

# **MODEL DTX**

# **DIGITAL TENSION METER**



# **Operating Manual**



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**WARNING:** Tensions that exceed the tension range of the instrument by more than 100% may cause permanent damage to the measuring spring and must be avoided under any circumstances.

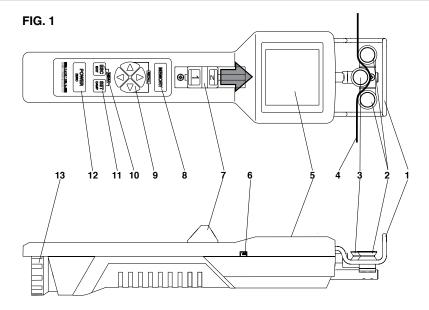
# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The DTX is supplied as a complete kit that includes:

- Tension meter with accumulator and AC adapter with country adapters (EU, US, UK)
- (1) Certificate of compliance with the order 2.1 under EN 10204
- (1) Operating Instructions
- (1) Carrying case

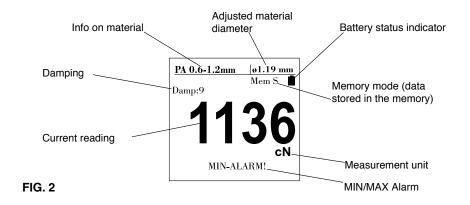
**NOTE:** Unpack the tension meter and inspect it for shipping damage. Notices of defect must be filed, in writing, at the latest within 10 days on receipt of the goods.

# 2.0 OVERVIEW OF OPERATING AND DISPLAY ELEMENTS



- 1. Filament guide
- 2. Guide rollers
- 3. Measuring roller
- 4. Material to be measured
- 5. Display
- **6.** USB interface / power connector
- 7. Thumbpiece
- **8.** MEMORY key
- **9.** Arrow key
- **10.** ESC / EXIT key
- 11. SET / DAMP key
- 12. POWER / ZERO key
- **13.** Adjustment wheel for material thickness compensator (subject to model or measuring range, otherwise a cover cap is provided)

# **Numeric display**



# Display with Bargraph

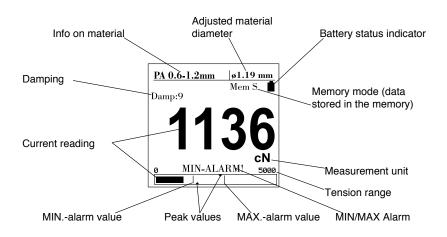
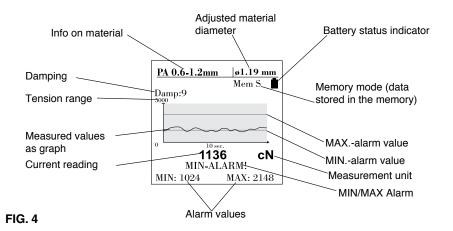


FIG. 3

# Graphic display



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The Y-axis can be scaled with the \( \text{and} \) and \( \text{buttons.} \)

3 Scalings: total measuring range, set limits range plus approx. 1/3 of MAX.-alarm value and minus approx. 1/3 of MIN.-alarm value, set limits range.

The scaling is only possible, if limit values are entered and the damping is not activated.

With the or button the X-axis can be scaled. The setting range is 0.5 to 60 sec.

The scaling can also be changed during the measurement, whereby values already displayed are deleted when the X-axis is changed.

# 3.0 SETUP

The tension meter is delivered with a built-in rechargeable LiPo battery, which has been charged at the factory. The tension meter can only be switched on if the battery is still working, i.e. if the battery has enough charge. If the instrument does not power up or if the battery level indicator shows only one bar after power-up switching the tension meter on, the battery needs to be recharged.

**NOTE:** To ensure maximum battery life, avoid discharging the battery completely or charging it frequently for short periods. The battery should not be stored for a extended period of time when empty. After a maximum storage period of one year, the battery has to be recharged.

# 3.1 Charging the Battery

To charge the battery, connect the cable of the AC adapter to the low USB output. The battery can also be charged by connecting the USB cable to a PC. When the battery is fully charged, the battery level indicator will show 5 bars . The charging time is approx. 3 ½ hours (using the AC adapter).

**NOTES:** It is not possible to overcharge the battery. The battery can only be charged at a temperature between +5  $^{\circ}$ C and +45  $^{\circ}$ C. Before you connect the AC adapter, verify that the supply voltage is correct (100 V - 240 V).

# 3.2 Switching the tension meter ON and OFF

#### To switch ON

Press and hold the Power button (for approx. 1 sec.) until the DISPLAY shows the measuring range, the software and hardware versions, e.g. E 1.0, and then "0". During startup, the tension meter performs an automatic zero adjustment (see Section 5.3).

Holding the button makes the display freeze so that you can read the measuring range and the software and hardware versions.



While switching on the tension meter, make sure not to move it. This will cause the automatic zero adjustment to be faulty

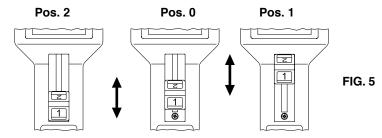
#### To switch OFF

Automatic Switch Off: After 3 minutes of non-use the tension meter will switch off.

**Manual Switch Off**: Press and hold the button for five seconds.

# 4.0 TENSION METER SETTINGS

# Thumbpiece positions



- 2 = Measurement position
- 0 = Adjustment position
- 1 = Threading position (guide rollers in their forward position



Menu settings can be changed with the thumbpiece in Pos. 0 (Adjustment position). To perform measurements the thumbpiece must be in the measurement position (Pos. 2).

#### 4.1 Procedure

- 1. Press the star and star buttons simultaneously to access the main menu.
- 2. The A and V buttons can be used to select the various menu items of the main menu, the submenus and the settings menus.
- 3. Press the button to open the selected menu; by pressing the or button you can close the menu without saving changes.
- 4. In menus with multi-digit fields (e.g. date) use the and buttons to move forward and backward between digits.
- 5. Press the button to save the settings and exit the settings menu or press the button to exit the current menu without saving.
- 6. To exit the main menu press the ESC button.

# 4.2 Tension Meter settings chart

Main Menu	Submenu	Settings Menu	Description	
Material	[1] to [11]		Section 4.3 Material set up	
Cal. Adjustment	_	[-10%] - [+10%]	Section 5.7	
Display Section 6.5	-	[numeric] [Bargraph] [Graphic}	Measured value displayed as number and alarm monitoring     Measured value displayed as number, bar graph trend display and alarm monitoring     Measured value displayed as graphical trend, measured value/limit values as numbers	
Alarms	_	[ON], [OFF]	Activate/deactivate the alarm for all calibrations.  The alarm of a material characteristic is only active if the [Alarm] menu item in Material Setup is activated as well.	
Peak Display		[ON], <b>[OFF]</b>	Activate/deactivate the peak values in the bar graph display.	
	Tension Unit	[cN], [N], [lb], [g], [kg]	Set the measurement unit. The available units may vary depending on the measuing range of the device.	
	Diameter Unirt	[mm], [inch]	To select betwen mm and inch.	
	Contrast	[0] – [10]	To adjust the contrast	
Settings	Backlight	[ON]. [OFF], <b>[AUTO]</b>	Switch the display light on or off. With the AUTO setting, the light switches on and off automatically depending on the ambient light.	
	Brightness	[1}, <b>[2],</b> [3]	Set the display brightness	
	Screen Rotation	[0°], 90°], [180°], [270°], <b>[AUTO]</b>	To set the display orientation to be fixed or to automatically adapt to the current orientation of the device.	
	Auto Power Off	[ON], [OFF]	Toggle the AUTO POWER OFF function on and off	
	Language	[EN], [DE]	Select English or German user language	
	Date/Time	[Time], [Date], [Time Format]	Set the time, date, and date/time format	
	Password	[0000], [9999]	Section 4.4	
	Factory Reset		Reset to the factory settings	
	Wi-Fi Setup		Section 8.0	
Memory Settings	Memory Mode	[H], <b>[S]</b> , [F], [C]	Section 7.0	

Factory settings are in bold text.

# 4.3 Material Menu

In the material menu you can make the settings for the selected material characteristics and perform the calibration. To perform the calibration, the weights for the selected calibration points must be available.

Material Setup	Submenu	Settings Menu	Description
No. of the characteristic-material curve 1 - 11	-	[character], [numbers], special character]	To enter a name for the selected material characteristic. The name can also be adjusted by using the provided software.
Damping	_	[1] – [9]; [5]	Section 5.5
Alarms	_	[ON], [OFF]	To activate or deactivate the alarm function for the material characteristic.
High Limit	_	[0000] - [9999]	If the set limit value is exceeded, the display reads MAX-ALARM
Low Limit		[0000] - [9999]	If the value falls below the set limit, the display reads MIM-ALARM
	Start		To perform a calibration, follow the instructions shown on the display.
Calibration 6.1	Cal. Points	between [10 %] and [100 %] of the tension range	Set three calibration points for which a calibration should be performed.
	Weights	[cN/daN] [g/kg]	Set the unit of the calibration weights used.

#### 4.4 Password

Setting a password blocks the access to some menu parts for unauthorized users:

OOOO All menus are accessible.

0001 – 0999 The Material, Cal. Adjustment, Settings, and Memory Settings menus

are locked

1000 – 9999 The entire menu is locked.

**NOTE:** To apply a changed password, exit the main menu. Entering 0000 as the password disables the password feature. If you forgot the password, please contact the factory to request the master password. As an alternative, you can perform a factory reset. Please note, that in this case, you will lose any customer-defined calibrations.

### 4.5 Factory Reset

A factory reset resets the tension meter to its original manufacturer settings. This procedure will delete all settings, including any customer-defined material characteristics (calibrations); the factory calibration, however, will be kept.



Customer calibrations will be deleted.

#### 5.0 OPERATION

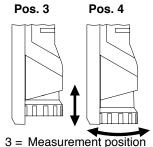
## 5.1 Requirements

- 1. Switch the tension meter on (Section 3.2)
- 2. Define the required tension meter settings (Section 4.2)
- 3. Select the desired material characteristic (Section 4.3)
- 4. Set the material thickness compensator (Section 5.2), if equipped
- 5. Bring the tension meter into the desired measuring position and carry out a zero adjustment as described in Section 5.3, if required.

# **5.2 Material thickness compensator** (only for devices with a thumbwheel)

The 3-roller-system for tension measurement relies on the displacement of the middle

roller (measuring roller) to give an indication of the line tension. As the material thickness changes, there will be a change in the tension reading, even when the line tension has not changed. To compensate for this effect, high-range instruments are usually equipped, as necessary, with a material thickness compensator, which automatically shifts the outer rollers. To adapt the tension meter to the diameter of the material to be measured, push the thumbpiece into the adjustment position "0" (Section 4.0) and pull the thumbwheel of the material thickness compensator backward to the adjustment position (Figure 6). Turn it clockwise or anti-clockwise until the desired diameter, such as , appears in the upper right part of the display. Then push the thumbwheel



4 = Adjustment position

F = Aujustinent position

FIG. 6

of the material thickness compensator back to the measurement position (Figure 6). If you set a diameter that has not been calibrated for the selected material characteristic, the set diameter is displayed with a black background color, e.g., <code>Ø0.26mm</code> the tension meter can be used anyhow, but please note, that depending on the material to be measured, slight deviations in the measured values might occur.



If you rotate the thumbwheel while the thumbpiece is in position 2 (measuring position Figure 1), the reading on the display will be updated, but the value will not be used by the instrument to determine the tension—false measurement! The maximum material thickness you can set is 2.50 mm. Setting a higher diameter can damage the tension meter.

# 5.3 Zero adjustment of the measurement position

Each time the measurement position is changed, the tension meter will automatically perform a zero adjustment.

If the tension meter does not display zero in its measuring position, perform a manual zero adjustment procedure. For this purpose, no material to be measured must have been inserted yet!

# Requirements:

measurements.

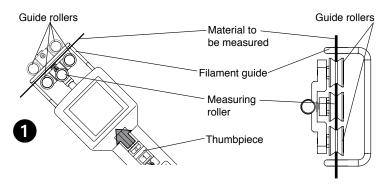
1. The tension meter has been switched on as described in Section 3.2.

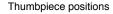
## To carry out zero adjustment:

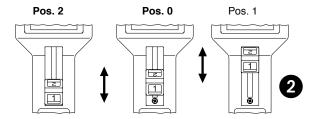
 Bring the tension meter into the desired measuring position and make sure not to move it.



# 5.4 Inserting and removing the material to be measured







- 2 = Measurement position
- 0 = Adjustment position
- 1 = Thread in position (the guide rollers extend forward)

#### To insert the material to be measured:

- 1. Push the thumbpiece in the direction of the arrow into its threading position 1 (1) until the outer guide rollers extend beyond the filament guide.
- 2. Position the material to be measured into the tension meter in such a way that it contacts the Filament guide and passes between the outer rollers and the middle measuring roller (1).
- 3. Slowly move the thumbpiece back into the adjustment position (2). It is important to ensure that the material to be measured runs smoothly between the measuring roller and the guide rollers.
- 4. Push the thumbpiece into the measuring position (2) (2)
- 5. The display shows the measured tension value.



If the thumbpiece is not in position 2, a corresponding message is issued on the display. If the thumbpiece is not locked, faulty measurements might result.

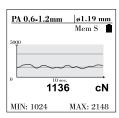


FIG. 7



**Numerical Display** 

Display with bargraph



Graphical Display

FIG. 8

FIG. 9

FIG. 10

6. Press the and button simultaneously to change the different display modes during the working mode.



Do not let the thumbpiece snap back as this could affect the calibration and damage the instrument.

While measuring the thumbwheel of the material thickness compensator must be set to the measurement position, so that the material diameter is not altered inadvertently.

If you rotate the thumbwheel while the thumbpiece is in position 2 (measuring position), the reading on the display will be updated, but the value will not be used by the instrument to determine the tension – false measurement!

#### To remove the material to be measured:

- 1. Push the thumbpiece in the direction of the arrow into its threading position (1)(2).
- Remove the material to be measured.
- 3. Slowly set back the thumbpiece into the adjustment position (0) (2).

# 5.5 Damping

Feature to be used for tensions that vary strongly. In the Damping menu (Section 4.3) you can specify separate damping factors for each material characteristic. Back in the display mode, press the SET button to activate or deactivate the damping function. This is recommended if the displayed values vary strongly. Press the button to increase the damping value or the button to decrease it.

**NOTE:** Changes made to the damping factor using the arrow keys are not saved permanently in the material characteristic. If you disable the damping feature or select a different material characteristic, the damping factor will be reset to the value originally saved for the material characteristic.

The factory setting for the damping factor is 5. The average shown on the display is calculated as follows:

Damping can be changed in 9 steps from 01 = low damping:

 $8 \ old \ measured \ values + 1 \ new \ measured \ value$ 

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# 5.6 Using the ALARM function

# Requirements

In the Material Setup menu, make sure that the MIN and MAX limit values have been set for each material characteristic.

The limit value alarm can be enabled in the main menu.

# 5.7 Cal. adjustment

By performing a calibration adjustment, you can adjust a material characteristic calibrated for a particular material to a different material or diameter without creating a new material characteristic.

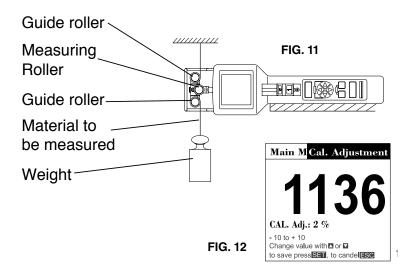
#### Requirements

- 1. Prepare the measuring setup as shown in Fig. 11
- 2. Make sure that the thumbpiece is in the adjustment position (Section 5.4).
- 3. Set the material thickness as described in Section 5.2.
- 4. Select the desired material (Section 4.3).
- 5. Move the tension meter into the desired measuring position and carry out a zero adjustment, if required.

#### Adjusting

- 1. Select the Cal. Adjustment menu item from the main menu (Fig. 12)
- Insert the material to be measured (Section 5.4) and push the thumbpiece into the measuring position.

- 3. Press the  $\triangle$  or  $\bigvee$  key to perform the calibration adjustment until the value on the display corresponds to the weight suspended to the material. The adjustment can be performed in 1 % steps within the range from + 10% to -10%.
- 4. Press the SET button to save the determined value.



**NOTE:** Please note that this is a general value. So determine it separately for each material characteristic and note it down for later reference. It is not possible to save it per material characteristic.

To disable calibration adjustment, reset the value to 0% in the Cal. Adjustment menu.

#### 5.8 Peak value

During a measurement cycle, the tension meter automatically calculates the Peak Minimum and Peak Maximum values. If these values should not be displayed in the bar graph or in the statistics, disable their display in the main menu. Regardless, the Peak values will be used and shown always in the software **Tension Inspect 3**.

#### 6.0 CREATING A MATERIAL CHARACTERISTIC

The tension meter has been calibrated on material 1 according our factory procedure for a vertical material path and cannot be deleted or overwritten. The the materials and diameters are given in Section 2. Factory calibrations using customer supplied materials follow the same procedure. In this case, however, the calibration on Schmidt material 1 is omitted

**NOTE:** The material characteristics 1 has been preset in the factory and cannot be overwritten. For these material characteristic, you can only change the damping factor, the alarm function setting, and the limit values.

#### 6.1 Calibration procedure

Calibrations of the tension meter are performed according to the factory procedure using weights that correspond to 10%, 50%, and 90% of the measuring range. In 95% of all industrial applications, the factory calibration has been proven to provide the best results. In particular, it is suitable for comparative purposes. If the material to be measured differs significantly from the factory calibration material in material type, diameter, rigidity, shape, etc., we recommend to perform a calibration using customer-supplied material. In addition to the two factory-preset materials, you can save up to 9 additional materials.

**NOTE:** The material thickness unit used for the calibration is the same as currently selected in the **Settings menu**. It is not possible to overwrite the factory calibrations.

### **Calibration Units and Calibration Points**

- You can select Newton or Kilogram as the unit of the calibration weights.
- For the calibration of the tension meter, three calibration weights are used. For example, if you select 10%, 40%, 70% for the calibration, the weights must correspond to 10%, 40%, and 70% of the measuring range.

In this example, you need the following weights for the DTX-1000:

Calibration in Newton: 100 cN, 400 cN, and 700 cN Calibration in Kilogram: 100 g, 400 g, and 700 g

**NOTE:** The measured values are displayed in the unit set in the **Settings** menu, independent from the unit that was used to calibrate the material characteristic.

So that they are available when you verify the calibration later or repeat the calibration after a factory reset.

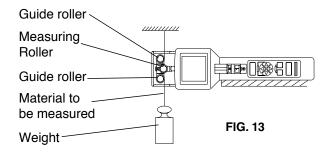
Material to be measured	Unit	Calibration points	Ø 1	<b>Ø</b> 2
Steel wire	cN	10%, 30%, 50%	0.4 mm	0.6 mm

# **Requirements:**

- 1. The thumbpiece must be in the adjustment position(4) (Fig. 6).
- 2. The material thickness compensator (if existing) must be set to the adjustment position (Section 5.2)
- 3. The unit for the material thickness must have been set (Section 4.3)

# To perform the calibration procedure:

- Select a new material or edit an existing one (by re-entering the values) from the material menu.
- 2. Enter a designation (you can use the software supplied with the tension meter alternatively).



**NOTE:** While performing the calibration, the tension meter must be fixed in such a way that the material to be measured runs smoothly between the guide rollers and the measuring roller. The display gives detailed information on the calibration.



In the Material menu, select Calibration

#### Step 1:

Set the calibration points and weights, e.g. in Newton using the calibration points 10%, 50%, and 90% of full scale

#### Start: Select the Start menu item.

#### Alternative calibration points:

10%, 40%, 70%	10%, 30%, 60%
10%, 30%, 50%	10%, 20%, 40%
10%, 40%, 90%	10%, 60%, 90%
10%, 60%, 100%	

We recommend to use the 10%, 50%, 90% setting for an initial calibration. If the measured values are not accurate enough when you check the calibration, repeat the calibration using other calibration points. We recommend that you align the middle of the tension range to be measured with the middle calibration point.







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# Step 2:

Set the diameter

This step is only required for tension meters with a material thickness compensator

# Step 3:

Perform a zero adjustment with the tension meter in its measuring position

# Step 4:

Calibrate calibration point 1 Insert material to be measured

#### Step 5:

Calibrate calibration point 2

#### Step 6:

Calibrate calibration point 3

#### Step 7:

Exit the calibration process or calibrate a second diameter. In this case, continue with step 2.

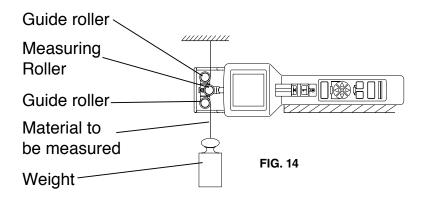
**NOTE:** By calibrating a second diameter, you can define a material thickness range to be used for the material, e.g. 0.1 - 0.3 mm. Therefore the tension meter can be used for a diameter range instead of a specific diameter only.



Once you have completed the calibration, make sure to verify it as described in Section 6.2. In case of a large deviation, repeat the calibration or select different calibration points.

# 6.2 Verifying the calibration

When verifying the calibration, make sure to select the same material, calibration position and calibration points as used for creating the associated material characteristic. Otherwise, the precision of the measurements will not be sufficient. The tension meter has been calibrated on material 1 according our factory procedure for a vertical material path and cannot be deleted or overwritten. The diameters and materials are given in Section 7.2. Calibrations of the tension meter are performed according to the factory procedure using weights that correspond to 10%, 50% and 90% of the measuring range.



- 1. Attach a weight vertically to the material to be measured that corresponds to the tension to be measured (make sure to select the correct unit). The weight must hang freely. (Always use a fresh portion of the material to be measured.)
- 2. Insert the material as described in Section 5.4



Do not let the thumbpiece snap back as this could affect the calibration and damage the instrument.

- Before verifying the calibration, move the instrument slowly up and down to compensate for any mechanical friction losses and thus ensure repeatability of the measurements.
- The tension value shown on the display should be equal to the mass of the suspended weight.

If the verification of the calibration shows a deviation beyond the allowable tolerance so that reliable operation is no longer possible, the instrument needs to be re-calibrated or returned to the factory for repair.

### 7.0 MEMORY FUNCTIONS

The tension meter is delivered with 4 different memory modes. You can store up to 255 measurement series at one or more machine positions. The tension meter can store up to 60000 measured values.

All saved measured values and statistic datas can be transferred to a PC (for further processing, e.g. in Excel). For this purpose, use the software supplied with the tension meter.

**Recall of memory:** The display only shows the last measured value, the average, the minimum and maximum measured values, the peaks, the standard deviation and the number of measured values per measurement series.

By pressing the button you can transfer all data from the selected measurement series to a PC.

You can select the desired memory programs from the main menu.

# Memory Mode "S" - Standard

Data is recorded during a user-defined period with 1000 measured values/sec. The system will only determine and save statistical values.

# Memory Mode "H" - Hold, Freeze Display

The last max. 128 values are saved. In graphical mode, you can freeze the display and thus view the course of the tension values after completion of the measurement. The system will determine statistical values and save them together with the measured values. Peak values are not determined.

# Memory Mode "C" - Continuous

Data is recorded during a user-defined period (min. 10 sec, max. 8 hrs 20 min). The system will acquire 2 measured values/sec, determine statistical values, and save them for each measurement series together with the measured values.

# Memory Mode "F" - Fast

Data is recorded during a user-defined period (min. 1 sec, max. 60 sec.). The system will acquire 1000 measured values/sec, determine statistical values, and save them for each measurement series together with the measured values.

**NOTE:** Changing to another memory mode will delete any saved data. When you select the memory mode, a corresponding message is displayed. The selected memory mode and the saved data will be kept even after switching off the tension meter.

# 7.1 Selecting the memory mode

## **Requirements:**

- 1. The tension meter has been switched on as described in chapter 3.3.2.
- 2. Open the menu by pressing the ESC and SET buttons simultaneously and select Memory Settings.
- 3. Select the desired memory mode in the user navigation.

**NOTE**: If the memory already contains data, a message will inform you that the data will be deleted.

# 7.2 Memory mode "S" - standard

# Saving Data

#### **Requirements:**

1. In the main menu, select **Memory Settings** and then memory mode "S".

#### To save the first measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec S" flashes on the display.
- 3. Press the MEMORY button again to stop recording.

The data is saved automatically (the display shows "Mem S", the memory position and the free memory space).



**FIG. 15** 

**NOTE:** To abort data recording, press the  $\frac{ESC}{EXT}$  button. This stops the procedure. No data will be saved.

#### To save more measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec S" flashes on the display.
- 3. Press the MEMORY button again to stop recording.

The data is saved automatically (the display shows "Mem S", the memory position, and the free memory space

# Displaying the saved measured values

- 1. Press the RECALL and buttons simultaneously to display the saved data.
- 2. The \( \text{and} \) and \( \text{buttons allow you to switch between the various measurement series.}

# The display will only show statistical values:

- Name of the material to be measured
- Date and time of the measurement series
- Number of batch (File)
- Last reading
- Average
- MAX.
- MIN.
- PEAK max.
- PEAK min.
- Standard deviation (Std. dev.)
- Number of measured values

By pressing the SET button, you can send the statistical data from the selected measurement series to a PC. For this purpose, a suitable communication program, such as Terminal, must be installed on the PC.

# Displaying the saved measured values on a PC

The software Tension-Inspect 3 is supplied with the tension meter. It allows you to easily and accurately analyze the saved measured values and export them to an Excel table.

#### Sample memory printout.

DTX-Series 1000 cN	Unit: cN
mm	
16	
16	
	mm 16

# Deleting the saved measured values

If data is saved in the tension meter, the display shows "Mem" and indicates the free memory space

# **Deleting data:**

- 1. Press the RECALL and buttons

This clears the memory.

# 7.3 Memory mode "H"

The last max. 128 values are saved. In graphical mode, the display freezes so that you can view it after completion of the measurement. In numerical mode, the last measured value is displayed.

**NOTE:** This memory mode does not record PEAK values.

# Saving data

# **Requirements:**

- 1. In the main menu, select **Memory Settings** and then memory mode H.
- 2. Set the X-axis as described in section 2.0

# To save the first measurement series:

1. Press the MEMORY button to freeze the recording of the measured values.

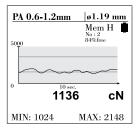


FIG. 16

If you recorded less than 128 measured values, you can continue recording by pressing the MEMORY button. If the graphics window is full, its contents will be shifted to the left and you can only freeze the last 128 measured values.

To save the graphics and measured values for later evaluation, press the  $\frac{\text{SET}}{\text{DAMP}}$  button. This returns the tension meter to measuring mode.

If you press the ESC or MEMORY button, no data will be saved and the tension meter returns to measuring mode.

# Displaying the saved measured values

- 1. Press the RECALL and buttons simultaneously to display the saved data.
- 2. The \( \text{a and } \vec{\psi} \) buttons allow you to switch between the various measurement series.

# The display will only show statistical values:

- Name of the material to be measured
- Date and time of the measurement series
- Number of batch (File)
- Last reading
- Average
- MAX.
- MIN.
- PEAK max.
- PEAK min.
- Standard deviation (Std. dev.)
- Number of measured values

The measured values can be shown as a graph by pressing

By pressing the SET button, you can send the statistical data from the selected measurement series to a PC. For this purpose, a suitable communication program, such as Terminal, must be installed on the PC.

# Displaying the saved measured values on a PC

The Software Tension-Inspect 3 is supplied with the tension meter. It allows you to easily and accurately analyze the saved measured values and export them to an Excel table.

Sample memory printout.

17.10.2016 11:37	DTX-Series 1000 cN	Unit: cN
Material: CU 0.25-0.4r	nm	
Start: 11:32:30 17.10.	16	
Stop: 11:32:38 17.10.	16	
Last: 233		
Avg: 236		
Max: 244		
Min: 219		
PEAK max: 535		
PEAK min: 45		
Std.dev.: 6		
HI-Alarm: 850		
Lo-Alarm: 150		
Records: 16		

# Deleting the saved measured values

If data is saved in the tension meter, the display shows "Mem" and indicates the free memory space

# **Deleting data:**

- Press the RECALL and buttons
   Then press the Power button and confirm with the SET button.

This clears the memory.

# 7.4 Memory mode "C"

Data is recorded during a user-defined period. The tension meter records 2 measured values/sec.

# Saving data

# **Requirements:**

In the main menu, select Memory Settings and then memory mode C.

#### To save the first measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec C" flashes in the display.
- 3. Once the set time has elapsed, no more data will be saved (the display shows "Mem C", the memory position and the free memory space).
- 4. If you press the MEMORY button before the set time has elapsed, no more data will be saved. The data is saved automatically (the display shows "Mem C", the memory position and the free memory space)



FIG. 17

**NOTE:** To abort data recording, press the ESC button. This deletes the procedure. No data will be saved.

#### To save more measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec C" flashes in the display.

# Displaying the saved measured values

- 1. Press the RECALL and buttons simultaneously to display the saved data.
- 2. The and buttons allow you to switch between the various measurement series

# The display will only show statistical values:

- Name of the material to be measured
- Date and time of the measurement series
- Number of batch (File)
- Last reading
- Average
- MAX.
- MIN.
- PEAK max.
- PEAK min.
- Standard deviation (Std. dev.)
- Number of measured values

The measured values can be shown as a graph by pressing

By pressing the SET button, you can send the statistical data from the selected measurement series to a PC. For this purpose, a suitable communication program, such as Terminal, must be installed on the PC.

# Displaying the saved measured values on a PC

The Software Tension-Inspect 3 is supplied with the tension meter. It allows you to easily and accurately analyze the saved measured values and export them to an Excel table.

Sample memory printout.

17.10.2016 11:37	DTX-Series 1000 cN	Unit: cN
Material: CU 0.25-0.4	mm	
Start: 11:32:30 17.10	.16	
Stop: 11:32:38 17.10	.16	
Last: 233		
Avg: 236		
Max: 244		
Min: 219		
PEAK max: 535		
PEAK min: 45		
Std.dev.: 6		
HI-Alarm: 850		
Lo-Alarm: 150		
Records: 16		

# Deleting the saved measured values

If data is saved in the tension meter, the display shows Mem and indicates the free memory space

# **Deleting data:**

- Press the RECALL and buttons
   Then press the Power button and confirm with the SET button.

This clears the memory.

#### 7.5 Memory Mode F

Data is recorded during a user-defined period. The tension meter records 1000 measured values/sec.

# Saving data

#### Requirements:

In the main menu, select Memory Settings and then memory mode F.

#### To save the first measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec F" flashes in the display.
- 3. Once the set time has elapsed, no more data will be saved (the display shows "Mem F", the memory position and the free memory space).
- 4. If you press the MEMORY button before the set time has elapsed, no more data will be saved. The data is saved automatically (the display shows "Mem F", the memory position and the free memory space)



**NOTE:** To abort data recording, press the ESC button. This deletes the procedure. No data will be saved.

#### To save more measurement series:

- 1. Press the MEMORY button to start recording the measured values.
- 2. While recording is in process, "Rec F" flashes in the display.

# Displaying the saved measured values

- 1. Press the RECALL and buttons simultaneously to display the saved data.
- 2. The and buttons allow you to switch between the various measurement series

# The display will only show statistical values:

- Name of the material to be measured
- Date and time of the measurement series
- Number of batch (File)
- Last reading
- Average
- MAX.
- MIN.
- PEAK max.
- PEAK min.
- Standard deviation (Std. dev.)
- Number of measured values

The measured values can be shown as a graph by pressing

By pressing the sutton, you can send the statistical data from the selected measurement series to a PC. For this purpose, a suitable communication program, such as Terminal, must be installed on the PC.

# Displaying the saved measured values on a PC

The Software Tension-Inspect 3 is supplied with the tension meter. It allows you to easily and accurately analyze the saved measured values and export them to an Excel table.

Sample memory printout.

17.10.2016 11:37	DTX-Series 1000 cN	Unit: cN
Material: CU 0.25-0.4	mm	
Start: 11:32:30 17.10.	.16	
Stop: 11:32:38 17.10.	.16	
Last: 233		
Avg: 236		
Max: 244		
Min: 219		
PEAK max: 535		
PEAK min: 45		
Std.dev.: 6		
HI-Alarm: 850		
Lo-Alarm: 150		
Records: 16		

# Deleting the saved measured values

If data is saved in the tension meter, the display shows "Mem" and indicates the free memory space

# **Deleting data:**

- Press the RECALL and buttons
   Then press the Power button and confirm with the DANF button.

This clears the memory.

# 8.0 SPECIFICATIONS

# 8.1 General Specifications

Calibration	According factory procedure
Accuracy	For PA from 5 % up to 100 % full scale: $\pm$ 0.5 % full scale $\pm$ 1 digit remaining tension range and other calibration materials: $\pm$ 3 % FS* $\pm$ 1 digit
Memory for material curves	1 factory calibration plus 4 for customized calibrations
Measuring units	Force (switchable): cN, daN, g, kg, N, lb Thickness (switchable): mm, inch
Overrange	Approx. 10 % full scale, full scale, without accuracy guarantee
Overload protection	100% full scale
Measuring principle	Strain guage bridge
Measuring roller deflection	Max. 0.2mm
Signal processing	Digital
Measuring frequency	Max. 1 kHz (1000 measuements/sec.), internal 8 kHz
Display	Graphic LCD display 3 different displays: numeric, numeric with bargraph, X-Y-diagramm (time-tension)
Display update time	2/sec (Display update)
Memory	MIN, MAX, PEAK, AVG and LAST 60.000 values at 255 measuring periods
Memory modes	4 Memory modes with statistical evaluation
Damping	Adjustable electronic damping (averaging)
Cal. adjustment	± 10 steps in 1% increments
Thickness compensation	Max. 2.5 mm (not available for all models)
Auto power off	Approx. 3 minutes of non-use

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Signal processing	16 bit A/D
Temperature coefficient	Gain: less than $\pm$ 0.01 % full scale* /°C at 25° C Zero point: better than $\pm$ 0.3 % full scale* /°C at 25° C
Temperature range	10 to 45° C
Air humidity	85% RH, max
Power supply	LiPo Accumulator (approx. 40 hours continuous use, chaging time aapro. 3.5 hours
Housing material	Die-cast aluminum
Housing dimensions	265mm x 78.5 mm 46 mm (L x W x H)
Weight (net/gross)	Up to DTX-50K approx. 875 g / 1550 g DTX-60K-V1 approx 1040 g / 2700 g

# 8.2 Available models

Model	Tension Ranges cN	*Measuring Head Width mm	**Factory Calibration Matretial 1 Polyamide [PA] Monofilament	***Material Thickness Compensator for Included
DTX-200	0.2 - 200.0	66	0.12 mm Ø	
DTX-500	0.5 - 500.0	66	0.12 + 0.20 mm Ø	yes
DTX-1000	10 - 1000	66	0.20 + 0.40 mm Ø	yes
DTX-2000	20 - 2000	66	0.40 + 0.70 mm Ø	yes
DTX-2500	25 - 2500	116	0.40 + 0.70 mm Ø	yes
DTX-4000	40 - 4000	66	0.50 + 0.80 mm Ø	yes
DTX-5000	50 - 5000	116	0.60 + 1.20 mm Ø	yes
DTX-10K	0.1 - 10.00 daN	116	0.80 + 1.40 mm Ø	yes
DTX-20K	0.2 - 20.00 daN	116	1.20 + 1.80 mm Ø	yes
DTX-30K	0.3 - 30.00 daN	216	1.40 + 2.00 mm Ø	yes
DTX-50K	0.5 - 50.00 daN	216	steel rope 1.5 mm Ø (7 x 7 x 0.15)	
DTX-60K-V1	0.6 - 60.00 daN	280	steel rope 2.0 mm Ø(7 x 7 x 0.30)	

International unit of tensile force: 1 cN = 1.02 g = 0.01 N, 1 daN = 1.02 kg = 10.0 N

<sup>\*</sup> Depending on model, either width of filament guide or outer distance between outside guide rollers

<sup>\*\*</sup> Suitable for 95 % of all applications. PA = Polyamide Monofilament. If the material to be measured differs significant from the SCHMIDT calibration material in diameter, rigidity, shape, etc., we

recommend calibration using customer supplied material.

Instruments with calibration on customer sample are not adjusted and calibrated on material 1.

\*\*\* The DTXB, DTXF, DTXF and DTXL models do not include a material thickness compensator. They are calibrated only on material 1.

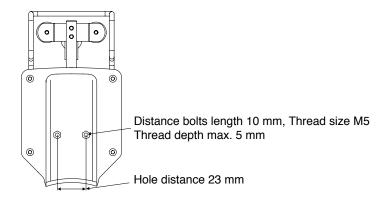
The DTXB is calibrated depending to the range on a textile ribbon or thin tape.

# 8.3 Guide Rollers

V-grooved	Line Speed max. m/min	Roller Material
Standard	2000	Hard-coated aluminium
Standard	4000	Hardened steel only for DTXL
Code <b>K</b>	3500	Hard-coated aluminium
Code <b>H</b>	5000	Plasma-coated aluminium
Code <b>T</b>	1000	Plastic (POM) black
Code <b>T</b>	4000	Plastic (PVC) red only for DTXF
Code W	1000	Nickel-plated steel
Code ST	1000	Hardened steel
Code <b>B</b>	1000	Tempered steel for measuring tire cord
Code CE2	1000	Ceramic-coated aluminium
Asymetrical groove Code <b>ASY</b>	1000	Hard-coated aluminium (not for DTX-200)
Code ASYB	1000	Tempered steel for measuring tire cord (not for DTX-200)
Code V1	1000	Hard-coated aluminium (only for DTX-60K-V1)
U-grooved Code <b>U</b>	2000	Hard-coated aluminium(not for DTX-200)
Code R1	4000	Hard chrome-plated steel (radius R5)only for DTXL

# 9.0 OPTIONS

# 9.1 Stationary mounting of the unit (Code MH - with distance bolts)



Optionally, the tension meter can be delivered with distance bolts for stationary use. The dimensions are given in the figure above. The distance bolts can be removed.



Only factory-made threaded holes for the distance bolts are permissible (otherwise, we cannot accept any warranty).

# 9.2 Wi-Fi communication (Code WL - with Wi-Fi antenna)

Tension meters equipped with the Wi-Fi feature can transmit measured values to a PCvia Wi-Fi.

#### Requirements:

The Wi-Fi feature must have been enabled in the Wi-Fi Setup.

#### Manual connection to a network

 Select Wi-Fi Setup/Settings and enter the name of the network (SSID) and the password (PW).

#### Automatic connection to a network

- Select Scan Network in the menu Wi-Fi Setup/Settings. All available networks will be displayed.
- 2. Select the desired network and confirm the network name (SSID) by pressing SET DAMP.
- 3. Enter the password required for this network and confirm with [SET].

**NOTE:** The name (SSID) of the currently selected network is displayed under Wi-Fi Setup/Settings. If you do not need the Wi-Fi feature you can remove the antenna.

# 10.0 MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

#### 10.1 Maintenance

The tension meter is easy to maintain. Depending on operating time and load, the instrument should be checked according to the locally valid regulations and conditions. The use of other test methods than the procedure described in Section 5.0 may cause deviating measuring results.

#### Rollers

You should regularly inspect the rollers to assure that they are running easily and smoothly. You can replace the rollers yourself, as necessary. Please indicate the tension meter model and the serial number (given on the rear side of the tension meter) in your spare-parts order.

For example, To order spare rollers:

Model: DTX-1000 (given on rear side of tension meter)

Serial number: 920 - 888888 (given on rear side of tension meter)

Standard rollers: Model number R592004

Delivery: 1 set (3 pcs.) of spare rollers 2000 m/min, incl. mounting tool

or

Model: DTX-1000-K (given on rear side of tension meter)

Serial number: 920 - 888888 (given on rear side of tension meter)

Code K rollers: Model number R592003

Delivery: 1 set (3 pcs.) of spare rollers 3500 m/min, incl. mounting tool

# 10.2 Cleaning

For cleaning the unit do not use any AGGRESSIVE SOLVENTS such as trichloroethylene or similar chemicals. NO WARRANTY OR LIABILITY shall be accepted for damage resulting from improper cleaning.

# 11.0 WARRANTY

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