Prediction of Cutting Parameters of HVOF-Sprayed Stellite 6

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Abstract: In this research, the authors set out to propose a new method of predicting and adjusting the main cutting parameters of chip machining, namely spraying on the substrate. In the experiments, a total of 28 turning cuts on a Stellite 6 coating layer were realized. The base materials of the Stellite 6 layers were EN S235JRG1 and carbide WC-Co. This work aimed to find out and optimize the influence of different combinations of cutting parameters. Due to the coating solution, the work is focused on the evaluation of the roughness Ra (μm) of the turned substrate, the grain size Dgr (μm) of the spraying, the normal stress σrz (MPa), the residual stress σrez (MPa), the specific cutting force F (N), the quality of adhesion to the substrate Adhmp (MPa) and other parameters. For the sake of a comprehensive solution to the problem, several new predictive equations and subsequent suggestions for solutions have been derived from this research to pic based on the newly obtained experimental results. The proposed models and procedures make it possible to get new results and insights into coating technologies.

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1. Introduction

Classical or conventional machining is a process of removing material in the form of chips by direct contact between the tool and workpiece. It depends what kind of machining process is used, but generally, the tool penetrates into the workpiece to a certain depth, while the workpiece or tool provide suitable motion. Tools have a specific number of cutting edges of known geometry. During machining the workpiece is subjected to shear, compression and also bending and not only the surface of the material is altered but also below it. The process of material removal puts very high demands on surface quality.

The topography of the machined surface has a significant effect on its function and must be taken into account for the setup of machining conditions. The machining behaviours of materials differ from each other. The rapid evolution of material development has had a direct impact on the development of new machining technologies. High-speed machining technologies represent an effective way to increase productivity. The productivity of any such process is limited by the machinability of the material. Material properties consequently affect machining behaviour. Cobalt–chromium alloys are some of the most difficult materials to machine [1]. The properties which make
them very attractive in the industry include high strength and hardness at high temperatures and corrosion resistance. Usually, the problems with the machining of these materials concern the cutting speed and feed, as they have a very narrow recommended application range for good results.

If the cutting speed is too low, the material sticks to the cutting edge, and if it is too high, abrasive wears occurs on the cutting edge. The development of Stellite played a particularly important role in metal cutting after the first use of tungsten steel and high-speed steel in the 19th century. The Stellite alloy was invented in 1900 by American metallurgist Haymer E. Haynes as a substitute for silver. In 1907, the Deloro Smelting and Refining company was founded by M. J. O’Brien and E. Haynes in the village of Deloro (Ontario, Canada). When Haynes in 1912 focused on nickel-based components, O’Brien founded the Deloro Stellite company for the production of cobalt-based alloys. There is a slight difference in the composition of the Stellite alloys. Stellite 6 is one of the most popular among them and is suitable, for example, for press forging. The higher carbon alloys (Stellite 6K and Stellite 6B) are used for abrasion, or severe galling and are more difficult to machine than lower carbon alloys. The lower carbon alloys are often used for sliding wear or cavitation. Shape and size of the carbides are dependent on the cooling rate, and an increase of carbides reduces ductility [2–6].

Stellite 6 is a popular alloy that has several industrial applications, therefore, machining this superalloy has been a subject of intense engineering research because of the need to determine the best machining tool to forge, cast, cut, and finished industrial products.

Some surfaces are sprayed with Stellite 6, and machining such surfaces requires experience and skill in order to achieve the required results for commercial applications. Experiments have been done to identify the cutting tool surface and physio-mechanical properties that can ensure that Stellite 6 is properly machined [7–10]. While such studies have yielded good results, no consensus has been reached that can point to the right type of tool to machine Stellite 6. Therefore, further research has to be done in order to ensure that the tip wear of the alloy is improved. Stellite 6 is used to build-up surfaces that are subjected to intense wear and can be used in a welded or sprayed form. Most of the recent studies have focused on the evaluation of Stellite-6 coatings with regards to the following aspects: microstructure [11–13], chemical compositions, mechanical properties, tribological characteristics [14], or residual stress distribution [15].

Although there are some data on machining Stellite alloys, the available information is still very limited; in particular, information about the adhesion on a substrate or the adhesive forces of the applied material on the substrate were not studied systematically. The surface roughness, along with other parameters of the topography of machined surfaces [16], is of crucial importance to the specificity of coatings technologies [17–20]. That is why the authors decided to devote deeper attention to this topic in this paper. Because the authors have been dealing with the final surface topography generated by various technologies for a long time, they have new results to try to apply [21–25]. Our study will be mainly analytical, examining the exact definition and discrete evaluation of the influence of different combinations of main cutting parameters and analogously each of the parameters separately on the final topography of the surface, especially in terms of good adhesion and solid adhesion. These questions and their solutions are covered by the relevant sections below.

The paper presents an original method for determination of the main stress-deformation functions and processes, the generation of adhesive forces and the stress between the turned substrate and the coating. Thus, the mechanical and adhesive processes involved in chip formation interact with the machining tool, the final surface condition, and the generation of bonding forces between the turned substrate material and the coating material. A new equation for mechanical equilibrium is derived in stress-strain processes that occur during chip formation. The newly derived equilibrium equation for chip machining enables the acquisition of new exact knowledge and the necessary data. The monitored parameters are analysed on three mechanically different materials. It is a measurement and analytical processing of changes in the continuous and resulting values of the parameters in the cut, taking into account the assumption of subsequent application of the coating layer.

2. The Methodology of the Work
The experiments are based on different combinations of three cutting parameters, namely speed \( v_c \) (m-min\(^{-1}\)), feed \( f \) (mm) and depth of cut \( a_p \) (mm). For the sake of completeness, we have included a fourth, the influence of tool back angle \( \lambda \) (°), but in the following analysis, we include only the first three parameters. We consider these to be basic because they directly create the machined volume of the material, the structure and texture of the machined surface, as well as its instantaneous stress-strain state. There were 28 sessions in each combination. Parameter combinations are freely selected. To a large extent, they are still selected subjectively even in practice, since exact elaborated relationships for their discreet selection have not been derived yet. Hot-dip spraying has a characteristic structure that differs substantially from homogeneous materials. From a mechanical point of view, the quality of homogenization of the transition from the substrate to spraying depends, in particular, on the topographic parameters of the substrate surface. Based on the findings of the experiment, we will try to propose a method of selecting a combination of cutting parameters to control the desired state of the substrate surface. The quality of the transition homogenization determines the intensity of the adhesive stress and adhesive forces. The substrate is steel EN S235JR1G1, Stellite 6 is the spraying material, carbide WC-Co is included for comparison. Due to this different structure, they also exhibit other physical and chemical properties, in particular, stress-strain properties, which need to be identified, predicted and verified very accurately. Derived and used relations serve for analytical construction of deformation diagrams according to deformation stress \( \sigma_{de} = f(\Delta h) \) for studied materials. From a mechanical point of view (Section 3), the material used in the experiment is described in more detail, the experimental procedure is chosen from a technological point of view. Furthermore, the measurement results are presented, namely numerically, tabularly and graphically. The analyses and interpretation of measurement results are based on the comparison and verification of predicted analytical results (Sections 4–6).

2.1. Theoretical Background

2.1.1. Analysis of the Main Parameters of the Cut

In the tool-material contact, we consider physico-mechanical parameters of the machined material, the physico-mechanical and geometric parameters of the cutting tool and the selected geometric and dynamic parameters of the cut to be the main parameters. Physical-mechanical parameters are the main elastic and strength properties. The selected parameters form a set given mainly by the values of speed \( v_c \) (m-min\(^{-1}\)), feed \( f \) (mm) and depth of cut \( a_p \) (mm). Due to their action, the contact induces an instantaneous stress-strain state, chip separation and the creation of a new surface with a specific roughness parameter \( Ra \). The roughness of the new surface is thus an integrated image of the chip forming mechanism as well as the topographic type of the substrate.

In this section, we will focus on the analysis of functional relationships between the selected cut parameters. At the same time, we will try to analyse these relations in a new way. In practice, for the purpose of designing machining, these can be calculated in advance for the purpose of an exact selection, i.e., optimization. In this case, it will also be a verification of functionality and verification of our newly designed quantities \( R_{mp} [-] \), and \( R_{dmp} [\mu m] \), where \( R_{mp} \) is “Ratio of machining parameters” and \( R_{dmp} \) is “Ratio of machining parameters with direct roughness calculation \( Ra \)”. New parameters \( R_{mp} \) and \( R_{dmp} \) were derived by the authors in order to be able to easily quantify the complex influence of a set of selected cutting parameters on the mechanical state in the cut and also on the topographic state of the final surface after cutting.

2.1.2. Stress-Strain Diagrams on the Cut

We refer here to the complex of functions (Figures 1–4), which form the machining process mechanism, feed and material removal (1):

\[
\left( v_c, f, R_{mp}, Ra, Y_{\text{ret}}, \delta, D_{gr}, \sigma_{\text{rmax}}, \sigma_{\text{ret}}, \sigma_{\text{ret}}, t_{\text{ret}}, S_{\text{ret}}, F_{\text{ret}} \right) = \text{fce}(a_p)
\]  

(1)
where: $v_c =$ speed (m·min$^{-1}$), $f =$ feed (mm), $R_{mp} =$ ratio of machining parameters ($\cdot$), $R_s =$ surface roughness ($\mu$m), $Y_{ret} =$ deviation of the cut trace from the vertical plane (mm), $\delta =$ angle of deviation from the vertical plane (°), $D_{gr} =$ diameter of the structural grain ($\mu$m), $\sigma_{rzen} =$ technical deformation stress (MPa), $\sigma_{rztrue} =$ actual deformation stress (MPa), $\sigma_{rez} =$ residual stress (MPa), $\sigma_{ret} =$ modular tensile stress component (MPa), $\sigma_{retz} =$ modular compressive stress component (MPa), $t_{cut} =$ continuous time (s), $S_c =$ cutting area (mm$^2$), $F_c =$ cutting force (N) and $a_p =$ depth of cut (mm).

According to Equation (1), the calculation and subsequent graphical representation of the distribution represent 18 selected functions. The equations of all these functions can be generally applied to any material being machined with different combinations of machining parameters. Their set forms a comprehensive algorithm. The calculation, including graphical representation, can be done in MatLab or Excel. Depending on the current need, the selection of interest functions can be narrowed down or, on the contrary, extended by other functions related to the depth of cut $a_p$. The functions in the implicit Equation (1) can be called continuous in relation to the depth of cut $a_p$. We have defined and derived them in the following forms stated below.

![Figure 1](image1.png)

**Figure 1.** The physical nature is analogous to the beam curvature parameters. (a) in relation to fixed blade machining (b).

![Figure 2](image2.png)

**Figure 2.** Relation $\sigma_{rez} = \sigma_{ret}$ for EN S235JRG1 material.
Figure 3. The relation \( R_{mp} \) for EN S235JRG1 material, where \( a_{pel} \) is the depth of cut at the elasticity limit, \( a_{p0} \) is the depth of cut at the neutral plane, \( a_{pRe} \) is the depth of cut at the elastic limit, and \( a_{plim} \) is the limit depth of cut.

Figure 4. Relation \( R_{mp} \) for Stellite material.

2.1.3. Derivation of the Equations for Cutting Parameters Prediction

The physical nature of the derivation is analogous to the beam curvature parameters (Figure 1a) at the place of the highest load, and the angle of rotation of the cross-section on the supports are among the important ones. At a certain depth of cut \( a_{p0} \), i.e., on the neutral plane (Figure 1b), similar to the beam, the tensile and compressive stresses are equalized.

The significance of the used analogy to the beam shows that the so-called neutral depth of cut \( a_{p0} \) in terms of stress-strain state under the blade divides the deformation areas into elastic for \( a_p < a_{p0} \) and plastic \( a_p > a_{p0} \) with all mechanical consequences. This is confirmed particularly strongly for technologies with significantly greater depths of cut \( h > a_p \). These include drilling and machining with
flexible tools such as abrasive waterjet, laser, plasma or ultrasound. With these machining technologies, the transition over the neutral plane $h_0$ or $a_0$ is visible on the cuts to the naked eye.

As a function of the roughness parameter, their waveform values $Y(i)$, $L(i)$ are linearly dependent. The design model methodology allows them to be tracked along the length of the beam and throughout the load process in connection with the spatio-temporal development of the distribution of the parameters of all the others, in the process of reshaping the involved functions, as shown in more detail below. Complex derivation of Equations (2) to (37) for machining is done in our patented works [24, 26] and publications [21–23, 25].

The material plasticity constant $K_{plmat} (\mu m)$ that characterizes the capacity of the material to deform for material characterized by Young’s modulus of elasticity $E_{mat} (MPa)$, derived from the topographic elements of the cut walls (2):

$$K_{plmat} = \frac{Ra \cdot a_p}{Y_{ret}}; K_{plmat} = \frac{10^{12}}{E_{mat}^2}$$

The equations of equilibrium on the cut are (3):

$$\frac{Ra \cdot a_p}{Y_{ret}} = \frac{10^{12}}{E_{mat}^2}; \frac{Ra \cdot a_p}{Y_{ret}} = \frac{10^{12}}{E_{mat}^2} = 0$$

According to (3), consequently we obtain equations (4) to (6):

$$E_{mat} = \sqrt{\frac{10^{12}}{K_{plmat}}}$$

$$E_{mat} = \sqrt{\frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret}}{Ra \cdot a_p}}$$

$$E_{mat} = \sqrt{\frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret}}{K_{pl}}}$$

where the strain surface area $K_{pl} (m^2)$ is given by Equation (7):

$$K_{pl} = Ra \cdot a_p$$

The main topographic elements are calculated according to equations (8) to (12):

$$Ra = \frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret}}{E_{mat}^2 \cdot a_p}$$

$$Y_{ret} = \frac{10^{-12} \cdot Ra \cdot a_p}{E_{mat}^2}, Y_{ret} = \frac{K_{pl}}{K_{plmat}}$$

$$v_c = \frac{10^6 \cdot \sqrt{10^{-3} \cdot Ra}}{E_{mat}}$$

$$a_p = \frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret}}{(E_{mat}^2 \cdot Ra)}$$

$$\delta = \arctg \left( \frac{Y_{ret}}{a_p} \right)$$

For modular stress, we derived relations from surface topography (13) to (14):

$$E_{rz} = \frac{K_{pl}}{E_{mat}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{K_{pl}}{K_{plmat}}}$$
\[ E_{ret} = E_{mat} \cdot \left( \frac{K_{plmat}}{K_{pl}} \right) \]  

(14)

where \( E_{ret} \) is the component of \( E_{mat} \) for compression and \( E_{ret} \) is component of \( E_{mat} \) for tension, for strain stress real \( \sigma_{retch} \) (15), or contractual \( \sigma_{retng} \) (16):

\[ \sigma_{retch} = \sqrt{E_{rz}} \]  

(15)

\[ \sigma_{retng} = \sigma_{retch} \cdot \cos \delta \]  

(16)

The more complex relation for roughness \( Ra_0 \) already accurately accentuates the position of \( a_p \) and the yield strength \( Re \) at the depth of cut \( a_p \) according to (17):

\[ Ra_q = Ra_0 \cdot \left( \log(a_p) + \log\left( \frac{1}{a_p} \cdot \log \delta \right) \right)^{0.666} \]  

(17)

According to \( Ra_0 \), the strain stress \( \sigma_{rzq} \) is derived (18):

\[ \sigma_{rzq} = 10^{-3} \cdot E_{mat} \cdot \frac{Ra_q}{Ra_q} \]  

(18)

For true residual stress \( \sigma_{retch} \) (MPa) and for engineering residual stress \( \sigma_{retng} \) (MPa) the following equations (19) and (20) apply:

\[ \sigma_{rez} = \sigma_{retch} = \sigma_{rzq} \cdot \sin \delta^3 \]  

(19)

\[ \sigma_{rewx} = \sigma_{retng} = \left( \sigma_{rzq} \cdot \sin \delta^3 \right) \cdot \cos \delta \]  

(20)

The specific elongation \( \varepsilon \) is derived as \( f(Y_{ret}, E_{mat}) \) in the form (21):

\[ \varepsilon = \frac{10^3 \cdot Y_{ret}}{E_{mat}} \]  

(21)

Hook’s elongation (22):

\[ \varepsilon_{hook} = \frac{R_{el}}{E_{mat}} \]  

(22)

Equation (23) applies to the cutting force \( F_c \) and Equation (24) applies to calculate the area \( S_c \) on which the cutting tool acts:

\[ F_c = S_c \cdot \sqrt{E_{rz}} = S_c \cdot \sqrt{E_{mat}} \cdot \frac{Ra \cdot a_p}{K_{plmat}} \]  

(23)

\[ S_c = f \cdot a_p \]  

(24)

In addition to the continuous functions described above, knowledge of the values of these functions at the level of the mechanically neutral plane in the cut, i.e., at the \( a_p \) (25) level, is necessary for our further analytical work:

\[ \left( v_{c0}, f_{c0}, R_{m0}, Ra_0, Y_{ret0}, \delta_0, D_{gr0}, \sigma_{rch0}, \sigma_{rch0}, \sigma_{rch0}, \sigma_{rch0}, \sigma_{rch0}, S_{c0}, F_{c0} \right) = f_{c0}(a_{p0}) \]  

(25)

where \( v_{c0} = \) speed at the neutral plane (m-min\(^{-1}\)), \( f_{c0} = \) feed at the neutral plane (mm), \( R_{m0} = \) ratio of machining parameters at the neutral plane (–), \( Ra_0 = \) surface roughness at the neutral plane (μm), \( Y_{ret0} = \) deviation of the cut trace from the vertical plane at the neutral plane (mm), \( \delta_0 = \) angle of deviation from the vertical plane at the neutral plane (°), \( D_{gr0} = \) diameter of structural grain at the neutral plane (μm), \( \sigma_{rch0} = \) technical deformation stress at the neutral plane (MPa), \( \sigma_{rch0} = \) actual deformation stress at the neutral plane (MPa), \( \sigma_{rch0} = \) residual stress at the neutral plane (MPa), \( \sigma_{rch0} = \) modular tensile.
stress component at the neutral plane (MPa), $\sigma_{ret0}$ = modular compressive stress component at the neutral plane (MPa), $t_{cut0}$ = continuous time at the neutral plane (s), $S_{c0}$ = cutting area at the neutral plane ($\text{mm}^2$), $F_{c0}$ = cutting force at the neutral plane (N) and $a_{p0}$ = depth of cut at the neutral plane (mm).

If we have exactly quantified distribution functions of selected cutting parameters $v_c, f_0, a_p$ to calculate $R_{mp}$ and $R_{mp0}$, we can plot their waveforms related to the general cutting depth $a_p$ or to $a_{p0}$ in the overall context with other functions. Thus, we obtain a complex analytical description of the stress-strain state at the tool-material contact as graphically represented by the diagrams in Figures 2–4.

Values $R_{a0}$ of the top topographic elements in the neutral plane ($R_{a0}$ (26), $Y_{ret0}$ (27), $v_{c0}$ (28), $f_0$ (29), $a_{p0}$ (30), $\delta_0$ (31), $K_{p0}$ (32)):

$$R_{a0} = \frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret0}}{E_{mat}^2 \cdot a_{p0}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (26)

$$Y_{ret0} = \frac{10^{-12} \cdot R_{a0} \cdot a_{p0}}{E_{mat}^2} \quad ; \quad Y_{ret0} = \frac{K_{p0}}{K_{p0}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (27)

$$v_{c0} = \frac{10^6 \cdot \sqrt{10^{-3} \cdot R_{a0}}}{\sqrt{E_{mat}}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (28)

$$f_0 = 8.51 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot R_{a0} \sqrt{E_{mat}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (29)

$$a_{p0} = \frac{10^{12} \cdot Y_{ret0}}{E_{mat}^2 \cdot R_{a0}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (30)

$$\delta_0 = \arctg \left( \frac{Y_{ret0}}{a_{p0}} \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (31)

For the strain surface area at the neutral plane $K_{p0}$ ($\text{m}^2$) Equation (32) is valid:

$$K_{p0} = R_{a0} \cdot h_0$$  \hspace{1cm} (32)

where $R_{a0} = \text{const} = 3.7 \, (\mu\text{m}); \quad Y_{ret0} = \text{const} = 1 \, (\text{mm}); \quad a_{p0} = \frac{K_{p0}}{R_{a0}} \, (\text{mm}).$

For optimal speed $v_{popt}$ ($\text{m-min}^{-1}$) also according to the empirical relation as $f(E_{mat})$ (33):

$$v_{popt} = \sqrt{\left(10^{-3} \cdot R_{a0}\right)} \cdot \frac{10^6}{\sqrt{E_{mat}}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (33)

We distinguish roughness into $(Ra, Ra) = f (h, \varepsilon)$ in the trace and $Ra_{ret} = f (h, Y_{ret}, \delta)$:

$$Ra = (-10) \cdot \left\{ 1 - \frac{K_{p0}}{K_{p0} - a_p} \right\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (34)

$$D_{gr} = 10^{3} \cdot R_{a0} \cdot \frac{E_{mat}}{E_{mat}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (35)

$$Ra_{r} = Ra - \log \left( \frac{Ra}{R_{a0}} \right)$$  \hspace{1cm} (36)

$$Ra_{ret} = 10^{\log (\log a_{p0})^2 + \left[ \frac{1}{Y_{ret}} \right]^2 + R_{a0}^2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (37)
where \( R_{\text{ave}} \) and \( R_{\text{dow}} \) roughness already expresses a local increase in roughness (\( \mu \text{m} \)) when the tool starts cutting into the surface of the material and overcoming the increased resistance of the nano-surface layer of the sample material in the radial plane, i.e., in a direction perpendicular to the tool cutting track.

Before proceeding to comprehensive diagrams, we include a principal figure of the distribution curves of the stress functions \( \sigma_{\text{reztrue}} \) and \( \sigma_{\text{rezeng}} \), which form the main stress envelope. And also, the distribution curves for technical residual stress \( \sigma_{\text{reztrue}} \) and for actual residual stress \( \sigma_{\text{rezeng}} \) (Figure 2).

2.1.4. Equations for \( R_{\text{mp}} \) and \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) Quantities

The new \( R_{\text{mp}} \) and \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) parameters integrate/numerically integrate the complex influence of a set of selected cutting parameters on the mechanical state in the cut as well as on the topographic state of the final surface after the cut. In the case of \( R_{\text{mp}} \), this is the ratio of the currently selected cutting parameters to those calculated or graphically constructed (see below) for the neutral plane at the depth level \( a_p \). These parameters \( f_0, v_0, a_p, R_0 \) and others are actually material parameters. This means that \( R_{\text{mp}} \) and \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) are actually ratios between the values of the given currently selected and the material parameters. Therefore, in fact, the derived quantities \( R_{\text{mp}} \) and \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) can accurately reflect the instantaneous state of the mechanical tool-material interaction at contact, equations (38) to (41):

\[
R_{\text{mp}} = \left( \frac{f_0}{f_0}, \frac{v_0}{v_0}, \frac{a_p}{a_p} \right)
\]

(38)

\[
R_{\text{mp}0} = \left( \frac{f_0}{f_0}, \frac{v_0}{v_0}, \frac{a_p}{a_p} \right)
\]

(39)

\[
R_{\text{mp}} = k_{\text{mes}} \cdot R_{\text{dmp}} \left( \frac{f_0}{f_0}, \frac{v_0}{v_0}, \frac{a_p}{a_p} \right)
\]

(40)

\[
R_{\text{mp}} = \frac{R_{\text{mp}0}}{R_{\text{mp}0}} = \frac{\frac{v_0}{v_0} \cdot \frac{f_0}{f_0} \cdot \frac{a_p}{a_p}}{R_{\text{mp}0}}
\]

(41)

where \( R_{\text{mp}0} \) are the selected working parameters, \( R_{\text{mp}0} \) are the calculated material parameters on the neutral plane, \( R_{\text{mp}0} \) is the cut volume from the selected values and \( R_{\text{mp}0} \) is the cut volume from the calculated material values on the neutral plane. The stress-strain diagrams of the tool-material contact are shown in Figures 3–4.

3. Experimental Work

The aim of this part was to investigate the influence of specifically defined combinations of cutting parameters in the machining of selected materials. These are EN S235JRG1, Stellite-6 and Carbide alloy WC-Co. These are interesting materials in the framework of research focusing on quality, economy, stability, and durability of Stellite 6 coatings for the base steel EN S235JRG1. New predictions and experiences can be used theoretically and practically in engineering production, especially in the automotive and aerospace industries. The parameter \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) as a fully integrated data is fully sufficient to determine other technology functions derived from it. Therefore, in the first phase of the research, the analysis of roughness \( R_{\text{dmp}} \) in [\( \mu \text{m} \)] after machining is the most important.

3.1. Experimental Procedure

In the experiments, a total of 28 turning cuts on the Stellite 6 coating layer were realized. The base materials of the Stellite 6 layers were steel S235JRG1 and carbide WC-Co. This work aimed to find out and optimize the influence of different combinations of cutting parameters. The combinations used for this analysis are as follows: speed \( v \), feed \( f \), depth of cut \( a_p \), and tool back angle \( \lambda \). The parameters were selected in the following ranges: \( v = 30–80 \text{ m min}^{-1} \), feed \( f = 0.2–0.3–0.5–0.7–0.8 \text{ mm} \), depth of cut \( a_p = 0.15–0.23–0.31 \text{ mm} \) and back angle of the tool \( \lambda = 48–60–72 \text{ °} \). The cutting parameter composition has been selected sufficiently varied to provide sufficient discrete results in
the structure and texture values of the finished surfaces by subsequent analysis. In this work, a series of measurements and analytical work described below were performed on machined surfaces.

3.2. Materials and Experimental Procedures

Stellite 6 as the Co-Cr-W alloy is predominantly utilized in industry. A layer of the Stellite 6 sprayed on the surface can be applied using various technologies, for example, plasma transfer arc (PTA), inert tungsten gas (TIG) welding, thermal spraying or laser coating.

Tables 1–3 show the chemical composition of the Stellite 6 spray, its basic mechanical properties, the nominal values of the stress, as well as the nominal values of hardness in hot conditions. The specified mean composition values of Stellite 6, which were obtained from the Scanning Electron Microscopy/Energy Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy (SEM/EDX) measurement [27], the density of the test material being 8.44 g·cm⁻³, can be found in Table 1.

Table 1. Chemical composition values of Stellite 6 determined by EDX measurement and verified as identical to nominal composition (mass %).

| Element | Co  | Cr  | W   | Mo  | Si  | Mn  | Ni  | Fe  | C  |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| % Wt    | 59.68 | 28.34 | 4.1 | 1.69 | 1.23 | 0.27 | 1.66 | 0.79 | 2.24 |

Table 2. Nominal values of the stress of the Stellite 6 spray at room temperature.

| Material | $R_m$ ¹ | $R_{p0.2}$ ¹ | $E_{mat}$ ¹ | $\varepsilon$ ¹ |
|----------|---------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| Stellite 6 | 1265 MPa | 750 MPa | 237 GPa | 4 % |

¹ $E_{mat}$—Young’s modulus of elasticity, $R_{p0.2}$—yield strength, $R_m$—material strength, $\varepsilon$—relative elongation.

The table does not present the temperature changes of nominal stress values $E_{mat}$, $R_{p0.2}$, $R_m$ of the core of the examined material as dominant within the framework of adequate changes of its surface. However, in general, under certain conditions (especially statically indeterminate structures), the effect of heating on deformation may exceed the effect of mechanical (tensile and compressive) forces for the core material. For the surface of the examined material, the change in surface hardness is observed as dominant within temperature changes (Table 3).

Table 3. The nominal value of hardness of Stellite 6 spray in hot condition.

| Temperature (°C) | 20 | 100 | 200 | 300 | 400 | 500 | 600 | 700 | 800 | 900 |
|-----------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| HV              | 410 | 390 | 356 | 345 | 334 | 301 | 235 | 155 | 138 | 95  |

The presented experiments applied the spraying technology HP/HVOF JP500 implemented at the Research and Testing Institute in Pilsen, Ltd. The parameters of spraying can be found in Table 4.

Table 4. Spray parameters.

| Parameter         | Value                  |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Oxygen            | 996 L·min⁻¹           |
| Fuel              | 277 L·h⁻¹              |
| Barrel length     | 150 mm                 |
| Spray distance    | 360 mm                 |
| Traverse speed    | 250 mm·s⁻¹             |
| Feed rate         | 46 g·min⁻¹             |
| Carrier gas       | Nitrogen, 6.5 L·min⁻¹  |
| Offset            | 6                      |
| Number of passes  | 7                      |

Before spraying with aluminium oxide, the conditions were as follows: grain size 0.8—1 mm (F22); roughness $Ra = 8 \mu m$; Flame Spray Technologies (FST) component 484.074 Stellite 6; alloy based
on powder alloy, with a nominal composition of 28% Cr; 5% W; 1.2% C; 1% Si. During spraying, particles of the size 20–53 μm atomised by gas were applied.

Within the framework of experimental verification, we used cylindrical samples with a diameter of 54.7 mm made of the base material C45, onto which a Stellite 6 was applied by High-Velocity Oxygen Fuel spraying; according to the conditions presented in Table 4, an average layer thickness was 0.55 mm. The length of the machined part of the sample was determined to be 88 mm. The machining was performed using a TUNGALOY RNGN 120400 LX11 43 tool, which was clamped in a MRG NR2525M12 tool holder (Figure 5).

![Image](image_url)

*Figure 5. Machining of Stellite 6.*

The actual experimental verification was performed on the general purpose for centre lathe MASTURN 50/C80 according to the conditions specified in Table 5.

| $E_{ipo}$ | $v_c$ [m-min$^{-1}$] | $f$ [mm] | $a_p$ [mm] | $\alpha$ [°] |
|-----------|---------------------|----------|------------|------------|
| 1         | 30                  | 0.3      | 0.15       | 48         |
| 2         | 30                  | 0.3      | 0.15       | 72         |
| 3         | 30                  | 0.3      | 0.31       | 48         |
| 4         | 30                  | 0.3      | 0.31       | 72         |
| 5         | 30                  | 0.7      | 0.15       | 48         |
| 6         | 30                  | 0.7      | 0.15       | 72         |
| 7         | 30                  | 0.7      | 0.31       | 48         |
| 8         | 30                  | 0.7      | 0.31       | 72         |
| 9         | 30                  | 0.3      | 0.15       | 48         |
| 10        | 55                  | 0.3      | 0.15       | 72         |
| 11        | 55                  | 0.3      | 0.31       | 48         |
| 12        | 55                  | 0.3      | 0.31       | 72         |
| 13        | 55                  | 0.7      | 0.15       | 48         |
Table 5. Cont.

|   | 55 | 0.7 | 0.15 | 72 |
|---|----|-----|------|----|
| 14| 55 | 0.7 | 0.31 | 48 |
| 15| 55 | 0.7 | 0.31 | 72 |
| 16| 55 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 17| 55 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 18| 55 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 19| 55 | 0.2 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 20| 80 | 0.8 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 21| 80 | 0.5 | 0.11 | 60 |
| 22| 80 | 0.5 | 0.35 | 60 |
| 23| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 42 |
| 24| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 78 |
| 25| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 26| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 27| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |
| 28| 80 | 0.5 | 0.23 | 60 |

3.3. Surface Roughness Measurement

The texture of the machined area was monitored by a HOMMEL-ETAMIC TURBO WAVE V7.45 (contact profilometer Figure 6). The following parameters of surface roughness were selected as the basic indicators of the morphology of the machined surfaces as part of the experimental verification:

- arithmetical centre of absolute deviations of the filtered roughness profile from the centre line within the basic measuring length $l_r - Ra$;
- medium depth of roughness, i.e., the average value calculated from 5 values of basic lengths $l_r$.

![Figure 6. Measurement of surface roughness.](image)

3.4. Residual Stress Measurement for Verification and Comparison of the Results

Residual stress measurement was performed in the laboratory of the Department of Machining and Manufacturing on a Proto iXRD diffractometer. The sample areas were cleaned after the milling operations. Due to the measured material, a Cr Ka lamp was used. The samples were placed on an
automated adjustable table under the measuring head, the measured areas being parallel to the axis of the diffractometer arm. An X-ray collimator with a 2 mm diameter was used to focus the X-rays during the measurement; the exposure time for the tilting of the measuring head was set to 2 s for optimal diffraction peak intensity. Residual stress was measured on the samples by triaxial analysis on an X-ray diffractometer. They served to verify the analytically derived new equations. Analytically obtained data were generalized by equations well-suited to science, research and manufacturing practice.

4. Results and Discussion.

4.1. New Analytical Work and Results

New analytical solutions have required requirements based on new experiments:

- a sufficiently discreetly expressed course of variation of the cutting parameters;
- a sufficiently discreetly expressed variance of Ra and other surface topographical parameters;
- a sufficiently discreetly expressed surface texture and texture after machining;
- a sufficiently discreetly expressed grain size of the coating;
- a sufficiently discreetly expressed adhesion of the coating material on the substrate according to the choice of particular cutting parameters;
- optimizing the choice of particular cutting parameters according to the technology and utilization requirements;
- discrete expression of the most important technological functions.

4.1.1. The Ratio of Machining Parameters \( R_{mp} \)

The function Ratio of Machining Parameters \( R_{mp} \) has been newly derived to fulfil these requirements. In the form of continuous/regression, it is a regression of the variance of the cutting parameters according to the number of experiment \( R_{mp} = f (E_{xpNO}) \), where the \( E_{xpNO} \) is the experiment number.

![Figure 7. Surface roughness after machining, measured and discrete (analytical) roughness. Section A (\( E_{xpNO} \) 1–7) insufficient roughness for the desired adhesion, Section B (\( E_{xpNO} \) 7–14) very good roughness for the desired adhesion, Section C (\( E_{xpNO} \) 14–24) sufficient roughness for the desired adhesion.](image)

In this case, an inadequately discrete curve between the working parameters \( W_i \) of the cut and the numbers of individual experiments was obtained \( W_i = f (E_{xpNO}) \). It is graphically similar to the relationship between the measured \( Ra \) values according to the number of experiments \( Ra = f (E_{xpNO}) \).
In Table 5 and the graphs, the parameters for steel EN S235JR G1 are simply labelled with A, for Stellite 6 with letter B, and Carbide WC-Co with letter C (Figure 7). In Figure 7, the following conclusions are explicitly presented based on the results obtained. The supplier of the base material EN S235JR G1 is the company Schmolz Bickenbach, Ltd. (Hustopeče u Brna, Czech Republic). Stellite 6 and Carbide alloy WC-Co were realized in close cooperation with the company Plasmametal Ltd. (Brno, Czech Republic).

Polynomial regression equations for individual materials are given by (42) to (44):
\[ R_{mpA} = 3.94879 + 0.29167 \cdot E_{xpNO} \]  
(42)
\[ R_{mpB} = 5.01964 + 0.37076 \cdot E_{xpNO} \]  
(43)
\[ R_{mpC} = 9.49936 + 0.70157 \cdot E_{xpNO} \]  
(44)

In addition to the parameters defined above, the following parameters are represented in the physically discrete equations:
\[ f_0 \text{[mm]} \] — feed at the neutral plane,
\[ v_{c0} \text{[m min}^{-1}] \] — the speed at the neutral plane;
\[ a_{p0} \text{[mm]} \] — depth of cut at the neutral plane,
\[ Ra_0 \text{[μm]} \] — surface roughness at the neutral plane,
\[ k_{mes} \] — constant according to the Ra measurement conditions, vibration etc.

The parameters for the neutral plane are determined by the relationships (45) to (48):
\[ v_{c0} = \frac{Ra_0 + 4.65991}{0.06193} \]  
(45)
\[ a_{p0} = 2 \left( -0.405 + 0.005 \cdot v_{popt} \right) \]  
(46)
\[ D_{gr0} = \frac{10^3 \cdot Ra_0}{\sqrt{E_{mat}}} \]  
(47)
\[ f_0 = \frac{D_{gr0}}{8.51} \]  
(48)

The new parameter \( Y_{retS} \) in the above relationships is the deviation of the tool track from the set plane. The \( Y_{retS} \) parameter is also used to calculate the tangential shear stress in the cut \( \sigma_t \) (49) and also to determine the deviation \( \delta \) from the set plane:
\[ \sigma_t = 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot E_{mat} \cdot \frac{Y_{ret}}{Y_{ret0}} \]  
(49)
where \( Y_{ret0} \) is the deviation of the tool track from the set cutting plane at the neutral depth \( a_{p0} \) while it has a constant value \( Y_{ret0} = 1 \text{ mm} \).

This deviation is given by (50):
\[ \delta = \arctg \left( \frac{Y_{ret}}{h} \right) \frac{180}{\pi} \]  
(50)
and at the neutral plane of the cut is given by (51):
\[ \delta_0 = \arctg \left( \frac{Y_{ret0}}{a_{p0}} \right) \frac{180}{\pi} \]  
(51)

The present equation \( R_{mp} = f(R_{mp}, E_{xpNO}) \) is sufficient to satisfy this requirement. If we know the integral quantity of roughness, we can derive other main topographical functions according to the previously derived equations of equilibrium [21–26] and we can calculate with them further. Further, the \( Y_{ret} \) value preferably serves to calculate the tangential forces and the stress for the adhesion control. The structure and texture of the surface after machining is sufficiently discretely expressed by equations \( (Ra, Y_{ret}, a_{p}) = f(R_{mp}, E_{xpNO}) \). For sufficiently discretely expressed grain size \( D_{gr} \) of the coating material was derived [21–26] the equation of equation (35) for different materials. Discrete
distribution of particle size distribution by discrete cutting parameters can be determined by $D_{gr} = f (R_{mp}, E_{mpNO})$.

4.2. Adhesion $A_{adh}$ of the Coating Material on the Substrate

The adhesion of the coating material on the substrate (Table 6), sufficiently discretely expressed by choice of cutting parameters, can be calculated according to the newly derived relation (52):

$$A_{adh} = k_{adh} \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot \frac{R_{mp}}{D_{gr}} \cdot E_{mat} \tag{52}$$

The constant $k_{adh} [-]$ serves for practical calculations for the roughness compensation $Ra$ from the machined surface to the technologically required level. There are cases in which the roughness $Ra$ needs to be reduced or increased to achieve higher adhesion forces between substrate and coating/spray. Constant $k_{adh}$ also defines precisely how to edit the cutting parameters.

The optimization of the choice of cutting parameters for the most suitable roughness of the substrate according to the actual grain size of the coating/spraying can be done by using Table 1 to select the most appropriate combination of cutting parameters according to the adhesion and technological application condition requirements for the selected Section along the (x) axis, where (x) are the discrete values $W_p = f (E_{mpNO})$. This is a discrete expression of important technological functions. These functions are in the basic concept of the requirement set on: $R_{mp}, R_{mpIR}, Ra$ substrate, $D_{gr}$ coating, normal machining true stress $\sigma_{rn}$, normal machining engineering stress $\sigma_{res}$ residual machining true stress $\sigma_{res}$ (19), residual machining engineering stress $\sigma_{res}$ (20), equivalent depth $h_{eqs} = f (\delta_g)$. In Table 6, based on relationship (52), the adhesion values are determined for each experiment performed.

| $E_{mpNO}$ | $R_{mpIR}$ | $R_{mpIR}$ | $R_{mpC}$ | $Ra_s$ | $Ra_p$ | $Ra_c$ | $A_{adh}/A/B$ | $A_{adh}/A/C$ |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| 1         | 4.24      | 5.39      | 10.20     | 0.09  | 0.2    | 0.93   | 511           | 1230          |
| 2         | 4.53      | 5.76      | 10.90     | 0.09  | 0.2    | 0.93   | 511           | 1230          |
| 3         | 4.82      | 6.13      | 11.60     | 0.09  | 0.2    | 0.93   | 426           | 1026          |
| 4         | 5.12      | 6.50      | 12.31     | 0.09  | 0.2    | 0.93   | 426           | 1026          |
| 5         | 5.41      | 6.87      | 13.01     | 0.19  | 0.4    | 1.86   | 964           | 2322          |
| 6         | 5.70      | 7.24      | 13.71     | 0.28  | 0.6    | 2.79   | 964           | 2322          |
| 7         | 5.99      | 7.62      | 14.41     | 0.33  | 0.7    | 3.26   | 804           | 1937          |
| 8         | 6.28      | 7.99      | 15.11     | 0.33  | 0.7    | 3.26   | 804           | 1937          |
| 9         | 6.57      | 8.36      | 15.81     | 0.38  | 0.8    | 3.72   | 1066          | 2567          |
| 10        | 6.87      | 8.73      | 16.52     | 0.42  | 0.9    | 4.19   | 1066          | 2567          |
| 11        | 7.16      | 9.10      | 17.22     | 0.42  | 0.9    | 4.19   | 889           | 2147          |
| 12        | 7.45      | 9.47      | 17.92     | 0.42  | 0.9    | 4.19   | 889           | 2147          |
| 13        | 7.74      | 9.84      | 18.62     | 0.42  | 0.9    | 4.19   | 2013          | 4846          |
| 14        | 8.03      | 10.21     | 19.32     | 0.47  | 1.0    | 4.66   | 2013          | 4846          |
| 15        | 8.32      | 10.58     | 20.02     | 0.47  | 1.0    | 4.66   | 1679          | 4041          |
| 16        | 8.62      | 10.95     | 20.72     | 0.52  | 1.1    | 5.12   | 1679          | 4041          |
| 17        | 8.91      | 11.32     | 21.43     | 0.56  | 1.2    | 5.59   | 459           | 1105          |
| 18        | 9.20      | 11.69     | 22.13     | 0.66  | 1.4    | 6.52   | 1561          | 3757          |
| 19        | 9.49      | 12.06     | 22.83     | 0.71  | 1.5    | 6.98   | 534           | 1285          |
| 20        | 9.78      | 12.44     | 23.53     | 0.85  | 1.8    | 8.38   | 1509          | 3634          |
| 21        | 10.07     | 12.81     | 24.23     | 0.94  | 2.0    | 9.31   | 1276          | 3072          |
| 22        | 10.37     | 13.18     | 24.93     | 1.08  | 2.3    | 10.7   | 955           | 2300          |
| 23        | 10.66     | 13.55     | 25.64     | 1.13  | 2.4    | 11.2   | 1061          | 2555          |
| 24        | 10.95     | 13.92     | 26.34     | 1.32  | 2.8    | 13.0   | 1061          | 2555          |
| 25        | 11.24     | 14.29     | 27.04     | 1.88  | 4.0    | 18.6   | 1061          | 2555          |
| 26        | 11.53     | 14.66     | 27.74     | 2.30  | 4.9    | 22.8   | 1061          | 2555          |
| 27        | 11.82     | 15.03     | 28.44     | 2.54  | 5.4    | 25.1   | 1061          | 2555          |
| 28        | 12.12     | 15.40     | 29.14     | 3.01  | 6.4    | 29.8   | 1011          | 2434          |
A more detailed analysis can then be carried out by adding the functions mentioned above to other functions, namely the discretely determined adhesive tension \( A_{dhmp} \) and cutting force \( F_c \), the \( k_{adh} \) proportionality constant and other selected functions according to the implicit relationship \( (A_{dhmp}, F_c, k_{adh}, \ldots) = f (R_{mp}, E_{xpNO}) \). The calculation applies to materials in general and can, therefore, be implemented separately for each type of substrate, coating/spraying. The graphs for the studied steel EN S235JRG1/Stellite, Stellite/Stellite and Stellite/Carbide WC-Co here are located under Table 6 and in Figures 7 and 8. In Tables 7 and 8 parameters for the experiment numbers \( E_{xpNO}=1–28 \) are selected, measured, and calculated.

| \( E_{xpNo} \) | unit | 1 | 10 | 19 | 28 |
|----------------|------|---|----|----|----|
| \( \sigma_{rezA} \) | MPa | 0.20 | 1.17 | 2.82 | 20.27 |
| \( \sigma_{rezB} \) | MPa | 0.16 | 0.67 | 1.16 | 2.17 |
| \( \sigma_{rezC} \) | MPa | 1.12 | 2.46 | 3.38 | 3.77 |
| \( \sigma_{rezA} \) | MPa | 0.19 | 0.63 | 1.12 | 2.07 |
| \( \sigma_{rezB} \) | MPa | 1.09 | 2.31 | 0.41 | 3.2 |
| \( \sigma_{rezC} \) | MPa | 10.5 | 47.1 | 78.6 | 335.2 |
| \( \sigma_{rezA} \) | MPa | 10.2 | 45.4 | 74.4 | 305.3 |
| \( \sigma_{rezB} \) | MPa | 32.5 | 146.1 | 243.5 | 1039 |
| \( \sigma_{rezC} \) | MPa | 31.4 | 139.2 | 222.0 | 826 |
| \( \sigma_{rezC} \) | MPa | 322.6 | 1452 | 2420 | 10324 |
| \( \sigma_{rezC} \) | MPa | 303 | 1044 | 3 | 2873 |

Figure 8 shows the data obtained for adhesion, for a combination of EN S235JRG1 (A) and Stellite 6 (B), Carbide WC-Co. Based on the analysis, it is again assumed that Section B is the most suitable in relation to Section A and C in terms of adhesion to the base material.
**Figure 8.** Adhesion $A_{\text{adhmp}} = f (R_a, D_{gr})$ for the combination A/B and A/C, where: Section A ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 1-12) insufficient roughness for the desired adhesion, Section B ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 6-21) very good roughness for the desired adhesion, Section C ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 21-28) sufficient roughness for the desired adhesion.

In Figures 9–11, Sections A, B, C are classified similarly as in Figure 7, and the individual sections are explicitly classified.

**Figure 9.** Comparison of working parameters $\text{LOG} f (W) = f (E_{\text{xpNO}})$ for EN S235JR1G1, where: Section A ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 1-6) insufficient roughness for the desired adhesion, Section B ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 6-13) very good roughness for the desired adhesion, Section C ($E_{\text{xpNO}}$ 13-24) sufficient roughness for the desired adhesion.
Figure 10. Comparison of working parameters \( \log f(W_p) = f(E_{\text{exp}NO}) \) for Stellite 6, where: Section A \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 1-6)\) insufficient roughness for the desired adhesion, Section B \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 6-21)\) very good roughness for the desired adhesion, Section C \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 21-24)\) sufficient roughness for the desired adhesion.

Figure 11. Comparison of working parameters \( \log f(W_p) = f(E_{\text{exp}NO}) \) for Carbide WC-Co, where: Section A \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 1-6)\) insufficient roughness for the desired adhesion, Section B \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 7-13)\) very good roughness for the desired adhesion, Section C \((E_{\text{exp}NO} 13-24)\) sufficient roughness for the desired adhesion.

5. Comparison and Verification

To verify the actual procedure, we selected the results published in [7] and [10]. The reason for this selection is similar to the concept and objectives pursued by the experiments. Consistency in the roughness parameters is essential because, in our concept, it is a fundamental value for the other parameters in the cut. It guarantees conformity also in other monitored parameters where we have exactly defined functional relations. We compare the results as very good. We proved them in numerical values according to Tables 9 and 10 and graphically, according to Figures 12 and 13.
Figure 12. Comparison of parameters $Ra$, $Ra_{MES} = f \left( E_{xpNO} \right)$, $E_{xpNO} = 1–27$ (closeness of conformity $R^2=0.97$).

Figure 13. Comparison of parameters $Ra$, $Ra_{MES} = f \left( E_{xpNO} \right)$, $E_{xpNO} = 1–17$ (closeness of conformity $R^2=0.89$).

Table 9. Comparison and Verification [10].

| $E_{xpNO}$ | $Ra$ | $Ra_{MES}$ | $E_{xpNO}$ | $Ra$ | $Ra_{MES}$ |
|-----------|------|------------|-----------|------|------------|
| E xpNO    | Ra   | Ra MES    | E xpNO    | Ra   | Ra MES    |
| (-)       | (-)  | (-)       | (-)       | (-)  | (-)       |
|           | $\mu$m | $\mu$m    |           | $\mu$m | $\mu$m    |
| 1         | 1.09  | 0.98      | 15        | 1.50  | 1.60       |
| 2         | 1.06  | 0.95      | 16        | 0.73  | 0.53       |
| 3         | 1.38  | 1.40      | 17        | 0.86  | 0.68       |
| 4         | 1.67  | 1.90      | 18        | 0.79  | 0.60       |
| 5         | 1.61  | 1.78      | 19        | 1.31  | 1.30       |
| 6         | 1.39  | 1.42      | 20        | 1.19  | 1.12       |
| 7         | 2.04  | 2.65      | 21        | 1.17  | 1.10       |
| 8         | 1.78  | 2.10      | 22        | 0.73  | 0.53       |
| 9         | 1.87  | 2.28      | 23        | 0.59  | 0.36       |
| 10        | 1.17  | 1.10      | 24        | 0.68  | 0.46       |
| 11        | 1.28  | 1.25      | 25        | 1.03  | 0.91       |
| 12        | 1.23  | 1.18      | 26        | 0.82  | 0.64       |
| 13        | 1.56  | 1.70      | 27        | 0.89  | 0.72       |
| 14        | 1.64  | 1.83      | Median    | 1.23  | 1.23       |
5.1. Comparison and Verification for Stellite

In [10], the authors selected a total of 27 experiments \((E_{\text{ANO}} = 1-27)\) and the following combinations and ranges of cutting parameters: \(v_c = 30-80 \text{ (m-min)}^{-1}\), feed \(f = 0.2-0.3-0.5-0.7-0.8 \text{ (mm)}\) and depth of cut \(a_p = 0.15-0.23-0.31 \text{ (mm)}\). The results that are essential for comparison and verification are shown (Figures 12 and 13). Desirability function analysis is applied to predict the optimal cutting conditions when turning Stellite 6 cobalt alloy. The optimal cutting parameters to achieve a minimum value of \(Ra\) are \(r = 0.605 \text{ mm}, \quad v_c = 80 \text{ m-min}^{-1}, \quad f = 0.16 \text{ mm-rev}^{-1}\), and \(a_p = 0.45 \text{ mm}\). For maximum MRR, the optimal cutting conditions are \(r = 0.674 \text{ mm}, \quad v_c = 80 \text{ m-min}^{-1}, \quad f = 0.083 \text{ mm-rev}^{-1}, \quad a_p = 0.45 \text{ mm}\). Simultaneous compromise between productivity and quality can be obtained by the following optimal cutting conditions: \(r = 0.858 \text{ mm}, \quad v_c = 80 \text{ m-min}^{-1}, \quad f = 0.160 \text{ mm-rev}^{-1}\) and \(a_p = 0.45 \text{ mm}\). The optimization was conducted according to three approaches, which are “quality optimization”, “productivity optimization” and “quality-productivity combination”.

5.2. Comparison and Verification for Carbide alloy WC-Co

For comparison we chose also a work published by [7] because of the lack of published data on this topic. They studied the effect of various combinations of these parameters on the machining performance such as surface roughness, cutting force, cutting power and material removal rate. We achieved a good agreement by verifying the surface roughness \(Ra\) and \(R_{AMES}\) of the machined surface. The results are numerically presented in Table 9 and graphically in Figure 12. Again, a good comparative agreement can be stated.

The presented graphs and tables in Subchapters 5.1 and 5.2 show satisfactory comparative conformity, namely in Table 8 and Figure 11, it is the closeness of conformity \(R^2 = 0.97\) and in Table 9 and Figure 12, the tightness of conformity \(R^2 = 0.89\). We can, therefore, say that the effect of correlation between the parameters measured and those we derived, the number of experiments on the materials in question is adequate for subsequent applications and predictions when setting technological parameters for subsequent implementation and verification in the application sphere.

5.3. The results Achieved

The results achieved within the solution of the presented paper can be summarized as follows:

a) Derivation of main functions for the solution (Section 4.1);
b) Diagrams of deformation for studied materials and results (Section 4);
c) The conception of a solution and main requirements (Section 5);
d) The conception of experiments (Section 3);
e) Main numerical and graphical results of experiments (Section 4);
f) Comparison and verification results (Section 5);
g) Discrete calculation method based on newly derived parameter \(R_{\text{se}}\) (Section 3.4);
h) Calculation of the most important stress-strain parameters in the cut according to the newly derived equation of equilibrium (Section 3.4).
It is necessary to remind readers that the roughness of the machined surface $Ra$ is one of the most important variables in the presented concept of analytically described machining processes. This is because it is functionally related to all other process functions of machining processes. The roughness parameter $Ra$ is closely related to the other parameters of the structure and texture of the machined surfaces and, in the context of integrity, to its functionality and durability, in particular, it is necessary for calculating values and distribution functions in the machining process mechanism. In particular, these are the instantaneous and space-time, that is, the continuous stress and deformation functions. These relate not only to the instantaneous state and changes in the physical-mechanical parameters of the material being machined but also to the condition and changes of the machine tool and the entire technology. The way of dealing with these items is described in detail and is available in granted patents and publications [21–26].

6. Conclusions and Future Works

The submitted work confirms the measured, predicted and verified results presented in individual sections:

- Based on the concept of experiments (Section 3), the most important stress-strain parameters in the Section were evaluated according to the newly derived equilibrium equation; the $R_{mp}$ parameter was also derived by the discrete calculation method (Section 3.4);
- On the basis of the documented results, the newly proposed solutions can be considered as verified, i.e., ready for applications in theory and practice (Section 4), especially the deformation diagrams of studied materials and results and the main numerical and graphical results of experiments.

The main functions necessary for solving the problem (Section 4.1) are presented in the following equations:

- In particular, the newly derived equilibrium equation for the determination of the most important stress-strain parameters on the cut through rigid tools (2);
- A new procedure for calculating the cutting force $f_c$ (23);
- The newly derived parameter $R_{mp}$ (38) to (41);
- From a technological point of view, the method of expressing discrete relations between the cut parameters, the specific cut parameters as well as the resulting adhesion parameters is very important; the new parameter $R_{mp}$ provides the ability to accurately calculate the combination of cutting parameters $v_c, f$ and $a_p$ so that desired results such as surface roughness, cutting force and material removal rate can be achieved with confidence both in theory and practice;
- Newly derived, also technologically very important and generally valid stress-strain functions, based on knowledge of $R_{mp}$ (38) to (52);

The presented results are gradually verified and implemented into the production process in cooperation with Plasmametal, Ltd. in Brno; in the future, many other research and experimental works on other materials and coatings are connected with the fact that the research results will be similarly analysed, verified and compared on both theoretical and application basis. Applied research should focus primarily on the design stages of machining preparation to meet the qualitative and related economic requirements, in particular, the specifics of hard metal spraying technology on the cutting tool substrate.

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