







Custom disc probes can be constructed using the Custom Probe Builder Utility that includes tips for the inbuilt rollers. This document will outline how to calibrate each tip of a custom disc probe.







After establishing each calibration sphere locations with the Master Probe (e.g. 2x20 A0B0), to calibrate the main spherical disc probe tip (shown in red on the probe dialog box), select only the T1A0B0 DISK tip and click Measure.









Use the supplied Disc Probe Calibration spreadsheet to calculate the Start and End angle for the desired probe e.g. ±3.4deg

#### CALIBRATION START ANGLE CALCULATOR AND DISC/SHANK CLEARANCE VERIFICATION

		USER INPUT VALUES FOR DISC STYLI					
CAL SPHERE RADIUS	EXTENSION RADIUS	DISC SPHERICAL DIAMETER	DISC ROLLER POSITION RADIUS	DISC THICKNESS/2	DIST ACROSS ROLLERS (TIP RAD*2)	ROLLER CYL RADIUS	
4	2	25	11	0.75 2.5		0.5	
DATA SOURCE		PART NUMBER	PART NUMBER	N-5000-7810			
		12 5	11 5	0.75 2.5		0.5	
DISC SPHERICAL SURFACE START ANGLE ON CAL SPHERE			3.4	USE 3 LEVELS WITH +/- ANGLE <= TO THIS VALUE			
MAX ROLLER TIP ANGLE			21.8	EDGE OF RADIUS TOUCHING SPHERE			
CALCULATED START ANGLE ON CAL SPHERE FOR ROLLERS			68.2	CHOOSEN ANGLE MUST BE GREATER			
CHOOSEN START ANGLE ON CAL SPHERE FOR ROLLERS			80.0	THAN CALCULATED ANGLE			
CLEARANCE TO DISC			0.44	CLEARANCES MUST			
CLEARANCE TO EXTENSION			4.09	BE GREATER THAN 0			





## **Disk Stylus Calibration Notes and Procedure**

When you perform a discrete hit calibration of a disk stylus on an analog probe with the qualification sphere, you need to use the <u>Measure Probe dialog box</u> and specify the following:

#### •Five hits in the **Number of Hits** box

## •Two levels in the **Number of Levels** box

These do not apply for probes that use the Renishaw scan-based calibration.

Make sure that when you define your probe, you model a disk stylus and not a ball stylus. Once you click the **Measure** button in the **Measure Probe** dialog box, PC-DMIS automatically recognizes that you have an analog probe with a disk stylus and goes through this procedure:

•*If you moved the sphere*, or if you chose the **Man + DCC** mode, PC-DMIS prompts you to take one manual hit on the very top of the qualification sphere (the north pole) with the center of the bottom of the disk stylus. If your probe configuration has an additional ball stylus attached to the bottom of the disk stylus, be sure to take the hit with that ball stylus.

•*If you didn't move the sphere*, and you chose not to use **Man + DCC** mode, PC-DMIS takes the hit on the top of the qualification tool in DCC mode.





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PC-DMIS then finishes by doing the following in DCC mode: •PC-DMIS does one of the following based on the value of the

ProbeQualAnalogDiskUsePlaneOnBottom registry entry located in the **Probe Cal** section of the PC-DMIS Settings Editor:

- If this entry is set to 1, PC-DMIS takes four hits on top of the sphere using a circular pattern on the bottom of the disk stylus and calculates a plane from it. Measuring a plane helps ensure that the hits for calibrating the face are oriented properly to reflect the actual plane of the disk. This is the default for the traditional calibration method using discrete hits.
- If this entry is set to 0, PC-DMIS does not attempt to measure a plane on the bottom of the disk's face. Instead it uses the design orientation of the disk. *This is the default for the Renishaw scan-based calibration*.

•After the hits are taken on top of the sphere, it takes six hits on two levels to get a close location of the center point of the sphere.

•It uses the center point along with the vector from either the plane measurement or the design orientation to correctly position the subsequent measurement.

•For discrete hit calibration, it takes five hits (four in a circular pattern around the equator of the sphere and the fifth hit on the top, or the pole, of the sphere).

•For scan-based calibration, it takes a series of scans at two different levels (one slightly below the equator and one slightly above the equator). Each level is scanned in both clockwise and counterclockwise directions. Each direction for each level is also scanned using two different scan force offsets. This results in a total of eight scans.





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PC-DMIS also provides two additional registry entries in the PC-DMIS Settings Editor in the **ProbeCal** section. You can use these to affect the location of the hits on the bottom of the disk stylus during calibration. These registry entries are:

• ProbeQualAnalogDiskBottomHitsDistanceFromEdge

• ProbeQualAnalogDiskPlaneStartAngle

For more information on these registry entries, see the "<u>ProbeCal</u>" section of the PC-DMIS Settings Editor documentation.





Set the Measure Probe dialog box as shown below.

Enter the start and end angle with 3 levels based on the values from the spreadsheet.







PC-DMIS will now automatically measure the datum sphere using 3 levels at -3.4deg, 0deg (equator) and +3.4deg, 12 hits per level. For Hexagon Analog Bodies, use 5 hits and 2 levels.







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Set the Measure Probe dialog box as shown below. Enter the start and end angle based on the values from the spreadsheet with 4 levels and total number of hits 25.







MAN + DCC – MAN hit on sphere with the roller, if you use DCC+DCC, it will try to take a hit on the top of the sphere and crash - DCC is the calibration of the roller tip using 25 points over 3 levels between 75 to 90 degs on the sphere







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Probe Utilities D:\PC-DMIS\Probes\25MM_DISC.PRB					
Probe file:	Measure	Delete			
	Edit	Add Angles			
Active up list:	Tolerances	Results			
*T3A0B0 BALL-11.5,0,193.970,0,1 2.5 2.5	Setup	Mark Used			
	Print List	Global Used			
		File Format			
		Reset Tips			
	Use partial calibration				
	Use TRAX calibration				
< >	User defined calibration	order			
Probe description:					
PROBEPH10MQ Joint: b angle Joint: a angle Connect: CONVERT30MM_TO_M8THRD Connect: PROBETP200 Connect: PROBETP200 Connect: DISC_ASSY_D25xT1.5 Tip #1: DISC_D25xT1.5 Tip #1: DISC_D25xT1.5 Tip #2: DISC_ROLLER_2.5x1.0_ROL Tip #3: DISC_ROLLER_2.5x1.0_ROL Empty Connection #4					
< >>	OK	Cancel			

Set the Measure Probe dialog box as shown below.

Enter the start and end angle based on the values from the spreadsheet with 4 levels and total number of hits 25.

	Measure Probe	×	
	Number of hits:     25       Prehit / Retract:     1	O Manual O DCC	only to avoid crashes
IJK (0,-1,0)	Move speed (mm/sec):100Touch speed (mm/sec):2	Man+DCC DCC+DCC	
	Type of operation  Calibrate tips Calibrate the unit Qualification check Home the unit Calibrate ScanRDV	Calibration mode O Default mode Number of levels: 4 O User defined Start Angle: -75 End Angle: -90	PC-DMIS ×
	Wrist calibration         End:         Increment:           A:         -140.0         140.0         10.0           B:         -180.0         180.0         10.0	Shank qual Number shank hits: 4 Shank offset: 5	Existing set: 25MM_DISC_ROLLER_TIP3     has been updated     OK
	Create new map     View / Delete Maps	Name:     Save       25MM_DISC_ROLLER_TIP3     Delete	Save these settings as a
	Tool mounted on rotary to ble         Inst of available tools:         DISC_ROLLER_0,-1,0       SPHERE       0,-1,0       8       0         Add Tool       Edit Tool	<ul> <li>Reset tips to Theo at start of calibration</li> <li>Tips to use if none explicitly selected</li> <li>All          <ul> <li>Abort execution</li> <li>Used in Routine</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	this tip for later use in ar autocalibration routine.
Y I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	Delete Tool	Measure Cancel	



No

Qualification Tool Moved

O Yes (Manual hit to locate tool)

 $\bigcirc$  Yes (DCC hits to locate tool)

OK

Answer "No" for has the qualification tool moved









To calibrate the roller tips, we need to use a small calibration sphere that will not cause interferences with the probe body. Select the T2A90B90 Tip and click Measure.











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,0)	Number of hits: Prehit / Retract: Move speed (mm/sec): Touch speed (mm/sec):	25 1 100 2	Manual DCC Man+DCC DCC			only use MAN+ DCC only to avoid crashes	Has the qualification tool been moved, or has the Machine zero point changed?
	Type of operation  Calibrate tips Calibrate the unit Qualification check Home the unit	Calibrate ScanRDV	Calibration mode Default mode User defined	Number of levels: Start Angle: End Angle:	4 -75 -90	PC-DMIS × Existing set: 25MM_DISC_ROLLER_TIP2 has been updated	For a small position change where the last known position is still very close to the current position, it may be possible to locate the tool in DCC mode without needing a Manual hit. For a newly defined tool or a significant position change, a Manual hit will be needed to locate it.
	Wrist calibration         End:           Start:         End:           A:         -140.0           B:         -180.0           C:         -180.0           D:         -180.0           C:         -180.0           D:         Create new map	Increment: 10.0 10.0 10.0 View / Delete Maps	Shank qual Parameter sets Name: 25MM_DISC_ROLLI	Number shank hits: Shank offset: ER_TIP2	4 5 Save	OK Save these settings as a	No Yes (Manual hit to locate tool)
•	Tool mounted on rotary table         List of available tools:         DISC_ROLLER_0,-1,0         Add Tool         Delete Tool	0,-1,0 8 0 Edit Tool	Reset tips to The Tips to use if none ex All	eo at start of calibration plicitly selected	Cancel	parameter set specific to this tip for later use in an autocalibration routine.	Answer "No" for has the qualification tool moved