

FUNDAMENTAL MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

Workholding - WH

SCENE 1.

WH34A, CGS: Milling & Machining Center
Workholding
white text, centered on background
FMP BKG, motion background

SCENE 2.

WH35A, SME2638, 01:11:42:00-01:11:51:00
multiple clamping on machining center
WH35B, SME4303, 03:21:27:00-03:21:48:00
zoom out, milling large support
WH35C, SME4395, 05:10:25:00-05:10:52:00
zoom out, parts placed in fixtures,
pneumatic clamping actuated, doors closed
for machining
WH35D, SME4374, 04:38:33:00-04:38:47:00
dedicated fixture
WH35E, SME4305, 05:05:00:00-05:05:30:00
zoom out, milling with clamping of large
stamping die base on machining center
table

NARRATION (VO) :

WORKHOLDING FOR MILLING SHOULD BE
MATCHED TO THE PRODUCTION LEVEL. FOR
SMALL-LOT PRODUCTION ON MILLING
MACHINES, THE SIMPLEST MANUAL CLAMPS OR
VISES ARE USED...,
FOR MEDIUM-LOT PRODUCTION ON MACHINING
CENTERS, QUICK-ACTING SINGLE AND
MULTIPLE CLAMPING DEVICES ARE USED. IF
VOLUME WARRANTS IT, HYDRAULICALLY- OR
PNEUMATICALLY-ACTUATED CLAMPS CAN BE
USED FOR THE FASTEST CLAMPING...,
OR FOR MASS-PRODUCTION OF A UNIQUE PART,
DEDICATED FIXTURING CAN BE BUILT.

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SCENE 3.

WH36A, SME4367, 19:44:38:00-19:45:00:00
zoom out, clamps holding mold half during
milling
WH36B, SME4367, 19:50:07:00-19:50:22:00
clamps holding work during milling

NARRATION (VO) :

MANUALLY OPERATED CLAMPS ARE THE
SIMPLEST WORKHOLDING DEVICE FOR MILLING.
CLAMPING MUST BE STRONG SINCE THE
CUTTING FORCES CHANGE DIRECTIONS AS THE
MILLING CUTTER ENTERS AND EXITS THE

PART.

SCENE 4.

WH37A, SME2638, 01:15:17:00-01:15:32:00
loading/securing workpieces with clamps

NARRATION (VO) :

CLAMPS MUST ALSO ACT QUICKLY FOR FAST
LOADING AND UNLOADING, AND NOT DAMAGE
THE WORKPIECE.

SCENE 5.

continue previous shot
WH38A, SME4363, 15:30:48:00-15:30:54:00
zoom out, strap clamp set up
WH38B, SME2645, 04:26:56:00-04:27:03:00
cam clamp

NARRATION (VO) :

THERE ARE MANY BASIC CLAMP TYPES, SOME
ARE:

THE STRAP CLAMP...,

AND THE CAM CLAMP.

SCENE 6.

WH39A, SME2645, 04:18:03:00-04:18:15:00
toggle clamp used in machining
WH39B, SME2639, 02:13:23:00-02:13:33:00
hold-down toggle clamp, clamping

NARRATION (VO) :

TOGGLE-ACTION CLAMPS HAVE AN EXCELLENT
RATIO OF HOLDING FORCE TO APPLICATION
FORCE. THEY WORK QUICKLY, AND HAVE A
POSITIVE LOCKING ACTION. THE MOST
POPULAR TOGGLE CLAMP IS THE HOLD-DOWN
DESIGN, WHICH HOLDS THE PART WITH A
DOWNWARD CLAMPING ACTION.

SCENE 7.

continue previous shot
WH40A, still, push/pull clamp
WH40B, still, latch clamp

NARRATION (VO) :

OTHER TYPES OF TOGGLE CLAMPS INCLUDE THE
PUSH/PULL CLAMP...,

AND THE LATCH CLAMP.

SCENE 8.

WH41A, SME4024, 09:05:20:00-09:05:51:00
multiple vises being secured
WH41B, SME2645, 04:13:12:00-04:13:20:00
odd shaped part secured in vise
WH41C, SME2645, 04:09:53:00-04:10:02:00
alternate shot, odd shaped part secured in
vise
WH41D, SME4394, 04:49:07:00-04:49:33:00
multiple three jaw vises with parts

NARRATION (VO) :

VICES CLAMP MANUALLY OR AUTOMATICALLY,
AND CAN BE CONSTRUCTED TO HOLD A GREAT
MANY SHAPES IN MANY WAYS. ONE VARIATION
HAS A FIXED CENTER JAW AND TWO MOVING

removed

OUTER JAWS--TO HOLD TWO OR MORE PARTS IN
LESS SPACE THAN TWO SEPARATE VISES.

SCENE 9.

WH42A, SME4363, 15:41:55:00-15:42:11:00
swivel base vise being rotated

NARRATION (VO) :

SWIVEL OR TILTING BASES ALLOW THE VISE
AND WORK TO BE SET AT AN ACCURATE
ANGULAR POSITION RELATIVE TO THE MACHINE
AXES.

SCENE 10.

WH43A, SME4383, 14:32:11:00-14:32:32:00
zoom in, multiple vises holding long parts
WH43B, SME2645, 04:23:10:00-04:23:18:00
alternate shot, two vises holding long
part

NARRATION (VO) :

MULTIPLE VISES CAN BE USED TO EXTEND THE
RANGE OF WHAT MAY BE HELD--SUCH AS LONG
PARTS.

SCENE 11.

WH44A, SME4356, 09:43:11:00-09:43:24:00
setting up workholding on column
WH44B, SME4356, 09:44:38:00-09:44:56:00
alternate shot, zoom out, plate clamped to
column
WH44C, SME2638, 01:10:50:00-01:10:58:00
workholding indexing in machining center

NARRATION (VO) :

TO MINIMIZE SETUP TIME ON MACHINING
CENTERS, WORKHOLDING MAY BE ARRANGED
AROUND A CUBE OR COLUMN,
OR ON AN INDEXER OR ROTARY TABLE.

SCENE 12.

WH45A, SME4394, 04:05:50:00-04:06:10:00
zoom in, parts secured on tombstone,
rotated, parts removed
WH45B, SME4394, 04:02:41:00-04:03:16:00
alternate shot, setting up parts on
tombstone

NARRATION (VO) :

PARTS MAY ALSO BE HELD ON TWO, THREE, OR
FOUR SIDES OF A TOMBSTONE OR INDEXER,
WITH IDENTICAL OR DIFFERENT WORKPIECES
CLAMPED ON DIFFERENT SIDES.

SCENE 13.

WH46A, SME4394, 04:21:02:00-04:21:19:00
multiple parts clamped on tombstone being
machined

NARRATION (VO) :

MULTIPLE CLAMPS HOLD SMALL WORKPIECES IN
POSITION AS THEY MACHINED ONE AFTER THE
OTHER.

SCENE 14.

WH47A, SME2646, 01:01:39:00-01:01:51:00
tombstone with chucks

NARRATION (VO) :

OR MULTIPLE CHUCKS CAN BE USED ON
PALLETS AND TOMBSTONES TO HOLD ROUND
PARTS.

SCENE 15.

WH48A, SME4030, 17:04:46:00-17:05:01:00
zoom out, part indexing to new side using
rotary table
WH48B, SME4026, 11:35:41:00-11:35:48:00
rotary table moving
WH48C, SME4351, 03:15:43:00-03:16:04:00
alternate shot, rotary table indexing part

NARRATION (VO) :

A ROTARY TABLE ALLOWS FOUR SIDES OF A
WORKPIECE TO BE MACHINED IN ONE SETUP,
AND ALLOWS THE MACHINING OF HOLES AND
SURFACES AT ODD ANGLES. ROTARY TABLES
ARE OF TWO TYPES:

SCENE 16.

WH49A, SME4386, 18:48:41:00-18:48:59:00
part machined, rotary table indexing to
new position
WH49B, SME4018, 02:20:25:00-02:20:45:00
zoom out, cutter/work moving

NARRATION (VO) :

THERE ARE INDEXING TABLES WHICH QUICKLY
INDEX TO A FIXED POSITION OF ANGULAR
ROTATION AND LOCK IN THAT POSITION FOR
MACHINING... ,
AND THERE ARE "FULL" ROTARY TABLES WHICH
TRAVERSE DURING CUTTING TO GENERATE
SHAPES.

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SCENE 17.

WH50A, SME4315, 09:47:14:00-09:47:34:00
pan, modular fixturing post element

NARRATION (VO) :

OFTEN FIXTURES MAY BE REQUIRED FOR ODD-
SHAPED OR SPECIALIZED PARTS.
FORTUNATELY, MODULAR FIXTURING SYSTEMS
CAN BE BUILT QUICKLY FROM A KIT OF
VARIOUS COMPONENTS. THIS CUTS ASSEMBLY
TIME WHILE MAXIMIZING FLEXIBILITY.

SCENE 18.

WH51A, SME4315, 09:03:14:00-09:04:07:00
cad screen build of modular fixturing
elements, multiple cuts

NARRATION (VO) :

STANDARD INTERCHANGEABLE FIXTURING

WH51B, CGS: Base Plates
Supports
Locators
Clamps

COMPONENTS INCLUDE:

BASE PLATES,
SUPPORTS,
LOCATORS,
AND CLAMPS.

SCENE 19.

WH52A, SME4315, 09:13:53:00-09:14:05:00

zoom out, locating holes on modular
fixture

WH52B, still, zoom out, t-slot modular
fixture with baseplate, clamps, angle
plate, parts

WH52C, DV movie, zoom out, t-slot modular
fixture with baseplate, clamps, angle
plate, parts

NARRATION (VO) :

MODULAR SYSTEMS START FROM A PATTERN OF
LOCATING DOWEL HOLES AND TAPPED HOLES,
OR FROM CONVENTIONAL T-SLOTS.

SCENE 20.

continue previous shot

NARRATION (VO) :

A T-SLOT-BASED SYSTEM STARTS WITH T-
SLOTTED BASEPLATES.

SCENE 21.

continue previous shot

NARRATION (VO) :

FIXTURE ELEMENTS LIKE CLAMPS ARE
ATTACHED TO THE BASE PLATE, ANGLE PLATE,
AND SO ON, TO CREATE THE FIXTURE.

SCENE 22.

continue previous shot

WH55A, still, zoom in, t-slot modular
fixture

WH55B, DV movie, zoom in, t-slot modular
fixture

NARRATION (VO) :

LIKE T-SLOTTED MACHINE TABLES, THE T-
SLOT SYSTEM HAS ONE MAJOR DISADVANTAGE -
- IT LACKS EXACT FIXED REFERENCES IN THE
'X' AND 'Y' AXES. TIME IS WASTED WHEN
LOCATING AND RECONSTRUCTING PREVIOUS
SETUPS.

SCENE 23.

WH56A, SME4315, 09:47:48:00-09:48:03:00

zoom out, modular fixture with clamp

NARRATION (VO) :

PRECISION DOWEL-PIN-BASED MODULAR

FIXTURING SYSTEMS DO ASSURE THE EXACT
POSITION OF EACH FIXTURE ELEMENT.

SCENE 24.

WH57A, SME4315, 09:14:59:00-09:15:09:00
pan fixture with part

NARRATION (VO) :

ITS DISADVANTAGE IS THAT THE DOWEL PIN
LAYOUT MAY RESTRICT THE LOCATION OF
CLAMPING DEVICES.

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SCENE 25.

WH58A, SME4356, 09:31:31:00-09:31:52:00
swapping tombstones
WH58B, SME4356, 09:34:48:00-09:35:16:00
part being milled
WH58C, SME4306, 06:31:39:00-06:31:51:00
part set up on tombstone
WH58D, SME4356, 09:45:38:00-09:45:49:00
alternate shot, zoom in, new part on
tombstone

NARRATION (VO) :

MANY HORIZONTAL MACHINING CENTERS ACCEPT
WORKPIECES CLAMPED TO PALLETS AND CHANGE
PALLETS AUTOMATICALLY IN SECONDS.
FIXTURING IS BUILT ON THE PALLETS RATHER
THAN ON THE MACHINE TABLE. WORKPIECES
ARE UNLOADED AND LOADED ON THE PALLET
OUTSIDE THE MACHINING ZONE.

SCENE 26.

WH59A, SME4304, 04:44:03:00-04:44:17:00
pallet of finished parts taken from mill
WH59B, SME4304, 04:41:15:00-04:41:50:00
wide, finished pallet pulled from mill,
pallets rotated to new workpieces

NARRATION (VO) :

FOR VERTICAL MACHINING CENTERS WITH
PALLET AUTOMATION, SMALL WORKPIECES MAY
BE SECURED ON PRE-FIXTURED MINI-PALLETS
FOR PARTS THAT ARE RUN REPEATEDLY.
KEEPING THE WORKHOLDING IN STORAGE
MINIMIZES SETUP TIME.

SCENE 27.

WH60A, SME4304, 04:44:39:00-04:44:54:00
pallet of raw work stock placed in mill

NARRATION (VO) :

THESE MINI-PALLETS TYPICALLY MATE WITH A
FIXED PALLET RECEIVER OF KNOWN LOCATION
ON THE MACHINE TABLE. THIS ENSURES
PROPER PART LOCATION WITHIN THE MACHINE

TOOL'S WORKSPACE.

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SCENE 28.

WH61A, SME4395, 05:05:04:00-05:05:53:00
wide, finished parts pulled from pneumatic
fixtures, new parts placed and
pneumatically actuated, doors closed for
machining

NARRATION (VO) :

SOME WORKHOLDING ALTERNATIVES ALLOW
CLAMPING FOR HIGHER-VOLUME PRODUCTION.
FOR EXAMPLE, HYDRAULIC OR PNEUMATIC
CLAMPING IS COMMON IN APPLICATIONS WHERE
THE SPEED GAINED IS WORTH THE
WORKHOLDING INVESTMENT. HYDRAULICALLY-
OR PNEUMATICALLY-ACTUATED CLAMPS CAN
PERFORM THOUSANDS OF CLAMPING CYCLES,
AND MANY CAN BE COMBINED AROUND A SINGLE
WORKPIECE. WHEN THE OPERATOR PUSHES A
BUTTON, MULTIPLE CLAMPS MOVE
SIMULTANEOUSLY TO GRASP AND HOLD PARTS
ON A FIXTURE.

SCENE 29.

WH62A, SME4379, 10:49:16:00-10:49:50:00
zoom out, machining of flat plastic parts
using vacuum workholding

NARRATION (VO) :

ANOTHER PUSH-BUTTON CLAMPING METHOD IS A
VACUUM WORKHOLDING SYSTEM. THESE SYSTEMS
SECURE TYPICALLY FLAT WORKPIECES QUICKLY
BY THE APPLICATION OF NEGATIVE PRESSURE,
FIXING THEM IN PLACE FOR MACHINING.

SCENE 30.

WH63A, SME4374, 04:50:56:00-04:52:12:00
wide, dedicated fixturing of parts, edit
at multiple points

NARRATION (VO) :

AT THE EXTREME END OF WORKHOLDING ARE
APPLICATION-DEDICATED FIXTURES.
DEDICATED FIXTURES ARE PRIMARILY USED
FOR THE MASS PRODUCTION OF SPECIFIC

PARTS, ALLOWING HIGHLY ACCURATE PART LOCATION, FOOLPROOF PART LOADING, AND SIMPLE AUTOMATION. DEDICATED FIXTURES OFFER LITTLE FLEXIBILITY, BUT THEY DO OFFER SPEED, RELIABILITY, AND ACCURACY OVER A PRODUCT'S LIFETIME.

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