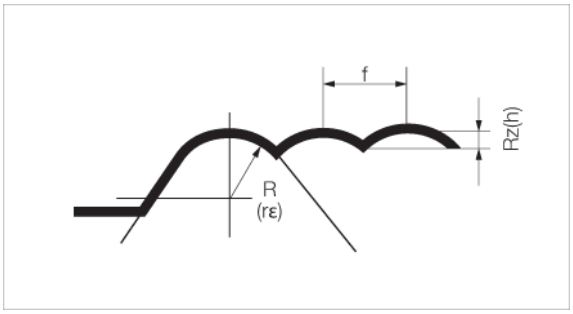
Theoretical (Geometrical) Surface Roughness

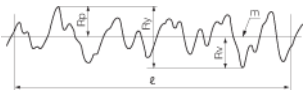
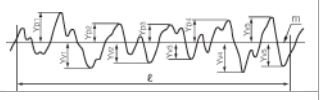
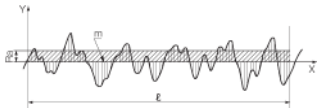
Theoretical Surface Roughness for Turning indicates the minimum roughness value from the cutting conditions and it is shown by the formula as follows:

$$Rz(h)=\frac{f^2}{8R(r\varepsilon)}x10^3$$

Rz(h) : Theoretical Surface Roughness [μm]
f : Feed Rate [mm/rev]
R (rε) : Corner Radius of Insert [mm]



How to Obtain Surface Roughness Values

Type	Symbol	How to Obtain	Explanation
Max. Height Roughness	Rz	Ry is a mean value in micron meter obtained from the distance of the highest peaks and the lowest valleys within the range of sampled reference length (l) in the direction of the center line of the roughness curve. Note) When calculating Rz, extraordinarily high or low threads are considered as damages and excluded from the calculation, and only standard lengths are used. Rz=Rp+Rv	
Ten Points Mean Roughness	RzJIS	Rz is a mean value in micron meter obtained from the distance of 5 highest peaks (Yp) and the 5 lowest valleys (Yv) measured from the center line of the roughness curve within the range of sampled reference length "l ". $RzJIS=\frac{(Yp1+Yp2+Yp3+Yp4+Yp5)+(Yv1+Yv2+Yv3+Yv4+Yv5)}{5}$	Yp1,Yp2,Yp3,Yp4,Yp5 : Distance from the mean line to highest 5 peaks in the range of sampled reference length "l " Yv1,Yv2,Yv3,Yv4,Yv5 : Distance from the mean line to the lowest 5 valleys in the range of sampled reference length "l " 
Arithmetical Mean Roughness	Ra	Ra is obtained from the following formula in micron meter, the roughness curve is expressed by y=f(x), the X-axis is in the direction of the center line and the Y-axis is the vertical magnification of the roughness curve in the range of sampled reference length "l ". $Ra=\frac{1}{\ell}\int_0^{\ell}\{f(x)\}dx$	

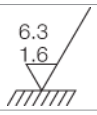
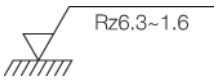
Relationship with Triangle Symbol

Arithmetical Mean Roughness Ra(μm)	Max. Height Roughness Rz(μm)	Ten Points Mean Roughness RzJIS(μm)	※(Relationship with Triangle)
0.025	0.1	0.1	▽▽▽▽
0.050	0.2	0.2	
0.100	0.4	0.4	
0.200	0.8	0.8	
0.400	1.6	1.6	▽▽▽
0.800	3.2	3.2	
1.600	6.3	6.3	
3.200	12.5	12.5	▽▽
6.300	25.0	25.0	
12.500	50.0	50.0	▽
25.000	100.0	100.0	

※ Finishing symbol (Triangle ▽ and wave ~) was removed from JIS standard in the 1994 Revision.

- How to Indicate
  ① When Ra is 1.6μm→1.6μmRa
  ② When Rz is 6.3μm→6.3μmRz
  ③ When RzJIS is 6.3μm→6.3μmRzJIS

Indication in JIS Standard

Example of Ra Indication		Example of Ry, (Rz) Indication	
① When indicating the upper limit only (when upper limit is 6.3 mRa)		① When indicating upper limit only Indicate surface roughness following the parameter symbol.	
② When indicating both lower and upper limit (when upper limit is 6.3 mRa, lower limit is 1.6 mRa)		② When indicating both lower and upper limit Indicate surface roughness as (upper limit ~ lower limit) following the parameter symbol.	

Note: The indications of Ra and Rz are different.

Caution-Symbols for Surface Roughness

The above information is based on JIS B 0601-2001. However, some symbols were revised as shown in the right table in accordance with ISO Standard from JIS B 0601-2001 version. Ten Points Mean Roughness (Rz) was eliminated from 2001 version but it still remains as RzJIS reference, since it was popular in Japan.

Type	Symbol of JIS B 0601-1994		Symbol of JIS B 0601-2001
Max. Height Roughness	Ry	→	Rz
Ten Points Mean Roughness	Rz	→	(RzJIS)
Arithmetical Mean Roughness	Ra	→	Ra