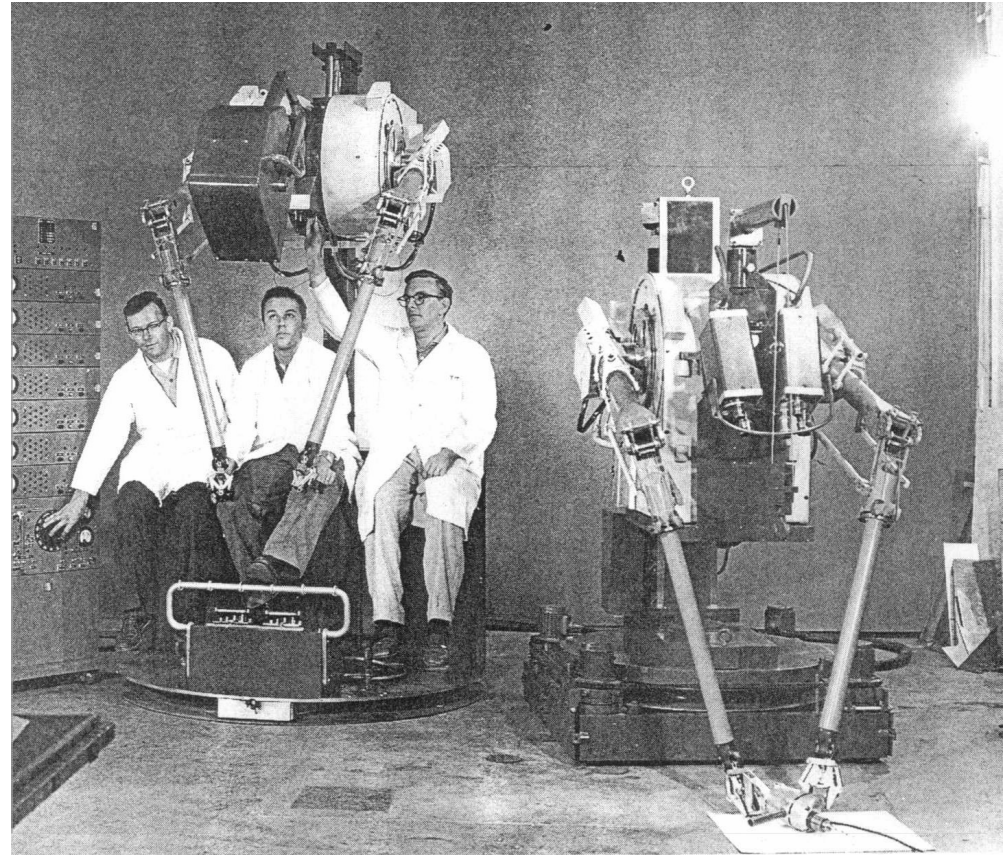


# Lectures on mechanics

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## **LESSONS TIME TABLE (pls. take note)**

28/11 h9/12- mech components 1 (3h)

**4/12 h9/12 mech components 2 (3h)**

**11/12 h9/12 mech technologies (3h)**

**16/12 h 9/12 (in TLR) - mech technologies  
tlr workshop**

**19/12 h9/12- robotic (3h) CHANGED!!**

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# **HYDRAULIC AND PNEUMATIC ACTUATION**

**(fast discussion)**

## **CYLINDERS**

**generally directly connected to the load**

## **MOTORS**

**may be direct or connected to the load with a gearbox**

# **HYDRAULIC AND PNEUMATIC CONTROL**

**The following values can be controlled independently:**

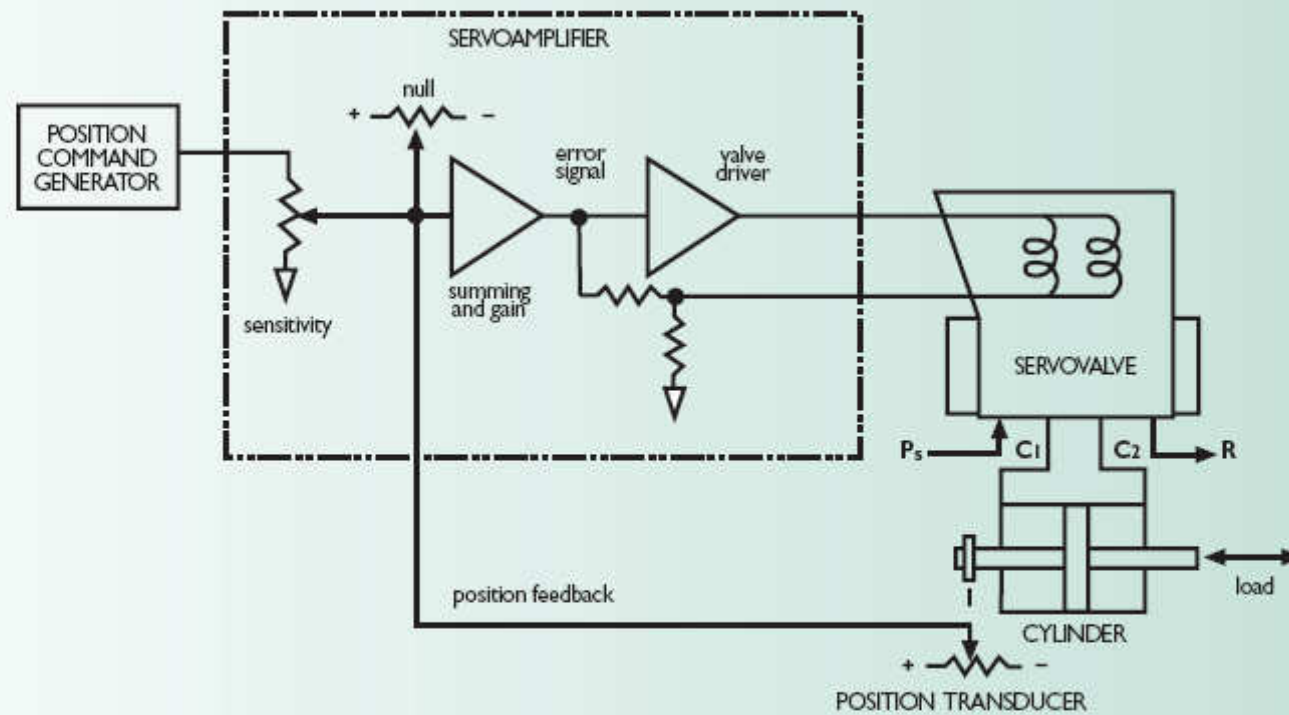
- \* POSITION;**
- \* SPEED;**
- \* FORCE**

**As a first approximation the following relations can be defined:**

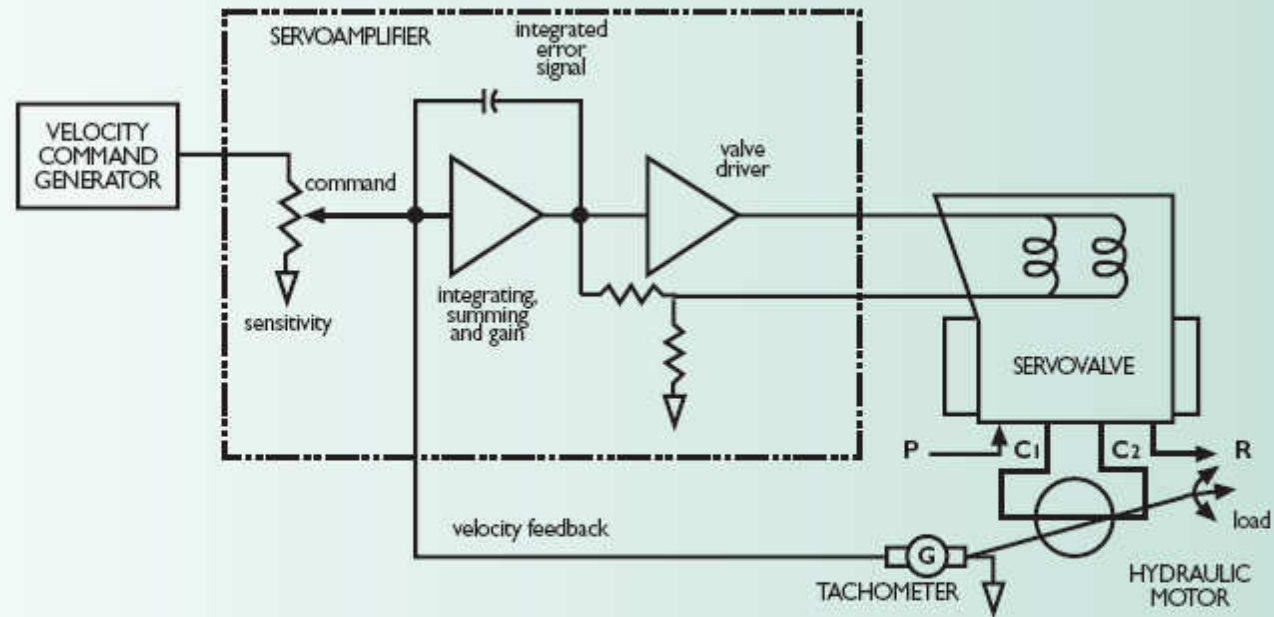
- \* SPEED -> FLOW;**
- \* POSITION -> FLOW OVER TIME;**
- \* FORCE -> PRESSURE**

**EACH VALUE CAN BE CONTROLLED WITH..**

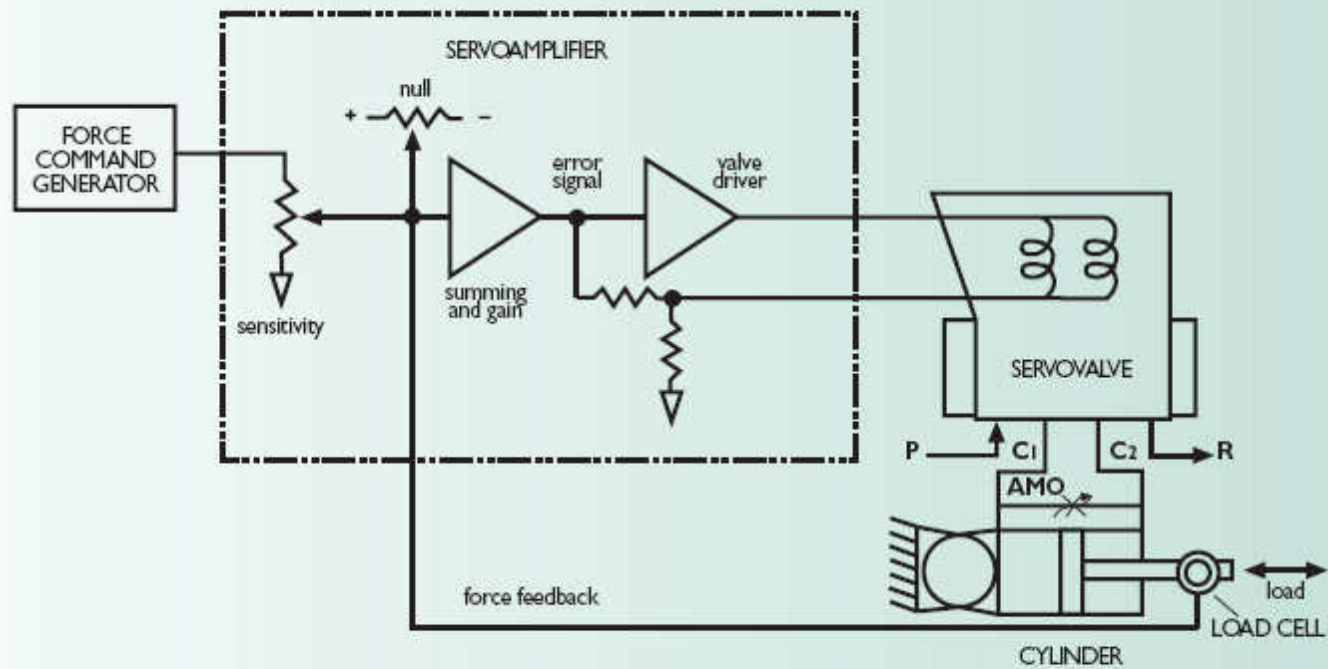
**Generally control valve are on/off but  
“proportional” control is possible with different  
feedback options..**



TYPICAL POSITION SERVO



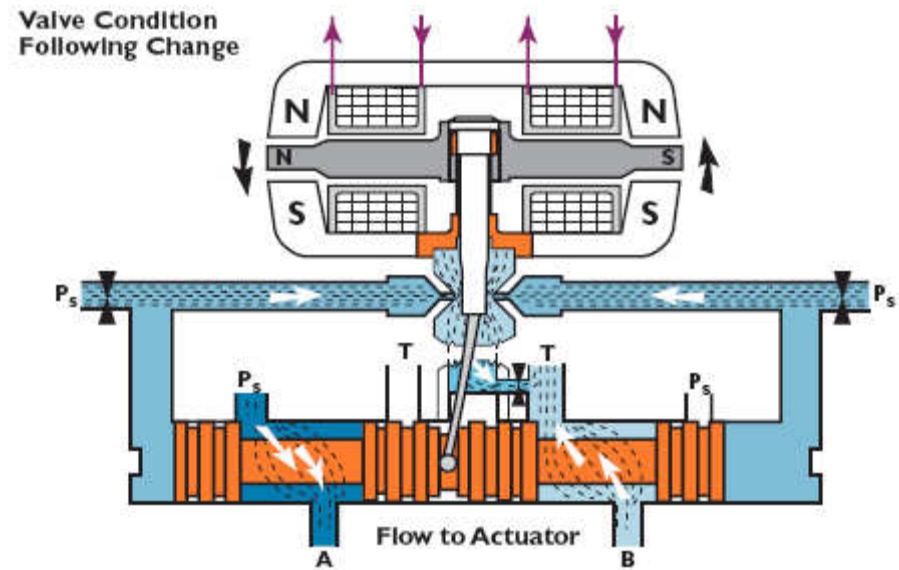
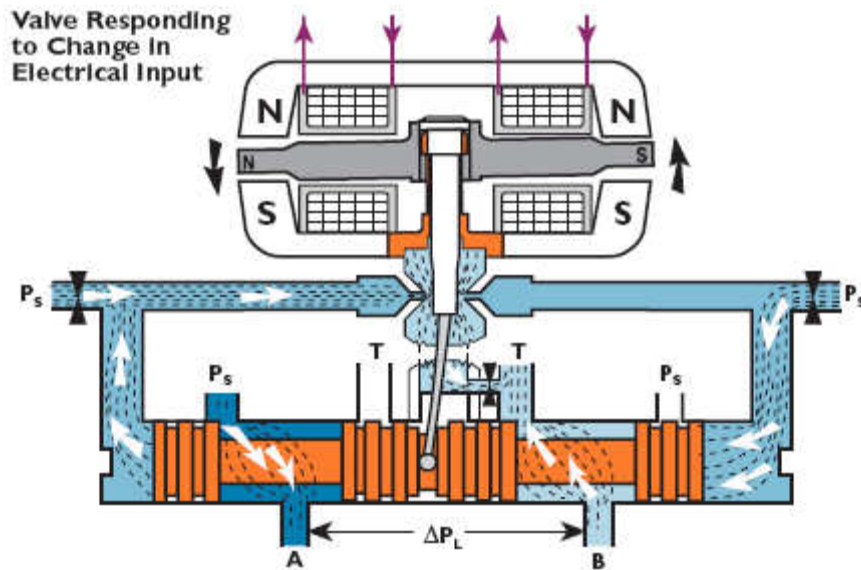
TYPICAL VELOCITY SERVO



TYPICAL FORCE SERVO

# HYDRAULIC PROPORTIONAL VALVES

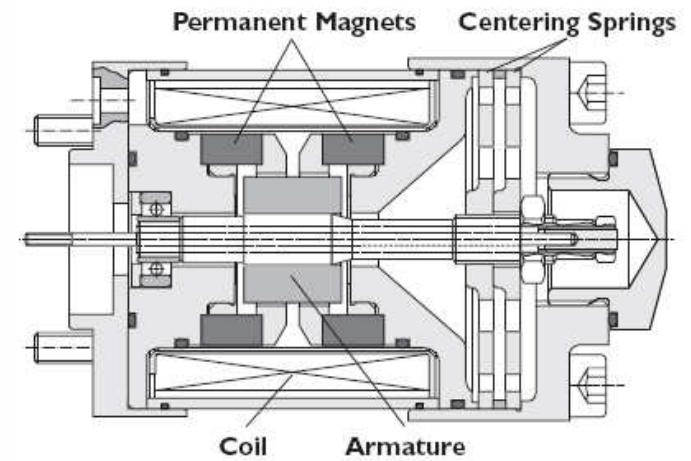
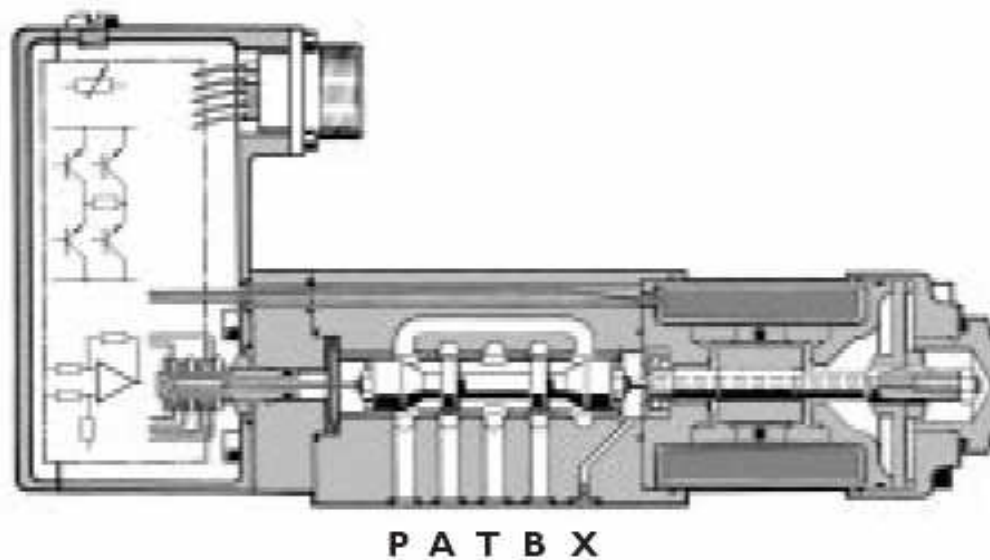
## mechanical feedback between solenoid and valve spool



**$P_s$ :** supply line (form hydraulic power unit);  
**T:** return line (to hpu)  
**A,B:** valve output to cylinder

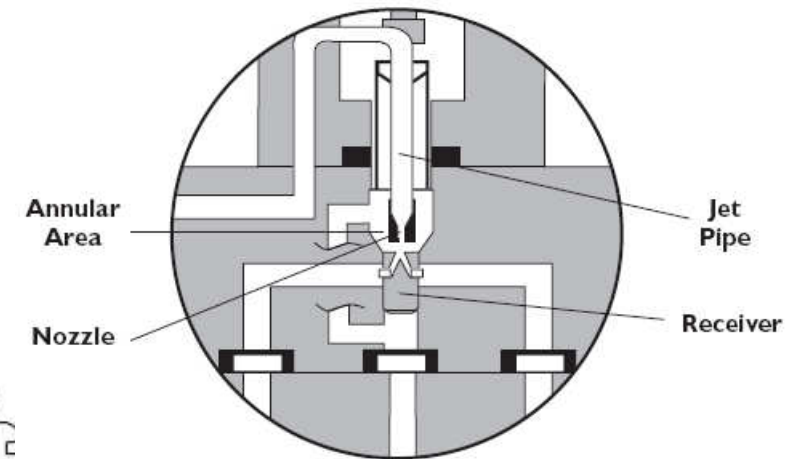
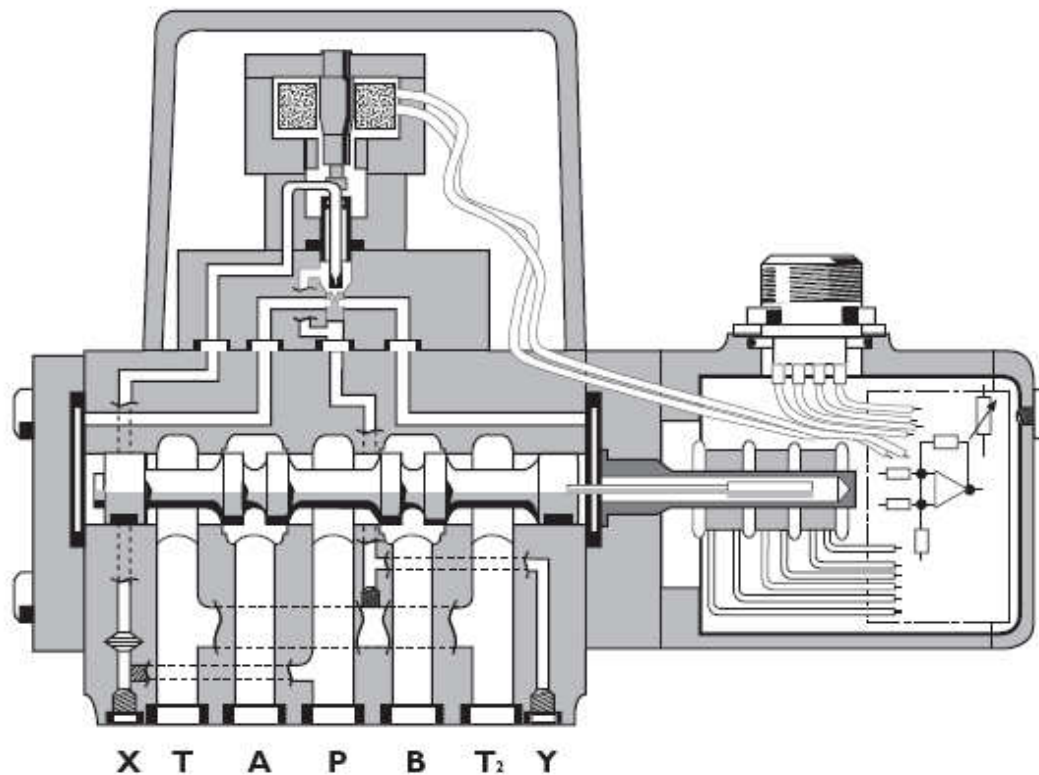
# HYDRAULIC SERVO VALVE

linear solenoid and linear sensor in line with the spool



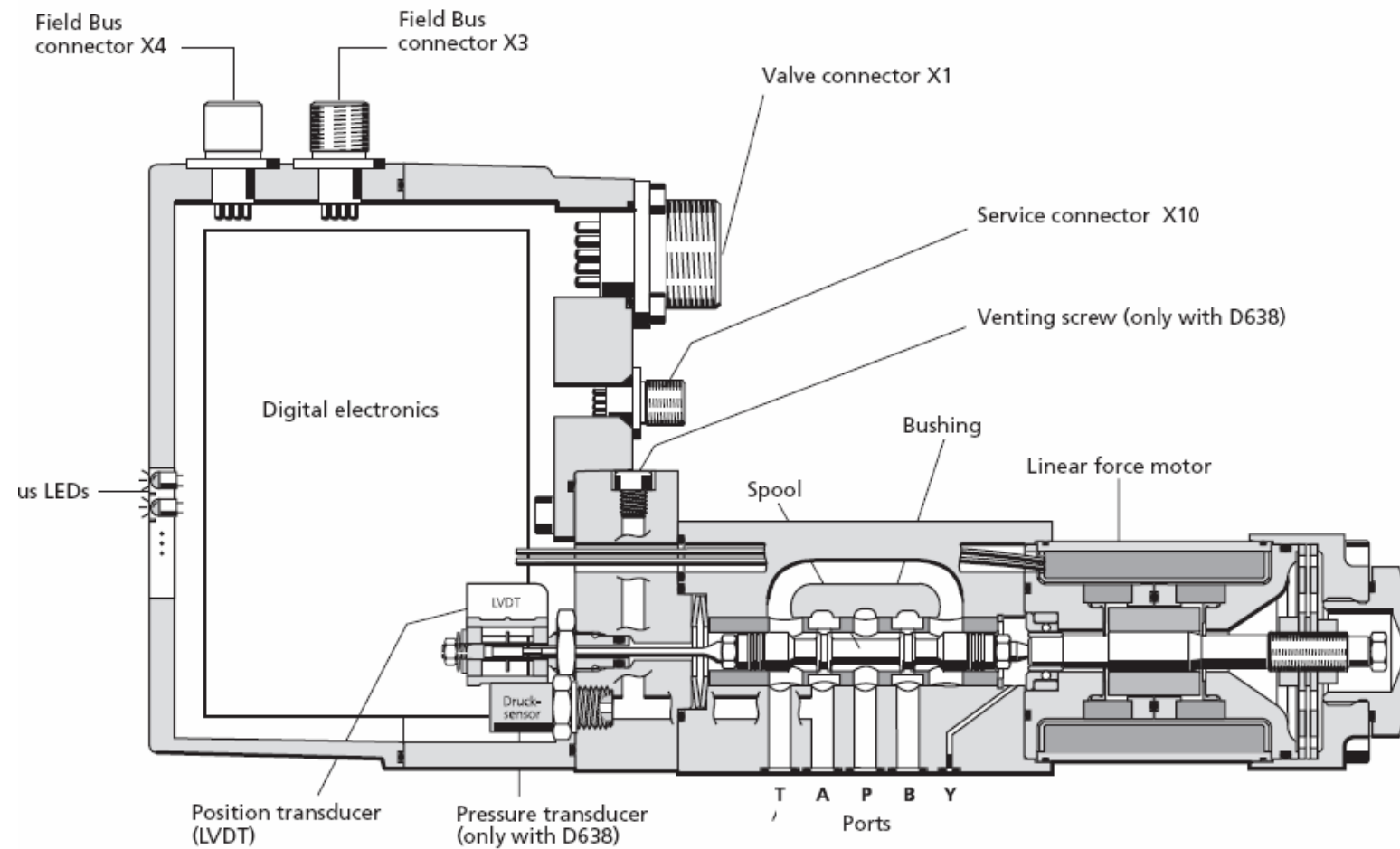
# "SERVOJET" VALVES

electrical feedback between solenoid and valve spool



# pressure control servo valve

## added pressure transducer on A output



# **POWER TRANSMISSION**

**Motion conversion**

# MOTION CONVERSION

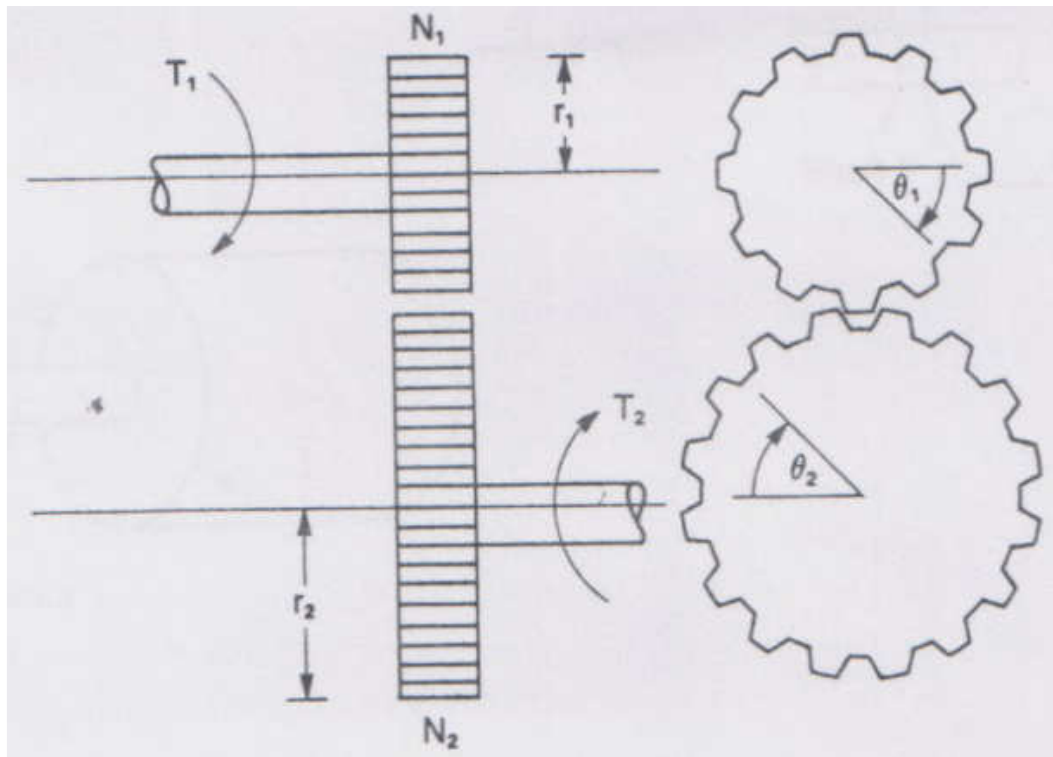
Components used to implement a practical joint usually consist of an actuator (motor) coupled to the physical joint by a **mechanical transmission**

This transmission is used to :

- change of rotational direction
- change of axis
- torque multiplication (or reduction)
- speed reduction (or multiplication)

## IDEAL GEARS

By the ideal gear train we mean a transmission composed of gears that are perfectly round, rotate on their true centers and are also inertialess; the surface between the gears is also frictionless thereby creating no losses



Since the spacing between the teeth on each gear must be the same so that they mesh properly, the number of teeth on each gear is proportional to the radius of the gear.

Thus:

$$N_1/r_1 = N_2/r_2$$

The work done by the torque acting through an angular displacement on one shaft is equal to the torque acting through the corresponding angular displacement of the other shaft; then:

$$T_1\theta_1 = T_2\theta_2$$

The arc length of the distance traveled by one gear must equal that of the other that is, the distance traveled along the surface of each gear is the same

$$r_1\theta_1 = r_2\theta_2$$

Since the two gear radii do not vary with time, if the previous equations are differentiated with respect to time their relationship still holds but respect to  $\theta$  (angular velocity  $\omega$ ) or  $\theta''$  (angular acceleration  $\alpha$ )

Using this concept we have:

$$N_1/N_2 = r_1/r_2 = T_1/T_2 = \theta_2/\theta_1 = \omega_2/\omega_1 = \alpha_2/\alpha_1$$

If the torque on shaft 1 is known, we can compute the torque on shaft 2 by:

$$T_2 = T_1 N_2 / N_1$$

***This particular relationship shows the speed reduction and torque multiplication property of a gear train***

A commonly used definition is that of **coupling ratio**: a coupling ratio of 2:1 means that two turn of the input shaft produce a single rotation of the output.

The **gear train** – like all kind of reduction gear boxes or equivalent systems (e.g. belt & pulleys) – is effective in reducing the reflected inertial and viscous loads that must be accelerated by a motor or any other actuator. So:

the actuator does not have to produce the high torque needed at the output

the actuator's torque capability can be significantly smaller than that for direct appl.

In “real world” every transmission has an overall efficiency.

The transmission efficiency is the ratio between the input and the output power.

$$\eta_t = W_{\text{out}}/W_{\text{in}} = T_{\text{out}} / T_{\text{in}}$$

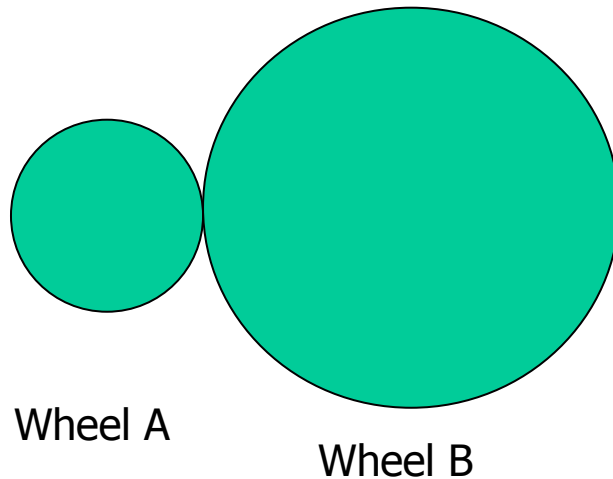
Practical considerations can place limits on gear type transmissions:

- Amount of torque vs teeth mechanical resistance
- Physical size of gears (es. TR 1:100 -> output radius 100 times greater than the input) or multiple-pass gearing that increases the depth between input and output
- Opposite requirement i.e. need distance between input (actuator) and output

# **MOTION CONVERSION ROTARY TO ROTARY**

- **Friction wheels**
- **Gear trains: spur, helical, bevel , worm**
- **Gearboxes: harmonic drive, epicyclic gears, cyclo**
- **Belt & pulleys**
- **Chain & sprockets**

## Friction wheels



Wheel A radius =  $r_A$

Wheel B radius =  $r_B$

Speed at contact point is the same for both the wheels

$$v_A = \omega_A * r_A = \omega_B * r_B = v_B$$

$$\omega_A / \omega_B = r_B / r_A$$

$$\text{Transmission ratio} = r_B / r_A$$

Wheels must be radially loaded against each other. Slipping may occur if radial load is too low

**ATTENTION:**

**$F_{tmax} < F_n * (\text{friction coefficient})$**

**Hence:**

$$T_{amax} = F_{tmax} * R_a$$

$$T_{bmax} = F_{tmax} * R_b$$

## **GEAR TRAIN**

**A gear is the coupling of two toothed wheels designed to transmit torque.**

**A couple of gears is called GEAR PAIR  
generally several gear pairs are connected in  
series to increase the total reduction ratio  
this is called GEAR TRAIN  
each set of gears of the series is called STAGE**

## Spur gears

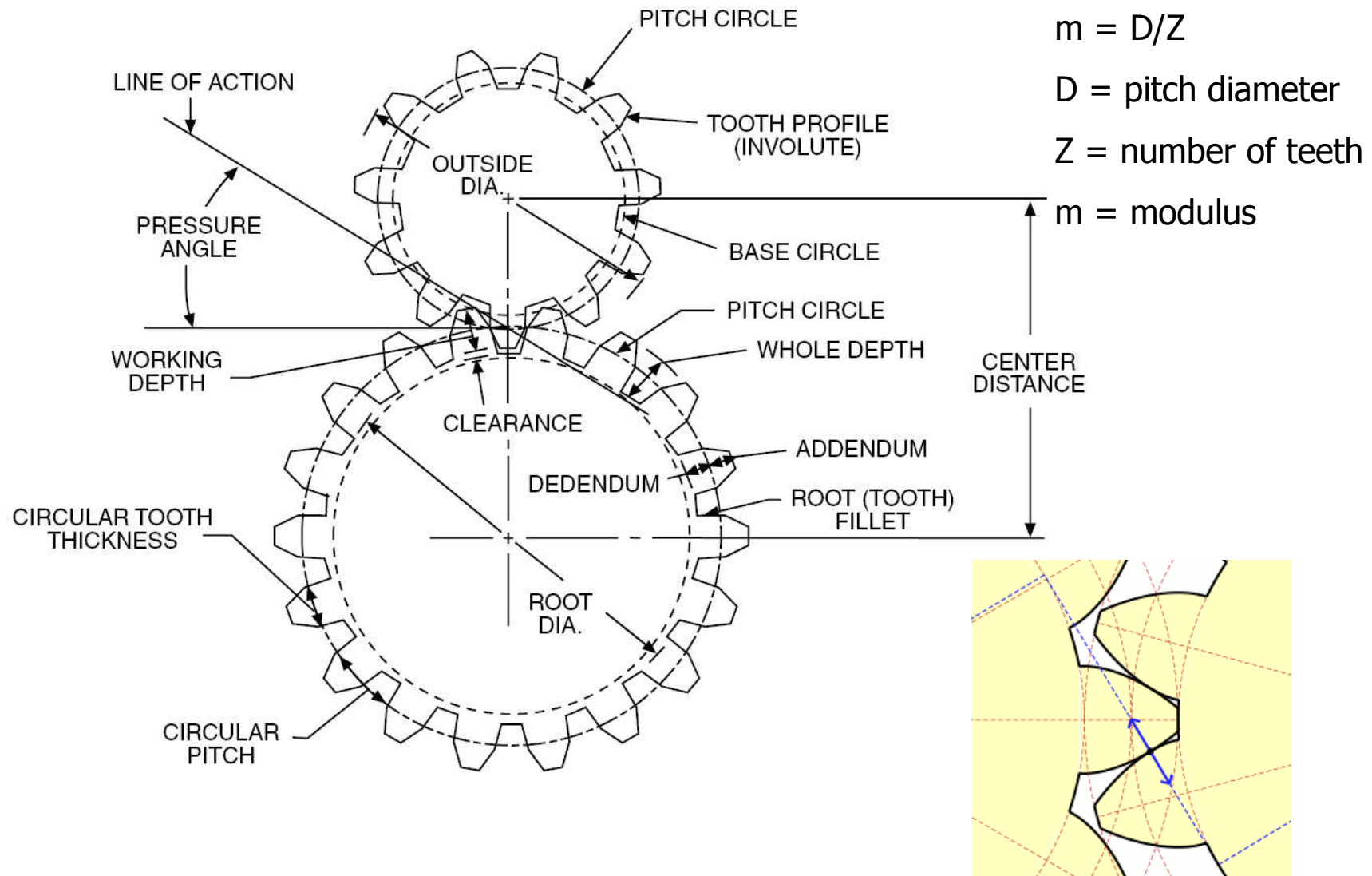
The most common type of gear wheel, spur gears, are flat and have teeth projecting radially and in the plane of the wheel.

The teeth of these "straight-cut gears" are cut so that the leading edges are parallel to the line of the axis of rotation. These gears can only mesh correctly if they are fitted to parallel axles.



## Direction of contact forces

## Spur gears



# Helical gears

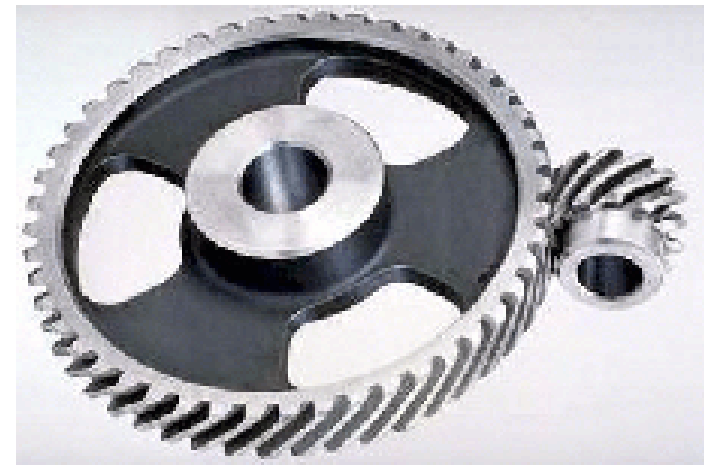
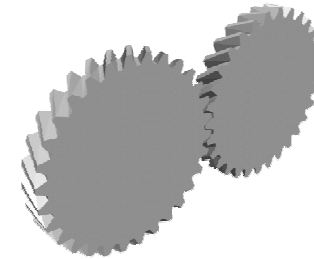
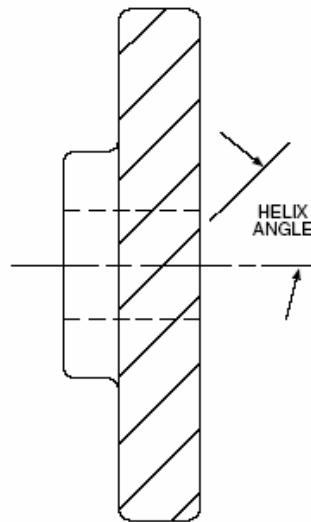
Helical gears offer a refinement over spur gears. The teeth are cut at an angle, allowing for more gradual, hence smoother meshing between gear wheels.

## PRO:

- Smoother meshing
- Less noisy
- Higher torques transmitted

## CONS:

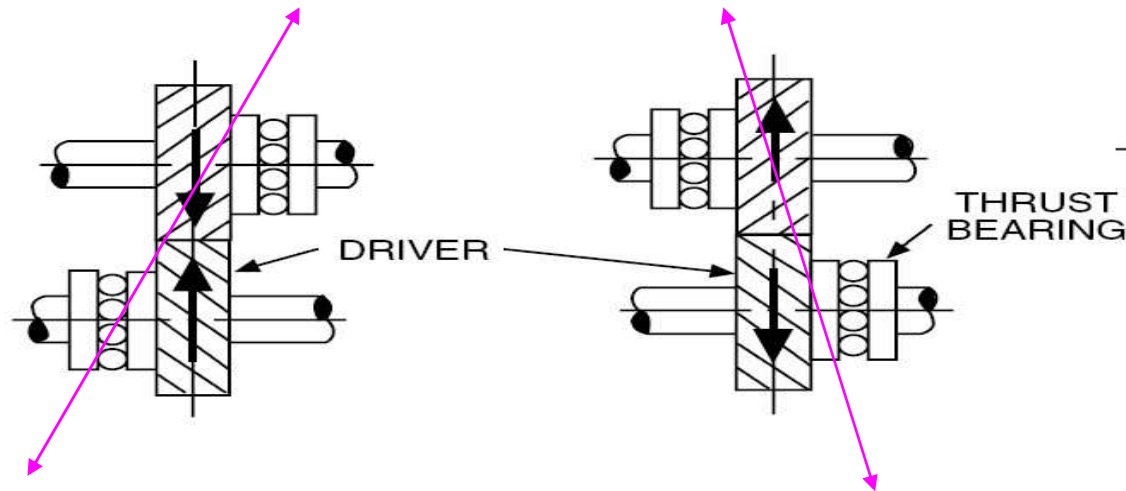
- More difficult to machine
- Axial load



Small gear rotated in the picture!  
(axis are parallel)

# Helical gears

Effect of helix angle on gear design



direction of contact forces

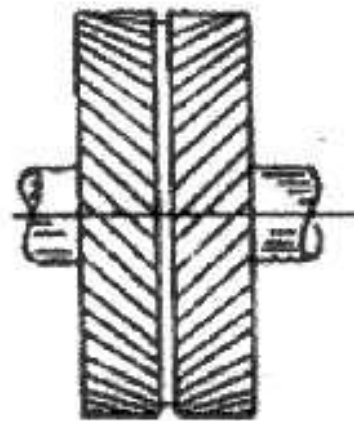
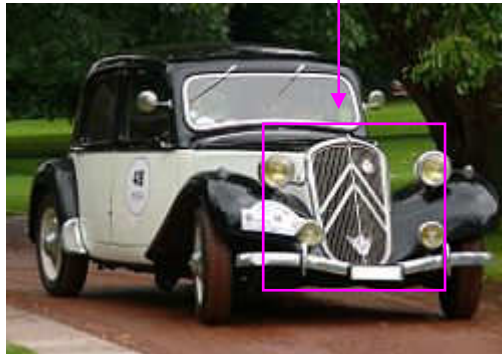
direction of contact forces

## Double helical gears

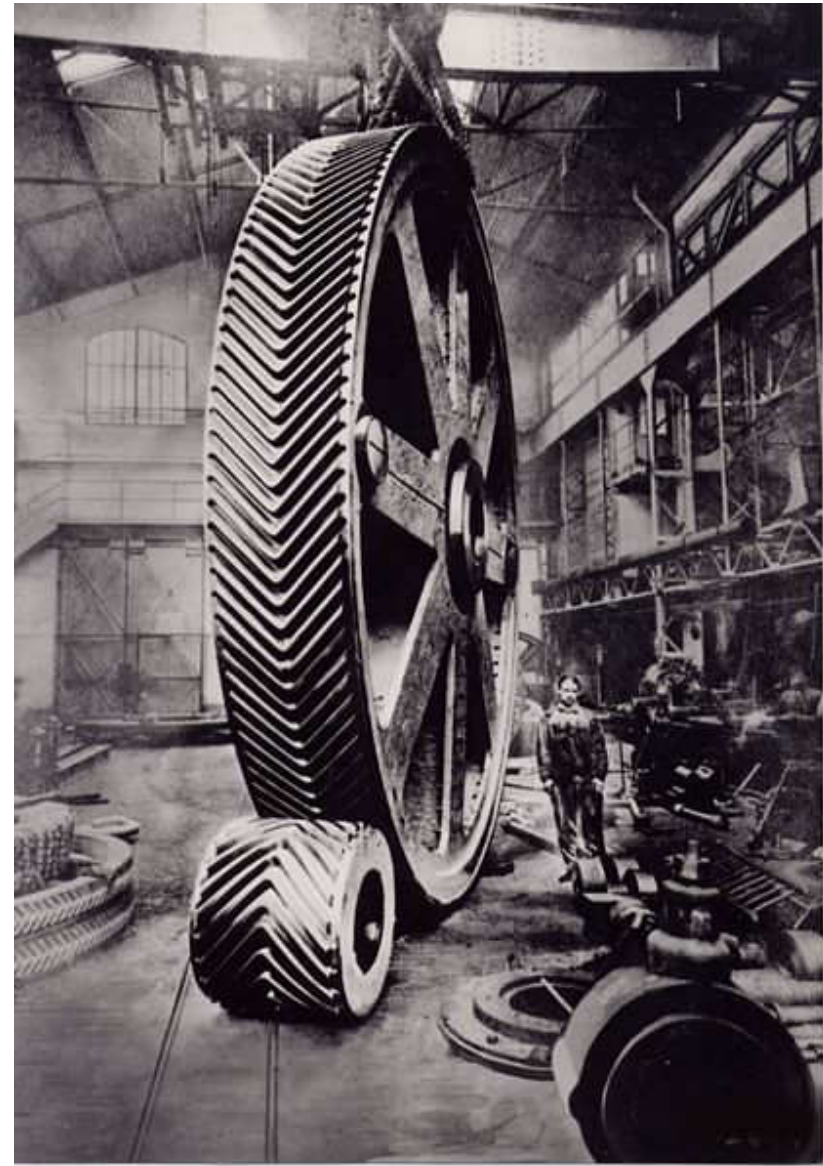
First used by Citroen, double helical gears neutralize the effects of axial thrust.

Two opposite helical gears are coupled to form a single wheel whose resultant axial thrust is null

*(..look at citroen brand..)*



Double-Crossed  
Helical Gear



## Bevel gears

Bevel gear is a conically shaped gear that allows for various angle between the wheels. The axes of the wheels must cross each other in a point

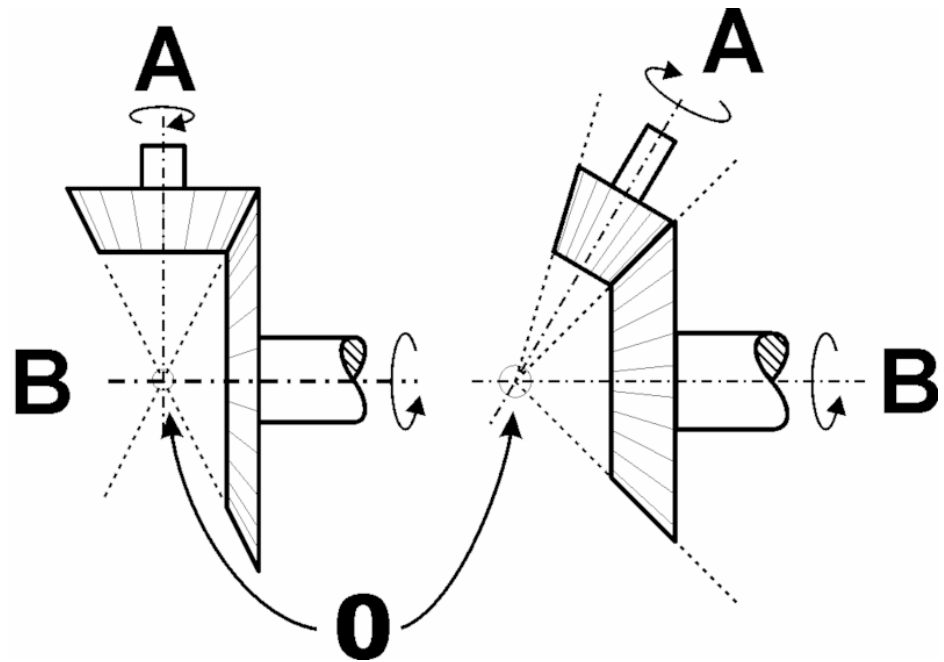
### PROS:

- Operating angle can be different

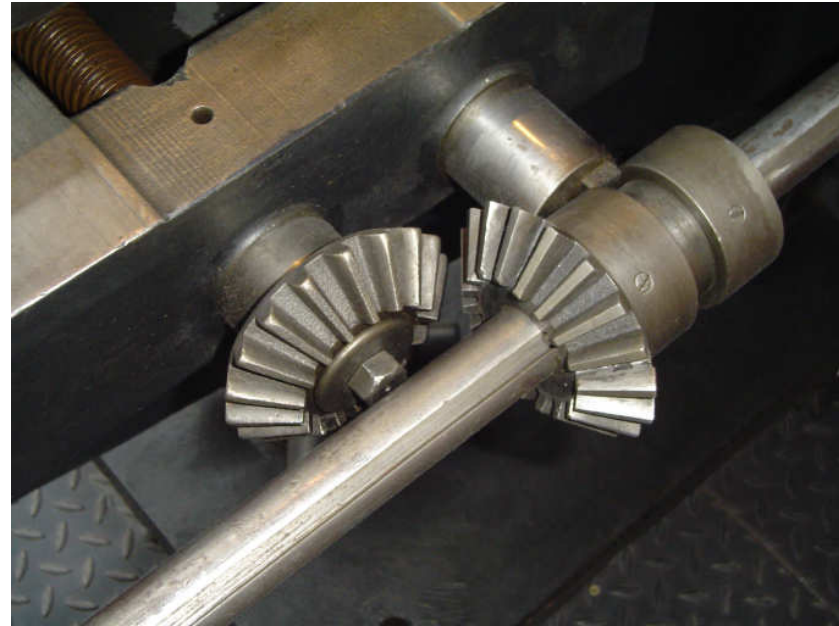
### CONS:

- One wheel of such gear is designed to work with it's complementary wheel and no other
- Must be rather precisely mounted
- The axes must be capable to support significant forces

Bevel gear teeth can also be helical shaped



**Conical pair (straight)**



**Conical pair (hypoid)**



## Worm gears

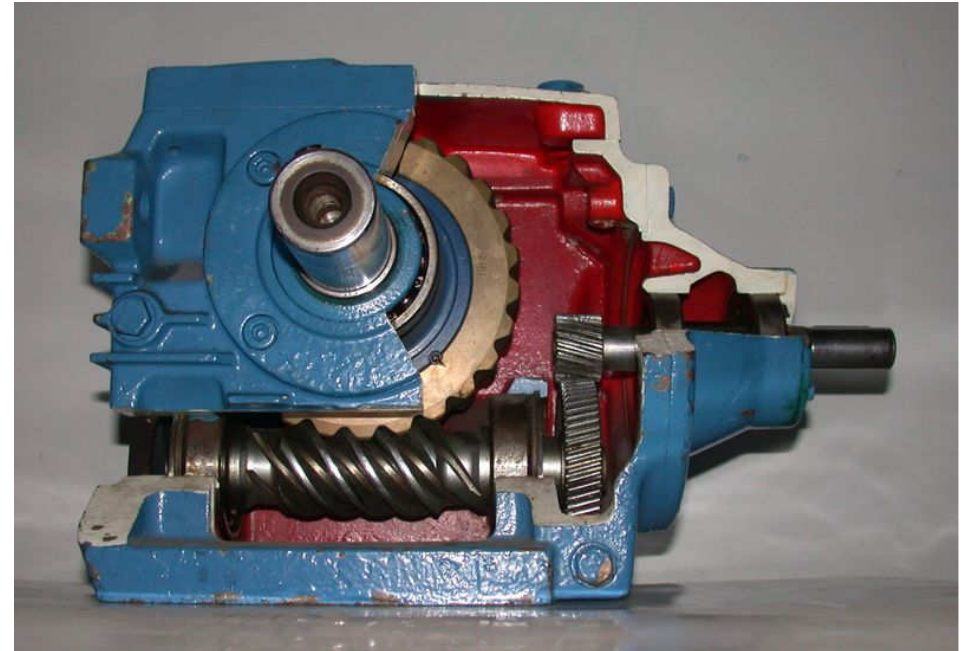
A worm gear is a gear in which a wheel resembles a screw, with parallel helical teeth, while the other is like a normal spur wheel. The worm gear can achieve a higher gear ratio than spur gears of a comparable size.

### **PROS:**

- High transmission ratio

### **CONS:**

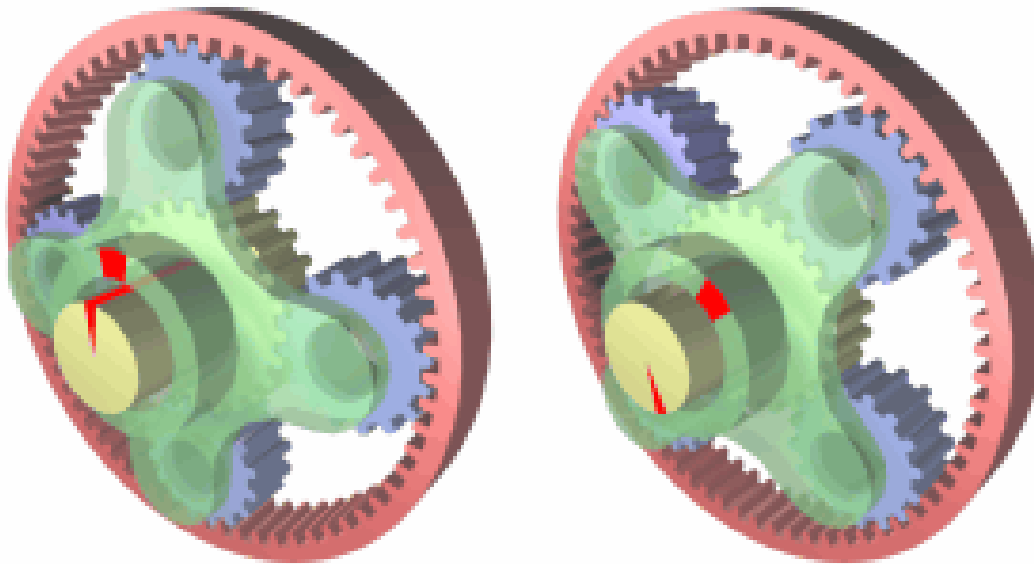
- Low efficiency (can be an advantage in some cases: NON backdrivable)



# Epicyclic gearing

Epicyclic gearing or planetary gearing is a gear system that consists of one or more outer gears, or planet gears, rotating about a central, or sun gear.

Outer gears meshes with an outer internal geared wheel



Willis formula allow to calculate reduction ratio for an epicyclic gearbox:

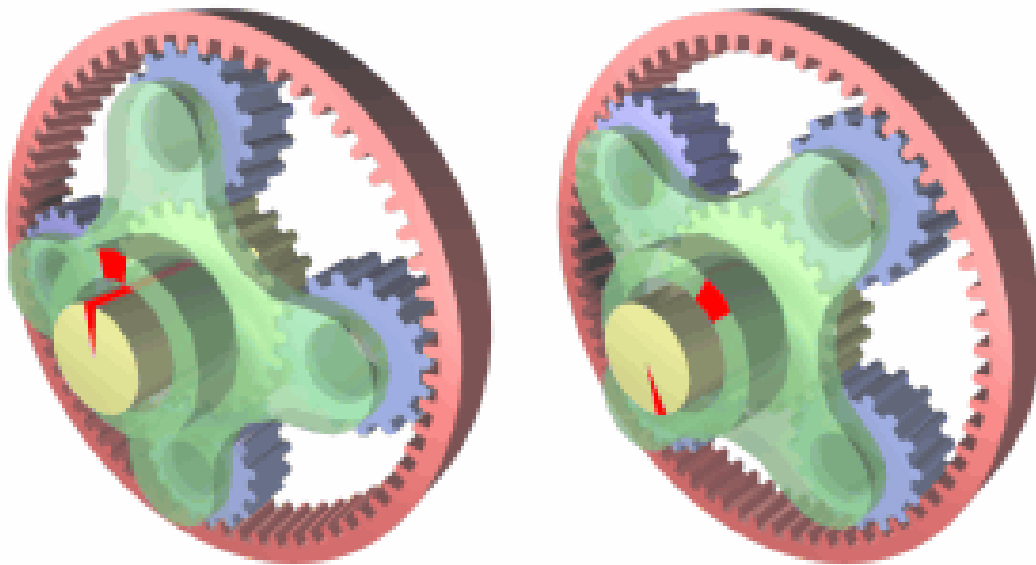
$$N_{in}/N_{out} = (w_{out} - w_{arm}) / (w_{in} - w_{arm})$$

## Epicyclic gearing application: planetary gears

Planetary gears are very common in precision mechanics.

The annulus is fixed to the frame of the gearbox. The reduction ratio is:

$$I = (z_{\text{annulus}} + z_{\text{sun}}) / z_{\text{sun}}$$



## Fauhaber range.. (small)

| Metric          |                                                                                     | English |               |                     |                               |                         |                                |                                                                                       |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Series          | PDF                                                                                 | Version | Diameter (mm) | Shaft Diameter (mm) | Standard Ratios (from ... to) | Torque cont. duty (mNm) | Intermittent duty Torque (mNm) | Works with                                                                            |
| 02/1            |    | plastic | 1.9           | 0.5                 | 13:1 ... 43:1                 | 0.15                    | 0.3                            |    |
| 06/1            |    | steel   | 6             | 0.8                 | 4:1 ... 4096:1                | 25                      | 35                             |    |
| 08/1            |    | steel   | 8             | 1.5                 | 4:1 ... 4096:1                | 60                      | 120                            |    |
| 10/1            |    | steel   | 10            | 2                   | 4:1 ... 4096:1                | 100                     | 200                            |    |
| 12/4            |    | steel   | 12            | 3                   | 4:1 ... 1024:1                | 300                     | 450                            |    |
| 13A             |    | plastic | 13            | 3                   | 16:1...1024:1                 | 180                     | 220                            |    |
| 14/1            |    | steel   | 14            | 3                   | 3.71:1 ... 5647:1             | 300                     | 450                            |    |
| 15A             |    | plastic | 15            | 3                   | 14:1...23014:1                | 250                     | 400                            |    |
| 16/7            |    | steel   | 16            | 3                   | 3.71:1 ... 5647:1             | 300                     | 450                            |    |
| 20/1            |    | steel   | 20            | 4                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 500                     | 700                            |    |
| 22E             |    | plastic | 22            | 4                   | 19:1.23014:1                  | 600                     | 1,000                          |    |
| <b>NEW</b> 22F  |    | steel   | 22            | 3.5                 | 4:1...344:1                   | 1,000                   | 1,500                          |    |
| <b>NEW</b> 22/7 |    | steel   | 22            | 6                   | 3,71 :1 ... 1 526 :1          | 700                     | 1,000                          |    |
| 23/1            |  | steel   | 23            | 6                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 700                     | 1,000                          |  |
| 26A             |  | plastic | 26            | 6                   | 13:1 ... 256:1                | 1,000                   | 1,500                          |  |
| 26/1            |  | steel   | 26            | 5                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 3,500                   | 4,500                          |  |
| 30/1            |  | steel   | 30            | 8                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 4,500                   | 6,000                          |  |
| 32/1            |  | steel   | 32            | 6                   | 4:1 ... 2076:1                | 4,500                   | 6,000                          |  |
| 32/3            |  | steel   | 32            | 8                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 7,000                   | 10,000                         |  |
| 34/1            |  | steel   | 34            | 8                   | 12:1 ... 54880:1              | 5,000                   | 5,000                          |  |
| 38A             |  | steel   | 38            | 10                  | 4:1 ... 1600:1                | 20,000                  | 20,000                         |  |
| 38/1, 38/2      |  | steel   | 38            | 8                   | 3.71:1 ... 1526:1             | 10,000                  | 15,000                         |  |
| 44/1            |  | steel   | 44            | 10                  | 4.8:1 ... 2548:1              | 16,000                  | 20,000                         |  |

## Planetary Gearheads

0,6 Nm

For combination with  
DC-Micromotors:  
2224, 2230, 2232, 2233  
DC-Motor-Tacho Combinations:  
2251

### Series 22E

|                                                             | 22E                      | 22EC             | 22EK           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Housing material                                            | plastic                  | plastic          | plastic        |
| Geartrain material                                          | plastic                  | plastic          | plastic        |
| Recommended max. input speed for:<br>- continuous operation | 5 000 rpm                | 5 000 rpm        | 5 000 rpm      |
| Backlash, at no-load                                        | $\leq 3^\circ$           | $\leq 3^\circ$   | $\leq 3^\circ$ |
| Bearings on output shaft                                    | sintered sleeve bearings | ceramic bearings | ball bearings  |
| Shaft load, max.:                                           |                          |                  |                |
| - radial (5 mm from mounting face)                          | $\leq 3$ N               | $\leq 15$ N      | $\leq 50$ N    |
| - axial                                                     | $\leq 3$ N               | $\leq 2$ N       | $\leq 5$ N     |
| Shaft press fit force, max.                                 | $\leq 15$ N              | $\leq 15$ N      | $\leq 15$ N    |
| Shaft play:                                                 |                          |                  |                |
| - radial (5 mm from mounting face)                          | $\leq 0,05$ mm           | $\leq 0,06$ mm   | $\leq 0,04$ mm |
| - axial                                                     | $\leq 0,25$ mm           | $\leq 0,25$ mm   | $\leq 0,25$ mm |
| Operating temperature range                                 | -30 ... +65 °C           | -20 ... +85 °C   | -30 ... +85 °C |

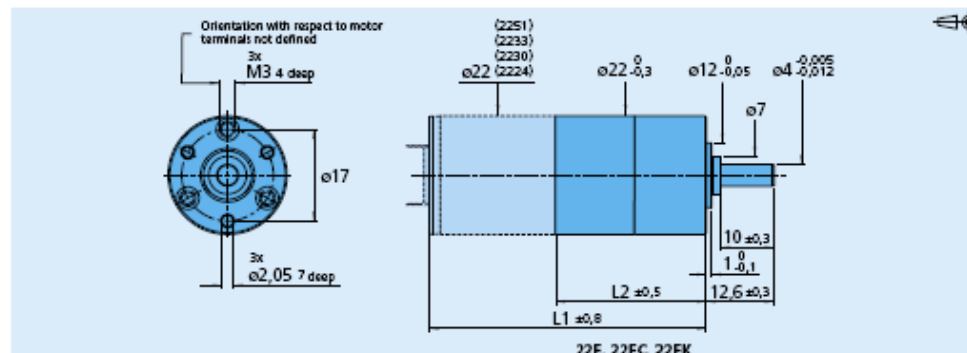
### Specifications

| reduction ratio<br>(nominal) | motor<br>ordering<br>code <sup>1)</sup> | number<br>of gear<br>stage | weight<br>without<br>motor<br>g | length<br>without<br>motor<br>L2<br>mm | length with motor                 |                                   |                                   |                                   | output torque                            |                                            | direction<br>of rotation<br>(reversible) | efficiency<br>% |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                              |                                         |                            |                                 |                                        | 2224<br><sup>1)</sup><br>L1<br>mm | 2230<br><sup>1)</sup><br>L1<br>mm | 2233<br><sup>1)</sup><br>L1<br>mm | 2251<br><sup>1)</sup><br>L1<br>mm | continuous<br>operation<br>M max.<br>mNm | intermittent<br>operation<br>M max.<br>mNm |                                          |                 |
| 19:1                         | B                                       | 2                          | 17                              | 27,8                                   | 51,3                              | 57,1                              | 59,7                              | 78,7                              | 200                                      | 400                                        | -                                        | 78              |
| 28:1                         | A                                       | 2                          | 17                              | 27,8                                   | 51,3                              | 57,1                              | 59,7                              | 78,7                              | 200                                      | 400                                        | -                                        | 77              |
| 69:1                         | B                                       | 3                          | 19                              | 32,8                                   | 56,3                              | 62,1                              | 64,7                              | 83,7                              | 300                                      | 600                                        | -                                        | 69              |
| 102:1                        | A                                       | 3                          | 19                              | 32,8                                   | 56,3                              | 62,1                              | 64,7                              | 83,7                              | 300                                      | 600                                        | -                                        | 68              |
| 152:1                        | A                                       | 3                          | 19                              | 32,8                                   | 56,3                              | 62,1                              | 64,7                              | 83,7                              | 400                                      | 800                                        | -                                        | 67              |
| 249:1                        | B                                       | 4                          | 20                              | 37,8                                   | 61,3                              | 67,1                              | 69,7                              | 88,7                              | 400                                      | 800                                        | -                                        | 62              |
| 369:1                        | A                                       | 4                          | 20                              | 37,8                                   | 61,3                              | 67,1                              | 69,7                              | 88,7                              | 500                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 61              |
| 546:1                        | A                                       | 4                          | 20                              | 37,8                                   | 61,3                              | 67,1                              | 69,7                              | 88,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 60              |
| 809:1                        | A                                       | 4                          | 20                              | 37,8                                   | 61,3                              | 67,1                              | 69,7                              | 88,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 59              |
| 896:1                        | B                                       | 5                          | 22                              | 42,8                                   | 66,3                              | 72,1                              | 74,7                              | 93,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 55              |
| 1 327:1                      | A                                       | 5                          | 22                              | 42,8                                   | 66,3                              | 72,1                              | 74,7                              | 93,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 54              |
| 1 966:1                      | A                                       | 5                          | 22                              | 42,8                                   | 66,3                              | 72,1                              | 74,7                              | 93,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 53              |
| 2 913:1                      | A                                       | 5                          | 22                              | 42,8                                   | 66,3                              | 72,1                              | 74,7                              | 93,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 52              |
| 3 225:1                      | B                                       | 6                          | 24                              | 47,8                                   | 71,3                              | 77,1                              | 79,7                              | 98,7                              | 600                                      | 1 000                                      | -                                        | 49              |
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<sup>1)</sup> Example of ordering information:

2224 B 012 SR + 22E 19:1

These gearheads are available only with motors mounted.



Look how increasing the number of "stages" the reduction ratio increases but the efficiency decreases

# Alpha range.. (big)



**WITTENSTEIN**

## Low backlash planetary gearheads

|                          |          |  |  |                 |  |                |  |      |  |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Products                 |          | alpheno®                                                                          | TP+                                                                                | TP+ High Torque | SP+                                                                                 | SP+ High Speed | LP+                                                                                 | LPB+ | alphira®                                                                            |
| Catalog page             |          | 24                                                                                | 28                                                                                 |                 | 66                                                                                  |                | 112                                                                                 |      | 124                                                                                 |
| Max. acceleration torque |          | <div>Nm</div> <div>in.lb</div> <div>rpm</div>                                     | 6000                                                                               | 10000           | 4500                                                                                | 1500           | 450                                                                                 | 220  | 200                                                                                 |
|                          |          |                                                                                   | 53100                                                                              | 88500           | 39825                                                                               | 13275          | 3983                                                                                | 1947 | 1770                                                                                |
| Max. speed               |          |                                                                                   | 5500                                                                               | 4500            | 5500                                                                                | 4500           | 4000                                                                                | 3700 | 4000                                                                                |
| Ratio                    | min. i = |                                                                                   | 4                                                                                  | 22              | 3                                                                                   | 3              | 3                                                                                   | 3    | 5                                                                                   |
|                          | max. i = | 100                                                                               | 220                                                                                | 100             | 100                                                                                 | 100            | 10                                                                                  | 100  |                                                                                     |

## Planetary gearbox

### PRO:

Higher forces if compared to simple gear train same size (several gears in parallel dividing the torque);

Can be really precise (nearly zero backlash);

Can be really small (faulhaber range..);

High efficiency

### CONS:

Generally expensive

For high reduction ratio several "stages" must be connected in series and efficiency lowers

# Harmonic drive

## Circular Spline

A solid steel ring with internal teeth

## Flexspline

A flexible steel cylinder with external teeth and a flanged mounting ring.

## Wave Generator

The Wave Generator is a thin-raced ball bearing fitted onto an elliptical plug serving as a high efficiency torque converter.



## Harmonic drive – working principle



The flexspline equivalent length is smaller than the outer circular spline -> it has fewer teeth

The wave generator keeps the flex spline in an elliptical shape with teeth engaging across the major axis of the ellipse

Each turn of the Wave Generator moves the Flexspline two teeth anti-clockwise relative to the Circular Spline.

## Harmonic drive – range

( nb:HD was patented solution till few years ago)

Harmonic Drive offers a complete range of products for demanding applications:

The compact design of the backlash-free **Harmonic Drive component sets** allows a space-saving integration directly into machines. The component sets are available in various sizes and in different variants.



**Harmonic Drive Units** consist of a gear component set, equipped with a high capacity output bearing, which are intended for integration into a machine.



The key element of **Harmonic Drive gearboxes** is a component set within a housing with a flange or shaft as output assembly.



## **Harmonic drive – overview**

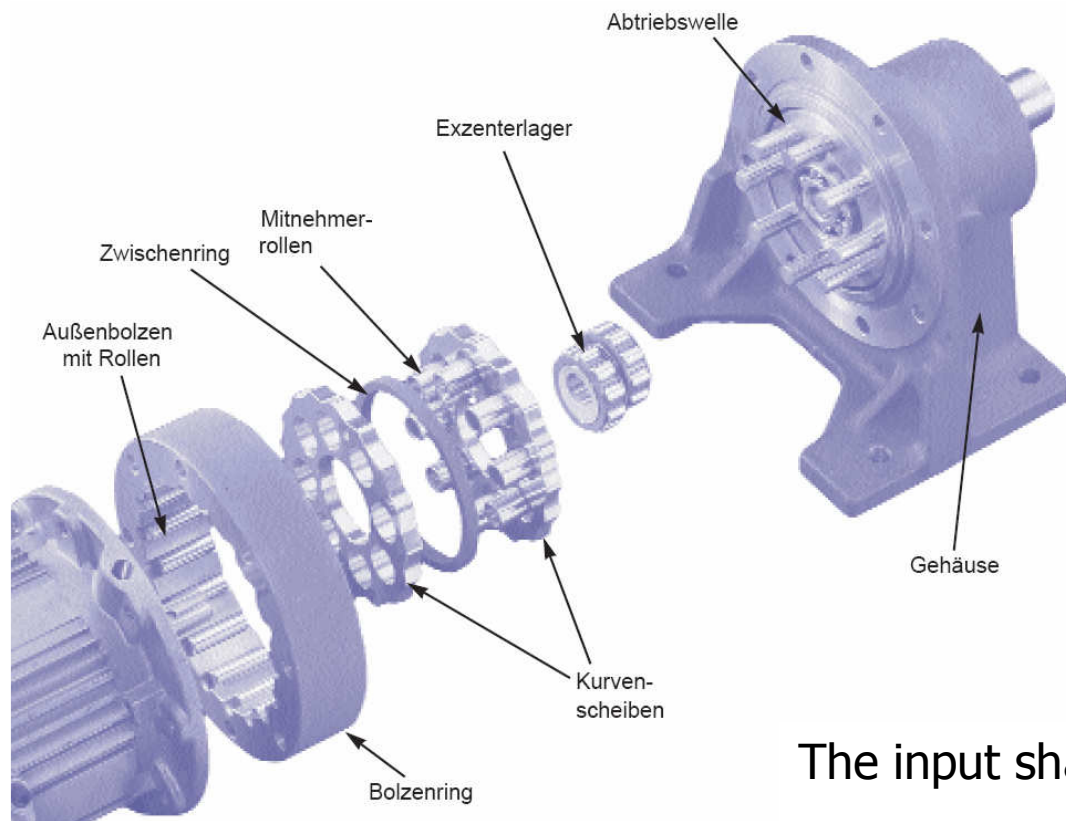
### **Pros:**

- Good precision
- Zero backlash
- High reduction ratio in single stage
- lightweight

### **Cons:**

- High cost
- Low efficiency

# Cyclo type gearboxes – working principle



The input shaft rotates the eccentric roller

The roller actuates the cycloidal wheel which couples with an outer ring

For each rotation of the input axis the wheel counter rotate of one lobe

## **Cyclo gearboxes**

### **Pros:**

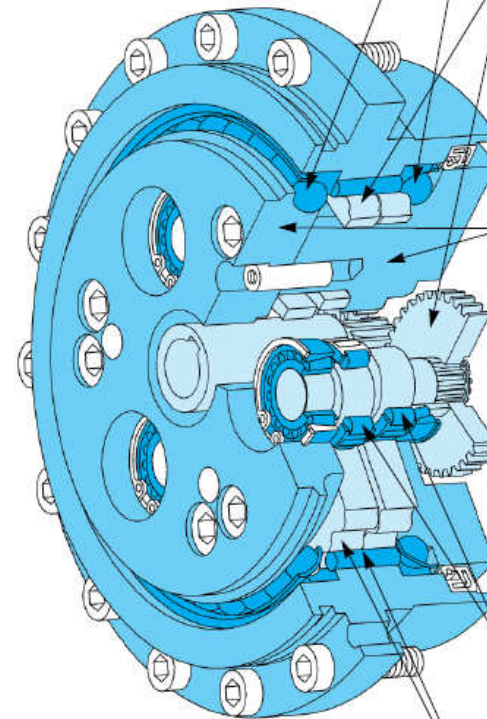
- Good efficiency
- High overload capacity (500%)
- High transmission ratio (up to 50 per stage)
- Zero backlash range available
- Industrial std backlash range available

### **Cons:**

- Heavier than HD (but bigger ranges availables)

Other brands  
developed solutions  
similar to Cyclo in  
the past as SPINEA,  
**NABTESCO**

Fig.1



#### INTEGRATED ANGULAR BALL BEARINGS

##### Benefits:

- Increases reliability
- Reduces overall cost

##### Attributed to:

- Built-in angular ball bearing construction improves ability to support external loads, increases moment rigidity and maximum allowable moment.
- Reduces the number of components required.
- Simplifies installation and maintenance.

#### 2 STAGE REDUCTION

##### Benefits:

- Reduces vibration
- Reduces Inertia ( $GD^2$ )

##### Attributed to:

- Low speed rotation of the RV gear reduces vibration.
- Reduced size of the motor coupling part (input gear) lowers inertia.

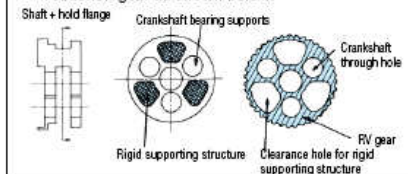
#### ALL MAIN ELEMENTS ARE SUPPORTED ON BOTH SIDES

##### Benefits:

- Higher torsional stiffness
- Less vibration
- High shock load capability (5 times rated torque)

##### Detail:

- Crankshafts are supported on both sides of the reduction gear as shown below.



#### ROLLING CONTACT ELEMENTS

##### Benefits:

- Excellent starting efficiency
- Low wear and longer life
- Low backlash (Less than 1 arc. min.)

##### Attributed to:

- Use of roller bearings throughout.

#### PIN & GEAR STRUCTURE

##### Benefits:

- Very low backlash (Less than 1 arc. min.)
- Higher shock load capability (5 times rated torque)

##### Attributed to:

- Synchroneshing of many RV gear teeth and pins.

**(fine ! )**

