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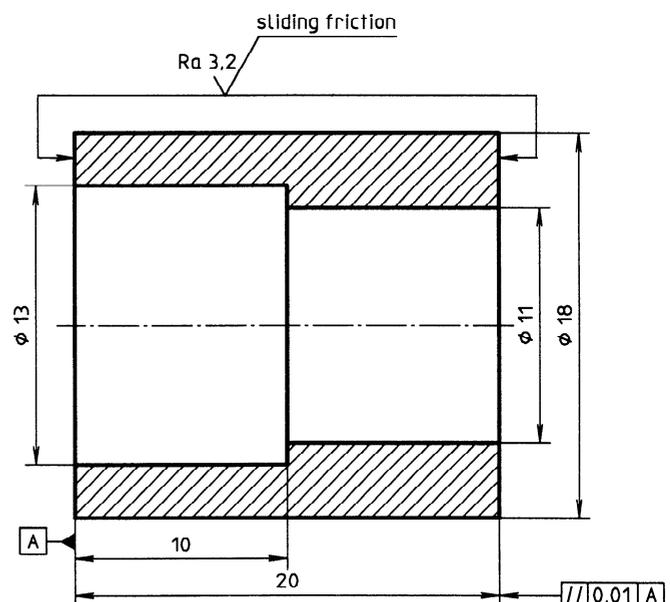
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4 Principle

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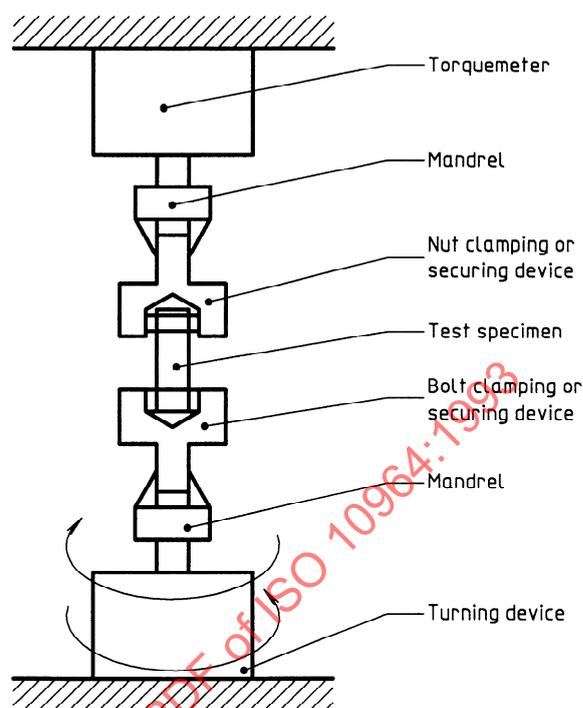


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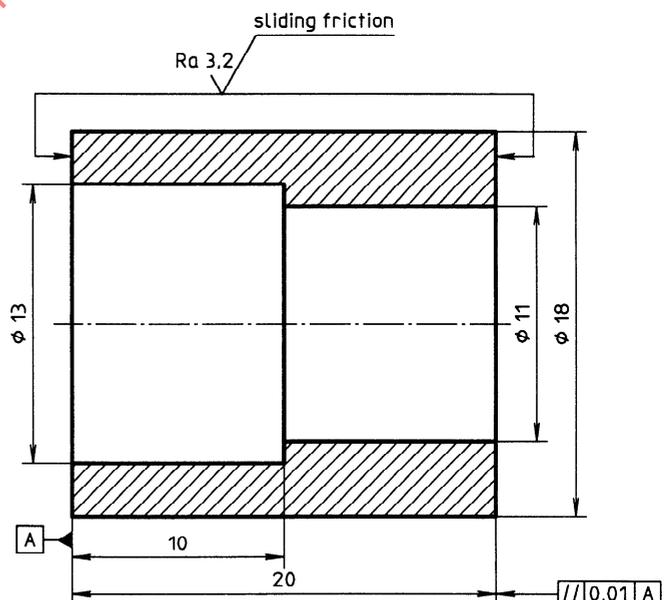
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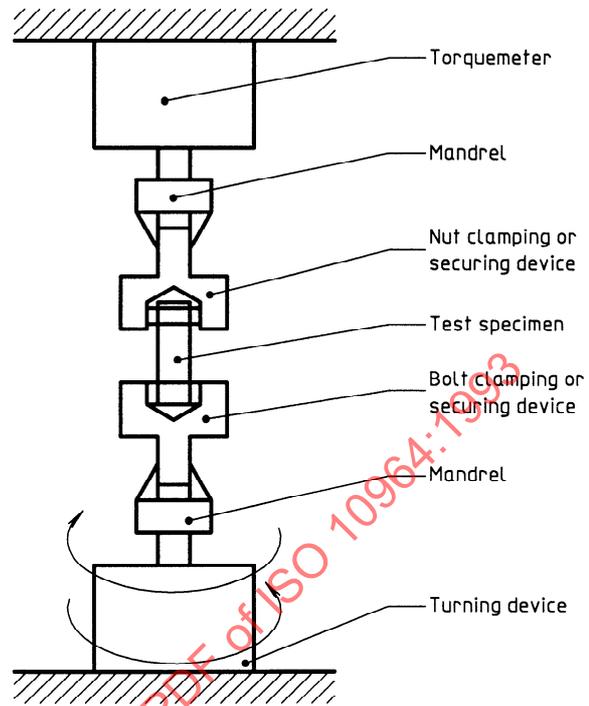


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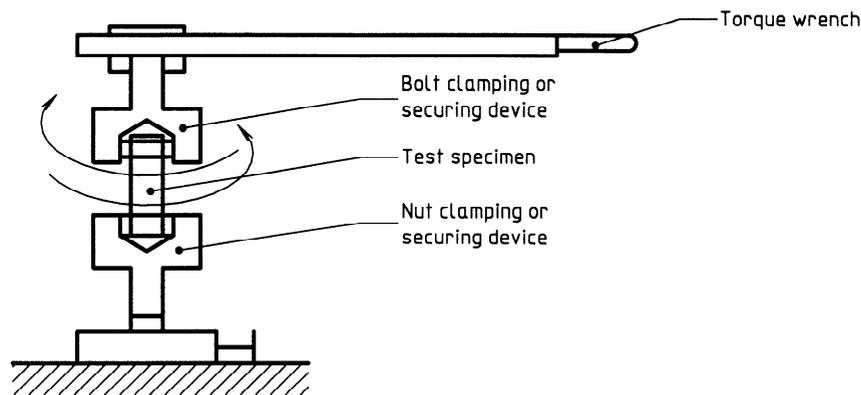


Figure 3 — Example of test apparatus with direct reading

7 Application of adhesive

7.1 Nuts and bolts shall be preassembled prior to application of the adhesive. Any pairs showing sticking due to burrs or damaged threads shall be discarded. Disassemble the parts.

7.2 Apply sufficient adhesive to the bolt to completely cover an area equal to the height of the nut plus two threads. Also apply adhesive to the threads of the nut.

8 Assembly

8.1 Assemble not less than five specimens for each test according to 8.2 or 8.3.

8.2 For unseated assemblies, screw the nut onto the bolt by hand allowing two threads to protrude. For preapplied adhesive, screw the nut onto the coated bolt using the apparatus in 5.1 or 5.2 and record the on torque. Allow two coated threads to protrude (see figure 4).

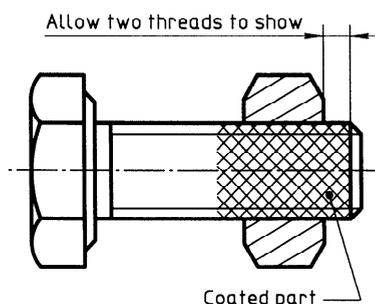


Figure 4 — Unseated assembly

8.3 For seated assemblies, screw the nut onto the bolt by hand until the nut strikes the spacer sleeve. Using the apparatus described in 5.1 or 5.2, apply the input torque to load the assembly (see figure 5).

NOTE 5 The preferred input torque is 40 N·m.

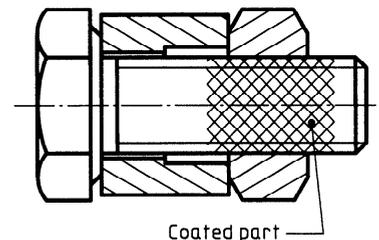


Figure 5 — Seated assembly

8.4 Cure the adhesive in accordance with the adhesive manufacturer's instructions, with the test specimens standing vertically on the bolt heads.

9 Test procedure

9.1 Secure the bolt head in the clamping device and unscrew the nut at a constant speed. The speed of testing shall be given in the test report.

NOTE 6 The preferred speeds are 2 rpm or 5 rpm or 10 rpm. While it is recognized that a truly constant test speed using a torque wrench as specified in 5.2 cannot be achieved, experience has shown that a specified testing speed can be closely approximated if care is taken to do so.

9.2 Record the breakaway torque or breakloose torque and the prevailing torque in N·m, as measured on the graphic recording equipment or from a direct reading if a torque wrench is used. If graphic record-

ing equipment is used, breakaway and breakloose torques shall be measured at the point on the curve of initial deviation from linearity.

10 Precision

The precision of this test method is not known because interlaboratory data are not available. When interlaboratory data are obtained, a precision statement will be added at the time of revision.

11 Test report

The test report shall contain the following information:

- a) reference to the present International Standard;
- b) all information necessary for complete identification of the adhesive tested, including type, source, date of manufacture, manufacturer's code number, batch or lot number, and form;
- c) specimen size used;
- d) method of cleaning and surface preparation prior to bonding;
- e) application and bonding conditions used in preparing the specimens;
- f) conditioning procedure used for specimens prior to testing, and test atmosphere;
- g) number of specimens tested;
- h) testing speed;
- i) input torque;
- j) test equipment and recording mode;
- k) average values and standard deviations determined for breakaway torque, breakloose torque and prevailing torque.

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