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# TECEQUIPMENT EXPANDS CAPABILITY WITH ACQUISITION OF ASSETS FROM CUSSONS TECHNOLOGY

## ***Cussons*** TECHNOLOGY

This year TecEquipment will be expanding the range of teaching products it offers as a result of the 2019 acquisition of certain assets of Cussons Technology Ltd.

Cussons Technology was founded in 1876, and has a long-standing reputation for providing educational teaching products for thermodynamics, automotive technology, fluid mechanics, process control, theory of machines and applied mechanics. The acquisition of this technology also encompasses teaching products for understanding alternative energy technology including wind, tidal and solar energy. The intellectual property for all of these products is now owned by TecEquipment and will be incrementally incorporated into the company's product portfolio during a phase of product enhancement.

Visit [TECEQUIPMENT.COM/CUSSONS](https://www.tecequipment.com/cussons) for all the latest updates on Cussons Technology Engineering Educational Division products by TecEquipment.



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# NEW PRODUCTS IN THIS EDITION

For 2020, TecQuipment has focused on developing new products across the ranges to offer more comprehensive and flexible teaching.



## NEW TO FLUID MECHANICS

The Fluid Mechanics range features two new products for more advanced teaching.

The **FC600 FLUME** features a 600 mm wide, 8 to 20 metres long open flow channel for student study and for advanced research into a wide range of flow topics. This huge flume can be used for clear demonstration of flow characteristics. In addition to the flume, a large number of purpose-built ancillaries and instruments are available for the demonstration of fluid mechanics; these can be used in combination for advanced research projects (see page 122)

The **VARIABLE SPEED SERIES AND PARALLEL PUMPS (H53V)** benchtop test set allows students to investigate the operation and performance of two centrifugal pumps arranged in series or parallel. In comparison to the similar Series and Parallel Pumps benchtop test set launched in 2019, the advanced version has VDAS® Onboard data acquisition and both fixed and variable-speed pumps. It allows the demonstration of cavitation, the performance of suction tests on a single pump, along with fundamental teaching covering pumps in series and parallel (see page 139).



## NEW TO MATERIALS TESTING



With the rise in use of composite materials across industries such as aerospace, automotive, marine and civil engineering, TecQuipment has introduced the new **COMPOSITE BEAM PACKS** for testing different types of composites to explore the bending behaviour and strength of different formulations with varying inner and outer materials and weave (see page 185).



## NEW TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

The **ADVANCED HVAC AND R TRAINER (EC1550V)** is the most advanced Environmental Control teaching product available from TecQuipment. It offers comprehensive, practical teaching of a vast range of topics relating to heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration systems. In addition to the breath of experimentation options, the depth and detail of study is huge thanks to the extensive network of sensors integrated throughout, with VDAS® Onboard data acquisition (see page 298).

# MADE IN THE UK

TecEquipment takes great pride in designing and manufacturing its products in the United Kingdom.



## MODERN MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

TecEquipment's manufacturing facilities are at the company's global headquarters, where they embrace the heritage of the local area based within an old lace making factory. Behind the building's exterior resides a highly specialised team that designs and manufactures the 450+ engineering educational teaching products. This team utilises modern production facilities, including advanced CNC machines and high-throughput paint booths. High quality is ensured by combining in-house fabrication and machining of components with the

buying in of specialist components, such as engines. These bought-in components are then customised in-house with extra functionality, such as instrumentation, data acquisition and software integration capabilities.

Watch the *Made Under One Roof* series on [TECEQUIPMENT.COM/VIDEOS](https://www.tecequipment.com/videos), or the TecEquipment YouTube channel, to see how the design and manufacturing process works.



# PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRY

TEQUIPMENT RANGE	SUBJECT AREA	INDUSTRY														
		AEROSPACE	AGRICULTURE	AUTOMOTIVE	CHEMICAL/PHARMA	CIVIL ENGINEERING	CONSTRUCTION	DEFENCE	FOOD AND DRINK	MARINE	METALS	MINING	OIL AND GAS	POWER	RAIL	RENEWABLES
AERODYNAMICS	Subsonic Wind Tunnels	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓					✓		✓	✓
	Supersonic Wind Tunnels	✓		✓				✓				✓		✓		
	Special Purpose Wind Tunnels	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓		
CONTROL ENGINEERING		✓		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	
PROCESS CONTROL					✓				✓				✓	✓		✓
ELECTRICAL POWER					✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
ENGINEERING SCIENCE	Forces and Moments	✓				✓	✓			✓						
	Materials Testing	✓		✓		✓	✓							✓	✓	
	Vibration, Friction, Energy			✓						✓				✓		
	Simple Machines	✓		✓		✓	✓					✓		✓		
	Mechanisms	✓		✓			✓			✓				✓		
FLUID MECHANICS	Flow and Pressure	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
	Friction	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓			✓
	Open Channel		✓			✓				✓			✓		✓	✓
	Hydrostatics	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓			✓
	Hydrology	✓	✓			✓	✓				✓					✓
	Fluid Power	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES	Basic Properties	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Strain Gauging	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
	Destructive Testing	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓		
STATICS FUNDAMENTALS					✓	✓							✓			
STRUCTURES	Beams	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Failure	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓
	Arches, Bridges, Trusses	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
THEORY OF MACHINES	Friction	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Motion	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Vibration	✓		✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
THERMODYNAMICS	Fundamentals	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				✓
	Heat Transfer/Exchange	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Steam					✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
	Compressors	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓			
ENGINES	Internal Combustion Engines	✓		✓				✓		✓			✓	✓		
	Gas Turbines	✓			✓			✓		✓			✓	✓		✓
ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
SOLAR ENERGY					✓	✓							✓		✓	

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I am very pleased to find the highly innovative and professional approach of TecEquipment Ltd in designing and manufacturing a variety of equipment for engineering and technical education at all levels. Such equipment is very useful to develop conceptual skills in students.

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# ENGINEERING SCIENCE

The Engineering Science range is a modular system of experimental kits that addresses the fundamental principles of mechanical engineering, including:

- FORCES AND MOMENTS
- MATERIALS TESTING
- VIBRATION, FRICTION AND ENERGY
- SIMPLE MACHINES
- MECHANISMS

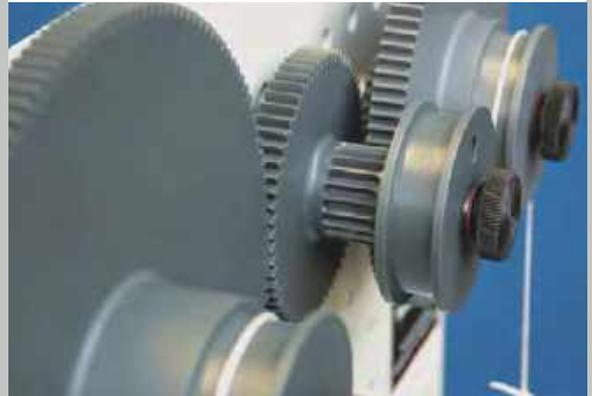
The high quality, robust kits are suitable for teaching STEM principles at beginner level, while remaining relevant for familiarisation for post-graduate students. All the hardware required to do experiments related to a particular topic are contained within a kit. These are presented in a storage tray with a purpose-made insert and checklist to ensure all of the parts are returned at the end of the laboratory session.

Kits can be purchased in any combination, from multiple kits for a whole class to perform the same experiment, or a selection of individual kits for demonstrating a variety of different experiments. TecQuipment also sells a purpose-built storage trolley for keeping the kits tidy while protecting them from damage when not in use.

Ideal for curricula based on educating students in the four specific disciplines of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in colleges and schools. The ES range, with its hands-on approach and detailed notes on experiments, provides the perfect link between theory and real-world applications.



TecQuipment's Engineering Science range is the foundation of STEM education.



## COMPREHENSIVE EXPERIMENT KITS

- Each kit offers multiple experiments, with over 60 experiments for the 18 kits, it is outstanding value for money
- All the kits are safe and simple to use, ideal for minimal supervision at many levels of education

## LONG-LASTING WORK PANEL

- Rugged, compact and easy to use, the Engineering Science work panel comes with over 1000 pages of worksheets, notes and lecture material in PDF format

## CONVENIENT STORAGE

- Kits are housed in tough, stackable trays
- A purpose-built mobile storage unit offers the flexibility to expand as required

## FLEXIBLE ORDERING

- Start with one panel and one experiment, a package or buy the whole range, TecQuipment's Engineering Science range can be completely tailored to your needs and budget



# ENGINEERING SCIENCE FULL SET



ESF

A complete set of TecQuipment's Engineering Science kits and three work panels within a mobile trolley.

- Full set of TecQuipment's Engineering Science kits (ES2 to ES19) and three work panels (ES1) for over 60 experiments in fundamental engineering science topics
- All the parts needed in one mobile frame – one person can move a full set of kits from one room to another
- Includes a Spares Kit (ESX) to replace common parts that could become lost from experiments during use
- Spare empty trays to store additional material such as coursework, worksheets or guidance notes
- Strong, lockable trolley wheels allow easy movement but also hold the trolley stable when needed making it an ideal demonstration table



This full set allows at least three sets of students to work with any three of the Engineering Science experiments at the same time, while storing the other kits tidily and efficiently. Alternatively, lecturers or teachers may set up one experiment as a demonstration on the mobile trolley while two groups of students do experiments at their desks.

## PACKAGES

As well as the full set, these packages are also available which offer great value for money.

**MATERIALS TESTING KIT PACKAGE ES B2**

FOUR WORK PANELS ES1

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- DEFLECTION OF BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS KIT ES4
- TORSION OF CIRCULAR SECTIONS KIT ES5
- TENSILE TESTER KIT ES6
- SPRING TESTER KIT ES19

**SIMPLE MACHINES KIT PACKAGE ES B3**

FOUR WORK PANELS ES1

+

- PULLEY KIT ES10
- DRIVE SYSTEMS KIT ES11
- GEAR TRAINS KIT ES13
- CENTRIFUGAL FORCE KIT ES16

**MECHANISMS KIT PACKAGE ES B4**

FOUR WORK PANELS ES1

+

- CAM, CRANK AND TOGGLE KIT ES12
- SIMPLE MECHANISMS KIT ES14
- BAR LINKAGES KIT ES15
- ADDITIONAL MECHANISMS KIT ES18

**VIBRATION, FRICTION AND ENERGY KIT PACKAGE ES B5**

FOUR WORK PANELS ES1

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- SIMPLE HARMONIC MOTION KIT ES7
- FRICTION AND INCLINED PLANE KIT ES8
- POTENTIAL AND KINETIC ENERGY KIT ES9
- ROTATIONAL FRICTION KIT ES17

**FORCES AND MOMENTS KIT PACKAGE ES B1**

TWO WORK PANELS ES1

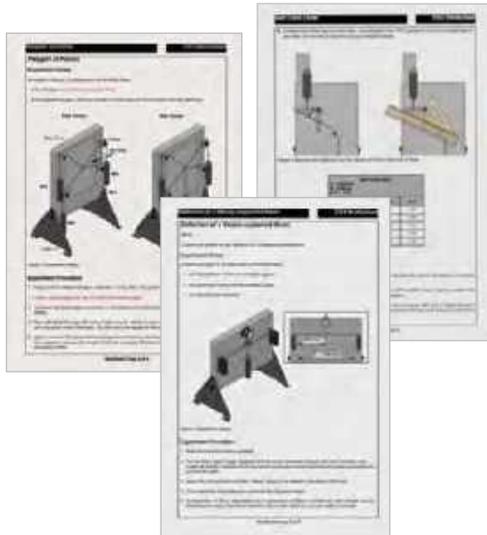
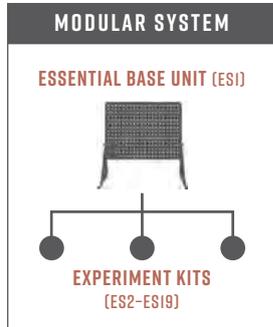
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- FORCES KIT ES2
- MOMENTS KIT ES3

# WORK PANEL

ESI

Multi-position work panel for use with TecQuipment's Engineering Science kits.



For use with TecQuipment's Engineering Science kits, the work panel fits on any standard desk or bench top. Students, teachers or lecturers fit the parts of the kit to the Work Panel (ESI) to study or demonstrate an engineering science topic.

OVER 1000 PAGES OF TEACHING MATERIAL FOR ALL THE EXPERIMENTS IN THE RANGE

- Perfect size for both experiments and simple classroom demonstrations
- Supplied with digital copy of all teaching material needed for the full Engineering Science range
- Stable and multi-positional, can be used in many different ways to suit the experiments or demonstrations
- Solid, thick perforated metal plate for long life and choice of fixing positions for the experiments
- Simple thumbscrews for safe, quick and easy assembly

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT KITS:

• Forces Kit (ES2)	9
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# FORCES KIT



ES2

Demonstrates how to find the centre of gravity of shapes and the relationship between angles and coplanar forces, using force triangles.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Centre of gravity
- Force triangles
- Force polygons and Bow's notation
- Linked polygons (non-concurrent forces)

## SPECIAL OFFER

### FORCES AND MOMENTS BUNDLE (ESBI)

This basic experiment bundle includes:

- Forces Kit (ES2)
- Moments Kit (ES3)
- Two Engineering Science Work Panels (ES1)

This kit includes a set of different plastic shapes for experiments in centres of gravity of two-dimensional objects. It also includes pulleys, weights and a magnetic protractor for experiments in concurrent and non-concurrent coplanar forces and angles.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

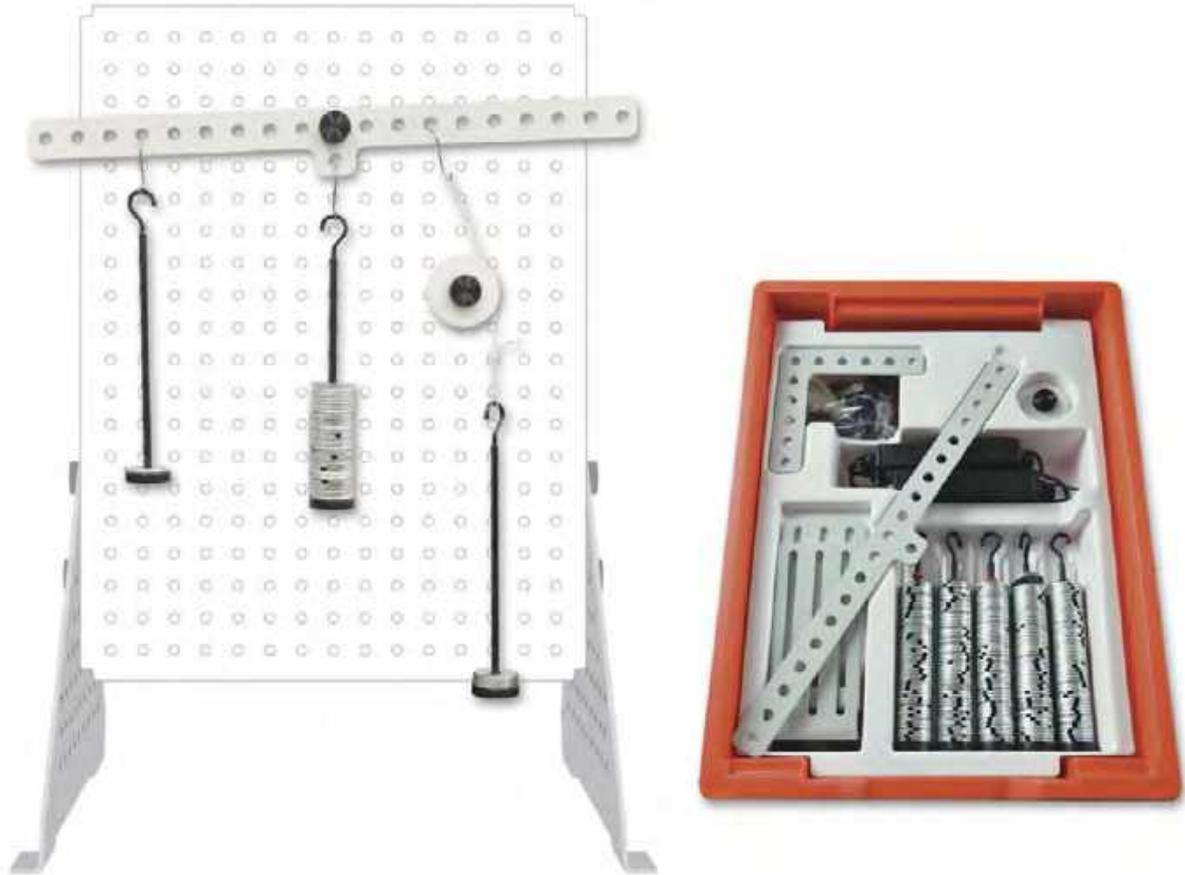
### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Equilibrium of Forces (STF4) 193

# MOMENTS KIT

ES3

Demonstrates the relationship between distances and forces in rigid beams and levers showing the first, second and third order levers.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Principle of moments
- Beam balances
- First, second and third order levers
- Bell crank lever
- Beam reactions

This kit includes a rigid beam for experiments in the principle of moments, extending to levers and beams. It demonstrates the three main lever types (first, second and third order) and includes an 'L' shaped plate for experiments in bell crank levers. A pulley allows extra experiments with moments caused by oblique forces.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Equilibrium of a Beam (STF5) 193

# DEFLECTION OF BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS KIT

ES4

Demonstrates the deflection of beams of different materials and dimensions, held on different supports, both clamps and knife edges.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Beam length and deflection
- Beam material and deflection (Young's modulus)
- Beam 'I' value and deflection
- Beam supports (cantilever, propped cantilever, fixed beam and simply supported) and deflection

This kit includes different beams and fixing blocks. The fixing blocks work as clamps or knife-edge supports. They hold the beams in different ways, such as a cantilever, simply supported, fixed (encastre) and a propped cantilever.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

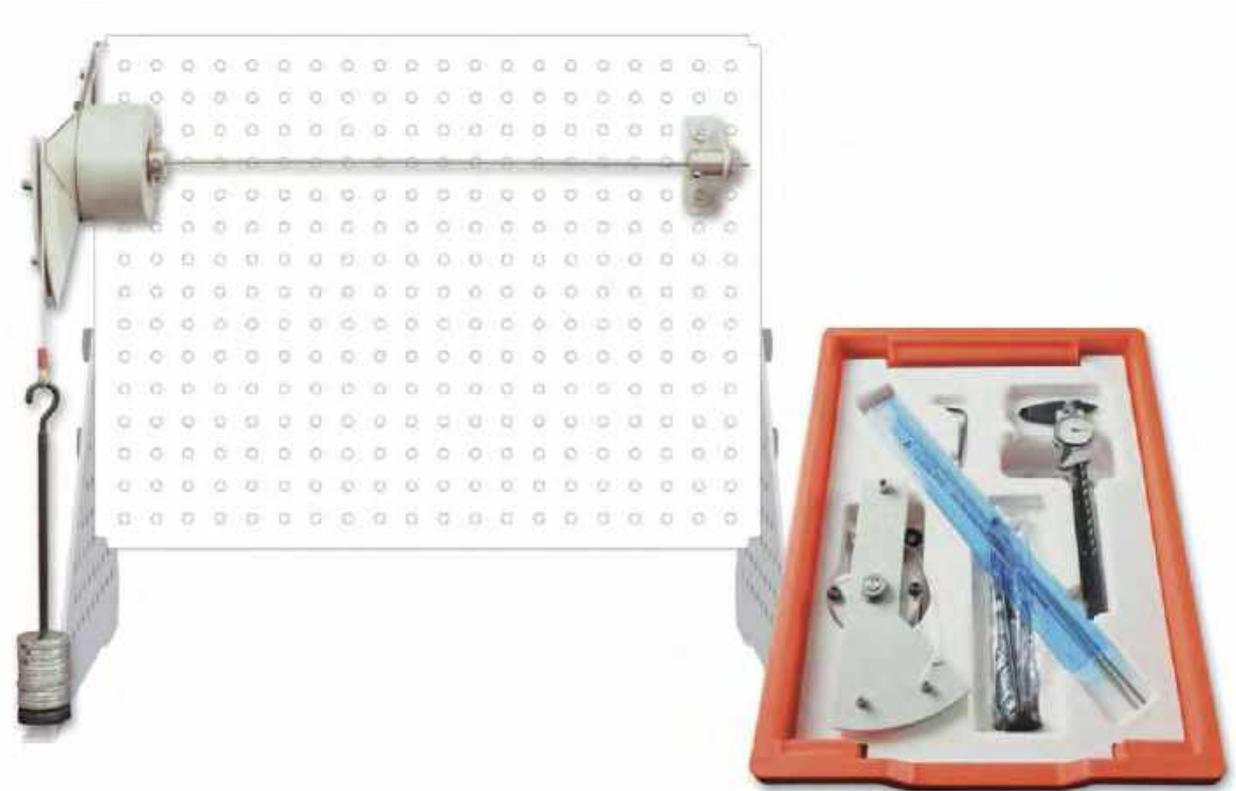
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Stiffness, Bending and Torsion (TE16) 160
- Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g) 173
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# TORSION OF CIRCULAR SECTIONS KIT

ES5

Demonstrates the torsion in circular section specimens of different materials and lengths.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Specimen length and angle of twist
- Specimen material and angle of twist (modulus of rigidity)
- Specimen 'J' value and angle of twist

This kit includes different circular section specimens and adjustable chucks for experiments in torsion. Students fix the specimens in the chucks and apply weights to a lever arm. The arm applies a moment (torque) to one end of the specimen. A scale on the arm shows the angle of twist.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Torsion Testing Machine, 30 Nm (SM1001) 166
- Torsion of Circular Sections (STR6) 221
- Torsion Testing Components (TE16b) 160

## HERE TO HELP YOU

A team of specialist customer care personnel are available to answer a range of questions relating to technical details, spare parts and maintenance.

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# TENSILE TESTER KIT



ES6

Demonstrates the principles of tensile tests on specimens of different materials, showing material behaviour in the elastic and plastic region (Young's modulus).



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Tensile tests (to destruction) of different materials
- Finding the tensile strength of a material
- Material behaviour in the elastic and plastic region
- Creating a force and extension chart

## SPECIAL OFFER

### MATERIALS TESTING BUNDLE (ESB2)

This experiment bundle includes:

- Deflection of Beams Kit (ES4)
- Torsion of Circular Sections Kit (ES5)
- Tensile Tester Kit (ES6)
- Spring Tester Kit (ES19)
- Four Engineering Science Work Panels (ES1)

This kit includes a cased tensile tester with specimens of different materials for students to stretch specimens to destruction, while measuring the extension and force.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Tensile Test Specimens (MTT) 28

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171
- Bench-top Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002) 169
- Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MkII) 176

# SPRING TESTER KIT

ES19

Demonstrates the characteristics of coiled springs and how to test them (Hooke's law).



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Hooke's law and compression spring tests
- Hooke's law and extension spring tests
- Parallel and series spring tests

This kit includes different coiled springs for experiments in spring testing. These include extension springs, compression springs, parallel springs and springs that can connect in series.

Students test the springs to prove Hooke's law and find their spring rate, comparing it with given manufacturers' values. They can also test springs in parallel and series to see how this affects the overall spring rate.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

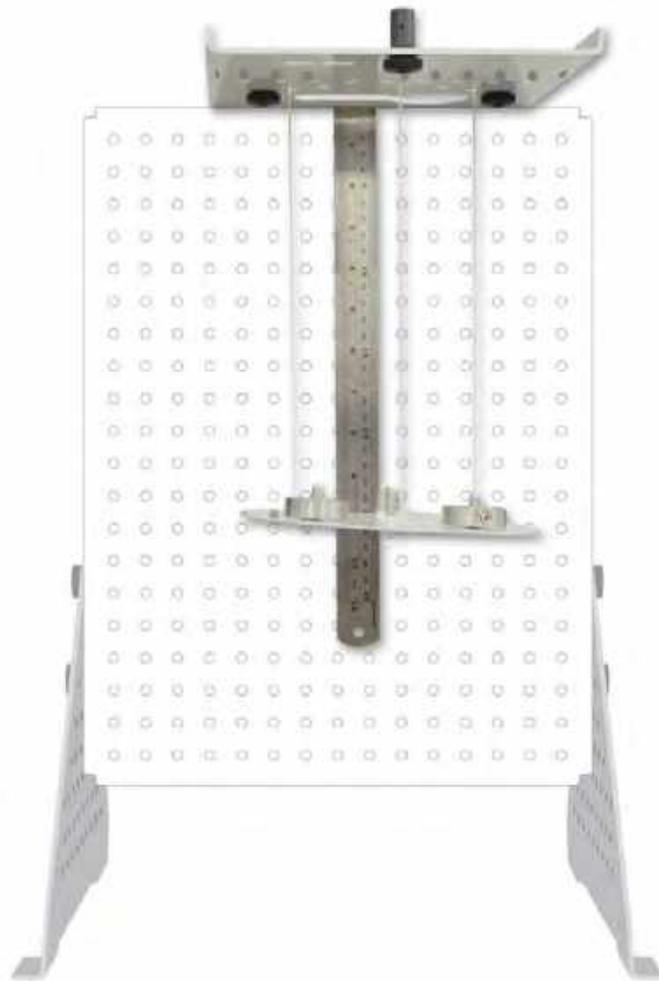
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hooke's Law and Spring Rate (SM110) 159
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# SIMPLE HARMONIC MOTION KIT

ES7

Demonstrates simple harmonic motion (oscillation) in springs and pendulums, and its usefulness.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Simple harmonic motion of simple, bifilar and trifilar pendulums of different lengths and masses
- Simple harmonic motion of a spring with different masses, and a simple spring rate test
- Simple harmonic motion of a compound pendulum
- Simple harmonic motion and gravity using a Kater's pendulum

This kit includes different pendulums and a spring to show students the principles and uses of simple harmonic motion. Students test different pendulums and a spring to see how different factors, such as mass or pendulum length, affect simple harmonic motion and the period of oscillation.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Simple and Compound Pendulums (TM161) 241
- Filar Pendulums (TM162) 242

# FRICTION AND INCLINED PLANE KIT

ES8

Demonstrates kinetic and static sliding friction and rolling friction on bodies and between different surfaces on a flat or inclined plane.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Forces on an inclined plane
- Rolling and sliding friction on different surfaces
- Kinetic and static sliding friction between different surfaces
- Surface angle and friction between different surfaces

This kit includes parts for experiments in friction and forces on a flat or inclined plane. The plane has an inclinometer and adjustment to allow the student to set the plane to any angle between zero and 90 degrees. The parts include different friction surfaces, a roller set, a rolling car or sled with adjustable mass, and a simple roller.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

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## PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Products are continually being improved. For the latest up-to-date specifications refer to the digital datasheets on [TEQUIPMENT.COM](http://TEQUIPMENT.COM)



# POTENTIAL AND KINETIC ENERGY KIT

ES9

Demonstrates the difference between potential and kinetic energy and how it can change from one to the other using a pendulum or flywheel. Also demonstrates elastic potential energy in a spring.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Kinetic and potential energy in a pendulum
- Elastic potential energy in a spring
- Kinetic energy in a flywheel

This kit includes a pendulum, a spring and a flywheel for experiments in potential and kinetic energy. Students test each part to discover the difference between potential and kinetic energy and the transfer of energy from one form to another.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

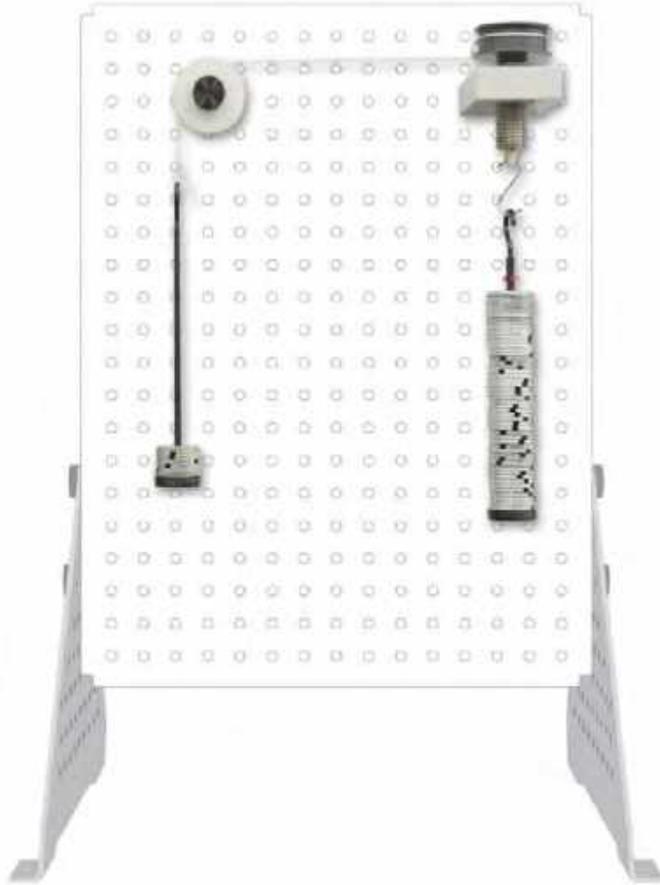
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Geared Systems Test Stand (TM1018a) 233

# ROTATIONAL FRICTION KIT

ES17

Demonstrates how rotational friction affects the efficiency of popular machine elements, including a screw jack, wedge and different bearings.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Efficiency of a screw jack
- Efficiency of a wedge
- Efficiency of different bearings

This kit includes a screw jack (or 'jackscrew'), a wedge and different bearings. It helps students understand how rotational friction affects the efficiency of popular machine elements and bearing materials. It shows why engineers choose some materials and devices above others for any given application.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

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## SPECIAL OFFER

### VIBRATION, FRICTION AND ENERGY KIT BUNDLE (ESB5)

This experiment bundle includes:

- Simple Harmonic Motion Kit (ES7)
- Friction and Inclined Plane Kit (ES8)
- Potential and Kinetic Energy Kit (ES9)
- Rotational Friction Kit (ES17)
- Four Engineering Science Work Panels (ES1)

# PULLEY KIT

ES10

Demonstrates the mechanical advantage of different combinations of pulleys and a simple wheel and axle.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Simple pulleys: fixed, movable and compound
- The wheel and axle
- The Weston differential pulley

This kit includes a wheel and axle with single, double and triple wheel or 'sheave' pulleys for experiments in mechanical advantage. Students test fixed, movable and compound pulleys attached to load and effort weights to test their mechanical advantage.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

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# DRIVE SYSTEMS KIT

ES11

Demonstrates the advantages and disadvantages of three popular drive systems (belt, chain and a universal coupling) using a manually rotated frame with a low-friction cantilever linkage, adjustable masses and a spring to apply force.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Power transfer, efficiency and direction in a belt drive
- Power transfer and efficiency in a chain drive
- Input and output relationships of a universal coupling
- Friction and angle of lap on a pulley

This kit includes three different drive systems to show their relative advantages and disadvantages.

Students test a universal coupling, a belt drive and a chain drive to see how they work and how they differ in the way they transfer motion (power).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Geared Systems (TM1018) 232

## SPECIAL OFFER

### SIMPLE MACHINES KIT BUNDLE (ESB3)

This experiment bundle includes:

- Pulley Kit (ES10)
- Drive Systems Kit (ES11)
- Gear Trains Kit (ES13)
- Centrifugal Force Kit (ES16)
- Four Engineering Science Work Panels (ES1)

# GEAR TRAINS KIT

ES13

Demonstrates the characteristics of a spur gear, bevel gear and a worm drive.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Characteristics of spur gears, including single and compound gear trains and the 'idler' gear
- Characteristics of a bevel gear
- Characteristics of a worm drive

This kit includes a selection of different gears for experiments to find their unique characteristics.

The gears include spur gears, a bevel gear and a worm drive. The spur gears have two sets of teeth on the same shaft, allowing extra experiments in compound gear trains. Students test each set of gears to see how it works and note the differences in characteristics (such as efficiency, gear ratio and mechanical advantage) of each set.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Geared Systems (TM1018) 232

## FULL SPECIFICATION DATASHEETS

Datasheets contain full specifications such as size, weight, noise output, fluid capacity, voltage requirements etc. Download from each individual product webpage.

[TECEQUIPMENT.COM](http://TECEQUIPMENT.COM) (search product)

# CENTRIFUGAL FORCE KIT

ES16

Demonstrates the relationship between centrifugal force, radius and velocity of rotating masses.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Relationship between centrifugal force, radius and velocity of different rotating masses.

This kit includes a manually rotated frame with a low-friction cantilever linkage. The frame has mounting positions for adjustable masses and a spring that applies a fixed frictional force value to a rotating drum. The range of mounting positions and masses allows many variations of the experiment to help students understand the relationships between the variables of speed, mass and radial position.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Centrifugal Force (TM1005) 237

## QUALITY CONTROL WITH IN-HOUSE PRODUCTION

To maintain high quality and keep lead times to a minimum, products are designed and manufactured all under one roof at the TecQuipment headquarters based in the UK.



# CAM, CRANK AND TOGGLE KIT

ES12

Demonstrates the characteristics of a mechanical toggle, crank motion and the most popular shaped cams: pear, heart, round and snail.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Displacement and angle characteristics of pear, heart, round and snail cams
- Characteristics of a mechanical toggle
- Turning moments and forces during crank motion

This kit includes a crank and slider to show the relative forces during crank motion. It also includes four popular cam shapes to show their different characteristics. Another set of parts in the kit shows the characteristics of a mechanical toggle.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1) 8

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Cam Analysis Machine (TM1021V) 229

# SIMPLE MECHANISMS KIT

ES14

Demonstrates how the Scotch yoke, crank and slider and quick return mechanisms convert motion.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Conversion of motion using the Scotch yoke (or 'slotted link')
- Conversion of motion using the quick return mechanism
- Conversion of motion using the crank and slider

This kit includes three popular mechanisms for experiments in conversion of motion, from linear to rotary, or rotary to linear. These include the Scotch yoke (sometimes called 'donkey crosshead' or 'slotted link'), the crank and slider, and the quick return mechanism. Students test each mechanism to see how it works and note the differences in the way that each mechanism converts the motion.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

8

## SPECIAL OFFER

### MECHANISMS KIT BUNDLE (ESB4)

This experiment kit bundle includes:

- Cam, Crank and Toggle Kit (ES12)
- Simple Mechanisms Kit (ES14)
- Bar Linkages Kit (ES15)
- Additional Mechanisms Kit (ES18)
- Four Engineering Science Work Panels (ES1)

# BAR LINKAGES KIT

ES15

A set of bars and pivot joints for students to understand different bar linkages and mechanisms.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Four bar linkages: crank rocker, double rocker, draglink and parallelogram
- Straight line linkages: Watt's straight line, Chebyshev, Peaucellier-Lipkin, Hart's inversor, Robert's and Hoeken's
- Pantograph
- Ackermann steering

This kit includes a selection of over 20 perforated bars of different lengths and pivots or 'joints' to allow students to create an unlimited choice of linkages.

Students assemble the bars and joints in any arrangement and note how the linkage converts movement from one form to another (for example: rotary motion to linear motion). Bar linkages are one of the most basic mechanisms used in mechanical engineering.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

8

## QUICK DELIVERY ON STOCK PRODUCTS

TecEquipment holds stocks of the most popular products, ready for speedy shipment across the world.

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# ADDITIONAL MECHANISMS KIT

ES18

Demonstrates how the Geneva mechanism and a ratchet mechanism convert motion.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Conversion of motion using the Geneva mechanism
- Conversion of motion using a ratchet

This kit includes two popular mechanisms for experiments in conversion of motion from one form to another. These include the Geneva mechanism (sometimes called the Maltese cross mechanism or crank and star), and a ratchet mechanism. Students test each mechanism to see how it works and note the differences in the way that each mechanism converts the motion.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (ES1)

8

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Find out all the latest up-to-the-minute news, promotions, stories from users, videos etc. Plus, embrace the opportunity to interact with other academics, students and get fresh ideas.



# STORAGE EQUIPMENT

EST / ETL

Storage equipment for use with TecQuipment's Engineering Science range.

- A set of five spare trays and lids (ETL), useful for safely storing ancillaries or printed material such as lecturer guides or worksheets
- A compact mobile frame (EST) that stores up to 24 trays safely and tidily, while allowing one person to move all 24 trays from one room to another



For use with the Engineering Science kits, TecQuipment offers these supporting products as a useful resource for lecturers or teachers:

## STORAGE UNIT EST

A mobile trolley for use with the Engineering Science kits. This trolley allows lecturers or teachers to safely and tidily store up to 24 trays in one mobile unit.

## TRAYS AND LIDS ETL

A set of five trays and lids. Identical to those used for the kits, so they fit and stack in the same way.



## DOCUMENTS INCLUDED - EVERYTHING YOU NEED

A comprehensive pack of documents is supplied with all experiments, including:

- **USER MANUAL:** How to use the product, along with instructions on experiment set-up and supporting engineering principles for guided learning.
- **PACKING CONTENTS LIST:** All the parts that make up the complete product.
- **TEST CERTIFICATE:** Your peace of mind that the product has been thoroughly tested before dispatch.



# SPARES AND CONSUMABLES

ESX / SW1 / WT / WTL / MTT

Spares and consumables for use with TecQuipment's Engineering Science range.



SPARE PARTS KIT (ESX)

- Useful to replace any parts that become lost from the experiment kits during use, or to increase the variation of experiments
- Additional tensile test specimens (MTT) for the Tensile Tester Kit (ES6)
- Additional weight sets (WT and WTL) and stopwatch (SW1) are useful spares for both the Engineering Science range and other TecQuipment products
- A tray of spares (ESX) containing the most common parts of the Engineering Science kits

TecQuipment offers these spares and consumables mainly for the Engineering Science range. However, the stopwatch and weight sets also work as spares for other TecQuipment product ranges.

## SPARE PARTS KIT ESX

This kit includes spares of the most common parts used in the other Engineering Science kits, including fixings, weights, hooks and cord.

## STOPWATCH SW1

An easy-to-use, accurate, hand-held digital stopwatch. Replaces any lost from the kits or allows more students to share experiments.



## WEIGHT SETS WT AND WTL

Slotted masses that fit onto TecQuipment's weight hangers. They will work as general-purpose weights and spares for those in several other TecQuipment products, such as the Structures range.

**WT:** A set of 10 g masses and weight hangers

**WTL:** A set of 1 g masses



## TENSILE TEST SPECIMENS MTT

Specimens made from a choice of four different materials for use with the Engineering Science Tensile Tester (ES6).

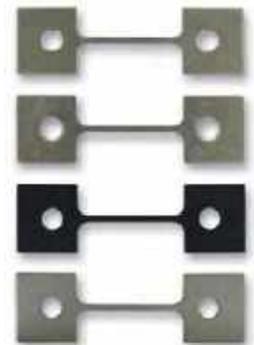
**MTTA:** Aluminium

**MTTD:** Aluminium HE30

**MTTP:** PVC

**MTTS:** Mild steel

**NOTE:** TecQuipment supplies all specimens individually, but a minimum order charge applies.



# AERODYNAMICS

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We recently purchased a wind tunnel for the training of our aeronautical engineering students from TecQuipment. The product was easy to set up, straight forward to operate and I am confident will continue to be used for many years to come. The service and training that TecQuipment provides makes them a pleasure to work with.

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AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING LECTURER, MILTON KEYNES COLLEGE

# AERODYNAMICS

The aerodynamics range is used for teaching a vast range of aerodynamic principles – from fundamentals through to advanced theories – with products to suit every space, budget and complexity requirement. The wind tunnels span a variety of sizes and experimentation capabilities, from benchtop models for learning the basics, to versions requiring large laboratories for a more detailed understanding of aerodynamics.

## PRINCIPLES OF AERODYNAMICS

TecQuipment's subsonic wind tunnels teach students the basics of lift, drag and pitching moments, plus high-level topics such as boundary layer and pressure distribution around models. Students can also perform wake investigations.

## ADVANCED THEORY OF AERODYNAMICS

TecQuipment's supersonic wind tunnels are for the more advanced teaching of aerodynamics engineering, with experiments that start with nozzle pressure distribution, on to analysis of Mach numbers, and the measurement and visualisation of pressure and shock waves using Schlieren apparatus.

## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

A variety of the products in this range work with TecQuipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>), page 310.



## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**MADE FOR TEACHING:** Realistic results yet small enough for laboratories.

**FLEXIBILITY:** Packages of equipment can be chosen to suit budgets and needs.

**EASY SET-UP:** It takes only minutes to change and set up an experiment.

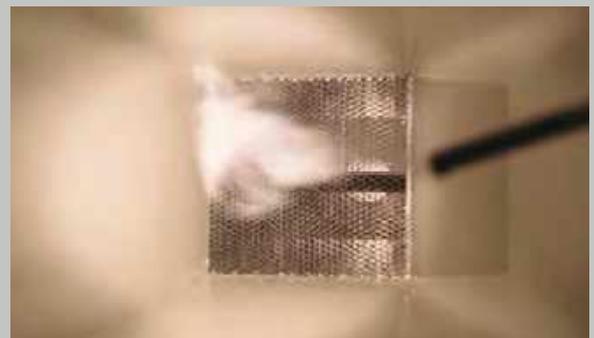
**HANDS ON:** Laboratory-scale parts allow easy fitting and adjustments, for a more practical understanding.

## MODULAR FLUID POWER RANGE

The Modular Fluid Power range (pages 142–156) includes products that allow demonstrations and studies of the performance of different types of 'real world' air machines (fans and compressors).



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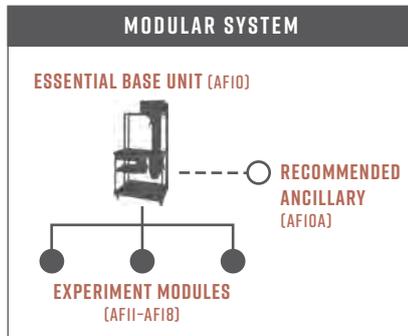


# MODULAR AIR FLOW BENCH



AF10

This is a small-scale wind tunnel with an electric fan and adjustable air flow control, with eight different experiment modules that demonstrate key principles and phenomena of air flow.



SHOWN FITTED WITH ONE OF THE AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES (AF12) AND MULTI-TUBE MANOMETER (AF10A)



SUBSONIC WIND TUNNELS



AERODYNAMICS

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**Supports and supplies a controllable air flow to its optional experiment modules**

*Modular design saves space and reduces costs*

**Eight different optional experiment modules**

*Covers all aspects of a basic aerodynamics curriculum*

**Compact, mobile and easy to install**

*Simplifies laboratory layout*

**Easy set-up, just minutes to remove and fit experiment modules**

*Maximises experiment time and requires minimal supervision*

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

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## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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# BERNOULLI'S EQUATION

## AF11

Allows students to measure the pressure distribution in a convergent-divergent duct to confirm Bernoulli's equation.

- Quickly and simply illustrates Bernoulli's equation for air, and its limitations due to boundary layer effects
- Quick-release couplings for rapid and reliable pressure connection to the AF10a Manometer
- Transparent front to the duct so that the profile of the test nozzle and the position of the Pitot static tube can be seen clearly
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Confirmation of Bernoulli's equation
- The use of a Pitot static tube and water manometer

This experiment module illustrates Bernoulli's equation as applied to a convergent-divergent duct. A Pitot static tube measures both the total pressure and the static pressure independently. The tube traverses along the axis of the duct and connects to the AF10a Multi-Tube Manometer (available separately) via flexible tubes fitted with quick-release couplings.



### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Bernoulli's Theorem (H5) 98

## TECQUIPMENT'S BLOG

Read the TecQuipment blog for informative posts, from topics focused on engineering education through to guest posts from academics sharing viewpoints, relevant teaching projects and perspectives.

[TECQUIPMENT.COM/KNOWLEDGE](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM/KNOWLEDGE)



# DRAG FORCE

AF12

Allows students to investigate the direct and indirect measurement of drag on various shapes and to calculate and analyse the drag coefficient by different methods.



- Compares drag for a cylinder calculated from a measured pressure distribution, and a wake traverse against that measured directly for a cylinder
- Allows comparisons of drag force between a cylinder, flat plate and aerofoil
- The test duct has transparent sides with clearly printed scales, allowing students to see the experiment and accurately position the models and the Pitot tube
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of the drag coefficient by measurement of the pressure distribution around the cylinder
- Determination of the drag coefficient by wake traverse
- Determination of the drag coefficient around the cylinder by direct measurement and comparison to results obtained by pressure distribution and wake traverse
- Direct measurement and comparison of drag coefficient between a cylinder, flat plate and aerofoil

This simple yet comprehensive experiment module consists of a duct with transparent front and rear. The front has scales printed on it to position the various parts during the experiments. A Pitot tube and simple mass balance are attached to the outside of the duct for wake traverse and direct drag measurements respectively.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Cylinder Model (AF1300a) 41
- NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1300b) 42
- Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e) 42
- Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j) 42
- S1210 Aerofoil (AF1300l) 42



# ROUND TURBULENT JET

AF13

Allows students to investigate a jet of air as it emerges from the end of a tube and analyse its properties.

- Allows a number of tests on the velocity of a submerged jet emerging from the end of a tube
- The tube has a carefully designed inlet for best results
- Quick-release coupling fitted to the Pitot tube to allow rapid and reliable connection to the Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a)
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Decay of the centre line velocity
- Velocity profile at various distances along the jet and the development of the spread of the jet
- Analysis of the velocity profiles to demonstrate how the mass flux in the jet increases, the kinetic energy flux decreases and the momentum flux remains constant along the jet length

This module consists of a tube with a specially designed rounded entry. The tube is mounted on a stiff plate with the rounded entry on one side and the exit on the other.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

# BOUNDARY LAYER

AF14

Allows students to investigate both the laminar and turbulent boundary layers on flat plates with rough and smooth surfaces.

- Allows a number of tests on laminar and turbulent boundary layers, with rough and smooth surfaces with different pressure gradients
- Boundary layer velocity profile is measured with a Pitot tube with a fine micrometer adjustment for best results
- Test section has a transparent front so students can see the experiment and the position of the Pitot tube clearly
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Measurement of the velocity profile in laminar and turbulent boundary layers
- Measurement of the velocity profile in the boundary layer formed over both rough and smooth plates
- Measurement of the velocity profile in the boundary layer at various distances from the leading edge of the plate
- Effect of the pressure gradient on the boundary layer velocity profile

This module consists of a duct in which there is situated a flat plate. The flat plate is rough on one side and smooth on the other, providing different surface conditions for the formation of a boundary layer.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e) 42



# FLOW AROUND A BEND

AF15

Allows students to measure the pressure distribution in a smooth rectangular bend via tapping points on the curved walls and radius.

- Shows the pressure distribution in a smooth rectangular bend as an example of internal flow problems
- Quick-release couplings for rapid and reliable pressure measurement connection to the Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a)
- Highly visual plot of the pressure profile on the manometer
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Pressure distribution along the curved inner and outer walls
- Radial pressure distribution and comparison with that predicted assuming free vortex velocity distribution
- Calculation of loss coefficient ( $K$ )

This module consists of a smooth rectangular bend with ten static tapping points on both the inner and outer curved walls, plus a further nine along the radius.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

## TOP 5 REASONS TO VISIT TECQUIPMENT

1. Personal development
2. See real products in production
3. Get hands-on with equipment
4. Meet the teams
5. Combine with university visits



## COANDĂ EFFECT AND JET FLOW

### AF16

Allows students to investigate the Coandă effect and a fluidic flip flop.

- Shows an example of how the phenomena of fluid mechanics can be exploited to perform a useful task, a fluidic flip flop
- Transparent fronted test duct with clearly printed scales allows the experiment to be clearly seen and components accurately positioned
- Effectively demonstrates the Coandă effect
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the Coandă effect
- Demonstration of the fluidic flip flop



This module consists of an aerodynamically shaped nozzle from which a jet of air emerges. This flows against a wall to which it attaches.

#### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

## FLOW VISUALISATION

### AF17

Allows students to see the air flow around various shapes by using smoke filaments. The shapes are viewed through a transparent window.

- Includes a set of differently shaped two-dimensional models
- Transparent fronted test duct, with clearly printed angular scale, allows the models to be clearly seen and accurately positioned
- Comes complete with ducting to allow the smoke to be easily and safely drawn away by the Modular Air Flow Bench
- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the flow patterns round a cylinder, flat plate, aerofoil and a sharp-edged orifice/slit



This module consists of a specially shaped duct which has a large working section with transparent window. The inlet of the duct is attached to the Air Flow Bench plenum chamber using quick-release clamps; the outlet is located into the bench exhaust.

#### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Flow Visualisation Wind Tunnel (AF80) 58



## TAPPED AEROFOIL

AF18

Allows students to investigate the pressure distribution around a two-dimensional NACA aerofoil that has 12 tapping points along the chord.

- One of a series of eight experiment modules that fit to the Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10)
- Provides both a visual and analytical experience for students as the manometer readings clearly show both the pattern and magnitude of the pressure distribution
- Serves as a useful companion experiment to the Drag Force Apparatus (AF12)
- Transparent front and rear to the test duct with a printed scale allows the experiment to be clearly seen and allows the aerofoil angle to be accurately set

This module consists of a duct with transparent front and rear, between which is mounted a symmetrical aerofoil with a NACA profile. The aerofoil has 12 tapping points at various chordwise positions on its surface, allowing the pressure to be measured at that point. The tapping points are permanently connected to a manifold mounted on the duct showing the tapping position and number for easy reference.

## MULTI-TUBE MANOMETER

AF10A

A multi-tube, inclinable manometer for use with the Modular Air Flow Bench.

- Uses water for safety and simplicity
- Inclinable for increased sensitivity
- Adjustable height datum and levelling feet
- Includes non-toxic coloured dye to see water levels clearly

The multi-tube manometer is an ancillary to the AF10 base module and its experiment modules. It fits on or near to the AF10 and connects to pressure tapings on the optional experiment modules. Some experiment modules may only have two or three pressure tapings but others use up to 12 tapings. This makes the multi-tube manometer essential to see all the pressures at the same time.



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The visualisation and measurement of the pressure distribution around an aerofoil section
- Lift characteristics and stall angle of an aerofoil

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AF10a) 38

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1300b) 42



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# BENCHTOP SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL

AF1125

An ultra-compact, open circuit, benchtop subsonic wind tunnel that offers a complete system ready for aerodynamic experimentation, suitable for college use, undergraduate study and research projects.



- Selection of models included for studies of drag and pressure profiles
- Efficient and compact where laboratory space is at a premium
- Two-component balance with digital display for lift and drag measurement
- Compact, open circuit suction design
- Transparent working section for a full view of the test area
- Electronic controller for variable air velocity

Air enters the tunnel through an aerodynamically designed effuser (inlet cone) and honeycomb flow straightener that accelerate the air linearly. It then enters the working section and passes through a grille before moving through a diffuser and then to a variable speed fan. The grille protects the fan from damage by loose objects. The air leaves the fan, passes up through a silencer unit and then back out to atmosphere.

## EXPERIMENT MODELS INCLUDED:

- Flat plate
- Cylinder with pressure tapping
- NACA0020 aerofoil

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Smoke Generator (AFA11) 52



LIFT AND DRAG BALANCE (INCLUDED)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A wide variety of subsonic aerodynamics experiments, including:

- Flow past bluff and streamlined bodies
- Pressure distribution around a cylinder
- Lift and drag forces

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

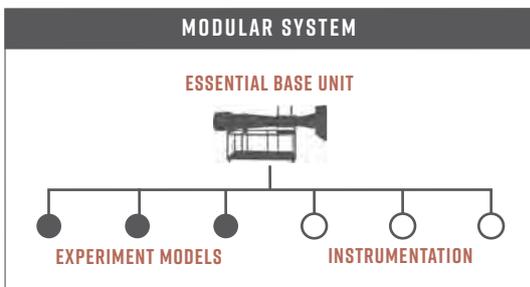
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# SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL 305 MM

VDAS® AF1300

A compact, free-standing, open-circuit suction subsonic wind tunnel with a working section of 305 mm by 305 mm and 600 mm long, allowing students to perform advanced study such as analysing boundary layers, performing flow visualisation and observing velocity in the wake, offering extensive teaching and research functionality.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

- Safe, compact, open circuit suction wind tunnel; a cost effective solution when compared to full-scale wind tunnels
- Additional models and instruments available to extend the range of experiments
- Wind tunnel controls mount on a separate, free-standing instrument frame for ease of use
- Also available as a starter set (see opposite)

## STARTER SET AF1300S

Included with the wind tunnel in this starter set are:

- Basic Lift and Drag Balance (AF1300z)
- Set of Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j)

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SEAN HAINSWORTH, MILTON KEYNES COLLEGE



**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

TecQuipment can also supply optional models and instruments to extend experiments, giving:

- Flow past bluff and streamlined bodies with pressure and velocity observations in the wake
- Investigations into boundary layer development
- Influence of aspect ratio on aerofoil performance
- Performance of an aerofoil with flap, influence of flap angle on lift, drag and stall
- Pressure distribution around a cylinder under sub and super-critical flow conditions
- Study of characteristics of models involving basic measurement of lift and drag forces
- Study of the characteristics of three-dimensional aerofoils involving measurement of lift, drag and pitching moment
- Study of the pressure distribution around an aerofoil model to derive the lift and comparison with direct measurements of lift
- Flow visualisation

Air enters the tunnel through an aerodynamically designed effuser (cone) that accelerates the air linearly. It then enters the working section and passes through a grille before moving through a diffuser and then to a variable speed axial fan. The grille protects the fan from damage by loose objects. The air leaves the fan, passes through a silencer unit and then back out to the atmosphere.

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODELS:**

• Cylinder Model with Tapping (AF1300a)	41
• NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1300b)	42
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MODEL CAR IN THE SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL

**SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AF1300) EXPERIMENT MODELS**

- Simple and quick to set up and use
- Some models include pressure tappings for pressure distribution experiments
- All models work with the other optional instruments for the AF1300 Subsonic Wind Tunnel

**CYLINDER MODEL WITH PRESSURE TAPPING AF1300A**

A cylinder model with a single pressure tapping point. The model spans the full width of the working section of the wind tunnel.



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SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AFI300) CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

**NACA 0012 AEROFOIL MODEL WITH TAPPINGS****AFI300B**

The aerofoil has 20 static pressure tapings along its chord on the upper and lower surfaces.

They each connect to tubes that pass through the aerofoil and then out to clear, numbered, flexible tubes.

**150 MM CHORD NACA2412 AEROFOIL WITH VARIABLE FLAP AFI300C**

An unsymmetrical section (cambered) aerofoil with adjustable flap. The adjustable flap allows students to study the effects of control surfaces such as flaps, ailerons, elevator or rudder.

**150 MM CHORD NACA0012 AEROFOILS AFI300D**

A set of two aerofoils. One aerofoil has a span that extends the full width of the working section of the wind tunnel. This model has the characteristics of a two-dimensional aerofoil. The other aerofoil has a span that extends for half of the working section of the wind tunnel. This model has the characteristics of a three-dimensional aerofoil.

**100 MM DIAMETER FLAT PLATE AFI300E**

This model shows the flow around a bluff body mounted normal to the air flow direction, and the drag force exerted on it.

**FLAT PLATE BOUNDARY LAYER MODEL AFI300F**

Demonstrates boundary layer development and separation. The model is a flat plate that spans the full width of the wind tunnel working section. It has aerodynamically shaped blocks mounted across the plate at different distances from the leading edge.

**AIRCRAFT MODEL (LOW WING) AFI300G****AIRCRAFT MODEL (HIGH WING) AFI300H**

Model aircraft with NACA profile wings. One has a low wing position (bottom of the fuselage), the other has a high wing position (above the fuselage).

**THREE-DIMENSIONAL DRAG MODELS AFI300J**

A set of five differently shaped models with identical frontal area to allow students to compare the different coefficient of drag for each shape. Includes a dummy stem for tests to cancel out the drag due to each model's support arm.

**SI210 AEROFOIL AFI300L**

An unsymmetrical aerofoil that spans the full width of the working section of the wind tunnel, for two-dimensional experiments.

**WINGLETS AND END PLATES AFI300Q**

Two aerofoils, one raked and a plain version, that can be fitted with a range of winglets and end plates, for understanding how they can reduce turbulence in both aerospace and automotive applications.



## SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AF1300) INSTRUMENTATION:

### BASIC LIFT AND DRAG BALANCE **VDAS**® AF1300Z

A two-component balance that measures lift and drag forces on models mounted in the AF1300 Subsonic Wind Tunnel.

- Transmits the force on the model directly to a strain gauged load cell with digital display
- Includes power supply



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• Cylinder Model with Pressure tapping (AF1300a)	41
• 150 mm Chord NACA0012 Aerofoils (AF1300d)	42
• 100 mm Diameter Flat Plate (AF1300e)	42
• Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j)	42
• S1210 Aerofoil (AF1300l)	42

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

• Three-Component Balance (AF1300t)	44
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The balance mechanism enables test models with a rigid support arm to be mounted and held securely in position in the working section of the wind tunnel. The arm transmits the force on the test model directly to a strain gauged load cell. The load cell is connected to a readout unit with a digital display, which is powered by a desktop power supply (included).

### DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE TRANSDUCER **VDAS**® AFA5

Digital differential pressure measurement and display unit for use with the AF1300 Subsonic Wind Tunnel.

- Measures and displays differential pressures from models, Pitot static tubes and other devices
- Quicker, easier and more versatile than using liquid manometers
- Measures differential pressures or pressure with respect to atmosphere

The Differential Pressure Transducer and read out measures and displays pressures in Pitot static tubes and other pressure-sensing devices fitted to the AF1300 Subsonic Wind Tunnel, with respect to the atmosphere or differential pressures.

**NOTE:** Two AFA5 units are required when using VDAS®.



#### ANCILLARY FOR:

• Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300)	40
• Cylinder Model (AF1300a)	41
• NACA 0012 Aerofoil Model with Tappings (AF1300b)	42
• 150 mm Chord NACA2412 Aerofoil with Variable Flap (AF1300c)	42
• Set of 2 NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1300d)	42
• Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e)	42
• Boundary Layer Model (AF1300f)	42
• Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1300g)	42
• Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1300h)	42
• Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j)	42
• S1210 Aerofoil (AF1300l)	42
• Winglets and End Plates (AF1300q)	42

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

• Multi-Tube Manometer (AFA1)	52
• 32-Way Pressure Display Unit (AFA6)	53

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SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AF1300) CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

### THREE-COMPONENT BALANCE **VDAS**® AF1300T

Supports wind tunnel models in the AF1300 Subsonic Tunnel and measures their lift, drag and pitching moment.

- Provides a convenient support system for models to measure the lift, drag and pitching moment
- Digital display shows lift, drag and pitching moment directly
- Fully adjustable for varying the angle of incidence to the direction of air flow

The Three-Component Balance provides an easy-to-use support system for wind tunnel models. It measures lift, drag and pitching moment exerted on the model.

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Balance Angle Feedback Unit (AFA4) 44

#### ANCILLARY FOR:

- Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300) 40
- Cylinder Model with Pressure Tapping (AF1300a) 41
- 150 mm Chord NACA0012 Aerofoils (AF1300b) 42
- 150 mm Chord NACA2412 Aerofoil with Variable Flap (AF1300c) 42
- 100 mm Diameter Flat Plate (AF1300e) 42
- Aircraft Model - Low Wing (AF1300g) 42
- Aircraft Model - High Wing (AF1300h) 42
- Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j) 42
- S1210 Aerofoil Model (AF1300l) 42
- Winglets and End Plates (AF1300q) 42



#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Basic Lift and Drag Balance (AF1300z) 43

### BALANCE ANGLE FEEDBACK UNIT **VDAS**® AFA4

Compact instrument that fixes to the Three-Component Balance (AF1300T). It measures the angle positions of models mounted in the balance and feeds the information directly to the Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®).

The Balance Angle Feedback Unit is an ancillary for use with TecEquipment's Three-Component Balance and VDAS® together to measure and record the angular position of models mounted on the balance in TecEquipment's subsonic wind tunnel.

#### ANCILLARY FOR:

- Three-Component Balance (AF1300t) 44



## MINIMUM INSTRUMENTS REQUIRED:

MINIMUM INSTRUMENTATION REQUIRED IF NOT USING VDAS®				
<p>This table shows the minimum additional instrumentation required if choosing not to use TecEquipment's VDAS®.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> When using AF1300 without VDAS® all data recording must be done manually.</p>	Basic Lift and Drag Balance (AF1300z) <b>OR</b> Three-Component Balance (AF1300f)	Three-Component Balance (AF1300f)	Multi-Tube Manometer (AFA1)	
	Cylinder Model (AF1300a)	✓		
	Set of Two NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1300d)	✓		
	Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e)	✓		
	Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j)	✓		
	S1210 Aerofoil (AF1300l)	✓		
	NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1300b)			✓
	Boundary Layer Model (AF1300f)			✓
	NACA 2412 Aerofoil with Flap (AF1300c)		✓	
	Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1300g)		✓	
Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1300h)		✓		

It is possible to complete all AF1300 experiments without using VDAS®. However, there is a minimum additional instrumentation requirement for some experiments.

All TecEquipment electronic instruments, e.g. the 32-Way Pressure Display Unit (AFA6), have visual displays from which data can be transcribed.

Other instruments, e.g. the Multi-Tube Manometer (AFA1), are read manually and the data transcribed.

**NOTE:** The AF1300 is supplied with a standard Pitot tube, a Pitot static tube and a manometer (built into the control panel). Some or all of these instruments will be required, in addition to the optional instruments listed here, to complete the experiments.



SMOKE TRAIL AROUND THE LOW WING AIRCRAFT MODEL

MINIMUM INSTRUMENTATION REQUIRED IF USING VDAS®						
<p>This table shows the additional instrumentation required if using VDAS®, making the most of its data collecting abilities.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> When using VDAS® with the AF1300, data recording is quickly and accurately achieved directly onto a suitable computer. The data can then be downloaded into a suitable software package for further evaluation and presentation if required.</p>	Differential Pressure Transducer (AFA5)	<b>EITHER</b> Basic Lift and Drag Balance (AF1300z) <b>OR</b> Three-Component Balance (AF1300f) <b>WITH</b> Balance Angle Feedback Unit (AFA4)	Pitot Static Traverse (AFA7)	32-Way pressure Display Unit (AFA6)	Three-Component Balance (AF1300f) <b>WITH</b> Balance Angle Feedback Unit (AFA4)	
	Cylinder Model (AF1300a)	2	✓	✓		
	Set of Two NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1300d)	2	✓	✓		
	Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e)	2	✓	✓		
	Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j)	2	✓	✓		
	S1210 Aerofoil (AF1300l)	2	✓	✓		
	NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1300b)	2		✓	✓	
	Boundary Layer Model (AF1300f)	✓			✓	
	NACA 2412 Aerofoil with Flap (AF1300c)	2		✓		✓
	Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1300g)	✓		✓		✓
Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1300h)	✓		✓		✓	



# SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL 450 MM

**VDAS**<sup>®</sup> AF1450S

A sizable open circuit, suction subsonic wind tunnel with a working section of 450 mm by 450 mm and 1000 mm length. It provides a cost-effective balance between being able to carry out advanced aerodynamics study, while having a smaller footprint than the largest of TecQuipment's wind tunnels.



Air passes into the wind tunnel through a honeycomb flow straightener and a grille. It then passes into an aerodynamically designed effuser (cone) that accelerates the air in a linear manner before it moves through the working section. Finally, it passes through a diffuser, then into the variable speed axial fan. The grille protects the fan from damage by loose objects. The air leaves the fan, passes through a silencer unit and then back out to the atmosphere.

- Cost-effective solution when compared to full-scale wind tunnels or airborne laboratories
- Operates at meaningful Reynolds numbers
- Safe, open circuit suction design
- Package includes an aerofoil with tappings, a three-component balance, angle feedback, dual differential pressure display, a 32-way pressure display unit, 2 x Pitot static traverse, protractor, model holder and data acquisition (VDAS-F)
- Controls and instrumentation conveniently mount on a separate, free-standing frame

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A wide variety of subsonic aerodynamics experiments (some need ancillaries), including:

- Flow past bluff and streamlined bodies with pressure and velocity observations in the wake
- Investigations into boundary layer development
- Influence of aspect ratio on aerofoil performance
- Performance of an aerofoil with flap, influence of flap angle on lift, drag and stall
- Pressure distribution around a cylinder under sub and super critical flow conditions
- Study of characteristics of models involving basic measurement of lift and drag forces
- Study of the characteristics of three-dimensional aerofoils involving measurements of lift, drag and pitching moment
- Study of the pressure distribution around an aerofoil model to derive the lift, and comparison with direct measurements of lift
- Drag force on a bluff body normal to air flow
- Flow visualisation

**INCLUDED WITH THE WIND TUNNEL:**

**THREE-COMPONENT BALANCE AFI450T**

The Three-Component Balance measures lift, drag and pitching moment exerted on the model. Includes a balance angle feedback unit which measures the angular position of models mounted on the balance in the wind tunnel and feeds the information directly to VDAS®.

SHOWN FITTED WITH THE BALANCE ANGLE FEEDBACK UNIT (INCLUDED)



**NACA 0012 AEROFOIL WITH TAPPINGS AFI450B**

A 150 mm chord 450 mm span NACA0012 aerofoil with pressure tapings.



**DUAL DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE DISPLAY DP6**

Measures and displays pressures in Pitot static tubes and other pressure-sensing devices fitted to the wind tunnel, with respect to the atmosphere or differential pressures.



**32-WAY PRESSURE DISPLAY UNIT AFA6**

Measures and displays up to 32 different pressures from models, Pitot static tubes and other measuring instruments fitted to the wind tunnel (page 53).



**PITOT STATIC TRAVERSE x2 AFA7**

Two traversing Pitot static tubes with electronic position measurement for use with TecQuipment's Subsonic Wind Tunnels (page 53).



**PROTRACTOR**

For assisting with setting up models and rotating them during experiments.



**MODEL HOLDER**

To hold models when the three-component balance is not used. Also for use with the user's own models.



**VERSATILE DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM VDAS-F**

A frame-mounting versatile data acquisition system (VDAS®) to allow computer-based data capture (page 310).



**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Multi-Tube manometer (AFA1) 52
- Smoke Generator (AFA11) 52

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODELS:**

- Cylinder Model with Tapping (AF1450a)
- NACA 2412 Aerofoil with Flap (AF1450c)
- Set of 2 NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1450d)
- Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1450e)
- Boundary Layer (AF1450f)
- Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1450g)
- Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1450h)
- Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1450j)
- Two Vehicle Drag Models (AF1450k)
- S1210 Aerofoil Model (AF1450l)

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

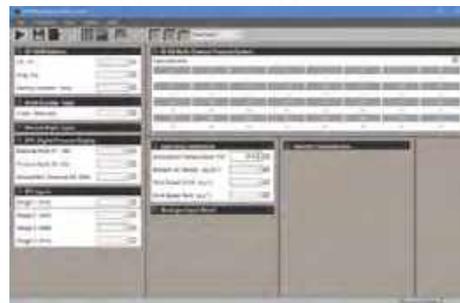
- Benchtop Wind Tunnel (AF1125) 39
- Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300) 40
- Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1600S) 48
- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31
- Flight Demonstration Wind Tunnel (AF41) 54
- Flow Visualisation Wind Tunnel (AF80) 58
- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Intermittent) (AF300) 60
- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Continuous) (AF302) 62



# SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL 600 MM

**VDAS**® AF1600S

TecQuipment's largest open circuit subsonic wind tunnel, with a working section of 600 mm by 600 mm and 1250 mm long, is for the study of advanced aerodynamics theory and research. With the larger size comes greater visualisation and more accurate results, operating at meaningful Reynolds numbers.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE

- A cost-effective solution when compared to full-scale wind tunnels or airborne laboratories
- Operates at meaningful Reynolds numbers
- Safe, open circuit suction design
- Package includes three-component balance, angle feedback unit, dual differential pressure display, 32-way pressure display unit, Pitot static traverse, X/Y Pitot static traverse, protractor, model holder and data acquisition (VDAS-F)
- High levels of safety

Air passes into the AF1600S through a honeycomb flow straightener and a grille. It then passes into an aerodynamically designed effuser (cone) that accelerates the air in a linear manner, before it moves through the working section. Finally, it passes through a diffuser, then into the variable speed axial fan. The grille protects the fan from damage by loose objects. The air leaves the fan, passes through a silencer unit and then back out to the atmosphere.

### SIZE COMPARISON OF THE WIND TUNNELS RANGE



#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

AF1600S is designed to be flexible and utilised for a variety of possible experiments designed by our customers. Typical examples include:

- Flow past bluff and streamlined bodies with pressure and velocity observations in the wake
- Investigations into boundary layer development
- Influence of aspect ratio on aerofoil performance
- Pressure distribution around a cylinder under sub and super critical flow conditions
- Study of characteristics of models involving basic measurement of lift and drag forces
- Study of the characteristics of three-dimensional aerofoils involving measurements of lift, drag and pitching moment
- Study of the pressure distribution around an aerofoil model to derive the lift, and comparison with direct measurements of lift
- Drag force on a bluff body normal to an air flow
- Flow visualisation

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SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL 600 MM (AF1600S) CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

**INCLUDED WITH THE WIND TUNNEL:****THREE-COMPONENT BALANCE AF1600T**

The Three-Component Balance measures lift, drag and pitching moment exerted on the model. It includes a balance angle feedback unit which measures the angular position of models mounted on the balance in the wind tunnel and feeds the information directly to VDAS®.



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE BALANCE ANGLE FEEDBACK UNIT (INCLUDED)

**DUAL DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE DISPLAY DP6**

Measures and displays pressures with respect to the atmosphere or differential pressures.

**32-WAY PRESSURE DISPLAY UNIT AFA6**

Measures and displays up to 32 different pressures from models, Pitot static tubes and other measuring instruments fitted to the wind tunnel (page 53).

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Multi-Tube Manometer (AFA1) 52
- Smoke Generator (AFA11) 52

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODELS:**

- NACA 0012 Aerofoil with Tappings (AF1600b) 51
- NACA 2412 Aerofoil with Flap (AF1600c) 51
- Set of two NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1600d) 51
- Flat Plate Boundary Layer Model, Roughened and Smooth (AF1600f) 51
- Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1600g) 51
- Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1600h) 51
- Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1600j) 51

**CYLINDER MODEL WITH PRESSURE TAPPING AF1600A**

A cylinder model with a single pressure tapping point. The model spans the full width of the working section of the wind tunnel.

**PITOT STATIC TRAVERSE AFA7**

A traversing Pitot static tube with electronic position measurement (page 53).

**PITOT STATIC X/Y TRAVERSE AF1600XY**

A traversing Pitot static tube with electronic position measurements for both the x and y planes.

**PROTRACTOR**

For assisting with setting up models and rotating them during experiments.

**MODEL HOLDER**

To hold models when the three-component balance is not used. Also for use with the user's own models.

**VERSATILE DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM VDAS-F**

A frame mounting versatile data acquisition system (VDAS®) to allow computer-based data capture (page 310).

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Benchtop Wind Tunnel (AF1125) 39
- Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300) 40
- Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1450S) 46
- Modular Air Flow Bench (AF10) 31
- Flight Demonstration Wind Tunnel (AF41) 54
- Flow Visualisation Wind Tunnel (AF80) 58
- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Intermittent) (AF300) 60
- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Continuous) (AF302) 62

## SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AF1600S) EXPERIMENT MODELS:

### NACA 0012 AEROFOIL MODEL WITH TAPPINGS AF1600B

The aerofoil has 20 static pressure tappings along its chord on the upper and lower surfaces. They each connect to tubes that pass through the aerofoil and then out to clear, numbered, flexible tubes.



### FLAT PLATE BOUNDARY LAYER MODEL, ROUGHENED AND SMOOTH AF1600F

A pair of boundary layer models with a mounting plate, also a Pitot and a static probe for investigating boundary layer. One plate is roughened, the other smooth to allow comparisons on boundary layer growth.



### 150 MM CHORD NACA2412 AEROFOIL WITH VARIABLE FLAP AF1600C

An unsymmetrical section (cambered) aerofoil with adjustable flap. The adjustable flap allows students to study the effects of control surfaces such as flaps, ailerons, elevator or rudder.



### AIRCRAFT MODEL (LOW WING) AF1600G AIRCRAFT MODEL (HIGH WING) AF1600H

Model aircraft with NACA profile wings. One has a low wing position (bottom of the fuselage), the other has a high wing position (above the fuselage).



### 150 MM CHORD NACA0012 AEROFOILS AF1300D

A set of two aerofoils. One aerofoil has a span that extends the full width of the working section of the wind tunnel. This model has the characteristics of a two-dimensional aerofoil. The other aerofoil has a span that extends for half of the working section of the wind tunnel. This model has the characteristics of a three-dimensional aerofoil.



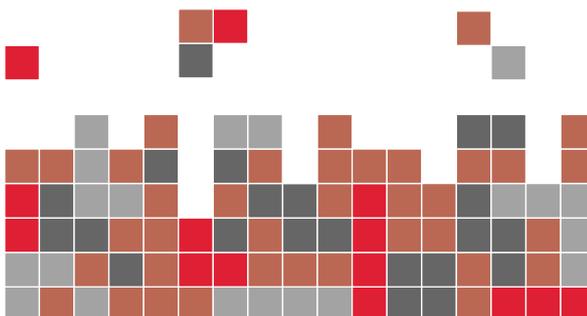
### THREE-DIMENSIONAL DRAG MODELS AF1600J

A set of five different shaped models with identical frontal area to allow students to compare the different coefficient of drag for each shape. Includes a dummy stem for tests to cancel out the drag due to each model's support arm.



## METICULOUSLY PACKED

TecQuipment's dedicated packing department uses specialist equipment, custom-made transit crates and the most reliable global carriers to ensure products are delivered in perfect condition.



## SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL (AF1300 / AF1450S / AF1600S) INSTRUMENTATION AND ACCESSORIES:

### MULTI-TUBE MANOMETER

AFAI

A tilting 36-tube manometer for use with the AF1300, and AF1600S Subsonic Wind Tunnels, other TecEquipment products, or as a general purpose instrument.

- Uses water as manometer fluid with colouring for ease of visibility
- Easy-to-read scale common to each manometer tube
- Preset incline levels for consistency and accuracy, up to five times magnification
- Pressure reading level preset by adjustable fluid reservoir, includes fine-adjustment hand-wheel

For safety and convenience, the manometer uses water as the manometer fluid. This is via an adjustable reservoir with fine-adjust hand-wheel held at the side of the equipment. Water colouring is included to aid visibility.



#### ANCILLARY FOR:

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| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300)                    | 40 |
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1450S)                   | 46 |
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1600S)                   | 48 |
| • NACA 0012 Aerofoil Model with Tappings (AF1300b) | 42 |
| • NACA 0012 Aerofoil Model with Tappings (AF1450b) | 47 |
| • Flat Plate Boundary Layer Model (AF1300f)        | 42 |
| • Flat Plate Boundary Layer Model (AF1450f)        |    |

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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|--|---------|
| • Different Pressure Transducer (AFA5)     | 43      |
| • Dual Differential Pressure Display (DP6) | 47 / 50 |
| • 32-Way Pressure Display Unit (AFA6)      | 53      |

### SMOKE GENERATOR

AFAII

A smoke generator and probe which allows the observation of air flow in subsonic wind tunnels and other air flow situations.

A control unit that pumps oil to the tip of a probe. A low-voltage electrical coil at the probe tip heats the oil to produce a fine smoke trail. The smoke moves into the air stream smoothly and steadily. Students can adjust the controls of the control unit to change the smoke strength to suit the air flow conditions.

#### ANCILLARY FOR:

- |                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1125)  | 39 |
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300)  | 40 |
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1450S) | 46 |
| • Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1600S) | 48 |



# 32-WAY PRESSURE DISPLAY UNIT

**VDAS® AFA6**

A 32-way pressure measurement and display unit for use with TecQuipment's Subsonic Wind Tunnels (AF1300, AF1450S, AF1600S).

- Measures and displays up to 32 differential pressures from models, Pitot static tubes and other devices
- Quicker, easier and more versatile than using liquid manometers
- Measures pressures with respect to atmosphere
- Fully compatible with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) to enable accurate real-time data capture, monitoring and display on a computer

The unit mounts onto the control and instrumentation frame of the wind tunnel. Connection to each of the 32 calibrated pressure transducers is via quick-release pressure inputs mounted on the front panel of the unit. This allows easy and quick connection between the unit and an experiment mounted in the wind tunnel. All pressures are measured with respect to atmosphere.



## ANCILLARY FOR:

• Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300, AF1450S, AF1600S)	40 / 46 / 48
• NACA 0012 Aerofoil Model with Tappings (AF1300b, AF1450b, AF1600b)	42 / 47 / 51
• Flat Plate Boundary Layer Model (AF1300f, AF1450f, AF1600f)	42 / 47 / 51

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

• Multi-Tube Manometer (AFA1)	52
• Dual Differential Pressure Transducer (DP6)	47 / 50
• Differential Pressure Transducer (AFA5)	43

# PITOT STATIC TRAVERSE (DIGITAL)

**VDAS® AFA7**

A traversing Pitot static tube with electronic position measurement for use with TecQuipment's Subsonic Wind Tunnels (AF1300, AF1450S, AF1600S).

- Mounts either upstream or downstream of a test model to measure pressures across the wake of a model
- Accurate digital display of position
- Zero facility allows the starting point of an experiment to be set in any position

A Pitot static tube, its vertical position within the working section is displayed on a digital indicator that can be set to zero in any position. The signals from the indicator can be read directly or output to VDAS® for accurate, reliable data capture.



## ANCILLARY FOR:

• Subsonic Wind Tunnels (AF1300, AF1450S, AF1600S)	40 / 46 / 48
• Cylinder Model with Tappings (AF1300a, AF1450a, AF1600a)	41 / 47 / 51
• NACA 0012 Aerofoil With Tappings (AF1300b, AF1450b, AF1600b)	42 / 47 / 51
• NACA 2412 Aerofoil With Variable Flap (AF1300c, AF1450c, AF1600c)	42 / 51
• NACA 0012 Aerofoils (AF1300d, AF1450d, AF1600d)	42 / 51
• Flat Plate Drag Model (AF1300e, AF1450e)	42 / 51
• Aircraft Model (Low Wing) (AF1300g, AF1450g, AF1600g)	42 / 51
• Aircraft Model (High Wing) (AF1300h, AF1450h, AF1600h)	42 / 51
• Three-Dimensional Drag Models (AF1300j, AF1450j, AF1600j)	42 / 51
• S1210 Aerofoil Model (AF1300l, AF1450l)	42 / 51



# FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION WIND TUNNEL



AF41

A hands-on simulator that consists of a model aircraft suspended in an open circuit wind tunnel. Includes realistic flight controls to simulate a variety of states of flight, including take off, level flight, cruise and landing, along with stall.



- Simulates take off, level flight, cruise and landing
- Demonstrations include aerofoil lift, stall, longitudinal stability and transient motion
- Includes electronic display of air speed, attitude, altitude, pressure and lift
- Tufts on the wing clearly demonstrate the phenomenon of separation and stall
- Adjustable centre of gravity of the model



**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

A variety of practical demonstrations, 'hands-on' flight simulations, and student investigations into the behaviour of fixed-wing aircraft and wing performance, including:

- Practical investigation of longitudinal stability and control of the aircraft to demonstrate behaviour during take-off, level flight and landing
- Determination of the effect of speed on attitude for level flight and stall
- Measurement of the lift curve for the wing up to and beyond stall
- Students can adjust the centre of gravity of the model to alter its trim. They can then plot trim curves and determine the neutral point

**WITH TWO-PEN CHART RECORDER (AF41A, AVAILABLE SEPARATELY):**

- Demonstration of phugoid motion in terms of altitude
- Short period oscillation due to sudden disturbance can be shown by the change of incidence

**WITH SMOKE GENERATOR (AFA11, AVAILABLE SEPARATELY):**

- Visualisation of flow patterns past the aircraft's aerofoil and tail plane

For classroom demonstrations and student investigations into the behaviour of fixed-wing aircraft and wing performance during take off, flight and landing.

The apparatus is an open circuit wind tunnel with a model aircraft suspended in the working section. The model is supported by linkages that allow it to move vertically and to pitch about the quarter chord point independently.

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

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# TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY ZACHRY ENGINEERING EDUCATION COMPLEX

Recently one of the USA's largest engineering schools, Texas A&M University, invested in a new engineering education complex that would revolutionise the way they teach their 20,000 engineering students. One element of this new complex was a new model for laboratories that would allow them to fully utilise equipment and space by creating "common laboratories" – shared facilities within Zachry Engineering Education Complex, completed in 2018. The new building was only part of the story; they invested heavily in new teaching equipment to be housed in this facility, including a vast range of practical engineering teaching products from TecEquipment.

Before the new facility, the engineering school's utilisation of laboratory space and equipment was not as efficiently designed. Different departments would have their own laboratory space, that for some courses was underutilised, while in contrast other departments were operating at maximum capacity with no flexibility. The solution was a shared laboratory facility with standardised modular equipment that could be utilised by the Mechanical, Civil, Chemical and Petroleum Engineering departments.



Once the State of Texas had approved the new building in 2016, the next step was to establish what equipment would be required for each department, and the laboratory arrangement that would work to be most effective. Equipment committees that included technicians and faculty members were established. Lists of teaching objectives and a wish list of equipment compiled. During this period, the team pulled in quotes from across the engineering education industry and, despite only having had a few years of experience using TecEquipment products, made the shift to standardise across the board with TecEquipment's teaching equipment.

## TRUST AND LOCAL SUPPORT

"One of the reasons we chose TecEquipment as our equipment provider was that we had trust in what they delivered. Colleagues who had used TecEquipment products vouched for the quality and suitability of the products, and the support and conduct of both TecEquipment and their local representative in the region, Tech Labs," explained Director of Undergraduate Laboratory Instruction Dr David Staack from the J Mike Walker '66 Department of Mechanical Engineering at Texas A&M University.

## THE LABORATORY EQUIPMENT SET-UP

Texas A&M's engineering graduates are among the most highly recruited in the USA, typically receiving two or more job offers with higher-than-average salaries at graduation. This is testament to their teaching and ability to prepare students for the world of work: one key element of this is incorporating practical teaching in the laboratories.

The Zachry Engineering Education Complex has a series of common laboratories that house TecEquipment's teaching equipment, plus a design center.



- **PHILLIPS 66 FLUIDS LABORATORY:**

5m Flow and Sediment Transport Channel (FC80) with cylindrical gate, radial sector gate, crump weir, dam spillway, streamlined hump, parshall flume, bridge piers, roughened bed, siphon spillway, culvert model, flow splitter, plus wave generator and beach.

- **SHELL TRANSPORT PHENOMENA LABORATORY**

Three Heat Exchangers Service Modules (TD360) with VDAS®, along with three experiments (concentric tube heat exchanger, shell and tube heat exchanger, plate heat exchanger) and the Filmwise and dropwise Condensation and Boiling experiment (TE78).

- **VALERA HIGH BAY LABORATORY**

Subsonic Wind Tunnel (AF1300) with three-component balance, balance angle feedback unit, Pitot static traverse, 32-way pressure display, differential pressure unit, NACA 0012 aerofoil with tappings, NACA 2412 aerofoil with flap and cylinder model.

## VIDEO MANUALS

One important delivery element for placing the order with TecQuipment was the ability to deliver instructional videos on how to use the equipment, as well as the written manuals. The team at TecQuipment provided these bespoke, filmed on site using Texas A&M's very own pieces of equipment.

## ACCOMMODATING MODIFICATIONS

As everything is designed and manufactured all under one roof, TecQuipment is, in some cases, able to make modifications to equipment to suit specific requirements from the customer. In the case of Texas A&M, TecQuipment was able to modify a product to feature a closed water supply so that it would not be dependent on building services.

## INSTALLATION AND ONGOING TECHNICAL SUPPORT

A specialist installation engineer from TecQuipment joined the local TecQuipment partner, Tech Labs, to assist with the installation, set-up and training for all the equipment.

Shei Sia Su, Technical Lab Coordinator at the Zachry Building, commented on their technical support experience:

"Warner Brown and the Tech Labs team delivered excellent service. They made sure installation went smoothly and all equipment was ready for students to start experimenting within a timely manner. Our academics and support staff were well trained by Dave Giddings from TecQuipment."

In reference to the manuals, Shei Sia Su explained further:

"The examples of experiments are particularly useful for instructors to design new experiments.

"With multiple courses using the shared facilities, we have not suffered any major equipment downtime and this is impossible without the excellent technical support from Tech Labs team."

## MORE ABOUT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Texas A&M in the United States is home to more than 69,000 students and has a heritage that dates back to 1876. The College of Engineering itself is one of the largest engineering schools in the USA, ranking first in undergraduate enrolment in the 2019 survey by the American Society of Engineering Education. When it comes to mechanical engineering, they boast the biggest programme on the continent.

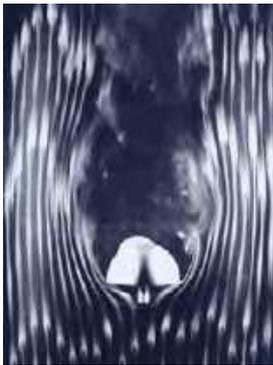


# FLOW VISUALISATION WIND TUNNEL

## AF80

A vertical, suction-type wind tunnel that uses smoke trails to demonstrate air flow around differently shaped models, for understanding boundary layers, separation and rotational flow.

- High quality, vertical wind tunnel that helps students understand air flow around different shaped objects
- Ideal for small group experiments or classroom demonstrations
- Includes a smoke generator and lighting to demonstrate flow clearly
- Variable air speed
- Includes a set of models with additional model set available separately



PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SMOKE TRAILS AROUND A HEMISPHERE

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with the optional models, the visualisation and demonstration of:

- Boundary layers
- Separation
- Rotational flow

A variable speed fan mounted on top of the wind tunnel produces the air flow through the working section. Air flow is vertically upwards.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Additional Model Set (AF80b): includes bend, cascade corner, plain corner, heat exchanger tube bank

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

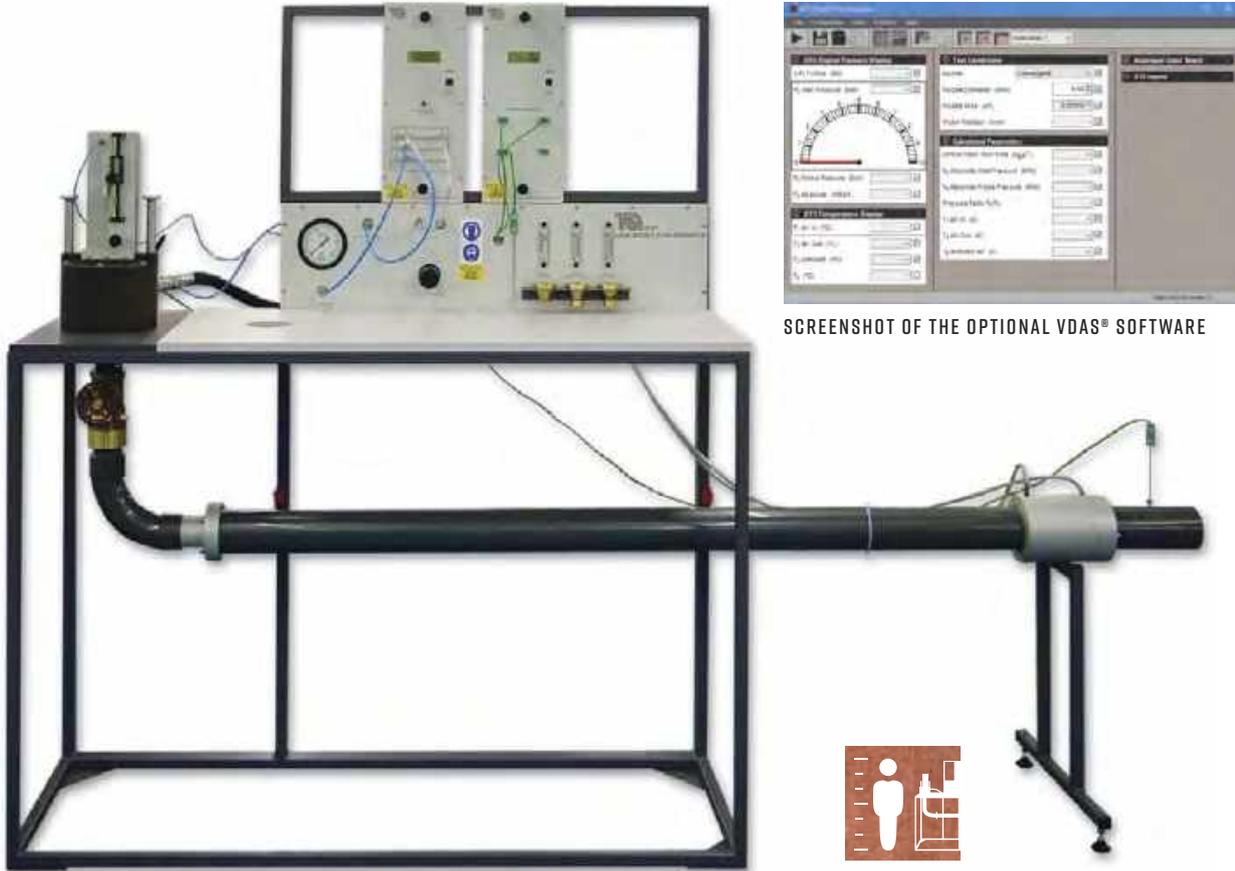
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# LAVAL NOZZLE FLOW APPARATUS

**VDAS® AF27**

Demonstrates the thermodynamic and fluid mechanics of the adiabatic expansion of air through subsonic and supersonic nozzles. Includes interchangeable convergent, convergent/divergent Laval nozzles and convergent/parallel nozzle.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

SUPERSONIC NOZZLE



AERODYNAMICS

- Connects to suitable laboratory compressed air supply or TecQuipment's optional Compressor (AF27a)
- Includes three interchangeable, profiled and polished brass nozzles: convergent, convergent/divergent and convergent/parallel
- Electronic instruments measure and display multiple pressures and temperatures at the same time, for ease of use and for connection to TecQuipment's VDAS®
- Works with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) for instant recording of multiple readings and automatic calculations

A nozzle is fitted to the chest. Compressed air passes through the pressure regulator and an isolating valve. It then enters the pressure chest and passes vertically down through the nozzle, then through a precision downstream valve. The air flow then settles as it passes along a horizontal pipe, through an orifice and out to atmosphere.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The relationship between pressure ratio and flow for convergent and convergent/divergent Laval nozzles
- The pressure profile in convergent/divergent nozzles at various pressure ratios
- Investigation of expansion with friction in a parallel passage at high subsonic velocities
- Boundary layer growth under subsonic and supersonic conditions
- The phenomenon of choked flow corresponding to sonic velocity at a nozzle throat

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Compressor (AF27a)

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Intermittent) (AF300) 60
- Supersonic Wind Tunnel (Continuous) (AF302) 62

# INTERMITTENT SUPERSONIC WIND TUNNEL

**VDAS® AF300**

An intermittent supersonic (up to Mach 1.8) wind tunnel for investigations into subsonic and supersonic air flow around two-dimensional models. Also for analysis of the profile of the tunnel working section.



SHOWN WITH THE  
OPTIONAL SCHLIEREN  
APPARATUS (AF300A)



SCREENSHOT  
OF THE VDAS®  
SOFTWARE

- Laboratory scale wind tunnel for subsonic and supersonic tests, nominally up to Mach 1.8
- Supplied with aerodynamic models for supersonic tests; includes model angle-feedback encoder
- Supplied with a set of different liners for controlled subsonic and supersonic air flow
- Induction flow for better air flow and accurate results

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Pressure distribution along a convergent-divergent (Laval) nozzle with subsonic and supersonic air flow
- Comparison of theoretical and actual pressure distributions
- Comparison of actual and theoretical area ratios of a nozzle at supersonic air velocities (Mach numbers)
- Pressures around a two-dimensional model in subsonic and supersonic flow conditions, at different angles of incidence
- Lift coefficients for aerodynamic models in supersonic flow
- Shock waves and expansion patterns around a two-dimensional model in supersonic flow conditions (when used with the optional Schlieren apparatus)

A compressed air supply (AF300b, available separately) induces a flow in the working section of the wind tunnel. This gives a less turbulent and more stable flow for accurate results and comparison with theory. The essential compressed air supply includes filters and air dryers to give the dust-free and dry air source needed for good results.

#### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Air Compressor Receiver and Dryer (AF300b)
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Schlieren Apparatus (AF300a) 61

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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## SCHLIEREN APPARATUS

### AF300A

The Schlieren apparatus enables students to see air flow (including supersonic shock waves) around two-dimensional models as variations in the intensity of illumination. For use with the AF300 Intermittent Supersonic Wind Tunnel.

- High quality, laboratory standard mirrors and lenses for clear images without distortion
- Shows supersonic air flow patterns around models
- Shows shockwaves and expansions
- Includes digital imaging equipment and TV monitor

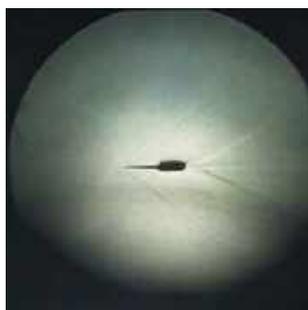


IMAGE OF AIR FLOW PATTERN  
ROUND A 5° SINGLE WEDGE MODEL



The focused light from the light source (and condenser lens) passes through the optical slit and is reflected at 90 degrees to the first achromatic lens. The light passes through the working section of the wind tunnel, then through the second achromatic lens. A second mirror reflects the light at 90 degrees towards the Schlieren edge. The Schlieren edge enhances the light refracted image. The small lens focuses this image onto the imaging screen.

Achromatic lenses are chosen because of their ability to pass light without colour distortion, that would normally ruin the Schlieren image.

#### ANCILLARY FOR:

- Intermittent Supersonic Wind Tunnel (AF300) 60

# CONTINUOUS SUPERSONIC WIND TUNNEL



**VDAS**® AF302

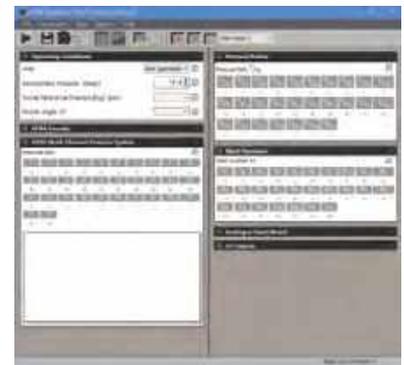
A suction-type, continuous operation supersonic (up to Mach 1.8) wind tunnel for investigations into subsonic and supersonic air flow around two-dimensional models. Also for analysis of the profile of the tunnel working section.

SUPERSONIC WIND TUNNELS



FULLY OPERATIONAL WIND TUNNEL  
WITH VDAS®

- A suction-type, continuous operation supersonic wind tunnel for investigations into two-dimensional air flow around models for nominal airspeeds up to Mach 1.8
- Includes high-quality optical glass windows in the working section, suitable for use with an optional Schlieren system
- Includes a selection of models for two-dimensional flow experiments and an encoder for feedback of model angle
- Supplied with a multi-pressure display unit and calibrated pressure sensors to show pressures relative to atmosphere
- Includes a vacuum pump with remote control for ease of use



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE

An instrument frame (supplied) holds a remote-control unit that controls a high-capacity vacuum pump (supplied). The pump creates low pressure downstream of the working section to draw air into the wind tunnel. A bypass duct, with a hand-operated valve, allows the operator to reduce the air flow through the working section, without disturbing the quality of the main air flow. This is useful for startup and shutdown and for subsonic tests.

The working section of the wind tunnel is a convergent-divergent nozzle with a removable top part ('liner'). The shape of the liner controls the maximum air velocity at the divergent part of the working section. Included are three different shaped liners.

AERODYNAMICS



**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Pressure distribution along a convergent-divergent (Laval) nozzle with subsonic and supersonic air flow
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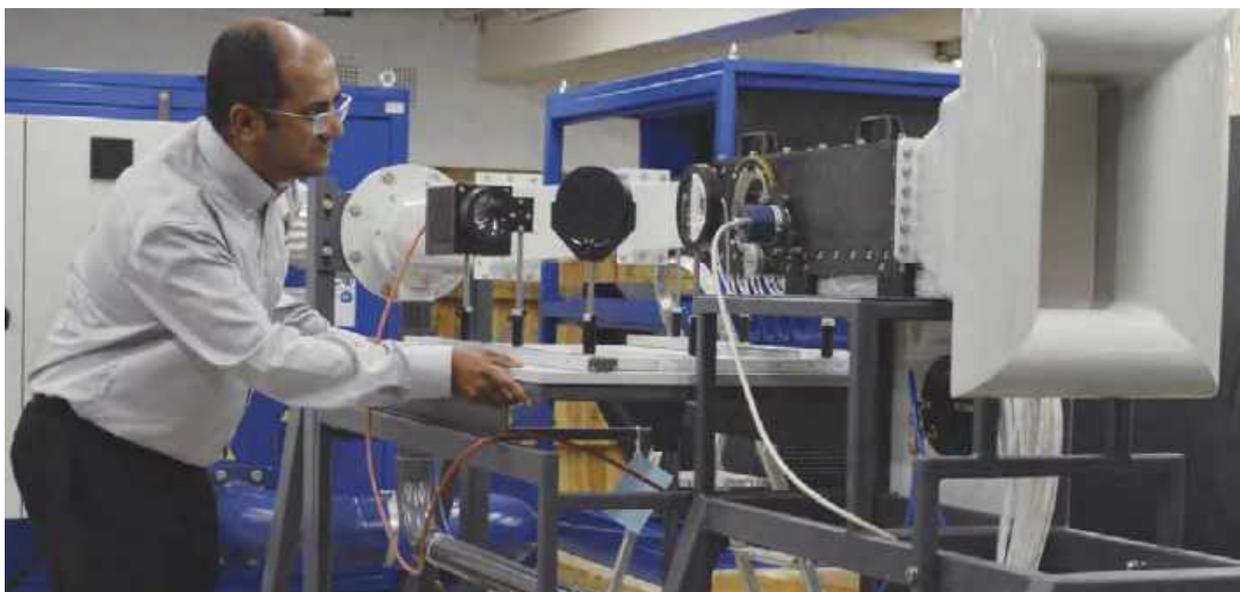
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**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

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- Intermittent Supersonic Wind Tunnel (AF300) 60



**SCHLIEREN APPARATUS** 

**AF302A**

The Schlieren apparatus enables students to see air flow (including supersonic shock waves) around two-dimensional models as variations in the intensity of illumination. For use with the AF302 Continuous Supersonic Wind Tunnel.

- High quality, laboratory standard mirrors and lenses for clear images without distortion
- Shows supersonic air flow patterns around models
- Shows shockwaves and expansions
- Includes digital imaging equipment and TV monitor



5 DEGREES MACH 1-8 AND 5 DEGREE WEDGE

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**ANCILLARY FOR:**

- Continuous Supersonic Wind Tunnel (AF302) 62

# ENGAGING STUDENTS THROUGH COMPETITIONS

For academics looking to find new ways of motivating students with the practical elements of their courses, TecQuipment is introducing student competitions. This is achieved by working with academics to create custom competitions that integrate into the syllabus.

## COMPETITION EXAMPLE

First-year Mechanical Engineering students at Nottingham Trent University were set a new challenge in their thermo-fluids module to help them prepare for the real world of work at the end of their degree. The students were required to design a new experiment, using one of TecQuipment's fluid mechanics products, to investigate a fluid phenomenon of their choosing.

To enter, students submitted a video of the team demonstrating the experiment and discussing the outcomes, which was judged live by a panel. Winners received a trophy and prize money provided by TecQuipment.

Email [MARKETING@TECQUIPMENT.COM](mailto:MARKETING@TECQUIPMENT.COM) to discuss competition options.



SIMON WOODS PRESENTS 'A CAREER IN ENGINEERING' AT NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY TO FIRST-YEAR ENGINEERING STUDENTS



FLUID MECHANICS LABORATORY AT NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

# CONTROL ENGINEERING

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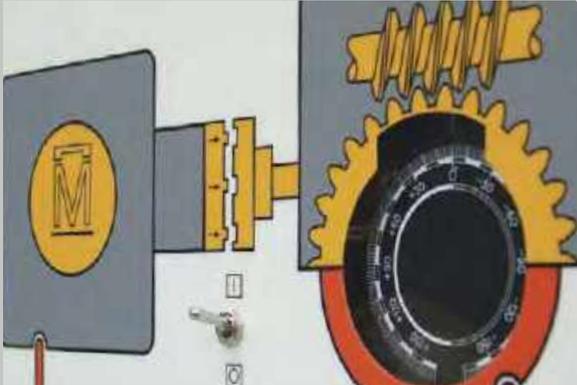
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DEFENCE INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, GIRINAGAR, PUNE, INDIA

# CONTROL ENGINEERING

The Control Engineering range focuses on the teaching of specific control principles relating to static and dynamic systems, as well as naturally unstable, non-linear, multi-variable and oscillatory systems.

The majority of the range can be connected to TecEquipment's dedicated controllers with easy-to-use control software. The simple, low-voltage connections allow safe and quick experiment set up.



## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL:** Benchtop products for academic teaching and industrial products for vocational training.

**CHOICE:** Start with a single control scenario and build up, or choose a more complete product to suit the budget and needs.

**SAFE AND EASY SET-UP:** Simple, low-voltage connections allow safe and quick experiment set up.

**HANDS ON:** Both the academic and industrial products allow easy connection and adjustments, for a more practical understanding.

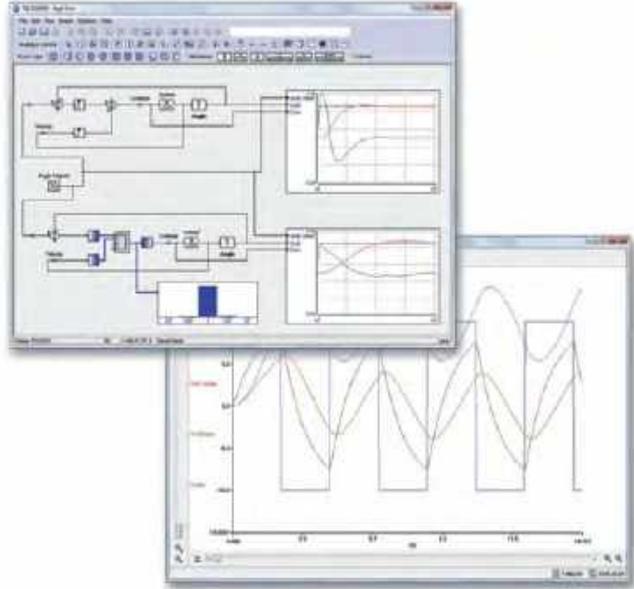


# CONTROL SOFTWARE

## CE2000

Software that simulates control systems and works with TecEquipment's controller (CE120) or digital interface (CE122) to control and acquire data from TecEquipment's Control Engineering range.

- Easy-to-create control circuits made by linking together drag-and-drop icons
- Includes a range of ready-made fuzzy logic and control blocks, such as proportional, integral and derivative blocks
- Real-time display of variables by virtual meters, virtual chart recorders or virtual oscilloscopes
- Collected data can be shown and printed as charts or exported for use in other programs
- Users can create their own circuits and save them, or use the ready-made circuits supplied



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

#### SOFTWARE ONLY:

The user guide shows students how to use the software and how to build and test common control systems, such as:

- Design and implementation of three-term controllers
- Design of controllers and filters

#### SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE (WHEN USED WITH OTHER PRODUCTS FROM THE CE RANGE):

- Thermal control (CE103)
- Level control (CE105/CE105MV)
- Ball and beam control (CE106)
- Engine speed control (CE107)
- Coupled drives control (CE108)
- Ball and hoop control (CE109)
- Servo control (CE110)
- Flow, level, pressure and temperature control (CE117)

The CE2000 is a powerful control software package with many features. It is supplied as standard with TecEquipment's Controller (CE120), Digital Interface (CE122) and Process Trainer (CE117). The software allows students and experienced control engineers to develop and test a wide selection of controllers and filters.

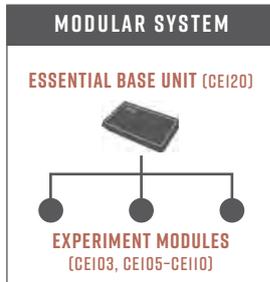
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STORIES ON SOCIAL  
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# CONTROLLER

CEI20

A self-contained analogue and computer-based controller designed to support practical investigations into the basic and advanced principles of control engineering at all academic levels.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Controls and monitors signals to and from selected Control Range experiment modules  
**Modular design saves space and reduces costs**

Manual controls plus additional interface with analogue-to-digital and digital-to-analogue conversion

Allows 'hands on' control arrangements, plus computer control and data acquisition, with no need to fit interface cards in the computer

**Buffered, low-voltage connections**  
**Safe, even for inexperienced students, with minimal supervision**

**Multiple summing junctions, proportional, integral and PID blocks**  
**Allows many different control arrangements**

Includes TecEquipment's CE2000 Control Software  
**Real-time control and data acquisition with more choice of control arrangements**

**Standard 10 VDC signals**  
**May be used to control other suitable systems**

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with the experiment modules:

- Temperature (thermal) control
- Level control
- Engine speed control
- Servo control
- Coupled drive control
- Ball and beam control
- Ball and hoop control

This compact unit has analogue electronic circuits connected in blocks. These blocks mimic the important parts of industrial controllers. Clear diagrams on the front panel of the controller show the blocks, each of which has its own set of connection sockets. The user connects the blocks in any way that they need and then connects them to their chosen experiment module.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

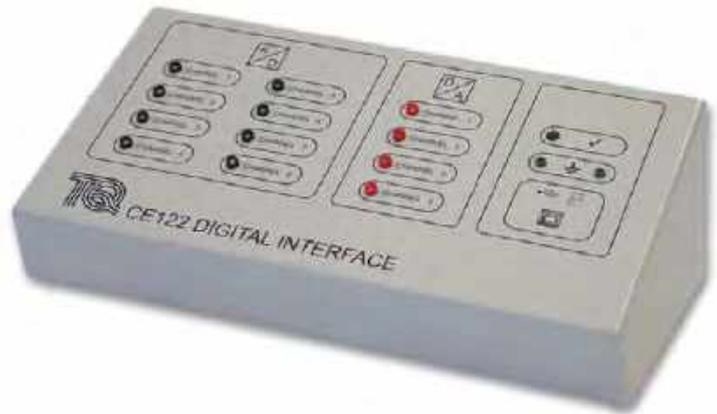
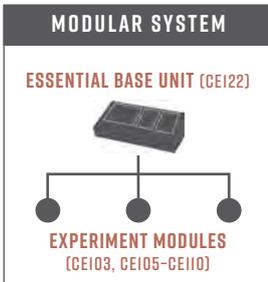
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# DIGITAL INTERFACE



CE122

A self-contained, computer-based controller designed to support practical investigations, covering the basic and advanced principles of control engineering at all academic levels.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**Connects between a computer and selected Control Engineering range experiment modules for control and monitoring of signals**

**No need to fit interface cards in your computer**

**Buffered, low-voltage connections**

**Safe, even for inexperienced students, with minimal supervision**

**Fully digital with simple set up**

**Needs no adjustments and saves time**

**Includes TecQuipment's CE2000 Control Software**

**Real-time control and data acquisition with hundreds of different control arrangements**

**Standard 10 VDC signals**

**May be used to control other suitable systems**

The Digital Interface is an alternative to the CE120 Controller, when the user only needs the interface part of the CE120. It converts analogue inputs from other equipment into digital signals for a computer. It also converts the digital signals from a computer into analogue signals to control other equipment.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

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## EXPERTS ON THE END OF THE PHONE

The dedicated, multi-lingual Sales team is available to discuss equipment specifications, teaching objectives and constraints, to offer the best products to suit requirements.

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# THERMAL CONTROL PROCESS APPARATUS

CE103

A self-contained, benchtop temperature control apparatus that mimics common industrial processes, designed to allow students at all academic levels to investigate the basic and advanced principles of control.

- Electrically heated, air-cooled model process that mimics a real industrial process
- Includes variable hysteresis for advanced process control experiments
- Temperature sensors with different thermal contact to the process give variations in thermal inertia and time constant
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecQuipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Heat transfer
- On/off control: experiment includes investigation of overshoot and undershoot, on and off time ratio, rates of heating and cooling, offset and hysteresis
- Proportional, proportional + integral, or proportional + integral + differential control
- Frequency response of model process
- Thermal inertia and variable time constants
- Multi-variable control so up to three variables can be monitored and individually controlled

The apparatus has a variable speed fan that forces air through a duct. In the duct is an electrically-heated process block. A balance of the heat gained from electrical heating and heat lost by convection and conduction gives a steady temperature at the block.

Two temperature sensors measure the temperature of the block. One sensor is in direct thermal contact with the block. The other sensor mounts on an insulating spacer to introduce thermal inertia and variable time constants into the control loop. A servo-driven vane, mounted after the fan and the process block, creates a variable restriction downstream for more advanced experiments.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Controller (CE120): a controller with analogue and digital controls and instruments **OR** 68
- Digital Interface (CE122): an interface which connects between most products in the Control Engineering range and a suitable computer (not included) 69

Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecQuipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE103.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Process Trainer (CE117) 83
- Temperature Process Training System (TE3300/05) 89
- Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) 84

# COUPLED TANKS APPARATUS

CE105/CE105MV

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus to demonstrate basic and advanced principles of control of single and coupled tanks, including the study of static and dynamic systems.

- Option for second pump with second flow meter to allow multivariable (MV) operation (CE105MV)
- Level control of one and two tanks
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecQuipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers
- Includes rotameter-type flow meter so students can see the flow rate
- Ideal for use with other control strategies such as fuzzy logic



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Calibration of transducer and actuator circuits
- System dynamics in process systems
- Design and operation of analogue controllers using proportional, proportional + integral, or proportional + integral + differential control
- Steady state errors and closed-loop transient responses
- Ziegler/Nichols controllers tuning rules
- Multi-variable control
- Step change tuning
- State feedback
- Flow control

Each tank has a level sensor that gives output signals proportional to the water level in each tank. A scale on each tank allows students to check the level-sensor calibration. A variable speed pump forces water into the left-hand tank. A valve connects this tank to a second tank, if needed, for two-tank experiments. A rotameter-type flow meter shows the flow rate. An electronic flow meter measures the flow rate.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Controller (CE120): a controller with analogue and digital controls and instruments **OR** 68
- Digital Interface (CE122): an interface which connects between most products in the Control Engineering range and a suitable computer (not included) 69

Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecQuipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE105/CE105MV.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Process Trainer (CE117) 83
- Level Process Training System (TE3300/04) 88
- Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) 84

## MULTIVARIABLE COUPLED TANKS APPARATUS (CE105MV)

Based on the CE105 but features a second pump and flow metre for more advanced experiments on the principles of multivariable control.



# BALL AND BEAM APPARATUS

CE106

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus to demonstrate basic and advanced principles of control in naturally unstable systems.



- Self-contained, compact and benchtop unit that mimics a real control problem in unstable systems, such as missile or rocket take off
- Highly visual apparatus, with moving ball and front panel mimic diagram of the process so students can see what they are controlling
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecEquipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers
- For basic and advanced experiments with angle, velocity and position control



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Measurement of system dynamics by transient and closed loop methods
- Design of analogue phase advance compensators
- Design of state reconstructors to obtain estimates of ball velocity and position

The apparatus has a steel ball which is free to roll on two parallel tensioned wires positioned on a beam that pivots at its centre. A servo motor controls the beam angle and sensors measure the beam angle and ball position. The basic control problem is to vary the beam angle to control the ball position. The system is a double integrator, so it is naturally unstable. It needs active feedback control using phase advance methods.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Controller (CE120): a controller with analogue and digital controls and instruments **OR** 68
- Digital Interface (CE122): an interface which connects between most products in the Control Engineering range and a suitable computer (not included) 69

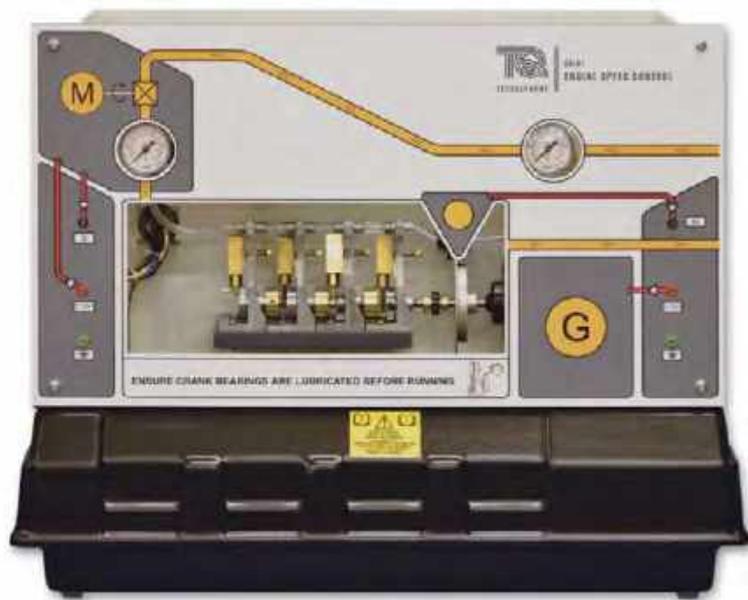
Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecEquipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE106.

# ENGINE SPEED CONTROL APPARATUS

CE107

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus to demonstrate basic and advanced principles of engine speed control, including non-linear systems and inner loop feedback techniques.

- Small-scale, compressed air-powered piston engine to mimic a full size engine with realistic results
- Demonstrates problems of speed control in non-linear systems
- Front panel includes mimic diagram of the process so students can clearly see what they are controlling
- For basic and advanced experiments with speed control and non-linearity compensation
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecQuipment's optional controllers or other suitable controller



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The use of dither signals in the compensation of system non-linearities
- The measurement of system dynamics from step response information
- Inner loop feedback compensation
- P+I controller design

A scale model engine, driven by compressed air (not supplied) for safety. The basic purpose is to adjust a motorised valve to regulate the engine speed under load. A DC generator connects to the engine output and loads it. The engine dynamics are similar to those of a typical ignition compression engine coupled to a dynamometer-controlled test bed. It is an ideal physical model to help engineering students at all academic levels to gain invaluable practical experience.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Controller (CE120): a controller with analogue and digital controls and instruments **OR** 68
- Digital Interface (CE122): an interface which connects between most products in the Control Engineering range and a suitable computer (not included) 69

Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecQuipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE107.

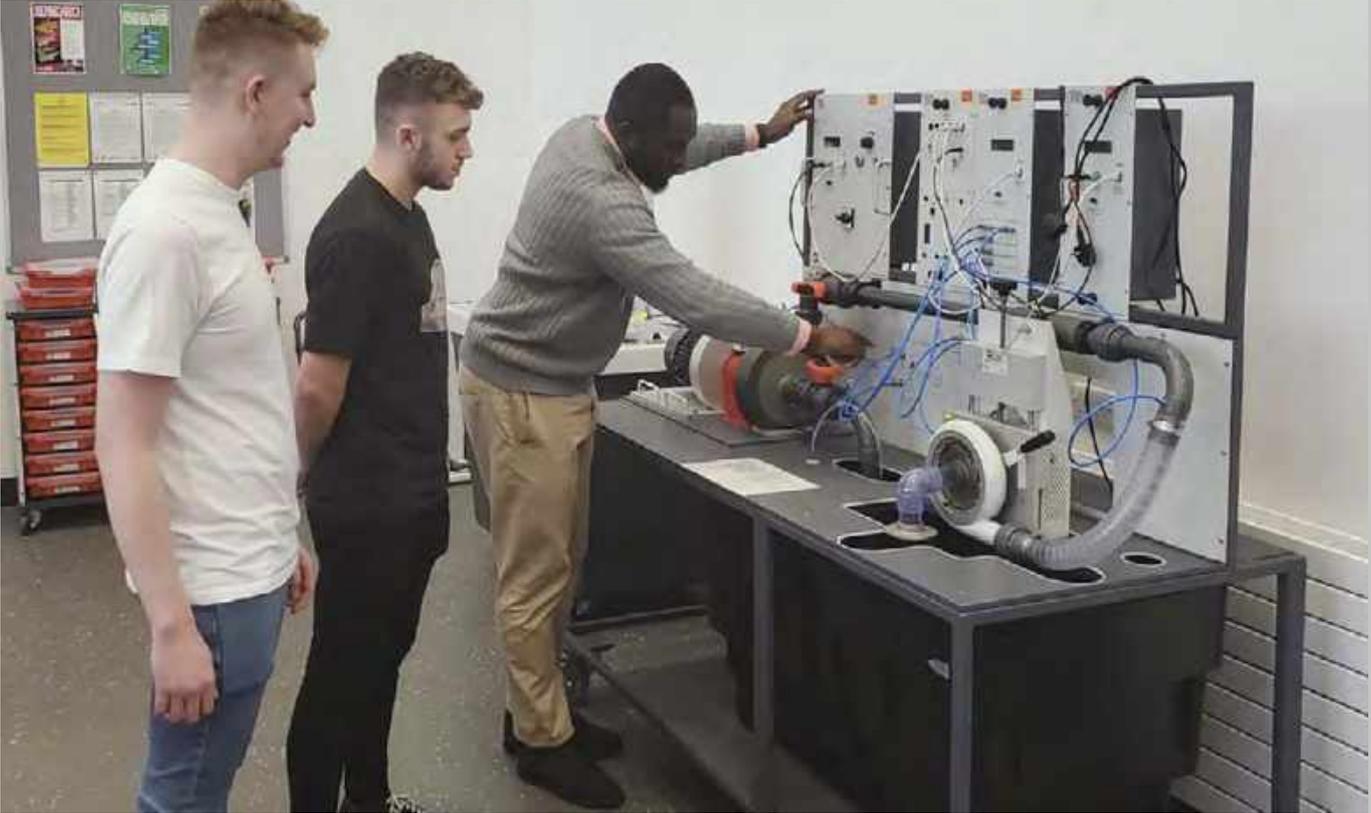
## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Compressor (CE1B) 313

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Optical Tachometer (OT1) 313
- Stroboscope (ST1) 313

# FILLING THE NUCLEAR SKILLS GAP WITH EQUIPMENT FOR THE UK



When it came to finding teaching equipment to support a new technical college for nuclear in the Lake District, UK, TecEquipment was called upon. In 2018 the National College of Nuclear North Hub (based at Lakes College West Cumbria) was opened to address the aging workforce of the UK nuclear industry, where the average age for a technical role in the UK nuclear industry was 55.

Specifically, the focus was on building technical skills, with courses that would take students straight into work within the nuclear industry. Developing students with these capabilities requires teaching equipment that balances the need for students to find experiments easy to use, while replicating applications in industry, making students work sufficiently to achieve the learning outcomes of a course.

The National College of Nuclear North Hub teaches a range of practical foundation and honours degrees. These courses include Decommissioning and Waste Management, Civil Engineering and Asset Management, Electrical Power Systems and Infrastructure, Applied Chemistry and Mechanical Engineering.

## MATCHING TEACHING REQUIREMENTS

Paul Fairclough, Director of Higher Engineering, Science and Nuclear, explained that they have developed a teaching model called the *Experiential Learning Model*. This is designed to support people getting into industry, specifically for work

readiness. Practical teaching in all of their degrees is an important element, giving the students the skill sets they need for employability. This was a main consideration when selecting TecEquipment over others in the engineering education equipment marketplace.

“The nature of the nuclear industry makes replicating the real world really important. That’s one of the reasons why we teach using TecEquipment’s products, because they match our teaching requirements,” explained Paul Fairclough.

The following products were selected to form an important part of the practical teaching at the Nuclear North Hub’s laboratory facility. Many of these are used across courses.

**BENCHTOP HEAT EXCHANGER SERVICE MODULE (TD360)** and heat exchanger experiment modules for understanding how various heat exchangers work.

**DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F)** to provide a controlled recirculating water supply and drain, with digital flow meter for use with:

- **FRICITION LOSS IN A PIPE (H7)** for understanding the change in laws of resistance for laminar and turbulent flow, finding the Reynolds number and demonstrating the flow transition point.

- **PIPEWORK ENERGY LOSS (H34)** to demonstrate energy losses around typical bends and fittings.
- **FRICTION LOSS IN A PIPE EXPERIMENT (H7)** that allows students to investigate losses in a small-bore horizontal pipe under laminar and turbulent flow conditions.
- **BERNOULLI'S THEOREM (H5)** experiment, which is an educational Venturi for studying Venturi meters and Bernoulli's theorem.

**CENTRIFUGAL PUMP MODULE (MFP101)**, with the pelton wheel, propeller and Francis turbine experiment modules, to study and compare the different turbines on a centrifugal pump.

**ENGINEERING SCIENCE KIT (ESF)**, consisting of all 18 experiment kits within the Engineering Science range from TecQuipment, for understanding basic mechanical principles.

**FREE VIBRATIONS TEST FRAME (TM160)** and both the **SIMPLE AND COMPOUND PENDULUMS (TM161)** and **FILAR PENDULUMS (TM162)**, for learning about harmonic motion and factors that affect the period of oscillation of these different types of pendulums.

**THIN CYLINDER (SM1007)** apparatus for learning about the stresses and strains of a pressurised thin-walled cylinder.

**MULTIVARIABLE COUPLED TANKS (CE105MV)** experiment and **CONTROLLER (CE120)** for learning about the principles of open and closed-loop control of flow rate and liquid level in a single and dual-tank systems.

For comprehensive teaching of structures they use the **ARCHES, BRIDGES AND TRUSSES PACKAGE (STRA)**, **DEFLECTION AND STRESSES PACKAGE (STRB)** plus **FAILURE PACKAGE (STRC)**, plus individual experiments:

- **BENDING MOMENTS IN A BEAM (STR2)**
- **SHEAR FORCE IN A BEAM (STR3)**
- **UNSYMMETRICAL BENDING AND SHEAR CENTRE (STR7)**

As well as TecQuipment's teaching products, the purpose-built facility also features simulated radioactive fields and virtual-reality systems that mean they can simulate the internal elements of a nuclear facility.

## QUALITY

Paul Fairclough has used TecQuipment teaching equipment since 1989. In this period he has worked for a range of universities and colleges, choosing TecQuipment repeatedly. The number one reason for this is quality.

TecQuipment designs and manufactures products in the company's headquarters based in the Midlands region of the UK. The ability to control the whole process means that high quality standards can be maintained.

## MORE THAN JUST THE PRODUCT

The benefit of using TecQuipment teaching products goes far beyond the apparatus itself. The lifelong customer care and supporting documentation makes a big difference.

"TecQuipment delivers consistently good quality. That's a good manufacturing build and reliability, plus the equipment looks good and is easy for students to use," explained Fairclough.

Fairclough added: "The key thing is the learning materials that come with the products, including the exercises."

Each product comes with a manual, that includes set up instructions, maintenance guidelines, step-by-step guides on how to carry out experiments and, in many cases, supporting theory. The purpose is to make practical teaching as straightforward as possible.

## RESULTS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS

Reporting in October 2019, Paul Fairclough talks about their results: "We're coming towards the end of our first round of degrees, which have resulted in high pass rates and good retention. In January 2020 we are due to have 430 students on the various courses."

Aside from the statistics, their model of practical teaching has been recognised by other national colleges as good practice and is being used as an example of excellence to replicate.



# COUPLED DRIVES APPARATUS

CE108

Compact, benchtop apparatus designed to allow students at all academic levels to investigate basic and advanced principles of control, including control of multi-variable systems.

- Coupled drives demonstrate the problems of speed and tension control
- Mimics many industrial and household applications with realistic results
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecEquipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers
- Front panel includes a mimic diagram of the process so that students can see what they are controlling



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Independent control of speed and tension
- Simultaneous control of speed and tension
- Practical methods of controlling multi-variable electro-mechanical systems

The apparatus has two electric motors, coupled by a continuous flexible belt. The belt also passes over a swinging arm with a 'jockey wheel' that measures the belt speed and tension. A manual control allows the user to adjust the spring tension at the swinging arm.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Controller (CE120): a controller with analogue and digital controls and instruments **OR** 68
- Digital Interface (CE122): an interface which connects between most products in the Control Engineering range and a suitable computer (not included) 69

Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecEquipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE108.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

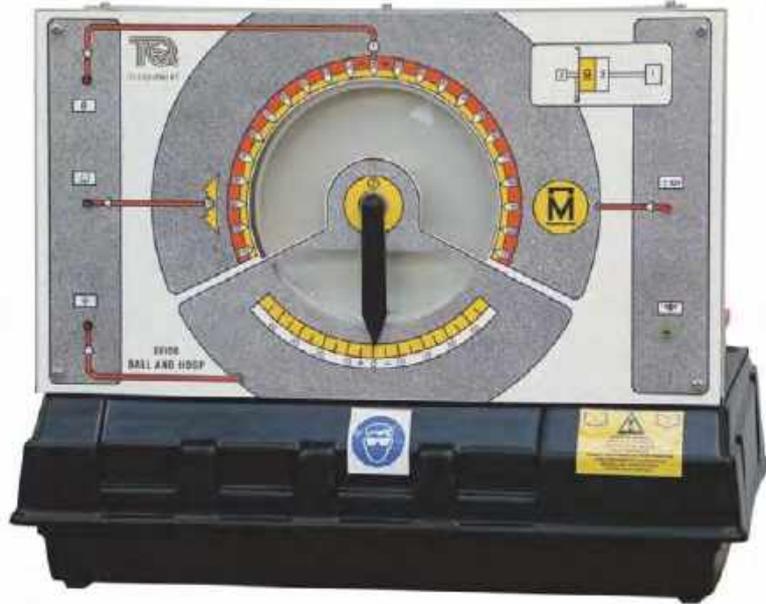
- Optical Tachometer (OT1) 313

# BALL AND HOOP APPARATUS

CE109

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus to demonstrate basic control of position or speed of a ball in a hoop, and more advanced studies of liquid slop.

- Demonstrates the problems of speed and position control of a mobile body or liquid in a container
- Mimics industrial, aeronautical, fluid transport and pumping system problems with realistic results
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecQuipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers
- Front panel includes a mimic diagram of the process so that students can see what they are controlling



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The design and analysis of servo control systems for position and velocity control
- The analysis and modelling of liquid slop dynamics
- The use of 'pole zero' in the analysis of control systems

The apparatus has a steel ball that rolls inside a hoop. The hoop is free to rotate, but is controlled by a servomotor. Transducers give outputs of the hoop and ball positions. When the hoop is under angular position control, the ball moves like a cylindrical pendulum. This allows students to use it as a model for the study of liquid slop dynamics.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

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Both the CE120 and the CE122 include TecQuipment's CE2000 Control Software (see page 67) with editable, pre-made control experiments for use with the CE109.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Optical Tachometer (OT1) 313
- Oscilloscope (OS1) 313

## DOWNLOAD POSTERS, SOFTWARE AND CATALOGUES

TecQuipment offers a wide range of digital content such as posters, brochures, catalogues, charts and software on the website.

[TECQUIPMENT.COM/DOWNLOADS](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM/DOWNLOADS)



# SERVO TRAINER



CE110

A self-contained, benchtop DC servo apparatus to study basic control of speed of a servomotor, through to more advanced studies of non-linear effects of hysteresis, deadzone and saturation.

- Demonstrates the problems of speed and position control of a servomotor under different loads
- Mimics industrial, transport and aeronautical problems with realistic results
- All inputs and outputs buffered for connection to TecQuipment's optional controllers or other suitable controllers
- Front panel includes a mimic diagram of the process so that students can see what they are controlling



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Basic tests and transducer calibration
- Response calculation and measurement
- Proportional and proportional plus integral control of servo system speed
- Disturbance cancelling and feedforward control
- Angular position control: proportional control and velocity feedback
- Angular position control and the influence of non-linearities
- Non-linear system characteristics

The CE110 has a DC servomotor, a DC generator and a flywheel mounted on a common shaft. Analogue 0 to  $\pm 10$  V control signals vary the servomotor shaft speed in either direction. An optical sensor measures the speed and shows it on a panel-mounted digital meter. The DC generator statically or dynamically loads the servomotor. An electric clutch connects or disconnects the shaft to a 30:1 reduction gearbox for position control studies. A manual control allows the user to set a position control setpoint.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

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## PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Products are continually being improved. For the latest up-to-date specifications refer to the digital datasheets on

[TECQUIPMENT.COM](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM)



# PROCESS CONTROL ENGINEERING

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PROCESS CONTROL ENGINEERING

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Just wanted to say what a great guy Dave Giddings (TecEquipment's ICT Manager) is. Thank you for sending him. I was very impressed with his work ethic and expertise. Also, he is very good interacting with the customer. You probably know all this already but I just wanted to say it!

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# PROCESS CONTROL ENGINEERING

## MADE FOR ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING

The Process Control Engineering range extends from benchtop products, made for demonstrating control principles, to equipment using industrial parts for vocational training.

## ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL SOFTWARE

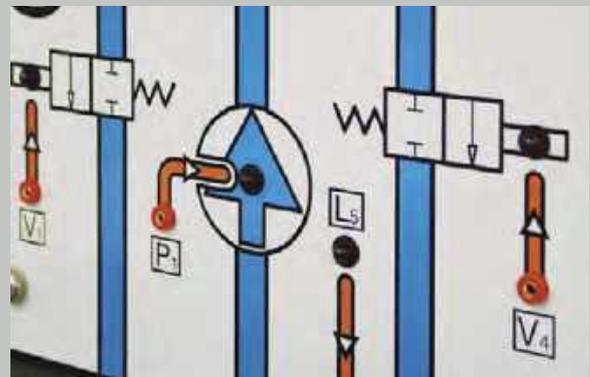
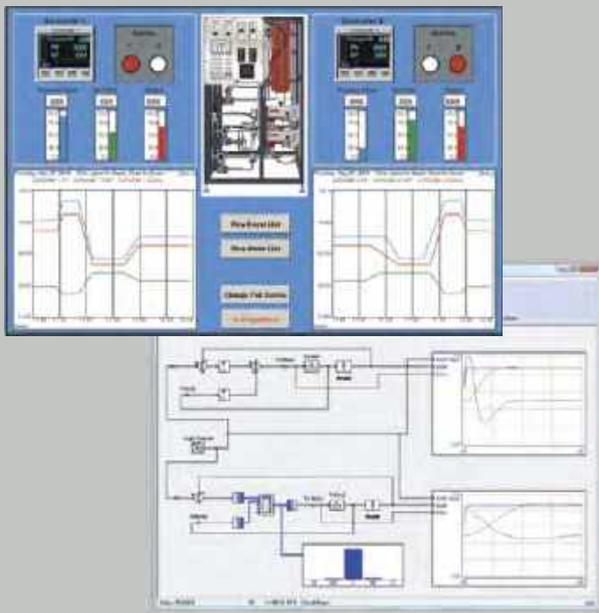
All our Process Control products work with software. Most of the academic products work with TecEquipment's own CE2000 control software. The more industrial products work with industrial process or PLC control software.

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL:** Benchtop products for academic teaching and industrial products for vocational training.

**HANDS ON:** All the products allow easy connection and adjustments, for a more practical understanding of principles.

**INDUSTRIAL COMPONENTS:** Realistic student experience, with the use of industry-standard instrumentation.



## CONNECTIVITY

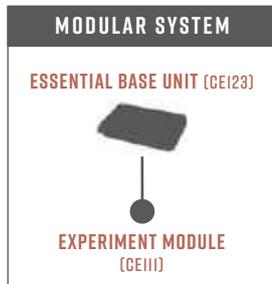
The Process Training system (TE3300) can be used individually, to study control elements in isolation. They can also be connected to other units in the system, to introduce more complexity and wider experimentation capability.



# PLC TRAINER

CE123

Uses an industry-standard PLC to control the PLC process using ladder logic programming running on a PC. For use with the PLC Process (CE111).



- Includes PLC software to program the controller, and ready-made programs to match experiments given in the user guide
- Introduces ladder logic programming
- Works with TecQuipment's PLC Process (CE111) to show students how to control a common industrial process, but in safe conditions
- Uses an industry-standard controller to give students realistic industrial experience
- Includes manual override switches to introduce faults for fault-finding training

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Simple programming
- Ladder logic operations
- Timers, counters and monitoring
- Editing and adding comments in a PLC program
- Special ladder logic instructions

The PLC Trainer shows students how to use a programmable logic controller. It also works with TecQuipment's PLC Process (CE111) to help students study how to use programmable logic controllers to control a process.

#### AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

- PLC Process (CE111)

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## TRAINING AVAILABLE ON-SITE OR AT TECQUIPMENT HEADQUARTERS

Comprehensive equipment training is available from TecQuipment's team of specialist engineers.

Topics include:

- Operation
- Safety
- Maintenance
- Introductory experimentation



# PLC PROCESS

CE111

A self-contained, benchtop liquid flow and level process, providing a physical system to experience the programming of programmable logic controllers, for use with the PLC Trainer (CE123).

- Allows basic and advanced studies of programmable logic controllers (PLCs) in industrial applications
- Demonstrates control of liquid flow, volume and level in two tanks
- Includes a selection of fully controllable valves to give many different liquid level and flow control experiments, including batch processing
- Front panel includes mimic diagram of the process so students can clearly see what they are controlling



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with the CE123:

- Basic programming of a PLC
- Basic level control
- Tank filling sequence
- Simulated batch processing (sequencing)
- Ladder logic programming
- Editing and adding comments in a PLC program

The open structure of the CE111 and CE123 allows the user to create additional experiments to suit their needs.

The apparatus has two transparent tanks, mounted one above the other. A variable speed pump transfers water from the reservoir (in the base of the unit) into the upper tank. The water can drain down to the lower tank and then back into the reservoir. Solenoid valves may be individually opened or closed to control and redirect the movement of the water. The pump control is on or off, but a manual control allows the user to set the speed. A float switch in the reservoir monitors the level of water.

The object is to connect and program an external programmable logic controller to monitor and control the level and flow rate of water in a two-tank system.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- PLC Trainer (CE123)

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# PROCESS TRAINER



CE117

A self-contained, benchtop, fully integrated teaching apparatus that mimics industrial process engineering, including a comprehensive range of experiments in flow, level, pressure and temperature, ranging from basic theories through to more advanced principles.



- Includes four basic process control methods in one compact unit
- Supplied with TecEquipment's CE2000 software for supervisory control of the process with data acquisition
- Mimics common industrial parts and processes with realistic results
- Ideal for classroom demonstrations and student experiments
- Includes experiments from basic control to advanced control methods, including ratio control, cascade control, interactive control and feedforward control

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Proportional, integral and derivative (PID) control
- Control of flow
- Control of level
- Control of pressure
- Control of temperature
- Ratio control
- Cascade control
- Multi-loop control
- Interacting control loops

Using water as the working fluid, the equipment allows safe, practical experiments on control of flow, liquid level, temperature and pressure. Students can study each of these separately or in combinations.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Thermal Control Process Apparatus (CE103)        | 70 |
| • Coupled Tanks Apparatus (CE105/CE105MV)          | 71 |
| • Pressure Process Training System (TE3300/02)     | 86 |
| • Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03)         | 87 |
| • Level Process Training System (TE3300/04)        | 88 |
| • Temperature Process Training System (TE3300/05)  | 89 |
| • Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) | 84 |



# CONTROL AND INSTRUMENTATION STUDY STATION

TE37

A laboratory-scale model of a typical industrial process plant providing the essential facilities to allow flow level temperature and pressure control. Demonstrates applications of advanced control systems using industry-standard instrumentation and controls for the training of plant technicians and process control engineers.

- Patch panel with leads for quick and simple connection between instruments, valves and controls
- Optional distributed computer control
- Enables academic and vocational study for process control engineers and plant technicians
- Includes hidden switches to create faults for fault-finding training
- Fully programmable controllers with local and remote set points, and fully programmable proportional, integral and derivative control



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Setting up process transmitters
- Level, pressure, flow and temperature control
- Cascade control
- Coupled and decoupled interactive control
- Ratio control
- Feedforward control
- Feedforward/feedback control
- Split range control
- Fault-finding

The Control and Instrumentation Study Station uses industry-standard parts to teach industrial process control. It is an excellent tool to help train plant technicians and process control engineers.

Hot and cold water supplies connect to the study station. Two valves (operated by compressed air) control the flow of the water supplies into a process vessel.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Service Module (SM37): this module connects to a suitable cold water supply and provides hot and cold water at the correct flow and pressure for the study station. It includes an air compressor and storage vessel to supply compressed air to the study station valves.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Distributed Control System (TE37DCS) 85

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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# PRESSURE PROCESS TRAINING SYSTEM

TE3300/02

A self-contained, mobile module using pressure as the control variable to illustrate the principles of single-loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves.

- Demonstrates automatic control of pressure in an accumulator using proportional, proportional plus integral, and proportional, integral plus derivative (PID) control
- Uses industry-standard parts making it ideal for industrial, vocational and academic training
- Demonstrates operation, calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Connects to the Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) for cascade control
- Connects to the Computer Control System (TE3300/06) for distributed control



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Proportional, integral and derivative control
- Setting up and demonstrating automatic control
- The principles of loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Cascade control of flow and pressure (when used with the TE3300/03 Flow Process Training System)
- Distributed control (when used with the TE3300/06 Computer Control System)

To carry out experiments, students fill the reservoir with clean water and prime the system. They then set the controller to regulate the flow of water using a pneumatic valve. This alters the pressure in the accumulator. A pressure transmitter measures the accumulator pressure and gives feedback to the controller. For a realistic experience, the equipment has industry-standard instrumentation and parts.

The apparatus includes two gate valves. One valve controls the flow at the output (drain) and the other acts as a flow-bypass valve. A chart recorder shows and logs the changes of the process variable (level) and the controller output.

The self-contained unit can perform many experiments. By connecting this to other products in the TE3300 range further experiments are possible.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Service Module (SM3300)

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) 87
- Computer Control System (TE3300/06) 90

## ANCILLARY FOR:

- Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) 87

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Process Trainer (CE117) 83
- Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) 84

# FLOW PROCESS TRAINING SYSTEM

TE3300/03

A self-contained, mobile module for flow process control experiments to illustrate the principles of single-loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves.

- Demonstrates automatic control of flow using proportional, proportional plus integral, and proportional plus integral plus derivative (PID) control
- Uses industry-standard parts making it ideal for industrial, vocational and academic training
- Demonstrates operation, calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Connects to the Pressure Process (TE3300/02) and Level Process (TE3300/04) Training Systems for cascade control
- Connects to the Computer Control System (TE3300/06) for distributed control

To carry out experiments, students fill the reservoir with clean water and prime the system. They then set the controller to regulate the flow of the water using a pneumatic valve. The gap-type flow meter gives a visual indication of flow. The fixed orifice and pressure transmitter give feedback to the controller. For a realistic experience, the equipment has industry-standard instrumentation and parts.

The apparatus includes two gate valves. One valve controls the flow at the output (drain) and the other acts as a flow-bypass valve. A chart recorder shows and logs the changes of the process variable (level) and the controller output.

The self-contained unit can perform many experiments. By connecting this to other products in the TE3300 range further experiments are possible.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Service Module (SM3300)

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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| • Pressure Process Training System (TE3300/02) | 86 |
| • Level Process Training System (TE3300/04)    | 88 |
| • Computer Control System (TE3300/06)          | 90 |

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| • Pressure Process Training System (TE3300/02) | 86 |
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## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Process Trainer (CE117)                          | 83 |
| • Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) | 84 |



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Proportional, integral and derivative control
- Setting up and demonstrating automatic control
- The principles of loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Calibration of an orifice flow meter with a differential pressure transmitter
- Quadratic flow laws and square root extraction
- Cascade control of pressure and flow, and level and flow (when used with the TE3300/02 and TE3300/04)
- Distributed control (when used with the TE3300/06 Computer Control System)



# LEVEL PROCESS TRAINING SYSTEM

TE3300/04

A self-contained, mobile module for level process control experiments to illustrate the principles of single-loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves.

- Demonstrates automatic control of level using proportional, proportional plus integral, and proportional plus integral plus derivative (PID) control
- Uses industry-standard parts making it ideal for industrial, vocational and academic training
- Demonstrates operation, calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Connects to the Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) for cascade control
- Connects to the Computer Control System (TE3300/06) for distributed control



To carry out experiments, students fill the reservoir with clean water and prime the system. They then set the controller to regulate the flow of water using a pneumatic valve. This alters the water level in the transparent vessel. The differential pressure transmitter connected to the vessel gives feedback to the controller. For a realistic experience, the equipment has industry-standard instrumentation and parts.

The apparatus includes two gate valves. One valve controls the flow at the output (drain) and the other acts as a flow-bypass valve. A chart recorder shows and logs the changes of the process variable (level) and the controller output.

The self-contained unit can perform many experiments. By connecting this to other products in the TE3300 range further experiments are possible.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Service Module (SM3300)

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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| • Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) | 87 |
| • Computer Control System (TE3300/06)      | 90 |

## ANCILLARY FOR:

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|--|----|
| • Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03) | 87 |
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## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- |  |    |
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| • Coupled Tanks Apparatus (CE105/CE105MV)          | 71 |
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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Proportional, integral and derivative control
- Setting up and demonstrating automatic control
- The principles of loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves
- Wet and dry leg operation of a differential pressure transmitter
- Operation of a level-control system
- Cascade control of level and flow (when used with the TE3300/03 Flow Process Training System)
- Distributed control (when used with the TE3300/06 Computer Control System)

# TEMPERATURE PROCESS TRAINING SYSTEM

TE3300/05

A self-contained, mobile module for temperature process control experiments to illustrate the principles of single-loop control and the calibration and tuning of controllers, transmitters, converters and valves.

- Demonstrates automatic control of temperature using proportional, proportional plus integral, and proportional plus integral plus derivative (PID) control
- Uses industry-standard parts making it ideal for industrial, vocational and academic training
- Demonstrates operation, calibration and tuning of temperature transmitters and thermocouples
- Includes delay coil to mimic realistic time lag due to a process
- Connects to the Computer Control System (TE3300/06) for distributed control



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Proportional, integral and derivative control
- Setting up and demonstrating automatic control
- The principles of loop control and the calibration and tuning of temperature transmitters and thermocouples
- Operation of a temperature control system
- Distributed control (when used with the TE3300/06 Computer Control System)

To carry out experiments, students fill the reservoir with clean water and prime the system. They then set the controller to regulate the power to the in-line heater and control the temperature of the water at any of three places. The heat-exchanger removes the heat from the water, to give quicker experiments. The thermocouples (selected by a three-way switch) give feedback to the controller. For a realistic experience, the equipment has industry-standard instrumentation and parts.

The apparatus includes one gate valve that works as a flow bypass. A chart recorder shows and logs the changes of the process variable (temperature) and the controller output.



## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Computer Control System (TE3300/06) 90

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Thermal Control Process Apparatus (CE103) 70
- Process Trainer (CE117) 83
- Control and Instrumentation Study Station (TE37) 84

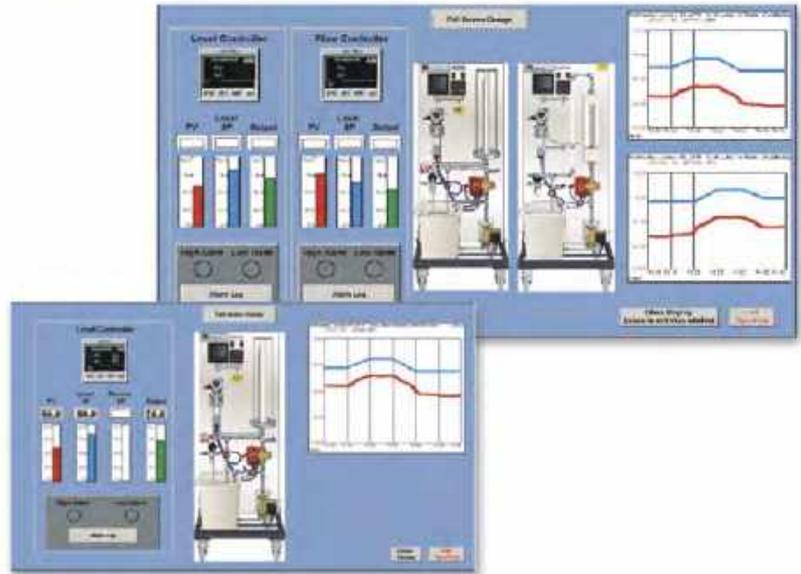


# COMPUTER CONTROL SYSTEM

TE3300/06

Easy-to-use software that connects to the TE3300 Process Control modules for remote control and monitoring of processes (distributed control).

- Industry-standard supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) software, with colourful, easy-to-use on-screen mimics of the processes
- Improves students' understanding of industrial process control
- Includes high specification computer, large monitor, keyboard and mouse
- Real-time displays of variables



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with the TE3300 process control modules, computer control and monitoring of:

- Pressure process (TE3300/02)
- Flow process (TE3300/03)
- Level control process (TE3300/04)
- Temperature process (TE3300/05)
- Cascaded flow and pressure (TE3300/02 and TE3300/03)
- Cascaded flow and level (TE3300/03 and TE3300/04)

The Computer Control System (TE3300/06) is a computer control package for use with modules from TecQuipment's TE3300 process control range. It allows remote control and data acquisition from the controller of each process. This system will also control and collect data from the controllers of TE3300 modules when connected in cascade.

## ANCILLARY FOR:

One or more modules from the TE3300 process control range:

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|---|----|
| • Pressure Process Training System (TE3300/02)    | 86 |
| • Flow Process Training System (TE3300/03)        | 87 |
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| • Temperature Process Training System (TE3300/05) | 89 |

## EXPERTS ON THE END OF THE PHONE

The dedicated, multi-lingual Sales team is available to discuss equipment specifications, teaching objectives and constraints, to offer the best products to suit requirements.

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Repeatability when it comes to running experiments to prove theory, is the number one reason we stick with these products. I know that my students are going to get good, consistent, reliable results. I also know they are going to last. The fact that equipment which the University bought over half a century ago is still working says it all. This isn't just because they are designed and built really well, it's also down to these products being really good to maintain.

**DEAN MILTON**  
LABORATORY INSTRUCTOR, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA, CANADA



# FLUID MECHANICS

The Fluid Mechanics range offers a wide scope of teaching equipment for the delivery of complete courses in fluid dynamics.

## BASE UNIT AND MODULES FOR FLEXIBILITY

In many settings, the modular Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) acts as a base unit, allowing tutors to swap out individually mounted experiment modules on these self-contained benches, reducing laboratory set-up time, space requirements, the need to be near a water source and cost. Modules include experiments for exploring Bernoulli's theorem, the function and dynamics of weirs, pressure and flow measurement, pipe friction and energy loss, and much more.

## UNDERSTANDING FLOW

The impressive flow and sediment channels, for demonstrating the mechanics of flow, also enable the practical teaching and demonstration of phenomena such as critical and sub critical flow, hydraulic jump, and dune formation. There are many ancillaries available for use with the flow channels, enabling them to be used as both teaching and research aids.



PITOT TUBE FOR THE FC80 FLUME

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**LONGEVITY:** Long-lasting equipment to teach principles that do not go out of date.

**WATER AND SPACE SAVING:** Many experiments work with the self-contained, mobile hydraulic bench to save water and laboratory space.

**LARGE CHOICE OF EXPERIMENTS:** A huge range of experiments for a complete course in fluid mechanics, from simple flow and pressure measurements to advanced studies of vortices and open channel flow.

## MODULAR FLUID POWER RANGE

The Fluid Mechanics range includes a sub-section of Modular Fluid Power products (pages 134–148) to demonstrate real-world applications of fluid mechanics. They include pumps and turbines, which also provide a link to renewable energy.

### AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

Each product in this range works with TecQuipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>), page 310.



SPILLWAY FOR THE FC300 FLUME

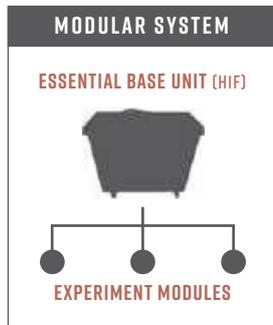
# DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH



HIF

A mobile, self-contained bench with recirculating water supply. It provides water at variable flow rates direct to experiments and includes digital flow display for hydraulic and fluid mechanics experiments.

UPGRADE YOUR OLDER GENERATION GRAVIMETRIC OR VOLUMETRIC HYDRAULIC BENCH WITH A: **DIGITAL ELECTRONIC MEASURING KIT HIX**  
SEE PAGE 115



DIGITAL FLOW DISPLAY



DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH

FLUID MECHANICS

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Supplies and measures water flow to over 15 different experiment modules

Saves space and reduces costs

Electronic flowmeter and digital display

Accurate measurements and reduced experiment time

Self-contained with recirculating water circuit

Needs no external water supply, saves mains water

Fully mobile unit with a flat top to hold several experiment modules

Makes best use of laboratory space

Fibreglass construction

Strength, easier transport and long life

This product supplies a controlled flow of water to a wide variety of laboratory experiment modules (available separately). The body of the bench forms a reservoir or 'sump tank' with a submersible pump. Once filled, the bench needs no external water supply.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

### BENCH-MOUNTED:

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# OLD EQUIPMENT GETS AN UPGRADE AT NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY



A Hydraulic Bench Upgrade Kit (H1X) that electronically measures flow rates was recently purchased by Nottingham Trent University. It delivered a 15–30 per cent time saving when carrying out experiments.

The separate electronic flow measurement instrument can be retrofitted by a laboratory technician onto older models of TecEquipment's Hydraulic Bench that use manual measurement methods; this reduces experiment time while retaining the learning experience.

James Cooper, a technical specialist working for the School of Architecture, Design and the Built Environment at Nottingham Trent University, explains: "Students have commented on how much time is spent calculating flow rates on the gravimetric benches using the original method of volume/time. To help improve this, I recently fitted an H1X conversion kit to one of the benches."

Each kit is supplied with the core electronic measurement device, all the parts necessary to carry out the upgrade and a comprehensive installation guide.

"The fitting was simple, with clear, concise instructions. It included everything needed for the conversion. The fitting time was around four hours including the checking and testing of the accuracy of the flow meter read-out," explained Cooper.

When running the loss in pipe and impact of a jet experiments, the students save around 10–20 minutes in a one-hour laboratory session (depending on the flow rate and the volume of water that was previously measured).

Cooper went on to explain the benefits: "This allowed for more time being spent working towards the desired learning outcomes. The student feedback about the conversion was very positive. The students previously felt that their time doing manual calculations of flow rates was a waste of the practical time available to them."

## FLOW VISUALISATION



FC15

A compact, entry-level piece of equipment for visualising flow patterns around weirs and other objects in an open channel. A range of models supplied in the package make this an ideal product for introducing students to flow visualisation in fluid mechanics.

- Blank panel enhances visualisation by providing a plain backdrop
- Undershot inlet for demonstrating hydraulic jump
- Overshot outlet for regulating free surface height at low Reynolds numbers.



DYE FLOW AROUND ONE OF THE MODELS



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Visualisation of flow around objects in an open channel
- Study of flow around submerged sharp-crested weir
- Study of a broad-crested weir and the effects of changing the profile of the weir (by reversing the block in the channel)
- Visualisation of flow around a hydrofoil (symmetrical and asymmetrical)
- Visual demonstration of hydraulic jump

Consists of a robust stainless steel tank (to reduce turbulence) flowing into a 15 mm wide flow channel fabricated from transparent acrylic, together with various gates, weirs and blocks. The channel is fitted with dye injectors enabling the detail of flow patterns to be easily demonstrated and observed.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hele-Shaw Apparatus (H9) 113

## CALIBRATION OF A BOURDON PRESSURE GAUGE

H3A

A Bourdon pressure gauge with visible working mechanism to demonstrate how this type of pressure gauge works and how to calibrate it.

- Demonstrates 'dead weight' calibration of a Bourdon gauge
- Bourdon gauge has transparent dial so students can see how it works
- Suitable for group demonstrations and student experiments
- Self-contained, requires no additional services



Many engineering applications use the Bourdon gauge. TecEquipment's Calibration of a Pressure Gauge experiment allows students to study Bourdon tube theory. They see the working mechanism, calibrate the gauge and compare theoretical results to experimental results.

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Pressure Measurement Bench (H30) 100
- Hydrostatics and Properties of Fluids (H314) 126

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Function, operation and calibration of a Bourdon tube pressure gauge

# TECEQUIPMENT USER GUIDES

Each piece of apparatus is accompanied by a comprehensive user guide which includes:

- Assembly instructions
- Use and maintenance instructions
- Associated theory

## THEORY INCLUDED

Supporting theory is included in the user guide, accompanied by suggested experiments along with sample results. In a selection of guides, suggested text books that the students and teachers may find useful are also included. Most TecQuipment products are suitable for further experiments to those included in the guide; for this reason, further investigations using the equipment or results are frequently suggested.

## WORKBOOKS INCLUDED

For some of the ranges, for example the Engineering Science range (page 5), both teacher and student guides are included, along with workbooks for the students to follow. The full Engineering Science set (ESF, page 7) covers a complete basic engineering syllabus. These guides are supplied electronically for ease of distribution to students.

## DIAGRAMS AND PHOTOS

Where necessary, the guides are illustrated with step-by-step photographs or diagrams to assist with assembling and maintaining the equipment, and performing experiments. Suggested table layouts for results are also included, easing the workload on tutors as results should be presented in the same format from each student.

"Every time we look at the quality of the materials you have used to build these apparatuses, and the user-friendliness of your software, we thank you and wished other companies would learn from you."

PROFESSOR KHOSROWJERDI  
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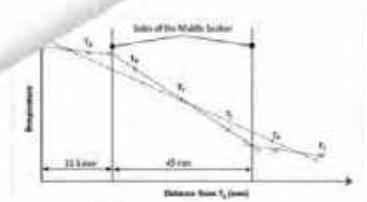


Figure 16 Thermal Gradient of the Metal Section  
Answer may be that the 50 mm of the metal section is to find the theoretical resistance. If either for the whole bar. Use the thermal resistance to help find the  $R$  and then the  $R$  value for the whole section (see the answer you found from the first procedure for the total average area of the middle).

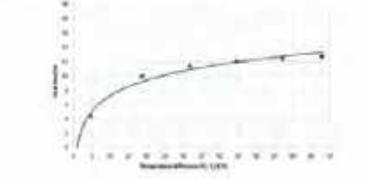
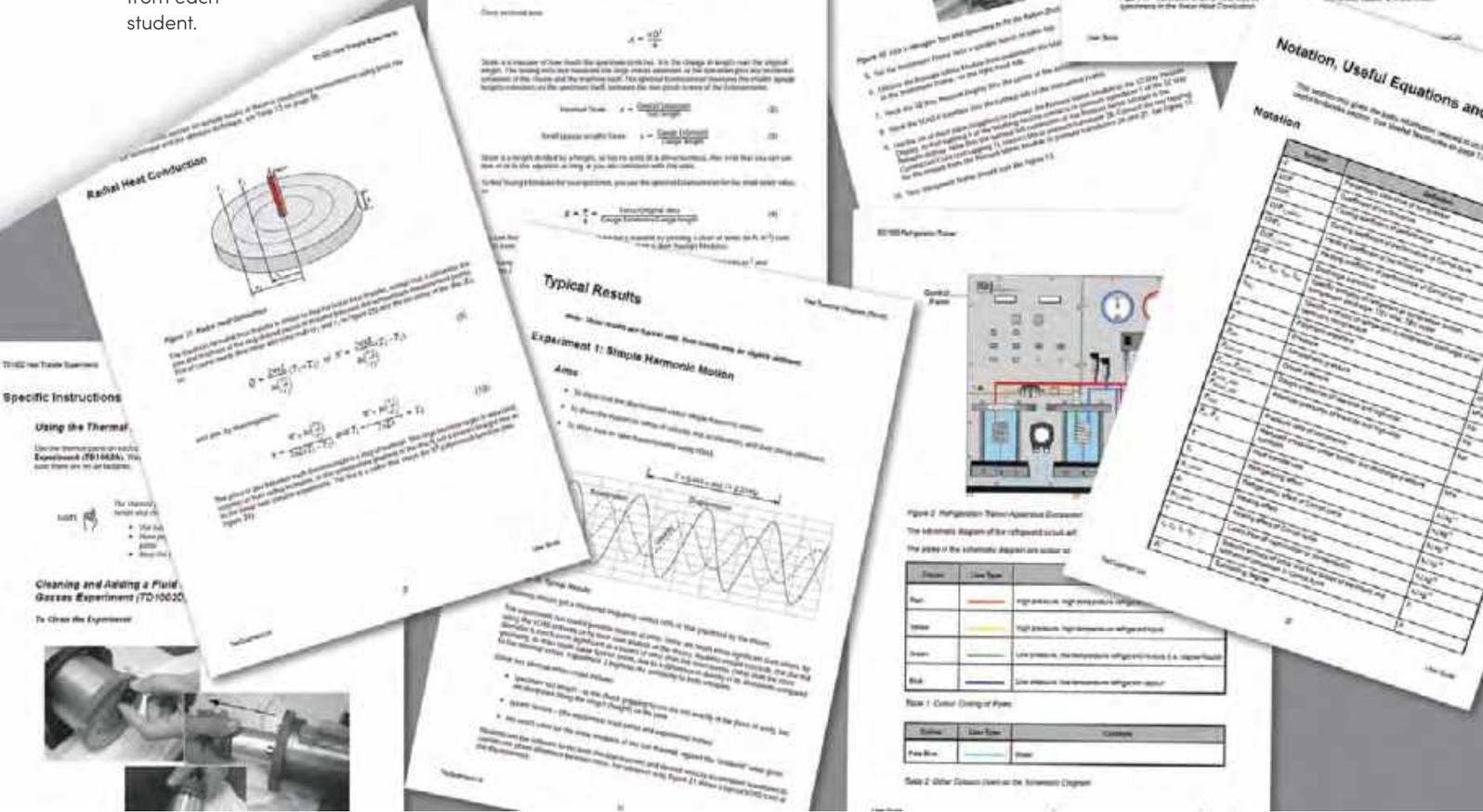


Figure 17 Calculated chart of heat loss vs temperature of the metal section



# DISCHARGE OVER A NOTCH

H6

A tank and set of notch weirs for the study of flow regulation and measurement devices.



- Portable, corrosion-resistant glass fibre channel for ease of use and long life
- Includes one rectangular and two V-shaped notches for basic experiments
- Two additional weirs (Cipolletti and Sutro) are included for more advanced experiments
- Adjustable depth gauge for precise measurement of water level
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Comprehensive study of flow over weirs, including:

- Investigation of head against discharge
- Coefficient of discharge for notches
- Rectangular and different angled V-notches

The Discharge Over a Notch apparatus demonstrates clearly the use of weirs as simple flow regulators. It allows students to do tests on relationships between upstream water level and weir discharge for different shaped notches. They can then compare their results with theory.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Flumes 116–124



SHOWN WITH THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

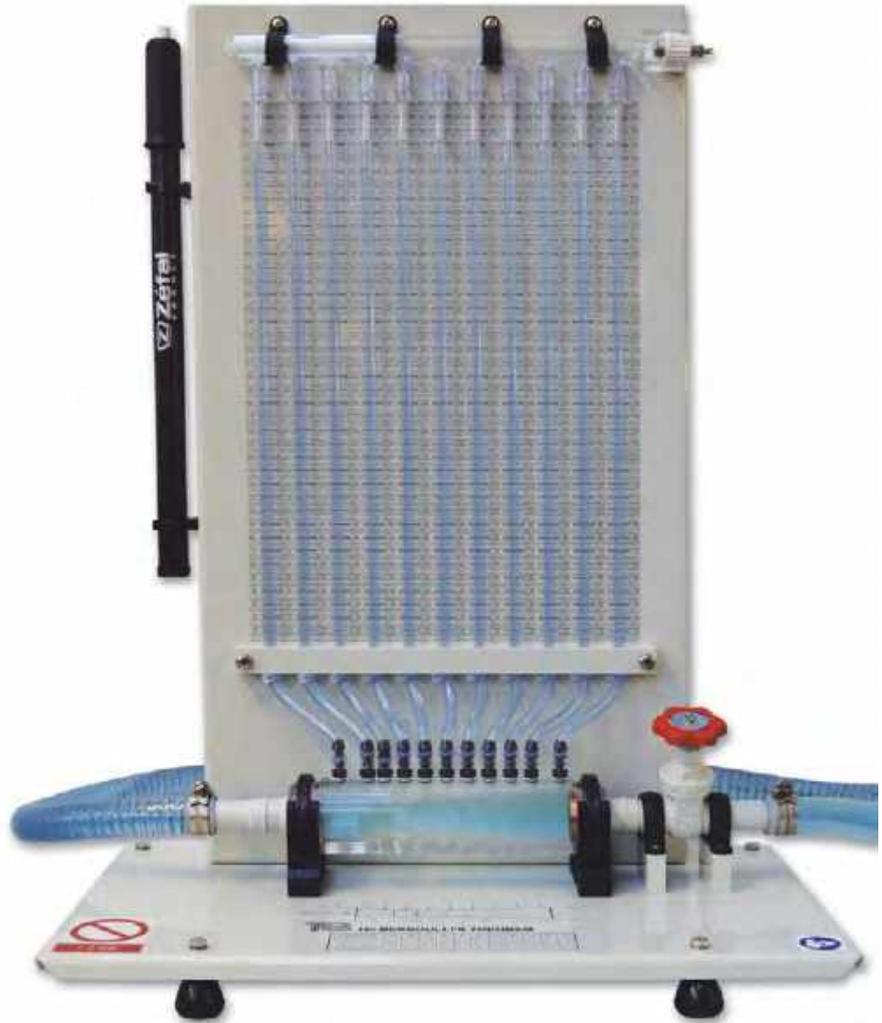
# BERNOULLI'S THEOREM



H5

A benchtop Venturi tube that allows students to study Bernoulli's theorem by measuring the complete static head distribution along the horizontal tube.

- Eleven pressure tappings along the tube
- Direct measurement of static heads
- Complete pressure distribution clearly visible
- Compact and simple to operate
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Comprehensive study of a Venturi meter and Bernoulli's theorem, including:

- Direct measurement of the static head distribution along a Venturi tube
- Comparison of experimental results with theoretical predictions
- Measurement of the meter coefficient of discharge at various flow rates

The Venturi tube in TecQuipment's Bernoulli's Theorem is typical of meters used throughout industry. However, it has many more pressure tappings, connecting to water manometers, which allow full study of the pressure distribution along the convergent-divergent passage.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

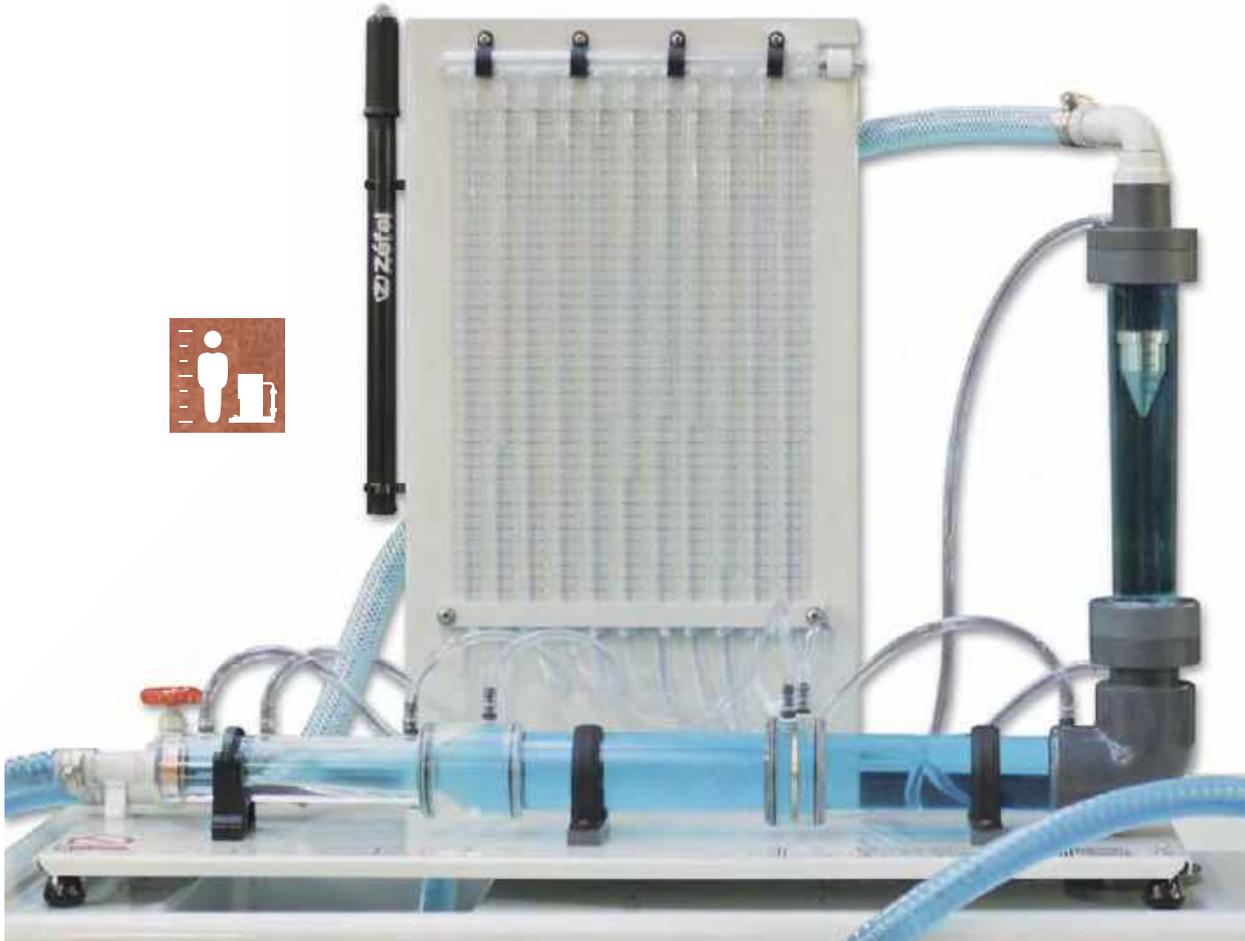
- Bernoulli's Equation (AF11) 32
- Flow Measurement Methods (H10) 99
- Flow Meter Calibration (H40) 101
- Fluid Friction Apparatus (H408) 106

# FLOW MEASUREMENT METHODS



H10

A Venturi meter, an orifice plate meter and a rotameter that demonstrate typical methods of measuring the flow of an incompressible fluid and show applications of Bernoulli's equation.



- Includes Venturi meter, orifice plate and rotameter
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation
- Direct measurement of head loss
- Three different flow meters which work with Bernoulli's equation
- Multi-tube manometer demonstrates pressure at various points

Students measure flow using a Venturi meter, an orifice plate meter and a rotameter. Students find and compare the head losses associated with each meter, as well as those arising in a rapid enlargement and a 90-degree elbow.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of Bernoulli's equation, flow measurement and losses, including:

- Application of the Bernoulli equation for incompressible fluids
- Direct comparison of flow measurement using a Venturi meter, orifice plate and rotameter
- Comparison of pressure drops across each flow-measurement device
- Comparison of pressure drops across a sudden enlargement and a 90-degree elbow

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Bernoulli's Theorem (H5) 98
- Flow Meter Calibration (H40) 101
- Fluid Friction Apparatus (H408) 106

# PRESSURE MEASUREMENT BENCH

H30

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus that enables a range of practical investigations into manometer and Bourdon gauge pressure measurement techniques, including inclined and U-tube manometers, and Bourdon-type vacuum and pressure gauges.



- Provides practical investigations for pressure measurement using inclined and U-tube manometers, and Bourdon-type vacuum and pressure gauges
- Enables instant comparison of measurement methods
- Includes separate Bourdon gauge with deadweight calibration apparatus, and Bourdon tube mechanism clearly visible
- Fully self-contained, benchtop apparatus
- Suitable for group demonstrations and individual student experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A range of investigations into common pressure/measurement techniques, including:

- Comparison of pressure measurement by manometer and Bourdon gauge
- Calibration of a pressure gauge
- Determination of gauge errors as a function of true pressure

The apparatus consists of two units: a manometers and gauges unit, and a Bourdon pressure gauge calibration unit.

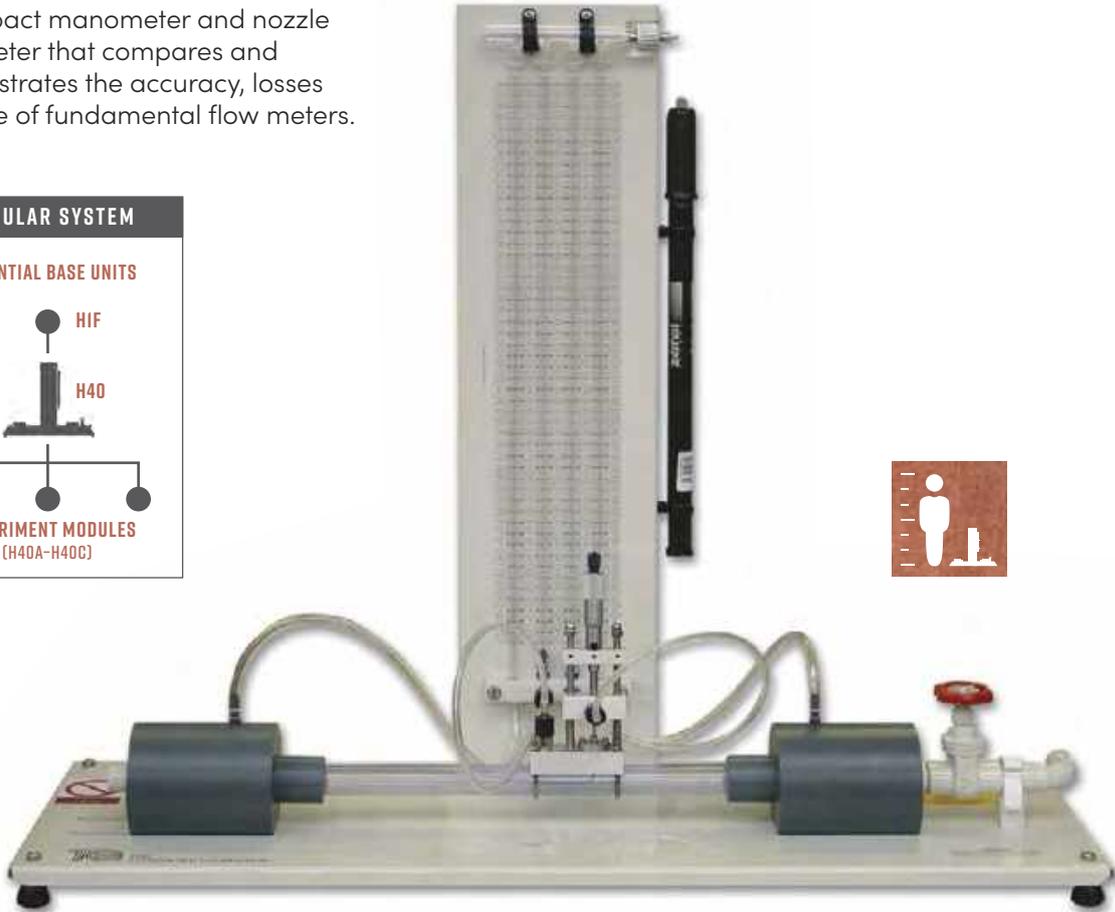
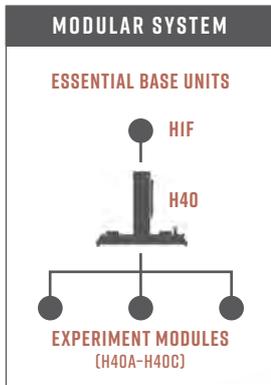
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Calibration of a Bourdon Pressure Gauge (H3a) 95
- Hydrostatics and Properties of Fluids (H314) 126

# FLOW METER CALIBRATION

H40

A compact manometer and nozzle flow meter that compares and demonstrates the accuracy, losses and use of fundamental flow meters.



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE OPTIONAL PITOT TUBE (H40A) EXPERIMENT MODULE

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Supports and measures pressures in its optional experiment modules

Saves space and reduces costs

Nozzle flow meter included as standard

Allows tests 'out of the box'

Optional Pitot, Venturi and orifice flow meters

For comparisons of accuracy, losses, and tests of velocity profile and boundary layer effect

Unique quick-change adaptors and self-sealing pressure connections

Maximises experiment time and reduces water spills

Works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F)

Easy installation and accurate external flow measurement

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Accuracy of nozzle flow meters
- Losses and  $k$  value
- Calculation of the coefficient of discharge

The Flow Meter Calibration works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F, available separately) and stands on the hydraulic bench worktop. Four water-filled manometers show the pressure differences at the flow meter and across the overall flow meter assembly.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

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| • Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) | 93 |
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## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

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| • Pitot Tube (H40a)         | 102 |
| • Venturi Flow Meter (H40b) | 102 |
| • Orifice Flow Meter (H40c) | 102 |

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Bernoulli's Theorem (H5)        | 98  |
| • Flow Measurement Methods (H10)  | 99  |
| • Fluid Friction Apparatus (H408) | 106 |

## PITOT TUBE

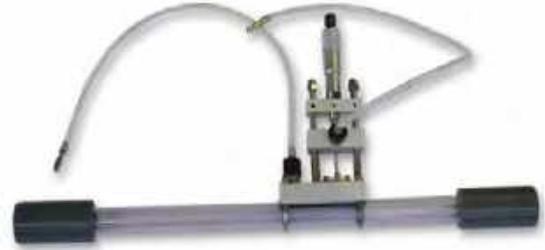
H40A

Pitot tube flow meter for use with the Flow Meter Calibration unit (H40).

- Demonstrates the accuracy and use of a Pitot tube flow meter
- Demonstrates the boundary layer effect and the fluid velocity profile
- Micrometer head for precise adjustment

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Flow Meter Calibration (H40) with H1F 101



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Accuracy of Pitot tube flow meters
- Losses and  $k$  value
- Calculation of the coefficient of discharge
- Velocity profile

## VENTURI FLOW METER

H40B

Venturi flow meter for use with the Flow Meter Calibration unit (H40).

- Demonstrates the accuracy and use of a Venturi flow meter
- Demonstrates how a flow constriction affects pressure
- ISO standard dimensions for more predictable results



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Accuracy of Venturi flow meters
- Losses and  $k$  value
- Calculation of the coefficient of discharge

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Flow Meter Calibration (H40) with H1F 101



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Accuracy of orifice flow meters
- Losses and  $k$  value
- Calculation of the coefficient of discharge

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Flow Meter Calibration (H40) with H1F 101

## ORIFICE FLOW METER

H40C

Sharp-edged orifice flow meter for use with the Flow Meter Calibration unit (H40).

- Demonstrates the accuracy and use of a sharp-edged orifice flow meter
- Demonstrates how an orifice affects pressure
- ISO standard dimensions for more predictable results

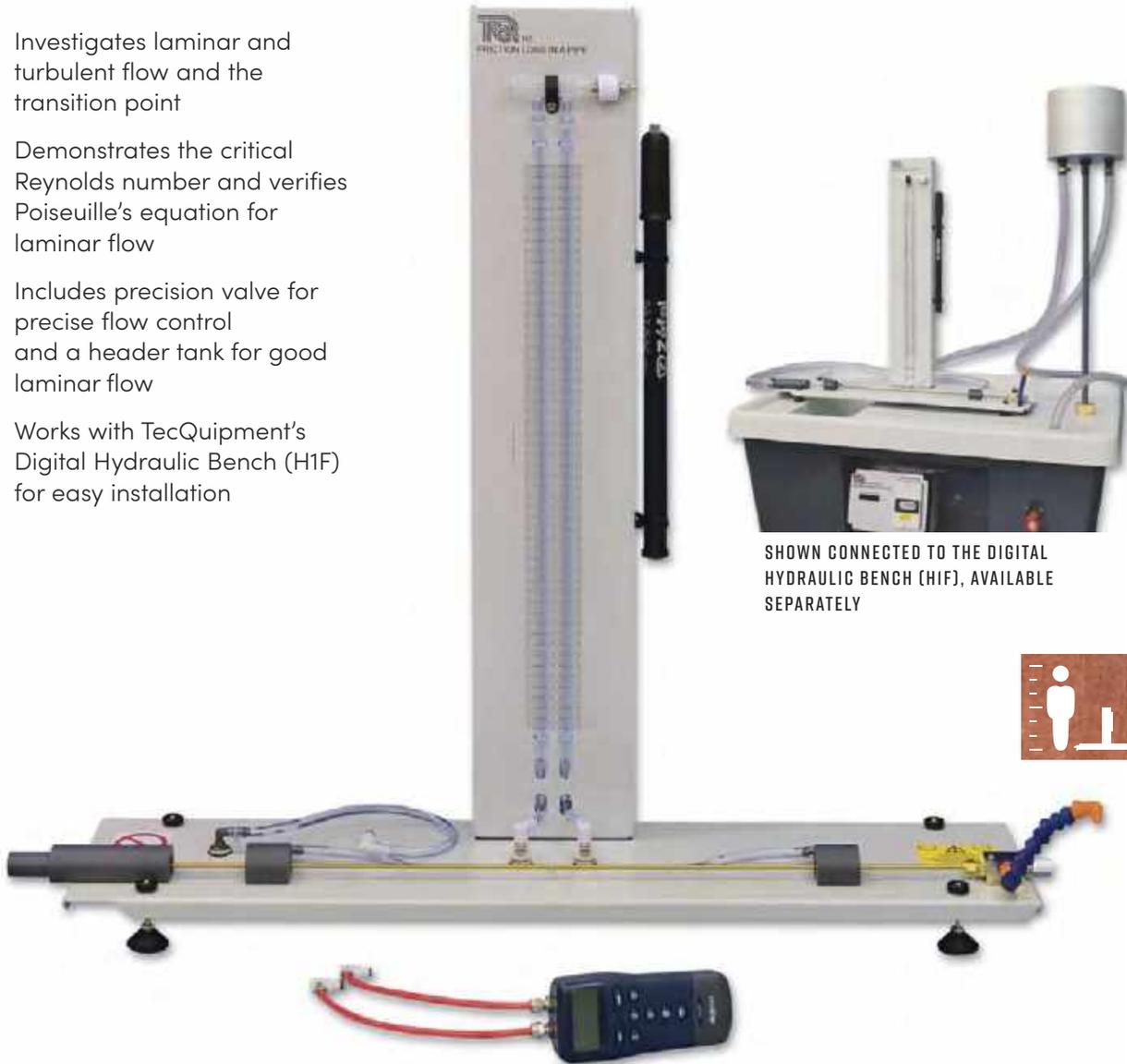
# FRICITION LOSS IN A PIPE

H7

A small-bore straight test pipe on a base plate for measuring friction loss in a horizontal pipe, to study laminar and turbulent flow. Also to find the critical Reynolds number and demonstrate the flow transition point.

UPGRADE OLDER GENERATIONS OF THIS EQUIPMENT WITH A: **DIGITAL ELECTRONIC MEASURING KIT H7X**  
SEE PAGE 109

- Investigates laminar and turbulent flow and the transition point
- Demonstrates the critical Reynolds number and verifies Poiseuille's equation for laminar flow
- Includes precision valve for precise flow control and a header tank for good laminar flow
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) for easy installation



SHOWN CONNECTED TO THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of friction loss in a pipe, including:

- Investigations of laminar and turbulent flows
- Demonstration and measurement in the change of the laws of resistance (friction factor) from laminar to turbulent flow
- Finding the critical Reynolds number
- Verifying Poiseuille's equation and the coefficient of viscosity for water in the laminar flow region

The equipment is a small-bore straight test pipe on a base plate. It works with the Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F, available separately) and stands on the bench worktop.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Losses in Piping Systems (H16) 104
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# LOSSES IN PIPING SYSTEMS

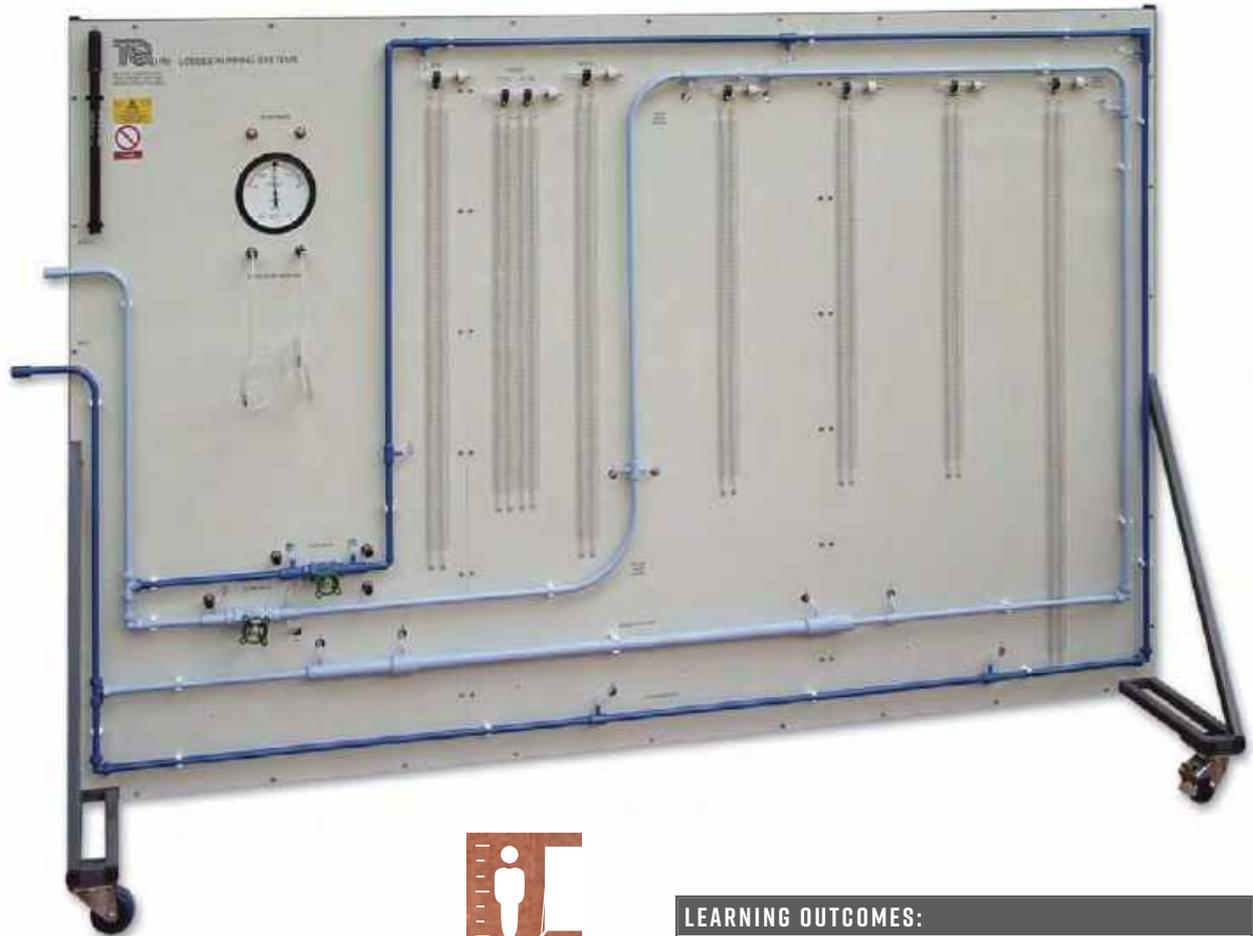
H16

Free-standing, mobile apparatus demonstrates pressure losses in several small-bore pipe circuit components, typical of those found in central heating systems.

UPGRADE OLDER  
GENERATIONS OF THIS  
EQUIPMENT WITH A:  
**DIGITAL ELECTRONIC  
MEASURING KIT H16X**  
SEE PAGE 109

PIPE FRICTION AND ENERGY LOSS

FLUID MECHANICS



- Includes two colour-coded water circuits
- Works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation
- Includes different pipe bends and valves for students to compare losses
- Fitted with a range of piezometers and a pressure gauge to give accurate pressure measurement
- Optional roughened pipe ancillary to investigate flow characteristics in a roughened pipe

The Losses in Piping Systems apparatus comprises a vertical panel with two separate hydraulic circuits, colour-coded for clarity. Each circuit includes various pipe system components. The unit has wheels for mobility.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A comprehensive range of investigations into losses in a variety of pipes and pipe system components, including:

- Straight pipe loss
- Sudden expansion
- Sudden contraction
- Bends with different radii
- Valves
- Elbows
- Flow in a roughened pipe (needs the optional H16p Roughened Pipe)

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Roughened Pipe (H16p)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Friction Loss in a Pipe (H7) 103
- Pipework Energy Losses (H34) 105
- Fluid Friction Apparatus (H408) 106

# PIPEWORK ENERGY LOSSES

H34

Compact, benchtop apparatus compares pressure losses and  $k$  value of popular fittings in small-bore pipework.



- Compact, easy to fit and easy to use
- Includes three different bends: mitre, elbow and large radius
- Compares losses in a sudden enlargement (or expansion) and a contraction
- Includes a multi-tube piezometer for fundamental, accurate pressure measurements
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Measurement and comparison of losses in:

- Mitre bend
- Elbow bend
- Large radius bend
- Sudden expansion
- Sudden contraction

This compact benchtop apparatus uses smooth, industry-standard plastic pipe, commonly used in domestic and other small-bore water systems.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

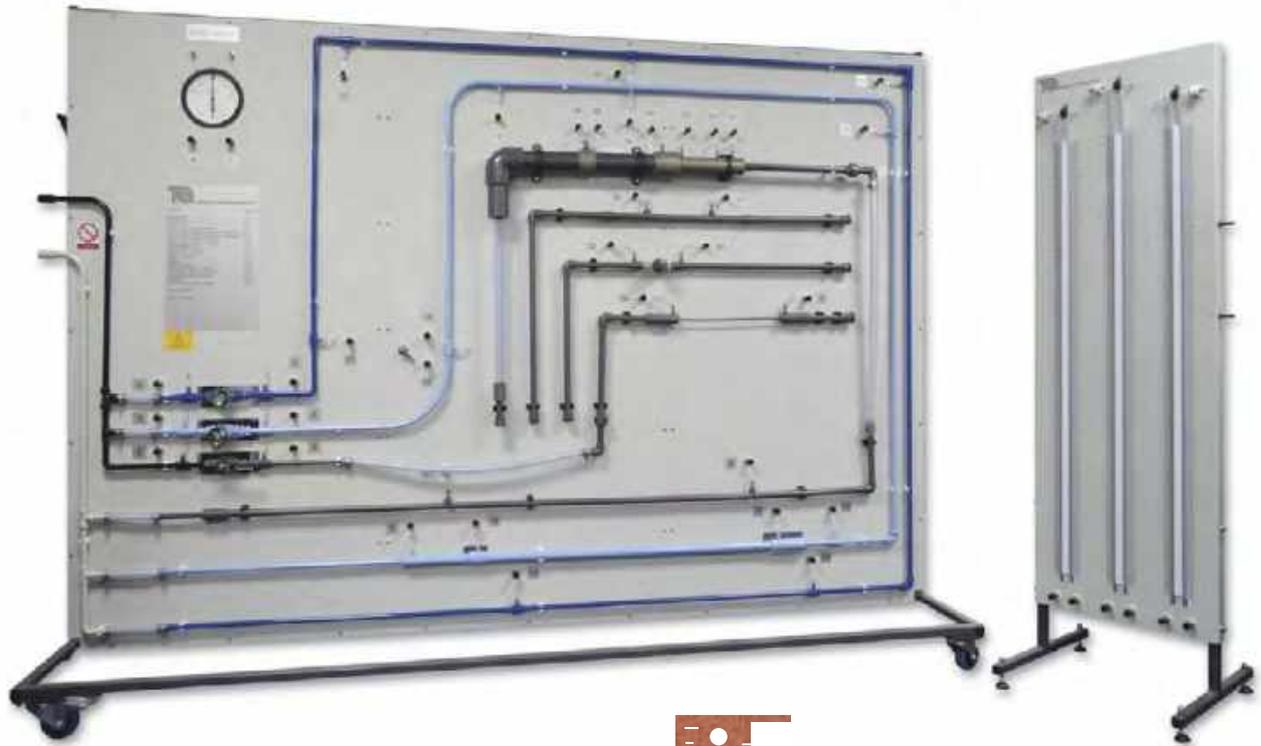
- Friction Loss in a Pipe (H7) 103
- Losses in Piping Systems (H16) 104
- Fluid Friction Apparatus (H408) 106

# FLUID FRICTION APPARATUS



H408

A mobile vertical panel featuring various pipe configurations to demonstrate flow and losses in different pipes, fittings and valves. Includes Pitot tube, Venturi and orifice meters for flow measurement.



- A space-saving vertical panel that works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation
- Includes experiments on roughened pipes
- Uses Bernoulli's equation
- Demonstrates how to use Venturi and orifice meters to measure flow
- Includes a traversing Pitot tube to measure the velocity profile

TecEquipment's Fluid Friction Apparatus allows students to study flow, flow measurement techniques and losses in a wide variety of pipes and fittings. The equipment has three water circuits with instruments, pipes and pipe system components.

#### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Use of the Pitot static tube
- Flow measurement using a Venturi meter and an orifice meter
- Smooth pipes
- Artificially roughened pipe
- Straight pipe loss
- Sudden expansion and contraction
- Bends and elbows
- Valves
- In-line strainer

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- |                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| • Losses in Piping System (H16)  | 104 |
| • Pipework Energy Losses (H34)   | 105 |
| • Flow Meter Calibration (H40)   | 101 |
| • Flow Measurement Methods (H10) | 99  |
| • Bernoulli's Theorem (H5)       | 98  |
| • Friction Loss in a Pipe (H7)   | 103 |

# OSBORNE REYNOLDS APPARATUS



H215

Free-standing apparatus that gives a visual demonstration of laminar and turbulent flow. It also allows students to investigate the effect of varying viscosity and investigate Reynolds numbers.

- Constant head reservoir and diffuser for a smooth flow
- Uses dye injector system to demonstrate flow patterns
- Investigates Reynolds number at transition
- Optional heater module available for tests at different viscosities



DYE STREAM SHOWING LAMINAR FLOW



OPTIONAL HEATER MODULE (H215A)



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of transition between laminar and turbulent flow
- Determination of transition Reynolds numbers and comparison with accepted values
- Investigation of the effect of varying viscosity, and demonstration that the Reynolds number at transition is independent of viscosity

The apparatus consists of a precision-bore glass pipe (test tube) held vertically in a large shroud. The shroud is open at the front and the inside surface is light coloured. This allows the students to see the flow clearly.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Stopwatch (SW1): to measure flow rates 28

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Heater Module (H215a): free-standing unit to vary and control the water temperature and hence its viscosity

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Friction Loss in a Pipe (H7) 103
- Viscosity and Particle Drag (H410) 127

# FLOW THROUGH AN ORIFICE



H4

A cylindrical tank with an adjustable diffuser that demonstrates flow through different orifices for different flow rates.

- Direct measurement of total head, head loss and diameter of jet
- Vertical water jet
- Integral Pitot traverse tube
- Sharp-edged orifice included
- Works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation



INCLUDES SET OF ORIFICES



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigations into a variety of orifices over a range of flow rates, including:

- Determination of contraction and velocity coefficients
- Calculation of discharge coefficient
- Determination of actual discharge coefficient, and comparison with calculated values
- Determination of the various coefficients over a range of flow rates to demonstrate the influence of Reynolds number
- Study of the characteristics of different orifices, using a set of four circular orifices (nozzles). Each has the same minimum throat diameter but a different length. Each has a different approach and discharge section. Also included are additional square and triangular orifices.

Water flows from the hydraulic bench and into the cylindrical tank through an adjustable diffuser. The flow rate and an overflow pipe set the water level. To change the level in the tank (and so the head on the orifice), students adjust the flow to the diffuser. Water leaves the tank through the orifice. The jet that leaves the orifice discharges back into the hydraulic bench. The equipment is supplied with a set of interchangeable orifices (nozzles).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Jet Trajectory and Orifice Flow (H33) 110



SHOWN FITTED TO THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

# IMPACT OF A JET

H8

A cylindrical tank for investigating the force generated by a jet striking plates (representing turbine vanes) to aid in the understanding of how turbines work.

- Includes flat and hemispherical plates
- Extra angled and conical plates
- Ideal for demonstrations as well as in-depth experiments
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation



120° CONICAL PLATE AND 30° ANGLED PLATE



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Measurement of the impact force and comparison with momentum change of four different plates:

- Flat plate
- Hemispherical plate
- Inclined flat plate
- 120° conical plate
- 30° angled plate

The Impact of a Jet apparatus demonstrates the force produced by a jet of water as it strikes a flat plate or hemispherical cup, which can be compared to the momentum flow rate in the jet. To extend the range of investigations, the 120° conical plate and 30° angled plate are included.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Pelton Turbine (H19) 133
- Pelton Wheel (Turbine) (MFP101b) 145

## UPGRADE YOUR KIT

Upgrade mercury-filled older generation TecQuipment **LOSSES IN PIPING SYSTEMS** (H16) and **FRICTION LOSS IN A PIPE** (H7) with upgrade kits (H16x and H7x) and eliminate the use of mercury.

### FEATURES:

- Easy to use with quick-connect couplings
- Electronic pressure measuring instrument specification:
  - Range 0-2 bar
  - Accuracy 0.15% rdg + 0.1 fs + digit

### BENEFITS:

- Health and safety: eliminates the use of mercury, which is widely prohibited from use in the teaching laboratory
- Improved accuracy
- Purchase from maintenance budget



# JET TRAJECTORY AND ORIFICE FLOW

H33

A constant head device, backboard, set of nozzles and Pitot tube. This apparatus demonstrates vertical flow and horizontal jet trajectories through different orifices (nozzles) and allows students to study the trajectory profiles of water jets from the nozzles when mounted horizontally.

- Supplied with four interchangeable nozzles with different throat (or orifice) designs
- Simple and clear plotting of horizontal jet trajectory
- Direct measurement of total head, head loss and diameter of a vertical water jet
- Integral Pitot traverse with blade to measure head in the vertical jet and diameter of jet
- Works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) for easy installation



With this apparatus students can measure the decrease in flow, contraction of the stream and energy loss as water discharges from four vertically mounted, interchangeable nozzles with different orifice designs.

It works with the Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F, available separately) and stands on the bench worktop.



SHOWN WITH THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of the contraction and velocity coefficients
- Calculation of the discharge coefficient
- Determination of the actual discharge coefficient by measurement of flow rate
- Demonstrates the influence of Reynolds number
- Determination of discharge characteristics (jet trajectory) for an orifice mounted in the side of a vertical tank

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Flow Through an Orifice (H4) 108

# VORTEX APPARATUS

H13

A transparent, double-walled vessel that demonstrates the phenomena of free and forced vortices with measuring devices for calculating the water surface profile.



- Transparent vessel so users can see the vortices from all angles
- Includes a traverse probe to measure water surface profile
- Low-voltage, variable speed motor for safety
- Ideal for classroom demonstrations as well as laboratory experiments
- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F)



SHOWN WITH THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of the surface profile of a forced vortex
- Determination of the surface profile of a free vortex
- Determination of the total head variation in a forced vortex
- Comparison of results with theoretical predictions

A transparent vessel on a support frame mounts on a TecQuipment Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F, available separately). A low-voltage, variable speed motor rotates the vessel about its vertical axis and a speed-control unit controls the speed of rotation.

To produce a forced vortex, students add water to the rotating vessel until it is about half full. A forced vortex forms. After a few minutes the vortex becomes constant, and students can measure the surface profile using the traverse probe.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F)

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# CAVITATION IN A VENTURI

H400

A floor-standing, self-contained apparatus to demonstrate and observe the basic principles of cavitation and its implications on the performance of hydraulic machines and systems.

- Allows practical and effective study of flow and pressure in a Venturi meter
- Ideal for classroom demonstrations and student experiments
- Fully self-contained recirculating apparatus, no additional water supply needed
- Includes full instrumentation, for pressure, flow and temperature measurement



CAVITATION IN THE VENTURI



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigations into cavitation and the Venturi, including:

- Flow and pressure in the Venturi
- Demonstrations of cavitation
- How to predict the onset of cavitation
- Study of upstream and throat pressures

The apparatus is a self-contained, mobile unit. It consists of a robust frame which holds a water tank (or reservoir), an electric pump, a flow-control valve, a flow meter and a Venturi.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

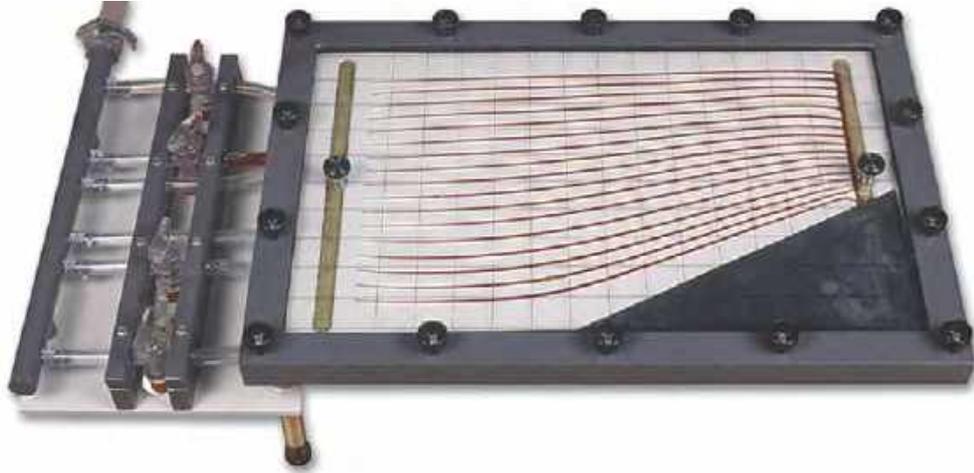
- Stroboscope (ST1)

313

# HELE-SHAW APPARATUS

H9

A benchtop apparatus to demonstrate two-dimensional laminar flow around differently shaped models, allowing the study of various source and sink arrangements.



- Visually effective demonstration of a wide variety of flow patterns around different shapes
- Models easily cut from sheet (included) so almost any shape possible
- Ideal introduction to incompressible potential flow (aerodynamics)
- Source and sink points provided
- Can demonstrate soil seepage problems

The apparatus works with a steady, air-free water supply and suitable drain. It consists of a channel, formed between two plates, where water flows at a low Reynolds number. A dye flowing through several small holes at the upstream end produces streamlines. To perform experiments, students start the water flow and open a dye valve just enough to produce easily visible streamlines. They then use valves to allow water to flow from a source point or drain into a sink point, or to set various combinations of flow or sink points.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Various flow visualisation experiments in two dimensions, including sink and source points and flow around models, for example:

- Sources and sinks in a uniform stream
- Doublet in a uniform stream
- Flow around a cylinder (disc) and an aerofoil
- Flow through an orifice and a diffuser
- Flow through a heat exchanger
- The momentum equation
- Laminar flow relationship for flow between two parallel plates
- Mean velocity equations (including seepage in soils)
- Potential flow relationships
- Allows lecturers to represent flow in other branches of engineering, such as aerodynamics or electricity and heat flow

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Header Tank (H9a): wall-mounted tank with a float valve, overflow and a flow-control valve and pipework

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Flow Visualisation (FC15) 95
- Flow Through an Orifice (H4) 108

# PIPE SURGE AND WATER HAMMER



VDAS® H405

A self-contained unit for teaching the transient effects of pipe surge and water hammer caused by sudden flow rate changes in pipes.



SHOWN WITH A HYDRAULIC BENCH AND VDAS®

- Multiple pipes and valves provide two different experiments in one product
- Two pressure sensors in the water hammer test pipe help calculate velocity of sound in pipes
- Transparent surge tower so students can see what is happening
- Works with TecQuipment's VDAS® for real-time display of the pressure surges and acoustic waves



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

The apparatus has two separate test pipes: one for water hammer investigations and one for surge investigations. A header tank supplies both test pipes, and includes an internal overflow weir to keep a constant head.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version) 310

**NOTE:** This equipment needs the latest VDAS® and will not work with early versions of VDAS®. Contact TecQuipment or your local agent if unsure.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Water Hammer Apparatus (TE86) 115

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigations into the transient effects of pipe surge and water hammer caused by changing flow rates in pipes including:

- Demonstration and analysis of pipe surge
- Demonstration and analysis of water hammer
- Determination of frictional head loss between reservoir and surge tower
- Determination of pressure profiles
- Determination of velocity of sound in the test pipe

# WATER HAMMER APPARATUS

TE86

A 60 metre copper coil that demonstrates water hammer and cavitation and the propagation of shock waves at sonic velocity in water.

- Illustrates the propagation of shock waves at sonic velocity in water
- Demonstrates how to calibrate an electronic pressure transducer
- Includes an electric valve to stop flow instantly
- Contains over 60 m of pipe in one compact unit to save space
- Includes mechanical and electronic pressure measurement
- Includes connectors for extra (optional) equipment for transient measurements



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Water hammer
- Propagation of shock waves in water
- Velocity of sound in a water filled pipe
- Transducer calibration

The apparatus is made up of a coil of copper pipe 60 m long. The inlet connects to a water supply and the discharge end has a solenoid valve.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Dual Beam Storage Oscilloscope (H405a) 313

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Pipe Surge and Water Hammer (H405) 114

## UPGRADE YOUR HYDRAULIC BENCH

Using a TecQuipment Gravimetric or Volumetric Hydraulic Bench? It can now be upgraded to include an electronic flow measurement instrument, offering the convenience of the electronic flowmeter display currently found on the **DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH** (H1F).

### FEATURES:

- Instant display of flow rate in  $\text{l}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$  and  $\text{l}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$
- Comprehensive assembly instructions and drilling templates supplied

### BENEFITS:

- Significant time savings for experiments: for example, save 25 minutes for Bernoulli's theorem (H5) experiment
- Purchase from maintenance budget



## 2.5 METRE FLUME

FC50-2.5

A 53 mm wide, 2.5 metre long flume complete with models and instruments for demonstrating flow around weirs and other objects in an open channel.



SHOWN WITH THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

- Inclinable acrylic channel providing maximum flow visualisation
- Inlet includes diffuser section to provide steady flow conditions
- Works with TecEquipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) for easy installation
- Includes:
  - Depth gauge
  - Pitot tube
  - Sharp-crested weir
  - Sluice gate
  - Drum gate
  - Venturi
  - Broad-crested weir
  - Sharp broad-crested weir
  - Crump weir
  - Calliper gauge

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Study of sluice and drum gates including investigation into hydraulic jump, specific energy and the determination of discharge coefficient
- Study of sharp-crested and crump weirs revealing the relationship between head over a weir and discharge
- Study of a broad-crested weir (by combining the square and radius jump blocks) and the effects of changing the profile of the weir
- Study of uniform flow in an inclined channel with investigations into the Chézy factor and coefficient
- Study of a Venturi flume to indicate the discharge and surface profile, thus the derivation of the discharge coefficient

The apparatus consists of a floor-standing 2.5 metre, 53 mm wide flume, together with various gates, weirs and blocks, enabling the phenomena of flumes to be easily demonstrated and studied. The FC50 is TecEquipment's most compact flume, providing simple installation and flexible storage in the laboratory.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Sediment Transport Channels (FC80) 118
- Flumes (FC300) 120

**INCLUDED WITH THE FLUME:**

			
DEPTH GAUGE	PITOT TUBE	SHARP-CRESTED WEIR	SLUICE GATE
			
DRUM GATE	VENTURI	BROAD-CRESTED WEIR	SHARP BROAD-CRESTED WEIR
			
CRUMP WEIR	CALLIPER GAUGE		

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

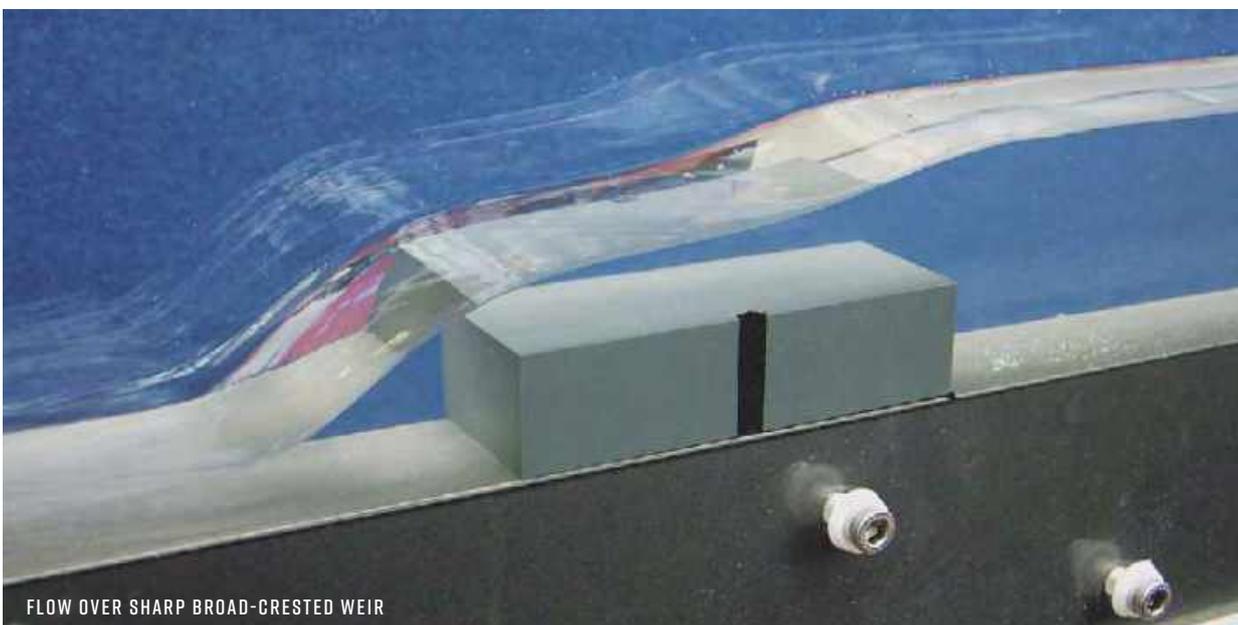
- Flow Visualisation (FC80di)
- Roughened Beds: 2 grades (FC50k)



ROUGHENED BEDS: TWO GRADES FC50K



FLOW VISUALISATION FC50DI



FLOW OVER SHARP BROAD-CRESTED WEIR



# FLOW AND SEDIMENT TRANSPORT CHANNELS



FC80 (2.5 AND 5)

An 80 mm wide, 2.5 or 5-metre long flow and sediment transport channel with a starter kit of models and instruments. It provides students with the ability to study the varying effects of sediment transport, bedform dynamics and fluid flow around weirs and other objects in an open channel.



2.5-METRE SEDIMENT TRANSPORT CHANNEL

OPEN CHANNEL FLOW

FLUID MECHANICS

- Includes four models with the flow channel for experimentation options
- Digital flowmeter for quick and accurate measurements
- Transparent sides for clear visibility, ideal for group demonstrations
- Stainless steel bed and toughened glass channel walls, provides long-lasting use with sedimentation
- Built-in recirculating water supply for convenient laboratory use
- Includes two bags of graded sand for sediment experiments, e.g. bed form development or scour

The FC80 Flow and Sediment Transport Channel working sections are 80 mm in width and 250 mm deep. They are available in lengths of 2.5 metres and 5 metres. Each flume has a built-in recirculating water supply connected to a digital flowmeter for accurate measurements during experimentation.

The models included with each flume are:

- Broad-crested weir
- Sharp-crested weir
- Venturi flume
- Two sluice gates



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Investigations in fixed and smooth bedform
- Mechanics of sediment transport
- Local (bridge) scour experiments, to understand scour holes and effects on the integrity of a structure
- Sluice gates for investigations into hydraulic jump, specific energy and the determination of discharge coefficient
- Submerged sharp-crested weir reveals the relationship between head over a weir and discharge
- A broad-crested weir and the effects of changing the profile of the weir
- Uniform flow in an inclined channel with investigations into the Chezy factor and coefficient
- A Venturi flume to indicate the discharge and surface profile, thus the derivation of the discharge coefficient

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- 2.5 Metre Flume (FC50-2.5) 114
- Flumes (FC300) 117

5-METRE  
SEDIMENT  
TRANSPORT  
CHANNEL



FLOW UNDER A SLUICE GATE

SLUICE GATES

BROAD-CRESTED WEIR

SHARP-CRESTED WEIR

VENTURI FLUME

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

OPTIONAL MODELS:

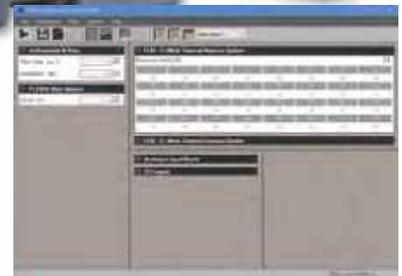
			
<b>DRUM GATE</b> FC80A	<b>RADIAL SECTOR GATE</b> FC80B	<b>SLUICE GATE AND DYE KIT</b> FC80C	<b>CRUMP WEIR</b> FC80D
			
<b>DAM SPILLWAY</b> FC80E	<b>STREAMLINED HUMPH</b> FC80G	<b>PARSHALL FLUME (REQUIRES VENTURI SIDES, INCLUDED)</b> FC80H	<b>BRIDGE PIERS (CYLINDER, ROUND, SQUARE, SHARP NOSE)</b> FC80J
			
<b>ROUGHENED BEDS</b> FC80K	<b>WAVE GENERATOR AND BEACH</b> FC80N	<b>SIPHON SPILLWAY</b> FC80L	<b>CULVERT MODEL</b> FC80P
			
<b>FLOW SPLITTER</b> FC80U	<b>FLOW VISUALISATION</b> FC80DI	<b>SEDIMENT FEEDER</b> FC80SF	

# FLUMES



**VDAS®** FC300 (5, 7.5, 10, 12.5 AND 15 METRES)

A 300 mm wide, 5 to 15-metre long flume for student study and advanced research into a wide range of fluid flow topics. A huge range of ancillaries are available to extend learning potential and offers the opportunity for innovative experimentation.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE

- Digital data acquisition for quick and accurate measurements
- Transparent sides for clear visibility, ideal for group demonstrations
- Stainless steel channel bed and toughened glass channel walls provide long-lasting use
- Built-in re-circulating water supply for convenient laboratory use
- Bed plate pressure tappings at 0.25-metre intervals, providing detailed analysis potential

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Sluice gate for investigations into hydraulic jump, specific energy and the determination of discharge coefficient
- Submerged sharp-crested weir reveals the relationship between head over a weir and discharge
- A broad-crested weir and the effects of changing the profile of the weir (optional ancillary)
- Uniform flow in an inclined channel with investigations into the Chezy factor and coefficient
- A Venturi flume to indicate the discharge and surface profile, thus the derivation of the discharge coefficient
- Further experimentation with additional optional models
- With the optional Sediment Loop (FC300sl) sediment transport, scouring, ripple and dune formation and similar studies can be performed

The FC300 series flume working sections are 300 mm in width and 450 mm deep. They come in 2.5-metre sections and are available in 5, 7.5, 10, 12.5 and 15-metre lengths.

### INCLUDED WITH THE FLUME:

- VDAS-FC
- Sluice gate
- Level gauges
- Pitot tube
- Sharp-crested weir
- Powered end gate



HOOK DEPTH GAUGE

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- 2.5 Metre Flume (FC50-2.5) 116
- Sediment Transport Channels (FC80) 118
- Flumes (FC600) 122



FC300 CONTROL BOX AND INSTRUMENT FRAME (SHOWN WITH THE INCLUDED VDAS®)

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

**INSTRUMENTATION:**

			
<b>INSTRUMENT CARRIER FC300IC</b>	<b>WATER VELOCITY METER FC300X</b>		
		<b>DIGITAL INSTRUMENT CARRIER FC300IC2</b>	<b>MULTI-TUBE MANOMETER FC300W</b>
	<b>32-WAY PRESSURE DISPLAY FCAI</b>		

**MODELS:**

			
<b>RADIAL GATE FC300B</b>	<b>SLUICE GATE WITH TAPPINGS FC300C</b>	<b>CRUMP WEIR FC300D</b>	<b>DAM SPILLWAY FC300E</b>
			
<b>OGEE WEIR WITH TAPPINGS FC300E2</b>	<b>ENERGY DISSIPATION FC300E3</b>	<b>VENTURI FLUME FC300F</b>	<b>PARSHALL FLUME FC300H</b>
			
<b>BRIDGE PIERS: CYLINDER, ROUND AND SHARP NOSE, SQUARE FC300J</b>	<b>ROUGHENED BEDS: 2X GRAVEL FC300K1 SAND FC300K2, TURF FC300K3</b>	<b>SIPHON SPILLWAY FC300L</b>	<b>SELF-REGULATING SIPHON FC300L2</b>
			
<b>LIFT AND DRAG FC300LD</b>	<b>VORTEX-INDUCED VIBRATIONS FC300M</b>	<b>WAVE GENERATOR AND BEACH FC300N</b>	<b>CULVERT MODEL FC300P</b>
			
<b>RECTANGULAR, V-NOTCH, CIPOLLETTI AND SUTRO WEIRS FC300Q</b>	<b>BROAD CRESTED WEIRS: SHARP AND STREAMLINED FC300R</b>	<b>TRAPEZOIDAL FLUME FC300Z</b>	<b>SEDIMENT LOOP FC300SL</b>

# FLUMES

**VDAS®** FC600 (8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 AND 20 METRES)

A 600 mm wide, 8 to 20-metre long open flow channel for student study and advanced research into a wide range of fluid flow topics. A huge range of ancillaries are available to extend learning potential and offer the opportunity for innovative experimentation.



OPEN CHANNEL FLOW

FLUID MECHANICS

TecEquipment's FC600 is a large flume with a working section 600 mm wide and 820 mm deep. The channel is available in 2 metre lengths between 8 and 20 metres. For ease of operation it is supplied with a touchscreen human machine interface (HMI).

## INCLUDED WITH THE FLUME:

### INSTRUMENTATION:

- Digital Data Acquisition (VDAS®) for quick and accurate measurements (requires a PC, not supplied)
- Magnetic inductive flow meter, with no internal moving parts
- Instrument frame, supplied to hold electronic boxes
- Handheld electronic chlorine meter

### ACCESSORIES:

- Level switch
- Log weir
- Level gauges
- Pitot tube
- Sharp-crested weir
- Powered end gate



LEVEL GAUGES



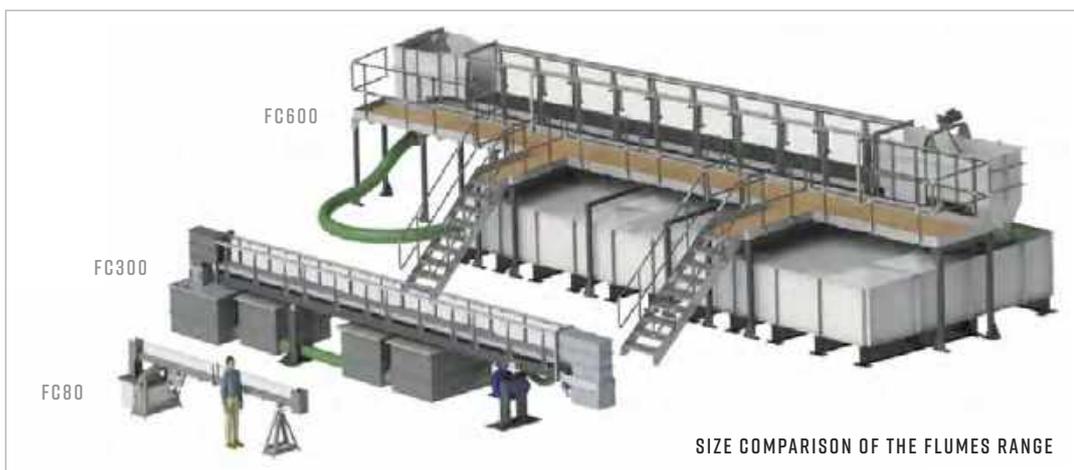
PITOT TUBE



SHARP-CRESTED WEIR



LOG WEIR



**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Sediment Loop (FC600sl)
- Sediment Removal System (FC600srs)
- Weighing System (FC600ws)

**INSTRUMENTATION:**

- Additional touchscreen human machine interface (FC600hmi)
- Instrument Carrier (FC300ic)
- 32-Way Pressure Display (FCA2)
- Multi-Tube Manometer (FC600w)
- Water Velocity Meter (FC600x)

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

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| • 2.5 Metre Flume (FC50-2.5)         | 116 |
| • Sediment Transport Channels (FC80) | 118 |
| • Flumes (FC300)                     | 120 |



INSTRUMENT CARRIER (FC300IC)



32-WAY PRESSURE DISPLAY (FCA2)



MULTI-TUBE MANOMETER (FC600W)



WATER VELOCITY METER (FC600X)

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OPTIONAL MODELS:

		
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# METACENTRIC HEIGHT AND STABILITY

## H2 MKII

A benchtop apparatus to determine the stability of a pontoon with its centre of gravity, metacentric height and metacentre at various heights.

- Full and accurate experimental analysis
- Ideal for classroom demonstrations
- Bench-mounted
- No services required
- Compact and requires minimal storage space



H2 MKII HULL AND SAIL



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Determination of the metacentric height, and thus the metacentre, of a floating pontoon. This is by graphic analysis of the angles of tilt of the pontoon with various centres of gravity.



OPTIONAL VEE (HARD) CHINE AND HALF ROUND (ROUND BILGE) HULLS (H2A MKII)

The experiment consists of a rectangular pontoon floating in water. Plastic materials and corrosion-resistant finishes throughout the equipment give the fullest possible protection against corrosion.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Vee (Hard) Chine and Half Round (Round Bilge) Hulls (H2a MkII)

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hydrostatics and Properties of Fluids (H314) 126

# HYDROSTATICS AND PROPERTIES OF FLUIDS



H314

Self-contained mobile unit for many experiments in fluid mechanics. Among other experiments it covers: properties of fluids, hydrostatic principles and buoyancy/flotation and Archimedes principle.



- Wide range of experiments
- Determination of fluid properties including density, specific gravity, surface tension and viscosity
- Demonstration of hydrostatic principles, including Pascal's law, Archimedes' principle and determination of pressure at a point in a fluid
- Experiments cover study of buoyancy, flotation and stability of floating bodies, forces on a plane surface, centre of pressure, operation and calibration of a Bourdon pressure gauge and liquid column manometers
- Includes integrated Centre of Pressure (H11) and Metacentric Height and Stability (H2 MkII) experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of fluid density and specific gravity
- Principles and use of a hydrometer
- Capillarity in tubes and between plates
- Measurement of viscosity by falling sphere method
- Demonstration of Pascal's law
- Measurement of fluid levels by Vernier hook gauge
- Fluid flow head relationship
- Verification of Archimedes' principle and demonstration of principles of flotation
- Stability of a floating body and determination of metacentric height
- Measurement of force and centre of pressure on a plane surface
- Operation and calibration of a Bourdon pressure gauge
- U-tube manometers with fluids of different density

The apparatus consists of a self-contained bench, complete with all necessary equipment for a wide range of demonstrations and experiments in hydrostatics and properties of fluids. Much of the equipment is rigidly mounted on the bench, the remainder being free-standing items suitable for use on the benchtop.

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Surface Tension Balance (H314a)
- Hares Tube (H314b)

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Metacentric Height and Stability (H2 MkII)    | 125 |
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| • Centre of Pressure (H11)                      | 128 |
| • Pressure Measurement Bench (H30)              | 100 |



SURFACE TENSION BALANCE (H314A)

HARES TUBE (H314B)

## VISCOSITY AND PARTICLE DRAG

### H410

Floor-standing, simple falling sphere viscometer that demonstrates the drag coefficient of different sized particles (spheres) and the viscosity of liquids.

- Chemically inert, high-quality clear glass tube for use with water and other suitable fluids
- Safe, low-voltage backlighting so students can see the falling test spheres through dark fluids (low translucence)
- Includes test spheres of different sizes and densities to help match a range of test fluids
- Includes stopwatch and timing marks for accurate results



#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of the viscosity of different fluids
- Determination of the drag coefficient of various spheres

The self-standing Viscosity and Particle Drag apparatus is a simple falling-sphere viscometer. A back plate holds a glass tube filled with the test fluid.

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Osborne Reynolds Apparatus (H215) | 107 |
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# CENTRE OF PRESSURE

H11

A pivoted, clear plastic assembly which students use to find the centre of pressure of a totally or partially submerged plane surface. Compact, self-contained and excellent for classroom demonstrations.

- Compact and self-contained, just needs clean water
- Determines theoretical centre of pressure and compares actual and theoretical hydrostatic thrust
- Simple but accurate balance to measure moment due to hydrostatic thrust
- Tests a vertical and inclined plane surface



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Studying the relationship between hydrostatic force and head of water for a fully and partially submerged vertical and inclined plane
- Comparison of actual and theoretical hydrostatic force on a fully or partially submerged plane for any given head of water
- Theoretical calculation of the position of centre of pressure on a fully or partially submerged plane

The equipment consists of a vertical panel that holds a clear plastic quadrant, to which students add water. The plane works in either a vertical or inclined (angled) position. Students then compare their measurements with theoretical analysis.

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hydrostatics and Properties of Fluids (H314) 126

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# LIQUID SEDIMENTATION APPARATUS

H311

A self-contained, benchtop apparatus of transparent sediment columns for studies into the settling characteristics of suspended solids and the display of particle wall effects.

- Finds settling characteristics and particle sizes of suspended solids
- Five identical sedimentation columns for comparison of different sediments
- Translucent rear panel with back lighting for better visibility
- Includes stopwatch, measuring beakers and specific gravity bottle



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Comparison of settling characteristics of different sediments
- Determination of the effect of concentration on settling characteristics (hindered settlement)
- Determination of velocity distribution curves
- Comparison of flocculent and particle suspensions
- Determination of particle size distribution (grading curve) by liquid sedimentation

The benchtop apparatus consists of five long, transparent sedimentation columns mounted on a rigid frame.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Sediment Transport Channel (FC80)

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# PERMEABILITY, FLOW NETS AND DARCY'S LAW



H312

A self-contained, floor-standing unit consisting of a tank with tappings connected to a bank of piezometer tubes. It demonstrates flow through permeable media with common structures, such as dams and walls.



- Dye-injector system to help demonstrate flow lines
- Clear plate glass resists abrasion and allows students to see flow patterns
- Includes pressure tappings and piezometer tubes to measure head distribution
- Plates supplied to simulate models of walls, sheet piling and dams
- Self-contained, floor-standing unit which only needs water supply and drain



The apparatus is a transparent-sided tank, mounted on a steel-framed bench with worktop. The tank is clear so students can see the flow patterns. The sides are plate glass to resist abrasion from the permeable medium. The rear of the tank contains pressure tappings with filters that stop any unwanted particles. The tappings connect to a bank of piezometer tubes at the side of the apparatus, which allows measurement of the head distribution along the tank.

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Permeable Medium (H312a): washed sand, graded 0.5 mm to 1.5 mm

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of seepage beneath a structure
- Construction of flow nets and determination of coefficient of permeability
- Flow under a sheet pile and determination of critical seepage force at which 'piping' occurs
- Seepage flow under an impermeable dam
- Flow through an earth dam with and without a toe drain
- Drawdown in horizontal flow (simulation of groundwater flow into a river or well)
- Determination of uplift pressures on structures such as building foundations
- General studies of seepage and drainage
- Flow through a porous medium (Darcy's law)

# HYDROLOGY AND RAINFALL APPARATUS



H313

A self-contained, floor-standing unit consisting of a water reservoir and a tank for sand with overhead spray nozzles that simulate rainfall, both stationary and moving. It is for studying hydrology principles, including rainfall, throughflow and the movement of water over land and rivers.



- Permeable catchment area fed with 'rain' from overhead spray nozzles and/or by groundwater flow from ends of tank
- Spray nozzles to supply half or all of catchment area
- Can measure 'drawdown' due to single or two interacting wells
- Self-contained, requires only an electrical supply

The apparatus is a sturdy metal frame which holds a large rectangular stainless steel tank (catchment area) and a reservoir tank. Students can fill the catchment area with a granular medium (not included) to form a permeable catchment area. A jacking mechanism allows adjustment of the angle of the catchment area. Above the catchment area is a frame that holds spray nozzles which simulate rainfall on the catchment. A valve selects all or half the nozzles. Students can use this facility to vary the lag time on a hydrograph, or to simulate a moving storm. At each end of the catchment area are end compartments, separated from the catchment by weir plates with porous 'port holes'. The port holes can be opened to drain water from the catchment area, or to supply water to it from the end

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Investigation of rainfall/run-off relationships for dry, saturated and impermeable catchments of various slopes (surface run-off only)
- Effect of interflow on outflow hydrograph surface run-off (plus groundwater flow)
- Simulation of multiple and moving storms
- Measurement of cone of depression for a single well, and comparison with theory interaction of cones of depression for two adjacent wells
- De-watering of excavation sites by use of wells
- Flow from a well in a confined aquifer
- Demonstration of watersheds for a simulated island with rainfall and well flows
- Sediment transport and meanders in simulated rivers
- Studies of scour around simulated bridge piers

compartments. In the middle of the catchment area are two 'wells' for experiments with water wells. A row of 20 tapings along the centre line of the catchment area allows the measuring of the water table profile. Each tapping has special slotted ends to stop the permeable media entering its pipe. The tapings connect to a bank of piezometer tubes at the front of the catchment area.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Permeable Medium (H313a): washed sand, graded 0.5 mm to 1.5 mm

# FRANCIS TURBINE

H18

A compact experiment for use with the Hydraulic Bench (H1F) to demonstrate how a Francis turbine works and to test its performance.

- Mounts onto TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) for flow measurement and easy installation
- Includes a dynamometer to load the turbine and help find the power absorbed (needs an optional tachometer to find speed)
- Fully adjustable guide vanes with position indicator
- Includes pressure gauge to measure inlet pressure



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Efficiency of a Francis turbine
- Performance of a Francis turbine at different flow rates
- The effect of different guide vane settings on turbine performance

The turbine has a sturdy base which sits on the top of the hydraulic bench (H1F). The turbine connects to the pumped supply of the hydraulic bench. The bench measures the flow rate. A mechanical gauge measures the inlet pressure to the turbine. Adjustable guide vanes in the turbine alter the flow rate and direction of flow to the impeller (runner) of the turbine. The end of the turbine outlet tube (draft) sits in the recess in the top of the hydraulic bench.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Optical Tachometer (OT1) 313

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Stroboscope (ST1) 313

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Francis Turbine (MFP101d) 146
- Pelton Turbine (H19) 133

# PELTON TURBINE

H19

A compact experiment for use with the Hydraulic Bench (H1F) to demonstrate how a Pelton turbine works and to test its performance.

- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation
- Includes dynamometer to load the turbine and help find the power absorbed (needs an optional tachometer to find speed)
- Includes pressure gauge to measure inlet pressure
- Screw-controlled spear valve for precise inlet flow control

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance charts of power, speed, torque and efficiency
- The effect of spear valve position

The product consists of a Pelton wheel mounted in a corrosion-resistant enclosure. A transparent front panel allows students to see the turbine working. An optional stroboscope (ST1, available separately) can 'freeze' the image of the turbine to help students better understand how it works. An adjustable spear valve directs a jet of water through a nozzle to the buckets of the Pelton wheel to make it turn. Manual adjustment of the spear valve controls the water jet from the nozzle.



## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F) 93

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Optical Tachometer (OT1) 313

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Stroboscope (ST1) 313

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Impact of a Jet (H8) 109
- Francis Turbine (H18) 132
- Pelton Wheel (Turbine) (MFP101b) 145



# HYDRAULIC RAM PUMP

H31

A compact experiment for use with the Hydraulic Bench (H1F) to demonstrate the use of water hammer to create a pumping action.

- Works with TecQuipment's Digital Hydraulic Bench for easy installation
- Includes air vessel to reduce hydraulic shock
- Ideal for demonstrations to small groups of students
- Includes header tank and all necessary pipework



SHOWN WITH THE DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH (H1F), AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the water hammer effect to produce a pumping action

The ram pump is not a normal mechanically operated pump. A column of water in the supply (drive) pipe from a header tank, moving at low velocity, is similar to a 'plunger'. The energy in the plunger forces water from the supply into a delivery pipe. This exchanges the momentum of a large amount of water into energy that pumps a smaller amount of water up a hill or gradient.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Digital Hydraulic Bench (H1F)

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# CENTRIFUGAL PUMP TEST SET

**VDAS<sup>®</sup> H47**

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit consisting of a water reservoir, pump, motor and Venturi meter for a comprehensive range of investigations into the performance and characteristics of a centrifugal pump. Demonstrates cavitation and the use of a Venturi tube.



TEST SET SHOWN WITH OPTIONAL VERSATILE DATA ACQUISITION UNIT (VDAS-F)

SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE

- Pump has a transparent 'window' to allow students to see clearly its impeller, the water flow and cavitation
- Demonstrates how to use a Venturi meter and differential pressure measurement to find flow rate
- Optional stroboscope allows students to see clearly the effects of cavitation around the pump impeller
- Optional easy-to-read analogue instrumentation

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Comprehensive demonstrations and investigations into a centrifugal pump including:

- Centrifugal pump performance and characteristics, typically head versus flow and efficiency versus flow
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics
- Flow measurement using a Venturi tube
- Demonstration of cavitation

A motor mounted in bearings drives the pump. The pump draws water from the integral reservoir. The water travels up through a valve and filter, through an inlet valve to the pump body, then out through a delivery valve. It then passes through a Venturi meter and returns to the reservoir for re-use. This self-contained water supply keeps water consumption to a minimum. The pump has a transparent 'window' so students can see the impeller turning and how the water vapour bubbles form in the pump at cavitation. The optional stroboscope makes the effect easier to see.



CAVITATION DEMONSTRATION

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310
- Stroboscope (ST1) 303
- Analogue Pressure Display (AP1)

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Series and Parallel Pumps (H52) 138 / 139
- Variable Speed Series and Parallel Pumps (H53V) 138 / 139
- Two-Stage (Series and Parallel) Pumps (H83) 140
- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143

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# SERIES AND PARALLEL PUMPS



NEW



H52 / H53V

Two benchtop test sets that allow students to investigate the operation and performance of a single centrifugal pump and two centrifugal pumps configured in series or parallel. The H53V features a variable speed pump, speed, torque, power measurement and has VDAS® Onboard for automatic data acquisition.



VARIABLE SPEED SERIES AND PARALLEL PUMPS (H53V)

## H52 / H53V:

- Self-contained, compact, benchtop and easy-to-use test set for a range of experiments and demonstrations
- Includes two centrifugal pumps
- Easily configurable system to enable pumps to be tested individually, in series and in parallel, with a manually adjustable water flow rate
- Long-life, robust valves with large handles allow students to change the water circuit in seconds, ready for the next experiment
- Measures intake and delivery pressures
- Discharge flow measurement

## H53V ONLY:

- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS® Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- One of the centrifugal pumps is variable speed and features torque, speed and power measurement
- Additional pressure sensor on variable speed pump inlet



H53V CONTROL UNIT

These products both feature two centrifugal pumps. The pumps draw water from the clear acrylic reservoir, where it then travels through a series of valves to be delivered to a flow measurement device. The water then returns to the reservoir for re-use, keeping water use to a minimum.

Both products share a common fundamental design, being self-contained and easily configurable, allowing tests on individual pumps or two pumps configured in series or parallel.

The higher specification product (H53V) includes enhanced features such as a variable speed pump, electronic instrumentation and VDAS® Onboard. Speed of the variable pump is measured and the inverter drive calculates torque, allowing a greater variety of experimentation to be performed.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:****H52 / H53V:**

Comprehensive demonstrations and investigations into a centrifugal pump including:

- Centrifugal pump performance and characteristics, typically: head versus flow rate and efficiency versus flow rate
- Operation of centrifugal pumps in series
- Operation of centrifugal pumps in parallel
- Suction tests of a single pump
- Demonstration of cavitation
- Determination of water horsepower (WHP)

**H53V ONLY:**

- Determination of pump shaft power from measured parameters
- Development of pump characteristic curves such as efficiency, shaft and hydraulic power over the range of pump speeds
- Understanding energy balance in centrifugal pumps

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Stroboscope (ST1) 313

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Centrifugal Pump Test Set (H47) 136
- Two-Stage (Series and Parallel) Pumps (H83) 140
- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143



SERIES AND PARALLEL PUMPS (H52)

FEATURES:	H52	H53V
Two centrifugal pumps	Identical fixed speed pumps	One variable speed, one fixed speed
Configurable in series and parallel	✓	✓
Demonstrates cavitation	✓	✓
Pressure measurement	Three analogue pressure gauges	Four electronic pressure sensors
Discharge flow measurement	Rotameter	Electronic flow sensor
Speed, torque and power measurement	✗	✓ Variable speed pump features electronic speed pickup, torque calculated by motor drive
Water temperature measurement	✗	✓
Electronic display of all parameters	✗	✓
Data acquisition	✗	✓ Includes TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System, VDAS® Onboard

## TWO-STAGE (SERIES AND PARALLEL) PUMPS

**VDAS**® H83

A self-contained, floor-standing mobile unit consisting of a water reservoir, two pumps and motors and a Venturi meter for a comprehensive range of investigations into the performance and characteristics of two centrifugal pumps in both series and parallel.



TEST SET SHOWN WITH THE OPTIONAL ANALOGUE PRESSURE DISPLAY (AP2) AND VERSATILE DATA ACQUISITION UNIT (VDAS-F)



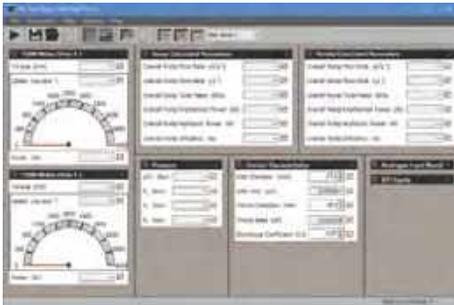
- Pumps have a transparent window to clearly see the impellers, water flow and cavitation
- Pumps can be tested individually, in series and in parallel, with independent speed control
- Demonstrates how to use a Venturi meter and differential pressure measurement to find flow rate
- Optional stroboscope allows students to see clearly the effects of cavitation around a pump impeller
- Includes a digital pressure display
- Works with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) and software

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Comprehensive demonstrations and investigations into a centrifugal pump including:

- Centrifugal pump performance and characteristics, typically head versus flow and efficiency versus flow
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics
- Flow measurement using a Venturi tube
- Demonstration of cavitation
- Operation of centrifugal pumps in series
- Operation of centrifugal pumps in parallel

Two bearing-mounted motors drive each pump independently. The pumps draw water from the integral reservoir. The water travels through strainers and a series of valves to be delivered to a Venturi meter. The water then returns to the reservoir for re-use, keeping water use to a minimum. The pumps each have a transparent 'window' so students can see the impeller turning and how the water vapour bubbles form in the pump at cavitation. The optional stroboscope makes the effect easier to see.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)
- Stroboscope (ST1) 313
- Analogue Pressure Display (AP2)

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Centrifugal Pump Test Set (H47) 136
- Series and Parallel Pumps (H52) 138
- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143



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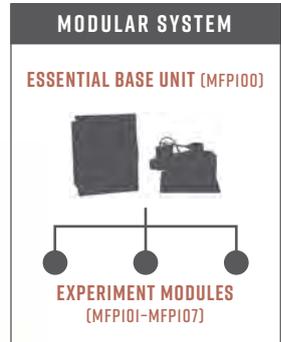


# UNIVERSAL DYNAMOMETER



MFP100

A dynamometer with sensors for measuring power, speed and torque. For use with the Modular Fluid Power range.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Provides motive power to seven different experiment modules**  
Modular design saves space and reduces costs
- Multiple electrical outlets for instruments**  
No need for extra power sockets and increases safety
- Quick and easy transfer from one experiment module to another**  
Maximises experiment time
- Direct drive**  
No belts or pulleys to adjust

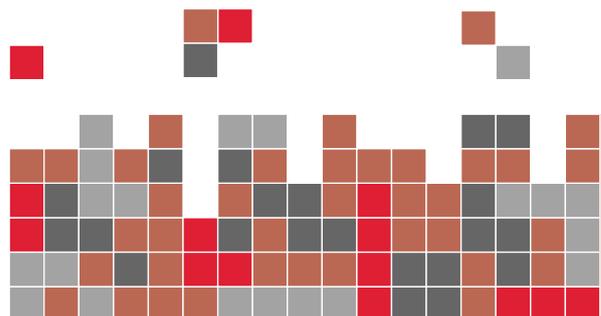
A precision-machined base plate holds the motor and its sensors. The base plate has location points to give accurate and repeatable alignment onto each Fluid Power module. The coupling between the Universal Dynamometer and all Fluid Power machines is a jaw-type coupling with a rubber element. The Universal Dynamometer directly drives the Fluid Power machines. This means that the user has no need to fit or adjust the tension of belts and pulleys.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143
- Axial Flow Pump Module (MFP102) 147
- Positive Displacement Pump Module (MFP103) 148
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# CENTRIFUGAL PUMP MODULE



**VDAS**® MFPI01

A self-contained, floor-standing mobile unit with full instrumentation for studying and performing tests on a centrifugal pump and optional turbines, to understand how they work and calculate performance.



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE UNIVERSAL DYNAMOMETER (MFPI00), TURBINE DYNAMOMETER (MFPI01A) AND PELTON WHEEL TURBINE (MFPI01B)

- Centrifugal pump mounted in mobile frame with full instrumentation
- Part of TecQuipment's Modular Fluid Power range which connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFPI00) as a common motive power source, for a cost-effective solution
- Inlet and delivery valves for wide range of operating conditions
- Turbine dynamometer and turbines (available separately): propeller, Francis and Pelton

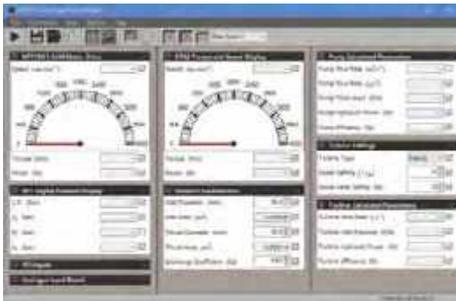
#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Centrifugal pump performance and characteristics, typically head against flow and efficiency against flow
- Variation of pump performance with inlet pressure
- Variation of pump performance with speed
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics
- Flow measurement using a Venturi tube

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CENTRIFUGAL PUMP MODULE (MFP101) CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

The module includes a centrifugal pump, a Venturi flowmeter, valves, a reservoir and instrumentation, all mounted on a robust, mobile trolley for ease of use. The separate Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) measures and displays the speed and torque of the pump to calculate and display mechanical (shaft) power. Electronic pressure transducers measure the pump inlet and delivery pressures and the Venturi differential pressure (flow rate). Speed is fully variable up to the maximum allowable for the pump.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:**

- Pelton Wheel (Turbine) (MFP101b) 145
- Propeller Turbine (MFP101c) 145
- Francis Turbine (MFP101d) 146

**NOTE:** The above turbines require a Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a)

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310
- Stroboscope (ST1) 313

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Centrifugal Pump Test Set (H47) 136
- Series and Parallel Pumps (H52) 138 / 139
- Variable Speed Series and Parallel Pumps (H53V) 138 / 139
- Two-Stage (Series and Parallel) Pumps (H83) 140

**TURBINE DYNAMOMETER**

**VDAS®** MFP101A

Dynamometer for the turbines of the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101).

- Dynamometer that fits on the Centrifugal Pump Module to test the optional turbines
- Electrically powered from outlets on the Universal Dynamometer motor drive
- Measures and displays torque, speed and shaft power
- Can connect to TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®)



**ANCILLARY FOR:**

- Pelton Wheel (MFP101b) 145
- Propeller Turbine (MFP101c) 145
- Francis Turbine (MFP101d) 146

**NOTE:** Only one Turbine Dynamometer is needed to test all three turbines.

# PELTON WHEEL (TURBINE)

MFP101B

Impulse turbine for use with the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101).

- Optional turbine that fits on the Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) of the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101)
- Impulse turbine
- Variable spear jet



**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Variation of turbine performance with inlet pressure and flow rate
- Variation of turbine performance with speed
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics

The Pelton wheel has a large wheel or 'runner' that has 'buckets' (turbine blades) that absorb the energy in the water. The buckets are in pairs to correctly balance the wheel and to work efficiently. The Pelton wheel has a variable spear jet at its inlet. This allows students to understand the effect of changing the velocity of the water that hits the buckets. A clear viewing window on the side of the turbine allows students to see how the turbine works.

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

- Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) 144

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Impact of a Jet (H8) 109
- Pelton Turbine (H19) 133

# PROPELLER TURBINE

MFP101C

Propeller turbine for use with the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101).

- Optional turbine that fits on the Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) of the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101)
- Inward flow reaction turbine
- Four-blade propeller
- Fully adjustable guide vanes



The turbine has adjustable guide vanes that control the water flow in the turbine. They also direct the water at an angle to the back of the propeller. Students learn how the guide vane setting affects how the turbine works. The turbine has a clear viewing window around the guide vanes and a clear draft tube so that students can see the turbine working.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Variation of turbine performance with inlet pressure and flow rate
- Variation of turbine performance with speed
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

- Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) 144

# FRANCIS TURBINE

MFPI01D

Reaction turbine for use with the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101).

- Optional turbine that fits on the Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) of the Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101)
- Reaction turbine
- Ten-blade runner
- Fully adjustable guide vanes



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Variation of turbine performance with inlet pressure and flow rate
- Variation of turbine performance with speed
- Non-dimensional performance characteristics

The turbine has adjustable guide vanes that control the water flow in the turbine. They also direct the water at an angle to the blades of the impeller. Students learn how the guide vane setting affects how the turbine works. The turbine has a clear viewing window and draft tube so that students can see the turbine working.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Centrifugal Pump Module (MFP101) 143  
(with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Turbine Dynamometer (MFP101a) 144

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Francis Turbine (H18) 132

## DOCUMENTS INCLUDED - EVERYTHING YOU NEED

A comprehensive pack of documents is supplied with all experiments, including:

- **USER MANUAL:** How to use the product, along with instructions on experiment set-up and supporting engineering principles for guided learning.
- **PACKING CONTENTS LIST:** All the parts that make up the complete product.
- **TEST CERTIFICATE:** Your peace of mind that the product has been thoroughly tested before dispatch.

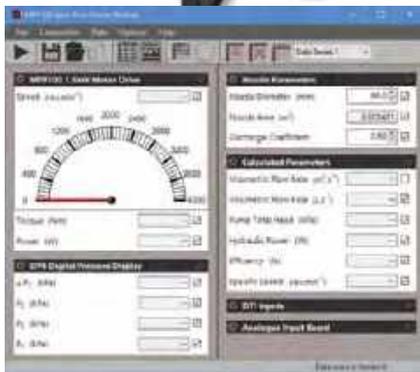


# AXIAL FLOW PUMP MODULE

**VDAS®** MFPI02

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit consisting of a water reservoir, pump, calibrated nozzle and valves. It allows students to study and perform tests on an axial flow pump, to understand how it works and calculate its performance.

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- Axial flow pump, mounted in a mobile frame with full instrumentation, including a digital pressure display
- Self-contained, has its own water reservoir and needs no external water supply
- Part of TecQuipment's Modular Fluid Power range which connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) as a common motive power source for a cost-effective solution
- Connection plate with schematic diagram shows the water flow circuit and how parts of the module connect to each other

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Variation of pump performance with speed
- Variation of pump performance with different outlet pressures and flow rate
- Non-dimensional performance curves
- Determination of the specific speed of the pump

The pump fitted to this module has two sections: one fixed and one moving, each with a set of blades. Water moves from a water tank through a calibrated nozzle. It then passes through the pump and down to a fully adjustable delivery valve. It then returns to the water tank. The delivery valve allows the user to gradually shut the downstream water flow for a range of pump performance tests.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

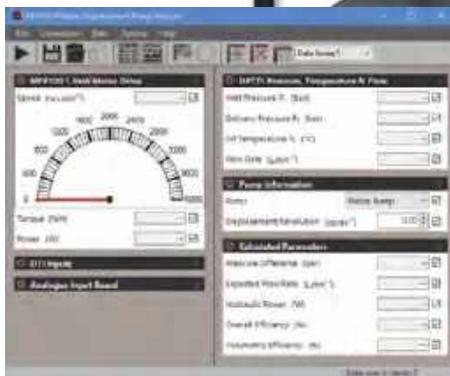
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310

# POSITIVE DISPLACEMENT PUMP MODULE

**VDAS®** MFP103

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit with full instrumentation consisting of an oil reservoir, a positive displacement flow meter, valves and instruments to measure positive displacement pump performance.

SHOWN FITTED WITH THE UNIVERSAL DYNAMOMETER (MFP100) AND A PISTON PUMP (MFP103A)



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

- Mobile pump support module with full instrumentation
- Part of TecQuipment's Modular Fluid Power range which connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) as a common motive power source for a cost-effective solution
- Allows students to study and test a range of popular positive displacement pumps (available separately)
- Connection plate with schematic diagram clearly shows oil flow circuit and how parts of the module connect to each other

The module consists of a mobile frame with an oil reservoir, a flowmeter, valves and instruments to measure pump performance. The flowmeter is a positive displacement unit, so that it still works correctly at any oil viscosity. Any of the optional pumps fit to the module. Two flexible, high-pressure pipes with quick-release, self-sealing connections connect the pump to the oil circuit.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

• Piston Pump (MFP103a)	149
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• Vane Pump (MFP103c)	150
• Swash Plate Pump (MFP103d)	150

**NOTE:** At least one of the optional pumps must be chosen to use with the Positive Displacement Pump Module. Tests or experiments cannot be performed without an optional pump.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

• Universal Dynamometer (MFP100)	142
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## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

• Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version)	310
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# PISTON PUMP

## MFP103A

Piston pump for use with the Positive Displacement Pump Support Module (MFP103).

- Popular design, ideal for student experiments, demonstrations and projects
- Quick-release, self-sealing connections for simple and safe fitting
- Demonstrates the characteristics of a twin-piston pump

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance and characteristics of a piston pump
- Volumetric and overall efficiencies
- Use of an oval gear flowmeter

When two or more optional pumps are ordered:

- Comparison of positive displacement pumps (economy, flow rate and output pressure pulses)



The piston pump is a positive displacement pump. It has twin vertically opposed pistons that deliver a given volume of fluid (oil) for each full rotation of the pump shaft.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Positive Displacement Pump Module (MFP103) 148
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

# GEAR PUMP

## MFP103B

Gear pump for use with the Positive Displacement Pump Support Module (MFP103).

- Popular design, ideal for student experiments, demonstrations and projects
- Quick-release, self-sealing connections for simple and safe fitting
- Demonstrates the characteristics of a gear pump

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance and characteristics of a gear pump
- Volumetric and overall efficiencies
- Use of an oval gear flowmeter

When two or more optional pumps are ordered:

- Comparison of positive displacement pumps (economy, flow rate and output pressure pulses)



The gear pump is a positive displacement pump. It has double gears that deliver a given volume of fluid (oil) for each full rotation of the pump shaft.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Positive Displacement Pump Module (MFP103) 148
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

# VANE PUMP

MFP103C

Vane pump for use with the Positive Displacement Pump Support Module (MFP103).

- Popular design, ideal for student experiments, demonstrations and projects
- Quick-release, self-sealing connections for simple and safe fitting
- Demonstrates the characteristics of a vane pump

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Performance and characteristics of a vane pump
- Volumetric and overall efficiencies
- Use of an oval gear flowmeter

When two or more optional pumps are ordered:

- Comparison of positive displacement pumps (economy, flow rate and output pressure pulses)



The vane pump is a positive displacement pump. It has a fixed displacement balanced vane that delivers a given volume of fluid (oil) for each full rotation of the pump shaft.

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Positive Displacement Pump Module (MFP103) 148
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

# SWASH PLATE PUMP

MFP103D

Swash plate pump for use with the Positive Displacement Pump Support Module (MFP103).

- Popular design, ideal for student experiments, demonstrations and projects
- Quick-release, self-sealing connections for simple and safe fitting
- Demonstrates the characteristics of a swash plate pump

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Performance and characteristics of a swash plate pump
- Volumetric and overall efficiencies
- Use of an oval gear flowmeter

When two or more optional pumps are ordered:

- Comparison of positive displacement pumps (economy, flow rate and output pressure pulses)



The Swash Plate Pump is a positive displacement pump. It has a fixed displacement axial piston assembly that delivers a given volume of fluid (oil) for each full rotation of the pump shaft.

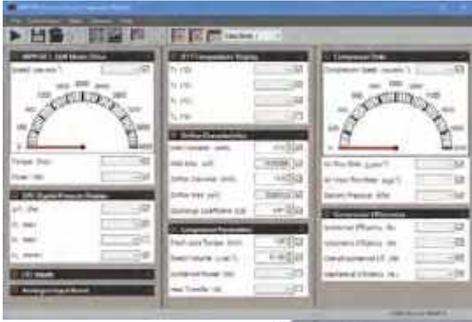
**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Positive Displacement Pump Module (MFP103) 148
- (with Universal Dynamometer MFP100) 142

# RECIPROCATING COMPRESSOR MODULE

**VDAS®** MFPI04

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit that includes a small compressor with an air receiver and instrumentation. It allows students to study and perform tests on a reciprocating compressor, to understand how it works and calculate its performance.



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- Reciprocating compressor and air receiver mounted in a mobile frame with full instrumentation
- Allows students to study and test a popular fluid power machine
- Temperature and pressure measurements at key points in the system
- Connection plate with schematic diagram clearly shows how parts of the module connect together

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Energy balance for a compressor
- Variation of compressor performance with pressure
- Variation of compressor performance with speed
- Mechanical, volumetric and isothermal efficiencies
- Thermodynamics of a compressor

The module includes a small compressor with an air receiver and instrumentation, all mounted on a robust, mobile trolley for ease of use. Speed is fully variable up to the maximum allowable for the compressor. Air enters the compressor, which then delivers it under pressure to the receiver. A valve releases pressure from the receiver to atmosphere through an orifice. The valve sets the pressure in the receiver and hence the flow rate; the orifice allows an accurate measurement of the mass flow rate of the outlet air. These values help students to discover how the compressor flow rate relates to the pressure delivered by the compressor.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

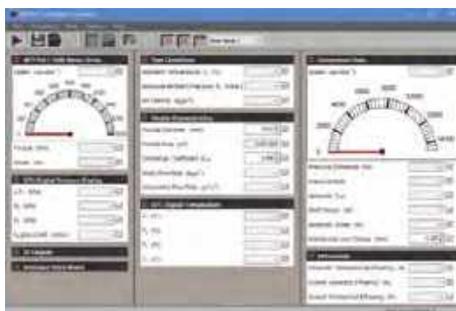
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# CENTRIFUGAL COMPRESSOR MODULE

**VDAS®** MFP105

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit that includes a small compressor and instrumentation. It allows students to study and perform tests on a centrifugal compressor, to understand how it works and calculate its performance.

- Centrifugal compressor, mounted on a mobile frame with full instrumentation
- Part of TecQuipment's Modular Fluid Power range that connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) as a common motive power source for a cost-effective solution
- Pressure and temperature measurements at key points in the system
- Connection plate with schematic diagram clearly shows the arrangement of the module



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance of a compressor
- Variation of compressor performance with speed
- Investigation of non-dimensional characteristics
- Comparison of performance with that of an ideal adiabatic system



The module consists of a compressor and instrumentation. Speed is fully variable up to the maximum allowable for the compressor. Air enters the compressor through a shaped nozzle, used to measure the air flow rate. The air then moves past a hand-operated delivery valve and out to atmosphere. The delivery valve controls the air flow rate (and therefore delivery pressure).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

# CENTRIFUGAL FAN MODULE

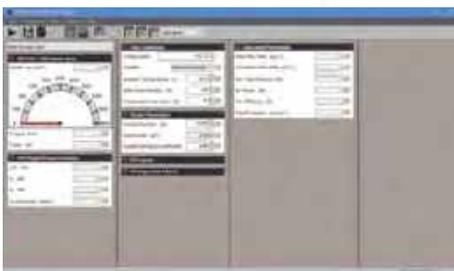
**VDAS®** MFP106

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit that includes a fan and instrumentation to allow students to study and perform tests on a centrifugal fan, to understand how it works and calculate its performance.

- Centrifugal fan, mounted on a mobile frame with full instrumentation
- Part of TecEquipment's Modular Fluid Power range that connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) as a common motive power source for a cost-effective solution
- Three interchangeable impellers provided as standard
- Optional Pipe Flow and Nozzle Kit for more experiments



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE UNIVERSAL DYNAMOMETER (MFP100)



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance of a centrifugal fan
- Variation of fan performance with speed
- Variation of fan performance with type of impeller
- Non-dimensional performance curves
- Determination of the specific speed of the fan

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310
- Pipe Flow and Nozzle Kit (MFP106a) 154

# PIPE FLOW AND NOZZLE KIT

MFP106A

Optional pipe flow and nozzle kit for use with the Centrifugal Fan Module (MFP106).



- Includes a multi-way pressure display with additional instrument frame
- Includes different pipe fittings to compare losses in bends and elbows
- Axial probe and additional nozzle to find pressures along a nozzle
- Pitot traverse to find pressure profile and calculate theoretical flow
- Orifice plate to calculate theoretical flow and compare with the Pitot and standard nozzle measurement

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Axial pressure profile along a nozzle
- Velocity profile across a pipe
- Losses in straight pipes
- Losses in bends and elbows (fittings)
- Flow through an orifice

Optional Pipe Flow and Nozzle Kit for the Centrifugal Fan Module (MFP106). This kit includes two long lengths of smooth-walled pipe with multiple pressure tappings and a Pitot traverse. The pipes connect to the inlet of the MFP106 (the standard inlet nozzle is moved), so it becomes a suction fan for tests on the pipes. The pipe tappings connect to a multiway pressure display (supplied with the kit).

## ANCILLARY FOR:

- Centrifugal Fan Module (MFP106)

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# AXIAL FAN MODULE

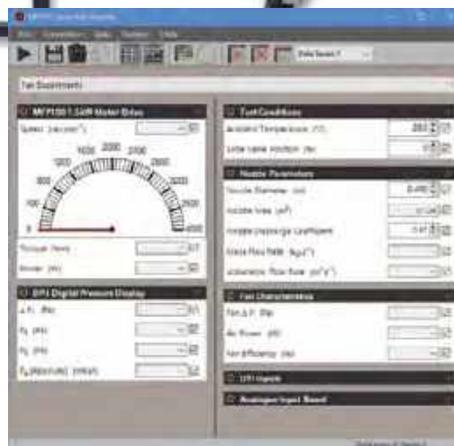
**VDAS®** MFP107

A self-contained, floor-standing, mobile unit that includes an axial fan, duct and instrumentation. It allows students to study and perform tests on an axial fan, to understand how it works and calculate its performance.



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE UNIVERSAL DYNAMOMETER (MFP100)

- Part of TecEquipment's Modular Fluid Power range which connects with the Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) as a common motive power source for a cost-effective solution
- Multiple pressure measurement points along the fan duct allow students to examine a full range of performance characteristics
- Connection plate with schematic diagram clearly shows air flow circuit and how parts of the module connect to each other
- Traversing, calibrated Pitot tube allows investigations of velocity distribution



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

The module has an axial fan mounted in a cylindrical steel duct. Air enters the duct through an inlet nozzle. The pressure at a set of tappings just downstream of the nozzle allows calculation of the inlet air flow rate. A slide valve (downstream of the fan) controls flow rate and delivery pressure. Air exits the duct through a silencer to reduce noise in the laboratory.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Characteristics of an axial fan, including head against flow efficiency
- Relationship between power and speed (power law)
- Velocity distribution in a round duct
- Calibration of an inlet nozzle
- Duct resistance and matching to fan to find operating point

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Dynamometer (MFP100) 142

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Pitot Static Traverse, 450 mm (MFP107a) 156
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310

# PITOT STATIC TRAVERSE, 450 MM

**VDAS**® MFP107A

A traversing Pitot static tube with electronic position measurement for use with TecQuipment's Axial Fan Module (MFP107)

The Pitot Static Traverse allows students to find the velocity distribution across the duct of the Axial Fan Module (MFP107). This optional ancillary comprises a Pitot-static tube which fits on the duct of the Axial Fan Module and has a digital indicator to show the tube position across the duct.

**ANCILLARY FOR:**

- Axial Fan Module (MFP107) 155



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# MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES

The Materials Testing and Properties products offer a wide range of teaching equipment to demonstrate key materials' properties; they cover Hooke's law and Young's modulus associated with elastic properties, and stress/strain analysis. For more advanced learning, experiments available progress to hardness testing, complex analysis of stress and strain, testing specimens to destruction and various apparatus for learning about material fatigue.

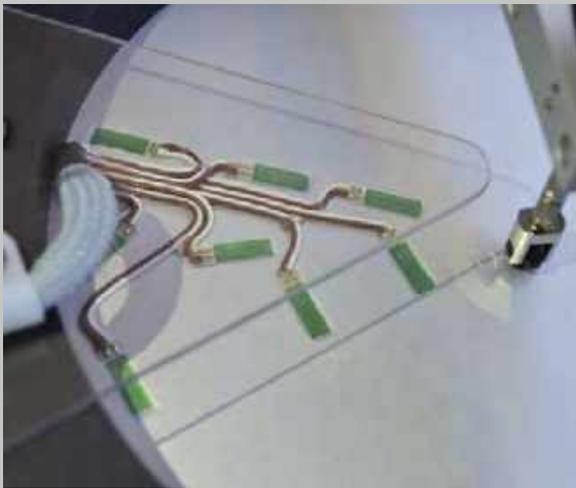
The range also extends into the area of structures and structural elements, providing supplementary products to the complete modular Structures range (page 185).

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**REFINED PRODUCTS:** Meets the needs of a modern materials course.

**BROAD AND PROGRESSIVE RANGE OF EXPERIMENTS:** Teaches the fundamental principles, progressing to complex stress and strain analysis.

**AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION:** Multiple and fast-changing measurements make data acquisition a valuable tool.



## LOOK AT THE OTHER RANGES

The **STRUCTURES** (page 195) and **ENGINEERING SCIENCE** (page 5) ranges also include products that demonstrate how the choice of materials affects the performance of structural elements.



## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

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# HOOKE'S LAW AND SPRING RATE

SM110

Benchtop apparatus tests extension springs to find their properties. Proves Hooke's law and the basic rules of spring design.

- Fundamental and accurate test instrument to test single springs and springs in series and parallel
- Tests springs and finds their properties
- Suitable for use in mechanical workshops and classrooms
- Includes a set of different springs to compare spring rates and effect of different spring sizes
- Supplied with user guide which includes theory, experiments and results

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Spring rate and Hooke's law
- To prove the basic rules of spring design
- Simple spring scale
- Springs in series
- Springs in parallel

The Spring Testing Apparatus uses a fundamental variable mass and scale measurement to test springs. It demonstrates how to find the properties of a spring and proves some basic laws of physics (Hooke's law, Newton's law and spring design rules). It is also a useful tool for a workshop, to check the properties of a spring before it is used, or after it has been used.

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# STIFFNESS, BENDING AND TORSION



## TE16

Compact, benchtop apparatus enabling a variety of investigations into material stiffness including Young's modulus.



ADDITIONAL EXPERIMENTATION KIT (TE16A)



- Allows investigations into stiffness in bending of beams of different materials and cross-section
- Easy-to-use precision parts and instruments for accurate, repeatable and reliable results
- The standard TE16 kit includes test beams of different materials and cross-section
- Optional additional kits (TE16a and TE16b) available for experiments with different beam fixings (cantilever and encastré) and torsional stiffness experiments

ADDITIONAL TORSION TESTING KIT (TE16B)

A rigid metal frame supplied with two adjustable knife edges that work as simple supports for test beams. A linear scale allows accurate positioning of the knife edges. Also included are weights, a magnetic dial gauge, a set of different beams and a Vernier gauge.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Additional Experimentation Kit (TE16a)
- Additional Torsion Testing Kit (TE16b)

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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

#### STANDARD TE16 KIT:

- Investigation of the stiffness in bending of different materials of the same cross-section (Young's modulus/stiffness)
- Investigation of the stiffness of a single material with different cross-section geometries (second moment of area, or  $I$  value)

#### WHEN USED WITH THE OPTIONAL TE16A:

- Experiments to find the deflected shape of a beam and bending of a beam clamped at one end (a cantilever)
- Comparison of a simply supported beam, a cantilever and an encastré beam

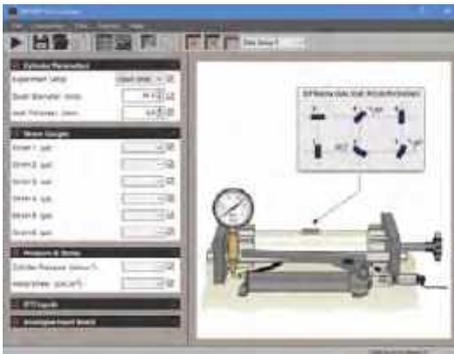
#### WHEN USED WITH THE OPTIONAL TE16B:

- Experiments to find the relationship between angular deflection and the dimensional and material properties of rods and tubes (torsional stiffness)

# THIN CYLINDER

**VDAS<sup>®</sup> SM1007**

Benchtop machine to allow students to perform stress and strain tests on a thin-walled cylinder. Introducing Mohr's circle and Poisson's ratio.



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- Includes experiments to find Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio
- Closed-end and open-end conditions to allow circumferential or biaxial stress tests
- Includes built-in microprocessor-controlled display of strain measurements
- Self-contained, hand-operated hydraulic pressurising system for accurate pressure control

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310  
(benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Thick Cylinder (SM1011) 163

A thin-walled, oil-filled aluminium cylinder held in a robust frame so that the cylinder is free to move along its axis. The cylinder is stressed using a hydraulic handpump to pressurise the oil. Strain gauges on the cylinder surface measure strain, and a gauge and electronic sensor measure hydraulic pressure.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigations into stresses and strains in a thin cylinder, to give students an understanding of:

- Longitudinal stress, hoop (or circumferential) stress, radial stress and biaxial stress
- The behaviour of the cylinder under both open and closed-end conditions
- The use of strain gauges
- The stress/strain relationship and value of Young's modulus for the cylinder material
- Indirect strain and stress
- The value of Poisson's ratio for the cylinder material
- The use of Mohr's circle to calculate the shear strain at any position in the cylinder
- The use of the 'superposition method' to find the principal strains
- The effect of the biaxial stress system
- Sources of errors in experiments

# DIAPHRAGM



VDAS® SM1008

Benchtop machine to allow students to perform stress, strain and deflection tests on a diaphragm.



- Measurement of effect of pressure on surface profile of a diaphragm
- Measurement of circumferential and radial strains of a diaphragm under pressure
- Includes built-in microprocessor-controlled display of strain measurements
- Self-contained, hand-operated hydraulic pressurising system for accurate pressure control



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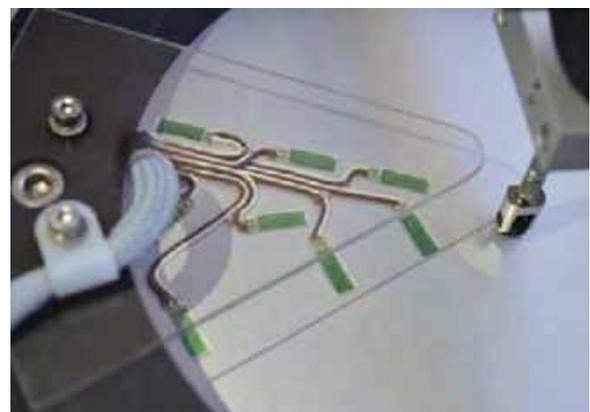
## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Experiments possible with this apparatus include the effect of pressure on:

- Surface profile (the results are presented as a non-dimensional curve)
- Radial and circumferential strains
- Radial and circumferential strain gradients across the diaphragm

Experimental measurements are compared with theory. The student is encouraged to use their results to determine the accuracy of the location of the strain gauges.

The diaphragm is clamped at the edges and has eight strain gauges across its surface. The area beneath the diaphragm contains oil. A digital dial gauge can be traversed across the diaphragm to measure its surface profile. A hydraulic pump increases the pressure under the diaphragm.



## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version)

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# THICK CYLINDER

**VDAS**® SM1011

Benchtop machine to allow students to perform stress and strain tests on a thick-walled cylinder.



- For comprehensive analysis of the stresses and strains in a thick-walled cylinder, under internal pressure
- Experiment results compared with Lamé predictions
- Includes built-in microprocessor-controlled display of strain measurements
- Self-contained, hand-operated hydraulic pressurising system for accurate pressure control



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Radial and hoop strains throughout the cylinder wall
- Radial and hoop stress distribution in the wall
- Longitudinal stress and strain at the outer surface
- Circumferential stress and strains at the inner and outer surfaces
- Comparison with Lamé predictions
- Principal stresses and maximum shear stress
- Appraisal of accuracy of location of strain gauges

The apparatus consists of a thick-walled aluminium cylinder held in a frame. The cylinder is in two halves cemented together. One face of the joint has an eccentric shallow groove that contains ten strain gauges at precise radii and orientation. These gauges measure the radial and hoop strains. Joining cement fills the groove. Strain gauges on the inner and outer walls of the cylinder measure longitudinal and circumferential strains. The cylinder is stressed using a hydraulic hand-pump.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

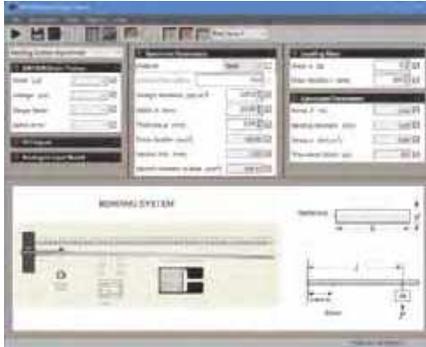
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Thin Cylinder (SM1007) 161

# STRAIN GAUGE TRAINER

**VDAS<sup>®</sup> SM1009**

Benchtop bending system to test tension, torsion and bending to illustrate how resistance strain gauges work and methods of measuring strains in different structures. Can be used to demonstrate Young's modulus and Poisson's ratio.



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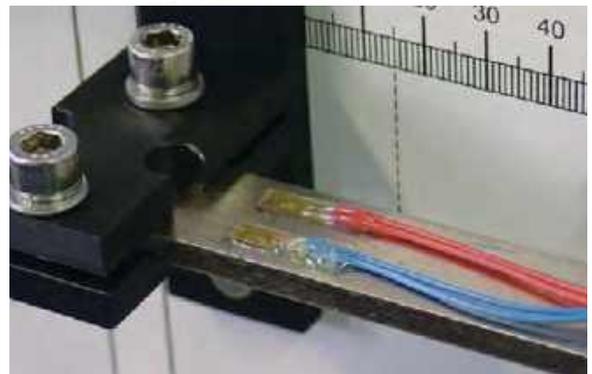
STRESS AND STRAIN ANALYSIS

MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES

- Clear layout with printed graphics to help students understand how strain gauges work
- Includes electronic strain display to show all readings, and automatically calculates strain
- Fully open bridge connection, with dummy resistors to allow quarter, half and full-bridge connection, to demonstrate how strain bridge connections work
- Uses strain gauges on three different, popular structures for realistic experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Introduction to the equipment and the different bridge connections (quarter, half and full bridge)
- Strains and stresses in a bending system
- Strains and stresses in a torsion system
- Strains and stresses in a tension system, Poisson's ratio and Young's modulus
- Tensile strains and stresses in different materials (needs optional tensile specimens) and comparison of Poisson's ratio and Young's modulus
- Comparison of different strain measurement systems and how they could measure force



The bending system uses gauges to measure direct tensile and compression strain. The torsion system shows the use of shear/torque strain gauges. The tension system shows the use of two gauges at right angles in a 'Tee' rosette.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

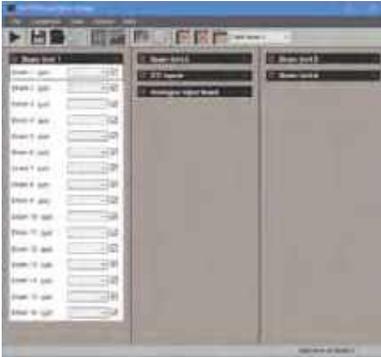
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)
- Optional Tension Specimens (SM1009a): aluminium, brass and copper



# DIGITAL STRAIN DISPLAY

**VDAS**® SM1010

A 16-channel instrument that connects to industry-standard strain gauges to give direct readings of strain.



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- Direct connections for half and full strain bridge connections, with internal 'make-up' resistors
- Supplied with cable, self-locking connectors and a crimp tool to reduce connection problems
- Fully programmable to match most types of strain gauges and connections
- Ideal for use with TecQuipment's Strain Gauge Kit (E19)

The Digital Strain Display accepts up to 16 channels from strain gauges connected in quarter, half or full bridge. The display is fully programmable to match the strain gauges and their bridge connections. The display includes precision internal 'make-up' resistors to work with half-bridge connections, if needed. Two channels include additional individually adjusted dynamic outputs. They can connect to suitable instruments, e.g. oscilloscope (not supplied).

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

#### ANCILLARY FOR:

- Strain Gauge Kit (E19) 165

# STRAIN GAUGE KIT

E19

Selection of resistance strain gauges and necessary accessories and consumable materials, for use with TecQuipment's SM1010 Digital Strain Display.

- All expendable items required for cementing gauges included
- Reduced risk of spillage of chemicals
- Refills available (E19a)
- Step-by-step instructions supplied
- Supplied in a PVC carrying case

#### STRAIN GAUGE INSTRUMENTATION

TecQuipment offers the following instrumentation for monitoring and display of strain:

- Digital Strain Display (SM1010), see above



#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Strain Display (SM1010) 165
- Refill Kit for E19 (E19a)

# TORSION TESTING MACHINE, 30 NM

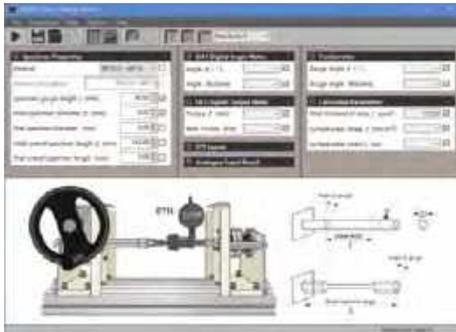
VDAS® SM1001

Benchtop machine to allow students to do torsion tests on different materials. Demonstrates Bauschinger effect.



TORSION TESTING

MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES



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- Suitable for destructive tests on specimens
- Forward and reverse loading
- Wide range of test specimens
- Optional Torsiometer (SM1001a) available for tests which need increased accuracy

The Torsion Testing Machine consists of a rigid frame. The specimens fit between a strain head at one end and a torque reaction and measurement system at the other. To apply torque, students turn a handle on the gearbox. The output shaft of the gearbox slides to allow for any change in length of the specimen during tests. A guard protects the user when performing destructive tests.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of modulus of rigidity (shear modulus) and yield strength (when used with the optional torsiometer)
- Determination of upper and lower yield stresses for normalised steel specimens
- Reversed torsion tests to demonstrate the Bauschinger effect and the effects of residual body and textural stresses on torsional strength
- Comparison of the different elastic and plastic properties of materials (optional specimens required)

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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| • Torsion Test Specimens (TR)  | 182 |
| • Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version)  | 310 |
| • Torsiometer (SM1001a): mechanical torsiometer for use with 6 mm diameter specimens in both the elastic and plastic regions |     |

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Additional Torsion Testing Kit (TE16b) | 160 |
| • Torsion of Circular Sections (STR6)    | 221 |
| • Torsion of Circular Sections Kit (ES5) | 12  |

# ROTATING FATIGUE MACHINE

**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD SM1090V

A benchtop machine for demonstrating the failure of materials when subjected to an alternating stress, showing both low and high cycle fatigue.

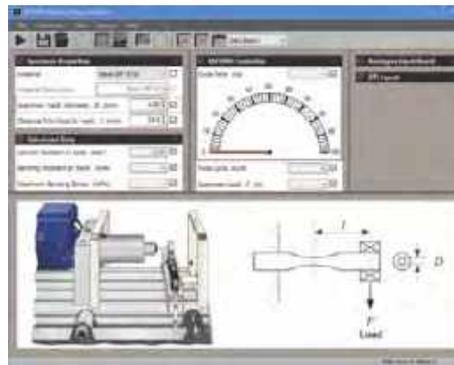


- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- Demonstrates clearly both high and low cycle fatigue
- Adjustable 'dead weight' and load cell system, to apply and measure a consistent and accurate load on the test specimens
- Automatic switch stops the experiment when the specimen breaks, to let the equipment run unattended
- Includes tools and three sets of specimens of different metals

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The user guide includes suggested experiments that show:

- Low and high cycle fatigue
- How to create and use Wohler (S-N) curves for various materials
- Comparison of fatigue properties of various materials



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Based on Wohler's design, the SM1090V uses a variable speed drive to control a motor. The motor turns a compliant coupling and a precision shaft. A collet-type chuck at the end of the shaft grips the specimen. The free end of the specimen is held in a gimbal-mounted, self-aligning bearing. Specimens are designed so their midpoint is the point of maximum stress. A clear guard locks in place during experiments for safety. The separate control and instrumentation unit freezes readings at the point of specimen failure.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Additional specimens: RF1010 (steel), RF1020 (aluminium) and RF1030 (brass) 182

# CREEP MACHINE

**VDAS**® SM1006

Benchtop machine which demonstrates the phenomenon of creep under different conditions and in different materials.

CREEP TESTING

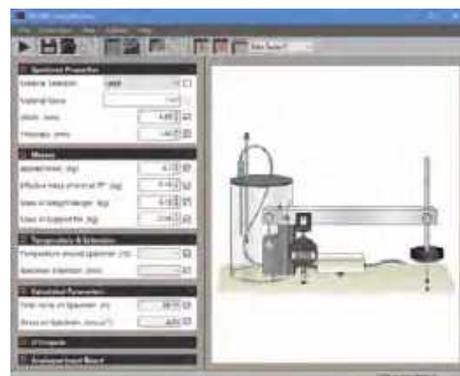


- Demonstrates the three phases of creep
- Demonstrates effect of temperature on creep
- Supplied with weights and test specimens
- Inexpensive specimens readily available in lead and plastics

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

An extensive range of experiments may be carried out with this apparatus, including:

- The normal breaking load of a specimen over a fixed time
- Relationship between breaking load and time for lead specimens
- Time extension curves to show the three phases of creep (primary, secondary and tertiary)
- The effect of temperature on the creep rate of specimens
- Creep recovery



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A load beam gives a steady and uniform tensile load. A digital indicator measures the extension (creep) of the specimen under load. Load is applied by adding weights to a weight hanger. For temperature tests, a cool pack is frozen or heated and placed next to the specimen. A transparent enclosure preserves the temperature during the test.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

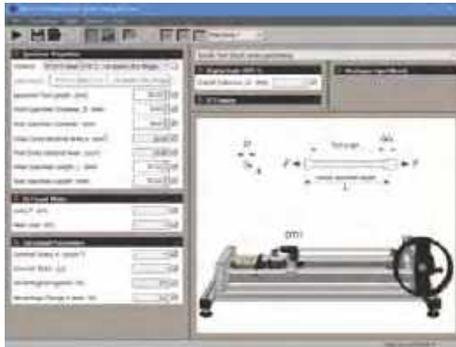
- Creep Test Specimens (CP) 182
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version) 310

MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES

# BENCHTOP TENSILE TESTING MACHINE

**VDAS®** SM1002

A laboratory-scale, hand-driven benchtop tensile testing machine, 20 kN capacity.



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OPTIONAL EXTENSOMETER (SM1002A) FITTED TO TL SPECIMEN



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**Simple hand-operated load application**  
For safe and easy operation that minimises risks to students

**Supplied with chucks for standard 20 mm<sup>2</sup> specimens**  
Compatible with older Hounsfield specimens and chucks for cost saving

**Optional Extensometer (SM1002a)**  
For tests of Young's modulus

**Optional Compression Cage and Brinell Test Set (SM1002b and SM1002c)**  
Combines hardness testing with tensile testing for flexibility and cost saving

A sturdy base holds a hand-driven worm and wheel gearbox, driving a lead screw with approximately 400 mm of travel. The mechanism uses ball races and self-aligning ball thrust races in the direction of loading. These low-friction bearings with the large handwheel allow the user to apply maximum load with minimum effort.

The load-measuring mechanism is a strain-gauged load cell that connects to a microprocessor-controlled digital display. The load display unit has a 'peak hold' function to register the maximum load before the specimen breaks. A sliding digital display measures the tensile displacement (extension) over the entire movement. The tensile specimens mount between the load application mechanism and load cell, in collet chucks via ball-jointed spigots. This ensures purely axial loading.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES :

- Tensile tests up to 20 kN on specimens made of different metals, to find material characteristics such as upper and lower yield strengths, tensile strength and overall extension.
- Tests of Young's modulus ( $E$ ) for the specimen material (needs SM1002a and TL specimens)

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**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:**

- Brinell Hardness Test Set (SM1002c) 170

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version) 310
- Extra TL and TS specimens 183
- Extensometer (SM1002a) 169

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171
- Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MkII) 176
- Tensile Tester Kit (ES6) 13

## BRINELL HARDNESS TEST SET

**SM1002C**

Fits in the Compression Cage (SM1002b) of the Bench Top Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002) for Brinell hardness tests.

- Includes specimens of different basic engineering materials
- Includes magnifier with graticule to accurately measure the indentation
- Works with TecQuipment's hardness test specimens (HTP)



An extra experiment module for the test machine, parts of this test set fit into the optional Compression Cage (SM1002b) for simple Brinell hardness tests. The set includes a magnifier with graticule (measurement scale) and test specimens made of basic engineering materials.

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Benchtop Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002) 169

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

- Compression Cage (SM1002b): fits into the tensile test area, adapting the machine for experiments that need a compressive load

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Extra hardness specimens (HTP) 183

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MKII) 176
- Brinell Indenter (SM1000e) 172

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Brinell hardness tests of different basic engineering materials



THE OPTIONAL COMPRESSION CAGE (SM1002B)

# UNIVERSAL TESTING MACHINE



**VDAS®** SM1000

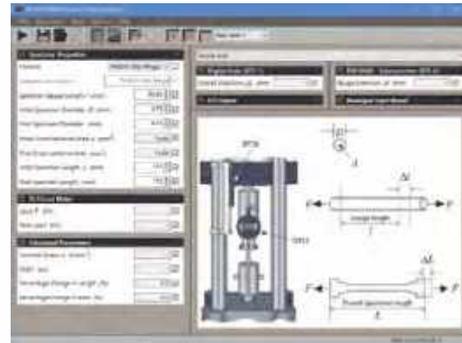
A versatile, bench-mounted machine for compressive and tensile tests on different materials and structures.

## MODULAR SYSTEM

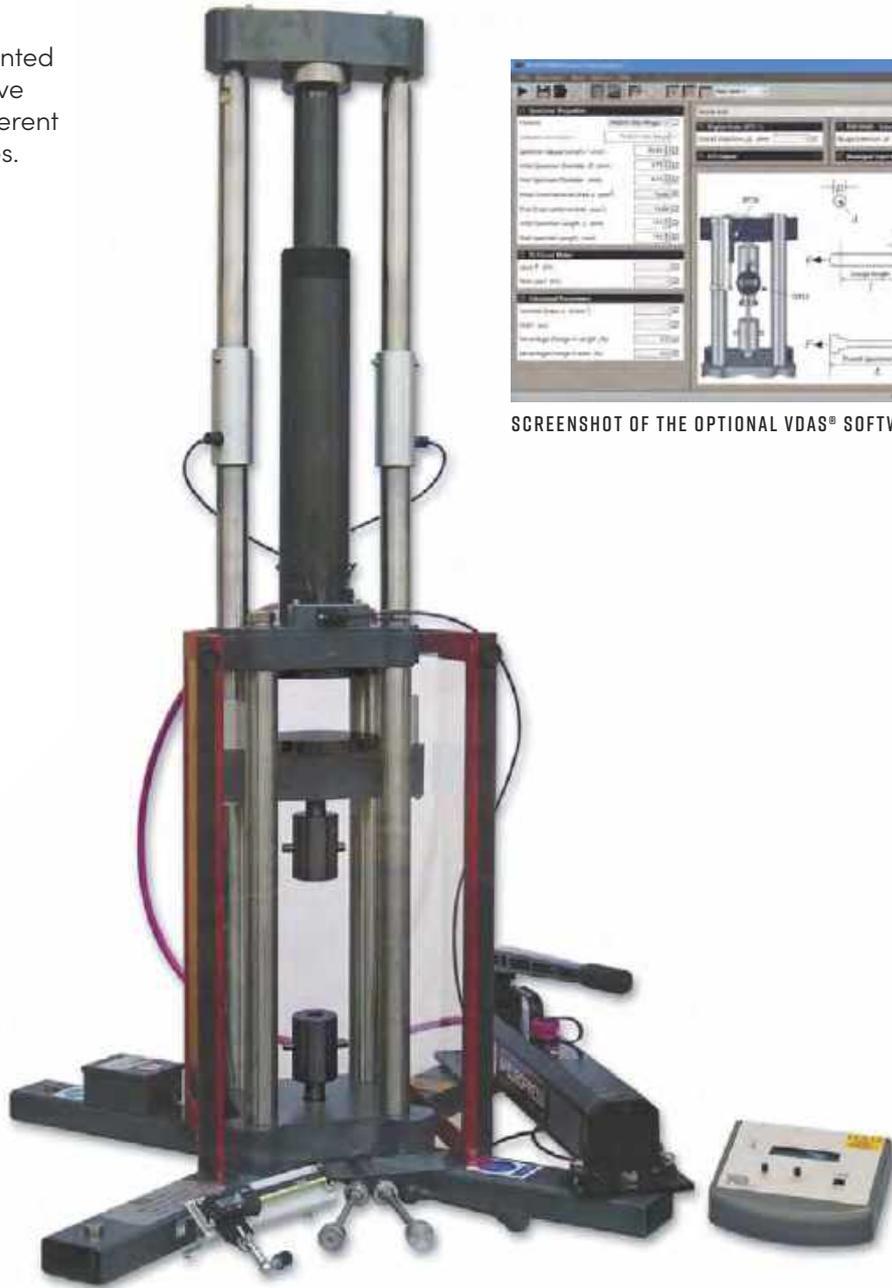
ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT (SM1000)



EXPERIMENT MODULES  
(SM100E-SM1000G)



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## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Supports and provides tensile or compressive force to three different experiment modules

Modular design saves space and reduces costs

Optional Brinell, coil spring, beam and leaf spring modules

Additional tests in material hardness and deflections of beam and springs

Includes a set of tensile specimens

Allows tensile tests 'out of the box'

Optional Extensometer (SM1000d)

For accurate tests of Young's modulus on tensile specimens

Works with VDAS®

Quick and reliable tests with data capture

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**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Tensile tests on different materials
- Compression tests on different materials

A steel frame with four columns supports a hydraulic ram. The ram pushes up a loading platform. The area above the loading platform is for compression tests on a wide range of materials, such as wood, brick and mortar. The space below the platform is for tensile tests.

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:**

• Brinell Indenter (SM1000e)	172
• Coil Spring (SM1000f)	173
• Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g)	173
• Cupping Experiment (SM1000h)	174
• Double Shear Experiment (SM1000j)	174
• Disc Spring Experiment (SM1000k)	175

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

• Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version)	310
• Support Table and Cupboard (SM1000a): steel-framed table with a pre-drilled worktop to accept the Universal Testing Machine. Includes a cupboard underneath.	
• Extensometer (SM1000d): precision sliding gauge with a digital indicator	
• Tensile test (TH) specimens	182

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

• Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MkII)	176
• Benchtop Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002)	169
• Tensile Tester Kit (ES6)	13

## BRINELL INDENTER

**SM1000E**

Fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) for Brinell hardness tests.

- Includes magnifier with graticule to accurately measure the indentation
- Includes specimens of different basic engineering materials
- Works with TecQuipment's hardness test specimens (HTP)

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Brinell hardness tests of different basic engineering materials

The Brinell Indenter (SM1000e) fits in the area above the loading platform of TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

• Universal Testing Machine (SM1000)	171
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**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

• Extra hardness specimens (HTP)	183
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**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

• Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MkII)	176
• Brinell Hardness Test Set (SM1002c)	170

## COIL SPRING

SM1000F

Fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) for compression spring tests on a coiled spring. Demonstrates Hooke's law.

- Includes fittings to hold the spring securely
- Demonstrates Hooke's law and how to find 'spring rate' by experiment
- Heavy-duty coil spring for a more practical experience

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Compression tests on a coiled spring



The Coil Spring (SM1000f) fits in the area above the loading platform of TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hooke's Law and Spring Rate (SM110) 159
- Spring Tester Kit (ES19) 14

## BEAM AND LEAF SPRING

SM1000G

Fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) for tests on bending beams and a leaf spring.

- Includes two different test beams: flat steel and channel section aluminium
- Knife-edge supports for the beams, and rollers for the leaf spring for accurate results
- Includes tools needed to fit the parts to the testing machine
- Heavy-duty leaf spring for a more practical experience



The Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g) parts fit into the compressive test area of TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Beam Apparatus (SM1004) 184
- Deflection of Beams and Cantilevers (STR4) 212
- Deflection of Beams and Cantilevers Kit (ES4) 11
- Continuous and Indeterminate Beams (STR13) 214
- Stiffness, Bending and Torsion (TE16) 160
- Plastic Bending of Beams (STR15) 210

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Beam bending tests on beams of different shape, material and length
- Spring rate tests on a leaf spring

## CUPPING EXPERIMENT


**NEW**
**SM1000H**

An experiment for testing cold formed sheet metals by cupping, for understanding properties in moulding manufacturing processes. It fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) and consists of a sphere that is pressed into the specimen held between two plates until the specimen ruptures.

- Includes a mirror for easy viewing of the material rupturing
- Includes specimens of different basic engineering materials

The penetrator is made of hardened steel, the cupping specimen is clamped between the clamping plate and the die plate. An angled mirror is placed below the die plate to enable easy viewing of the specimen rupturing.



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- An understanding of the limits of various sheet materials
- An understanding of the Erichsen number, i.e. the depth of penetration achieved when a specimen first ruptures
- An understanding of the difference between isotropic and anisotropic ruptures

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Extra specimens (ER1010, ER1020, ER1030, ER1040)

## DOUBLE SHEAR EXPERIMENT


**NEW**
**SM1000J**

An experiment for determining the shear strength of specimens using a double shear test. It fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) and consists of a specimen holder and shear strap.

- Includes copper specimens

The Double Shear Experiment (SM1000j) fits in the area below the loading platform of TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Extra hardness specimens (DS1010) 182

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 MkII) 176
- Shear Force in a Beam (STR3) 219
- Unsymmetrical Bending and Shear Centre (STR7) 222
- Torsion Testing Machine, 30 Nm (SM1001) 166
- Unsymmetrical Cantilever Apparatus (SM1003) 188



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determining the shear stress of the specimen materials

# DISC SPRING EXPERIMENT



NEW

SM1000K

An experiment for investigating the force required to achieve maximum deflection of different stacking arrangements of disc springs, along with the spring rate. It fits in the Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) and consists of disc springs, a spring guide and a compression cylinder.

- Includes six disc springs

The disc guide is fitted to the lower compression plattern and the compression cylinder to the upper plattern. The disc springs are stacked in the desired combination on the disc guide. The SM1000 pump is operated to raise the ram and compress the springs.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Hooke's Law and Spring Rate (SM110) 159
- Spring Tester Kit (ES19) 14



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- To determine the force required to achieve maximum deflection in different stacking arrangements
- To determine spring rate of disc springs in different spring stacking arrangements



## VIDEO CASE STUDY

# NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

In October 2019, Nottingham Trent University opened a new engineering teaching and research facility, that houses a wide range of apparatus from TecQuipment for bringing mechanical theory to life. In this video case study, lecturers and laboratory technicians talk about how they use these products to teach engineering principles that relate to fluid dynamics, heat transfer, thermodynamics, materials testing, and engineering science and all levels of engineering study at Degree level.



Watch to find out more about why they chose to use TecQuipment teaching products:

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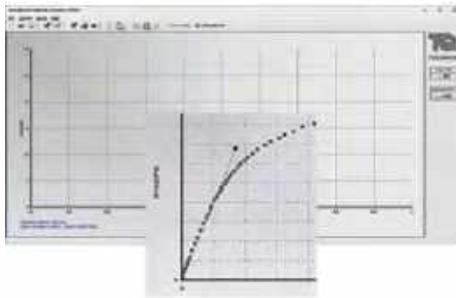
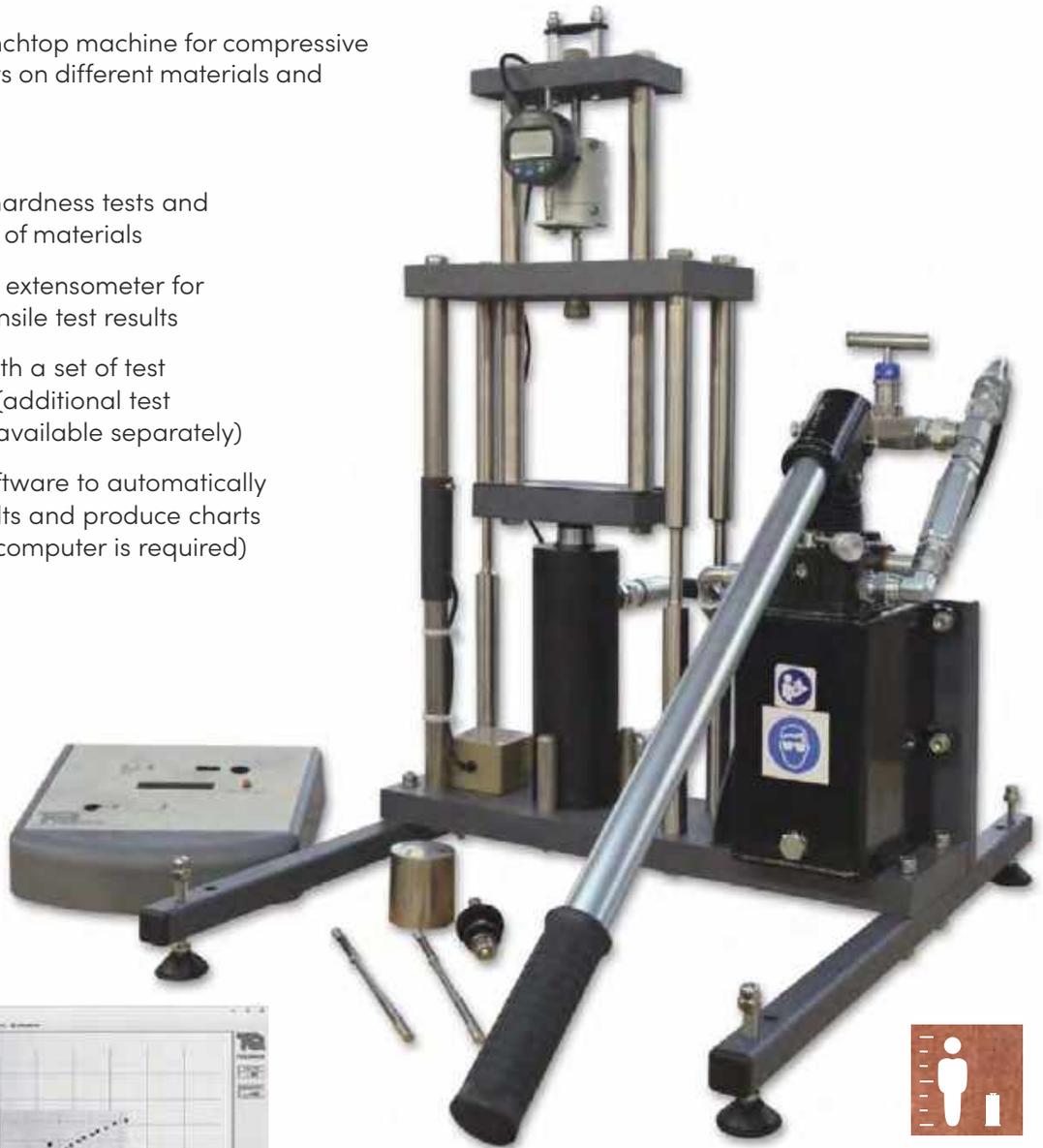
# MATERIALS LABORATORY WITH DATA CAPTURE



## MF40 MKII

A versatile, benchtop machine for compressive and tensile tests on different materials and structures.

- For Brinell hardness tests and tensile tests of materials
- Includes an extensometer for accurate tensile test results
- Supplied with a set of test specimens (additional test specimens available separately)
- Includes software to automatically record results and produce charts (a suitable computer is required)



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Tensile testing to destruction and Brinell hardness testing of various specimens
- Modulus of elasticity
- Yield stress
- Ultimate tensile stress
- Percentage elongation
- Brinell hardness test and hardness number derivation

The MF40 MkII consists of a load frame, a digital display of force (load), a ball indenter for Brinell hardness testing, and an extensometer with a digital display for tensile testing. To apply loads, students pump a handle connected to a hydraulic pump.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Additional tensile test specimens of different materials: 183
  - Mild steel (ML1MS)      Aluminium (ML4AL)
  - Carbon steel (ML2CS)      Brass (ML5BR)
  - Stainless steel (ML3SS)
- Hardness test specimens of different materials: 183
  - Aluminium (HTPAL)      Carbon steel (HTPMS)
  - Brass (HTPBR)      Nylon (HTPNY)

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Tensile Tester Kit (ES6) 13
- Benchtop Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002) 169
- Universal Testing Machine (SM1000) 171

# ENERGY ABSORBED AT FRACTURE

TE15

Compact, benchtop apparatus for testing notched specimens. Forms an introduction to impact testing such as Izod and Charpy.



- Many safety features, including enclosure of all moving parts and mechanically interlocked guard
- Allows investigations into the resistance of materials to crack propagation
- Includes digital display of energy absorbed at impact, and angular position before and after impact
- Visually-effective, interesting and motivating experiments

The apparatus consists of a main unit, an instrumentation unit and a power supply. The main unit consists of a pendulum supported in a rigid frame by low-friction bearings. The pivot arrangement includes an angular encoder to measure the angular position of the pendulum over its range of movement. The apparatus is fully enclosed with an interlocking guard covering all moving parts. Adjustable feet on the base of the unit enable accurate levelling of the equipment.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Introduction to the principles of common impact testing methods, such as Izod and Charpy tests
- Investigations into the resistance of materials to crack propagation

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ROCKWELL  
HARDNESS TESTER  
(SM1015)

# ROCKWELL HARDNESS TESTER

SM1015

A benchtop, industrial-standard tester for accurate measurements of Rockwell hardness.

- Nose-mounted indenter allows 360-degree access
- Fully automatic testing cycle and automatic conversion to alternative scales eliminates operator influence on the test results
- High level of test result repeatability
- Robust construction with a play-free screw spindle running on ball bearings
- Visual and audible signals when specified tolerance exceeded and during preload setting



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Hardness testing of classical Rockwell methods according to ISO 6508 and ASTM E18

The machine performs Rockwell hardness tests in accordance with established specifications, including BS EN ISO 6508:1999 and ASTM E18. The machine is supplied with a diamond cone indenter and a 1/16" diameter ball indenter, as standard.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Hardness Reference Blocks (HTB-R) 183

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# VICKERS HARDNESS TESTER

SM1016

A benchtop industrial-standard tester for accurate measurements of Vickers hardness.



- Capable of performing tests using forces: 0.2, 0.5, 1, 3, 5, 10, 30 kgm
- Dead weight load application provides long term test force stability
- Unique nose-mounted indenter, allows access to awkward-to-reach test points
- Fully automatic testing cycle, eliminates operator influence on the test results
- Calculation of average ( $\bar{x}$ ) and range ( $R$ )

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Vickers testing to ISO 6507, ASTM E384 and ASTM E92, UKAS accredited Key Specifications

The machine performs the Vickers hardness test, in accordance with established specifications including BS EN ISO 6507 and ASTM E92.

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Hardness Reference Blocks (HTB-V) 183

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# UNIVERSAL HARDNESS TESTER

SM1017

A benchtop industrial-standard tester for accurate measurements of Vickers, Brinell and Rockwell hardness.



HARDNESS TESTER DISPLAY



- Dead weight load combinations up to 187.5 kg
- Setting of hardness tolerance and statistics ( $\bar{x}$  and  $R$ ), for a range of experiments
- Integral microscope with measuring shutters and push button for transfer of dimensional data
- Simple operation



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Hardness testing of a range of different materials, using three different methods:

- Vickers (HV) DIN EN ISO 6507, ASTM E92
- Brinell (HB) DIN EN ISO 6506, ASTM E10
- Rockwell (HR) DIN EN ISO 6508, ASTM E18

The machine performs Brinell, Vickers and Rockwell tests in accordance with established specifications:

- Brinell: ISO 6506, ASTM E10
- Vickers: ISO 6507, ASTM E92
- Rockwell: ISO 6508, ASTM E18

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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| • Hardness Reference Blocks (HTB-B): Brinell  | 183 |
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## SPECIMENS AVAILABLE EX-STOCK:

AVAILABLE IN PACKS OF 10

### ||| CREEP TEST SPECIMENS

CP

For use with TecQuipment's Creep Machine (SM106 or SM1006).

**CP1010:** Lead

**CP1020:** Polypropylene

**CP1025:** Nylon 66 (unfilled)

**CP1030:** Unplasticised PVC



### ||| ROTATING FATIGUE SPECIMENS

RF

For use with TecQuipment's Rotating Fatigue Machine (SM1090/SM1090V).

**RF1010:** Mild Steel

**RF1020:** Aluminium

**RF1030:** Brass



### ||| TORSION TEST SPECIMENS

TR

For use with TecQuipment's Torsion Testing Machine (SM1 or SM1001).

**TR1010:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. As drawn. To British Standard Specification 230M07. No grooves.

**TR1011:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 900°C. To British Standard Specification 230M07. 1 groove.

**TR1020:** 0.4% Carbon Steel. As drawn. To British Standard Specification 212A42. 2 grooves.

**TR1021:** 0.4% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 860°C. To British Standard Specification 212A42. 3 grooves.

**TR1040:** Half-hard Brass. 60% Copper, 40% Zinc. To British Standard Specification CZ121. No grooves.

**TR1050:** Cast iron. Grade 260. To British Standard BS1452. 4 grooves.



### ||| TENSILE TEST SPECIMENS

TH

For use with TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM100 or SM1000).

**TH4010:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. As drawn. To British Standard Specification 230M07. Has no identity rings.

**TH4015:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 900°C. To British Standard Specification 230M07. Has one identity ring.

**TH4035:** 0.4% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 860°C. To British Standard Specification 212A42. Has two identity rings.



### ||| DOUBLE SHEAR TEST SPECIMENS

DS

For use with TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).

**DS1010:** C101 Copper



### ||| CUPPING TEST SPECIMENS

ES

For use with TecQuipment's Universal Testing Machine (SM1000).



**ER1010:** HE30 aluminium

**ER1030:** CZ108 HH brass

**ER1020:** C101 HH copper

**ER1040:** CR4 mild steel

# TENSILE TEST SPECIMENS

## TL AND TS

For use with TecEquipment's Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002). Will also fit Hounsfield or Monsanto tensometer.

**TL1010 AND TS1010:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. As drawn. To British Standard Specification 220M07 or 230M07.

**TL1011 AND TS1011:** 0.1% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 900°C. To British Standard Specification 220M07 or 230M07.

**TL1020 AND TS1020:** 0.4% Carbon Steel. As drawn. To British Standard Specification 080M040.

**TL1021 AND TS1021:** 0.4% Carbon Steel. Normalised at 860°C. To British Standard Specification 080M040.

**TL1030 AND TS1030:** Aluminium 2011 – T3.

**TL1040 AND TS1040:** Half hard Brass. To British Standard Specification CZ121.



# TENSILE TEST SPECIMENS

## ML

For use with the Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 series).

**ML1MS:** Mild steel – specification EN1A or 230M07

**ML2CS:** Carbon steel – specification EN8 or 080M40

**ML3SS:** Stainless steel – specification SAE303

**ML4AL:** Aluminium – specification 2011-T3

**ML5BR:** Brass – specification CZ121



# HARDNESS TEST SPECIMENS

## HTP

For use with the Materials Laboratory with Data Capture (MF40 series), Benchtop Tensile Testing Machine (SM1002) and Brinell Indenter (SM1000e).



**HTPAL:** Aluminium (6026-T9)

**HTPBR:** Brass (CZ121/CW614N)

**HTPMS:** 0.1% Carbon steel (230M07)

**HTPNY:** Nylon 6

# HARDNESS REFERENCE BLOCKS

## HTB



For use with the Rockwell Hardness Tester (SM1015), Vickers Hardness Tester (SM1016) and Universal Hardness Tester (SM1017).

**HTB-R:** Rockwell block for use on the SM1015 or SM1017

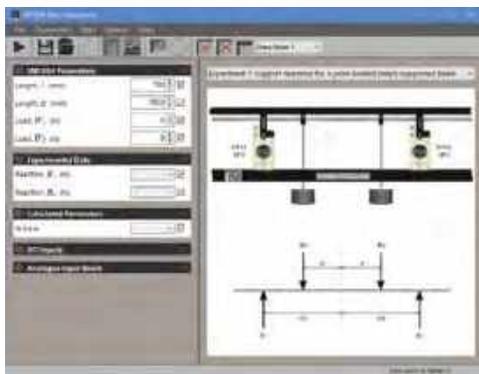
**HTB-V:** Vickers block for use on the SM1016 or SM1017

**HTB-B:** Brunel block for use on the SM1017 only

# BEAM APPARATUS

**VDAS<sup>®</sup> SM1004**

A benchtop frame with load cells and cantilevers for the study of deflection and forces on different types of beams for a wide range of supports and loads. Also demonstrates Young's modulus.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE

- Simply supported and cantilever beam tests with up to four supports with any loading
- Three load cells with digital indicators measure reaction forces or act as rigid sinking supports
- Precision digital indicators for accurate deflection measurements

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Verification of the bending equation
- Determination of flexural rigidity and elastic modulus (Young's modulus)
- Verification of static equilibrium
- Deflection of beams on two simple supports with point loads
- Reciprocal properties for loads and deflection
- Simple and propped cantilevers with any loading
- Continuous beams, statically indeterminate cases for simply supported beams and cantilevers on more than two supports with any loading (including measurement of unknown reactions)
- Simply supported and cantilever beams with sinking supports

With the SM1004a Specimen Beams, these additional experiments can be done:

- The effects of material and section shape on flexural rigidity
- Bending characteristics of a brass/steel compound beam, with and without shearing connection between the two layers
- Equivalent sections, characteristics of a metal-faced wooden beam
- Deflections on a non-uniform (tapered) beam or cantilever

The apparatus consists of an upper cross-member carrying graduated scales, and two lower members bolted to T-legs to form a rigid assembly. The three load cells and cantilever-support pillar slide along the lower members and can be clamped firmly in any position. The load cells have direct digital readout and each is fitted with a hardened steel knife edge which can be adjusted to set the initial level, or to simulate a sinking support. Locking pins can convert each load cell to a rigid support when required. The cantilever support is a rigid pillar with a sturdy clamping arrangement to hold the beams when built-in end conditions are required. Four weight hangers and a set of weights are supplied to apply static loads.

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)
- Additional Specimen Beams (SM1004a)
- Composite Beam Sets 185 (SM1004d1, SM1004d2, SM1004d3)

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Deflection of Beams and Cantilevers Kit (ES4) 11
- Stiffness, Bending and Torsion (TE16) 152
- Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g) 165
- Deflection of Beams and Cantilevers (STR4) 202
- Continuous and Indeterminate Beams (STR13) 204

**COMPOSITE BEAM SETS**



**NEW**

Extend the use of your Beam Apparatus (SM1004) and/or Euler Strut Buckling Apparatus (SM1005) with one of TecQuipment's new Composite Beam Sets:



SAMPLE BEAMS IN WALLET

**BASIC COMPOSITE BEAM SET (SM1004D1 AND SM1005B1)**

A set of basic beams which have the same dimensions but variable weave alignment. As a result, the weave styles show different bending behaviours.

**CORED COMPOSITE BEAM SET (SM1004D2 AND SM1005B2)**

A set of cored beams, to demonstrate the different core materials that can be used in composite components and the resulting bending behaviours. This set also includes a solid composite beam of the same nominal thickness for easy comparisons.

**VARIABLE STIFFNESS COMPOSITE BEAM SET (SM1004D3 AND SM1005B3)**

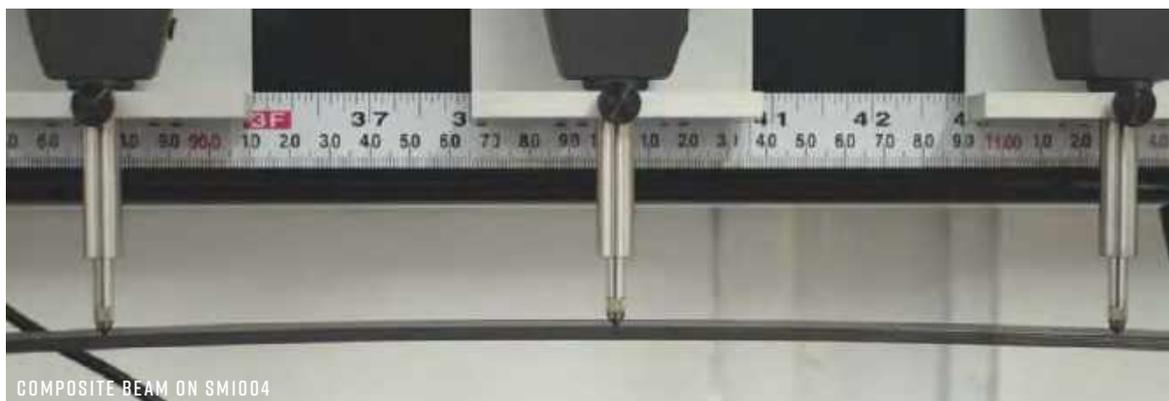
A set of beams that will allow students to explore the bending behaviour of beams that have variable stiffness but the same cross-sectional profile.



SELECTION OF BEAMS AVAILABLE



HIGH DEFLECTION OF COMPOSITE BEAM ON SM1005



COMPOSITE BEAM ON SM1004

# EULER BUCKLING APPARATUS

**VDAS**® SM1005

Benchtop apparatus tests different types of struts and demonstrates how they deflect under load, and demonstrates the use of Southwell's method.



- Can also test struts as simply supported beams, to extend experiments and find flexural rigidity of the struts
- Buckling tests cover pinned and clamped (encasté) ends for various strut lengths and cross-sections
- Special end fittings allow tests with eccentric loading
- Range of ten struts supplied as standard
- Extra specimen struts available for more advanced experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

### WITH THE STANDARD SET OF TEN SPECIMENS:

- Demonstration of buckled (crippled) shape of struts with different end conditions
- Determination of load/deflection curves and buckling loads for struts of different lengths and cross-sections, with any combination of 'pinned' or clamped end fixings
- Comparing experiment results with those using Euler's buckling theory
- Investigation of the effects of side load and eccentric loading on strut buckling characteristics
- Flexural rigidity and buckling loads for struts of different materials
- The use of Southwell's method to estimate buckling loads and strut eccentricities from experimental results
- Determination of flexural rigidity and comparison with calculated values
- Deflections of a simply supported beam with a point load, including the verification of general deflection formulae, and the deflected shape

### WITH THE SM1005A OPTIONAL SET OF ADDITIONAL STRUTS:

- Flexural rigidity and buckling loads for struts of a further range of different materials
- Tests on typical engineering sections (circular, angle, channel and irregular section specimens); the significance of the neutral axes; combined bending and twisting due to eccentric loading.
- The effect of flexibility in end fixings
- Tests on a compound strut with imperfect shearing connections between the two components

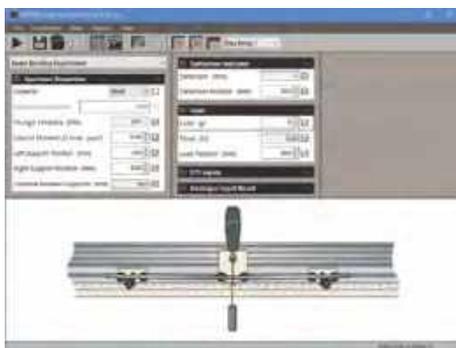
A sturdy base that at one end has a loading device which uses a screw to apply loads to the struts. The screw is in fixing blocks with bearings to give precise and easy load application. At the opposite end is the load measuring device. This is a precision mechanism that resists the bending moments produced by the struts as they deflect, and transmits the pure axial force to an electronic load cell. This gives an accurate measurement of buckling load. A digital load meter (DL1, included) shows the load.

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310  
(benchtop version)
- Set of Additional Struts (SM1005a)
- Composite Beam Sets 185  
(SM1005b1, SM1005b2, SM1005b3)

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Euler Buckling of a Column (STR12) 207



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**CAPTURE THE POWER OF VDAS®**

...the Versatile Data Acquisition System from TecQuipment

Our Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) is a highly effective way of collecting and using data from experiments using TecQuipment's educational teaching equipment.



**LOOK AT THE BENEFITS...**

- VERSATILE** – can be used across a wide range of TecQuipment products
- DATA** – transforms raw data instantly which easily exports or creates sophisticated graphs and tables
- ACQUISITION** – USB connectivity, multiple-source real-time data capture
- SYSTEM** – an expandable modular approach providing easy-to-use digital plug-and-play technology

**LABVIEW**

Most TecQuipment products compatible with VDAS® have the capability to interface with a LabVIEW environment.

Visit our website at [TECQUIPMENT.COM](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM) for more information.

# UNSYMMETRICAL CANTILEVER APPARATUS

**VDAS® SM1003**

A benchtop test frame for examining and displaying bending of an unsymmetrical cantilever. Demonstrates the use of Mohr's circle.

- Self-contained, needs no other parts
- Explains 'shear centre' and the use and construction of Mohr's circle
- Supplied with set of different specimens



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigations into bending of unsymmetrical cantilevers, including:

- Vertical and horizontal displacement measurement for varying angles of applied load
- Demonstration that maximum and minimum vertical deflection occurs when horizontal deflection is zero
- Use of Mohr's circle
- Experimental and theoretical determination of the principal moments of area of test sections
- Location of shear centre of each section

A beam is mounted vertically in the test frame and the top fixes to a ring that can rotate through 360 degrees. An incremental load is added to the free end of the test beam. Beam deflections are measured in two directions at right angles to each other. To find shear stress, a cross piece is used to allow loads to be applied across and outside the section of the cantilever.



## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Unsymmetrical Bending and Shear Centre (STR7) 222

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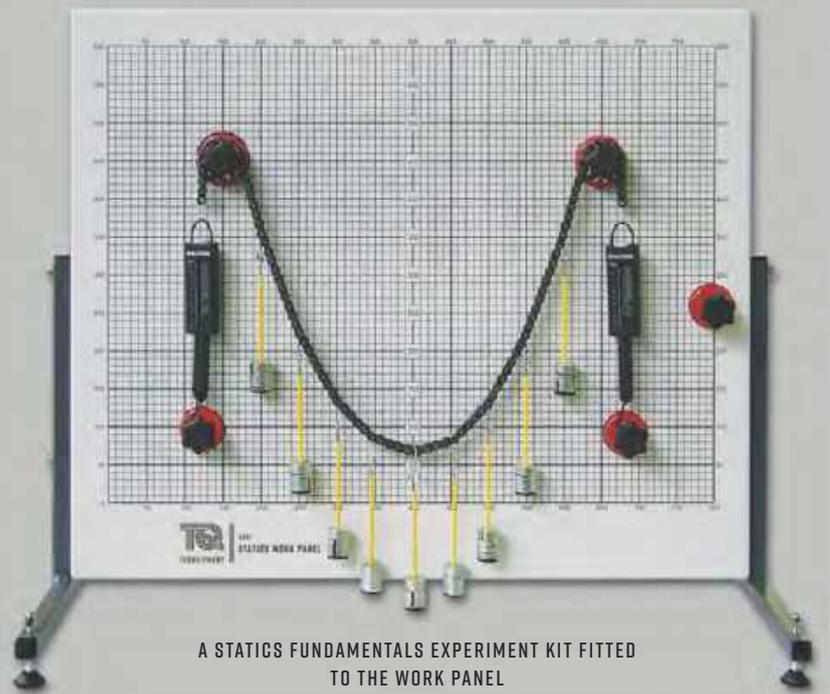
After inviting companies to bid for the new equipment, we selected TecEquipment based on the premium specifications, competitive price, and reputation for quality of service supported by the excellent pre-sales experience.

**PAUL MATTHEWS**

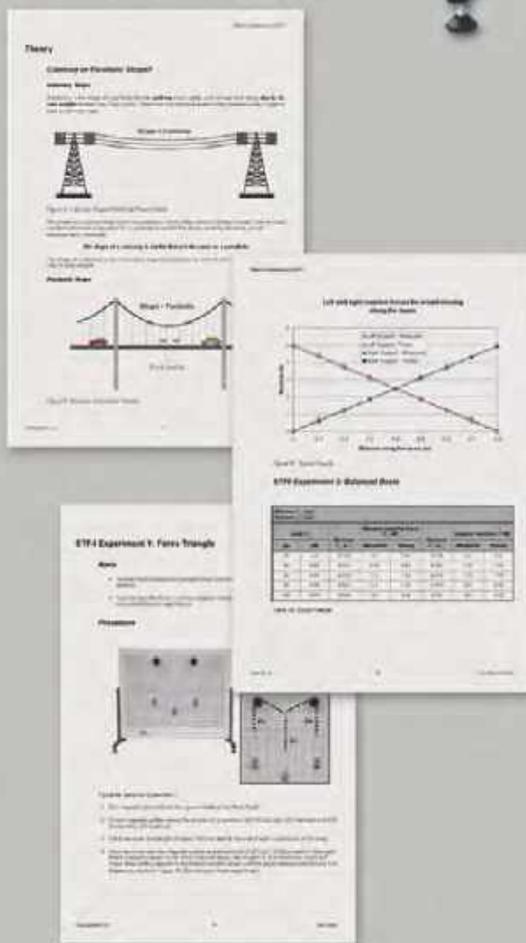
SENIOR LECTURER AND COORDINATOR AT SOLIHULL COLLEGE

# STATICS FUNDAMENTALS

The Statics Fundamentals range offers teaching equipment for understanding the core principles required for civil and mechanical engineering disciplines. The range brings theories, such as concurrent and non-concurrent coplanar forces, Bow's notation, equilibrium theory, parabola theory, and many more, to life. The range consists of a series of modular experiment kits that fit to the essential base unit (Statics Work Panel), these can be mixed and matched to suit teaching requirements.



A STATICS FUNDAMENTALS EXPERIMENT KIT FITTED TO THE WORK PANEL



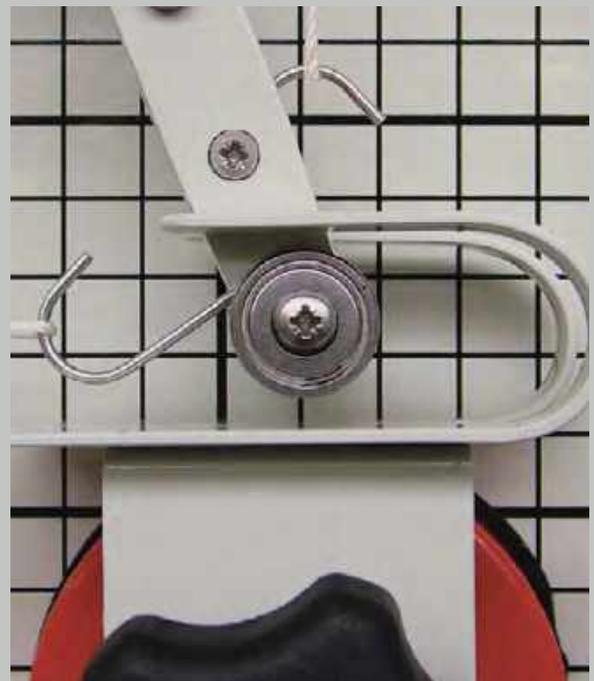
EACH KIT IS SUPPLIED WITH A FULLY ILLUSTRATED USER GUIDE CONTAINING THEORY, EXPERIMENTS AND TYPICAL RESULTS.

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**FLEXIBILITY:** Share one work panel between experiment kits, or one work panel for each kit.

**HANDS ON:** Large tactile parts for students to fit and adjust.

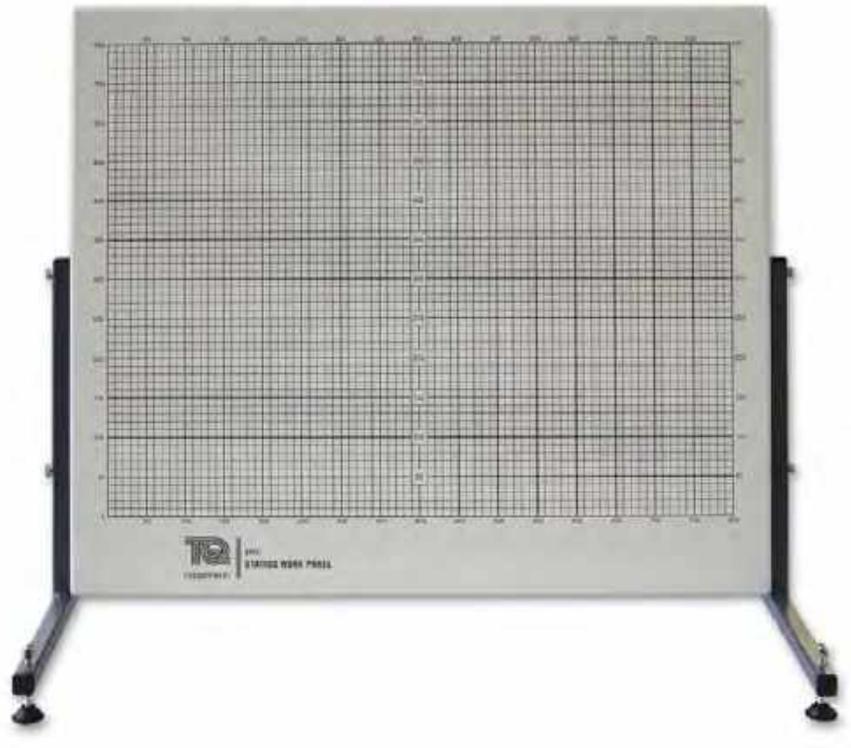
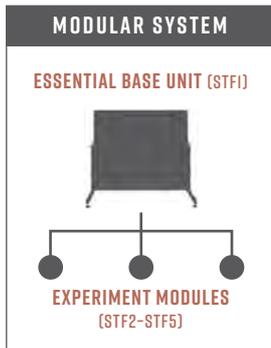
**HIGHLY VISUAL:** Ideal for classroom demonstrations or groups of students.



# STATICS WORK PANEL

## STF1

Work panel for use with TecEquipment's Statics Fundamentals (STF) range.



WORK PANEL

STATICS FUNDAMENTALS

### FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**Supports four different experiment kits**  
Modular design saves space and reduces costs

**Large working area**  
Ideal for classroom demonstrations

**Clear metric grid**  
Repeatable positioning of parts with accurate results

**Easy set-up, all experiment kits can be removed and fitted in minutes with no tools required**  
Maximises experiment time

**Highly visual, hands-on design**  
Improves student understanding, even with a large class

For use with TecEquipment's Statics Fundamentals range, the work panel fits on most desk or bench tops. Students or teachers fit the magnetic parts of their Statics Fundamentals kits to the work panel to study or demonstrate one of the fundamental topics of static forces.

### AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT KITS:

- |   |     |
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| • Suspension Cable Demonstration (STF2) | 192 |
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## HERE TO HELP YOU

A team of specialist customer care personnel is available to answer a range of questions relating to technical details, spare parts and maintenance.

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# SUSPENSION CABLE DEMONSTRATION

STF2

A kit for use with the work panel that demonstrates the tensions and shapes in a suspension cable, comparing them with theory.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Analysis using catenary and parabola theory
- Cable weight and tension
- Comparison of a symmetrical suspension cable and catenary
- Unsymmetrical suspension cable
- A point load on a suspension cable



## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (STF1) 191

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Simple Suspension Bridge (STR19) 206

For use with the Work Panel (STF1), the kit allows several experiments with a suspension cable. Students or teachers fit the magnetic parts of the kit to the work panel to study or demonstrate the shapes and tensions in a suspension cable.

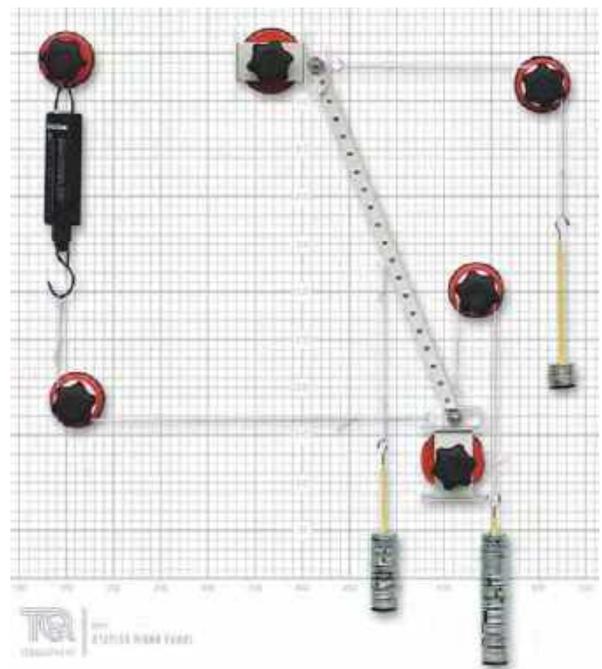
# EQUILIBRIUM OF A RIGID BODY

STF3

A kit for use with the work panel that demonstrates the forces around a ladder-type structure.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Horizontal and vertical reaction forces on a ladder
- Safe angles for a ladder
- A climbing mass on a ladder
- A ladder at different angles



## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (STF1) 191

For use with the Work Panel (STF1), the kit allows several experiments with a rigid body, i.e. a ladder structure. Students or teachers fit the magnetic parts of the kit to the Work Panel (STF1) to study or demonstrate the forces around an inclined ladder-type structure.

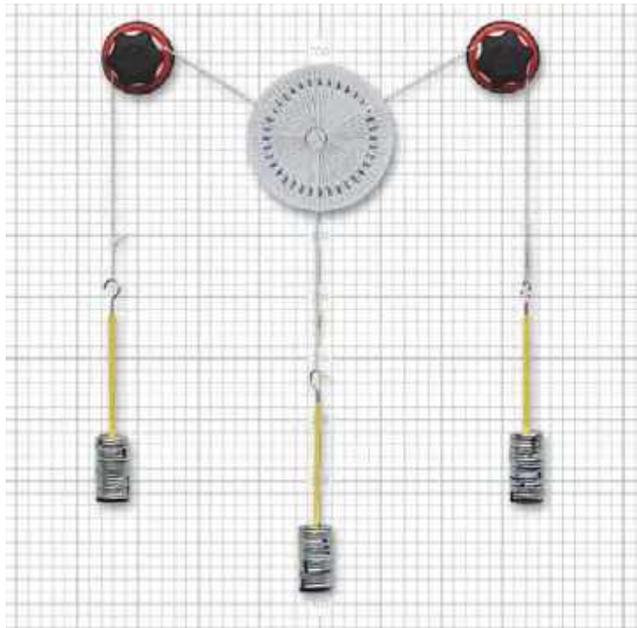
# EQUILIBRIUM OF FORCES

## STF4

A kit for use with the work panel for experiments with three or more coplanar forces at equilibrium and an introduction to Bow's notation.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Concurrent and non-concurrent coplanar forces
- An introduction to Bow's notation and graphical analysis
- Force triangles, polygons and link polygons



For use with the Work Panel (STF1), the kit allows several experiments with forces pulling on one or more points at different angles. Students or teachers fit the magnetic parts of the kit to the Work Panel (STF1) to study or demonstrate three coplanar concurrent forces (triangle of forces) or more (force polygons).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (STF1) 191

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Forces Kit (ES2) 9

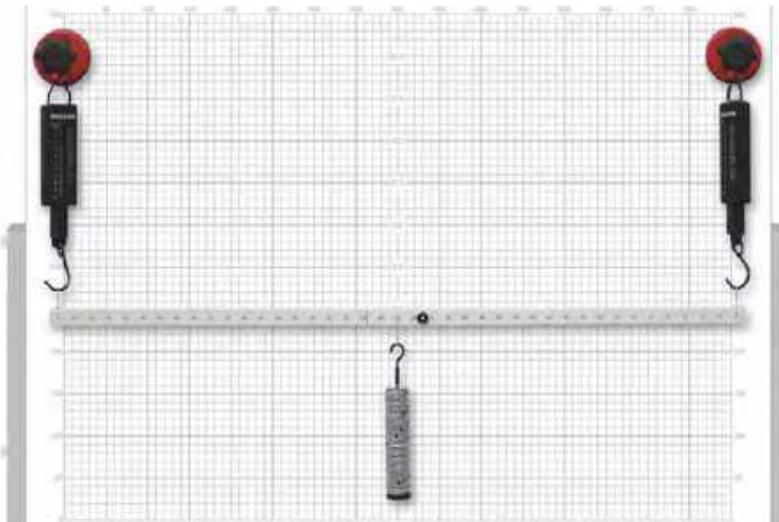
# EQUILIBRIUM OF A BEAM

## STF5

A kit for use with the work panel for experiments with forces, moments and reactions around a beam at equilibrium.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Using moments and the theory of equilibrium to find beam reaction and other unknown forces
- Simply supported beams
- Balanced beams



For use with the Work Panel (STF1), the kit allows several experiments with a rigid beam. Students or teachers fit the magnetic parts of the kit to the Work Panel (STF1) to study or demonstrate forces, moments and reaction forces around a rigid beam at equilibrium.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Work Panel (STF1) 191

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Moments Kit (ES3) 10



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TecQuipment's Structures line was chosen to enhance the learning experience of our engineering students. The products were delivered in a timely manner and were easy to set up. After-sales support has been very accommodating, allowing us to modify the experiment manuals as we saw fit, giving us flexibility in learning objectives. Students have shown great interest and have found operating the units to be easy and simple.

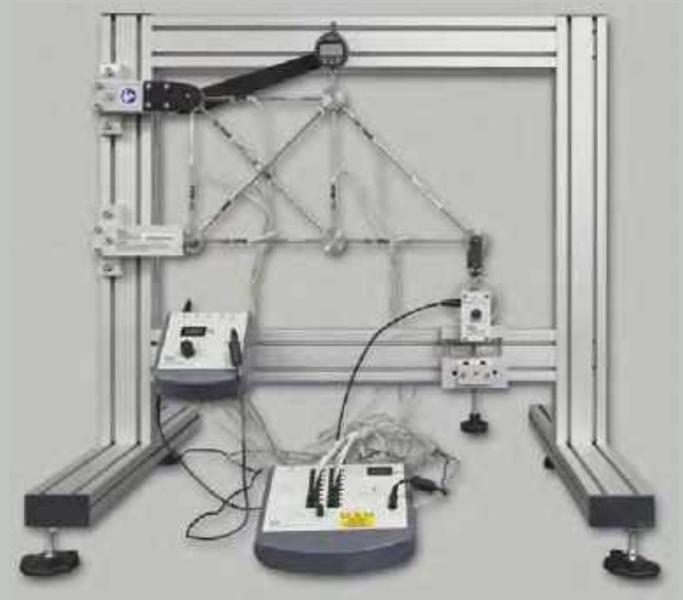
**RIAD RAJAB**  
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# STRUCTURES

The Structures range consists of teaching equipment for understanding basic structural principles, focusing on beams, bridges and cantilevers for students of mechanical, civil and structural engineering.

The 19 desk-mounted experiment modules can be used stand alone or with TecEquipment's powerful Structures software which provides automatic data acquisition (ADA). To complement laboratory learning, experiments can also be performed virtually, using only the software.



## FLEXIBLE AND MODULAR

- Experiment modules and instrumentation fix easily to the test frame
- Easily removeable and changeable experiments, making good use of laboratory space
- The modularity of the range allows for expansion as required

## AUTHENTIC SOFTWARE SIMULATION

- The Structures software offers an affordable and effective method for students to quickly learn structures principles by performing virtual experiments on a computer
- Allows students the flexibility of working away from the laboratory
- Expands experiments beyond the limits of the hardware

## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION

- The use of automatic data acquisition and digital instrumentation means students can get quick and accurate results, optimising laboratory time
- There are no difficult-to-read instruments or abstract experiment set-ups to distract students

## HIGH FUNCTIONALITY, AFFORDABLY PRICED

- One experiment can demonstrate several principles, for excellent value
- Extensive experiment capabilities and choice of hardware and software, mean our Structures range provides an unsurpassed teaching solution at an unbeatable price

### THE STRUCTURES TEST FRAME STR1

This strong, sturdy benchtop test frame holds the interchangeable experiment modules and instruments of TecEquipment's Structures range.



### THE EXPERIMENT MODULES STR2-STR20



Interchangeable experiment modules give realistic and verifiable experiment results.

### AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION UNIT STR2000

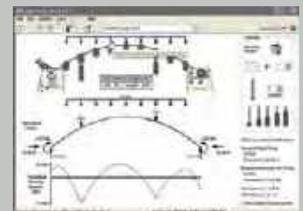
Links to load cells and other instruments in the Structures range to send data to a suitable computer (not supplied).



INCLUDES STRUCTURES SOFTWARE STRS

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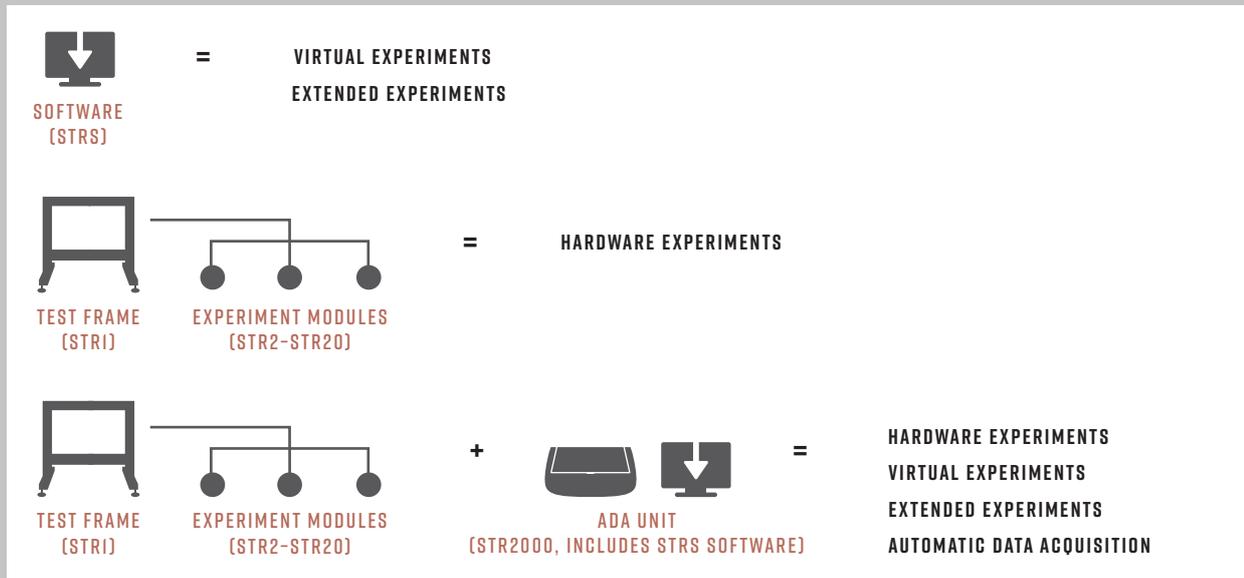
The software accurately simulates all 19 experiment modules on a suitable computer (not supplied) without the need of the Structures hardware.



INCLUDES EXTENSIVE USER GUIDES AND EXAMPLE EXPERIMENTS

# ORDERING

The modular nature of our Structures range means items can be chosen to create the right combination of products that best suits teaching needs.



# PACKAGES

The following packages are available which offer great value for money. Each hardware package is supplied with a 25-seat software licence.

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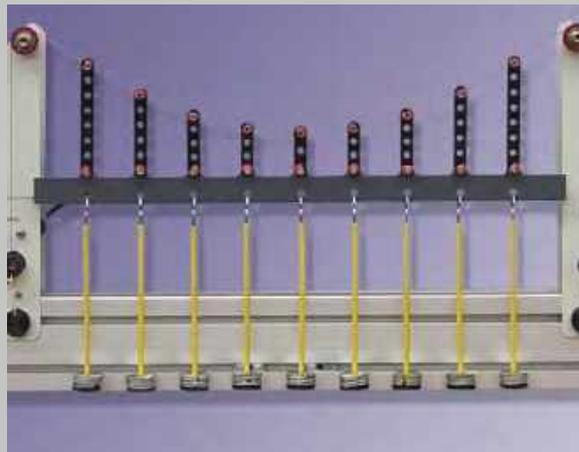
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# STRUCTURES TEST FRAME

STRI

A benchtop frame that holds the experiments of the Structures range.

- Holds the interchangeable Structures experiment modules and instruments
- Strong, benchtop frame
- Easy-to-use fixings and slots so students can quickly set up, remove or change experiments
- Also ideal for holding experiments during storage

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

- One or more Structures experiment modules (STR2–STR20) 201–222



TEST FRAME (STRI) FITTED WITH THE EXPERIMENT MODULE BENDING STRESS IN A BEAM (STR5) AND DIGITAL FORCE DISPLAY (STRIA)

# AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION UNIT

## STR2000

Connects any of the Structures range experiments to a computer. Includes TecQuipment's Structures software for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments.

- Interface unit links to load cells and other instruments in the Structures range to send data to a suitable computer
- Allows students to compare results from actual experiments with results from simulation software
- Fully automatic and simple connection to a computer so no need to add any extra circuit boards



THE STR2000 COMPUTER INTERFACE UNIT SENDING DATA FROM ONE OF THE STRUCTURES HARDWARE EXPERIMENT MODULES TO THE STRUCTURES SOFTWARE

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Suitable computer (not supplied by TecQuipment)

### ANCILLARY FOR:

- One or more experiment modules from the Structures range (STR2–STR20) 201–222

# DIGITAL FORCE DISPLAY

## STRIA

A compact instrument unit for use with the Structures range, this display shows the forces from up to four force sensors on the Structures experiments.

- Fits onto the Structures Test Frame (STR1) to give a tidy work area
- Real-time display of each of up to four forces
- Can connect to TecQuipment's Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) to automatically measure all four forces at the same time



### ANCILLARY FOR:

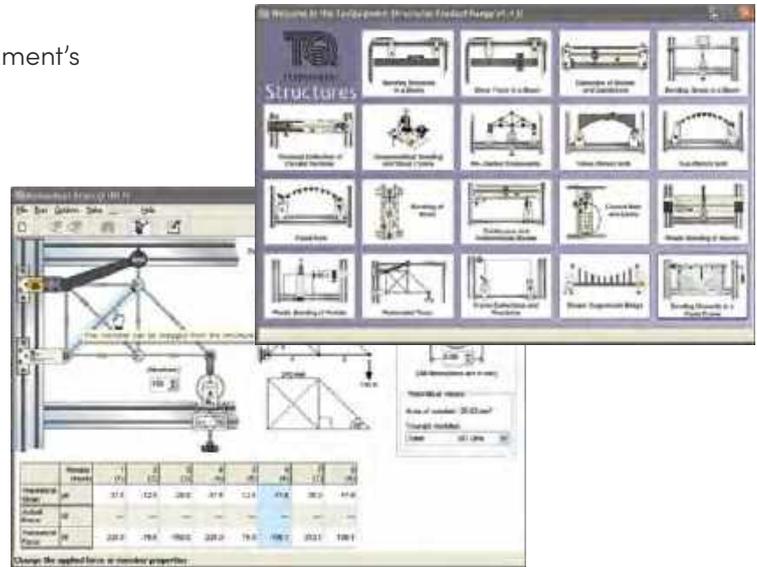
- One or more Structures experiment modules (STR2–STR20) 201–222

# STRUCTURES SOFTWARE

## STRS

Software that allows computer simulation of structures. Simulates and extends TecEquipment's Structures range.

- Accurately simulates all 19 of TecEquipment's Structures range experiments
- Includes user guides with suggested experiments and typical answers
- Gives virtual experiments that extend beyond the limits of the experiment hardware
- Single-user and networked options available (5, 10, 25 and 50 seat packages)
- Latest version of the software can be downloaded from the website



### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Computer-simulated examination of a wide variety of structures principles, including:

- Bending moments in a beam
- Shear force in a beam
- Deflection of beams and cantilevers
- Bending stress in a beam
- Torsional deflection of circular sections
- Unsymmetrical bending and shear centre
- Pin jointed frameworks
- Three-pinned arch
- Two-pinned arch
- Fixed-arch
- Euler buckling of a column
- Continuous and indeterminate beams
- Curved bars and davits
- Plastic bending of beams
- Plastic bending of portals
- Redundant truss
- Frame deflections and reactions
- Simple suspension bridge
- Bending moments in a portal frame

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TecEquipment's Structures Software is ideal for students of civil, mechanical and structural engineering. It allows them to perform computer-simulated experiments which study the principles of structures.

**NOTE:** The Structures Software (STRS) can be bought by itself, but it is also included free with the Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000), see page 199.

The software is also supplied with the Structures packages, see page 187.

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

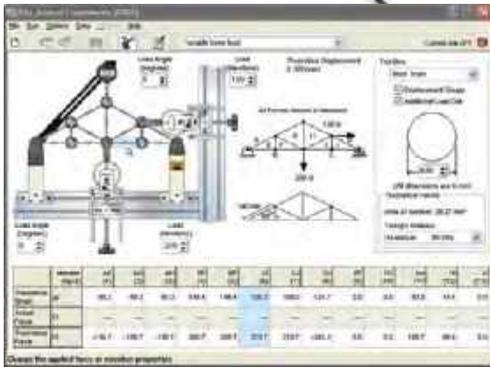
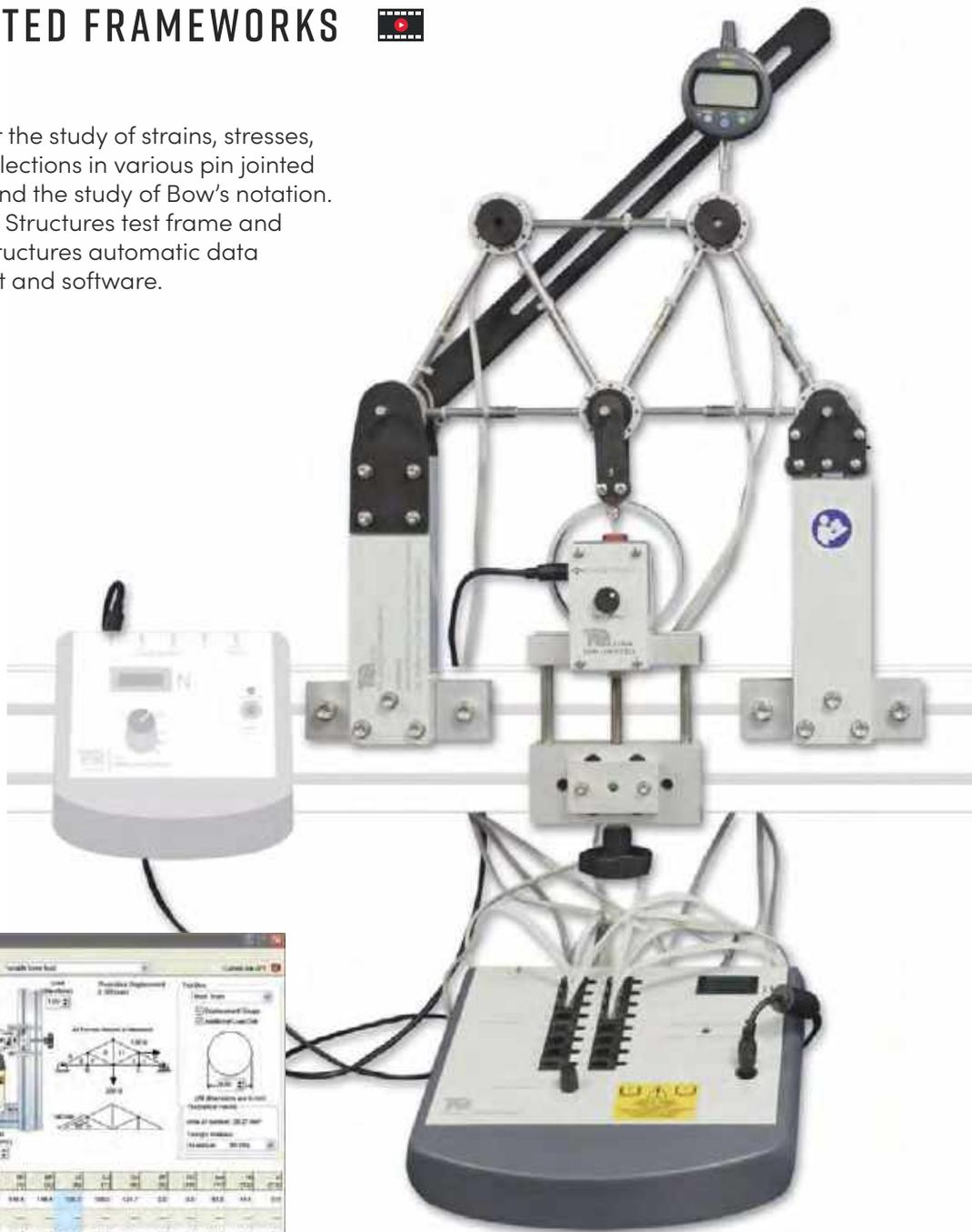
- Suitable computer (not supplied by TecEquipment)

# PIN JOINTED FRAMEWORKS



STR8

Experiment for the study of strains, stresses, forces and deflections in various pin jointed frameworks, and the study of Bow's notation. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Study of Bow's notation, strains, stresses, forces and deflections in various frameworks, including a Warren girder and roof truss
- Comparison of different frameworks

Students use stainless steel members to build different pin jointed frameworks. The equipment includes two framework supports: a pivoting support, and a pivoting and rolling support. Each member has a strain gauge attached that connects to a digital strain bridge. Load cells measure the load applied at various angles. A second load cell can be fitted to simulate lateral forces on the truss (STR8a).

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199
- Additional Load Cell (STR8a)

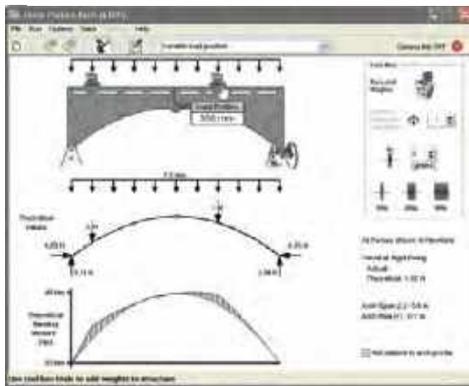
### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Redundant Truss (STR17) 205

# THREE-PINNED ARCH

STR9

Experiment for the study of the characteristics of a three-pinned arch under various load conditions. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Studies of:

- The characteristics of a three-pinned arch
- The relationship between applied loads and horizontal thrust produced from a simple determinate arched structure

Also:

- Appreciation of footing stability and economy.

Students apply various loads at set positions along the top of a simple 'determinate' three-pinned arched structure. They can also apply a uniformly distributed load. A load cell measures the thrust reaction.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

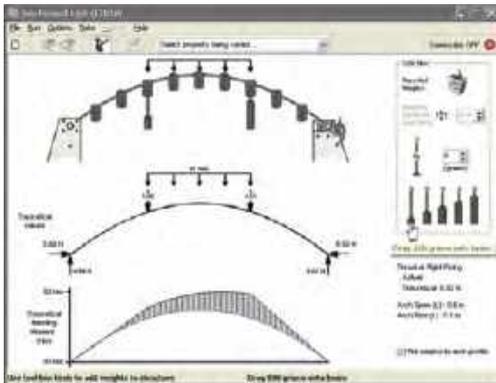
### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Two-Pinned Arch (STR10) 203
- Fixed Arch (STR11) 204

# TWO-PINNED ARCH

## STR10

Experiment for the study of the characteristics of a two-pinned arch under various load conditions. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the characteristics of a two-pinned arch
- Examination of the relationship between applied loads and horizontal thrust produced from a redundant (in one degree) arched structure
- Comparison of behaviour to simplified theory based on the Secant assumption

Students use masses on weight hangers to apply various loads to the arch at set positions along its span. A load cell measures the thrust reaction.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

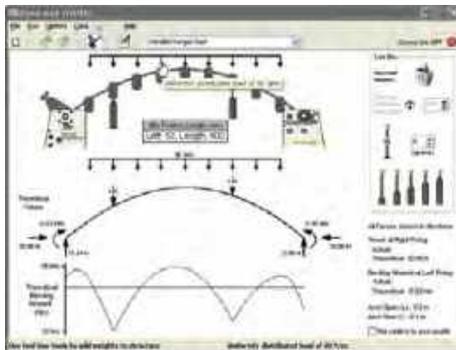
### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Three-Pinned Arch (STR9) 202
- Fixed Arch (STR11) 204

# FIXED ARCH

STR11

Experiment for the study of the characteristics of a fixed arch under various load conditions. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the characteristics of a fixed arch
- Examination of the relationship between applied loads, horizontal thrust and fixing moment produced from a fixed (thus redundant in three degrees) arched structure.
- Comparison of behaviour to simplified theory based on the Secant assumption.

To load the arch, students fit masses on weight hangers to set positions along the arch span. Load cells measure the fixed moment reaction and horizontal thrust.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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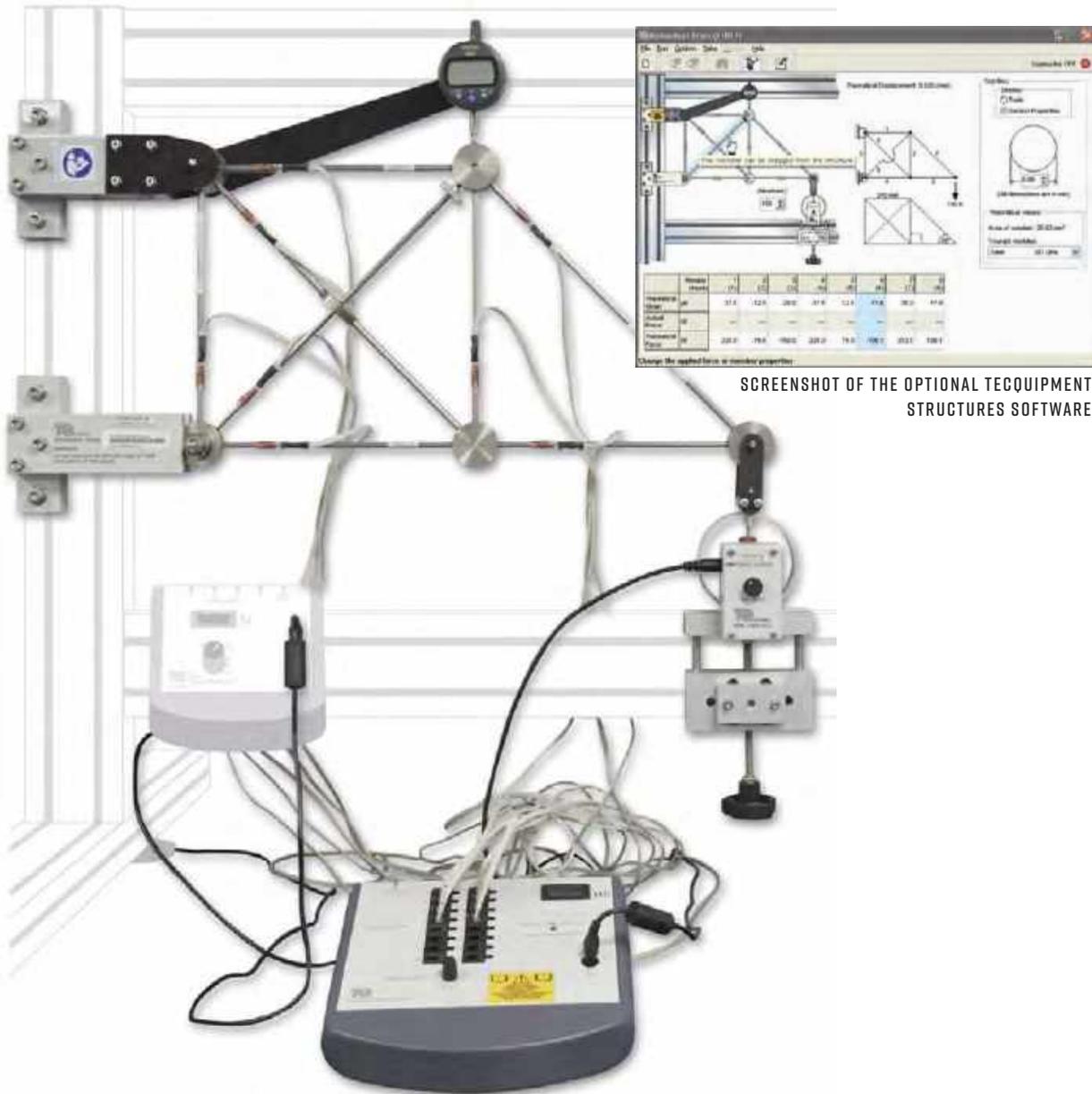
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Three-Pinned Arch (STR9) 202
- Two-Pinned Arch (STR10) 203

# REDUNDANT TRUSS

STR17

Experiment for the study of determinate and indeterminate truss structures. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of strains, stresses, forces and deflections in a:

- statically determinate structure; and
- statically indeterminate structure

Two supports hold the top and base of one side of a structure. The top support allows pivoting, the base support allows pivoting and rolling. Initially, one of the members is missing from the structure, making it determinate. To make the structure indeterminate, students refit the missing member. A load cell measures the applied force.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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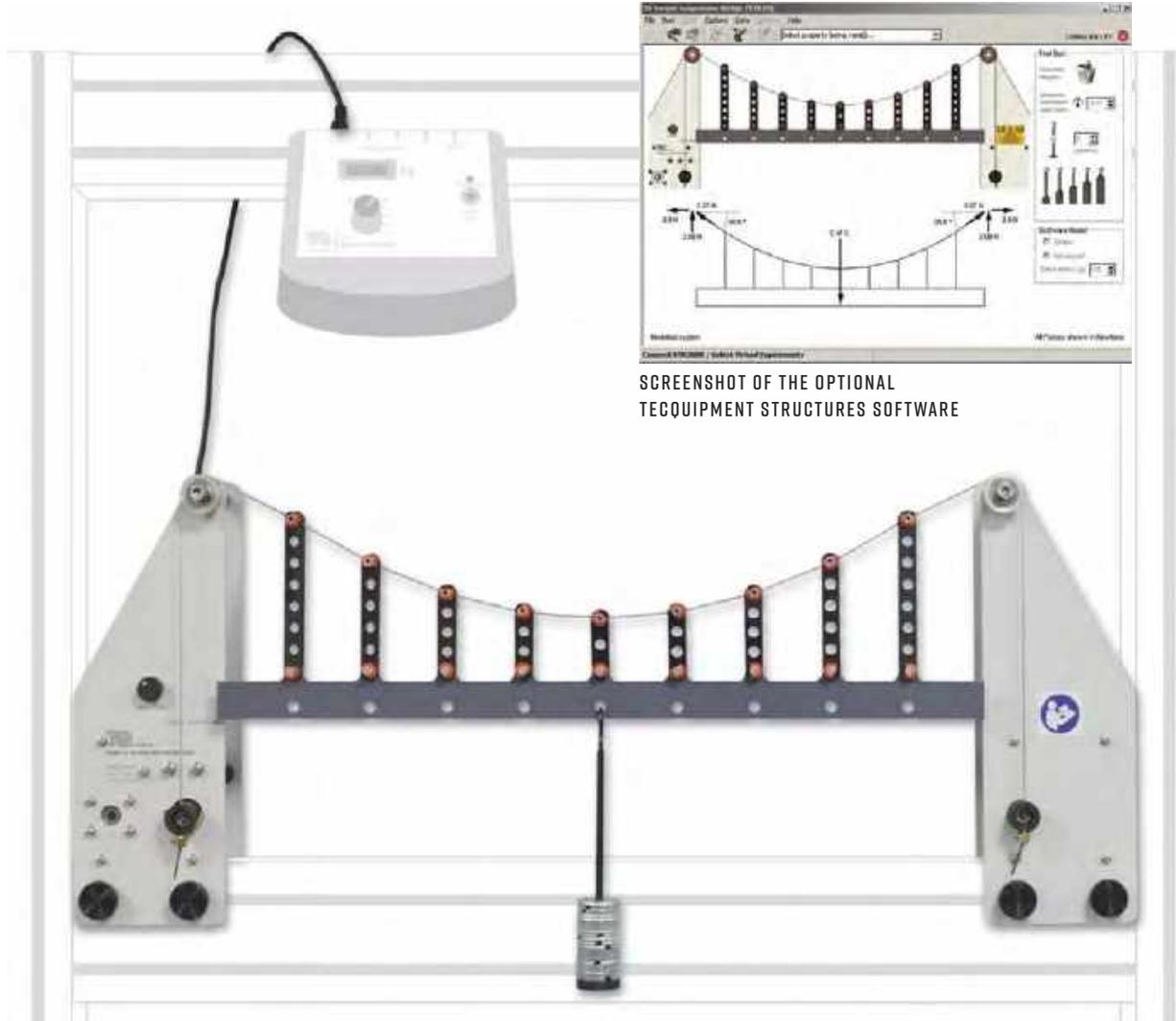
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Pin Jointed Frameworks (STR8) 201

# SIMPLE SUSPENSION BRIDGE

STR19

Experiment for the study of the characteristics of a simple suspension bridge. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of the characteristics of a simple suspension bridge
- Examination of the relationship between applied loads and the suspension cable tension
- Observation of the stability of the structure
- Comparison of behaviour to simplified cable theory

Students use masses on weight hangers to apply various loads to a rigid deck, joined to a parabolic cable via hangers. A load cell measures the cable tension.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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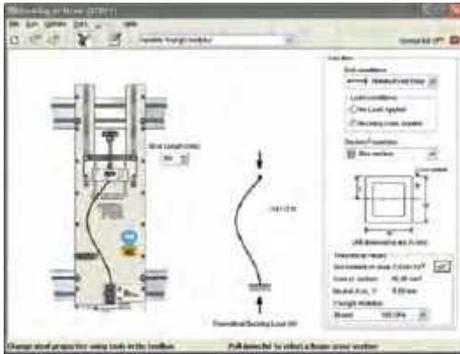
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Suspension Cable Demonstration (STF2) 192

# EULER BUCKLING OF A COLUMN

STR12

Experiment for the study of buckling of slender columns and the relationships between length, end fixing conditions and buckling load. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Euler buckling loads
- Relationship between strut length and collapse load
- Relationship between various end fixing conditions and collapse load
- Nature of deflection and deflected shapes with various end fixing conditions

Students compress aluminium columns (struts) using a screw mechanism. The equipment uses chucks to hold the struts and allows different end fixing conditions. A load cell measures the load applied to the strut.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Euler Strut Buckling Apparatus (SM1005) 186

# POLYTECHNIC MANUFACTURING BANDUNG EXPAND DESIGN ENGINEERING LABORATORY



The Design Engineering Department at Polytechnic Manufacturing Bandung on the island of East Java in Indonesia approached TecQuipment for engineering teaching equipment when they wanted apparatus for their laboratory expansion.

The institution, which has a long history of providing engineering education in the region, recently expanded into offering courses on Design Engineering. They needed civil engineering teaching equipment for teaching students about structures and the behaviour of materials.

Mr Asep Indra Komara, SST, MT, commented on their decision to choose TecQuipment products:

"For a number of years I have been using TecQuipment equipment at the Institute of Technology in Bandung. Now at the Polytechnic Manufacturing Bandung it was a logical choice to once again purchase TecQuipment products, given our previous positive experience of working with the company and their local agent in Indonesia, Jitrasindo. Plus, I know from years of use that TecQuipment manufactures good quality products."

## THE LABORATORY SET-UP

Polytechnic Manufacturing Bandung upgraded their laboratory equipment with structures and materials-based apparatus in two phases, adopting them as students progressed through the academic year.

### PHASE I

For teaching the theory around torsion they chose a series of universal test frames that provide a rigid support for the 19 interchangeable experiment modules in TecQuipment's Structures range. They purchased two different experiments to mount on the test frames: the Bending Stress in a Beam experiment, for investigating stresses and strains within a structure relative to loads; and the Torsion of Circular Sections experiment, for investigating the relationship between torque and deflection in the elastic region of solid and tubular sections of various material specimens.

To complement the above, they added an Unsymmetrical Cantilever Apparatus that allows students to investigate the deflections of unsymmetrical cantilevers, and a Beam Apparatus for investigating deflections and reactions in simply supported and cantilevered beams.

## PHASE 2

For this next phase they purchased a Euler Buckling Apparatus for showing the load and deflection, plus buckling loads for various strut lengths, cross sections and end conditions. Additionally, a Pin Jointed Frameworks experiment to fit on a test frame was selected to investigate different pin jointed frameworks and the impact of applying forces on them. Finally, to familiarise their students with strain gauge techniques, a Strain Gauge Kit was included, which features a selection of resistance strain gauges.

## TRAINING BY LOCAL AGENTS JITRASINDO

TecQuipment works with an expansive network of trusted agents across the world, including Jitrasindo in Indonesia, who supported the installation process and provided training on the equipment at Polytechnic Manufacturing Bandung.

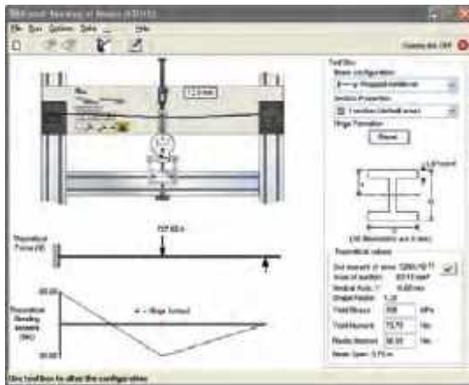
"The training was thorough and efficiently delivered. They even recorded videos for our future reference."



# PLASTIC BENDING OF BEAMS

STR15

Experiment for the study of plastic theory and limit state design of beams. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Relationship between load and deflection for beams loaded to the plastic condition
- Introduction to form factor
- Introduction to limit state design
- Relationship between maximum loading and plastic hinge formation for a simply supported beam, a propped cantilever and a fixed beam

Students fix a specimen beam in chucks at both ends of a backboard. The chucks can either clamp the beam (encasté fixing), or hold it on a knife-edge. The students then load the beam using a screw mechanism and electronic load cell. Deflection of the structure is measured by a digital indicator.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200

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- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

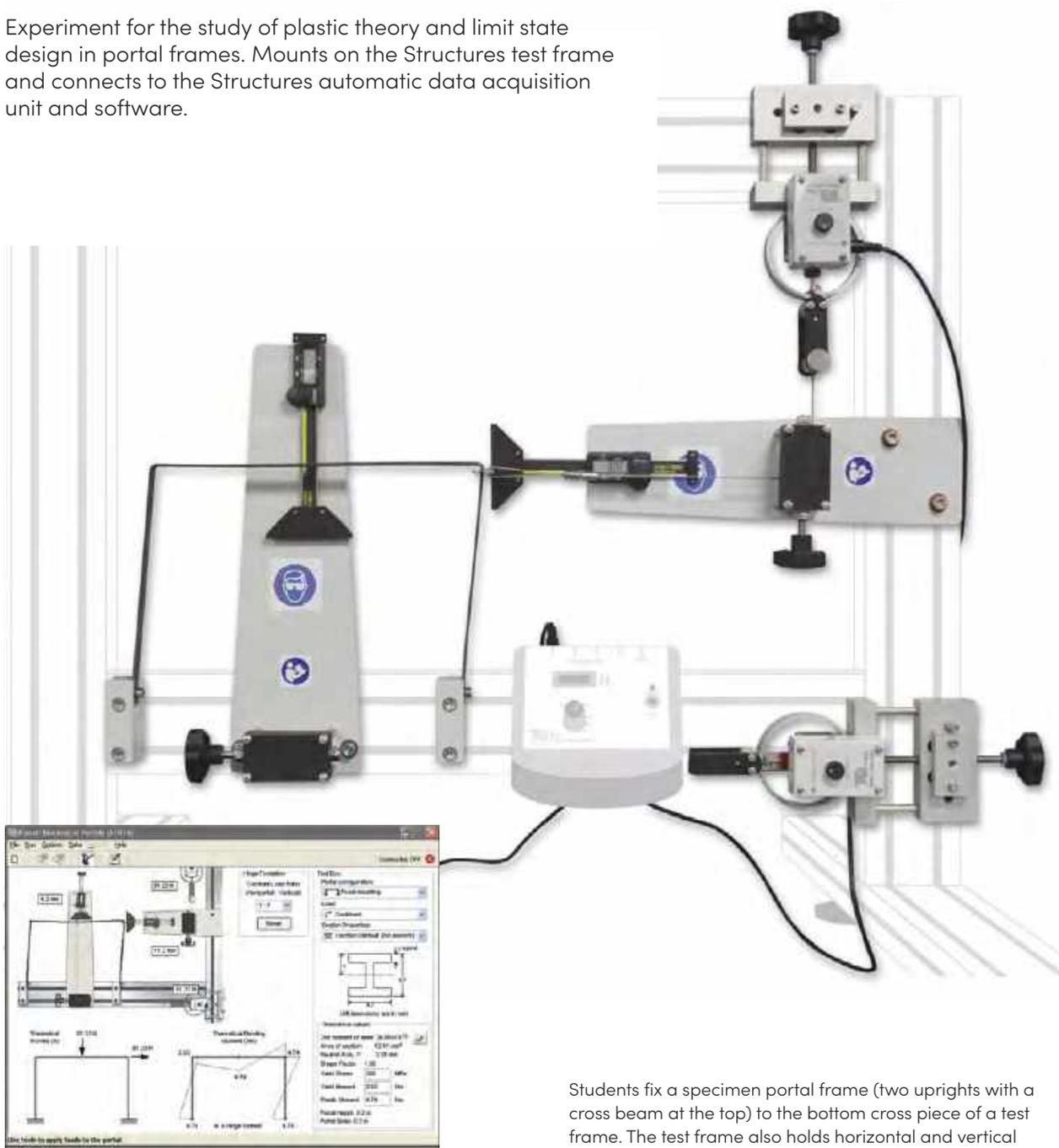
### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g) 173

# PLASTIC BENDING OF PORTALS

STR16

Experiment for the study of plastic theory and limit state design in portal frames. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Relationship between load and deflection for portal frames loaded to the plastic condition
- Introduction to limit state design
- Relationship between maximum loading and plastic hinge formation in portal frames loaded vertically from the centre, horizontally from one corner, and equally from both positions
- Interaction between horizontal and vertical loading in terms of plastic hinge position and mode of collapse

Students fix a specimen portal frame (two uprights with a cross beam at the top) to the bottom cross piece of a test frame. The test frame also holds horizontal and vertical screw mechanisms with electronic load cells for loading the portal frame. Deflection is measured by two digital indicators.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

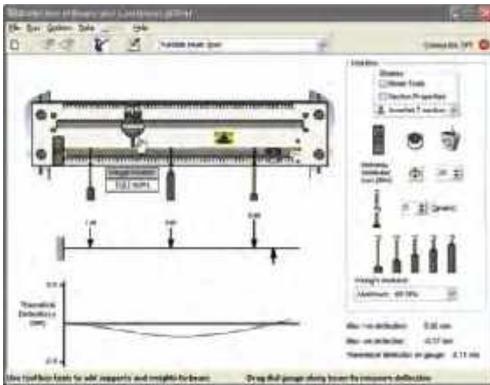
## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

# DEFLECTION OF BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS

STR4

Experiment for the study of beam deflection under different loads and fixing conditions, and the demonstration of Young's modulus. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

### EXAMINATION OF:

- Beam deflections
- General bending formulae
- Beam end rotations
- Elastic modulus (Young's modulus) for various materials

### TYPICAL CONDITIONS ARE:

- Cantilever
- Propped cantilever
- Encastré beam
- Simply supported beam

The experiment hardware consists of a backboard that fixes to the Structures Test Frame (STR1, available separately). Test beams fit onto the backboard using a rigid clamp and knife-edge supports. Students apply loads at any position using hangers holding various masses. Mounted on a trammel, a digital deflection indicator traverses the beam to measure beam deflection.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200

OR

- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Deflection of Beams and Cantilevers Kit (ES4) 11
- Stiffness, Bending and Torsion (TE16) 160
- Beam and Leaf Spring (SM1000g) 173
- Beam Apparatus (SM1004) 184
- Continuous and Indeterminate Beams (STR13) 214

# BENDING STRESS IN A BEAM

STR5

Experiment for the study of stress distribution across the section of a beam. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of:

- Second moment of area
- Converting strains to stresses
- Strain gauges
- The neutral axis
- The bending equation

The experiment hardware is a T-beam that fits onto a Structures Test Frame (STR1, available separately). Students adjust a load cell that bends the beam and, when connected to the optional Digital Force Display (STR1a, available separately), it measures the bending force (load). Strain gauges and a digital strain bridge measure the strains in the beam. Dummy strain gauges compensate for temperature variation and balance the strain bridges.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

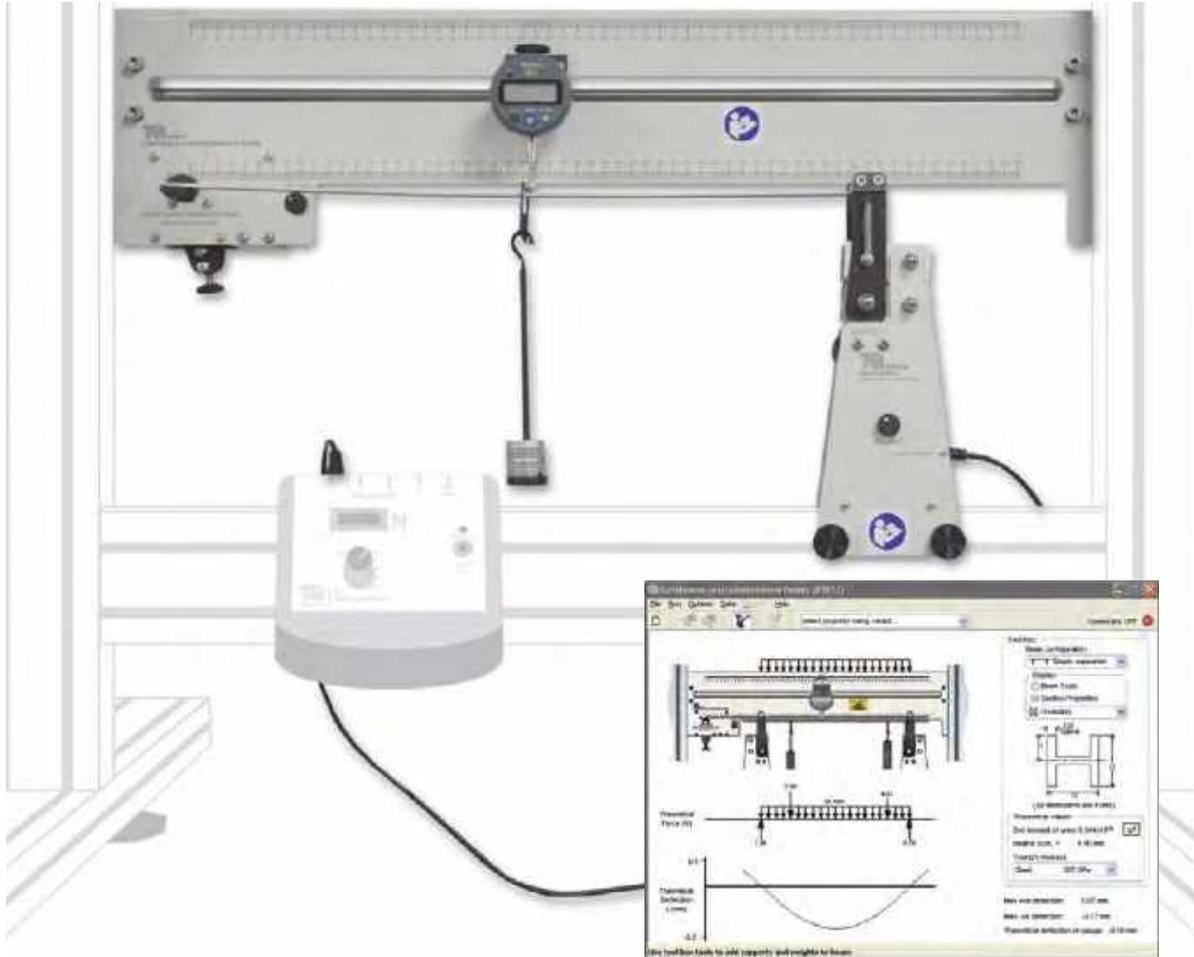
## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

# CONTINUOUS AND INDETERMINATE BEAMS

STR13

Experiment that can be used to perform a wide variety of beam experiments, from simple cases to complex problems. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Reactions of a simply supported beam
- Reactions of a two-span continuous beam
- Reactions and fixing moments of a fixed beam and a propped cantilever
- Reaction and fixing moment of a propped cantilever with a sinking support
- Relationship between load and deflection for beams and cantilevers

This equipment allows many possible experiment configurations, using a stiff (rigid) beam or a significantly more flexible beam.

Students rest a beam on up to three 'piers'. The piers are movable, so students can arrange them in many different positions under the beam. Students use masses on weight hangers to load the beam. Each pier has a load cell to measure the reaction force. A flexible beam can also be attached to measure deflection or fixing moment.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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## LOOK AT THE MATERIALS TESTING RANGE

THE MATERIALS TESTING AND PROPERTIES RANGE ALSO EXTENDS INTO THE AREA OF STRUCTURES AND STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS AND INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING FREE-STANDING PRODUCTS:

### UNSYMMETRICAL CANTILEVER APPARATUS (SM1003, page 188)

A benchtop test frame for examining and displaying bending of an unsymmetrical cantilever. Demonstrates the use of Mohr's circle.

### BEAM APPARATUS (SM1004, page 184)

A benchtop frame with load cells and cantilevers for the study of deflection and forces on different types of beams for a wide range of supports and loads. Also demonstrates Young's modulus.

### EULER BUCKLING APPARATUS (SM1005, page 186)

Benchtop apparatus tests different types of struts and demonstrates how they deflect under load, and demonstrates the use of Southwell's method.



EULER BUCKLING APPARATUS (SM1005)

### **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

The above equipment is compatible with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>). This gives accurate real-time data capture, monitoring and display, calculation and charting of all important readings on a computer (page 310).

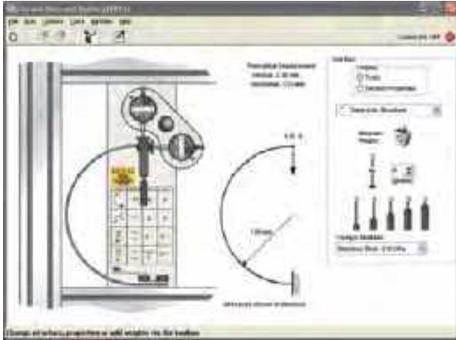


SM1003 VDAS<sup>®</sup> SCREENSHOT

# CURVED BARS AND DAVITS

## STR14

Experiment for investigations into two common curved structures and two common davit structures. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Investigation of the relationship between load, horizontal deflection and vertical deflection for:

- Curved davit
- Angled davit
- Semicircle structure
- Quarter circle structure

Included with the experiment module are four different structures. Loads are then applied to the structure using masses on hangers. Deflection of the structure is measured by two digital indicators.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

# FRAME DEFLECTIONS AND REACTIONS

STR18

Experiment for the study of rectangular portals subjected to vertical loads. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study and comparison of load, horizontal reactions, fixing moments, sway and shear forces in a:

- rectangular portal with a uniform section; and
- rectangular portal with a non-uniform section

The hardware includes two rectangular portal frames with the same dimensions. However, one of the frames has a constant second moment of area, while the other has one leg with a smaller second moment of area. Load is applied using variable masses whilst deflection is measured by a digital indicator.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

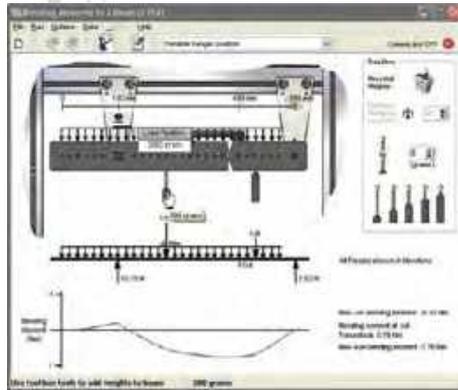
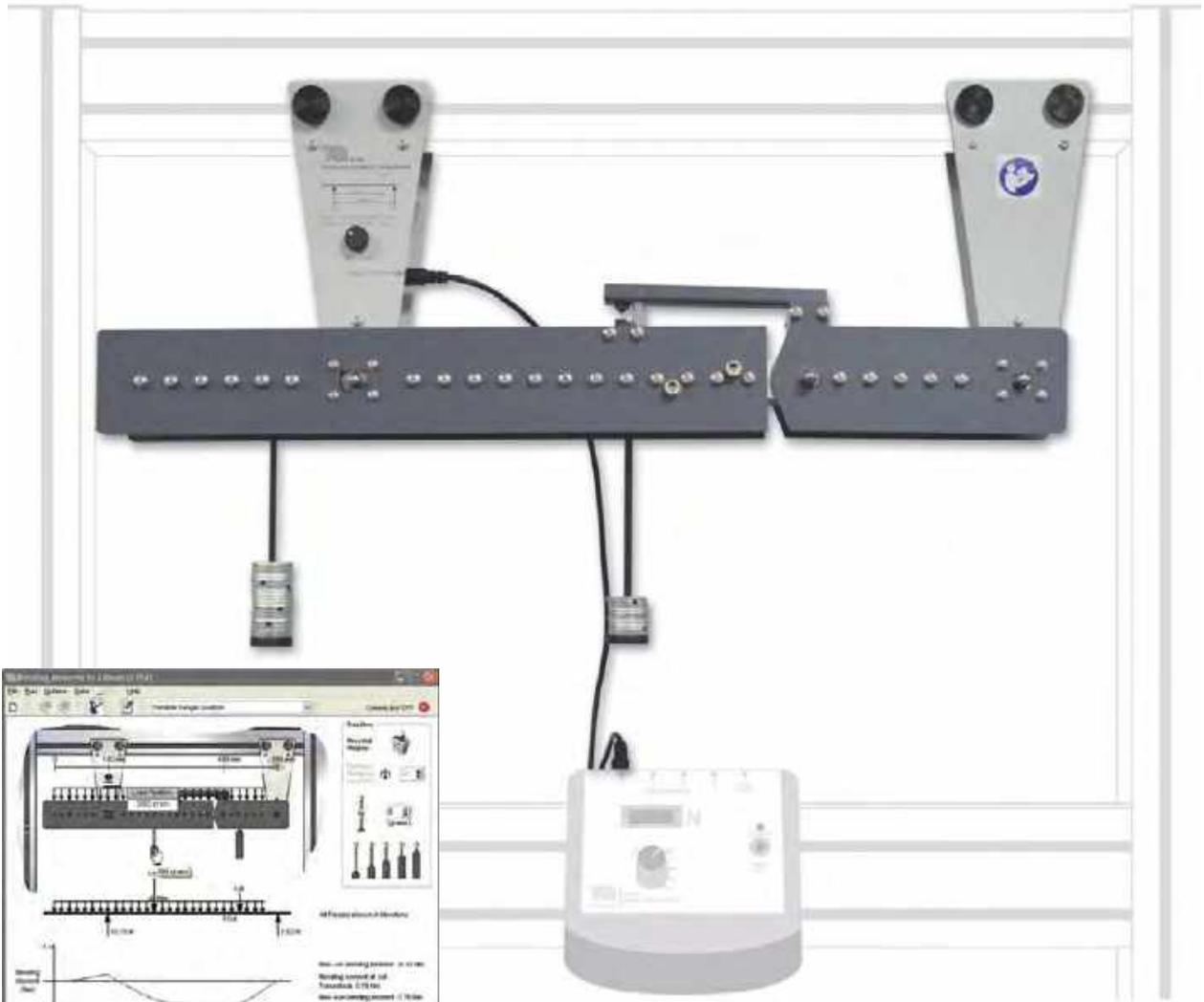
- Bending Moments in a Portal Frame (STR20) 220

# BENDING MOMENTS IN A BEAM



STR2

Experiment that illustrates and proves the basic theory of bending moments in a beam. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL TECQUIPMENT STRUCTURES SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Bending moment variation at the point of loading
- Variation of bending moment away from the point of loading
- Examination of various other loading cases, including loads traversing the beam

The experiment hardware is a simply supported beam 'cut' by a pivot. Students apply loads at set positions using hangers holding various masses. To stop the beam collapsing, a moment arm bridges the 'cut' onto a load cell, thus reacting to (and measuring) the bending moment force.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

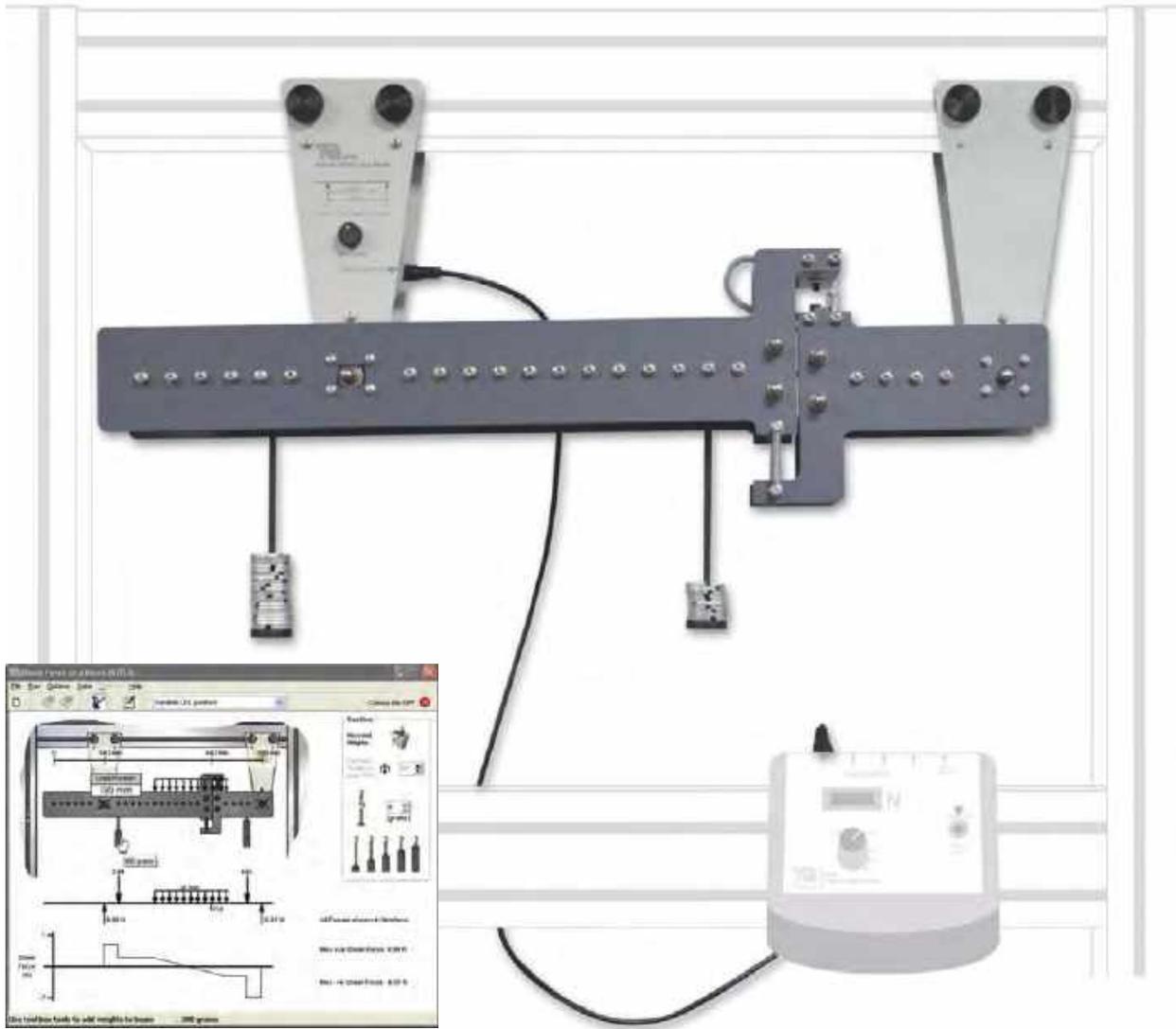
## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

# SHEAR FORCE IN A BEAM

STR3

Experiment that illustrates and proves the basic theory of shear force in a beam. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL TECEQUIPMENT STRUCTURES SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Shear force variation with an increasing point load
- Variation of shear force for various loading conditions
- Examination of various other loading cases and their effect on shear force, including loads traversing the beam

The experiment hardware is a simply supported beam with a 'cut'. A mechanism bridges the cut, which stops the beam collapsing and allows movement in the shear direction only. Students apply loads at set positions using hangers holding various masses. The load cell measures shear force at the 'cut'.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

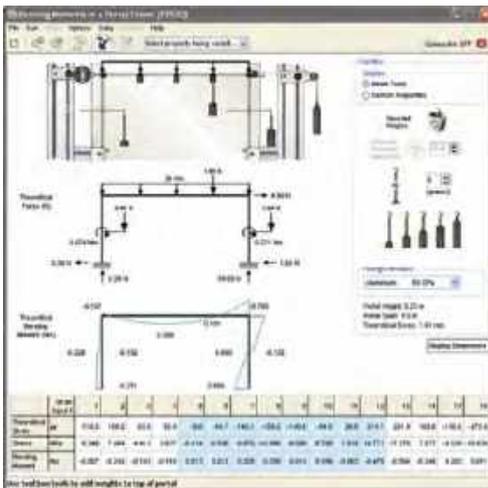
- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
- OR
- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

# BENDING MOMENTS IN A PORTAL FRAME



STR20

Experiment for the study of bending moments and sway in portal frames. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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Students use masses on weight hangers to apply various loads to a portal frame. The portal has three members: a horizontal beam and two vertical members or 'legs' joined at two upper corners. All members are of the same material and have the same flexural rigidity, i.e. value. Deflection is measured by a digital indicator.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Strain gauge linearity
- Using strain measurement to find the bending moment
- Bending moments and sway for vertical and horizontal loads
- Bending moments for internal and external moments on vertical members
- Comparison of ideal and non-ideal structures

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

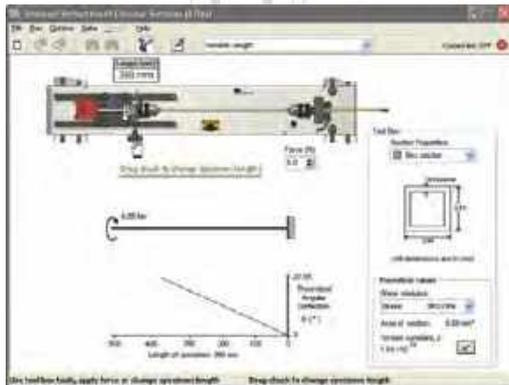
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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# TORSION OF CIRCULAR SECTIONS

STR6

Experiment for the study of torque and deflection in different materials with circular section. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of:

- The relationship between specimen length, torque and angular deflection
- The behaviour of specimens of different materials and sections
- General torsion theory
- Shear modulus
- Polar moment of inertia

The experiment module examines the behaviour in the elastic region of solid and tubular section specimens. Two chucks on a backboard hold a test specimen. A mechanism on one chuck applies torque manually to the specimen. A protractor scale on this chuck measures angular movement. A load cell on the other chuck measures torque.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Digital Force Display (STR1a) 199

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

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# UNSYMMETRICAL BENDING AND SHEAR CENTRE

STR7

Experiment for the study of the vertical and horizontal deflection of different unsymmetrical sections. Mounts on the Structures test frame and connects to the Structures automatic data acquisition unit and software.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL TECQUIPMENT STRUCTURES SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of:

- Horizontal and vertical deflection of different unsymmetrical sections under various loads and at various angles
- Relationship between the vertical and horizontal deflections and the principal moments of area of each section
- Shear centre of various unsymmetrical sections

The experiment module examines the vertical and horizontal deflection of different unsymmetrical sections at various angles and loads. Two multi-way chucks hold a test specimen vertically. One chuck has an indexing system for rotating the beam in set increments. This changes the angle of loading. The other chuck and a weight hanger applies a variable load. Two digital deflection indicators measure deflection in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions. An interchangeable plate allows students to find the shear centre of the specimen.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Structures Test Frame (STR1) 198

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Structures Software (STRS) for virtual experiments 200
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- Automatic Data Acquisition Unit (STR2000) for automatic data acquisition and virtual experiments 199

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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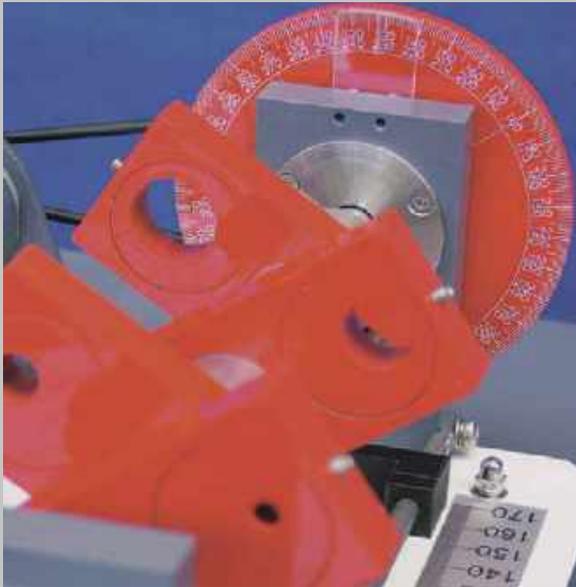
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# THEORY OF MACHINES

The Theory of Machines range offers teaching equipment for the basics of machine engineering, such as motion, to more advanced studies of free and forced vibration, friction in bearings, geared systems and governors.

## SAFE YET HIGHLY VISUAL

Due to the amount of fast moving parts in this range, extra safety features have been incorporated. Interlocked guards prevent accidents, while care has been taken in the design process not to compromise the visibility.



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**BASIC TO ADVANCED TEACHING:** To suit all your laboratory needs.

**SAFETY BY DESIGN:** Interlocked guards where required prevent accidents.

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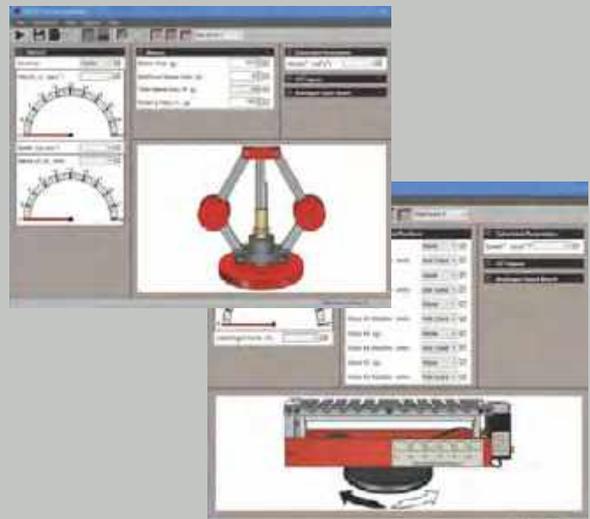
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## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS®**

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# AIR BEARING APPARATUS

VDAS® TE96

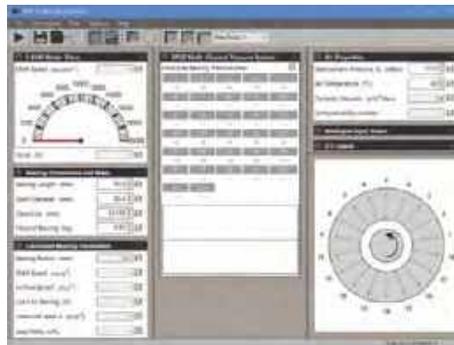
Benchtop, self-contained air bearing apparatus to demonstrate the performance of self-acting, gas-lubricated journal bearings, including the phenomenon of half-speed whirl.



- Demonstrates the performance of a self-acting, gas (air)-lubricated journal bearing
- Self-contained benchtop apparatus, includes all instrumentation needed for tests
- Variable bearing load and speed, for a range of tests
- Includes a multi-channel digital pressure display
- Demonstrates the onset of bearing 'whirl'

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstrate how a vertical load affects the pressure distribution around an air-lubricated journal bearing
- Demonstrate how bearing speed, and therefore compressibility number, affects the pressure distribution in the bearing, and how this compares with theory
- Demonstrate the onset of 'whirl'



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The main part has a variable speed motor that turns a belt drive. The belt drive turns a precision bearing shaft. The shaft has a high-quality surface finish and spins inside a vertically loaded bush. A hand-operated load control and load cell allow the user to apply and measure the load on the bearing bush. The bush has pressure tappings equally spaced around its circumference. The tappings connect to a multichannel digital pressure display unit.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Michell Pad Apparatus (TE99) 227
- Journal Bearing Demonstration (TM25) 228



# HERTZIAN CONTACT APPARATUS

TE98

Benchtop, self-contained unit that allows a practical examination of Hertz's theories of contact between materials.



FRICTION



THEORY OF MACHINES

- Compact, self-contained unit that needs no electricity or external services
- Uses flexible material to produce magnified and easily viewed results
- Controllable hydraulic pressure system with gauge for repeatable results
- Variable relative contact angles and pressures for a range of experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The effect of varied pressure with constant angle
- The effect of varied angle (different relative curvature) with constant pressure

The apparatus has two pads with curved contact surfaces. The upper pad (made of a transparent plastic material) has a compound radius. The lower pad (made of an opaque flexible material) has a simple radius. A hand-operated hydraulic pump and cylinder force the two pads together. Students may rotate the lower pad, a pointer shows the angle of rotation. This allows a study of the effect of different relative curvatures.

## QUALITY CONTROL WITH IN-HOUSE PRODUCTION

To maintain high quality and keep lead times to a minimum, products are designed and manufactured all under one roof at the TecQuipment headquarters based in the UK.



# MICHELL PAD APPARATUS

TE99

A benchtop, self-contained apparatus to demonstrate the pressure distribution across the film of oil in a Michell tilting pad slider bearing. Helps to prove Reynold's equation for pressure gradient in fluid film.



- Proven design, based on a machine created by Imperial College London
- Accurately mimics a Michell tilting pad, fluid-lubricated slider bearing
- Fully adjustable pad (tilt) angle
- Includes oil and a viscometer

The benchtop unit has an aluminium plate (pad) mounted above a continuous loop flat belt. The belt runs in an oil reservoir to provide a continuous supply of oil under the pad. This creates a pressurised film of oil between the pad and the belt. A set of 13 graduated tubes show the oil pressure across and along the film under the pad.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Air Bearing Apparatus (TE96)         | 225 |
| • Journal Bearing Demonstration (TM25) | 228 |

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Study of:

- Pressure distributions in a tilting pad bearing
- Influence of sliding speed and viscosity on the pressure distribution in the bearing, and comparison with calculations based on Reynold's equation
- Relationship between pressure and the film thickness at the trailing edge of the pad

# JOURNAL BEARING DEMONSTRATION

TM25

Floor-standing apparatus for demonstrating the pressures around a journal bearing at different speeds.

- Acrylic bearing allows clear observation of oil film at all times
- Pressure profiles, along and around the bearing, continuously monitored on large manometer panel
- Theoretical pressure profiles (Sommerfeld analysis) may be tested and compared with practical results
- Provides striking demonstration of self-excited vibrations (half-speed whirl)
- Fully adjustable speed, direction and loads

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

#### SIMPLE DEMONSTRATIONS:

- Observation of oil wedge (film thickness) and hence eccentricity variations for different speeds and loads
- Observation of the pressure profiles at these conditions
- Observation of the critical bearing whirl

#### EXPERIMENTS:

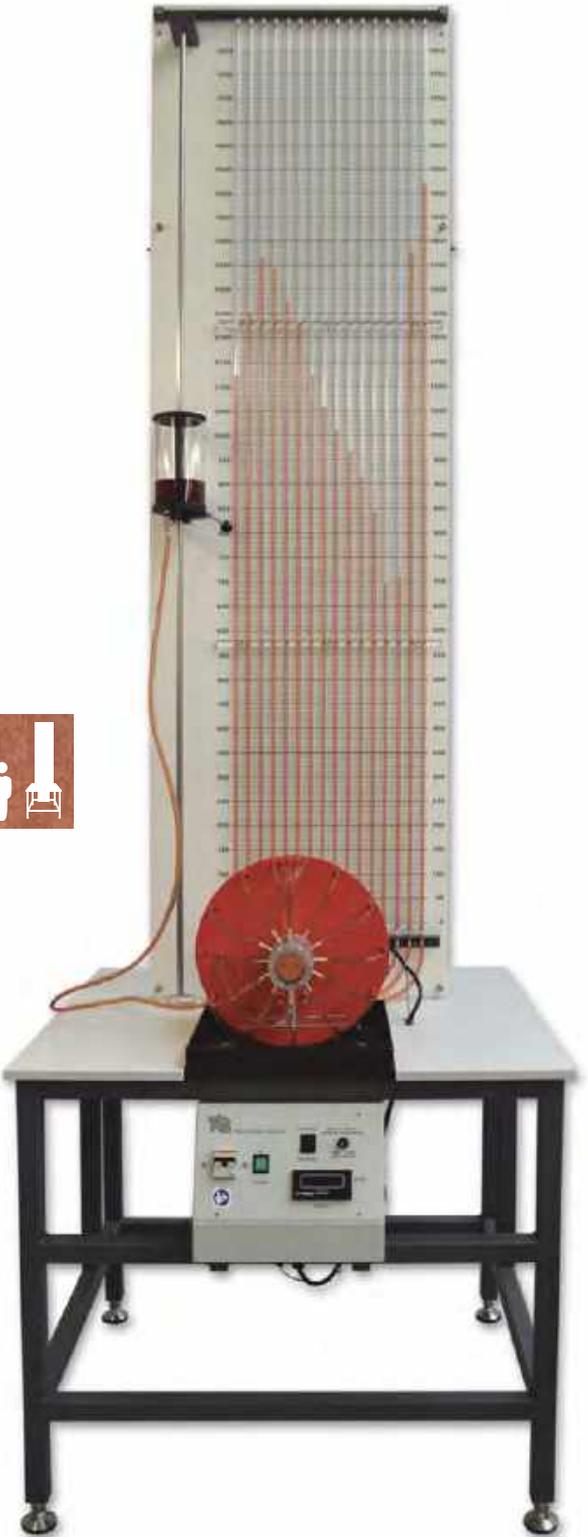
- Measuring pressure profiles for chosen conditions and plotting the Cartesian and polar pressure curves
- Measuring pressure profiles for chosen conditions and plotting the theoretical Sommerfeld curve
- Measuring shaft speed and journal speed at the critical whirl

All tests may be conducted for either direction of rotation of the shaft.

An adjustable reservoir supplies oil to a low-pressure region at both ends of the bearing. The bearing contains 12 equi-spaced pressure tappings around its circumference, and four additional ones along its topside and on a vertical radial plane. All are connected by light and flexible plastic tubes to the rear manometer panel, to clearly show the pressure head of oil at all 16 points at all times. Students load the bearing by attaching weights (included) to arms connected to the bearing.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Stroboscope (ST1) 303



### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Air Bearing Apparatus (TE96) 225
- Michell Pad Apparatus (TE99) 227

# CAM ANALYSIS MACHINE

**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD TM1021V

Benchtop apparatus and control and instrumentation unit, for studying the dynamic behaviour of different cams and followers and their 'bounce' speed.



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- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- Illustrates cam and follower separation or 'cam bounce' under safe and controlled conditions
- Fully interlocked for safety
- Highly visual and audible, perfect for demonstrations

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Comparing actual results with theory for profiles of follower displacement, acceleration and velocity
- Cam bounce speeds for different cam and follower combinations, and comparison of speeds to those predicted by simplified theory
- How spring rate, preload and follower mass affect cam bounce speed

The main part of the product has a precision-machined heavy steel base which holds a high-torque, direct-drive variable speed motor. The motor shaft connects through a coupling to the main shaft which then passes into the cam test area. Self-aligning heavy-duty bearings support the shaft which has a substantial flywheel. The flywheel reduces speed variations as the torque demand changes during the cam rotation cycle. The cam under test fits to the end of the main shaft, accurately mounted both axially and radially to ensure repeatability. The follower fits to the bottom of a vertical shaft running in low-friction linear bearings.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Cam and Crank and Toggle Kit (ES12)

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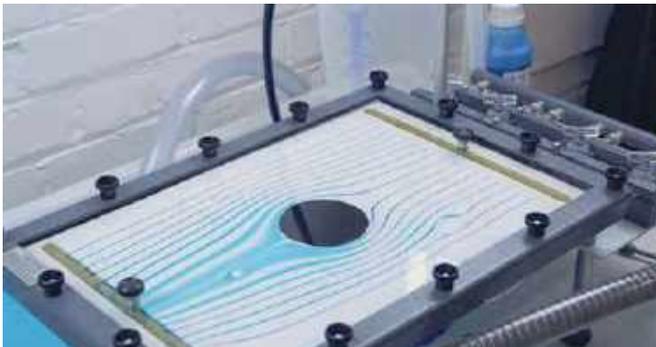
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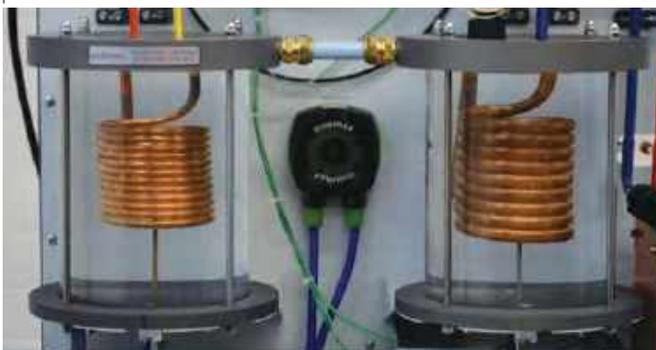
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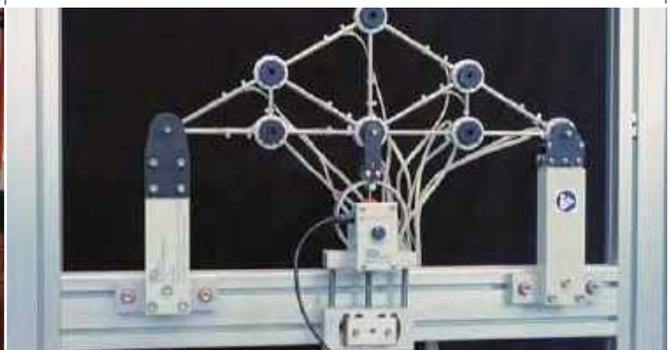
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REFRIGERATION CYCLE (EC1500)



PIN-JOINTED FRAMEWORKS (STR8)



PROCESS TRAINER (CE117)



IMPACT OF A JET (H8)

# WHIRLING OF SHAFTS AND CRITICAL SPEED

TM1001

Benchtop apparatus that demonstrates 'whirling' in different horizontal shafts with a variety of fixings (end conditions), loaded and unloaded.



- Demonstrates first and second mode whirl speeds and how to predict them
- Extra bearings and weights (included) give a choice of free/free, fixed/free and fixed/fixed end conditions and experiments with loaded shafts and eccentric loading
- Supplied with different shafts to study how length and diameter affects whirling
- Optional stroboscope to 'freeze' the image of the shaft to see its shape clearly

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Basic whirling demonstration
- The effect of shaft length and diameter
- The effect of end conditions (fixings)
- Loaded shaft (one and two masses)
- Eccentric loading

A variable speed motor turns the horizontal test shaft. Two bearings hold the shaft: one bearing at the 'driven end' and the other bearing at the 'tail end' of the shaft. The tail end bearing slides in its housing to allow the shaft length to change as it 'whirls'. Similar to a beam on two simple knife-edge supports, both bearings allow free angular shaft movement (free ends condition). Also supplied with the equipment are extra bearings that restrict angular movement when fitted, to give 'fixed ends'.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Stroboscope (ST1)

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# GEARED SYSTEMS

**VDAS®** TM1018

Benchtop apparatus for dynamic and static experiments on geared and other drive systems. This base unit requires at least one of the optional drive units: toothed belt drive, round belt drive, chain drive and helical gear drive.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Fully equipped benchtop base unit for tests on several different drive units

*Saves space and reduces costs*

Includes gear drive unit, with optional belt, chain and helical gear drive systems

*Offers comparative tests of different designs*

Optional test stand (TM1018a)

*For additional tests in static efficiency and inertia*

Easy set-up, all drive units can be removed and fitted in minutes

*Maximises experiment time*

Works with VDAS®

*Quick and reliable tests with data capture*

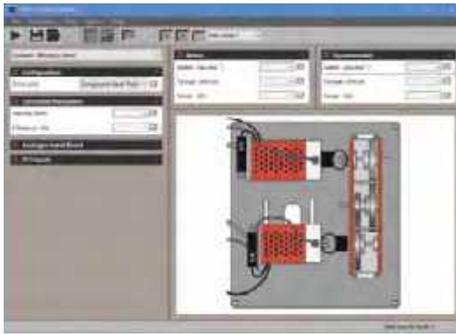
## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

### DYNAMIC:

- Simple and compound gear trains
- Mechanical advantage, velocity ratio and dynamic efficiencies of gear trains
- Mechanical advantage, velocity ratio and dynamic efficiencies of optional drive systems (chain, belt and helical gears)
- Appreciation of the different characteristics of drive systems
- Chain and belt drive tension, including different methods of application

### ACCELERATION AND STATIC:

- Mechanical advantage, velocity ratio and static efficiencies of gear drives
- Mass moment of inertia of a flywheel by experiment and calculation
- Mass moment of inertia of geared drive systems by experiment and calculation



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### BASE UNIT TM1018

In the base unit's upper level, the student fits their choice of drive unit. A variable speed, low-voltage motor provides the shaft input turning force (effort) to the drive. A dynamometer provides the output braking force (load) to the drive. The dynamometer uses electromagnetic braking and a hysteresis effect to provide a variable load at a constant torque, irrespective of the speed. Sensors on the motor and dynamometer measure their shaft speed, torque and therefore power in and out at the drive. Fans provide air cooling for both the motor and dynamometer. Flexible couplings with collets connect the drive unit to the motor and dynamometer for quick and accurate alignment.

### OPTIONAL TEST STAND TM1018A



The Acceleration and Static Test Stand (TM1018a) gives extra experiments in measuring angular acceleration and static efficiency.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

• Acceleration and Static Test Stand (TM1018a)	233
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• Helical Gear Drive (TM1018e)	233
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### OPTIONAL DRIVE UNITS:

**TOOTHED BELT DRIVE TM1018B**

**ROUND BELT DRIVE TM1018C**

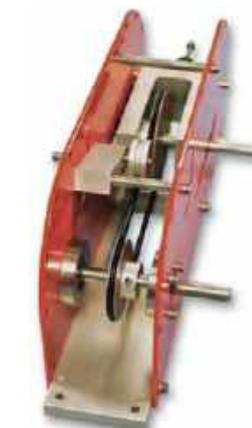
**CHAIN DRIVE TM1018D**

**HELICAL GEAR DRIVE TM1018E**

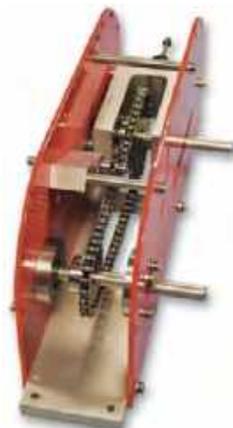
The optional drive units work with the TM1018 base unit for dynamic tests on performance, allowing comparison with the gear drive. For extended experiments, the optional drives each include three different methods of adjusting their tension to demonstrate how this affects performance.



TOOTHED BELT DRIVE  
TM1018B



ROUND BELT DRIVE  
TM1018C



CHAIN DRIVE  
TM1018D



HELICAL GEAR DRIVE  
TM1018E

### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

• Drive Systems Kit (ES11)	20
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• Potential and Kinetic Energy Kit (ES9) (for the optional test stand TM1018a)	17



# BALANCE OF RECIPROCATING MASSES



**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD TM1022V

Bench-mounted model four-cylinder engine with control and instrumentation unit that demonstrates the primary and secondary forces and moments when balancing reciprocating masses.



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- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- Includes a control and instrumentation unit to process the force and moment signals, also has an electronic drive control to adjust and display the engine speed accurately
- Simulates one, two and four-cylinder engines
- Variable crank angle settings and additional piston masses for a range of tests

A cantilever holds a model four-cylinder engine. The model engine has a crankshaft, connecting rods, bushes (as big end bearings), pistons and a cylinder block. A separate control and instrumentation unit (included) controls a motor that turns the engine crankshaft. The crankshaft has adjustable sections. Students can rotate each section relative to the others to change the crank angles.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Primary and secondary forces and moments in popular engine configurations: one, two and four-cylinder
- Primary and secondary forces and moments for different crank settings
- Comparing calculated forces and moments with actual results

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Static and Dynamic Balancing (TM1002) 235



# STATIC AND DYNAMIC BALANCING



TM1002

Benchtop apparatus for experiments in balancing a rotating mass system, statically and dynamically.



- Interlocked transparent dome allows students to observe the masses rotating
- Demonstrates balancing a horizontal shaft with two, three or four rotating masses
- Independent analysis of static and dynamic balancing
- Includes four removeable rotating masses (balance blocks) with different inserts for a range of moments
- Protractor, horizontal scale and sliding indicator to help accurately position the rotating masses

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of simple static and dynamic balancing of two, three and four rotating masses
- Dynamic balancing of rotating mass systems by calculation and vector diagrams (triangle and polygon)

The test assembly includes a balanced steel shaft mounted horizontally on low-friction bearings. The equipment includes a set of four rotating masses (balance blocks). The balance blocks fix in any horizontal position and relative angle on the shaft. Each block contains a different (and removable) circular insert, allowing students to create four blocks of different mass and moment. Without the inserts, the blocks become four identical masses for simple balancing tests.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Balance of Reciprocating Masses (TM1022V) 234



# GYROSCOPE



VIDAS® TM1004

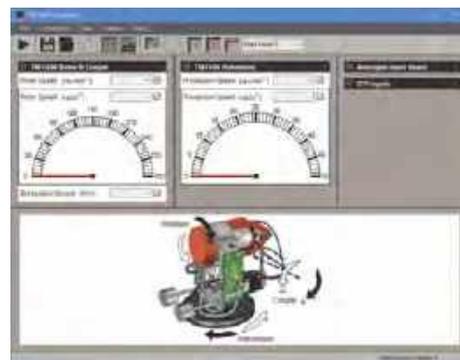
Benchtop apparatus for experiments in gyroscopic couple and velocities of rotor and precession.



MOTION

THEORY OF MACHINES

- Direct measurement of gyroscopic tilting force, couple and velocities (speeds) shown on digital displays
- Interlocked, transparent dome allows students to observe the gyroscope spinning in safety
- Works in both clockwise and anticlockwise directions for a full range of tests
- Unique multifunction controls for coarse and fine adjustment of velocity and direction



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Direction of gyroscopic couple (in relation to precession and rotor spin directions).
- Magnitude of gyroscopic couple (in relation to precession and rotor spin velocities).

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) (benchtop version)

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The rotor of an electric motor shares a horizontally supported shaft with a flywheel, forming the gyroscope. A second electric motor turns a belt that turns a turntable under the gyroscope, causing precession about a vertical axis. Both motors work in clockwise and anticlockwise rotation and with variable velocity.

# CENTRIFUGAL FORCE



VDAS® TM1005

Benchtop apparatus for experiments in centrifugal force and angular velocity.



- Demonstrates the relationship between centrifugal force, mass of a rotating body, its distance from the axis, and its angular velocity
- Balanced arm mechanism for accurate readings
- Interlocked, transparent dome allows students to see the mechanism rotating in safety
- Includes a set of weights for different experiments

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Finding the relationship between centrifugal force, the mass of a rotating body, its distance from the axis of rotation (radial position) and the speed of rotation.

A base unit supports a mechanism that rotates under a clear dome. An electric motor turns a belt that turns a turntable under the mechanism. The motor works in clockwise and anticlockwise direction and with variable velocity. A sensor measures the rotational velocity of the mechanism.



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## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Centrifugal Force Kit (ES16) 22



# CORIOLIS FORCE



TM1017

Benchtop apparatus for demonstrations and experiments in Coriolis force.



MOTION

THEORY OF MACHINES

- Clearly demonstrates the Coriolis force deflecting a jet of water within a rotating reference system
- Adjustable speed and direction of rotation
- Adjustable pump rate
- Local LCD display
- Interlocked guard allows students to observe the deflection in safety
- Supplied with an action camera to view stationary water deflection using wifi or a smart device (not supplied)

A benchtop base unit supporting a rotating arm on which a transparent water tank and counterbalance are mounted. The water tank houses a submersible pump which produces a jet of water. The jet of water is observed to deflect when the arm rotates. The deflection is due to the Coriolis force, a fictitious force which appears to act on objects moving within a frame of reference that is rotating. Dials and a digital display on the base unit allow students to adjust the speed and direction of rotation, as well as the pump rate.

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Understanding of fictitious forces
- Visualisation of the Coriolis force effect
- Verification of the relationship between Coriolis force, the speed and direction of rotation and the velocity of objects moving within the rotating reference frame

# GOVERNORS



VDAS<sup>®</sup> TM1027

Benchtop apparatus for demonstrating how different governors work, including Hartnell, Porter and Proell governors.



HARTNELL GOVERNOR SHOWN FITTED



PORTER GOVERNOR

PROELL GOVERNOR

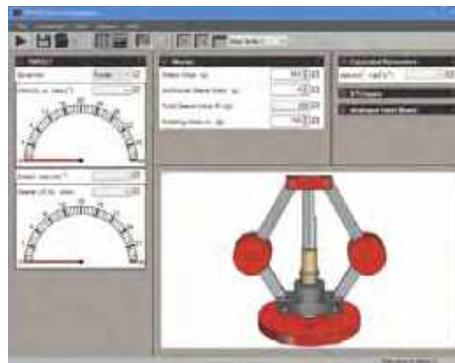
- Includes three easy-to-fit governors: Hartnell, Porter and Proell
- Interlocked, transparent dome allows students to observe the governors rotating in safety
- Includes additional weights to change the mass of the Porter and Proell governor sleeves
- Supplied with different springs and rotating masses for the Hartnell governor

A base unit contains a variable speed motor. The motor turns each of three different governors: Proell, Porter and Hartnell.

**NOTE:** Only one governor can be tested at a time.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Finding characteristic curves of governor speed against sleeve lift
- Comparison of governor types in terms of sensitivity, stability and effort
- On the Porter and Proell governors, the effects of varying centre sleeve mass
- On the Hartnell governor, the effects of varying:
  - arm length
  - spring rate
  - spring compression
  - rotating mass
- Demonstration of the isochronous condition (Hartnell governor)





# FREE VIBRATIONS TEST FRAME

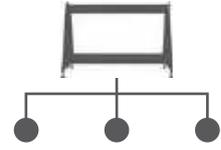
TM160

A sturdy benchtop frame for use with the Free Vibrations experiment modules.



## MODULAR SYSTEM

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT (TM160)



### EXPERIMENT MODULES (TM161-TM167)

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**Rigid and lightweight construction**  
Ensures repeatability of results and long service life, yet light enough to move around the laboratory

**Supplied with all the tools needed for assembly**  
Quick and easy set-up time, optimises experiment time during laboratory sessions

**Includes a storage tray for safe storage of any tools and smaller parts of the optional experiments**

**Reduces risk of losing components giving greater longevity**

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

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For use with TecQuipment's Free Vibrations experiments, the test frame fits on any standard desk or benchtop. Students, teachers or lecturers fit the parts of their free vibrations experiments to the test frame to study or demonstrate a free vibrations topic.



SHOWN WITH ONE OF THE AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES

# SIMPLE AND COMPOUND PENDULUMS

TM161

Experiment for studying simple harmonic motion and the factors that affect the period of oscillation of pendulums. Fits onto the Free Vibrations test frame.



- Back panels with referenced scales and sliding indicators for accurate positioning of pendulum parts
- The simple pendulum has unique quick-change spheres and adjustable cord length so no tools required
- Includes simple, compound and Kater's pendulums for a range of experiments
- Quick and easy assembly
- Contains all parts needed for the experiments, including a stopwatch and basic tools

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and period of oscillation
- Mass moment of inertia
- Radius of gyration
- Routh's rule

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Cord length and period of a simple pendulum
- Mass and period of a simple pendulum
- Using a simple pendulum to find the acceleration due to gravity
- Centre of gravity and period of a compound pendulum
- How an adjustable mass affects the period of a compound pendulum
- Using a Kater's pendulum to find the acceleration due to gravity

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Simple Harmonic Motion Kit (ES7) 15





# FILAR PENDULUMS

TM162

Experiment for studying simple harmonic motion and the factors that affect the period of oscillation of bifilar and trifilar pendulums. Fits onto the Free Vibrations test frame.



- Flexible and modular, fits onto the test frame (TM160) for experiments and laboratory demonstrations
- Different pendulum designs, lengths, mass and inertia, for a range of experiments
- Quick and easy assembly
- Contains all parts needed for the experiments, including an 'example machine element', stopwatch, steel rule and basic tools

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and period of oscillation
- Mass moment of inertia
- Radius of gyration
- Axis of rotation
- Parallel axis theorem

#### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Simple Harmonic Motion Kit (ES7) 15

#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Cord length and period of bifilar and trifilar pendulums
- Cord (support) positions and period of bifilar and trifilar pendulums
- Mass and period of bifilar and trifilar pendulums
- Position of mass on bifilar and trifilar pendulums
- Finding moment of inertia of an 'example machine part' in two different axes



SHOWN WITH THE TEST FRAME (TM160)

# CENTRE OF PERCUSSION

TM163

Experiment that illustrates how to calculate and find a compound centre of percussion pendulums. Fits onto the Free Vibrations test frame.

- Flexible and modular, fits onto the test frame (TM160) for experiments and laboratory demonstrations
- Realistic scale for highly visual and accurate experiments in complete safety
- Quick and easy assembly
- Contains all parts needed for the experiments, including a stopwatch and basic tools

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Centre of gravity, period of oscillation and radius of gyration of a compound pendulum
- Centre of percussion of a compound pendulum

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and period of oscillation
- Radius of gyration
- Centre of gravity
- Centre of percussion (CoP) and the 'sweet spot'
- Impact reactions

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240



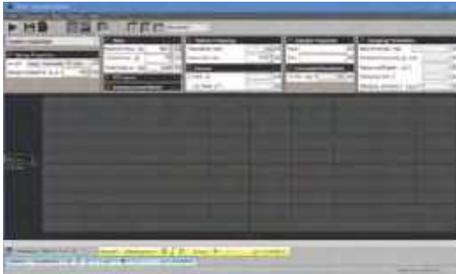
SHOWN WITH THE TEST FRAME (TM160)



# FREE VIBRATIONS OF A MASS-SPRING SYSTEM

**VDAS®** TM164

Experiment that uses simple harmonic motion theory to demonstrate how to calculate the frequency of oscillation in simple mass-spring systems; demonstrates Hooke's law.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE OPTIONAL DAMPER KIT (TM164A)



- Flexible and modular, fits onto the test frame (TM160) for experiments and laboratory demonstrations
- Optional dashpot for extra experiments in oscillation damping
- Non-contacting measurement sensors for negligible damping
- Additional acceleration sensor for comparison with software-derived waveform
- Works with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) for real-time display of the mass-spring oscillations

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Spring extension and force (spring constant) and Hooke's law
- Frequency of oscillation, spring constant and varying mass
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives
- Comparison of measured and derived acceleration
- Oscillation damping and coefficient – needs optional Damper Kit (TM164a)

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and frequency of oscillation
- Spring constant and Hooke's law
- Oscillation damping
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- 2 x Damper Kit (TM164a)

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

**NOTE:** This equipment needs the latest VDAS® and will not work with early versions of VDAS®. Contact TecQuipment or the local agent if unsure.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Free and Forced Vibrations (TM1016V) 249

# FREE TORSIONAL VIBRATIONS

**VDAS®** TM165

Experiment that demonstrates the oscillatory motion of a disc attached to a slender rod.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE OPTIONAL DAMPER KIT (TM165A)

- Uses the rotational movement of a disc suspended from a circular rod for a highly visual and intuitive display of simple harmonic motion
- Optional Damper Kit (TM165a) for extra experiments in oscillation damping
- Includes a selection of specimen rods and an additional inertia ring for a range of experiments
- Non-contacting displacement sensor to see and measure oscillatory motion with negligible damping effect
- Works with TecEquipment's VDAS® for real-time display of the displacement waveform and its derivatives

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM)
- Frequency of oscillation
- Shear modulus
- Polar moment of area
- Mass moment of inertia
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Rod diameter and frequency of oscillation
- Rod length and frequency of oscillation
- Inertia and frequency of oscillation
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives
- Damped torsional oscillations – needs optional Damper Kit (TM165a)

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

**NOTE:** This equipment needs the latest VDAS® and will not work with early versions of VDAS®. Contact TecEquipment or the local agent if unsure.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

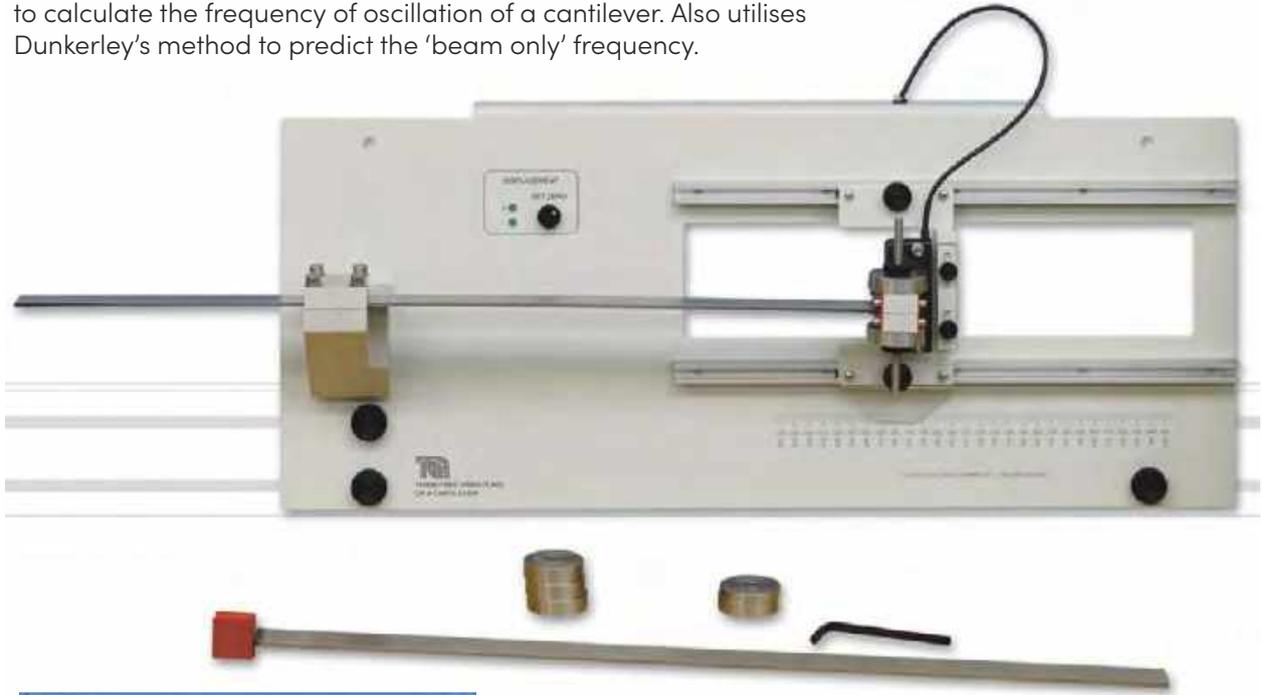
- Damper Kit (TM165a)



# FREE VIBRATIONS OF A CANTILEVER

**VDAS®** TM166

Experiment that uses fundamental theory and Rayleigh's approximation to calculate the frequency of oscillation of a cantilever. Also utilises Dunkerley's method to predict the 'beam only' frequency.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE

- Quick and easy assembly
- Mounts both vertically and horizontally for alternative analysis
- Includes a plain cantilever and a weighted cantilever with 'tip mass' for a range of experiments
- Non-contacting displacement sensor to see and measure oscillatory motion with negligible damping effect

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and frequency of oscillation
- Beam stiffness
- Rayleigh's method
- Dunkerley's method
- Second moment of area
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Predicting oscillation frequency using Rayleigh's method and the simplified method assuming that the beam is 'light'
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives
- Horizontal cantilever length and frequency of oscillation
- Using Dunkerley's method to predict the 'beam only' frequency
- Comparison of vertical and horizontal cantilevers

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

**NOTE:** This equipment needs the latest VDAS® and will not work with early versions of VDAS®. Contact TecEquipment or the local agent if unsure.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Free and Forced Vibrations (TM1016V) 249

# FREE VIBRATIONS OF A BEAM AND SPRING

**VDAS**® TM167

Experiment that demonstrates the oscillatory motion of a rigid beam, pivoted at one end and suspended by a spring at the other.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE



- Uses a pivoted beam with spring for a highly visual display of simple harmonic motion
- Integral scales to save time and for convenient use
- Optional Damper Kit (TM167a) for extra experiments in oscillation damping using safe, easily-available fluids
- Non-contacting displacement sensor to see and measure oscillatory motion with negligible damping effect



SHOWN FITTED WITH THE OPTIONAL DAMPER KIT (TM167A)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Spring extension and force (spring constant), and Hooke's law
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives
- Frequency of oscillation and varying mass moment of inertia by varying mass value
- Frequency of oscillation and spring constant
- Frequency of oscillation and varying mass moment of inertia by varying mass position
- Oscillation damping and coefficient – needs optional Damper Kit (TM167a)

This product is part of a range that explores free vibrations in simple 'one degree of freedom' systems and It introduces students to key scientific terms such as:

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM) and frequency of oscillation
- Moment of inertia
- Oscillation damping
- Spring constant and Hooke's law
- Phase difference between displacement and its derivatives

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SHOWN FITTED TO THE TEST FRAME (TM160) AND CONNECTED TO VDAS®

**ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:**

- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160) 240

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Damper Kit (TM167a) 247

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

**NOTE:** This equipment needs the latest VDAS® and will not work with early versions of VDAS®. Contact TecQuipment or the agent if unsure.

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Free and Forced Vibrations (TM1016V) 249

## UNIVERSAL VIBRATIONS APPARATUS

**VDAS®** TM16S

This package includes all products from the Vibration section of TecQuipment's Theory of Machines range (TM160–TM167 and TM1016V). It offers multiple experiments in both free and forced vibrations, and includes our Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®).

Products included in the package:

- Free and Forced Vibrations (TM1016V)
- Free Vibrations Test Frame (TM160)
- Simple and Compound Pendulums (TM161)
- Filar Pendulums (TM162)
- Centre of Percussion (TM163)
- Free Vibrations of a Mass-Spring System (TM164)
- 2 x Damper Kit (TM164a)
- Free Torsional Vibrations (TM165)
- 1 x Damper Kit (TM165a)
- Free Vibrations of a Cantilever (TM166)
- Free Vibrations of a Beam and Spring (TM167)
- 2 x Damper Kit (TM167a)
- 1 x Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B)

# FREE AND FORCED VIBRATIONS

**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD TM1016V

Investigates the free and forced vibrations of a rigid beam with a spring, and a simply supported beam. Demonstrates Rayleigh's approximation and Dunkerley's method.



SCREENSHOT OF THE  
VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Two different vibration systems in one self-contained unit: a 'rigid' beam with a spring and a pinned/pinned (simply supported) 'flexible' beam

Increased experimental scope with minimal set up time

Non-contacting displacement sensor

Frictionless measurement of displacement that minimises influence on experiment results

High-quality servomotor 'exciter', for forced vibrations at a constant speed

Minimises cyclical variations and enhances accuracy and repeatability

Offset mass position sensor

Demonstrates the phase relationship between applied force and displacement

Built-in accelerometer for comparison of derived and measured acceleration waveforms

High level functions deepen students' understanding

Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard), featuring data acquisition via USB

Advanced software eliminates need for additional expensive oscilloscope

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**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Free and forced vibrations of a rigid beam and spring
- Free and forced vibrations of a flexible pinned/pinned (simply supported) beam
- Using Rayleigh’s approximation to predict vibration frequency
- Frequency of oscillation and varying mass
- Finding the ‘beam only’ frequency using Dunkerley’s method
- Phase difference between displacement, its derivatives and measured acceleration
- Damped free and forced oscillations and damping coefficient
- Phase relationship between the applied force and beam position for different damping values
- Demonstration of a two-degree of freedom (2DoF) system
- Demonstration of an undamped vibration absorber

A benchtop unit to demonstrate free and forced vibrations of two mass-beam systems:

1. A ‘rigid’ beam with a pivot at one end and a spring at the other – the spring provides the elasticity.
2. A ‘flexible’ pinned/pinned beam with a pivot at one end and a roller pivot at the other – the beam itself provides the elasticity.

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Free Vibrations of a Mass-Spring System (TM164) 244
- Free Vibrations of a Cantilever (TM166) 246
- Free Vibrations of a Beam and Spring (TM167) 247



**VIDEO CASE STUDY**

**UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN**

Dan Stones, Technical Resource Manager from the School of Engineering at the University of Lincoln, explains in this video case study why they use TecEquipment teaching equipment for understanding the principles of mechanics. From static and dynamic apparatus for hands-on learning and demonstration, through to tensile testing on materials including textiles. For more advanced study, the AF1300 wind tunnel is used for post-graduate study and research projects where students 3D print aerofoils, utilising the Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®) for detailed analysis. Dan explains that the products are very intuitive and TecEquipment is very approachable, and always incredibly helpful.



Watch to learn more:

[TECEQUIPMENT.COM/CASE-STUDIES/UNIVERSITY-OF-LINCOLN-VIDEO-CASE-STUDY](http://TECEQUIPMENT.COM/CASE-STUDIES/UNIVERSITY-OF-LINCOLN-VIDEO-CASE-STUDY)

# THERMODYNAMICS

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The nature of the nuclear industry makes replicating the real world really important. That's one of the reasons why we teach using TecQuipment's products, because they match our teaching requirements.

**PAUL FAIRCLOUGH**  
DIRECTOR OF HIGHER ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND NUCLEAR  
THE NATIONAL COLLEGE OF NUCLEAR, UK

# THERMODYNAMICS

The Thermodynamics range offers teaching equipment for the illustration of the basic principles of thermodynamics through to complex theories. Students can learn using practical experiments about the behaviour of gases, heat transfer and thermal conductivity, conduction, convection and heat exchange. They can get hands-on to prove theories such as the Antoine equation, Seebeck effect, Lenz and Thomson effects, Carnot cycle and reversible Carnot cycle, Stefan Boltzmann law, Kirchhoff's law and Lambert's direction law.

## SAFE, PRACTICAL AND REALISTIC

As thermodynamics experiments can often take many hours, the range has been designed to reduce the experiment time to a practical and realistic level, with safety as the key aspect.



## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

Look at the products in this range that work with TecQuipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>), page 310.



## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

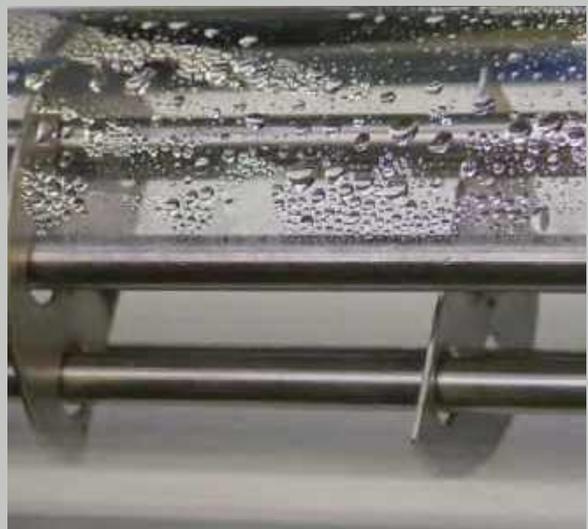
**SAFE AND PRACTICAL DESIGN:** Reduced experiment times.

**BROAD RANGE OF PRODUCTS:** From basic principles to gas turbines.

**AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION:** Thermodynamics experiments require setting time and constant monitoring to achieve thermal equilibrium, making automatic data acquisition a useful tool.

## MODULAR FLUID POWER

The Modular Fluid Power range includes products that can be analysed in terms of thermodynamic performance, such as compressors (pages 142–156).



# IDEAL GASES – BOYLE'S LAW

VDAS® TD1000

Benchtop apparatus that demonstrates the relationship between pressure and volume of an ideal gas at a fixed temperature.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

- A self-contained benchtop experiment, no power supply needed
- Highly visual experiment using a 'liquid piston' for reliable, accurate and repeatable results
- Includes a thermocouple and digital display to help maintain constant temperature and demonstrate how compression and decompression of a gas can affect its temperature
- Supplied with hand-operated pumps to compress or decompress the gas (air) above and below atmospheric pressure

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstrations of gas temperature change during compression and decompression
- Proving Boyle's law by experiment

The benchtop equipment includes a backplate that holds two clear-walled cylinders containing oil (supplied). Students use hand-operated pumps (supplied) to increase or decrease the pressure in the left-hand cylinder (the reservoir) which moves a 'liquid piston' of oil in the right-hand cylinder (the test cylinder). This piston compresses or decompresses a trapped column of air in the test cylinder.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Ideal Gases – Gay-Lussac's Law (TD1001) 254
- Expansion of Perfect Gas (TD1004V) 255

# IDEAL GASES - GAY-LUSSAC'S LAW

**VDAS®** TD1001

Benchtop apparatus that demonstrates the relationship between pressure and temperature of a fixed volume of ideal gas.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

- Demonstrates Gay Lussac's law relating pressure and temperature of an ideal gas (air)
- Simple and safe, needs no tools
- Uses low pressures and a thermally insulated heater
- Includes thermocouples and a pressure sensor connected to a digital display
- Electronic controller to accurately regulate temperature

The benchtop equipment includes a backplate that holds a low-pressure vessel. The vessel holds a fixed volume of air surrounded by an insulated heater, controlled by an electronic temperature controller.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES :

- Demonstrates change of pressure of a fixed volume of gas during heating
- Proving Gay Lussac's law by experiment
- The principle of a vapour pressure thermometer

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

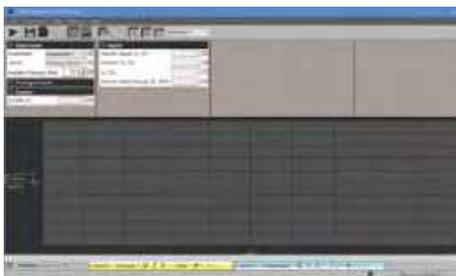
- Ideal Gases – Boyle's Law (TD1000) 253
- Expansion of Perfect Gas (TD1004V) 255

# EXPANSION OF A PERFECT GAS



**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD TD1004V

Benchtop apparatus to demonstrate the behaviour and expansion processes of a perfect gas.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE

- Includes TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, for data acquisition via USB
- A self-contained benchtop experiment, for convenient use in a laboratory
- Simple and safe to use, needs no tools
- Supplied with an electric pump for easy compression and decompression of the gas (air)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- The non-flow energy equation
- Clément Desormes experiment
- The behaviour of a perfect gas and its describing equations
- Adiabatic reversible process (isentropic expansion)
- Constant volume process
- Constant internal energy process
- Polytropic process

The apparatus consists of two frame-mounted, interconnected transparent and rigid vessels, with one vessel equipped for operation under pressure and the second vessel under vacuum.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Ideal Gases – Boyle's Law (TD1000)      | 253 |
| • Ideal Gases – Gay-Lussac's Law (TD1001) | 254 |



# FILMWISE AND DROPWISE CONDENSATION AND BOILING

VDAS® TE78

Benchtop apparatus with control and instrumentation unit that demonstrates heat transfer during different boiling and condensing processes.



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE



- Has a glass vessel so students can see what is happening
- Demonstrates nucleate, film and sub-cooled boiling
- Demonstrates condensation on different surface finishes
- Demonstrates filmwise and dropwise condensation

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Boiling heat transfer
- Condensing heat transfer

Heating and condensing takes place inside a partially filled glass vessel. A heater coil heats the water. For boiling heat transfer experiments, students adjust the current in a resistant wire heater element in the water. The temperature of the wire reaches significantly higher than 100°C.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## TECQUIPMENT'S BLOG

Read the TecEquipment blog for informative posts, from topics focused on engineering education through to guest posts from academics sharing viewpoints, relevant teaching projects and perspectives.

[TECQUIPMENT.COM/KNOWLEDGE](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM/KNOWLEDGE)



# EMISSIVITY - NATURAL CONVECTION AND RADIATION



Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that demonstrates how different types of heat can transfer over a range of pressures; helps the understanding of the Stefan Boltzman constant.



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE



- Includes TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS® Onboard, for data acquisition via USB
- Helps students to understand natural 'free' convection, radiation, emissivity and the Stefan Boltzman equation
- Includes a pressure vessel to allow tests above and below atmospheric pressure
- All instruments and vacuum pump included

A small heated element hangs in the centre of a pressure vessel. The heater has a matt black surface. Attached to its surface is a thermocouple to measure the temperature. The vessel's inside is also black, and it has a thermocouple fitted to its wall to measure the temperature in the vessel. The vessel may be charged with compressed air up to 1 bar (gauge) or evacuated down to approximately 5 Pa (absolute). Students can extrapolate the results down to a total vacuum (no convection). This allows them to isolate the heat transfer by radiation.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Free and Forced Convection (TD1005) 265
- Radiant Transfer Experiments (TD1003) 170

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Determination of emissivity of the heater element
- Verification of the Stefan Boltzmann constant



# UNSTEADY STATE HEAT TRANSFER



Benchtop apparatus that measures unsteady state heat transfer to bodies of different shape and thermal conductivity.

HEAT TRANSFER

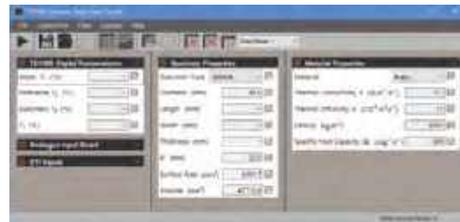
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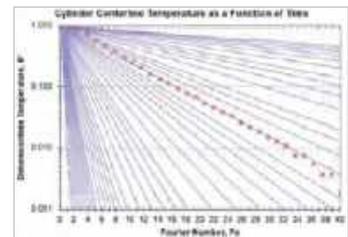
TEST SHAPES



- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS® Onboard, for data acquisition via USB
- Includes a set of different solid shapes of different materials, for multiple experiments
- Simple to use, needs no tools
- Water temperature controller for consistent results
- Clear digital displays of all readings



SCREENSHOT OF THE VDAS® SOFTWARE



HEISLER CHART CREATED BY THE VDAS® SOFTWARE

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Transient temperature changes with sudden immersion (unsteady state)
- How shape and surface area affect heat transfer
- How materials of different thermal conductivity affect heat transfer

A sturdy benchtop frame contains a hot water vessel and instrumentation. The test shapes are of different dimensions and material to give different heat transfer areas and thermal conductivities. This gives multiple experiments in heat transfer.

# FORCED CONVECTION HEAT TRANSFER

TD1

Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that demonstrates forced convection in pipes and heat transfer theory. Illustrates the derivation of the value of Nusselt number, determination of the Stanton number and determination of the validity of the Reynolds analogy for air.



- Heater interlock for safety
- Includes Pitot tube traverse for velocity profile measurements, and traversing thermocouple to measure temperature distribution across the test pipe
- Includes thermocouples along the test pipe to measure heat transfer

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Derivation of the value of Nusselt number ( $Nu$ ) and comparison with empirical formula
- Calculation of the local heat transfer coefficient ( $h$ )
- Determination of the Stanton number ( $St$ )
- Calculation of the friction factor ( $f$ ) and comparison with experimental value
- Investigate the validity of the Reynolds analogy for air

The fan runs at a constant speed and draws air through a control valve. The air then moves into a u-shaped pipe. An orifice plate in the pipe connects to a manometer on the instrumentation panel to measure the air flow rate. A larger manometer on the instrument panel measures the fan pressure drop. The u-shaped pipe connects to a smaller diameter insulated and electrically heated copper 'test pipe'. Students control the power input to the test pipe heater using a variable transformer, while noting the power using instrumentation on the panel. The test pipe discharges to atmosphere.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Cross-Flow Heat Exchanger (TE93)     | 269 |
| • Free and Forced Convection (TD1005)  | 265 |
| • Water-to-Air Heat Exchanger (TD1007) | 271 |



# EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY EXPANDS ENGINEERING LABORATORY FACILITIES WITH THE HELP OF TECQUIPMENT



East Tennessee State University, which has a history of teaching engineering technology dating back to the 1930s, made the decision to expand the course offering in 2015 to include a BSc in General Engineering which combines courses from mechanical, civil and electrical engineering. To teach the course they needed an engineering laboratory that had equipment to practically teach the principles of civil and mechanical engineering. There were existing electrical engineering laboratories, to serve the BSc, in the electrical engineering technology programme. After going out to bid, TecQuipment won, based on a balance between price and functionality of equipment.

With a complete basement floor renovation, new equipment from TecQuipment and the installation of high-tech classroom equipment, the floor now boasts to be one of many high-tech laboratories within the university.

## DATA ACQUISITION CAPABILITIES

TecQuipment's own data acquisition system, VDAS®, is available on many of the company's products, and provides real time data display and capture, with real-time calculation of equipment-specific variables, and data charting with fast and easy data export.

"TecQuipment is one of the few providers of engineering teaching equipment that integrate all the data acquisition into their products, making it easier to draw out data from the experiments. This was one of the various reasons which made us choose TecQuipment over others in the industry," commented Professor J Paul Sims, Director of the BSc General Engineering degree programme.

### *Just the right amount of interaction*

"TecQuipment's products also lend themselves very well to student manipulation in the laboratory. Similar equipment in the market made it too easy, like a cook book. It's important for the students to interact, to get the full learning benefit," added Professor Sims.

All TecQuipment products come with a detailed user guide, which includes sample experiments. These set guidelines provide a great starting point for embracing the theories in focus. The equipment has the flexibility to be used beyond these set examples, some of which you can find illustrated by students on TecQuipment's YouTube channel.

## THE LABORATORY SET-UP

For the practicals required for the General Engineering degree, the team selected a range of Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics and Engineering Science range equipment from TecQuipment.

Thermodynamics included:

- A **SMALL ENGINE TEST SET** (TD200) that acts as a base unit for attaching a modified four-stroke petrol engine and modified four-stroke diesel engine, plus a frame-mounted VDAS® unit (Versatile Data Acquisition System). Used with a Manual Volumetric Fuel Gauge (AVF1), Crank Angle Shaft Encoder (ECA102) and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100), students can investigate the thermodynamic cycle of each of the engines, and explore variables, including mean effective pressure and indicated power, the mechanical efficiency, and carry out combustion analysis, plus much more.

"This product is a great example of how TecQuipment balances the right level of student interaction with the equipment to improve the learning experience. From putting the fuel in, and physically pulling the manual starter on the motor, to making adjustments to the needle valve and throttle to take readings and carry out performance comparisons within VDAS®," added Professor Sims.



A video of a student using this test set illustrates Professor Sims's points: [YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=YKIG8NT7PEE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YKIG8NT7PEE)

- A **WATER-TO-AIR HEAT EXCHANGERS** (TD1007) experimental unit for learning how cross-flow water-to-air heat exchangers work, plus frame-mounted VDAS® that allows them to complete tests quicker and make the recording of results easier. For comprehensive teaching on the topic, they also purchased the 16-tube heat exchanger and 16-finned heat exchanger ancillaries.
- The **HEAT TRANSFER EXPERIMENT BASE UNIT** (TD1002), Linear Heat Conduction Experiment (TD1002a) and versatile data acquisition was selected together for teaching the fundamentals of heat transfer.

Fluid Mechanics included:

- A **DIGITAL HYDRAULIC BENCH** (H1F) which is the base unit that supplies, recirculates and measures water for flow pressure and measurement experiments including:
- **DISCHARGE OVER A NOTCH** (H6) for studying weirs for flow regulation and measurement, and the Flow Measurement Methods (H10) apparatus for measuring the effectiveness and comparisons on and between the Venturi meter, orifice plate and rotameter of an incompressible fluid. Plus a couple of different turbines: the Pelton (H19) and Francis (H18) turbine.

- A **LOSSES IN PIPING SYSTEMS** (H16) apparatus for investigating the friction losses in different types of piping systems (straight, bends, valves, elbows, sudden contraction and sudden expansion).
- A **CENTRIFUGAL PUMP TEST SET** (H47) apparatus for teaching students about centrifugal pump performance. For clear pressure display, the team opted for an Analogue Pressure Display (AP1) ancillary and frame-mounted VDAS® to fit on the instrumentation frame of the test set.

Engineering Science included:

- Two **ENGINEERING SCIENCE WORK PANELS** (ES1), along with two experiments: a **PULLEY KIT** (ES10) and a **GEAR TRAINS KIT** (ES13).

Another key point for the BSc programme was the ability to integrate VDAS® with LabVIEW. Both the Engineering Technology and Engineering programmes use LabVIEW in most laboratories to support student development and provide students with a working knowledge of LabVIEW, which is a standard industrial platform for control and monitoring of processes.

## INSTALLATION AND TRAINING

In major installation cases, TecQuipment personnel will often be sent out to site to help with the commissioning and training of products.

"After the customer service installation I feel very confident. The products are straight forward and the user manuals are great!" explained Assistant Professor Samia Afran. "I came prepared with a whole blank notebook to document all that TecQuipment's applications engineer was going to train me on. But I didn't need to write anything, it was all in the provided documentation."

## LOCAL SALES AND SUPPORT

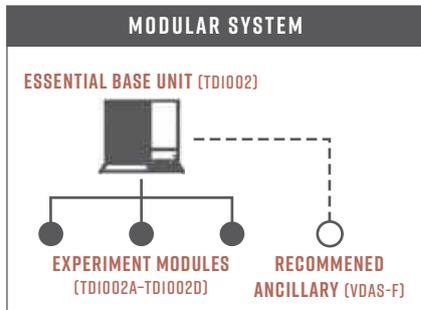
TecQuipment works with partner companies across the world that specialise in understanding the local engineering education institutions and delivering products that best match their teaching requirements. In this case, local partner for Tennessee, RELETECH, had proven themselves before the bid even came in. "We trust the team from RELETECH, and TecQuipment too. This established relationship gave us extra conviction in knowing that the bid process had selected the rightful vendor to work with," added Professor Sims.



# HEAT TRANSFER EXPERIMENTS BASE UNIT

**VDAS®** TD1002

A benchtop base unit for demonstrating different methods of heat transfer. Requires at least one of the four optional experiments.



HEAT TRANSFER



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## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Self-contained benchtop base unit with four optional experiments**  
Modular approach reduces total laboratory costs
- Easy-to-use fittings with self-sealing connectors**  
Allows students to change and connect the optional experiments quickly and easily without tools and water spillage
- Clear digital displays of all readings**  
No computer needed to operate it or take readings, simplified approach enhances student learning
- Experiments each have a bedplate with a clear schematic diagram to show students how they connect, and the measuring point positions**  
Maximises teaching effectiveness, simple to set up and students can easily understand the experiment

The Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit (TD1002) is the core of the TD1002 range. It provides cold water and heater power to the optional experiments and all the instruments needed to measure their performance.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

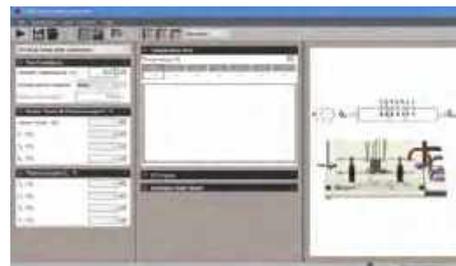
- Linear Heat Conduction Experiment (TD1002a MkII) 263
- Radial Heat Conduction Experiment (TD1002b) 263
- Extended Surface Heat Transfer Experiment (TD1002c) 264
- Conductivity of Liquids and Gases Experiment (TD1002d) 264

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Free and Forced Convection (TD1005) 265
- Radiant Transfer Experiments (TD1003) 270



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# LINEAR HEAT CONDUCTION EXPERIMENT

TD1002A MKII

Experiment that introduces the principles of linear heat conduction and thermal conductivity. Fits onto the Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit.

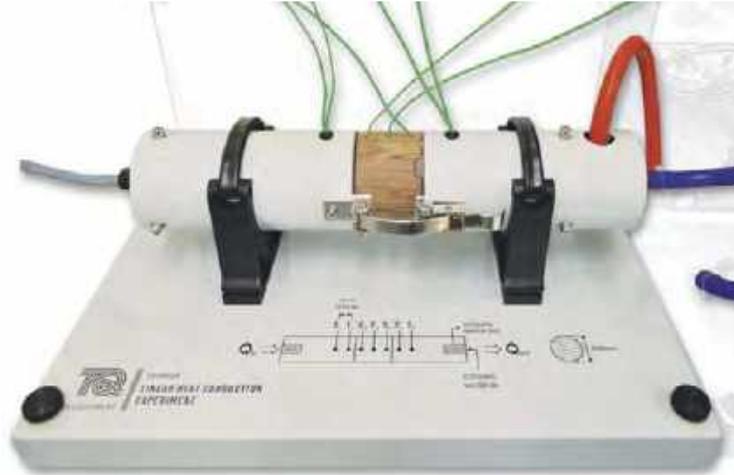
## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration and calculations of linear heat conduction
- Calculation of the thermal conductivity ( $k$  value)
- Demonstration of the effectiveness of thermal paste
- Demonstration and calculations of thermal resistances ( $R$  value) in series
- Demonstration of 'thermal lag'

This experiment has a solid brass bar of circular cross-section, made in two sections with an interchangeable middle section. It mounts on a base plate with a clear schematic of the experiment layout.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit (TD1002) 262



# RADIAL HEAT CONDUCTION EXPERIMENT

TD1002B

Experiment that introduces the principle of radial heat conduction and thermal conductivity. Fits onto the Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration and calculation of radial heat conduction
- Calculation of the thermal conductivity ( $k$  value)

This experiment has a solid brass disc with an electric heater (heat source) at its centre and a circular cross-section cooling tube (heat sink) around its circumference. It mounts on a base plate with a clear schematic of the experiment layout.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit (TD1002) 262



## EXTENDED SURFACE HEAT CONDUCTION EXPERIMENT

TD1002C

Experiment that demonstrates an example of conduction combined with losses due to radiation and convection. Fits onto the Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- To demonstrate how heat transfers from the surface of a solid bar or rod
- To demonstrate the temperatures on and heat flow through the solid bar to its surroundings



This experiment has a thin solid bar with an electric heater (heat source) at one end. It mounts on a base plate with a clear schematic of the experiment layout.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit (TD1002) 262

## CONDUCTIVITY OF LIQUIDS AND GASES EXPERIMENT

TD1002D

Experiment that allows the testing of various fluids to find their thermal conductivity. Fits onto the Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Calibration of the unit using air as the known medium
- Finding the thermal conductivity ( $k$ ) of various liquids and gases and comparing them to typical published values



This experiment has three concentric cylinders. The inner cylinder contains an electric heater (the heat source). The test liquid or gas forms a second, thin cylinder around the heat source. The third cylinder, cooled by water, surrounds them both to make a heat sink. The whole assembly is mounted on a base plate with a clear schematic of the experiment layout.

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

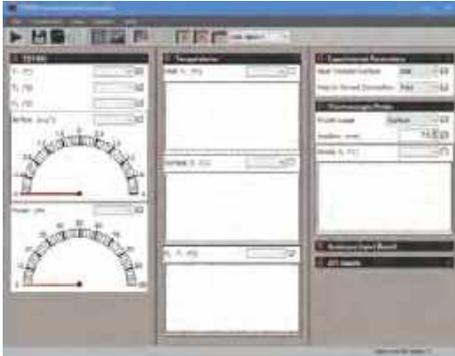
- Heat Transfer Experiments Base Unit (TD1002) 262

# FREE AND FORCED CONVECTION



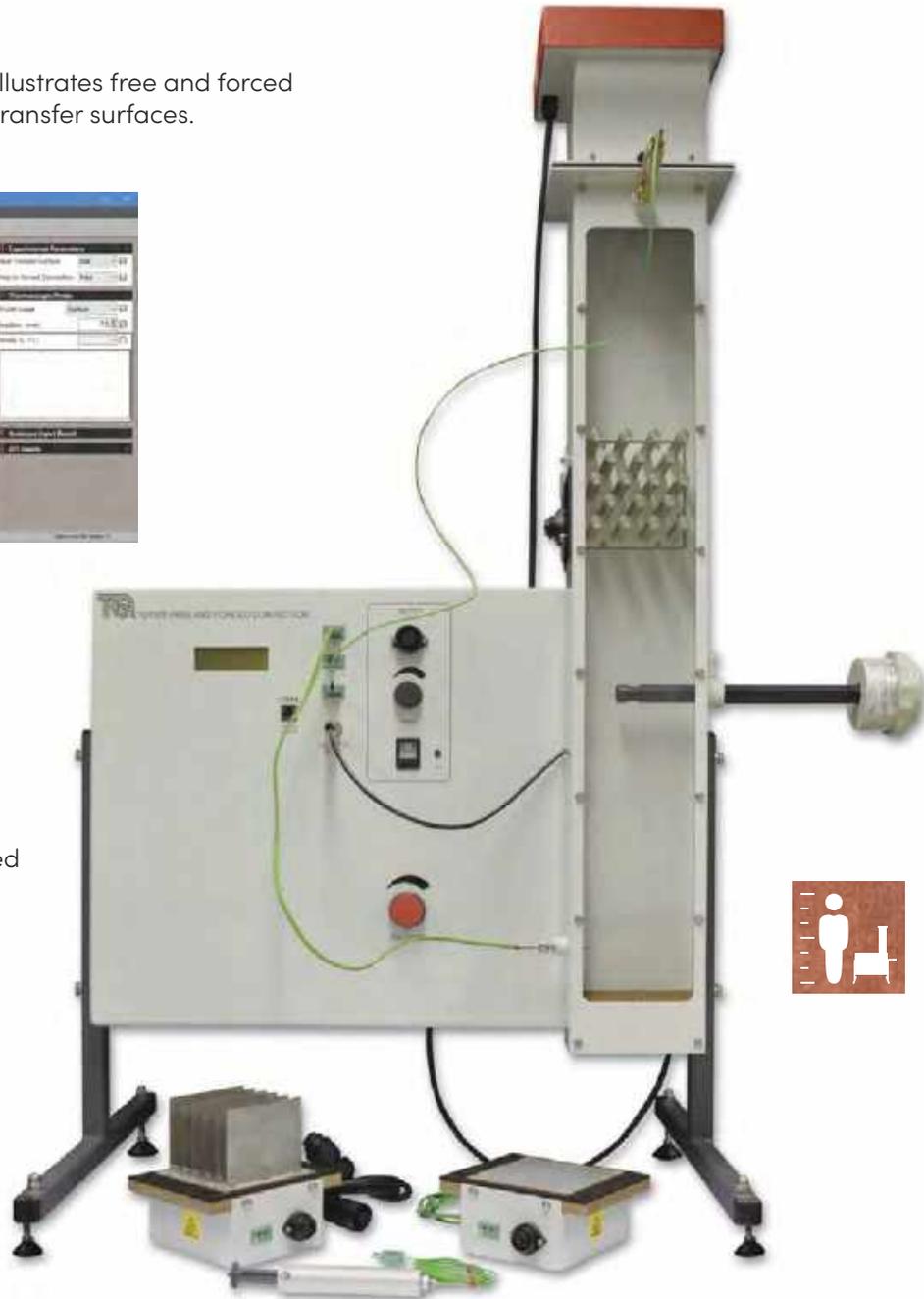
**VDAS®** TD1005

Benchtop apparatus that illustrates free and forced convection from different transfer surfaces.



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- Includes three of the most common heat transfer surfaces: flat plate, pinned and finned
- Thermocouples and a sensitive anemometer measure temperatures and air velocity, shown on a digital display
- Additional handheld thermocouple probe included to measure temperatures along the length of the pins and fins of two heat transfer surfaces
- Variable speed fan and variable power heat source for a range of tests



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Comparing free and forced convection for different surfaces
- Comparison of free convection from vertical and horizontal (finned) surfaces
- Comparison of heat transfer surface efficiency
- Comparing the coefficient of heat transfer and Nusselt number for forced and free convection
- Temperature distribution along finned and pinned surfaces

The benchtop equipment includes a vertical duct that holds the chosen heat transfer surface and all instruments needed. TecQuipment include three different common heat transfer surfaces with the equipment.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Forced Convection Heat Transfer (TD1) 259
- Heat Transfer Experiments (TD1002) 262
- Emissivity – Natural Convection and Radiation (TD1011V) 257
- Cross-Flow Heat Exchanger (TE93) 269
- Water-to-Air Heat Exchanger (TD1007) 271

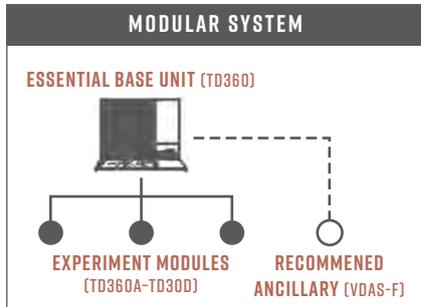


# BENCHTOP HEAT EXCHANGERS SERVICE MODULE



**VDAQ® TD360**

A benchtop base unit for examining and comparing small-scale heat exchangers to help students understand how they work. Requires at least one of the four associated experiments.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

A benchtop service module with optional small-scale demonstration heat exchangers, designed for teaching

Efficient use of valuable laboratory space

Optional heat exchangers include most common types used in industry (tubular, plate, shell and tube, and a jacketed vessel with coil and stirrer)

Qualitative and quantitative comparison of main heat exchanger designs

All optional heat exchangers have the same nominal heat transfer area and wall thickness

Allows students to compare them directly

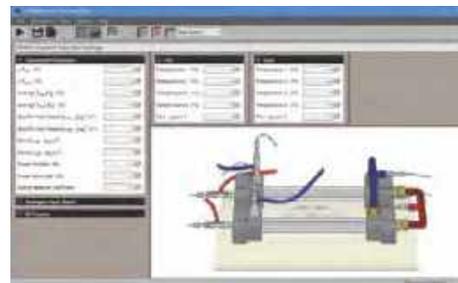
Easy-to-use fittings with self-sealing connectors

Allows students to change and connect the optional experiments quickly and easily without tools and water spillage

Heat-exchangers each have a bedplate with a clear schematic diagram to help students understand how to connect it

Easy to set up and operate, maximises students' practical time

All heat exchangers have clear outside casing  
Students can see its construction



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The Benchtop Heat Exchangers Service Module (TD360) is the core of the benchtop heat exchangers range. It provides hot and cold water to the heat exchangers and all the instruments needed to measure their performance.

## AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:

• Concentric Tube Heat Exchanger (TD360a)	267
• Plate Heat Exchanger (TD360b)	267
• Shell and Tube Heat Exchanger (TD360c)	268
• Jacketed Vessel with Coil and Stirrer (TD360d)	258

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

• Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version)	310
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## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

• Cross-Flow Heat Exchanger (TE93)	269
• Water-to-Air Heat Exchanger (TD1007)	271

# CONCENTRIC TUBE HEAT EXCHANGER

TD360A

Experiment that illustrates how a simple concentric shell and tube heat exchanger works. Fits onto the Benchtop Heat Exchanger Service Module.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of heat transfer from one fluid to another through a solid wall
- Energy balance and efficiency calculations
- Demonstration of parallel flow and counter flow operation of heat exchangers
- Measurement of the heat transfer coefficient, and the effect of fluid flow rates and the driving force (temperature differential) upon it
- Introduction to the logarithmic mean temperature difference in heat exchangers
- Comparison of different types of heat exchanger in terms of performance, size and relative cost (only if two or more optional heat exchangers have been bought)



This is the simplest of the optional heat exchangers. It has two tubes, one inside the other. One tube carries hot fluid, the other carries cold fluid.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Service Module (TD360)

266

# PLATE HEAT EXCHANGER

TD360B

Experiment that illustrates how a compact plate heat exchanger works. Fits onto the Benchtop Heat Exchanger Service Module.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of heat transfer from one fluid to another through a solid wall
- Energy balance and efficiency calculations
- Demonstration of parallel flow and counter flow operation of heat exchangers
- Measurement of the heat transfer coefficient, and the effect of fluid flow rates and the driving force (temperature differential) upon it
- Introduction to the logarithmic mean temperature difference in heat exchangers
- Comparison of different types of heat exchanger in terms of performance, size and relative cost (only if two or more optional heat exchangers have been bought)



This heat exchanger is a set of metal plates separated by spacers (gaskets). The plates and gaskets have holes that make the hot and cold flow run on alternate sides of the plates, thereby transferring heat.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Service Module (TD360)

266



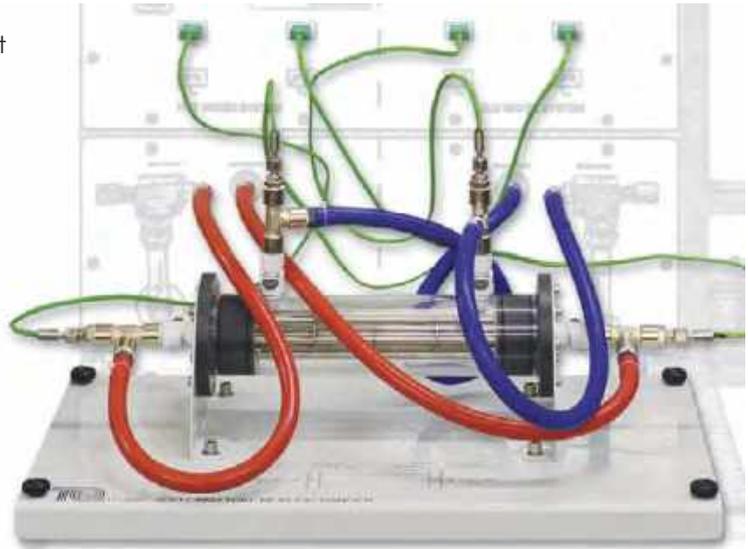
# SHELL AND TUBE HEAT EXCHANGER

TD360C

Experiment that illustrates how a compact shell and tube bundle heat exchanger works. Fits onto the Benchtop Heat Exchanger Service Module.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of heat transfer from one fluid to another through a solid wall
- Energy balance and efficiency calculations.
- Demonstration of parallel flow and counter flow operation of heat exchangers
- Measurement of the heat transfer coefficient, and the effect of fluid flow rates and the driving force (temperature differential) upon it
- Introduction to the logarithmic mean temperature difference in heat exchangers
- Comparison of different types of heat exchanger in terms of performance, size and relative cost (only if two or more optional heat exchangers have been bought)



This heat exchanger is one of the most common types used in industry. This is because it is compact, but can work at higher pressures than other designs. It is a large tube (shell) which surrounds several smaller tubes (a bundle).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Service Module (TD360)

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This heat exchanger mimics those used in the process industry. It can demonstrate heat transfer by using the outer skin (or 'jacket') of the vessel, or by a coil inside the vessel. Students can set a continuous feed to the vessel for heating, or you set a fixed batch for heating.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Service Module (TD360)

266

# JACKETED VESSEL WITH COIL AND STIRRER

TD360D

Experiment that illustrates how a 'jacketed vessel' heat exchanger works and how stirring affects heat transfer. Fits onto the Benchtop Heat Exchanger Service Module.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstration of heat transfer from one fluid to another through a solid wall
- Introduction to the logarithmic mean temperature difference in heat exchangers
- Comparison of different types of heat exchanger in terms of performance, size and relative cost (only if two or more optional heat exchangers have been bought)
- Flow through and batch heating, with or without stirring, using a heating jacket or a coil

# CROSS-FLOW HEAT EXCHANGER

**VDAS® TE93**

Benchtop apparatus with a control and instrument unit for studies into the principles and performance of heat exchangers.

- For full understanding of heat exchange by forced convection and measurement of heat transfer
- Consists of a wind tunnel with fully controllable air flow and heat exchanger rod matrix
- Separate pre-heated element with built-in thermocouple can take the place of any heat exchanger rod
- Instrumentation unit also includes controlled heat source to pre-heat element



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Typical experiments include:

- Determining the pressure losses created by the heat exchange rods and creating a chart of pressure drop against upstream pressure
- Calculating the inlet velocity and the mean velocity through the rods
- Determining the rate at which the heated rod cools down, within a bank of rods and by itself
- Plotting 'cooling curves' and using them to find the coefficient of heat transfer ( $h$ ) for the heated rod at various positions in the heat exchanger
- Determining the velocity distribution (profile) downstream of the rods
- Converting results into dimensionless values (typically using Nusselt, Prandtl and Reynolds equations)
- Comparing results and producing heat transfer coefficient curves

The TE93 is a horizontal wind tunnel with a contraction cone, a working section, a diffuser, a constant-speed fan, and an exhaust with silencer. A variable slide valve controls the air flow. The working section includes a series of rods arranged in a matrix and at right-angles to the direction of air flow. To do experiments, students can remove any one of these rods and replace it with a cylindrical copper element. The copper element is of known thermal capacity and includes a built-in thermocouple. Students insert the element, which has been pre-heated to a specific temperature, into the working section at a known air velocity. They measure the time taken for the temperature to drop and determine the heat transfer rate.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Forced Convection Heat Transfer (TD1) 259
- Benchtop Heat Exchangers (TD360) 266
- Free and Forced Convection (TD1005) 265
- Water-to-Air Heat Exchanger (TD1007) 271



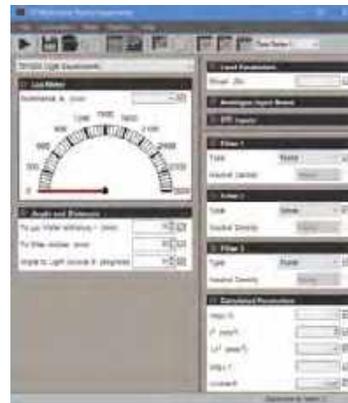
# RADIANT TRANSFER EXPERIMENTS

**VDAS® TD1003**

Benchtop apparatus with a control box that demonstrates the laws of radiant transfer from heat and light sources.



- Uses a safe, low-voltage heat source and thermopile (heat flux sensor) for radiant heat transfer experiments
- Includes plates with different heat absorption properties and apertures for extra experiments in heat transfer
- Uses a safe, low-voltage 'integrating sphere' light source and lux meter for light transfer experiments
- Includes different optical filters for extra experiments in light transfer



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

### HEAT:

- Inverse square law (or Lambert's distance law/area law), demonstrating that radiation is inversely proportional to distance squared
- Stefan Boltzmann's law, demonstrating the relationship between radiation and source temperature
- Kirchoff's law, demonstrating that a body with good emissivity also has good absorptivity
- Area factor, demonstrating that radiation transfer depends on the exposed area of the radiant source

### LIGHT:

- Inverse square law (or Lambert's distance law/area law), demonstrating radiation is inversely proportional to distance squared
- Lambert's direction law (or cosine law), demonstrating that radiation is proportional to the cosine of the angle between the emitter and the receiver
- Transmittance and absorbance, demonstrating that optical filters can reduce light intensity

The equipment has two parts: an aluminium experiment frame and a control box. The frame holds all the experiment parts and allows the user to slide the parts along easily for experiments of transfer over distances. The control box contains the electrical controls and displays the measured readings.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Heat Transfer Experiments (TD1002) 262
- Emissivity – Natural Convection and Radiation (TD1011V) 257



# WATER-TO-AIR HEAT EXCHANGER

VDAS® TD1007

Benchtop apparatus that illustrates how cross-flow water-to-air heat exchangers work. Includes a 32-tube heat exchanger. Also available separately are 16-tube and finned heat exchangers.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Includes a 32-tube heat exchanger as standard  
Complete experiment 'out of the box'

Two additional heat exchangers available for  
extended experiments

Allows quantitative comparison of different  
designs of heat exchanger

Heat exchangers have schematic diagrams  
Enhanced learning capabilities help students  
understand how they work and how to connect  
them

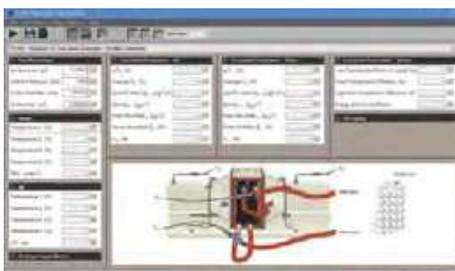
Easy-to-use fittings with self-sealing connectors  
Allows students to change and connect the  
optional experiments quickly and easily without  
tools and water spillage



16-TUBE HEAT EXCHANGER  
(TD1007A)



FINNED HEAT EXCHANGER  
(TD1007B)



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Heat transfer between fluids through a solid wall
- Energy balance and efficiency
- Finding the heat transfer coefficient and log mean temperature difference (LMTD)
- Effect of water temperature (the 'driving force')
- Comparison of heat exchangers of different construction and heat transfer area (needs optional heat exchangers, TD1007a and TD1007b)

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Many thermodynamic applications use water-to-air heat exchangers. Examples include using circulated water to heat or cool air in an HVAC installation, or to cool hot water using a flow of air, as in the radiator of a combustion engine.

The TecQuipment Water-to-Air Heat Exchanger mirrors air heating and water cooling applications. It fits on a bench top and includes a hot water supply, a cooling air duct and all instruments needed for tests on cross-flow heat exchangers. The heat output of the design produces good results, without greatly affecting the temperature of a reasonably sized classroom or laboratory.

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- 16-Tube Heat Exchanger (TD1007a) 271
- 16-Tube Finned Heat Exchanger (TD1007b) 271
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Benchtop Heat Exchangers (TD360) 266
- Cross-Flow Heat Exchanger (TE93) 269
- Free and Forced Convection (TD1005) 265
- Forced Convection Heat Transfer (TD1) 259



## TOP 5 REASONS TO VISIT TECQUIPMENT

1. Personal development
2. See real products in production
3. Get hands-on with equipment
4. Meet the teams
5. Combine with university visits



## ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS RANGE

The Electrical Power Systems range provides a high quality, tried and tested solution for teaching the fundamental elements of power systems, for use in an academic environment or within in industrial training facility. From large units to replicate an entire system, to smaller units which can act independently or as part of an interconnected system.

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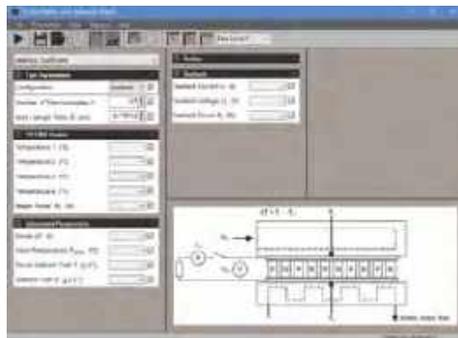
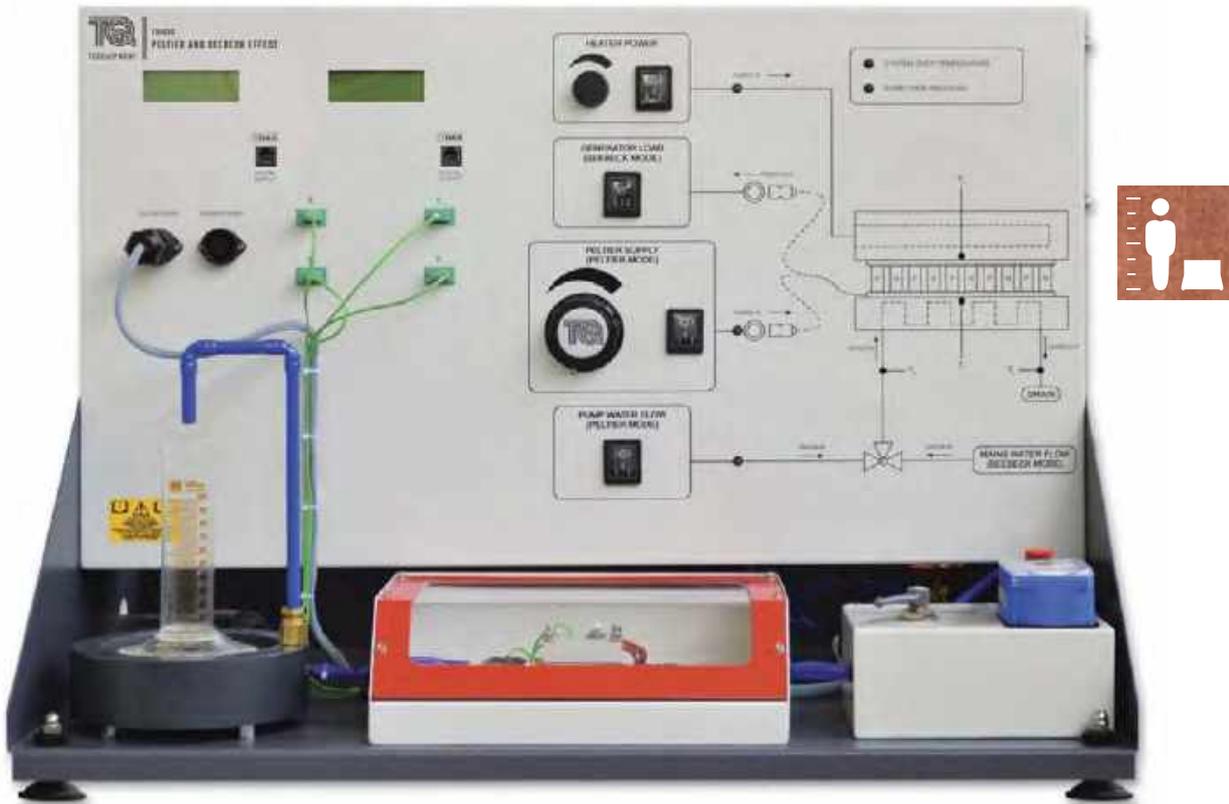
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# PELTIER AND SEEBECK EFFECT

**VDAS®** TD1008

Benchtop apparatus that examines the performance of a thermoelectric device when connected for Peltier heat pump or Seebeck exchanger.



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- Connects for both Peltier or Seebeck tests, giving a full set of experiments
- Schematic diagram and transparent guard to help students understand the device construction and allow simple demonstrations
- A switchable load, variable heat source and device power supply for multiple test conditions
- Clear, multi-line digital displays of all readings (a computer is not required to operate it or collect data)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Seebeck coefficient and the performance of a thermoelectric generator (TEG)
- Peltier heat pump tests and the performance of a thermoelectric cooler (TEC)
- Coefficient of performance (CoP) and energy balance
- Comparisons of manufacturers' data, theoretical performance and results from experiments
- Observation of the Lenz and Thomson effects
- Simple cooling demonstrations (determined by local conditions)

The TD1008 can be connected in a choice of two modes:

- Heat to electricity for power generation when used in Seebeck mode; often used for thermoelectric generation and given the acronym 'TEG'.
- As an electrically powered heat pump when used in Peltier mode; often used in thermoelectric cooling and given the acronym 'TEC'.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)



# TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT AND CALIBRATION

**VDAS®** TD400

Benchtop apparatus that studies the accuracy, linearity and important characteristics of popular temperature measuring devices.



TEMPERATURE



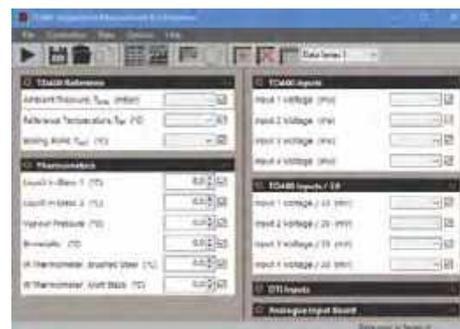
THERMODYNAMICS

- Uses a platinum resistance thermometer as a reference to accurately calibrate the other devices
- Demonstrates how electrical resistance devices and thermocouples work, their characteristics and how to connect them correctly to reduce measurement errors
- Handheld digital thermometer for thermal infrared measurements
- Built-in water heater tank with protective guard and drain tap for safe experiments
- Built-in pressure sensor (barometer) with display of local water boiling temperature

The Temperature Measurement and Calibration apparatus fits on a desk or bench top. It includes eight different temperature measurement devices and demonstrates their characteristics and how to calibrate them against a standard.

### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)



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### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Simulation of two, three and four-wire connection of a platinum resistance thermometer (PRT)
- Constant current and voltage sources
- Calibration and linearity of temperature measurement devices and temperature lag
- Thermal infrared temperature measurement on surfaces of different emissivity
- Thermocouples in series, parallel and the Seebeck effect
- Resistance in thermocouple circuits

# SATURATED STEAM - THE MARCET BOILER

VDAS® TD1006

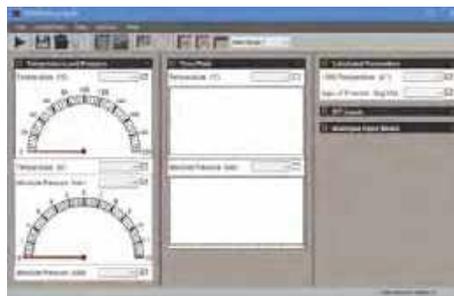
Benchtop apparatus that illustrates the pressure and temperature relationship for saturated steam.



- Proves the Antoine equation for saturated steam
- Vessel (boiler) has viewing window to see the boiling process and the water level
- Simple and safe to use, includes temperature cut-out switches and a pressure-relief valve
- Electronic sensors measure boiler temperature and pressure, shown on a digital display in both SI and non SI units (including absolute values)

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Variation of saturated steam pressure with temperature
- Confirmation of the Antoine equation



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The Marcet boiler is a simple experiment to demonstrate the relationship between pressure and temperature for saturated (wet) steam for comparison with published results.

The apparatus consists of a rigid frame containing an insulated pressure vessel (boiler) and an instrumentation and control unit. The frame also has extra space for the optional V DAS® interface.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Thermal Power Plant with Steam Engine Trainer 291 (TD1050)

# TWO-STAGE COMPRESSOR TEST SET

GT103

Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that illustrates how single and two-stage compressors work, and their thermodynamic properties.



- Works as single-stage, two-stage or two-stage intercooled compressor
- Independently controlled compressor units, both with variable speed dynamometer drives
- Clear, fully instrumented control panel with mimic diagram
- Completely fail-safe operation, interlocks and pressure-relief valves prevent misuse

This test set has two independently controlled, motor-driven compressors, intercooler and air receiver. It works as a single-stage, two-stage or two-stage compressor with intercooler. All controls and instrumentation are on an easy-to-operate mimic panel.

#### RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Pressure Indicator (GT103a)

**NOTE:** A computer with a spare USB socket is required to setup and analyse the pressure indicator results.

#### ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Reciprocating Compressor Module (MFP104)

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#### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A range of experiments and tests based on:

- Volumetric, mechanical and isothermal efficiency
- Indicated work done
- Motor output power (compressor shaft power)
- Pressure ratio
- Temperature ratio
- Inlet dryness calculations
- P-V indicator diagram (needs optional pressure indicator)
- Effect of inter-stage cooling on compressor total power requirements and effect on cycle temperatures
- Effect of two-stage compression and inter-stage pressure on power requirements

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For a number of years we have procured laboratory-based teaching resources from TecQuipment. Operation of this equipment, coupled with the robust build quality, provides our students with a clear understanding of the intrinsic features behind thermo-fluids and mechanical principles. This instils confidence for a safe, hands-on experience demonstrating these principles in practice. Furthermore, the build quality of TecQuipment products also gives assurance that the investment made satisfies our ongoing teaching needs well into the future.

**GRAHAM PREECE**

FACULTY OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND SCIENCES, STAFFORDSHIRE UNIVERSITY

ROLLS-ROYCE BR710 ENGINE

# ENGINES

The Engines range offers teaching equipment for a wide variety of engine-specific theory. It covers internal combustion engines, starting with simple four-stroke engines, through to gas turbines/turbojets, along with a steam engine trainer.

The range meets entry level requirements for the general teaching of mechanical engineering. It also addresses the more advanced theories required for final-year students, enabling them to meet the learning objectives required for specific industries, such as aerospace, automotive and power.

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**MODULAR:** Entry-level packages with further options available.

**DESIGNED FOR SAFETY:** Suitable for all university student levels.

### AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION

**VDAS**® Look at the products in this range that work with TecQuipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS®), page 310.

**ADA** TecQuipment's gas turbine products work with our unique Gas Turbine software.

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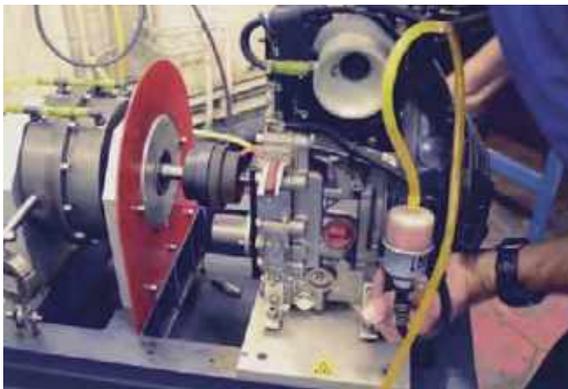
## VIDEO CASE STUDY

### BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY

In the various mechanics laboratories at Birmingham City University, an extensive amount of TecQuipment teaching products are used for teaching first and foundation years. For some students they are also central to research in third and final-year projects.

Watch this video to learn what Laboratory Technician Karl Snape likes about TecQuipment products and his favourite piece of equipment, the Small Engine Test Bed (TD200).

"I summarise my experience of working with TecQuipment to be easy and fluid," explained Karl.



Watch for the full story:

[TECQUIPMENT.COM/CASE-STUDIES/BIRMINGHAM-CITY-UNIVERSITY-VIDEO-CASE-STUDY](http://TECQUIPMENT.COM/CASE-STUDIES/BIRMINGHAM-CITY-UNIVERSITY-VIDEO-CASE-STUDY)



# SMALL ENGINE TEST SET

**VDAS®** TD200

Trolley-mounted, mobile engine test bed with benchtop instrumentation for investigations into the fundamental features of internal combustion engines. Requires at least one of the eight available engines, available in pull or electric start (ES).



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE



SHOWN FITTED WITH ONE OF THE OPTIONAL ENGINES

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

Fully equipped test set that supports a choice of internal combustion engines

*Saves space and reduces costs*

Optional petrol and diesel engines

*Allows comparative tests of different engines*

Several engine and instrument options

*Expands the range of studies*

Separate instruments and test bed

*Avoids transmission of vibration to give accurate, repeatable results*

Robust, simple hydraulic dynamometer

*Reliability and long life*

Easy set-up, it takes minutes to remove and fit an engine

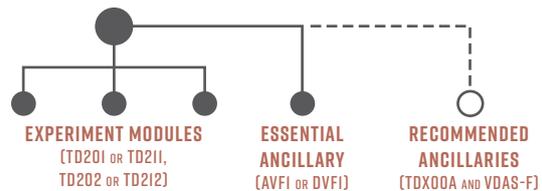
*Maximises experiment time*

Works with VDAS®

*Quick and reliable tests with data capture*

## MODULAR SYSTEM

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT (TD200)



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE  
**GEARED SYSTEMS** (TM1018) EXPERIMENTAL UNIT FOR  
FINDING THE DYNAMIC EFFICIENCY OF VARIOUS DRIVE TYPES.

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**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

A comprehensive range of investigations into the features of single-cylinder, four-stroke petrol and diesel engines including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies
- Willans line for a diesel engine

By using the recommended ancillaries and engine choices, students can investigate more features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- Engine cycle analysis
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

The test bed sits on a trolley for portability. It includes a robust, precision-machined, trunnion-mounted hydraulic dynamometer. The dynamometer applies load according to the flow rate and level of water in the casing. An accurate needle valve controls the flow rate and level. An electronic load cell measures torque. The engines (available separately) are supplied pre-mounted on a sturdy precision base plate. When the engine is initially mounted onto the test bed or exchanged with an alternative engine, dowels and slots locate the engine quickly, accurately and reliably. To enable students to measure air flow, an airbox and orifice plate are located underneath the engine bed on the trolley.

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:**

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| • Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD201 or TD211, TD201ES or TD211ES) | 280 / 282 |
| • Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD202 or TD212, TD202ES or TD212ES) | 280 / 282 |

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

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| • Manual Volumetric Fuel Gauge (AVF1) or                      | 289 |
| • Automatic Volumetric Fuel Gauge with Digital Display (DVF1) | 289 |

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

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| • Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) | 310 |
| • Gas Calorimeter (TDX00a)   |     |

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

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| • Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) | 284 |
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## FOUR-STROKE PETROL ENGINE

TD201 / TD201ES

Four-stroke, single-cylinder petrol engine for use with the Small Engine Test Set, available in pull and electric start (ES).

- High-quality yet cost-effective engine specially modified for educational use
- Wide range of investigations possible
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings



# FOUR-STROKE DIESEL ENGINE

TD202 / TD202ES

Four-stroke, single-cylinder diesel engine for use with the Small Engine Test Set, available in pull and electric start (ES).

- High-quality yet cost-effective engine specially modified for educational use
- Wide range of investigations possible
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke diesel engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies
- Willans line

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke petrol engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies

Adapted specially for education, the engine includes an exhaust thermocouple, a half-coupling to link to the test set dynamometer and all essential fittings. The engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate and includes an exhaust thermocouple, a half-coupling to link to the test set dynamometer and all essential hoses and fittings. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The couplings ensure the engine can be connected and disconnected quickly and efficiently, with minimum loss or spillage of fuel. This engine starts using a simple pull cord, however, TecQuipment can supply an electric start version (TD201ES).

Adapted specially for education, the engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate. The bedplate has dowels and slots which align and locate it accurately with the dynamometer test set. This minimises the time spent replacing one engine with another. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The couplings ensure the engine can be connected and disconnected quickly and efficiently, with minimum loss or spillage of fuel. This engine starts using a simple pull cord, however, TecQuipment can supply an electric start version (TD202ES).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Small Engine Test Set (TD200) 279

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD201) 280
- Modified Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD211) 282
- Modified Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD212) 283

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Small Engine Test Set (TD200) 279

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD202) 281
- Modified Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD211) 282
- Modified Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD212) 283



# MODIFIED FOUR-STROKE PETROL ENGINE

TD211 / TD211ES

Four-stroke, single-cylinder petrol engine, with modified cylinder head and crank, for use with Small Engine Test Set, available in pull and electric start (ES).

- Modified for use with optional Pressure (ECA101), Crank Angle (ECA102) Transducers and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100)
- Wide range of investigations possible
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke petrol engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101), Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100), students can investigate further features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- Engine cycle analysis
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

Adapted specially for education, the engine includes an exhaust thermocouple, a half-coupling to link to the test set dynamometer and all essential hoses and fittings. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The engine has a modified cylinder head and crank. These allow use with the Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101, available separately) and the Crank Angle Encoder (EA102, available separately). These can then connect to the Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100, available separately) to extend the range of experiments possible. The engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate. The bedplate has dowels and slots which align and locate it accurately with the dynamometer test set. This engine starts using a simple pull cord, however, TecQuipment can supply an electric start version (TD211ES).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

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| • Small Engine Test Set (TD200) | 279 |
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## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

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| • Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100)             | 290 |
| • Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101) | 290 |
| • Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102)               | 290 |

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD201)          | 280 |
| • Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD202)          | 281 |
| • Modified Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD212) | 283 |



# MODIFIED FOUR-STROKE DIESEL ENGINE

TD212 / TD212ES

Four-stroke, single-cylinder diesel engine, with modified cylinder head and crank, for use with Small Engine Test Set, available in pull and electric start (ES).

- Modified for use with optional Pressure (ECA101) and Crank Angle (ECA102) Transducers and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100)
- Wide range of investigations possible
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke diesel engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies
- Willans line

When used with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200), Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101), Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100), students can investigate further features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- Engine cycle analysis
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

Adapted specially for education, the engine includes an exhaust thermocouple, a half-coupling to link to the test bed dynamometer and all essential hoses and fittings. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The engine has a modified cylinder head and crank. These allow use with the Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101, available separately) and the Crank Angle Encoder (EA102, available separately). These can then connect to the Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100, available separately) to extend the range of experiments possible. The engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate. The bedplate has dowels and slots which align and locate it accurately with the dynamometer test set. This engine starts using a simple pull cord, however, TecQuipment can supply an electric start version (TD212ES).

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Small Engine Test Set (TD200) 279

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100) 290
- Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101) 290
- Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) 290

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD201) 280
- Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD202) 281
- Modified Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD211) 282



# REGENERATIVE ENGINE TEST SET

**VDAS®** TD300

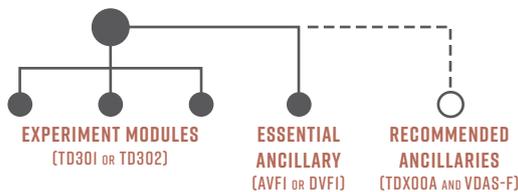
This floor-mounted engine test set, with bench and instrumentation frame, offers the most advanced student investigations into engine performance from TecQuipment. The four-quadrant drive absorbs more power, higher levels of accuracy, has improved speed stability and settles quicker, saving time in the laboratory. Includes extensive instrumentation for comprehensive investigations.



SHOWN FITTED WITH ONE OF THE OPTIONAL ENGINES

## MODULAR SYSTEM

### ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT (TD300)



SCREENSHOT OF THE OPTIONAL VDAS® SOFTWARE

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Fully equipped test set that supports a choice of internal combustion engines
- Saves space and reduces costs
- Optional petrol and diesel engines
- Allows comparative tests of different engines
- Several engine and instrument options
- Expands the range of studies
- Separate instruments and test bed
- Avoids transmission of vibration to give accurate, repeatable results
- Precision four-quadrant drive to start and load the engines
- Accurate loading with no need for pull-cord starting
- Easy set-up, it takes minutes to remove and fit an engine
- Maximises experiment time
- Works with VDAS®
- Quick and reliable tests with data capture

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

A comprehensive range of investigations into the features of single-cylinder, four-stroke petrol and diesel engines including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies

By using the recommended ancillaries and engine choices, students can investigate more features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- Engine cycle analysis
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

The bed is held on anti-vibration mounts. It includes a robust trunnion-mounted DC machine. An electronic load cell connected to the machine measures the driving torque of the test engine. The engines (available separately) are supplied pre-mounted on a sturdy precision base plate.

When the engine is initially mounted onto the test bed or exchanged with an alternative engine, dowels and slots locate the engine quickly, accurately and reliably. Each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The couplings ensure the engines can be connected and disconnected quickly and efficiently, with minimum loss or spillage of fuel. For convenience and safety, the fuel tank can be removed for filling or for storage in a fuel locker when not in use. Removing the fuel tank also prevents unauthorised use of the equipment.

**AVAILABLE EXPERIMENT MODULES:**

- Four-stroke petrol engine (TD301) 286
- Four-stroke diesel engine (TD302) 287

**ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:**

- Manual Volumetric Fuel Gauge (AVF1) **OR** 289
- Automatic Volumetric Fuel Gauge with Digital Display (DVF1) 289

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) (frame-mounted version) 310
- Exhaust Gas Calorimeter (TDX00a) 288

**ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:**

- Small Engine Test Set (TD200) 279

**COMPARISON OF THE SMALL ENGINE TEST SET (TD200) AND REGENERATIVE ENGINE TEST SET (TD300)**

FEATURES:	TD200	TD300
Optional diesel and petrol engines	✓	✓
Separate instrument frame and test bed	✓	✓
Separate floor-standing instrument frame and desk with integral airbox and electrical cabinet	✗	✓
Hydraulic dynamometer	✓	✗
Four-quadrant drive to start engine and provide stable load	✗	✓
Engine power regenerated to mains power	✗	✓
Optional pull cord or electric-start engines available	✓	Not applicable*
Speed setting functionality	✗	✓
Electronic speed / load setting	✗	✓
Electric start	Optional	✓
Easy engine change	✓	✓
Works with VDAS®	✓	✓
Engine can be driven without fuel or ignition to determine frictional losses	✗	✓
ANCILLARIES:	TD200	TD300
Four-stroke petrol engine	✓	Not applicable
Four-stroke diesel engine	✓	Not applicable
Modified four-stroke petrol engine	✓	✓
Modified diesel engine	✓	✓
Engine cycle analyser	✓ **	✓
Exhaust gas calorimeter	✓	✓
One of the following is required:		
• Manual volumetric fuel gauge	✓	✓
• Automatic volumetric fuel gauge with digital read out	✓	✓
VDAS-F	Recommended	Recommended

\*Electric start function part of test bed    \*\*Only for use with modified engines



# FOUR-STROKE PETROL ENGINE

TD301

Four-stroke, single-cylinder petrol engine, with modified cylinder head and crank, for use with Regenerative Engine Test Set.

- Modified for use with optional Pressure (ECA101) and Crank Angle (ECA102) Transducers and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100)
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke petrol engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies

When used with TecQuipment's Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300), Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101), Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100), students can investigate further features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- The thermodynamic cycle of an internal combustion engine
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

Adapted specially for education, the engine includes an exhaust thermocouple, a half-coupling to link to the test set dynamometer and all essential hoses and fittings. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The engine has a modified cylinder head and crank. These allow use with the Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101, available separately) and the Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102, available separately). These can then connect to the Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100, available separately) to extend the range of experiments possible. The engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate. The bedplate has dowels and slots which align and locate it accurately with the dynamometer test set.



## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) 284

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100) 290
- Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101) 290
- Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) 290

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Four-Stroke Diesel Engine (TD302) 287

# FOUR-STROKE DIESEL ENGINE

TD302

Four-stroke, single-cylinder diesel engine, with modified cylinder head and crank, for use with Regenerative Engine Test Set.

- Modified for use with optional Pressure (ECA101) and Crank Angle (ECA102) Transducers and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100)
- Quickly and accurately mounts on the test bed
- Includes colour-coded fuel tank with quick-release couplings



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300), investigations into the performance and characteristics of a four-stroke diesel engine, including:

- Torque, speed and power relationship
- Brake mean effective pressure
- Engine performance curves
- Air and fuel consumption
- Volumetric and thermal efficiencies

When used with TecQuipment's Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300), Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101), Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) and Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100) students can investigate further features including:

- Plotting  $p-\theta$  and  $p-V$  diagrams
- The thermodynamic cycle of an internal combustion engine
- Indicated mean effective pressure
- Indicated power
- Comparison of brake and indicated mean effective pressures
- Mechanical efficiency of the engine

Adapted specially for education, the engine includes an exhaust thermocouple, a halfcoupling to link to the test bed dynamometer, and all essential hoses and fittings. In addition, each engine includes a colour-coded fuel tank with self-sealing couplings. The engine has a modified cylinder head and crank. These allow use with the Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101, available separately) and the Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102, available separately). These can then connect to the Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100, available separately) to extend the range of experiments possible. The engine is mounted on a sturdy precision bedplate. The bedplate has dowels and slots which align and locate it accurately with the dynamometer test set.

## ESSENTIAL BASE UNIT:

- Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) 284

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Engine Cycle Analyser (ECA100) 290
- Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101) 290
- Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102) 290

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD301) 286



# EXHAUST GAS CALORIMETER

**VDAS**® TDX00A

Experiment for use with TecQuipment's Engine Test Sets (TD200 and TD300) to measure the heat content of engine exhaust gases.



- Safely and effectively measures the heat content of TecQuipment's test engine exhaust gases
- Specially designed for educational use
- Uses electronic transducers and a digital display for ease of use and accuracy
- Separate instrumentation unit conveniently mounts on test set console frame

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with TecQuipment's Engine Test Sets (TD200 or TD300), the Exhaust Gas Calorimeter enables students to assess the heat lost to exhaust in the energy balance for single-cylinder, four-stroke petrol and diesel engines.

The heat exchanger is mounted on a sturdy base plate. Exhaust gases from the test engine mounted on the test set flow through the tubes. A jacket of constantly flowing cooling water surrounds the tubes, and the heat content of the gases is assessed by measuring the cooling water flow rate and the inlet and outlet temperatures. A hand-operated valve controls the flow of cooling water through the heat exchanger jacket. Thermocouples measure the temperature of gas and water at the inlet and outlet. A turbine flow meter measures the flow rate. For safety, the heat exchanger also includes a pressure relief valve in case insufficient cooling water is flowing.

## ANCILLARY FOR:

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| • Small Engine Test Set (TD200)        | 279 |
| • Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) | 284 |

## MANUAL VOLUMETRIC FUEL GAUGE

AVFI

Frame-mounted manual fuel gauge for use with either the Small Engine Test Set or the Regenerative Engine Test Set.

- Volumetric fuel gauge for use with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200) and Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) and engines
- Convenient and accurate measurement of fuel consumption
- Easy to install and use
- Self-sealing couplings enable quick and efficient connection and disconnection of fuel lines with minimum loss or spillage of fuel



The fuel gauge consists of a precision-calibrated two-bulb pipette and control valves. It mounts on the instrumentation frame of the test set and connects between the fuel tank and the engine under test.

### ANCILLARY FOR:

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| • Small Engine Test Set (TD200)        | 279 |
| • Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) | 284 |

### ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

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| • Stopwatch (SW1) | 28 |
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## AUTOMATIC VOLUMETRIC FUEL GAUGE WITH DIGITAL DISPLAY

**VDAS**<sup>®</sup> DVFI

Frame-mounted automatic fuel gauge with digital display, for use with either the Small Engine Test Set or the Regenerative Engine Test Set.

- Accurately and automatically calculates fuel consumption
- Directly displays fuel consumption on digital display
- Can cycle continuously or run once only
- Self-sealing couplings enable quick and efficient connection and disconnection of fuel lines with minimum loss or spillage of fuel

The gauge accurately calculates fuel consumption and displays it directly on a digital display.

### ANCILLARY FOR:

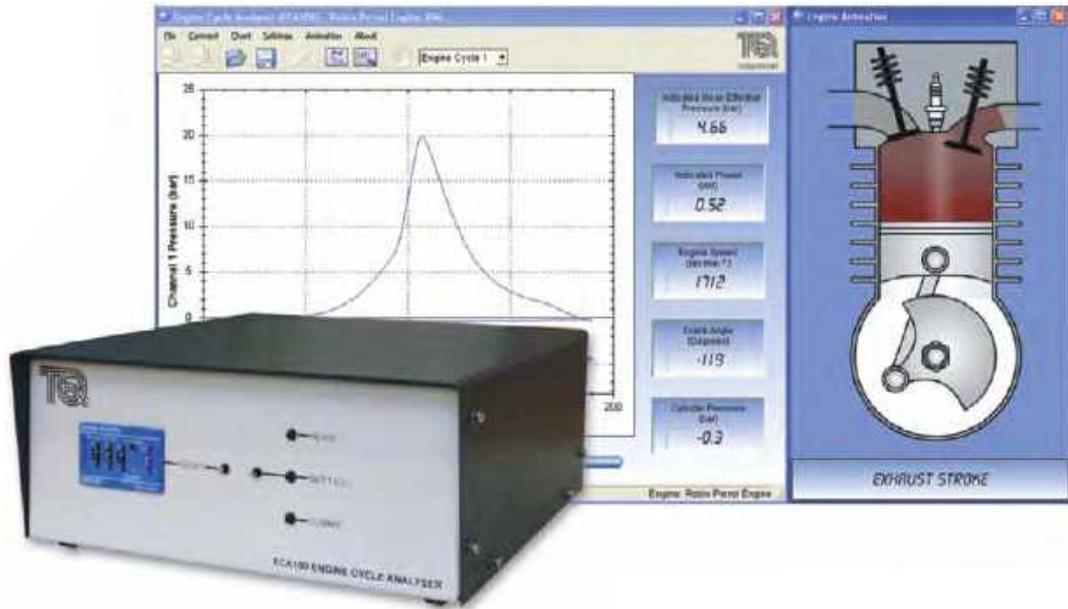
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| • Small Engine Test Set (TD200)        | 279 |
| • Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) | 284 |



# ENGINE CYCLE ANALYSER

ECA100

Hardware and software to measure internal combustion engine cylinder pressure and crank angle.



- For use with TecQuipment's Small Engine Test Set (TD200) and Regenerative Engine Test Set (TD300) and engines
- Includes powerful Windows®-based software specially designed for educational use
- Automatic calculation and real-time display of  $p$ - $\theta$  and  $p$ - $V$  plots and other important parameters
- Snapshot, replay and animation functions
- Accurate, clear animations of crank, piston, inlet and exhaust valve positions help students visualise the engine cycle

The equipment consists of a hardware unit with connectors and leads, plus Windows®-based data acquisition and analysis software. The hardware consists of a microprocessor-based signal conditioning unit, with high-speed PC interface, housed in a rugged, protective enclosure. It accepts and conditions signals from the Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101) and Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102), available separately. The cylinder pressure input includes a precision charge amplifier, with a digital thumb-wheel for calibration. As well as crank angle position, the signal from the Crank Angle Encoder is also used to determine engine speed.

TECQUIPMENT OFFERS A COMPLETE PACKAGE: THE ECA100S WHICH INCLUDES THE ECA100, ONE ECA101 AND ONE ECA102

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

When used with suitable test engines, the analyser allows investigations into a variety of internal combustion engine characteristics, including:

- The thermodynamic cycle of an internal combustion engine.
- Calculation of indicated mean effective pressure and indicated power.
- Comparison of indicated mean effective pressure and brake mean effective pressure.
- Mechanical efficiency of the test engine.
- Further work using exported data such as combustion analysis.

## ESSENTIAL ANCILLARIES:

- Cylinder Head Pressure Transducer (ECA101)
- Crank Angle Encoder (ECA102)
- Suitable computer

## ANCILLARY FOR:

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| • Modified Four-Stroke Petrol Engine (TD211) | 282 |
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# THERMAL POWER PLANT WITH STEAM ENGINE TRAINER



**VDAS® TD1050**

Trolley-mounted, mobile, laboratory-scale steam plant that demonstrates fundamental thermodynamic principles of energy conversion and mechanical power measurement.

- Introduces students to industry-standard methods for analysing steam plant performance, including Rankine cycle analysis and using the Willans line
- Uses a simple two-cylinder steam motor and an electrically heated boiler for easy understanding of the main parts of a steam plant
- Self-contained in a mobile frame that includes all instruments needed for experiments
- Allows students to perform the Marcet boiler experiment to prove the pressure/temperature relationship for saturated steam



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Steam plant performance, including the Rankine cycle analysis and the Willans line
- Marcet boiler experiment on saturated steam (pressure temperature relationship)

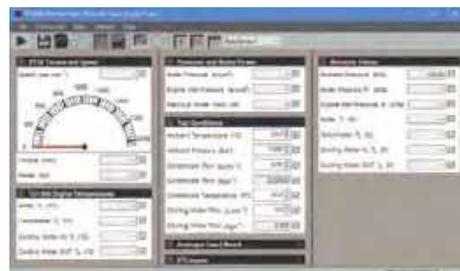
A mobile frame contains all the parts of the test set. An electric pump draws from a reservoir (included) to deliver water to an electrically heated boiler. The boiler includes a safety valve, water level gauge and 'blowdown cock'. The boiler produces steam to turn a two-cylinder steam motor. The used steam from the motor outlet passes through a mains water-cooled condenser, then down to a waste tank or to a measuring vessel (supplied). TecQuipment supplies a stopwatch and thermometer to allow accurate measurement of the flow and temperature of the condensate (steam flow).

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-F) 310 (frame-mounted version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Saturated Steam – Marcet Boiler (TD1006) 275



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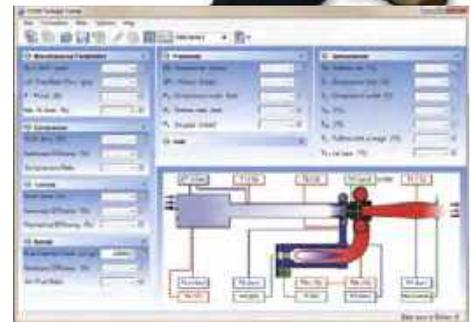
# TURBOJET TRAINER

ADA GT100

Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that allows detailed experiments on how a single-shaft gas turbojet works, and tests its performance.



- Uses industrial parts, powered by kerosene for realistic tests and results
- Fully interlocked starting procedure and automatic shutdown
- Automatic data acquisition (ADA) included (supplied with software)
- Well-proven design, examples installed in universities, technical colleges and military training establishments in 30 countries worldwide



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Various investigations into single-shaft turbine thrust jet performance, including:

- Effect on thrust generation by variation in rotational speed and propelling nozzle area
- Isentropic, polytropic and mechanical efficiencies of compressor, combustion chamber and turbine
- Pressure ratios of turbine, compressor and non-dimensional characteristics
- Combustion chamber pressure losses and combustion efficiencies
- Specific fuel consumption, thermal efficiency, air standard cycle, work ratio and heat balance

A steel frame that holds a gas generator, combustion chamber, oil and fuel tanks, pumps, ancillaries and guards. Air passes into an airbox, into a compressor, then into the combustion chamber. A pump transfers fuel from the fuel tank to spray through a nozzle into the combustion chamber. A high-energy spark ignites the air and fuel mixture that flows to a radial flow turbine, then a variable area propelling nozzle. The exhaust gases discharge to a suitable exhaust system. A fuel flow control valve on the instrumentation and control panel regulates the speed.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Turbojet Trainer with Reheat (GT100RS) | 293 |
| • Two-Shaft Gas Turbine (GT185)          | 294 |



# TURBOJET TRAINER WITH REHEAT

ADA GT100RS

Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that allows detailed experiments on how a single-shaft gas turbojet with reheat (afterburner) works, and tests its performance.

- Uses industrial parts, powered by kerosene for realistic tests and results
- Fully interlocked starting procedure and automatic shutdown
- Automatic Data Acquisition (ADA) included (supplied with software)
- Well proven design, examples installed in universities, technical colleges and military training establishments in 30 countries worldwide



SCREENSHOT OF THE GT100RS SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Turbine, reheat and nozzle tests to find key performance information such as:

- Specific thrust and fuel consumption
- Pressure losses and ratios
- Thermal, propulsive, isentropic and mechanical efficiencies
- Work and power
- Thrust with and without reheat
- How the variable area nozzle affects thrust

Air passes into an air box, through a calibrated nozzle into a compressor, then into the combustion chamber. A pump transfers fuel from the fuel tank to spray through a special nozzle into the combustion chamber. A high-energy spark ignites the air and fuel mixture that flows to a radial flow turbine, then to the reheat section. It then passes through a variable area propelling nozzle. The exhaust gases then discharge to a suitable exhaust system. A fuel flow control valve on the instrumentation and control panel regulates the turbine speed. A second high-energy spark in the reheat section ignites the reheat fuel. This creates a secondary burn (or afterburn) using some of the remaining oxygen in the hot exhaust gases leaving the turbine.

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

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| • Turbojet Trainer (GT100)      | 292 |
| • Two-Shaft Gas Turbine (GT185) | 294 |



# TWO-SHAFT GAS TURBINE

ADA GT185

Trolley-mounted, mobile apparatus that allows detailed experiments on how a two-shaft gas turbine works, and tests its performance.

- Uses industrial parts, powered by kerosene for realistic tests and results
- Fully interlocked starting procedure and automatic shutdown
- Automatic data acquisition (ADA) included (supplied with software)
- Direct-coupled (no belts) eddy current dynamometer for accurate loading, speed control and true shaft power measurement
- Well-proven design, examples installed in universities, technical colleges and military training establishments in 30 countries worldwide



SCREENSHOT OF THE GT185 SOFTWARE

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Turbine tests to find key performance information such as:

- Specific fuel consumption
- Pressure losses and ratios
- Thermal, isentropic and mechanical efficiencies
- Work and power

Combustion chamber:

- Pressure loss
- Combustion efficiency
- Air and fuel ratio

A steel frame holds a gas generator, power turbine, combustion chamber, oil and fuel tanks, pumps, ancillaries and guards. Air passes through a calibrated nozzle and air box, into a compressor, then into the combustion chamber. A pump transfers fuel from the fuel tank to spray through a special nozzle into the combustion chamber. A high-energy spark ignites the air and fuel mixture that flows to a gas generator turbine. A fuel flow control valve on the instrumentation and control panel regulates the turbine speed. Hot gas from the gas generator turbine passes through a short duct to the power turbine. The exhaust gases then discharge to a suitable exhaust system. The power turbine couples direct to an eddy current dynamometer. A load cell on the dynamometer measures torque and a sensor measures the dynamometer speed, to allow calculation of true shaft power.

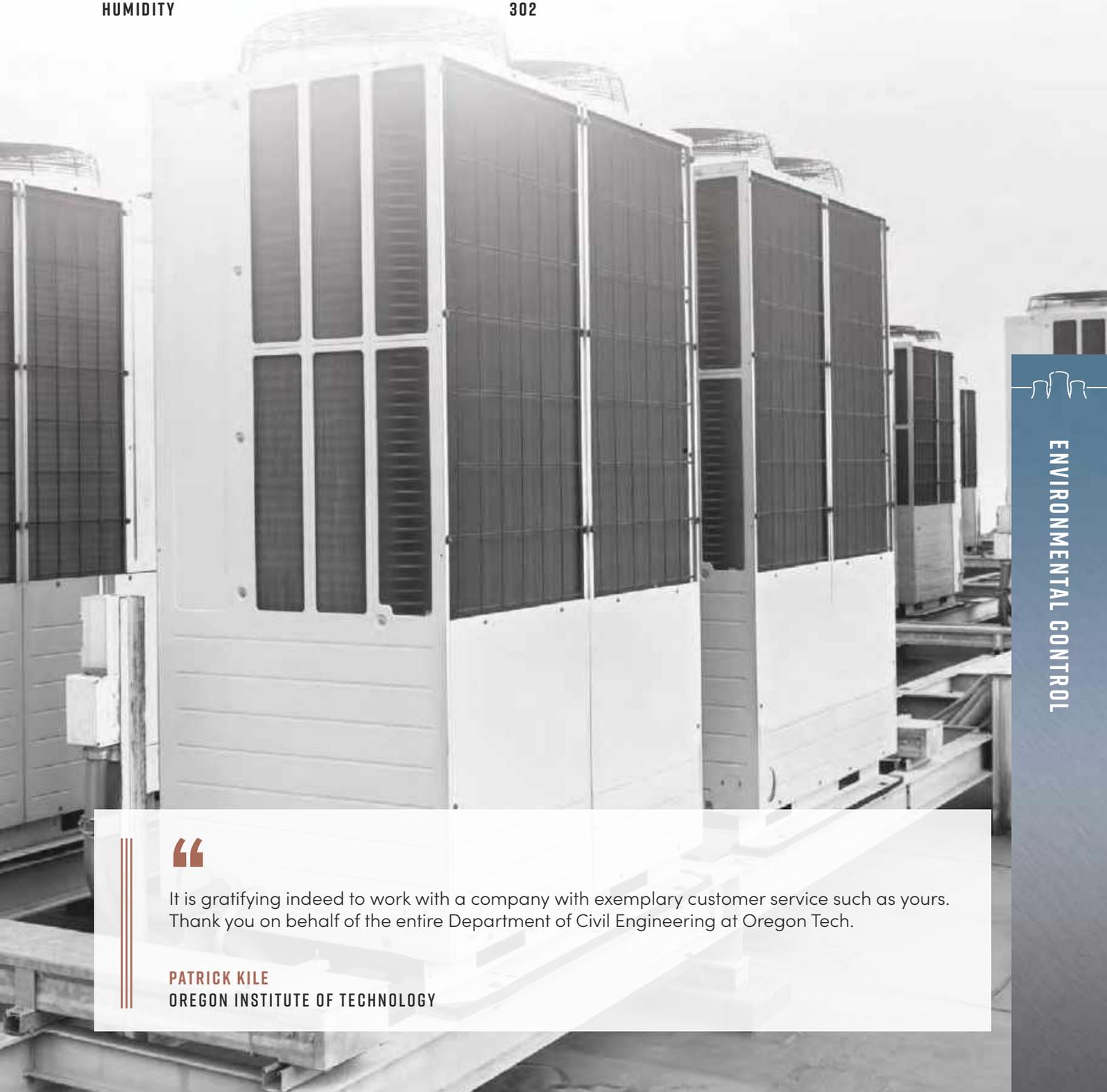
## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Turbojet Trainer (GT100) 292
- Turbojet Trainer with Reheat (GT100RS) 293



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It is gratifying indeed to work with a company with exemplary customer service such as yours. Thank you on behalf of the entire Department of Civil Engineering at Oregon Tech.

**PATRICK KILE**  
OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

# ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

The Environmental Control range offers teaching equipment covering the fundamental theories associated with thermodynamics, fluid mechanics and heat transfer. This enables students to understand environmental control in the real industrial and consumer world. Experiments allow students to explore the workings of cooling towers, refrigeration, air conditioning and humidity, utilising psychrometric and P-h charts.

## AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

Look at the products in this range that work with TecQuipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>), page 310.

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**FUNDAMENTALS OF HVAC:** The range provides the capabilities to study the fundamental components of an HVAC course.

**DATA ACQUISITION AS STANDARD:** Most products in the range come with TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System, offering high specification and great value.

**INDUSTRIAL AND DOMESTIC:** With units covering air conditioning and cooling towers, students can study the elements of both industrial and domestic environmental control.



# COOLING TOWERS



**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD EC1000V

Benchtop apparatus that demonstrates the operation characteristics of an evaporative cooling tower.

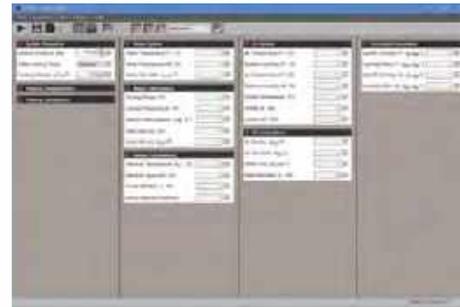


EC1000A

EC1000B



EC1000C



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SHOWN WITH THE PACKING CHARACTERISTICS COLUMN (EC1000D)

- Includes TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- The EC1000V includes one column with packing for immediate experimentation potential
- Three extra interchangeable columns, containing different packing densities and arrangements, further extend experimental capabilities
- An additional interchangeable column with no packing demonstrates freefall cooling

A centrifugal pump delivers the heated water to a spray nozzle at the top of the column. The water sprays into the column, passing over 'packing' inside the column and returning to the heated water tank. The fan directs air upwards through the column in counter flow to the water, extracting the heat. Electronic sensors measure the air and water flow, humidity, pressures and temperatures at key points, shown on clear, multi-line displays. This gives all

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

How key variables affect the performance of a cooling tower, including:

- Variation of water flow rate
- Variation of air flow rate
- Packing density and arrangement
- Variation of water temperature
- Energy and mass balance

measurements needed to understand the evaporative cooling tower operation. A clear tube above the heated water tank allows the user to measure the water lost due to evaporation.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Cooling Column Type A (EC1000a)
- Cooling Column Type B (EC1000b)
- Empty Cooling Column (EC1000c)
- Packing Characteristics Column (EC1000d)

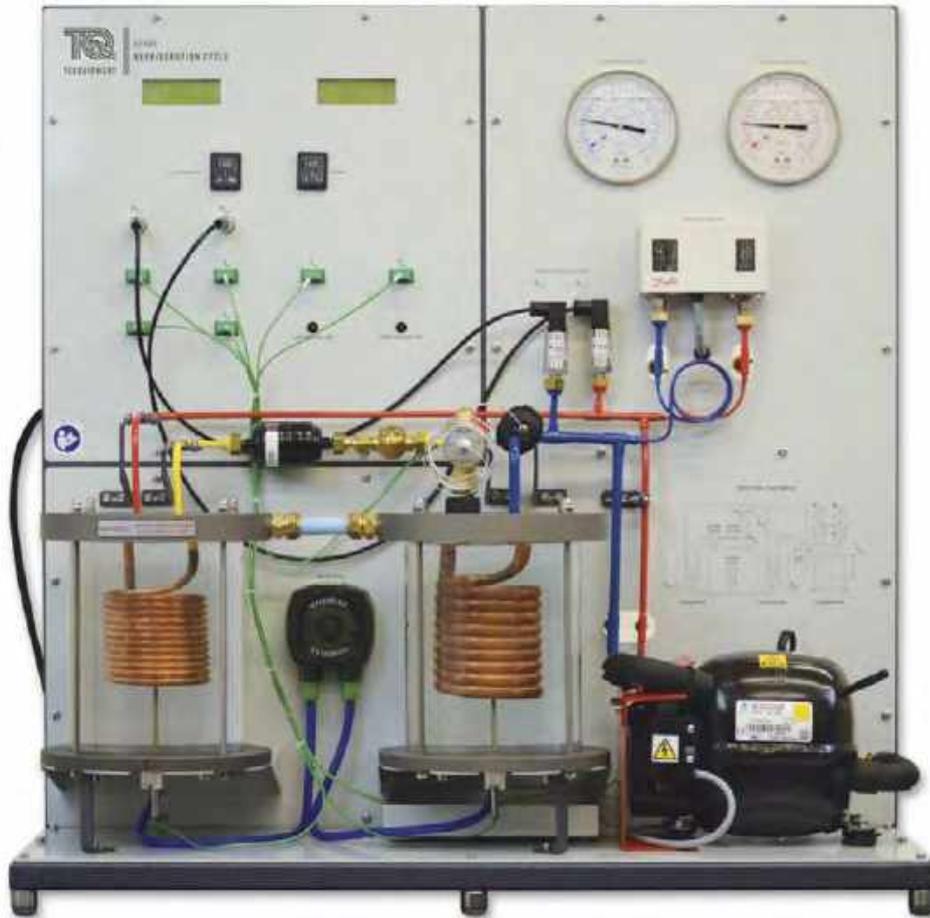


# REFRIGERATION CYCLE



**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD ECI500V

Benchtop apparatus that allows students to investigate and observe the stages of refrigeration, such as the coefficient of performance, superheat and subcooling.

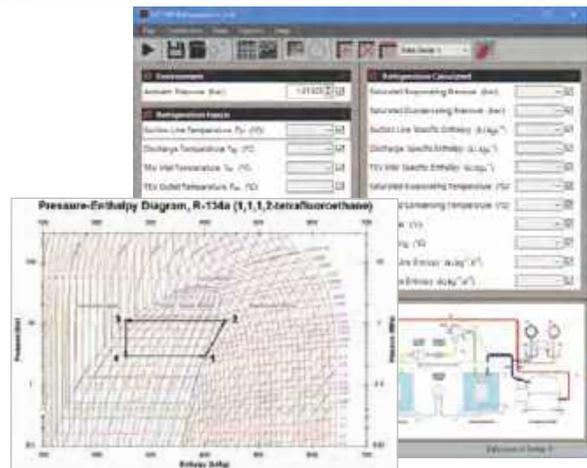


REFRIGERATION

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

- Includes TecEquipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- VDAS<sup>®</sup> software allows students to visualise experimental parameters using pressure-enthalpy charts
- Pressure and temperature measurements taken around the refrigeration circuit
- LCD display of all measured parameters (temperature and pressure)

The refrigeration circuit features high and low-pressure gauges, a pressure switch, sight glass, filter dryer and TEV valve. The circuit also includes pressure transducers that connect to the instrumentation. Four thermocouples placed around the refrigeration circuit allow the observation of temperatures; these can be used for the calculation of super-heating and subcooling. The evaporator and condenser coils are submerged in the heat source and heat sink water tanks for the clear demonstration of a practical heat pump. A small pump provides circulation of the water between the heat source and sink for steady state experiments.



SCREENSHOTS OF THE VARIOUS VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE CHARTS CAN BE DOWNLOADED

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Learn to use a P-h chart
- Determine Coefficient of Performance (CoP)
- Determine superheat and subcooling
- Performance comparison between Carnot and actual vapour compression refrigerator cycles

# AIR CONDITIONING TRAINER



**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD ECI501V

Benchtop apparatus that allows students to investigate the fundamental principles of air conditioning, including enthalpy change in the air flow.



- Includes TecQuipment's Versatile Data Acquisition System VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard, featuring data acquisition via USB
- VDAS<sup>®</sup> software allows students to visualise experimental parameters using psychrometric charts
- Pressure and temperature measurements taken around the refrigeration circuit
- Relative humidity and temperature measured on either side of the evaporator
- LCD display of all measured parameters (relative humidity, temperature and pressure)



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VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE  
CHARTS CAN BE  
DOWNLOADED

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Learn to use P-h charts
- Learn to use psychrometric charts
- Determine Coefficient of Performance (CoP)
- Determine superheat and subcooling
- Determine enthalpy change in the air flow

The unit features an air-cooled condenser unit connected to an evaporator located in an air duct. The air duct contains relative humidity and temperature sensors on both sides. A small fan provides air flow down the duct; air flow rate can be manually adjusted. The refrigeration circuit features high and low-pressure gauges, a pressure switch, sight glass, filter dryer and TEV valve. The circuit also includes pressure transducers that connect to the instrumentation. Four thermocouples placed around the refrigeration circuit allow observation of temperatures; these can be used for the calculation of superheating and subcooling.

# ADVANCED HVAC & R TRAINER NEW

**VDAS<sup>®</sup>**  
ONBOARD **EC1550V**

A versatile, floor-standing apparatus for the in-depth study of heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration (HVAC & R) systems. Facilitates the analysis of individual and combined psychrometric processes commonly used in air conditioning. Also allows study of the vapour compression refrigeration cycle, including the use of pressure enthalpy (P-h) charts.



SCREENSHOTS OF THE VDAS<sup>®</sup> SOFTWARE  
CHARTS CAN BE DOWNLOADED



BASE UNIT (EC1550V)

The EC1550V has two distinct systems which are commonly known as an air handling unit and a water chiller.

The air handling unit conditions the air by using one or more air processes.

The water chiller cools the water in the tank so it can be pumped to the water-to-air heat exchanger in the air handling unit to provide sensible cooling or combined cooling and dehumidification.

- The unit is equipped with variable flow fan, PID controllers, steam humidifier, variable flow pump serving water to air heat exchanger, high-pressure spray pump, air heaters and variable flow dampers. It is also equipped with lights and windows so that the components of each air process can be clearly identified. At the end of each air process, a temperature and humidity sensor is provided so that the performance of the process can be tested individually as well as collectively.
- Air conditioning processes and vapour compression cycle are fully instrumented.
- A control panel allows the adjustment of key components such as air flow velocity, temperature and water flow rate allowing performance comparisons at different set points.
- The apparatus reaches stability rapidly after a change in operating conditions allowing the students to investigate multiple air conditioning processes within one laboratory session.
- Integrated Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup> Onboard) for demonstrating air conditioning processes on a psychrometric diagram and a pressure-enthalpy chart. It also automatically records experiment results to save time.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:****AIR HANDLING UNIT**

- Investigation of psychrometrics, definitions, relations and psychrometric charts
- Understanding of an air handling unit's electro-mechanical components and their function
- Investigation of psychrometric processes including:

**SINGLE STAGE PROCESSES:**

- Sensible heating
- Sensible cooling
- Sensible and latent cooling and dehumidification
- Adiabatic humidification (evaporative cooling via air washer)
- Steam humidification

**MULTIPLE STAGE PROCESSES (TYPICAL EXAMPLES):**

- Heating and humidification
- Cooling and humidification
- Cooling, humidification and heating
- Observation of the effect of varying the fan speed, pump flow rates and temperature settings for all the above psychrometric processes and combinations
- Calculation of the sensible heat ratio and dew point
- Evaluation of the heat transfer across the water-to-air heat exchanger and the log mean temperature difference (LMTD) driving force

**WATER CHILLER**

- Understanding of refrigeration components and their function
- Investigation of the vapour compression refrigeration cycle including:
  - Real-time plotting of the P-h thermodynamic cycle for refrigerant R134a
  - Calculation of superheat, subcooling, pressure ratio, saturated evaporating temperature and saturated condensing temperature
  - Calculation of the isentropic efficiency of the compressor
  - Calculation of the heat balance, mass flow rate and theoretical power of the saturation cycle
- Understanding the effect of suction temperature and condenser temperature on the refrigeration effect and CoP
- Calculation of the effect of varying the load on the refrigeration cycle
- Determination of the mass flow and energy balance across the refrigeration cycle

**RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:**

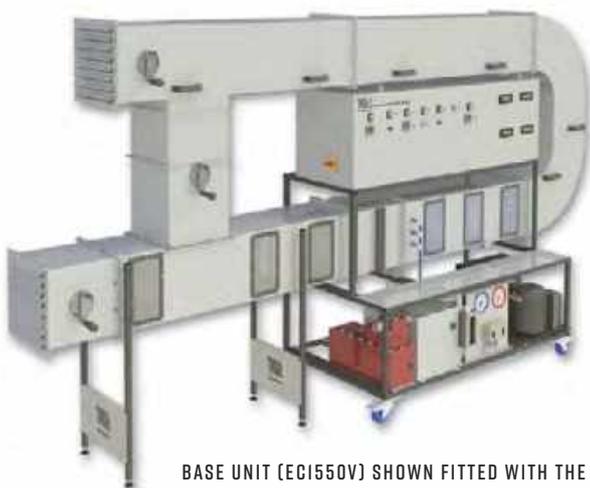
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| • Recirculation duct (EC1550a)    | 299 |
| • Environmental Chamber (EC1550c) | 299 |

**RECIRCULATION DUCT (EC1550A):**

A recirculation duct can be fitted. Air flow through the recirculation unit can be varied via the manually controlled dampers allowing a wide range of experiments.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Determination of the mass flow and energy balance across the whole unit
- Adiabatic mixing of air streams



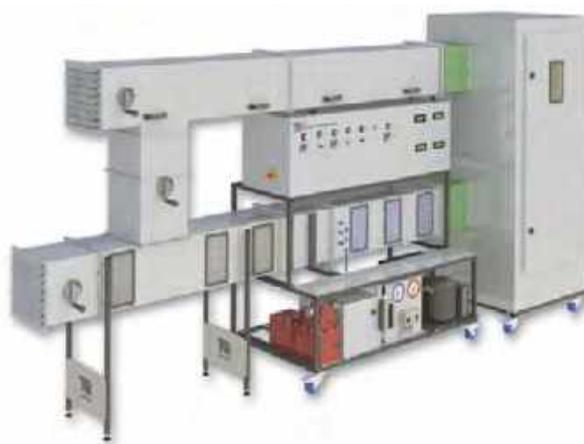
BASE UNIT (EC1550V) SHOWN FITTED WITH THE RECIRCULATION DUCT (EC1550A)

**ENVIRONMENTAL CHAMBER (EC1550C):**

Complimentary to the air duct, a 2 m<sup>3</sup> environmental chamber can be used to mimic a room. This is designed to accommodate a student, allowing them to stand within an environment conditioned by the EC1550V. They can assess their comfort level and compare this with the calculated mean vote.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- Investigation of HVAC for human comfort applications. Calculation of the Predicted Mean Vote (PMV) and Percentage of People Dissatisfied (PPD).



BASE UNIT SHOWN FITTED WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL CHAMBER (EC1550C) AND RECIRCULATION DUCT (EC1550A)

# HUMIDITY MEASUREMENT

TE6

Benchtop apparatus that illustrates the principles of humidity measurement and compares various methods of measurement.



HUMIDITY

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

- Allows students to compare different humidity measuring instruments
- Includes air filter to help prevent dust and other impurities from entering instruments
- Includes mechanical and electronic instruments to measure temperature and humidity
- Variable flow rate fan to demonstrate the effect of air flow on humidity measurement

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Measurement of air flow rate in a duct
- Measurement of relative humidity using different types of instrumentation
- Comparison of measurement methods for accuracy and ease of use

A square cross-section duct supports a blower unit. The duct contains a selection of instruments to measure humidity and temperature. A fan in the blower unit above the duct supplies a flow of air and a hand-operated valve varies the air flow rate. This allows students to study the effect of air flow on the instruments. An orifice plate and manometer allow the student to compute flow rate. An air filter in the air flow path stops dirt or other particles affecting the instruments. The instruments include a whirling hygrometer that students use near the outlet of the duct, providing an extra method of measuring temperature and humidity. The back of the duct includes an extra port. It allows students to introduce low-pressure steam into the duct.

## PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Products are continually being improved. For the latest up-to-date specifications refer to the digital datasheets on

[TECEQUIPMENT.COM](http://TECEQUIPMENT.COM)



# SOLAR ENERGY

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The TecQuipment teaching solutions and scalable teaching equipment has allowed the Thermal Engineering and Energy Department to provide training up to Masters degree level with continuous and undeniable quality.

**PROFESSOR JEAN-NOËL BLANCHARD**  
IUT ORLEANS, FRANCE

# SOLAR ENERGY

The Solar Energy range offers teaching equipment for the core principles of solar energy, including photovoltaic cells, flat plate solar thermal energy collectors and focusing solar energy collectors. Students can learn about the efficiencies and limitations of each method of harnessing and converting solar energy for use in the real world.

## VERSATILE DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM **VDAS**<sup>®</sup>

The Solar Energy products work with TecEquipment's unique Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS<sup>®</sup>), page 310.

## KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

**PHOTOVOLTAIC, FOCUSING AND FLAT PLATE ENERGY COLLECTION:** Demonstrates three key methods used in harnessing solar energy.

**AUTOMATIC DATA ACQUISITION:** VDAS<sup>®</sup> is particularly useful when monitoring longer duration experiments.

**SAFE AND EASY SET-UP:** Low temperatures, safe connections and simple, hand-operated controls allow the set up an experiment safely and quickly.



## LOOK AT OUR OTHER RELEVANT RANGES

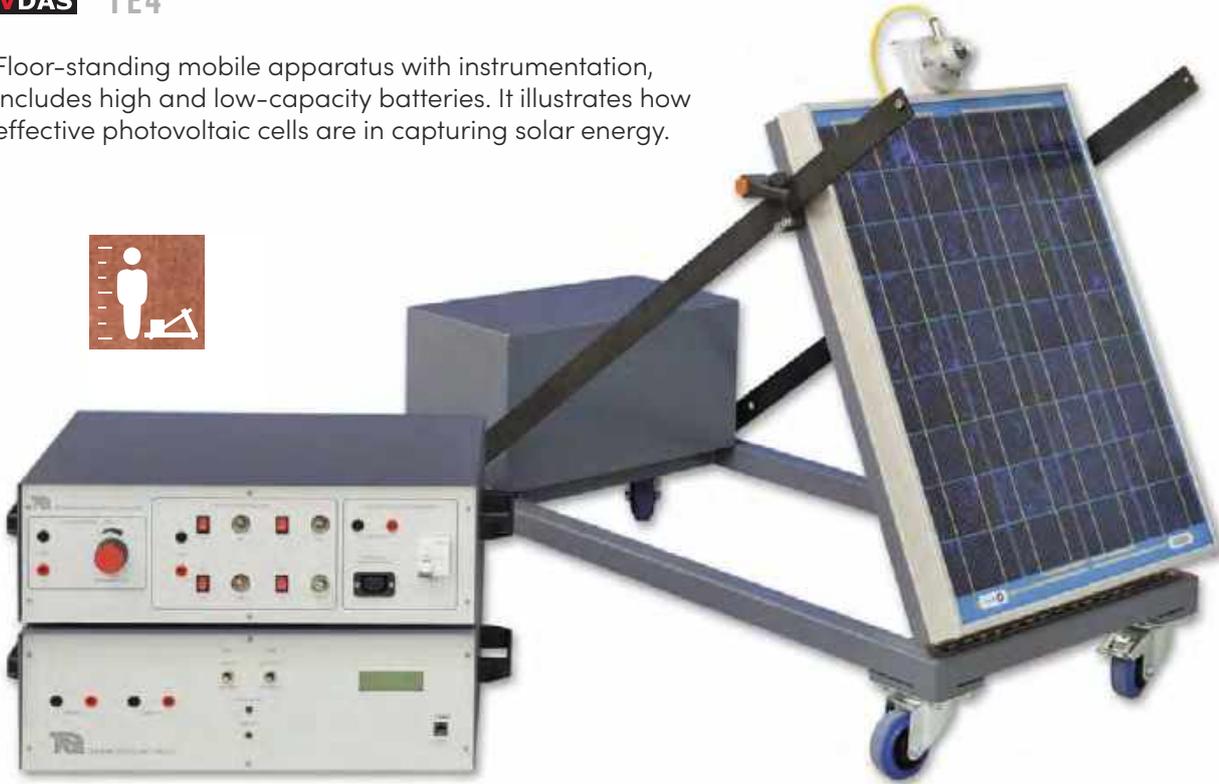
Other TecEquipment products link directly to renewable energy. For example, our **MODULAR FLUID POWER** products (pages 142–156) include turbines to harness the energy in water. The **AERODYNAMICS** and **FLUID MECHANICS** ranges include experiments to demonstrate how shapes affect air and water flow. These are essential tools for engineers when designing wind or water energy systems.



# PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS

**VDAS® TE4**

Floor-standing mobile apparatus with instrumentation, includes high and low-capacity batteries. It illustrates how effective photovoltaic cells are in capturing solar energy.



- Demonstrates the performance of a high-efficiency photovoltaic cell array and battery storage system
- Includes solarimeter, charge controller and control module with digital displays and DC outputs
- Supplied with both high and low-capacity batteries to allow students to investigate charge and discharge cycle of the system in a typical laboratory session as well as longer cycles
- Includes three different types of electrical load

The TE4 uses a commercially available solar panel made from high-efficiency cells. The solar panel is on a wheeled, lightweight frame that allows adjustment of the panel angle, relative to the sun. A solarimeter on the frame measures incident radiation. The panel recharges a choice of two batteries through a charge controller. The charge controller recharges the battery at the correct rate of charge without damage to the battery. The frame holds a high-performance, deep-cycling battery in a storage box. The equipment also includes a second lower-rated battery. This allows students to examine the charge and discharge cycle of the system in a typical laboratory session.



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## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Performance of the solar panel
- Demonstration of float mode
- Demonstration of load cut

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

- Focusing Solar Energy Collector (TE38) 306
- Flat Plate Solar Thermal Energy Collector (TE39) 307





# FOCUSING SOLAR ENERGY COLLECTOR

**VDAS®** TE38

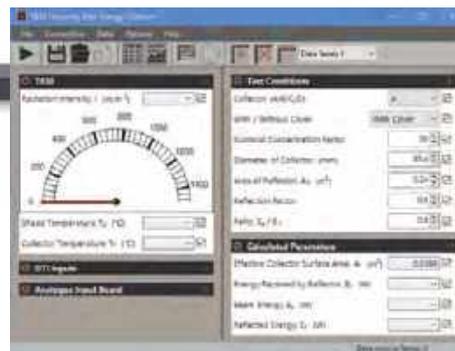
Floor-standing mobile apparatus that illustrates the workings of a focusing solar energy collector and allows students to study its performance. Supplied with four sizes of absorber.

- Mobile, self-contained focusing solar energy collector specially designed for educational use
- Demonstrates principles, advantages and limitations of focusing solar energy collectors
- Includes four different sizes of collector for studies of different energy concentration ratios
- Removable transparent cover allows students to compare properties of shielded and unshielded collectors



## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstrations of the performance, advantages and limitations of a focusing solar energy collector
- Understanding the effective use of the direct component of solar radiation
- Measurement of the efficiency of the collector with and without a transparent cover
- Measurement of the maximum possible energy collector temperature



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A highly polished, stainless steel parabolic reflector, supported on trunnion bearings on a turntable. By adjusting the horizontal and vertical position of the reflector, students focus solar energy onto an energy collector. The energy collector is a brass cylinder with an embedded thermocouple that measures the cylinder temperature. To enable students to compare different concentration ratios, TecQuipment supplies four different sizes of energy collector. Also supplied is a removable transparent cover for the collector, so students can study the properties of shielded and unshielded collectors. Attached to the reflector carrier is a solarimeter (pyranometer) that measures the incident solar radiation.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310  
(benchtop version)
- Stopwatch (SW1) 28

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

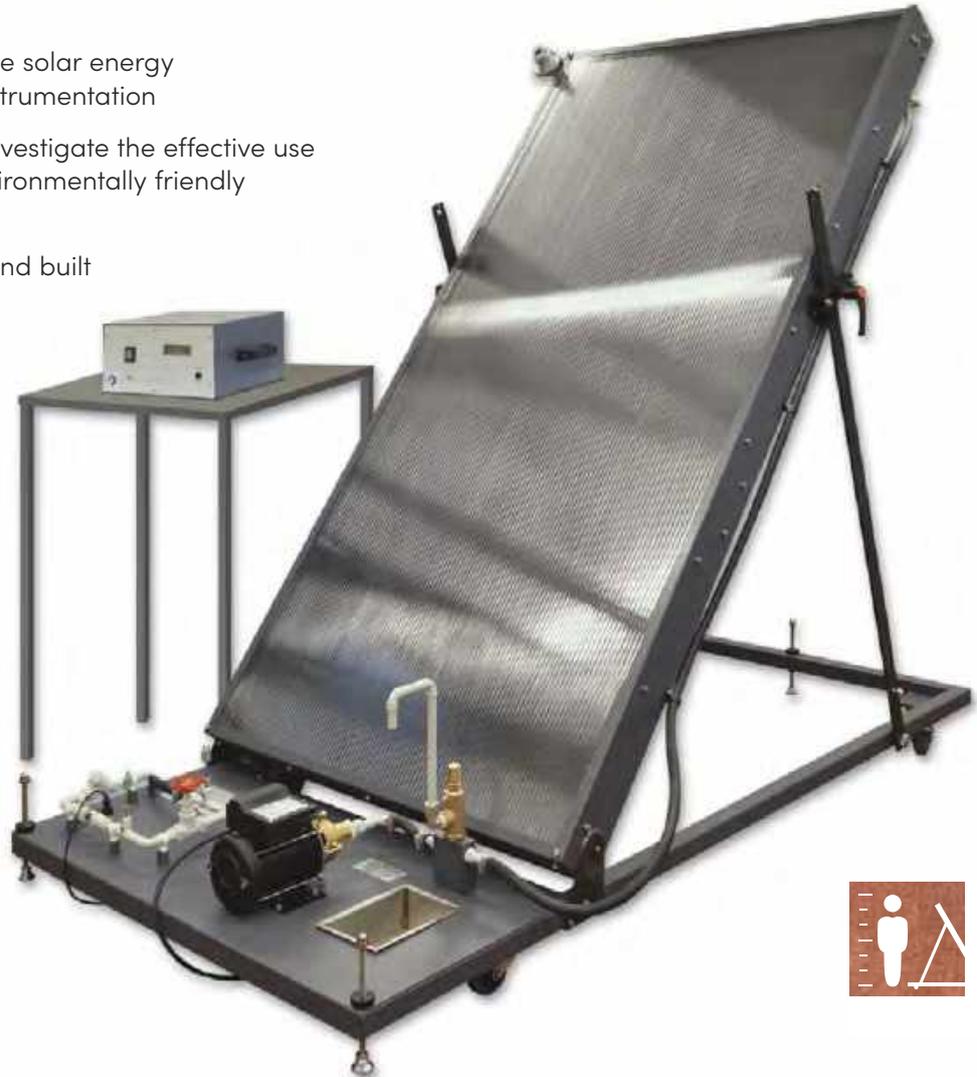
- Photovoltaic Cells (TE4) 305
- Flat Plate Solar Thermal Energy Collector (TE39) 307

# FLAT PLATE SOLAR THERMAL ENERGY COLLECTOR

**VDAS® TE39**

Floor-standing, folding mobile apparatus with instrumentation that illustrates the workings of a flat plate solar energy collector and allows students to study its performance.

- Educational flat plate solar energy collector with full instrumentation
- Allows students to investigate the effective use of a renewable, environmentally friendly energy source
- Purpose designed and built solar panel for high quality
- Includes digital display of water flow, radiation intensity and temperatures at different points throughout the apparatus



The panel has a thin sheet metal absorber, backed by riser tubes and insulating material, to reduce heat loss to the rear. A box with a clear cover encloses the panel, forming the collector. To allow users to adjust its angle, the frame has a hinge. Cold mains water enters the collector. Sunlight energy heats the water in the collector. The heated water returns to a pump that mixes it with the incoming cold water. A pressure-sensitive valve allows the heated water to leave the equipment at the same rate as cold water enters it. A flow transducer measures the water flow rate and a solarimeter (or pyranometer) measures incident radiation. Thermocouples measure the water temperature at all the important points, and the shade temperature.

## RECOMMENDED ANCILLARIES:

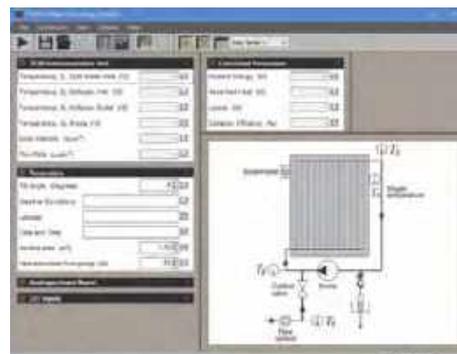
- Versatile Data Acquisition System (VDAS-B) 310 (benchtop version)

## ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS:

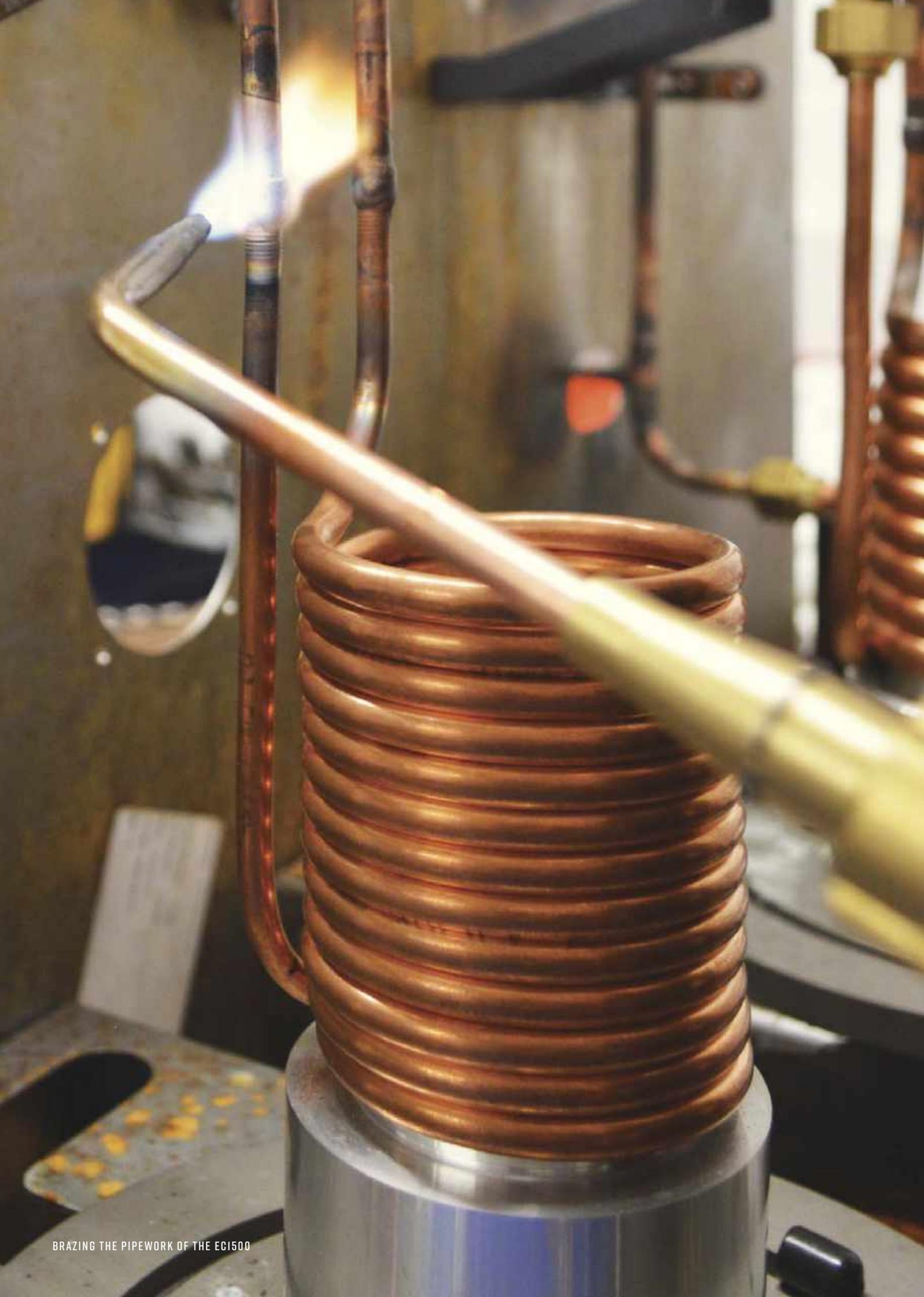
- Photovoltaic Cells (TE4) 305
- Focusing Solar Energy Collector (TE38) 306

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Efficiency of the collector
- Efficiency and heat losses
- Effect of collector angle



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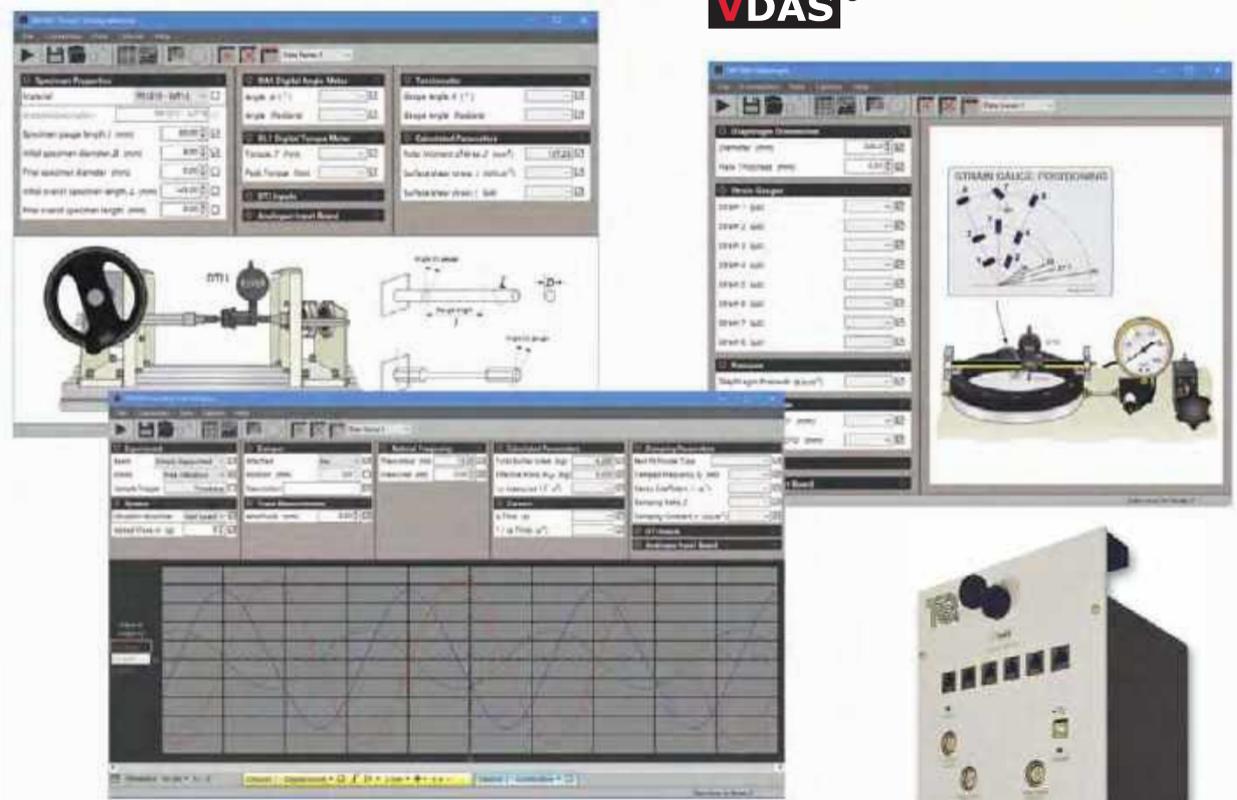
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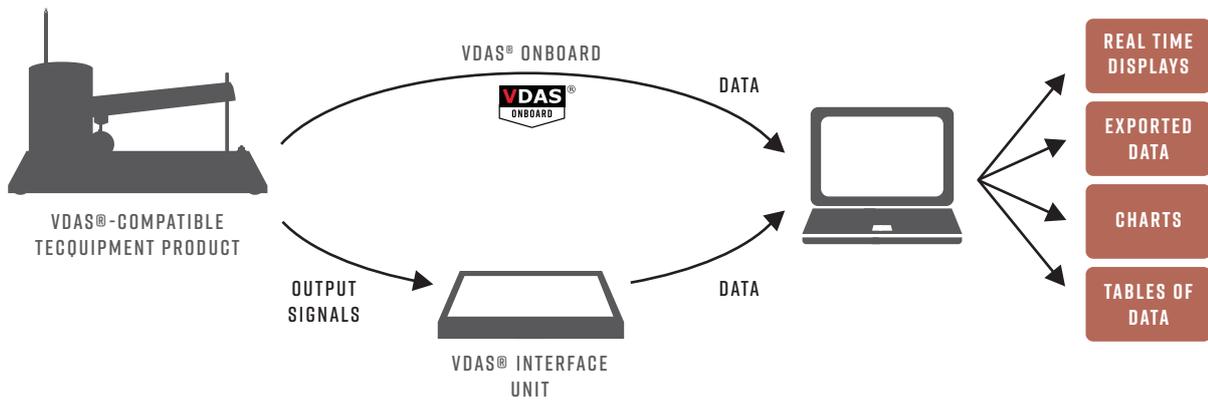
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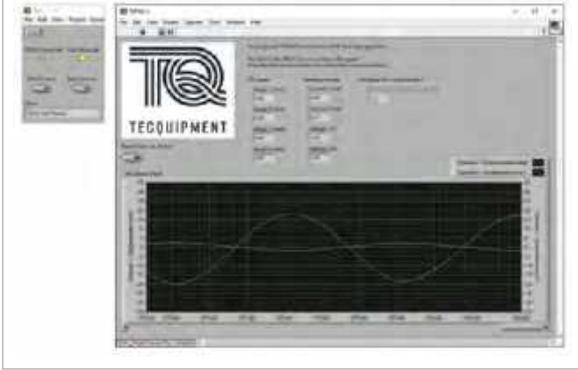


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### COMPRESSOR



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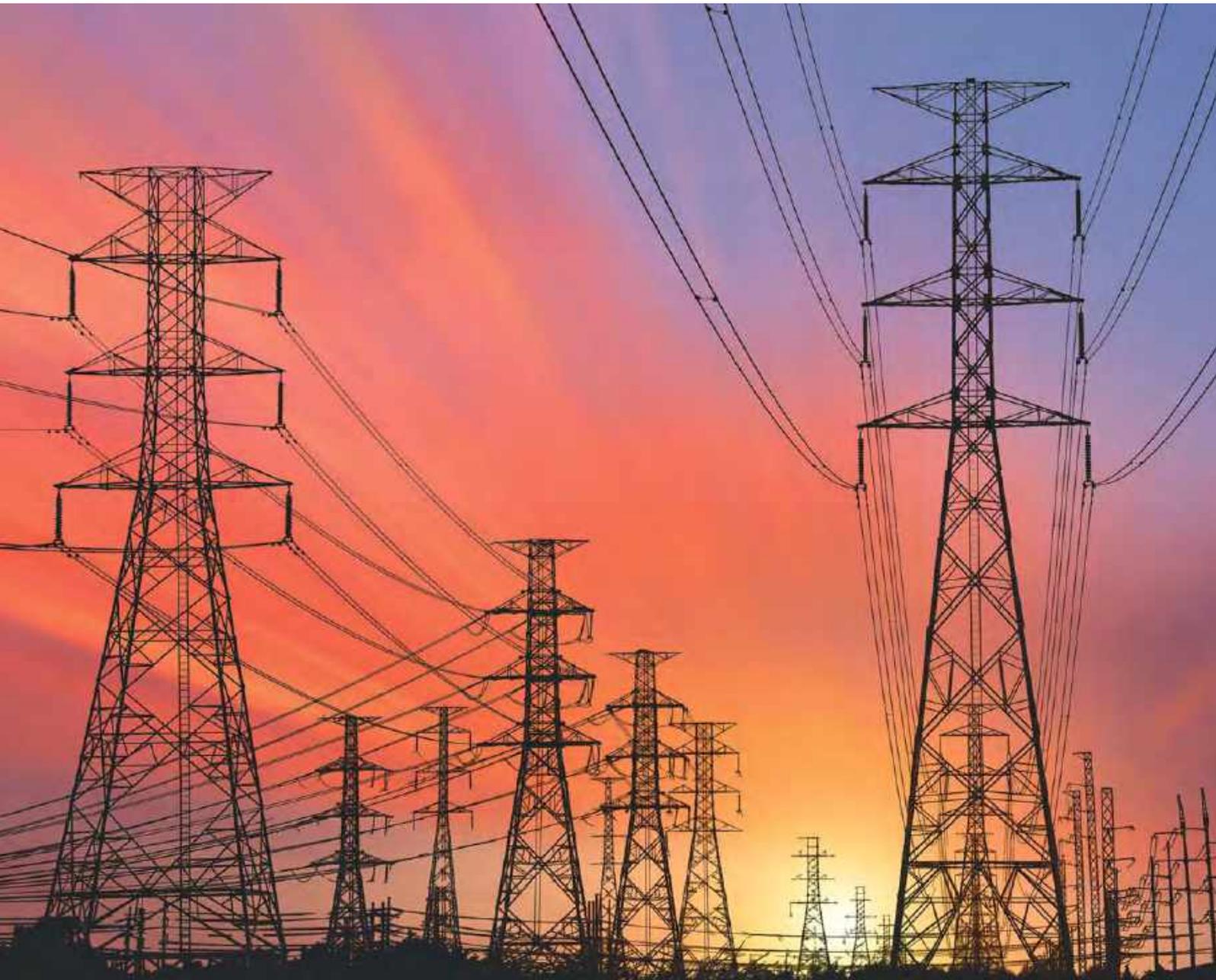
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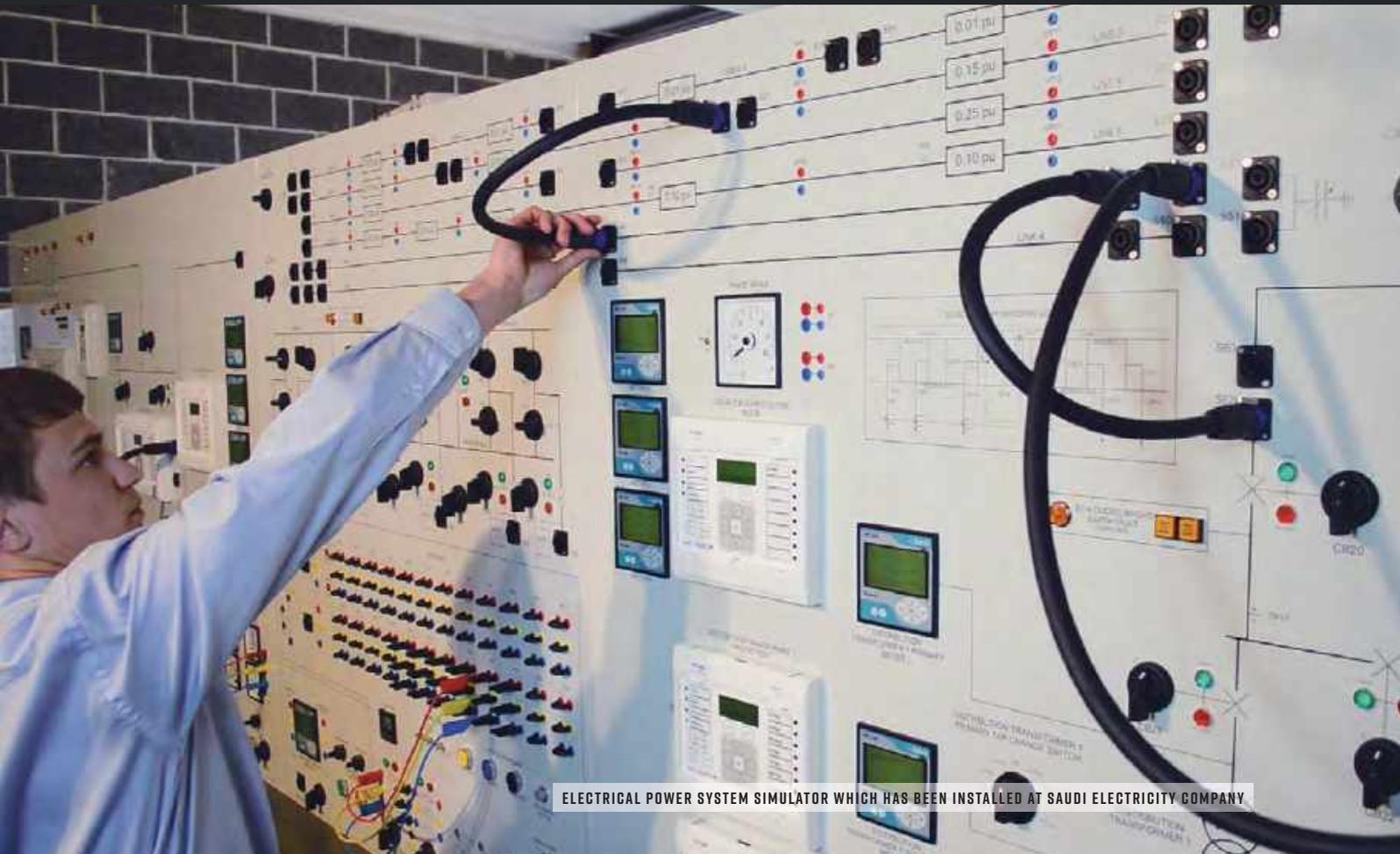
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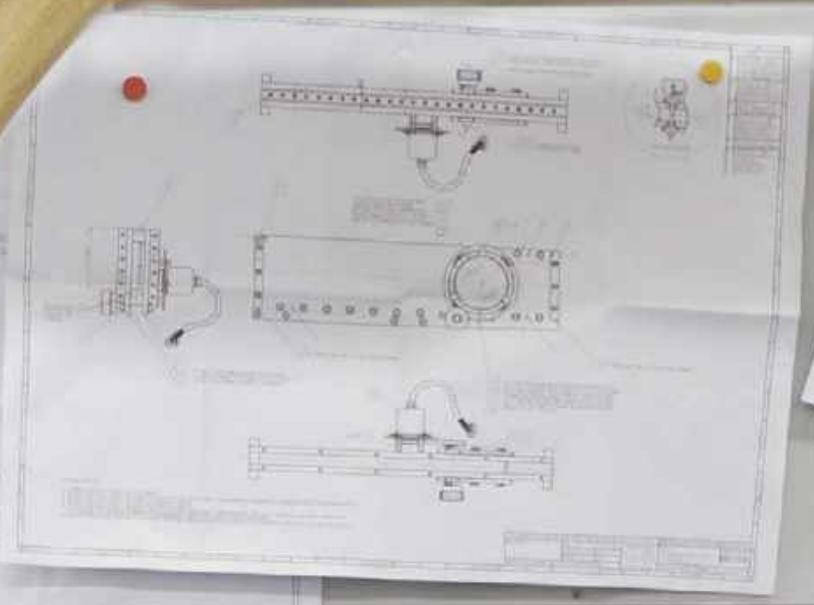
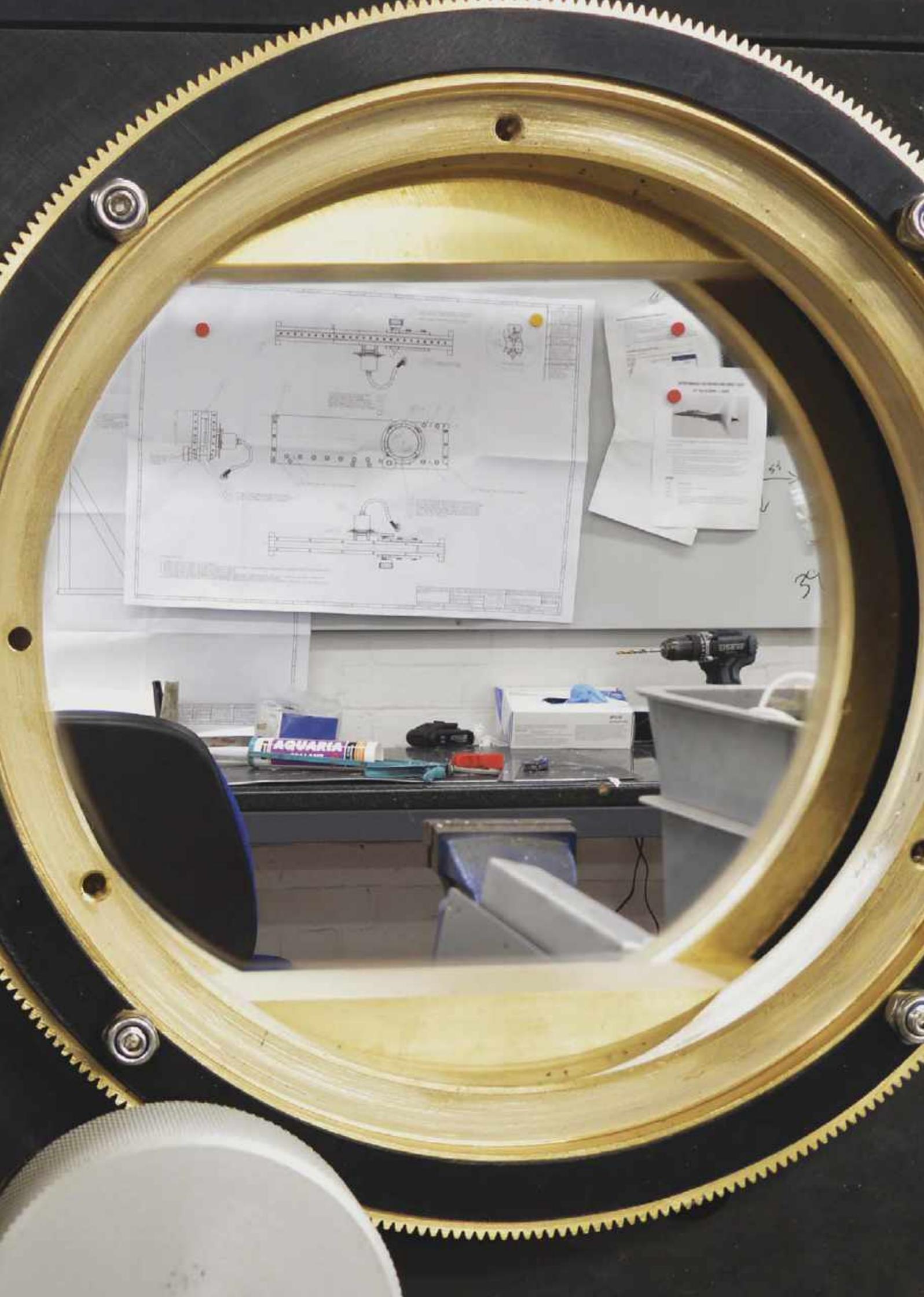
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# THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA RETURNS TO TECQUIPMENT DECADE AFTER DECADE

Repeatability and longevity are just a couple of the reasons why the University of Regina keeps returning to TecQuipment for engineering teaching equipment. This University in the Canadian province of Saskatchewan has been purchasing TecQuipment teaching products from the company since the late 1960s.

Within the faculty of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Laboratory Instructor Dean Milton runs a Fluid Mechanics laboratory, with laboratory sessions for students studying degree courses in Environmental Engineering, Industrial Engineering and Petroleum Engineering.

Over the years, they have purchased five generations of TecQuipment's hydraulic bench and associated experiments. Their first-generation Hydraulic Bench, introduced in the late 1960s, is still in fully functional order.

## EQUIPMENT THAT LASTS A WORKING LIFETIME

The five-year warranty offered with TecQuipment products tells only part of the story. Detailed manuals that cover maintenance, as well as teaching guidelines, theory and workbooks for students, give academics the details required to perform routine maintenance. The support provided by local sales agents and the TecQuipment Customer Service team at TecQuipment's headquarters, ensure problems get solved, no matter how long the product has been in service.

Milton captured why they choose TecQuipment's products:

"Repeatability when it comes to running experiments to prove theory, is the number one reason we stick with these products. I know that my students are going to get good, consistent reliable results. I also know they are going to last. The fact that equipment the University bought over half a century ago is still working says it all. This isn't just because they are designed and built really well, it's also down to these products being really good to maintain."

## AGENTS AROUND THE WORLD

Milton talked highly of the local TecQuipment agent in Canada, AYVA Educational Solutions:

"The AVYA experience is great! Their post-sale technical support is unparalleled."

TecQuipment works with 60 plus agents around the world, supported by a strong team of export personnel based in the UK headquarters.

Modular products make incremental investment easy and decrease laboratory set-up time

Many products within the Fluid Mechanics range from TecQuipment are modular. Not only does this mean that investments can be done incrementally, but it also makes laboratory set-up time quicker and easier.

Milton commented:

"I'm often running two laboratory sessions at one time in two different rooms. Being able to use the base module like the hydraulic bench and quickly be able to switch out the experimental modules makes running a tight schedule of laboratory sessions possible. With a few of my own modifications, like adding quick connects and valves, I can make this changeover even slicker."

The University of Regina recently purchased eight of the newest digital hydraulic benches from TecQuipment. While many of their older benches were still in good functioning order, the decision was made to update to the latest model, with digital flow and capacity measurement capabilities, which ultimately means that experiments can be performed much more quickly. The older units have been donated to a local college. With the hydraulic benches, the University uses the following experiments:

- Impact of a Jet
- Friction Loss in a Pipe
- Discharge Over a Notch
- Flow Measurement Methods and the Bernoulli's Theorem.

## UPGRADES TO INCREASE THE PRODUCT'S LIFETIME

As new product upgrades have been made available, the University of Regina has been quick to seize these opportunities to extend the life of their products. Their Losses in Piping Experiment purchased in the 1990s was recently upgraded with an electronic pressure measurement system. This has improved the accuracy of the experiment results and eliminated the use of mercury in the apparatus.

## ENGINEERING UNDERSTANDING FOR LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES

Milton was explaining how in Canada the region experiences many challenges with infiltration of water into the basements of buildings. In response to this, the University purchased the Hydrology and Rainfall apparatus that simulates rain and moving storms over a permeable medium. It also demonstrates hydrology phenomenon, such as erosion caused by water flow and watersheds for simulated islands with rainfall and well flows.

## FACTORY VISIT

TecQuipment encourages people from around the world to visit their factory in Nottingham, UK where the equipment is designed and manufactured all under one roof.

Milton noted that:

"After visiting the factory and having a meet and greet with the key players, I was left with a great confidence in dealing with the people of TecQuipment. I know I can call and speak to people about any problems I might have with the equipment."



