

Categories of surface roughness

Definitions and indications for surface roughness parameters (for industrial products) are specified. They are arithmetical mean roughness (Ra), maximum height (Ry), ten-point mean roughness (Rz), mean spacing of profile irregularities (Sm), mean spacing of local peaks of the profile (S) and profile bearing length ratio (tp). Surface roughness is given as the arithmetical mean value for a randomly sampled area. [Mean center line roughness (Ra₇₅) is defined in the annexes of JIS B 0031 and JIS B 0061].

Typical ways for obtaining surface roughness

<p>Arithmetical mean roughness (Ra)</p> <p>A section of standard length is sampled from the mean line on the roughness chart. The mean line is laid on a Cartesian coordinate system wherein the mean line runs in the direction of the x-axis and magnification is the y-axis. The value obtained with the formula on the right is expressed in micrometer (μm) when y=f(χ).</p>	
<p>Maximum peak (Ry)</p> <p>A section of standard length is sampled from the mean line on the roughness chart. The distance between the peaks and valleys of the sampled line is measured in the y direction. The value is expressed in micrometer (μm).</p> <p>Note: To obtain Ry, sample only the standard length. The part, where peaks and valleys are wide enough to be interpreted as scratches, should be avoided.</p>	
<p>Ten-point mean roughness (Rz)</p> <p>A section of standard length is sampled from the mean line on the roughness chart. The distance between the peaks and valleys of the sampled line is measured in the y direction. Then, the average peak is obtained among 5 tallest peaks (Yp), as is the average valley between 5 lowest valleys (Yv). The sum of these two values is expressed in micrometer (μm).</p>	<p>$Rz = \frac{ Yp_1 + Yp_2 + Yp_3 + Yp_4 + Yp_5 + Yv_1 + Yv_2 + Yv_3 + Yv_4 + Yv_5 }{5}$</p> <p>Yp₁, Yp₂, Yp₃, Yp₄, Yp₅ : Tallest 5 peaks within sample</p> <p>Yv₁, Yv₂, Yv₃, Yv₄, Yv₅ : Lowest 5 peaks within sample</p>

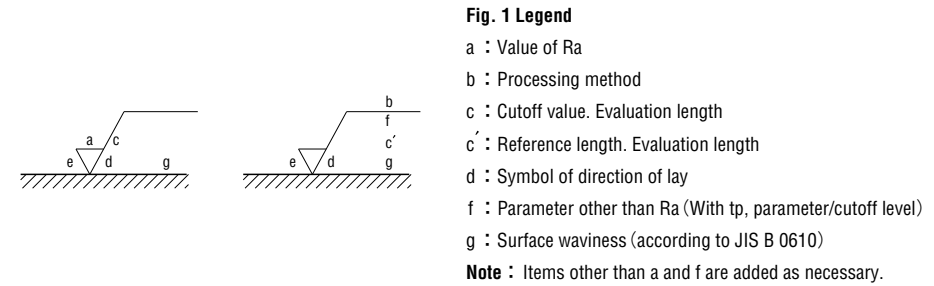
Reference: Relationship between arithmetical mean roughness (Ra) and conventional symbols

Arithmetical mean roughness Ra			Max. height Ry	Ten-point mean roughness Rz	Standard length of Ry · Rz l (mm)	Triangular indication
Preferred number series	Cut-off value λ c (mm)	Indication of surface texture on drawings	Preferred number series	Preferred number series	l (mm)	
0.012 a	0.08	0.012/ ~ 0.2/	0.05 s	0.05 z	0.08	▽
0.025 a			0.1 s	0.1 z		
0.05 a			0.2 s	0.2 z		
0.1 a	0.25	0.4/ ~ 1.6/	0.4 s	0.4 z	0.25	▽
0.2 a			0.8 s	0.8 z		
0.4 a			1.6 s	1.6 z		
0.8 a	0.8	3.2/ ~ 6.3/	3.2 s	3.2 z	0.8	▽
1.6 a			6.3 s	6.3 z		
3.2 a			12.5 s	12.5 z		
6.3 a	0.25	12.5/ ~ 25/	25 s	25 z	0.25	▽
12.5 a			50 s	50 z		
25 a			100 s	100 z		
50 a	8	50/ ~ 100/	200 s	200 z	8	▽
100 a			400 s	400 z		
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※The interdependence for 3 classes is not strictly enforced.
※The evaluation length of Ra, Ry and Rz : Five times the cut-off value standard length respectively.

Positions of respective indicating symbols relative to indicating symbol of surface

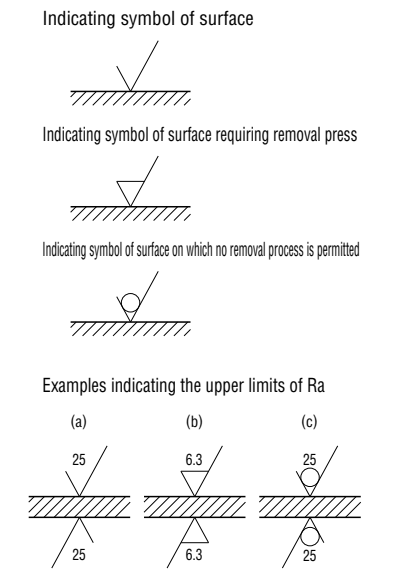
Each grain surface position is indicated as shown in Fig. 1. This includes surface roughness, cut-off value or reference length, processing method, symbol of direction of lay, surface waviness, etc.



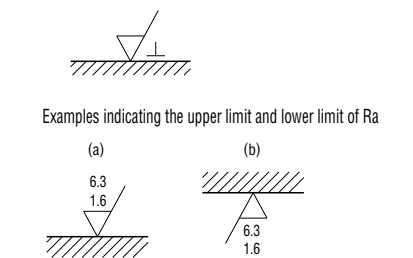
Reference : The location of lay of e in Fig. 1. is given as the finish allowance in ISO 1302.

Symbol	Meaning	Figure
≡	Parallel to the projected surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated. (ex) Shaped surface	
⊥	Perpendicular to the projected surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated. (ex) Shaped surface (when viewed from the side), machined or cylindrical ground surface.	
X	Intersection of two diagonal lines on the projected surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated. (ex) Honing finished surface	
M	Multidirectional intersection or non-directional point on the projected surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated. (ex) Rapping finished surface, super finished surface, face milled or end milled surface in surfacing feed direction	
C	Concentric circles roughly centered on the same on the surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated. (ex) Facing surface	
R	Radiating shape roughly centered on the same point on the surface on which the direction of lay of the cutting blade is indicated.	

Examples indicating surface texture on drawing



Examples indicating direction of lay



Examples indicating processing method

