

# vb7

## Product Datasheet

### Bently Nevada\* Asset Condition Monitoring

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## Description

The vb7 instrument is a portable dual channel vibration data collector, analyzer and balancer. You can use this device for on-route and off-route data collection, machine-side analysis and diagnosis as well as on-site dynamic balance correction.

The vb7 is certified for Class 1 Division 2 hazardous areas. It is ergonomically designed and lightweight for all day comfort.

The vb7 provides recordings with up to 6,400 lines of resolution and up to 40 kHz Fmax. Our patented adaptive settling algorithm and 6Pack recording system offer quick, one-step data recording.

The vb7 has plenty of storage and long battery life. This device is backed by five years of warranty.

The vb7 is one of Bently Nevada hardware monitoring assets that work with System 1\* and Ascent\* Level 2 software.

### The vb7 offers the following features:

- Dual channel simultaneous recordings
- 6,400 lines FFT resolution
- Supports 40 kHz Fmax
- Two-plane balancing
- Laser speed sensor for automatic capture of machine running speed
- Keyphasor\* tach mode
- 1 GB memory
- $\geq 95$  dB dynamic range
- Spectrum and waveform recordings
- Demodulation for early detection of rotating machinery problems



such as bearing faults

- Unique 6Pack recording system
- Full analysis capabilities such as time synchronous averaging, coastdown and runup, bump test, cross-channel phase, orbit plot, and long time waveform
- DC-coupled sensor support
- Numeric parameter input via keypad with trend and alarm capability
- Sensor cable self-test feature
- Option to add flex features such as modal analysis and Remote Comms
- USB host port for data transfer to external USB drive
- Upgradable Proflash system and free firmware updates for 5 years
- Five-year warranty on the instrument hardware

# Specifications

## Sensors

Sensor input	Two channels simultaneous sampling
Compatible sensor types	Accelerometer, velocity, displacement, current
AC coupled range	16 V peak-peak Allows for $\pm 8$ V sensor output swing ( $\pm 80$ g)
DC coupled ranges	0 V to 20 V, -10 V to 10 V, -20 V to 0 V  E.g. For reading prox-probe gap
Connectors	2 x BNC (CH1/CH2)  Safety feature: Break-free inline connector
Analog to digital conversion	24-bit ADC
Sensor excitation current	0 mA or 2.2 mA (configurable), 24 V maximum  2.2 mA required power for IEPE/ICP <sup>®</sup> type accelerometer
Sensor detection	Warns if short circuit or not connected

## Tachometer Sensor

Sensor type	Laser sensor with reflective tape Sensor triggers on beam reflection
Laser sensor range	10 cm to 2 m nominal Range depends on size of reflective tape

## Tachometer Input

Supported sensor types	Laser Tach, Contact, TTL Pulse, Keyphasor* Instrument has optically isolated input
Power supply to sensor	5 V, 50 mA
TTL pulse rating	3.5 V (4 mA) min 28 V (5 mA) max Off-state 0.8 V
Keyphasor* thresholds	7.7 $\pm$ 0.5 V, 13.2 $\pm$ 0.8 V, 18.5 $\pm$ 1 V  Nominally 8 V, 13 V, 18 V
Speed range	10 RPM to 300,000 RPM (0.2 Hz to 5 kHz)  Pulse width at least 0.1 ms
Accuracy	$\pm 0.1$ %
Output to drive strobe	Up to 140 Hz (8400 CPM)  Typical Depends on strobe type Special cable required

## Parameter Indication

Maximum levels (peak)	<p>&gt; 1000 g (10,000 m/s<sup>2</sup>)                  &gt; 1000 in/sec (25,000 mm/s)                  &gt; 20 in (500 mm)                  &gt; 10,000 amps</p> <p>Effective limit is sensor sensitivity and output voltage.</p>
Dynamic signal range	<p>&gt; 95 dB                  typical at 400 line resolution</p>
Harmonic distortion	<p>Less than -70 dB typical                  Other distortions and noise are lower</p>
Units	<p>g or m/s<sup>2</sup> or dB                  in/s or mm/s or vdB                  mil or mm or <math>\mu</math>m                  dB, vdB, amps, user defined</p> <p>0-peak, peak-peak or RMS                  Auto-scale by 1000x when required                  US and SI options for dB and vdB</p>
Magnitude & cursors	<p>Overall RMS value                  Waveform True pk-pk                  Dual cursors                  Harmonics</p> <p>Digital readouts on chart</p>
Base accuracy	<p><math>\pm</math> 1% of readings                  approximately 0.1 dB</p> <p>For AC signal: % of reading                  For DC signal: % of full scale</p>
High frequency attenuation	<p><math>\leq</math> 0.1 dB 100 Hz to 10 kHz  <math>\leq</math> 3 dB &gt;10 kHz to 40 kHz</p> <p>Attenuation tolerances are in addition to base accuracy.</p>
AC coupling attenuation	<p><math>\leq</math> 0.1 dB 10 Hz to &lt;100 Hz  <math>\leq</math> 3 dB 1 Hz to &lt;10 Hz</p>
Attenuation due to Integration (normal mode)	<p><math>\leq</math> 0.1 dB 10 Hz to &lt;100 Hz  <math>\leq</math> 1.5 dB 1 Hz to &lt;10 Hz</p> <p>Values apply to single integration.                  (Acceleration to velocity)</p> <p>Double the values for double integration                  (Acceleration to displacement)</p>
Attenuation due to Integration (low frequency mode)	<p><math>\leq</math> 0.1 dB 1 Hz to &lt;100 Hz  <math>\leq</math> 1.5 dB 0.2 Hz to &lt;1 Hz</p> <p>Applies when coupling = DC and Fmax <math>\leq</math> 100 Hz</p>

## Spectrum Display

Fmax ranges	<p>25, 50, 100, 125, 150, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 800, 1000, 1200, 1600, 2000, 2500, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 8000, 10,000, 15,000, 20,000, 30,000, 40,000 Hz</p> <p>Or equivalent CPM values                  Or orders-based from 1X to 999X</p>
Fmin possible range	<p>0 to Fmax                  Instrument zeroes all spectral lines below Fmin.</p>
Resolution	400, 800, 1600, 3200, 6400 lines
Frequency scale	<p>Hz, CPM, Orders                  Linear scale with zooming</p>
Amplitude scale	<p>Acceleration, velocity, displacement, current, voltage</p> <p>Linear or log scales, auto or manual scaling</p>
Window shapes	<p>Hanning                  Rectangular</p>
Overlap	<p>(0, 12.5, 25, 37.5, 50, 62.5, 75, 87.5) %                  Depends on Fmax and number of lines</p>
Number of averages	<p>1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128                  Increases sampling time proportionally</p>
Averaging types	Linear, exponential, peak hold, synchronous
Demodulation bandwidths	<p>23 bandwidth options                  From 125 Hz to 1250 Hz                  Up to 16 kHz to 20 kHz</p>
6Pack	<p>Up to 40 kHz and 3200 lines (1 channel)                  Up to 20 kHz and 1600 lines (2 channels)</p> <p>Spectrum and waveform for low-frequency, high-frequency and demodulation</p>
Order tracking	<p>Up to 6 kHz Fmax                  Orders-based</p> <p>Tachometer required                  Mounted on high-speed shaft</p>
Order tracking - Distortion	<p>&lt; -65 dB                  Within 50% to 200% speed variation during recording</p>

## Waveform Display

Number of samples	1024, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16,384
Time scale	10 ms to 256 seconds or orders based from 1 to 999 revs
Time synchronous averages	1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128 Only available when tachometer triggered
Long time waveform Fmax	25 Hz to 40 kHz 20 kHz dual channel
Long time waveform duration	14.7 million samples (total over channels) E.g. for Fmax 1 kHz, Fsample = 2.56 kHz and Duration = 1.6 hrs

## Logging and Analysis

Output formats	Instrument screen, transfer to Ascent or System 1, XML
Data storage	Dual 1 GB non-volatile flash memories Database mirror copy on second flash memory
Data storage structure	Folders/machines/points/locations/routes No limits are applied 50 character names
Max folder size	10,000 measurement locations

## Balancing

Planes	Up to 2 planes 2 sensors
Speed range	30 to 60 000 RPM
Measurement type	Acceleration Velocity Displacement
Weight modes	Angle 0° to 360° Fixed position Circumference arc E.g. Weights on fan blades, linear dist. around circumference
Remove trial weights	Leave or remove trial weights for final balance Automatic recalculation
Manual data entry	Yes Allows re-entry of previous balance jobs
Storage of balancing jobs	In the data structure where machine vibration readings are stored No limits applied

## Display and Communication

Display	Graphic Grayscale LCD LED Backlight
Resolution & size	480 x 320 (HVGA), 5.5" (140 mm) Readable in direct sunlight
Supported Languages	English, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish
Communication with PC	USB and Ethernet Use PROFLASH to upgrade instrument firmware
USB host port	USB 2.0, supplying 5V, 250mA Save folders to USB flash drive

## Battery and Charger

Battery type	Custom Lithium Ion pack, 7.4 V, 5 Ah
Operating time	10 hours Backlight on — 60 second timeout
Charger type	Internal charging, automatic control External power pack 12 V DC, 3 A output
Charge rate	3 A nominal 3 hours for complete charge

## Mechanical

Size	9.9" W x 5.8" L x 2.4" H (252 x 148 x 60 mm)
Weight	2.7 lb (1.2 kg) Including battery and strap

## Environmental Limits

Operating temperature	14 °F to 122 °F (-10 to 50 °C)
Storage temperature & humidity	-4 °F to 140 °F (-20 to 60 °C), 95% RH Up to 95 F (35 C), 85% RH if storage exceeds 1 month
Ruggedness	IP65 sealed 4' (1.2 m) drop onto concrete Procedure: 26 drops following MIL-STD-810F-516.5-IV

## Compliance and Certifications

EMC	EN 61326-1 EN 61326-2-3  European Community Directive: EMC Directive 2014/30/EU
Electrical Safety	EN 62133  European Community Directive: LV Directive 2014/35/EU

## Hazardous Area Approvals

For a detailed listing of country and product specific approvals, refer to the *Approvals Quick Reference Guide* (108M1756) at [www.GEmeasurement.com](http://www.GEmeasurement.com).

CSA/NRTL/C (Approval Option 01)	Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D
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## Ordering Information

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### VB7-AXX

A: Agency Approval  
01 CSA / NRTL / C (Class 1, Division 2)

### Basic Kit

We offer the vb7 instrument in a basic kit with the option to purchase System 1 or Ascent software and license separately.

Part Number	Description	Qty
	vb7 dual channel portable data collector	1
108M4049-01	USB flash drive contains vbX Manager and installation guide together with reference guides and brochures for vbSeries and other products.	1
ACCL0547 or 200350	Straight accelerometer	1
ACCL0561	Right-angled accelerometer	1
CBCC0027	Coiled cable	2
MAGF0104	Accelerometer magnetic base	2
CABB0560	BNC to BNC cable, 1m	2
CABU0213	USB data transfer cable	1
TTL70259	LEMO-BNC TTL Tach/Keyphasor* cable	1
PLUS0230	Category A power plug, USA / Canada	1
PLSA0241	Category D power plug, South Africa / India	1
PLAU0228	Category M power plug, Australia / New Zealand / China	1
PLHK0245	Category G power plug, Hong Kong / UK	1
PLEU0229	Category C Power plug, Europe	1
CBVB0552	vbX instrument carry bag	1
109M2384-02	Neck strap with Sensor Keeper	1
108M4044	AC power adapter	1
DCCA0041	DC car adapter	1

108M3536	SCOUT100 Series and vbSeries Quick Start Guide	1
MVBX0250	Instrument Reference guide	1

## Accessory Kits

### Balancing Kit - 108M4050-02

Part Number	Description	Qty
113M5529-01	Reflective tape One roll, 60 cm	1
LASA0315	Laser Tach Kit Zone 2 rated	1
CBL50216	Laser cable Five meters	1
MAGA0063	Laser magnetic stand	1
CB5G0024	Sensor Cable Five meters, green	1
CB5R0025	Sensor Cable Five meters, red	1
CBBL0026	Carrying case for the kit	1

### Zone 2 Laser Tach Kit - LASA0315

Part Number	Description	Qty
108M4064	Laser Tacho Holder	1
108M4066	Circlips - 20Mm Stainless	1
108M4067	Arp115 Oring	2
108M4069	Laser Tach Zone 2 rated	1

## Additional Accessories

### Software

Part Number	Description
108M4051	ASCENT Level 1
108M4052	ASCENT Level 2
3071/01	System 1

### Miscellaneous Parts

Part Number	Description
MAGM0064	Accelerometer magnetic base Male connection
KEY70258	Keyphasor cable BNC to LEMO
VBMR0222	Stainless safety rings (1 pair)
100M5828	The vbSeries hard case
DTC70262	The vbSeries dust cover
BATT0575	Replacement battery pack, Li-Ion 7.4 V 5 Ah

All accessories included in the basic kit, balancing kit and Laser Tach kit may also be ordered separately.

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