

EZSLAMX

Training Program



CHAPTER 7

Measurement Strategies



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Measurement Strategies

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A. Definition



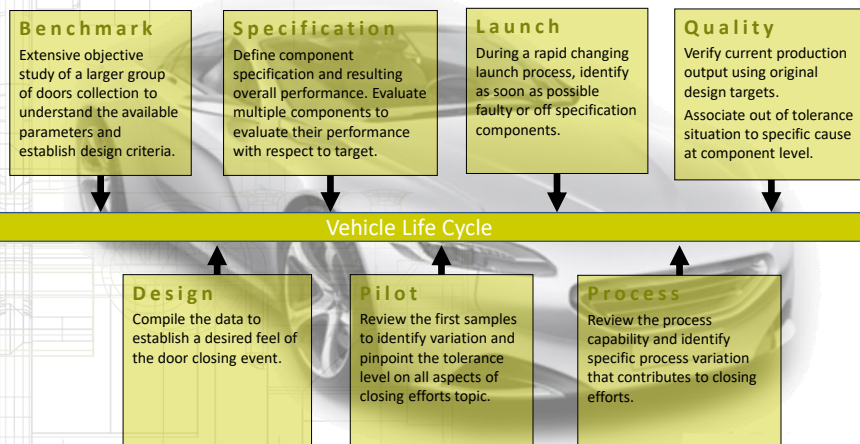
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A. Definition

1. Timeline



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2. Project Objectives

5 different vehicles, Vehicles with similar layout (SUV, Coupe, Truck...). Document the different design choices and performance.

2 bad, 2 medium, 2 good. Are there different body styles, options that might influence performance (sunroofs...)

Which component will be swapped? Can it be swapped easily?
What metrics will the component affect?
A door check alternative will not change seal compression.



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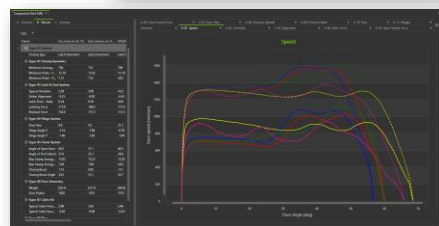
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3. Samples

Cable free operation.

Results are shown immediately following the measurement.

Results are compared to nominal or target values.



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B. Expectation and Optimization



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B. Expectation and Optimization

1. Reflection

It is a good habit to reflect on the upcoming tests and reflect on the options in the interest of:

Saving Time

Understanding what data to collectable, limiting the number of runs or repeat runs.

Improve Uncertainty

If certain values are expected not to change, they might as well be frozen during the testing. Less variables means less noise on the data.



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B. Expectation and Optimization

2. Session Identification

How will the collected data be organized so that it can be located or identified in the future.

- Naming: Brand, Program, Build number, Vin...
- Comment: Special setup, Particular part...
- Identification: Enable sorting of the database.

The exact meaning and content of Test_1, Test_2, Test_3 will quickly fade away.

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B. Expectation and Optimization

3. Door Geometry

The door Geometry can be determined in two locations:

Per Sessions

Each individual session will require to enter the specific values in the boxes. This is preferable if all samples would have different values anyway. Example different doors.

As Profile

A profile can be generated for a particular door and the profile can be re-used on all sessions that are using this door. Guarantee that all sessions have identical settings for Geometry.

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B. Expectation and Optimization

4. Metrics

A number of metrics might be constant for all samples. Especially when measuring the same type of vehicle multiple times.

As Profile

Open Angle:

Inertia, Weight: often constant for a model, maybe worth investigating if different packages influence the outcome.

Hinge Tip: If all measurements are performed on the same body, the hinge will not be modified. Between identical models but different serial, this may vary. In that case leave the value at '0'.

Latch Point: Only of seals and latch are untouched during the course of the test plan.

Inner Detent Angle: Contact Check.

Note that certain special use cases might have to be activated via a door profile.

Open Angle	65.25 °
Inertia	11.50 kg m²
Weight	24.30 kg
Hinge Tip X	-1.37 °
Hinge Tip Y	-1.29 °
Latch Point	0.00 mm
Inner Detent Angle	22.51 °

Use Soft Close	☐
Rear Hinge Design	☐

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B. Expectation and Optimization

5. Conventions

Are the standard conventions in line with my sample choice and expectations.

Measured vs Calculated Minimum

Are the door system in a normal operating condition where the minimum closing calculation will be valid?

Typical Speed

Define a reference speed that is in the expected speed range.

Compensation

It might be interesting to active a compensation or not. Is it a relative comparison or an absolute?

Speed Point	At Reference Distance	Reference Distance	90 mm
Radius for Speed	At Latch Radius		
Typical Impact Speed	1.30 m/sec		
Minimum Closing Method	Calculated Minimum (use Gap)	Gap Tolerance	0.05 m/sec
Compensation	Normal		
Typical Closing Energy	At Reference Speed		
Typical Overslam	At Reference Speed		
Typical Cabin Pressure	At Reference Speed		
Typical Pressure	3.00 mbar		
Radius for Force	At Middle Radius		
Sweep Force Sign	Sweep force Push Positive		
Maximum Pulse Angle	25.00 °		

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B. Expectation and Optimization

6. Import Runs / Profile

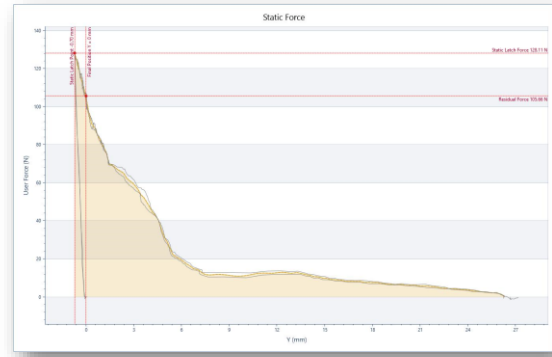
Are there any runs that would not change during all sample collections. This applies often only when the same vehicle is used for different evaluations

As Profile (skip runs)

If values are entered via profile, the numerical outcome will be updated but some graphs might not be populated.

Merge

This method will copy all shared runs between the session, showing each session as a complete acquisition with all metrics and subgraphs.



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B. Expectation and Optimization

7. Runs Type

The following runs need to be recorded in the following cases:

Slams

Almost always required to test. Only for a partial compression breakdown where a sequence of push test can provide the answer.

Wiggle

Only when the weight/inertia will change. The wiggle test can also be replaced by using a profile and entering geometry, inertia and, optionally, weight.

Sweep

Only when a modification is expected at the level of hinge or door check.

Push

Only when a modification is expected at the seal, seal gap or latch.

Plop

Only when a modification is expected at the seal, seal gap or latch.

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C. Acquisition



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C. Acquisition

1. Sample Preparation

Unless the topics are part of the study, we recommend to observe:

Temperature

Unless the temperature is part of the study make sure the vehicles are soaked in the applicable temperature.

Location

Make sure the vehicles are in the similar location and same level.

Vehicle Setup

Understand the re-circ/evac system, settings.

Green seals

Seals evolve quickly in the first day(s). For longer term testing make sure seals are set and past accommodation period.



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C. Acquisition

2. Data Acquisition

Follow the standard acquisition instruction and methods for EZSlam.



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C. Acquisition

3. Data Validation

When a session is near completion, it is recommended to review the outcome prior of moving onto the next session.

Red Flags

There should not be any red flags in the table. This indicates an important uncertainty. It is worth the reflection on why it is flagged, and if it can be corrected.

Yellow Flags

This needs attention, when the value is in the lower half ($<7\%$) it might just be door variation, above 8% should be investigated and additional data might be helpful in determining the optimal value.

Green Flags

No Problem!

Accept

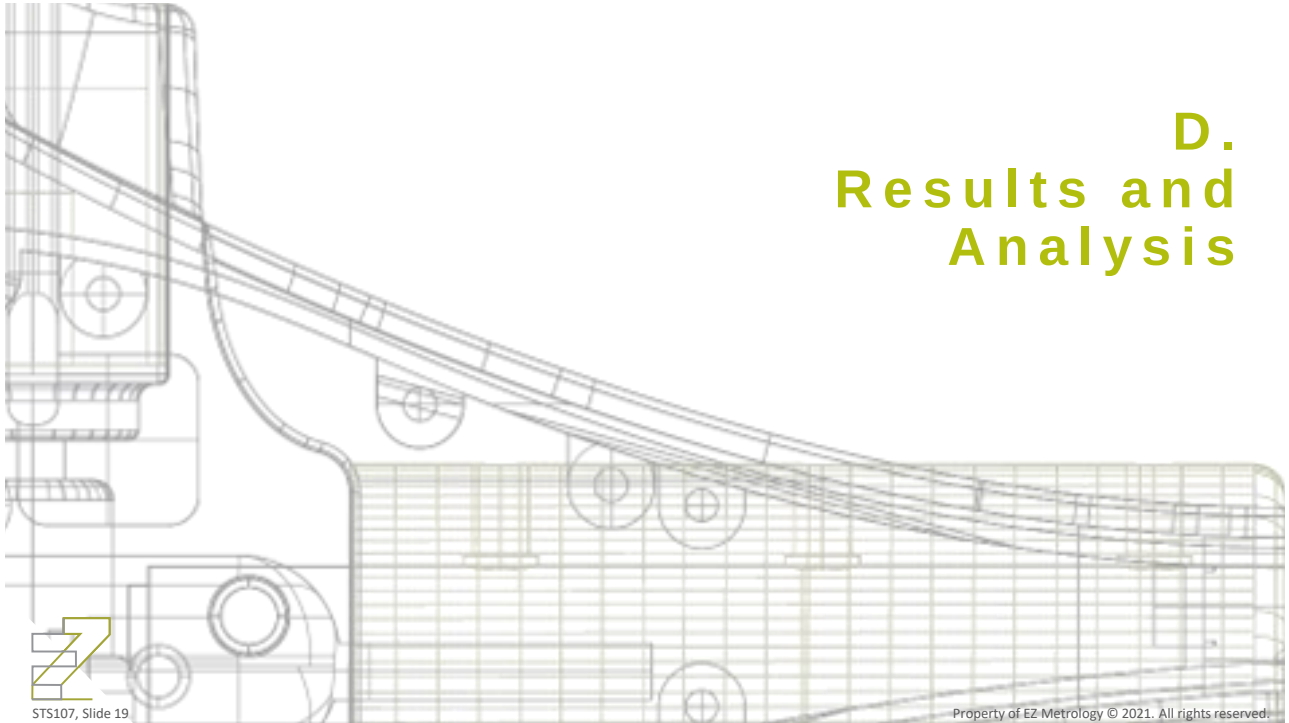
Indicate the completion of the reflection. The button 'accept runs' will clear the question mark, indicating it has been validated as correct.



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D. Results and Analysis



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D. Results and Analysis

1. Wealth of Data

Upon completion of the acquisition, the task remains ahead to compile or analyze the data.

Graphical Review

The comparison function in the software will allow to overlay all data on top of each other in the familiar graphs.

This helps to establish an overview and identify any outliers.

If there are too many sessions, the comparison however becomes slightly overcrowded.

Numerical Review

As a second step or in case of a significant number of samples, numerical review is the optimal choice.



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D. Results and Analysis

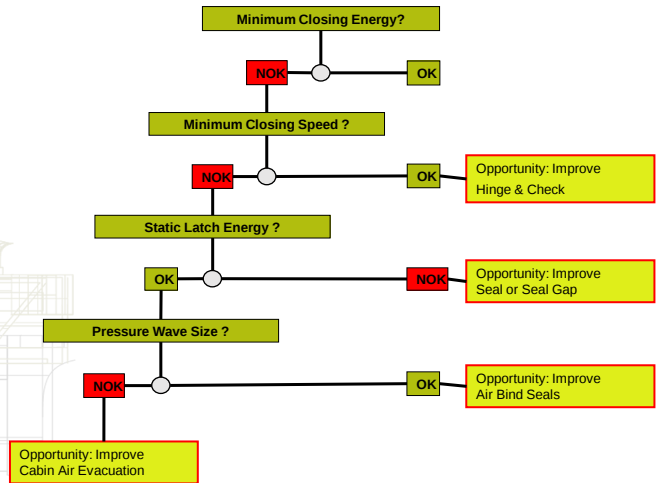
2. Systematic Analysis

To simplify analysis, differences and characteristics are evaluated in the sequence they would occur during a closing process.

Each consecutive event is associated with a specific metric and can therefore be compared or evaluated between all test doors.

In case of a difference is observed in the specific set of metrics, the component in question can be identified as being different.

The difference can be caused by a design choice, assembly tolerance, dynamic effect, tolerance build up...



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D. Results and Analysis

3. Graph Export

As a first fast and easy way of reporting :

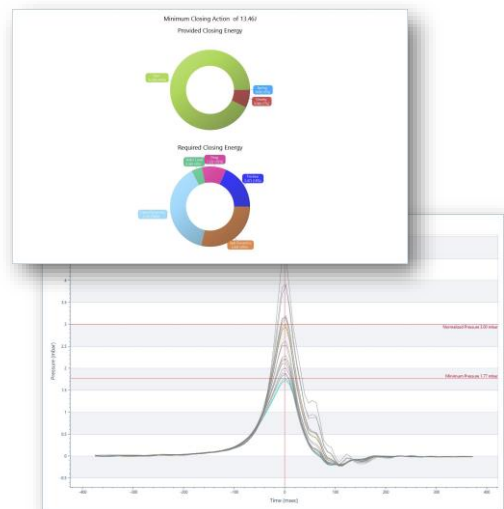
Graph

Copy and paste the graph in the desired PowerPoint or message.

Tables

Can also be exported as tables.

The limiting factor is that graphs are generated as images (so the numerical information is left behind).



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D. Results and Analysis

4. Quick Reports

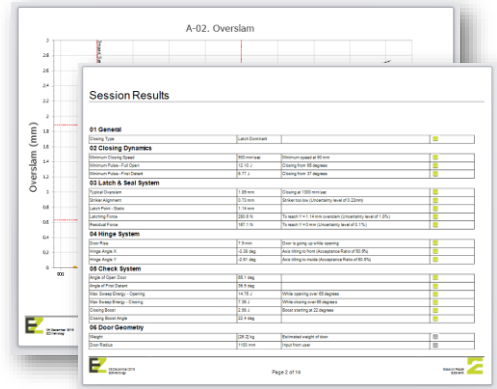
Both individual sessions and comparison have quick report functions.

Advantage

Pre-formatted and includes all graphs from the current view settings.

Downside

As the graphs are represented as pictures, they cannot be zoomed, rescaled.



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D. Results and Analysis

5. Excel Reports

The export of the session to excel can bring the data in an easy to manipulate work environment:

Raw data

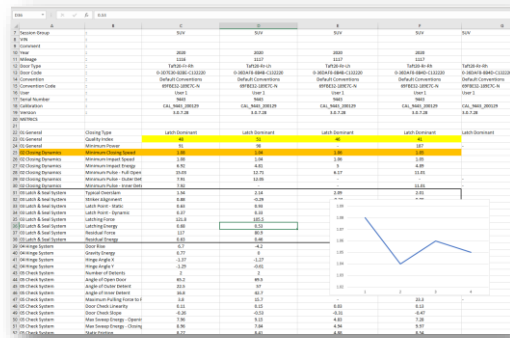
Any recording can output the raw data of the recording. This is mostly for research purposes.

Session

Each session can be saved as an Excel file, with or without the graphical information.

Multi-Session

When the study requires multiple session to be compared, they can be exported in one function and provide an easy-to-read side-by-side overview of all values and graphs.



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E. Review



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E. Review

1. Topics Discussed

You should be able to

- Establish a strategy.
- Define what parameters you can put into a profile.
- Define what runs can be shared or imported between sessions.
- Create adapted reports based on the objectives.



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