HARVEY TOOL

Single Form Thread Milling Guide

Single Form Threadmills are the most versatile threading tool due to their ability to mill multiple pitch sizes. Since they are used in a helical interpolation environment, specific machining parameters are needed to avoid deflection and breakage. These tools can be used successfully in materials ranging from Aluminum to Steels.

Speeds & Feeds calculations:
1. Determine the correct SFM and Chip Load (IPT) for the cutter and material
2. Calculate the Speed (RPM) and Linear Feed (IPM)
3. Adjust Linear Feed to account for helical interpolation of internal or external threads
4. Determine correct number of radial passes at full axial depth

Example: Tool #736990 to machine a 1-5 internal thread in 6061 aluminum

1. From Speeds & Feeds chart (next page), SFM is 300 and Chip Load (IPT) is .00344
2. Calculate Speed (RPM) and Linear Feed (IPM)

   RPM = (SFM x 3.82) / Cutter Diameter
   = (300 x 3.82) / .62
   = 1848

   Linear Feed (IPM) = RPM x IPT x Number of Flutes
   = 1848 x .00344 x 6
   = 38.1

3. Adjust Linear Feed (use Table 1 to determine Major Thread Diameter)

   Adj Internal Feed = [(Major Thread Dia - Cutter Dia) / Major Thread Dia] x Linear Feed
   = [(1.00 - .620) / 1.00] x 37
   = 14.5

   Adj External Feed = [(Major Thread Dia + Cutter Dia) / Major Thread Dia] x Linear Feed
   = [(1.00 + .620) / 1.00] x 37
   = 61.7

4. Determine Number of Radial Passes using Table 1
   (Note: The number of passes should be based on the thread size of the tool, and not the machined part)

   For Easy Machinability = 2 Radial Pass at full Axial Depth
   For Moderate Machinability = 3 Radial Passes at full Axial Depth
   For Difficult Machinability = 4 Radial Passes at full Axial Depth

   Definitions:
   Easy Machinability materials include Non-Ferrous alloys and Leaded Steels
   Moderate Machinability materials include 200/300/400 Stainless Steels and Steels up to 35 Rc
   Difficult Machinability materials include Inconel, Titanium and Steels 36-45 Rc

5. Conclusion

   In this example, the tool would run at 1848 RPM, 14.5 IPM and make 2 Radial Passes

Setup & Use:
1. Check software and input proper feed values (Linear or Adjusted)
2. Choke up on tool
3. Minimize runout (consider entire system of spindle, collet, holders etc)
4. Minimize all vibration (consider tool holding, work holding, rpm "sweet spot" etc)
5. Break in tool by reducing feed rates by 25% on first 1-2 holes
6. Cutter should engage part using an arcing toolpath to avoid shock loading (see Table 2)
7. Climb mill for best finish and tool life (see Table 2)
8. Flush chips with coolant to avoid recutting

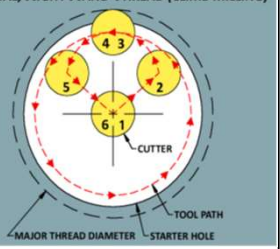
Table 1

Tool Thread Size	Major Thread Diameter	Number of Radial Passes*		
		Easy Machinabilty	Moderate Machinabilty	Difficult Machinabilty
1/4	0.250	2	2	3
3/8	0.375	2	2	3
7/16	0.437	2	2	3
1/2	0.500	2	2	3
5/8	0.625	2	2	3
3/4	0.750	2	2	3
7/8	0.875	2	2	3
1	1.000	2	3	4

* Number of Radial Passes are based on the coarsest pitch by thread size. For finer pitches, the number of passes may be reduced by 1 pass.

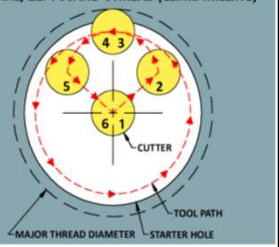
Table 2

INTERNAL, RIGHT HAND THREAD (CLIMB MILLING)



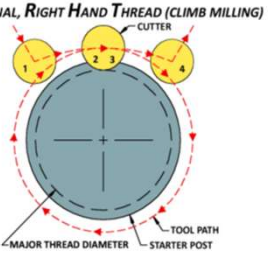
Step 1-2: Cutter moves into position
Step 2-3: Cutter engages part with arcing tool path while "Z" feeds up from bottom
Step 3-4: Cutter moves helically
Step 4-5: Cutter exits part along arcing tool path while maintaining "Z" feed
Step 5-6: Cutter returns to center

INTERNAL, LEFT HAND THREAD (CLIMB MILLING)



Step 1-2: Cutter moves into position
Step 2-3: Cutter engages part with arcing tool path while "Z" feeds down from top
Step 3-4: Cutter moves helically
Step 4-5: Cutter exits part along arcing tool path while maintaining "Z" feed
Step 5-6: Cutter returns to center

EXTERNAL, RIGHT HAND THREAD (CLIMB MILLING)



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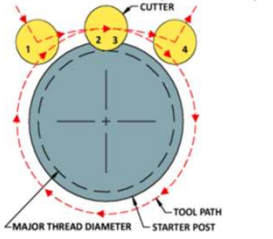

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Step 2-3: Cutter moves helically
Step 3-4: Cutter exits part along arcing tool path

Speeds & Feeds

Product Table: Thread Milling Cutters - Single Form - ACME
Characteristics: 3x Reach Internal ACME
Series: 7369xx

MATERIAL	SFM	Chip Load (IPT) By Cutter Diameter											
		0.047	0.062	0.078	0.093	0.125	0.187	0.250	0.312	0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750
Hardness: ≤ 28 Rc (≤ 271 HBn)													
ALUMINUM ALLOYS													
Casting (2xx, 5xx, 7xx, 8xx)	220	.00015	.00020	.00025	.00030	.00040	.00084	.00113	.00172	.00206	.00275	.00344	.00413
Wrought (1xxx, 2xxx, 3xxx, 5xxx, 6xxx, 7xxx, 8xxx)	300												
Casting - 3%-5% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	220	.00014	.00018	.00022	.00027	.00036	.00076	.00101	.00154	.00186	.00248	.00309	.00371
Casting - 5%-8% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	200												
Casting - 8%-12% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	200												
Casting - 12%-16% Si (3xx, A3xx, C3xx, 4xx, A4xx, B4xx)	140												
Wrought - 5%-8% Si (4xxx)	300												
Wrought - 8%-12% Si (4xxx)	230												
MAGNESIUM ALLOYS	200	.00015	.00020	.00025	.00030	.00040	.00084	.00113	.00172	.00206	.00275	.00344	.00413
ZINC ALLOYS	170												
COPPER ALLOYS													
High Coppers - 90%+ (C1xxxx)	50	.00014	.00019	.00024	.00029	.00038	.00068	.00091	.00144	.00173	.00231	.00288	.00346
Brass (Copper Zinc alloys, C2xxxx, C3xxxx, C4xxxx, C66400-C69800)	120												
Phosphor Bronzes (Copper Tin alloys, C5xxxx)	50												
Aluminum Bronzes (Copper Aluminum alloys, C60600-C64200)	120												
Silicon Bronzes (Copper Silicon alloys, C64700-C66100)	120												
Copper Nickels, Nickel Silvers (Copper Nickel alloys, C7xxxx)	50												
Cast Copper Alloys (C83300-C86200, C86400-C87900, C9200-C95800, C97300-C97800, C99400-C99700)	130												

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Hardness: 29-37 Rc (279-344 HBn)													
CARBON STEELS													
Free-Machining/Low Carbon steels, 10xx - 1029 & all 10Lxx, 11xx - 1139 & all 11Lxx, 12xx - 1215 & all 12Lxx	140	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00067	.00090	.00140	.00169	.00225	.00281	.00338
1030 - 1095, 1140 - 1151, 13xx, 15xx, 2xxx, 3xxx, 4xxx & 4xLxx, 5xxx & 5xLxx, 51xxx & 50Lxxx, 51xxx & 51Lxxx, 52xxx & 52Lxxx, 6xxx, 8xxx, 9xxx	50	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00067	.00090	.00125	.00150	.00200	.00250	.00300
STAINLESS STEELS													
203 EZ, 303 (all types), 416, 416Se, 416 Plus X, 420F, 420FSe, 430F, 430FSe, 440F, 440FSe	110	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00067	.00090	.00140	.00169	.00225	.00281	.00338
201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 302, 304, 304L, 308, 309, 310, 314, 316, 316L, 317, 321, 329, 330, 347, 348, 385, 403, 405, 409, 410, 413, 420, 429, 430, 434, 436, 442, 446, 501, 502	50	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00045	.00060	.00094	.00113	.00150	.00188	.00225
414, 431, 440A, 440B, 440C, 13-8, 15-5, 15-7, 17-4, 17-7	40	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00045	.00060	.00084	.00101	.00135	.00169	.00203
TOOL STEELS													
A, L, O, P, W series	65	.00012	.00016	.00021	.00025	.00033	.00049	.00066	.00110	.00132	.00176	.00220	.00264
D, H, M, T, S series	65	.00011	.00015	.00019	.00022	.00030	.00045	.00060	.00100	.00120	.00160	.00200	.00240
TITANIUM ALLOYS	55	.00012	.00016	.00021	.00025	.00033	.00049	.00066	.00096	.00116	.00154	.00193	.00231
HIGH TEMP ALLOYS													
Inconel, Hastelloy, Waspalloy, Monel, Nimonic, Haynes, Discoloy, Incoloy	50	.00010	.00014	.00017	.00020	.00028	.00041	.00055	.00081	.00098	.00130	.00163	.00195

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	0.047	0.062	0.078	0.093	0.125	0.187	0.250	0.312	0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750
Hardness: 38-45 Rc (353-421 HBn)												
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25	.00010	.00013	.00016	.00019	.00026	.00038	.00051	.00080	.00096	.00128	.00159	.00191
25	.00010	.00013	.00016	.00019	.00026	.00038	.00051	.00072	.00086	.00115	.00143	.00172
30	.00011	.00014	.00018	.00021	.00028	.00042	.00056	.00093	.00112	.00150	.00187	.00224
30	.00010	.00013	.00016	.00019	.00026	.00038	.00051	.00085	.00102	.00136	.00170	.00204
30	.00011	.00014	.00018	.00021	.00028	.00042	.00056	.00082	.00098	.00131	.00164	.00196
50	.00009	.00012	.00015	.00017	.00023	.00035	.00047	.00069	.00083	.00111	.00138	.00166

Please note:

All posted speed and feed parameters are suggested starting values that may be increased given optimal setup conditions. Chip loads reflect uncoated cutters and may be increased 5%-10% if coated. For ferrous materials with hardness ≤ 28 Rc, chip loads can be increased 3%-5%.

If you require additional information, Harvey Tool has a team of technical experts available to assist you through even the most challenging applications. Please contact us at **800-645-5609** or **Harveytech@harveyperformance.com**.