/2007, looking to license.
- Metrology (non-contact & on-machine); funded by LANL pit mfg programs
 - Evaluate COTS on-machine systems
 - Evaluate capabilities of optical CMM probes
- Optimization of sampling strategies; funded by SNL LDRD (2008-2010)
- “Quantification of Uncertainty in Machining Operations for On-Machine Acceptance”; funded by SNL LDRD (Only Q4 2008)



Optimization of Sampling Strategies



- “**Determination and Optimization of Spatial Samples for Distributed Measurements**”
- **3 yr program (2008-2010)**
- **Desired end result is a recommended practice for selection of points when evaluating complex geometries**
- **Working with Xiaoming Huo from Georgia Tech (wavelet/statistics expert)**
- **Current work is on determining points and resultant confidence levels for lines and curves.**



Quantification of Uncertainty in Machining Operations for On-Machine Acceptance

- Establish a Machining Accuracy Ratio
- Analogous to TUR/TAR (Test Uncertainty/Accuracy Ratio)
- Determine a margin from **established machine capability** and acceptable consumer risk
- For example:
 - Form analysis=0.0006" (0.015 mm)
 - Desire MAR=5:1 (from quantitative consumer risk assessment)
 - If drawing callout shows form = 0.003", accept the feature without further inspection



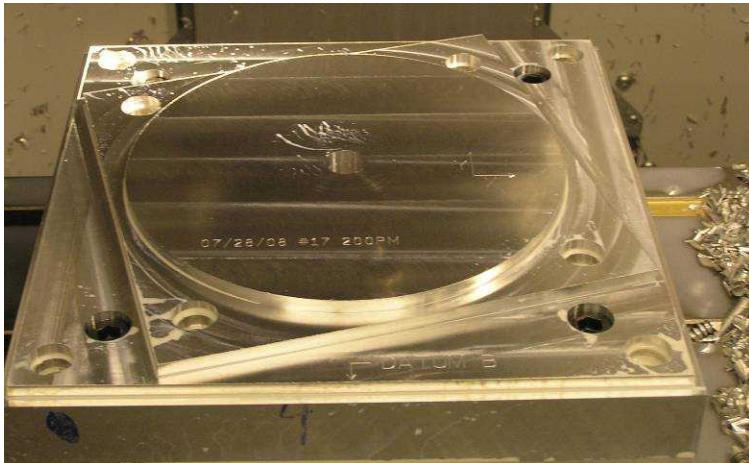
Form Error Estimate



- Thermal effects estimate: 2°C,
 $\Delta CTE = 10 \text{ ppm}$
 - Estimate 0.00016" (0.004 mm)
- Geometry effects, from calibration data:
 - Estimate combined error motions 0.00055" (0.014 mm)
- Cutter and workpiece effects
 - Estimate combined effects 0.00008" (0.002 mm)
- Combined form error: $\sqrt{(\sum \varepsilon_i^2)}$
 - 0.00058" (0.015 mm) (95% level of confidence)



Results



- Machined 20 circle-diamond-square parts
- Expected form performance of 0.00058", obtained average form 0.00030" to 0.00056"
- Dimensional evaluation of average 8.000" diameter is 8.001"; attributable to tool diameter
 - Tool tolerance is +0.000"/-0.001"; expected contribution is $2 \times 0.00058" = 0.00116"$

Geometry Evaluated	Feature	Average Measured Form (in)
X-axis straightness	2-D Line 3 (horiz)	0.00030
Y-axis straightness	2-D Line 4 (vert)	0.00051
X-Y straightness	2-D Line 5 (angled)	0.00056



Other News

- Hy is on NCSLI Dimensional committee. There is a draft recommended practice on CMM calibration; contact Hy for a copy (should be treated as OUO/Proprietary)
- Hy is organizing a regional metrology meeting in Albuquerque, potentially early 2009. The focus will be on dimensional metrology.
- Ed Pritchard at Modus Metrology is organizing a round robin for high precision (roughly defined as MPE_E fixed term 1 micrometer or less) CMMs. Contact Hy to get on the round robin list.

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