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1.0 Safety precautions

The internal sensor (strain gauge) can be damaged if overloaded! Mind your gauge model's maximum measuring range! The maximum measuring range is written on the front of the instrument and on the back. Do not apply side or radial forces to the rigid measuring axle. Do not use any tools to screw the attachement onto the measuring axle.

Always transport and store the instrument in its carrying case when not in use. Thus, you will minimize the risk of damages caused by unmeant detrimental mechanical effects, which, as the case may be, can destroy the internal sensor.

Please consider the technical data in regard to the environmental conditions (see p. 30 chapter 7.0 Technical Data). The instrument is equipped with a temperature compensation for o°...40°C (max. 85%rF). Use the instrument in this temperature range only.

For test stand mounting please only use the fitting holes and the tapped holes on the rear side of the instrument.

Force gauges are delivered in a carrying case. Especially devices for small forces should always be stored and transported in this protective case, because the internal sensor may be harmed by bumps and shocks.



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2.0 Before starting operation

Please inspect the content before taking the instrument into operation.

Should, despite our careful inspection, parts be missing, please notify your dealer or our service team: service@alluris.de.

The following table provides you with an overview of the delivery's volume as well as the single components' part numbers in case you want to purchase them later.

For more accessories see <u>www.alluris.de.</u>



2.1. Scope of supply

 Standard scope of delivery (part no.) Optional accessories (not included) 	FMI-B10 FMI-S10	FMI-B20 FMI-S20	FMI-B30 FMI-S30	FMI-B50 FMI-S50
Protection case	•	•	•	•
Base unit	_			
(Type label with serial number and measuring range on the back)	•	•	•	•
Quickstart manual	•	•	•	•
Hook (FMI-962M6 / FMI-962M10)	(•/-)	(●/●)	(●/●)	(\bullet / \bullet)
Cone tip (FMI-965M6 / FMI-965M10)	(•/-)	(●/●)	(●/●)	(\bullet / \bullet)
Flat head (FMI-961M6 / FMI-961M10)	(•/-)	(●/●)	(●/●)	(●/●)
Notched head (FMI-964M6 / FMI-964M10)	(•/-)	(●/●)	(●/●)	(●/●)
Handles (FMI-941M10 or T-Handle FMI-942M10)	0	0	0	0
Universal VAC charger with EC-, UK- and US wall plug connector and USB-cable (FMI-946)	• (for all FMI-B force gauges)			
Calibration certificate with data (FMI-800N1 or FMI-800N2)	0	0	0	•
USB interface cable (FMI-931USB)	-	-	0	•
FMI_Connect software (FMI-972)	-	-	0	-
FMI_Analyze software (FMI-975)	-	-	0	•
Cable for digital I/O's (FMI-934SO)	-	-	0	0
Laser distance sensor (FDM-250)	-	-	-	0

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2.2. Applying force by hand

Hand held force gauges series FMI-B and FMI-S can be utilized for onsite measurement. In order to apply force manually, the housing comprises three M10 tapped holes to attach handles, two on each side and one opposite the measuring axis (Part no.: Handles FMI-941M10 and T-Handle FMI-942M10).





Side handles for easy handheld operation

T-Handle

2.3. Energy Harvesting (FMI-S)

The instrument utilizes, also when turned off, the ambient light at the work place as energy source and charges an internal storage unit, to ensure that tests can be made even if the solar cell is covered for a short while. After storing the instrument for more than 2 month in the dark, you should expose it to light for at least 8 hours in the regular working environment (> 250 Lux) before use. Or you may use the USB-cable to charge the instrument quickly. A buffer battery maintains in any case the basic functions of the instrument.

2.4. Charging the battery (FMI-B)

Force gauges of the FMI-B series have a LiPo-battery with a capacity up to 150 hours of operation. Upon each start the remaining capacity is measured. If it is less than about 4 hours "bat.2" is displayed on the screen. Then charge the battery by connecting the instrument via USB cable to the supplied AC charger or to a PC.

From the state of charge "bat.1" or lower the indication will remain on the display until you confirm by pressing the O key.

Indicating the battery's state of charge



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2.5. Overview

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Hirose-Socket

Function	Accessory part	Part number
Data transfer	Foot switch	FMT-936
Digital I/O's	Data cable	FMI-934SO
Motor control	Drive unitcontrol	FMT-220.MK

USB 2.0 Mini-B-socket

	Function	Accessory part	Part number		
5	Data transfer to MS Excel ¹	Software FMI_Connect	FMI-972		
5)	Data analysis on PC	Software FMI_Analyze	FMI-975		
5)	Data analysis on PC with motor controller	Software FMI_Analyze Pro+	FMI-976		
3	Data transfer to CAQ-software	COM-Bridge	FMI-977		
	Power suppy and charging	USB cabel	FMI-946		
	For series FMI-B50 and FMI-S50:				
	Connection to laser distance sensor	Laser-Distance-Sensor	FDM-250		

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2.6. General remarks

- Exchangeable attachments to apply force
 Standard
 Special accessories
 (for more accessories see www.alluris.de)
 Measuring axle for attachments to apply force
- Measuring axle for attachments to apply force (M6, bzw. M10 (>1kN), L=13mm)

3 Display

Adapts automatically to changing positions with a 180° screen rotation upon start (e. g. for test stand mounting)

4 Measuring range

- 5 USB 2.0 Mini-socket (series FMI-B30 und FMI-S30 and higher) also for charging the LiPo-battery of FMI-B devices and fast charging of FMI-S devices after long storage in the dark
- 6 **10-pole Hirose socket** (series FMI-B30 und FMI-S30 and higher) for digital I/O's, service, calibration etc.

7 I-key

On/Off (press 2 seconds); Start/Stop measurement; select next item of menus

8 S-key

select operation mode; save data to the memory during the measurement; show measuring results; select/deselect setting menus (press 2 secs); select memory

- **9 O-key** Taring manually; select settings; select measurement units
- **Solar cell (FMI-S)** for in- and outdoor use. Collects energy even if the instrument is switched off.
- ¹¹ Tapped holes (M10) to attach side handles or T-handle
- **12** Holes for location pins (8mm and 3mm without thread) for allignment in test stands
- 13 Tapped holes (M4 and M5) for test stand mounting



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3.0 Starting Operation

3.1. Preparing the Measurement

The internal sensor works bi-directional, i.e. compression and tension. By default the instrument is attuned to display a positive value if compressive force is applied at the measurement axle, and a negative value if tensile force is applied. You may change this setting (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.2 Changing +/- prefix for push or pull operations (P12)).

Select an appropriate attachment for compression forces or use the hook to apply tension forces. An extension rod should be used only if the accessibility of the object cannot be achieved without. Special adapters for specific applications can be found on www.alluris.de.

Mount attachements by hand only. Do not use tools to screw adapters onto the instrument's threaded axle. Radial and side forces can damage the instrument.

As gauges are often used in the scope of destruction-tests or for appraising security-relevant thresholds you should always first become familiar with the potentially resulting risks – broken fragments, sudden change of force, crush risk – and, if necessary, take counter actions.



3.2. Turning the instrument ON/OFF

Switch the instrument on by pressing the I-key. After a self-test routine three sets of information are shown to inform you about the model number, the recommended date of next calibration and the nominal measuring range (Fn). Once the routine is completed the instrument is ready for use (idle).

With each start of the measurement an automatic taring (auto-tarafunction) is performed to eliminate the gravitation force influence of the weight of measuring axis and other installed attachments which

Information sequence as shown when starting the instrument



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To turn the instrument off press the l-key.

If no external energy source is connected to the instrument, measurements can be automatically stopped after a defined period of time (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.4 Automatic measuring stop – Auto-Stop for FMI-S (P14)).

After five minutes of inactivity the auto-off function will turn the instrument off automatically if no external energy source is connected. You may adjust the period of time to your own needs (see p. 18 chapter 4.2.6 Auto-Off function (instrument off) (P15)).

Force gauges with LiPo-battery (series FMI-B) measure upon each start the remaining capacity. If it is less than about 4 hours "bat.2" is displayed on the screen. In this case charge the battery by connecting the instrument via USB-cable to the supplied AC charger or to a PC.

3.2.1. Autoreverse display

If the force gauge is mounted head-down (e. g. for test stand mountign) the display adapts automatically with a 180° screen rotation upon start.

Autoreverse display



Display rotates when mounted head-down

3.2.2. Selecting measuring units

If the instrument is idle you can select the desired measuring unit by pressing the O-key.

Selecting the measuring unit



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3.3. Selecting the operation mode

If the instrument is idle you can choose different modes of operation.

Selecting a specific operation mode you decide which values the instrument shall display and the measuring frequency (instruments series FMI-B10 and FMI-S10 have no Peak-option and high-speed-measuring is not available).

Select the operation mode and the measuring frequency by pressing the S-key.

Selecting operation modes



Selecting the operation mode with the S-key (in series FMI-B10 und FMI-S10 the Peak-option is not available)

3.3.1. Standard mode

In standard mode the actual measured value is displayed. By default the display refresh rate is 10 Hz. In the settings menue P13 you may change the refresh rate (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.3 Display-refresh rate (P13)).

3.3.2. Peak value detection with Peak modes

The peak modes allow to detect peak values.

In **Peak +** and **Peak** – mode the display works as a drag indicator, that moves forward on increasing values. With temporarily decreasing values the display remains unchanged.



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By default the instrument indicates the peak value for compression operations.

You may change the prefix (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.2 Changing +/prefix for push or pull operations (P12)).

Instruments series FMI-B20 and FMI-S20 and higher can measure with increased frequency (high-speed measuring). The high frequency allows to measure the peak value precisely at the moment of rupture or tearing.

Peak – (with drag indicator)

The display shows a Peak symbol and the prefix minus.

The instrument indicates the peak value for tension operations.

You may change the prefix (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.2 Changing +/prefix for push or pull operations (P12)).

Instruments series FMI-B20 and FMI-S20 and higher can measure with increased frequency (high-speed measuring). The high frequency allows to measure the peak value precisely at the moment of rupture or tearing.

Peak (series FMI-B20 and FMI-S20 and higher)

The display shows a flashing Peak symbol.

The instrument indicates the value that is measured at the time.

Instruments series FMI-B20 and FMI-S20 and higher can measure with increased frequency (high-speed measuring). The high frequency allows to measure the peak value precisely at the moment of rupture or tearing.







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3.4. Start/Stop Measurements

Switch the instrument on and bring it into the measurement position.

Start:

Start the measurement by pressing the I-key. The display shows "0.0".

Measure:

The display shows the current measured value or the peak value (see p. 10 chapter 3.3 Selecting the operation mode). The symbol of the measuring dimension flashes as long as the instrument is measuring.

Stop:

By pressing the I-key the measuring cycle is completed.

After stopping the measurement, the display shows the measured value. Depending on the selected operation mode, this is either the last measured value or the respective peak value. The dimension unit is now displayed continuously without flashing.

The auto-stop-function (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.4 Automatic measuring stop – Auto-Stop for FMI-S (P14)) allows to stop a measurement automatically, if measured values remain stable within a defined period of time. The feature can be deactivated if the instrument is connected to an external power source.

Please make sure that force – both compressive and tensile forces – is always applied perpendicularly to the measuring axle. The measuring results will be incorrect if the force axle is not aligned perpendicularly.

Forces that are not applied perpendicularly can damage the internal sensor especially of gauges with a measurement range designed for minute forces, when the radial or laterally operating forces are too big.

Indications on display during measurements



Correct positioning of the instrument



Keep the instrument always perpendicular to the probe

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3.5. Taring

On each start of the instrument the auto-tara function performs an automatic taring to eliminate the gravitation force influence of the weight of the sensor, the measuring axis and other installed attachments according to the position of the instrument. At the same time the temperature offset is readjusted.

The auto-tara-function can be deactivated, e.g. to continue a pausing measurement (see p. 18 chapter 4.2.7 Automatic taring function – Auto-Tara (P16)). Due to the very high sensivity of the instrument even slight movements or minute vibrations in the environment are captured and displayed with values uneven zero.

In standard mode and in Peak mode you can tare the instrument during a measurement by pressing the O-key.

3.6. Displaying measured values

During measurements in standard mode the display shows the measured real-time value. In all of the three peak modes the instrument captures and stores beside the actual measured value also the positive and negative peak value. In **Peak+** mode or **Peak** – mode either the peak push value or peak pull value are displayed during measurements according to the choosen prefix settings. In **Peak** mode the real-time value is indicated during the measurement.

By pressing the S-key the display shows the measured values one after the other. In **Peak+** mode first the positive peak value is shown. By pressing the S-key next the negative peak value appears and after pressing the S-key once again the last measured value is displayed.

In **Peak** – the display sequence starts with the negative peak value. If the measurement has been taken in **Peak** mode (series FMI-B20 and FMI-S20 and higher), the Peak symbol flashes accordingly.

You start the next measurement without deleting the peak memory, by pressing the I-key. Peak values remain stored in the memory as long as a higher peak value is measured.





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3.6.1. Resetting the drag indicator

In the operation modes **Peak**+ or **Peak** – you may reset the drag indicator by pressing the O-key at any time during the measurement. The instrument will then not be tared, but resets the display to the measured value at the time.

3.7. Clearing the memory

Memory can be cleared completely or selectively by pressing the O-key. If memory is completely cleared the display shows the idle symbol.

3.7.1. Deleting single values

In peak modes the stored values can be deleted one after the other by pressing the O-key. The display shows "O.O" after having deleted a value. By pressing the S-key you can select the next stored value and proceed in the same way to delete the value. After having deleted all values from the memory, the display shows the idle symbol.





3.7.2. Clearing memory completely

To clear the memory completely press the O-key for 2 seconds. If the memory is completely cleared the display shows the idle symbol.

Deleting all stored values



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4.0 Setting measurement parameters

4.1. Selecting the parameter menue

Several settings menus allow to customize the general functions and measurement settings of the instrument.

Series FMI-B₃o and FMI-S₃o and higher offer a memory and a statistics function as well as limit value functions. Each of these functions can be adjusted using the parameter menue.

Select the parameter menu by pressing the S-key for 2 seconds starting from the idle status of the device. In the same way you return from any point of the parameter menu to the operation mode.

Pressing the I-key you select the following specific settings menus:

- P1 General settings (see p. 16 chapter 4.2 General settings (P1))
- P2 Memory (FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher) (see p. 19 chapter 4.4 Memory and statistic functions (P2))
- P3 Upper limit (FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher) (see p. 24 chapter 4.5 Monitoring limit values (P3 und P4))
- P4 Lower limit (FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher) (see p. 24 chapter 4.5 Monitoring limit values (P3 und P4))
- PO Default settings (see p. 19 chapter 4.3 Resetting factory defaults (PO))

Pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation mode.



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4.2. General settings (P1)

Menu P1 allows to adjust the general functions and settings of the force gauge.

The menu offers the following submenus:

- P11 Select dimensional units
- P12 Changing +/- prefix for push or pull operations
- P13 Select display-update frequency
- P14 Automatic measuring stop
- P15 Automatic switch off
- P16 Automatic taring

Select the submenus one after the other by pressing the O-key.

With the I-key you select the settings in the submenus. The actual set value flashes on the display will be set by leaving the submenu at this point. You can leave the submenu by selecting the next submenu pressing the O-key or by reverting to the menu on the level above.

By pressing the S-key you revert to the level above.

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you revert to the operation level.

4.2.1. Selecting dimensional units (P11)

The SI-unit Newton (N) is set by default.

Submenu P11 allows to change the measuring unit displayed. Press the I-key to navigate between the options. The selected unit flashes on the display.

[Measuring range up to 10 N: N - cN - g - oz]

[Measuring range up to 50 N: **N** - kg - lb]





Example setting parameters: P11 - Dimensional units



The selected measuring unit flashes on the display

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4.2.2. Changing +/- prefix for push or pull operations (P12)

By default pull forces applied to the measuring axle are displayed with negative prefix and push forces accordingly as positive values (without prefix). Submenu P12 allows to change the settings by pressing the I-key.

[Push () - Push (-)]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

4.2.3. Display-refresh rate (P13)

The internal sensor captures forces with a frequency of 3,6 kHz. To ensure the legibility of the display the display-refresh rate is limited by default to 10 Hz. Submenu P13 allows to reduce this value further. Press the I-key to select the desired frequency rate.

[Refresh rate: 1 - 2 - 3 - 5 - 10 Hz]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

Example selecting parameter settings: P13 - Display-refresh rate



The selected refresh rate flashes on the display

4.2.4. Automatic measuring stop – Auto-Stop for FMI-S (P14)

Measurements are stopped automatically when the measured values are stable for 5 seconds, if you run the device without USB-cable. Submenu P14 allows to adjust this period of time.

[Auto-Stop after: 5 - 10 - 20 - 30 seconds]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

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4.2.5. Automatic measuring stop – Auto-Stop for FMI-B (P14)

Force gauges series FMI-B come as well as series FMI-S with an autostop function. Measurings are stopped automatically when measured values are stable over a defined period of time. The auto-stop function applies if the device is not connected to an external power supply. By default instruments series FMI-B are set to O = no auto-stop. Submenu 14 allows to adjust this function by pressing the I-key.

[Auto-Stop after: o - 10 - 20 - 30 seconds]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

4.2.6. Auto-Off function (instrument off) (P15)

Force gauges running without USB cable are turned off, if no button is pressed for more than five minutes - as long as you are not working in the settings menus. Submenu 15 allows to adjust this period of time by pressing the I-key.

[Auto-Off after: 1 - 2 - 3 - 5 - 10 - 30 - 60 - 90 minutes]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

4.2.7. Automatic taring function – Auto-Tara (P16)

Instruments are taring automatically when starting a measurement. Thus the influence of the installed attachments according to the position of the instrument and temperature variations between measurements are eliminated.

To continue with a pausing measurement it can be neccessary to deactivate this function. Submenu 16 allows to deactivate this function with the l-key.

[Auto-Tara: 1 = On - o = Off]

By pressing the S-key for 2 seconds you return to the operation level.

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4.3. Resetting factory defaults (PO)

Submenu PO allows to reset all settings to factory defaults. Select menu PO and press the O-key. The display shows PO1 and a flashing O (= no reset). By pressing the I-key you can select 1 (= reset). Confirm by pressing the S-key and all settings are reset to factory defaults. The display shows shortly rESEt.

If you decide not to reset the settings after having chosen 1, select again 0 by pressing the I-key und return to the operation level by pressing the S-key.

[Reset factory defaults: o = no Reset - 1 = Reset]

4.4. Memory and statistic functions (P2)

4.4.1. General considerations on memory functions

Force gauges series FMI-B₃0 and FMI-S₃0 and higher are able to capture and memorize measuring values either as a sequence of single values (Single) or as continuously saved measuring cycles (Series), which can be displayed with simple statistical functions (Maximum, minimum, average and standard deviation).

$$DEV = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

For datatransfer via USB to a PC we recommend the software FMI_Connect (Part no.: FMI-972). More detailed tests, displaying larger numbers of single values, a more comprehensive analysis of measurement results and test stand applications are possible with the software FMI_Analyze (Part no.: FMI-975).

Reset factory default settings



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4.4.2. Setting memory and statistics functions

To activate the memory function enter the settings menu by pressing the S-key for 2 seconds and select menu P2 with the I-key.

On the display appears the Mem symbol.

Enter the menu P21 by pressing the O-key and select with the I-key the desired memory function:

- O = no memory
- 1 = save single values (Single)
- 2 = save measuring cycles (Series)

Pressing the S-key for 2 seconds the instrument returns to the operation level in idle status. To confirm activated memory the display now shows the according Mem symbol (in addition to the symbols of other possibly selected features).

4.4.3. Saving single values (Single)

Having selected the Single function, with each pressing of the S-button a single value is stored during a running measurement. You may repeat this procedure during a measurement or within several subsequent measurings up to 1000 times.

Activate memory and statistics



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4.4.4. Saving measuring cycles (Series)

Having set the Series feature, with start of the measurement cycle all measured values are recorded.

During the recording the Mem symbol (and the unit symbol) in the display flashes.

All measured values are saved according to the display-refresh rate. In addition - if a peak mode is selected - the respective peak values are captured in high-speed mode and stored. A series of measurements can capture up to 1000 individual values.

You may pause the recording of measurement values while the measuring keeps running and restart the recording, both by pressing the S-key.

Recording ends with the termination of the measurement by pressing the l-key or by the auto-stop function.

Restarting a measurement adds the newly captured values to the already stored values in the memory.

The memory content can be cleared completely by pressing for 2 seconds the O-key or by turning the instrument off.



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4.4.5. Displaying statistics

After having finished a measurement, you may review the statistical results of the measurement. By pressing the S-key you call the different statistical values (see adjacent chart).

Displaying the statistics sequence



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4.4.6. Recalling memory

All recorded values can be downloaded by software in addition to the displayed statistical values (series FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher). If the device has not been turned off this can be done even after having finished a measurement.

With instruments series FMI-B measurements can be carried out without connection via USB cable. The device can be subsequently connected to the PC and data can be read out then by software.

Devices of series FMI-S have to be connected to PC already during measurements.

4.4.7. Clearing memory

You have three possibilities to clear the memory:

- Single peak values can be deleted by pressing the O-key. The display shows "O.O" when the value is deleted.
- By pressing the O-key for 2 seconds all recorded values (both statistical values and measured values) will be entirely cleared.
- Turning the instrument off deletes the memory content (both statistical values and measured values) completely.

Deleting single stored values



Deleting all values stored values



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4.5. Monitoring limit values (P3 und P4)

Force gauges series FMI-B₃O and FMI-S₃O and higer can compare the actual measured value with individually set upper or lower limit values. The surpassing of the thresholds is indicated on the display and signal outputs are switched accordingly. To utilize the output signals a data cable for digital I/Os (part no.: FMI-934SO) is needed (see p. 28 chapter 5.2.3 Data cable for digital I/O's). The limit function replaces the overload function of the instrument (provided the set limit value does not exceed the admissible overload).

4.5.1. Working with limit values

If a limit value is set (at least one of the limit values is uneven zero) the limit function is activated and the display shows the Limit symbol. As soon as the measured value is smaller than the lower limit value a downward pointing arrow is shown on the right side of the display. Accordingly an upward pointing arrow is shown if the measured value surpasses the upper limit value. No arrow appears if the measured values are within the limits.

A reset of the instrument sets limit values to zero.

4.5.2. Setting limit values

Select the menu P3 to set the upper limit values and P4 to set the lower limit values.

Pressing the O-key you select the digit. There are six digits (a prefix and five numbers). The active digit flashes. By pressing the I-key you select the desired number. Any pressing of the key increments by one.

By pressing the S-key you save the selected values and return to the upper menue level.

To set the lower limit value, select menue P4 and proceed as described above.







Setting the upper limit

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4.5.3. Deleting limit values

You delete limit values by setting new values as described above. If all values are set to zero the limit value function is deactivated.

Resetting the instrument to factory defaults sets back all limit values to zero.

5.0 Interfaces (series FMI-B30 und FMI-S30 and higher)

Force gauges series FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher can transfer measured data and incidents like overload or the exceeding of limit values via USB (2.0) or Hirose-cable to a PC or a motor driven test stand.

5.1. Data transfer via USB

For data tranfer via USB you need a USB cable (part no.: FMI-931USB) and a software with the device driver.

5.1.1. Software FMI_Connect

The software FMI_Connect (part no.: FMI-972) enables to transfer data from Alluris force gauges to MS Excel and generate graphs. You may control the instrument via PC as well as set parameters.

Install the software FMI_Connect before connecting the instrument first time to your PC or notebook, in order to ensure the instrument is detected automatically. Use FMI_S-Connect for series FMI-S and FMI_B-Connect for series FMI-B from the installation CD.

Software FMI_Connect



Screenshot interface

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5.1.2. Software FMI_Analyze

The software FMI_Analyze (part no: FMI-975) allows real-time visualization of your measuring results. The captured force vs. time or force vs. distance diagrams can be evaluated online and real time with threshold values, envelope or failure lines, windows with entrance and leaving definition. Further the software allows to manage results easily and to generate reports.

FMI_Analyze can be utilized also to configure the three additional digital outputs according to specific applications.

5.1.3. Software FMI_Analyze Pro+

The software FMI_Analyze Pro+ (part no.: FMI-976) offers basically all analyzing functions as FMI_Analyze. Furthermore the software package allows to control the optional motor for test stands series FMT-220 and enables the setting of parameters for straight forward test stand applications.

Software FMI_Analyze



5.1.4. Software COM-Bridge

The software COM-Bridge allows direct data transfer from force gauges with USB interface to PC applications (e. g. Procella/Q-DAS, specific applications etc.).

Data transfer can be configured to be carried out via S-key on the instrument or an external foot switch. In the latter case connect a foot switch (part no.: FMI-936) with Hirose connector to the Hirose-socket (see p. 27 chapter 5.2.1 Foot switch for data tansfer).

Note: Activate the memory function before using the COM-Bridge software (see p. 20 chapter 4.4.3 Saving single values (Single)).

Software COM-Bridge



Screenshot interface

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5.1.5. Laser distance sensor

For real-time capturing of force vs. distance data force gauges series FMI-B50 and FMI-S50 and higher can be combined to a laser distance sensor. This allows a measurement under conditions of chronological synchronism.

The laser distance sensor is directly mounted to the force gauge and connected via USB cable. A non-contact measurement is carried out on the test object or on a reference mark.

Alluris sensors cover a measuring range from 50 mm (FDM-250B5) or 100 mm (FDM-250C1) with a distance of 25 mm respectively 45 mm to the reference mark.

5.2. Hirose-Socket

Force gauges series FMI-B30 and FMI-S30 and higher have a 10-pole Hirose-socket for several extension options and service functions.

5.2.1. Foot switch for data tansfer

A foot switch with Hirose-connector (part no.: FMI-936) to initiate data transfer can be connected. Combined with the software COM-Bridge data are easily transfered to PC applications such as CAQ software. The foot switch needs no additional power supply.

Length of cable: app. 3 m.

5.2.2. Drive control

Connected to a motor driven test stand the force gauge allows to start elementary driving profiles. Parametrisation is done via software FMI_Analyze Pro+ (part no.: FMI-976).

Laser distance sensor



Suitable for FMI-B50 and FMI-S50



Laser sensor mounted to a test stand

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5.2.3. Data cable for digital I/O's

Cable with Hirose-socket (part no.: FMI-934SO):

- 3VDC power supply
- Digital input
- Trigger signal for synchronized measuring frequency
- Digital output (setting via FMI_Analyze)
- Digital limit/overload output

Cable assignment wire end

	Colour	Assignment	Function	
1	Weiss / White	Supply 3VDC		
2	Braun /Brown	GND	3VDC supply	
3	Grün / Green	DIGIN1	Digital input	
4	Gelb / Yellow	TRIGGER_OUT(C)	Trigger signal	
5	Grau / Grey	TRIGGER_OUT(E)	measuring frequency	
6	Orange / Orange	DIGOUT1(C)		
7	Blau / Blue	DIGOUT1(E)		
8	Rot / Red	DIGOUT2(C)	Digital output	
9	Schwarz / Black	DIGOUT2(E)	FMI_Analyze	
10	Violett / Violet	DIGOUT ₃ (C)		
11	Schwarz-Weiss / Black-White	DIGOUT ₃ (E)		
12	Rot-Weiss / Red-White	LIMIT_MAX(C)		
13	Weiss-Grün / White-Green	LIMIT_MAX(E)	Digital limit/	
14	Braun-Weiss / Brown-White	LIMIT_MIN(C)	overload output	
15	Weiss-Gelb / White-Gelb	LIMIT_MIN(E)		

Connecting the digital outputs



Connection examples



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6.0 Test stand application of force gauges

The rugged aluminium dye cast housing of the force gauges enables the use in test stands. Appropriate tapped holes for mounting are at the rear of the housing.

Please pay attention on that force effects are carried out perpendicularly to the measuring axle. To align the instrument properly there are two holes for locating pins D = 3 (t = 3) and one hole D = 8 (t = 8). To mount the device firmly to the stand there are two tapped holes M4 (t = 6) and two M5 (t = 8). Please consider the tap hole depth of the screws.

If the force gauge is mounted head down to the test stand, the display adjusts automatically with a 180° reverse on turning on the instrument.

Dimensional drawings and 3D-CAD-data for test stand application of the instruments are ready for download on our website.

Manual or motor driven test stand for precise linear hub movements for compression or tensile force tests are a useful addition to force gauges. They allow to detect material strength in composed materials, operating forces of control elements or adhesive forces of packaging materials or foils exacly and reproducible.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for more comprehensive application advise. Product information for test stand and entire force test systems can also be found on our website <u>www.alluris.de.</u> Force gauges in test stands



Force gauge FMI-B50 mounted to motor driven test stand FMT-220

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7.0 Iechnical Data						
		FMI-B10 / FMI-S10	FMI-B20 / FMI-S20	FMI-B30 / FMI-S30	FMI-B50 / FMI-S50	
Measuring Range [N]	A5				0 - 5	
	B1				0 - 10	
	B5	0 - 50				
	C1			0 - 100		
	C5	0 - 500				
	K1	0 - 1000				
	K2	0 - 2500				
	K5			0-5000		
Resolution of display [N]	A5			(0,001	
	B1			(0,002	
	B5	0,05		0,01		
	C1	0,1		0,02		
	C5	0,5		0,1		
	K1	1		0,2		
	K2			0,5		
	K5		1			
Measuring frequency (internal)			U	ip to 3,6 kHz		
Display refresh rate				1 - 10 Hz		
Peak capturing				app. 1 kHz		
Accuracy* (f.s. ± 1 digit)		±0,3%	±0,2%	±	0,15 %	
emperature offset (Tk relative) / K				±0,02 %		
D-Point offset (To absolute) / K				±0,02 %		
Permissible error of measurement**		±0,5%		±0,3%		
racking (To surpressed)			Auto-Tara (au	utomatic compensation)		
Overload output			_		•	
JSB-interface, max app. 1kHz			_		2.0	
Nemory function			_		•	
Statistical function			_	MA	X MIN	
			F	AV	G DEV	
Limit (threshold) function					•	
emperature range (operation)			0 [°] 4	40° (max. 85 %rF)		
emperature range (storage)			-5° ··	45° (store dry)		
rotection code < 500N		Protect against small parts (IP40)		unst small parts (IP40)		
Protection code > 500N		Splash proof (IP 65)				
Power supply FMI-S		Solar cell and internal HighCap-buffer				
Battery FMI-B		internal LiPo capacity app. 150 h charging time 10-12h				
Veight		480 g /app. 1150 g (from measuring range 2,5 kN)				
Dimensions (L x W x H)			150	0 x 82 x 29 mm		

Permissible display deviation; ^^according to DIN 1319

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8.0 Service

8.1. Extended 5-Year Guarantee

We extend the guarantee to five years provided that the instrument has been registered with us immediately after the purchase, and that the maintenance and calibration intervals are observed. Consumption material, normal wear and tear as well as damages caused by improper use are excluded from this warranty. Besides, the warranties as agreed upon in our general terms and conditions shall apply.

8.2. Product registration

In order to receive information about product changes and updates and to enjoy full warranty, please register your product on our website.

8.3. Calibration certificates

Force gauges can be calibrated in our certified calibration laboratory working in accordance with ISO 17025.

Our calibrations can be performed to the following standards and directives:

- VDI/VDE-Directive 2624 sheet 2.1
- DAkkS (DKD) R 3-3
- ISO 376:2011-09

Traceability to the national standards of \mbox{PTB} / \mbox{DKD} is guaranteed and will be shown in the calibration certificates.



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9.0 Frequent questions (FAQ)

The display shows numbers upside down!	The display direction changes automatically according to the posi- tion of the device when the instrument is switched on.
Display shows values only in compressive or tensile force direction!	Change the mode of operation using the S-key. The actual force value, either tensile or compression force indicated if the Peak symbol flashes or this symbol is not shown (see p. 10 chapter 3.3 Selecting the operation mode).
Force values are shown with negative prefix!	Depending on your usage you may set a negative prefix either for tensile forces (default) or for compressive forces (see p. 17 chapter 4.2.2 Changing +/- prefix for push or pull operations (P12)).
The depicted peak-value is higher than the maximum value!	The maximum value equals the average value of the last taken sing- le values, whereas the amount of single values depends on the set display update time. The peak value, in contrast, is the absolute highest value measured.
Does the instrument work also after a being stored in the dark for a longer period?	Yes. Even after a self discharging of the internal energy storage the instrument can be used immediately. A back-up battery guarantees the basic function of the device (see p. 5 chapter 2.3 Energy Harvesting (FMI-S)).
USB communication is disturbed!	Is the right device driver installed? Devices series FMI-S must be turned on only after connecting via USB, else they can not be de- tected. Alternativly, press any button on the device.
The display shows "OvErL"!	Remove the excessive load immediately and check the instrument. If the indicated measuring values are obviously untrue the load cell has to be changed by the manufacturer. Important note: After over- loading the device the calibration certificate becomes invalid.
The display shows "bat.1" or "bat.0" and the device does not respond!	Press the O-button and charge the battery (see p. 5 chapter 2.4 Charging the battery (FMI-B)).
Software FMI Analyze: Display shows that S-key and / or external switches are not active (green Button) although the unit is connected!	Activate the memory function (see p. 20 chapter 4.4.2 Setting memory and statistics functions).
The device turns off automatically!	The auto-off function turns off the instrument, if no button has been pressed for more than five minutes. This period of time can be changed and set beween 1 und 90 minutes (see p. 18 chapter 4.2.6 Auto-Off function (instrument off) (P15)).

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Dichiarazione di conformità

A.1 Notes

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Appendix

1 The use of general descriptive names, trade names, trademarks, etc. in this manual, even if not specially labeled is not to imply that such names are exempt from the trademark and trade protection laws would have to be considered as free.

A.2 Calibration confirmation acc. DIN EN 10204 2.1

We hereby certify that the equipment has been tested in the production process in accordance with the requirements of DIN EN 9001: 2008. The force gauge fullfills all values and accuracy described in the technical data.

The instruments and sets of weights used to determine the accuracy are traceable to the globally accepted (ILAC) standards of the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB, Braunschweig) and DAkkS (see p. 31 chapter 8.3 Calibration certificates).



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Declaration of Conformity

changes of the device or application this declaration becomes void.

Konformitätserklärung

Declaration of Conformity

Manufacturer:	Alluris GmbH & Co. KG Basler Strasse 65 79100 Freiburg Germany	
Type Number:	FMI-S10xx; FMI-S20xx; FMI-S30 B50xx (see type label)	xx; FMI-S50xx; FMI-B10xx; FMI-B20xx; FMI-B30xx; FMI-
Description:	Digital Force Gauge	
Serial number:	See type label	
Applicable standards:	EN 55022 (RF Emission) EN 61000-4-2 (ESD) EN 61000-4-3 (RF Field) EN 61000-4-4 (Burst) EN 61000-4-8 (Magn Field)	Class B Critera A Criteria A Criteria A

We hereby confirm that the below designated product is designed and manufactured in accordance to the general saftety

and health requirements of EC-Directive 2004/108/EG (EMC-electromagnetic compatibility), 2011/65/EU (RoHs) und der Richtlinie ST/SG/AC.10/11/Rev.5 Section 38.3/Amend.2 (Transport of Dangerous Goods). With any non-authorized

The compliance to the requirements of all applicable EU directives is confirmed by the CE-marking of the product.

In accordance to WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU this device is categorized as "Monitoring and Control Instrument" and should not be disposed as unsorted municipal waste. You may return it to Alluris for recycling (WEEE Reg.No. DE 49318045). For more information please contact our website www.alluris.de.

Alluris GmbH & Co. KG Freiburg (DE), 15. June .2015

(Klaus Hartkopf - CEO)