



Features

Sturdy, compact, self contained bench top unit for determining the surface strains and deflections of a flexible diaphragm under varying pressures. An aluminum diaphragm is clamped rigidly around its outer edge, creating a volume underneath its surface into which oil is filled. On the top surface of the diaphragm are attached 8 precision strain gauges at differing orientations. Round Diaphragm Apparatus diaphragm is flexed, the strain gauge output is fed into a digital display, which is supplied.

The force applied to the diaphragm is created by pressurizing the oil underneath the diaphragm using a fine adjustment control mechanism. An analogue pressure indicator monitors the pressure, whilst an electronic pressure sensor monitors the same pressure but gives an output signal to the digital display.

Specifications

- 1. Apparatus for determing surface strain and deflection of flexible diaphragm
- 2. To have strain gauge attached to surface
- 3. To utilize digital dial gauge for recording surface deflection and profile of diaphragm
- 4. Diaphragm pressurized causing deflection and surface strain
- 5. To have fine pressure adjustment for adjusting applied pressure to diaphragm
- 6. Digital display for strain, pressure and deflection values
- 7. Data acquisition software for key experimental parameters, Optional

Note: Specifications are subject to change.

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Experiments

- 1. Measurement of diaphragm disc surface strain using strain gauges
- 2. Measurement of diaphragm disc deflection with a dial gauge
- 3. Determination of radial strain
- 4. Determination of circumferential strain
- 5. Diaphragm surface profile
- 6. Strain gauge technology and uses
- 7. Comparison of actual and theoretical results
- 8. Mohr Circle

