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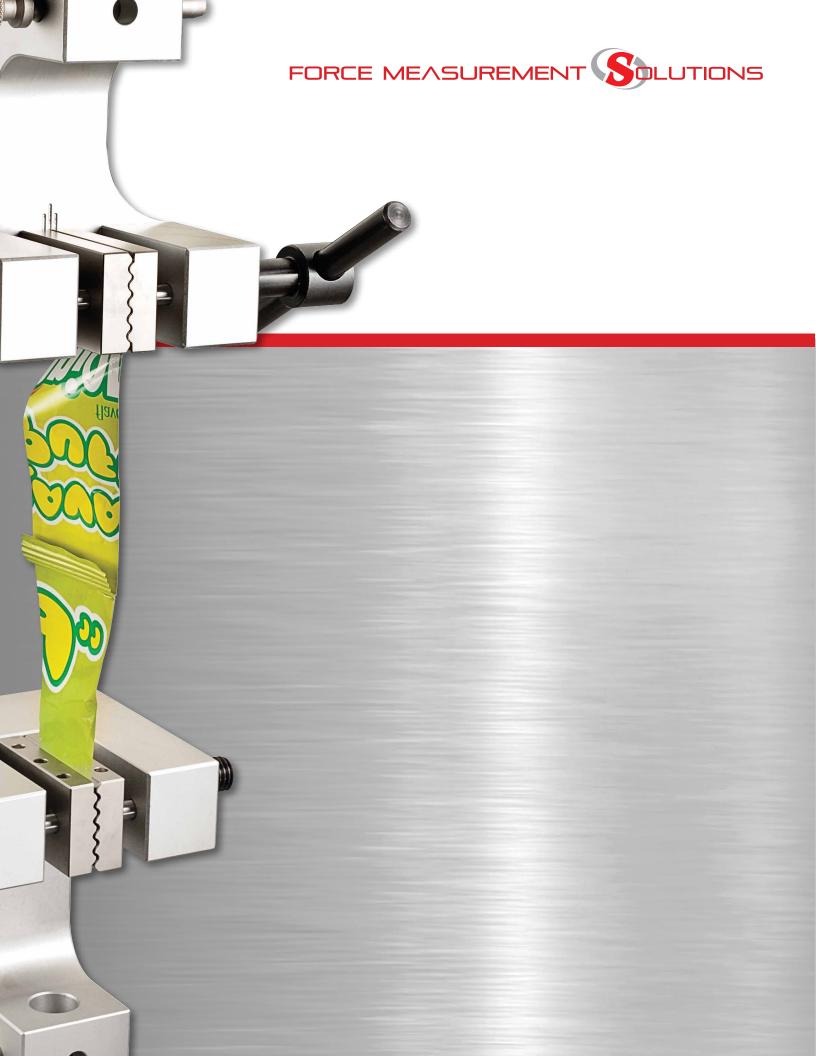
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5.0 L2 Plus Graph Analysis Tools

5.1 Introduction

Analysis and the finding of results are normally done using the L2 Plus Graph Analysis Tools located in the upper tool bar.

After a Run is completed and the graph drawn, you use these tools to obtain your results (coefficients). Or, you can perform all of the runs within a Batch, and then use the Graph Analysis Tools to measure your results on a selected run. Once a result is measured on one run, that results is automatically measured on all runs within the batch.



NOTE

When you measure for a result on a run within a batch or within a test setup, that result is automatically measured on all of the other runs within the batch or all runs in your Runs List.

Similarly, if you delete a result on a run within a batch or within a test setup, that result is automatically deleted on all of the other runs with the batch or all runs in your Runs List.

5.2 Graph Analysis Tools

A set of graph analysis tools are displayed in the header tool bar above the graph window. These tools allow you to measure results using the graph trace for your run. Each of these tools will be discussed in detail in this section.

The L2 Plus graph analysis tools are:

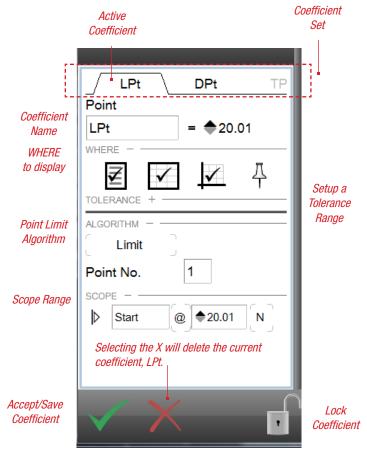
- Annotation Tool
- Point Tool
- Slope (Modulus) Tool
- Peak & Valley Tool
- Min/Max/Avg Tool
- Work Tool
- Delta Tool
- Break Tool

5.3 Data Definition Menu

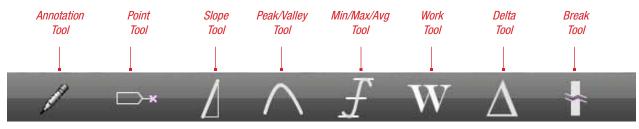
When a graph analysis tool is used, it lets you specify the type of measurement you want. Measurements and results are called coefficients. There are a large variety of coefficients available in your L2 Plus Series software. Each coefficient has a Data Definition menu that lets you specify the following for that coefficient:

- Coefficient name
- Where the coefficient will be displayed
- A Tolerance Range for the coefficient
- The algorithm used to calculate the coefficient
- The scope range for the coefficient

Each of these attributes of a coefficient will be described in detail in this section.



Data Definition Menu - L2 Plus Point



Graph Analysis Tools

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5.3.1 Coefficient Sets

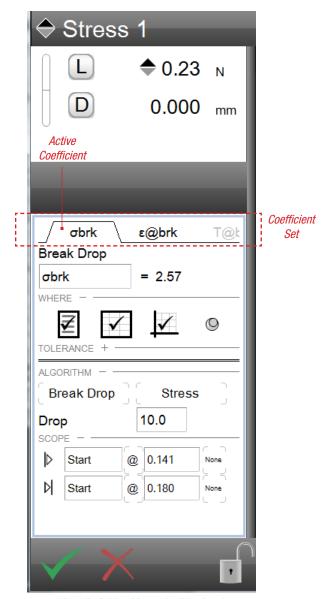
When the Data Definition menu is displayed for a coefficient, tabs located at the top of the menu show the coefficients available. Coefficients are often displayed in sets. Sets are used to display the results that can be viewed in the graph or in the data table. Coefficients are displayed in a "marker" located on the graph with a leader line to the exact point where the result is taken.

You can setup each coefficient by selecting the tab and then configuring its attributes including Name, Where, Tolerance, Algorithm and Scope.



NOTE

Selecting the marker on the graph will launch the Data Definition menu for that coefficient.



Data Definition Menu - L2 Plus Break

5.3.2 Coefficient Naming

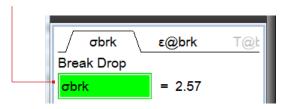
All coefficients have a default name. The name is actually abbreviated and designed to provide a descriptive tag to the coefficient.

The coefficient name may be changed by the user.

The coefficient name may be up to 8 characters in length. It may use spaces, numerics and alphabetical characters. Special characters may be used for naming using the Ctrl+ key as follows:

To rename a coefficient, select the coefficient name text block. Enter the new name using your keyboard.

The coefficient may be renamed using up to 8 characters including spaces, numerics or alphas.



Data Definition Menu Rename a Coefficient

5.3.3 Using Where Function

The Where function is used to configure "where" the coefficient will appear. There are four attributes for Where and each has its own symbol in the Data Definition menu:

- Result view
- Data view
- Graph view
- Stick Pin

Selecting the symbol enables or disables the function. A check mark displays atop the symbol when enabled.

When the Result view is highlited, the coefficient will be displayed in the Results view.

When the Data view is highlited, the coefficient will be displayed on all Data views.

When the Graph view is highlited, the coefficient will be displayed on all Graph views.

When the "Stick Pin" is highlited, the marker used to display the coefficient on a graph view is automatically placed at a "best location" by the software. You have the option to move the marker by selecting the marker and repositioning to a preferred location.

Shows the Graph enabled for Where. This means that the highlited coefficient (LPt) will display in the marker on a graph view.

The check mark displayed over the Graph icon indicates that the Where for the Graphs is enabled.

My Load Test **X**0.21 N LxD L **25.00** D 0.000 _{mm} 22.50 20.00 The Graph marker. 17.50 The marker highlites in DPt LPt blue showing that its Load (N) 15.00 Point Data Definition menu is LPt **◆**5.00 active and open. 12.50 NHERE ₹ 10.00 TOI FRANCE LPt **\$5.00** 7.50 ALGORITHM DPt 4.851 Limit Point No. 2.50 @ \$5.00 Ν Start 0.00 0.000 2.432 4.863 Shows the Graph disabled for Where. This means that the highlited coefficient (LPt) will NOT display in the marker on a graph view. Note the marker is only displaying the result for the DPt coefficient.

The check mark is NOT displayed over the Graph icon, therefore the highlited coefficient (LPt) will not display in the marker.



Data Definition Menu
Using Where function to show where coefficient is displayed

5.3.4 Using Tolerances

Coefficients may make use of tolerances to indicate a "pass" or "fail" result.

When Tolerance is selected, you specify two limits to create a "tolerance range". If the coefficient result equals or falls within the tolerance range values, the coefficient will display in black text indicating a "passed" or "in-tolerance" result.

If, however, the result falls outside of the tolerance range, the result will display in red text indicating an "out-of-tolerance result" or a "failed" result.

The measured result for DPt is 4.851mm. This falls within



NOTE

The units of measure for the tolerance range is automatically the same as the units of measure for the result being toleranced.



NOTE

You can view to Tolerance view to see a tendency graph showing your result with respect to the tolerance range.

The measured result for DPt is 4.851mm. This falls outside

the tolerance range of 4.500 to 4.750.

the tolerance range of 4.500 to 5.000. Therefore, the result is within tolerance (pass) and is displayed in black text. ♦ My Load Test LxD **♦** 0.52 N **25.00** D 0.000 mm 22.50 20.00 17.50 15.00 Point DPt = 4.851 = 12.50 10.00 Limit 1 Limit 2 5.000 4.500 Limit 2.50 Point No. 0.00 0.000 2.432 4.863 Start @ \$5.00

Therefore, the result is out-of-tolerance (fail) and is displayed in red text. ♦ My Load Test LxD **♦** 0.15 N **♠**25.00 D $0.000 \, \text{mm}$ 22.50 20.00 17.50 LPt DPt Point 15.00 DPt = 4.851 12.50 10.00 Limit 1 Limit 2 7.50 4.500 4.750 Limit Point No. 0.00 0.000 2.432 4.86 Start @ \$5.00 Ν

Data Definition Menu Using Tolerance to set limits on the coefficient DPt

5.3.5 Selecting Algorithms

Algorithms are the methods available for a coefficient to calculate a result. Most coefficients have multiple algorithms which the user may choose from.

Algorithms may also have dependent variables that may also be selected.

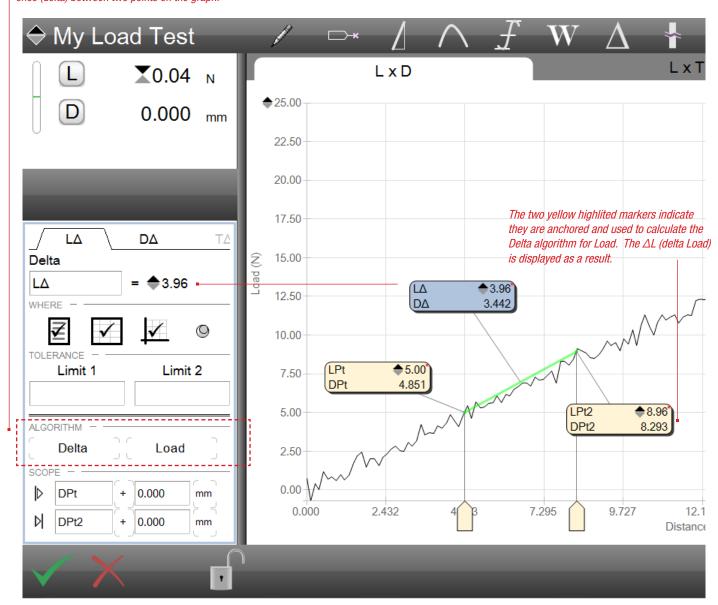
Select the algorithm by selecting the algorithm block and then select the dependent variable associated with the variable.



NOTE

Algorithms are discussed in more detail in the following sections.

Select the Delta algorithm and the Load dependent variable. This will measure the difference (delta) between two points on the graph.



Data Definition Menu Using Delta algorithm on Load variable

5.3.6 Using Scoping

The scope function is used to define the range or location within your graph and data points where a result is to be measured.

Coefficients may have a single or pair of scope settings.

Scope handles appear on the graph and correspond to the scope settings. Moving the scope handles causes the scope settings to change accordingly.

Scope settings have three types of operators:

The "@" operator specifies that the result should be measured "at this specific point".

The "+" operator specifies that the result should be measured "AFTER" the specified scope setting. For example, you might want to know the stress value 100mS after the maximum load value of your test. You would use the "+" operator to specify a measurement 100mS after the coefficient Lmax (Maximum Load).

The "-" operator specifies that the result should be measured "BEFORE" the specified scope setting. So to measure the stress value at 100mS before the maximum load value, you would use the "-" operator.

Scope settings have multiple units of measure on which the scope setting can be associated.

The scope operator is negative (-).

The start of my scope is coefficient LPt.

The result will be the load value 100mS before



NOTE

Scope settings can be set using the scope handles and be based on the data stream used to draw your graph, e.g. the x-axis and y-axis data.



NOTE

Scope settings can be set using the coefficients as the START and FINISH of your scope segment.

The scope operator is positive (+).
The start of my scope is coefficient LPt.
The result will be the load value 100mS after LPt.



My Load Test LxD ₹0.05 **25.00** D 0.000 mm 22.50 20.00 A negative scope is used. 17.50 The result shows LPt2 @ DPt2 4.10N, which is the load 15.00 value 100mS BEFORE my Point Load (N) anchored coefficient LPt. LPt2 **= \$4.10** 12.50 0 10.00 **\$5.00** Limit 1 Limit 2 7.50 4.851 5.00 AL GORITHM I imit 2.50 Point No. LPt2 4.10 1 0.00 DPt2 0.000 4.863 LPt S.s

Data Definition Menu Using Scope to find a new result

5.4 L2 Plus Testing Modes

L2 Plus systems use load, distance and time for measurement and analysis. When in load-distance mode, the coefficients and graph types are automatically set to measure load-distance results. When load-distance is used, the available graphs for analysis are:

- Load x Distance (L x D)
- Load x Time (L x T)
- Distance x Time (D x T)



Full Graph view Showing result at 50N Load Limit



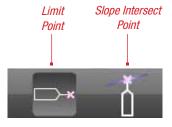
5.5 Using the Point Tool

Active coefficient is LPt.

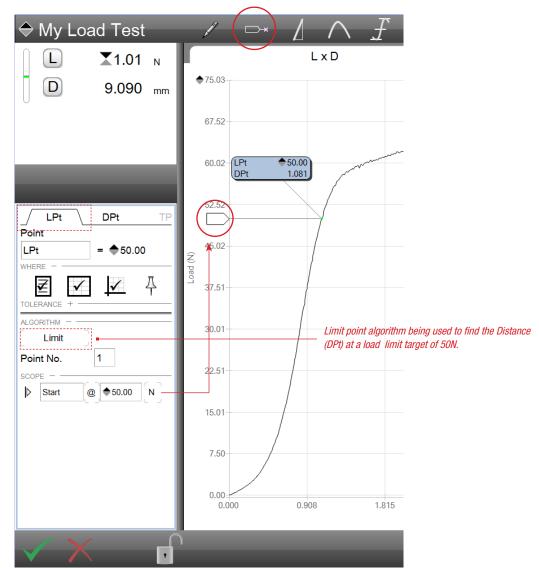
The Point tool lets you measure any point along your graph trace. The graph trace for a Run is comprised of points based on the Sampling Rate you have specified for your test setup.

The Point tool is used in Load-Distance modes. And the Point tool may be scoped along either the y-axis (Load) or on the x-axis (Distance, Time).

All Point measurements have a specified Scope. The scope allows you to further define where a point is measured. Using the Scope units, you may define the scope for your point based on load, distance or time. For example, if you want to measure a point that is 100mS after the maximum load on your graph, you can set the maximum load coefficient (Lmax) as an anchor for your point, and then set the scope at 0.1 seconds after the anchor. This will give you a result for load that is 100mS after your maximum load result.



Point Tool types



Load Limit Point Data Definition Menu Showing result at 50N Load Limit

5.5.1 Limit Algorithm

The Limit algorithm lets you find a specific load, distance or time point on your graph.

Select the Point tool and select the Limit algorithm. A scope handle will appear on either the y-axis or x-axis. You can adjust to where on the graph you want to measure. And you can adjust your scope using the Scope entry field and base your scope on load, distance or time.

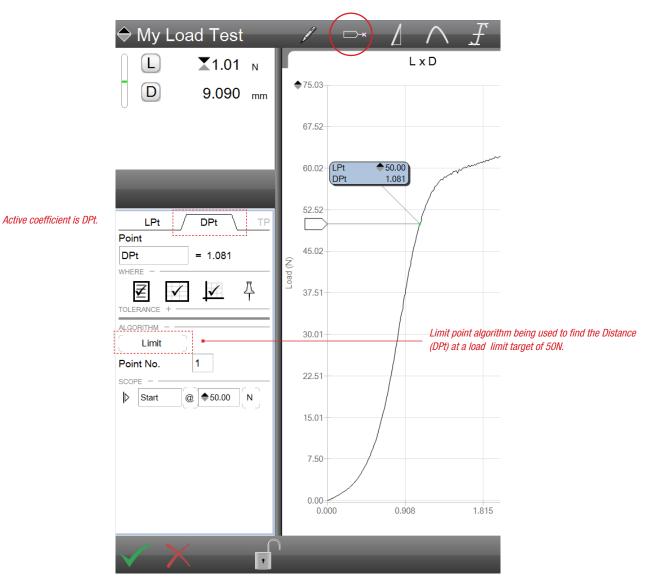


NOTE

Selecting above the graph trace will set the scope on the v-axis.

Selecting below the graph trace will set the scope on the x-axis

You can reposition the scope handle by moving it onto either axis.



Distance Limit Point Data Definition Menu Showing result at 50N Load Limit

5.5.1.1 Point Number

The Point Number default is 1. This means that the L2 Plus software will find the first point, measuring from left-to-right on the graph that meets your point setup.

If the Point Number is 2, the L2 Plus software will find the second point on your graph (looking at all data points from left-to-right) that equals your Point setup.

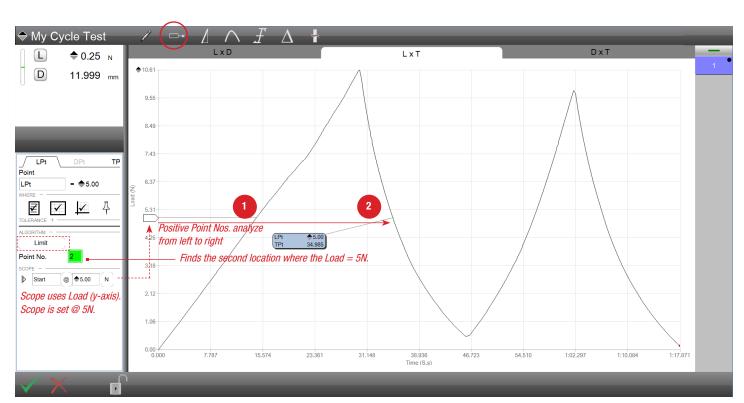
If the Point Number is -1, the L2 Plus software will find the first point, measuring from right-to-left on the graph that meets your point setup.



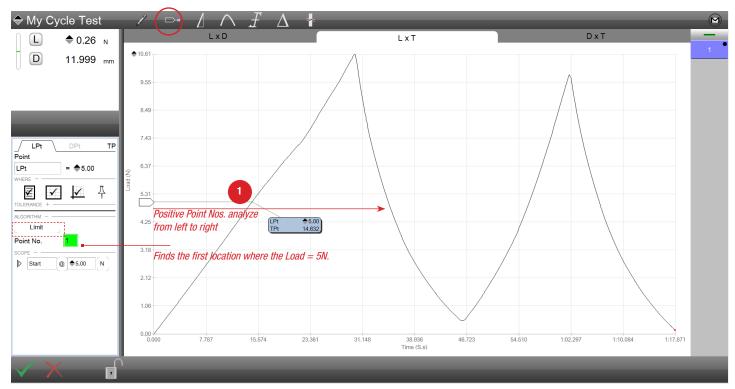
NOTE

Positive Point Numbers measure from left-to-right along the graph.

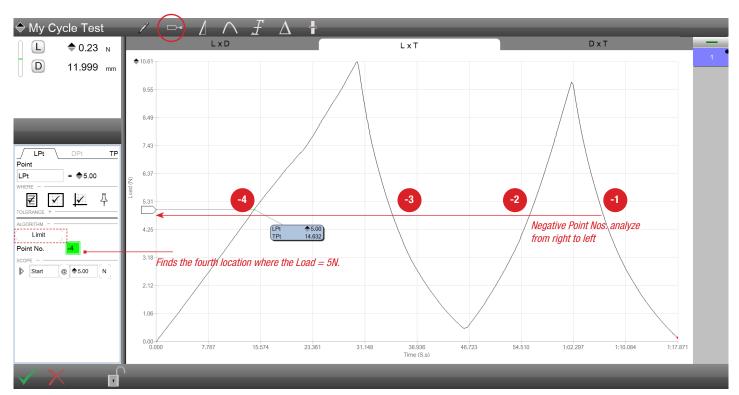
Negative Point Numbers measure from right-to-left along the graph.



Load Point at Point No. 2 Measures from left to right



Load Point at Point No. 1 Measures from left to right



Load Point at Point No. -4 Measures from right to left

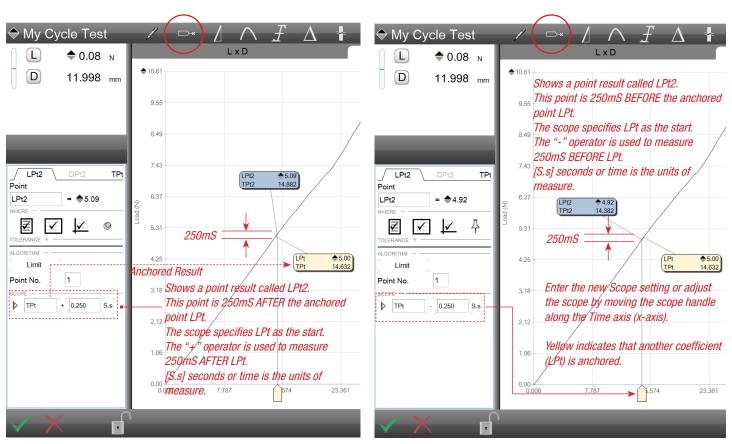
5.5.1.2 Scope

The Scope setup for your Limit may be based on load, distance or time. Select the Units you want the scope to be calculated from.

Use the "@" operator to set the scope "at a specific scope point".

Use the "+" operator to set the scope "at a position AFTER a specific scope point". The AFTER scope function should be used with another anchored results. For example, finding the Point 100ms AFTER (+) the maximum load value. The maximum load value would be the anchored coefficient and displays in yellow when anchored.

Use the "-" operator to set the scope "at a position BEFORE a specific scope point". The BEFORE scope function should be used with another anchored results. For example, finding the Point 100ms BEFORE (-) the maximum load value. The maximum load value would be the anchored coefficient and displays in yellow when anchored.



Limits Using an Anchored Point Locates the LPt2 @ 250ms after (+) LPt

Limits Using an Anchored Point Locates the LPt2 @ 250ms before (-) LPt

5.5.1.3 Point Number Name

When a Point is specified, the Data Definition menu displays three tabs. Each tab corresponds to the coefficient set for that point with a Load Point, Distance Point and Time Point. These points have default names as follows:

- Load Point = LPt
- Distance Point = DPt
- Time Point = TPt

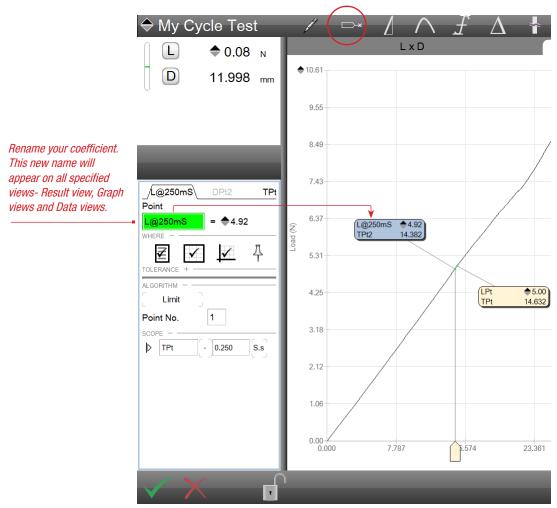
When more than one set of points is used in the graph trace, each subsequent point is named with a number. For example, LPt2.

You can rename your Points using up to 8 alpha, numeric or space characters.



NOTE

Coefficient names may be up to 8 characters in length.



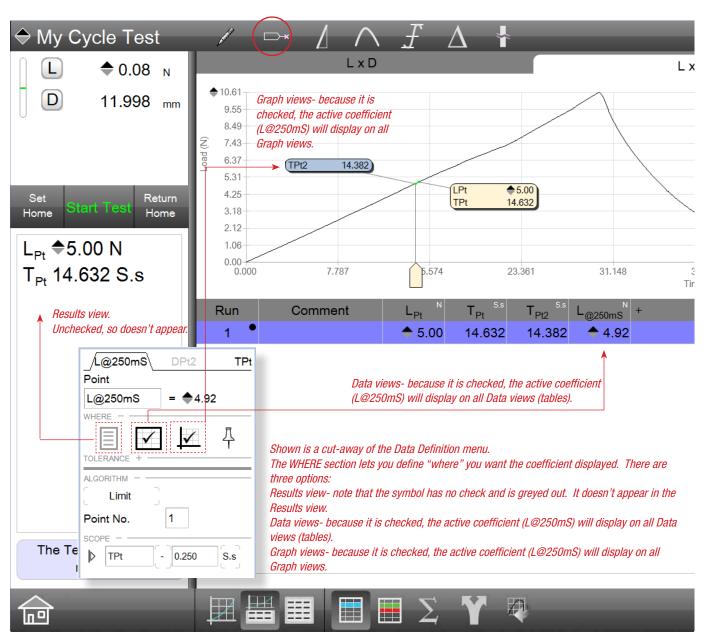
Rename a Coefficient

5.5.1.4 Point Number Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the coefficient (result) to display. There are three locations where a result can display:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

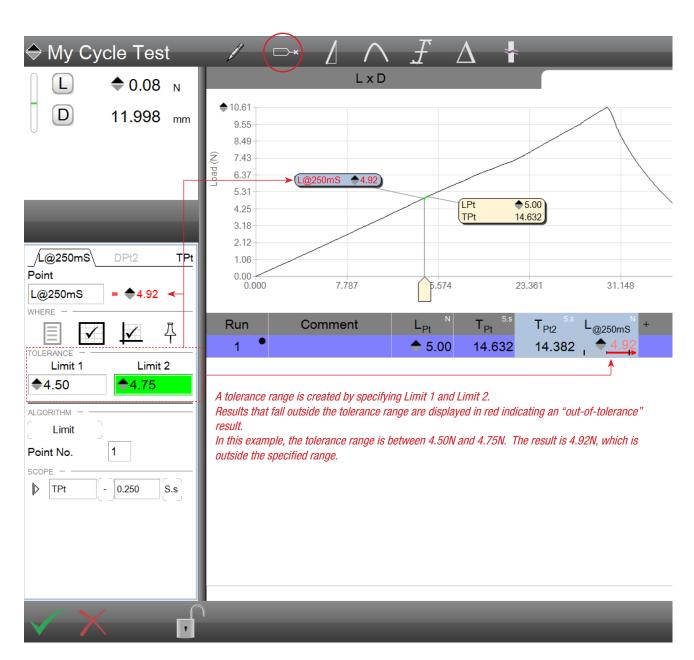
The Where function also includes "Stick Pin" symbol. When this is used, the marker for this coefficient on any graph view is automatically placed by the software. You are able to move the marker to a preferred position, however, when the "stick pin" symbol is selected, the marker is automatically placed in a "best fit location" on your graph.



5.5.1.5 Point Number Tolerance

Your result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".





5.5.2 Slope Intersect Point Algorithm

The Slope Intersect algorithm is a point result. This is used in conjunction with the Slope tool. The Slope tool is used to find the slope of your graph trace for a segment that you specify using scoping.

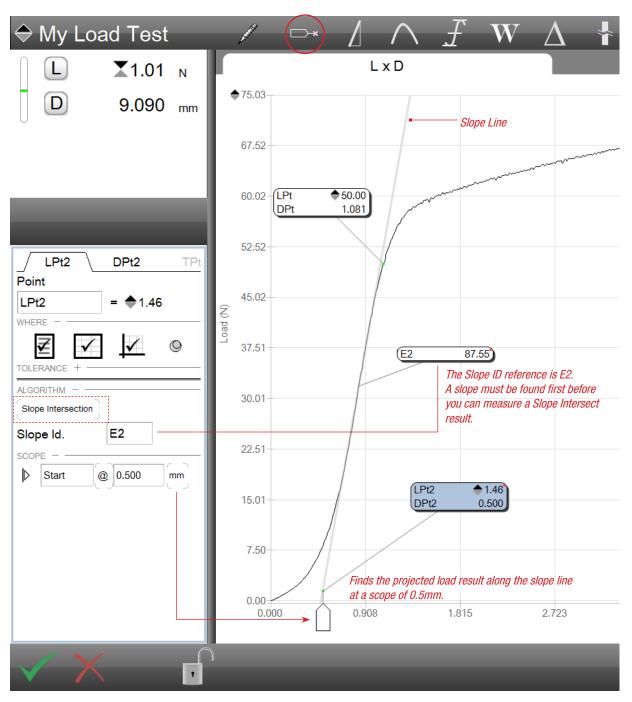
The Slope Intersect may be used with either a stress-strain or load-distance test.

The Slope Intersect algorithm lets you find a point along your slope line as opposed to finding a point along the curve created by your measured data stream.



NOTE

This point uses the slope line as opposed to the data line on your graph. It is a derived result based on the slope line created on your load-distance curve.



Using Point Slope Intersect Indicates the result along a slope line

5.5.2.1 Slope (Modulus) ID

The Slope ID is the identifier of the slope line that will be used to obtain the Slope Intersect point. Because your graph may have more than one slope line, L2 Plus Series software requires that you specify the slope line to be used.

5.5.2.2 Slope (Modulus) Intersect Scope

The Slope Intersect point may be scoped using the y-axis or x-axis. If the scope uses the y-axis, the load is used to find the distance along the slope line.

If the scope uses the x-axis, the load is used to find the load along the slope line.

5.5.2.3 Slope (Modulus) Intersect Name

The Slope Intersect name is the point name. The default name for this result in the same for a point, e.g. LPt.

It may be useful to rename this point to show its a point constructed by the slope line. For example, using the slope symbol (λ), you might want to use the Slope ID with your name, λ 2Pt1.

5.5.2.4 Slope (Modulus) Intersect Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Slope Intersect point coefficient (result) to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.5.2.5 Slope (Modulus) Intersect Tolerance

Your point result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

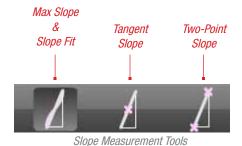
When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



5.6 Using the Slope (Modulus) Tool

The Slope or Modulus Tool is used to find the slope along the curve in your graph or to determine results such as the elastic modulus of a material.

L2 Plus Series software has four (4) algorithms that you may use to find the slope or modulus along your data curve: Automatic Fit, Maximum, Tangent and Two-point also known as Chord or Segment slope.

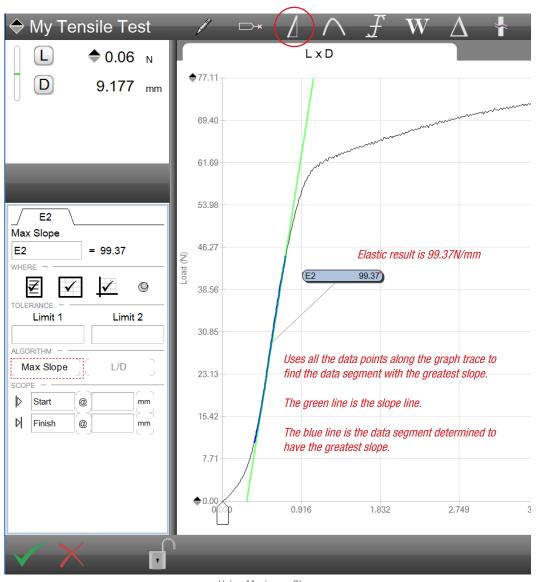


5.6.1 Maximum Slope Algorithm

The Maximum Slope algorithm uses all of the data within a segment that you specify using scope up to the greatest stress or load value measured within that segment.

The Maximum Slope algorithm uses all of the data points within your segment and looks for the greatest stress or load value first. It then calculates the slope from this greatest value. Because it is possible to have multiple peaks within your graph, the Maximum Slope algorithm will evaluate the data and find the greatest value within the entire data stream.

The Maximum Slope algorithm draws the slope or modulus line on the graph in green and calculates the elastic modulus for stress-strain.



Using Maximum Slope Indicates the elastic result along a slope line

5.6.1.1 Maximum Slope Scope

The scope for maximum slope may be based on a specific point, such as the proportional limit. Or, you may find it better to position the scope handles for your maximum slope along the x-axis until the slope line is drawn based on your data.

As you position the scope handles, you will notice that the blue line segment changes to highlight the data representing the greatest slope.

5.6.1.2 Maximum Slope Name

The maximum slope name may be changed from its default of lamda (λ) to a name of your choosing.

The maximum slope name may be up to 8 characters in length.



NOTE

Use the Ctrl key + I to display λ .

5.6.1.3 Maximum Slope Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Maximum Slope and corresponding elastic point coefficient (result) to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.6.1.4 Maximum Slope Tolerance

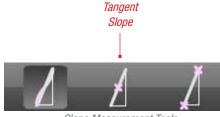
Your elastic result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".

5.6.2 Tangent Slope Algorithm

The tangent slope or initial tangent is the slope of the line drawn tangent to a point or leg on the load-distance curve. The tangent slope is useful in describing the behavior of materials that have been stressed beyond the elastic region and that exhibit curves that make other types of modulus determination difficult.

The tangent slope is determined at a point on the curve and by the user defining a Leg Length.



Slope Measurement Tools

5.6.2.1 Leg Length

The Leg Length establishes how many data points on either side of the tangent point are used to calculate the slope line. A leg length is used since a slope line cannot be drawn based on a single point. The greater the value of the leg length, the more data points are used to draw the modulus and to obtain the result.



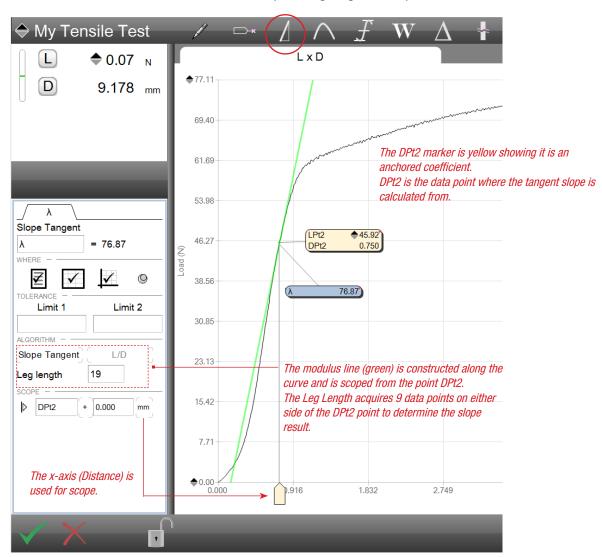
NOTE

The greater the leg length, the greater the number of data points are used to establish the slope line. When the leg length = 19, 9 data points on either side of your reference point are used to construct the modulus line.

5.6.2.2 Tangent Slope Scope

The scope for tangent slope is based on a specific point and a specified leg length.

As you position the scope handle, you will notice that the blue line segment created using the leg length changes to highlight the data representing the greatest slope.



Tangent Slope Shows elastic at tangent point

5.6.2.3 Tangent Slope Name

The tangent slope name may be changed from its default of lamda (λ) to a name of your choosing.

The maximum slope name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



NOTE

Use the Ctrl key + I to display λ .

5.6.2.4 Tangent Slope Where

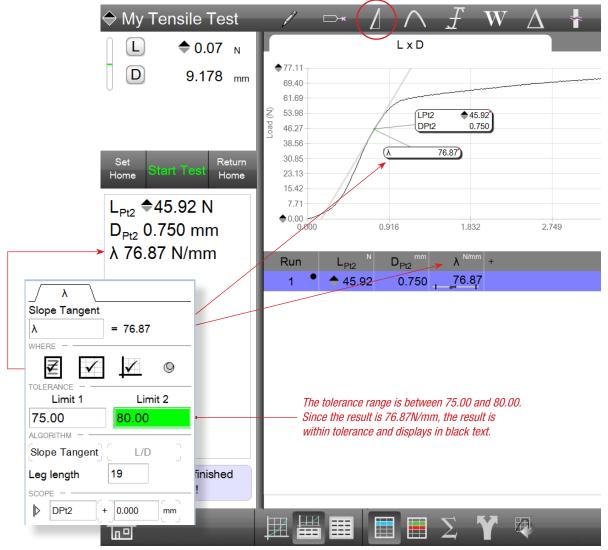
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Tangent Slope and corresponding elastic coefficient (result) to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.6.2.5 Tangent Slope Tolerance

Your elastic result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Split Graph-Data View

5.6.3 Two-point Slope (Modulus) Algorithm

The two-point algorithm constructs a modulus line between two user-defined points on the load-distance curve. The two-point algorithm is also called the Chord or Segment slope.

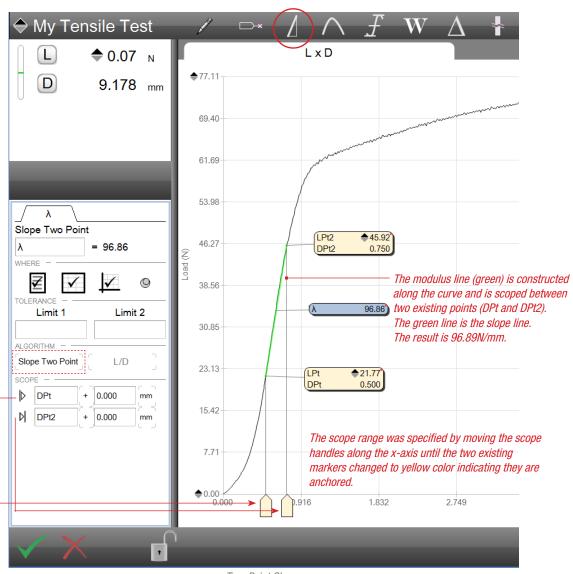
Once the curve is drawn, you can adjust your scope handles to create your modulus line. The elastic result is calculated using this line represented as a green line along your data.

5.6.3.1 Two-point Slope Scope

The scope for a segment or two-point slope is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a line segment. This line segment is the chord or two-point modulus.

As you position the scope handles, the green line representing the modulus repositions itself along the curve. You can adjust the scope handles or enter the start and ending values in the Data Definition menu for the two-point slope algorithm. The elastic is calculated within the segment.





Two-Point Slope Shows elastic using two anchor points

5.6.3.2 Two-point Slope Name

The two-point slope name may be changed from its default of lamda (λ) to a name of your choosing.

The maximum slope name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



NOTE

Use the Ctrl key + I to display λ .

5.6.3.3 Two-point Slope Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Two-point Slope and corresponding elastic coefficient (result) to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

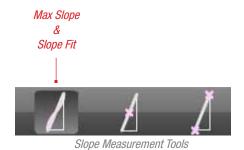
5.6.3.4 Two-point Slope Tolerance

Your elastic result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".

5.6.4 Slope (Modulus) Fit Algorithm

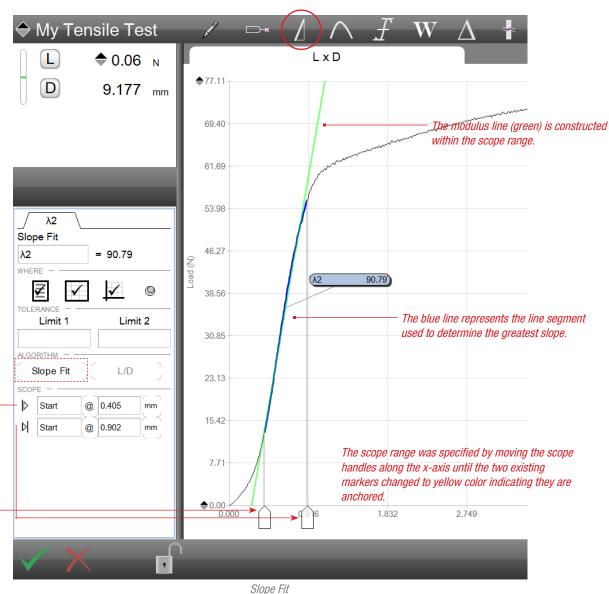
The automatic Slope Fit algorithm uses a least square fit between the two scope locations that you define on your graph. The Slope Fit algorithm uses the first data point and maximum load point and then divides the data into equal regions with no overlap. A least squares fit is applied to all points in each region to determine the individual slopes within the region. The region with the highest slope is assigned the slope on which elastic is determined.



5.6.4.1 Slope Fit Scope

The scope for the automatic fit slope is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a line segment. One point is the maximum load value on the curve.

As you position the scope handles, the green line representing the modulus repositions itself along the curve. You can adjust the scope handles or enter the start and ending values in the Data Definition menu for the two-point slope algorithm. The elastic is calculated within the segment.



Shows elastic using entire data stream

5.6.4.2 Slope Fit Name

The automatic fit slope name may be changed from its default of lamda to a name of your choosing.

The maximum slope name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



NOTE

Use the Ctrl key + I to display λ .

5.6.4.3 Slope Fit Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the automatic Fit Slope and corresponding elastic coefficient (result) to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.6.4.4 Slope Fit Tolerance

Your elastic result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

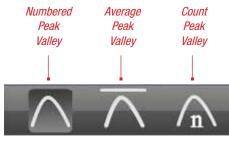
When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



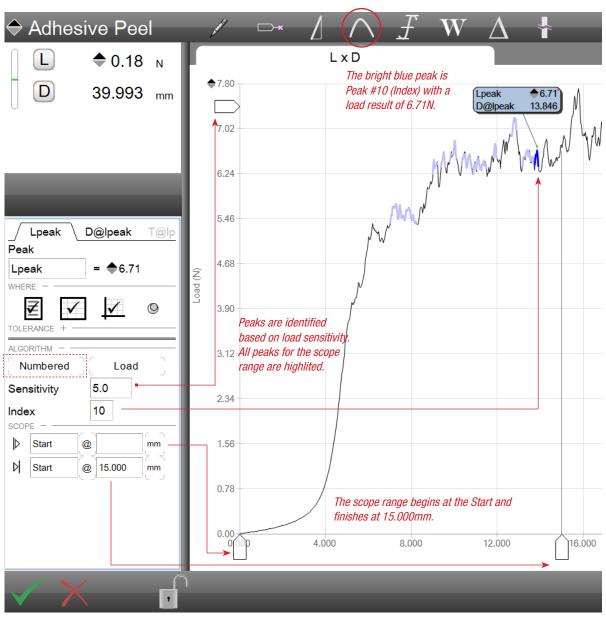
5.7 Using Peak & Valley Tools (Peel and Cyclic Testing)

Peel tests have characteristically noise curves with multiple peaks and valleys. With L2 Plus Series software, you can easily and quickly analyze your peel data results and determine such results as the number of peaks and valleys for a segment; the minimum or maximum load or stress values within a segment or for the entire test. You can determine the average values for a segment or for the entire test.

The tools available for peak & valley analysis are ideal for peel testing, coefficient of friction testing or for applications utilizing cyclic testing.



Peak/Vallev Tools



Slope Fit Shows elastic using entire data stream

5.7.1 Numbered Algorithm

The Numbered algorithm is used to find the maximum peak or valley within a specified scope range and that meet a specified sensitivity.

Selecting above the curve will report using the peaks data, while selecting below the curve will report the valleys data.

The numbered algorithm may be used for load or distance.

Sensitivity 5.7.1.1

Sensitivity is a percent value. It is the percent that qualifies a peak or a valley based on an equal percentage rise and fall. For example a sensitivity of 25 would look at all data within a defined scope region where the data for a rise and fall is at least 25% of greater. When the portion of the curve qualified against the sensitivity, it is highlited in blue.

If a rise on the curve for load was 25% (an increase in load from the start of the rise to the end of the rise (peak), and the fall on the curve was less than 25%, this portion of the curve would not qualify, therefore, the segment on the curve is not a valid peak and valley. This portion of the curve would not highlight in blue.

5.7.1.2 Index

The Index default value is 1. An Index = 1 means that the result is measured at the first incident (looking at the data from left to right) on the curve where the Sensitivity qualification is met.

If the Index value is 2, the data stream on the curve is evaluated for sensitivity to determine which peaks and valleys are qualified, and then it looks for the second incident to report the maximum peak or maximum valley.

You may use a negative Index number (e.g. -1). When a negative index is used, the data is evaluated from right to left.

cnt





5.7.1.3 Numbered Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Numbered Peak & Valley algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

Numbered Algorithm Name 5.7.1.4

The Numbered algorithm name may be changed from its default.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.

5.7.1.5 Numbered Algorithm Where

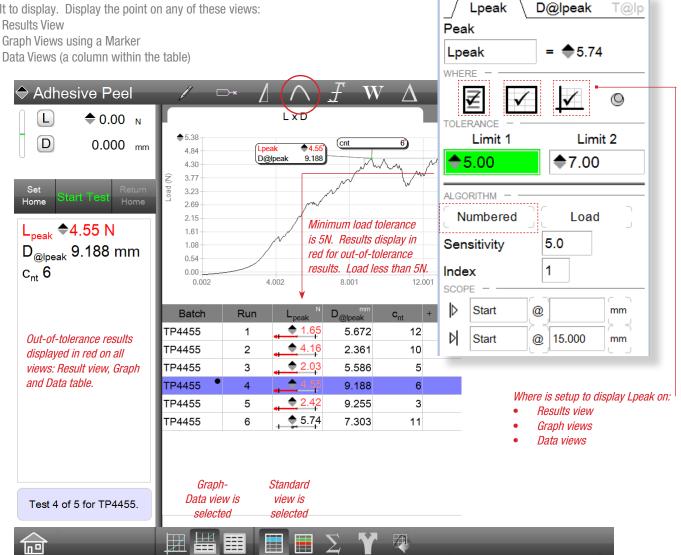
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Numbered result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.7.1.6 Numbered Algorithm Tolerance

Your Numbered result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances. the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



5.7.2 Minimum Algorithm (Peak)

The Minimum algorithm finds the minimum or lowest measured result within a scope segment or for the entire test. Selecting above the curve will let you look for the minimum peak loads. Setting the sensitivity will define the peaks that qualify and based on these qualified peaks, the algorithm will find and report the peak having the minimum load or stress value for all of these peaks.

5.7.2.1 Sensitivity

Sensitivity is a percent value. It is the percent that qualifies a peak or a valley based on an equal percentage rise and fall. For example a sensitivity of 5 would look at all data within a defined scope region where the data for a rise and fall is at least 5% of greater. When the portion of the curve qualified against the sensitivity, it is highlited in blue.

If a rise on the curve for load was 5% (an increase in load from the start of the rise to the end of the rise (peak), and the fall on the curve was less than 5%, this portion of the curve would not qualify, therefore, the segment on the curve is not a valid peak and valley. This portion of the curve would not highlight in blue.

5.7.2.2 Minimum Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Minimum algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

5.7.2.3 Minimum Algorithm Name

The Minimum algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lpeak when based on load. For example, you may rename Lmin.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



Shows the minimum peak within the scope range



5.7.2.4 Minimum Algorithm Where

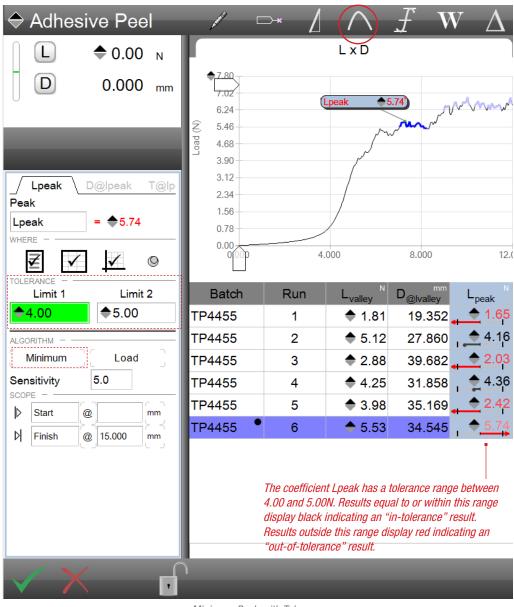
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Minimum result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.7.2.5 Minimum Algorithm Tolerance

Your Minimum result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Minimum Peak with Tolerance Out-of-tolerance results display in red text

5.7.3 Maximum Algorithm (Valley)

The Maximum algorithm finds the maximum or greatest measured result within a scope segment or for the entire test. Selecting below the curve will let you look for the maximum valley loads. Setting the sensitivity will define the valleys that qualify and based on these qualified peaks, the algorithm will find and report the valley having the maximum load value for all of these valleys.

5.7.3.1 Sensitivity

Sensitivity is a percent value. It is the percent that qualifies a peak or a valley based on an equal percentage rise and fall. For example a sensitivity of 5 would look at all data within a defined scope region where the data for a rise and fall is at least 5% of greater. When the portion of the curve qualified against the sensitivity, it is highlited in blue.

If a rise on the curve for load was 5% (an increase in load from the start of the rise to the end of the rise (peak), and the fall on the curve was less than 5%, this portion of the curve would not qualify, therefore, the segment on the curve is not a valid peak and valley. This portion of the curve would not highlight in blue.

5.7.3.2 Maximum Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Maximum algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

5.7.3.3 Maximum Algorithm Name

The Maximum algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lvalley when based on load. For example, you may rename Lmax.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



Maximum Valley



5.7.3.4 Maximum Algorithm Where

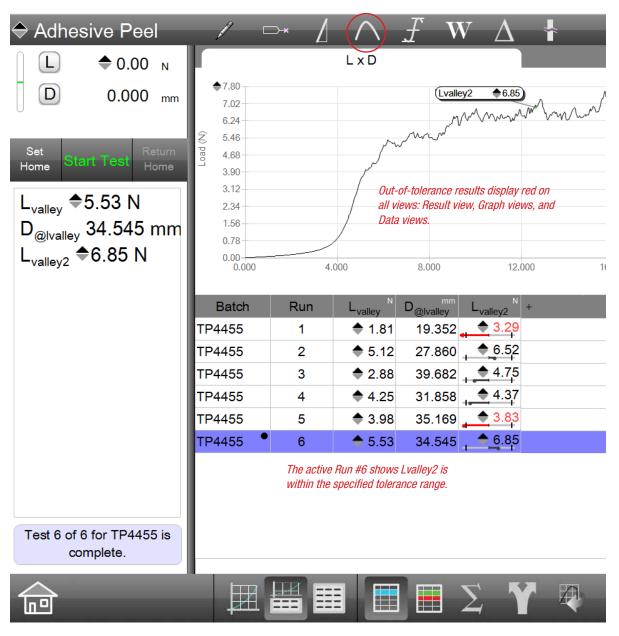
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Maximum result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.7.3.5 Maximum Algorithm Tolerance

Your Maximum result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



5.7.4 Count Algorithm

The Count algorithm determines the number of peaks or the number of valleys. Selecting above the curve will measure for peaks, while selecting below the curve will measure for valleys.

Peaks and valleys are determined based on the scope segment and the sensitivity you specify.

5.7.4.1 Sensitivity

Sensitivity is a percent value. It is the percent that qualifies a peak or a valley based on an equal percentage rise and fall. For example a sensitivity of 5 would look at all data within a defined scope region where the data for a rise and fall is at least 5% of greater. When the portion of the curve qualified against the sensitivity, it is highlited in blue.

If a rise on the curve for load was 5% (an increase in load from the start of the rise to the end of the rise (peak), and the fall on the curve was less than 5%, this portion of the curve would not qualify, therefore, the segment on the curve is not a valid peak and valley. This portion of the curve would not highlight in blue.

5.7.4.2 Count Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Count algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

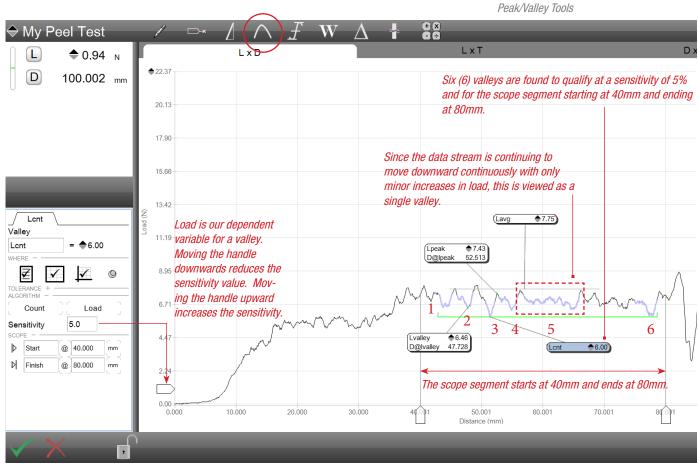
Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

5.7.4.3 Count Algorithm Name

The Count algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lcnt when based on load. For example, you may rename L#.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.





Peel test using Peak/Valley Measurement Shows the number of Valleys (Count) for the scope segment and a sensitivity of 5%



5.7.4.4 Count Algorithm Where

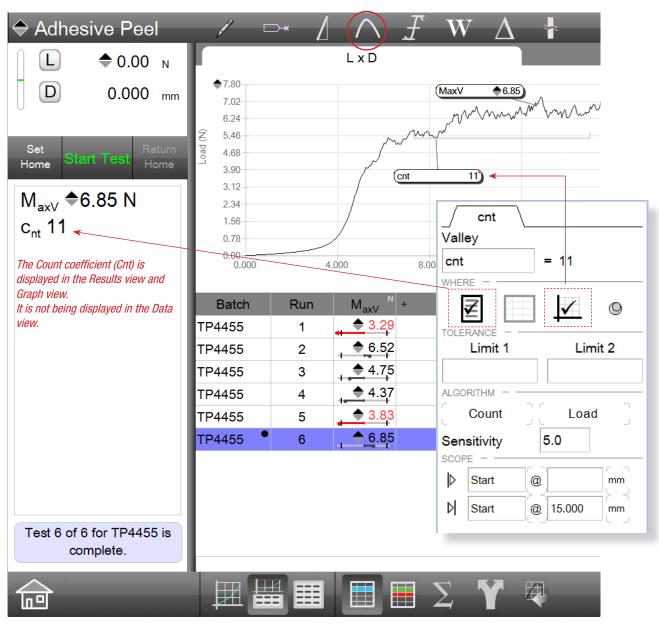
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Count result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.7.4.5 Count Algorithm Tolerance

Your Count result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Count Display

5.7.5 Averaging Algorithm

The Average algorithm averages the peaks or the valleys within your scope segment. Selecting above the curve will measure the average of peaks while selecting below the curve will measure the average of valleys.

The peak average is calculated by adding the highest value with each peak and dividing by the number of qualified peaks based on the sensitivity.

The valley average is calculated by adding the lowest value with each valley and dividing by the number of qualified valleys based on the sensitivity.

5.7.5.1 Sensitivity

Sensitivity is a percent value. It is the percent that qualifies a peak or a valley based on an equal percentage rise and fall. For example a sensitivity of 5 would look at all data within a defined scope region where the data for a rise and fall is at least 5% of greater. When the portion of the curve qualified against the sensitivity, it is highlited in blue.

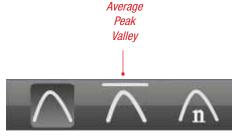
If a rise on the curve for load was 5% (an increase in load from the start of the rise to the end of the rise (peak), and the fall on the curve was less than 5%, this portion of the curve would not qualify, therefore, the segment on the curve is not a valid peak and valley. This portion of the curve would not highlight in blue.

5.7.5.2 Averaging Algorithm Scope

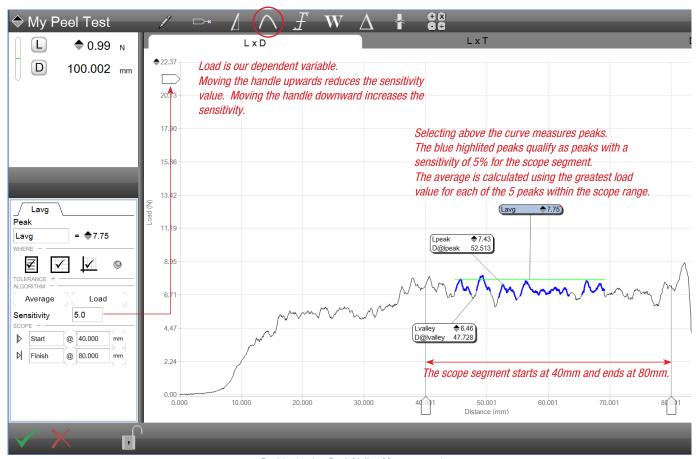
The scope for the Average algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.



Peak/Valley Tools



Peel test using Peak/Valley Measurement

5.7.5.3 Averaging Algorithm Name

The Average algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lavg when based on load. For example, you may rename Lmean.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.

5.7.5.4 Averaging Algorithm Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Average result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.7.5.5 Averaging Algorithm Tolerance

Your Average result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".

5.8 Using Min/Max/Avg Tool

One of the more commonly used analysis tools is the Min/Max/Avg tool. It often used to measure the maximum stress or load values, or to measure the average of all data points within a scope segment.

The Min/Max/Avg tool may be used with load, distance and time.

The Min/Max/Avg tool has two functions. Min/Max is one function. Selecting above the curve will deliver the Maximum result, while selecting below the curve will report the Minimum results.

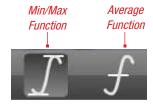
The Average function calculates the average of all data points within the scope segment. The average can be load or distance.

5.8.1 Maximum Algorithm

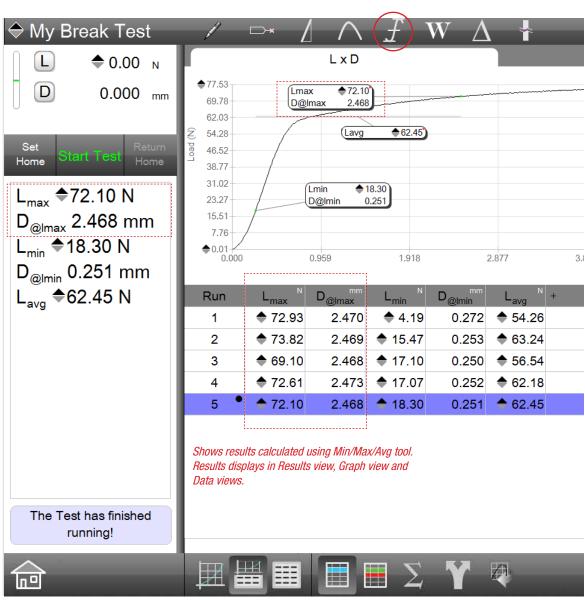
The Maximum algorithm is sometimes called the peak, but it should not be confused with peak when using peak & valleys.

The Maximum algorithm is the greatest value of a variable within the data stream for a scope segment. The scope segment may be the entire test duration or a segment within the duration.

The Maximum algorithm reports the greatest value of load or distance for your test setup.



Min/Max/Avg Tool Types



Break Test Shows results using Min/Max/Avg functions

5.8.1.1 Maximum Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Maximum algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

5.8.1.2 Maximum Algorithm Name

The Maximum algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lmax when based on load. For example, you may rename Lpeak.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.

5.8.1.3 Maximum Algorithm Where

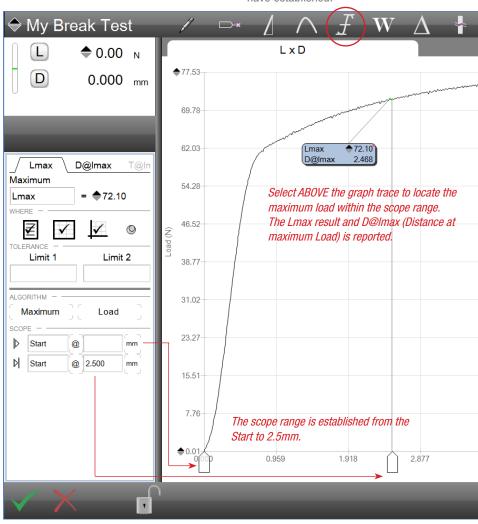
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Maximum result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.8.1.4 Maximum Algorithm Tolerance

Your Maximum result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Break Test Shows Lmax result for specified scope range

5.8.2 Minimum Algorithm

The Minimum algorithm is the lowest value of a variable within the data stream for a scope segment. The scope segment may be the entire test duration or a segment within the duration.

The Minimum algorithm reports the lowest value of load or distance for your test setup.

Select below the curve to find the Minimum result for the scope range specified.

5.8.2.1 Minimum Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Minimum algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

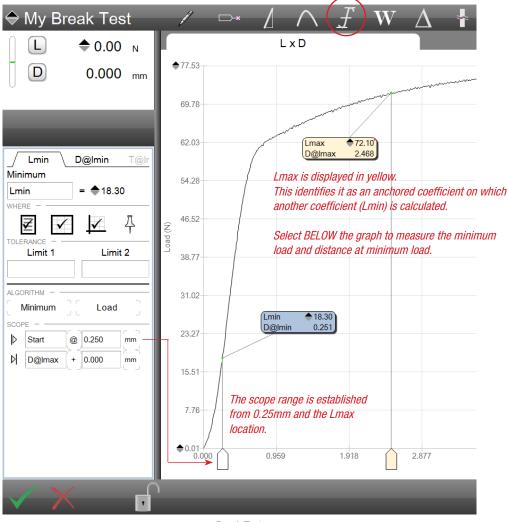
Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

The scope range is normally not at the start of the test since the minimum result would be zero or at the load when the test started.

5.8.2.2 Minimum Algorithm Name

The Minimum algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lmin when based on load.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.



Break Test Shows Lmax result for specified scope range

5.8.2.3 Minimum Algorithm Where

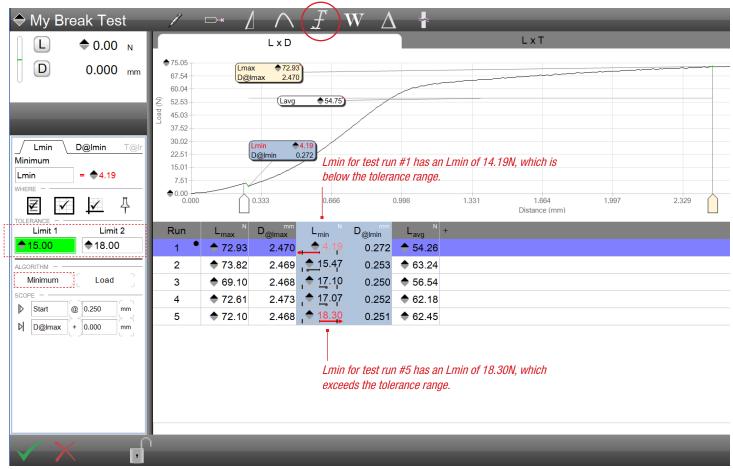
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Minimum result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.8.2.4 Minimum Algorithm Tolerance

Your Minimum result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Break Test

5.8.3 Average Algorithm

The Average algorithm calculates the load for all of the data points within the scope range. The average load or distance may be calculated.

The Average algorithm differs from the Average Peak & Valley algorithm. The Average Peak & Valley algorithm is the average of only the peaks or valleys. The Average algorithm is the average of all data points within your scope range.



NOTE

The Average algorithm is the average of all data points for your specified scope range.

5.8.3.1 Average Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Average algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

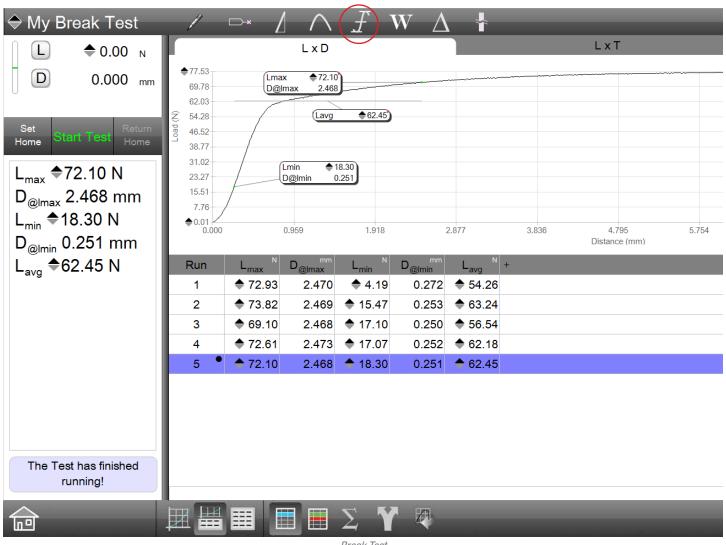
Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

The scope range is normally not at the start of the test since the minimum result would be zero or at the load when the test started.

5.8.3.2 Average Algorithm Name

The Average algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lavg when based on load.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length and may use special characters.





5.8.3.3 Average Algorithm Where

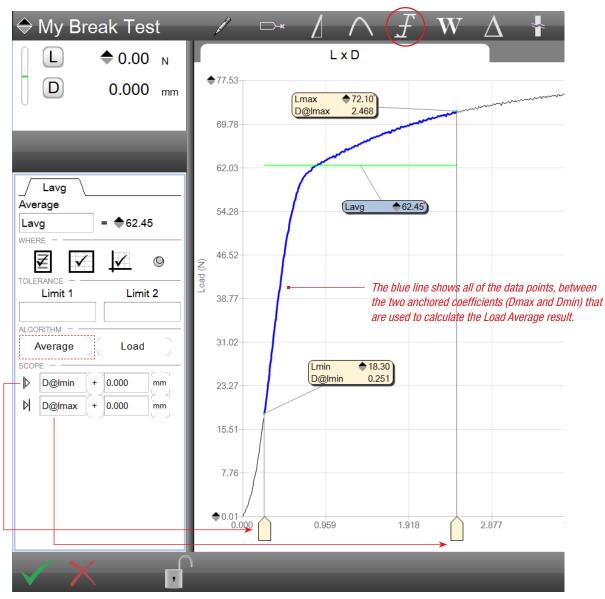
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Average result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.8.3.4 Average Algorithm Tolerance

Your Average result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Lavg Data Definition Menu Shows Lavg result for specified scope range between anchored Lmin and Lmax

5.9 Using the Work Tool

Work or sometimes referred to as energy, is a characteristic of resilience or the ability of the material being tested to absorb energy. The Work algorithm calculates the area beneath the load-distance curve. The area is calculated within the scope range specified.

5.9.1 Work Algorithm

The Work algorithm calculates the area beneath the load-distance curve.

When the Work function is selected, you specify the scope range and the area beneath the curve for your range is highlited in blue and the result for work calculated in joules.

5.9.1.1 Work Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Minimum algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

The scope range is normally not at the start of the test since the minimum result would be zero or at the load when the test started.

5.9.1.2 Work Algorithm Name

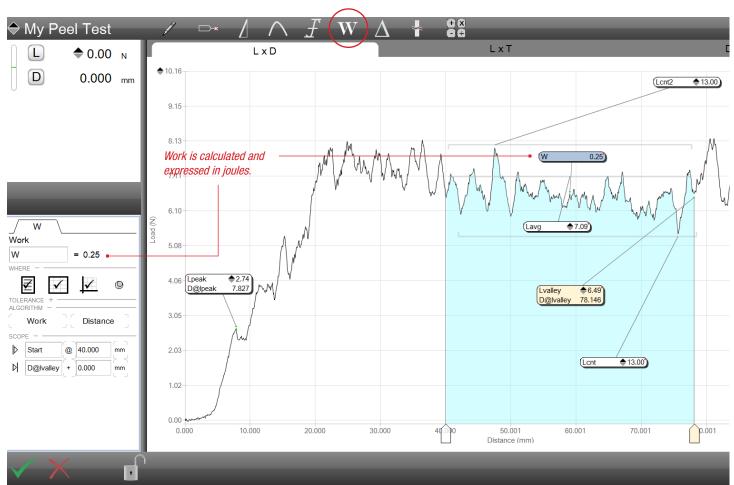
The Work algorithm name may be changed from its default of W to Energy or N-m.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length.

5.9.1.3 Work Algorithm Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Work result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)



Load-Distance Testing Mode

5.9.1.4 Work Algorithm Tolerance

Your Work result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".

5.10 Using the Delta Tool

The Delta tool is used to measure or compare the differences between two variables. These variables can be load or distance.

The Delta tool is ideal for creep and relaxation testing or on applications where you simply want to measure the change within a scope range.

5.10.1 Delta Algorithm

The Delta algorithm measures the difference or change between two results. The scope segment may be the entire test duration or a segment within the duration.

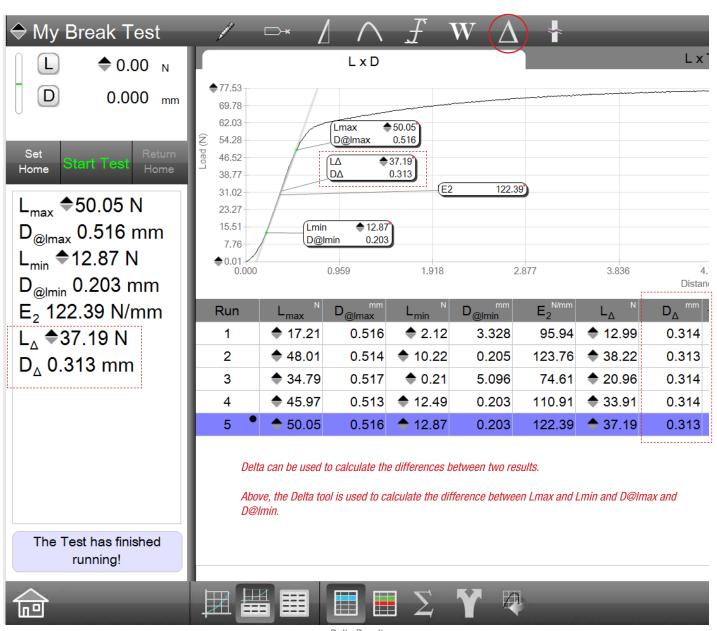
5.10.1.1 Delta Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Delta algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

The scope range is normally not at the start of the test since the minimum result would be zero or at the load when the test started.



Delta Result

5.10.1.2 Delta Algorithm Name

The Delta algorithm name may be changed from its default of ΔL to LCreep.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length.



NOTE

Use the Ctrl key + d to display \triangle

5.10.1.3 Delta Algorithm Where

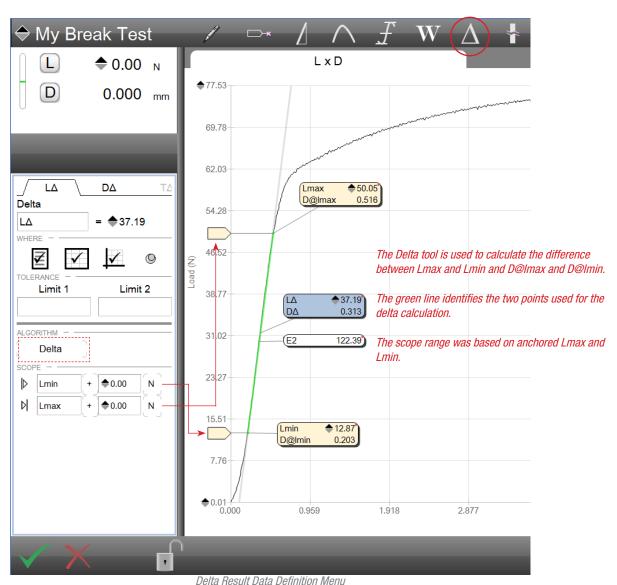
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Delta result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.10.1.4 Delta Algorithm Tolerance

Your Delta result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Calculates the delta between two anchored results

5.10.2 Using the Delta in Multi-Run Mode

L2 Plus Series software also lets you find the difference in results between multiple runs. The Multi-Run mode performs as a graphical statistical analysis by comparing runs to one another using the graph and special Multi-Run graph analysis tools.



NOTE

Use the Multi-run view option by selecting the green bar above the Runs List.

Using the Multi-run view, select multiple runs from the same batch from the Runs List. The graph traces for each run are displayed together in a single view.

Next, select the Multi-run Analysis Tool.

Next, select within the graph and make a comparison between both runs and points along both data streams.

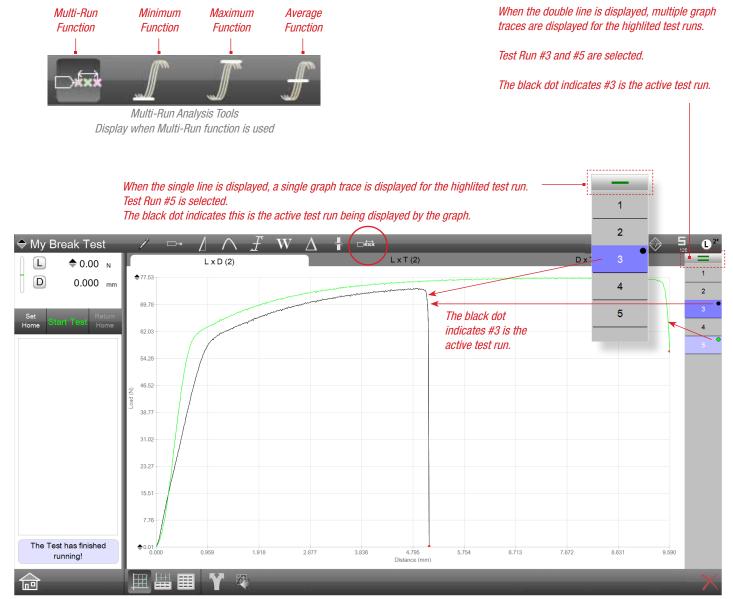
With the Multi-Run tools selected, you can now perform the following:

- Find the Delta between multiple runs
- Find the Minimum results between multiple runs
- Find the Maximum results between multiple runs
- Find the Average result between multiple runs



NOTE

You cannot use anchored markers when in Multi-Run mode.



Multi-Run Graph View

5.10.2.1 Delta Between Runs

Once multiple runs have been selected and are being displayed together on your graph, you can select the Multi-Run analysis tool.

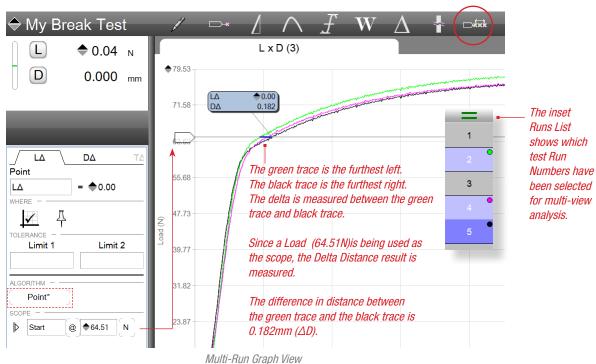
You can find the delta L and delta D between your runs by pressing or selecting along either the Load axis (y-axis) or the Distance axis (x-axis). The delta finds a point, e.g. ΔL or ΔD .

Once you have made your selection, you can determine the delta between the first run and the last run in your set of multiple runs.

The delta is measured from the first run, defined as the graph trace on the left-most side, to the last run, defines as the graph trace on the right-most side.

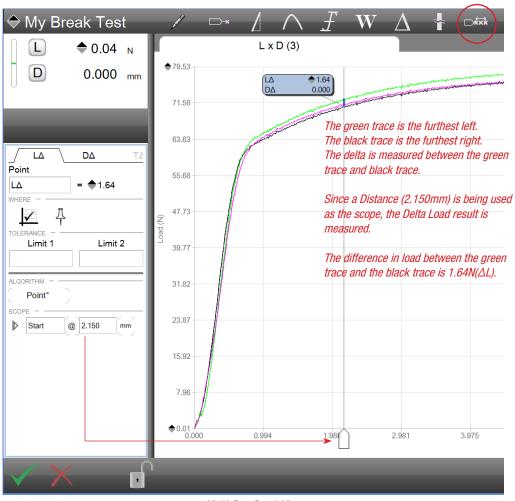
If you want to find the ΔL , select along the x-axis (Distance) and adjust your scope range along the x-axis (Distance).

You'll see a blue line being drawn between the first and last run. This blue line measures and calculates the result between these runs.



Finding Delta Distance between all selected Runs

If you want to find the ΔD , select along the y-axis (Load) and adjust your scope range along the y-axis (Load).

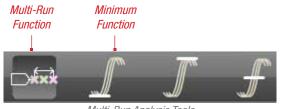


Multi-Run Graph View Finding Delta Load between all selected Runs

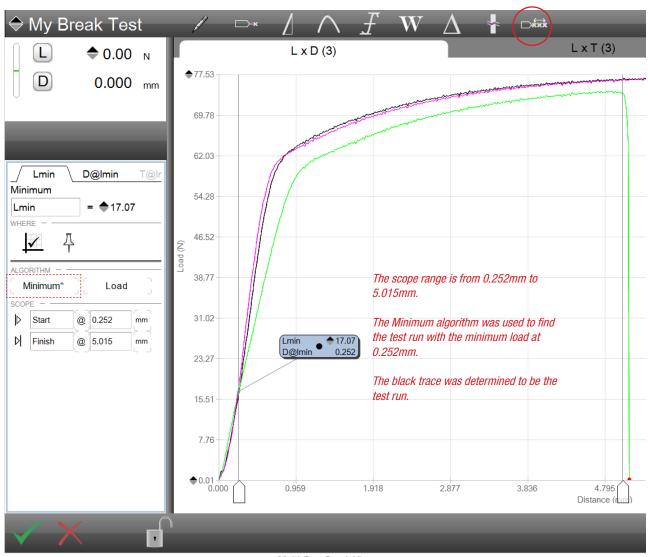
5.10.2.2 Minimum Multi Runs

The Minimum tool for multiple run analysis is used to find the test run with the lowest value from all data streams of all runs that are displayed together.

For example, you may wish to find the test run with the lowest load result at a specified distance point.



Multi-Run Analysis Tools Display when Multi-Run function is used

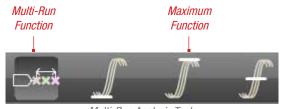


Multi-Run Graph View Finding Test Run with Minimum Load between all selected Runs

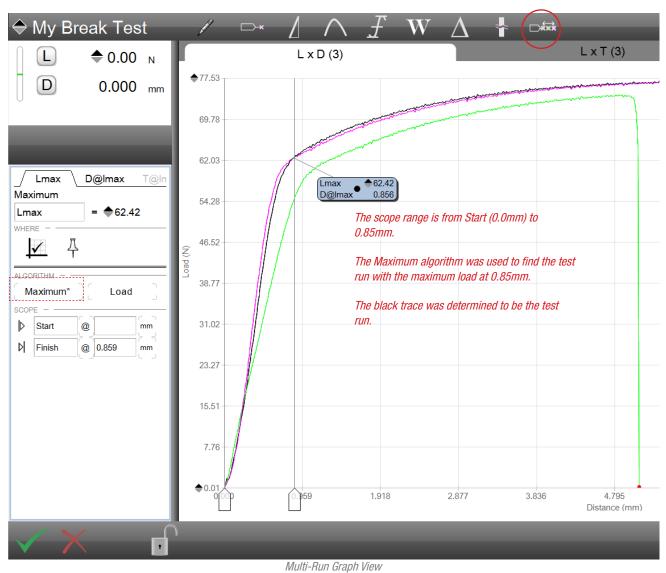
5.10.2.3 Maximum Multi Runs

The Maximum tool for multiple run analysis is used to find the test run with the greatest value from all data streams of all runs that are displayed together.

For example, you may wish to find the test run with the greatest load result at a specified distance point.



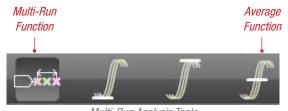
Multi-Run Analysis Tools Display when Multi-Run function is used



Finding Test Run with Maximum Load between all selected Runs

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5.10.2.3.4 Average Multi Runs
The Average tool for multiple run analysis is used to find the average of all test runs that are displayed together.



Multi-Run Analysis Tools Display when Multi-Run function is used



Multi-Run Graph View Finding Average Load between all selected Runs

5.11 Using the Break Tool

The Break tool features two methods for identifying a material break: %Drop and Rate.

Break testing identifies when the material fractures or ruptures and provides a curve that can be used to identify the maximum load or distance prior to the break event.

Both forms for break identification may be used in either tensile or compressive directions.

5.11.1 Drop % Algorithm

The Drop % algorithm is the more commonly used method for determining a sample break.

This method first looks for the maximum stress or load. Once the maximum load is determined, the algorithm next looks for a % drop in load. So, if the maximum load was measured as 100N, and the load dropped to 80N, that is a 20% drop in load.

The % Drop method is used in the L2 Plus test setup steps for both tensile and compressive limits. This terminates or completes a test run when the maximum load is measured and the load drops be the specified percent value.

5.11.1.1 Drop %

The Drop % is the value that the load decreases AFTER achieving its maximum value. The maximum value must first be met, then the algorithm will evaluate the data after the maximum value and will identify the point where the reduction in load equals the Drop %.



NOTE

The Drop % is the percentage reduction in load AFTER first achieving its maximum load or distance value.

5.11.1.2 Drop % Algorithm Scope

Break

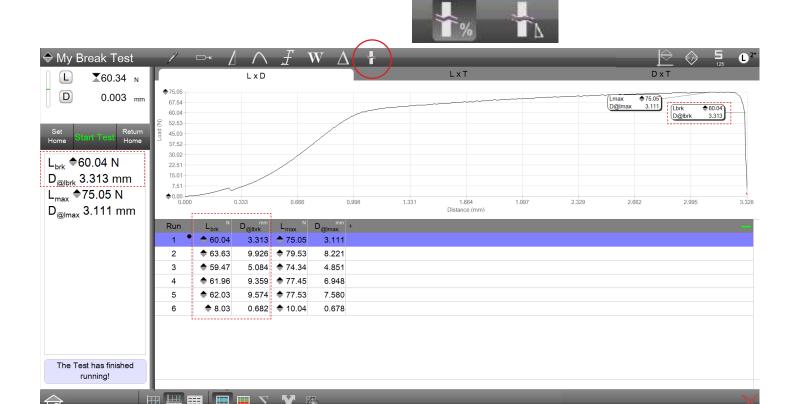
Rate

Break % Drop

The scope for the Drop % algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment. The scope segment is normally after the maximum load value that was measured and prior to where the load or distance returned to zero.

You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow. It is common to determine the maximum load and distance and then use the Drop % as an anchor on the Lmax marker.



5.11.1.3 Drop % Algorithm Name

The Drop % algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lbrk to L%brk.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length.

5.11.1.4 Drop % Algorithm Where

The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Delta result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.11.1.5 Drop % Algorithm Tolerance

Your Drop % result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Data Definition Menu Finding Break load using a % Drop in load after Lmax

5.11.2 Break Rate Algorithm

The Break Rate algorithm looks at the slope along the load-distance curve to determine the break point. Using a user-defined break rate, the algorithm first finds the maximum load point. After this point, the algorithm looks for the first occurrence where the break rate appears and marks that point as the break point.

5.11.2.1 Break Rate

The Break Rate represents the slope used to find the break point along the curve. The Break Rate is the load/distance rate on the curve. A Break Rate of 10.000 will look for the point after the maximum load where the rate of 10N/mm occurs.

5.11.2.2 Leg Length

Specifying the Leg Length helps to counter the effects of noise. Because certain materials exhibit a fairly noisy curve, it would be easy to mistakenly identify a break rate at a correct rate, but that is not at a correct break point if only a single break rate point is used.

The Leg Length extends the data points that are examined for the break rate change and allows a more precise break location to be determined.

5.11.2.3 Break Rate Algorithm Scope

The scope for the Break Rate algorithm is based on two specific points that defined the end points of a data segment. The scope segment is normally after the maximum load value that was measured and prior to where the stress or strain returned to zero.

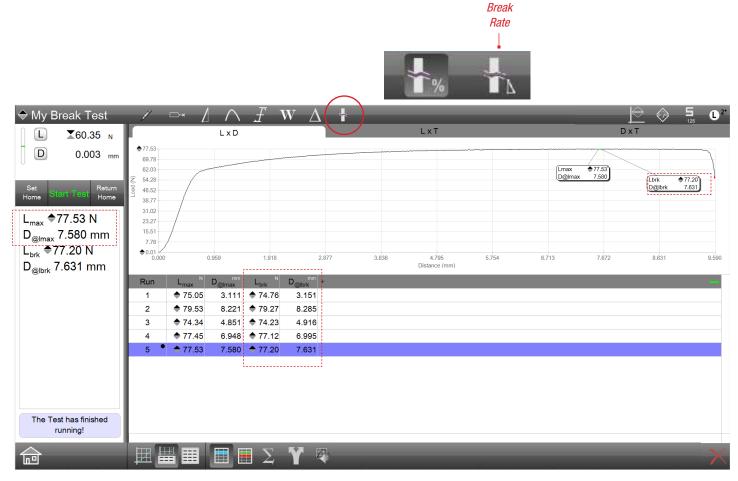
You may position the scope handles along either the y-axis or x-axis to define the data segment where you are interested in analyzing.

Or, you may implicitly specify your start and end scope points using values or other coefficients that can be used as anchors. Anchored coefficients display in yellow.

5.11.2.4 Break Rate Algorithm Name

The Break Rate algorithm name may be changed from its default of Lbrk to Lrate.

The result name may be up to 8 characters in length.





5.11.2.5 Break Rate Algorithm Where

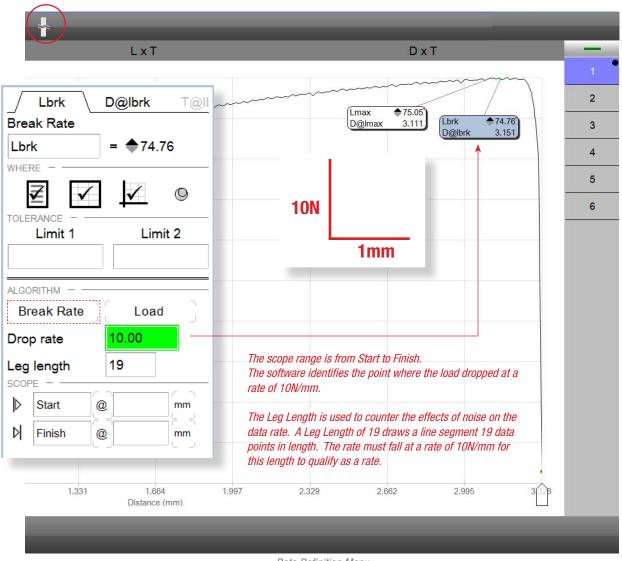
The WHERE function is used to specify where you want the Break Rate result to display. Display the point on any of these views:

- Results View
- Graph Views using a Marker
- Data Views (a column within the table)

5.11.2.6 Break Rate Algorithm Tolerance

Your Break Rate result (coefficient) can make use of a tolerance to distinguish the result as either a "pass" or "fail" relative to your tolerance limits.

When you use a tolerance, you specify two tolerance limits. If your result equals or falls within the range created by these two tolerances, the result is displayed in black text and is deemed a "pass". If the result falls outside the tolerance range, the result displays in red text and is deemed a "fail".



Data Definition Menu Finding Break load using a Drop Rate (N/mm) in load after Lmax

5.12 Using the Annotation Tool

The Annotation tool lets you enter comments on your graph views. Select the Annotation tool to launch the Annotation Data Definition menu. Enter your comment into the Text Entry Block. You can name the Annotation like any other coefficient.

5.12.1 Annotation Text Entry Block

The maximum number of characters for an annotation is 200.

Enter the annotation into the Text Entry block after selecting the Annotation tool and then selecting inside the graph (anywhere).

5.12.2 Text Color

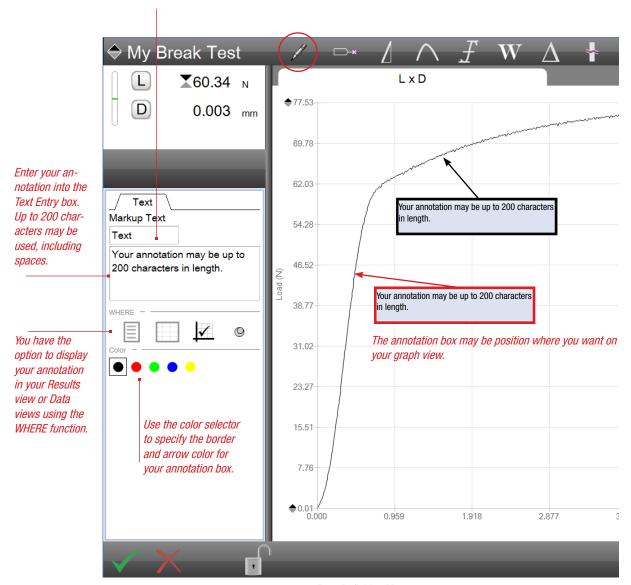
The annotation text may be displayed in black (default), red, green. blue or yellow.

5.12.3 Annotation Results

The default coefficient name is TEXT.

The annotation may appear in the Results view, on graphs as a marker and in Data views as a column.

Name you annotation as a coefficient. This name will be used in the Data views or Result view for identification.



Data Definition Menu Finding Break load using a Drop Rate (N/mm) in load after Lmax



5.13 Offline Archived Run Analysis

You may use the offline archive function to compare historical run results to current and active runs. Comparing archived runs with active runs should be performed using the Multi-view function.

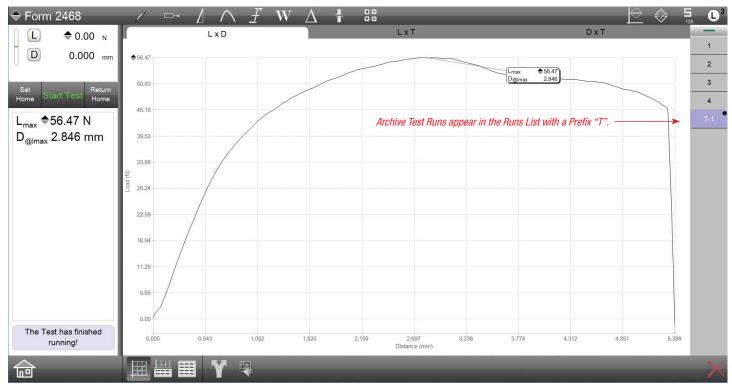
5.13.1 Archived Test Runs

When a Runs Limit is met, the oldest test run is moved to the Archive directory within your Metlogix directory. The archived run may then be opened using the Offline tool, which when selected, opens the Archive directory. From the Archive directory, you may select any test run. Selecting Open, the archived test run is placed in your active Runs List. Archived runs have a prefix "T". For example, when you load an archived run onto your active Runs List, the first archived run will display was "T-1".



NOTE

Any test run within your Archive directory may be impored to your active test and Runs List. Use care to make sure you are importing test runs that are associated with your current test setup and your current Runs List.



Full Graph showing Archived Run for analysis and comparison to Active Runs

5.13.2 Importing an Archived Run

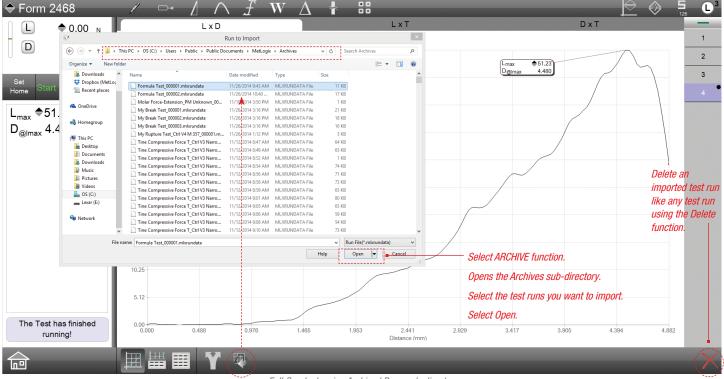
Selecting the Archive function will open the Archive within the Metlogix directory, or where you have the Archive directory mapped to on your network.

To import an archived test run, select a run from the list. You may select more than one. The selected run does not need to be from the same test setup either.



NOTE

You may select any test run from the Archive directory. The selected test run does not have to have been created using the test setup associated with the active test runs.



Full Graph showing Archived Runs sub-directory



5.13.3 Analyzing with an Archived Run

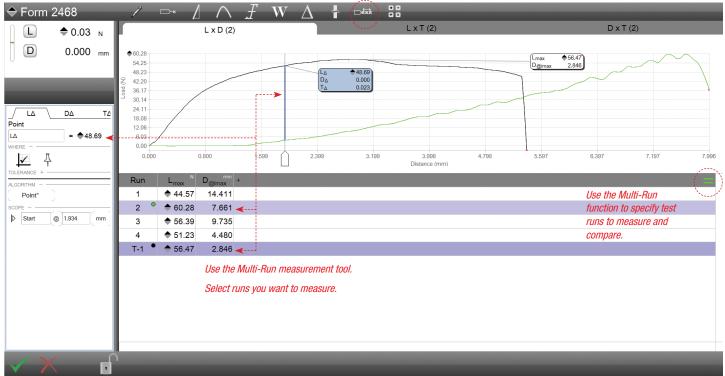
When an archived test run is imported to your active Runs List, the graph and data that make up the graph are copied to your L2 Plus system. You can then use your measurement tools to take new measurements. Or, you can use the measurements from your current active test runs to compare results with historical runs.

It may be necessary to re-measure results in the archived Run. Normally, when the archived Run is imported, the results associated with the current test Runs are automatically calculated and displayed with the archived Runs graph.



NOTE

When importing an archived Run, the archived Run may first show "XXX.X" for its coefficients. You may need to "re-link" the archived Run. You may do so, by simply choosing one of the active test runs, and then the archived run while in Multi-view.



Split Graph showing Measurement between Archive Run # T-1 and Active Run #2

5.13.4 Statistics using an Archived Run

Statistics may be re-calculated to include your Archived Run. You must select the archived Run with any of the active Runs you want statistical calculations for

If the archived Run is not selected, its measured results are not included in your statistical results. Only the results from your active Runs List will be used to calculate statistics.



NOTE

An imported archive test run does not affect the statistics in your active test.

If you want to include the archived test run in your statistical calculation, you must use the multirun function and select the runs you want used for statistical calculations.

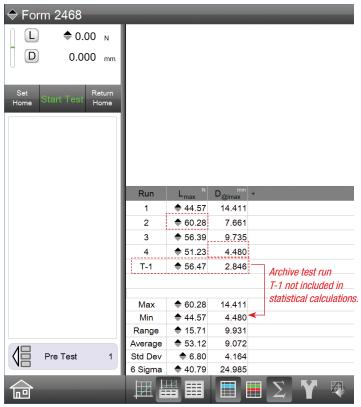
5.13.5 Removing (Deleting) an Archived Run

Remove the archive test run using the delete function on the display view. When the archived test run is deleted, it is deleted from the Runs List. The archived test run is not deleted from the source Archive directory.

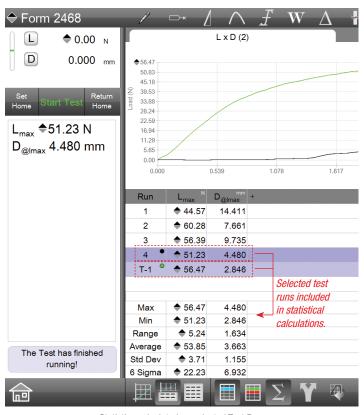


NOTE

When you delete an archived run from a display view, the archived test run is removed from the Runs List. It is not permanently deleted from the Archive directory.



Statistics calculated on Active Test Runs #1 - 4 Archive Test Run T-1 Not Included



Statistics calculated on selected Test Runs Archive Test Run #T-1 and Active Run #4







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