



# **Operating Manual EMGZ421**

**Digital microprocessor controlled  
Double Channel Tension Measuring Amplifier**

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# 1 Safety Instructions

## 1.1 Description conditions

### a) High danger of health injury or loss of life



#### **Danger**

This symbol refers to high risk for persons to get health injury or loss life. It has to be followed strictly.

### b) Risk of damage of machines



#### **Caution**

This symbol refers to informations, that, if ignored, could cause heavy mechanical damage. This warning has to be followed absolutely.

### c) Note for proper function



#### **Note**

This symbol refers to an important information about proper use. If not followed, malfunction can be the result.

## 1.2 List of safety instructions

- Proper function of the tension measuring amplifier is only guaranteed with the recommended application of the components. In case of other arrangement, heavy malfunction can be the result. Therefore, the installation instructions on the following pages must be followed strictly.
- Local installation regulations are to preserve safety of electric equipment. They are not taken into consideration by this operating manual. However, they have to be followed strictly.
- Bad earth connection may cause electric shock to persons, malfunction of the total system or damage of the measuring amplifier! It is vital to ensure that proper earth connection is done.
- The processor board is mounted directly behind the operation panel. Improper handling may damage the fragile electronic equipment! Don't use rough tools as screwdrivers or pliers! Don't touch processor board! Touch earthed metal part to discharge static electricity before removing operation panel!
- Some contacts on the power supply are under 110V resp. 230V tension! Mortal danger! Disconnect power supply before open the housing!

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## 2 Definitions

**Offset:** Correction value for compensation of the zero point difference. Thanks to the offset, it is ensured that a force of 0N will generate a signal of 0V exactly.

**Gain:** Amplification factor for the measuring signal. Use of proper value will set the measuring range of the sensor exactly corresponding to the signal output range (0...10V).

**Strain gauge:** Electronic component that will change its resistance while its length has changed. Strain gauges are used in the FMS force sensors for acquisition of the feedback value.

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## 3 System components

The EMGZ421 consists of the following components (refer also to fig. 1):

### **Force sensors**

- For mechanical/electrical conversion of the tension force
- Force measuring bearing
- *Force measuring roller*
- *Force measuring journal*
- *Force measuring bearing block*

### **Electronic unit EMGZ421**

- For supplying of the force sensors and amplifying of the mV signal
- Two separated analogue inputs for the sensors of a single measuring point
- With operation panel for parametrization
- Interface RS232
- *Interface CAN-Bus*
- For mounting into insert card support block EMGZ555959 (by mounting into control cabinet)
- *Mounted in separate housing (EMGZ421.E)*
- *Integrated power supply (by using separate housing)*
- Supports connection of an external feedback display

*(Italic text indicates variant or option)*

## 4 System Description

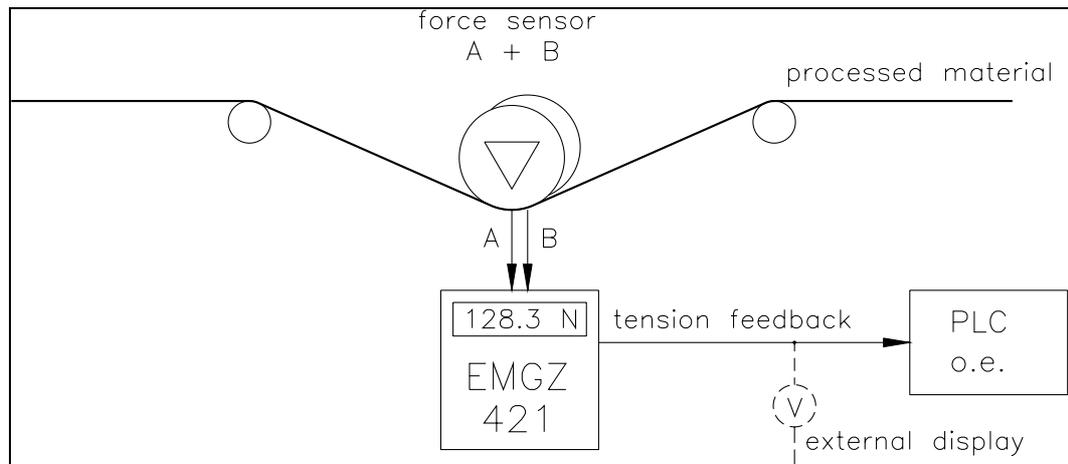


fig. 1: Basic structure of the EMGZ421 tension measuring amplifier E421001e

### 4.1 Functional description

The EMGZ421 is a double channel strain gauge amplifier for a single measuring point. The material tension can be measured on both sides of the measuring roller independently.

The 2 force sensors of the measuring point measure the tension force in the material and transmit the measuring value as a mV signal to the electronic unit EMGZ421. The electronic unit amplifies the mV signal of each force sensor independently. A sum value (A+B) and a difference value (A-B) is calculated from the force values of the sensors A and B. The resulting feedback values are shown in the display in [N]. In addition, the feedback values are provided at the analogue outputs and can be evaluated by analogue instruments, a PLC or equivalent devices.

### 4.2 Force sensors

The force sensors are based on the flexion beam principle. The flexion is measured by strain gauges and transmitted to the electronic unit as mV signal. Due to the wheatstone wiring of the strain gauges, the measured value is according also to the power supply. So, the force sensors are supplied from the EMGZ421 by a very accurate power supply.

### 4.3 Electronic unit EMGZ421

#### Common

The electronic unit contains a microprocessor to handle all calculations and communications, the highly accurate sensor power supply and the signal amplifier for the measuring value. As operation interface it provides 4 keys, 4 LED's and a 2x16 characters display in the front of the electronic unit. All inputs are saved in an EEPROM. The electronic unit has no jumpers or trimmers to keep most accurate long-time and temperature stability.

#### Strain gauge amplifier

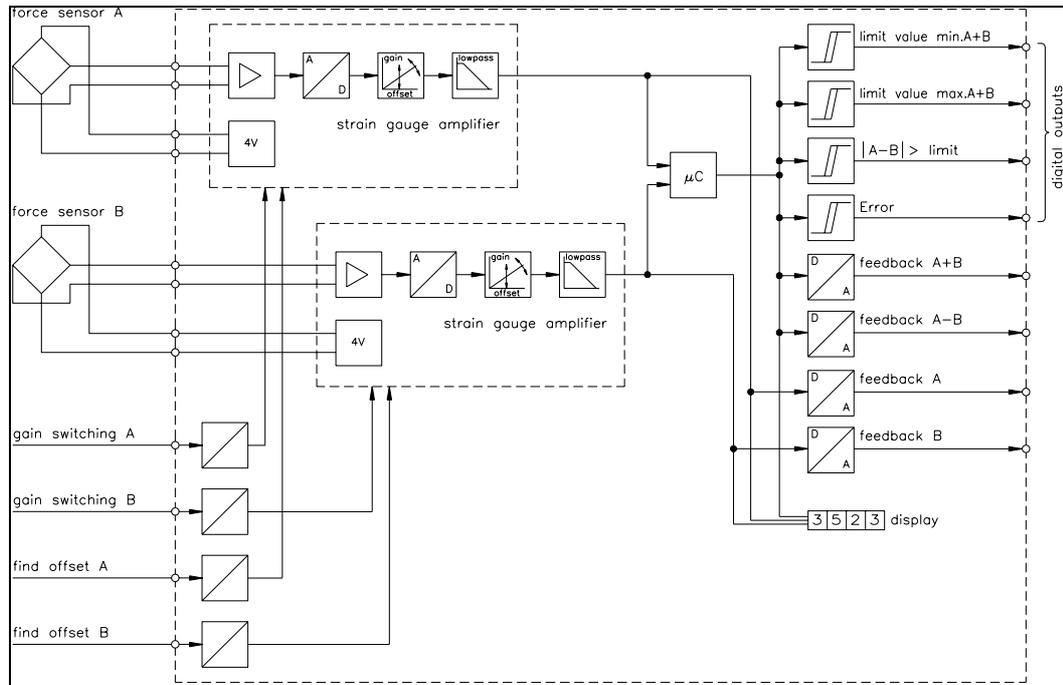
The strain gauge amplifier provides the highly accurate 4V power supply. A highly accurate, fixed difference amplifier rises the mV signal up to 10V. This signal will be fed to the A/D converter. The microprocessor then does all application-specific calculations with the digitized measuring value (such as offset, gain, low-pass filter, limit switches, etc).

Using digital inputs, the amplifier can be switched easily between 2 different gain parameters (for ex. to process different operating conditions). There is no reconfiguration required to switch the gain parameters.

The strain gauge amplifier section written above is integrated twice to provide independent evaluation of each force sensor.

**Interface**

As standard, the electronic unit supports an RS232 interface. As an option, there is an additional board with CAN-Bus interface available.



**fig. 2: Block diagram of the electronic unit EMGZ421**

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## 5 Quick installation guide

- Check all your requirements such as:
  - configuration of the analogue outputs (signal level)?
  - gain switching required?
  - linking by serial interface etc.?
- Draw your final wiring diagram according to the wiring diagrams (refer to „7.3 Wiring diagram variant for insert card support block“ / „7.4 Wiring diagram variant with separate housing“)
- Install and wire all your components (refer to „7. Installation and wiring“)
- Parametrize and calibrate the measuring amplifier (refer to „8.2 Calibrating the measuring amplifier“)
- Put system into operation; proceed a test run with low speed
- If required, do additional settings (refer to „8.3 Additional settings“)



## 7 Installation and wiring



### Caution

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### 7.1 Mounting and wiring of the measuring amplifier

#### Variant for insert card support block (EMGZ421)

The insert card support block can be mounted in a control cabinet. Wiring to the terminals is done according to „7.3 Wiring diagram: Variant for insert card support block“ (fig. 5). The electronic unit then will be inserted into the insert block. It will be locked by a stop hook (fig. 3).

#### Variant with separate housing (EMGZ421.E)

The housing can be mounted in a control cabinet or directly beside the machine. All connections are led through glands to the screw terminals and connected according to „7.4 Wiring diagram: Variant with separate housing“ (fig. 6 and 7).

### 7.2 Mounting the force sensors

Mounting of the force sensors is done referring to the FMS Installation manual which is delivered together with the force sensors.

Wiring to the terminals of the electronic unit is done according to wiring diagram (fig. 5 resp. 6).



### Note

Connecting the shield of the signal cable to the measuring amplifier *and* to the force sensor may cause ground circuits which may interfere the measuring signal massively. Malfunction can be the result. The shield should be connected only to the measuring amplifier. On the „force sensor side“, the shield should stay open.

### 7.3 Wiring diagram: Variant for insert card support block (EMGZ421)

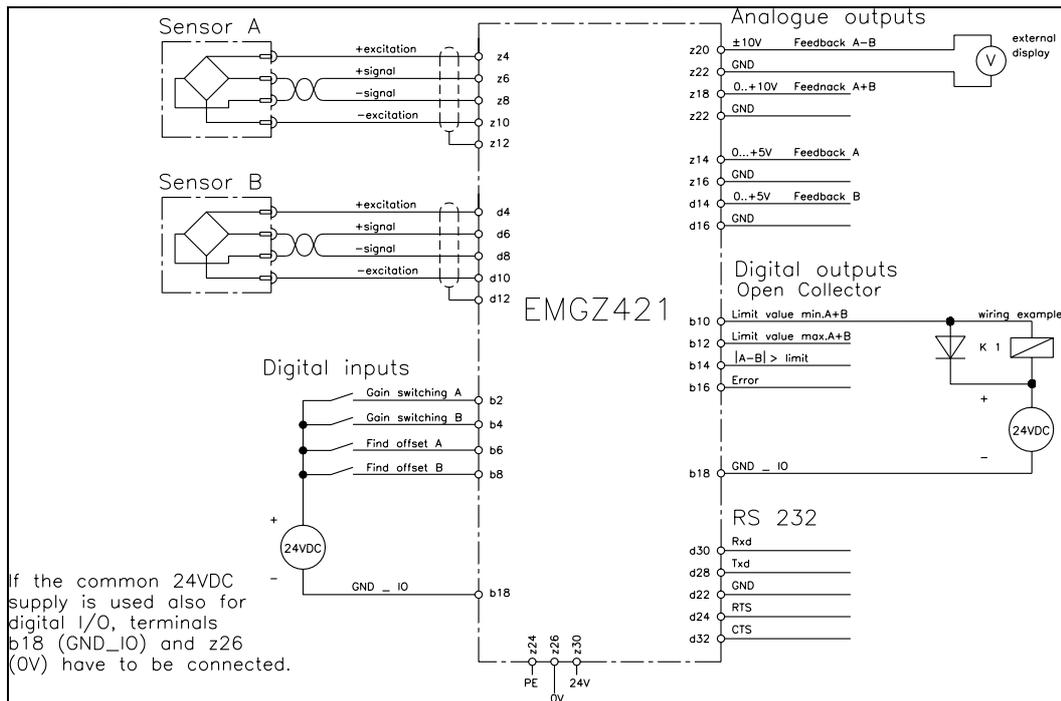


fig. 5: Wiring diagram: Variant for insert card support block

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#### Caution

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### 7.4 Wiring diagram: Variant with separate housing (EMGZ421.E)

The housing of the electronic unit will be opened by unscrewing the 4 philips screws on the operation panel and swinging out the operation panel to the right side.



#### Caution

The processor board is mounted directly behind the operation panel. Improper handling may damage the fragile electronic equipment! Don't use rough tools as screwdrivers or pliers! Don't touch processor board! Touch earthed metal part to discharge static electricity before removing operation panel!



#### Danger

Some contacts on the power supply are under 110V resp. 230V tension! Mortal danger! Disconnect power supply before open the housing!

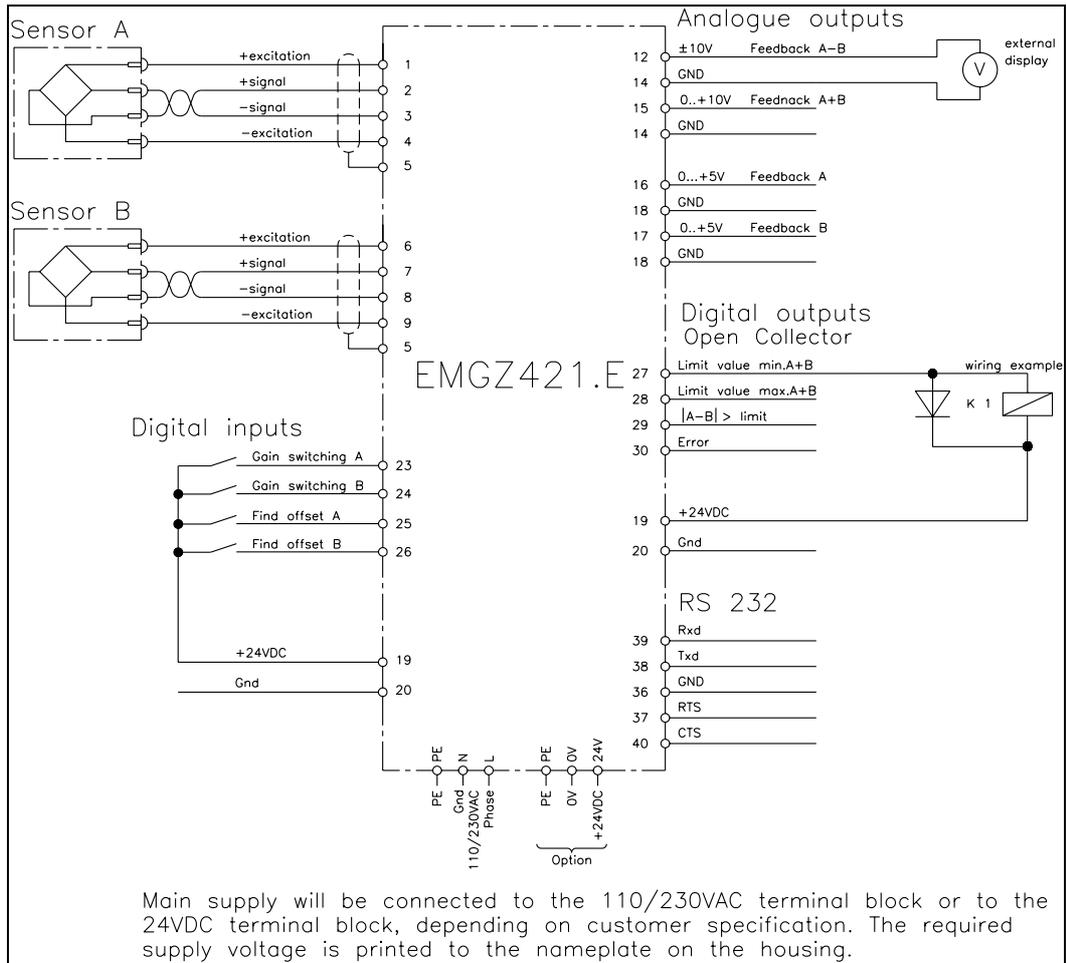


fig. 6: Wiring diagram: Variant with separate housing

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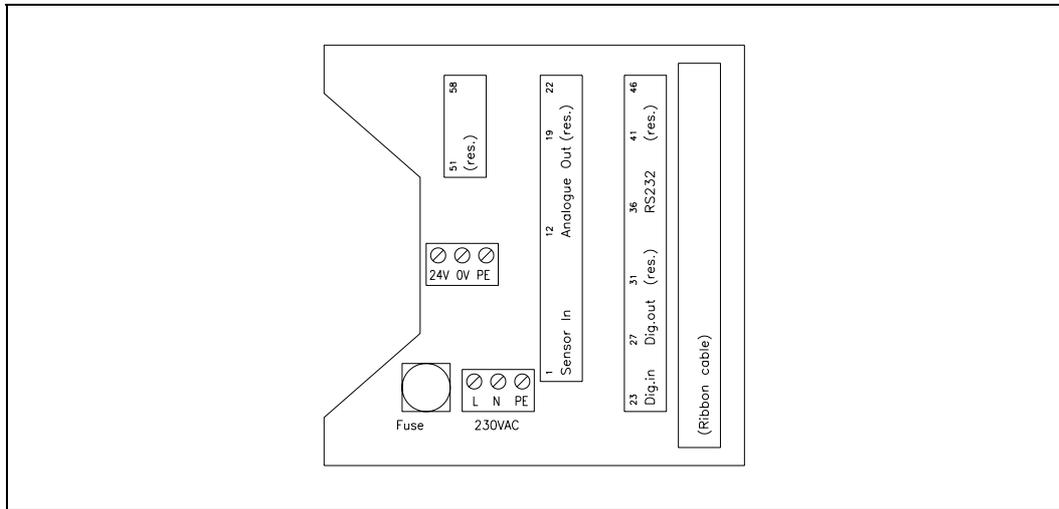


fig. 7: Screw terminal arrangement on terminal board

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# 8 Operation

## 8.1 View of the operating panel

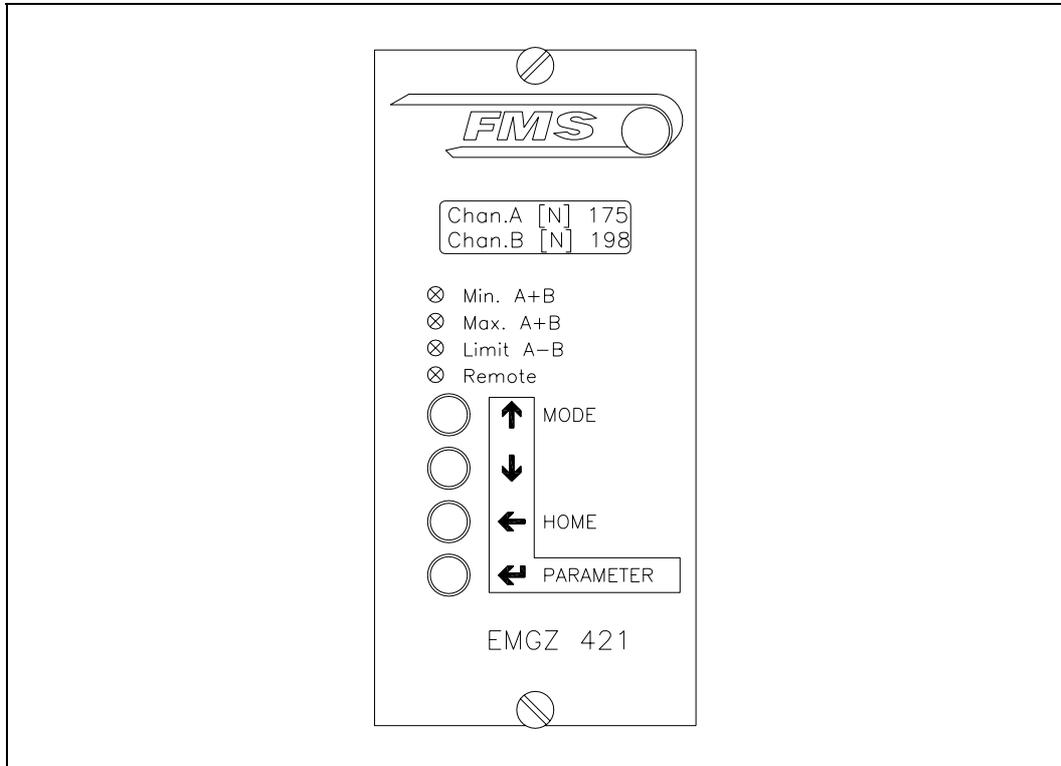


fig. 8: Operating panel: Variant for insert card support block (EMGZ421) E421006e

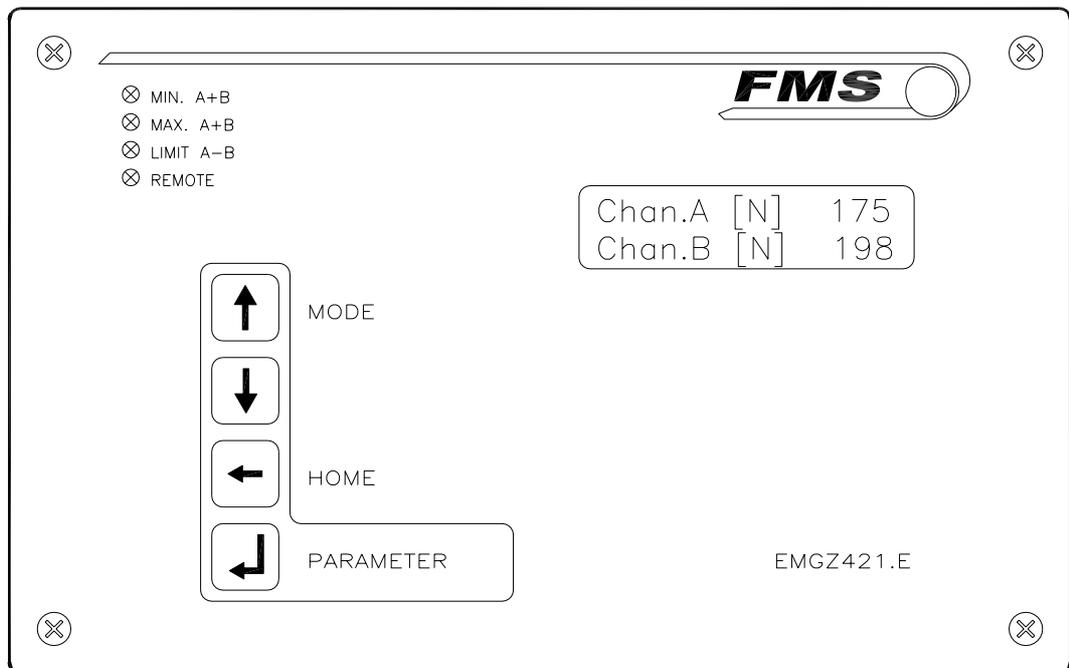


fig. 9: Operating panel: Variant with separate housing (EMGZ421.E) E421007e

## 8.2 Calibrating the measuring amplifier

### Parametrizing the measuring amplifier

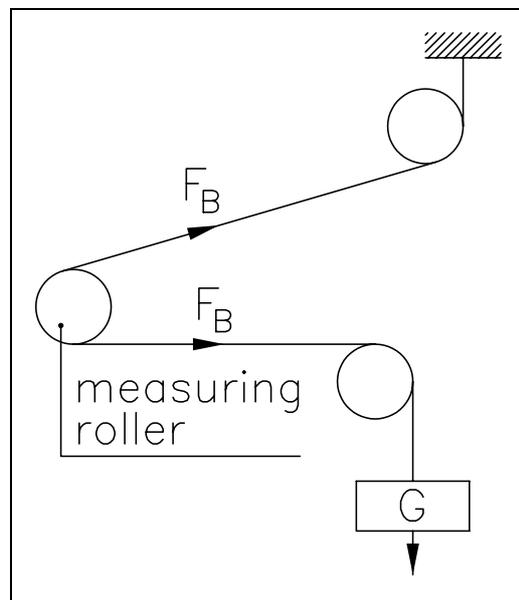
The following parameters have to be set resp. to be checked before the first calibration is done (ref. to „10. Parametrisation“):

- *Nominal force sensor A*
- *Nominal force sensor B*
- *Unit of force*
- *Sensitivity sensor A*
- *Sensitivity sensor B*
- *Scale output 1*
- *Scale output 2*
- *Scale output 3*
- *Scale output 4*

### Simulating Method (recommended)

The following instructions are referring to a setup and calibration on-site. The material tension will be simulated by a weight (fig. 10).

- Connect both force sensors (A and B).
- Check, if a positive value is displayed when loading the sensor A in measuring direction. If not, exchange terminals z6 / z8 (resp. 2 / 3)
- Check, if a positive value is displayed when loading the sensor B in measuring direction. If not, exchange terminals d6 / d8 (resp. 7 / 8)
- Insert material or a rope loosely to the machine
- Adjust offset A by activating the parameter function *find offset A* and pressing the ↵ key for 3 seconds (ref. to „10. Parametrisation“). The electronic unit calculates automatically the new offset A value.
- Adjust offset B by activating the parameter function *find offset B* and pressing the ↵ key for 3 seconds (ref. to „10. Parametrisation“). The electronic unit calculates automatically the new offset B value.
- Load material or rope with a defined weight (fig. 10)
- Activate parameter function *Calibration A*. Input the force referring to half of the applied weight (refer to „10. Parametrization“). The electronic unit calculates automatically the new gain A value.
- Activate parameter function *Calibration B*. Input the force referring to half of the applied weight (refer to „10. Parametrization“). The electronic unit calculates automatically the new gain B value.
- Quit calibration with *Home* key.



**fig. 10: Calibrating the measuring amplifier** C431011e

**Mathematical method**

If the material tension cannot be simulated, calibration has to be done by calculation. This way of calibrating is less accurate because the exact angles are often unknown and the effective mounting conditions, which usually deviate from the ideal, are not taken into account.

- Offset adjustment has to be done as described under „Simulating method“.
- The Gain value will be calculated by the following formula and then inputted in the parameters *gain channel A / gain channel B* (refer to „10. Parametrization“).

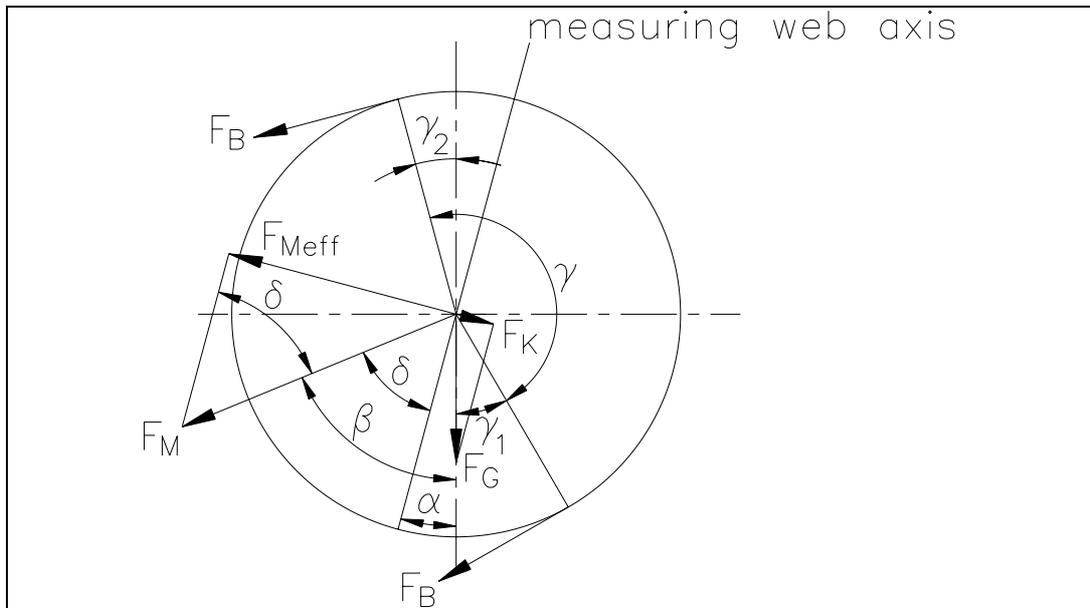


fig. 11: Force vectors in the FMS force measuring bearing

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$$GainFeedbackA = GainFeedbackB = \frac{1}{\sin \delta \cdot \sin(\gamma / 2) \cdot 2}$$

**Definition of symbols:**

$\alpha$	angle between vertical and measuring web axis	$F_B$	material tension
$\beta$	angle between vertical and $F_M$	$F_G$	roller weight
$\gamma$	material wrap angle	$F_M$	measuring force resulting from $F_B$
$\gamma_1$	entry angle of material	$F_{Meff}$	effective measuring force
$\gamma_2$	exit angle of material		
$\delta$	Angle between measuring web axis and $F_M$		

## 8.3 Additional settings

### Setting of the lowpass filters

The measuring amplifier provides 5 lowpass filters independently adjustable from each other. They are used to prevent noise which is added to the signals. Signal variations which are faster than the cut-off frequency are then suppressed. The lower the cut-off frequency, the more sluggish the output signal will be.

The lowpass filters are configured by setting its cut-off frequency to an appropriate value. The cut-off frequency is set in the parameter *Lowpass display* resp. *Lowpass output 1...4* (ref. to „10. Parametrisation“).



### Note

If the cut-off frequency is set to a value too low, the output signal will become sluggish. It may be that the feedback value is no longer suitable for control loop applications. You have to pay attention that the cut-off frequency is set to a suitable value.

### Setting of the limit switches

The measuring amplifier provides 3 limit switches which can be tapped at the digital outputs (terminals b10 / b12 / b14 resp. 27 / 28 / 29). The limit switches are actuated when the feedback value exceeds (Limit value max.A+B) resp. undershoots (Limit value min.A+B) the force values stored in parameters *Minimum limit A+B* resp. *Maximum limit A+B*. The limit switch  $|A-B| > \text{limit}$  is actuated if the difference of the 2 measuring values is higher than the force stored in parameter  $|A-B| > \text{limit}$ .

Tapping of the limit switches is done according to wiring diagram (fig. 5 or 6).

### Scaling of the analogue outputs

With default setting, the analogue outputs give the maximum signal (10V resp. 5V) when the nominal force of the sensors is reached. The output signal level can be customized with the parameters *Scale output 1...4*.

### Gain switching

If a measuring point is operated with varying measuring conditions (for ex. different material paths), the gain factor of each channel may be switched between 2 values depending on the material path. Switching is done using the digital inputs „Gain switching A“ resp. „Gain switching B“. Therefore, the extra gain values have to be calibrated during setup too (ref. to parameters *Cal. gain 1 A* / *Cal. gain 1 B* / *Gain 1 channel A* / *Gain 1 channel B*).

### Tare function

If parameter *Config. of key* is set to *TareA*, *TareB* or *TareA+B*, pressing the ↓ key will set the display and the feedback value of the specified output channel to zero. Therefore, variations of the display during retooling may be compensated.

The original offset value remains in the measuring amplifier. If the ↓ key is pressed again, the original offset value is restored; display and output signal show the original feedback value.

## 9 Serial interface (RS232)

The serial interface is operated for example by a personal computer as a kind of „question and answer“ game: The PC sends a question resp. a command; the measuring amplifier will send an answer back. If the answer is missing, the measuring amplifier or the connection cable may fail.

### 9.1 Wiring diagram: RS232 interface

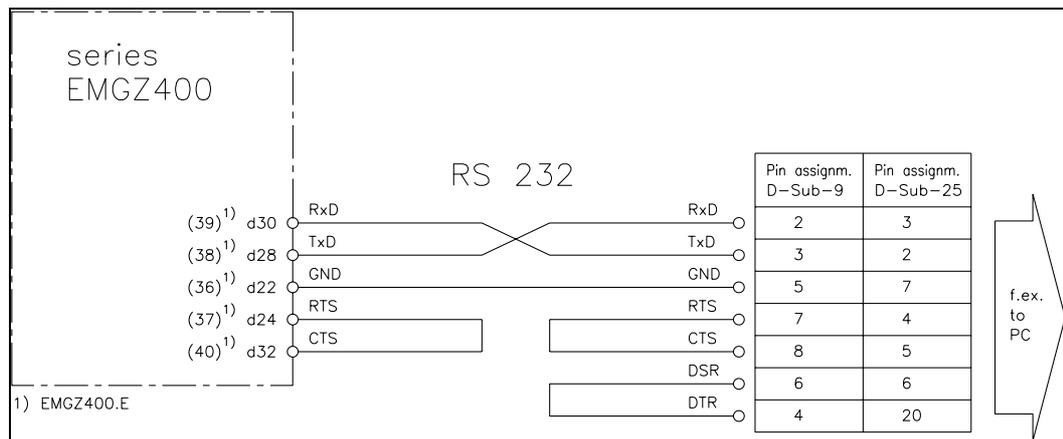


fig. 12: Wiring diagram RS232 interface

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Reliable connection using maximum baudrate (9600) is guaranteed up to wire length of 10m. If the baudrate is reduced and/or good conditions prevail, considerably greater distances can be bridged in some cases.

Connection to a PC etc. is done with a 9- or 25-pole Sub-D connector.

### 9.2 Command list

command	answer	purpose
ERR?<CR>	XXXXXX<CR>	read actual errors Pos. 1...6 : Err1...Err6 Value of Pos. = 0 : No Err; Value of Pos. = 1 : Err active
IDNT<CR>	EMGZ421 V2.01 1198 < Type > <Version> <S >	10 characters type, fix 10 characters version, fix 4 characters serial number, fix
INRS<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	initialize interface (for ex. after loading of new interface parameters)
REMR<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	turn off remote mode (enabling the keys on the operating panel)
REMS<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	turn on remote mode (disabling the keys on the operating panel)
VALS<CR>	XXXXXX<CR>	read feedback value A+B
VALD<CR>	XXXXXX<CR>	read feedback value A-B
VALA<CR>	XXXXXX<CR>	read feedback value A
VALB<CR>	XXXXXX<CR>	read feedback value B

### 9.3 Read parameter

command	answer	purpose
RP01<CR>	XXXXX<CR>	Offset channel A
RP02<CR>	X.XXX<CR>	Gain channel A
RP03<CR>	XXXXX<CR>	Offset channel B
RP04<CR>	X.XXX<CR>	Gain channel B
RP05<CR>	X.XXX<CR>	Gain1 channel A
RP06<CR>	X.XXX<CR>	Gain1 channel B
RP07<CR>	XXXX<CR>	Nominal force sensor A
RP08<CR>	XXXX<CR>	Nominal force sensor B
RP09<CR>	X<CR>	Unit of force
RP10<CR>	X.X<CR>	Sensitivity sensor A
RP11<CR>	X.X<CR>	Sensitivity sensor B
RP13<CR>	XXXXX<CR>	Min. limit value A+B
RP14<CR>	XXXXX<CR>	Max. limit value A+B
RP15<CR>	XXXXX<CR>	$ A-B  > \text{limit}$
RP18<CR>	XX.X<CR>	Lowpass display
RP19<CR>	XXX.X<CR>	Lowpass output 1 (A-B)
RP20<CR>	XXX.X<CR>	Lowpass output 2 (A+B)
RP21<CR>	XXX.X<CR>	Lowpass output 3 (A)
RP22<CR>	XXX.X<CR>	Lowpass output 4 (B)
RP23<CR>	XX.XX<CR>	Scale output 1 (A-B)
RP24<CR>	XX.XX<CR>	Scale output 2 (A+B)
RP25<CR>	XX.XX<CR>	Scale output 3 (A)
RP26<CR>	XX.XX<CR>	Scale output 4 (B)
RP28<CR>	X<CR>	Language
RP29<CR>	X<CR>	Config. of key
RP39<CR>	XXX<CR>	Identifier
RP40<CR>	X<CR>	Baud rate RS232
RP41<CR>	X<CR>	7 or 8 data bit
RP42<CR>	X<CR>	1 or 2 stop bit
RP43<CR>	X<CR>	Parity bit RS232

All parameter numbers and input ranges refer to the parameter list.

## 9.4 Write parameter

command	answer	purpose
WP01XXXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Offset channel A
WP02X.XXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Gain channel A
WP03XXXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Offset channel B
WP04X.XXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Gain channel B
WP05X.XXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Gain1 channel A
WP06X.XXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Gain1 channel B
WP07XXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Nominal force sensor A
WP08XXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Nominal force sensor B
WP09X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Unit of force
WP10X.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Sensitivity sensor A
WP11X.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Sensitivity sensor B
WP13XXXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Min. limit value A+B
WP14XXXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Max. limit value A+B
WP15XXXXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	A-B  > limit
WP18XX.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Lowpass display
WP19XXX.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Lowpass output 1 (A-B)
WP20XXX.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Lowpass output 2 (A+B)
WP21XXX.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Lowpass output 3 (A)
WP22XXX.X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Lowpass output 4 (B)
WP23XX.XX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Scale output 1 (A-B)
WP24XX.XX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Scale output 2 (A+B)
WP25XX.XX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Scale output 3 (A)
WP26XX.XX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Scale output 4 (B)
WP28X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Language
WP29X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Config. of key
WP39XXX<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Identifier
WP40X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Baud rate RS232
WP41X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	7 or 8 data bit
WP42X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	1 or 2 stop bit
WP43X<CR>	PACC<CR> / FAIL<CR>	Parity bit RS232

All parameter numbers and input ranges refer to the parameter list. Depending on the value being ok or not, the electronic unit replies PACC<CR> (value accepted) or FAIL<CR> (value not accepted).

# 10 Parametrization

## 10.1 Parameter list

Parameter	Unit	Default	Min	Max	Selected
Find offset A	(Parameter function)				
Calibration A	(Parameter function)				
Find offset B	(Parameter function)				
Calibration B	(Parameter function)				
Cal. gain 1 A	(Parameter function)				
Cal. gain 1 B	(Parameter function)				
Offset channel A	[Digit]	0	-4000	4000	
Gain channel A	[-]	1.000	0.100	9.000	
Offset channel B	[Digit]	0	-4000	4000	
Gain channel B	[-]	1.000	0.100	9.000	
Gain 1 channel A	[-]	1.000	0.100	9.000	
Gain 1 channel B	[-]	1.000	0.100	9.000	
Nominal force sensor A	[N,kN]	1000	1	9999	
Nominal force sensor B	[N,kN]	1000	1	9999	
Unit of force	N, kN	N			
Sensitivity sensor A	[mV/V]	1.8	0.1	3.0	
Sensitivity sensor B	[mV/V]	1.8	0.1	3.0	
Min. limit A+B	[N, kN]	0	-9999	9999	
Max. limit A+B	[N, kN]	0	-9999	9999	
A-B  > limit	[N, kN]	0	-9999	9999	
Lowpass display	[Hz]	1.0	0.1	10.0	
Lowpass output 1 (A-B)	[Hz]	10.0	0.1	200.0	
Lowpass output 2 (A+B)	[Hz]	10.0	0.1	200.0	
Lowpass output 3 (A)	[Hz]	10.0	0.1	200.0	
Lowpass output 4 (B)	[Hz]	10.0	0.1	200.0	
Scale output 1 (A-B)	[-]	0.50	0.01	10.00	
Scale output 2 (A+B)	[-]	0.50	0.01	10.00	
Scale output 3 (A)	[-]	1.00	0.01	10.00	
Scale output 4 (B)	[-]	1.00	0.01	10.00	
Language	German, English, French, Italian				
Config. of key	None, TareA, TareB, TareA+B				
Identifier	[-]	0	0	127	
Baud rate RS232	300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600				
7 or 8 data bit	[-]	8	7	8	
1 or 2 stop bit	[-]	1	1	2	
Parity bit RS232	None, Odd, Even				

## 10.2 Schematic diagram of parametrization

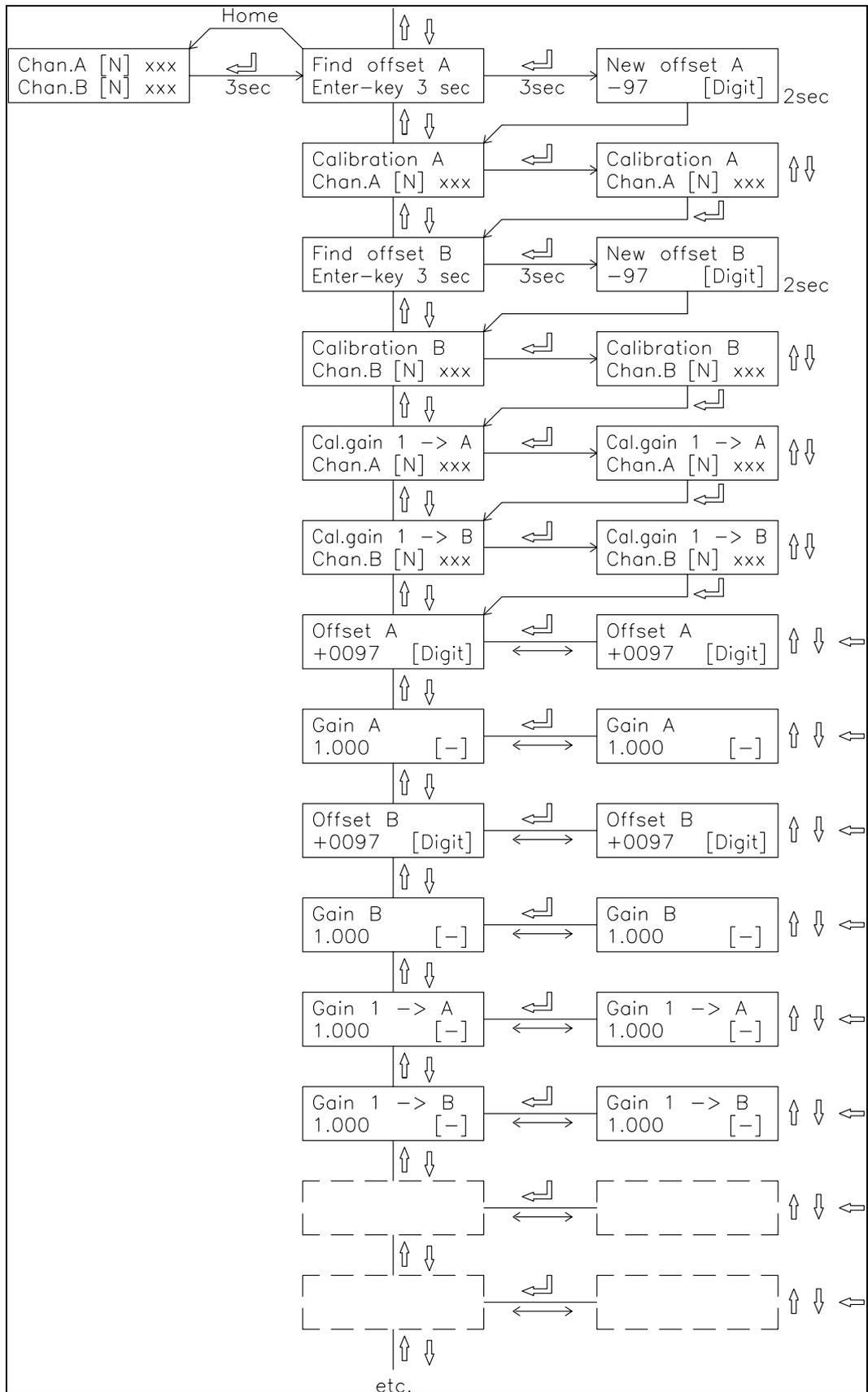


fig. 13 State Diagram EMGZ421

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### 10.3 Description of the parameters

The parameter changing mode will be activated by pressing the  $\downarrow$  key for 3 seconds. Generally, the parameters are settable using the keys as follows:

-  choose
-   switch the selections or increase / decrease numeric values
-  change the decimal (while inputting a numeric value)
-  enter

#### Find offset A

**Use:** The actual force value will be saved by pressing the  $\downarrow$  key for 3 seconds. This is used to compensate the weight of the material and the roller. The determined value will be shown for 2 seconds and then stored under parameter *Offset channel A*.  
The offset may be determined also by activating the digital input *Find offset A* (terminal b6 resp. 25) for at least 100ms. This procedure is equal to executing the parameter function *Find offset A*.

#### Calibration A

**Use:** In this parameter, using the  $\uparrow$   $\downarrow$  keys you can input the force value referring to half of the calibration load you applied to the sensor (force feedback value). The processor then calculates the actual gain value and stores it under parameter *Gain channel A*.  
Notice: The input can be aborted with the  $\leftarrow$  key. In this case the previously saved value remains.

<b>Range:</b>	1	to	9999	<b>Default:</b>	1000
<b>Increment:</b>	1			<b>Unit:</b>	[N,kN]

#### Find offset B

**Use:** The actual force value will be saved by pressing the  $\downarrow$  key for 3 seconds. This is used to compensate the weight of the material and the roller. The determined value will be shown for 2 seconds and then stored under parameter *Offset channel B*.  
The offset may be determined also by activating the digital input *Find offset B* (terminal b8 resp. 26) for at least 100ms. This procedure is equal to executing the parameter function *Find offset B*.

### Calibration B

**Use:** In this parameter, using the  $\uparrow \downarrow$  keys you can input the force value referring to half of the calibration load you applied to the sensor (force feedback value). The processor then calculates the actual gain value and stores it under parameter *Gain channel B*.

Notice: The input can be aborted with the  $\leftarrow$  key. In this case the previously saved value remains.

**Range:** 1 to 9999 **Default:** 1000  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Calibration gain 1 -> A

**Use:** Identical with *Calibration A*, but the result is stored under parameter *Gain 1 channel A*. This gain value is used if the digital input „Gain switching A“ is activated.

**Range:** 1 to 9999 **Default:** 1000  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Calibration gain 1 -> B

**Use:** Identical with *Calibration B*, but the result is stored under parameter *Gain 1 channel B*. This gain value is used if the digital input „Gain switching B“ is activated.

**Range:** 1 to 9999 **Default:** 1000  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Offset channel A

**Use:** This parameter stores the value determined with *Find offset A* in [Digit]. It is not necessary to note this parameter, because a new offset adjustment is done very easy; also when changing the whole electronic unit.

The offset can also be inputted by using the  $\uparrow \downarrow \leftarrow$  keys.

**Range:** -4000 to 4000 **Default:** 0  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [Digit]

### Gain channel A

**Use:** This parameter stores the value determined with *Calibration A*, resp. you can input a value calculated using the formulas described under „8.2 Calibrating the measuring amplifier“, if the material tension cannot be simulated.

**Range:** 0.100 to 9.000 **Default:** 1.000  
**Increment:** 0.001 **Unit:** [-]

### Offset channel B

**Use:** This parameter stores the value determined with *Find offset B* in [Digit]. It is not necessary to note this parameter, because a new offset adjustment is done very easy; also when changing the whole electronic unit.  
The offset can also be inputted by using the ↑ ↓ ← keys.

**Range:** -4000 to 4000                      **Default:** 0  
**Increment:** 1                                      **Unit:** [Digit]

### Gain channel B

**Use:** This parameter stores the value determined with *Calibration B*, resp. you can input a value calculated using the formulas described under „8.2 Calibrating the measuring amplifier“, if the material tension cannot be simulated.

**Range:** 0.100 to 9.000                      **Default:** 1.000  
**Increment:** 0.001                                      **Unit:** [-]

### Gain 1 channel A

**Use:** Identical with *Gain channel A*, but the value stored here was determined by *Calibration gain 1 -> A*. The value stored here is used if the digital input „Gain switching A“ is activated.

**Range:** 0.100 to 9.000                      **Default:** 1.000  
**Increment:** 0.001                                      **Unit:** [-]

### Gain 1 channel B

**Use:** Identical with *Gain channel B*, but the value stored here was determined by *Calibration gain 1 -> B*. The value stored here is used if the digital input „Gain switching B“ is activated.

**Range:** 0.100 to 9.000                      **Default:** 1.000  
**Increment:** 0.001                                      **Unit:** [-]

### Nominal force sensor A

**Use:** To get the correct force value, the electronic unit has to know the nominal force of the sensors.  
The parameters *Nominal force sensor A* and *Nominal force sensor B* have to be set to the same value.

**Range:** 1 to 9999                                      **Default:** 1000  
**Increment:** 1                                      **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Nominal force sensor B

**Use:** Identical with *Nominal force sensor A*.

**Range:** 1 to 9999                                      **Default:** 1000  
**Increment:** 1                                      **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Unit of force

**Use:** This parameter stores the force unit of the sensor.  
**Range:** N, kN **Default:** N

### Sensitivity sensor A

**Use:** To get the correct force value, the electronic unit has to know the sensitivity of the force sensors, that means how much signal the sensor will answer by nominal force. Standard for FMS force sensors is 1.8mV/V.  
**Range:** 0.1 to 3.0 **Default:** 1.8  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [mV/V]

### Sensitivity sensor B

**Use:** Identical with *Sensitivity sensor A*.  
**Range:** 0.1 to 3.0 **Default:** 1.8  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [mV/V]

### Min. limit value A+B

**Use:** The digital output „Limit value min. A+B“ will be activated if the threshold value stored in this parameter is passed under. If the parameter contains a zero value, limit switch monitoring is inactive.  
**Range:** -9999 to 9999 **Default:** 0  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

### Max. limit value A+B

**Use:** The digital output „Limit value max. A+B“ will be activated if the threshold value stored in this parameter is passed over. If the parameter contains a zero value, limit switch monitoring is inactive.  
**Range:** -9999 to 9999 **Default:** 0  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

### |A-B| > limit

**Use:** The digital output „|A-B| > limit“ will be activated if the difference of the measuring values A and B exceeds the value stored here. If the parameter contains a zero value, limit switch monitoring is inactive.  
**Range:** -9999 to 9999 **Default:** 0  
**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [N,kN]

**Lowpass display**

**Use:** The measuring amplifier provides a lowpass filter to prevent noise which is added to the integrated display. This parameter stores the cut-off frequency. The lower the cut-off frequency, the more sluggish the output signal will be. Due to this filter, the value shown in the integrated display will be much more stable in the case of high fluctuations of the force value.  
The lowpass display filter is independent of the other filters.

**Range:** 0.1 to 10.0 **Default:** 1.0  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [Hz]

**Lowpass output 1 (A–B)**

**Use:** The measuring amplifier provides a lowpass filter to prevent noise which is added to the output 1 (feedback A–B). This parameter stores the cut-off frequency. The lower the cut-off frequency, the more sluggish the output signal will be. Due to this filter, the output signal will be much more stable in the case of high fluctuations of the force value.  
The lowpass output 1 filter is independent of the other filters.

**Range:** 0.1 to 200.0 **Default:** 10.0  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [Hz]

**Lowpass output 2 (A+B)**

**Use:** Identical with lowpass output 1, but this filter acts to the output 2 (feedback A+B).  
The lowpass output 2 filter is independent of the other filters.

**Range:** 0.1 to 200.0 **Default:** 10.0  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [Hz]

**Lowpass output 3 (A)**

**Use:** Identical with lowpass output 1, but this filter acts to the output 3 (feedback A).  
The lowpass output 3 filter is independent of the other filters.

**Range:** 0.1 to 200.0 **Default:** 10.0  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [Hz]

**Lowpass output 4 (B)**

**Use:** Identical with lowpass output 1, but this filter acts to the output 4 (feedback B).  
The lowpass output 4 filter is independent of the other filters.

**Range:** 0.1 to 200.0 **Default:** 10.0  
**Increment:** 0.1 **Unit:** [Hz]

### Scale output 1 (A-B)

**Use:** At default setting of 0.50, the output 1 ( $\pm 10V$ ) provides the nominal signal level (10V) when the difference A-B is reaching the nominal force of the sensors. If the scale value stored here is reduced, the nominal output signal is reduced too; if the scale value is enlarged, the nominal output signal is enlarged too.

**Range:** 0.01 to 10.00 **Default:** 0.50

**Increment:** 0.01 **Unit:** [-]

### Scale output 2 (A+B)

**Use:** At default setting of 0.50, the output 2 (0...10V) provides the nominal signal level (10V) when the sum A+B is reaching the nominal force of the sensors. If the scale value stored here is reduced, the nominal output signal is reduced too; if the scale value is enlarged, the nominal output signal is enlarged too.

**Range:** 0.01 to 10.00 **Default:** 0.50

**Increment:** 0.01 **Unit:** [-]

### Scale output 3 (A)

**Use:** At default setting of 1.00, the output 3 (0...5V) provides the nominal signal level (5V) when the feedback A is reaching the nominal force of the sensors. If the scale value stored here is reduced, the nominal output signal is reduced too; if the scale value is enlarged, the nominal output signal is enlarged too.

**Range:** 0.01 to 10.00 **Default:** 1.00

**Increment:** 0.01 **Unit:** [-]

### Scale output 4 (B)

**Use:** At default setting of 1.00, the output 4 (0...5V) provides the nominal signal level (5V) when the feedback B is reaching the nominal force of the sensors. If the scale value stored here is reduced, the nominal output signal is reduced too; if the scale value is enlarged, the nominal output signal is enlarged too.

**Range:** 0.01 to 10.00 **Default:** 1.00

**Increment:** 0.01 **Unit:** [-]

### Language

**Use:** With this parameter, the language in the display can be chosen.

**Range:** English, German, French, Italian

### Configuration of key

**Use:** This parameter defines whether the free key ( $\downarrow$  key) is assigned to the Tare function or not. (Refer to „8.3 Additional settings“)

**Range:** None, TareA, TareB, TareA+B **Default:** None

**Identifier**

**Use:** This parameter is to identify the device when using a CAN-Bus interface. For future applications.

**Range:** 0 to 127 **Default:** 0

**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [-]

**Baud rate RS232**

**Use:** Setting of the transmission rate of the RS 232 interface.

**Range:** 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600 baud **Default:** 9600

**7 or 8 data bit**

**Use:** Setting of the number of data bits of the RS 232 interface.

**Range:** 7 to 8 **Default:** 8

**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [-]

**1 or 2 stop bit**

**Use:** Setting of the number of stop bits of the RS 232 interface.

**Range:** 1 to 2 **Default:** 1

**Increment:** 1 **Unit:** [-]

**Parity bit RS232**

**Use:** Setting of the parity of the RS 232 interface.

**Range:** none, odd, even **Default:** none

## 11 Trouble shooting

Error	Cause	Corrective action
<b>„Err1“ is displayed: A/D-converter receives values &lt; -9.7mV continuously</b>	Force sensor A is wrong connected	Exchange wires on terminals z6 / z8 (resp. 2 / 3)
	Parting of the cable	Replace connection cable between force sensor A and measuring amplifier
<b>„Err2“ is displayed: A/D-converter receives values &gt; 9.7mV continuously</b>	Force sensor A is wrong connected	Exchange excitation and signal (terminals z4 ... z10 resp. 1 ... 4)
	Short circuit in the plug or connection cable	Check and correct wiring to sensor A
	Force sensor overload	Use sensor with higher nominal force
	Force sensor has too much sensitivity	Set parameter <i>sensitivity sensor A</i> to the correct value or use other sensor
<b>„Err3“ is displayed: A/D-converter receives values &lt; -9.7mV continuously</b>	Force sensor B is wrong connected	Exchange wires on terminals d6 / d8 (resp. 7 / 8)
	Parting of the cable	Replace connection cable between force sensor B and measuring amplifier
<b>„Err4“ is displayed: A/D-converter receives values &gt; 9.7mV continuously</b>	Force sensor B is wrong connected	Exchange excitation and signal (terminals d4 ... d10 resp. 6...9)
	Short circuit in the plug or connection cable	Check and correct wiring to sensor B
	Force sensor overload	Use sensor with higher nominal force
	Force sensor has too much sensitivity	Set parameter <i>sensitivity sensor B</i> to the correct value or use other sensor
<b>„Err5“ is displayed: Output 1 (A–B) shows minimum continuously</b>	Offset badly adjusted	Proceed for offset adjustment again
<b>„Err6“ is displayed:  Output 1 (A–B) shows maximum continuously</b>	Output scaling badly adjusted	Set parameter <i>Scale output 1</i> to appropriate value
	Offset badly adjusted	Proceed for offset adjustment again
	Gain badly adjusted	Proceed for sensor calibration again
<b>Feedback value is &gt; 0 even though material is loosely</b>	Offset badly adjusted	Proceed for offset adjustment again
<b>Feedback value isn't stable even though material tension doesn't change</b>	Cut-off frequency of the filters set too high	Adjust cut-off frequency (ref. to „8.3 Additional settings“)
	Ground terminal of the output isn't 0V	Connect Gnd terminal of the output (terminal z22 resp. 14) with earth (terminal z24 resp. PE)
<b>Feedback value doesn't correspond with the effective material tension</b>	Gain badly adjusted	Proceed for sensor calibration again
<b>No message on the display</b>	Display contrast setting is bad	Set display potentiometer correctly. (It is located on the processor board on the upper right edge beside the ribbon connector)
	Fuse blown	Replace fuse on power supply
	Power supply not correct	Check / correct power supply
	Electronic unit defect	Contact FMS customer service

If the measuring amplifier recognizes an error, the digital output „Error“ (terminal b16 resp. 30) is activated. In addition, the error state can be requested using the interface.

## 12 Technical data EMGZ421

Connection of force sensors	2 force sensors of 350Ω
Excitation of sensors	4VDC
Input signal voltage	0...7.2mV (max. 9.92mV)
Resolution A/D converter	±4096 Digit (13 Bit)
Measuring error	<0.05% FS
Cycle time	4ms
Operation	4 keys, 4 LED's, LCD display 2x16 characters
Analogue output 1 (Feedback A-B)	±10V (12 Bit)
Analogue output 2 (Feedback A+B)	0...10V (12 Bit)
Analogue output 3 (Feedback A)	0...5V (8 Bit)
Analogue output 4 (Feedback B)	0...5V (8 Bit)
Digital output 1 (Limit value min.A+B)	Open collector, galvanic separated
Digital output 2 (Limit value max.A+B)	Open collector, galvanic separated
Digital output 3 ( A-B  > limit)	Open collector, galvanic separated
Digital output 4 (Error)	Open collector, galvanic separated
Digital input 1 (Gain switching A)	24VDC galvanic separated
Digital input 2 (Gain switching B)	24VDC galvanic separated
Digital input 3 (Find offset A)	24VDC galvanic separated
Digital input 4 (Find offset B)	24VDC galvanic separated
Interface RS232	standard
Interface RS485 galvanic separated	Option
Interface CAN-Bus	Option
Power supply	24VDC (18...36VDC) 0.15A (EMGZ421.E: 230VAC, 110VAC or 24VDC)
Main connector	DIN41612 type F b+d+z
Temperature range	0...50°C [32...122°F]
Weight	0.22kg [.5 lbs]





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