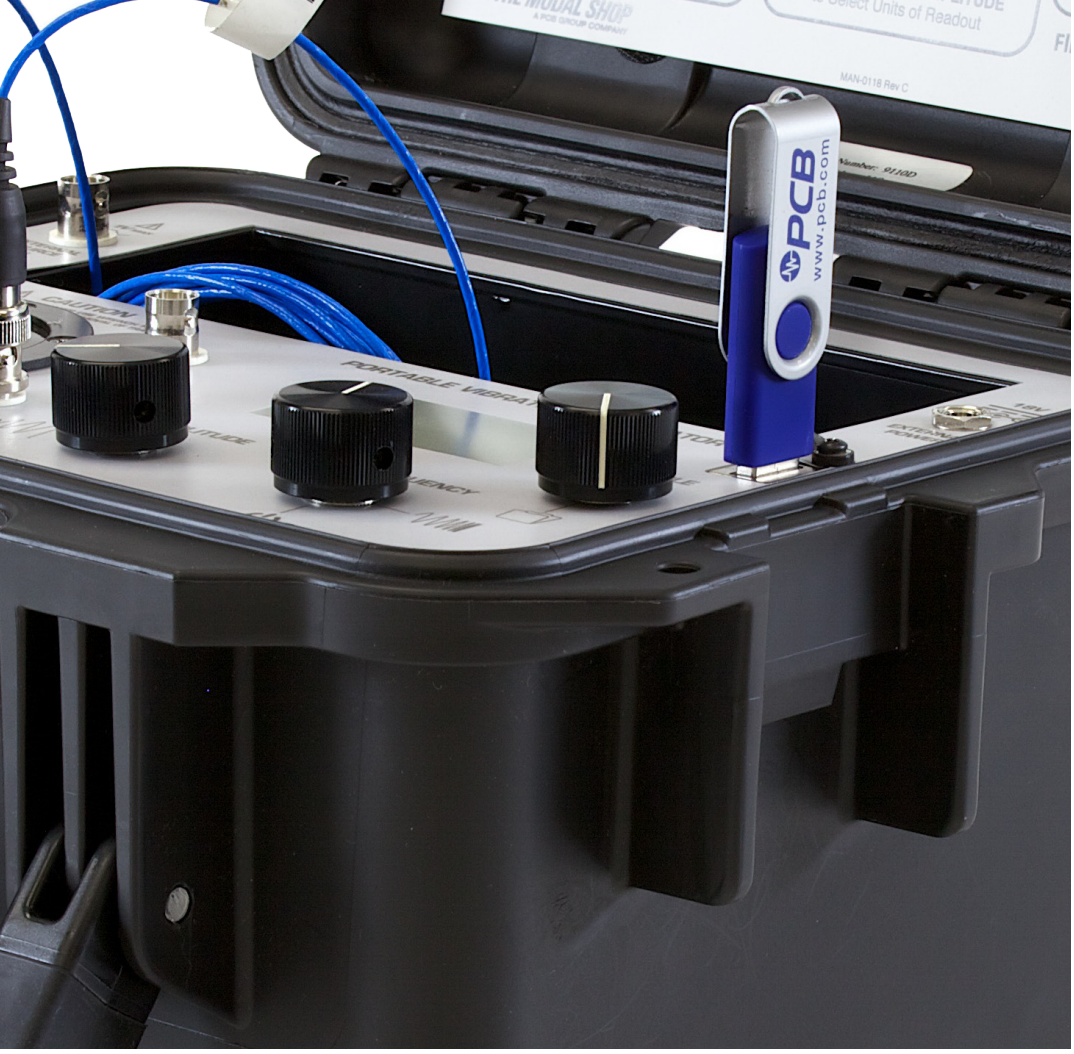

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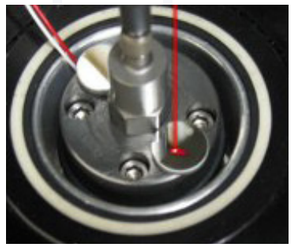
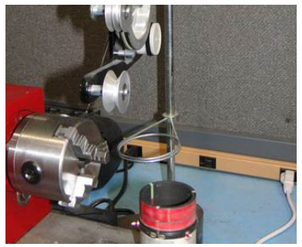
ABOUT THE MODAL SHOP

"Simplifying people's lives with smart sensing solutions that help improve the performance of people, products and processes."



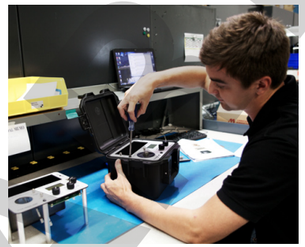
Calibration Confidence

…at the highest level - serving Metrology Laboratories around the globe, The Modal Shop's Laser Primary Vibration Calibration sets the standard in vibration metrology confidence with world-class uncertainties. The Modal Shop is accredited to the ISO 17025 standard and recognized world-wide for calibration quality and excellence. Our teams participate in developing global standards for calibration of sensors for vibration, shock, dynamic pressure and acoustics.



Culture of Quality

… and responsiveness – operating within a hybrid quality management system, The Modal Shop Quality System integrates standards ISO 9001 (and philosophies from), Lean Manufacturing and Kaizen to ensure excellence. Expect fast, friendly service and robust product performance within the global markets of sound and vibration sensing, as well as precision dynamic calibration.



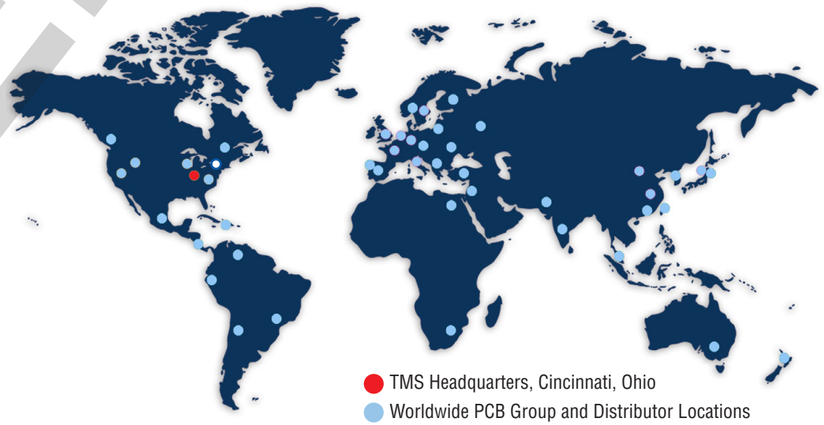
Craftsmanship

… in handmade attention to detail while building precise, yet robust dynamic testing components. Attention to minute details, like the tension of the coil windings on our precision calibration exciters, are at the heart of the design and performance of every The Modal Shop product. Striking the balance between performance, reliability and simplicity, The Modal Shop engineering elegance has been a cornerstone in earning market leadership.

THE MODAL SHOP AND PCB GROUP AROUND THE WORLD

Our name was chosen to combine the science of "modal analysis," or structural resonance testing, and the full-service attitude of our "shop-like" organization. Serving the sound and vibration measurement marketplace, our teams work with research, design and manufacturing engineers throughout the public and private sectors. From miniature MEMS structures to colossal space structures, we strive to provide the dynamic testing and monitoring communities with a single source to simplify all your sound and vibration measurement challenges.

For information on offices in your region, visit: www.modalshop.com/sales



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We believe that you should have easy access to support, no matter where you are. **www.modalshop.com/videos** offers a growing list of product and application video tutorials, available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

Configuration Guides
Online configuration guides are designed to help you determine which product will best suit the needs of your application. As always, The Modal Shop's product teams are here to assist you in your decision making process in person, over the phone, or via email.

FAQ
Whether you are interested in knowing how through-hole armatures work in modal shakers or the maximum payload of the 9100 Series Portable Vibration Calibrators, you can find the answers quickly and easily through **Frequently Asked Questions** pages.

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INNOVATIONS IN EXCITATION

APPLICATIONS

- General Vibration Testing
- Electronic Assemblies
- Laboratory Experiments
- Biomedical Research
- Modal and Structural Testing

Miniature SmartShaker™

Models K2004E01 and K2007E01
With Integrated Amplifier

The SmartShaker™ is a small, portable, permanent magnet shaker with a new generation of ultra compact precision power amplifier integrated into its base. To initiate testing, simply plug the excitation signal from a dynamic signal analyzer or function generator directly into the BNC on the base of the shaker.

- Simplified testing with innovative integrated amplifier design
- Offers industry leading stroke of 1/2 in (1.27cm) while providing up to 7 lbf (31 N) pk sine force
- Allows testing of payloads up to 216 (0.91 kg) by attachment to 10-32 mounting insert
- Provides ease of setup with trunnion mounting base and EasyTurn™ handles

Smart Features:

- Starts in mute to avoid overload
- Selectable gain settings
- Provides clipping warning and over temperature/ current shutdown

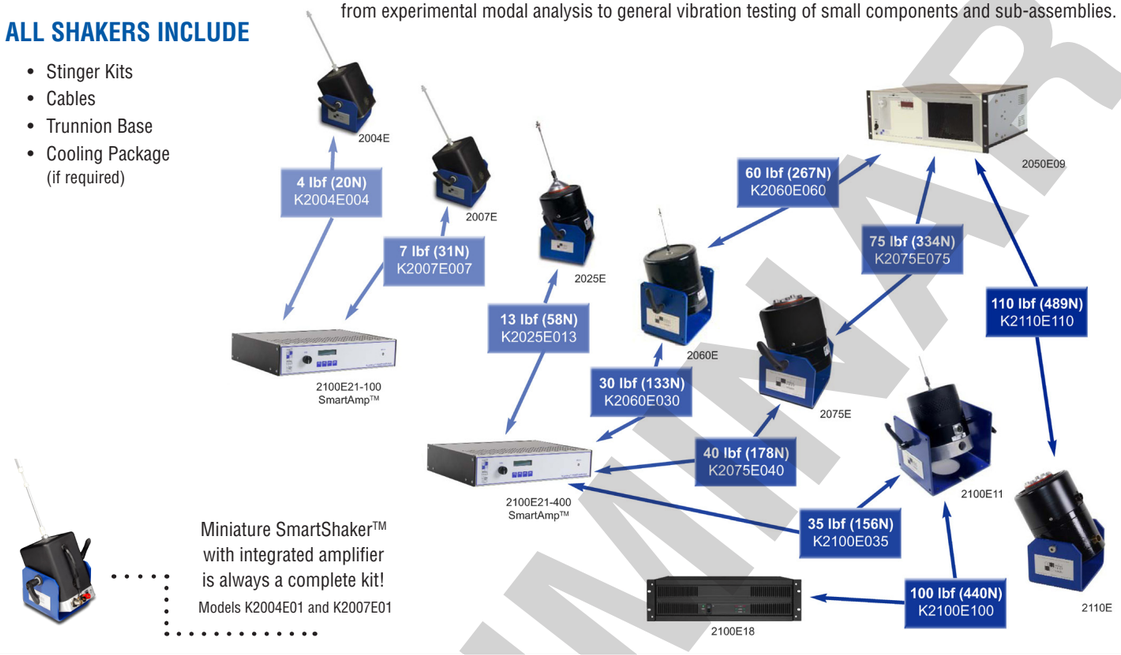
Heavy Duty Case and Stingers Included

MODAL AND VIBRATION SHAKERS

The Modal Shop's family of shakers includes small-sized shakers rated from 4.5 lbf (20 N) to 110 lbf (489 N). Available designs include the revolutionary SmartShaker™ with integrated power amplifier, a variety of mini, through-hole modal, and dual purpose platform shakers. These transducers are ideal for applications ranging from experimental modal analysis to general vibration testing of small components and sub-assemblies.

ALL SHAKERS INCLUDE

- Stinger Kits
- Cables
- Trunnion Base
- Cooling Package (if required)

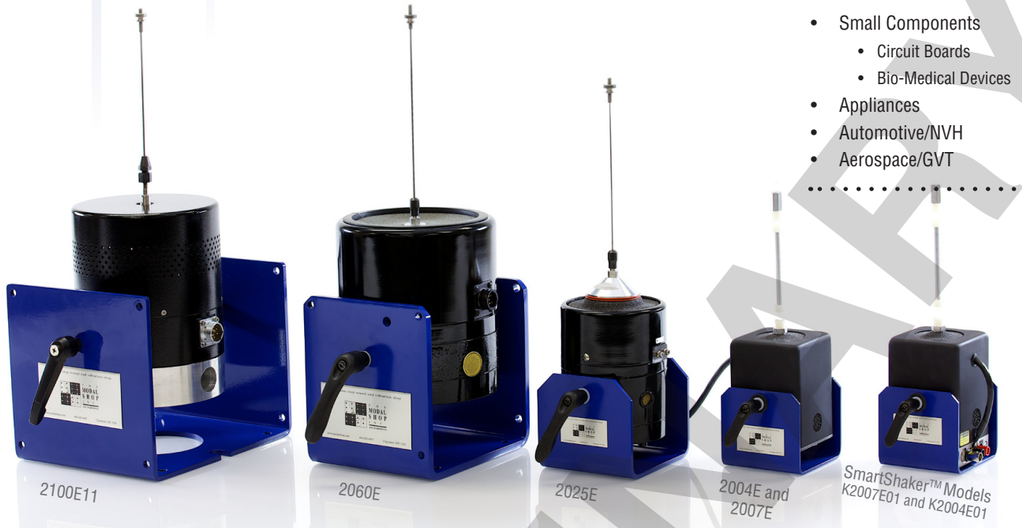


Miniature SmartShaker™ with integrated amplifier is always a complete kit!
Models K2004E01 and K2007E01

COMPLETE SHAKER KITS

	KIT MODEL	MAX FORCE lbf (N) pk	STROKE in (mm) pk-pk	MAX FREQ (Hz)	SHAKER MODEL	AMPLIFIER MODEL	STINGER KIT	APPLICATION
Mini	K2004E004	4.5 (20)	0.2 (5)	11 000	2004E	2100E21-100	2110G06	Modal analysis, general vibration, small structures [circuit board to small appliance]
	K2004E01	4.5 (20)	0.2 (5)	11 000	2004E	integrated	2110G06	
	K2007E007	7 (31)	0.5 (13)	9 000	2007E	2100E21-100	2110G06	
	K2007E01	7 (31)	0.5 (13)	9 000	2007E	integrated	2110G06	
Modal	K2025E013	13 (58)	0.75 (19)	9 000	2025E	2100E21- 400	2000X03	Modal analysis, small to medium [structure component to auto]
	K2060E030	30 (133)	1.4 (36)	6 000	2060E	2100E21- 400	2000X03	Modal analysis, medium to large structure [ex. washing machine to auto/ aerospace]
	K2100E035	35 (156)	1.0 (25)	5 400	2100E11	2100E21- 400	2100E11-001	
	K2060E060	60 (267)	1.4 (36)	6 000	2060E	2050E09	2000X03	
	K2100E100	100 (440)	1.0 (25)	5 400	2100E11	2100E18	2100E11-001	
Dual Purpose	K2075E040	40 (178)	1.0 (25)	6 500	2075E	2100E21-400	2000X03	Dual purpose design, modal and general vibration
	K2075E075	75 (334)	1.0 (25)	6 500	2075E	2050E09	2000X03	
	K2110E110	110 (489)	1.0 (25)	6 500	2110E	2050E09 - FS	2000X03	

MODAL SHAKERS



APPLICATIONS

- Small Components
  - Circuit Boards
  - Bio-Medical Devices
- Appliances
- Automotive/NVH
- Aerospace/GVT

When performing experimental modal analysis and structural testing, the choice of excitation function and system will make the difference between a good measurement and a poor one. For many applications, an electrodynamic shaker system is the ideal choice. The Modal Shop's line of modal shakers are designed to be highly portable, rugged and easy to set up in order to facilitate the best testing results. The exciter size allows a diversity of placement locations relative to the test structure, while minimizing any unwanted interaction between the exciter and test structure.

BENEFITS

- Ensures simple stinger setup and adjustment with through-hole armature design plus chuck and collet attachment
- Easier test setup with lightweight and portable design weighing from 7 lb (3 kg) to 33 lb (15 kg)
- Provides flexibility when mounting and aligning the shaker to the structure through trunnion base
- Extended stroke and broad frequency range supply adequate input energy for modal applications

The Modal Shop's modal shakers are a proven solution in test laboratories throughout the world. With force ratings from 4.5 to 100 lbf (20 to 440 N), these shakers are suitable for a wide range of modal analysis applications.

	MAX FORCE lbf (N) pk	STROKE in (mm) pk - pk	WEIGHT lb (kg)	MAX FREQUENCY (Hz) **
2100E11	100 (440)	1 (25)	33 (15)	5 400
2060E	60 (267)	1.4 (36)	37 (17)	6 000
2025E	13 (58)	0.75 (19)	13 (16)	9 000
2004E/2007E*	4.5 (20) / 7 (31)	0.2 (5) / 0.5 (13)	6 (3) / 6 (3)	11 000 / 9 000
SmartShaker™* K2004E01/K2007E01	4.5 (20) / 7 (31)	0.2 (5) / 0.5 (13)	7 (3) / 7 (3)	11 000 / 9 000

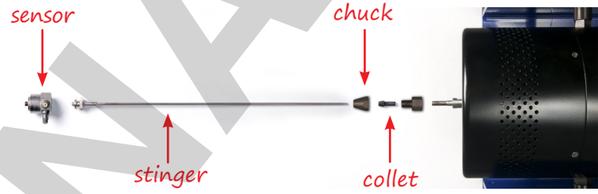
* Models 2004E/2007E and SmartShaker™ have no through-hole armature
** Load dependent

MODAL TECHNOLOGY

Through-hole armature

The implementation of the through-hole armature shaker has simplified and improved modal testing. In the early days of modal testing, electrodynamic shakers were attached to the test structure with a long threaded stinger and used to apply low level excitation. The rod was threaded directly to the top of the exciter and to the base of the reference force transducer, making difficult reorientation, tedious realignment, and customization of stingers of different lengths a part of every test. The through-hole armature design eliminates these problems. With a hole that runs the vertical length of the shaker along the shaker body, a long stinger can be threaded to the force transducer attached to the test article, properly aligned, and then clamped down with the chuck and collet at the appropriate length. This simple and time-saving feature is key to ensuring modern modal testing.

Check out videos and tutorials at www.modalshop.com/videos



STRUCTURAL TEST ACCESSORIES

Impedance Sensor
Model TLD288D01

- ICP® impedance head (force/acceleration) for driving point measurement
- Force: 100 mV/lbf, ± 50 lbf
- Accel: 100 mV/g, ± 50 g

AirRide® Mount
Model 8032S

- Provides extremely low mounting frequencies for large rigid body test structures
- Eliminates multiple mounting frequencies, as AirRide® natural frequency does not shift significantly with changes in load

Lateral Excitation Stand
Model 2050A

- Combining lateral and vertical excitation distributes input energy and helps excite uncoupled lateral modes
- Provides versatility to adapt a modal shaker for horizontal input
- Ensures proper alignment with coarse and fine vertical adjustment

Exciter Stingers
Model 2100 Series

- Provides convenient excitation connection
- Alleviates need for initial alignment accuracy
- Reduces force sensor measurement error armatures

ICP® Laser Tachometer
LaserTach

- Operates with standard ICP signal conditioning; simplifies cabling
- One pulse/rev eliminates need to oversample all channels for a high frequency tach

USB Powered - Dual Channel ICP® Sensor Signal Conditioner
Model 485B36

- Power 2 channels of ICP sensors from a standard USB port, no batteries required
- Standard 3.5mm output offers perfect input for quick 2-ch FFT into a PC without transporting an FFT analyzer

ICP® Instrumented Impact Hammers
Model 086 Series

Our sister company, PCB Piezotronics (**www.pcb.com**) offers a full line of impact hammers ideal for modal testing

Structural Test ICP® Accelerometers
Model 333 Series

- High sensitivity ceramic shear element maximizes output
- Small, lightweight designs to minimize mass loading effects
- For a variety of packages, mounting and cable options, check **www.pcb.com**

DUAL PURPOSE VIBRATION SHAKERS

APPLICATIONS

- Automotive components
- Aerospace devices
- Electronic modules
- Subassemblies
- Environmental testing
- Vibration testing

The Modal Shop's dual purpose shakers are ideal for both vibration testing of small components and modal analysis. Small and lightweight, yet powerful electrodynamic shakers, the dual purpose line provides up to 110 lbf (489 N) pk sine force.

In both the 2075E and 2110E models, a large 3.25 in (8.3 cm) diameter platform table supports payloads up to 10 lb (4.5 kg). These units also offer a through-hole armature that includes a chuck and collet attachment, providing simple stinger setup if used for modal applications. The 2004E and 2007E miniature shakers, as well as the SmartShaker™, offer a 10-32 threaded mounting surface which allows for stinger or test article attachment.

BENEFITS

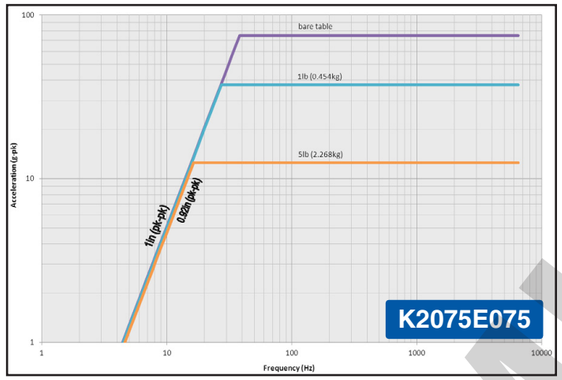
- Innovative dual purpose design integrates platform table for traditional vibration testing and modal testing
- Provides flexibility and full rotation when positioning and aligning the shaker through fully rotational trunnion base
- Offers required input energy for modal applications with extended stroke broad frequency range
- Meets full shaker performance specifications with necessary forced air cooling

	MAX FORCE lbf (N) pk	STROKE in (mm)	WEIGHT lb (kg)	MAX FREQUENCY (Hz) **
2110E	100 (489)	1 (25)	54 (25)	6 500
2075E	75 (334)	1 (25)	35 (16)	6 500
2004E/2007E*	4 (20) / 7 (31)	0.2 (5) / 0.5 (31)	6 (3) / 6 (3)	11 000 / 9 000
SmartShaker™* K2004E01/K2007E01	4 (20) / 7 (31)	0.2 (5) / 0.5 (13)	7 (3) / 7 (3)	11 000 / 9 000

* models 2004E/2007E and SmartShaker™ have no through-hole armature
** load dependent

SHAKER PERFORMANCE CURVES

Shaker performance curves, also known as payload curves, are commonly used to select the right shaker system for a particular application. They describe the shaker system acceleration potential over an entire range of payloads and frequencies. Payload curves provide a simple graphical way to evaluate the compatibility between testing requirements and shaker system capabilities.



For more specific information about the capabilities of each shaker system, please visit: www.modalshop.com/shakers.

1. What is the total payload for the test?

Add the mass of the test article to the mass of any adaptor or fixture required to attach it to the shaker table. The payload curves already take into account the mass of the shaker armature.

2. What are required vibration levels?

Check the acceleration and frequency requirements for the test. If the vibration specifications are provided in a different unit (e.g. velocity or displacement), convert into acceleration units. Use g peak for sine testing or g RMS for random testing. Any test requirements below the curve for a given payload indicate a shaker candidate to serve the basic functions required for testing.

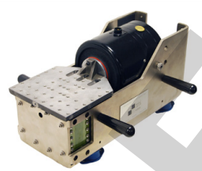
3. Evaluate the shaker displacement range

Check the test frequency requirements to verify that the shaker's stroke capability will not be exceeded. In the graph at the left, the stroke limit is shown by the slanted portion of the line. Using the acceleration levels (a) in g-pk units at low frequencies (f) in Hz, calculate the displacement using the following equations:

$d = 19.56\ a/f^2$ [in, pk-pk] or $d = 496.82\ a/f^2$ [mm, pk-pk]

visit www.modalshop.com/payload for more details

TESTING ACCESSORIES



Horizontal Table Systems

Models K2075E-HT and K2110E-HT

- Expand dynamic testing capabilities for test objects larger or heavier than what can be mounted directly to a shaker
- Operates both vertically (no table) and horizontally with 6 x 7.5 in (15 x 19 cm) horizontal table
- Remove side loading from the shaker suspension
- Uses linear bearings

Head Expander

Models 2000X01 and M2000X01

- 7 in (18 cm) diameter head expander is specifically designed for use with the 2075E and 2110E shakers
- Allows attachment of larger, less dense, test loads by providing an increased mounting footprint
- Expander is machined from a special lightweight magnesium alloy casting with 32 mounting holes (10 - 32 or M5 threads)

Stinger Kit

Model 2000X03

- Included with 2025E, 2060E, 2075E, and 2110E shakers
- Modal stingers (Model 2155G12 and 2150G12), chuck and collets for easy test setup
- Additional accessories such as the piano wire kit, wrenches, 10 - 32 mounting adaptor, spare fuse and low profile trunnion bolts help meet requirements for many different application setups
- Packed in a sturdy carrying case to keep accessories organized

ON-SITE VALIDATION

Portable Shaker Table

Model 9100D

Durable and proven system used to provide on-site validations of vibration sensors, proximity probes, and related vibration monitoring equipment. Ideal for use when performing a validation of entire industrial measurement chain.

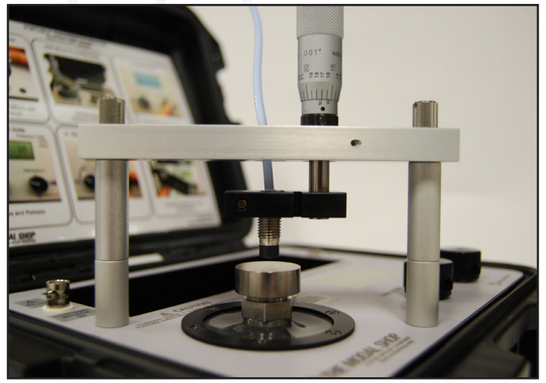
- Validate a variety of sensor types wide frequency range 7 Hz to 10 kHz (420 to 600 000 CPM)
- Rugged and portable design is ideal for field use
- Use unit in the field for hours without recharging
- Supports measurement in acceleration, velocity and displacement in both English and Metric units

APPLICATIONS

- Test accelerometers, velocimeters, proximity probes
- Test complete measurement chains in-situ
- Verify alert/alarm levels

UNITS		
Acceleration	g pk g RMS	m/s^2 pk m/s^2 RMS
Velocity	in/s pk in/s RMS	mm/s pk mm/s RMS
Displacement	mil pk-pk	mm pk-pk
Frequency	Hz	CPM

VALIDATE THE INDUSTRIAL MEASUREMENT CHANNEL



Eddy current proximity probe static and dynamic output checked with the 9100-PPA01 fixture

The 9100D Portable Shaker Table is the ideal tool for on-site checking of accelerometers, velocity transducers and proximity probes over a wide operating frequency and amplitude range. The unit is a compact, battery-powered and completely self-contained vibration reference source which can be conveniently used to calibrate individual sensors, vibration switches and data collectors. The 9100D also is used to validate the entire measurement channel of a condition monitoring or recording system. A built-in quartz reference accelerometer and digital closed-loop level control give the 9100D enhanced stability, best-in-class frequency range performance from 7 Hz to 10 kHz (420 to 600 000 CPM). Packaged in a rugged case, the 9100D is always ready for travel to industrial test sites, bringing laboratory accuracy to the field.

TECH TALK VIBRATION MONITORING

Protecting process quality and critical plant machinery from damage or destruction is a constant concern in the industrial environment. Quality affects customer satisfaction and yield. Maintenance and shutdown related issues cost companies both time and money. Validating the health of an installed monitoring system is key to ensuring overall success. Vibration sensors, cabling and data acquisition systems must be operating accurately to ensure facility and machinery safety.

The 9100D Portable Shaker Table performs on-site calibrations of accelerometers, velocity sensors and proximity probes. Designed to withstand the harsh conditions of the industrial environment, the 9100D can be taken directly to the location of installed sensors, eliminating downtime and making regular calibration a viable option. During calibration, the unit can validate the entire measurement channel from sensor through signal conditioning, acquisition system and display console, providing peace of mind that the entire system is accurate and functioning. Vibration monitoring alert and alarm trip points can also be tested to confirm function and accuracy.

The 9100D solves on-site vibration calibration needs in one self-contained, battery powered unit. It generates known vibration excitation levels and offers standardized, traceable results for each calibration. Rugged hardware, an easy-to-use system interface, extensive battery life, and precision electronics have proven the 9100D as an ideal tool for field calibrations and validation of the monitoring measurement channel at sites around the world.

Avoid catastrophic failures by performing system validation with the 9100D

METROLOGY MADE PORTABLE

VIBRATION CALIBRATION LABORATORY IN A BOX

Portable Vibration Calibrator

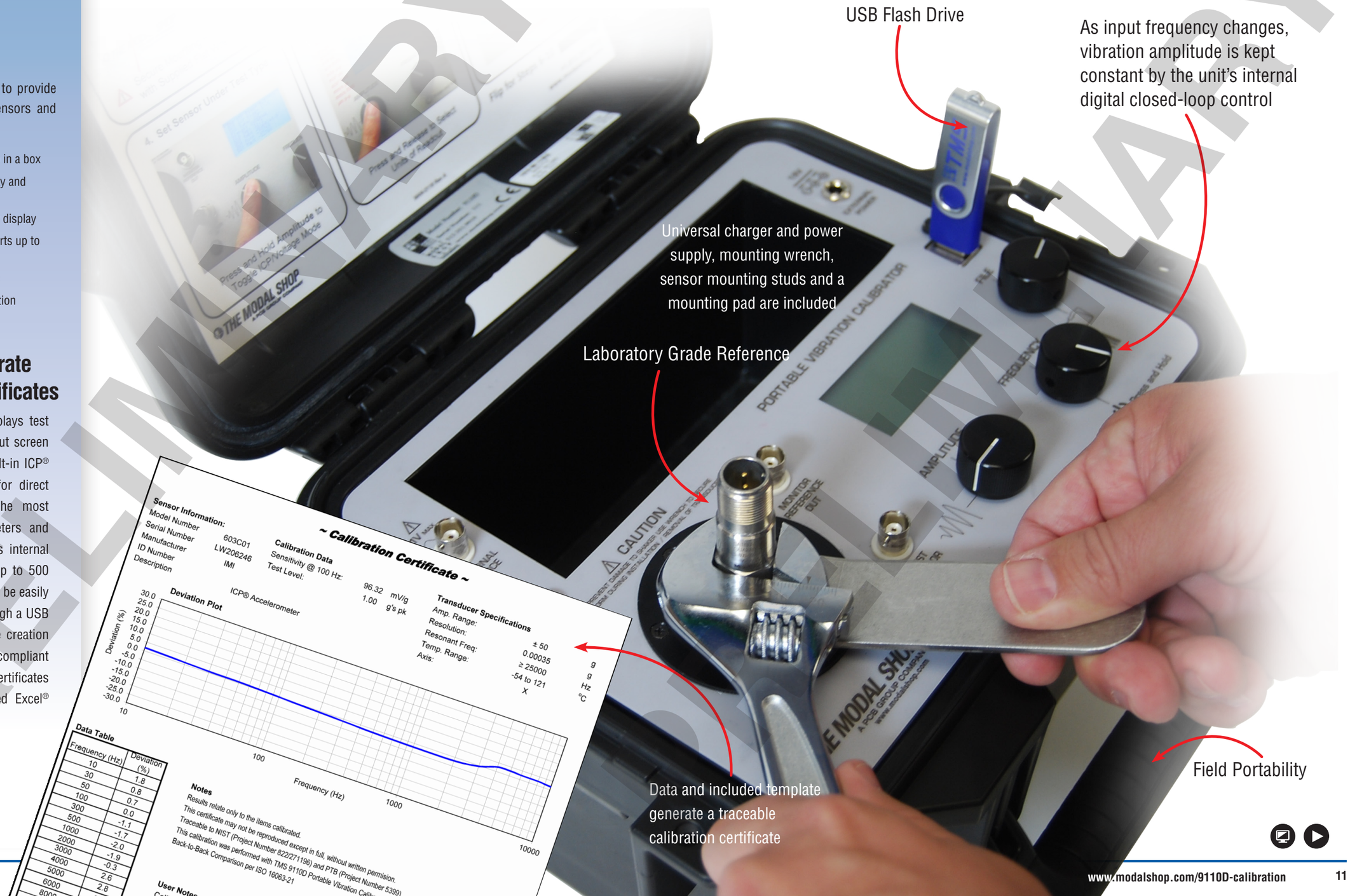
Model 9110D

Durable and proven system used to provide on-site validations of dynamic sensors and alert systems

- Complete vibration calibration lab in a box
- Calibrates accelerometers, velocity and proximity sensors
- Offers real time sensor sensitivity display
- Extensive internal memory supports up to 500 records
- Easy data transfer with USB drive
- Includes Microsoft Excel® calibration certificate and template

Calibrate and Generate ISO Compliant Certificates

The 9110D calculates and displays test sensor sensitivity on the readout screen in real time. The unit has a built-in ICP® or voltage test sensor input for direct connection and readout of the most common types of accelerometers and velocity transducers. The unit's internal memory capability can store up to 500 calibration records and data can be easily transferred to a computer through a USB flash drive. This allows for the creation and printing of ISO 17025-compliant customizable calibration certificates and reports using the supplied Excel® worksheet template.



PRECISION VIBRATION CALIBRATION

Air Bearing Vibration Calibration Shaker

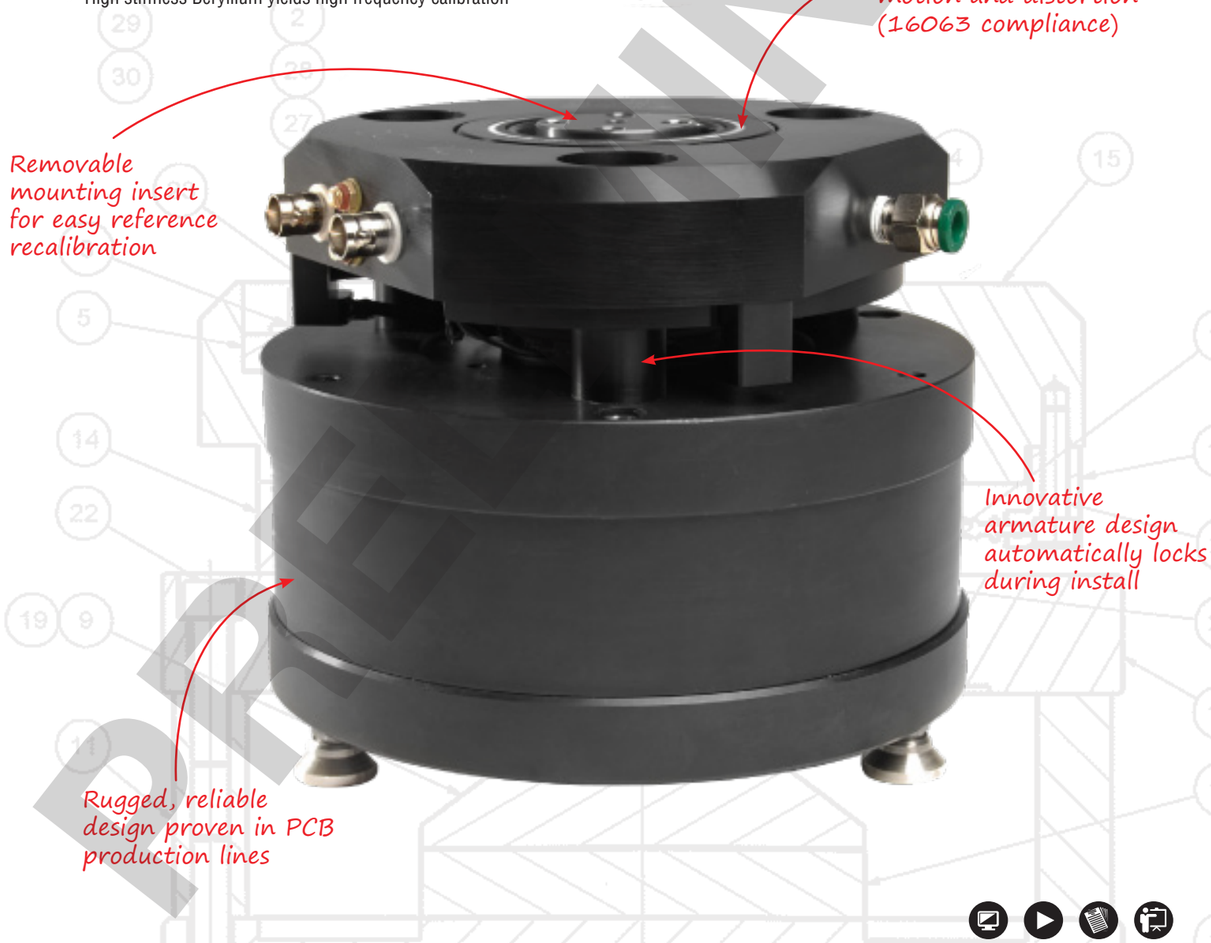
Shaker Model K394B30 and K394B31
Included in System Option 9155D-830 and 9155D-831

Our Air Bearing Calibration shakers represent the de facto global standard in calibration grade hardware while continuing the award winning PCB Group tradition of providing superior performance characteristics and ease-of-use alongside exceptional value and simplicity.

- Wide frequency range of 2 Hz to 50 kHz (calibration from 5 Hz to 20 kHz)
- Drastically reduces uncertainty by virtually eliminating transverse motion
- Integral quartz ICP® reference ensures low noise operation with long term stability
- Lorenz force coil enables rapid centering of sensors with varying mass
- High stiffness Beryllium yields high frequency calibration

BENEFITS

- Reduces uncertainty
- Allows high throughput with simple mounting and setup
- Rugged, reliable design proven on PCB Piezotronics production lines
- Exceeds ISO 16063-21 Specifications



ACCELEROMETER CALIBRATION WORKSTATION

The Accelerometer Calibration Workstation Model 9155 is a turnkey solution that provides all the necessary components out of the box. Principal components include a Windows PC Controller, software, printer and 24-bit data acquisition software. System options allow customer configuration of the modular system with a variety of calibration grade exciter systems, accelerometer signal conditioning, test software modules and mounting accessories.

Model 9155 Automated Accelerometer Calibration Workstation system includes options -100, -443, -445, -478, -830

MORE CALIBRATION EXCITERS

SmartStroke™ Low Frequency Shaker

Shaker Model 2129E025
System Option 9155D-771 and 9155D -779

- Achieves significantly faster calibration times with SmartStroke™ technology
- Improves signal to noise ratio at low frequency with 10 in (25 cm) stroke length
- Both options utilize stable, quartz ICP® low frequency reference accelerometer
- Option 9155D-779 offers improved ultra low frequency using patented optical encoder reference technology from 0.1 - 10 Hz (Patent 8,577,641)

PneuShock™ Shock Calibration Exciter

Exciter Kit Model K9525C
System Option 9155D-525

- Easy amplitude linearity calibration of shock and crash sensors from 20 to 10,000 g
- Controlled and consistent impacts using state-of-the-art pneumatic actuator
- Easy refinement of impulse shape and frequency content using a wide variety of impact anvils
- Superior impact control through drive pressure and impulsive duration control

High Payload Calibration Shaker

Shaker Model 2075E-875
System Option 9155D-875

- Supports heavy payload and hard line cabled transducers with sturdy flexure armature
- Includes test sensor mounting platform with integral stability, quartz ICP® reference accelerometer and paired signal conditioning
- Operates from 10 to 10 000 Hz
- Ideal for seismic and modal applications and studies

OPTIONS	RANGE	SHAKER MODEL	APPLICATION
9155D-525	20 - 10 000 g	9525C	Shock
9155D-771	0.5 - 500 Hz	2129E025	Low Frequency
9155D-779	0.1 - 500 Hz	2129E025	Ultra Low Frequency
9155D-830	5 - 15 000 Hz	K394B30	Broad Frequency
9155D-831	5 - 20 000 Hz	K394B31	Extended High Frequency
9155D-875	10 - 10 000 Hz	2075E-875	Heavy Payload

VIBRATION CALIBRATION SYSTEMS

The Accelerometer Calibration Workstation Model 9155 allows accurate back-to-back comparison calibration of ICP (IEPE), charge, piezoresistive, capacitive and voltage mode accelerometers in accordance with ISO 16063-21 (2003). Every system is delivered with its reference calibrated directly by The Modal Shop's ISO 16063-11 compliant, A2LA accredited Laser Primary system, assuring world class uncertainties. Factory acceptance test (FAT) and site acceptance test (SAT) by trained calibration professionals ensure proper installation of every 9155 system around the globe.

BENEFITS

- Accelerometer Calibrations in under a minute per axis
- Uncertainties as low as 0.75% with laser primary
- Calibrations are NIST or PTB traceable
- Modular system fits any application
- The options offer compliance to ISO 16063-11 -21 -22 vibration calibration standards
- System offers ISO 17025 complaint customizable certificates
- Back-to-back comparison calibration as low as 0.75% uncertainty

UNCERTAINTY*	FREQUENCY RANGE	SYSTEM OPTION	DESCRIPTION
0.75 %	100 Hz and 159 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	Reference Frequency
1.1 %	0.5 - <1 Hz	9155D-779	Optical Encoder Reference
0.8 %	1 - <10 Hz	9155D-779	Optical Encoder Reference
1.2 %	10 - <100 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer
1.0 %	>100 - 1000 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer
1.4 %	>1000 - 5000 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer
1.9 %	>5000 - 10 000 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer
2.2 %	>10 000 - 15 000 Hz	9155D-830 or 831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer
2.8 %	>15 000 - 20 000 Hz	9155D-831	ICP® Primary Reference Accelerometer

* 95% confidence interval (coverage factor of k=2)

TECH TALK WHY CALIBRATE?

When considering accelerometer calibration and intervals you must ask, "What is the cost of failure?". If the test is a simple learning experiment in a university measurements course, the cost of retaking the data may be nothing. Many lab tests allow easy access or re-access to the test structure coupled with redundancy in the measurement channels. Here the cost of a single bad measurement is low.

Costs can, however, escalate rapidly depending on certain factors. If the test structure is a prototype costing millions of dollars, every extra day spent in development escalates cost. Another extreme category is the "one shot" test. Channels are checked, double checked, calibrated, re-verified and data is backed up concurrently. The measurement has to be right.

Another motivation for calibration is measurements made for legal purposes. Health and human exposure measurements used in legal proceedings for noise or vibration must withstand the scrutiny of the legal system.

VIBRATION CALIBRATION SYSTEM OPTIONS

The modular nature of the 9155 Accelerometer Calibration System allows systems to be configured or expanded to meet the needs of your laboratory or testing facility. In addition to a variety of exciters, a range of hardware and software choices are available to expand your capabilities. From options to perform a resonance check or a laser primary calibration to a range of sensor signal conditioning options, the 9155 System can be customized to fit a variety of testing needs.

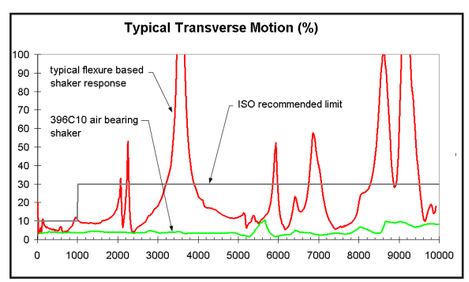
OPTION	DESCRIPTION
9155D-100	Rack integration system components in 19" equipment rack
9155D-120	Shaker mount option provides wood pedestal to support calibration shaker
9155D-350	Automated label printing, includes label printer
9155D-400	Automated TEDS sensor support requires 9155D-443
9155D-442	Signal Conditioning ICP® Includes PCB Model 442A102
9155D-443	Signal Conditioning Dual Mode Charge Amplifier (ICP®/Charge) Includes PCB Model 443B101
9155D-445	Signal Conditioning Capacitive Sensor Includes PCB Model 445A101
9155D-478	Signal Conditioning Piezoresistive Includes PCB Model 478A30
9155D-501	Automated linearity check, up to 40 g pk requires 9155D-830 or 9155D-831
9155D-550	Automated resonance test, up to 50 kHz requires 9155D-830 or 9155D-831
9155D-575	Laser primary system, includes two dual pass laser interferometers and accessories
9155D-600	Automated velocity sensor calibration

TECH TALK SENSOR AND CALIBRATION TIPS

The Modal Shop's "Dynamic Sensors and Calibration Tips" newsletter is an ideal way to learn more about the theory and best practices used in calibration. Articles and papers, like the one below covering the topic of shaker transverse motion, are published to our site. Visit www.modalshop.com/articles for more information.

TRANSVERSE MOTION IN CALIBRATION

ISO 16063 *Part 21 (2003) defines the back to back comparison technique for accelerometer calibration. Included in its most recent revision is a recommendation for acceptable limits on shaker transverse motion characteristics. The effect of high transverse inputs can be devastating to accurate accelerometer calibration. The differences between mechanical flexure-based electrodynamic shakers and air bearing shakers result in effects on calibration accuracy and uncertainty, as shown in the graph on the right.



DYNAMIC PRESSURE CALIBRATION

Dynamic pressure sensors are typically calibrated by varying the amplitude rather than the frequency of the input. To service the wide range of pressure events measured by dynamic pressure sensors, The Modal Shop offers five different systems that calibrate sensors designed for acoustic measurements, atmospheric blast experiments, gas turbine exhaust fluctuations, internal combustion engine measurements, and hydraulic or fuel line measurements. These systems have been proven in tens of thousands of factory calibrations performed at PCB Piezotronics, and this rich metrology heritage is leveraged with a digital hardware. Software platform that is shared with the 9155 system.

By combining PCB's factory calibration hardware with The Modal Shop system software and expertise, pressure calibration systems meet the needs of the most discerning user. These turnkey systems reproduce the factory calibration techniques of pressure sensors for customers with the added advantage of a single point for product support and Total Customer Satisfaction.

BENEFITS

- Assures accurate, traceable calibrations
- Integrated system includes all necessary components
- Windows PC supplies familiar, intuitive user interface
- Setup tests, acquire data, save results, and print reports quickly with precision and automation
- Define pass/fail criteria for each test and automatically recall them from the internal database

PRESSURE SENSOR CALIBRATION SYSTEMS

	RANGE (psi) mPa	UNCERTAINTY
K9903C	150 (1)	
K9907C	1 000 (6.9)	
K9913C	15 000 (103)	
K9905C	100 000 (689)	

ACOUSTIC CALIBRATION SYSTEM

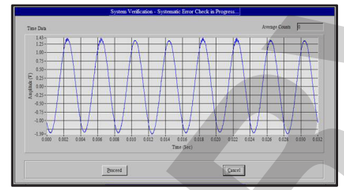
	SOURCE	INPUT SIGNAL
9350C	Condenser Microphones, Preamplifiers, Sound Sources	Steady State, Variable Frequency

PRESSURE CALIBRATION METHODOLOGY

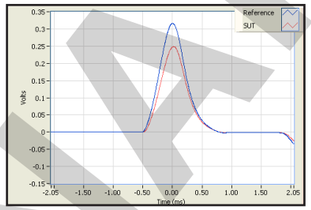
Of the many pressure sensor designs available, two stand out for their excellence in measuring dynamic, rather than static, pressure. Piezoelectric pressure sensors excel at high frequencies and pressure levels, and are inherently rugged for the most demanding environments. Condenser microphones offer unparalleled sensitivity for acoustic measurements in the audible frequency range. Since these two designs are uniquely suited for dynamic measurements, the best calibration techniques for them require a dynamic, rather than static, input.

Dynamic calibration inputs are classified as periodic (steady state and repeating) and aperiodic (transient). Periodic inputs are used by the 9350C for lower level pressure signals, and aperiodic inputs are used at higher pressure levels. A dynamic calibration technique characterizes the sensor with measurements closest to its application in the field.

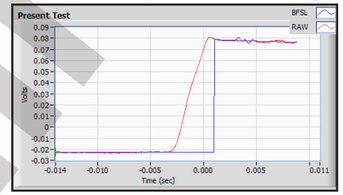
This allows for the sensor output to be validated in a way that is consistent with, or at least similar to, the intended field measurements.



Periodic Measurement from 9350C



Impulse Pressure Rise - Transient



Step Pressure Rise - Transient

Low Pressure Calibration Workstation

Model K9903C

- Maximum pressure: 150 psi [10 bar]
- Pneumatic calibration media
- 'Step' pressure input
- 5 ms using manual release valve

Medium Pressure Calibration Workstation

Model K9907C

- Maximum pressure: 1000 psi [70 bar]
- Compressed air or industrial helium media
- 'Step' pressure input
- Fastest rise times using poppet valve mechanism

High Pressure Calibration Workstation

Model K9913C

- Maximum pressure: 15 000 psi [1000 bar]
- Silicon oil media
- 'Impulse' pressure input
- 3 ms rise time with 7 ms pulse duration using drop mass

Ultra High Pressure Calibration Workstation

Model K9905C

- Maximum pressure: 100 000 psi [6900 bar]
- Hydraulic calibration media
- 'Step' pressure input
- Quasi-static method available for ballistics sensors

Precision Acoustic Calibration Workstation

Model 9350C

- Calibrates condenser measurement microphones, preamplifiers, and sound sources
- IEC 61094-6 and IEC 60942 compliant
- Simple automated easy-to-use GUI

CALIBRATION REFERENCE STANDARD KITS

Primary vibration calibration utilizes a laser interferometer as reference, providing traceability to a physical constant (wavelength of light) and the lowest possible measurement uncertainty. Secondary calibration techniques use a transfer standard or reference accelerometer, to calibrate another accelerometer under test and provide traceability to the primary standard. Reference accelerometers, often called "double ended" or "piggy-back" standards, are designed specifically to carry a sensor under test to perform a secondary back-to-back calibration. Transfer standards are designed specifically to calibrate working standard reference accelerometers.

BENEFITS

- Low noise ICP® electronics simplify connectivity
- Quartz offers best long-term stability
- Hermetic package ensures long-term reliability
- Low 0.2 % measurement uncertainty at reference frequency

All calibration standard kits include a quartz, ICP® accelerometer paired with PCB ICP® signal conditioner, calibrated directly against The Modal Shop's A2LA accredited laser primary calibration system.

TRANSFER STANDARDS (Single Ended)

MODEL	RANGE
9105C01	Broad Frequency 5 Hz - 11 000 Hz
9105C11	Extended High Frequency 5 Hz - 20 000 Hz
9105C21	Low Frequency 0.1 Hz - 4 000 Hz
9105C31	Shock 100 - 10 000g

REFERENCE ACCELEROMETERS (Double Ended)

MODEL	RANGE
9106C01	Broad Frequency 5 Hz - 14 000 Hz
9106C11	Extended High Frequency 5 Hz - 20 000 Hz
9106C21	Low Frequency 0.5 Hz - 3 500 Hz
9106C31	Shock 100 - 10 000g

INTERLABORATORY COMPARISON PROGRAM

The Modal Shop's Interlaboratory Comparison (ILC) Program is designed to help laboratories achieve proficiency confidence in vibration calibration results, publish reliable uncertainty levels and meet ISO 17025 certification requirements. With anonymous participation and blind results, the program provides precision data with confidentiality. After enrolling with The Modal Shop, the participating accelerometer calibration laboratory:

1. Receives comparison accelerometer to calibrate
2. Collects results from frequencies ranging from 0.5 to 20 kHz
3. Returns accelerometer and results to The Modal Shop
4. Receives a report comparing the results of 7 different laboratories
5. Has the opportunity for expert discussion on practices, variances and process improvements

ACCREDITED CALIBRATION SERVICES

The Modal Shop's in-scope, in-house calibration laboratory holds A2LA accreditation to ISO/IEC 17025:2005 and ANSI/NCSL Z540-1-1994, internationally recognized standards which specify general requirements necessary to exhibit technical competence in carrying out various testing and calibration methods. Accordingly, The Modal Shop can be your partner in a well-documented transducer calibration program.

As part of this accreditation, The Modal Shop offers primary and secondary calibration of accelerometers, as well as services for condenser microphones, impulse force hammers, force sensors and associated signal conditioning electronics.

In conjunction with sister company PCB Piezotronics, The Modal Shop and PCB Group have available the industry's most extensive calibration test services and equipment offerings.

CALIBRATION SERVICES

The Modal Shop provides a wide range of vibration, system, force, acoustic and signal conditioning calibration services. As your partner, The Modal Shop can provides an accurate, controlled and confident transducer calibration program. Please visit www.modalshop.com/scope for more information on our A2LA ISO 17025 Scope of Accreditation and for applicable calibration services.

Accelerometer Calibration Services

MCS-A000	Single axis calibration for non-PCB piezoelectric accelerometers
MCS-A000T	Re-calibration of non-PCB piezoelectric triaxial accelerometers
MCS-A001	Single axis amplitude response calibration, from 10 Hz to upper 5% frequency limit, NIST traceable
MCS-A001T	Triaxial amplitude response calibration, from 10 Hz to upper 5% frequency limit, NIST traceable
MCS-A004	Single axis, low frequency phase & amplitude response calibration from 0.5 to 10 Hz (requires MCS-A001 or equivalent)
MCS-A004T	Triaxial, low frequency phase and amplitude response calibration from 0.5 to 10 Hz (requires MCS-A001T or equivalent)
MCS-A010	System calibration for calibration standard system. Frequency sweep from 5 Hz to 10 kHz, NIST traceable
MCS-A065	Primary calibration via laser interferometry per ISO 16063-11 from 5 Hz to 20 kHz at up to 45 specific user defined frequencies
MCS-A067	Single point primary calibration via laser interferometer per ISO 16063 at 100 Hz
MCS-31	High g shock accelerometer calibration using PneuShock™ to max 10 000 g range, NIST traceable
MCS-35	Single axis high frequency amplitude and phase response calibration from 5 Hz to 20 kHz, NIST traceable. Includes sensor bias measurement (for ICP® sensors) and resonant sweep up to 50 kHz
MCS-35T	Triaxial high frequency amplitude and phase response calibration from 5 Hz to 20 kHz, NIST traceable. Includes sensor bias measurement (for ICP® sensors) and resonant sweep up to 50 kHz

Handheld and Portable Calibration

MCS-A009	Calibration of handheld calibrator, models 394C05, 394B06 and 394C06
9100-CAL01	Calibration of 9100 Series Portable Vibration Calibrator

Impact Hammer Calibration Services

HCS-2	Calibration of 086B or 086C Series instrumented hammer only
HCS-3	Calibration of 288 Series Impedance Head

Acoustic Calibration Services

MCS-1	Calibration of 130 Series array microphone and preamplifier pair
MCS-2	Calibration of standard precision condenser microphones
MCS-4	Calibration of pistonphone or speakerphone
MCS-6	Certification of precision microphone preamplifiers
MCS-9	Calibration of precision microphone/preamplifier pair
MCS-13	Certification of 426 series ICP® microphone preamplifier

Signal Conditioner Electronics Calibration Services

MCS-A047	Calibration of USB signal conditioner 485B36 2-channel
MCS-E003	Calibration of 480 Series (480C, 480C02, 480D, and 480D02) and model 478A01
MCS-E004	Calibration of 480 Series (480E06, 480E09, 480D06, and 480D09) with multiple gain x1, x10, x100
MCS-E005	Calibration of Models 482A, 482A06/B06, 482A05/B05, 482A04, 482A21 and 482A22
MCS-E010	Calibration of Series 481, Models 533, 583, 584, 478A16, and 478A17 16-channel signal conditioner

TEST EQUIPMENT RENTALS

The Modal Shop Sound and Vibration Rental Program provides a single source for varied — and often difficult to procure — dynamic test equipment, sensing systems and expertise. Whether you simply need a single accelerometer and cable, a complete vibration shaker kit or a complex sound level meter system, The Modal Shop can help. As more test engineers are restrained with limited capital budgets, the The Modal Shop's Rental Program expands existing capabilities and ensures the viability of particular models prior to purchase for permanent test setups.

WHY RENT?

I am on a spending freeze, and have no capital allocated.

Avoid ownership costs of capital investment and calibration

I need to bid on a large project but I own limited stock

Remain flexible - take on projects with a large and wide variety of equipment

I have enough data acquisition, but the wrong sensors

Choose from a wide variety of units and use the right sensor, every time

Use equipment infrequently, and need help sometimes?

Obtain a wealth of knowledge from a team of experts trained and ready to help

I WANT TO TRY A NEW OR UNFAMILIAR TECHNOLOGY

Try before you buy - eliminate concerns of buying the wrong thing

I worry that my aging equipment may fail soon

Eliminate hassle and cost of repairs, storage, warranties and calibration

I WANT TO TEST OFF-SITE WITH ASSETS THAT MAY BE NEEDED

Ship calibrated equipment worldwide - keep your equipment back in the lab

DISCOUNTED EQUIPMENT FROM INVENTORY AVAILABLE

The Modal Shop offers a large selection of discounted price products available for sale worldwide from our demo and rental assets. As part of our commitment to quality and Total Customer Satisfaction, each item comes with a current calibration certificate and a one year limited warranty. Discounted equipment offers an opportunity to buy equipment that would otherwise be outside a company's budget.

RENTAL EQUIPMENT

Accelerometers

- Single axis and triaxial
- General purpose, miniature, shock, seismic and more
- Low frequency and high temperature units
- ICP®/IEPE, charge mode, capacitive and MEMS
- TEDS and water-resistant options
- Cabling and mounting accessories

Microphones

- Precision condenser and array
- 0V prepolarized and 200V historic
- Freefield, pressure and random response
- Intensity pairs, probe mics, surface mics
- Power supplies, accessories, sound meters

Sound Level Meters

- Type 1 / Class 1 standalone meters
- Logging, community noise, 1/1 and 1/3 octave
- Event logging and event sound recording
- Complete kits for unattended monitoring
- Options for room acoustics, FFT and audiometry

Specialty Acoustics

- Hydrophones
- Sound intensity probes and kits
- Probe mics for high temperature
- Acoustic calibrators: speakerphones, pistonphones
- Building acoustics: sources and tapping machines

Excitation

- Full range of impact hammers
- Complete modal shaker kits
- Amplifiers, stinger kits and more
- Vibration control systems

Structural Test Accessories

- Signal conditioning
- Calibration equipment
- Air Ride supports
- Visualization software
- Data acquisition
- Cabling and mounting equipment

Other Transducer

- Dynamic force
- Dynamic strain
- Dynamic pressure
- Rotational speed/tachometer
- Force limited vibration systems

Detailed Info Online

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