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# Foreword

Grinding is a machining process featuring the application of a tool with undefined cutting edges for the processing of hard materials, to create complex profiles and to achieve a superior surface finish. Almost every technological product is directly or indirectly connected with the grinding process during its production. However, grinding is also a time, energy and resource demanding process, resulting in high economic and environmental impacts per removed amount of material. In comparison with machining processes with defined cutting edge, these demands result in a lower eco-efficiency of grinding processes and systems. To maintain the technological, economic and environmental competitiveness of grinding processes and systems, an approach is needed which helps to identify and evaluate potentials to increase the eco-efficiency.

In this book, Marius Winter defines an integrated assessment approach to describe, model, evaluate and improve the eco-efficiency of existing and new grinding processes and systems. The foundation and novelty of the proposed concept is the combined empirical and physical modelling of technological, economic and environmental impact indicators based on the relevant energy and resource flows of the grinding process and system. The concept includes a single and integrated evaluation and improvement of different grinding process and system scenarios. Furthermore, an application cycle is provided to transparently determine, evaluate and improve existing and new grinding processes and systems. The developed approach promotes a holistic view on the grinding process and system and is designed to support the designer and operator of such processes and systems to identify decisions which meet the internal and external requirements. The developed approach also shows the potential to be transferred to other manufacturing processes.

With this published work as well as with his active role, Marius Winter has strongly contributed to foster the further development of the topic “cutting fluids” and “mineral oil-free production” in Braunschweig and to foster the development of the Joint German-Australian Research Group “Sustainable Manufacturing and Life Cycle Engineering”.

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# Symbols and Abbreviations

## Upper Case Symbols

$A$	Physical model (–)
$A_{cf}$	Surface area of evaporating cutting fluid ( $\text{mm}^2$ )
$A_{cu,max}$	Maximal uncut chip area ( $\text{mm}^2$ )
$A_{fm}$	Used filtration material surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ )
$A_{fm,total}$	Total used filtration material surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ )
$A_g$	Sectional area cutting groove ( $\text{mm}^2$ )
$A_p$	Sectional area piled-up material ( $\text{mm}^2$ )
$A_w$	Workpiece surface area ( $\text{mm}^2$ )
$B$	Empirical model (–)
$C$	Proportionality constant ( $1/\sqrt{\text{mm}}$ )
$C'$	Constraint factor (–)
$C_i$	Constant (–)
$C_{cf}$	Cutting fluid costs (€)
$C_e$	Energy costs (€)
$C_{fm}$	Filtration material costs (€)
$C_{gw}$	Grinding wheel costs (€)
$C_m$	Material costs (€)
$C_s$	System costs (€)
$C_{total}$	Total costs (€)
$C_w$	Waste costs (€)
$CO_{2,p,cf}$	Equivalent $CO_2$ impact to produced cutting fluid ( $\text{kg } CO_{2eq./kg}$ )
$CO_{2,p,e}$	Equivalent $CO_2$ impact to produced electrical energy ( $\text{kg } CO_{2eq.}/\text{kWh}$ )
$CO_{2,p,fm}$	Equivalent $CO_2$ impact to produced filtration material ( $\text{kg } CO_{2eq./piece}$ )
$CO_{2,p,gw}$	Equivalent $CO_2$ impact to produced grinding wheel ( $\text{kg } CO_{2eq./piece}$ )
$CO_{2,w,cf}$	Equivalent $CO_2$ impact to disposed cutting fluid ( $\text{kg } CO_{2eq./kg}$ )

$CO_{2,w,fm}$	Equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact to disposed filtration material (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./m <sup>2</sup> )
$CO_{2,w,gw}$	Equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact to disposed grinding wheel residues (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./kg)
$CO_{2,w,s}$	Equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact to disposed grinding swarf (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./kg)
$D$	Diffusion coefficient of the cutting fluid (m <sup>2</sup> /s)
$E$	Relative absolute error (–)
$E_i$	Exponent $i$ (–)
$Env_{cf}$	Cutting fluid-related equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$Env_e$	Energy-related equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$Env_{fm}$	Filtration material-related equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$Env_{gw}$	Grinding wheel-related equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$Env_w$	Waste-related equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$Env_{total}$	Overall equivalent CO <sub>2</sub> impact (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
$F_0$	Bond strength (N)
$F_n$	Normal forces (N)
$F'_n$	Specific normal forces (N/mm)
$F_t$	Tangential force (N)
$F'_t$	Specific tangential force (N/mm)
$G$	Reference point (–)
$H$	Material hardness (MPa)
$H_{b,g}$	Hardness of the bulk material of the grain (MPa)
$H_{b,w}$	Hardness of the bulk material of the workpiece (MPa)
$H_{s,g}$	Hardness of the grain surface (MPa)
$H_{s,w}$	Hardness of the workpiece surface (MPa)
$I$	Statistical factor (–)
$K$	Wear coefficient (1/Pa)
$K_l$	Constant (–)
$K_g$	Grain concentration (%)
$K_c$	Abrasive wear coefficient (1/Pa)
$K_{c,g}$	Abrasive wear coefficient of the grain (1/Pa)
$K_{c,max}$	Maximal abrasive wear coefficient (1/Pa)
$L$	Sampling length (mm)
$M_i$	Torque of spindle $i$ (Nm)
$N_g$	Number of grains (1/mm <sup>2</sup> )
$N_{g,d}$	Number of grains created by conditioning (1/mm <sup>2</sup> )
$P$	Normal load (N)
$P_0$	Machine tool idle power (W)
$P_{au}$	Power demand of the auxiliary units (W)
$P_c$	Cutting power (W)
$P'_c$	Specific cutting power (W/mm)
$P_{ca}$	Compressor power demand for the compressed air generation (W)

$P'_{ca}$	Specific compressor power demand for the compressed air generation (W/(Nm <sup>3</sup> /min))
$P_{CFF,cl}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand cooling unit (W)
$P_{CFF,f}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand filtration pump (W)
$P_{CFF,i}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand of pump $i$ (W)
$P_{CFF,idle}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand idle state (W)
$P_{CFF,l}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand lifting pump (W)
$P_{CFF,proc}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand processing state (decentralised) (W)
$P_{CFF,proc,total}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand processing state (central) (W)
$P_{CFF,s}$	Cutting fluid filter power demand supply pump (W)
$P_{cu}$	Power demand of the control unit (W)
$P_{EAF,f}$	Exhaust air filter power demand of the filtration unit (W)
$P_{EAF,proc}$	Exhaust air filter power demand processing state (decentralised) (W)
$P_{EAF,proc,total}$	Exhaust air filter power demand processing state (central) (W)
$P_{EAF,v}$	Exhaust air filter power demand of the ventilator drive (W)
$P_{el}$	Electrical power demand (W)
$P_{GM,idle}$	Grinding machine power demand idle state (W)
$P_{GM,proc,d}$	Grinding machine power demand processing state, dressing (W)
$P_{GM,proc,g}$	Grinding machine power demand processing state, grinding (W)
$P_{GS}$	Grinding system power demand (W)
$P_{hu}$	Power demand of the hydraulic unit (W)
$P_{mech}$	Mechanical pump power demand (W)
$P_{s,d}$	Power demand of the dressing spindle (W)
$P_{s,gw}$	Power demand of the grinding wheel spindle (W)
$P_{s,i}$	Power demand of spindle $i$ (W)
$P_{s,w}$	Power demand of the workpiece spindle (W)
$P_{scl}$	Power demand of the spindle cooling and lubrication unit (W)
$Q_{ca}$	Compressed air volume flow (Nm <sup>3</sup> /h)
$Q_{cf}$	Cutting fluid volume flow (decentralised) (l/min)
$Q_{cf,total}$	Total cutting fluid volume flow (central) (l/min)
$Q_{ea}$	Exhaust air volume flow (decentralised) (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
$Q_{ea,total}$	Total exhaust air volume flow (central) (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
$Q_w$	Material removal rate (mm <sup>3</sup> /s)
$Q'_w$	Specific material removal rate (mm <sup>3</sup> /(s mm))
$R^2$	Coefficient of determination (–)
$R_a$	Arithmetical mean roughness (μm)
$R_a^*$	Adjusted arithmetical mean roughness (μm)
$R_{s,H_2O}$	Specific gas constant for water vapour (J/(kg·K))
$Sc$	Schmidt number (–)
$\bar{T}$	Arithmetic mean of cutting fluid and air temperature (°C)
$\bar{T}_{cf}$	Mean cutting fluid temperature (°C)
$\Delta T_{cf}$	Tolerated fluid temperature rise (°C)

$T_{GM}$	Machine tool interior temperature (°C)
$T_{max}$	Maximal grinding contact zone temperature (°C)
$U_d$	Dressing overlap ratio (–)
$V_K$	Grain volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )
$V_t$	Tool wear volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )
$V'_t$	Specific tool wear volume (mm <sup>3</sup> /mm)
$V'_t^*$	Adjusted specific tool wear volume (mm <sup>3</sup> /mm)
$V_w$	Workpiece material volume removed (mm <sup>3</sup> )
$V'_w$	Specific workpiece material volume removed (mm <sup>3</sup> /mm)
$W$	Wear volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )
$Y$	Output indicator (–)
$Y_i$	Observed response (–)
$\bar{Y}_i$	Mean observed response (–)
$\hat{Y}_i$	Predicted response (–)

## Lower Case Symbols

$a$	Half grain width (μm)
$a_{1,i}$	Regression coefficient of spindle $i$ (–)
$a_{2,i}$	Regression coefficient of spindle $i$ (–)
$a_{cf,i}$	Regression coefficient of cutting fluid $i$ (–)
$a_e$	Cutting depth (μm)
$a_{ed}$	Dressing depth (μm)
$a_p$	Cutting width (mm)
$a_{pd}$	Axial dressing overlap (mm)
$b$	Half grain height (μm)
$b_i$	Regression coefficient of spindle $i$ (–)
$b_{cf,i}$	Regression coefficient of cutting fluid $i$ (–)
$b_{cu,max}$	Maximal uncut chip width (μm)
$b_d$	Effective dresser width (mm)
$b_s$	Grinding wheel width (mm)
$c_0$	Coefficient (–)
$c_1$	Coefficient (–)
$c_{cf,i}$	Regression coefficient of cutting fluid $i$ (–)
$c_k$	Volume-related grain density (1/mm <sup>3</sup> )
$c_k^*$	Surface area-related grain density (1/mm <sup>2</sup> )
$c_{o,e}$	Energy-related overhead cost (%)
$c_{o,m}$	Material-related overhead cost (%)
$c_{o,s}$	System-related overhead cost (%)
$c_{o,w}$	Waste-related overhead cost (%)
$c_{p,cf}$	Specific heat capacity of the cutting fluid (J/(kg·K))
$d_{eq}$	Equivalent diameter (mm)
$d_{eq,cf,e}$	Equivalent diameter of the evaporation fluid area (m)
$d_d$	Rotational dresser external diameter (mm)

$d_{\text{groove}}$	Groove depth ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$d_k$	Mean grain diameter ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$d_s$	Grinding wheel external diameter (mm)
$d_w$	Workpiece diameter (mm)
$e$	Cutting efficiency (–)
$f$	Corrected target value (–)
$f_{\text{cf}}$	Interfacial friction coefficient of the cutting fluid (–)
$f_{\text{ad}}$	Traverse dressing lead (mm)
$f_{n,i}$	Normal force per grain $i$ (N/grain)
$f_s$	Fraction of grits contacted during one pass of the dresser (–)
$f_{t,i}$	Tangential force per grain $i$ (N/grain)
$f_{U_d}$	Conditioning process weighting factor (–)
$h$	Height of the piled-up material ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$h_{\text{cu}}$	Chip thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$h_{\text{cu,max}}$	Maximal uncut chip height ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$h_d$	Number of needed dressing strokes (–)
$h_{d,\text{total}}$	Total number of possible dressing times (–)
$k$	Process physics-related constant (–)
$k_m$	Water transfer coefficient (–)
$l$	Dimensionless distance between adjacent tracks (–)
$l_c$	Cutting length (mm)
$l_g$	Contact length (mm)
$l_{\text{gs}}$	Grain spacing ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
$l_w$	Workpiece length (mm)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,a}}$	Cutting fluid loss rate due to aerosols (kg/s)
$m_{\text{cf,a}}$	Cutting fluid loss due to aerosols (kg)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,e}}$	Cutting fluid loss rate due to evaporation (kg/s)
$m_{\text{cf,e}}$	Cutting fluid loss due to evaporation (kg)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,fm}}$	Cutting fluid loss rate due to filtration material wetting (kg/kg)
$m_{\text{cf,fm}}$	Cutting fluid loss due to filtration material wetting (kg)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,l}}$	Cutting fluid loss/demand rate (kg/s)
$m_{\text{cf,l}}$	Cutting fluid loss/demand (kg)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,s}}$	Cutting fluid loss rate due to grinding swarf wetting (kg/kg)
$m_{\text{cf,s}}$	Cutting fluid loss due to grinding swarf wetting (kg)
$\dot{m}_{\text{cf,w}}$	Cutting fluid loss rate due to workpiece wetting (kg/piece)
$m_{\text{cf,w}}$	Cutting fluid loss due to workpiece wetting (kg)
$n$	Exponent (–)
$n_i$	Rotational speed of spindle $i$ (1/min)
$n_s$	Grinding wheel rotational speed (1/min)
$n_{\text{sd}}$	Grinding wheel rotational speed when dressing (1/min)
$n_w$	Workpiece rotational speed (1/min)
$p_{\text{cf}}$	Pressure cutting fluid (bar)
$p_e$	Energy procurement price (€/kWh)
$p_l$	Labour price (€/h)



$p_m$	Total grinding system machine-hour rate (€/h)
$p_{m,CFF}$	Cutting fluid filter machine-hour rate (€/h)
$p_{m,EAF}$	Exhaust air filter machine-hour rate (€/h)
$p_{m,GM}$	Grinding machine machine-hour rate (€/h)
$p_{p,cf}$	Cutting fluid procurement price (€/kg)
$p_{p,fm}$	Filtration material procurement price (€/m <sup>2</sup> )
$p_{p,gw}$	Grinding wheel procurement price (€/piece)
$p_{s,air}$	Water vapour pressure of the ambient air (bar)
$p_{s,H_2O}$	Saturation pressure of water vapour (bar)
$p_{w,cf}$	Cutting fluid disposal price (€/kg)
$p_{w,fm}$	Filtration material disposal price (€/m <sup>2</sup> )
$p_{w,gm}$	Grinding wheel disposal price (€/piece)
$p_{w,s}$	Grinding swarf disposal price (€/kg)
$q$	Deviation or offset (–)
$q_d$	Dressing speed ratio (–)
$q_m$	Grit aspect ratio (–)
$r$	Ratio between uncut chip width and height (–)
$r_d$	Radius of the dresser (mm)
$r_{mean}$	Mean grain radius (µm)
$r_g$	Grain tip radius (µm)
$\Delta r_s$	Radial grinding wheel wear (µm)
$s$	Sliding distance (m)
$t_c$	Grinding time (s)
$t_{cf}$	Cutting fluid dripping time (s)
$t_{cf,l}$	Cutting fluid service life (s)
$t_d$	Dressing time (s)
$t_{idle}$	Idle time (s)
$t_h$	Handling time (s)
$t_p$	Processing time (s)
$t_t$	Tool travel time (s)
$u$	Process and system parameter and state conditions (–)
$v_{air}$	Air velocity (m/s)
$v_c$	Cutting speed (m/s)
$v_{cf}$	Cutting fluid jet velocity (m/s)
$v_d$	Dressing tool speed (m/s)
$v_{fad}$	Traverse dressing speed (m/s)
$v_{fr}$	Radial infeed speed (m/s)
$v_s$	Grinding wheel speed (m/s)
$v_w$	Workpiece speed (m/s)
$w_m$	Average grit mesh size (µm)
$w$	Target value (–)
$x_i$	Input variables (–)



$y$	Actual value (–)
$z$	Disturbance value (–)

## Greek Symbols

$\alpha$	Attack angle (°)
$\beta_{u/b}$	Water transfer coefficient (according to VDI 2089-1) (–)
$\gamma$	Angle of piled-up material (°)
$\delta_t$	Grain fracture strength (GPa)
$\eta$	Efficiency (–)
$\eta_{CFO}$	Cutting fluid orifice efficiency (–)
$\eta_{el}$	Pump drive electrical efficiency (–)
$\eta_{sust}$	Sustainable efficiency indicator (–)
$\theta_{cf}$	Cutting fluid water content (%)
$\mu$	Friction coefficient/Force ratio (–)
$\nu$	Grain loss factor (–)
$\nu_{cf}$	Kinematic viscosity of the cutting fluid (mm <sup>2</sup> /s)
$\rho_{cf}$	Density of the cutting fluid (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
$\rho_{gw}$	Density of the grinding wheel (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
$\rho_w$	Density of the workpiece (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
$\sigma_{cf}$	Surface tension of the cutting fluid (mN/m)
$\tau$	Distance between the mean line of an array of grooves and the initial workpiece surface level (μm)
$\phi_{air}$	Relative air humidity (%)

## Abbreviations

BCSD	Business Council for Sustainable Development
cBN	Cubic boron nitride
CCA	Conventional cost accounting
CNC	Computer numerical controlled
cvx	Disciplined convex programming
DIN	Deutsches Institut für Normung
EEA	European Environment Agency
EE-portfolio	Portfolio of the environmental impact reduction factor and the economic value factor
EN	European Norm
EU	European Union
EU27	European Union (member states until June 2013)
EU28	European Union (member states since June 2013)
FEM	Finite element method
GPI	Green productivity index
GWP	Global warming potential

hBN	Hexagonal boron nitride
HPHT	High pressure and high temperature
HPJAM	High pressure jet-assisted machining
ISO	International Standard Organisation
LCA	Life cycle assessment
LCC	Life cycle costing
MFCA	Material flow cost accounting
MRR	Material removal rate
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PROMETHEE	Preference Ranking Organisation Method for Enrichment of Evaluations
SEC	Specific energy consumption
TE-portfolio	Portfolio of the environmental impact reduction factor and the technological value factor
UN	United Nations
VDI	Verein Deutscher Ingenieure
VDMA	Verband Deutscher Maschinen- und Anlagenbau
WBCSD	World Business Council for Sustainable Development