## **Industrial Applications of Non-Circular Gears**

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## ABSTRACT

Non-circular gears and industrial applications that rely on these gear basic functionality, i.e the performing of variable displacement and velocity for the driven components in a gear train, are briefly presented in the paper. In the past, the implementation of non-circular gears in motion or power transmissions was limited, due to the lack of understanding their complex design and manufacture technology. Nowadays, the development of computer–controlled machines and softwares enables new approaches on the non-circular gears to be produced and new industrial applications use their performances. Based on the gear centrode shapes, especially designed to perform the required motion, several types of non-circular gears are identified that are successfully replacing mechanisms with cams and linkages and even the electric servo-drives.

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