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## CRACK METER AND JOINT METER

MODEL DDEJM01-A/DDEJM01-B CRACK METER,  
DDEJM-02 CRACK/JOINT METER &  
DDEJM-03 TRIAXIAL CRACK/JOINT METER



### INTRODUCTION

Data Digger Equipment crack and joint meters are ideally suited for measurement of movement. These measurements are important for monitoring the behavior of civil structures and buildings.

The crack meter is used to measure change in width of a surface crack. It is used to monitor cracks in concrete structures, rock, bridges, pavement slabs, etc. The joint meter is ideally suited for measurement of displacement/movement across joints such as joint opening between two concrete/masonry blocks in a dam.

### FEATURES

- Reliable and accurate.
- Simple to install.
- Simple to read.
- Rugged construction.
- Low cost.

### APPLICATION

Crack meter: to monitor cracks in:

- Concrete and arch dams.
- Concrete structures.
- Rock, soil and masonry structures.
- Buildings affected due to nearby construction or excavation activity.

Joint meter: to measure mass movement in:

- Construction and submerged joints in concrete dams, structures and bridges.
- Tunnels and shaft linings.
- Rock, soil and masonry structures.

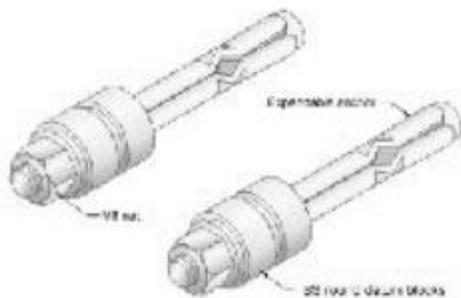
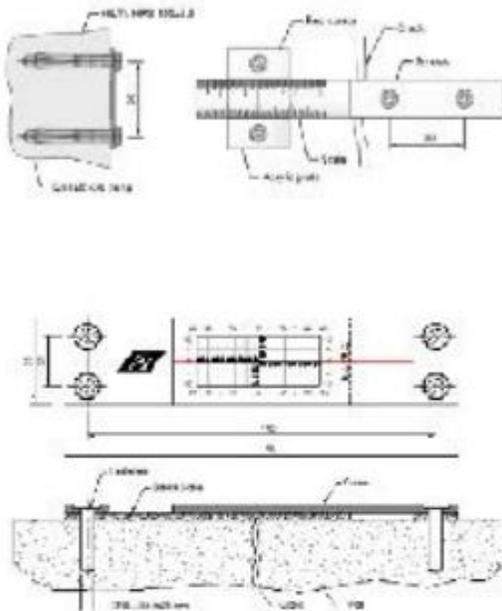


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### MODEL DDEJM-01A CRACK METER

The model DDEJM\_01A crack meter can measure the change in width of a surface crack with a resolution of 0.5 mm. It consists of a graduated scale with a resolution of 0.5 mm and a transparent acrylic plate with a hairline cursor mark. The graduated scale and the transparent acrylic plate are assembled across the crack with expandable anchors in 5 mm diameter holes drilled to a depth of 30 mm as shown in the

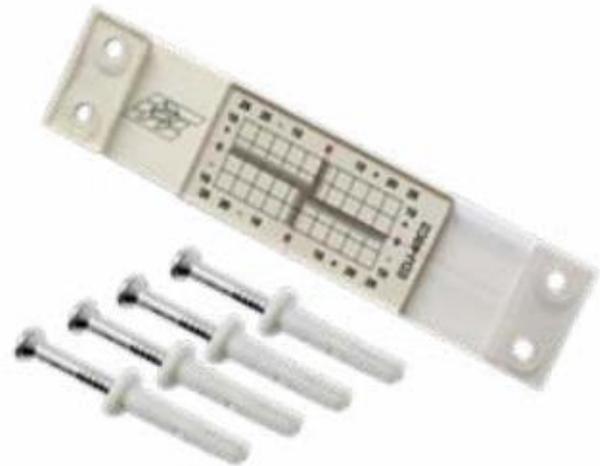


As the crack opens or closes, the graduated scale and the cursor move relative to each other representing the amount of movement occurring. The reading of the marking is initially noted and is taken as a base.

### MODEL DDEJM-01B BIAXIAL CRACK METER

Model DDEJM-01B is a biaxial mechanical crack meter with a marking of  $\pm 25$  mm (x-axis) or  $\pm 10$  mm (y-axis). It is ideally suited for measuring the change in width of a surface crack to a resolution of 0.5 mm, or shearing.

DDEJM-01B biaxial crack meter consists of a graduated scale with a resolution of 0.5 mm and a transparent acrylic plate with a hairline cursor mark. The graduated scale and the transparent acrylic plate is assembled across the crack with expandable anchors in 5 mm diameter holes drilled to a depth of 30 mm as shown in the adjacent figure.



### MODEL DDEJM-02 CRACK/JOINT METER

The model DDEJM-02 is used for monitoring of cracks, joints and fissures.

It consists of two stainless steel round datum blocks that are installed on either side of the opening. Each datum block has a groove on the surface along the circumference to assist in taking readings. A through mounting hole helps mounting the datum block on concrete, masonry or rock surface using expandable anchors. M8 nuts are provided to tighten the expandable anchor. The distance between the grooves of the datum blocks is initially measured by a digital inside caliper with a resolution of 0.01 mm.



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### MODEL DDEJM-03 TRIAXIAL JOINT METER

Data Digger Equipment model DDEJM-03 triaxial joint meter is used for surface measurement. Surface joint measurements can be made either on the surface or at locations accessible from galleries.

The Data Digger Equipment model DDEJM-03 triaxial jointmeter for surface measurement consists of two precision machined elements attached to reinforce bar anchor stems. The measurement is made by anchoring the two elements on either side of the joint and accurately measuring the distance between them over a period of time.

The precision elements are made of aluminum and are epoxy painted to make it corrosion proof. The micrometer rest blocks and mounting buttons are of stainless steel.

The range of model DDEJM-03 joint meter is  $\pm 30$  mm in XYZ direction. The measurement is made by anchoring the two elements on either side of the joint and accurately measuring the change in distance between them over a period of time. The displacement is measured by a micrometer depth gage of 50 mm range and 0.01 mm resolution.



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