

3D IR-TRACC Zero-position Verification

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The THOR-50M frontal anthropomorphic Test device for Human Occupant Restraint is equipped with 3-dimensional position transducers in the chest and abdomen to measure deformation as injury parameters. The transducers are called 3D IR-TRACC and are an assembly consisting of 2 angle transducers and 1 displacement transducer. The combined output of two angles (ϕY , ϕZ) and displacement (DSO) allows to calculate a position of the end of the ribs in 3D space (DX, DY and DZ).

The 3-D analyses for chest and abdomen displacements in the THOR-M dummy are complex. Among other factors, this is due to the large number of variables involved. Therefore, a detailed step-by-step guideline how to implement the IR-TRACCs in the dummy and measurement system is important. The procedures and documentation for the 3D IR-TRACCs have recently been updated to help THOR users implement them as a reliable measurement device in their facilities. A new manual was issued focused entirely on 3D IR-TRACCs with the work flow for these sensors as guideline for its structure. Also a new zero-position template was issued, which helps collecting system calibration data in a structured manner. The new template supports implementation of calibration parameters in a suite of Data Acquisition Systems. Note that the underlying method of handling 3D IR-TRACCs has not been changed, but only the way of presenting the information to the users in a more structured and user friendly manner. Note also that the naming of variables in the manual and templates have been aligned with documentation currently under preparation for ISO.

Implementation

The use of the new verification template was implemented in production September 2016.



Figure 1: Three of the six varieties of devices used in THOR, upper thorax, lower thorax and abdomen, all right hand shown.

Scope: 3D IR-TRACCs, models 472-3550, 472-3560, 472-3570, 472-3580, 472-4730-1 and 472-4730-2.

Documentation

The document THOR-50M 3D IR-TRACC User Manual TF-472-6000-9900 provides a complete set of instructions dealing with 3D IR-TRACCs. The new manual includes complete description, exploded views, part lists of assemblies; definition of coordinate systems; transducer calibration and zero-position verification procedures and implementation in DA systems, ISO MME codes; data post processing; day-to-day handling and installation, etc. The manual can be downloaded from our web site, using the following link:

<http://www.humaneticsatd.com/crash-test-dummies/frontal-impact/thor-m>

Verification and calibration templates are included in calibration and verification fixtures, but for customers who already have the fixture, are also available for sale on a USB memory stick. For part numbers see Table 1. Contact your Humanetics Sales Representative for further information.

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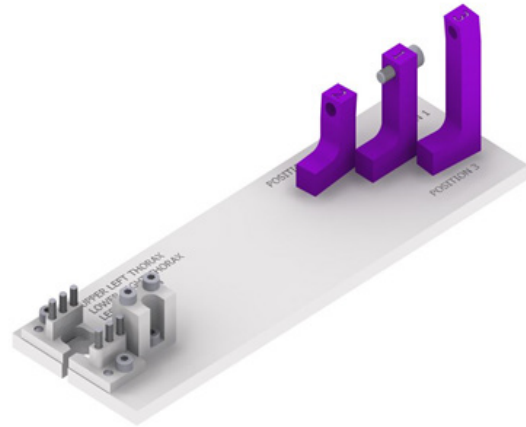
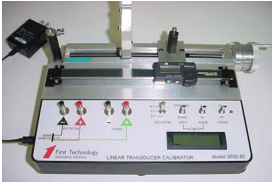

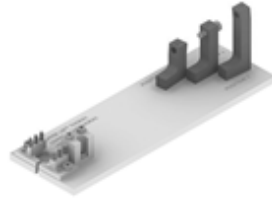


Figure 2: TF-472-6000 3D IR-TRACC zero-position verification fixture.

Table 1: Overview of IR-TRACC calibration and zero-position verification.

Procedure	Fixture	Purpose	Documentation	Service Bulletin
Displacement Calibration 	Fixture TE-3700-IRKIT (or previous model TE-3600)	IR-TRACCs with R4 and R5 revision All models: 1D, 2D, 3D	IR-TRACC Tubes In-Out (TIO) Calibration Template and Written Procedure Part #11428	IR-TRACC Tubes In-Out Calibration October 2015
		IR-TRACCs up to R3 revision All models: 1D, 2D, 3D	IR-TRACC Harmonized Calibration Template and Written Procedure Part #11427	IR-TRACC Harmonized February 2014
2D Zero-Position Verification 	TH-4000-2D	2D IR-TRACC assembly verification for WorldSID 50 and 5th and Q10	2D IR-TRACC Zero-Position Verification Template and Written Procedure Provided with Fixture	2D IR-TRACC Zero-Position Verification October 2015
3D Zero-Position Verification 	TF-472-6000	3D IR-TRACCs assembly verification for THOR-50M	THOR-50M 3D IR-TRACC User Manual TF-472-6000-9900 and 3D Zero-Position Verification Templates part# 11600	THOR-50M 3D IR-TRACCs September 2016 (this bulletin)

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Table 2: Recalibration Options

		Tubes in-out IR-TRACC calibration	Harmonised IR-TRACC calibration	Y-axis angle calibration	Z-axis angle calibration	Zero-position 2D or 3D
1	R4 and R5 IR-TRACCs - Single	●				
2	R4 and R5 IR-TRACCs in 2D Assembly	●		●		●
3	R4 and R5 IR-TRACCs in 3D Assembly	●		●	●	●
4	Up to R3 IR-TRACCs* - Single		●			
5	Up to R3 IR-TRACCs* in 2D Assembly		●	●		●
6	Up to R3 IR-TRACCs* in 3D Assembly		●	●	●	●
7	Up to R3 IR-TRACC*- Single including R4-R5 Tubes In-Out (TIO) Calibration Method	●	●			
8	Up to R3 IR-TRACCs* in 2D Assembly including R4-R5 Tube In-Out (TIO) Calibration Method	●	●	●		●
9	Up to R3 IR-TRACCs* in a 3D Assembly including R4-R5 Tube In-Out (TIO) Calibration Method	●	●	●	●	●

* without "R4" or R5" in the model number