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## Foreword

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ISO 25378 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 213, *Dimensional and geometrical product specifications and verification*.

## Introduction

This International Standard is a Geometrical product specifications (GPS) standard and is to be regarded as a global GPS standard (see ISO/TR 14638). It influences all chain links of all chains of standards in the general GPS matrix.

To facilitate the reading and the understanding of this International Standard, it is essential to refer to ISO 17450-1 and ISO/TS 17450-2.

Geometrical characteristics exist in three "worlds":

- the world of nominal geometrical definition, where an ideal representation of the future workpiece is defined by the designer;
- the world of specification, where several representations of the future workpiece are imagined by the designer;
- the world of verification, where one or several representations of a given workpiece are identified in the application of measuring procedure(s).

A GPS specification defines requirements through a geometrical characteristic and condition.

In the world of verification, mathematical operations can be distinguished from physical operations. The physical operations are the operations based on physical procedures; they are generally mechanical, optical or electromagnetic. The mathematical operations are mathematical treatments of the sampling of the workpiece. This treatment is generally achieved by computing or electronic treatment.

It is important to understand the relationship between these three worlds.

These specifications, characteristics and conditions, generically defined in this International Standard, are well suited to define requirements of rigid parts and assemblies and can also be applied to non-rigid parts and assemblies.

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# Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Characteristics and conditions — Definitions

#### 1 Scope

This International Standard defines general terms for geometrical specifications, characteristics and conditions. These definitions are based on concepts developed in ISO 17450-1 and ISO 22432 and they are given by using a mathematical description based on Annex B of ISO 17450-1:2011.

This International Standard is not intended for industrial use as such among designers, but is aimed to serve as the "road map" mapping out the requirements based on geometrical features, thus enabling future standardization for industry and software makers in a consistent manner.

This International Standard defines general types of geometrical characteristics and conditions which can be used in GPS. These descriptions are applicable to

- a workpiece,
- an assembly,
- a population of workpieces, and
- a population of assemblies.

These definitions are based on concepts of operators and the duality principle contained in ISO 17450-1 and ISO/TS 17450-2 and on the description of types of geometrical features defined in ISO 22432.

Conceptually, these specification operators can be used as specification operators or as verification operators (duality principle).

This International Standard is not intended to define GPS specifications, symbology or other types of expression.

#### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3534-1:2006, Statistics — Vocabulary and symbols — Part 1: General statistical terms and terms used in probability

ISO 3534-2, Statistics — Vocabulary and symbols — Part 2: Applied statistics

ISO 17450-1:2011, Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — General concepts — Part 1: Model for geometrical specification and verification

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