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Introduction-

Machine tool (MT) capability & availability are of paramount importance in modern manufacturing industry. The first is determined by measurement, the second depends on maintenance & calibration which includes measurement procedures.

Increasing measurement efficiency leads to:

- 1. More accurate & repeatable results
- 2. Machine downtime decrease
- 3. Uncertainty estimation

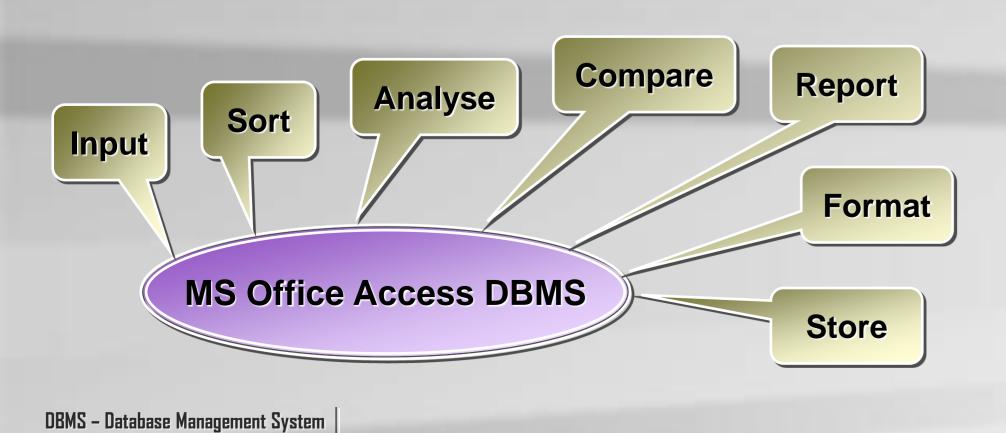
-Novelty

Less investigated

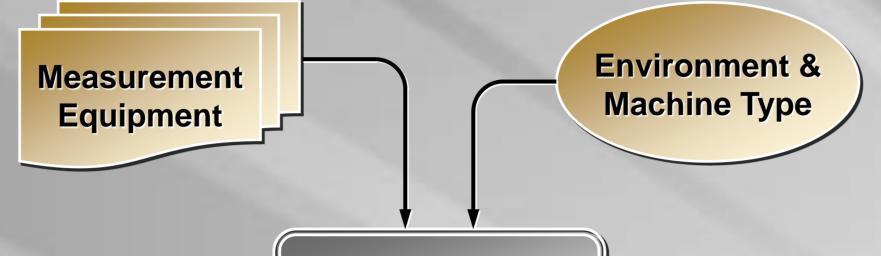
Measurement Modelling Compensation Prediction **Efficient measurement**

-Methodology-

More investigated



Data-management



Measurement

Manual Report Input **Generator**

Novel

Database

Capability

Assessment

Comparison

Graphical

User Interface

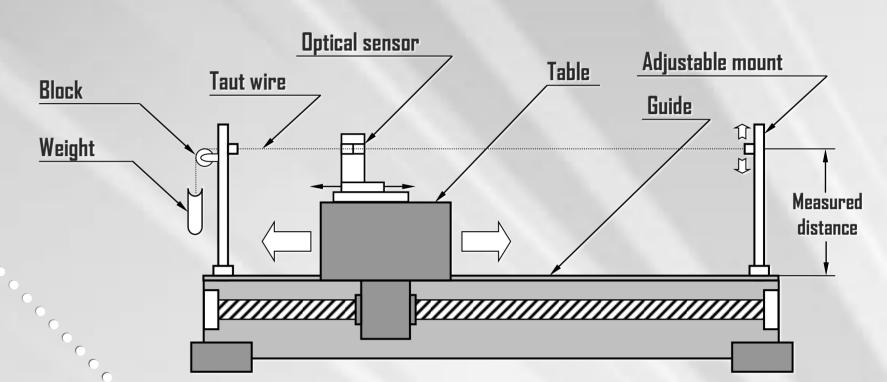
Machine Tool Controller Data

Input data

Application

Legend: Output data Conditions -New-test-development-

The alternative to a traditional laser measurement is proposed for a straightness Simple, precise and more effective on long ranges, the method utilizes taut wire and an optical sensor, mounted on a moving table (saddle).



Sensor displacement is measured in a number of points which form a graph showing a combined error of the guide and the wire like shown on the graph:

Guide error

To remove the wire error a method of sensor shifting is used:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Wire error

After measuring once another measurement is done with the wire shifted one step forward or backward, and then both wire and guide errors are calculated separately: $x_i = x_{i-1} + s_i - c_{i-1}$

x - guide error on a step *i*, c - combined error (measured), and s – combined error on the shifted wire

The accuracy of measurement does not depend on wire surface defects and its straightness, the only factor which affects the result is repeatability of the wire which proved to be very high. This brings final measurement error to a

Uncertainty

Estimation

Statistical

Process Control

Assessment

Purchase

Calculation

sub-micron level.