

ULTRASONIC STRESS METER

As design engineers push the envelope to provide greater strength and efficiency in bolted joints, the use of torque, torque and angle, or even tensioning as the method of tension control may not be adequate, leading to costly failures. In those applications, ultrasonic bolt elongation/load measurement is able to provide accuracy equal to strain gauging without the need to strain gauge a bolt. In addition, the use of ultrasonic bolt measurement allows the user to return at any time and re-verify the level of tension in each fastener over its service life. The USM-3 has been both laboratory and field-proven to be the most accurate, reliable and cost effective solution to bolting failures which could place workers at risk, lead to the loss of production and/or cause damage to capital equipment.



ABOUT USM-3

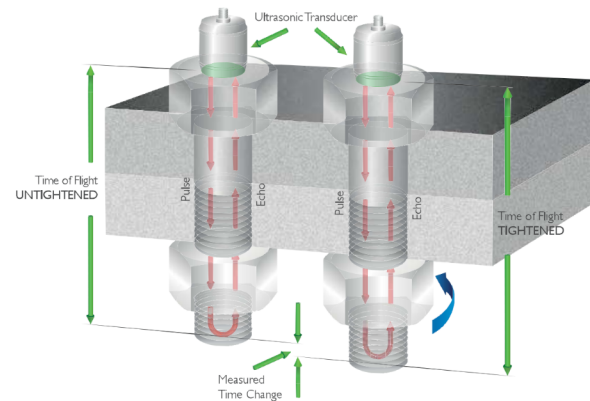
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The USM-3 uses state of the art hardware and digital signal processing to achieve these measurements with maximum automation, minimizing the need for operator interpretation. Once measurements have been recorded to the USM-3 internal memory, the included SonicBolt software will transfer the data to a computer for backup of files, creation of project reports, and conversion of data to Excel format for further analysis. In addition, the analogue signal output can be used to automatically shut-off powered torque and tensioning tools based on elongation or load, in even the most demanding applications.

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FEATURES

- Large 1/4 VGA backlit display is easily visible from a distance and in poor light.
- Can store up to 4000 bolts, 20,000 elongation and load readings.
- Rugged steel and aluminium case designed for production, field and construction environments.
- USM-3 is supplied in a rugged water tight (Pelican®) case complete with AC adaptor, nylon carrying case, 10' (approx. 3m) transducer cable, data transfer cable, 4 oz bottle of couplant, batteries and operators handbook.
- Measures fasteners of virtually any material from 1/2 inch (12mm) to over 50 feet (15m) in length.
- 0 - 10V analogue output for control of tightening tools such as a Norbar PneuTorque® multiplier.
- Fast update speeds.
- Measurement modes of pitch-catch and pulse-echo.
- Unit can be operated with mains power supply (96 to 264Volts) or via 4'C cell batteries.
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Part No.	Resolution	Dimensions	Weight
40334	0.00001 inch (0.0001 mm)	7 1/16" high x 9 7/16" wide x 2 1/16" deep 180mm high x 239mm wide x 53mm deep	2.25 Kg (4.95 lb) with batteries

STANDARD MAGNETIC TRANSDUCERS

Transducer Diameter#	Frequency	Part No.	Dimensions (mm)			
			A	B	C *	D †
3/16" (4.76 mm)	5.0 MHz	56016	9.7	13	54	29
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1/4" (6.35 mm)	5.0 MHz	56009	19	19	60	35
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1/2" (12.7 mm)	2.25 MHz	56011	25	19	60	35
1/2" (12.7 mm)	5 MHz	56010	25	19	60	35
3/4" (19.05 mm)	1.0 MHz	56020	30	19	60	35
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This diameter refers to the nominal diameter of the piezo electric crystal. The annular magnet increases the diameter to the value of 'A' shown.

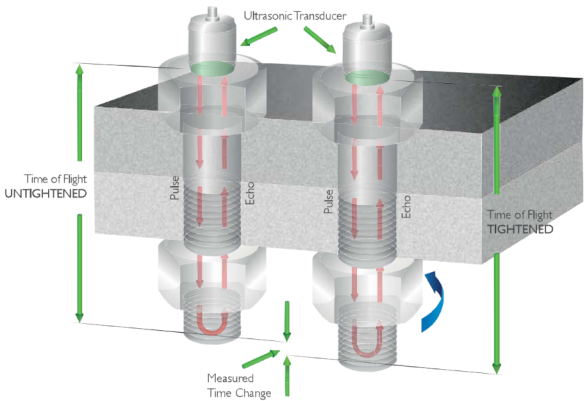
* Dimension 'C' represents the maximum clearance needed for the transducer fitted with a standard transducer cable.

† Dimension 'D' represents the maximum clearance needed for the transducer fitted with a right angle transducer lead.

- If the use of a right angle transducer lead does not provide enough clearance then we can supply transducers with side connectors. Add 'SIDE' after the part number when ordering eg 56016.SIDE.
- For operating temperatures in excess of 54°C (130°F) (the rating for a standard transducer) then a High Temperature Transducer with a maximum rating of 175°C (347°F) should be used. To order High Temperature transducers add 'HITEMP' to the part number when ordering eg 56016.HITEMP.

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GLUE ON TRANSDUCERS

Size	Frequency	Part No.	Quantity
3mm x 3mm	7.5 MHz	56021	Box of 100

