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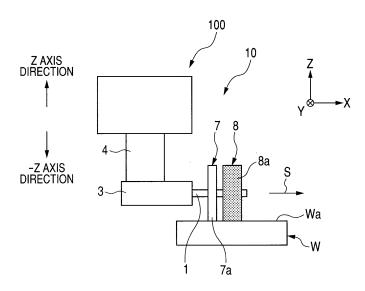
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(54) Polishing method for a workpiece and polishing tool used for the polishing method

(57) Provided is a polishing tool capable of forming a high-quality surface of a workpiece in a short period of time. The polishing tool (10) comprises a rotation shaft (1) arranged parallel to a feed direction (S) of the polishing tool relative to a workpiece (W) and at least two polishing bodies (7,8). The first polishing body (8) includes a foamed resin such as a foamed polyurethane resin, and has an outer peripheral surface (8a) having a porosity

higher than the porosity of the second polishing body (7). The second polishing body (7) comprises a non-foamed resin such as a non-foamed polyurethane resin being a material more rigid than the material used for the first polishing body (8). During polishing, the first polishing body (8) removes material from the surface (Wa) of the workpiece (W), and the second polishing body (7) smoothes an unevenness resulting from the material removal with the first polishing body (8).





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