Operating Instructions

VRZ 740, 780 Bidirectional Counters



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I. Setting up and maintenance

1.1

1.2

Items of delivery Bidirectional counter VRZ 740 for 2 axes or **Bidirectional counter** VRZ 780 for 3 axes Replacement fuse 0.4 A slow-blow (in small compartment at rear of counter) Mains coupling, separate optional: mains cable 2.7 m long Operating instructions and certificate of inspection

| 1.2 Technical specifications | Туре | VRZ 740 (2 axes display) VRZ 780 (3 axes display) |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mechanical data | Housing design | table model, cast housing |
| | Dimensions | W 270 × H 221 × D 172 mm |
| | Weight | approx. 5.6 kg |
| | Operating temperature Storage temperature | 0° to +45° C -30° to +70° C |
| Electrical data | Inputs | for Heidenhain transducers with grating pitch 20 μm |
| | Scanning frequency | 25 kHz max. |
| | Cable length | max. 20 m |
| | Digital displays: position value displays keyboard display | 7-segment LED's 7½ decades with sign |
| | Metric/Inch converter Display step | static, active for all displays 1 μm/2 μm or 0.00005" or 0.0001" selectable |
| | Datum points Reference mark evaluation | 4 floating datum points The reference mark positions for all datum points are automatically stored independent of power supply. After power failure, all datum points can be reproduced by simply passing over the reference marks once. |
| | Delta key | conversion of entered absolute dimensions into incremental dimensions (= "target" positioning) |
| | Tool radius compensation | keys for entry, and addition to value in keyboard display, or subtraction from value in keyboard display (stored independently of power supply) |
| | Dimmorouvitab | adjustment of display brightness |

Dimmer switch

adjustment of display brightness

VRZ 740 (2 axes)



VRZ 780 (3 axes)



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2. Mounting possibilities

The counter is cased in a cast aluminium housing. The feet of the unit are provided with M5- tapped holes which enable securing onto tables or consoles from underneath by means of screws (see drawing of dimensions). A further mounting possibility is provided by securing the counter rear onto an angle iron or pipe. Drill and tap required holes in accordance with dimensions as indicated in drawing of "rear panel" at any location within the shaded areas. If the indicated dimensions are not strictly observed then this might result in penetration of the housing and swarf entering the counter interior may cause malfunctions!



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3. Connect transducers, mains connection

CAUTION: Do not engage or disengage any connectors whilst equipment is under power.

3.1

Protection

The front panels and the operating panel of the counters are splashwater-proof. The counters are provided with failure signal (see page 10). Counters VRZ 740/780 correspond to protection classification I of the VDE-regulations VDE 0411 and are built and tested in accordance with DIN 57411 part 1/VDE 0411 part 1 "Protective measures for electronic measuring equipment". In order to maintain this condition and to ensure safe operation, the operator must comply with the instructions and warnings which are contained in these operating instructions.

3.2

Connection of transducers VRZ 740/780

All HEIDENHAIN linear transducers with 20 µm grating pitch

can be connected to VRZ 740/780. If the standard 4-fold pulse evaluation is

modified to 2-fold (see 3.6 page 9) linear transducers with

10 μ m grating pitch

may also be used.

Angle encoders ROD without built-in pulse shaping electronics (e.g. ROD 450) can also be connected. Please observe that the scanning signals are then interpolated electronically 20-fold or 10-fold (after modification of the pulse evaluation) within the counter.

The transducer is connected via a 9-pole flange socket (Heidenhain Ident-No. 20071901).

| contact designation | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| | + | — | + | - | + | — | + | | 1 |
| use | Lamp | UL | meas signal (0° el. I _{e1} | uring) | measu signal (90° el I _{e2} | iring .) | refere mark s I _{e0} | nce signal | ground for shieldir |
| input signals electrical values | ; 5 V ±5 approx | % . 120 mA | for He angle shapi | eidenhain encoders ng electro | linear trar without l mics | nsducers ouilt-in pu | and Ilse | | |

3.3 Selection of mains voltage

The counters are set to 220 V~ when supplied, and can be converted to 100, 120, 140, 200 or 240 V~:

After removing mains fuse holder, set voltage selector to desired voltage by using a coin; replace mains fuse holder.

Exchanging mains fuse

Mains voltage selection





3.4

Mains connection

Wire.mains cable to enclosed mains coupling (compl. mains cable available as

accessory) and insert mains coupling into mains socket of counter. Push down safety clamp.





3.5 Counting direction

The transducers are supplied as follows:



The counting direction can be altered for each axis individually by shifting the counting direction switch 1, 2 or 3 beneath the cover at rear of counter.





3.6

Pulse evaluation

The pulse evaluation may be altered **for all axes simultaneously** at switch 4 of the counting direction selector from the **standard 4-fold** evaluation to **2-fold**. This setting permits connection of linear transducers with 10 μ m grating pitch to the counter.

II. Working with VRZ 740/780

By deciding upon counter VRZ 740/780, you have purchased a unit which, due to the practical design, makes positioning easier, quicker and more economical. This counter offers the possibility of setting several datum points. Furthermore, it is possible to position with "target" counting whereby the tool radius can be simultaneously taken into account. Re-establishing the correlation between datum points and reference marks of the LS system is "automated".

Traversing over the reference marks once is sufficient to calibrate the counter in all axes. (Previous determination of the position value for the datum point is not required.)

In addition to these advantages, the counters are provided with keyboard entry (keyboard display), selectable display step, mm/inch converter, dimmer, direction switch and pulse evaluation selector. When reading the following explanations, it is recommended to refer to the illustration of the operating panel on page 20. The encircled figures (1), (2), (3)...) of a 3 axes counter are explained in this illustration.

1.1

Absolute mode and incremental mode

In the absolute mode all measurements refer to the "absolute" datum point, whilst in incremental mode each immediately preceding position serves as datum point.

Absolute mode

Example:

The left upper corner is the "absolute datum point" for the measurements



The machine is to be positioned **to** a certain dimension.

Incremental mode

Example:

Measurements are carried out – starting from the left upper corner – in increments



The machine is to be traversed **by** a certain distance.

1.2

Instructions for key-in of position values or dimensions

Entry errors can be cleared by means of the \boxed{CE} (4).

Values are entered in "mm" or "inch", whereby key-in of trailing zeroes is not required.

An entered value remains within the keyboard memory until it is overwritten by a new value or cleared with the \boxed{CE} button (4). The finest decade of the keyboard display is rounded off to digital step 0.002 mm in operating mode "metric" 2 μ m, and to 0.00005 inch in "imperial" operating mode 0.00005.

An entry value can be preset into the position displays (i) or can be repeated any number of times as an incremental dimension – in any axis and with changing sign (see item 2.2).

Only negative sign "-" is displayed. Each actuation of the sign change key 7 will change the sign of the value in the keyboard memory. For entry of negative values, the following is applicable: **first** enter **value, then** negative **sign**. If the entered value in the keyboard display is too large (> 5079.999 mm or 199.99995 inches), then each numeral in the keyboard display will illuminate with

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decimal point.

Traversing over reference marks when first setting up

After initial connection of transducers, all REF-memories of the counter must be "activated".



press REF key (15):

reference mark indicators () in the position displays illuminate.

Traverse over reference marks in all axes; reference markindicators are extinguished.

1.4

Failure signal

Failure of a transducer, cable defects etc. are indicated by flashing of the appropriate position display **(6)**.

Switch off counter, remedy the fault and re-active counter. Alternatively, the failure signal can be cancelled by pressing the REF key (repeat, if reqd.).

| | Keyboard display Position display | (1) "0" (1) Displayed position values indicate correlation between established datum point ↓1 and reference mark. |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| REF ⊗ | REF key | 16 "OFF" |
| mm © inch 0.001 mm | mm/inch button | metric or Imperial (depending on last mode chosen) Random switch-over from "mm" to "inch" and vice-versa during measuring procedure, whereby the displayed values and all stored values are simultaneously converted. |
| 0.00005 inch % 0,002 mm 0.0001 inch | Display step | With the display step button ④ either 0.001 mm or 0.002 mm or 0.00005 inch or 0.0001 inch can be selected as display step for the position display. |
| DIM | Display brightness | maximum brightness dimmer switch (2) for two brightness settings |

2. Establishing datum point

2.1 Selection of datum point

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The counter permits establishing of four floating datum points for the position displays. The dimensioning of a workpiece may be referenced to different datum points, i.e. in the following example, datum point $\frac{1}{2}$ can be referenced to the workpiece edge as starting point, and the other datum points can be referenced to the centering points of the bore holes for positioning of the incremental dimensions:

Prior to setting a datum point, one of the datum point keys (6) 1 to 4 is to be pressed – the corresponding indicator lamp (5) illuminates.

Switch-over between datum points is possible at any time.



2.2 Preset Presetting assigns fixed display values to all positions.

Zero is often selected as datum point:

| datum point | CE or 0 | press clear button ④ or zero | keyboard display 🔞 shows "0" |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | ΧΥΖ | press axis keys ① | "0" appears in position display 🔞 |

The counter can be preset to **any datum values** as follows:

| datum point | 09 | position value for workpiece datum point (= reference value) entered: ② | datum value appears in keyboard display 🔞 |
|-------------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| | XYZ | press appropriate axis key ① | datum value appears in position display 🔞 |

If machine axes are now traversed, then VRZ 740/780 always indicates the actual position with reference to the selected datum point. For presetting a determined absolute position value (absolute nominal position), traverse individual machine axes such that the pre-determined position value appears in the position displays (). For incremental dimensions two procedures are possible: either traverse to required dimension by assigning value zero to the starting position, or preset the nominal value and position with "target" counting to zero.

2.3

Reference mark evaluation "REF"

In the case of switch-off of VRZ 740/780 or power failures the established correlation between positions and display values is lost.

If the momentary position is known (e.g. from the drawing), then the position values can be directly re-entered in accordance with item 2.2. If this is not the case, then the datum points which were established last can be reproduced by means of the REF key.

Immediately upon counter switch-on, all digits of the position displays will show zero; the position displays (6) will then jump to those position values which had been assigned to the transducer reference marks by establishing the datum point 1 prior to the operational interruption. When switching to 2, 3 or 4, the reference mark position values with regard to these datum points will be displayed. In order to reproduce the datum point, simply press the REF key and traverse over reference marks in all axes - displays are activated and show the position values with reference to the selected datum point 1, 2, 3 or 4.

This procedure is explained in detail as follows:

2.31 Calibration = reproduction of datum points

(after operational interruption or power failure)

a) selected counting mode prior to interruption: mm

| | REF | mm ※ | X + 0000000 | 8 | display immediately after counter switch-on |
|------------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>≫</u> : | REF ⊗ | mm ∭ | X + 67.070 | 8 | display value approx. 1.5 sec. after switch-on of counter dimension 67.07 = position value of X-reference mark for datum point $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| | REF ※ | mm ※ | X + 67.070 | × | if REF key is pressed, the REF indicators in the position display illuminate – counting function ceases |
| | REF ※ | mm ₩ | X + 67.070 + 67.071 + 67.072 | 8 | machine traverse over reference mark of X-transducer. REF indicator is extinguished and counting is resumed. The displayed position value corresponds to the X-machine position for the selected datum point $\downarrow 1$: counter is calibrated in X-axis |

b) selected counting mode prior to interruption: inch

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | REF Ø | mm ※ | X + 0000000 | 8 | display immediately after counter switch-on |
| | REF Ø | 」 淤 inch | X + 2.64065 | 8 | display value approx. 1.5 sec. after counter switch-on dimension 2.64065" = position value X-reference mark for datum point <u>1</u> |
| <u> </u> | REF | 」 ※ inch | X + 2.64065 | * | if REF key is pressed, the REF indicators in the position displays illuminate – counting function ceases |
| | REF | inch | X + 2.64065 + 2.64070 + 2.64175 | 8 | machine traverse over reference mark of X-transducer. REF indicator is extinguished and counting is resumed. The displayed position value corresponds to the X-machine position for the selected datum point <u>1</u> : the counter is calibrated in X-axis |

REF remains activated; illumination of the REF lamp indicates that the REF values (position values relative to the reference mark) are automatically stored when a datum point is established and thus are available for re-establishing this datum point after power interruptions. If the reference marks are inaccessible (e.g. workpiece and milling tool are clamped and reference mark cannot be traversed over) REF should be switched off.

3. Positioning with "target" counting

In conjunction with the △-key ①, absolute dimensions can be positioned through "target" counting.

This mode of positioning is more convenient and safer than "traversing to a nominal value". Even with inexact positioning (value other than zero in the position display), errors in this operating mode will not be accumulative as the deviation is automatically taken into account with the next positioning step in this axis.

When entering the nominal dimension, e.g. 120 mm, the position display shows the deviation from the nominal value "-70 mm": in order to position the nominal value, machine must be traversed in "+" direction.

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|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----|
| latum point | tool positi | mom on value positi]] | entary on reached | nominal positi | วท |
| • • | | () //////////////////////////////////// | | tion (remaining) | |
| 50 | 0 | distance to be traversed = 70.0 | | sing distance) | Z |
| - | | 120.0 | \sim | | > |

| | | Position display | Keyboard display | |
|-------------------|-----|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ↓ <u>1</u> | | X +50.00 | 0.00 | e.g. 50.0 in position display = actual position referenced to datum point $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| <u></u> | | X + 0.00 | 0.00 | by pressing the Δ -key (1) the value in the position display is set to "0" |
| 1 | 120 | X + 0.00 | 120.0 | key- in of nominal value X + 120.0 |
| △ | X | X –70.00 | 120.0 | by pressing the axis key, the deviation from the nominal value appears in the position display |
| | | X — 0.05 | 120.0 | position machine with "target" counting; "0" is not exactly reached (difference of 0.05 mm with regard to nominal value) |
| | | X 119.95 | 120.0 | when \triangle -key is switched off, then the absolute dimension referenced to datum point $\frac{1}{2}$ will appear in position display |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | |

4. Tool radius compensation ${\cal T}$

With the three $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{D}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ -keys, the tool radius can be taken into account without calculations during positioning. For example, key-in milling cutter **diameter:** by pressing the $\begin{bmatrix} +\frac{D}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ -key (10) the milling cutter **radius** is stored. The value remains in memory until a new diameter is entered (even after switch-off of the counter). If working only with one milling cutter in an operation, it is recommended to store the milling cutter radius prior to starting.

| 09 | enter diameter value ② | diameter value appears in keyboard display 18 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\rightarrow \frac{D}{2}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{D}{2} \end{array} \right)$ -key pressed (i) | milling cutter radius is stored and appears in keyboard display 🔞 |

When working with several milling cutters, the appropriate radius is to be entered after each tool change. After pressing the $\left[\pm \frac{0}{2}\right]$ -key (a) the milling outtor radius is added to the value in the

Cutter radius is added to the value in the keyboard display (19, or subtracted by pressing $\left[-\frac{D}{2}\right]$ -key (8).

Pressing twice will result in addition or subtraction of the total diameter. After compensation, the value is transferred or preset by pressing the appropriate axis key as usual. In conjunction with the \triangle -key, positioning is simply carried out with "target" counting to zero (also see example on page 18)!



| key | position display 10 | keyboard display ® | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 10.25 | X 0.00 | 10.25 | enter milling cutter diameter |
| $\rightarrow \frac{D}{2}$ | X 0.00 | 5.125 | milling cutter radius is stored |
| | X 0.00 | 5.125 | datum point ↓1 addressed press ∆-key |
| △ ※ | | | |
| 2 5 · 7 5 | X 0.00 | 25.75 | key-in drawing dimension into keyboard display |
| $\left[-\frac{D}{2}\right]$ | X 0.00 | 20.625 | subtract milling cutter radius |
| X | X - 20.625 | 20.625 | transfer dimension to be traversed into position display |
| | X 0.00 | 20.625 | traverse to target "0" |
| | X +20.625 | 20.625 | when switching off the \triangle -key, the absolute dimension referenced to datum point $\frac{1}{2}$ appears in the position display 1 |

5. Setting lines of symmetry

The three $\frac{D}{2}$ -keys can also be utilized for axially symmetrical hole arrangements



| ↓1 | 2 5 · 3 | store symmetry dimension 25.30 by means of $\left[\frac{D}{2}\right]$ key | 12.650 = symmetry dimension: 2 appears in keyboard display |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | X | press \triangle -key and axis key | 0 appears in position display |
| ≫: ↓1 | $ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | enter 26.25 and then press $\left[-\frac{D}{2}\right]$ and axis key | 13.600 appears in keyboard display X = -13.600 appears in position display |
| | position machine by "target" cou | nting for borehole 1 and drill hole | |
| | $+\frac{D}{2}$ | press $\left(+ \frac{D}{2} \right)$ twice press axis key | 38.900 (= deviation from nominal value) appears in keyboard display – after pressing axis key –25.300 appears in the position display |
| | position machine by "target" cou | nting for borehole 2 and drill second hole | |

Operating examples 1

1. Example Working with several datum points. Several identical workpieces are to be machined with 4 boreholes. If the appropriate values are referenced to the datum points during machining of the first workpiece, then a "program" has been stored, i.e. all further identical parts can be positioned by calling up the individual datum points (without re-entering of dimensions or re-checking drawing).



| ↓ 1 △ ※ | CEXY | press clear key and axes keys | preset datum point 1 | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| | | press delta key | | |
| | 3 0 X 1 5 Y | enter distance values to first borehole | X = -30 Y = -15 appears in position display | |
| | position machine towards zero | | | |
| <u> 2</u> | CE | address datum point 2 | datum point 2 preset | |
| △ ※ | XY | press clear key and axis key | | |
| | Δ | address datum point <u>1</u> once again press A-key | boreholes are dimensioned from datum point $\downarrow 1$ | |
| | 6 5 X | enter dimension $X = 65 \text{ mm}$ | deviation from nominal value = -35 mm appears in position display | |
| ፠ | position machine towards zero | | | |
| | 3 5 Y | enter dimension Y = 35 mm | deviation from nominal value = -20 mm appears in position display | |
| | position machine towards zero | | | |
| 3 | CE | select reached position as datum point $\frac{3}{3}$ | datum point 3 preset | |
| | XY | press clear key and axis keys | | |
| ↓ <u>1</u> | Δ | address datum point <u>1</u> once again | X = +35 mm appears in position display | |
| | 30X | enter dimension X = 30 mm | | |
| | position machine towards zero | | | |
| ** | 1 5 Y | enter dimension X = 15 mm | Y = +20 mm appears in position display | |
| | position machine towards zero | | | |
| ····· | Δ | switch off ∆-key | drill is positioned on first borehole $X = 30$ | |
| | | | X 1 The statistic frame descent statistics | |
| ↓ 1 or ↓ 2 | | | Y = 15, 1.e. deviation from datum point 1 appears (for checking only) or X = 0 Y = 0 with datum point 2 | |

When the next workpiece is placed into the jig, then the 4 boreholes can be directly positioned by call-up of the various datum points. The same example is applicable to inner contour milling (with "target" counting – however, ensure that tool radius is taken into account).

6.2 2.Example (for several datum points and tool radius compensation)

Face C is to be milled and boreholes I, II, III drilled in main and auxiliary dimensioning on a workpiece:



* see table page 19

| | 9. 9.8 | milling cutter diameter 9.98 entered |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | $\rightarrow \frac{D}{2}$ | milling cutter radius stored ($R = 4.99$) |
| ↓1 | ΧΥ | position datum point $1 =$ machine datum and preset in X and Y axis |
| | _ | position machine X and Y axis, until $X = 0$ and $Y = 0$ appears in position display |
| | CE X Y | press datum point key 2 ! preset datum point $2 = 0$ in X and Y axis |
| | Δ | press ∆-key |
| | 70 | enter value X = 70 mm |
| | | add milling cutter radius press X key. Deviation from nominal value = 74.99 appears in position display |
| ↓ 2 | | position machine by "target" counting mill face C remove milling tool and insert appropriate drill |
| \bigtriangleup | 50.35 | enter distance $X = 50.35$ for borehole I (\triangle -key still functional) |
| <u></u> * | X | press X key. Deviation from nominal value +24.64 mm appears in position display |
| | 2 5 | enter distance value $Y = 25.00$ for borehole I (Δ -key still functional) |
| | Υ | press Y key. Deviation from nominal position appears in position display |
| | | position machine in X and Y axis by "target" counting drill borehole I |
| | 10.05 | press datum point key $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$! enter dimension for borehole II, X =10.05 (Δ -key still functional) |
| 3 | - | position machine in X-axis by "target" counting drill borehole II |
| \ ፠ | 10.05 | enter dimension for borehole III (\triangle -key still functional) X = +10.05 -20.1 mm appears in position display (deviation from nominal position) |
| | - | position machine by "target" counting drill borehole III |
| 3 | △ ⊗ | press \triangle -key once again (indicator of \triangle -key extinguished). the deviation from the datum point $\boxed{3}$ appears in the position display = +10.05 mm (for checking purposes only) |
| <mark>↓1</mark> or ↓2 | * | by pressing the datum point key 1 or 2 the corresponding absolute dimension referenced to the datum points is displayed, e.g. for datum point 1 referenced to borehole III: X = +160.40 mm Y = +125.00 mm |
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