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Method of test at room temperature**

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## Preface

This Test Method was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee MT-006, Mechanical Testing of Metals to supersede AS 1391—2007 *Metallic materials—Tensile testing at ambient temperature*.

The objective of this Test Method is to specify the method for tensile testing of metallic materials and define the mechanical properties which can be determined at room temperature.

NOTE Annex A contains further recommendations for computer controlled testing machines.

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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 6892-1:2009), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- a) renumbering of [Clause 10](#);
- b) additional information about the use of Method A and B;
- c) new denomination for:
  - 1) Method A closed loop → A1
  - 2) Method A open loop → A2;
- e) addition of [A.5](#);
- f) addition of Annex F for determination of the stiffness of the testing equipment;
- g) new normative Annex G: Determination of the modulus of elasticity of metallic materials using a uniaxial tensile test;
- h) the old Annex G is renamed to Annex H, Annex H to Annex I, etc.

ISO 6892 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Metallic materials — Tensile testing*:

- *Part 1: Method of test at room temperature*
- *Part 2: Method of test at elevated temperature*
- *Part 3: Method of test at low temperature*
- *Part 4: Method of test in liquid helium*

## Introduction

During discussions concerning the speed of testing in the preparation of ISO 6892, it was decided to recommend the use of strain rate control in future revisions.

In this part of ISO 6892, there are two methods of testing speeds available. The first, method A, is based on strain rates (including crosshead separation rate) and the second, method B, is based on stress rates. Method A is intended to minimize the variation of the test rates during the moment when strain rate sensitive parameters are determined and to minimize the measurement uncertainty of the test results. Therefore, and out of the fact that often the strain rate sensitivity of the materials is not known, the use of method A is strongly recommended.

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## Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Method of test at room temperature

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 6892 specifies the method for tensile testing of metallic materials and defines the mechanical properties which can be determined at room temperature.

NOTE Annex A contains further recommendations for computer controlled testing machines.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 7500-1, *Metallic materials — Verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Verification and calibration of the force measuring system*

ISO 9513, *Metallic materials — Calibration of extensometer systems used in uniaxial testing*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

NOTE In what follows, the designations “force” and “stress” or “extension”, “percentage extension”, and “strain”, respectively, are used on various occasions (as figure axis labels or in explanations for the determination of different properties). However, for a general description of point on a curve, the designations “force” and “stress” or “extension”, “percentage extension”, and “strain”, respectively, can be interchanged.

#### 3.1

##### gauge length

$L$

length of the parallel portion of the test piece on which elongation is measured at any moment during the test

##### 3.1.1

##### original gauge length

$L_0$

length between *gauge length* (3.1) marks on the test piece measured at room temperature before the test

##### 3.1.2

##### final gauge length after fracture

$L_u$

length between *gauge length* (3.1) marks on the test piece measured after rupture, at room temperature, the two pieces having been carefully fitted back together so that their axes lie in a straight line

#### 3.2

##### parallel length

$L_c$

length of the parallel reduced section of the test piece

Note 1 to entry: The concept of parallel length is replaced by the concept of distance between grips for unmachined test pieces.

#### 3.3

##### elongation

increase in the *original gauge length* (3.1.1) at any moment during the test