

# Bridges, Beams, Arches, Cables

## Three-Pinned Arch – SV403

The experiment Three-Pinned Arch allows the experimental investigation of the horizontal thrust observed when loads are applied to an arch with hinges at each end as well as at the peak of the arch. The measurements taken can then also be used to validate calculated values for the horizontal thrust found using the static equilibrium equations.

ALLOWS THE EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE CHARACTERISTICS OF A THREE-PINNED ARCH UNDER VARIOUS LOAD CONDITIONS SOFTWARE INCLUDED AS STANDARD

#### This experiment has the following properties:

- ► Ability to show mechanical principles of three-pinned arches
- Point loads, uniformly distributed loads (UDL) and rolling loads can be applied to the arch
- Pivoting support capable of measuring horizontal thrust





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### Description

The arch is comprised of two half sections that meet in the middle with a roller bearing to simulate the central hinge. When assembled the arch sections form the three pinned arch with a flat horizontal plane for the different loads to be applied over the span of the arch.

The two arch sections are clamped to the supports which simulate a pinned support at each end of the arch. The supports don't allow any horizontal or vertical movement but allow the supports to rotate.

One of the supports constrains the frame horizontally by a load cell. This allows the horizontal thrust at that support to be measured.

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Scale



**Electrical supply:** 110/120V, 60Hz **or** 220/240V, 50Hz

- SV100: Bench Mounted FrameSV101: Structures Interface Unit
- ► SV102: Pinned Supports Kit
- ▶ PC with a USB port, running Windows 7 or above

## Essential accessories/equipment

- ► SV100: Bench Mounted Frame
- SV101: Structures Interface Unit
- ► SV102: Pinned Supports Kit

## **Technical specification**

- ▶ 1 x Three Hinge Arch Left Section
- ▶ 1 x Three Hinge Arch Right Section
- Arch Span: 500mm
- Arch Rise: 100mm
- ▶ 2 x 500g Weight Hangers
- ▶ 5 x UDL Masses
- ▶ UDL Mass: 310g
- ▶ UDL Mass Per Unit Length: 3.1g/mm
- ► 1 x Rolling Mass
- ► Rolling Mass: 810g
- ► 1x Instrument Level
- ► Load Cell Force Range: 0–17.6N

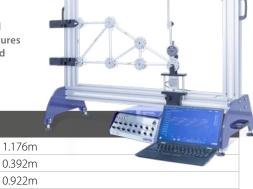
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**Overall dimensions** 

Length

Width

Height



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Volume	0.1 m <sup>3</sup>
Gross weight	25 kg

#### **Experimental content**

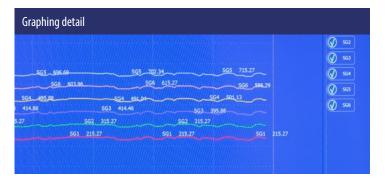
- ► Relationship between applied loads and horizontal reaction force (thrust)
- ► Comparison between theory and experimental results
- Horizontal reaction force influence lines
- Uniform Distributed loads (UDL), Point Loads and Moving Loads

#### Features / benefits

- Ability to apply point loads and UDL at different locations
- Constructed Arch with 5:1 span to height ratio and central pivot point
- Supports to constrain arch and prevent linear motion while allowing rotation
- Ability to apply point loads and UDL at different locations
- ► Supplied with Armfield structures software as standard

#### **Related laws**

- ► Uniformly Distributed Loads (UDL)
- Point Loads
- ► Horizontal Reaction
- ► Influence Lines



#### **Related products**

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- ► SV400 Simple Suspension Bridge
- ► SV401 Deflection of a Frame
- ► SV402 Suspended Centre Span Bridge
- ► SV404 Two-Pinned Arch
- ► SV405 Semi-Circular Arch

## **Operational conditions**

- ➤ Storage temperature: -10°C to +70°C
- ➤ Operating temperature range: +10°C to +50°C
- Operating relative humidity range: 0 to 95%, non-condensing

## **Ordering codes**

► **SV403:** Three-Pinned Arch

SV100: Bench Mounted Frame (Sold separately)
 SV101: Structures Interface Unit (Sold separately)
 SV102: Pinned Supports Kit (Sold separately)

Armfield standard warranty applies with this product

# Knowledge base

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