**PRODUCT DATA**

**Force Transducer/Impact Hammer — Type 8203**

*Force Transducer/Impact Hammer Type 8203* is a unique structural testing kit designed for use with lightweight and delicate structures. The force transducer measures the force applied to the structure. It can be connected to the hammer kit for impact testing or to a small exciter (e.g., Brüel & Kjær Type 4810) via the stinger kit provided.

**USES**
- Dynamic and impact-force measurements on small structures
- Measurement of frequency response functions using both impact and continuous excitation techniques
- As part of a dynamic structural testing system for modal analysis and the prediction of structural response

**FEATURES**
- Compact size and low weight allied with an all-welded, robust construction
- Good linearity
- Excellent, long-term stability due to artificial aging
- Individually calibrated and easily mounted
- Easily attached to the stinger and hammer kits
- Negligible changes to dynamic properties of test structure
- Comes with all necessary accessories for every type of mounting
- Titanium tip seating to minimise lateral deformation of tip material during impact
- Aluminium shaft to reduce occurrence of double impact
- Charge mode (PE) output

*Fig. 1* Impulse shapes for the two hammer tips showing the plastic tip with the broadest pulse and lowest peak value (left); Force spectrum of an impact on an aluminium plate using the plastic tip (centre) and the steel tip (right)

**Force Transducer**
The piezoelectric force transducer is designed to measure dynamic and impact forces. It is pre-loaded to precisely 1000N, allowing compressive force measurements of up to 1000N and tensile force measurements of up to 250N. The transducer is mounted on the test structure so that the force to be measured is transmitted through the transducer. When used with an exciter, the transducer signal can be used to measure and control the applied force. The
frequency response function of the test structure can be measured by using a dual-channel analyzer. The force transducer is used to measure the input force and an ac-
celerometer (or laser velocity transducer) is used to measure the response of the structure.

**Specifications – Force Transducer/Impact Hammer Type 8203**

**Force Transducer**

**Force Range:**
- 250 N tensile to 1000 N compressive with pre-loading nuts
- 1250 N compressive without pre-loading nuts

**Linearity Error:** <1% of maximum force

**Charge Sensitivity** (typical): 3.6 pC/N with pre-loading nuts

**Capacitance (typical):** 9 pF

**Leakage Resistance (at 25°C):** <10⁵ MΩ

**Stiffness:**
- 1 x 10⁶ N/m with pre-loading nuts
- 2 x 10⁶ N/m without pre-loading nuts

**Deformation of the Transducer at Maximum Force:**
- 10 μm with pre-loading nuts
- 5 μm without pre-loading nuts

**Resonance Frequency with 5 gram Load Mounted on Top (typical):**
- 21 kHz with pre-loading nuts
- 30 kHz without pre-loading nuts

**EFFECTIVE SEISMIC MASS**

**Above Piezoelectric Element (top):**
- 1.1 g with pre-loading nuts
- 1.2 g without pre-loading nuts

**Below Piezoelectric Element (base):**
- 2.1 g with pre-loading nuts
- 0.4 g without pre-loading nuts

**Temperature Range:** -196°C to 150°C

**Temperature Transient Sensitivity (typical):** 0.6 N/C

**Transverse Sensitivity (typical):** 7%

**Bending Moment Sensitivity (typical):** 100 pC/N

**Maximum Bending Moment for Stated Bending Moment Sensitivity:** 0.5 mN

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**Hammer**

**Handle Material:** Anodised Aluminium

**Transducer Sealing:** Rubber

**WEIGHT**

**Plastic Tip:** 0.3 g

**Steel Tip:** 0.3 g

**Impact Duration (on a heavy steel target)**

**Plastic Tip:** 100 μs

**Steel Tip:** 30 μs

**Length:** 106 mm

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**Stinger**

**Chuck Material:** Monel

**Max. Tensile Force:** >250 N

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**Stinger Accessories Included**

- 10 × DA9984 Stainless Steel Rod
- DB3146 Chuck for Shaker
- DB3147 Chuck for Transducer
- DB3145 Chuck Tightening Collar
- Calibration Chart

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**Accessories Available**

**Type 2646 DeltaTron® Amplifier**

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**Trademarks**

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