

3D PRINTING IN MANUFACTURING SECTOR

The manufacturing industry is always looking at new and innovative ways of working and in recent years, 3D printing has been at the forefront. Advancements in the 3D printing technology, equipment and materials has resulted in the costs being driven down, making it a more feasible option to general manufacturing use.

Traditional manufacturing is being able to match with the current demands only to some extent. One of the recently advanced technologies in industry is 3D printing. It is an additional manufacturing process of producing three dimensional objects from CAD models. Materials that is used nowadays for 3D printing is plastics. But metal additive manufacturing is also currently emerging. Many aerospace propellers and engines are being produced by metal additive manufacturing but they are in initial stages. It is being seen that many automobile parts which are made up of plastics are produced by 3D printing technologies and has increased the production rate in the automotive industries. There are seven types of processes used in 3d printing technologies namely vat polymerization, material

Offsetting: Offset on CNC machine is used to make the machine to know where the job is in machine and also for tool length. Earlier this offset is done by jogging a tool or edge finder but now it is done by probe from this manual offsetting time also reduced.

Multi axis: Introduction of this feature on CNC machines made the machines to be more productive and accurate. This feature made into CNC machine by using rotating working table and both rotating and swinging working table. By this feature more complex jobs can be machined in one job setting. Most commonly used multi axis machines are 4, 5 axis machines and some manufacturers are Haas, Hurco, and Makino.

CAM software Integration: By this programming on CNC machines are easy to make complex part and calculation for the profile on drawing. Time consumed on programming lesser when we comparing on doing manually. This CAM software program can be transferred to the machines via Ethernet cables and flash drives instead of writing thousand lines of code manually by typing it on MCU

The press is then closed, and the diaphragm expanded, so that the soft rubber is pressed against the cavity of the mould. This causes the tread pattern to be imparted to the rubber. At the same time, the rubber is heated, both from the outside by the mould and from the inside by the diaphragm. Circulating hot water or steam under pressure are used to heat the diaphragm. After curing is completed, the tire is cooled and removed from the press.

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