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Material-Specific Cutting Parameters Database (Aluminum 6061, Ti-6Al-4V, Inconel 718)	sub_page	material-specific-cutting-parameters

Detailed Explanation

This decision tree integrates empirical machining data, manufacturer tooling recommendations, and fundamental metalcutting principles into a hierarchical, branching logic framework. Each node presents a critical decision point—e.g., 'What is the workpiece material?', 'What is the tool geometry and coating?', or 'Is rigidity limited by fixture or part overhang?'—with subsequent branches leading to validated parameter ranges derived from Taylor’s Tool Life Equation, chip load guidelines, and thermal stability thresholds. The tree explicitly accounts for trade-offs: increasing feed may boost productivity but risks chatter or premature tool wear; reducing depth of cut improves surface integrity but extends cycle time. It supports both roughing and finishing strategies, incorporating safety margins for older machines or non-ideal setups. Practically, users follow the tree step-by-step—inputting real-world conditions—to arrive at a prioritized set of recommended parameters, often accompanied by quick-reference tables, unit conversion aids, and visual indicators (e.g., color-coded risk levels for vibration or heat buildup). Its design emphasizes usability on the shop floor: minimal text, intuitive icons, consistent units (IP/Metric toggle notes), and space for handwritten annotations.

Key Components

#	Component
1	Material-Based Selection Logic
2	Tool Geometry & Coating Filter
3	Machine Capability Constraints (Power, Rigidity, RPM Range)

Applications

#	Application
1	On-the-floor parameter setup for new CNC milling/turning jobs
2	Training tooling and manufacturing engineering staff in systematic optimization
3	Reducing trial-and-error during process validation and first-article inspection

Related Concepts

#	Concept
1	Chip Load Management
2	Machinability Index
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Tags

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CNC Parameter Optimization Decision Tree (Printable PDF)

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