Tensile Stiffness Orientation Module

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The measurement is based on the original Japanese invention that uses ultrasound for evaluating paper properties. This method is also called Fiber Orientation.

Tensile Stiffness Orientation module measures the orientation of fibers in strip samples or paper sheets. The module has eight pairs of transmitters and receivers (120 mm from each other). Each transmitter sends an ultrasonic pulse to two adjacent receivers, giving measured values at 11.25° steps. The module measures how long an ultrasonic pulse travels from transmitter to receiver, giving results as time of propagation \( T = \text{km/sec} \). Many properties are calculated from this result. Differences in the measured time \( T \) in the different directions (angles) are applied to calculate the orientation of fibers.

**Benefits for the paper or board maker**
- Fast, accurate, repeatable measurement
- Many calculated paper and board properties can be reported
- Reported values are easily adaptable for paper machine and quality optimization

**Technical data**
- Size (cells): 4
- Weight: upper module 6 kg (13.2 lbs), lower module 4 kg (8.8 lbs)
- Measuring range:
  - Speed [km/sec]: 0.75–7.70
  - Speed [ms]: 20–200
- Ultrason. pulse frequency: 25 kHz

Examples of calculated properties:
- Tensile Stiffness Orientation (TSO), Tensile Stiffness Index (TSI), Tensile MD/CD ratio, Bending Stiffness, Modulus Young, Compression Strength (SCT), Ring Crush Test (RCT), Concora Medium Test (CMT)

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