



Features

Tesca Thin Cylinder Apparatus been developed to enable the student to verify the various analytical formulae with actual measured results. Strain gauges mounted in various positions and orientations on the cylinder provide an opportunity for students to interpret the strains and stresses for a biaxial stress system.

In the unit means are provided for relieving the cylinder of all longitudinal stress, so that the volume of Poisson's Ratio and Young's Modulus for the cylinder material may be accurately determined.

The Thin Cylinder Unit is supplied with a hand operated oil pump.

A thin wall tube contains two pistons. The first piston is located axially within the tube, extends beyond the end of the tube and is drilled to suit a pressure gauge and a high-pressure flexible rubber hose connecting the hand operated pressure pump to the unit. This piston also has an in-built pressure relief valve and oil from the relief valve returns to the pump reservoir connection by means of flexible pipe.

The second piston is free to move axially within the tube but its travel outwards is limited by plate and end-cap.

The cylinder unit which is resting on the four pins is supported in a frame and located axially by fixed stop and adjustable stop. When the adjustable stop is screwed out, the pressurized oil in the cylinder forces the piston against the end caps. When the stop is screwed in it forces the piston away from the end caps and all the axial load is taken on the frame thus relieving the cylinder of all longitudinal stress. Pure axial load transmission from cylinder to frame is ensured by the hardened steel balls situated at each end of the cylinder.

Six active strain gauges are cemented onto the cylinder, and other six temperature compensating gauges being cemented to a plate. The connection between gauges and strain bridge is made by means of a socket attached to the base. With the aid of a suitable Strain Bridge the strains in the cylinder under various loading conditions may be measured and by using the appropriate conversion the stresses

determined.

Specifications

The thin cylinder unit and hand operated pump are mounted on a bench-top base plate. A thin wall tube contains two pistons.

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The second piston is free to move axially within the tube, but its travel outwards is limited by a plate and end-cap. The cylinder unit which is resting on the four pins is supported on a frame and located axially by a fixed stop and an adjustable stop. Maximum test pressure: 40 bar.

Technical data about the thin cylinder unit: Reservoir Capacity: 75 cm3

Recommended oil: Castor oil

Pressure gauge (Manometer): 0-50 bar. Pre-set relief valve setting: 450psi approx. Cylinder material: Aluminum alloy.

Strain gauges: Foil type. Gauge Factor: 2.08.

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Six active strain gauges are cemented onto the cylinder to allow the measurement of surface strains at various angles, and other six temperature compensating gauges are cemented to a plate.

With the unit is supplied a strain gauges console with selector for the different strain gauges. The measurement of the selected gauge is shown in a display. The reading visualized in the display gather the compensation due to temperature.

Manuals: This unit is supplied with the following manuals: Required Services, Assembly and Installation, Starting-up, Safety, Maintenance and Practices Manuals.

Experiment Possibilities

- 1. Determination of Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio. Open ends condition.
- 2. Determination of Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio Closed ends condition.
- 3. Determination of theoretical strain. Open ends condition.
- 4. Determination of theoretical strain. Closed ends condition.
- 5. Study with Mohr Strain Circle and determination of circumferential, biaxial, radial and longitudinal stresses. Open ends condition
- 6. Study with Mohr Strain Circle and determination of circumferential, biaxial, radial and longitudinal stresses. Closed ends condition.

Services Required

- Mains Supply: 220V Single Phase; 50Hz
- Castor Oil

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