

Product Information

Electromechanical Creep Testing Machine Kappa DS



Kappa 50 DS (extended)

Application

The Electromechanical Creep Testing Machine KAPPA DS offers a wide range of applications.

- Creep tests
- Creep rupture tests
- Stress rupture tests
- Relaxation tests
- Creep crack tests
- Definition of individual stepless sequences of load and temperature
- 'Advanced creep' - Tests
 - Creep fatigue tests
 - Creep strain modelling (e.g. to give creep strength at various levels of strain)
 - Creep ductility
 - Creep property deterioration due to service exposure
 - Creep data from component tests
- Additional load-, stress- and strain-controlled tests such as tensile, compression, flexure, LCF or fracture toughness
- Ambient or elevated temperature
- For long term tests (reaching up to 10,000h)

Load Frame and drive system

- Stand-alone floor machine
- High stiffness, precision and flexibility by 4-columns-design and double screw design
- Precise axial alignment according to ASTM E 292 by precision crosshead guiding and special seating load train
- Requires no special base or foundation
- Includes vibration isolation with Sylomer-dampers under the load frame
- High resolution crosshead resolver and high resolution load channel permit excellent control characteristics
- Precise speed of $\pm 0.1\%$ of set speed in range of $1\mu\text{m/h}$ to 100 mm/min (no load or constant load) measurement (average over 5 sec or 10 mm)
- High durability by use of brushless AC-motors
- Drive control sampling and adjustment frequency 6 ms
- Optional integration of high temperature controller in Kappa DS base

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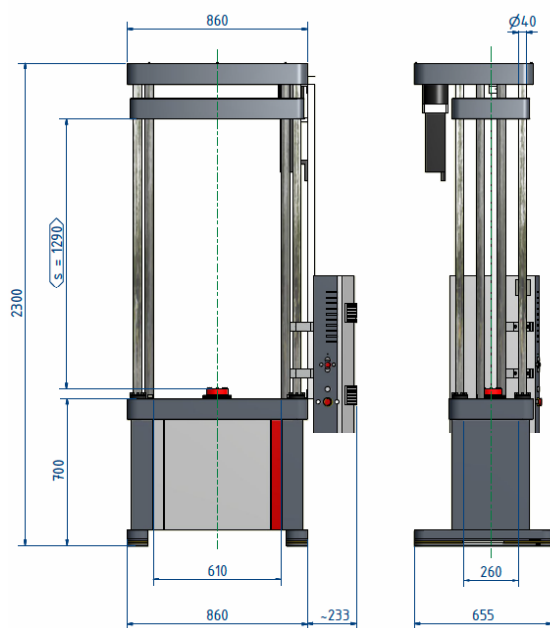
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Specification Kappa 50 DS / 100 DS / 150 DS / 250 DS

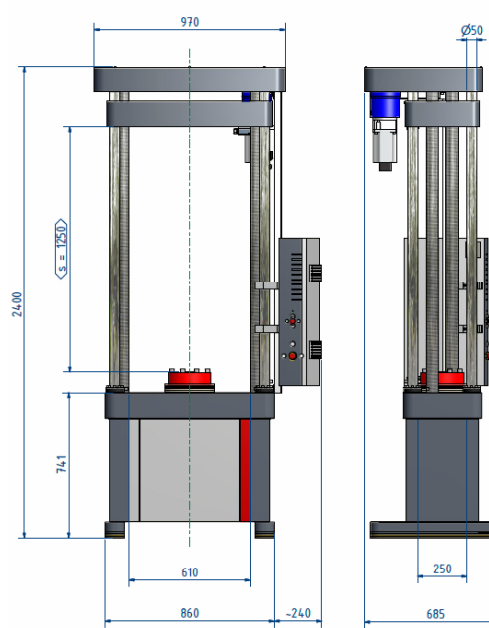
Technical data:

	Kappa 50 DS Kappa 100 DS	Kappa 150 DS Kappa 250 DS
load capacity	50 kN / 100 kN	150 kN / 250 kN
test area-depth	unlimited	unlimited
test area-width between drive screws	610 mm	610 mm
test area-height ¹	max. 1290 mm	max. 1250 mm
crosshead strokes	1290 mm	1250 mm
Lateral support of moving crosshead	precision sliding bearing on four hard chromium plated columns (40 mm diameter), (50 mm diameter 250 kN)	
Test speed range	0.001 mm/h to 100 mm/min	0.001 mm/h to 100 mm/min
Return speed	100 mm/min	100 mm/min
Crosshead speed accuracy	+/- 0.1 % of setting (no load or constant load averaged over 10 mm or 5 s)	+/- 0.1 % of setting (no load or constant load averaged over 10 mm or 5 s)
Resolution of stroke- encoder	0,003 µm	0,003 µm
Frame Dimensions (WxDxH)	860 x 655 x 2300 mm	970 x 685 x 2400 mm
Weight	840 kg	1120 kg
Power requirements	230 VAC, 1 kVA	230 VAC, 1 kVA

¹ vertical clearance (including mounted standard load cell but without jigs- and fixtures/grips)



Kappa 50/100 DS



Kappa 150/250 DS

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Accessories

Load cells

- Rotational symmetrical Design
- Precise axial alignment
- Electronic „Plug and Play“-Type (Calibration and technical data are saved in sensor plug)
- High accuracy (Linearity, Repeatability, Hysteresis, Resolution) acc. to ASTM E 4 and ISO 7500-1
- High measurement range in class 1 acc. to ISO 7500-1 from 0.2 % 100% of nominal load
- Extreme low temperature sensitivity



Pull rods

- Pull rods made of nickel-based superalloy
- Durability > 3 years at full load
- Upper pull rod with spherical bearing, lower pull rod with clamping lever
- Axial alignment acc. to ASTM E 292 and NADCAP-requirements
- No additional alignment cardan joints necessary



Specimen adapters

- Specimen adapters made of nickel-based superalloy

- Screw head
- Round specimen



- Clevis couplings
- Flat specimen

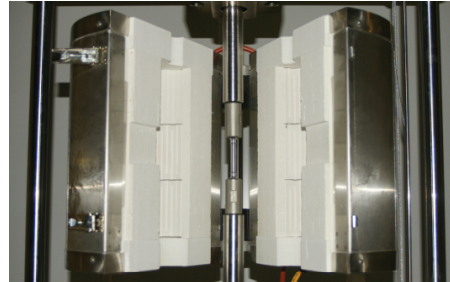


- Clevis couplings
- Pipe segment specimen



Accessories

High temperature furnace and controller



HT-furnace

- 3-zone furnace standard from 100/200°C to 1.200 °C
- Internal diameter: 100 mm
- Heated length: 300 mm
- Vertical positioning of furnace: furnace stays in the centre of the specimen during test
- Openings for load train, Thermocouples and Extensometers
- Optional side windows for optical strain measurement
- 3 Thermocouples for furnace controller, up to 3 additional Thermocouples for temperature control at the specimen



HT-controller

- Integrated, sophisticated Control-Algorithm for a precise Temperature along specimen and to prevent Temperature overshooting
- Empirically determined control parameters for different temperatures are no longer required
- Automatic Controller settings from 100/200°C to 1.200°C
- Temperature-tolerances acc. ASTM E 139
- Interface for 6 Thermocouples (3 for furnace, 3 for specimen special configurations possible)
- Digital display of temperatures
- Stand Alone or PC-operation possible

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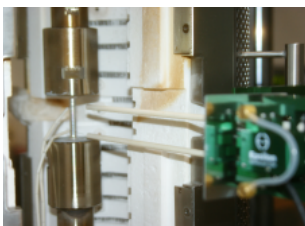
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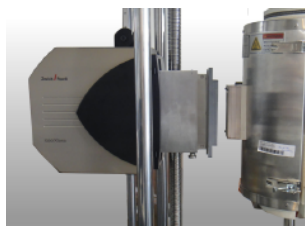
Extensometers

Measurement of axial strain

Side Entry:



Contacting Extensometer

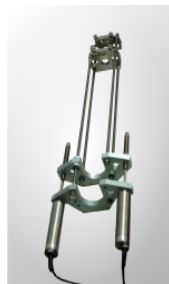


Optical Extensometer

Axial Entry:

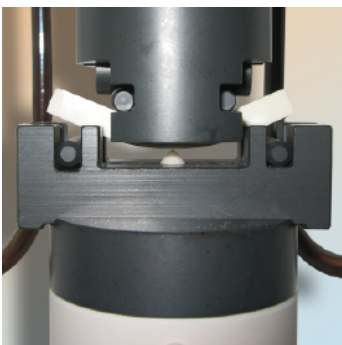


ME 31-400.1200°
(up to 1200°C - Ceramics)



ME 31-400.850°
(up to 850°C - metal)

Measurement of flexure and compression

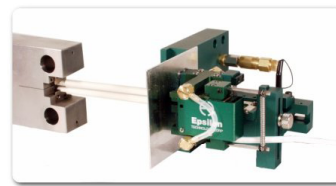


Highlights

- Simple attachment of feeler arms by use of adjustment wheel
- Quick set up for testing
- Measurement by reference feeler arms (2 x parallel to test axis to compensate temperature-caused extension of centric feelerarm (1x in test axis))
- Flexure: measurement of deflection of loaded specimen
- Compression: measurement of axial deformation of loaded specimen

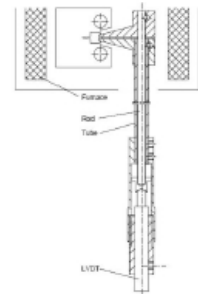
Measurement of Load line Deflection

Side entry



- up to 1.200 °C
- high purity alumina rods
- mounted on the HT-furnace
- Option: water cooling

Axial entry

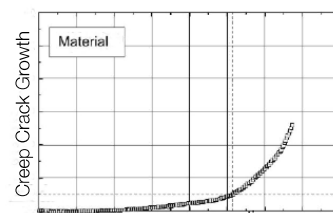


- up to 1.200 °C
- rod-in-tube-Design

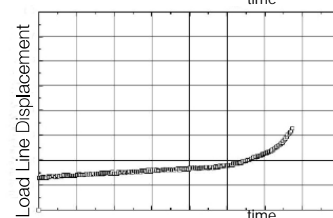
Creep Crack Growth measurement

Typical presentation of Creep Crack Growth Test

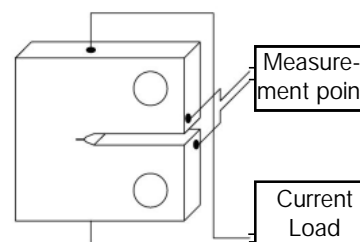
- Load Line Deflection measured by rod-in-tube Extensometer
- Crack length measured by DCPD-System



Creep growth



Load Line
deflection



DCPD Connection

