

CPC COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

B PERFORMING OPERATIONS; TRANSPORTING

(NOTES omitted)

SHAPING

B23 MACHINE TOOLS; METAL-WORKING NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR
(punching, perforating, making articles by processing sheet metal, tubes, or profiles [B21D](#); wire-working [B21F](#); making pins, needles, or nails [B21G](#); making chains [B21L](#); grinding [B24](#))
(NOTES omitted)

B23P OTHER WORKING OF METAL; COMBINED OPERATIONS; UNIVERSAL MACHINE TOOLS (arrangements for copying or controlling [B23Q](#))

NOTES

1. This subclass covers:
 - combinations of work-modifying operations covered by different subclasses of classes [B21](#) - [B24](#);
 - combinations of metal-working operations with non-mechanical treatments of metal not provided for elsewhere, for example in [C21D](#), [C22C](#), [C22F](#) or [C23](#).
2. This subclass does not cover
 - non-mechanical operations on non-metallic materials unless such operations are specially mentioned in this subclass;
 - subsidiary operations performed in conjunction with main operations covered by a single subclass, e.g. assembling of parts as an essential feature of a following metal-working operation, since they are not regarded as operations per se.
3. Attention is drawn to the Notes following the title of class [B23](#).

WARNING

In this subclass non-limiting references (in the sense of paragraph 39 of the Guide to the IPC) may still be displayed in the scheme.

5/00	Setting gems or the like on metal parts, e.g. diamonds on tools	9/02	• Treating or finishing by applying pressure, e.g. knurling (B23P 9/04 takes precedence)
6/00	Restoring or reconditioning objects (straightening or restoring form of sheet metal, metal rods, metal tubes, metal profiles, or specific articles made therefrom B21D 1/00 , B21D 3/00 ; repairing defective or damaged objects by casting techniques B22D 19/10 ; procedures or apparatus covered by a single other subclass, see the relevant subclass)	9/025	• . {to inner walls of holes by using axially moving tools}
6/002	• {Repairing turbine components, e.g. moving or stationary blades, rotors, (B23P 6/045 takes precedence)}	9/04	• Treating or finishing by hammering or applying repeated pressure
6/005	• . {using only replacement pieces of a particular form}	11/00	Connecting metal parts or objects by metal-working techniques, not covered wholly by either B21J or B23K (connecting sheet metal or metal tubes, rods, or profiles B21D 39/00 ; {objects produced by methods not important <u>per se</u> , see the relevant subclasses dealing with the objects, e.g. B21F 15/00 ; B21L 19/00 }; hand tools for connecting wire or strip B25B 25/00 ; connecting metal parts by adhesives F16B 11/00)
6/007	• . {using only additive methods, e.g. build-up welding}	11/005	• {by expanding or crimping}
6/02	• Pistons or cylinders	11/02	• by first expanding and then shrinking or <u>vice versa</u> , e.g. by using pressure fluids; by making force fits
6/04	• Repairing fractures or cracked metal parts or products, e.g. castings	11/022	• . {by using pressure fluids}
6/045	• . {of turbine components, e.g. moving or stationary blades, rotors, etc.}	11/025	• . {by using heat or cold}
9/00	Treating or finishing surfaces mechanically, with or without calibrating, primarily to resist wear or impact, e.g. smoothing or roughening turbine blades or bearings (treatment covered by a single other subclass, see the relevant subclass, e.g. B24C , C21D 7/00 , C22F 1/00); Features of such surfaces not otherwise provided for, their treatment being unspecified	11/027	• . . {for mounting tools in tool holders}
		13/00	Making metal objects by operations essentially involving machining but not covered by a single other subclass (making specific objects B23P 15/00)
		13/02	• in which only the machining operations are important
		13/04	• involving slicing of profiled material

- 15/00 Making specific metal objects by operations not covered by a single other subclass or a group in this subclass**
- 15/001 . {valves or valve housings (welding [B23K](#); valve housings [per se F16K](#))}
 - 15/002 . . {poppet valves}
 - 15/003 . {bearings (see also [F16C 33/00](#))}
 - 15/005 . {keys (making keys without essentially removing material, e.g. by punching [B21D 53/42](#); milling grooves in keys [B23C 3/35](#))}
 - 15/006 . {turbine wheels}
 - 15/007 . {injection moulding tools}
 - 15/008 . {Rocket engine parts, e.g. nozzles, combustion chambers}
 - 15/02 . turbine or like blades from one piece
 - 15/04 . turbine or like blades from several pieces
 - 15/06 . piston rings from one piece
 - 15/065 . . {from metal strip}
 - 15/08 . piston rings from several pieces
 - 15/10 . pistons
 - 15/105 . . {Enlarging pistons}
 - 15/12 . gratings {(making gratings by methods covered by other subclasses [B21D 47/005](#))}
 - 15/14 . gear parts, e.g. gear wheels
 - 15/16 . plates with holes of very small diameter, e.g. for spinning or burner nozzles
 - 15/18 . brake shoes
 - 15/20 . railroad requirements, e.g. buffers
 - 15/22 . cartridges or like shells
 - 15/24 . dies ([B21C 3/18](#), [B21C 25/10](#), [B21D 37/20](#) take precedence)
 - 15/243 . . {Honeycomb dies}
 - 15/246 . . {Laminated dies}
 - 15/26 . heat exchangers {or the like (making heat exchangers by methods covered by other subclasses [B21D 53/02](#))}
 - 15/28 . cutting tools (sawing tools [B23D 63/00](#), [B23D 65/00](#); files or rasps [B23D 73/00](#))
 - 15/30 . . lathes or like tools
 - 15/32 . . twist-drills
 - 15/34 . . milling cutters
 - 15/36 . . . for thread-cutting
 - 15/38 . . planing or slotting tools ([B23P 15/30](#) takes precedence)
 - 15/40 . . shearing tools
 - 15/403 . . . {razor blades}
 - 15/406 . . . {rotary or plane die cutters}
 - 15/42 . . broaching tools
 - 15/44 . . scraping or shaving tools
 - 15/46 . . reaming tools
 - 15/48 . . threading tools (milling cutters for thread-cutting [B23P 15/36](#))
 - 15/50 . . . dies
 - 15/52 . . . taps
 - 17/00 Metal-working operations, not covered by a single other subclass or another group in this subclass**
 - 17/02 . Single metal-working processes; Machines or apparatus therefor
 - 17/04 . characterised by the nature of the material involved or the kind of product independently of its shape
 - 17/06 . . Making steel wool or the like

- 19/00 Machines for simply fitting together or separating metal parts, or metal and non-metal parts, whether or not involving some deformation (connecting metal parts or objects by metal-working procedures [B23P 11/00](#), [B21J](#), [B23K](#)); Tools or devices therefor so far as not provided for in other classes (hand tools in general [B25](#))**
- 19/001 . {Article feeders for assembling machines (screws or nuts being carried by a disposable strip or disc [B25B 23/045](#))}
 - 19/002 . . {orientating the articles}
 - 19/003 . . {Escapement mechanisms used therewith}
 - 19/004 . . {Feeding the articles from hoppers to machines or dispensers}
 - 19/005 . . . {by using flowing gases}
 - 19/006 . . {Holding or positioning the article in front of the applying tool}
 - 19/007 . . {Picking-up and placing mechanisms}
 - 19/008 . {the parts being continuously transported through the machine during assembling or disassembling}
 - 19/02 . for connecting objects by press fit or for detaching same
 - 19/021 . . {Railroad wheels on axles}
 - 19/022 . . {Extracting or inserting relatively long parts}
 - 19/024 . . . {tube bundles}
 - 19/025 . . {For detaching only}
 - 19/027 . . using hydraulic or pneumatic means ([B23P 19/033](#) takes precedence)
 - 19/033 . . using vibration
 - 19/04 . for assembling or disassembling parts
 - 19/041 . . {for disassembling pallets}
 - 19/042 . . {specially adapted for combustion engines (shape of casings adapted to facilitate fitting or dismantling of engine parts for combustion engines [F02F 7/0046](#))}
 - 19/043 . . . {for inserting piston-connecting rods assemblies in cylinders}
 - 19/045 . . . {for assembling valve cotters and retainers of engine valves}
 - 19/046 . . {Disassembling lids from drums, e.g. by unfolding, for reconditioning or recovery}
 - 19/047 . . {for flexible profiles, e.g. sealing or decorating strips in grooves or on other profiles by devices moving along the flexible profile (hand tools therefor [B25B 27/0092](#))}
 - 19/048 . . {Springs}
 - 19/06 . . Screw or nut setting or loosening machines
 - 19/061 . . . {for pipes or pipe-couplings}
 - 19/062 . . . {Pierce nut setting machines}
 - 19/063 {Deforming the nut only}
 - 19/064 {Deforming the support material only, e.g. the sheet or plate}
 - 19/065 . . . {Arrangements for torque limiters or torque indicators in screw or nut setting machines (for hand tools [B25B 23/14](#))}
 - 19/066 {by electrical means}
 - 19/067 . . . {Bolt tensioners (for hand tools [B25B 29/02](#))}
 - 19/068 {by using heating means}
 - 19/069 . . . {Multi-spindle machines}
 - 19/08 . . Machines for placing washers, circlips, or the like on bolts or other members
 - 19/082 . . . {for placing washers on nuts}

19/084	. . . {for placing resilient or flexible rings, e.g. O-rings, circlips}	2700/11	. Joints, e.g. ball joints, universal joints
19/086 {Non-metallic protective bellows}	2700/12	. Laminated parts
19/088 {Piston rings in piston grooves}	2700/13	. Parts of turbine combustion chambers
19/10	. Aligning parts to be fitted together	2700/14	. Suspension elements of automobile vehicles
19/102	. . {using remote centre compliance devices}	2700/50	. Other automobile vehicle parts, i.e. manufactured in assembly lines
19/105	. . . {using sensing means}		
19/107	. . {using oscillating, rotating or vibrating movements}		
19/12	. . Alignment of parts for insertion into bores		
21/00	Machines for assembling a multiplicity of different parts to compose units, with or without preceding or subsequent working of such parts, e.g. with programme control		
21/002	. {the units stationary whilst being composed}		
21/004	. {the units passing two or more work-stations whilst being composed}		
21/006	. . {the conveying means comprising a rotating table}		
21/008	. {the assembling machines or tools moving synchronously with the units while these are being assembled}		
23/00	Machines or arrangements of machines for performing specified combinations of different metal-working operations not covered by a single other subclass (if the particular kinds of operation are not essential B23Q 37/00 - B23Q 41/00; {working by laser beam combined with other working of metal B23K 26/0093})		
23/02	. Machine tools for performing different machining operations (lathes, e.g. capstan lathes, B23B ; combined horizontal boring and milling machines B23B 39/02)		
23/04	. for both machining and other metal-working operations		
23/06	. Metal-working plant comprising a number of associated machines or apparatus		
25/00	Auxiliary treatment of workpieces, before or during machining operations, to facilitate the action of the tool or the attainment of a desired final condition of the work, e.g. relief of internal stress		
25/003	. {immediately preceding a cutting tool}		
25/006	. . {Heating the workpiece by laser during machining}		
2700/00	Indexing scheme relating to the articles being treated, e.g. manufactured, repaired, assembled, connected or other operations covered in the subgroups		
2700/01	. Aircraft parts		
2700/02	. Camshafts		
2700/03	. Catalysts or parts thereof		
2700/04	. Connecting rods		
2700/05	. Cooking vessels		
2700/06	. Cooling passages of turbine components, e.g. unblocking or preventing blocking of cooling passages of turbine components		
2700/07	. Crankshafts		
2700/08	. Fittings for doors and windows of buildings		
2700/09	. Heat pipes		
2700/10	. Heat sinks		