Vector/Magnitude Gaussmeter Model VGM

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Displays X,Y,Z and magnitude of magnetic field, for rapid mapping and measurement of magnetized materials. Range is 799.99 gauss.

Includes NIST traceable calibration certificate *The probe is hard wired to the meter via a 100 cm (40 inch) flexiable cable.

Optional Add-On: Zero Gauss Chamber (to obtain near absolute zero magnetic field).

Product Description:

The Vector Gaussmeter displays the true magnitude of the field at any location as well as the X, Y, Z components of up to 800 gauss. Also separately displays peak values of X, Y, Z, and magnitude. There is a sound alarm that determines the locations where the field magnitude exceeds user-set threshold. Because magnitude is measured, the orientation of the sensor (E-W, N-S, and up-down) is not important; this is unlike a 1-axis gaussmeter. With the VGM the user can set the alarm to 15 gauss (for example) and it will sound (simultaneous with a red light) whenever the field exceeds 15 gauss for at least 5 milliseconds. Using the meter this way, it is easy to make a map of the 15 gauss line (or for whatever threshold is set) around a strong magnet. When using the alarm, of a steel part can be rapidly scanned to show if any areas exceed the set threshold. Then the "peak hold" function can be interrogated, showing the peak values of X, Y, Z (including polarity) and magnitude that occurred during the scan. Peak hold also has a 5 millisecond response time. The "reset" button resets all peak hold registers to the present values of X, Y, Z and magnitude, which are displayed in real time when the knob is set to "measure." Offsets can be manually applied to X, Y, and Z, or a "relative zero" can be applied to all three. This subtracts out the field at the time the button was pressed. (Full Length Description)

VGM Output Jack Description:

An alarm output jack is on the side of the VGM. Included is a plug terminating two wires, which is a 1/8" (3.25 mm) phone jack, similar to a small headphone jack. Output is 3.5 V when the alarm sounds (but only if the alarm is active) and 0V when the alarm is not sounding.

Features

- Displays the magnitude of magnetic field regardless of probe orientation. Also can display X, Y, or Z components.
- When set to "Peak Hold", displays the highest magnitude since the last time "Reset" was pressed. Also remembers and can display peak value of X, Y, Z (including polarity) since the last "Reset."
- Continuous sampling and magnitude calculation every 5 milliseconds; the peak of X, Y, Z and magnitude will be accurate even if they occurred at different times.
- Sound alarm and light for rapid feedback if the field exceeds threshold you set.
- Relative zero and manual offset functions independently for X, Y, Z.
- Includes battery, AC Adapter, alarm output (open/closed switch)
- CE Compliant.

Application:

- Very fast screening of parts for residual magnetism. By using the alarm and peak hold functions, partially magnetized parts can be characterized with a minimum of effort, regardless of whether the field is oriented in an unexpected direction.
- Rapid mapping of magnetic field, such as from an MRI. Use the alarm functions, for example, to find the 5 gauss contour without worrying about the probe orientation.
- Use as a laboratory X, Y, Z and magnitude magnetometer. Also measures transient field, even if a pulse occurs once for 5 milliseconds within a period of days.

SPECIFICATIONS: 3-axis DC Gaussmeter VGM	
Range/Resolution:	0-799.99 G/ 0.01 G. Includes polarity of X, Y, Z. Magnitude =
	is sqrt of sum of squares.
Accuracy:	1° of reading (16° to 29° C), 2% of reading (-4° to 65° C)
	Pointing accuracy 1% of arc.
Offsets:	Relative zero (subtracts present field from X, Y,
	Z);Unlimited manual offset of X, Y, Z.
Probe:	3-axis nondetachable $6.3 \times 6.3 \times 50 \text{ mm}$ long. All three
	sensors are within 1.5 mm of probe end.
Peak Hold:	0.005 sec time constant. Peaks in X, Y, Z and magnitude are
	recorded and stored separately.
Alarm:	Associated with magnitude only, 5 millisecond response
	time; Simultaneous red light.
Alarm Levels:	100 levels can be selected, from 1.00 to 790.00 G
Meter Size:	5.8 x 3.8 x 2.0 inches (includes boot); 147 x 97 x 51 mm
Weight:	11.7 oz
Battery:	9 volt alkaline (~ 10 hour life) / "Low Battery" indicator.