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**Denominations on Gears
and Gear Pairs
General Definitions**

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Part 1**

Benennungen an Zahnräder und Zahnradpaaren; Allgemeine Begriffe

This Standard contains the denominations of the international dictionary of definitions for gear tooth geometry, Part 1 being concerned with general denominations, Part 2 with cylindrical gears and cylindrical gear pairs, Part 3 with bevel gears and bevel gear pairs as well as with hypoid gears and hypoid gear pairs, and Part 4 with worm gear pairs. Supplementary Sheet 1 to DIN 3998 lists the keywords of the terminology in English and French in alphabetical order. For connection with Recommendation ISO/R 1122 — 1969 issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), see Explanations.

The sequence of the denominations and the consecutive numbering in DIN 3998 Part 1 to Part 4 agree with ISO/R 1122. The denominations are stated in English and French.

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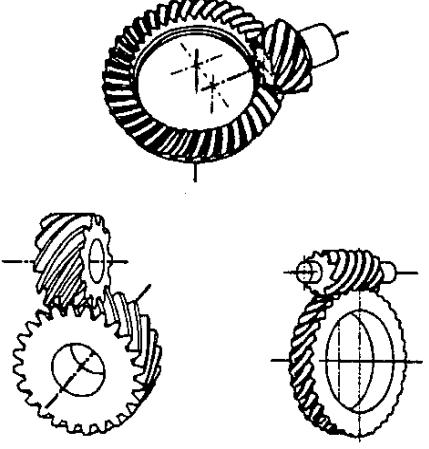
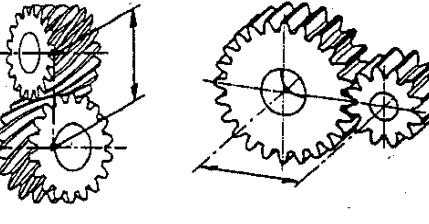
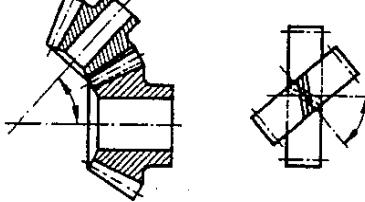
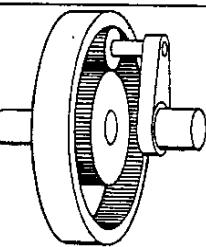
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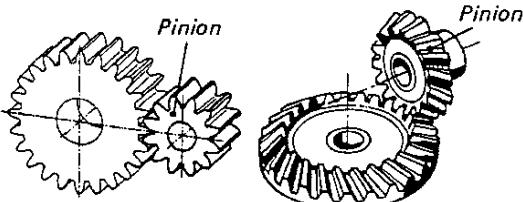
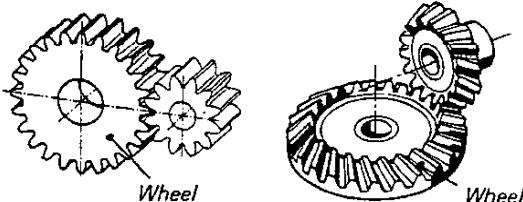
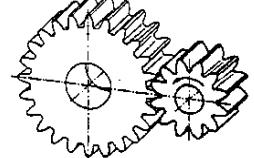
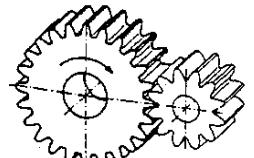
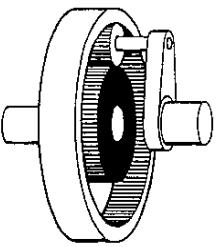
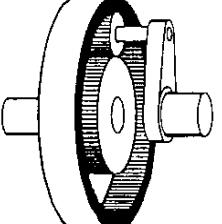
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1.1.1.8	<i>Shaft angle</i> <i>Angle des axes</i>	
1.1.1.9	<i>Epicycloidal or planetary gear train</i> <i>Train planétaire ou épicycloidal</i>	

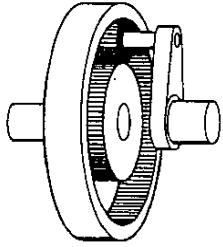
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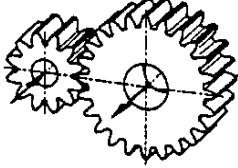
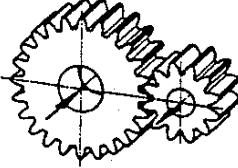
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1.1.3	<i>Relative speeds</i> <i>Vitesses relatives</i>	
1.1.3.1	<i>Gear ratio</i> <i>Rapport d'engrenage</i>	
1.1.3.2	<i>Transmission ratio</i> <i>Rapport de transmission</i>	
1.1.3.3	<i>Speed reducing gear pair (or train)</i> <i>Engrenage (ou train) réducteur</i>	
1.1.3.4	<i>Speed increasing gear pair (or train)</i> <i>Engrenage (ou train) multiplicateur</i>	
1.1.3.5	<i>Speed reducing ratio</i> <i>Rapport de réduction</i>	
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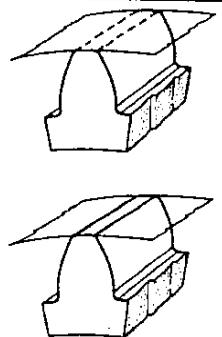
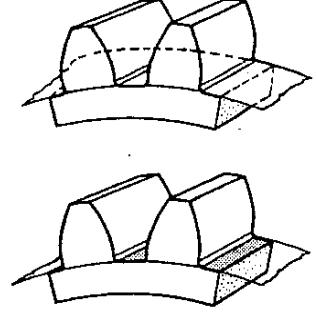
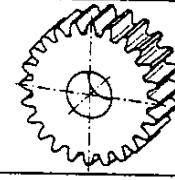
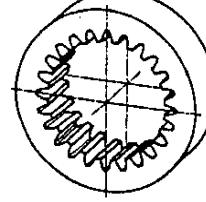
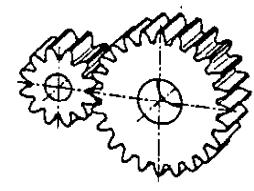
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1.1.4.3	<i>Reference ...</i> <i>... de référence</i>	
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1.2.1.2	<i>Tooth space</i> <i>Entredent</i>	
1.2.1.3	<i>Dimensions</i> <i>Dimensions</i>	
1.2.1.4	<i>Module</i> <i>Module</i> <i>Diametral pitch</i> <i>Diametral pitch</i>	
1.2.1.5	<i>Reduced value of a dimension</i> <i>Valeur réduite d'une dimension</i>	

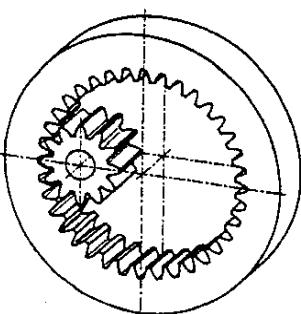
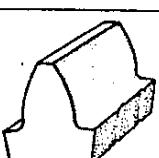
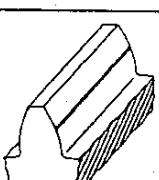
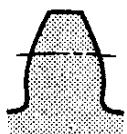
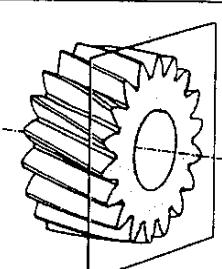
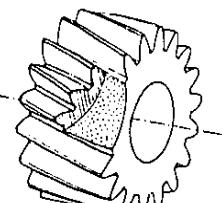
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1.2.2.2	<i>Root surface</i> <i>Surface de pied</i> <i>Bottom of the tooth spaces</i> <i>Fond des entredents</i>	
1.2.2.3	<i>External gear</i> <i>Roue extérieure</i>	
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1.2.3.3	<i>Tooth profile</i> <i>Profil</i>	
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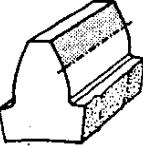
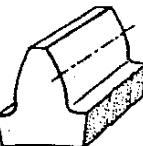
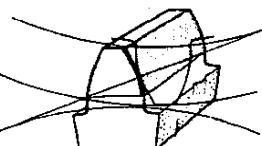
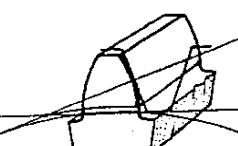
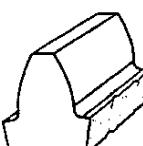
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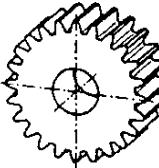
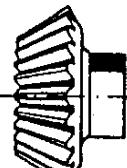
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1.2.4	<i>Flanks-qualifications</i> <i>Qualificatifs de flancs</i>	
1.2.4.1	<i>Mating flank</i> <i>Flanc conjugué</i>	
1.2.4.2	<i>Right (or left) flank</i> <i>Flanc de droite (ou de gauche)</i>	
1.2.4.3	<i>Corresponding flanks</i> <i>Flancs homologues</i>	
1.2.4.4	<i>Opposite flanks</i> <i>Flancs anti-homologues</i>	
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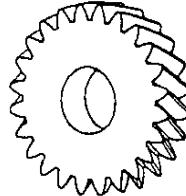
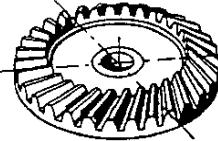
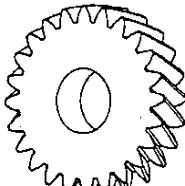
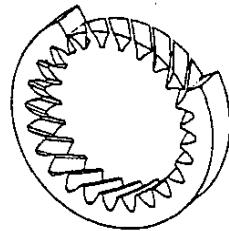
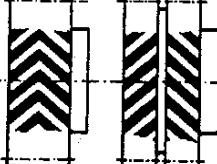
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	<i>Dedendum flank</i> <i>Flanc de creux</i>	
1.2.5.2	<i>Active flank</i> <i>Flanc actif</i>	
1.2.5.3	<i>Usable flank</i> <i>Flanc utilisable</i>	
1.2.5.4	<i>Fillet</i> <i>Flanc de raccord</i>	

1.2.6	<i>Definitions in terms of tooth traces</i> <i>Définitions en fonction des lignes des flancs</i>	
1.2.6.1	<i>Spur gear (or gear pair)</i> <i>Roue droite (ou engrenage droit) cylindrique</i>	
1.2.6.2	<i>Straight bevel gear (or gear pair)</i> <i>Roue droite (ou engrenage droit) conique</i>	

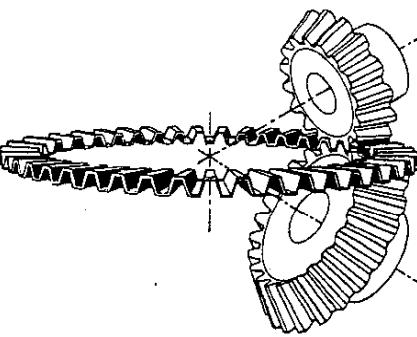
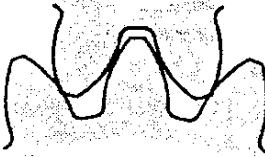
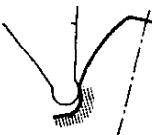
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	<i>Helical bevel gear (or gear pair) Roue hélicoïdale (ou engrenage hélicoïdal) conique</i>	
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1.2.6.5	<i>Left-hand teeth Denture à gauche</i>	
1.2.6.6	<i>Double helical gear (or gear pair) Roue (ou engrenage) en chevron</i>	
1.2.6.7	<i>Spiral gear (or gear pair) Roue (ou engrenage) spirale</i>	

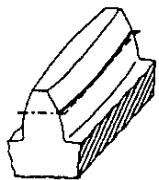
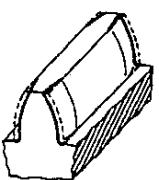
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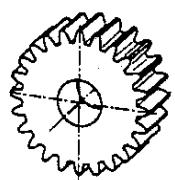
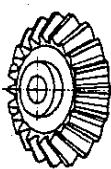
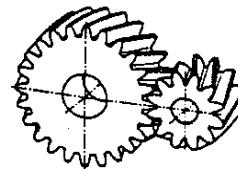
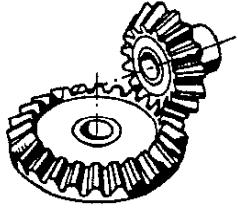
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1.3.1.2	<i>Cutter interference Interférence de taillage</i>	
1.3.1.3	<i>Tip relief Dépouille de tête</i>	
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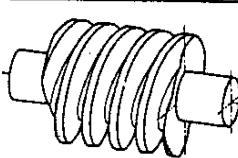
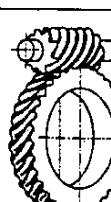
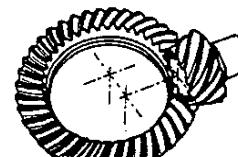
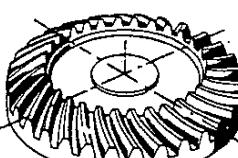
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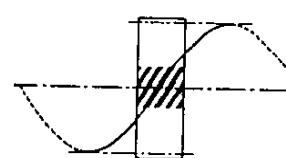
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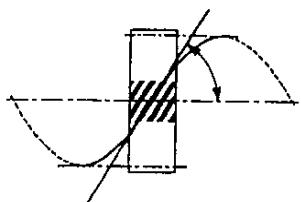
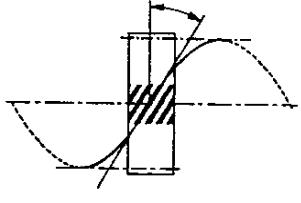
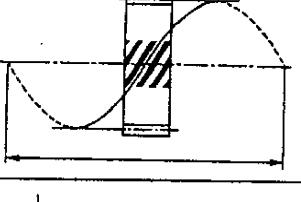
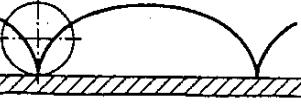
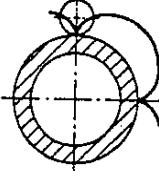
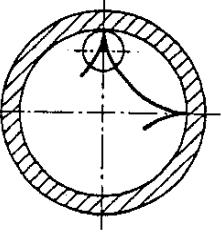
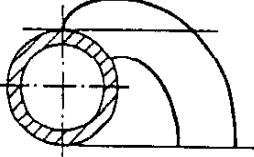
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1.3.2.5	<i>Worm Vis</i>	
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1.3.2.8	<i>Hypoid gear pair Engrangement hypoïde</i>	
1.3.2.9	<i>Hypoid gear Roue hypoïde</i>	

1.4	<i>Geometrical and kinematical notions used in gears Notions géométriques et cinématiques utilisées dans les engrangements</i>	
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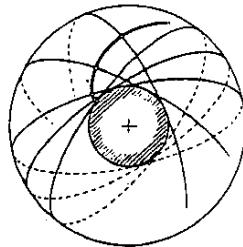
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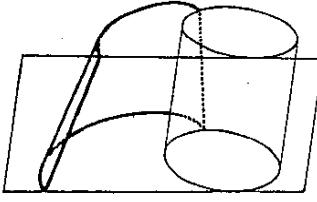
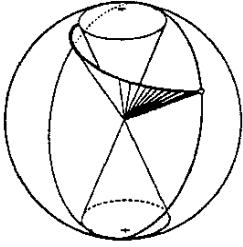
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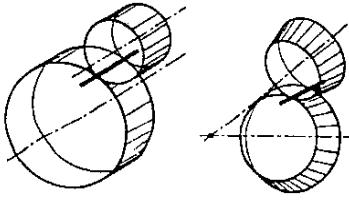
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1.4.1.5	<i>Cycloid</i> <i>Cycloïde</i>	
1.4.1.6	<i>Epicycloid</i> <i>Epicycloïde</i>	
1.4.1.7	<i>Hypocycloid</i> <i>Hypocycloïde</i>	
1.4.1.8	<i>Involute to a circle</i> <i>Développante de cercle</i>	

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1.4.1.9	<i>Spherical involute</i> <i>Développante sphérique</i>	

1.4.2	<i>Geometrical surfaces</i> <i>Surfaces géométriques</i>	
1.4.2.1	<i>Involute helicoid</i> <i>Hélicoïde développable</i>	
1.4.2.2	<i>Spherical involute helicoid</i> <i>Hélicoïde en développante sphérique</i>	

1.4.3	<i>Instantaneous axis</i> <i>Axe instantané</i>	
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Other relevant standards

- DIN 868 General definitions and specification factors for gears, gear pairs and gear trains
 DIN 3998 Part 2 Denominations on gears and gear pairs; cylindrical gears and gear pairs
 DIN 3998 Part 3 Denominations on gears and gear pairs; bevel and hypoid gears and gear pairs
 DIN 3998 Part 4 Denominations on gears and gear pairs; worm gear pairs
 DIN 3998 Supplementary Sheet 1 Denominations on gears and gear pairs; alphabetical index of equivalent terms
 DIN 3999 Symbols for gear teeth

Explanations

This Standard lays down the English technical terminology relating to gear teeth in order to facilitate understanding and orderly arrangement of terms. The sequence of technical terms and their consecutive numbering in Part 1 to Part 4 as well as the additional French denominations agree with the Recommendation issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

ISO/R 1122 – 1969 *)

Glossary of gears; geometrical definitions

Vocabulaire des engrenages; définitions géométriques

In this Standard certain technical denominations additional to those stated in ISO/R 1122-1969 have been included where this appeared necessary for the sake of complete coverage. Moreover, in some cases existing expressions have been added in brackets. In all cases the non-bracketed terms are the ruling ones.

DIN 3998 is subdivided into Part 1 for general definitions, Part 2 for cylindrical gears and cylindrical gear pairs, Part 3 for bevel gears and bevel gear pairs as well as hypoid gears and hypoid gear pairs, and Part 4 for worm gear pairs. In addition, in Supplementary Sheet 1 to DIN 3998 the keywords of the denominations in English and French are listed in alphabetical order and with the serial number under which the denominations appear in Part 1 to Part 4.

Recommendation ISO/R 1122-1969 contains — like, for example, the Swiss Standard VSM 15 522 also — not only the denominations but also the definitions for geometrical specification factors for gears and gear pairs. The definitions have not been included in DIN 3998 because the definitions and specification factors are laid down in DIN 868, DIN 3960, DIN 3971 and DIN 3975.

Standardization of the denominations in all DIN standards dealing with gear teeth is envisaged on the basis of the present survey DIN 3998.

Some of the illustrations have been taken from the standards VSM 15 522 and NEN 5276 with the approval of the Swiss Standards Association and the Netherlands Standards Institution respectively.

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