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# M-TEST 5.0 Motor Testing Software



## User's Manual

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# Safety Precautions

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1. Make sure that all Magtrol dynamometers and electronic products are earth-grounded, to ensure personal safety and proper operation.
2. Check line voltage before operating electronic equipment.
3. Make sure that dynamometers and motors under test are equipped with appropriate safety guards.

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# Revisions To This Manual

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11/23/05	First Edition	Added PID scaling commands.	9.1
11/23/05	First Edition	New PID adjustment procedures.	9.2, 9.3
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# Preface

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## PURPOSE OF THIS MANUAL

This manual contains information required for installation and general use of Magtrol's M-TEST 5.0 Motor Testing Software. To achieve maximum capability and ensure proper use, please read this manual in its entirety before operating. Keep the manual in a safe place for quick reference whenever a question should arise.

## WHO SHOULD USE THIS MANUAL

This manual is intended for those operators in need of a software program to complement their Magtrol test equipment setup. The setup may include any of the following Magtrol products:

- Hysteresis, Eddy-Current or Powder Brake Dynamometer (HD, WB or PB)
- In-Line Torque Transducer (TM, TMB or TMHS)
- Power Analyzer (Model 5100, 5300, 6510, 6510e, 6530 or 6550)
- Dynamometer Controller (Model DSP6000, DSP6001, 5240 or 4629B)

Optional auxiliary instrumentation can also be used. A DC power supply may be used in place of a power analyzer for reading back amps and volts. However, this is not recommended because readings will be less accurate and data transfer rates will be substantially slower.

## MANUAL ORGANIZATION

This section gives an overview of the structure of the manual and the information contained within it. Some information has been deliberately repeated in different sections of the document to minimize cross-referencing and to facilitate understanding through reiteration.

The structure of the manual is as follows:

- Chapter 1: INTRODUCTION – Contains the technical data sheet for M-TEST 5.0 and highlights the new features of the software.
- Chapter 2: INSTALLATION – Provides general installation instructions for M-TEST 5.0 software; GPIB interface board; FieldPoint temperature measurement hardware; and National Instruments relay actuator PCI card.
- Chapter 3: M-TEST 5.0 INTERFACE – Provides instruction for M-TEST 5.0 startup and navigation. Includes a brief overview of the software capabilities.
- Chapter 4: START – Provides instruction for logging in/out, selecting language and loading/saving M-TEST files.
- Chapter 5: CONFIGURE HARDWARE – Contains the information needed to set up M-TEST 5.0 software with details pertaining to the testing instruments, controller, power analyzer, power supply and temperature measurement hardware being utilized in the test configuration.
- Chapter 6: DISPLAY – Provides instruction for selecting motor parameters to be tested.
- Chapter 7: TEST SELECTION – Describes the different testing methods available in M-TEST 5.0 and provides all the information needed to make a test selection.

- Chapter 8:      **CONFIGURE TEST** – Provides information required to set up M-TEST 5.0 for the type of test to be performed.
- Chapter 9:      **ADJUST PID** – Contains instruction for adjusting proportional gain, integral and derivative (PID) values of the dynamometer controller for a ramp, curve or pass/fail test.
- Chapter 10:     **TEST** – Provides step-by-step instructions for setting up and running a basic curve, ramp, manual and pass/fail test from beginning to end.
- Chapter 11:     **VIEW DATA** – Provides instructions for viewing, saving and printing test data in tabular format.
- Chapter 12:     **5-AXIS GRAPH** – Contains general information for viewing test data in a multiplot graph.
- Chapter 13:     **1-AXIS GRAPH** – Contains general information for viewing test data in up to 3 separate single-plot graphs.
- Chapter 14:     **COMPARE** – Provides instructions for displaying two different sets of test data simultaneously.
- Chapter 15:     **REPORTS** – Provides instructions for creating, viewing, saving and printing test reports.
- Chapter 16:     **SECURITY** – Provides instructions for enabling and setting up optional password protection.
- Chapter 17:     **EXIT** – Provides instructions for quitting M-TEST 5.0
- Chapter 18:     **TROUBLESHOOTING** – Provides solutions to common problems encountered during setup and testing.
- Appendix A:    **GRAPH TOOLS** – Contains detailed information on formatting and navigating the graphs in M-TEST 5.0.
- Appendix B:    **PID/SCALING** – Describes the function of the PID loop and provides instructions for PID/PI scaling and speed correction.
- Appendix C:    **SOFTWARE REVISION HISTORY** – Displays timeline of all M-TEST 5.0 releases, including brief descriptions of changes involved with each revision.

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## CONVENTIONS USED IN THIS MANUAL

The following symbols and type styles may be used in this manual to highlight certain parts of the text:



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**Note:** This is intended to draw the operator's attention to complementary information or advice relating to the subject being treated. It introduces information enabling the correct and optimal functioning of the product to be obtained.

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**CAUTION:** THIS IS USED TO DRAW THE OPERATOR'S ATTENTION TO INFORMATION, DIRECTIVES, PROCEDURES, ETC. WHICH, IF IGNORED, MAY RESULT IN DAMAGE BEING CAUSED TO THE MATERIAL BEING USED. THE ASSOCIATED TEXT DESCRIBES THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO TAKE AND THE CONSEQUENCES THAT MAY ARISE IF THE PRECAUTIONS ARE IGNORED.

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**WARNING!** **THIS INTRODUCES DIRECTIVES, PROCEDURES, PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES, ETC. WHICH MUST BE EXECUTED OR FOLLOWED WITH THE UTMOST CARE AND ATTENTION, OTHERWISE THE PERSONAL SAFETY OF THE OPERATOR OR THIRD PARTY MAY BE PUT AT RISK. THE READER MUST ABSOLUTELY TAKE NOTE OF THE ACCOMPANYING TEXT, AND ACT UPON IT, BEFORE PROCEEDING FURTHER.**

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# 1. Introduction

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## 1.1 ABOUT M-TEST 5.0

Magtrol's M-TEST 5.0 is a state-of-the-art motor testing program designed for use with Windows® 2000/XP operating systems for PC-based data acquisition. Used in conjunction with Magtrol's Motor Testing Equipment, M-TEST 5.0 is equipped with ramp, curve and manual testing capabilities to help determine the performance characteristics of a motor under test. The software also performs pass/fail testing for production line and inspection applications. The data generated can be stored, displayed and printed in tabular or graphic formats, and is easily imported into a spreadsheet. M-TEST 5.0 is ideal for simulating loads, cycling the unit under test and motor ramping. Magtrol can also make custom modifications to the software to meet your specific motor testing needs.

M-TEST 5.0 is equipped to work in conjunction with any of the following Magtrol motor testing instruments:

- Dynamometer Controller (DSP6001/6000, 5240, 4629B)
- Hysteresis, Eddy-Current or Powder Dynamometer (HD, WB, PB)
- In-Line Torque Transducer (TM, TMB, TMHS)
- Power Analyzer (6530, 6510e, 6510, 6550, 5100, 5300)



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Note: A DC power supply may be used in place of a power analyzer for reading back amps and volts. However, this is not recommended because readings will be less accurate and data transfer rates will be substantially slower.

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Written in LabVIEW™, M-TEST 5.0 has the flexibility to test a variety of motors in a multitude of configurations. If you have a specialized test that you wish to perform, contact Magtrol Technical Assistance at 716-668-5555.

## 1.2 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Recommended:

- Personal computer with Intel® Pentium® III or Celeron® 600 MHz processor (or equivalent)
- Microsoft® Windows® 2000/XP
- 128 MB of RAM
- 1 GB of available hard drive space
- VGA color monitor with minimum screen resolution of 1024 × 768
- National Instruments™ PCI-GPIB card
- RS-232 serial interface can be used, instead of GPIB card, for interfacing with Magtrol DSP6000 or DSP6001 controllers
- National Instruments™ FieldPoint™ or USB-9211A hardware: Required only if temperature testing (sensor input) function will be used

## 1.3 SOFTWARE FEATURES

### 1.3.1 NEW FEATURES OF M-TEST 5.0

Magtrol's M-TEST 5.0 Software is an improved motor testing program that replaces M-TEST 4.0. The program is comprised of many new features that make it unique.

- **New Graphical User Interface:** Tabbed pages for quick navigation
- **Temperature/Sensor Measurement:** Temperature testing capabilities are now included in standard program
- **Multiple Language Support:** Switch to/from English, French, German or Spanish at any point during the program. Additional language dictionaries can be created/edited by the user.
- **More Graphing Options:** Display up to three different 1-axis graphs (one for each tested parameter) in the same window
- **Compare Test Data:** Overlay data from two separate tests on the same graph
- **Rapid Graph Plotting:** Change both the X- and Y-axis to display additional test curves, without having to exit the graph
- **Cursor Tools:** Obtain the X and Y coordinates of any point on a curve; Magnify any section of the graph
- **Simplified PID Scaling:** New slider controls set both coarse and fine gain adjustment simultaneously
- **Single or Multi-User Login:** Enable password protection and assign user access rights for specific windows and program functions
- **Loads Most Recently Saved Setup File Upon Startup:** Provides valuable time savings for users who repeatedly run only one type of test
- **Automatic GPIB Device/Address Detection:** Displayed within program to easily check communication parameters

### 1.3.2 OTHER FEATURES

- Multiple Testing Options: Ramp, Curve, Manual and Pass/Fail
- Displays 22 Tested and Calculated Parameters
- Three-Phase Power Analyzer Data Acquisition
- Motor Shaft Direction Indicator
- IEEE-488 and RS-232 Interface
- Automatically Loads Dynamometer Default Values
- Dynamic PID Scaling
- PID Adjustment Routines
- Multiplot or Single Plot Graphical Display
- Curve Fitting
- Customized Reports
- Save/Load Setup Function

## 1.4 DATA SHEET

# M-TEST 5.0 Motor Testing Software

### NEW FEATURES WITH M-TEST 5.0

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M-TEST 5.0 Hardware Configuration



M-TEST 5.0 Graphical Data Output

## DESCRIPTION

Magtrol’s new M-TEST 5.0 is a state-of-the-art motor testing program for PC (Windows® 2000/XP) based data acquisition. Used with a Magtrol Programmable Dynamometer Controller, M-TEST 5.0 works with any Magtrol Dynamometer or In-Line Torque Transducer to help determine the performance characteristics of a motor under test. Up to 22 parameters are calculated and displayed utilizing M-TEST 5.0’s feature-rich testing and graphing capabilities.

An integral component of any Magtrol Motor Test System, M-TEST 5.0 performs ramp, curve, manual and pass/fail tests in a manner best suited to the overall efficiency of the test rig. Written in LabVIEW™, M-TEST 5.0 has the flexibility to test a variety of motors in a multitude of configurations. The data generated from this user-friendly program can be stored, displayed and printed in tabular or graphical formats, and is easily imported into a spreadsheet.

Magtrol can also make custom modifications to the software to meet additional motor testing requirements.

## SENSOR INPUT MEASUREMENT

Temperature measurement—previously an add-on feature that had to be purchased separately—is now included in M-TEST 5.0. Up to 32 thermocouples or analog sensors can be read and monitored during a motor test. Heat rise curves on the bearings, windings and housing of a motor can be performed and air flow/exhaust efficiencies can be measured with an air tool or internal combustion engine. M-TEST 5.0, with its complete dynamometer control, even allows for sensor measurement while performing load simulation for duty cycle and life testing.

## APPLICATIONS

M-TEST 5.0—besides being well-suited for simulating loads, cycling the unit under test and motor ramping—is also ideal for production line and inspection applications, due to its pass/fail test function. Another time-saving feature, that engineering labs will benefit from, is the ability to duplicate tests and run them automatically. This versatile program is extremely valuable to anyone involved in motor testing.



# Specifications

## M-TEST 5.0

### STANDARD FEATURES

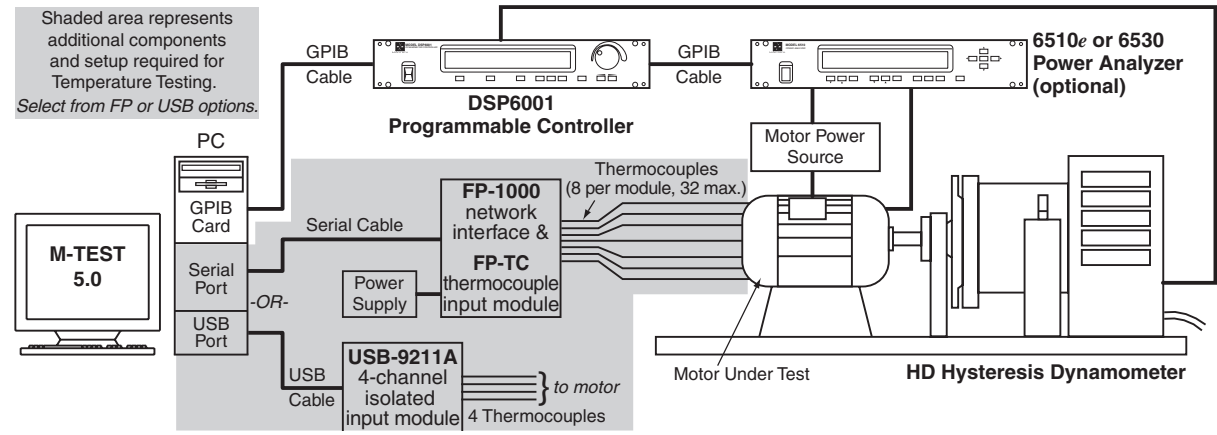
- Multiple Testing Options:**
  - Ramp:** Select from average ramp down/up or ramp down with inertia correction factor. Also allows extrapolation of free-run and locked-rotor data, plus interpolation of specific speed or torque data points.
  - Curve:** Test speed, torque, amps, watts input, watts output and open loop parameters. Capable of adjusting sampling rate and using step or ramp from one load point to the next.
  - Manual:** Runs test from front panel of the Dynamometer Controller while computer acquires data. Allows adjustment of sampling rate.
  - Pass/Fail:** Checks amps, input watts (with optional Power Analyzer), speed, torque and output watts against user-defined values.
- Displays 22 Tested and Calculated Parameters:** Torque, speed and auxiliary input are displayed from the DSP6000/6001, 5240 or 4629B Controller; amps, volts and watts from an (optional) power analyzer. Calculated values including horsepower, efficiency, power factor, output watts and time can also be displayed.
- Three-Phase Power Analyzer Data Acquisition:** Obtain data on each individual phase and/or the sum used in the chosen parameters (amps, volts, input watts and power factor).
- Motor Shaft Direction Indicator:** Indicates if the motor is turning clockwise or counterclockwise.
- IEEE-488 and RS-232 Interface:** Computer interface with National Instruments™ PCI-GPIB. RS-232 available with DSP6001 and DSP6000 only.
- Automatic Load Defaults Option:** Downloads testing instrument parameters based on model number.
- Dynamic PID Scaling:** Provides consistent control loop results throughout motor speed range during ramp test (for DSP6001 only).
- PID Adjustment Routines:** Helps adjust the system for ramp and step functions.
- Graphing Capabilities:** Display up to 5 test curves in a single graph or view as (up to 3) separate 1-axis graphs; easy-to-read colored and labeled plots with several graph formatting options; manual or auto scaling.
- Curve Fitting:** A curve fitting routine can be applied to most motor test curves. Raw data and curve fit data can also be displayed simultaneously.
- Customized Reports:** Allows user to produce a one-page motor test summary, which can include the motor's serial number; maximum torque, speed, power and current values; operator name; time and date of test; motor direction; 32 data points; and an X-Y plot.
- Save/Load Setup Function:** Test procedure configurations may be stored and recalled using standard Windows® file structure.

### SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

A Magtrol Dynamometer provides motor loading with a Magtrol Programmable Dynamometer Controller acting as the interface between the PC running M-TEST 5.0 and the dynamometer. If motor electrical parameters are to be measured or used to determine load points, a Magtrol Power Analyzer is also required. Interfacing between the computer and electronic instrumentation is via the National Instruments™ PCI-GPIB card or RS-232 serial interface (when using a DSP6000 or DSP6001).

M-TEST 5.0 is equipped to work in conjunction with any of the following Magtrol motor testing instruments:

- Dynamometer Controller (DSP6001/6000, 5240, 4629B)
- Hysteresis, Eddy-Current or Powder Dynamometer (HD, WB, PB)
- In-Line Torque Transducer (TM, TMB, TMHS)
- Power Analyzer (6530, 6510e, 6510, 6550, 5100, 5300)



## Ordering Information

## M-TEST 5.0

### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- Personal computer with Intel® Pentium® IV processor (or equivalent)
- Microsoft® Windows® 2000/XP
- 1 GB of RAM
- 1.6 GB of available hard drive space
- VGA color monitor with minimum screen resolution of 1024 × 768
- National Instruments™ PCI-GPIB card (available from Magtrol)
- RS-232 serial interface can be used, instead of GPIB card, for interfacing with Magtrol DSP6000 or DSP6001 Controllers
- National Instruments™ FieldPoint™ or USB-9211A hardware: Required only if temperature testing/sensor input function will be used

### SYSTEM OPTIONS AND ACCESSORIES

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	MODEL / PART #
TEMPERATURE TESTING HARDWARE	FieldPoint 8-Channel Isolated Input Module (FP-TC-120-X), Network Interface (FP-1000), 120 V Power Supply and Serial Cable	HW-TTEST-FP
	FieldPoint 8-Channel Isolated Input Module (FP-TC-120-X), Network Interface (FP-1000), 240 V Power Supply and Serial Cable	HW-TTEST-FP-A
	Additional FieldPoint 8-Channel Thermocouple Module (includes mounting base)	004968
	USB 4-Channel Isolated Input Module (USB-9211A) and USB Cable (1 m)	HW-TTEST-USB
CONTROLLERS	High Speed Programmable Dynamometer Controller	DSP6001
TESTING INSTRUMENTS	Hysteresis Dynamometers	HD series
	Eddy-Current Dynamometers	WB series
	Powder Brake Dynamometers	PB series
	In-Line Torque Transducers	TM/TMHS/TMB series
POWER ANALYZERS	High Speed Single-Phase Power Analyzer	6510 <sub>e</sub>
	High Speed Three-Phase Power Analyzer	6530
POWER SUPPLIES	Closed-Loop Speed Control and Power Supply	6100
	Power Supply for WB & PB Dynamometers series 2.7 and 43	DES 310
	Power Supply for WB & PB Dynamometer series 65, 115 and 15	DES 311
	Power Amplifier—required for all HD-825 Dynamometers	5241
MISC	Torque/Speed Conditioner	TSC 401
CARDS	GPIB Interface Card (PCI)	73-M023
	Relay Actuator Card (for controlling motor power via M-TEST 5.0)	73-M052
CABLES	GPIB Cable, 1 meter	88M047
	GPIB Cable, 2 meters	88M048
	Torque Transducer Connector Cable	ER 113/01

For information on the most current software release available, refer to Magtrol's Web site at [www.magtrol.com/motortesting/mtest.htm](http://www.magtrol.com/motortesting/mtest.htm)

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## 2. Installation

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### 2.1 INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

The general installation order is as follows.

1. Install M-TEST 5.0 product software and drivers.
2. Install National Instruments™ NI-DAQ™mx Data Acquisition Software.
3. Install PCI-GPIB interface board. (If only using a DSP6000/6001, the RS-232 serial interface may be used.)
4. Install National Instruments™ FieldPoint™ or USB-9211A if using temperature measurement/sensor input function.
5. Install (optional) National Instruments™ NI 6521 relay actuator card to control motor power via M-TEST 5.0.

The remainder of this chapter will provide specific installation instructions for each component of the system.

### 2.2 INSTALLING M-TEST 5.0 PRODUCT SOFTWARE AND DRIVERS

1. Exit all other programs before installing M-TEST 5.0.
2. Insert the M-TEST 5.0 CD in your CD-ROM drive. The M-Test 5.0 Installation Wizard will begin automatically.



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**Note:** If AutoRun is disabled on your computer, the installation process must be started manually. On the taskbar, click the **Start** button, and then click **Run**. Click **Browse** to locate the CD-Rom drive where the M-TEST 5.0 installation CD is inserted. From the M-TEST CD root directory, select **setup.exe** then click **Open**.

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3. Click **Next**.

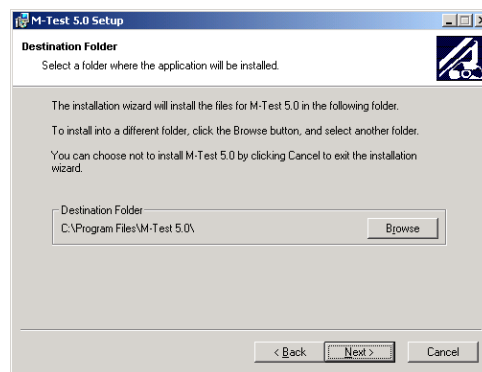


Figure 2-1 M-TEST 5.0 Software Installation

4. Select the Destination Folder then click **Next**. The default is C:\Program Files\M-Test 5.0\ . To install into a different folder, click the **Browse** button and select another folder.

- After installation is complete, the (MS-DOS) command prompt will open and run in the background. The M-TEST 5.0 Setup window will indicate that the program has been successfully installed.

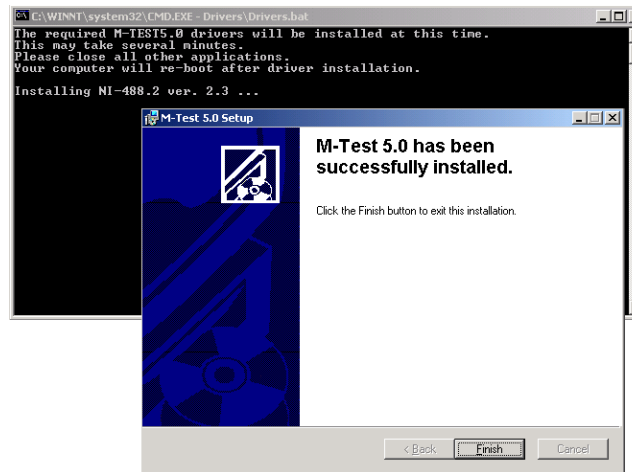


Figure 2–2 Installation Complete

- Click **Finish**. The required M-TEST 5.0 drivers will be automatically installed at this time. National Instruments' Measurement & Automation Explorer software will also be automatically installed.



Note: Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) provides access to your National Instruments GPIB and FieldPoint devices. With MAX, you can:

- Configure your National Instruments hardware and software
- Create and edit channels, tasks, interfaces, scales and virtual instruments
- Execute system diagnostics
- View devices and instruments connected to your system
- Update your National Instruments software

- While these remaining two processes are running, the Installer Information message box may appear notifying that “You must restart your system for the configuration changes made to M-TEST 5.0 to take effect.” If this message box appears, click **Cancel**. (Your system will re-boot later – see step 8.)
- After the installation of the M-TEST 5.0 drivers and NI Measurement & Automation software is complete, your computer will automatically re-boot. Please note that this may take several minutes.

## 2.2.1 CREATING A DESKTOP SHORTCUT

For easy access to M-TEST 5.0, a shortcut can be placed on your computer desktop.

- Start Windows Explorer and locate the directory where M-TEST 5.0 is installed.
- Click the **M-Test.exe** file and drag it to your desktop.
- To access M-TEST 5.0, double-click the shortcut and the program will automatically start.

## 2.3 INSTALLING NI-DAQmx DATA ACQUISITION DRIVER SOFTWARE

The National Instruments™ NI-DAQ™mx Data Acquisition Driver Software must be installed at this time.

1. Insert the National Instruments NI-DAQmx for Windows CD in your CD-ROM drive. The CD is supplied with M-TEST 5.0. The software can also be downloaded from National Instruments' Web site at [www.ni.com](http://www.ni.com).




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Note: The NI-DAQ 8.x installer should open automatically. If not, select **Start >> Run**. Enter `x:\autorun.exe`, where *x* is the letter of the CD drive.

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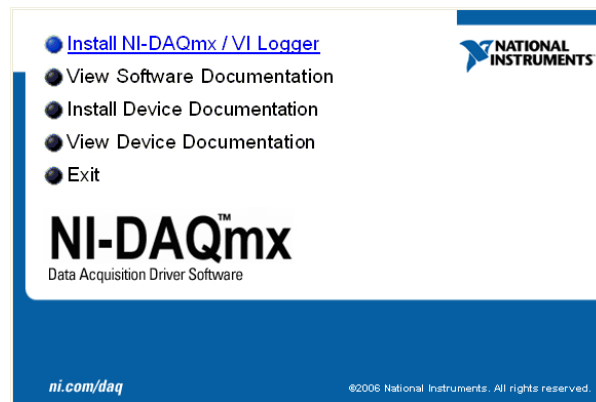


Figure 2–3 NI-DAQmx Data Acquisition Driver Software Installer

2. Click **Install NI-DAQmx / VI Logger**. The “Welcome” message will appear and the installer will begin initializing. This will take a few moments.
3. When this step is complete, the Product Information dialog box will appear. After reading the displayed information, click **Next**.
4. Select the Destination Folder then click **Next**. The default is `C:\Program Files\National Instruments\`. To install into a different folder, click the Browse button and select another folder.
5. The Features dialog box will appear. All of the features required to install/run M-TEST 5.0 should be selected by default. It is recommended to keep the default settings.
6. Click **Next**.
7. The License Agreement will appear. In order to proceed, the displayed license(s) must be accepted by selecting the corresponding option button.
8. Click **Next**.
9. The Start Installation dialog box will appear. Review the displayed summary then click **Next**.
10. The installer has been configured. Click **Next** to begin installation.
11. After several minutes, the Installation Complete dialog box will appear. Click **Next**.
12. When prompted to restart, shut down or restart later, select **Shut Down** (in preparation for interface board installation).




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Note: If you choose to “restart later”, please note that you must restart your computer before running any National Instruments software.

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## 2.4 INTERFACE SETUP

The GPIB interface board (National Instruments™ PCI-GPIB), purchased through Magtrol or directly from National Instruments, must be installed at this time. The National Instruments PCI-GPIB is a high-performance plug-and-play IEEE 488 interface for PCs and workstations equipped with PCI expansion slots.



Note: If only using a DSP6001 or DSP 6001 Dynamometer Controller in the test configuration, the RS-232 serial interface may be used.

### 2.4.1 INSTALLING THE GPIB BOARD

1. Shut down your computer.
2. Install the PCI-GPIB controller board in an available PCI expansion slot according to National Instruments' user documentation.
3. Turn on your computer. The new hardware will automatically be installed and the NI-488.2 Getting Started Wizard will appear.



Figure 2–4 NI-488.2 Getting Started Wizard

4. Click **Verify your hardware and software installation**. The NI-488.2 Troubleshooting Wizard will appear.

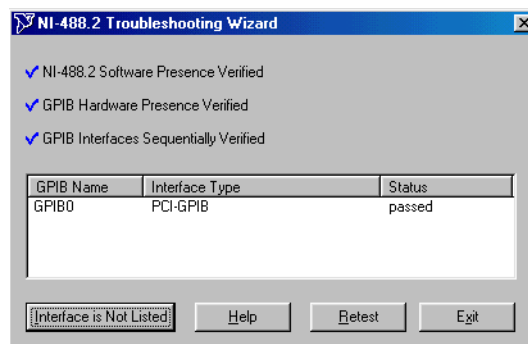


Figure 2–5 NI-488.2 Troubleshooting Wizard

5. When the software, hardware and interfaces have been verified, as shown in *Figure 2–4 NI-488.2 Troubleshooting Wizard*, click **Exit**.
6. Select the **Do not show at Windows startup** check box.
7. Click **Exit** to close the NI-488.2 Getting Started Wizard.

## 2.4.2 CONFIGURING GPIB DEVICES

1. Run the GPIB Configuration utility in Measurement and Automation Explorer. On the taskbar, click the **Start** button, and then click **Run**. Click **Browse** to locate **C:\Program Files\National Instruments\NI-488.2\Bin\GpibConf.exe**, then click **Open**.

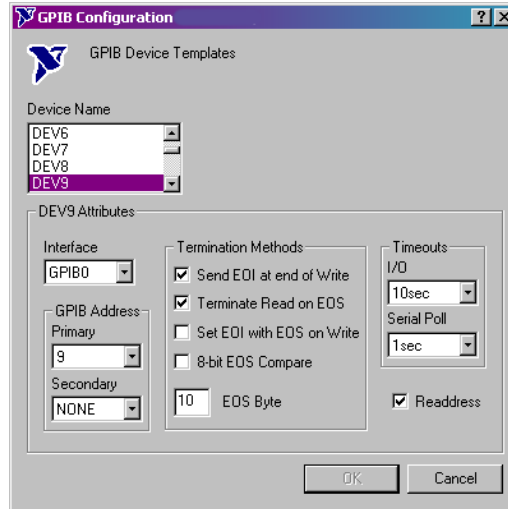


Figure 2–6 GPIB Configuration

2. Under Device Name, select **DEV9**.
3. Set DEV9 Attributes to the following:



Note: The only DEV attributes that need to be changed are those that are outlined below. All other settings should remain in their original format.

- a. Under Termination Methods:
    - 1.) Select the **Terminate Read on EOS** check box.
    - 2.) Change **EOS Byte** to “10”.
  - b. Select the **Readdress** check box.
4. Select **DEV12**.
  5. Set DEV12 Attributes by repeating steps 3a–3b.
  6. Select **DEV14**.
  7. Set DEV12 Attributes by repeating steps 3a–3b.
  8. Click **OK**.
  9. The GPIB device configuration is complete.

## 2.4.3 RS-232 SERIAL INTERFACE

M-TEST 5.0 will communicate with the DSP6000/6001 Dynamometer Controller using an RS-232 Serial Interface. Connection diagrams and instructions can be found in the following User’s Manuals:

- *DSP6000 – Section 5.7–Select the Baud Rate for the RS-232 Interface*
- *DSP6001 – Section 8.2–About the RS-232 Interface*

## 2.5 SENSOR INPUT/TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT

M-TEST 5.0 allows the user to perform temperature measurement testing. The feature provides complete dynamometer control, allowing for temperature measurement while performing load simulation for duty cycle and life testing. The options, which may be purchased from either Magtrol or National Instruments, include:

- National Instruments™ FieldPoint™
- National Instruments™ USB-9211A

### 2.5.1 NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS FIELDPOINT

Features:

- 8 thermocouple inputs per module × 4 modules = 32 thermocouples maximum
- Built-in voltage isolation on all channels
- Filtering reduces electrical noise associated with attaching thermocouples to motors
- Connects to computer through RS-232 serial port

#### 2.5.1.1 Installing Hardware

1. Shut down your computer.
2. Connect the FP-1000 RS-232/RS-485 network interface to the FP-TC 8-channel thermocouple input module(s).
3. Connect a power supply to the network interface with the positive lead to the V terminal and the negative lead to the C terminal.
4. Connect the serial cable from the network interface to COM1 serial port on the computer.

#### 2.5.1.2 Thermocouple Connections

1. Install thermocouples beginning at Channel 0.  
Following is a list of channels with the corresponding terminals.

Channels	IN+ (positive terminal)	IN- (negative terminal)
0	1	2
1	3	4
2	5	6
3	7	8
4	9	10
5	11	12
6	13	14
7	15	16

#### 2.5.1.3 Thermocouple Type and Temperature Unit Changes

1. On the taskbar, click **Start** button and then click **Explore** to open Windows Explorer.
2. Locate directory where M-TEST 5.0 is installed (default: C:\ProgramFiles\M-Test 5.0\).
3. Double-click **MT5CFG.iak** to open FieldPoint Explorer.
4. Expand **Devices and Interfaces** folder.
5. Right-click **FP@com1**.
6. Select **Find Devices**.



7. Expand **FP@com1** folder.
8. Expand **FP-1000@0Bank**.
9. Click **FP-TC-120@X** (X represents 1, 2, 3 or 4—the module to be configured).
10. Click **Channel Configuration** tab.
11. Select check box for the channel to be configured.
12. Select temperature range in either °F or °C.
13. Under Channel Attributes, select thermocouple type in Value box.
14. Repeat steps 11-13 for each channel.




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Note: If all channels use the same thermocouple type, deselect **One channel at a time** check box and click the **All** button. This will allow changes to be made to all the channels at once.

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15. Click **Apply**.




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Note: If additional TC modules are installed, steps 8 through 16 will need to be repeated for modules FP-TC-120-2, FP-TC-120@3 and FP-TC-120@4 (where applicable).

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16. Close FieldPoint Explorer. The program will prompt you to “save changes to untitled.”
17. Select **Yes**.
18. Close Windows Explorer.

## 2.5.2 NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS USB-9211A

Features:

- 4 thermocouple inputs
- Built-in isolation on all channels
- Connects to computer through USB port

### 2.5.2.1 Installing Hardware

1. Plug in USB cable.

## 2.6 NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS NI 6521 RELAY ACTUATOR CARD

As an option, Magtrol offers the National Instruments™ NI 6521 relay actuator card for controlling motor power via M-TEST 5.0. The relay actuator, used in conjunction with a contactor, serves as an ON/OFF switch for supplying power to the motor under test.

When the relay actuator is enabled (see *Section 5.4–Power Supply*), M-TEST 5.0 automatically closes the relay at the beginning of each test. Relay closure allows power to be applied to the contactor which, in turn, applies power to the motor. When the test is completed, the relay automatically opens and the contactor and motor are switched off.

The National Instruments NI- 6521 relay actuator card is rated at 150 V AC/DC, 2 amps, 60 VA max. Please refer to the included manufacturer’s specifications for additional ratings.

### 2.6.1 INSTALLING THE RELAY CARD

1. Shut down your computer.
2. Install the National Instruments NI 6521 card in an available PCI expansion slot according to National Instruments’ user documentation.
3. Turn on your computer. If installation was successful, Windows will detect the device and display the Found New Hardware message.
4. Connect the motor contactor to relay 0 (R0) of the NI 6521 connector, following the pin diagram in the user documentation.

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## 3. M-TEST 5.0 Interface

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### 3.1 STARTING M-TEST 5.0

From the taskbar, click **Start**, point to **Programs >> M-Test 5.0**, then click **M-Test**. If you created a shortcut on your desktop (see *Section 2.1.1—Creating A Shortcut*), double-click the desktop icon and the program will automatically start. The Start window will appear.

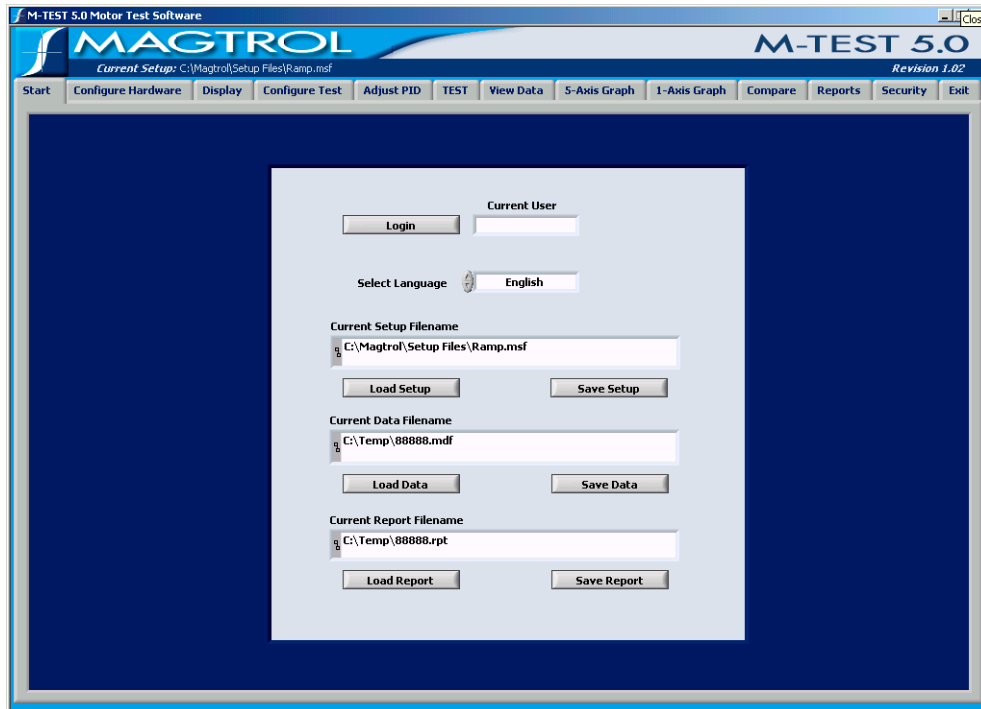


Figure 3–1 Start Window

### 3.2 M-TEST WINDOWS

The following outline is a representation of how M-TEST 5.0 is organized and shows, at a quick glance, where all the main features are located within the program. The 12 navigation tabs displayed at the top of the M-TEST 5.0 screen are purposely in the same order (sequentially from left to right) as a standard motor test procedure. Following is a brief description of the functions of each area.



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Note: For detailed explanations of every button and control of each window (program area), please refer that window's corresponding chapter in this manual.

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- 3.2.1 START**
- Log in and log out (if password protection enabled).
  - Select language from English, French, Spanish, German or user-created dictionary.
  - Load/save current setup file, data file and report file.
- 3.2.2 CONFIGURE HARDWARE**
- Search for and display GPIB addresses of devices communicating with M-TEST 5.0.
  - Configure the system for all connected hardware including: dynamometer controller, power analyzer, power supply and sensor input device.
  - Load default testing instrument parameters based on model number.
- 3.2.3 DISPLAY**
- Select parameters to be tested and displayed.
- 3.2.4 CONFIGURE TEST**
- Select test type and set up corresponding test parameters.
  - Enable and set up data logging to automatically store acquired data at the end of each test.
- 3.2.5 ADJUST PID**
- Adjust PID (proportional gain, integrative and derivative) settings and scaling on the DSP6000/6001 Controller.
- 3.2.6 TEST**
- Run test.
  - Graphically display live test data.
- 3.2.7 VIEW DATA**
- Display test data in a tabular (spreadsheet) format with option to print.
- 3.2.8 5-AXIS GRAPH**
- Display up to five different test parameters on the same graph.
- 3.2.9 1-AXIS GRAPH**
- Display up to three separate 1-axis graphs (one for each tested parameter) in the same window.
- 3.2.10 COMPARE**
- Overlay data from two separate (saved) tests on the same graph.
- 3.2.11 REPORTS**
- Configure, view, print and save test reports.

**3.2.12 SECURITY**

- Enable/disable password protection.
- Set up multiple users.
- Assign user access rights for specific windows.

**3.2.13 EXIT**

- Exit M-TEST 5.0.

**3.3 NAVIGATING M-TEST 5.0**

The following details will assist in navigating through M-TEST 5.0.




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Note: A mouse must be used to maneuver through the program.

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**3.3.1 HELP**

For help with any item, right-click the control (button, text box, indicator, list, etc.). A drop-down menu will appear. Click **Description and Tip** and a message box will appear with useful information about the item in question.

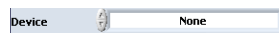
**3.3.2 TABS**

Navigate from window to window by clicking the tabs at the top of the screen.

**3.3.3 TEXT BOXES**

For text boxes, there are two ways to make a selection:

1. Click inside the box and scroll down to the item of choice.
2. Click the up and down arrows to the left of the box until the desired option is reached.

**3.3.3.1 Numeric Entries**

For text boxes requiring a numeric value, simply click inside the box and type the desired value. To overwrite an existing entry, click and drag the pointer across the field and then type the new value.




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Note: When using the up and down arrows, the program will not allow the numbers to leave the specified range. If typing a value, any number can be used but those out of range will be ignored.

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### 3.3.4 INDICATORS

When an indicator is illuminated in green, that function is enabled. If the indicator is dimmed (dark gray), the corresponding function is disabled.



### 3.3.5 INACCESSIBLE CONTROLS

Controls (buttons, text boxes, etc.) will be available as needed. If there is no selection needed for a specific item, the control will be dimmed and no access may be gained to that control.

For example, when “None” is selected as the Device in the Power Measurement section of the Configure Hardware window, there is no further input needed. Therefore, the remainder of the controls in that section are inaccessible to the user (as seen in the figure below).

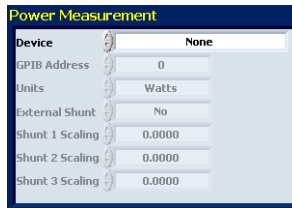


Figure 3–2 Inaccessible Controls Example

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## 4. Start

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The Start window is the first window that appears when M-TEST 5.0 is launched.



Figure 4-1 Start Window

### 4.1 LOGIN

If password protection is enabled (see *Chapter 16 – Security*), each user must log in to access M-TEST 5.0 program windows.

1. Click **Login**. The password prompt will appear.

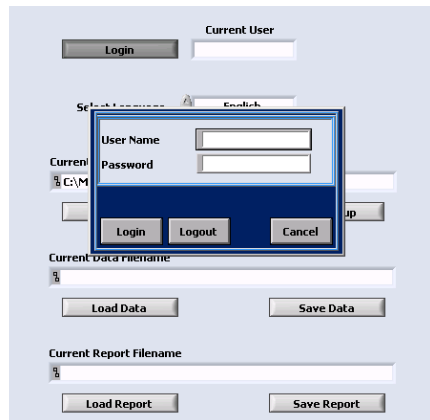


Figure 4-2 Password Prompt

2. Type your designated user name and password.
3. Click **Login** (button inside password prompt dialog box).

After providing this information, you will have access to the program windows assigned to you in the current security setup.

#### 4.1.1 LOGOUT

To change users, the current user must first log out.

1. Return to the Start window and click **Login**.
2. When the password prompt appears, click **Logout**.



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Note: When M-TEST 5.0 is closed, the current user is automatically logged out.

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## 4.2 SELECT LANGUAGE

Select the language you would like to work with while using M-TEST 5.0. Click inside the **Select Language** box, then click on the desired language. Standard options include: English, German, Spanish and French.



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Note: The language can be changed at any time while running the program by simply returning to the Start window and selecting a new language.

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#### 4.2.1 ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES

Additional language dictionaries can be created by the user by editing the Language File.csv file (located in the M-TEST 5.0 program folder) in any spreadsheet program. To add a new language, simply add a new column to the spreadsheet and manually enter translations for every term, using the English column (column B) as a template.



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Note: If, for any reason, you need to obtain the default Language File that was installed with M-TEST 5.0, you can download it from Magtrol's web site

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### 4.3 CURRENT SETUP FILENAME

By default, M-TEST 5.0 automatically loads the most recently saved Setup file upon startup. To load another previously saved Setup file, click **Load Setup** and select the appropriate file in the Load Setup File dialog box.

#### 4.3.1 SAVE SETUP

The current test configuration can be saved by clicking **Save Setup**. The Save As dialog box will appear. Select the desired folder and type the desired file name (which will be saved with an .msf file extension).

### 4.4 CURRENT DATA FILENAME

To load previously saved test data, click **Load Data** and select the appropriate file in the Load Data File dialog box.

#### 4.4.1 SAVE DATA

To save test data as a file that can be recalled later by M-TEST 5.0, click **Save Data**. The Save As dialog box will appear. Select the desired folder and type the desired file name (which will be saved with an .mdf file extension). The data is then saved as a tab-delimited file that can be imported into any spreadsheet program.

The Save Data button is also conveniently located in the following windows: View Data, 5-Axis Graph and 1-Axis Graph.

### 4.5 CURRENT REPORT FILENAME

To load a previously saved report, click **Load Report** and select the appropriate file in the Load Report File dialog box.

#### 4.5.1 SAVE REPORT

The current report can be saved by clicking **Save Report**. The Save As dialog box will appear. Select the desired folder and type the desired file name (which will be saved with an .rpt file extension).

The Save Report button is also located in the Reports window.

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## 5. Configure Hardware

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Before beginning any test, the connected motor test equipment must first be set up within M-TEST 5.0. Click the **Configure Hardware** tab to open the Configure Hardware window.



Figure 5–1 Configure Hardware Window

The Configure Hardware window is where testing instrument, dynamometer controller, power analyzer, power supply and sensor input device settings are entered into the program.



Note: For specific instructions on how to enter information into M-TEST 5.0, see *Section 3.3–Navigating M-TEST 5.0*.

### 5.1 GPIB DEVICE/ADDRESS DETECTION

To search for GPIB devices connected to the motor test system, and available to M-TEST 5.0, click **Find Devices**. The GPIB address of each device will be displayed in the table located in the upper left corner of the Configure Hardware window. This eliminates the need to open a separate program in order to view communication settings.

## 5.2 DYNAMOMETER CONTROLLER

Used with a Magtrol DSP6000/6001, 5240 or 4629B Programmable Dynamometer Controller, M-TEST 5.0 provides the control of any Magtrol Dynamometer or Torque Transducer and runs test sequences in a manner best suited to the overall accuracy and efficiency of the Magtrol Motor Test System.

In this section, specifications for each testing instrument are set up for each channel. Alarms are also enabled or disabled at this time.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Model	Selects the controller model being used.	5240/4629B, DSP6000 and DSP6001 NOTE: The DSP6000, 5240 and 4629B are only compatible with Magtrol Hysteresis Dynamometers. The DSP6001 is compatible with Magtrol Hysteresis, Eddy-Current, and Powder Brake Dynamometers, Magtrol In-Line Torque Transducers and auxiliary instrumentation.
Display Torque	Selects the torque units. NOTE: This may be the same as the dynamometer units, or converted to other units.	oz.in, oz.ft, lb.in, lb.ft, g.cm, kg.cm, mN.m, cN.m and N.m
Interface Type	Selects the method of interfacing between the controller and the computer.	GPIB and Serial (RS-232)
GPIB Address	Sets the GPIB address for the controller. NOTE: It must match the address that has been set up through the controller. DSP6000/6001: front panel COM SETUP menu 5240 and 4629B: rear panel, next to the GPIB connector	1 to 32 NOTE: Click <b>Find Devices</b> to display the controller's GPIB address in the Device/Address table located in the upper left corner of the Configure Hardware window. See <i>Section 5.1–GPIB Device/Address Detection</i>
Serial Port	Selects the computer port number when using serial communication.	1 to 4
Baud Rate	Sets the baud rate for serial communications. (Applies only to DSP6000/6001.) NOTE: This value must match the baud rate set up through the front panel COM SETUP menu on the DSP controller.	300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600 and 19200
Acquire Aux/TSC2	If using the auxiliary input on the DSP6000/6001 to read an additional parameter, set this control to “Yes” to have the data displayed and stored with other acquired data. NOTE: Proper scaling must be set up from the front panel AUX SETUP menu on the DSP controller.	Yes and No

Control	Function	Options/Values
Active Channel	Selects the channel on which the control loop is closed when using a DSP6001.	Channel 1 or Channel 2 NOTE: Certain load device/dynamometer combinations will not permit changing channels. See Section 5.2.3–Channels.
Pre-Load	Writes an open-loop value of current to the dynamometer brake. NOTE: Acts to preload the brake, limiting motor speed without interfering with the PID loop.	0.00 to 99.99%

**5.2.1 ALARMS**

Only for use with the DSP6001 Dynamometer Controller.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Airflow Alarm	Enables the airflow alarm function for (HD) Hysteresis Dynamometers, indicating a lack of air flow.	Enable and Disable
Waterflow Alarm	Enables the waterflow alarm function for (WB) Eddy-current and (PB) Powder Brake dynamometers, indicating a lack of water flow.	Enable and Disable
External Alarm	Enables the external alarm function for any dynamometer, indicating a problem based on additional user input.	Enable and Disable

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Note: For more information on Alarms, see *Chapter 6 – Alarm System* in the *DSP6001 Dynamometer Controller User’s Manual*.

**5.2.2 LOAD DEFAULTS**

- Loads default values for all parameters from the M-TEST Defaults.txt file after the type and model of testing instrument(s) has been selected.
- Click **Load Defaults** and the values will automatically update.



Note: This step must be completed for the testing instrument torque units to be programmed properly into the controller. If necessary, once the defaults are set, they can be adjusted.

**5.2.2.1 Updated M-TEST Defaults File**

The M-TEST Defaults file is subject to change as ratings on Magtrol’s Motor Test Equipment change.

### 5.2.3 CHANNELS

M-TEST 5.0 channels are used for multiple testing instrument connections. If using a DSP6001 Dynamometer Controller, there can be up to 2 testing instrument connections. Any Magtrol dynamometer or brake can be connected to Channel 1 (TSC1). Channel 2 (TSC2) can only support a Magtrol Eddy-Current (WB) or Powder Brake (PB) Dynamometer; Magtrol In-Line Torque Transducer (TM); a Magtrol Free-Run Speed Sensor (FR 10); or auxiliary instrumentation. If using a 5240, 4629B or DSP6000 Dynamometer Controller, the default is set to Channel 1 (TSC1) and only a Hysteresis (HD) Dynamometer may be used.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Instrument Type	Selects the type of loading device or dynamometer connected to the channel(s) (TSC1 and TSC2) of the controller.	For Channel 1 (TSC1): Hysteresis Dynamometer (HD) Eddy-Current Dynamometer (WB) Powder Brake Dynamometer (PB) Brake For Channel 2 (TSC2): Auxiliary Eddy-Current Dynamometer (WB) Powder Brake Dynamometer (PB) In-Line Torque Transducer (TM) Free-Run Speed Sensor (FR 10)
Brake Type	If using a brake and Magtrol In-Line Torque Transducer in a cross loop function, selects the type of brake connected to the Brake Output or Supply 1 of the controller. Applies to TSC1 only.	HB Hysteresis Brake WB Eddy-current Brake PB Powder Brake
Model	Selects the specific model number of the testing instrument. NOTE: Once the model is selected, click <b>Load Defaults</b> at the bottom of the window to update the parameters for that model. This step must be performed for the testing instrument torque units to be programmed properly in the controller. If it is necessary, once the defaults are set, they can be adjusted.	The available model numbers will be listed, depending upon the Instrument Type selected.
Tandem	If a tandem dynamometer is being used, this function must be enabled.	Enable and Disable
Encoder	Selects the encoder type being used. NOTE: Some models may have dual encoders for normal and low speed operation. In this situation, select the encoder currently in use.	1, 2, 6, 20, 30, 60, 600 and 6000-bit
Quadrature Input	If the dynamometer has a low speed quadrature encoder installed, the speed signal may be smoothed substantially by enabling this feature. NOTE: This applies only to 600- and 6000-bit encoders that have both channels wired to the DSP6001 controller.	Enable or Disable
Torque Filter	Applies digital filtering to the torque signal input.	3, 10, 25 and 50 Hz cutoff frequencies Select <b>Off</b> to disable filtering.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Nominal Speed	For WB and PB dynamometers, this is the maximum speed at rated torque.  NOTE: Exceeding the nominal speed will cause the dissipated power to be greater than the dynamometer's rating.	0 to 99,999
Max Speed	Maximum no-load speed at which the dynamometer can be run without physical damage.	0 to 99,999
Max Speed Excited	Maximum speed that may be used under any load condition.	0 to 10,000
Max Power	Maximum rated power (in kilowatts) that the dynamometer can dissipate without causing physical damage.	0 to 99,999
Max Torque	Maximum torque rating of the dynamometer.	0 to 10,000
Torque/Aux Scale Factor	This is the torque value at 5 volts output for WB & PB dynamometers and TM transducers; and the scale factor for the auxiliary input.	0 to 99,999
Scale Factor	This is the torque value at 5 volts output for WB and PB dynamometers.	0 to 99,999
Gearbox Ratio	If using a motor with a gearbox attached, the gearbox ratio may be entered here to give the true motor speed and torque. Otherwise, the dynamometer speed and torque will be displayed.  NOTE: All parameters throughout the program will reflect the motor performance only.	The value should be entered as the ratio from the motor shaft to the gearbox output shaft (in an x:1 ratio).  <i>For example:</i> If the motor shaft spins at 3600 rpm and the gearbox output shaft spins at 2 rpm, the ratio entered should be 1800.

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### 5.3 POWER MEASUREMENT

To read amps, volts, watts, power factor and system efficiency data, a separate device is needed

CONTROL	FUNCTION	OPTIONS/VALUES																										
Device	<p>Selects the device used to read power data.</p> <p>NOTE: The DC power supply may be used to read back amps and volts if absolutely necessary. However, doing so will result in reduced accuracy and slower data transfer rates, which subsequently affects the number of data points acquired.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> <li>• EMI</li> <li>• HP603xA</li> <li>• HP66xxA</li> <li>• Lambda Genesys</li> <li>• Power Ten</li> <li>• Sorensen DCS</li> <li>• Sorensen DHP</li> <li>• Xantrex XFR</li> <li>• Xantrex XDC</li> <li>• 5100</li> <li>• 5300 (1 and 3 phase)</li> <li>• 6510</li> <li>• 6510<sub>e</sub></li> <li>• 6530:               <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>1 ph. 2 w.</td> <td>1 ph. 3 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 w.</td> <td>3 ph. 4 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </li> <li>• 6550:               <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>1 ph. 2 w.</td> <td>1 ph. 3 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 w.</td> <td>3 ph. 4 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </li> <li>• LMG310:               <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>1 ph. 2 w.</td> <td>3 ph. 4 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 (2) ph. 3 w. 2 m.</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 w. 3 m. star</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 w. 3 m. delta</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </li> <li>• WT1600:               <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>1 ph. 2 w.</td> <td>1 ph. 3 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 w.</td> <td>3 ph. 4 w.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </li> </ul>	1 ph. 2 w.	1 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 4 w.	3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.		1 ph. 2 w.	1 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 4 w.	3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.		1 ph. 2 w.	3 ph. 4 w.	3 (2) ph. 3 w. 2 m.		3 ph. 3 w. 3 m. star		3 ph. 3 w. 3 m. delta		1 ph. 2 w.	1 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 3 w.	3 ph. 4 w.	3 ph. 3 v. 3 a.	
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GPIB Address	Selects the corresponding GPIB address for the power measurement device.	1 to 32 NOTE: Click <b>Find Devices</b> to display the device's GPIB address in the Device/Address table located in the upper left corner of the Configure Hardware window. See <i>Section 5.1–GPIB Device/Address Detection</i> .																										
Units	<p>Sets the power units that the 5100 is displaying.</p> <p>NOTE: This control only needs to be set if a Magtrol 5100 Power Analyzer with external shunt is being used. This is because some current ranges cause the 5100 to read consumed power in kilowatts. M-TEST 5.0 is configured to automatically record and display power in watts. As a result, if the 5100 is displaying power in kW, this control must be set to kW.</p>	Watts and kW																										
External Shunt	Enables the external shunt(s) connected to the power analyzer (if applicable).	Yes and No																										

Shunt 1 Scaling	Sets the scaling constant for the external shunt on phase 1.	0.0001 to 99999 NOTE: The constant is determined by dividing the full scale amps of the shunt by 50 mV
Shunt 2 Scaling	Sets the scaling constant for the external shunt on phase 2.	0.0001 to 99999 NOTE: The constant is determined by dividing the full scale amps of the shunt by 50 mV
Shunt 3 Scaling	Sets the scaling constant for the external shunt on phase 3.	0.0001 to 99999 NOTE: The constant is determined by dividing the full scale amps of the shunt by 50 mV

## 5.4 POWER SUPPLY

Tells the system which DC power source is being used and sets the corresponding attributes.



Note: “None” is defined as any AC or DC external power source not controlled by the system. “DC” is defined as a DC power source that is controlled by the system.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Device	Selects the type of power supply being used. NOTE: If running from AC lines, select “None” as your power supply. If using one of the mentioned DC power supplies, be sure that its GPIB address corresponds to what you have set in the GPIB Address control.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> <li>• AC Regulated (Staco MPA2)</li> <li>• EMI</li> <li>• HP603xA</li> <li>• HP66xxA</li> <li>• Lambda Genesys</li> <li>• Power Ten</li> <li>• Sorensen DCS</li> <li>• Sorensen DHP</li> <li>• Xantrex XFR</li> <li>• Xantrex XDC</li> </ul>
GPIB Address	Sets the GPIB address for the DC power supply.	1 to 32 NOTE: Click Find Devices to display the power supply’s GPIB address in the Device/Address table located in the upper left corner of the Configure Hardware window. See <i>Section 5.1–GPIB Device/Address Detection</i>
Voltage Set	Sets desired DC voltage.	Any
Current Set	Sets to the maximum current that the DC power supply needs to deliver.	Any
Relay Control	Accessible when optional National Instruments NI 6521 relay actuator card is installed. Automatically switches on the motor at the beginning of a test and, conversely, turns motor power off at test completion. See <i>Section 2.6–National Instruments NI 6521 Relay Actuator Card</i> for more information.	Enabled and Disabled



## 5.5 SENSOR INPUT

Up to 32 thermocouples or analog sensors can be read and monitored during a motor test. Heat rise curves on the bearings, windings and housing of a motor can be performed and air flow/exhaust efficiencies can be measured with an air tool or internal combustion engine. M-TEST 5.0, with its complete dynamometer control, even allows for sensor measurement while performing load simulation for duty cycle or life testing.

### 5.5.1 DEVICE SELECTION

Control	Function	Options/Values
Device	Selects the sensor input module.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> <li>• USB-9211</li> <li>• FieldPoint TC</li> </ul>

### 5.5.2 USB-9211A

Control	Function	Options/Values
Thermocouple Type	Selects type of thermocouple.	J, K, N, R, S, T, B and E
Units	Selects desired temperature unit for acquired/ displayed values.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deg C</li> <li>• Deg F</li> <li>• Kelvins</li> <li>• Deg R</li> <li>• From Custom Scale</li> </ul>
TC0 – TC3	Assigns a specific name/label to each thermocouple channel being used (TC0, TC1, TC2, TC3).	Select checkbox next to each thermocouple channel being used.  Type desired label (any string of alphanumeric characters, without spaces) in box to right.

**5.5.3 FIELDPOINT TC**

<b>Control</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>Options/Values</b>
Module Number Selection	Assigns a number to each Fieldpoint module so that appropriate settings can be configured. NOTE: To configure another module, use the up and down arrows to select another module number.	0, 1, 2 and 3
Hardware	Selects installed Fieldpoint module(s) to be read during test.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> <li>• FP Module 1</li> <li>• FP Module 2</li> <li>• FP Module 3</li> <li>• FP Module 4</li> </ul>
Labels	Assigns a specific name/label to each thermocouple channel being used. NOTE: To label another thermocouple channel, use the up and down arrows to select another channel.	Select thermocouple channel in box to left (0 through 7). Type desired label (any string of alphanumeric characters) in box to right.
Gain	Adjusts any error that may occur between the M-TEST 5.0 reading and the reference temperature. This control may also be used to compensate for filter loss if low pass filters are installed at all thermocouple inputs. NOTE: To set gain for another thermocouple channel, use the up and down arrows to select another channel.	Select thermocouple channel in box to left (0 through 7). Enter desired gain in box to right.
Offset	Adjusts any offset that may occur between the M-TEST 5.0 reading and the reference temperature. NOTE: To set offset for another thermocouple channel, use the up and down arrows to select another channel.	Select thermocouple channel in box to left (0 through 7). Enter desired offset in box to right.

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## 5.6 SAVING THE HARDWARE CONFIGURATION

### 5.6.1 APPLY SETTINGS

When finished configuring the hardware, click **Apply Settings**.



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Note : This **does not** permanently save the current test configuration. See *Section 5.6.2–Save Setup*

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### 5.6.2 SAVE SETUP

The current test configuration is saved, overriding the current setup file that is loaded. If you do not wish to override the current setup file (after pressing Save Setup), click **Cancel** when prompted and read the note below.



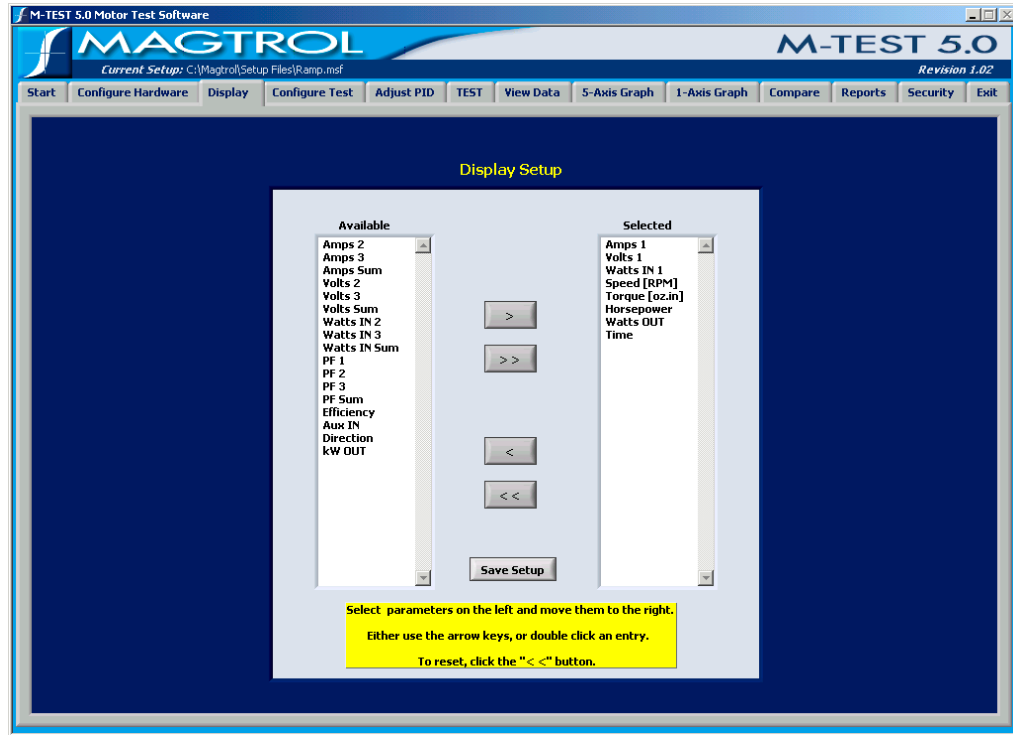
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Note: To save current test configuration as a **new** setup file, click **Apply Settings** then return to the Start window. Create a new setup file by clicking **Save Setup** under Current Setup Filename. See *Section 4.3.1–Save Setup*.

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# 6. Display

Click the **Display** tab to open the Display Setup window.



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Figure 6–1 Display Setup Window

The Display Setup window is used to select the parameters that will be measured, displayed and graphed during a test.

## 6.1 DISPLAY SETUP

### 6.1.1 MOTOR PARAMETERS

Torque	Amps 1	Volts 1	Input Watts 1	Power Factor 1	Output Watts
Speed	Amps 2	Volts 2	Input Watts 2	Power Factor 2	Output Kilowatts
Time	Amps 3	Volts 3	Input Watts 3	Power Factor 3	Horsepower
Auxiliary Input	Amps Sum	Volts Sum	Input Watts Sum	Power Factor Sum	Efficiency
					Direction of Rotation



Note: The numbers refer to the phase of a three-phase system. If using a single-phase source, select an option with a “1”.

### 6.1.2 NAVIGATION

Move parameters between the Available and Selected columns by either using the arrow buttons or double-clicking an entry.

- Use the >> button to move all Available parameters to the Selected column.
- To reset (clear all Selected parameters), click the << button.
- To select multiple items, hold down the CTRL key while clicking on the desired parameters.
- To select multiple, consecutive items, hold down the SHIFT key while clicking the uppermost and bottommost desired parameters.

### 6.2 SAVE SETUP

The current test/display parameters are saved, overriding the current setup file that is loaded. If you do not wish to override the current setup file (after clicking **Save Setup**), click **Cancel** when prompted and read the note below.



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Note: To save current test/display parameters in a **new** setup file, first return to the Start window. Create a new setup file by clicking **Save Setup** under Current Setup Filename. See *Section 4.3.1–Save Setup*.

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# 7. Test Selection

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Before any further setup is completed, a test type must be chosen. M-TEST 5.0 offers four methods of testing: ramp, curve, manual and pass/fail. This chapter will provide all the information needed to make a test selection.

## 7.1 RAMP TESTING

### 7.1.1 MEASURING METHODS

#### 7.1.1.1 Old Measuring Methods

Years ago, motor performance was determined by loading a motor to a specific speed and recording the torque data. This procedure was repeated at a number of points until sufficient data was acquired to construct a curve.

The time to accomplish this was excessive, causing the motors to heat up severely. While the method produced accurate data at each point, the drastic increases in temperature caused a shift in the curve and resulted in inaccurate data.

#### 7.1.1.2 New Measuring Methods

Methods were developed to quickly ramp a motor from free run to locked rotor, negating the heating effects. However, along with the ramping came inertial effects on the data.

When a motor is accelerating or decelerating:

$$\text{Measured Torque} = \text{True Motor Torque} \pm \text{Inertial Torque (stored energy)}$$

Unless inertial torque is excluded, motor performance data will be in error since the measured torque will vary in proportion to the rate of acceleration or deceleration. This type of error can produce startling results. For example, during rapid deceleration, system inertia can produce apparent efficiency greater than 1. This may occur as output power is divided by input power without extracting the stored energy of the system. M-TEST 5.0 provides two methods of measuring inertially compensated data: Average-D/U (Down/Up) and Dynamic-CF.

**7.1.2 AVERAGE-D/U (DOWN/UP)**

When a motor is placed under controlled deceleration, the torque produced at any given point will be greater due to stored energy. When the motor is then accelerated, the torque produced will be less at any given point. If the deceleration and acceleration rates are equal, the corrected data is simply an average of the two curves. M-TEST 5.0 accomplishes this by ramping the motor down to a user-defined minimum speed. Because of system limitations, any speed less than 150 rpm (with the standard 60-bit encoder) will cause the motor to ramp down to 150 rpm and then begin accelerating. The motor will continue the controlled ramp until it has reached free run or until it no longer exhibits acceleration.

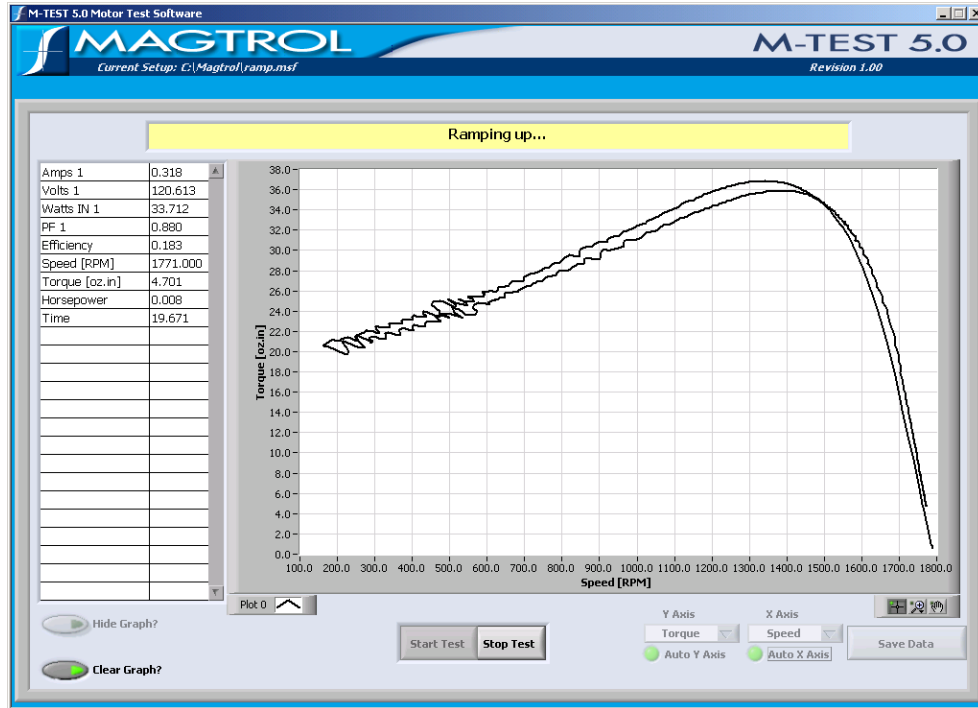
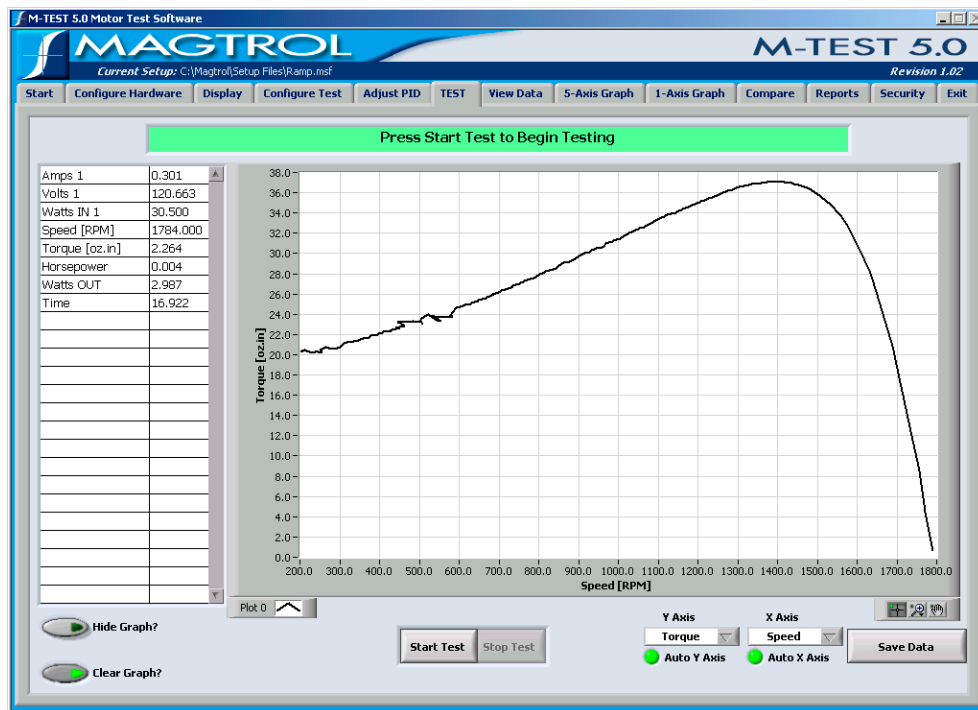


Figure 7–1 Average-D/U Motor Curve Before Inertial Cancellation

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If locked rotor is specified as a minimum speed, the controller will run a separate procedure immediately after the acceleration ramp that will quickly take the motor to stall and record the data. The amount of time to wait at stall before taking data is defined by the Locked Rotor Dwell control, found under Ramp Test Parameters in the Configure Test window. See *Section 8.4–Ramp Test Parameters*. Several seconds at locked rotor may be necessary for the system to stabilize. (With stored energy and the load cell acting as a spring, there may be some bounce). After acquiring the locked-rotor data the motor will accelerate to its free run speed.

The inertially corrected curve is produced by matching a speed from the deceleration curve with the same speed from the acceleration curve, and averaging the associated torque data. This continues for every point on the curve. If no exact matching speed is found on the acceleration curve, the data will be interpolated to create a match. If requested, the locked-rotor point will be added to the end of the data array to construct the complete curve.



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Figure 7–2 Average-D/U Motor Curve



**7.1.3 DYNAMIC-CF**

Since “inertial effect” is only a factor as speed is changing, and inertial torque is proportional to the rate of change, inertial value may be expressed as a unit of torque per change in rpm *in a given period of time*. The DSP6000 and DSP6001 accumulate data at intervals of approximately 10 milliseconds. With data rates this fast, the amount of speed change from reading to reading is too small to be used accurately in the correction. Therefore, M-TEST 5.0 inserts a wait state of 100 ms between each reading in order to allow a reasonable speed change.

In order to create a torque correction factor (CF), a torque value equal to the inertial torque and the difference in rpm (per 100 ms) that created that value is needed. In the following example, a motor has been decelerated from free run (FR) to some minimum speed value. A speed equal to approximately 75% of FR is selected from the curve. One speed point on either side of that point is used to obtain an average speed change that produces that torque. That value is now programmed as a static speed point. We now have data from the deceleration curve at 75% of FR and data from a static point at 75% of FR. The difference in torque divided by the change in speed produces the torque correction factor.

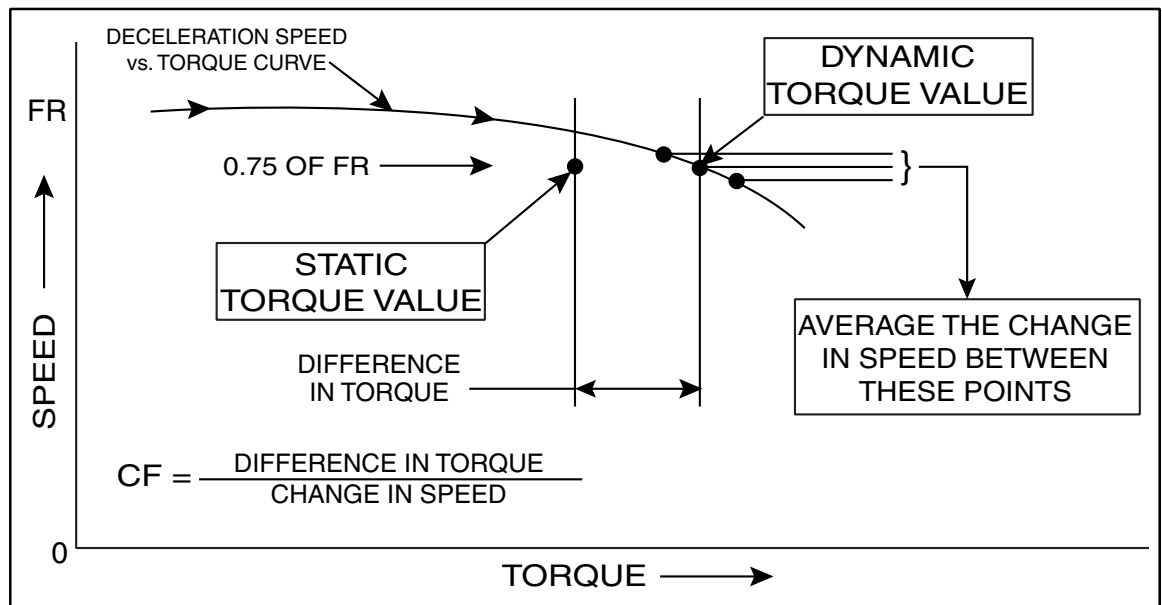


Figure 7-3 Correction Factor Calculation

The test sequence is to ramp a motor down from its free-run speed to a user-specified minimum speed or maximum torque. The ramp is then terminated and the motor is allowed to accelerate. When the motor nears free-run speed, it is loaded to a static speed (approximately 75% of free run). When ten readings are acquired within  $\pm 0.3\%$  of the target speed, loading is removed and the motor may be turned off. The correction factor is then calculated.

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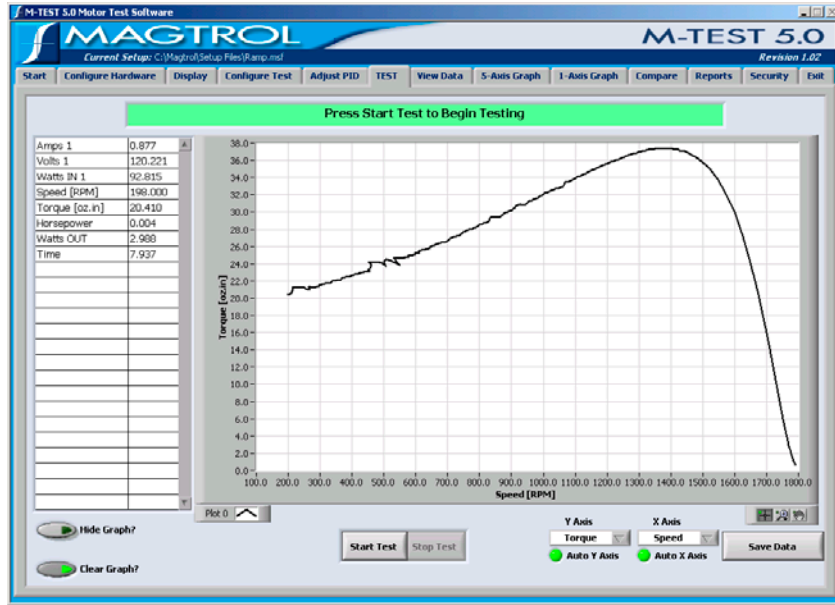


Figure 7-4 Dynamic-CF Test Before Inertial Cancellation

The correction can now be applied to the entire deceleration curve. For any point on the curve, the corrected torque is the measured torque minus the CF value times the speed difference between this point and the previous point.

$$T_c = T_m [CF \times (S_{n-1} - S_n)]$$

- |       |   |                   |           |   |                                     |
|-------|---|-------------------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|
| $T_c$ | = | Corrected Torque  | $S_{n-1}$ | = | Prior Speed at Torque Point         |
| $T_m$ | = | Measured Torque   | $S_n$     | = | Corrected Speed at the Torque Point |
| CF    | = | Correction Factor |           |   |                                     |



Note: Because there is no deceleration at free run and locked rotor, torque correction is not applied to these points.

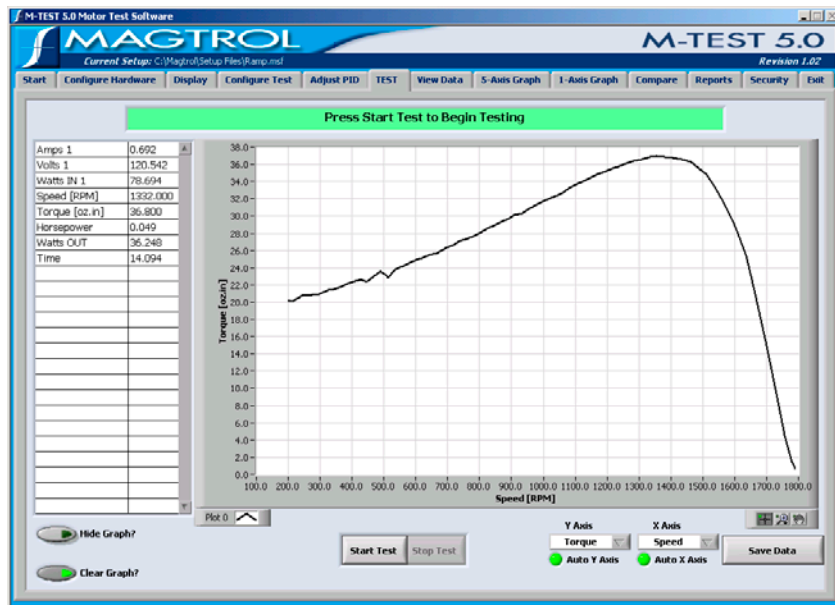


Figure 7-5 Dynamic-CF Test

## 7.2 CURVE TESTING

M-TEST 5.0 can be used in a way that simulates complex load profiles. This may be for heat run or endurance testing, simulating a real life usage, or just for checking a few specific data points. Loading may be accomplished by closing a control loop on Speed, Torque, or Output Watts (plus Amps or Input Watts if a power analyzer is incorporated into the system). Because closed loop speed and torque are internal functions of the dynamometer controller, the control loops are very fast and highly controllable. The remaining functions use a routine in M-TEST 5.0 to close the loop and provide control. These will not provide as tight of a control as the internal functions but they are quite satisfactory for most applications.

Loading can be accomplished by either stepping or ramping to the desired point. If stepping to a load point is desired, enter a time of “0” (zero) for that point. If ramping to a load point is desired, enter the number of seconds (or minutes, depending on the timebase setting) for the controller to ramp from the starting point to the ending point. To remain at a fixed load for a period of time, use the same value for “From” and “To”. To obtain free-run or locked-rotor data, use the following values:

Parameter	Free Run	Locked Rotor
Amps	0	99999
Input Watts	0	99999
Speed	99999	0
Torque	0	99999
Output Watts	0	99999

In the example illustrated in *Figures 7–6* and *7–7*, a torque curve test will be performed that will:

1. Ramp the torque from zero to 10 in 5 seconds.
2. Dwell at 10 for 5 seconds.
3. Step to 20 in zero seconds.
4. Dwell at 20 for 5 seconds.
5. Ramp to zero in 3 seconds.
6. Dwell at zero for 5 seconds.
7. Repeat the cycle (steps 1 – 6) a second time.

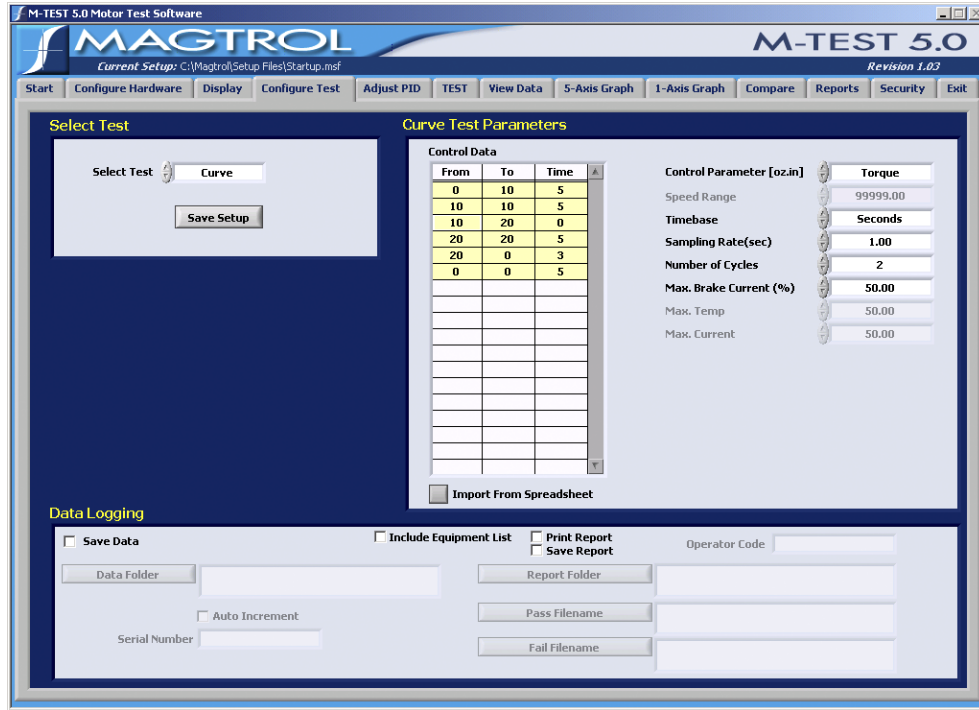


Figure 7-6 Torque Curve Setup Example

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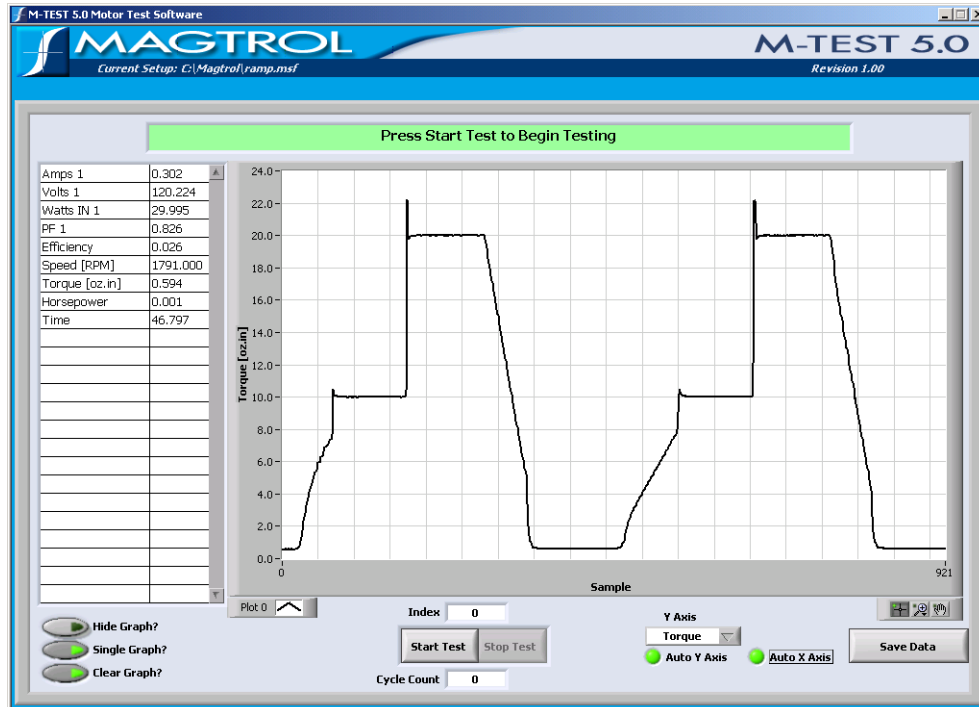


Figure 7-7 Torque Curve Test Example

### 7.3 MANUAL TESTING

In this mode of operation, the computer is being used only as a data acquisition device. No control is performed by M-TEST 5.0.

### 7.4 PASS/FAIL TESTING

Pass/Fail motor testing is well suited for production line and inspection applications. Up to five parameters—torque, speed, amps, output watts and (with optional power analyzer) input watts—can be tested simultaneously and checked against user-defined values, providing a quick pass or fail indication to the operator.

With pass/fail testing, motors can be tested at specified load points. The user determines the length of time to hold at each particular load point. Loading can be accomplished by either stepping or ramping to the desired point. If stepping to a load point is desired, enter a time of “0” (zero) for that point. If ramping to a load point is desired, enter the number of seconds (or minutes, depending on the timebase setting) for the controller to ramp from the starting point to the ending point. To remain at a fixed load for a period of time, use the same value for “From” and “To”.

Testing at free run and locked rotor can also be performed. To obtain free-run or locked-rotor data use the following values:

Parameter	Free Run	Locked Rotor
Amps	0	99999
Input Watts	0	99999
Speed	99999	0
Torque	0	99999
Output Watts	0	99999

### 7.4.1 PASS/FAIL TEST EXAMPLE

In the example below, a Pass/Fail test will be performed that will:

1. Dwell at 0 torque for 2 seconds.
2. Step to 5 oz-in and dwell for 2 seconds.
3. Step to 10 oz-in and dwell for 2 seconds.
4. Step to 15 oz-in and dwell for 2 seconds.
5. Step to 20 oz-in and dwell for 2 seconds. (not shown in example)



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Figure 7–8 Pass/Fail Test Example

This example demonstrates a motor test that collects data from 5 different torque points—a typical test that might be run during incoming inspection or at the end of a production line. At each of the load points, information on amps, input watts, speed and output watts is gathered. A minimum and maximum value is given for each load point. A data directory (C:\test data) has been created containing two files where the data will be sent, depending on whether the motor passes (pass.xls) or fails (fail.xls). A serial number is also assigned to each motor with an automatic increment, which makes the information easy to track.

When the test is running, the data will appear as follows.

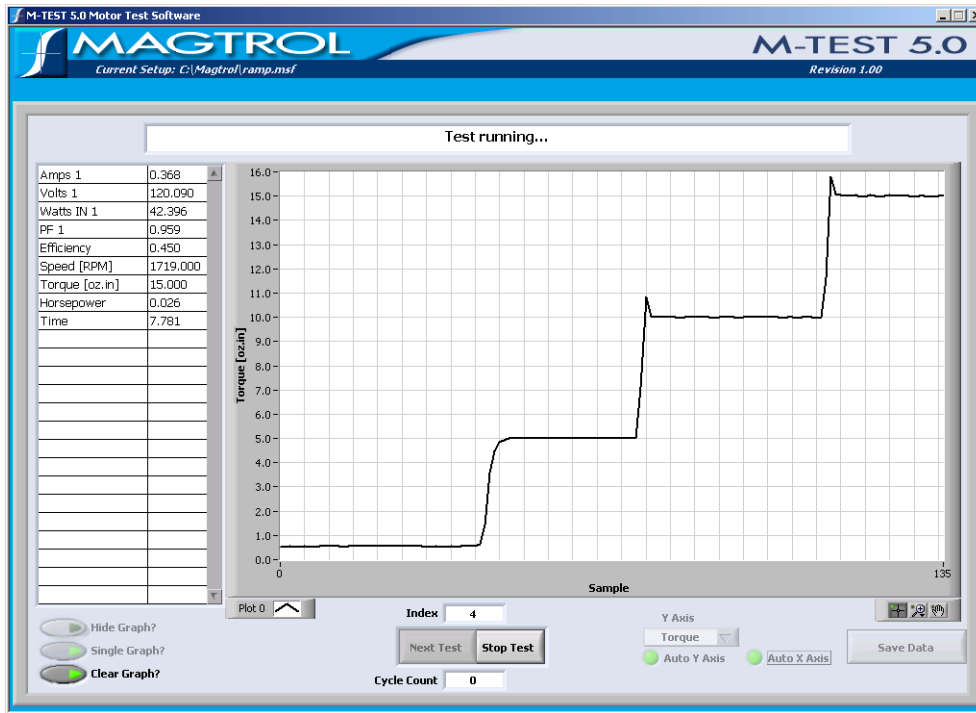


Figure 7–9 Pass/Fail Test Run Window

Once the test is completed, a window will appear that indicates the results of the test.

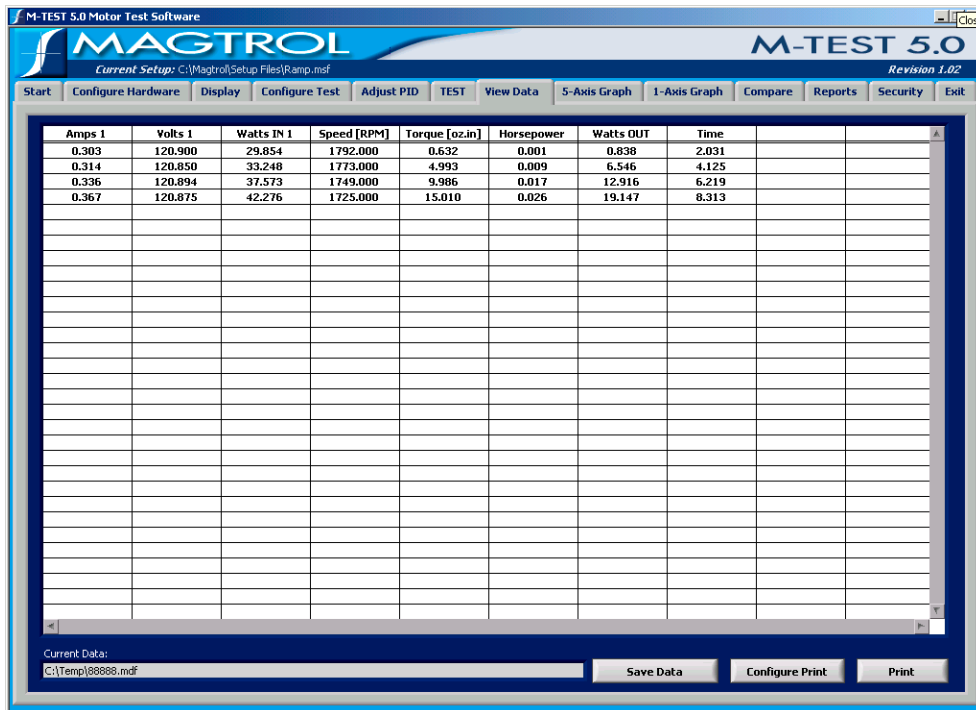


Figure 7–10 Pass/Fail Test Results Window

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In this example, at least one parameter failed as indicated by the red FAIL bar above the table. Each failed parameter is highlighted in red.

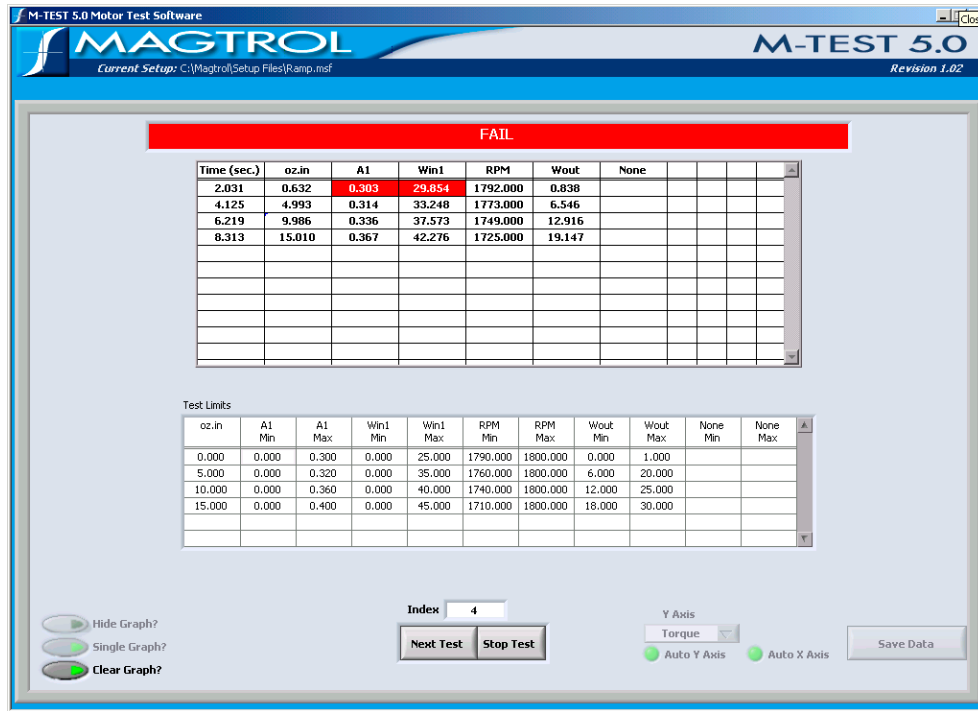


Figure 7–11 Failed Test Example

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The data from the passed test will be sent to the pass.xls file that was set up at the beginning of the test.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	2/8/02	9:14:45	A1024	0.255	26.467	1791	0.447	0.592	1.81	
2				0.278	30.238	1770	5.011	6.559	3.84	
3				0.31	34.7	1746	9.992	12.901	5.82	
4				0.349	39.47	1718	15	19.057	7.8	
5				0.394	44.728	1685	20	24.921	9.83	
6	2/8/02	9:14:57	A1025	0.255	26.467	1791	0.467	0.619	1.86	
7				0.278	30.238	1769	5.008	6.551	3.84	
8				0.31	34.7	1744	9.983	12.875	5.87	
9				0.349	39.47	1716	14.99	19.022	7.85	
10				0.394	44.702	1684	19.99	24.893	9.88	
11	2/8/02	9:15:10	A1026	0.255	26.467	1791	0.475	0.629	1.81	
12				0.278	30.238	1769	4.99	6.528	3.84	
13				0.31	34.7	1744	9.984	12.876	5.82	
14				0.349	39.445	1716	15	19.034	7.85	
15				0.394	44.702	1683	19.99	24.879	9.83	
16	2/8/02	9:15:21	A1027	0.255	26.467	1791	0.475	0.629	1.87	
17				0.278	30.212	1770	4.992	6.534	3.9	
18				0.31	34.7	1744	10	12.897	5.88	
19				0.349	39.47	1716	14.99	19.022	7.85	
20				0.394	44.702	1683	20	24.891	9.88	
21	2/8/02	9:15:33	A1028	0.255	26.467	1791	0.475	0.629	1.81	
22				0.278	30.212	1769	4.99	6.528	3.85	
23				0.31	34.7	1745	10	12.904	5.82	
24				0.349	39.445	1716	15	19.034	7.86	
25				0.393	44.702	1684	19.99	24.893	9.83	
26										
27										

Figure 7–12 Microsoft Excel Data File

The data file contains the date and time of the test, the serial number of the motors and the acquired data. The order in which the data is displayed from left to right is determined by the order of parameter selection in the Display window during initial setup. See Chapter 6–Display.

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# 8. Configure Test

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Once the hardware configuration is complete and the test parameters have been selected, the actual test must now be set up. Click the **Configure Test** tab to open the Configure Test window.

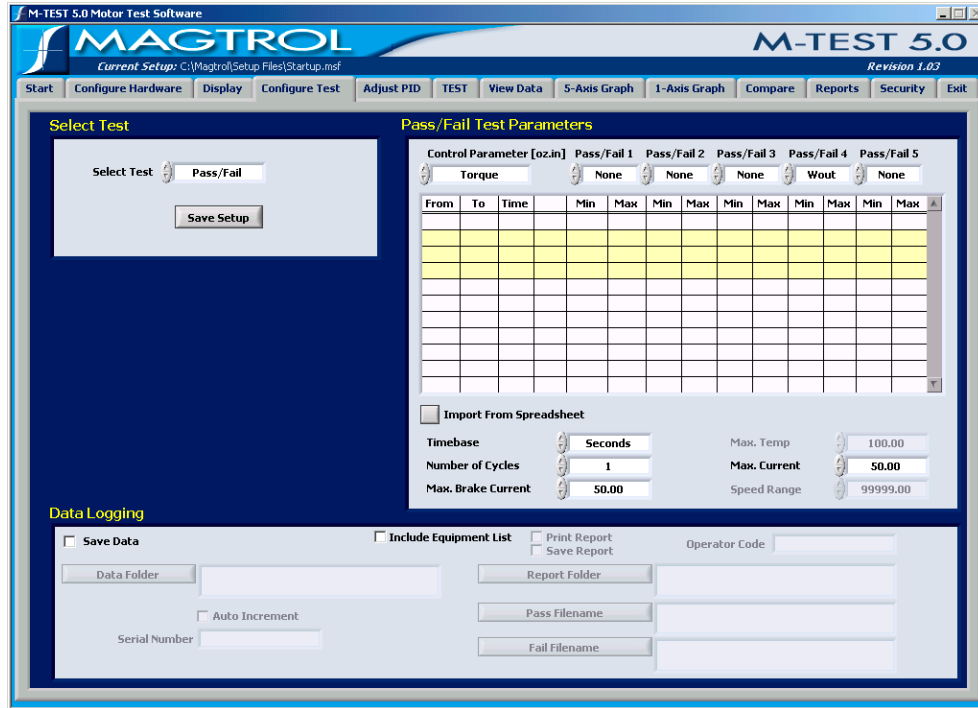


Figure 8–1 Configure Test Window

The Configure Software window is where the software is programmed for the type of test to be performed.



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Note: For specific instructions on how to enter information into M-TEST 5.0, see *Section 3.3–Navigating M-TEST 5.0*.

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## 8.1 SELECT TEST

- Selects the type of test you wish to perform.
- Options include Ramp, Curve, Manual and Pass/Fail tests.

As different tests are selected, the required controls for that test will become active.



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Note: For detailed information on each type of test, see *Chapter 7 – Test Selection*.

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## 8.2 DATA LOGGING

Data Logging allows M-TEST 5.0 to automatically store acquired data at the end of each test.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Save Data	Enables data logging function.	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Data Folder	Specifies the drive and directory for curve, ramp and manual test data files. NOTE: File names are automatically generated from the serial number and saved with an .xls file extension.	Click Data Folder to access Save As dialog box. Open the desired folder and click <b>Select Cur Dir</b> .
Serial Number	Records the serial number for generating data log files and reports.	Enter the serial number for the first motor being tested.
Auto Increment	Increments the serial number by one integer at the end of each test. NOTE: If the serial number is alphanumeric, the software looks for the last alpha character in the string. If it is followed by a number, that number will be incremented by one at the end of the test. If no number follows the last alpha character, a number will be added and incremented after each test.	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Print Report	Generates a custom printed report after each curve, ramp or manual test. NOTE: The report must be configured first, Refer to <i>Chapter 15–Reports</i> .	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Save Report	Saves a custom report after each curve, ramp or manual test, to be viewed or printed at a later time. NOTE: The report must be configured first, Refer to <i>Chapter 15–Reports</i> .	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Report Folder	If Save Report is enabled, specifies the drive and directory for report files. NOTE: File names are automatically generated from the serial number and saved with an .rpt file extension.	Click <b>Data Folder</b> to access Save As dialog box. Open the desired folder and click <b>Select Cur Dir</b> .
Operator Code	Records the operator’s name, initials or ID number for saving/printing on the report.	Any
Pass Filename	For pass/fail testing, specifies the file name and location for passed motor data. NOTE: Pass data is save as a tab-delimited file.	Click <b>Pass File Folder</b> to access Save As dialog box. Select the desired folder and type the desired file name. NOTE: Save the file with a .txt or .xls extension for easy importing into a spreadsheet.
Fail Filename	For pass/fail testing, specifies the file name and location for failed motor data. NOTE: Fail data is save as a tab-delimited file.	Click <b>Fail File Folder</b> to access Save As dialog box. Select the desired folder and type the desired file name. NOTE: Save the file with a .txt or .xls extension for easy importing into a spreadsheet.
Include Equipment List	Inserts the Controller, Dynamometer, and Power Analyzer models into the comments field.	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)

### 8.3 CURVE/MANUAL TEST PARAMETERS

When Curve test is selected, the window will appear as follows.

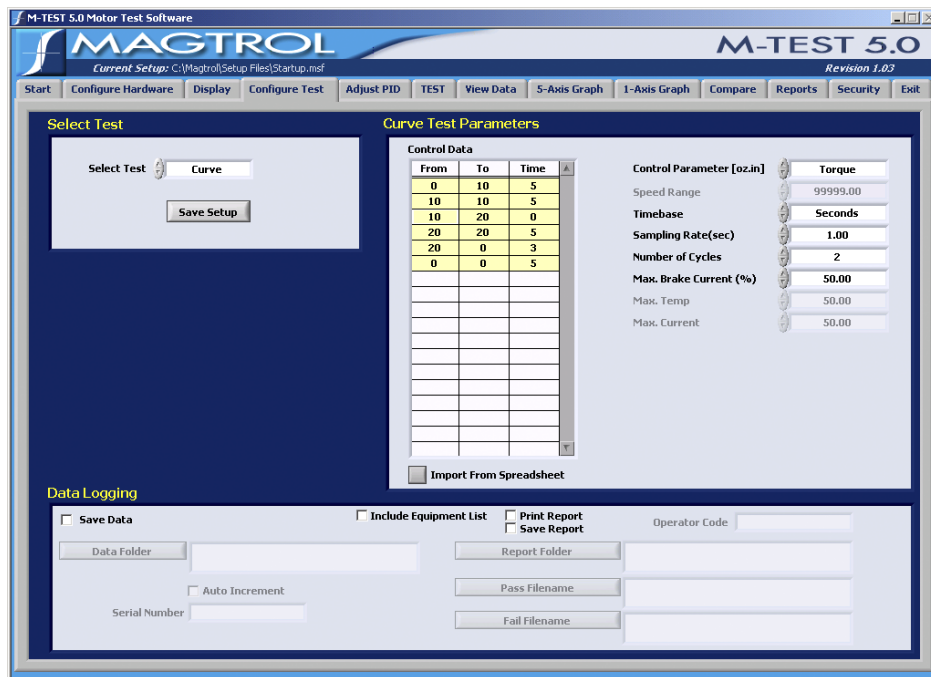


Figure 8–2 Curve Test Setup Window

When Manual test is selected, the window will appear as follows.

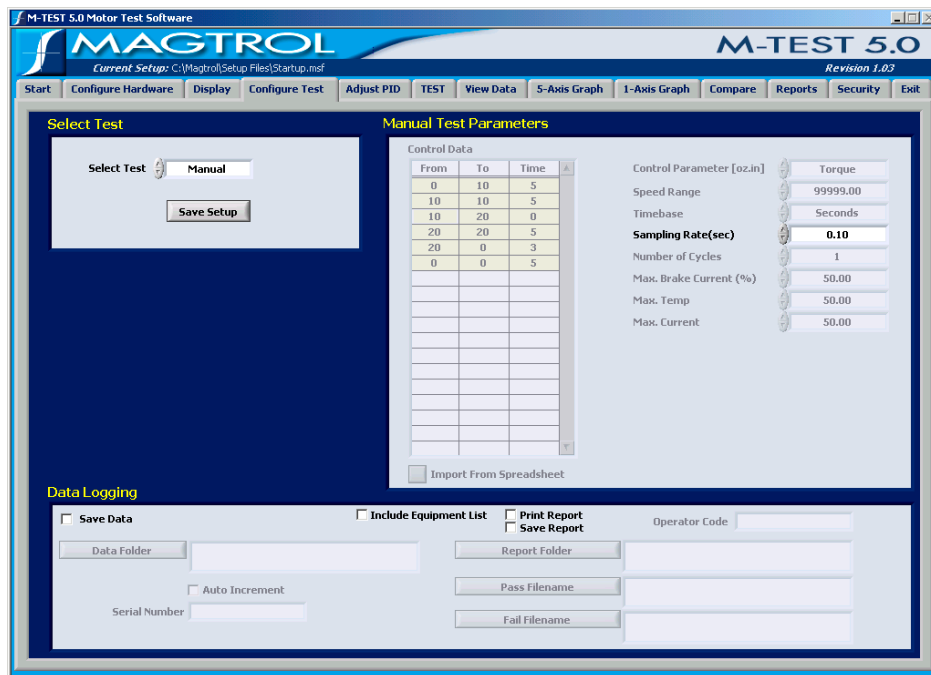


Figure 8–3 Manual Test Setup Window

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The following parameters may be used when setting up a Curve or Manual Test.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Import from Spreadsheet	Imports data from an external tab-delimited text file and displays it in the Control Data table above.	N/A
Control Parameter	<p>Selects the desired parameter to be used as the control.</p> <p>NOTE: When controlling by Speed or Torque, the controller uses its internal circuitry to close the loop on the desired set point. The PID controls are fully active for system response tuning. However, when using Amps, Input Watts, or Output Watts control, the controller operates in an open loop mode and the loop is closed through the M-TEST 5.0 program. This means that the control loop will probably not be as tight as the Speed or Torque modes. The only system tuning control available is proportional gain.</p>	<p>Amps 1, Amps 2, Amps 3, Amps Sum, Input Watts 1, Input Watts 2, Input Watts 3, Input Watts Sum, Speed, Torque, Output Watts and Open Loop.</p> <p>NOTE: Torque will be in the units previously selected in the Display Torque text box under Dynamometer Controller in the Configure Hardware window. For Amps and Input Watts control, the number refers to the phase of a three-phase system. If using a single-phase source, select an option with a "1".</p>
Speed Range	<p>Sets the speed range for the dynamometer controller.</p> <p>NOTE: The value entered should be slightly greater than the free run speed of the motor. Adjusting the Speed Range properly will give the best dynamic range for the PID settings. This parameter is only used with a tandem dynamometer setup.</p>	0 to 99999
Timebase	Sets the timebase for all the time values in the control table.	Seconds and Minutes
Sampling Rate (sec)	<p>Sets the time interval at which a data point will be sampled and stored.</p> <p>NOTE: When using the Manual Test and timed storage, the data will be stored automatically at the rate selected here. The fastest rate is 100 samples per second (0.01 s).</p>	<p>Any</p> <p>NOTE: The fastest rate allowed in a curve test is 10 samples per second (0.10 s). This rate is necessary in order to maintain accurate timing for the ramp and dwell parameters. If you wish to acquire data only at the end of each dwell period, type "99999".</p>
Number of Cycles	Selects the number of times to repeat the load cycle.	1 to 32767

Control	Function	Options/Values
Maximum Brake Current	<p>Sets the maximum amount of current necessary that will lock the rotor, if desired, during the test sequence.</p> <p>Different size dynamometers require different amounts of DC current to produce full torque, or enough torque to lock the rotor of a motor being tested. The hysteresis dynamometer's rotor will become magnetized if current is applied while the shaft is not turning. This produces residual magnetism, also known as a bump. If too much current is applied, the bump may be sufficiently large as to not allow the motor to begin rotating again.</p> <p>NOTE: If locked rotor is not desired, this control is irrelevant.</p>	0 to 99.99%
Maximum Temperature	<p>Allows a maximum value to be set for temperature when using temperature acquisition hardware.</p> <p>NOTE: If any thermocouple exceeds the Maximum Temperature value, the test in progress will abort.</p>	<p>Any</p> <p>NOTE: The temperature units are the same as what was selected in the hardware setup.</p> <p>For FieldPoint: Units are configured within FieldPoint Explorer. See <i>Section 2.4.1.3– Thermocouple Type and Temperature Unit Changes</i>.</p> <p>For USB-9211: Units are set up in the Configure Hardware window, under Sensor Input.</p>
Maximum Current	<p>Allows a maximum value to be set for current.</p> <p>NOTE: If the measured current exceeds the value set up by this control, the test in progress will abort.</p>	Any

**8.3.1 CONTROL DATA TABLE**

- Used for entering a load profile for curve tests.
- Table includes the following items:  
**From:** The starting load value.  
**To:** The ending load value.  
**Time:** The number of seconds or minutes to achieve the series.  
**Volts:** Sets the voltage for each step when using a DC or regulated AC power supply. The power supply will be programmed to the voltage desired at the beginning of each step.



Note: Volts are only applicable when using a DC or regulated AC power supply and will not be visible to the user during line AC operation.

- To set, type values in the table and use the TAB key or mouse to move from cell to cell. The time units are set by the Timebase control to the right and are applied to all time values in the table. Any values entered in the “From” and “To” columns will be in the units specified by the Control Parameter. To clear the table, right-click inside of it and select **Empty Table**.



Note: If a certain profile is repetitive, enter the basic sequence in the table once and use the **Number of Cycles** control on the right to repeat that sequence any number of times.

The following is an example of using the Control Data while running a torque curve with a line AC power supply.

Sequence	From	To	Time	Description
1	0	0	2	This will load the motor with zero torque for 2 seconds.
2	0	10	10	This will ramp the load from 0 to 10 torque units in 10 seconds.
3	10	10	5	This will dwell at 10 torque units for 5 seconds.
4	10	0	0	This will finish by stepping from 10 to 0 in 0 seconds.



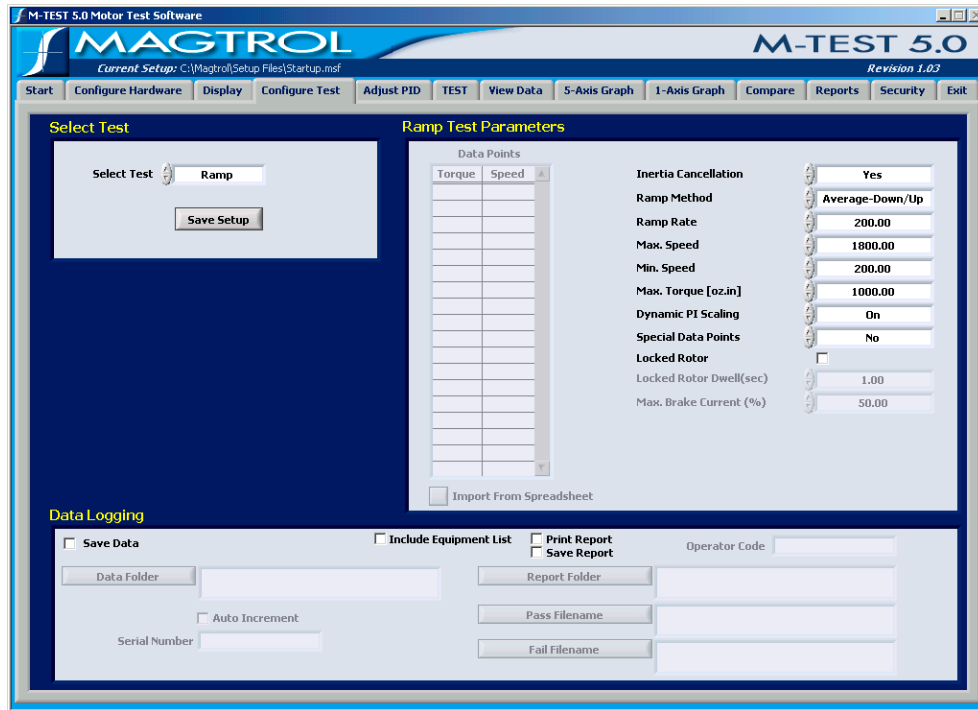
Note: When loading by Amps, Input Watts, Torque, or Output Watts, a value of 0 (zero) will obtain free-run data. A value of 99999 will obtain locked-rotor data.



Note: When loading by Speed, a value of 99999 will obtain free-run data. A value of 0 (zero) will obtain locked-rotor data.

### 8.4 RAMP TEST PARAMETERS

When Ramp test is selected, the window will appear as follows.



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Figure 8–4 Ramp Test Setup Window



The following parameters may be used when setting up a Ramp Test.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Inertia Cancellation	<p>Provides accurate torque and power data during a ramp test. The stored energy of the rotating mass in the system tends to make the motor look stronger than it actually is during a deceleration ramp. Inertia cancellation removes the inertial component and gives data as if a number of discrete stabilized points were taken.</p> <p>NOTE: Under most circumstances, it is a good idea to use inertia cancellation. Once a Dynamic-Corrected test has been run with inertia cancellation, subsequent tests on the same motor (or same type of motor) may be run using the coefficients obtained from the first run. Select <b>Previous Value</b> to use those coefficients without actually performing the inertia cancellation routine. The Average-Down/Up routine inherently has inertia cancellation every time it is run.</p> <p>For more information, refer to <i>Section 7.1–Ramp Testing</i>.</p>	Yes, No and Previous Value
Ramp Method	Selects the ramp method used to test the motor.	<p>Average-Down/Up: An average of the deceleration and acceleration curves. Typically produces the most accurate results and is somewhat dependent on the controller ramp tuning. Inertia cancellation is automatic.</p> <p>Dynamic-Corrected: Determines correction factor based on deceleration curve and stabilized point. The correction factor is then applied to the entire data set. In order for this to work properly, the system tuning is highly critical.</p>
Ramp Rate	Sets the deceleration rate of the ramp in rpm per second.	Any
Maximum Speed	<p>Sets the upper limit, or start, of the ramp.</p> <p>NOTE: This may be helpful in cases where the motor spins at a very high speed, possibly faster than the dynamometer is rated for. A speed stabilized command is sent to the controller to hold the motor at this value before the ramp begins. In order to function properly, the PIDs must be set to a reasonable value or no loading will occur.</p>	0 to 100,000

Control	Function	Options/Values
Minimum Speed	Sets the lower limit of the ramp.	Any NOTE: Zero (0) can be specified to run to locked rotor, or any speed above that. The system response is such that accurately controlled operation in the range of 1 to 100 rpm is not possible without the use of an optional speed encoder. For that reason, Magtrol does not recommend trying to obtain data at those speeds.
Maximum Torque	Stops the ramp when a specific torque limit has been reached.	Any NOTE: Torque will be in the units previously selected in the Display Torque control under Controller in the Configure Hardware window.
Locked Rotor Dwell (sec)	When running the Average-Down/Up ramp test, a Minimum Speed setting of zero (locked rotor) will cause the motor to be loaded to stall at a rate 10 times greater than what was specified for the test. This may cause a bounce in the torque reading that must be removed by waiting a short period of time. Adjust this control to set the settling time before taking a reading.	Any
Locked Rotor	Allows collection of locked rotor data. When enabled, motor will ramp down to Minimum Speed then obtain locked rotor data at zero (0).	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Maximum Brake Current	Sets the maximum amount of current necessary that will still lock the rotor, if desired, during the test sequence.  Different size dynamometers require different amounts of DC current to produce full torque, or enough torque to lock the rotor of a motor being tested. The hysteresis dynamometer's rotor will become magnetized if current is applied while the shaft is not turning. This produces residual magnetism, also known as a bump. If too much current is applied, the bump may be sufficiently large as to not allow the motor to begin rotating again.  NOTE: If locked rotor is not desired, this control is irrelevant.	0 to 99.99%
Dynamic PI Scaling	Allows scaling of the PI values from full value at the start of the ramp to a percentage at the end of the ramp.	Off and On
Special Data Points	Enables the user to select specific data points throughout the performance curve of the motor.  For more information, refer to <i>Section 8.4.1–Special Data Points Table</i> .	Yes and No
Import from Spreadsheet	Imports data from an external tab-delimited text file and displays it in the Special Data Points table above.	N/A

### 8.4.1 SPECIAL DATA POINTS TABLE

When a ramp test is run, there are typically many hundreds of data points, only a few of which may be of interest to the user. If Special Data Points is set to “Yes”, the user has the option of obtaining only those desired speed or torque points, a combination of special points or the entire data set.



Note: All display, graphing and file saving selections will be based on these points only. The graphing routine may be corrupted because of the unnatural order of special points.

- Speed and Torque Special Data Points are entered here.
- To set, type values in the table and use the TAB key to move from cell to cell.



Note: Data needs to be entered in decreasing order for Speed, and increasing order for Torque. If a matching value is not found within the measured data set, the program will interpolate the value from data obtained one point above and one point below. The process applies to all measured parameters.

- Extrapolation of true free-run and locked-rotor values.

If a motor is coupled to a dynamometer, there will be some amount of drag produced by bearing friction and windage. This can cause some motors to reduce their uncoupled free-run speed by hundreds, or even thousands, of rpm. If desired, the program will calculate the true free-run parameters based on the slope of the curve over the first 25 data points taken.

To obtain locked-rotor data without actually stalling the motor, run the motor to the lowest speed possible. The program calculates the locked-rotor parameters based on the slope of the curve over the last 25 data points taken.

The following table provides information needed to create a specific data set based on desired data points.

Data to Obtain	Speed Data Points	Torque Data Points
extrapolated free-run data	99999	0
extrapolated locked-rotor data	0	99999
full data set	88888	88888
extrapolated free-run, full data set and extrapolated locked-rotor data	99999, 88888 and 0	0, 88888 and 99999
extrapolated values with special points in between	99999... special points... 0	0... special points... 99999



Note: When specifying speed or torque points, other than free run and locked rotor, place them first in the table. The command for the full data set should be the last item.

### 8.5 PASS/FAIL TEST PARAMETERS

When Pass/Fail test is selected, the window will appear as follows.



Figure 8–5 Pass/Fail Test Setup Window

The following parameters may be used when setting up a Pass/Fail Test

Control	Function	Options/Values
Import from Spreadsheet	Imports desired load points, dwell times and limits from an external tab-delimited text file and displays the values in the table above.	N/A
Control Parameter	Selects the parameter that will be used to control the loading process.	Amps 1, Amps 2, Amps 3, Amps Sum, Input Watts 1, Input Watts 2, Input Watts 3, Input Watts Sum, Speed, Torque, Output Watts, Auxiliary Input, Direction of Rotation and Output Kilowatts.
Pass/Fail 1–5	Selects up to 5 parameters that will be used for pass/fail checking.	Amps 1, Amps 2, Amps 3, Amps Sum, Input Watts 1, Input Watts 2, Input Watts 3, Input Watts Sum, Speed, Torque, Output Watts and Output Kilowatts.
Timebase	Sets the timebase for all the Time values in the Pass/Fail Control table.	Seconds and Minutes

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Control	Function	Options/Values
Number of Cycles	Selects the number of times to repeat the cycling of a load profile. NOTE: For repetitive cycling of a load profile, enter one complete cycle in the Pass/Fail Control table.	1 to 32,767
Maximum Brake Current	Sets the maximum brake current necessary to lock the rotor. NOTE: If locked rotor is not desired, this control is irrelevant.	0 to 99.99%
Maximum Temperature	Sets the desired maximum temperature when using temperature acquisition hardware NOTE: If any thermocouple exceeds the value entered in this field, the test in progress will abort.	Any NOTE: The temperature units are the same as what was selected in the hardware setup. For FieldPoint: Units are configured within FieldPoint Explorer. See Section 2.4.1.3– Thermocouple Type and Temperature Unit Changes. For USB-9211: Units are set up in the Configure Hardware window, under Sensor Input.
Maximum Current	Sets the desired maximum current. NOTE: If the measured current exceeds the value entered in this field, the test in progress will abort.	Any
Speed Range	Sets the desired speed range.	0 to 99999

## 8.5.1

**PASS/FAIL CONTROL TABLE**

**From:** Starting value for the Control Parameter.

**To:** Ending value for the Control Parameter.

**Time:** Dwell time for the Control Parameter.

**Volts:** Sets the voltage for each step when using a DC or regulated AC power supply. The power supply will be programmed to the voltage desired at the beginning of each step.

**Min:** Minimum allowable value for the Pass/Fail parameter displayed directly above.

**Max:** Maximum allowable value for the Pass/Fail parameter displayed directly above.



Note: When checking for direction of rotation, enter either CW or CCW in both the Min and Max columns.

## 9. Adjust PID

The PID can be adjusted either prior to a test being run or afterwards if the test results are unacceptable. For more information on PID, see *Appendix B–PID/Scaling*.

Click the **Adjust PID** tab to open the Adjust PID window.

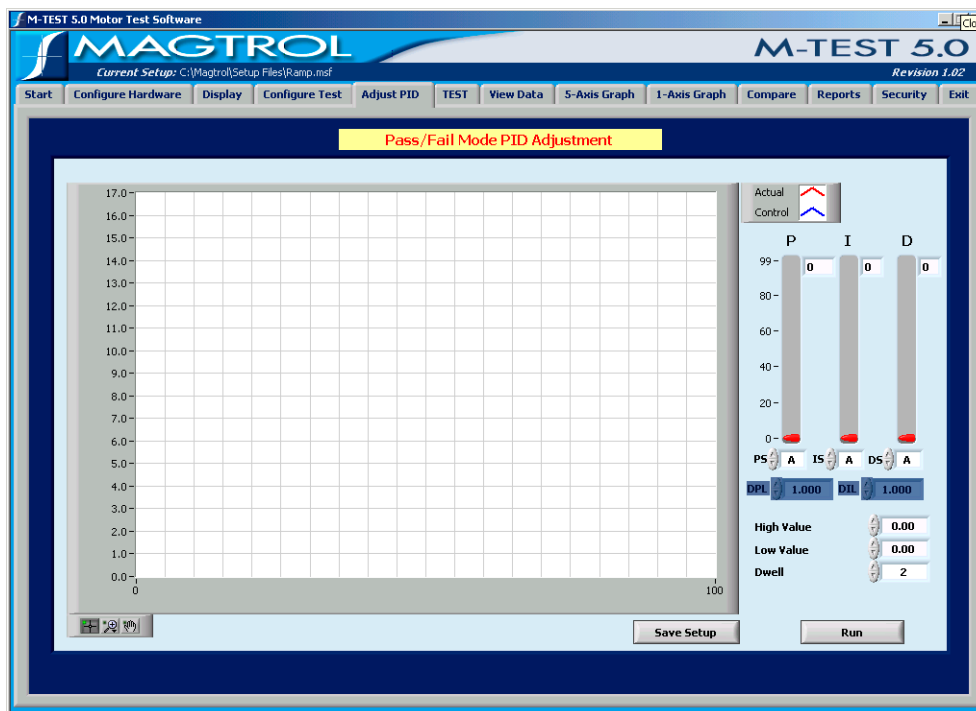


Figure 9–1 Adjust PID Window

The Adjust PID window is where PID setup routines are provided.



Note: For specific instructions on how to enter information into M-TEST 5.0, see *Section 3.3–Navigating M-TEST 5.0*.

In order to assist the operator in adjusting the PID values, there are two setup routines:

- **Curve/Pass-Fail Test Setup Routine:** A step function is sent to the controller and the system response is plotted against it. Adjust PID values on the fly until desired response is obtained.
- **Ramp Test Setup Routine:** The deceleration curve is shown against an ideal curve and PIDs are adjusted until the curves align with each other.

Adjustments made to the PID values during Curve/Pass-Fail Test and Ramp Test Setup Routines are automatically transferred to the controller when the test is executed.



Note: While PID adjustments can be made with any Magtrol programmable dynamometer controller, only the DSP6000 and DSP6001 can receive PID values changed with M-TEST 5.0.

## 9.1 PID PARAMETERS

The following parameters may be used when adjusting the DSP6000/6001 Dynamometer Controller.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Actual	Indicates the plot in the graph that displays the actual system response to a test run.	N/A
Ideal	Indicates the plot in the graph that displays the optimum result of a test run. NOTE: This plot is only displayed during a ramp test.	N/A
Control	Indicates the plot in the graph that displays the value and dwell settings. NOTE: This plot is only displayed during a curve test.	N/A
P (Proportional Gain)	Adjusts the proportional gain setting on the DSP6000/6001.	0 to 99
I (Integral)	Adjusts the integral setting on the DSP6000/6001.	0 to 99
D (Derivative)	Adjusts the derivative setting on the DSP6000/6001.	0 to 99
PS (Proportional Gain Scaling)	Adjusts the proportional gain scaling on the DSP6001.	A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H AND I
IS (Integral Scaling)	Adjusts the integral scaling on the DSP6001.	A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H AND I
DS (Derivative Scaling)	Adjusts the derivative scaling on the DSP6001.	A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H AND I
DPL (Dynamic Proportional Gain Scaling)	Adjusts the dynamic proportional gain scaling on the DSP6001. NOTE: Only applicable during a ramp test when Dynamic PID Scaling is turned "On" under Ramp Test Parameters in the Configure Test window.	Any
DIL (Dynamic Integral Scaling)	Adjusts the dynamic integral scaling on the DSP6001. NOTE: Only applicable during a ramp test when Dynamic PID Scaling is turned "On" under Ramp Test Parameters in the Configure Test window.	Any
High Value	Sets the maximum value for the desired system response adjustment. The program will cycle between the low value and this value.	Any
Low Value	Sets the minimum value for the desired system response adjustment. The program will cycle between this value and the high value.	Any
Dwell	When performing curve tests, this control sets the dwell time at no-load and at load for the adjustment procedure. The time is in seconds.	0 to 32767

Control	Function	Options/Values
Run	When the controls are configured, click <b>Run</b> to begin the adjustment procedure.  NOTE: Curve tests allow adjustment of the PID values on the fly. After the ramp test has run once, the settings may be changed and then the test may be repeated.	N/A
Save Setup	The current PID settings are saved, overriding the current setup file that is loaded. If you do not wish to override the current setup file (after pressing Save Setup), click <b>Cancel</b> when prompted and read the note below.  NOTE: To save current PID settings in a new setup file, first return to the Start window. Create a new setup file by clicking Save Setup under Current Setup Filename. See <i>Section 4.3.1–Save Setup</i> .	N/A

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## 9.2 ADJUSTING THE CONTROLLER FOR A CURVE OR PASS-FAIL TEST




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Note: When amps, input watts, output watts or output kW curve/pass-fail tests are being performed, only the proportional gain (P) can be adjusted.

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1. Set P to **35**.
2. Set I and D to **0**.
3. Set PS, IS and DS to **A**.
4. Set High Value to the highest load used on the motor during testing.
5. Set Low Value to the lowest load used on the motor during testing.
6. Set Dwell to **2** or **3** seconds.
7. Set Motor Voltage to appropriate value if a motor power supply was selected in the Configure Hardware window.



8. Click **Run**. The result will appear similar to the following example.

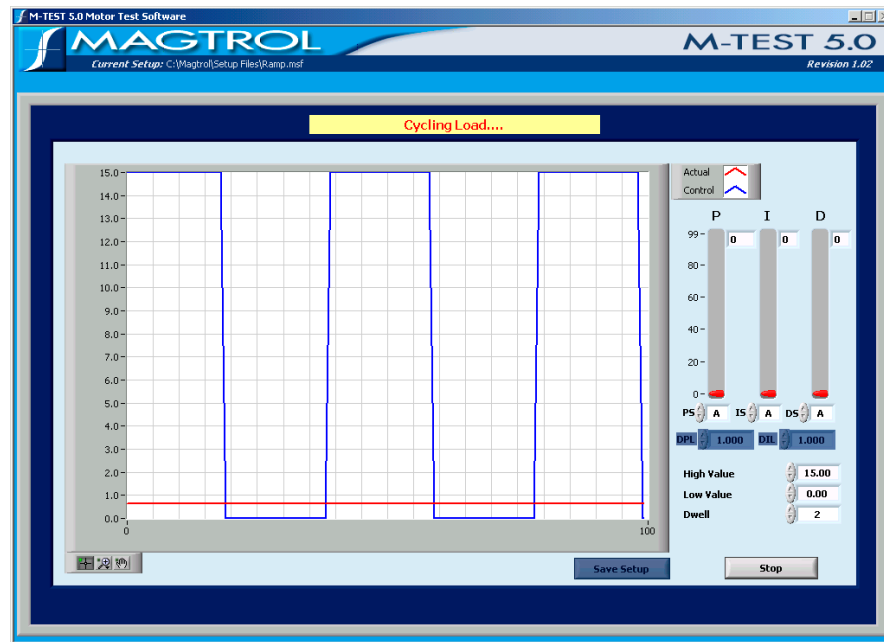


Figure 9–2 Curve (no I or D)

9. Increase PS until actual value is approximately 25% of ideal value. Use the P slider for finer adjustment. When optimal setting is reached, the result will appear similar to the following example.

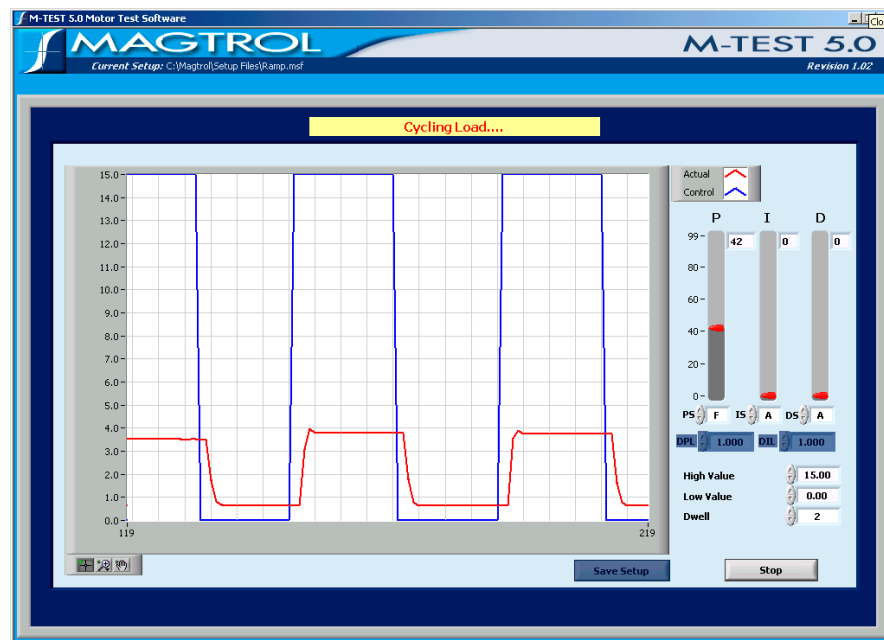


Figure 9–3 Curve (P at 25%)

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10. Set I to **35**.
11. Increase IS until actual value reaches ideal value. Use the I slider for finer adjustment. When optimal setting is reached, the result will appear similar to the following example.

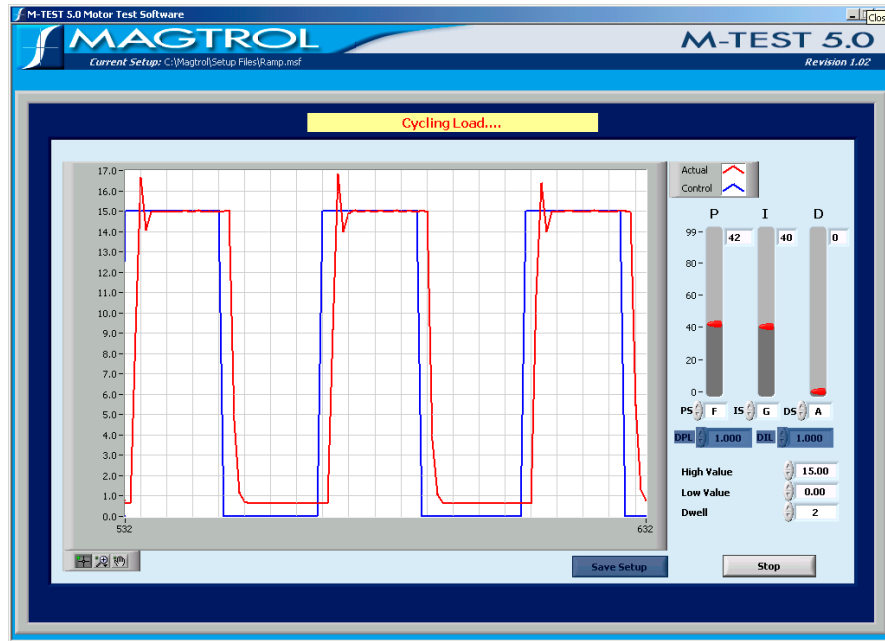


Figure 9–4 Curve (with P and I)

12. Set D to **35**.
13. Increase DS until the actual curve matches, or is as close to, the ideal curve as possible. Use the D slider for finer adjustment. The final result will appear similar to the following example.

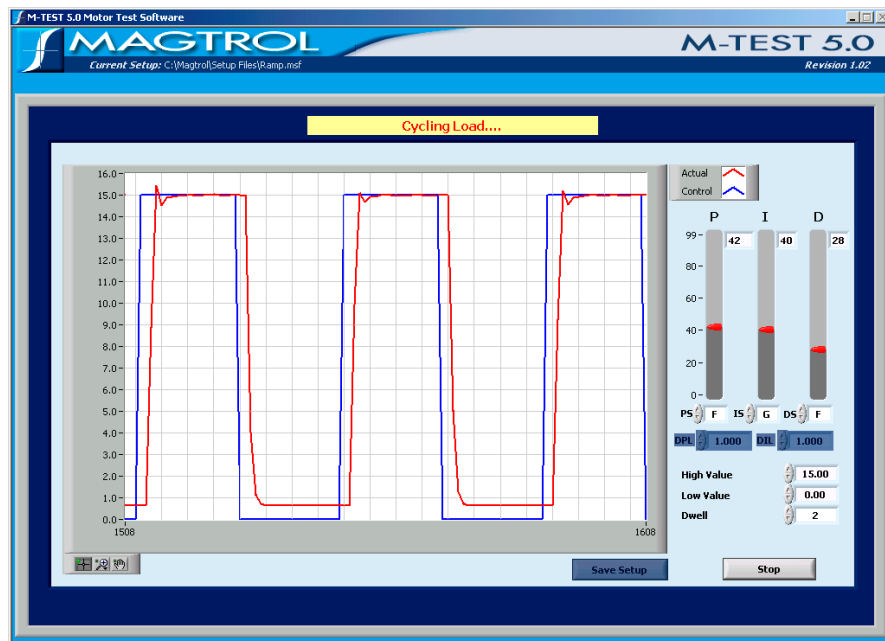


Figure 9–5 Matched Curve

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### 9.3 ADJUSTING THE CONTROLLER FOR A RAMP TEST

1. In the Configure Test window under Ramp Test Parameters, make sure the Dynamic PID Scaling is set to **On**.
2. Click Adjust PID tab to return to the Adjust PID window.
3. Set P and I to **35**.
4. Set D to **0**.
5. Set PS, IS and DS to **A**.
6. Set DPL and DIL to **1**.
7. Set Motor Voltage to appropriate value if a motor power supply was selected in the Configure Hardware window.
8. Click **Run**. The result will appear similar to the following example.

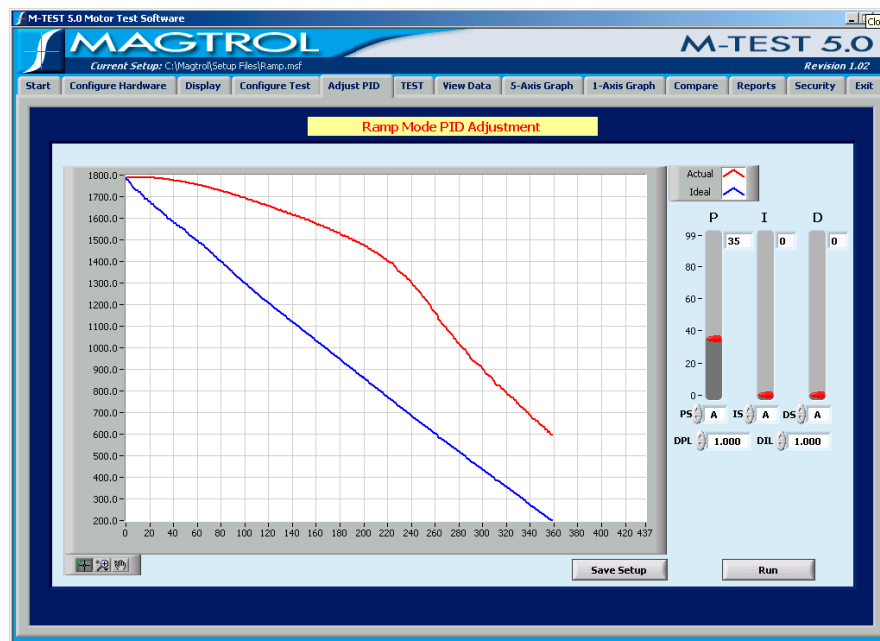


Figure 9–6 Ramp (with bump and offset)

9. Set IS to **B**. For more information on ideal and actual response, see *Appendix B–PID/Scaling*.

10. Click **Run**. The result will appear similar to the following example.

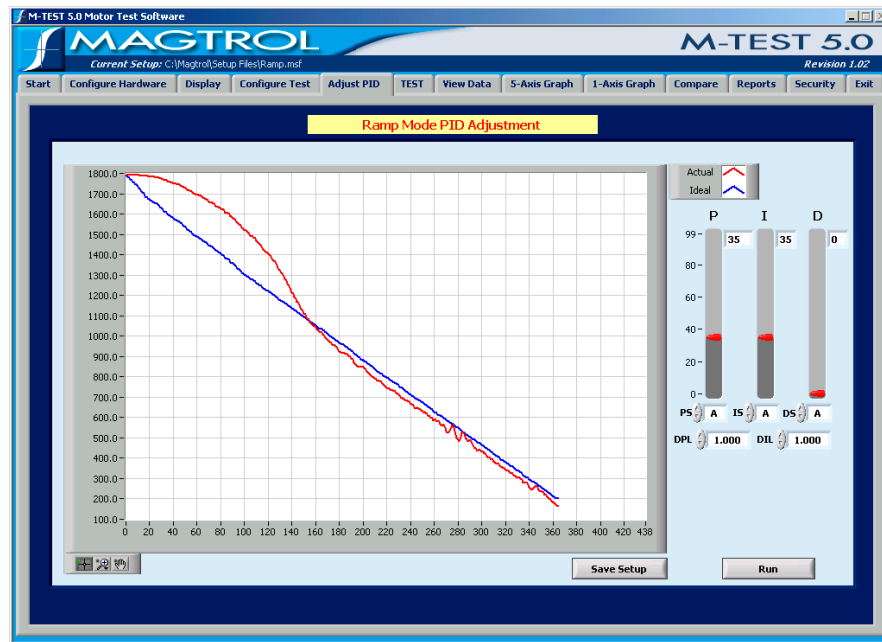


Figure 9–7 Ramp (with bump)

11. Increase IS value until bump diminishes. Use the I slider for finer adjustment. Click **Run** between each adjustment to see results. When optimal setting is reached, the result will appear similar to the following example.

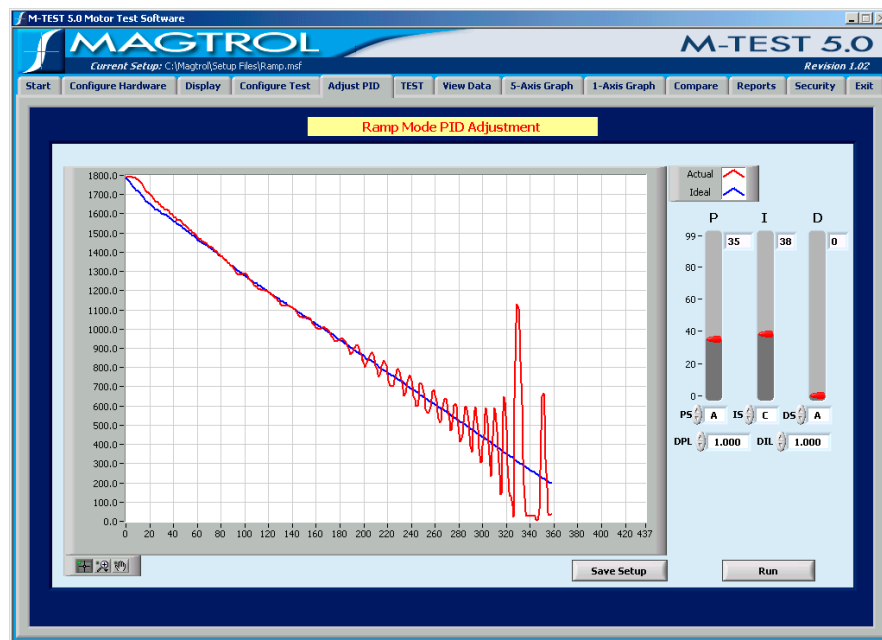


Figure 9–8 Ramp (no bump but unstable)

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- 12. Set D to **35**.
- 13. Increase DS until major instability diminishes. Use the D slider for finer adjustment. Click **Run** between each adjustment to see results. When optimal setting is reached, the result will appear similar to the following example.

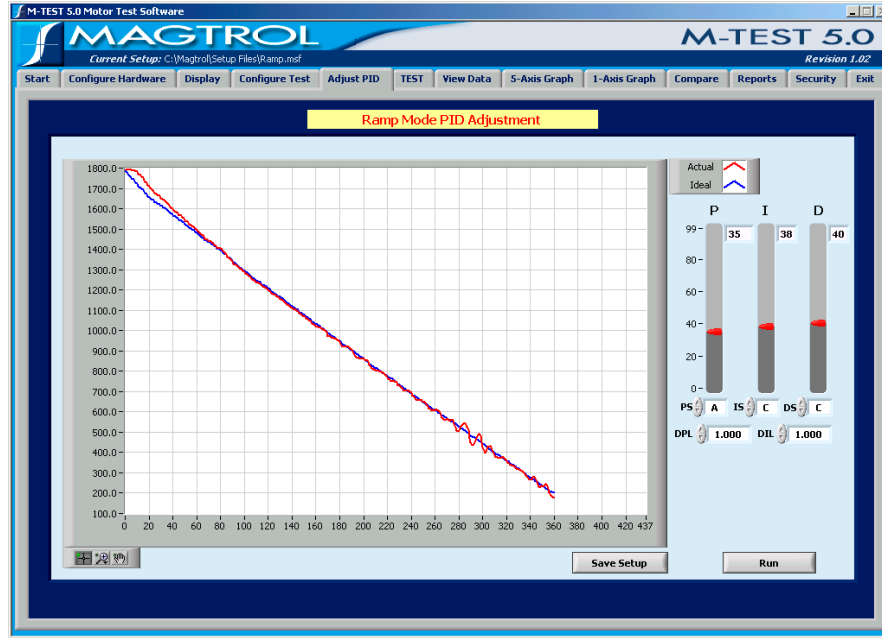


Figure 9–9 Ramp (no bump and stable)

- 14. Decrease DIL until minor instability diminishes. While adjusting, click **Run** between each adjustment to see results. When optimal setting is reached, the result will appear similar to the following example.

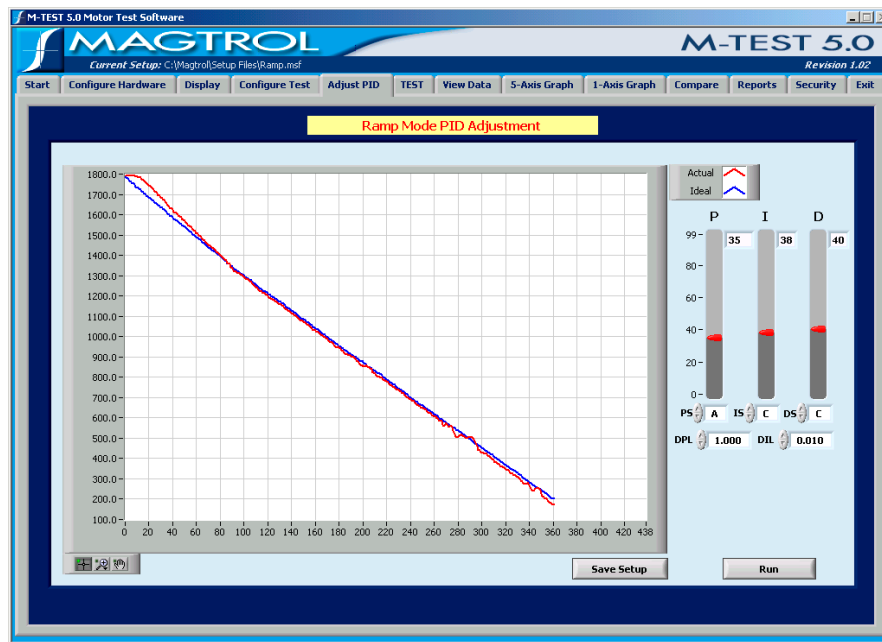


Figure 9–10 Final Ramp

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# 10. Test

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This chapter includes step-by-step instructions for setting up and running a basic curve, ramp, manual and pass/fail test from beginning to end.

Follow these steps in order which are purposely in the same order (sequentially from left to right) as the navigation tabs at the top of the M-TEST 5.0 screen.

1. Configure Hardware
2. Configure Display
3. Configure and Run Test
4. View Test Results
  - Tabular display (View Data)
  - Graphical display
    - 5-Axis Graph
    - 1- Axis Graph
    - Compare
5. Configure Report

## 10.1 CONFIGURE HARDWARE

The following hardware configuration is common for each test. For a detailed procedure, refer to *Chapter 5 – Configure Hardware*.

1. Click **Configure Hardware** tab to open the Configure Hardware window.
2. Select Dynamometer Controller and corresponding settings.
3. Select Instrument Type and Model for Channel 1 (TSC1).
4. If applicable, select Instrument Type and Model for Channel 2 (TSC2).
5. Click **Load Defaults**.
6. Make any changes to default settings, if necessary.
7. Select Power Measurement device and corresponding settings.
8. Select Power Supply and corresponding settings.
9. Select Sensor Input device (temperature testing hardware) and corresponding settings, if applicable.
10. Click **Apply Settings**.

## 10.2 CONFIGURE DISPLAY

The following display configuration applies to curve, manual and ramp tests. For a detailed procedure, refer to *Chapter 6 – Display*.

1. Click **Display** tab to open Display Setup window.
2. Select parameters to record and/or display during test.

### 10.3 CONFIGURE AND RUN TEST



Note: For detailed information on formatting and navigating graphs, refer to *Appendix A – Graph Tools*.

The software configuration for each test varies. Following are step-by-step instructions for setting up and running a curve, ramp, manual and pass/fail test. For detailed procedures, refer to *Chapter 8 – Configure Test*.

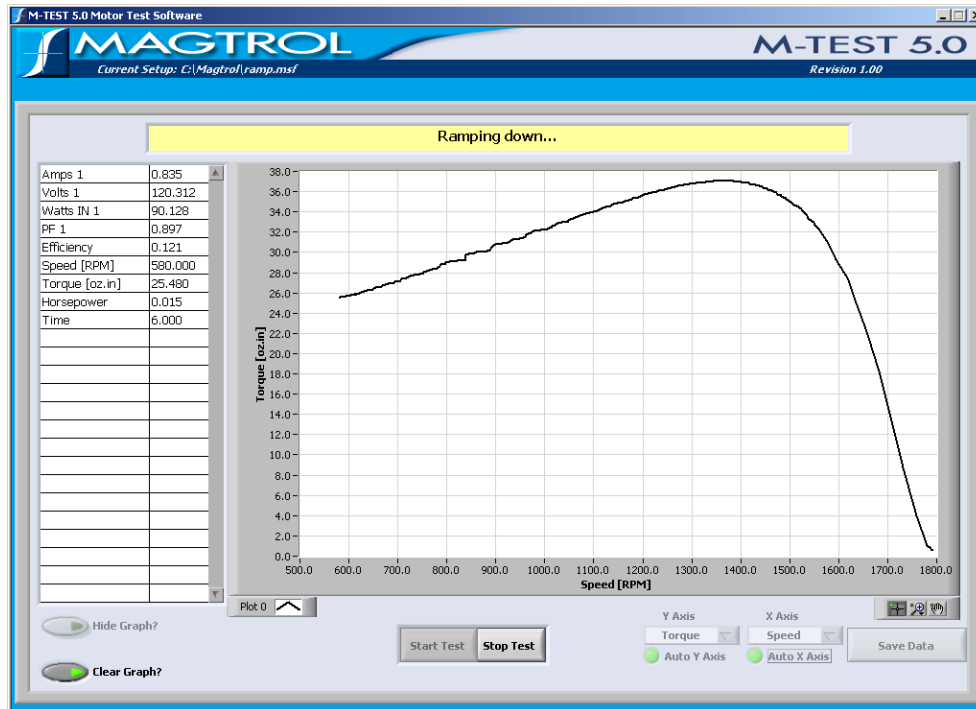


Figure 10–1 Test Window Example

#### 10.3.1 CURVE TEST

Curve testing is best used for heat run or endurance testing simulating a real life usage or just for checking a few specific data points.

1. Click the **Configure Test** tab to open the Configure Test window.
2. Under Select Test, select **Curve**.
3. Under Curve Test Parameters, select Control Parameter.
4. Enter values in control data table.
5. Click **Test** tab to open Test window.
6. Select which parameters will be plotted from the X and Y-axis drop-down lists located in the lower right corner of the Test window.
7. Click **Start Test**. The Test data table to the left will appear based on the parameters selected in the Display window. The Test graph will display the plot for the selected X and Y parameters.

To display additional test curves, simply change the X and Y-axis parameters and click **Start Test** again.




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Note: If results are unacceptable, see *Section 9.1–Adjusting the Controller for a Curve or Pass-Fail Test*.

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### 10.3.2 RAMP TEST

Ramp testing is best used for obtaining a full performance curve in a short period of time.

1. Click the **Configure Test** tab to open the Configure Test window.
2. Under Select Test, select **Ramp**.
3. Under Ramp Test Parameters, choose Ramp Method.
4. Set Ramp Rate to approximately 10% of free-run speed of motor.
5. Set Minimum Speed.




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Note: For initial test, achieving locked rotor is generally not desirable.

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6. Click **Test** tab to open Test window.
7. Select which parameters will be plotted from the X and Y-axis drop-down lists located in the lower right corner of the Test window.
8. Click **Start Test**. The Test data table to the left will appear based on the parameters selected in the Display window. The Test graph will display the plot for the selected X and Y parameters.

To display additional test curves, simply change the X and Y-axis parameters and click **Start Test** again.




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Note: If results are unacceptable, see *Section 9.2–Adjusting the Controller for a Ramp Test*.

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### 10.3.3 MANUAL TEST

Manual testing is best used for a quick check of a parameter.

1. Click the **Configure Test** tab to open the test configuration window.
2. Under Select Test, select **Manual**.
3. Under Manual Test Parameters, set Sampling Rate.
4. Click **Test** tab to open Test window.
5. Select which parameters will be plotted from the X and Y-axis drop-down lists located in the lower right corner of the Test window.
6. Click **Start Test**. The Test data table to the left will appear based on the parameters selected in the Display window. The Test graph will display the plot for the selected X and Y parameters.

To display additional test curves, simply change the X and Y-axis parameters and click **Start Test** again.



### 10.3.4 PASS/FAIL TEST

Pass/Fail testing is best used for checking a few data points at the end of a production line or at incoming inspection.

1. Click the **Configure Test** tab to open the Configure Test window.
2. Under Select Test, select **Pass/Fail**.
3. Under Pass/Fail Test Parameters, select Control Parameter.
4. Enter From, To and Time values (and Volts when using a DC or regulated AC power supply) in pass/fail control data table.
5. Select Pass/Fail Parameters (up to 5) and enter minimum and maximum values for each of the load points.
6. Click **Test** tab to open Test window.
7. Select which parameters will be plotted from the X and Y-axis drop-down lists located in the lower right corner of the Test window.
8. Click **Start Test**.
9. Once the test has completed its sequence, the test results will appear indicating whether the motor was PASS or FAIL.
10. Select **Next Test** to run the same test for a new motor.




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Note: If results are unacceptable, see *Section 9.1–Adjusting the Controller for a Curve or Pass-Fail Test*.

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## 10.4 VIEW TEST DATA

When the test run is complete, there are a few different options for viewing test results:

### 10.4.1 TABULAR DISPLAY

- **View Data:** Display test results in a data table with option to print. Refer to *Chapter 11 – View Data* for more information.

### 10.4.2 GRAPHICAL DISPLAY

- **5-Axis Graph:** Display up to 5 test curves in a single graph with option to print. Refer to *Chapter 12 – 5-Axis Graph* for more information.
- **1-Axis Graph:** Display up to three separate 1-axis graphs (one for each tested parameter) in the same window. Refer to *Chapter 13 – 1-Axis Graph* for more information.
- **Compare:** Overlay data from two separate tests on the same graph with option to print. Refer to *Chapter 14 – Compare* for more information.

## 10.5 CONFIGURE REPORT

Click **Report** tab to produce a one-page motor test summary. Refer to *Chapter 15 – Reports* for more information.

## 10.6 SAVE TEST DATA

If data logging is enabled, test data is automatically saved as a Microsoft® Excel file, using the motor's serial number as the file name. Refer to *Section 8.2–Data Logging* for more information.

To save test data as a file that can be recalled later by M-TEST 5.0, click **Save Data** in any of the following windows: Test, View Data, 5-Axis Graph and 1-Axis Graph. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file name (with an .mdf file extension). The data is then saved as a tab-delimited file that can be imported into any spreadsheet program.

# 11. View Data

After the test has been completed, click **View Data** to see test results in a tabular format.

Amps I	Volts I	Watts IN I	PF I	Efficiency	Speed [RPM]	Torque [oz.in]	Horsepower	Watts OUT	Time
0.306	120.642	30.502	0.826	0.027	1792.000	0.632	0.001	0.838	0.000
0.309	120.800	31.309	0.839	0.064	1786.000	1.505	0.003	1.988	0.281
0.309	120.775	31.399	0.841	0.069	1785.000	1.548	0.003	2.175	0.297
0.310	120.751	31.800	0.848	0.089	1782.000	2.166	0.004	2.854	0.312
0.312	120.746	32.386	0.858	0.117	1778.000	2.902	0.005	3.816	0.359
0.315	120.792	33.005	0.869	0.145	1774.000	3.688	0.006	4.838	0.375
0.317	120.725	33.611	0.878	0.173	1771.000	4.503	0.008	5.897	0.406
0.321	120.770	34.356	0.888	0.205	1766.000	5.468	0.010	7.140	0.422
0.328	120.687	35.877	0.905	0.261	1758.000	7.313	0.013	9.507	0.453
0.335	120.693	37.178	0.918	0.303	1750.000	8.856	0.015	11.461	0.484
0.340	120.694	38.119	0.927	0.324	1745.000	9.728	0.017	12.553	0.515
0.349	120.696	39.484	0.938	0.364	1736.000	11.334	0.019	14.550	0.547
0.359	120.689	41.141	0.947	0.403	1726.000	13.136	0.022	16.765	0.594
0.366	120.625	42.183	0.953	0.428	1719.000	14.323	0.024	18.207	0.625
0.379	120.632	43.862	0.961	0.455	1710.000	15.895	0.027	20.099	0.656
0.386	120.612	44.828	0.963	0.469	1704.000	16.786	0.029	21.152	0.687
0.392	120.630	45.625	0.965	0.481	1699.000	17.575	0.029	22.081	0.703
0.402	120.606	46.996	0.969	0.506	1689.000	19.087	0.032	23.839	0.734
0.412	120.579	48.303	0.972	0.519	1682.000	20.220	0.034	25.150	0.765
0.417	120.569	48.892	0.973	0.530	1677.000	20.955	0.035	25.987	0.781
0.421	120.606	49.527	0.974	0.533	1674.000	21.357	0.036	26.437	0.797
0.428	120.565	50.344	0.975	0.540	1667.000	22.120	0.036	27.267	0.828
0.436	120.569	51.324	0.976	0.552	1660.000	23.140	0.038	28.405	0.844
0.448	120.546	52.753	0.977	0.563	1650.000	24.377	0.040	29.743	0.890
0.456	120.553	53.710	0.978	0.566	1644.000	25.057	0.041	30.462	0.922
0.462	120.544	54.469	0.978	0.572	1636.000	25.790	0.042	31.201	0.957
0.464	120.549	54.736	0.978	0.577	1634.000	26.170	0.043	31.622	0.953
0.468	120.577	55.193	0.978	0.577	1631.000	26.395	0.043	31.835	0.969
0.475	120.541	56.026	0.978	0.581	1627.000	27.070	0.044	32.569	1.000
0.484	120.497	57.045	0.978	0.584	1614.000	27.919	0.045	33.322	1.031
0.490	120.502	57.717	0.978	0.586	1610.000	28.435	0.045	33.854	1.047

Figure 11-1 View Data Window

Use the scroll bars to the right and at the bottom of the table to view all the data.

## 11.1 SAVE TEST DATA

If data logging is enabled, test data is automatically saved as a Microsoft® Excel file, using the motor's serial number as the file name. Refer to *Section 8.2-Data Logging* for more information.

To save test data as a file that can be recalled later by M-TEST 5.0, click **Save Data**. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file name (with an .mdf file extension). The data is then saved as a tab-delimited file that can be imported into any spreadsheet program.

## 11.2 PRINT TEST DATA

1. Click Configure Print. The window will appear as follows.

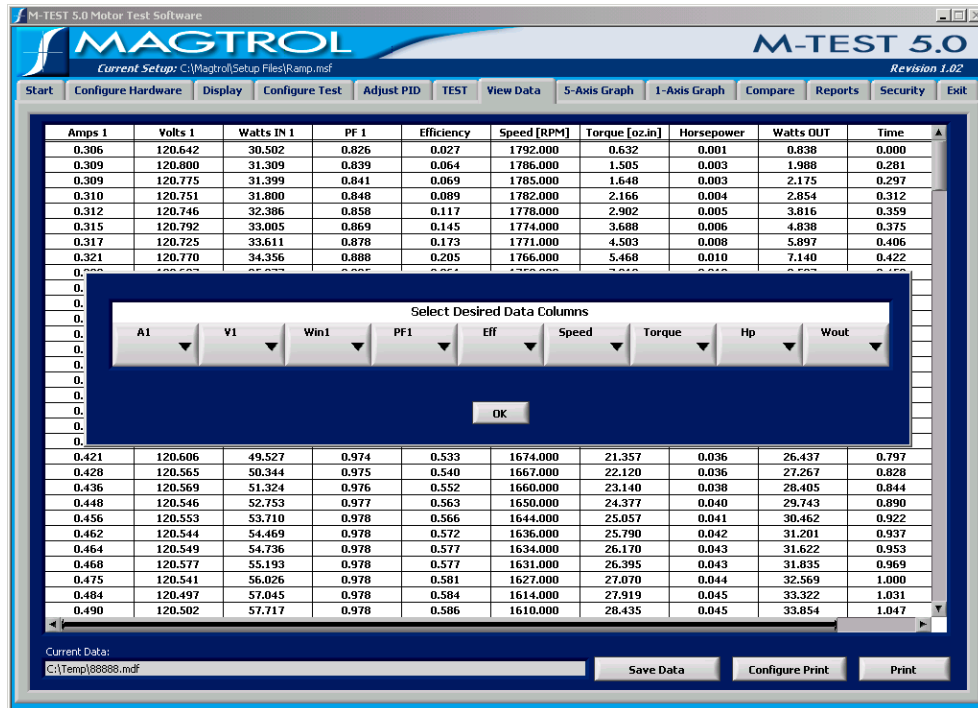


Figure 11–2 Configure Print Window

2. Choose up to 9 different parameters by clicking on the down arrow and selecting desired parameter from the drop-down list.
3. Click **OK** to save settings.
4. Click **Print**. Print settings will be based on your local printer’s default settings.



**Note:** M-TEST 5.0 only has the capability to print 9 columns at a time. If printing more than 9 columns, it is suggested that the file be saved and then printed from another program. See *Section 11.1–Save Test Data*.

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## 12. 5-Axis Graph

After the test has been completed, click **5-Axis Graph** tab to view test results in a multiplot graph.



Figure 12–1 5-Axis Graph Window



Note: For detailed information on formatting and navigating graphs, refer to *Appendix A – Graph Tools*.

### 12.1 SELECT PLOTTED PARAMETERS

Up to 5 (Y-axis) test parameters are plotted against one common X-axis parameter.

1. Select each Y-axis parameter from the drop-down lists located to the left of the graph.
2. Select the X-axis parameter from the drop-down list located below the graph.

### 12.2 SAVE DATA

If data logging is enabled, test data is automatically saved as a Microsoft® Excel file, using the motor's serial number as the file name. Refer to *Section 8.2–Data Logging* for more information.

To save test data as a file that can be recalled later by M-TEST 5.0, click **Save Data**. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file name (with an .mdf file extension). The data is then saved as a tab-delimited file that can be imported into any spreadsheet program.

# 13. 1-Axis Graph

After the test has been completed, click **1-Axis Graph** tab to view test results in up to three separate 1-axis graphs (one for each tested parameter) in the same window.

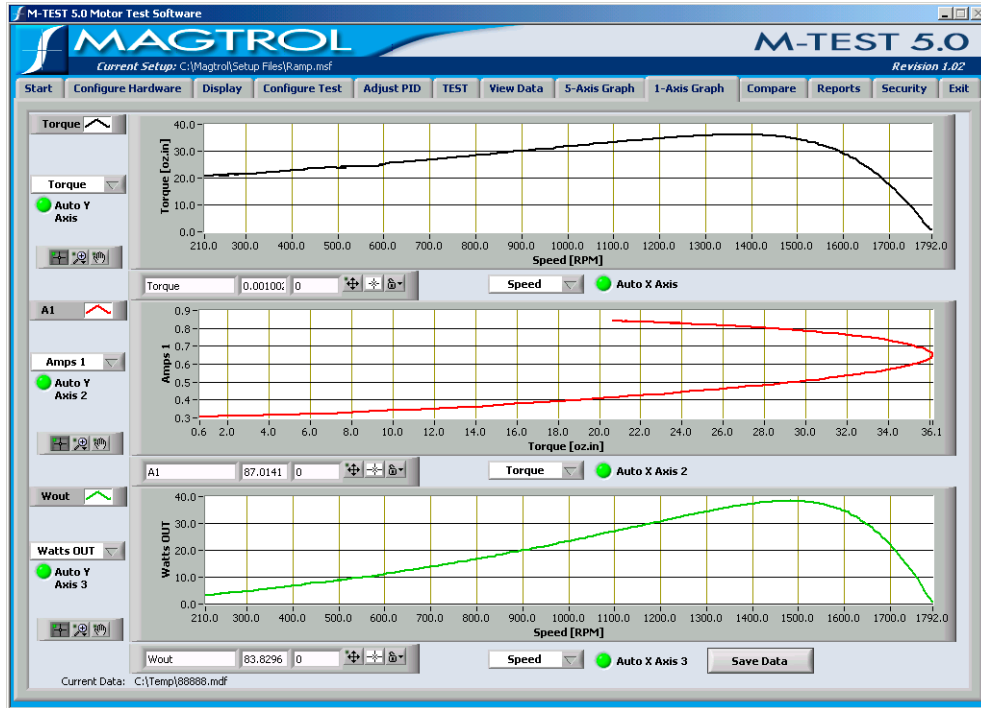


Figure 13–1 1-Axis Graph Window



Note: For detailed information on formatting and navigating graphs, refer to *Appendix A – Graph Tools*.

## 13.1 SELECT PLOTTED PARAMETERS

1. Select the Y-axis parameter for each graph from the drop-down list located to the left of the corresponding graph.
2. Select the X-axis parameter for each graph from the drop-down list located below the corresponding graph.

## 13.2 SAVE DATA

If data logging is enabled, test data is automatically saved as a Microsoft® Excel file, using the motor's serial number as the file name. Refer to *Section 8.2–Data Logging* for more information.

To save test data as a file that can be recalled later by M-TEST 5.0, click **Save Data**. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file name (with an .mdf file extension). The data is then saved as a tab-delimited file that can be imported into any spreadsheet program.

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# 14. Compare

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Click **Compare** to overlay data from two separate tests on the same graph.

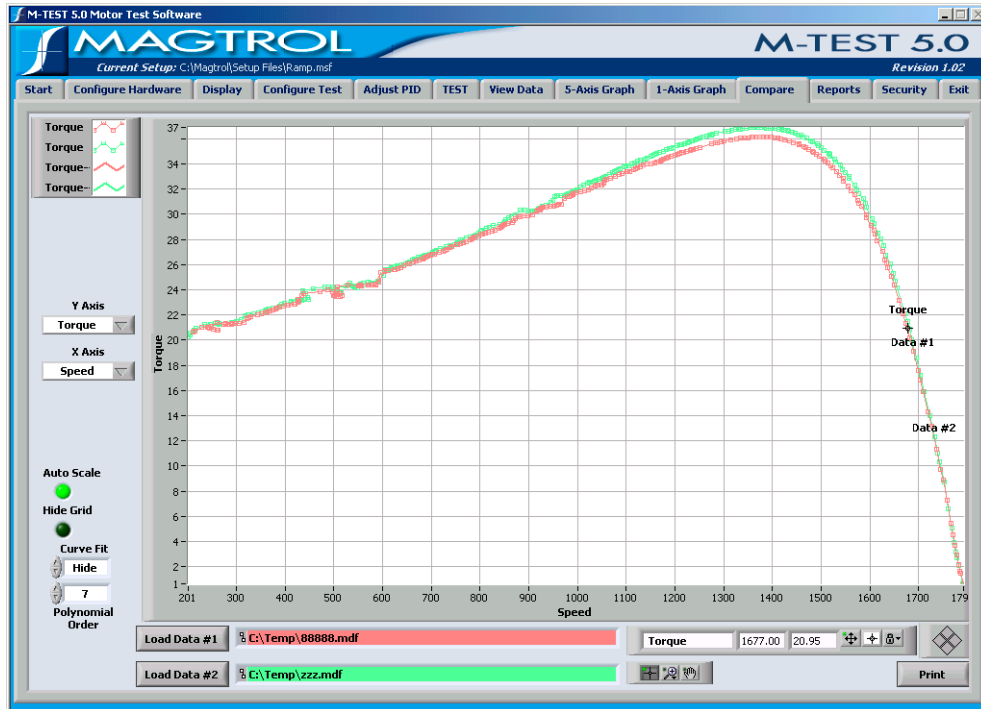


Figure 14–1 Compare Window



Note: For detailed information on formatting and navigating graphs, refer to *Appendix A – Graph Tools*.

## 14.1 LOAD DATA

1. To view data from the current test, the data must first be saved as an .mdf file (**M-Test Data File**). To save, go to any of the following windows: Start, View Data, 5-Axis Graph or 1-Axis Graph and click **Save Data**. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file name (with an .mdf file extension).
2. Click **Load Data #1 / Load Data #2**. The Open File dialog box will appear. Select the desired M-Test data (.mdf) files and click **OK**.

## 14.2 SELECT PLOTTED PARAMETERS

1. Select the X- and Y-axis parameters to be compared from the corresponding drop-down lists located to the left of the graph.

Parameters and plots for Test Data #1 are shown in red. Parameters and plots for Test Data #2 are shown in green.

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# 15. Reports

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Click the **Reports** tab to open the Reports window.



Figure 15–1 Reports Window

The Reports window is where the desired parameters and overall layout for a custom printed report are selected.



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Note: For specific instructions on how to enter information into M-TEST 5.0, see *Section 3.3–Navigating M-TEST 5.0*.

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## 15.1 CONFIGURE REPORT

The following parameters may be used when configuring a report.

Control	Function	Options/Values
Test Title	Displays the title to be placed at the top of the report.	Type desired title.
Test Information	Selects specific test information to be printed on the report. Up to 9 different parameters can be selected.	None, Test Date, Test Time, Serial Number, Operator Code, Maximum Current, Maximum Efficiency, Maximum Horsepower, Maximum Input Watts, Maximum Output Watts, Maximum Torque, Maximum Speed, Direction of Rotation and Maximum Output kW
Comments	Displays the comments to be included in the report.	Type desired comments.
Show Graph	Shows graph on the report.	Select the check box to show the graph, clear check box to omit from report.
Y-axis	Selects the parameter to graph on the Y-axis.	Any of the parameters previously selected in the Display window
X-axis	Selects the parameter to graph on the X-axis.	Any of the parameters previously selected in the Display window
Curve Fit	If the resulting plot has a mathematical function, its shape may be smoothed by enabling curve fitting. The program will apply a general polynomial curve fit routine to the data set and re-plot the data.  NOTE: The curve fit applies to the graph only and not the tabular data.	Enabled (select check box) and Disabled (clear check box)
Polynomial Order	Sets the order of polynomials in the curve fitting routine.	0 to 100  NOTE: The default of “2” should be sufficient for most curves, but may be increased to achieve a truer representation. It is recommended to experiment with the curve fitting in the 5-Axis Graph window to find the best fit, and then use the same value for the report.
XY Graph	Displays a single plot using the parameters selected for the X- and Y-axis. The axes are autoscaled for best resolution.	Any of the parameters previously selected in the Display window
Select Desired Data Columns	Selects parameters to print in the tabular data columns of the report. Up to 9 different parameters can be selected by clicking on the down arrow and selecting desired parameter from the drop-down menus.	Any of the parameters previously selected in the Display window

## 15.2 VIEW REPORT

Displays the report as it will look when printed.

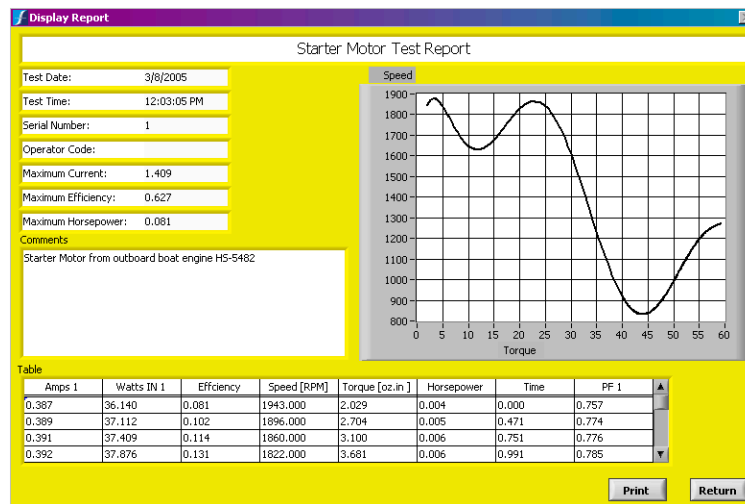


Figure 15–2 Display Report

**Print:** See Section 15.4–Print Report

**Return:** Closes the Display Report window and returns to the Reports window.

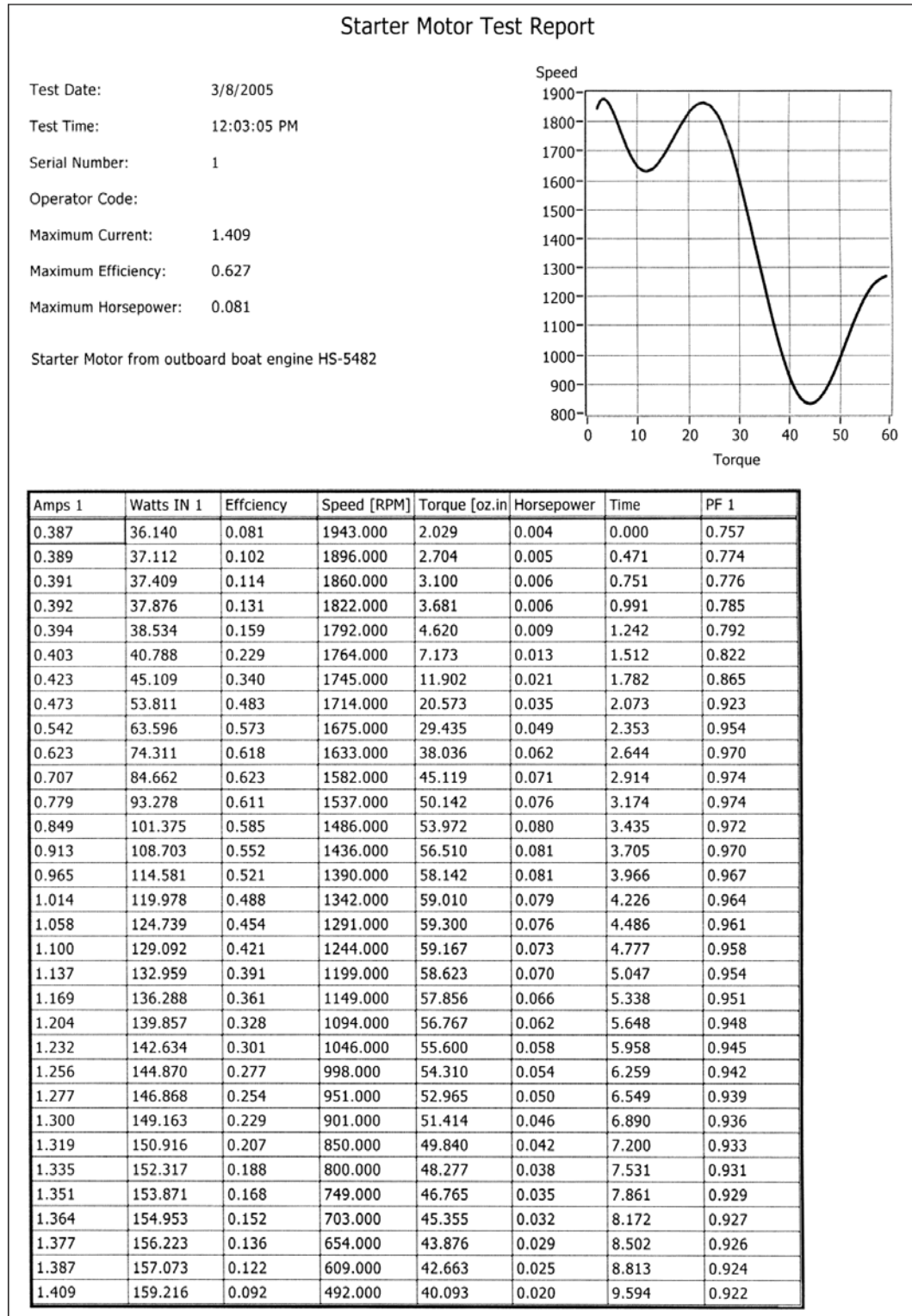
## 15.3 SAVE REPORT

To save the report for future viewing or printing, click **Save Report**. The Save As dialog box will open to prompt for a file location and file name (with an .rpt file extension).

## 15.4 PRINT REPORT

Click **Print Report**. Print settings will be based on your local printer's default settings.

On the following page is an example of a customized report printed from M-TEST 5.0



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Figure 15–3 Sample Motor Test Report

# 16. Security

Click the **Security** tab to open the Password Administration window.

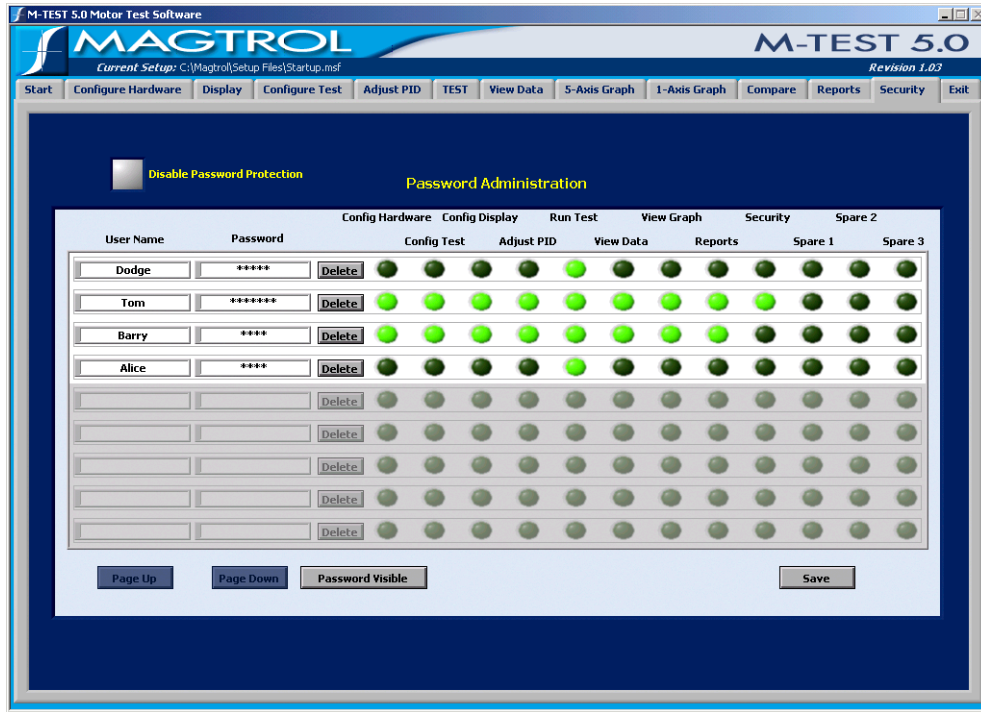


Figure 16–1 Password Administration Window

The Security feature allows M-TEST 5.0 to be run in either a single- or multi-user environment. With password protection enabled, the primary user can assign user access rights and determine who within their departments will have access to specific program windows.

## 16.1 PASSWORD ADMINISTRATION

1. To add a new user, go to the next available row and click anywhere inside the shaded area.



Note: If 10 or more users, click **Page Down** to access additional password setup fields.

2. Type designated User Name and Password in the appropriate text boxes. Passwords can include any alphanumeric character.
3. Next to each name, select which windows that user will be allowed to access by illuminating the green indicator underneath the window name. Dimmed indicators (disallowed windows) are show in gray.



Note: “View Graph” encompasses all 3 graph windows: 5-Axis Graph, 1-Axis Graph and Compare.

3. Click **Save**. A message box will appear reading, “Security Data Successfully Saved!”
4. Click **OK**.

### **16.1.1      PASSWORD VISIBLE**

Passwords can be displayed or hidden.

- Click “Password Visible” to display passwords.
- Click “Hide Password” to display passwords as a series of asterisks (one for each character)

### **16.1.2      DISABLE PASSWORD PROTECTION**

To completely disable password protection, simply click the corresponding indicator.

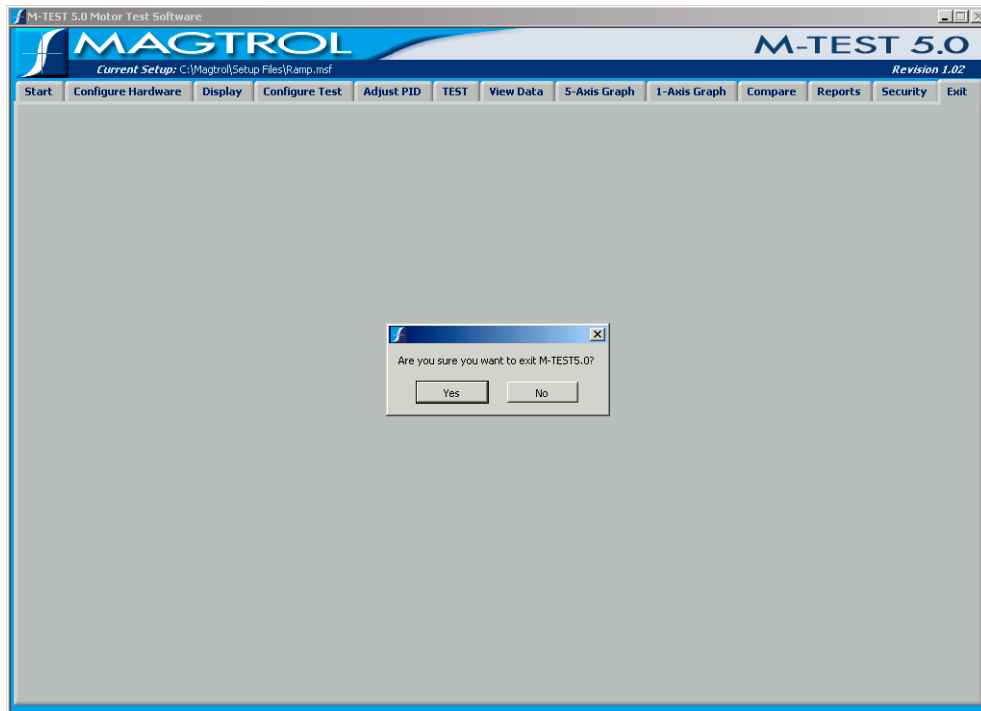
- Password Protection ON: Indicator is dimmed to gray
- Password Protection OFF: Indicator is illuminated in green

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# 17. Exit

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Click the **Exit** tab to open the Exit window.



*Figure 17-1 Exit Window*

- Click **Yes** to quit M-TEST 5.0
- Click **No** to return to the Start window.

## 18. Troubleshooting

Problem	Reason	Solution
Clicked Start Test and there was no response.	M-TEST 5.0 has not been properly configured.	The hardware and software must be configured before a test may be run.
The testing instrument model was changed in the Configure Hardware window and the values did not update.	Did not load defaults.	Must click <b>Load Defaults</b> button to automatically update all values and program the torque units into the controller. <b>NOTE:</b> If necessary, once the defaults are set, they can be adjusted.
When starting M-TEST 5.0, the following message appears: "M-TEST DEFAULTS.TXT FILE NOT FOUND!".	The M-Test Defaults.txt file is missing from the M-TEST 5.0 program folder.	Click <b>Stop</b> and quit M-TEST 5.0. Find the M-Test Defaults.txt file and save it to the directory where M-TEST 5.0 is located.
No serial communication with controller.	Setup error and/or hardware fault.	Check cabling, baud rate and COM port of controller.
Screen plot does not look exactly as it did during the curve test.	During the test, data is acquired and plotted at the maximum system sample rate but data is stored at the user-defined rate.	Increasing the sample rate will store more data points and the plot will look more like the original.
The Desired Data Columns in the Reports window only show Torque and Speed.	The software needs to be configured according to the data to be acquired and displayed.	From the Display window, move the desired parameters into the Selected column.
While running a curve test, the dwell period that was set caused the program to lock up when the test was started.	The software uses a timing function to determine how long data can be acquired. If a large number is entered (e.g. 99,999 minutes), the program is unable to read it and will crash.	To run a test for a long period of time, use a reasonable time scale. For example, 6 hours = 360 min.

If you additional assistance is required, please contact Magtrol Customer Service at +1 716-668-5555 in the United States or +41 26 407 30 35 in Switzerland.

# Appendix A: Graph Tools

This chapter explains the graph tools common to the following windows: Adjust PID, Test, 5-Axis Graph, 1-Axis Graph and Compare.

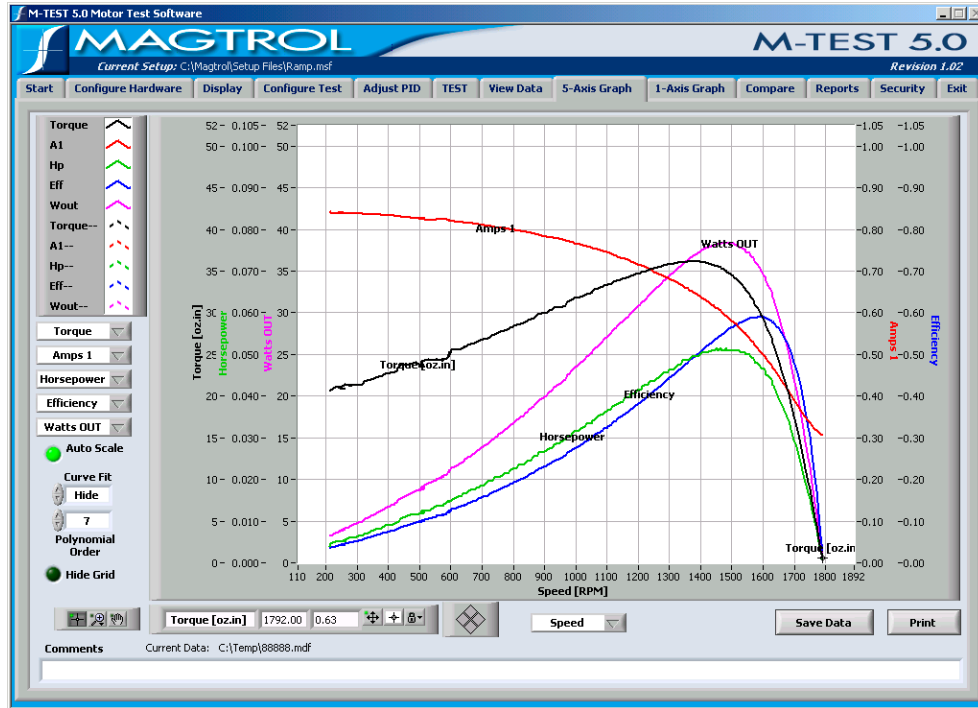


Figure A-1 M-TEST Graph

## A.1 PLOT LEGEND

Defines the color and style of the plots in order to distinguish one from the other.



The top 5 plots represent the raw data plots. The bottom 5 plots represent curve fit data and are indicated by a double dash (--) after the Y-axis parameter name.





Note: To select curve fitting options, see *Section A.3–Curve Fit*.

The graph uses a default style for each new plot. Each plot can be customized by clicking on it in the plot legend and then selecting the following format options from the shortcut menu:

Menu Item	Function	Options/Values
Common Plots	Provides options for the plot type. NOTE: Point, Line, Bar Plot and Fill Baseline settings are preconfigured depending on the type of plot selected, but can be changed manually.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Line plot</li> <li>• Scatter plot</li> <li>• Line plot with points</li> <li>• Fill to zero baseline</li> <li>• Fill to next plot</li> <li>• Bar plot</li> </ul>
Color	Displays the color picker for selecting the plot color.	Select from three different color spectrums, user-defined colors, recently selected colors, system colors or create custom colors.
Line Style	Provides solid and dashed line styles.	Select from either a solid line or 4 different dashed line styles.
Line Width	Provides line widths.	Hairline width to 5 pixels NOTE: Top selection in menu (with two intersecting vertical lines) represents hairline width. This has no effect on the screen display, but will print a very thin line if the printer and print mode support hairline printing.
Anti-Aliased	Smooths the appearance of lines.	Enable (checked) and Disabled (unchecked) NOTE: Using anti-aliased line plots can slow performance.
Bar Plots	Provides bar plot options.	Line plot (no bars), Vertical bars or Horizontal bars (with varying options for thickness and spacing)
Fill Baseline	Provides options for filling in the space below the plot with the same color as the plot.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zero: Fills from the plot to a baseline generated at 0.</li> <li>• Infinity: Fills from the plot to the positive edge of the graph.</li> <li>• -Infinity: Fills from the plot to the negative edge of the graph.</li> </ul> For multiplot graphs...At the bottom of the shortcut menu, select another plot to fill the space below the plot to the next (selected) plot.
Interpolation	Provides interpolation options, determining how lines are plotted between data points.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plot only data points (scatter plot)</li> <li>• Curved or straight line between plotted points</li> <li>• Link points with a right-angled elbow - plot from left or right of data points (Useful for creating histogram-like plots.)</li> <li>• Plot in the y direction first</li> <li>• Plot in the x direction first</li> </ul>
Point Style	Provides point styles for the data points.	Hide data points or select from a variety of open or filled shapes, crosses and Xs

## A.2 AUTO SCALE

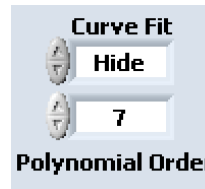
By default, the horizontal and vertical scales of the graph will automatically adjust to reflect the range of plotted values. When the Auto Scale indicator is illuminated in green, autoscaling is enabled. To disable autoscaling, click on the indicator to dim it (change from green to gray).



## A.3 CURVE FIT

If a smoother curve is preferred, a polynomial curve fitting routine can be applied. Options include:

- **Hide:** Displays only the raw data
- **Show:** Displays two plots—one for raw data and one for curve fit data
- **Only:** Displays only the curve fit data



### A.3.1 POLYNOMIAL ORDER

Create a smoother curve by increasing or decreasing the value until a desired curve fit is displayed. The more complex the curvature of the data, the higher the polynomial order required to fit it.

## A.4 GRAPH PALETTE

The buttons on the graph palette, from left to right, are:

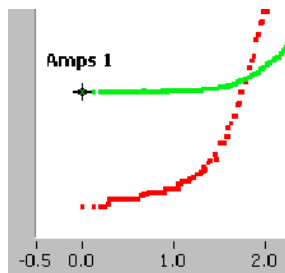
- Cursor Movement Tool (crosshairs)
- Zoom (magnifying glass)
- Panning Tool (hand)



### A.4.1 CURSOR MOVEMENT TOOL

Moves the cursor on the graph.

1. Click the Cursor Movement Tool (crosshairs) button.
2. Click on the graph's cursor (close-up shown below) and drag to any point on any plot.



The corresponding X- and Y-coordinates are displayed in the Cursor Legend.

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Note: For more cursor tools and options, see *Section A.5–Cursor Legend*.

### A.4.2 ZOOM

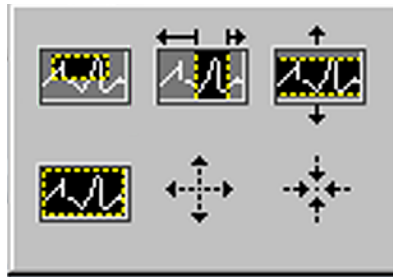
Zooms in and out of the graph.



Note: Before using the Zoom tool, Auto Scale must be disabled. See *Section A.2–Auto Scale*.

1. Click the Zoom (magnifying glass) button.

2. Select from the following options to zoom in and out of the graph.



The top row of Zoom options, from left to right are:

- **Zoom to Rectangle:** With this option, click a point on the display to be the corner of the zoom area and drag the tool until the rectangle covers the zoom area.
- **X-zoom:** Use this option to zoom in on an area of the graph along the X-axis.
- **Y-zoom:** Use this option to zoom in on an area of the graph along the Y-axis.

The bottom row of Zoom options, from left to right are:

- **Zoom to Fit:** Use this option to autoscale all X- and Y-scales on the graph or chart.
- **Zoom In about Point:** With this option, click a point to zoom in on.
- **Zoom Out about Point:** With this option, click a point to zoom out from.



Note: Press and hold the SHIFT key to switch between Zoom In about Point and Zoom Out about Point.

### A.4.3 PANNING TOOL

Moves entire plot area within the graph window.



Note: Before using the Panning tool, Auto Scale must be disabled. See Section A.2–Auto Scale.

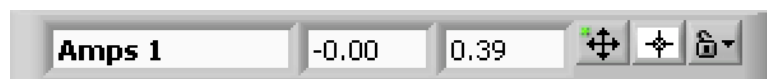
1. Click the Panning Tool (hand) button.
2. Click on the graph and hold, then drag to the desired position.

### A.5 CURSOR LEGEND

The first three text boxes display the plot name and X- and Y-coordinates, respectively, of the cursor's location on the graph.

The buttons on the cursor legend, from left to right, are:

- Cursor Movement Selector (multidirectional arrows)
- Formatting Button (crosshairs)
- Lock Button (padlock)



### A.5.1 CURSOR MOVEMENT SELECTOR

Click this button to move the cursor using the Cursor Mover. If enabled, a green indicator will appear in the upper left corner of the button (as shown on the previous page). See *Section A.5.4–Cursor Mover*.

### A.5.2 FORMATTING BUTTON

The graph uses a default style for each new cursor. The graph's cursor can be customized by clicking on the Formatting button in the Cursor Legend and then selecting the following format options from the shortcut menu:

- **Color:** Refer to table in *Section A.1–Plot Legend*.
- **Cursor Style:** Provides various cursor styles. Select from multiple crosshair styles and lengths.
- **Point Style:** Refer to table in *Section A.1–Plot Legend*.
- **Line Style:** Refer to table in *Section A.1–Plot Legend*.
- **Line Width:** Refer to table in *Section A.1–Plot Legend*.
- **Show Name:** Displays the name of the cursor on the graph.
- **Bring to Center:** Centers the cursor on the graph without changing the X- and Y-scales.
- **Go to Cursor:** Changes the X- and Y-scales to show the cursor at the center of the graph.

### A.5.3 LOCK BUTTON

Controls the cursor's movement when using either the Cursor Movement Tool or the Cursor Mover. Options include:

- **Free:** Move the cursor anywhere on the graph (not limited to the plot) or enter any X and Y value in the Cursor Legend to move the cursor to that coordinate.
- **Snap to Point:** Cursor moves to the closest plot point. The cursor can switch to another plot in this mode.
- **Lock to Plot:** Applies to the Cursor Movement Tool (in the Graph Palette) only. Locks the cursor to a particular plot. The cursor cannot switch to another plot in this mode.

### A.5.4 CURSOR MOVER

Moves the cursor mathematically.



To enable the Cursor Mover, do one of the following:

1. Click on the Cursor Mover Selector in the Cursor Legend or...
2. Click on the Cursor Movement Tool in the Graph Palette

Move the cursor by clicking on one of the 4 diamonds that comprise the Cursor Mover button. How the cursor moves is determined by whether or not it is locked. Refer to *Section A.5.3–Lock Button*. The corresponding X- and Y-coordinates are displayed in the Cursor Legend.

- Click the diamond on the right to move the cursor incrementally to the right, along the X-axis.

- If locked, cursor moves to the next point on the plot.
- If unlocked, cursor moves to the next coordinate on the X-axis.
- Click the diamond on the left to move the cursor incrementally to the left, along the X-axis.
  - If locked, cursor moves to the previous point on the plot.
  - If unlocked, cursor moves to the previous coordinate on the X-axis.
- Click the diamond on the top to move the cursor incrementally up the Y-axis. The X-coordinate remains the same.
  - If locked, cursor moves to the next plot above.
  - If unlocked, cursor moves to the next coordinate above on the Y-axis.
- Click the diamond on the bottom to move the cursor incrementally down the Y-axis. The X-coordinate remains the same.
  - If locked, cursor moves to the next plot below.
  - If unlocked, cursor moves to the next coordinate below on the Y-axis.




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Note: To move cursor, make sure the finger of the pointer (selection) tool is on the desired diamond. See example below.

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Correct



Incorrect

## A.6 HIDE GRID

When the Hide Grid indicator is illuminated in green, the grid will be visible. Conversely, when the Hide Grid indicator is dimmed (grayed out), the grid will be hidden.



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# Appendix B: PID/Scaling

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## B.1 ABOUT THE PID LOOP

The DSP6001 has PID adjustment capability for both the speed and torque modes to provide the best system response. The PID loop comprises the following three variables:

- P = proportional gain
- I = integral
- D = derivative

Other important variables include:

- Set point - desired load or speed
- Error - difference between the set point and the actual measurement

### B.1.1 P (PROPORTIONAL GAIN)

With proportional gain, the controller output is either proportional to the error, or to a change in measurement. Deviation from the set point is usually present. Increasing the proportional gain will make the PID loop unstable. Increasing the integral value will eliminate this instability. For best loop control, set the proportional gain as high as possible without causing the loop to become unstable.

### B.1.2 I (INTEGRAL)

With integral, the controller output is proportional to the amount of time the error is present. Increasing the integral value eliminates the offset from the set point. If the response becomes oscillatory, increase the derivative value.

### B.1.3 D (DERIVATIVE)

With derivative, the controller output is proportional to the rate of change of measurement, or error. Derivative can compensate for a changing measurement. Derivative takes action to inhibit more rapid changes of the measurement than proportional gain.

## B.2 HOW THE PID LOOP WORKS

The following diagram demonstrates the correlation between the variables in the PID loop.

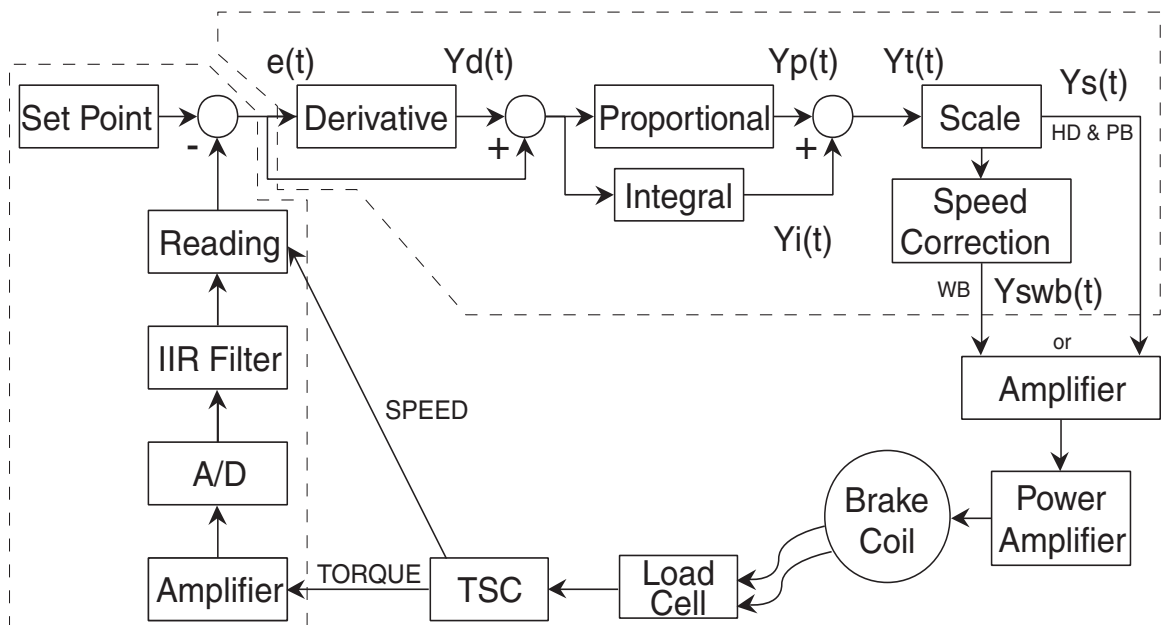


Figure B-1 System Block Diagram

### B.2.1 PID SCALING FOR HYSTERESIS, EDDY-CURRENT AND POWDER BRAKE DYNAMOMETERS



<b>TORQUE:</b>	TSC1	$Y_s(t) = \frac{Y_t(t)}{1.725 * 2}$
	TSC2	$Y_s(t) = \frac{Y_t(t)}{1.725 * 2 * 1.6623}$
<b>SPEED:</b>	TSC1 & TSC2	$Y_s(t) = \frac{Y_t(t) * 5319.93}{MAX\ SPEED}$



### B.2.2 SPEED CORRECTION FOR WB (EDDY-CURRENT BRAKE) DYNAMOMETERS



The WB Dynamometer follows the same scaling as the HD and PB with the addition of one calculation for both torque and speed. This calculation is due to the fact that for a given current, the torque changes with the speed. This is referred to as speed correction.

$$Y_{swb}(t) = (Y_s(t) + Y_s(t) / \text{speed correction factor}) / 2$$

$$\text{SPEED CORRECTION FACTOR} = -0.0001x^2 + 0.0203x + 0.005$$

(limited to: 0.051 to 1)

$$\text{Where } x = \frac{\text{RPM}}{\text{NOMINAL SPEED} * 100}$$

*Note: NOMINAL SPEED is set by the user and obtained from the data sheets for the dynamometer or brake.*

The speed correction factor is calculated on each entry into the PID loop equations.

### B.2.3 EQUATIONS

Where  $S_{kp}$ ,  $S_{ki}$  and  $S_{kd}$  are system coefficients...

$$Y_d(t) = (e(t) - e(t-3) + 3 * (e(t-1) - e(t-2))) * (10/S_{kd}) * D\%$$

$$Y_p(t) = (e(t) + Y_d(t)) * (10/S_{kp}) * P\%$$

$$Y_i(t) = Y_i(t-1) + (e(t) + Y_d(t)) * (10/S_{ki}) * I\%$$

$$Y_t(t) = Y_p(t) + Y_i(t)$$

$$Y_s(t) = \text{Scale} * Y_t(t)$$

### B.4 DYNAMIC PI SCALING

In some cases, PI values that have been fine-tuned for best system response at higher speeds will not be suitable at lower speeds. The DSP6001 allows the use of dynamically changed PI values to correct this. When the DPL or DIL controls are set at 1.000, the PI coefficients remain constant between the free-run speed and minimum speed. Changing any control to a value less than 1.000 dynamically changes the P or I from 1.000 at free run to the control value times the starting value, at minimum speed.

For example, a DIL of 0.010 produces an I term of 10% of the starting value at the end of the ramp.



Note: This feature is available only during a ramp test.

### B.4.1 SETTING THE DYNAMIC PI FOR RAMP DOWN

It is nearly impossible to select a PID value that optimizes the control loop over a wide range of speed. With Magtrol’s experience in motor testing, our engineers have developed a dynamic PI algorithm. The PI values change with the speed set point. In most cases, the PI values are high when the motor is lightly loaded and tend to decrease at higher loads.

M-TEST 5.0 provides a Dynamic PI Scaling control under the Ramp Test Parameters of the Configure Test window. Here the dynamic scaling can be enabled or disabled and the span of the scaling can also be selected. See *Section 8.4–Ramp Test parameters*.

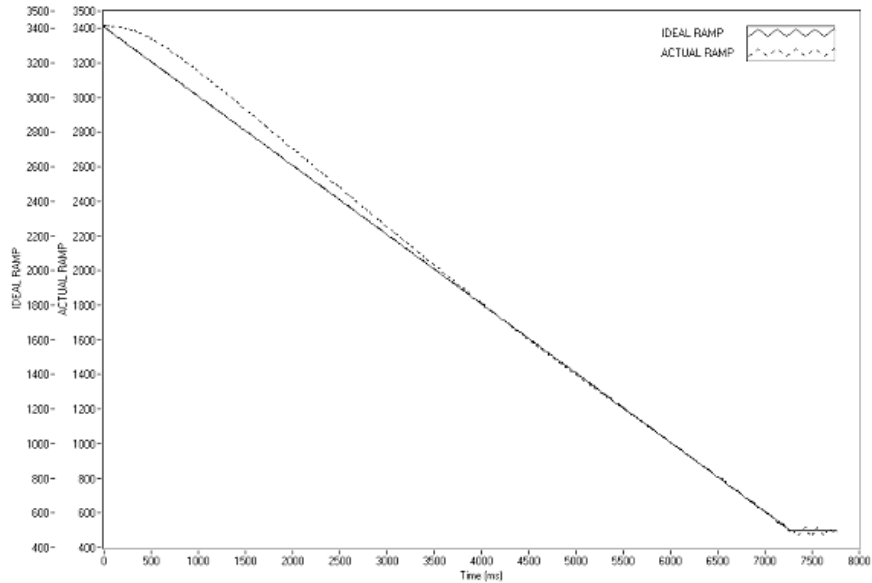


Figure B–2 Ramp Down Low I

Ramp shows low value for I term. Note “bump” at beginning of ramp and good results toward end of ramp.

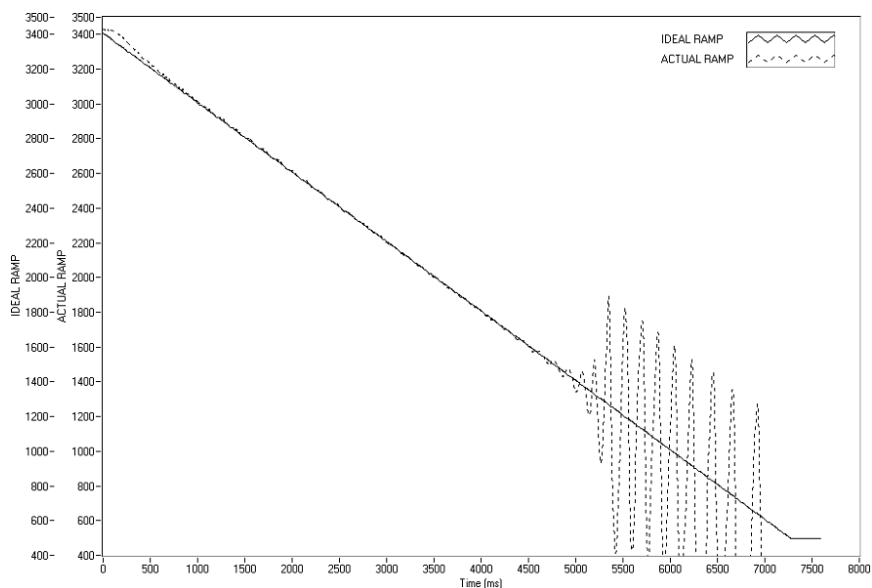


Figure B–3 Ramp Down High I

Ramp shows higher value for I term. Note “bump” at beginning of ramp has been reduced but there are poor results toward end of ramp.

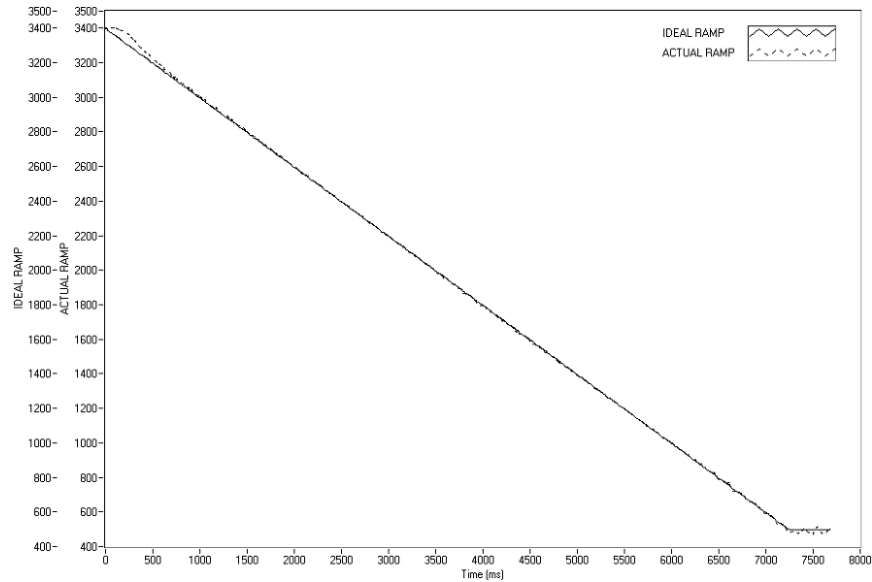


Figure B-4 Ramp Down Dynamic I

Ramp shows Dynamic Scale effect. Note “bump” at beginning of ramp has been reduced and there are good results toward end of ramp. DIL was set to 0.01. At the end of the ramp, the I term is 10% of the starting value.

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## Appendix C: Software Revision History

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<b>Release</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Revisions/Corrections</b>
1.00	05/06/2005	Initial release.
1.01	05/11/2005	Missing Setup Files folder and startup.msf added to install. Outline box removed from Auto X Axis control on Test tab.
1.02	10/21/2005	Fixed several bugs. Contact factory for more details. In View Data, 5-Axis and 1-Axis screens add field to display current data path. Changed allowable range of PID values. Added PID scaling commands. Control power contactor with PCL-1760 relay card. Removed Rated Voltage and Rated Current power supply controls since no longer necessary. In compiled program, pressing the X did not execute shutdown code. Added Exit tab and dialog for shutdown.
1.03	04/24/2006	Replaced Advantech PCI-1760 Relay actuator card with National Instruments NI 6521 relay actuator card. Added Pre-Load option to dynamometer configuration. Added Magtrol Free-Run Speed Sensor (FR 10) as instrument type option for Channel 2 (TSC2). Added 1, 2 and 6-bit Encoder options to Channel 1 configuration. Added Include Equipment List field to Data Logging. Added Locked Rotor parameter under Ramp Test configuration. Bug fixes - contact factory for details.
1.04	06/08/2006	Added Cycle Count indicator for Curve and Pass/Fail tests. Bug fixes - contact factory for details.

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