

**CPC****COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****B23H**

**WORKING OF METAL BY THE ACTION OF A HIGH CONCENTRATION OF ELECTRIC CURRENT ON A WORKPIECE USING AN ELECTRODE WHICH TAKES THE PLACE OF A TOOL; SUCH WORKING COMBINED WITH OTHER FORMS OF WORKING OF METAL** (processes for the electrolytic or electrophoretic production of coatings, electroforming, or apparatus therefor [C25D](#); processes for the electrolytic removal of material from objects [C25F](#); manufacturing printed circuits using precipitation techniques to apply the conductive material to form the desired conductive pattern [H05K 3/18](#))

**NOTE**

This subclass covers the working of metal described as "electroerosion"

**B23H 1/00**

**Electrical discharge machining, i.e. removing metal with a series of rapidly recurring electrical discharges between an electrode and a workpiece in the presence of a fluid dielectric**

**B23H 1/02**

- . Electric circuits specially adapted therefor, e.g. power supply, control, preventing short circuits or other abnormal discharges

**B23H 1/022**

- . . { for shaping the discharge pulse train ([B23H 1/024](#) takes precedence)}

**B23H 1/024**

- . . { Detection of, and response to, abnormal gap conditions, e.g. short circuits (preventing short circuits or other abnormal discharges by altering machining parameters using adaptive control [B23H 7/16](#))}

**B23H 1/026**

- . . { Power supply protection, e.g. detection of power switch breakdown }

**B23H 1/028**

- . . { for multiple gap machining }

**B23H 1/04**

- . Electrodes specially adapted therefor or their manufacture ([B23H 9/00](#) takes precedence)

**B23H 1/06**

- . . Electrode material

**B23H 1/08**

- . Working media

**B23H 1/10**

- . Supply or regeneration of working media

**B23H 3/00**

**Electrochemical machining, i.e. removing metal by passing current between an electrode and a workpiece in the presence of an electrolyte**

**B23H 3/02**

- . Electric circuits specially adapted therefor, e.g. power supply, control, preventing short circuits

**B23H 3/04**

- . Electrodes specially adapted therefor or their manufacture ([B23H 9/00](#) takes precedence)

**B23H 3/06**

- . . Electrode material

- B23H 3/08 . Working media
- B23H 3/10 . Supply or regeneration of working media
- B23H 5/00 Combined machining**
- B23H 5/02 . Electrical discharge machining combined with electrochemical machining
- B23H 5/04 . Electrical discharge machining combined with mechanical working
- B23H 5/06 . Electrochemical machining combined with mechanical working, e.g. grinding or honing
- B23H 5/08 . . Electrolytic grinding
- B23H 5/10 . Electrodes specially adapted therefor or their manufacture ([B23H 1/04](#), [B23H 3/04](#) take precedence)
- B23H 5/12 . Working media
- B23H 5/14 . Supply or regeneration of working media
- B23H 7/00 Processes or apparatus applicable to both electrical discharge machining and electrochemical machining**
- B23H 7/02 . Wire-cutting
- B23H 7/04 . . Apparatus for supplying current to working gap; Electric circuits specially adapted therefor
- B23H 7/06 . . Control of the travel curve of the relative movement between electrode and workpiece
- B23H 7/065 . . . { Electric circuits specially adapted therefor }
- B23H 7/08 . . Wire electrodes
- B23H 7/10 . . . Supporting, winding or electrical connection of wire-electrode
- B23H 7/101 . . . . { Supply of working media }
- B23H 7/102 . . . . { Automatic wire threading }
- B23H 7/104 . . . . { Wire tension control }
- B23H 7/105 . . . . { Wire guides }
- B23H 7/107 . . . . { Current pickups }
- B23H 7/108 . . . . { Used wire disposal devices }
- B23H 7/12 . Rotating-disc electrodes
- B23H 7/14 . Electric circuits specially adapted therefor, e.g. power supply {([B23H 3/02](#) takes precedence)}
- B23H 7/16 . . for preventing short circuits or other abnormal discharges { by altering machining parameters using adaptive control }
- B23H 7/18 . . for maintaining or controlling the desired spacing between electrode and workpiece

- B23H 7/20
  - .. for programme-control, e.g. adaptive ([programme-control systems in general G05B 19/00](#))
- B23H 7/22
  - . Electrodes specially adapted therefor or their manufacture ([B23H 7/08](#), [B23H 7/12](#), [B23H 9/00](#) take precedence)
- B23H 7/24
  - .. Electrode material
- B23H 7/26
  - . Apparatus for moving or positioning electrode relatively to workpiece; Mounting of electrode
- B23H 7/265
  - .. { Mounting of one or more thin electrodes }
- B23H 7/28
  - .. Moving electrode in a plane normal to the feed direction, e.g. orbiting
- B23H 7/30
  - .. Moving electrode in the feed direction ([B23H 7/32](#) takes precedence)
- B23H 7/32
  - .. Maintaining desired spacing between electrode and workpiece { e.g. by means of particulate material }
- B23H 7/34
  - . Working media
- B23H 7/36
  - . Supply or regeneration of working media
- B23H 7/38
  - . Influencing metal working by using specially adapted means not directly involved in the removal of metal, e.g. ultrasonic waves, magnetic fields or laser irradiation
- B23H 9/00**
**Machining specially adapted for treating particular metal objects or for obtaining special effects or results on metal objects** ([heat treatment by cathodic discharge C21D 1/38](#))
- B23H 9/001
  - . { Disintegrating }
- B23H 9/003
  - . { Making screw-threads or gears }
- B23H 9/005
  - . { Machining elongated bodies, e.g. rods }
- B23H 9/006
  - . { Cavity sinking ([B23H 9/14](#) takes precedence)}
- B23H 9/008
  - . { Surface roughening or texturing }
- B23H 9/02
  - . Trimming or deburring {([B23H 9/003](#) takes precedence)}
- B23H 9/04
  - . Treating surfaces of rolls
- B23H 9/06
  - . Marking or engraving
- B23H 9/08
  - . Sharpening
- B23H 9/10
  - . Working turbine blades or nozzles
- B23H 9/12
  - . Forming parts of complementary shape, e.g. punch-and-die
- B23H 9/14
  - . Making holes

- B23H 9/16 . . . using an electrolytic jet
- B23H 9/18 . Producing external conical surfaces or spikes ([B23H 9/08 takes precedence](#))
- B23H 11/00 Auxiliary apparatus or details, not otherwise provided for**
- B23H 11/003 . { Mounting of workpieces, e.g. working-tables }
- B23H 11/006 . { Electrical contacts or wires ([B23H 7/10 takes precedence](#))}
- B23H 2200/00 Specific machining processes or workpieces**
- B23H 2200/10 . for making bearings
- B23H 2200/20 . for making conical bores
- B23H 2200/30 . for making honeycomb structures
- B23H 2300/00 Power source circuits or energization**
- B23H 2300/10 . Pulsed electrochemical machining
- B23H 2300/12 . . Positive and negative pulsed electrochemical machining
- B23H 2300/20 . Relaxation circuit power supplies for supplying the machining current, e.g. capacitor or inductance energy storage circuits
- B23H 2300/22 . . Circuits using or taking into account line impedance to shape the discharge pulse
- B23H 2400/00 Moving mechanisms for tool electrodes**
- B23H 2400/10 . for rotating the electrode
- B23H 2500/00 Holding and positioning of tool electrodes**
- B23H 2500/20 . Methods or devices for detecting wire or workpiece position
- B23H 2600/00 Machining conditions**
- B23H 2600/10 . Switching of machining conditions during machining
- B23H 2600/12 . . Switching from rough cutting to finish machining