

# ULTRASONIC FLAW DETECTOR

## UD 3-71 +TOFD VERSION



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## PURPOSE

UD3-71 flaw detector is an ultrasonic general-purpose flaw detector which is intended for:

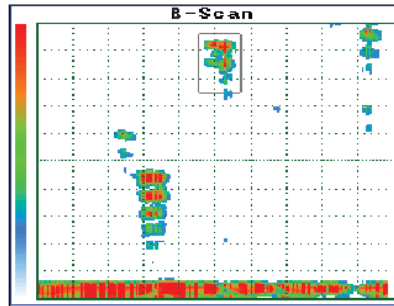
- manual non-destructive testing of products for detection of defects such as discontinuity and inhomogeneity of material in raw stock, finished items, in-process goods, welded, soldered, bolt, riveted and other joints;
- measurement of defects depth and other coordinates;
- measurement of various items thickness at one-way access to them;
- measurement of signals (reflected from defects) amplitudes ratio;

- measurement of equivalent defects dimensions;
- assessment of sound velocity in sundry materials.

Flaw detector is able to test materials and products with sound velocity from 1500 m/s to 15 000 m/s.

UD3-71 ultrasonic flaw detector provides the testing of weld joints and base materials, and also thickness measurement of monometals, bimetals in correspondence with the regulatory documents requirements in various industrial sectors.

UD3-71 additionally has TOFD technique option.



## UD3-71 FLAW DETECTOR ADVANTAGES

- Min. instrument dimensions - no more than 188 x 107 x 78 mm - assure high instrument ergonomics and operation simplicity.
- Various A-scan display forms: RF/full wave/+half wave/-half wave.
- Dynamic change of generating path characteristics depending on the switched-on frequency filters.
- Information display forms: A-scan, B-scan, corrosion map.
- USB slave.
- Flaw detector can be operated at the ambient temperature from minus 30 to +50 °C.
- Flaw detector case protection level from solid bodies and water penetration corresponds to IP65; flaw detector is also resistant to ionizing radiation impact and is meant for operation in increased humidity conditions.
- Optionally flaw detector can be configured with removable storage battery.
- Availability of two independent measurement gates with the defects alarm system (sound and light) by each gate. At the same time, every gate has

### THREE GOING-OFF LEVELS:

"ACCEPTANCE";  
"REGISTRATION";

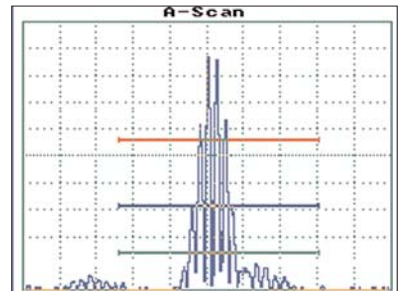
"SEARCH" are marked on the flaw detector screen in "RED", "BLUE" and "GREEN" color.



The colors of light ALARM by every gate correspond to them. Application of three-level gates makes it possible to estimate the risk of detected defects.

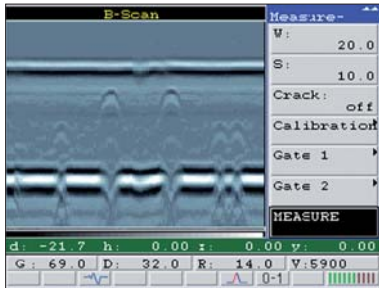
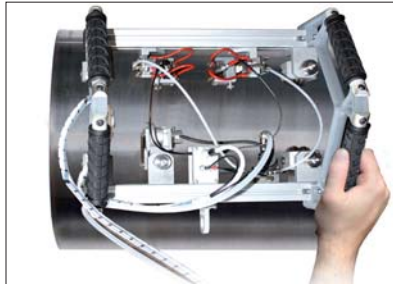
- The sound alarm going-off level is set up by an operator by a specific gate.
- The mode (when the preset level is transcended or not) is set up by an operator for every gate independently.

When using three-level gates it is possible to register echo-signals at different levels relative to the acceptance level. It will permit to record echo-signals from developing defects and monitor defects in the program of testing results viewing what is necessary for carrying



out ultrasonic testing (UT) of important objects. Three-level gates as well as convenient sound and light defect alarm system allow to assess the detected discontinuity dimensions quickly and qualitatively.

• **MODE OF TIME OF FLIGHT DIFFRACTION (TOFD) TECHNIQUE**



It is based on the measurement of propagation time of waves diffracted from the defect boundaries.

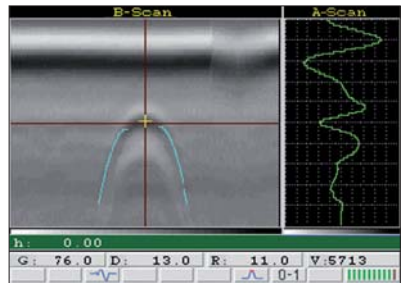
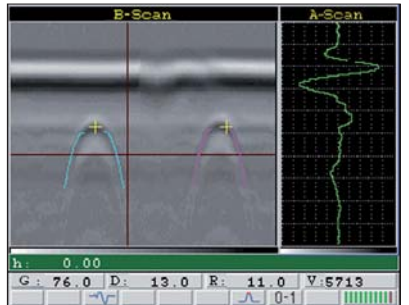
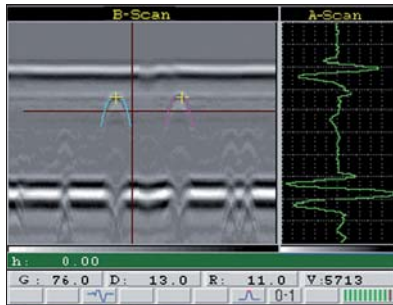
TOFD technique is performed by means of two probes, operating in separate mode. It is intended for manual testing of butt-welded joints, plane surfaces and pipes. A manual scanning device is used to provide a constant distance between the probes index points and to orient them relative to each other. There is also a function of information providing on ultrasonic probes position using encoder.

More precise determination of coordinates and dimensions of discontinuities, including cracks, is the main advantage of this technique. Today TOFD technique is applied for the testing of objects quality instead of conventional ones: radiation and ultrasonic pulse echo - techniques.

Such defects as discontinuities, incomplete fusion, cracks, porosity and slag inclusions can be detected and their characteristics can be determined by means of this technique.

**TOFD TECHNIQUE ASSURES**

- Testing of welded joints per one scanning cycle.
- Testing of various dimension-types of welded joints.
- Determination of defects sizes without taking into account the amplitudes of diffracted signals.
- High sensitivity to all types of defects regardless of their orientation.

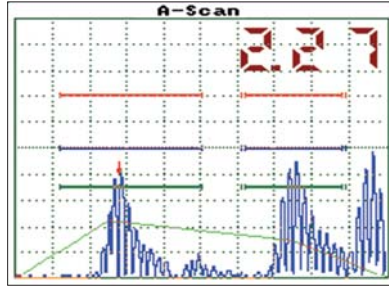


**FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES**

- Complete recording of data in A-Scan and RF B-Scan.
- Viewing of testing results in A-Scan and RF B-Scan.
- Usage of two standard cursors or two hyperbolic cursors.
- Selection of hyperbolic cursors constructing - automatic, manual.
- "Calibration" mode.
- Data scaling with reference to the first or second cursor.
- Determination of defect types and sizes in vertical plane and scanning plane when using hyperbolic cursors taking into account the phase of diffracted signals.

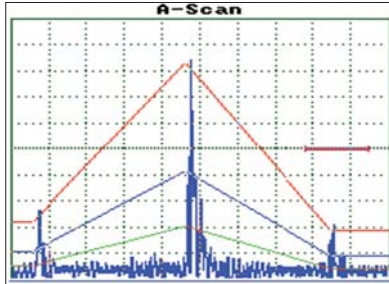


- **TIME CORRECTED GAIN (TCG) MODE**



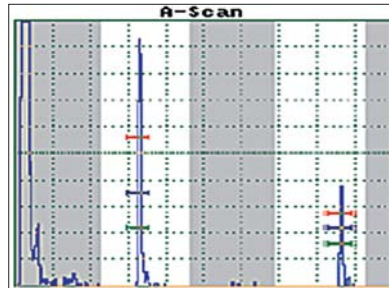
TCG level is set up in the point grid connected by linear sections, i.e. it is possible to set sundry TCG curve forms - piecewise-linear, step etc. TCG level corresponds to the signal attenuation in the given point relative to the set gain value. This option allows to test long-length items and items made from materials with great attenuation, it is also used for sensitivity setup when testing weld joints with wall thickness of more than 12 mm.

- **DAC AMPLITUDE CURVES MODE**



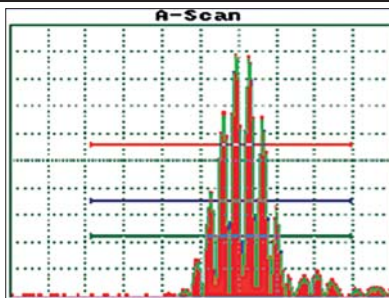
DAC mode is an alternative to TCG mode and enables to plot the curve which connects points (corresponding to signals peaks) on the screen, and also to plot up to 2 additional curves which is the preset value dB distant from the base one. DAC mode also allows quick and convenient TCG curve plotting.

- **“LEGS MARKING” MODE**



“Legs marking” mode helps to imagine the detected defect location in the testing item in the same direction as ultrasonic beams (straight and multiple-reflected beam).

- **“PEAK” MODE**

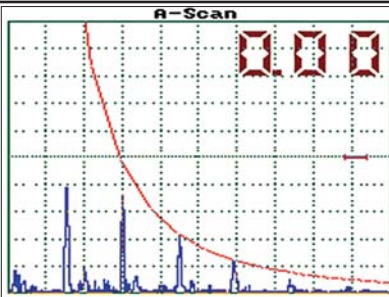


“Peak” mode is indispensable during small defects search, operation in unstable acoustic

coupling conditions. Upon that, the current signal value is displayed on the screen concurrently with the max. signal envelope of all observable echo-signals (displayed in red color). This mode is applied for max. echo-signal amplitude determination and conditional length estimation. It can be used for testing results registration both for rejected and in-order items, what will confirm the presence or absence of defects throughout the whole scanning perimeter.

Thus, “Peak” mode application increases results reliability and reduces testing time.

- **MEASUREMENT OF EQUIVALENT DEFECTS DIMENSIONS (DGS DIAGRAMS)**



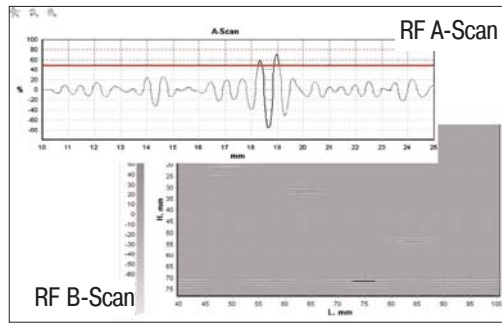
UD3-71 flaw detector distinctive feature is the measurement of equivalent defects dimensions.

Using DGS diagrams UD3-71 flaw detector enables to measure equivalent defects dimen-

sions in the range from 0,8 to 20,0 mm (equivalent defect diameter) with relevant error which does not exceed 15 %.

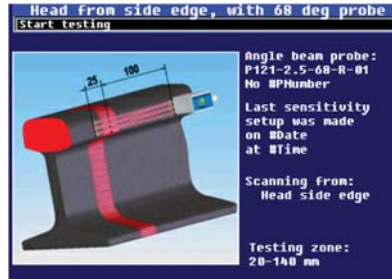
Availability of the algorithm (built in flaw detector software) of automatic plotting of DGS diagrams for various probes types makes it possible to analyze the received data quickly and qualitatively and determine equivalent dimensions of the detected discontinuities with their further registration. To save the time which is used for the instruments setup, UD3-71 instrument software contains the function of automatic TCG curve plotting by DGS diagram plotted for a specific probe.

• **RF SIGNAL DISPLAY**



To measure precisely the item thickness and defects coordinates, the undetected RF (radiofrequency) signal is used what enables to assure the measurement resolution of 0,01 mm. Two modes of the point selection on the signal oscillogram by which the measurements are taken (automatic and manual) are provided in the instrument.

• **SPECIAL PROGRAM INTERFACE MODE**



This mode is applied for solving special-purpose tasks. For example, when testing various single-type parts or when the part has many testing areas. For solving this task "Special program interface" system is used in UD3-71. The necessary standard setups and program interface of "Special program interface" enter flaw detector from PC. The input setups are protected from illegal change by NDT inspector (operator).

• **MODE OF CONNECTION TO PC**

Mode of connection to PC is essential for data transmission from the flaw detector memory to the computer memory and vice-versa. It is used for transmitting "A-scans" and "B-scans" to PC for reports creation on the basis of testing results or databases.

If required, the user can input setups for specific testing types in flaw detector from PC via in-built USB port what considerably reduces the time of flaw detector preparation for testing execution.

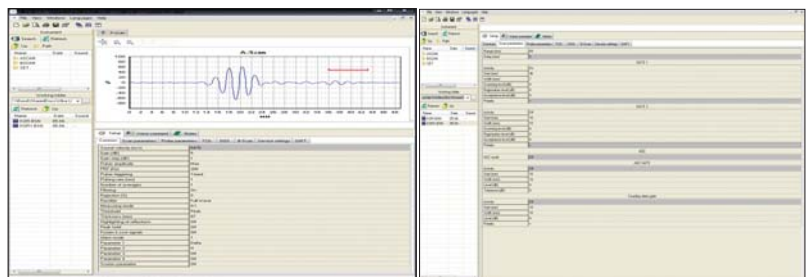
**ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE**

**Ultra UDx-7x** - the program intended for processing testing results of UD3-71 ultrasonic flaw detector and serves for functionality extension and increase of instrument operation comfort. The present program assures operation with the data stored on PC

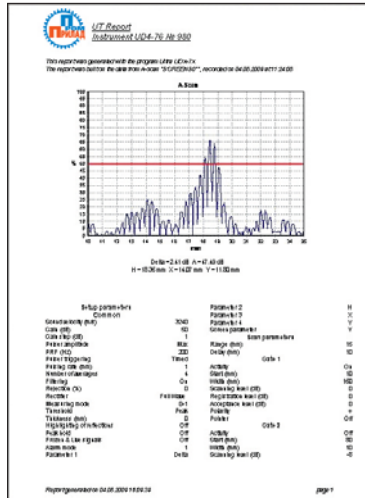
**Memory elements operation enables to perform the following functions:**

- **VIEW:** setups, A-Scans and B-Scans
- **CREATION AND EDITING:** Setups
- **REPORT PRINTING BY:** A-Scans and B-Scans

	B-Scans
A-Scans	Setups



• **REPORT PRINTING BY:  
A-Scans and B-Scans**



UT Report  
Instrument: LUK4-76 No. 15

The report was generated with the program Ultra UT-76  
The report was saved on the hard drive as file "00011" on 04.03.2007 at 11:13:16

Start time	0.000000	B-Scan view	Yes
Stop time	0.000000	Distance to the weld (mm)	50
Probe frequency (MHz)	2.5	Scanning step (mm)	15
Gain (dB)	90	Gate active	Yes
Gain 1 (dB)	1	Scanning type	2D step
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**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

parameters	units	values	parameters	units	values
• Max. scan range	inch	236,22	• Measurement resolution	inch	0,00039
	mm	6000		mm	0,1
• Min. scan range	inch	0,039	• Setups quantity		100
	mm	1	• Languages and interfaces	English, Russian, Chinese (additional languages are possible to the customer's order)	
• Velocity in the material	inch/u/s	from 0,0025 to 0,0375	• Units	SI system units	
	m/s	from 1500 to 15000	• Connection to PC	USB port	
• Scan delay	inch	472,44	• Battery	Storage battery Hi-MH 12V/2500 mAh	
	mm	10000	• Operation time from the battery	hour	at least 8
• Probe zero	µs	from 0 to 100	• Power supply from AC network	single-phase network 230 V, 50 Hz	
• Frequency range	MHz	from 0,4 to 20	• Screen	Color TFT	
• Initial pulse frequency	Hz	from 30 to 1000	• Screen size, W x H	inch	2,756 x 1,969
• Operating modes		A-scan, B-scan		mm	70 x 50
• Gain	dB	from 0 to 100	• Screen resolution, W x H	pixel	320 x 240
• Signal detection	radio signal (without detection) double half-wave positive half-wave negative half-waves		• A-scan size, W x H x D	pixel	320 x 200
• Noises cutoff	%	from 0 to 80	• Overall dimensions	inch	8,27 x 3,94 x 4,33
• Gates	Two independent three-level measuring gates Two additional special gates			mm	188 x 107 x 78
• Measurement modes	Peak, Front		• Weight	lb	1,764
• Reconfigurable readings in A-scan	distance by the beam amplitude in gates defects depth coordinates equivalent defect dimensions		• Operating temperature	°F	from minus 22 to +122
				°C	from minus 30 to +50
• Defect alarm	Sound, light, visual		• Protection from environmental impacts	IP 65	



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