



# Speeds and Feeds

## IPD501



# Tooling

## High-Speed Steel (HSS)

- First developed in the beginning of the 1900s as an improvement to older high-carbon steel tools.
- T1, the original grade of HSS, superseded by M2.
- Can be hardened up to 65 HRC. Has high toughness, low cost.
- Cobalt grades (HSS-Co), e.g. M35 and M42, have a hardness of 68-70 HRC and improved “hot hardness”, but reduced toughness.
- Rule of thumb is that HSS-Co can be run at 10% higher SFM than normal HSS.

## Cemented Carbide

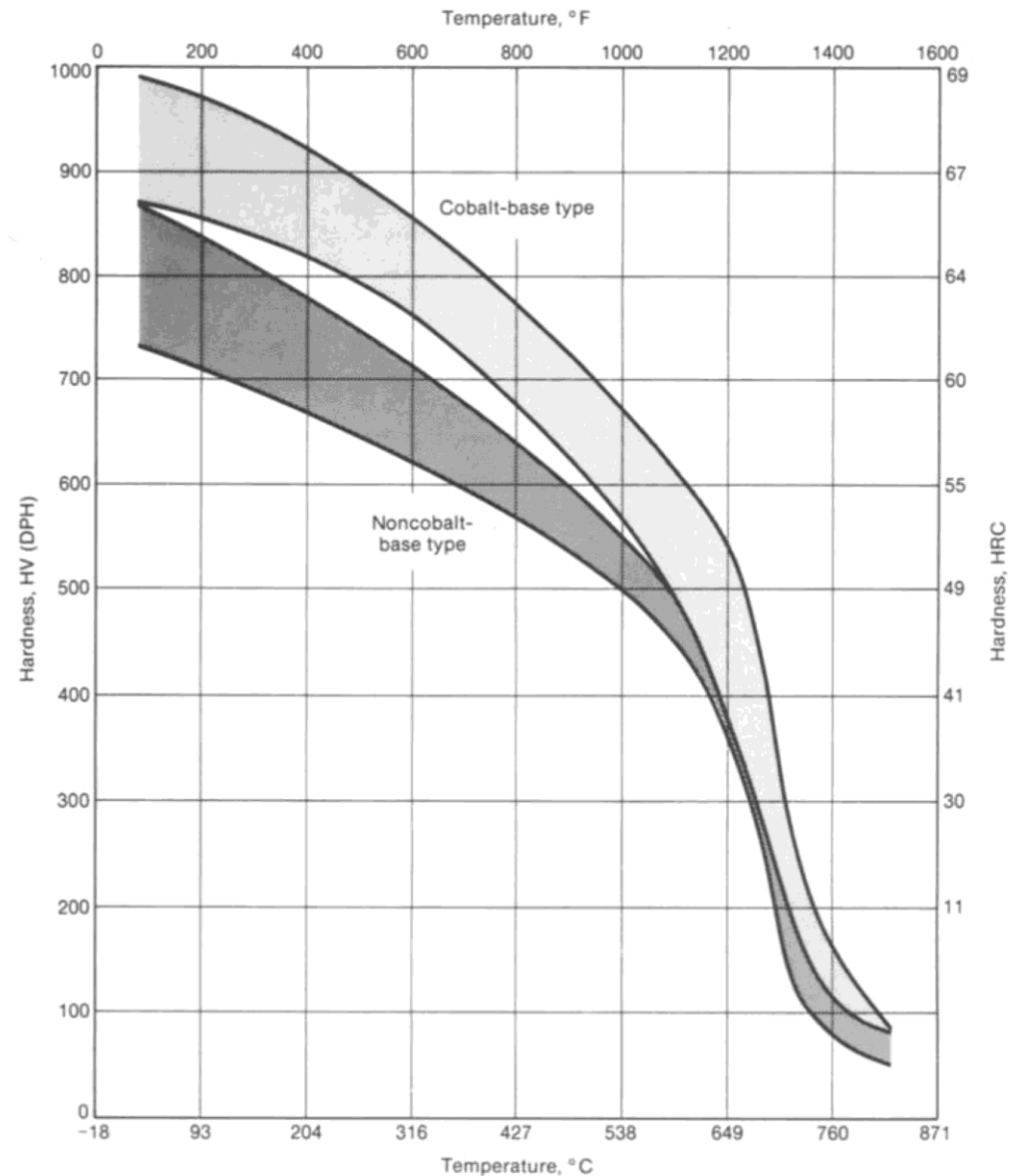
- First cemented carbide developed in post-WWI Germany.
- Cemented carbide is a composite material made by sintering powdered tungsten carbide with cobalt as a binder.
- Can have a hardness up to 92 HRA ( $\approx$ 80HRC).
- Extremely high “hot hardness” and wear resistance, but poor toughness, high cost.
- Stiffness 2-3x higher than steel. Generally 1.5-2x denser than steel.
- Rule of thumb is that carbide can be run at 2x higher SFM than normal HSS.

## Powdered Metal (PM)

- Strictly speaking, all cemented carbide is made from powdered metal.
- Similar to carbide, manufactured by sintering powdered HSS with a cobalt binder
- Higher wear resistance and “hot hardness” than HSS-Co, improved toughness over carbide tooling.
- Economical for large diameter end mills compared to solid carbide.

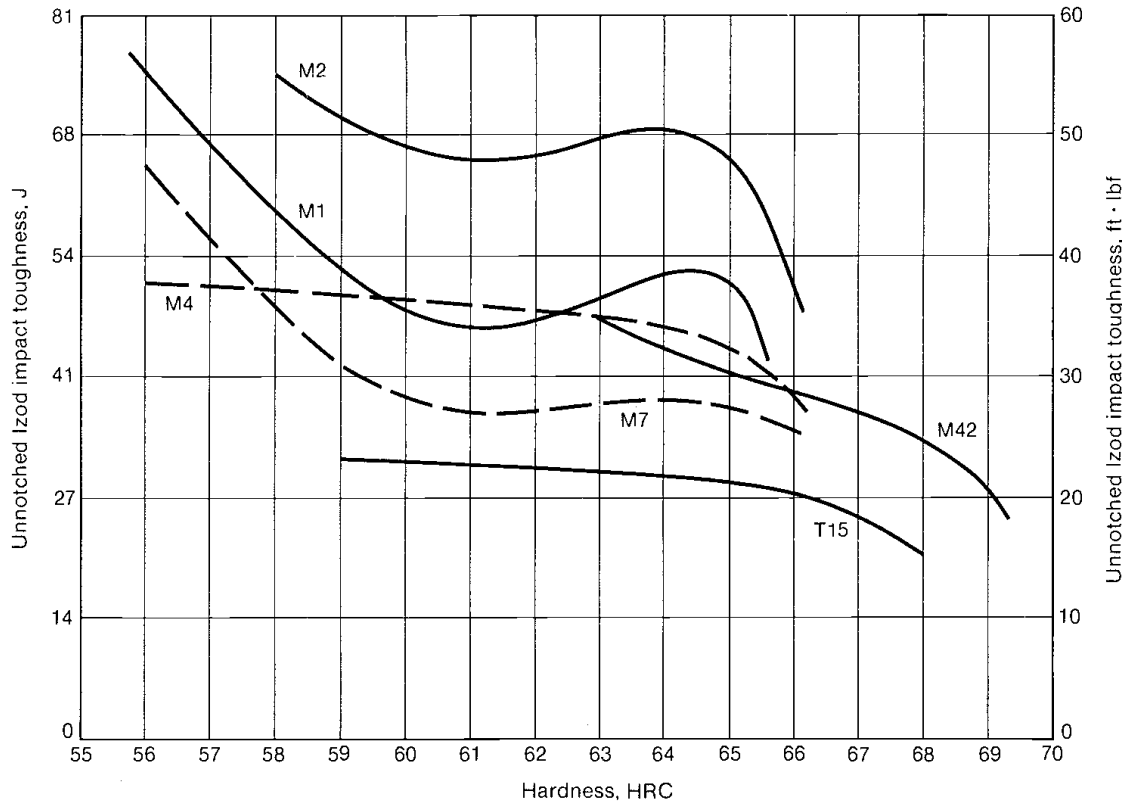
# Hot Hardness

- Materials normally soften with increasing temperatures.
- Hot hardness corresponds to relationship of a material's hardness with temperature.



**Fig. 1** Comparison of the hot hardness of cobalt-base (M33, M36, M4, and T15) type versus noncobalt-base (M1, M2, M4, M7, and T1) type high-speed tool steels

# Toughness



**Fig. 4** Plot of impact toughness versus hardness for high-speed tool steels

- Can be determined by integrating stress-strain curve. Defined as:
$$\frac{\text{energy}}{\text{volume}} = \int_0^{\epsilon_f} \sigma d\epsilon$$
- Toughness corresponds to the energy a material can absorb before fracture.



80%

Tungsten carbide

20%

Metal matrix



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## Speed Equation

Calculate this

Empirically determined  
(Look this up)

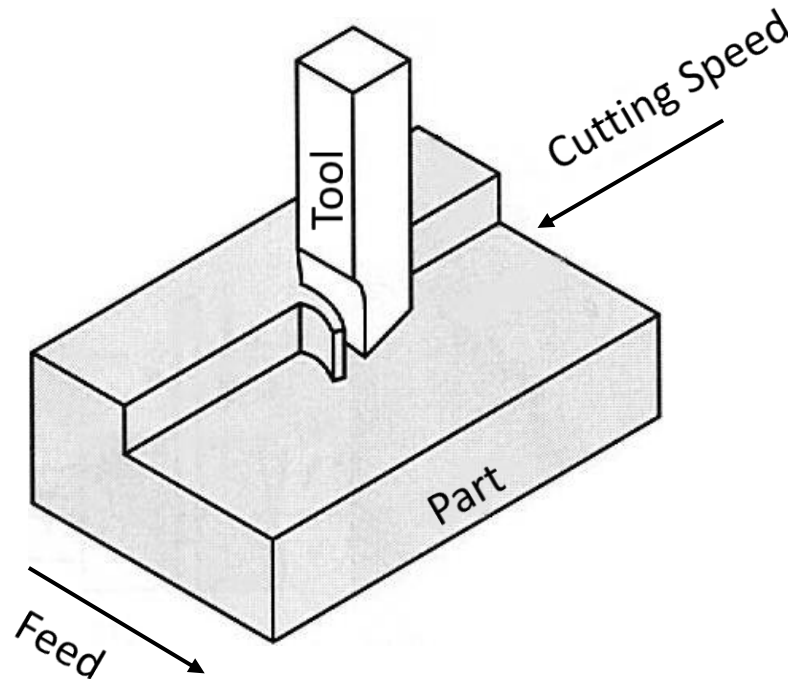
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Provided or selected



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**TECHNICAL DATA**

**COBALT HSS AND HSS END MILLS**  
Speed and Feed Data - Applications in Various Materials

MATERIAL	HEAT-RESISTANT COBALT BASE ALLOYS, HIGH TENSILE STEELS (60-55 C)		HEAT-RESISTANT AUSTENITIC ALLOYS, HIGH TENSILE STEELS (46-50 C)		HEAT-RESISTANT NICKEL BASE ALLOYS, HIGH STRENGTH STAINLESS STEELS, HIGH STRENGTH TITANIUM ALLOYS		HIGH STRENGTH STAINLESS STEELS, HIGH TENSILE STEELS (40-60 C)		HEAT RESISTANT FERRITIC BASE ALLOYS MEDIUM STRENGTH STAINLESS STEELS UNALLOYED TITANIUM TOOL STEELS (30-40 C)		MACHINE STEEL, HARD BRASS AND BRONZE, ELECTROLYTIC COPPER MILD STEEL FORGINGS (20-30 C)		CAST IRON, MILD STEEL, HALF-HARD BRASS AND BRONZE		BRASS, BRONZE, ALLOYED ALUMINUM, ABRASIVE PLASTICS		ALUMINUM, PLASTICS, WOOD	
	SPEED 5-10 SFM		SPEED 10-15 SFM		SPEED 15-20 SFM		SPEED 20-40 SFM		SPEED 40-60 SFM		SPEED 60-80 SFM		SPEED 80-100 SFM		SPEED 100-200 SFM		SPEED 200-600 SFM	
	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED	DIA. OF END MILLS	FEED
	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH	RPM	CHIP LEAD PER TOOTH
1/16	-	-	-	-	-	-	1222-2444	0002-0005	2444-3667	0002-0005	3667-4888	0002-0005	4888-6111	0002-0005	6111-12222	0002-0005	12222 UP	0002-0005
3/32	-	-	-	-	611-815	0002-0005	815-1629	0002-0005	1629-2750	0002-0005	2750-3259	0002-0005	3259-4073	0002-0005	4073-8146	0002-0005	8146 UP	0002-0005
1/8	-	-	-	-	456-611	0002-0005	611-1222	0002-0005	1222-1833	0002-0005	1833-2440	0002-0001	2440-3056	0002-0001	3056-6112	0002-0001	6112 UP	0002-0001
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3/8	51-102	0002-0001	102-153	0002-0001	153-203	0002-0001	203-407	0005-0002	406-611	0005-0002	611-815	001-003	815-1019	001-003	1019-2038	0005-0003	2038-6114	0005-0002
7/16	44-88	0005-0001	88-132	0005-0001	131-175	0005-0002	175-349	0005-0002	349-524	0005-0002	524-698	001-003	698-873	001-003	873-1746	0005-0003	1746-5238	0005-0002
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3	13	003 UP	19	003 UP	26	003 UP	26-51	003 UP	51-76	003 UP	76-102	003 UP	102-127	003 UP	127-154	003 UP	254-762	003 UP

Note: All speed and feed data are suggested starting points. They may be increased or decreased depending on machine condition, depth of cut, finish required, coolant, etc.

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## Feed Equation

Calculate this



$$\text{Feed Rate} \left[ \frac{\text{in}}{\text{min}} \right] =$$

$$\text{Chip Load} \left[ \frac{\text{in}}{\text{tooth}} \right] \times \# \text{ of Teeth } [\text{tooth}] \times \text{Spindle Speed } [\text{RPM}]$$



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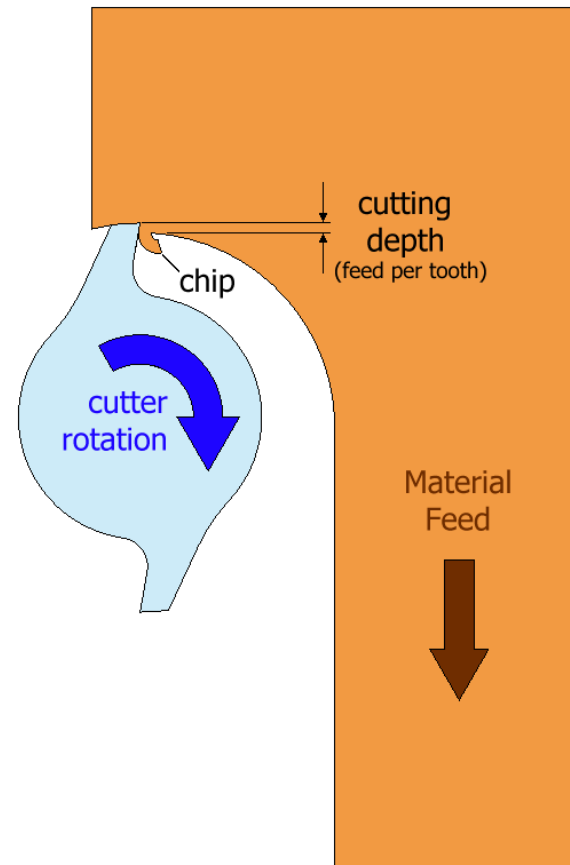
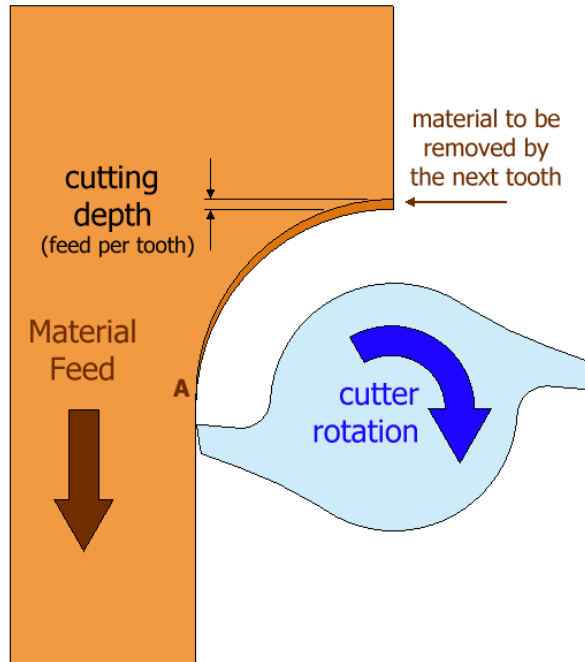


Calculated from speed equation

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Two Flute  
Centercutting



Three Flute  
Centercutting



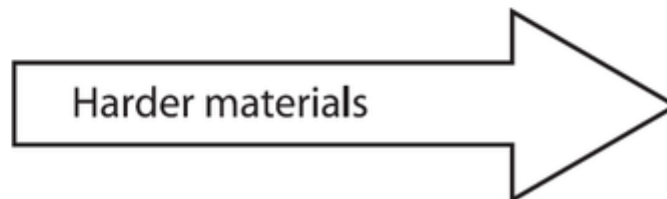
Four Flute  
Centercutting



Six Flute  
Centercutting



Eight Flute  
Centercutting



# Example

- Suppose you are machining 1018 low carbon steel (mild steel) with a ½" 3F HSS end mill. What spindle speed and feed rate would you use?
- Suppose you are machining grade 5 Titanium with a ¼" 4F carbide end mill. What spindle speed and feed rate would you use?
- Use a [calculator](#).

# Other Considerations

- Tool Coatings
- Coolant/Lubricant
- Chip-breaking (Leaded/Unleaded)
- [Work Hardening Rate](#)
- Axial Depth of Cut
- Radial Depth of Cut