

# *Geometrical Boundaries*

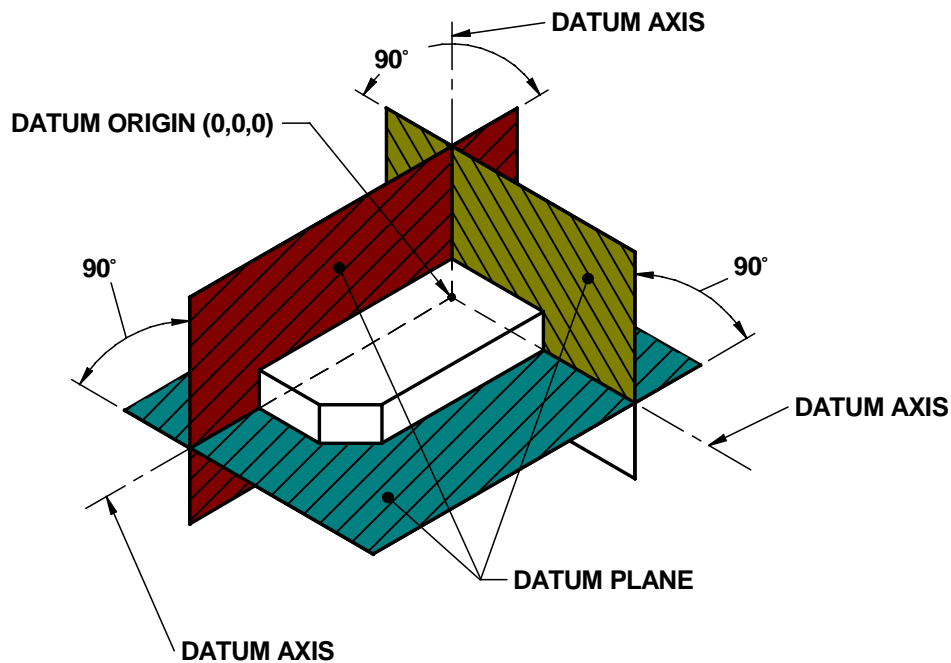
*Interpretation and Application  
of Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS)  
(Using SI Units)  
Based on ISO 1101:2004*

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## Preface

This book is written for those individuals within the design, drafting, engineering and manufacturing fields that desire a practical guide for the interpretation and application of Geometrical tolerancing.

I have deliberately focused my efforts for technical professionals applying geometrical dimensioning and tolerancing and attempted to comprehensively cover the concepts and applications that are and will be the most relevant within industry today and the future. The choice of examples are those which represent typical applications and may be combined as applicable to create products.

Much of the text material has been organized so that the topics appear and build the necessary knowledge required to proceed to the next subject matter.

The book is dedicated to my children, Nathan and Heather.

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## Introduction

Geometrical Tolerancing is an engineering drawing language used to communicate the physical limit Requirements of a product object in two or three dimensional space. The G&T standard defines a collection of symbols and specific rules for defining specific characteristics, relationships, and feature controls.

The latest international standard on the subject of G&T defined and in practice is the International Standards Organization ISO 1101:2004, Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS)

Declarations:

All illustration and drawings are depicted using third angle projection drafting practices, see Figure .1. Please note that first angle projection could have been used equally well without prejudice to the principles established.

Except where noted, all dimensional data is given in SI units (mm).

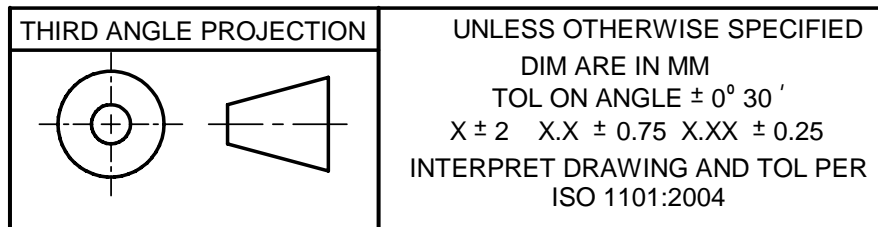


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## DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING

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### How the Geometrical Tolerancing System Works

Dimensioning and tolerancing is a means to communicate the geometry requirements of a particular part or assembly. Depending on the function, feature relationships, manufacturing or definition requirements, one will then define the level or extent of details for the part. Geometrical Tolerancing (G&T) standard ISO 1101:2004 is a defined system of rules, symbols, and explicit requirements to fully delineate an objects geometrical requirements.

The following are the more common reasons to apply G&T principles:

- Part features are critical to function or inter-changeability.
- When functional gauging techniques are desired.
- When a common reference (origin) or datum is required to ensure communication is consistent between design, manufacturing and inspection.
- When a standard interpretation or tolerance is not already implied.
- Simplify tolerance analysis.
- Replace complex or long geometry Requirement description notes with a single geometrical symbol.

### Geometrical Characteristics and Symbols

Geometrical characteristic symbols are used to define simple or complex feature requirement or relationship. G&T characteristics and categories are:

	TOLERANCE TYPE	CHACTERISTIC	SYMBOL
FOR INDIVIDUAL FEATURES	FORM	FLATNESS	
		STRAIGHTNESS	
		CYLINDRICITY	
		ROUNDNESS	
FOR INDIVIDUAL OR RELATED FEATURES	PROFILE	PROFILE OF A SURFACE	
		PROFILE OF A LINE	
FOR RELATED FEATURES	ORIENTATION	PERPENDICULARITY	
		PARALLELISM	
		ANGULARITY	
	LOCATION	POSITION	
		COAXIALITY (for axis)	
		CONCENTRICITY (for center points)	
		SYMMETRY	
	RUNOUT	TOTAL RUN-OUT	
		CIRCULAR RUN-OUT	

See outside-back cover of this book for an expanded geometrical characteristics chart.