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**Model DS-MS-250
250 N MS Shaker
Product Manual**

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1) Introduction

The DS-MS-250 is designed to provide dynamic force excitation for modal testing of mechanical structures.

The DS-MS-250 is a compact, lightweight and powerful general purpose electrodynamic shaker providing up to 250 N peak sine force.

2) General Information

2.1) Unpacking and Inspection

Dewesoft products provide adequate protection for undamaged products to be transported. Document the damages that occur indirectly during the transport and contact the customer representative. Check all components of the shaker. If there is a defect, please contact us.

2.2) System Components

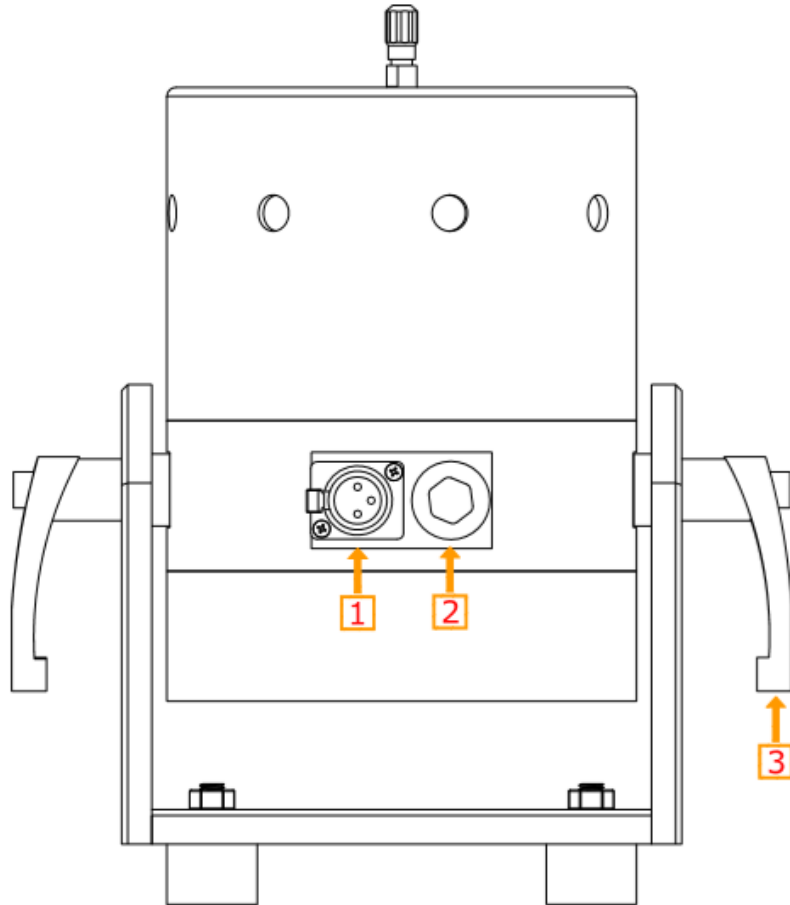
The DS-MS-250 has the following components:

- Electrodynamic Shaker
- Amplifier (DS-SA-350)
- Cooling Unit (Blower + Hose + Hose connection adapter + R 1/2 Pneumatic union)
- Power Cable
- Signal Cable
- Stinger Set
- Fuse
- User Manual

2.3) Theory of Operation

DS-MS-250 is an electro-magnetic actuator. Electro-magnetic actuators are basically voice coils consisting of a permanent magnet and coil. The moving element can be the coil or the magnet depending on the design requirements. The moving element is usually suspended by an elastic membrane.

DS-MS-250 has a moving coil (driving coil) whose current is controlled for vibration generation. The stationary magnetic field is produced by a permanent magnet.



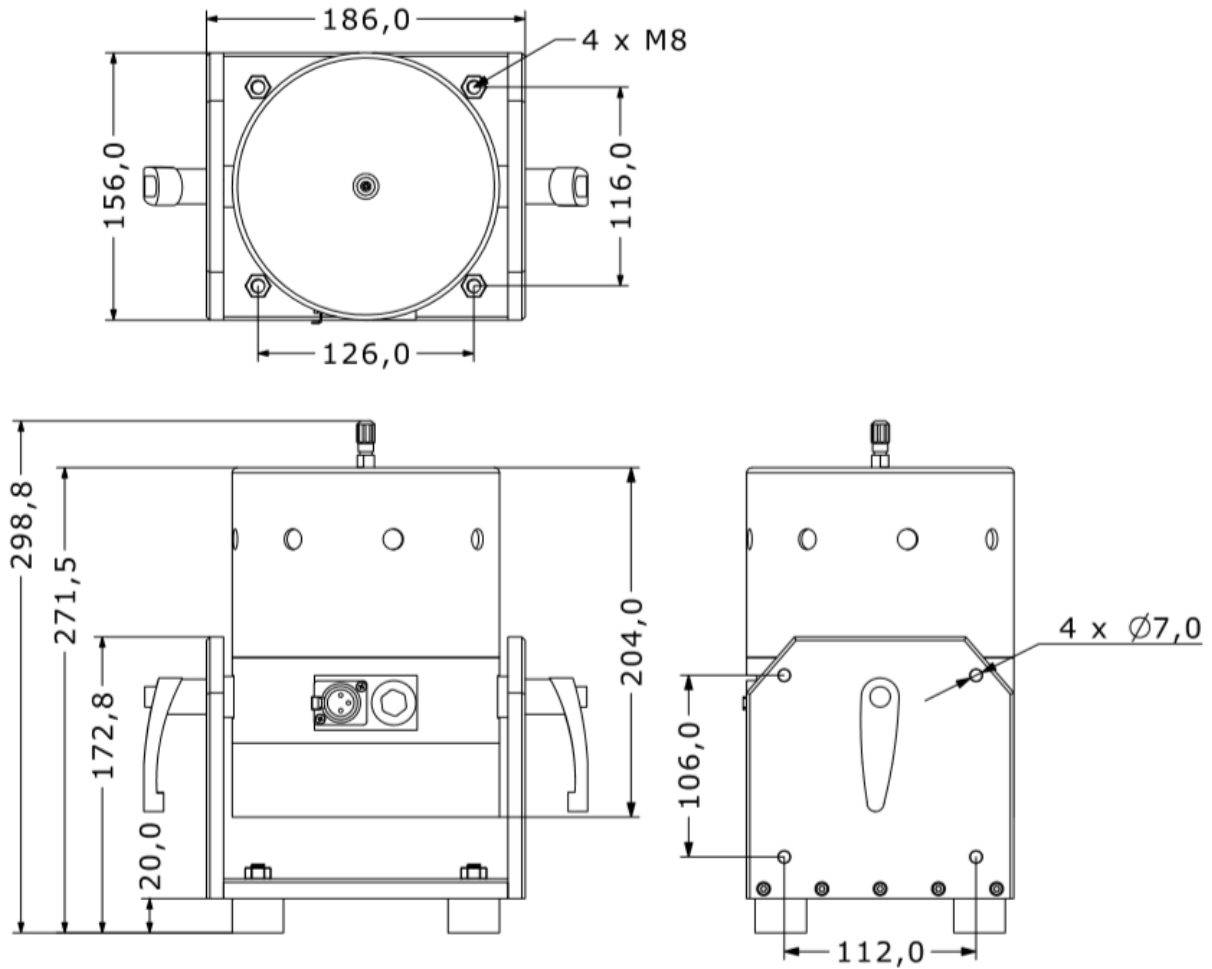
Item	Description
1	Amplifier Input
2	Cooling Port
3	Trunnion Handle

2.4) Specifications

Parameters	Specifications
Output Force (Sinus)	250 N
Frequency	0-5 kHz
Displacement (Peak to Peak)	25 mm
Suspension	Spring
Maximum Acceleration	100 g
Shaker Weight	11.6 kg
Cooling System	Forced Convection
Operation Temperature Range	5-35 °C
Maximum Input Current	10A (RMS)
Amplifier	External
DS-SA-350	
Operation Voltage	110/220 VAC
Sine Freq. Generator	Activated by pulling out the gain knob
Sine Freq. Range	0-15 kHz
External Signal Voltage Level	10 VAC (PEAK)
Amplifier Weight	5.3 kg
DS-BLW-511 Monofaze Blower	
Frequency	50 Hz
Rated Power	0.8 kW
Input Voltage	230 V
Input Current	5.2 A
Blower Weight	15 kg

2.5) Outline Drawing

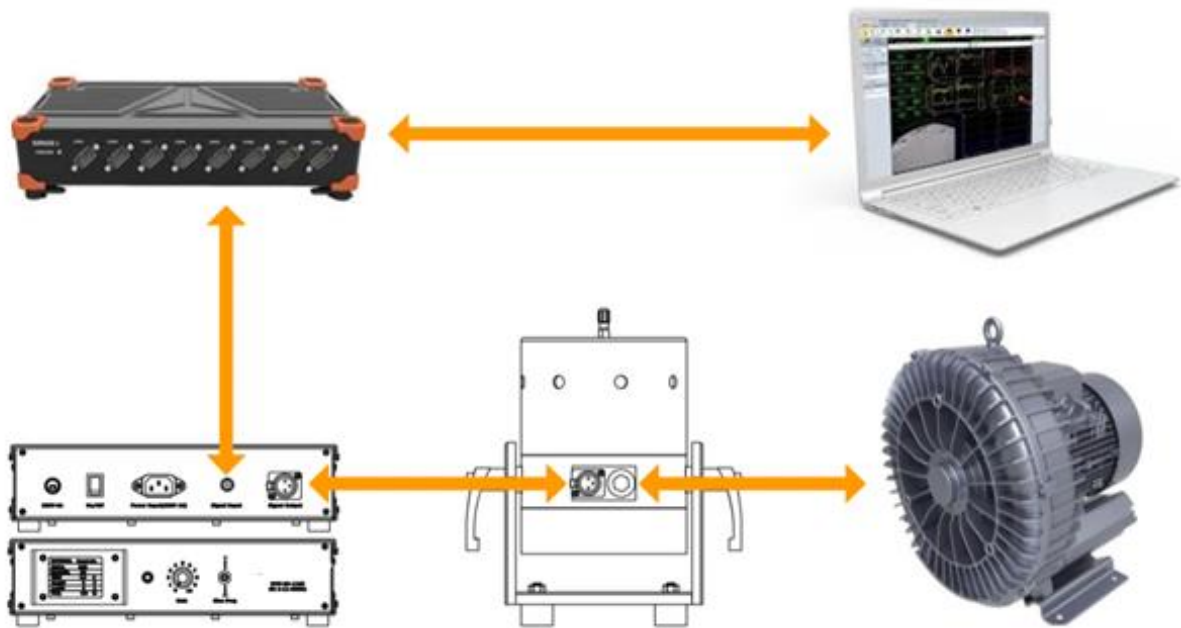
The dimensional properties of DS-MS-250 shakers are given below.



3) Operation and Installation

3.1) General

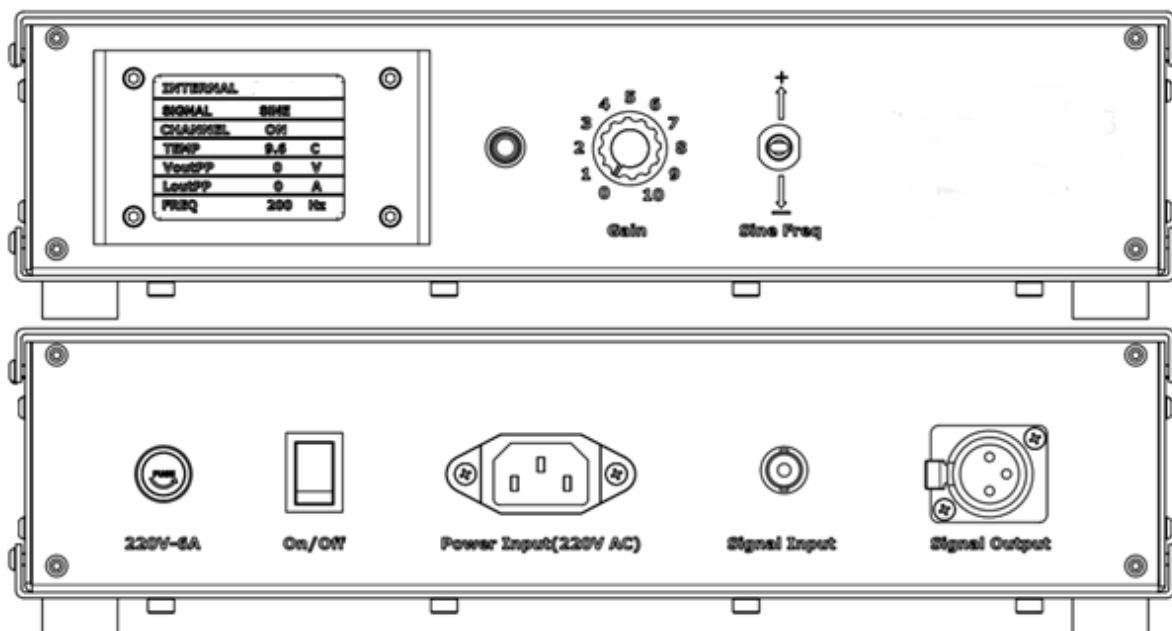
Refer to the figure below that shows the shaker connector configuration. Connect the shaker/amplifier cable to the shaker and amplifier. Connect the drive signal cable to the signal generator and connect the power cable of the amplifier. Then turn on the amplifier by pushing the on/off button. To increase gain up, turn the gain knob in clockwise direction. The user must turn off the gain button in order to power down the shaker.



3.2) Amplifier

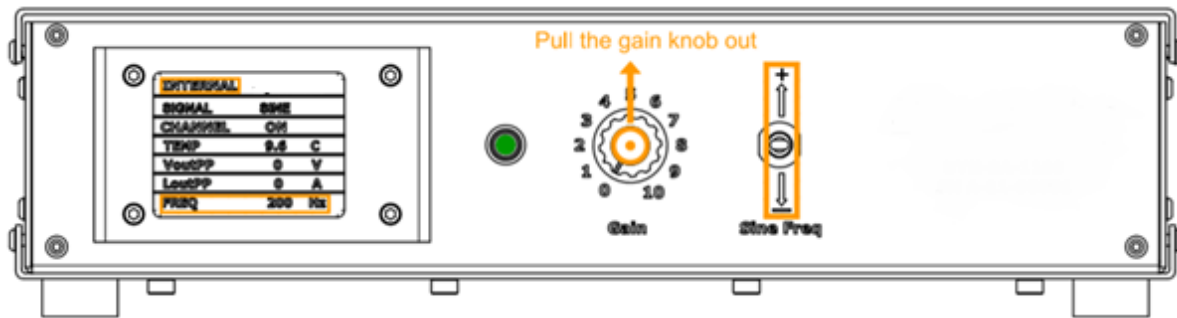
DS-MS-250 uses an external power amplifier for drive signal amplification. Please note the wiring of the power amplifier given below.

3.2.1) Amplifier General



3.2.2) Amplifier Internal Signal

The amplifier can generate sine signal from 1Hz to 15kHz with 1 Hz increments that the user can adjust with the Sine Frequency Generator Switch. Connect DC power source and drive signal to shaker power input. Pull the Gain Knob out. Raise or lower the Sine Frequency Generator Switch to the desired Sine frequency. Adjust the Gain of the amplifier by turning the Gain Knob clockwise. The frequency of the generated sine signal will be visible on the LCD Screen.



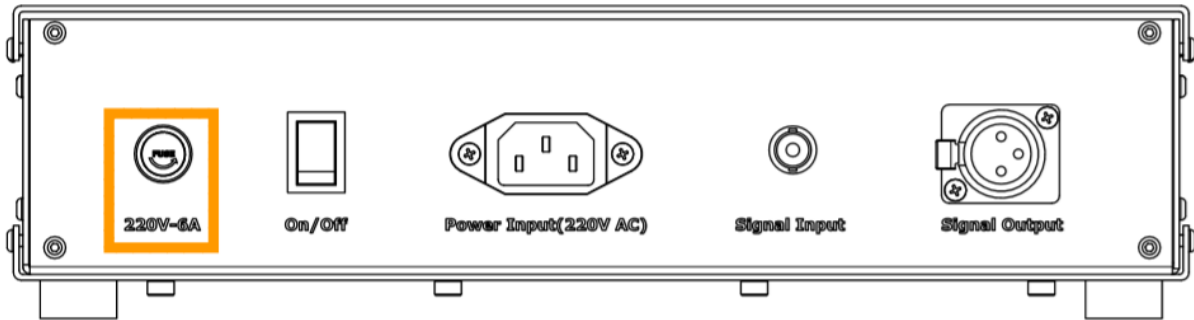
3.2.3)Amplifier External Signal

Start the external signal source. Adjust the Gain of the amplifier by turning the Gain Knob clockwise.



3.2.4)Amplifier Maintenance and Troubleshooting

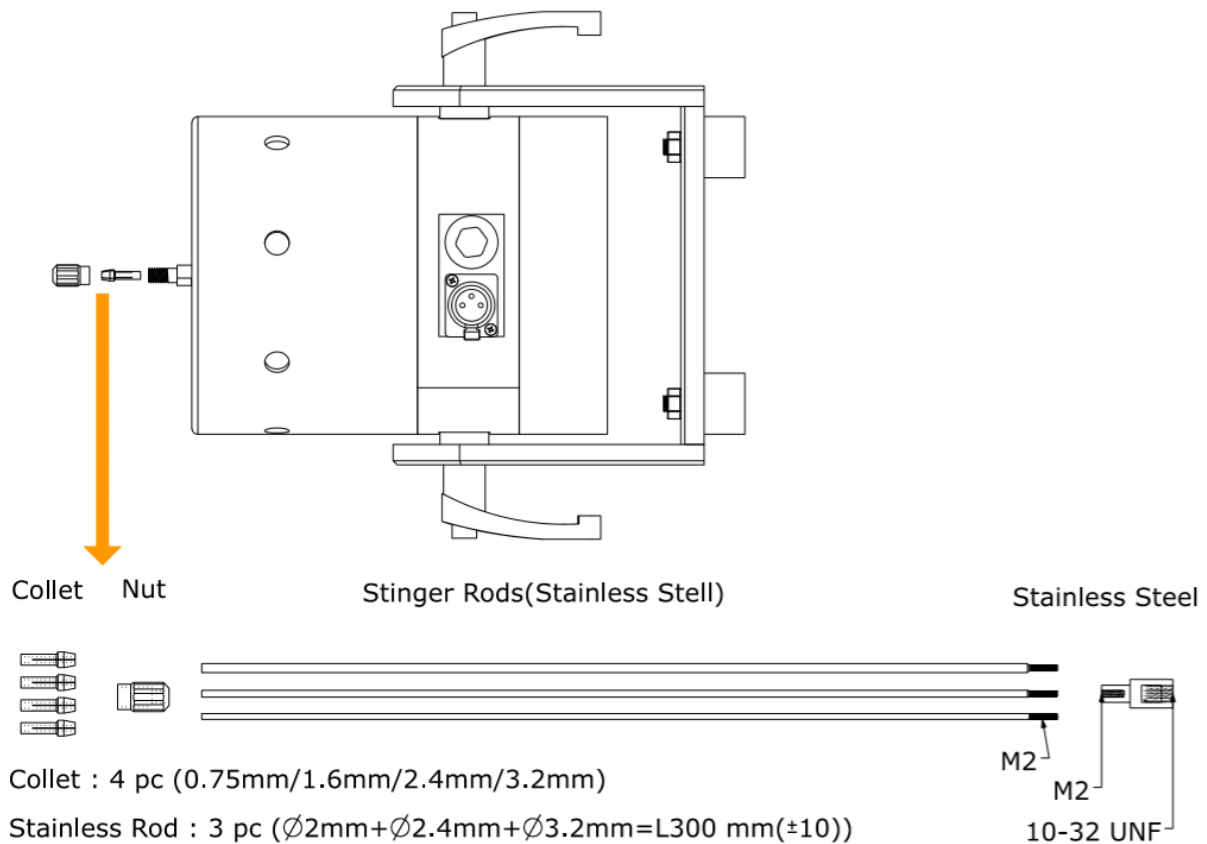
The only user replaceable part is the fuse placed inside the shaker.



3.3) Shaker-Structure Interaction (Stingers)

Stingers used in modal shakers are thin rods with a specific length yielding low lateral and high axial stiffness. The high axial stiffness is necessary to transmit the shaker force directly to the test structure with high efficiency whereas the low lateral stiffness is necessary for protecting the shaker from moment loads and to minimize shaker alignment issues. The stingers are mounted on the shaker via a chuck. Force or impedance head sensors can be mounted on the other side.

The Dewesoft modal shakers stinger sets include chuck and 3 stinger rod sizes. The chuck consists of two pieces. The collet squeezes the stinger with the tightening effect of the nut. Choose a collet size as close to your stinger diameter as possible.



3.4) Shaker Alignment

Shaker alignment is a very important step of modal testing. Poor alignment can cause force components in unmeasured directions and can even damage the shaker. In order to overcome this problem, the trunnion can be adjusted for proper alignment. Furthermore, the tip of the stinger can be removed during the alignment process in order to reduce the free end deflection as shown above.

3.5) Shaker Mounting

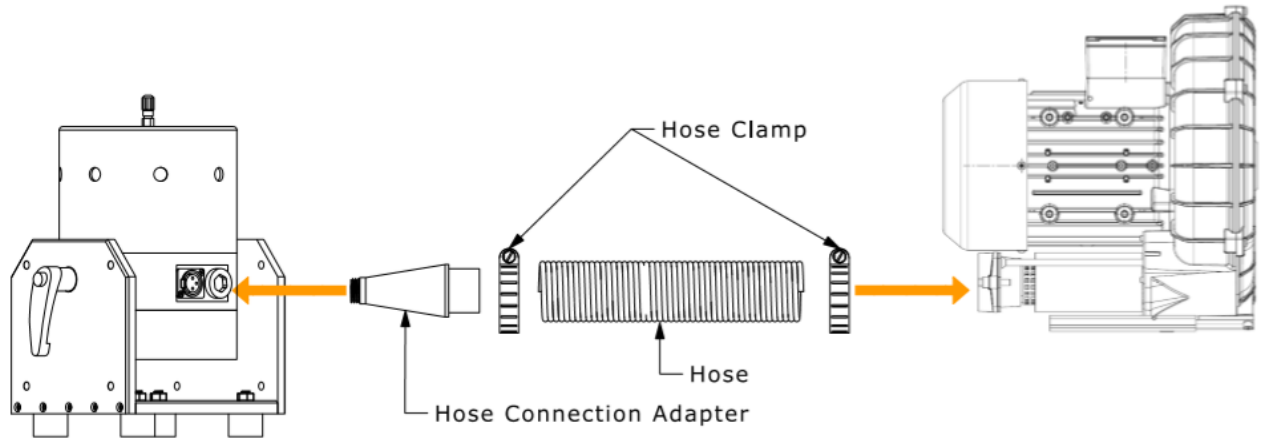
The shaker is designed to rest on its rubber isolators. However, these isolators can be removed for rigid or semi-rigid mounting. If it is not possible to bolt down the shaker, hot glue is also a good mounting option.

The shaker can also be suspended by elastic bungee cords for lateral testing. Additional inertial weight may be attached to the bottom of the shaker using hot glue.



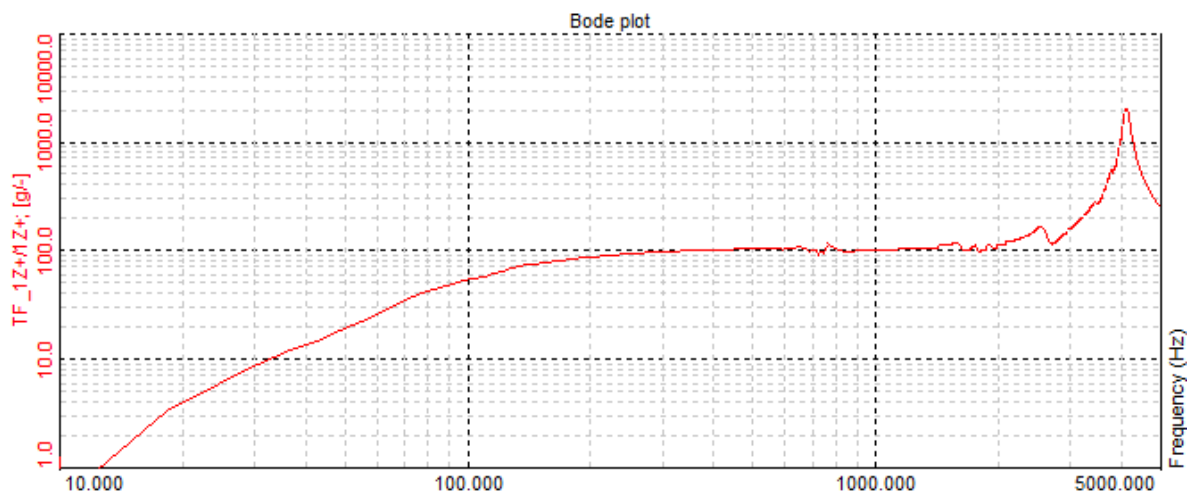
3.6) Cooling

DS-MS-250 does not require forced cooling up to 125N operation. In order to achieve full performance level of 250N use the cooling unit supplied with the shaker. The cooling unit must be used in vacuum mode for best performance. The connections of the cooling unit are given as below.



3.7) Frequency Response and Resonance

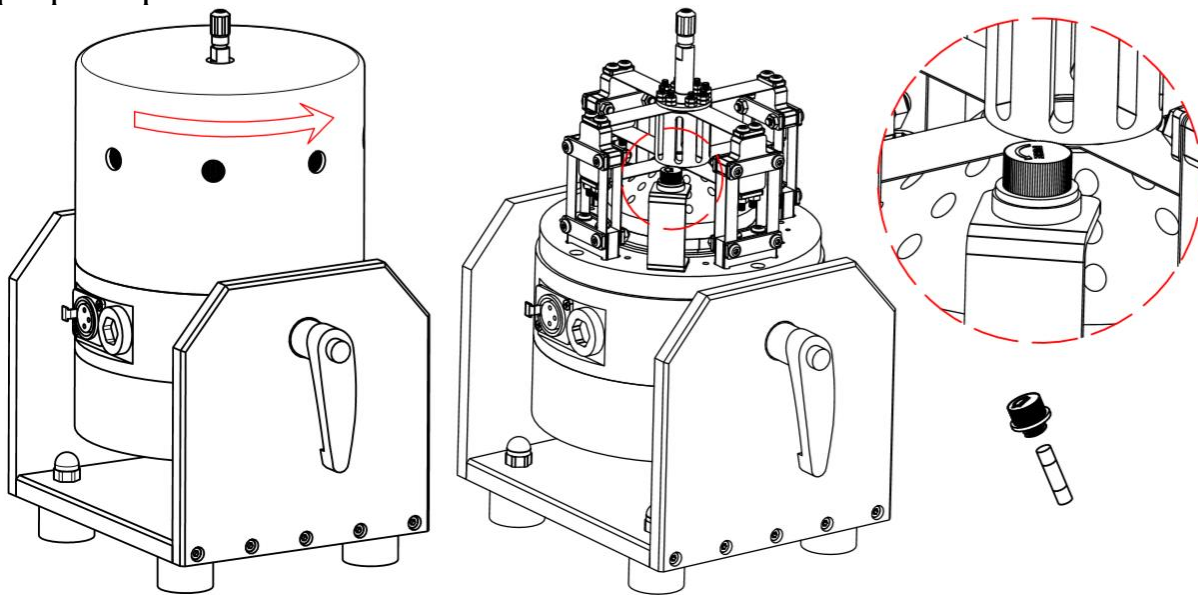
The following figure shows the acceleration levels/Input voltage versus frequency of the shaker.





4) Shaker Maintenance and Troubleshooting

The DS-MS-250 shaker is a sealed device requiring no maintenance if the operating instructions described in this manual are followed. Repair of damage to the coil, exciter body or magnet core should not be attempted. The only user replaceable part is the fuse placed inside the shaker. In order to replace the fuse unplug all cables from the shaker and turn the cover in counter clockwise direction as shown. Then replace the fuse and close the cover. For any other problem, please return the shaker to Dewesoft for proper repair.



5) Safety

Please ensure that this manual section is reviewed and understood prior to installation, operation or maintenance of the equipment. The danger of electrical shock or fire always exists in electrical equipment.

The DS-MS-250 MS Shaker is designed for safe operation. Safety features such as electrical insulation on outer surfaces, shaker body grounding connection are provided for safe operation of the shaker system.