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generators — Methods of describing
equipment characteristics**

*Tables auxiliaires pour générateurs de vibrations — Méthodes de
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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 108, *Mechanical vibration, shock and condition monitoring*, Subcommittee SC 6, *Vibration and shock generating systems*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 6070:1981), which has been technically revised. It also incorporates the Corrigendum ISO 6070:1981/Cor 1:2006. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- Consideration of one more type of auxiliary table, the head expander.

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Auxiliary tables for vibration generators — Methods of describing equipment characteristics

1 Scope

This document establishes requirements to ensure appropriate exchange of information between manufacturers and users of auxiliary tables with a view to working out related specifications and possibly to comparing, in an objective way, the characteristics supplied by the manufacturers of auxiliary tables and associated guidance systems.

This document is applicable to auxiliary tables which include slip tables and head expanders. It does not cover auxiliary tables with several degrees of freedom.

This document provides three levels of description of the test equipment, as follows:

- a) minimum level;
- b) medium level;
- c) high level.

This document gives a list of characteristics to be specified for each level of description.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 2041, *Mechanical vibration, shock and condition monitoring — Vocabulary*

ISO 15261, *Vibration and shock generating systems — Vocabulary*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 2041 and ISO 15261 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

slip table

auxiliary table connected to one or several vibration generators working along axes which are parallel to the longitudinal axis of the table

Note 1 to entry: A slip table is normally used to conduct horizontal vibration test.

Note 2 to entry: See 6.4.1 for the coordinates of a slip table.

3.2 head expander

auxiliary table connected to one or several vibration generators working along axes which are in line with the normal axis of the table

Note 1 to entry: A head expander is normally used to conduct vertical vibration test.

Note 2 to entry: See 6.4.1 for the coordinates of a head expander.

4 Symbols

C_α	Limiting pitching torque
C_β	Limiting rolling torque
C_γ	Limiting yawing torque
d	Total harmonic distortion of acceleration
F_a	Force measured in direction z to overcome static friction (stiction)
F_g	Force measured in direction z to overcome dynamic friction
F_s	Static load limit
F_p	Static load limit per unit area
F_x, F_y, F_z	Limiting forces which can be withstood by the moving auxiliary table along the three axes
f	Frequency
f_{\max}	Maximum operational frequency
f_{\min}	Minimum operational frequency
g_n	Standard acceleration due to gravity (according to ISO 2041, g_n equals 9,806 65 m/s ²)
I_x, I_y, I_z	Moments of inertia of the moving table with respect to axes parallel to the reference axes through the centre of gravity
K_x, K_y, K_z	Translational stiffness of guidance system along the three axes
$K_\alpha, K_\beta, K_\gamma$	Rotational stiffness of guidance about the three axes
m	Total mass of moving table including moving components of guidance system
m_t	Test load (subscript “t” may be 0, 1, 4, 10, 20, or 40; see Clause 8)
v_z	Rated RMS velocity along z axis
X_C, Y_C, Z_C	Coordinates of centre of test table surface (see 6.4.1, Figure 3)
X_G, Y_G, Z_G	Coordinates of moving table centre of gravity
α	Pitch angle (rotation about y axis)
β	Roll angle (rotation about z axis for slip tables and about x axis for head expanders)
γ	Yaw angle (rotation about x axis for slip tables and about z axis for head expanders)

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5 Vibration values

When the manufacturer, or user, specifies values for the parameters required in this document, it shall be clearly defined, where applicable, whether vibration is expressed in terms of RMS, peak or peak-to-peak values.

6 Auxiliary table configurations

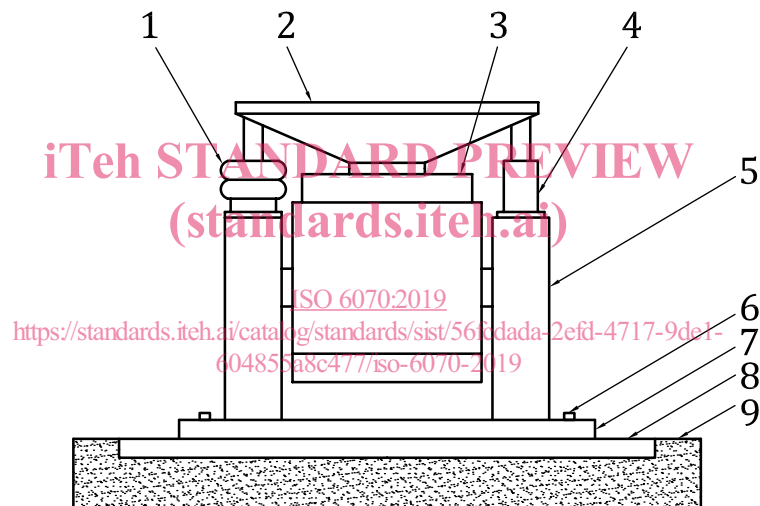
6.1 General

An auxiliary table is a mechanical system intended for transmitting vibration generated by one or more vibration generators to equipment under test.

The table is fitted with its own guidance system (if necessary), which shall be compatible with the guidance system of the vibration generator(s).

This document deals with auxiliary tables of two common types:

- head expanders, used to transfer vertical vibration (see [Figure 1](#));

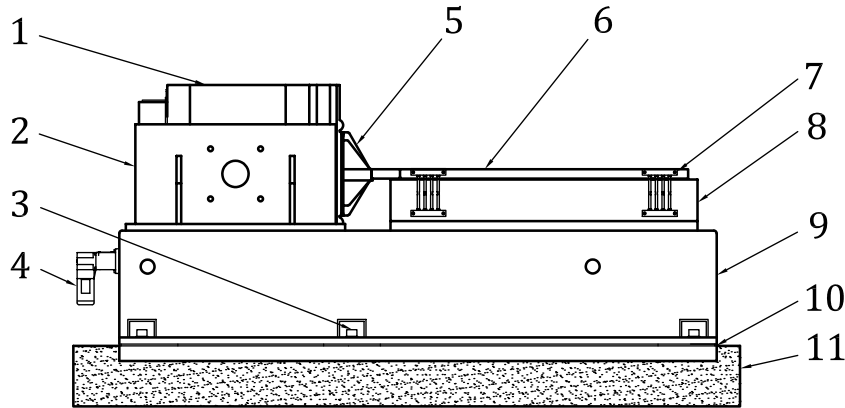


Key

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| 1 | load support system | 6 | screws connecting the vibration generator to the foundation |
| 2 | head expander | 7 | vibration generator bottom plate |
| 3 | vibration generator | 8 | foundation plate |
| 4 | guidance system | 9 | foundation |
| 5 | trunnion support | | |

Figure 1 — Example of coupling of a head expander to single vibration generator (typical configuration)

- slip tables, used to transfer horizontal vibration (see [Figure 2](#)).



Key

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|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 vibration generator | 6 slip plate |
| 2 trunnion support | 7 centring device |
| 3 screws connecting the vibration generator to the foundation | 8 guidance and support system |
| 4 rotation device | 9 Pedestal |
| 5 driver bar | 10 foundation plate |
| | 11 Foundation |

Figure 2 — Example of coupling of an auxiliary table to single vibration generator (typical configuration)

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The head expander is mainly composed of:

- the moving table;
- the guidance system (optional);
- the support system (optional).

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Optionally, the head expander can be equipped with a lifting device which lifts the head expander assembly, normally with air or hydraulic cylinder, and allows rotation of the vibration generator to the horizontal direction without removing the expander assembly.

The head expander can be either of square or round shape.

The slip table is mainly composed of:

- the moving table;
- the driver bar;
- the guidance and support system.

6.2 Typical designs of the head expander

6.2.1 General

Typical designs of the head expander are given in [6.2.2](#) to [6.2.4](#).

To achieve a higher load and overturning moment capacity, guidance and support systems are normally used.

6.2.2 Expander with linear bearing guidance and air spring support

Air springs are used to provide sufficient supporting force for the fixture and test article. They are normally arranged symmetrically relative to the xOz plane and yOz plane or circularly uniformly along the z axis as illustrated in 6.4.1. As for the test articles with a special shape and mass distribution, the air springs should be arranged accordingly in an asymmetrical and noncircular pattern to make each air spring withstand approximately equal weight and work under its maximum limit.

Linear bearings are used in vertical guidance. They are normally arranged symmetrically relative to the xOz plane and yOz plane or circularly uniformly along the z axis as illustrated in 6.4.1. The number of linear bearings used in a configuration is dependent on the overturning moment requirements of the test article and test conditions.

The maximum travel of the air springs and linear bearings shall be greater than that of the vibration generator and a safety margin (the ratio of maximum travel of air springs and linear bearings versus vibration generators) shall be maintained. The recommended safety margin is 1,3 to 1,5 for a solid vibration generator system whose trunnion is connected rigidly to the vibration generator. For a trunnion isolated system in which springs are placed between the trunnion and the vibration generator to reduce vibration transmission to the ground, the recommended safety margin should be higher, normally 1,5 to 2,0, because the relative motion between the head expander and the trunnion can exceed the value of travel on the generator table.

NOTE The air springs and bearings used in a head expander system can be located on the generator body, trunnion, or a rigid base directly screwed to the foundation, depending on the relative dimensions of the head expander and the generator.

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6.2.3 Expander with hydrostatic bearing guidance and air spring supports

Air springs are used for load supports. Normally, a hydrostatic bearing guidance system provides higher translational stiffness than a linear bearing guidance system. The arrangements of hydrostatic bearings follow the same principles as linear bearings referred to in 6.2.2.

6.2.4 Bare head expander

The head expander is used only to enlarge the load mounting surface area. No extra load and overturning moment capacity are needed as the vibration generator provides enough support and guidance for some test conditions.

6.3 Typical designs of the slip table

6.3.1 General

Typical designs of the slip table are given in 6.3.2 to 6.3.9. A combination of two or more designs can occur.

6.3.2 Hydrostatic bearing table

The connection between the table and the fixed parts of the guidance system is achieved by fluid pressure. This ensures self-centring of the system. Connecting stiffness is negligible in the longitudinal direction. Stiffness corresponding to the other degrees of freedom can be specified.

The driver bar is used to transmit the vibration from the vibration generator table to the slip table evenly. An optimized design of driver bar is necessary to reduce its mass and increase the transmissibility.

The slip plate is the vibration output surface, normally made of magnesium or aluminium alloy to reduce the loss of vibration force.

Various types of hydrostatic bearings can be employed for the guidance and support system of a slip table. Some hydrostatic bearings cannot provide enough stiffness of the reaction mass, and therefore a