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**Paper and board — Testing of cores —  
Part 8:  
Determination of natural frequency  
and flexural modulus by experimental  
modal analysis**

*Papier et carton — Essais des mandrins —*

*Partie 8: Détermination de la fréquence propre et du module de flexion par analyse modale expérimentale*

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## Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 6, *Paper, board and pulps*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 11093-8:2012), of which it constitutes a minor revision with the following changes:

- correction to [8.1, Formula \(1\)](#);
- editorial updates.

It also incorporates the Technical Corrigendum ISO 11093-8:2012/Cor 1:2013, which included updates to [Figure 1](#) and [Figure 2](#).

A list of all parts in the ISO 11093 series can be found on the ISO website.

# Paper and board — Testing of cores —

## Part 8:

# Determination of natural frequency and flexural modulus by experimental modal analysis

## 1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the determination of the flexural modulus by using experimentally measured natural frequencies in the free-free mode of transverse vibration of cylindrical paper and board cores, which meet the following criteria:

- internal diameter: 50 mm to 350 mm;
- minimum wall thickness:  $0,02 \times$  internal diameter or not less than 2,0 mm;
- minimum length of core:  $8 \times$  internal diameter.

NOTE For the determination of the flexural modulus by the three-point method, see ISO 11093-7.

## 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 11093-1, *Paper and board — Testing of cores — Part 1: Sampling*

ISO 11093-2, *Paper and board — Testing of cores — Part 2: Conditioning of test samples*

ISO 11093-3, *Paper and board — Testing of cores — Part 3: Determination of moisture content using the oven drying method*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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

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

### 3.1

#### natural frequency

$f_1$

first frequency which is the lowest frequency a structure vibrates in, depending on its material, shape and supporting system, when an impulse is applied to it

**3.2**  
**flexural modulus**

$E$

material property which, together with core dimensions, describes the resistance of the core to bending deflection

**3.3**  
**rotational speed factor**

$S_f$

core  $E$ -modulus divided by its density ( $E/\rho$ ) which can be used to estimate vibration performance of cores

Note 1 to entry: Cores with equal dimensions, eccentricity and speed factor deliver at identical chucking conditions an equal resonance frequency.

Note 2 to entry: The higher the speed factor, the higher the resonance frequency.

**4 Principle**

In the experimental modal analysis, the test piece is considered as a “beam” and Timoshenko’s beam theory for isotropic materials is applied in evaluating transverse vibration. In this theory, the influence of rotary inertia and shear deformations on transverse vibrations are included. During the test, the test piece is suspended so that it is free to vibrate in the transverse direction. The flexural modulus is calculated as described in [8.1](#).

**5 Apparatus**

**5.1 Test-piece suspension.**

The basic idea is to measure the first natural frequency in the free-free mode of transverse vibration. To ensure free-free boundary conditions in the lateral direction, the test piece is supported by a wire and hanging with its axis in the vertical direction (see [Figure 1](#)). The minimum length of the support wire (1) is about 300 mm. The supporting system consists of two clamps and the wire. An example of attaching the clamps is shown in [Figure 2](#). The mass of the clamps should be less than  $0,01 \times$  mass of the test piece. The angle,  $\alpha$ , (see [Figure 2](#)) should be more than  $45^\circ$ . The distance of the fixing screw from the edge of the core should be 5 mm to 10 mm.

**5.2 Experimental modal analysis system.**

The first natural frequency is measured with a signal analyser. The test piece is impacted by a hammer in the direction (Z-direction) perpendicular to the plane of the support wires (XY-plane) (see [Figure 1](#)). The impulse response is measured by a piezoelectric accelerometer at one end of the test piece mounted with its axis in the Z-direction (see [Figure 1](#)). The sensitivity of the accelerometer shall be 8 mV/g to 100 mV/g; the frequency range limit of the accelerometer shall be 0,1 Hz to 10 000 Hz. The measured signal is analysed using a signal analyser and the frequency of the lowest mode of bending vibrations is determined from the frequency response function.

**6 Test piece**

**6.1 Sampling**

Samples shall be taken in accordance with ISO 11093-1, but it has to be ensured that the core is not damaged.

## 6.2 Test-piece size

The minimum length of the test piece shall be 8 times the internal diameter of the core.

NOTE 1 If the test piece is too short, it is not possible to read the response of the frequency analysis.

NOTE 2 The calculated flexural modulus,  $E$ , is more accurate for long test pieces.

Regarding the dimensions of the test piece, the following tolerances are specified:

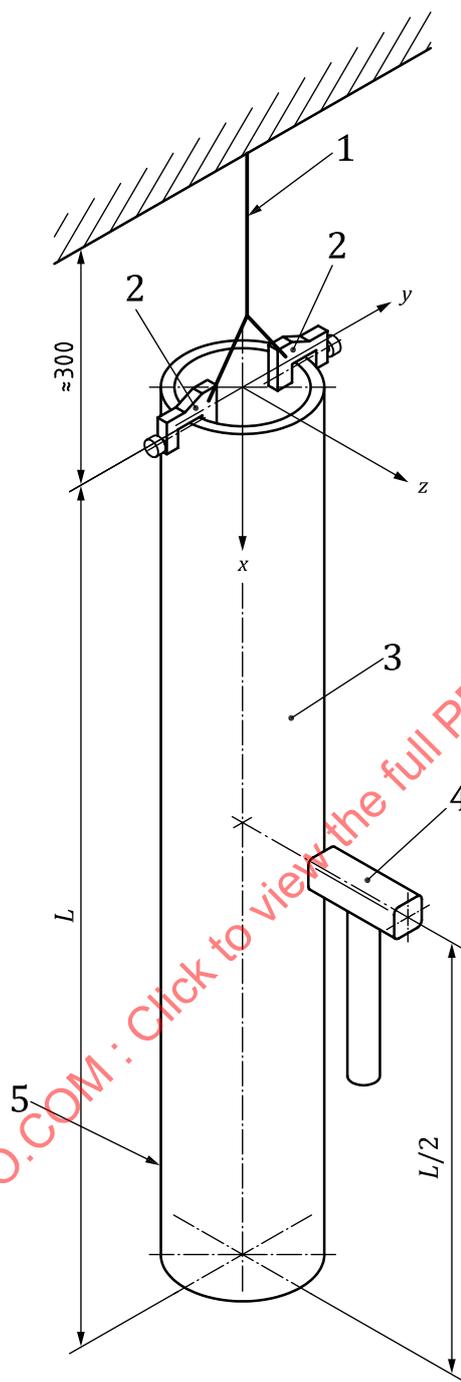
- length of the core,  $L$ :  $\pm 1$  mm;
- outer diameter of the core,  $D$ :  $\pm 0,1$  mm;
- internal diameter of the core,  $d$ :  $\pm 0,1$  mm.

## 6.3 Conditioning

The test piece shall be conditioned in accordance with ISO 11093-2. The moisture content of the test piece shall be measured in accordance with ISO 11093-3.

In practice, the test piece shall be conditioned and dried such that the moisture content shall be equal to that specified for the lot.

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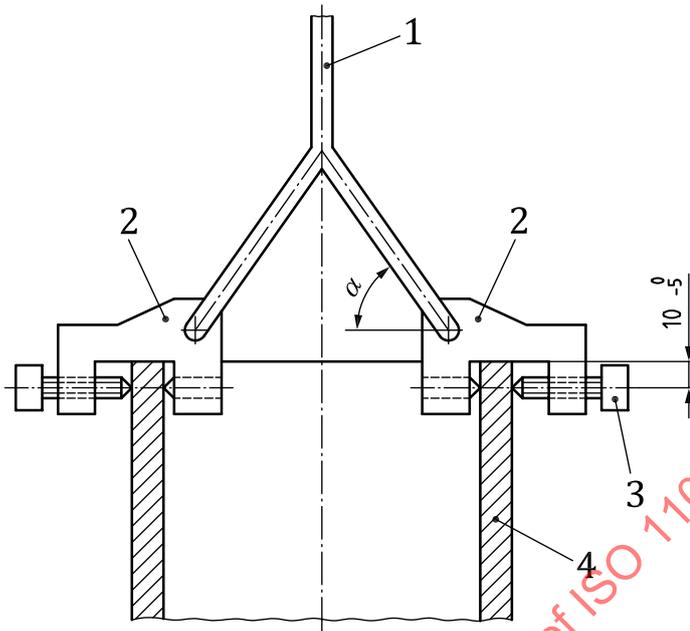


**Key**

- 1 support wire
- 2 clamps
- 3 test piece
- 4 hammer
- 5 accelerometer

**Figure 1 — Schematic drawing of the test**

Dimensions in millimetres

**Key**

- 1 support wire
- 2 clamps
- 3 test bolt
- 4 test piece

**Figure 2 — Schematic drawing of the test-piece suspension**

## 7 Procedure

Carry out the test under the same atmospheric conditions as those used to condition the test piece.

Impact the test piece in the Z-direction in the middle of the length of the test piece by means of a hammer as shown in [Figure 1](#). After the impact, the first natural frequency in bending shall be read from the frequency response of the analysis. The obtained value,  $f_1$ , is used in [Formula \(1\)](#) to calculate the flexural modulus of each tested test piece.

## 8 Calculation

### 8.1 Calculation of the flexural modulus

The flexural modulus,  $E$ , in megapascals, is calculated by using [Formula \(1\)](#):

$$E = 7,88 \times 10^{-8} \times \frac{f_1^2 \cdot m_L \cdot L^4 \cdot Q}{I} \quad (1)$$

where

$f_1$  is the natural frequency of the first order, expressed in hertz;

$m_L$  is the length-related mass, expressed in kilograms per metre;

$L$  is the length of the core, in millimetres;

$Q$  is the dimensionless coefficient;

$I$  is the second moment of inertia, in mm<sup>4</sup>.

The second moment of inertia,  $I$  (mm<sup>4</sup>), of the core cross section is calculated according to [Formula \(2\)](#):

$$I = \frac{\pi}{64} \times (D^4 - d^4) \quad (2)$$

where

$D$  is the outer diameter of the core, in millimetres;

$d$  is the internal diameter of the core, in millimetres.

The dimensionless coefficient,  $Q$ , is calculated according to [Formula \(3\)](#):

$$Q = \frac{82,66 \cdot I}{A \cdot L^2} + 1 \quad (3)$$

where  $A$  is the area of the core cross-direction, in mm<sup>2</sup>, calculated according to [Formula \(4\)](#):

$$A = \pi \cdot \frac{(D^2 - d^2)}{4} \quad (4)$$

## 8.2 Calculation of the rotational speed factor

The rotational speed factor,  $S_f$ , is calculated by using [Formula \(5\)](#):

$$S_f = \frac{E}{\rho} \quad (5)$$

where

$E$  is the flexural modulus, expressed in megapascals (MPa);

$\rho$  is the density, expressed in kilograms per cubic metre.

NOTE  $\rho$  can be calculated as mass divided by volume.

## 9 Test report

The test report shall include the following information:

- a reference to this document, i.e. ISO 11093-8;
- the type and designation of the cores tested;
- the place and date of sampling;
- the place and date of testing;

- e) the number of test pieces tested;
- f) the core dimensions;
- g) the measured moisture content;
- h)  $L$  and  $f$ ;
- i) individual and mean values for  $E$ ;
- j) the rotational speed factor;
- k) the date and signature;
- l) any deviation from this document that may have affected the results.

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