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1.1 General Safety Instructions (SPx devices)

Use the following safety guidelines to help ensure your own personal safety and to help protect your equipment and working environment from potential damage.

**SAFETY: General Safety**

When setting up the equipment for use:

- Place the equipment on a hard, level surface. If the equipment is installed in a closed-in wall unit, ensure that there is enough ventilation.
- Avoid placing objects on top of this equipment to permit the airflow required for proper ventilation. Restricting airflow can damage the equipment.
- Keep your device away from radiators and heat sources.
- Keep your equipment away from extremely hot or cold temperatures to ensure that it is used within the specified operating range. (check technical parameters section at SPx manual)
- Keep your equipment away from Electromagnetic emitting devices like CDI ignition, or electric motors / VFD (Variable Frequency Drive)
- Do not push any objects into the air vents or openings of your equipment. Doing so can cause fire or electric shock by shorting out interior components.
- Ensure that nothing rests on your equipment's cables and that the cables are not located where they can be stepped on or tripped over.

When operating your equipment:

- Do not use your equipment in a wet environment, for example, in a wet basement.
- Do not use AC powered equipment during an electrical storm.
- Do not spill food or liquids on your equipment.
- Before you clean your equipment, disconnect it from the electrical outlet. Clean your device with a soft cloth dampened with water. Do not use liquids or aerosol cleaners, which may contain flammable substances.
- Clean the display with a soft, clean cloth and water. Apply the water to the cloth, then stroke the cloth across the display in one direction, moving from the top of the display to the bottom. Remove moisture from the display quickly and keep the display dry.
- Long-term exposure to moisture can damage the display. Do not use a commercial window cleaner to clean your display.

⚠️ **CAUTION**: Do not operate your equipment with any cover(s) removed.

- If your equipment does not operate normally - in particular, if there are any unusual sounds or smells coming from it - unplug it immediately and contact an authorized dealer or service center.

⚠️ **WARNING**: To prevent the spread of fire, keep open flames away from this product at all times.

1.2 SAFETY: When Working Inside Your Device

Do not attempt to service the equipment yourself, except as explained in your documentation or in instructions otherwise provided to you by SportDevices. Always follow installation and service instructions closely.
1.3 SAFETY: General Power Safety

By default, if other values are not specified all SportDevices equipment are rated for 230 VAC / 50 Hz. (115 VAC units will have a specific label for that)

Observe the following guidelines when connecting your equipment to a power source:

- Check the voltage rating before you connect the equipment to an electrical outlet to ensure that the required voltage and frequency match the available power source.
- Do not plug the equipment power cables into an electrical outlet if the power cable is damaged.
- To prevent electric shock, plug the equipment power cables into properly grounded electrical outlets. If the equipment is provided with a 3-prong power cable, do not use adapter plugs that bypass the grounding feature, or remove the grounding feature from the plug or adapter.
- If you use an extension power cable, ensure that the total ampere rating of the products plugged in to the extension power cable does not exceed the ampere rating of the extension cable.
- If you must use an extension cable or power strip, ensure the extension cable or power strip is connected to a wall power outlet and not to another extension cable or power strip. The extension cable or power strip must be designed for grounded plugs and plugged into a grounded wall outlet.
- If you are using a multiple-outlet power strip, use caution when plugging the power cable into the power strip. Some power strips may allow you to insert a plug incorrectly. Incorrect insertion of the power plug could result in permanent damage to your equipment, as well as risk of electric shock and/or fire. Ensure that the ground prong of the power plug is inserted into the mating ground contact of the power strip.
- Be sure to grasp the plug, not the cable, when disconnecting equipment from an electric socket.

1.4 SAFETY: If Your Device Gets Wet

⚠️ CAUTION: Before you begin any of the procedures in this section, see the SAFETY: General Safety and Power Safety sections of this document.

⚠️ CAUTION: Perform this procedure only after you are certain that it is safe to do so. If the device is connected to an electrical outlet, turn off the AC power at the circuit breaker, if possible, before attempting to remove the power cables from the electrical outlet. Use the utmost caution when removing wet cables from a live power source.

1. Disconnect the AC cord from the electrical outlet, and then, if possible, disconnect the AC cord from the device.
2. Turn off any attached external devices, then disconnect them from their power sources, and then from the device.
3. Contact SportDevices support (info@sportdevices.com)

⚠️ Limited Warranties: warranty is limited to normal usage of the device, any fault caused by inappropriate usage or accident will not be covered

1.5 SAFETY: If You Drop or Damage Your Equipment

⚠️ CAUTION: Before you begin any of the procedures in this section, see the SAFETY: General Safety and Power Safety sections of this document.

4. CAUTION: If any internal components can be seen through damaged portions, or if smoke or unusual odors are detected, disconnect the device from the electrical outlet and contact SportDevices support (info@sportdevices.com)

1. Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer.
2. Turn off the device and disconnect from the power source, and then disconnect from the computer.
3. Turn off any attached external devices, and disconnect them from their power sources and then from the computer.
4. Connect the device to the power source and turn on the device.
5. If the device does not start, or if and smoke or unusual odors are detected, or you cannot identify the damaged components, contact SportDevices support.

1.6 Protecting Against Electrostatic Discharge

⚠️ CAUTION: Disconnect product from mains power source in accordance with product specific safety information located on the “Safety Information” section of this website.

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) events can harm electronic components inside your device. Under certain conditions, ESD may build up on your body or an object, such as a peripheral, and then discharge into another object, such as your device. To prevent ESD damage, you should discharge static electricity from your body before you interact with any of your device’s internal electronic components, like the Bluetooth plug-in.

You can protect against ESD and discharge static electricity from your body by touching a metal grounded object (such as an unpainted metal surface on your device) before you interact with anything electronic.

You can also take the following steps to prevent damage from electrostatic discharge:

- When unpacking a static-sensitive component from its shipping carton, do not remove the component from the antistatic packing material until you are ready to install the component. Just before unwrapping the antistatic package, be sure to discharge static electricity from your body.
- When transporting a sensitive component, first place it in an antistatic container or packaging.
- Handle all electrostatic sensitive components in a static-safe area. If possible, use antistatic floor pads and work bench pads.

1.7 Dynamometer Important Safety Tips

- Securely fasten test vehicle using all available restraining ratchet straps. The more straps the better. Secure both front to back and side to side. Never move the steering wheel for front wheel drive vehicles while under test.
- Always inspect vehicles for fuel or oil leaks before testing as dyno electrical system can ignite fuel
- Always perform low speed test run to confirm vehicle is adequately secured and operational before doing extensive testing.
- Keep people away from the dyno test area and NEVER have people stand behind the rear of the vehicle. Debris may be stuck in the tires tread and may become projectiles during testing.
- When operating around rotating parts do not wear loose fitting clothing as they may get caught up in rotating pulleys or mechanical components
- Keep dyno area clean from all loose objects
- Keep all hands, feet, and other objects away from moving rolls during tests
- Always wear approved safety equipment such as eye protection and steel toe boots around dyno area
- The dynamometer rollers and power absorption units can become very hot during testing. Avoid contact with them as serious burns or injury can occur.
- The dynamometer power absorption units require high voltage DC current to operate.
- Contact with the high power electrical wires and boxes may be fatal. Disconnect all power to the electrical system before inspecting or servicing.
- During extended testing vehicle cooling system and engine may become very hot.
- Extreme caution is necessary when working near these components.
- Always inspect vehicle tires for wear or damage before testing and only operate with tires that are in good condition and at the proper tire pressure. FOR ALL TIRES TIRE PRESSURE SHOULD BE BETWEEN 1.8 to 2.5 bar (25-35 PSI)
- Never let untrained personal operate the vehicle during dyno testing
- Exhaust gasses are poisonous and may be fatal.
2. MAIN SCREEN.

This screen is divided into several zones that are described below:

1. Menu
2. Button bar + other buttons.
3. Channel selector.
4. Options for X axis.
5. Tests list.
6. Graphs area.
7. Scroll bars
8. Status bar.

2.1 Main Menu
Below the program options are explained, there are six menus:

2.2 File Menu
2.2.1 Remove All.
It removes all tests from the memory, but not from the disk.

2.2.2 Open.
It shows a window to choose the tests to be loaded in memory. It is possible to load them one by one or several at once.

2.2.3 Recent Files
It stores a list with the 10 latest open files to ease opening them again

2.2.4 Change directory.
It allows changing the directory where tests are automatically saved.

2.2.5 Save as.
It allows saving the dyno run with a different name or in a different place.

2.2.6 Save picture.
It saves a picture with the current graphs area in BMP format. If you want to send it by email, it is better if you change it to gif later.

2.2.7 Export Data.
It exports all test data in CSV format (Comma Separated Values), so the data can be used with other programs, for example Microsoft Excel.

2.2.8 Export HP data.
It writes a text file with data from HP and TQ in CSV format, so data can be used with other programs like Excel.

2.2.9 Preview.
It shows a preview in the screen of the tests in the same way as they will appear in the printer. Note: in this version are two type of reports: chart and "screenshot"

2.2.10 Print.
It prints the selected tests. It shows a window so you can first choose and configure the printer. Note: in this version are two type of reports: chart and "screenshot"

2.2.11 Exit.
The program will be closed.
2.3 Test Menu.

2.3.1 Run (F5).
It opens the ‘Gauges’ Window. In this window you can input the data for the dyno run and the environmental conditions. Then, you can start the test by clicking over the ‘Start’ button in this window or the start/stop button on the dyno.

Note: in this version, test recording is guided by the software. In a typical run, SW will show:

- gauges window,
- then Ratio Window (it is not shown if fixed ratio, clamp or OBDII /xDS modes)
- then “semaphore” window (to find when the engine rpm matches the starting rpm),
- then it will record the test,
- and then if “stop when lower” option was selection it will show the “press clutch” warning

2.3.2 Test ratio (F7).
This option opens the “Ratio” Window which is used to calculate the Engine RPM / Roller RPM ratio using the vehicle’s Engine RPM Gauge, when the engine RPM channel is not available.

In this window you can input the rpm value at which you will do the test.

Normally the test is performed with last gear (say 5th or 6th), although in some vehicles you may need the previous gear (4th or 5th). The procedure consists of accelerating the engine up to it reaches the selected RPM value (for example 6000) and then press Continue” Button (or the start/stop in the dyno).

2.3.3 Hide Negative Part.
It hides all channels during the coasting phase (ex. Lambda), in this way channels are only shown where the engine/vehicle is providing power and torque, and they are not “overwritten” when the engine RPM goes back (which normally is confusing).

2.3.4 Calculate Power Curve with Losses.
It calculates the addition of wheel power + friction losses, and displays the result instead of the real power curve. It is important to keep in mind that that calculation is only an estimation of the real power.
Note: in this version, activating “Calculate Power Curve with Losses” will also activate “Hide Negative Part”, but not the the opposite direction.

2.3.5 Histogram.
It performs a statistical analysis in which can be seen the predominating RPM/KMH ratio of the test. The program makes automatically a histogram after doing a dyno run when the "using rpm clamp" option has been chosen.

2.3.6 Make average.
This option is useful to make an average between tests of the same vehicle, typically consecutive tests, to get a new test with the averaged power and torque.

It shows a window to choose which tests to average, and it creates a new test from them. It is needed to have loaded at least two tests.

2.3.7 Calculate Slip %
As the wheel applies torque over the roller, certain slip percentage is produced (proportional to torque). This option creates a calculated channel from roller rpm channel and engine rpm channel to see the slip percentage at each point. Actual HP could be calculated by adding the slip percentage at the maximum HP point, but it is not a reliable process to be automated by the program.

In order that the slip% calculation is accurate, the user must know the exact ratio without torque. Thus a no-acceleration test is strongly recommended in order to get the actual gearbox ratio, at steady rpm. Then, by using this ratio a normal dynorun will be performed. And slip% could be calculated from a consistent ratio that starts from slip%=0 when no torque is applied.

You can also try to compensate the current ratio with this window, but this is only an approximate way to do it:

2.3.8 Calculate Lambda Correction
For a given lambda target, the SW will create a compensation channel to show the percentage that fuel has to be corrected, either increasing current values at ECU or decreasing them.

2.3.9 Filter RPM Channel.
This option removes some "glitches" at RPM channel, but not always it can be done. Anyway, SportDyno software uses engine RPM channel in a statistic way to determine ratio between engine RPM and speed of Roller, so few glitches at the channel do not affect the Ratio, HP and TQ calculations. (Ratio is calculated only when Roller accelerates, so rpm channel is not used when the Engine decelerates)
2.3.10 Filter Analog Channel.
This option performs a low-pass filter to the selected channel to remove high-frequency noise. The size of the filter can be entered between 1 to 30.
This operation is not undo-able.

2.3.11 Generate RPM Channel.
This option recalculates the entire engine RPM channel overwriting the previous values with its calculated ones. This new values are the result of multiplying speed channel by Ratio value, thus if ratio value is wrong, resulting RPM channel will be wrong too.
This option is only useful to generate a calculated rpm channel when it wasn't recorded, but keep in mind that this channel is fake, and could not match with the true one...

2.3.12 Add / Modify Channel.
This option adds or modifies a calculated channel to the current test. Calculated channels are selected from the total channel list, and a calculation formula is used to generate the channel. For more information please refer to section 13 (Calculated channels).

2.3.13 Remove Channel.
This option removes the current selected channel from the current test. It can be used for either removing normal channels or calculated channels. Please be careful, once a normal channel there is no "undo" option to recover it.

2.3.14 Remove Test.
It removes the selected dyno-run from memory (not from the disk).

2.3.15 Delete Test.
It deletes the dyno-run from memory and from the DISK. Be careful.

2.3.16 Properties.
It shows all data from the test in a new window (the same data as in the dyno runs list). This window allows the user to change certain values (such as ratio, temp, etc) after doing a dyno run.

2.4 Options Menu

2.4.1 Configuration.
This option opens the (main) Configuration Window, it is explained below.
2.4.2 **Throttle Configuration [NEW]**

It opens the Throttle Configuration Window. Please refer section 10.

![Throttle Configuration Window](image)

Note: some options like this one are hidden in the initial configuration for not creating more confusion to new users. For activating them, go to Configuration / Options / Advanced Options.

2.4.3 **Relays Control [NEW]**

It shows the Relay Control panel at the Main Window. Each button can operate one relay. Button names can be changed by using the right-mouse button.

**Note 1:** ‘Start’ button is different: it only works while the mouse button is pressed. It is envisaged to use it for the starter motor.

**Note 2:** Relays can also be accessed using a shortcut: SHIFT + F1 to F8.

![Relays Control Panel](image)

2.4.4 **PID Monitor**

It opens the PID monitor Window which is useful to configure and see the Speed Controller (PID) performance and to setup the PID value.

2.4.5 **Sequencer.**

Automated test mode, it provides a way do some automation on the test process with SP4 / SP5.

Ex: wait 2 seconds at 3000 rpm in stationary mode, and then start recording in ramp mode at 100 rpm/s rate. It is explained below.

2.4.6 **Load Cell Wizard.**

It opens the Load Cell Wizard to ease the process of setting up the load cell.

2.4.7 **Add Static Brake Losses.**

This option is useful for dynamometers with brake, in which the brake has losses (air friction) which cannot be measured with the load cell, and the user want to compensate these losses by using the retarder's manufacturer data.
2.5 Connections

2.5.1 Auto Detect.
It shows the Auto-COM-search window. It is strongly recommended for USB adaptors where the COMxxx can be any number between COM1 and COM255.

2.5.2 COM1 - COM(n).
It selects the serial port in which the SPx module is connected. If a port fails, it will be shown grayed. If there is not any available port, it is recommended to close all programs and open SportDyno again.

Everytime the Auto Detect option is clicked, this COMs list is updated, this allows to display new COMs when a new USB adapter has been connected.

2.5.3 Reconnect [NEW]
If this option is active, when the connection is lost, Sportdyno will re-try the connection every few seconds. This allows disconnecting and connecting USB adaptors in case Windows removed the adapter driver, or in case of TCP connections, it allows to plug the Ethernet connector and Sportdyno will create the connection automatically.

2.5.4 (Refresh COM list)
When connecting and disconnecting USB devices, the COMs list is not updated automatically. This option forces its updating.
2.5.5 **USB Weather Station [NEW]**

This option opens the Weather Station window. This window allows choosing the COM port for the Weather Station, and also performing an automatic search for the W.S. (magnifying glass button).

This window also allows adding correction offsets for temperature, humidity and pressure (adds or subtracts), although normally this is not necessary as Weather Station uses a high quality Bosch sensor for Temperature and Pressure.

![USB Weather Station Window](image)

2.5.6 **OBDII**

This option opens the OBDII window. This window allows connecting to the OBDII device and choosing the PID channels to be acquired (note that some cars have slow protocols and only a few channels can be acquired at a reasonable speed)

Please refer to section 14 (OBDII).
2.5.7 **xD [NEW]**
This option opens the xDS window (Suzuki SDS, Honda HDS, Kawa KDS). This window allows connecting to the xDS link and choosing the ECU channels to be acquired (note that some protocols are slow like KDS, and only a few channels can be acquired at a reasonable speed).

Please refer to section 15 (xD).
2.6 Channels Menu.

2.6.1 Channel Settings.
It shows the channels configuration window. Channel name can be changed in this screen so the name matches to the function that channel performs in your dyno, for example: channel 0x4A (former ‘J’): ‘Sensor 1’, could be named as ‘Lambda 1’. Also, you can modify the scale data of the sensor, and decimal places.

2.6.2 Activation / Raw data.
It shows a Channels Window useful to see the incoming data from the SPx box (to see if there is any fault)

2.6.3 Alarms.
It shows the Alarms configuration window. Alarms are useful to detect hazard situations especially on Engine test bed dynos that could be working for hours without the operator surveillance.

2.7 Help Menu

2.7.1 About.
It shows information about SportDevices, developer of the software and SPx module manufacturer.

2.8 Button Bar

By clicking over these buttons you can do more quickly the same actions that using the menu.
Options are:

Opening folder: Open. File/open menu.
Folders tree: Change directory. File/change directory menu.
Disk: Save as. It saves the dyno run with another name or in another directory.
“Play” icon: Run. Test/run menu. (F5 key)
Gauge: Test Ratio. Test / ratio calculation menu.
Glass +: Zoom +. It magnifies the graphs area x 2.
Glass -: Zoom -. It reduces the graphs area / 2.
Round arrow: Redraw. Draws again the dyno runs, and also calculates again the scales (if not in manual mode)
**Scissors:** Cut-end-of-the-test. When using this option, the user will click over a certain part of the test (in graphs vs time mode) then the program will discard the final part of the test from the point where the user clicked to the end of the test.

**Sheet and glass:** Preview. File/preview menu (F11 key)

**Print.** File/print menu (F12 key)

**Tools.** It opens program configuration window.

**Graphs:** Channels. It opens channel configuration window.

**Load Cell Wizard.** It shows the Load Cell Wizard window.

**Exclamation sign:** It opens the Alarms window.

**Blue Label.** It shows/Hides data label. This label shows certain information from the chosen channel while the user moves the cursor across the tests.

**Gray and Black blocks:** It changes the window arrangement: In vertical arrangement, all small frames (channels, relay buttons) are displayed at left side. In horizontal arrangement all small frames are displayed on top to allow the graphs to take the whole Window width.

**Red lines:** It modifies the colour grouping. In one mode all tests use the same colour for the same channel (different colours per channel), and in the other mode each test uses a different colour for all its channels.

**SportDevices Icon:** About. Help / About menu.

**Manual.** Manual mode is useful to set a fixed Time, speed (1) or Rpm (2) scales regardless of the test values. It could be useful if some strange data is present on the test and you want to force known limits. The rest of scales (HP, TQ, and the rest of channels) have been removed from this window and have been added on the channel configuration window, by using the upper bound and lower bound fields.

- **Manual** checkbox activates the manual mode. Once activated, the button on the main window changes its colour to show you manual mode is active.
- **Block Scroll and Zoom** checkbox disables the mouse tracking and moving over the graphs.

**HP average.** This option is used to calculate average power inside a rpm range or a time range. The option has been moved from main configuration to this independent window to ease its use. It has three modes: OFF, RPM range and time range. When activated, two small vertical lines will be displayed showing the selected range and a dotted horizontal line crossing at the HP power value. This calculated value is also available in the test data area. The column is hidden by default, but the user can enable it with the right button of mouse.
Dyno Profile Selector (combo box). Sportdyno allows to configure several dyno profiles for instance for using the same SPx DAQ box with two dynos, of for using either Front or Rear axle on an AWD dyno. Using this combo box the user can change from one configuration to another without having to enter into the Config Window.

2.9 Channel selector.

There are several channels at this box, if these channels are checked they will appear on graphs area (if they exist at the dyno run):

- **Roller RPM.** It displays roller rpm channel (when selected)
- **Engine RPM.** It displays engine RPM channel.
- **HorsePower.** It displays horsepower channel.
- **Torque.** It displays torque channel.
- **Calculated RPM.** With SP1 to SP4 Sportdyno generates a calculated RPM channel. With SP5 this channel is sent by the DAQ.
- **EXHAUST.** It displays thermocouple 1 channel (if available).
- **WATER.** It displays thermocouple 2 channel (if available).
- **Load cell.** It displays load cell channel (torque from brake in SP3).
- **Lambda1.** It displays lambda channel 1 (if available).
- **Lambda2.** It displays lambda channel 2 (if available).

This box dynamically loads depending on the channels available on the system. Right bar and bottom bar can be moved with the mouse to make the area bigger, if more channels are present.

With mouse right button it is shown the following window:

- **Show All.** Activates all available channels.
• Show Power And Torque. Activates only HP and TQ channels.
• Show PID Channels.
• Hide All. Hide all channels.
• Show Internal: this check box alternates between checked/unchecked. When active it will show all channels.

2.10 Options for X Axis.

Options in this box are:

“Graphs vs. time” It displays dyno run curves as a function of time (seconds).
“Graphs vs. KMH/MPH” (for vehicle dynos) or “Graphs vs. Roller RPM” (for engine dyno)
It displays dyno run graphs as a function of roller RPM/Speed
“Graphs vs. Engine RPM” It displays test curves as a function of engine RPM. This channel is always calculated by using the ratio value (RPM/KMH) of dyno run, so this scale will be wrong if ratio is wrong.

Note: Automatic engines should not be displayed Engine RPM mode, because the gearbox ratio or CVT changes while the roller accelerates.

2.11 Dyno run List

This list contains tests loaded from the disk or tests done with the dyno.

By right-clicking over the test list, a popup window will be displayed to ease certain functions related with the test. Behaviour of these functions is the same as on the Test Menu.

The user can change directly most data over the list, to do this you can press key F2 or click twice over the desired cell. Note: gray cells cannot be edited.

If you right-click over the Titles row then a popup menu will be displayed. This menu contains all available columns. Here you can check / uncheck over them in order the columns will be displayed on the list or not.
Test Grid Columns:

**View.** By clicking over this column a check mark will appear/disappear, making the test being displayed / hidden on the main window.

**Name.** Name of dyno run, if name is changed and then ENTER is pressed the file on the disk will change its name too.

**HP and TQ.** These are the maximum values of power and torque, and RPM or KMH or MPH at which values was done (depending on the configuration)
If HP at engine is selected (on configuration window) it will be displayed in this way:

\[
\text{HP} = 90 \ (105) \ / \ 9000:
\]
- 90 HP at wheel, (without losses),
- 105 HP at engine, (with friction losses), read at 9000 rpm

\[
\text{TQ} = 50 \ (65) \ / \ 7000:
\]
- 50 N*m torque (without losses),
- 65 N*m torque (with friction losses), read at 7000 rpm

**Average HP.** If average option used (starting rpm and ending rpm have value) the program will show the average HP value in the selected area.
For example, if an engine has 50 HP at 5000 rpm, and 60 HP at 6000 rpm (making a straight line), the average power will be 55 HP between 5000 and 6000 rpm.

**Average TQ.** Same as average HP applied to TQ.

**Cm3 (displacement).** This field is used in “displacement correction” option (roller inertia + rolling parts of the vehicle). It can be changed after the dyno run is done (key F2 or double click)

**I.eq. (Equivalent Inertia).** This value is added to the inertia of roller when “displacement correction” option is checked).
There is a file: “inertia.ini” that stores all displacement and inertia values used in this option. The user can modify this file.
It can be edited.

**KMH.** Maximum speed of roller during the test. It can be changed to MPH in configuration window.

**Roller RPM.** Maximum roller speed during the test in RPM.

**Engine RPM.** Maximum engine speed during the test in RPM. It may be wrong if some spikes has been read from the ignition.

**Ratio (RPM/KMH) (old).** This field is used in the program to draw the horsepower vs. engine RPM. Its only recommended for vehicles with manual gearbox. The formula is: “engine rpm / km/h”, i.e.: if vehicle with the last gear set is running at 200 km/h and its engine is at 12000 RPM, it will have a ratio of 60.
Also, ratio value can be calculated if ratio between gears and wheel are known. Usually ratio value is calculated by the program automatically, when ignition pickup is used. The program does a histogram from engine rpm/speed values and takes the most important value for the ratio.

**Ratio.** In current version, ratio formula is always “engine rpm / roller rpm”, but the old value is maintained for compatibility.

**Ratio button**, when you edit the ratio value, this button is shown. By pressing it automatically does a histogram between “engine rpm / roller rpm” and it puts the calculated ratio into the ratio box. It can be used if was input a fixed value when doing the dyno run, but you are not sure about the value is right.
Temperature, Humidity, Pressure. Weather conditions are stored with the dyno run when is done. They are important because "temperature correction" option uses them. If changed after doing test, HP and TQ values will change too.

Correction factor. Depending on the chosen correction type, the program will calculate automatically this value. This value can be edited, and once you have changed it, the program won't recalculate it again. But if you want the program recalculates it, you only have to delete the number and press enter, then the program will calculate it again as a function of temperature, humidity, air pressure and correction type.

Correction Type. There are several correction formulas available:

- Blank (none)
- ISO 1585
- SAE J1349
- DIN 70020
- JIS D1001
- EC95-1
- EWG 80/1269 (not fully implemented)
- FIXED

The program will use the correction type of the configuration window as default, but you can change it after the test is done.

Time offset. This value has been added to the dyno run to enable comparison between tests when graphs are displayed vs. time, because the starting point of each test is not always the same. By changing this value all the test will be displaced later in time (positive values) or displaced before in time (negative values).

Comments. Comments are stored with the test. If editing the comment there will be displayed a button at the right of the box of the comment (...). By clicking the button it will show a window in which comments can be written in several lines.

Date / Time when the test was done.

Weight of vehicle. This field is only informative, but could be used for acceleration calculation purposes in future.

Channels recorded in the test. For example: 01AJ: 0-roller, 1-engine RPM, A-thermocouple, J-lambda.

Diameter (front) of the roller used on the test. The program uses it when calculating HP and TQ. It cannot be edited.

Diameter 2 (rear) of the roller used on the test. The program uses it when calculating HP and TQ. It cannot be edited.

Number of teeth (front) used on the test. The program will not use it after the test is saved. It cannot be edited.

Teeth (rear) used on the test. The program will not use it after the test is saved. It cannot be edited.

Prescaler used on the test. The program will not use it once the test is saved. It cannot be edited. For SP5 prescaler is always 1.

Inertia (front) of the roller / flywheel. The program uses it when calculating HP and TQ. It can be edited if you have entered it wrong.

Inertia 2 (rear) of the roller / flywheel. The program uses it when calculating HP and TQ. It can be edited if you have entered it wrong.
Recording (samples) taken by the SPx unit for the main channel.

**Time** spent on the dyno run. This value has no relationship with the engine acceleration.

You can do a test of 5 seconds and then wait 30 seconds during coasting phase before stopping the test, and then the test will be 35 seconds long.

**Full Path.** Full file name and path of the test.

**SW Date.** Date of the software version used for recording the test.

**FW Version (SP5)** Firmware version number of the device used for recording the test (SP5 only)

**SPx Config.** Summary of all SP4 or SP5 specific configuration, including load cell, PID settings, ramp rate, etc.

**SPx device.** DAQ type (number) used for recording the test (1, 3, 4, 5)

**Test Mode.** 0 = inertial, 1 = steady, 2 = ramp, 3 = fixed brake, 4 = sequencer

**WD mode** (wheel drive mode): 0 = front, 1 = rear, 2 = AWD

**Class of dyno where the test was done (vehicle or engine).**

**Changed.** It will be '*' if the test was changed. If using “automatic saving” the test will be saved and this filed will be blank again.

### 2.12 Graphs Area

In this area are shown the curves from the channels of the different tests loaded in memory (power, torque and rpm).

![Graphs Area](image)

Most scales are shown at the left side graph area, but a few of them such as torque or load cell are shown at the right side. The scale showing side can be configured at channels configuration window.

X axis at the bottom shows the selected scale (time, roller RPM, km/h or engine RPM)
The scale from the selected channel (torque at the example) is displayed to the right side, close the graph area. Channels colour could be grouped by test (all channels same colour for each test), or by channel (all tests have same colour for each specific channel).

To show/hide any test only it is needed to click over the first column on the list of tests at the desired test.

By right-clicking over the graphs area, a list with the loaded tests is shown, this list also includes the channels from the active test. Note that in this version some special groups have been defined to hide the high amount of channels available.

You click over a test or a channel to change the selected test or selected channel. The save picture option has been added. The same as on file menu. Enable Secondary Test, option has been replicated (same as on configuration / options).

2.13 Graph moving / zooming

Zoom can be controlled by using the mouse wheel, or the + and – lens in the tool bar. The user can also change graph position by dragging the graphs area with left mouse button.

2.14 Status Bar

This area shows:

- Number of loaded tests
- Name of selected test
- Name of selected channel,
- Values from selected channel, while the mouse moves over the graphs area,
- Status messages,
- Whether SPx module is connected or not.
- Weather Station Status
- OBDII Interface Status
- xDS Interface Status
3. GAUGES WINDOW

3.1 Gauges' area.

This window is user configurable. The user can add new controls: Gauges, Thermometers, Numeric boxes or Scroller type windows. If you right click over any control a popup menu will appear.

Options are:

- **Add new Control:**
  - Gauge,
  - Temp,
  - Box,
  - Scroller
  Once the control is on the screen, the user can move it to the desired position, and change its properties, and assigned channel.

- **Remove Box**: user can remove any of the current controls on the screen.
- **Bring to Front**: user can move a control over all others on the screen.
- **Bring to Back**: user can move a control behind all others on the screen.

- **Background [NEW]:**
  - Default (carbon fiber effect)
Plain colour: will show a colour selection window
Bitmap: allows to load a BMP file for the background

- Style: It changes the default colours for all controls
  - Cyan
  - Yellow
  - Blue

- Configuration: Open / Save [New] It allows to save the current layout of Gauges window, and load it from a file

- Box properties: with this option a properties window will be shown. This window lets you to change certain data from the control.

In this window user can change the control type (gauge, box, thermometer, scroller), the size of the control, the colour used for numbers, the assigned channel (1), the second channel (only for gauges and scroller), the upper lower bounds (special for gauges and scroller), decimals places.

In addition controls implement a warning mechanism, if “warning max” and “warning min” fields are filled, they will detect when its channels it is out of limits and will blink in red for “warning max” and in blue for “warning min”

Note that not only SPx unit channels can be also added to Gauges Window, but also channels from: Calculated channels, Weather Station, OBDII, xDS interface, CAN interface, etc.

3.2 Test data area

This window is used to enter the test data and to setup the way the test will be done.
In the current version it has been splitted into four tabs to group the data by its function and to allow more data and options are available.

3.2.1 Test Data

- Test Name, this name will be the same that it will be saved to disk. Name will be “incremented” every new test (TEST_001, TEST_002 …)
- **Customer, Brand, Model, Plate, Year**, these are informative fields, but they can be used to generate the filename automatically from them, if the “Generate Test Name From Vehicle Data” option is active.
- **Engine Displacement**, on vehicle dynos, the program will calculate an equivalent inertia to correct the power (if this compensation is enabled at main screen),
- **Equivalent Inertia**, this inertia value is added to the dyno’s inertia in order to compensate the inertia from wheels, gearbox, etc.
- **Weight**, is an informative value, it is not used on calculations.
- **Comments box**: user can fill several comment lines on this box for each test
- **Clear commentaries each new test**, the program will keep the comments from the last test by default. With this option you can clear them automatically.

### 3.2.2 Engine RPM

Sportdyno and SPx use the ratio value for the following functions:

- Estimation of engine RPM at SP4/SP5 for speed control
- X-axis when drawing graphs vs engine RPM
- Torque at engine calculation since torque is measured at roller but normally it is higher than at engine due to the effect of gearbox and transmission

Sportdyno provides the following methods to find out the ratio value:

- **Using RPM Clamp**: Sportdyno will use the Engine RPM channel to calculate the Ratio value, which is used for Torque at Engine calculation (only Torque at Roller is known), and for displaying the Engine RPM X axle (on graphs vs Engine RPM mode)
- **Use OBDII or xDS data**. Both car ECU through OBDII or motorcycle ECU through xDS links (Suzuki, Honda, Kawasaki) provide accurate engine RPM data. Sportdyno can use this data to find out the ratio value.
- **Fixed Ratio**: If Ratio value is known (for instance on engine dynos using sprockets), or after determining Ratio on Ratio Window.
  - **Simulate RPM**: as most times that Fixed Ratio is used, Engine RPM channel is not available, then this option is used to display the calculated RPM, which are the same that SP4 and SP5 use for the speed control (speed control is not performed using Engine RPM)
- **Test Ratio**: it opens the Ratio Window to determine Ratio value, and then it comes back to Gauges Window.

### 3.2.3 Weather Data

- **Weather conditions**: Air Temperature, Humidity and Pressure. These values are used to correct horsepower and torque.
- **Air Density**. It is calculated by Sportdyno, just for information purposes.
- **Correction type**. There are several compensation methods available:
  - **Blank (none)**
By default the program will take the correction type from the configuration, after that, the user can change it for each individual test. The program shows in the grey box the current correction factor for the current weather conditions.

- **Weather Data Auto / External USB Weather Station.** This option allows automating the weather data acquisition. By default data has to be entered by hand, but by using our USB Weather Station the weather data can be acquired automatically. Data is shown in real time (if enabled)

When using USB Weather Station press Config button to open the Weather Station window and perform automatic search for its virtual COM port.

Note that a connection icon (green / red) has been added to the Weather Data Tab, in order to show if there is any problem with the Weather Station connection, even if other tab is selected.

- **Config button → Weather Station Window**

- **COM:** Virtual COM port used by the USB Weather Station, it is normally selected automatically using the **“magnifying glass” button**, but it can be changed by hand.

- **Auto Re-Connect:** The default option is that the program will reconnect automatically if the weather station is disconnected from USB port and then connected again. For compatibility reasons with old devices it may be necessary to disable it.

- **Actual data:** realtime data from the Weather Station

- **Correction:** value to be add (or subtracted) to Temperature, Humidity and Pressure readings.

### 3.2.4 Test Mode

#### 3.2.4.1 Inertial (brake off)
With SP1 only inertial mode will be available (inertial mode is also available on SP4 / SP5), Inertial mode corresponds to the **Idle** mode of SP4 / SP5 (brake OFF).

### 3.2.4.1.1 Steady-then-inertial. [NEW]

In some cases user needs to have the engine steady and full loaded before starting an INERTIAL test, then enable this option. The SP4 / SP5 will remain in steady mode before starting the test (for instance to load the turbocharger), and when the recording is started it will perform an inertial test.

Note: as the brake is still braking for the first few instants test (or more) due to its remaining magnetic field, the test is computed as a Steady Test, and Load Cell is considered as if it was a bracked test.

### 3.2.4.1.2 Automatic Start / Stop Mode

When doing inertial tests, certain automatic Start / Stop functions are available:

**Speed, Engine RPM:** User can enter the automatic Start value and **automatic Stop value** in Speed units or in Engine RPM units. But always the data is calculated from the roller rpm channel with ratio (if needed) because it is a much more accurate channel than Engine RPM channel. Thus ratio MUST be a valid value (you can use the RPM clamp or the fixed ratio modes)

### 3.2.4.1.3 Automatic start

If this option is selected, the dyno run will start when Engine RPM is greater than the value set at the right (ex. 2000 rpm)

**Mode of operation:** when button is pressed, "gauges" window will appear as usually. If you press again the button the "semaphore" window will appear (with automatic start activated). This frame give the following direction: "accelerate to max rpm". 
If Engine RPM is higher than the starting rpm value the “semaphore” will be red, and dyno run won’t start. When engine downs to a lower rpm, the "semaphore" will be green. Then, when you give full throttle and RPM are higher than the starting rpm value, dyno run will begin.

3.2.4.1.4 Automatic stop
Here the stop rpm value is entered. There are two possibilities to determine when to stop:

- when engine has reached the stop value, or
- when the test is in the losses / coasting stage and engine reaches down the stop value.

3.2.4.1.5 Stop Mode
In vehicle dynamometers, when doing a dyno run, user has to accelerate the engine near its maximum rpm, then clutch is pressed to leave the roller decelerate slowly (coasting phase), and when roller speed is lower than the "ending rpm" value (applying ratio) the test will stop automatically. Here user will use “stop when lower” stop mode.

In engine dynamometers (if no clutch is available), when accelerating the engine near its maximum rpm, user will finish the test as soon as the selected max rpm value is reached. Here user will use “Stop When Higher” stop mode.

These modes are provided here regardless the type of dynamometer so you can choose the mode you need for the tests you are doing.

3.2.4.2 Steady
This mode is only available with SP4/SP5 units.

When starting the test, it will enter automatically the SP4 / SP5 in Steady mode (not when choosing the option), and will update the RPM Target when changing the “Target RPM” box, or when using the page up and page down keys.

When a test is recorded in this mode, target rpm remains constant for the whole test.

**Manual Step Test:** It is possible to use keys PG DN and PG UP to change target RPM during the recording of a steady test, but (automatic) Step Test is recommended over this manual way.

3.2.4.3 Ramp
This mode is only available with SP4 / SP5 unit.
When test is started, it will enter automatically the SP4 / SP5 in **Steady Mode**, and will update the RPM Target when changing the “Min RPM” box, or when using the Page Up and Page Down keys. This lets you to get the engine steady and full loaded **before** starting the recording. The user should set the Ending RPM and Test Time before starting the test (Accel Slope is calculated from these 3 values).

**Do not hold at Max RPM.** For most cases, the ending RPM only tells the software where the ramp ends, but it is preferable not to hold the engine at that value to avoid strange measurements when load changes from partial torque (during ramp) to full torque (during holding). Only for certain engines in which exceeding the max rpm can cause a damage it can be interesting to hold the engine at the max value.

**Time / Acceleration setting.** Ramp mode is based in an acceleration slope, this slope can be defined as a time (from starting rpm to ending rpm), or as a slope rpm / sec.

**“Stop when lower” and “Stop when higher”** work in the same way as on inertial mode. **After** the test starts, the program will enter automatically the SP4 / SP5 in **Ramp (Sweep) Mode** in order to start to increase the Target RPM as the engine accelerates.

**Slow Down at the End of the Test.** This option uses a negative accel rate to decrease the speed of the roller until it reaches the starting Min RPM. It is useful on Engine Test bed specially when there is a clutch between engine and brake (typically with 2 strokes), but also on car dynos, because braking the car (with the car’s brakes) can make it move backwards due to the inertia of the rollers.

### 3.2.5 Common area

**Throttle slide bar [NEW]**, this allows to control the throttle while preparing the test (envisaged for Engine Test bed dynos)

**Brake slide bar [NEW]**, this allows to control the brake either after a dyno run (to slow down the roller), before a new run, or just to test the brake.

**Max number of tests**, (in older versions: “remove last tests”), this box (at the bottom-right side), indicates to the program the maximum number of dyno runs loaded at memory each time a new dyno run is done, it will remove the older tests if there are more. It is useful when a lot of test are being done, for example to allow one alone person to use the dyno. It prevents to accumulate a big quantity of curves at screen.

**Start Button**, it will start a new test (see next section 4 “How to do a dyno run”)

**Close Throttle after the end of the Test bar [NEW]**. This option automatically closes the throttle when the test recording ends. It is envisaged for Engine Test bed dynos.

**Calc Ratio.** For “using clamp” and “use OBDII / xDS” modes, this box will show the realtime calculated ratio value.
4. HOW TO DO A DYNO RUN?

F5 key has the same effect as the start/stop switch provided with some kits

Test phases are as follows:

4.1 Gauges Window

By pressing F5 key or the Start/Stop switch, SportDyno will show Gauges Window. This window shows all channel in real time: roller speed, engine rpm, thermocouples, analog channels, and also all external data sources (OBDII, xDS, CAN, EGA, Infrared sensors, etc).

This window is used to enter:
- Test name and vehicle data
- Engine RPM and engine capturing options (clamp, OBDII, etc)
- Weather conditions / Weather station
- Test mode: inertial, steady, ramp, fixed brake, step test, sequencer, etc

All these options have been described at section 3.2 (Test Data Area)

Once the user has filled all test data, F5 key or Start/Stop switch has to be pressed to go to the next phase, which depending on the ratio mode will be the Ratio Window, Semaphore Window or directly the test recording.

Note 1: activating the option “Keep Gauges Visible” will keep this window when the test is started
Note 2: In this version, for ramp mode, the user does not have accelerate to keep the engine steady during Gauge Window stage (as for older versions)

4.2 Ratio Window
When “Test Ratio” is selected (or by pressing F7 key at Main Window) Sportdyno will show this window after the Gauges Window to start a process to determine the ratio value on a given vehicle when Engine RPM channel is not available.

Ratio is the relationship between Engine RPM / Roller RPM. This value is used for several functions in Sportdyno:

- speed control (referenced to engine RPM)
- Graphs X-axis in “graphs vs Engine RPM” mode
- Torque at engine calculation (torque is actually measured at roller)

When ratio value is unknown for a vehicle, Engine RPM channel is not available or difficult to record (for example diesel engines), or it is noisy and inaccurate, or OBDII data is not available, then it is better to approximate ratio value with this method based on the observation of the vehicle’s tachometer.

Test Ratio Window can also use OBDII data (or xDS data) to determine the ratio at a certain RPM value, in a more deterministic way than if using OBDII or xDS in real time mode, but both ways are valid.

The procedure for determining the ratio consists on setting a certain reference RPM value on this window (say 2000 rpm for cars) and drive the engine to the same value using the tachometer as a reference.

Note about gear selection: in general it is recommended to use last gear or last gear -1 for recording the test and thus for determining the ratio, but normally in car dynamometers it is recommended to use 4th gear for 5 and 6 gearboxes.

When vehicle tachometer matches the reference RPM, the roller will run at a certain speed (for example 600 rpm), and ratio value will be \( \text{fixed rpm} / \text{roller rpm} \) (2000 / 600 = 3.33 on the example). Then, when pressing “continue” or “start/stop” button, this value will stored to be used for the test recording.

**Get RPM from OBDII Channels [NEW].** This option allows using the Engine RPM PID from OBDII or from xDS link (Suzuki, Honda, Kawasaki) to get the actual Engine RPM value, instead of using the Vehicle’s Engine RPM gauge. This provides more accuracy in the ratio calculation,
but it is still recommended to keep a steady speed on the vehicle, as OBDII has a small delay that can be translated to a small error in ratio if both speed and engine RPM are changing.

### 4.3 Semaphore Window

In both cases: when using automatic start in inertial mode or ramp mode Sportdyno will show the semaphore window. This window shows current calculated RPM and the starting RPM value.

- In Inertial mode + automatic Start, the starting value determines when the test is going to start. Thus as soon as the engine RPM changes from “lower than starting value” to “higher than starting value” the test recording will start. Note that if the initial engine rpm is higher than the starting value the semaphore will be red.
- In ramp mode, the Semaphore Window also sets the steady mode to reach a steady condition in the engine at the starting RPM before starting the test recording. This was done in previous versions at Gauges Window, but now it has changed to this stage.

### 4.4 Test Recording

At this stage Sportdyno will start recording of test. Test normally consists of two phases controlled by the dyno operator:

- **Acceleration**: recording the maximum performance of the vehicle until its maximum RPM (or close to max RPM) at full throttle
- **Coasting**: if clutch or N gear are available, when engine reaches its maximum speed (or close to it), dyno operator has to press the clutch and leave the vehicle run free while losses speed slowly.
In **inertial mode + automatic stop** or **ramp mode**, when the ending RPM is overpassed, SportDyno will show a warning message to tell the operator to activate the clutch. Test recording will automatically stop at the 50% value between starting speed and ending speed. This 50% value can be changed at configuration.
5. CONFIGURATION

At main menu options / configuration the program will show this window. There are three sections (tabs):

5.1 Class of Dyno

5.1.1 Profiles / Dyno Name
This box allows setting the dynamometer name. It also enables using several profiles within the same program and electronic unit. There are two buttons: ‘+’ and ‘-’, in order to add a new profile to the list, and to remove the current one.

5.1.2 Dyno Type
Current supported dynos are listed in this area. Some of them are equivalent (motorcycle = single axle car dyno), but are listed for coherence. Vehicle dynos can use the “displacement correction”. Also, losses on transmission are calculated.

5.1.3 SPx Device.
By default “Auto Detect” option is active, and then Sportdyno identifies the SPx device type. Nevertheless, user can select one specific SPx unit.

5.1.4 Roller Characteristics
Diameter and inertia, these data are fixed for each dyno, user normally sets it once, and does not change it afterwards. Roller diameter affects to speed measurement, and Inertia affects to Horsepower and Torque measurements (in a linear way). For AWD operation two inertia values and two diameters have to be set. Current version needs that all rollers have the same diameter.

5.1.5 SPx Configuration

We recommend using a gear tooth between 8 and 150 teeth.
Number of teeth: number of teeth/pulses used on roller or flywheel. This gear could also be used for the starter motor.
Prescaler (SP1-SP4): this feature adapts the digital input (up to 15 KHz) to the capacity of SP1 to SP4 units (up to 1 KHz). Depending on the number of teeth, gear tooth will generate a different frequency at the hall sensor, and then a different prescaler has to be configured (the program will chose on by default)

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<th>Configuration</th>
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<th>Maximum teeth</th>
<th>Frequency range</th>
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<td>8 teeth (7.500 RPM)</td>
<td>0 to 1000 Hz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prescaler 4</td>
<td>2 teeth (120.000 RPM)</td>
<td>60 teeth (4000 RPM)</td>
<td>0 to 4000 Hz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prescaler 16</td>
<td>61 teeth (14.754 RPM)</td>
<td>160 teeth (5.625 RPM)</td>
<td>0 to 15000 Hz</td>
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Note: Current SP5 has always Prescaler = 1.
From SP5 PCB v2.2, it includes a hardware prescaler to allow the usage of Encoders (up to 2000 pulses per rev). But then the number of pulses have to be divided, for instance for 500 PPR encoder, set prescaler 4:1 (at PCB), and pulses=125 (500/4) at Sportdyno.

5.1.6 Load Cell Zero and Scale fields.
These values are a copy from the ones at Load Cell Wizard. They are repeated here just to show how each Dyno Profile selector updates load cell data.

5.1.7 SP4 / SP5 Specific
Please refer to section 10.

5.1.8 Lower Buttons

RESET ALL (button). This option will erase all program configuration. This is useful when there is something that does not work and the user wants to go back to a safe configuration. Keep in mind that all different versions (changes on major number: 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8) have a different set of configuration at Window Registry, but between intermediate versions (3.8.27.10, 3.8.28.3, etc) configuration is shared

Open. This option will load a text file with the program’s configuration.

Save. This option will save a text file with current program’s configuration.

5.2 Program Options.
5.2.1 Tests

Max. Length: maximum time for data recording, in minutes.

Y axis position: percentage of area used for the positive part of the graphs. If you are using an Engine Dyno without clutch you may find interesting to use 90 or 95% of the graph for positive area (because you will not record losses at negative area), but if you are using a vehicle dyno, it is better using 70% to allocate the losses graphs. Default value is 70%.

Max Speed: This value is used for Roller RPM gauges, when in Speed mode. The program will set the maximum for all Roller gauges to this value (if more than one)

Max Roller RPM: This value is used for Roller RPM gauges, when in RPM mode. The program will set the maximum for all Roller gauges to this value (if more than one)

Max Engine RPM: This value is used for Engine RPM gauge. The program will set the maximum for all Engine and Calculated Engine gauges to this value (if more than one)

Auto saving: By default the program always save the dyno runs to the disk when a test is done. But it can be disabled. Later, the program will ask the user if he wants to save it to the disk (at program closing or when removing tests).

Create Backup Files: By default the program creates a backup file when a new file is being modified. It will rename the file to .spx_bak extension and will record the modified file with the modifications.

5.2.2 Language

Language: current available languages are: English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Russian, Polish, Russian and Spanish. These languages are stored on text files (*.lan) that can be edited by the user easily (with Notepad for instance). When language is changed, the changes will take effect when closing the configuration window.

Font: the user can change the Font used in the program, this is mainly interesting for languages that need a special charset as Russian Language.

Size: font size can be changed, but keep in mind that the space reserved for texts will be the same, so eventually the texts will not fit at their places.

5.2.3 Torque Calculation

By default torque calculation mode is “Torque at Engine”. The program calculates this value from the torque measured at Roller, and uses the Ratio value to do this. Keep in mind that torque at engine depends on the ratio value. If Ratio is wrong for the dyno run, torque at Engine will be wrong too.

Torque at Engine normally is lower than torque at wheel due to gearbox, transmission and tire size, because torque is increased as RPM is decreased. Torque at engine cannot be calculated on automatic transmissions.

Torque at roller: Sportdyno measures torque at roller (inertial and load cell). This mode is normally only useful to compare total torque with load cell torque.

Thrust: It is a variant of torque at Roller; it provides the lineal thrust or force of vehicle over the roller. It could be used to calculate the capacity of the vehicle to go up on a slope. It does not depend on ratio.

5.2.4 Units

Power units. User can chose between HP mechanical (745 W), KW (1000 W) or HP metric (736 W) for power.
Torque: N*m, Ft*Lb (1 Ft*Lb = 1.355 N*m), Kg*m (1 Kg*m = 9.8 N*m)

Speed: KMH, MPH (1 mile = 1.609 kilometers)

Temperature:
- Celsius, Fahrenheit (1 fahrenheit degree = 1.8 celsius, fahrenheit starts at 32º for celsius=0º)

Pressure:
- Mbar / inHg (1 mercury inch = 33.8638 mbar)

5252 RPM button: this option configures the following options to allow that HP and TQ cross at the “magic” point of 5252 RPM:
- Units are set as HP for power, and Ft*Lb for Torque. Keep in mind that 5252 RPM crossing only happens with imperial units, with other units the crossing point changes.
- HP and TQ channels are set to use the “Group 1”. Channels using a group share the same scale, instead of each channel having its own scale (depending on the channels peak value). If Power has its peak at 100 HP, then Torque channel will also use 100 Ft*Lb as maximum for its scale.

5.2.5 Special Keys

RPM Step. In Gauges and PID monitor windows, when the cursor is at Target RPM, the user can use Page UP and Page DN keys to quickly make this value to go up and down. This field determines the amount to increase/decrease the Target Value.

Invert PgUp / PgDn. With some keyboards it may be more intuitive use these keys in the opposite way.

F6- Inertial, F7- Ramp, F8- Ramp, F9- Brake key (Informative) These keys can be used as a shortcut to enter each control mode at in main window, at gauges window, at PID monitor and during test recording.

F12-Throttle%. Throttle can also be set to a predefined value (say 80%) and 0%.

5.3 Options Tab
5.3.1 Options/Messages

“Warm Up” message: If activated, a “warm up” message will appear when pressing the start / stop button on the dyno (or F5 on the computer)

Show “Power at Engine”, between brackets. If checked, the program will show the wheel power value, and power + losses between brackets. The same is applied to torque.
Example: HP = 55.4 (67.9) / 9000

Use “Sum” method for losses calculation. There are two methods to calculate power at engine:
- Peak Method: Calculating the Wheel’s Power Peak value (for instance 100 HP at 5000 RPM), and then adding the losses for the same RPM point (for instance 20 HP at 5000 RPM)
- Sum Method: First adding power and losses sections, and then calculating the peak for the sum. For instance at some point wheels power is 99 HP, but losses is 22 HP, then peak for sum is 101 HP.
Both methods normally will not give the same result. This option is provided to use always the “sum” method, regardless of whether the graphs are displayed with the negative section, or are added in the screen.

Use latest open file’s folder to save new tests. This option when active changes the internal file path to the latest folder in which the user open some file. If not active path is not changed, and can be kept the same during all program execution.

Enable Secondary Test. When enabling this option the program will display the information for the last two selected tests, and the delta (difference) between them.
Popup Message After Dyno Run. After each test the program shows a yellow popup at bottom-right corner. This option allows disabling it.

Show Sequencer Status Window. During a sequencer controlled test (SEQ files) and a race-track simulation test (CSV files) a status window is shown at bottom-right corner. This option allows disabling it.

Advanced options. See section 5.4 (advanced options).

5.3.2 Colours

Background colour for the main window can be edited by double-clicking over it and then a colour selection window will appear. Select a colour and press OK button.

Colour Group Mode:
- **Group colours by channel**: Each channel has a different colour, defined at channels window. And all tests use the same colours for the same channel.
- **Group colours by test**: Each test has a different colour, but all channels of each test have the same colour. This mode is normally used to compare tests, and when only a few channels are active.

User can also modify the colours that will be used for each test.
5.3.3 Filtering

**Roller Filter.** This filter can be used when the Roller signal is not stable and due to vibrations or imperfections in the gear tooth, then the speed signal has ups and downs. These oscillations will cause that in graph vs speed modes (Speed and Engine RPM) small loops will be shown in the graph caused by these changes on speed up and down. This filter only affects to graphs and speed/RPM calculations, it is not used for power calculation.

**Filter (HF).** This filter is applied to Power and Torque graphs in order to remove high frequency noise and low frequency mechanical oscillations. On large dynos (car), or dynos with high vibrations it can be also necessary to use the “Low Pass Filter” option. Note that the program shows an informative window that explains for each filter setting what is the minimum recommended test duration (acceleration phase) in order to not lose information about power and torque. For instance for a filter of 19 (and Low Pass = 0) minimum acceleration time should be 3.47 seconds. If acceleration duration is below this time, then accuracy is not warranted to have less than 1% error (nominal accuracy)

**Filter (Low Pass).** This option is used for large dynos (car) or with high vibrations. And normally it should not be used on inertial dynos (as tests are shorter). It applies a second filter stage after the HF filter. Low pass filter works better for low frequencies (mechanical) vibrations. It affects to the estimated test duration time making it longer. This makes it recommended only on braked dynos, and makes that minimum recommended test time is 10 seconds (for Ramp mode)

**Update Filter on Tests.** Tests hold the filter settings that were active when the test was recorded, these values should not be changed to preserve the original HP and TQ readings, but user can force the tests to be updated using this button.

**Thermocouple input Filter.** This value is used to filter the thermocouple inputs (8) with a low-pass filter at the input. Data will be recorded after the filter. The higher the value, the higher the filtering.

**Analog input Filter.** This value is used to filter the analog inputs (8) with a low-pass filter in the input. Data will be recorded after the filter. The higher the value, the higher the filtering.

**Glitch Filter.** This option will filter short glitches (spikes) in the load cell channel.

5.3.4 Corrections

**Displacement correction.** This is a correction based on the whole inertia of the vehicle and dyno (roller + wheel + transmission + gearbox) as a function of the engine displacement. If activated, this correction will be applied to all loaded tests. This option is not stored with the test, but with the program. There is a file (**inertia.ini**) that the user can edit to customize this assignation.

**Correction type.** There are several correction formulas available:

- Blank (none)
- ISO 1585
- SAE J1349
- DIN 70020
- JIS D1001
- EC95-1
- EWG 80/1269 (not fully implemented)
- FIXED (here the user can set the fixed correction factor)

If changed on the configuration, the program will ask you if you want to change to all loaded tests.
5.3.5 Printer Options

Print Logo: user can select whether he wants to print the logo or not. There is a file named “logo.gif” at installation folder (C:\Program Files\Sportdevices\Sportdyno38) that can be replaced to set your own business logo. Please use a similar size file.

Print Dyno Details: If active, the report will show Sportdyno SW date and version, Dyno name, and Roller inertia, and active options (displacement correction, correction factor, load cell active)

Landscape: With this option dyno runs will be printed horizontally instead of. Vertically. In this way a bit less numeric data will fit on the paper.

Colour printer: if not checked, printing will be optimized for black and white printers; else, graphs are printed with the same colours as on screen.

Dark when printing: when printing, pure colours (red, yellow, etc) are not clearly shown over white paper. Then this option is used to dark the graphs colour over the paper.

Test Info Button: program will show Test Info fields selected in this window at report’s header. By default: Name, Power, Torque, Temperature and a few more fields are shown per each test in the first table (on page header). User can choose which test data is to be printed on the report’s header for each test (do not confuse with the test channels shown at the right table).

5.3.6 Data table

Page: None, First Page or Second Page. By default graphs and numeric table are printed in a single page. Now the user can choose to not print the data table (option=none), to print it with the graph (option=First Page) or to print it in a second page (option=Second Page)

RPM steps, when printing a dyno run the default RPM step is 250 for the data table, you can change this value to 100, 250, 500 or 1000 rpm.

Columns 4 and 5, when printing a dyno run, the first three columns of data are: RPM (or time) HP, TQ. The next column(s) can be chosen from the rest of recorded channels of dyno run.

5.3.6.1 Report Type

• Screenshot Type: this is the mode used in previous versions. Sportdyno draws the same graph as in main screen for the printed report.

• Standard Chart (HP, TQ vs Engine RPM): (default) this mode shows the new HP chart. There are two graphs: top graph shows HP and TQ, bottom graph shows extra channels as lambda or others.
5.3.6.2 Chart Options (only at Chart mode)

- **5252 RPM crossing (HP + FT*LB)**, it sets the HP and TQ units to the imperial units so the graphs cross at the known place: 5252 RPM
- **Highlight selected test (thick line)**: by default the selected test will be drawn with a thicker line. This test is important because the numeric table is referred to it.
- **HP&TQ starting values**: graphs can start from 0, or from their minimum value so the curve is magnified to fit the whole graph area.
- **2nd graph channels**: In chart mode, the 2nd graph shown at bottom allows to show up to 4 channels. By default only lambda 1 is shown, but other channels can be set

5.4 Advanced Options

Normally user does not need to modify these options. Nevertheless, they are provided in case of special needs, or systems that need to force special conditions on the software.

**Menu enables:**

**Show Internal Channels.** Some channels as brake output, PID target, etc, are disabled by default to not confuse new users. They can be enabled afterwards (they are always recorded)

**Ratio and Steady Direct Mode (manually).** This software version adds a guided mode to perform the tests, in which it is giving instructions to the user so each step is performed in the correct order. This guided mode can be disabled and return to the direct mode (when this option is active) as in old versions.

**Enable External Data Sources.** Sportdyno 4.0 implements many new digital data sources (data which is acquired directly to PC, not through the SPx unit): OBDII, xDS, CAN, EGA, Infrared sensors, etc.
These data sources are explained at section 16 (External Data Sources).

**Show Add Static Losses Menu.** "Add Static Losses Menu" is disabled by default to not add to simplify the program operation for new users.

**Enable inverted tests (electric motor).** This option is hidden by default to simplify the program operation for new users. Inverted tests are typical with electric motors which used to be tested from max RPM increasing brake load until the engine stalls.

**Show Throttle Menu.** This menu is disabled by default to not add to simplify the program operation for new users. Throttle menu allows calibrating throttle min position and throttle max position. See section 2.4.2. It also makes throttle slider visible at Gauges Window.

**Use Steady Timer.** This is an experimental feature to time the recording time during steady test. It is disabled by default.

## Recording

**Use interpolation of samples to increase accuracy.** From version 3.0 of software, it was added an interpolation algorithm to increase accuracy when there are a few pulses per rev (for example one tooth per rev), and when acceleration is very fast. This option is enabled by default, but it can be disabled for test purposes.

**Recalculate Ratio at the end of Test.** By default Ratio is calculated while the program is at Gauges Window, and also after the dyno run has been performed. Normally Ratio value is not exactly the same during the dyno run, than before starting. This is caused by the little slippage caused by the wheel applying torque to the roller (vehicle dynos). This slippage is lower or does not exist before starting the test.

**Record Weather Station data during the test.** By default this option is enabled, and it causes that the program record the Weather Station data (temperature, humidity and pressure) within the test for later reference. Normally these values will not change during the test, but a high variation on one of them (for instance room temperature), may reveal a problem in the dyno room (insufficient ventilation, small room, etc)

**Record and process Accel channels.** TBD

**Interpolate OBDII Data.** OBDII channels, even with CAN protocols, are slower (2 to 10 samples per second) than SP1, SP3, SP4, SP5 channels (50 samples per second). This causes that OBDII channels generate step-like patterns. To improve this shape the program performs a 3rd grade interpolation to create a smooth shape.

**Post-record.** Filters generate delays depending on its size. This parameter is used to record a few samples more after the test is committed to stop to feed the filters provide accurate graphs at the latest samples.

**Coasting ends at %.** By default coasting will end at the 50% value between starting RPM value and ending RPM value. For instance for a test between 2000 and 6000 RPM, recording will stop when coasting reaches the speed equivalent to 4000 RPM. This percentage can be changed.

**Pre-load time.** In ramp test, at the semaphore window the engine has to last at least this time in the steady condition before the ramp and the recording start. By default it is set to two seconds, but it can be modified.

## Internal Operation:

**Use Checksum on SP4 to PC commands.** Depending on Firmware version, some SP4s send configuration data to PC without a checksum, and others do use checksum. With SP5, all FW versions use checksum on both directions.
Actually this option is something that Sportdyno configures by its own.

**Reset RAMP settings for Steady Mode.** In SP4 and early versions of SP5 ramp settings (min RPM and max RPM) are also used for limiting the PID operation in steady mode: target RPM will not be allowed to go under min RPM or over max RPM. This can cause problems when doing a step test, or when performing the race-track simulation, as target RPM can take any value recorded in the race track. For this reason this option causes the min RPM and max RPM values to be set to zero when program enters in steady mode, and then their values are restored when entering ramp mode.

**Disable Reconfiguration from SP5.** Version 4.0 performs an integral configuration management. The configuration stored at SP4 or SP5 is no longer used to update the dyno profile. This option (active by default) disables this updating to prevent that abnormal data received during a test run could be interpreted as configuration data and could modify critical parameters as number of teeth, or PID settings.

**Disable Feedback for Test Mode on Gauges Window,**
By default all changes on SP4 / SP5 are sent to Sportdyno to update the status. Nevertheless, feedback for Test Mode status can have non deterministic effects at Gauges Window. For this reason feedback is disabled by default for this specific message.

**Gauges**
**Numbers. Update Rate (ms)** for all numbers present at gauges, update rate can be configured. By default it is set to 200 ms to allow enough time to read each change of numbers, but some users may prefer faster changes that look like more fast software operation (but make more difficult to read the values)

**Max Peak Needle Wait Time (s)** new gauges add a peak value needle, the value will be set to the maximum value reached by its assigned channel, and after this wait time it will start to decay slowly to zero, to be able to register other maximum values.

**Remap Engine RPM and Calculated RPM channels at Gauges Window when simulating RPM.** By default all gauges containing either “engine RPM” or “calc. RPM” will be remaped to “calc. RPM” when “simulate RPM” option is active, or to “engine RPM” when it is disabled. This automatic behaviour may cause a conflict if the user wants to have both channels available, then this option has to be disabled so the gauges are not reassigned automatically.

**Device Info**
This box will show all available information about the SPx device (if available)
- Firmware version
- SPx DAQ type (SP1, SP3, SP4, SP5)
- Firmware Subtype
- PID Type
- OV Type (overshoot control, classical derivative control)
- CMD Echo (commands are “echoed” from SP5 to PC to verify the communication)
- AWD Enable (SP5 allows AWD or not)
- MAC Address (SP5)
- Clock resolution

**Bottom area**
**IP and port** can be modified at this place. By default SP5 IP is assigned by the Discovery protocol when searching for a SP5, and port is fixed 31099, but they can be modified.

**Number of Tests and Operation Time.** These are informative fields about the usage of the dyno. They cannot be reseted with the “Reset All” button at Config Window. In addition they cannot be exported or imported from another computer, so new computer → count starts from zero. (They are not stored into the SPx unit)
**Automatic-Stop Threshold.** When performing ramp braked tests with automatic-stop mode enabled, it cannot be used the same ending value for the speed control and for the stop value that causes the recording to stop. If the same value were used, as the speed control tends to keep the speed slightly under the target value, automatic stop is prone to not fail to stop the recording. For this reason a Threshold is added to the speed control ending value to allow the engine to accelerate over the ending value. By default this threshold is 100 RPM. For instance if stopping value is 5000 rpm, speed control will be able to reach 5100 RPM.

6. **CHANNEL SETTINGS.**

This window is used to display and modify the Channel Settings.

A list of all existing channels is shown at the left side. The box icon means that this channel is available on your system. The standard configuration includes:

- SP1: Roller RPM, Engine RPM, 2 thermocouples and 4 analog sensors (ex. Lambda1).
- SP3 units also include load cell channel.
- SP4 and SP5 units include 8 thermocouples, 6 or 8 Analog channels, and several internal channels (brake output, PID Target, servo output, etc)

**Note:** f(x) channels are internal calculated channels (ex. HP and TQ), they are not transmitted by the SPx unit.

6.1.1 **Preset / Channel Type**

There is a list of common channel types, in this way user only has to click over one channel type to configure common sensors:

- Digital Channel, channels from 0-9 are digital and cannot be changed,
- General (0-5 V) Sensor, standard input on SPx,
- Thermocouple input Centigrade (0-1000 ºC) (ex. Exhaust)
- Thermocouple input Farenheit (0-1900 ºF)
- Water Temp (0-120º), same as Thermocouple but limited to 120º
- WIDE Band Lambda (0-5V) (9-19AFR), this entry will configure our wideband lambda,
- NARROW Band Bosch LSM11 Lambda (0-2.5 V), pre-configured lambda table.
- Water NTC. Linearization of one Suzuki NTC Water sensor from volts to degrees.

These presets are stored in the file “ch_presets.ini”, this file can be updated in future.
6.1.2 Channel key
It is the internal code to identify the channel. It cannot be changed.
Note that from version 3.8 it has been changed from ASCII (A, B, C,... I, J, K) to hex numbers (41, 42, 43...49, 4A, 4B) to allow the new channels to be used, as they use an eight bit encoding and are more difficult to be represented as ASCII characters. For instance OBDII Engine RPM is 90 which does not have an associated ASCII character in most charsets.

6.1.3 Hide
Channel will be hidden in the lists and graphs. This is useful to hide certain internal channels, and to have an easy access to the channels that are being used.

6.1.4 Channel Name
It is the visible name for the channel. Some channels have specific default texts in each language. All of them can be edited by the user. This will affect to new tests which will be recorded with the new texts.

6.1.5 Colour
Channel colour can be edited directly in this window by clicking over the color. After that, depending on the grouping mode graphs will use channel colours (for group by channel) or test colours (for group by test)

6.1.6 Unit
The measuring unit name for the channel (kilograms, degrees, rpm, Newtons, etc)

6.1.7 Maximum input value
It is the maximum value for the channel. It is used as “filter” on the input. Be careful because if input is sometimes higher than this value, the program will clamp the channel at this value to void the graph to be rescaled to extreme values.

6.1.8 Upper bound, Lower bound
Those values are used in gauges and graphs as upper limit and lower limit for displaying, but they do not modify the channel data. When any of them are set, the program understands that this channel no longer uses the auto-scale method, but it uses manual scaling.
Those values are used for HP and TQ instead the “manual window” as in previous versions.

6.1.9 Decimals
Decimal places to print the numbers for this channel.

6.1.10 (input ) Scale
It is the scaling factor applied to digital input from the SPx unit. As data received from SPx is 16 bits integer, data has to be converted to its true value on each channel. This is done by using this factor.
For example: general purpose input goes from 0 to 5 volt, and its read values can be between 0 and 1023, then a factor of 5/1023=0.00488 should be applied so when received 1023 value, it will recorded as 5 volt.

6.1.11 Filter (HF)
This value applies a low pass filter to this channel. It is only for the graph displaying, it does not affect to internal calculationa. It is useful to display certain channels as load cell which normally have some noise.

6.1.12 Group
Normally channels are displayed using the auto-scale method, each channel has its own scaling according to the maximums and minimums detected. But sometimes it is better to group certain channels that have similar meaning using the same scale, to allow a direct comparison.
For instance when comparing the Engine RPM (or calculated Engine RPM) vs Target RPM, in order to analyze the Speed Control operation, it is strongly recommended to assign the same group to these 2 or 3 channels. For instance group “2”.
Group 0 means “no group”, use auto-scale for this channel.
6.1.13 Time Offset
In certain systems, for instance a Gas Analyzer, some channels could be received with certain delay with respect the other channels (as roller, power or torque), then the user set this field to correct the time offset of this channel with respect the others.

6.1.14 Interpolation
If checked the program will use the interpolation table instead of the scale value. In this table you can configure any analog sensor even not lineal ones. Voltage values should be ordered from lower to higher. For each voltage it will be assigned a translated value, AFR (air fuel ratio) in the example.

6.1.15 Default Calculated Channels
Calculated channels can be configured in this window to be added by default to all new tests. In addition its formula is entered here to be used on the new tests.

![Calculated Channels](image)

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<th>Calculated</th>
<th>Formula</th>
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<td>$\left( \frac{CO}{80 \cdot \frac{C}{1000 \cdot K}} \right) ^ T$</td>
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**Check Add to all tests**

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7. HISTOGRAM

![Histogram](image)

After doing a dyno run (with "using rpm clamp" option activated) the program will calculate automatically the Ratio value by making a histogram of the “Engine RPM / Roller RPM” function, to find out the value that is more common during the test (only for the sections where the engine accelerates)

If user wants to see the histogram, it can be selected on the test menu, or by right-clicking over the desired test.

In this window all values from 0 to 7 for ratio are shown. And the amount of number of times this value was present when calculating the ratio function for each test sample. Finally the most repeated ratio value is shown with a label (3.64 in the example).
8. LOAD CELL WIZARD
This window eases the Load Cell calibration process. It is divided into two steps:

8.1 Load Cell zeroing

With the load cell free (no weight), press the “Set to Zero” button and check the “load cell zero” value is close to 32767, otherwise there may be some problem on the wiring or on the SPx unit. Note that SP5 performs an internal zeroing at each startup, thus load cell must be connected before powering up SP5.

8.2 Load Cell Scale
With the load cell mounted on the brake, and the calibration bar attached to the brake, and the calibration weight set at the end of calibration bar, enter the values on the white boxes and press the “Calibrate” button.

Check that the load cell reading (blue number, N*m) matches the “torque will read” number.

It is recommended that the calibration bar is balanced with a balancing weight on the other side of the brake before placing the calibration weight. A few kilograms will be needed.

Finally, press OK button to finish the calibration process.

9. PID Monitor (SP4 / SP5)
Sportdyno Ver 4.0 combines PID monitor and PID configuration windows in a single window to ease the PID (speed control) setup process.

9.1 PID Mode

9.1.1 (F6) Idle
It sets the brake output to 0. It is useful to do inertial tests.

9.1.2 (F7) Steady
It enters SP4 / SP5 in the steady mode. A RPM Target is set to keep the Engine RPM fixed when Engine tries to overpass this Target point (it does not accelerate the Engine by itself). SP4 and SP5 have a PID Controller that calculates the brake output as a function of Engine RPM input, RPM Target and PID coefficients.

9.1.3 (F8) Ramp (Sweep Test)
Once the Engine is steady, software can enter in the Ramp Mode, in which the SP4 / SP5 will increase the Target RPM at a fixed rate (Ramp Tate) until the “Max RPM” value is reached.

This mode only works when the user is accelerating, for RPM values near or higher than the current Target. If the user closes the throttle, when Engine RPM is lower than Target RPM, the SP4 / SP5 will detect that condition and will adjust the Target for the new speed in order to have a suitable starting RPM Target in case the user decides to accelerate again (although this is not the right way to use this mode).

Minimum RPM value that will be allowed for Ramp Mode is defined on the Ramp frame (below) in order to not stall the engine.
9.1.4 Brake
When entering this mode, a fixed value is applied to the brake. It is useful for test purposes and to stop the dyno when the test is finished (Pause key on gauges window).
Note: If the engine is not running, brake mode will disconnect the brake automatically after a few seconds in order to not overheat the coils.

9.2 Ramp Limits (Sweep)
These two values set the starting and ending point for a Ramp Test.
Please refer to section 10.2

9.3 PID Settings
Kp, Ti and Overshoot values are used to control the Engine RPM when the PID is at Steady or Ramp modes. Please refer to section 10.1 below

9.4 Misc settings
Please refer to section 10.4 below

9.5 Numeric Boxes
PID Monitor Window allocates several numeric boxes that can be used to display any channel. To edit the channel displayed just right-click over the box to be edited. Only channel assignment, decimal places and colour can be edited for PID monitor.

10. SP4 / SP5 Specific Settings
This section mainly describes PID settings (speed control), and other settings which are specific for SP4 and SP5. Some of them can be found at both Config Window and PID monitor Window, and others only at Config Window.

10.1 PID Settings
(Configuration and PID monitor) Kp, Ti and Overshoot values are used to control the Engine RPM when the PID is at Steady or Ramp modes.

- **Kp**: Proportional Gain Control, (the bigger Kp, the faster the control, but it will oscillate on excessive values)
- **Ti**: Integral Time Constant. For little Ti the faster the drift/approach, but they make the system slower to changes. Normally only values inside the range from 0.3 to 1.0 should be used.
- **Td (SP4) / Overshoot (SP5)**. Overshoot coefficient provides a more advanced method than the classical Td. The higher the value, the stronger the overshoot control, but excessive values create high frequency noise on the brake, and even oscillations.

Please read the SP4 / SP5 Setup documentation.

10.2 Ramp Limits (Sweep)
(Only PID Monitor) Min RPM and Max RPM values are used in the Ramp Mode as limits to the ramp sweep target generator (auto-increment). If the Engine decreases its speed (because throttle is closed) the system detects this condition and decreases automatically the Target RPM, this value is limited by the “Ramp MIN” value. When the Engine is accelerating, the Target value is increased automatically at the ramp rate until the “Ramp MAX” value is reached. If any of these values are set to zero, then it has no effect (PID will not force RPM to zero!)

10.3 Air Speed
(Only PID Monitor) With certain SP4 units and all SP5 units, the servo2 output can be used to control the output signal to a VFD that powers a 3 phase motor connected to an air turbine.

- **Roller RPM min** is the speed value to start the operation for the air speed output. For instance if Roller RPM min = 1000 rpm, for all speed values between 0 and 1000 rpm, the output will be zero.
- **Roller RPM max** is the speed value in which the air speed output reaches 100%. For instance if Roller RPM max = 4000 rpm, for all speed values above 4000 rpm, the output will be 100% (5 volt)
- For all values of roller speed between **Roller RPM min** and **Roller RPM max**, the output will be a linear function proportional to the position between these two values.

10.4 Misc Settings

*Output Test*, this field is used to perform a manual test of the air speed output when the roller is stopped.
10.4.1 Min Roller (SP5).

(Config Window) When Roller speed is below this value, PID output is zero. This allows to prevent engine to stall, or if a centrifugal clutch is used it prevents it to get damaged. Note that the setting is for Roller RPM not Engine RPM.

10.4.2 Max Roller (SP5).

(Config Window) This setting fixes a maximum allowed speed for the system. If the system tries to go over this speed the brake will reach 100% its value. This may create oscillations but it is preferable this than overpassing the safety speed (if any). Note that if it is set to zero, then no max roller speed will be used.

10.4.3 Ratio.

(Config and PID monitor) This value is the relationship between Engine RPM and Roller RPM. All RPM values in the SP4 / SP5 are referred to the Engine RPM, but speed is measured at the Roller / Brake, thus Ratio value is very important as it used for the internal Calculated Engine RPM channel which is used for speed control. On the gauges window, when using the RPM Clamp, the Ratio is calculated in real time and sent to SP4 / SP5. Once the test is started the last Ratio value calculated is kept for the whole test.

10.4.4 Number of Teeth (geartooth).

For suitable PID operation it is recommended to use a gear tooth of minimum 8 teeth.

10.4.5 Prescaler (SP1 to SP4).

Depending on the number of teeth, prescaler has to be set among 1, 4 and 16. Usually prescaler=1 is used for number of teeth lower than 16. Prescaler=4 for 16 to 64, and prescaler=16 for higher number of teeth.

Note that SP5 always use prescaler = 1.

10.4.6 AWD Mode (SP5).

As SP5 has dual Roller Channel set (roller speed, load cell and brake output), it allows 3 modes:

- **Only Front.** It uses the channels closer to the RS232 connector. This mode is used for engine test bed, single axle dynos, and for AWD dyno using Front axle.
- **Only Rear.** It uses the channels closer to the MAINs plug. This mode is only used for AWD dyno using Rear axle.
- **AWD.** It uses the both channels and enables the AWD synchronization.

Note that AWD option is not free, not all SP5s have this option enabled.

10.5 Brake Configuration

10.5.1 Brake for Emergency Stop (SP5).

When Emergency Stop button is pressed (Panic Button), SP5 will go to Brake mode, and will apply this fixed value to the brake.

10.5.2 Brake offset.

Some Brake Power Supplies are not full linear (for instance old Semikron PWS). They start to provide current from brake values higher than 130 (13%). Note that this could change depending on the mains frequency on your country.

This offset is added to the brake action (when it is higher than 0) to get a suitable control signal over the power supply.
11. Throttle Configuration

11.1 Throttle Setup
Here servo start and ending positions are configured. It is important not to force the servo. Min and max positions can be reversed in order the servo moves in the opposite direction.

- Normal operation: the sliding bar to the left move the servo.
- Set THR min: sets the minimum position for the servo.
- Set THR max: sets the maximum position for the servo. Be careful to not force the servo against the Throttle body max allowed position.

11.2 Throttle Open / Close rate
By default, a value of 50 or higher at these values will make the servo open and close quickly, but by setting low values (1, 2, etc) it will move slowly. It is only available for servo 1 (throttle).

11.3 Self-Tune
Using this option and one analog channel (channel 5 or 6) connected to the servo potentiometer the program will find out the min and max positions for the servo when installed on a certain throttle body (it calibrates the throttle).
12. SEQUENCER (SP4 / SP5)

12.1 “Standard” Sequence

This window is useful for automated cycles. (See SP4 / SP5 manual)
12.2 Sequencer File

Sequencer File can be used to perform Engine Test Cycles. It can keep the engine running several hours to test its reliability. The programmed sequence is stored in a text file and automated by the program using simple orders like THR=10, REF=3000, etc. One level loop is allowed to repeat certain program sequence a known number of times.

This version allows to edit the file directly in the grid list (older versions needed the usage of Notepad for editing the file)

Sequencer Commands [updated]

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Command</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>RELAY(n) = on</td>
<td>off</td>
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<td>MODE = I</td>
<td>S</td>
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<tr>
<td>THR = n%</td>
<td>Throttle 0..100%</td>
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<tr>
<td>REF = rpm</td>
<td>Set TARGET to rpm</td>
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<tr>
<td>RAMP = rpm / s</td>
<td>Set RAMP RATE to rpm/s</td>
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<tr>
<td>BRAKE = n</td>
<td>Set BRAKE TO n (%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>AUTO_START = ON</td>
<td>OFF</td>
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<tr>
<td>AUTO_STOP = ON</td>
<td>OFF</td>
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<td>STOP_MODE = L</td>
<td>H</td>
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<tr>
<td>MIN_RPM = n</td>
<td>Sets starting value for ramp mode</td>
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<tr>
<td>MAX_RPM = n</td>
<td>Sets ending value for ramp mode</td>
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<tr>
<td>RATIO = n.nnn</td>
<td>Sets Ratio for current test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TIME = n.n Or</td>
<td>Delay = n.n</td>
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<tr>
<td>WAIT_END_OF_TEST</td>
<td>Returns when the recording finishes, for instance ‘auto stop’</td>
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<tr>
<td>LOOP n</td>
<td>Repeat N times, loops cannot be nested</td>
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<tr>
<td>ENDLOOP</td>
<td>label for GOTO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GOTO n</td>
<td>label</td>
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<tr>
<td>WAIT_CH n &gt; val</td>
<td>Waits Channel N to be HIGHER than val, CH=@ is ESPACE (meters)</td>
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12.3 CSV Simulation File

From Version 3.8 Sportdyno can load a CSV file (Comma Separated Values) and use it for sending speed and throttle data to SP4 / SP5, and perform a simulation of a race track which was recorded with a Data Logger.

Mode of operation is simple: just load the CSV file and press “play” button.

File format:

It admits two basic CSV formats, compatible with Excel (tm):

- Values separated by semicolons: 111; 222; 333....
- Values between quotation marks (“ “ ) and separated with commas: “111”, “222”, “333”

First line of the file (header) is ignored.

Only the first three columns of the CSV are used:

- First column is always Time (s)
- Second column is always Engine RPM
- Third column is always Throttle position (%)
13. Calculated Channels

Calculated Channels can be added to existing tests. They will take the Channel basic data (key and name) from an existing channel from the total channel list (not only SPx device channel list) and will use the specified formula to get data from other channels and perform the calculations that will provide the data for the new channel.

Calculated channels are recalculated every time that anything is changed in the test (ratio, inertia, etc).

Add / Modify Channels Window is used for adding channels to existing test

13.1 How to use it?

When the “Add Calculated Channel” option is selected from the main window the program will show the screen above.

Press the “+” button to automatically find the next free calculated channel, starting at 0x80. The user can also choose a different channel (including existing ones), and the program will show the default data for the channel (if it is new) or the current data for the channel (if it already exists) including the formula if it is an existing calculated channel.

Next step is giving the channel a meaning name, for instance: “calculated power”, and their corresponding units (HP), decimals (1) and formula.

Note: “-“ button has the same effect as “Remove Channel” in Test menu.

13.2 How to use the formula field?

Within the formula the user can combine Channels, Constant values (numbers), Constants and operators.

Prefixes to refer the items:
The formula consists of a series of 4 basic elements:

- Channels
- Program Constants
- Operators
- Test Constants
13.2.1 Channels

- To access to the data of an existing channel (for that test) write Ck (k is the channel's key), for instance roller channel is C30, engine channel C31, Lambda 1 channel C4A.

Note: old channels nomenclature was based on ASCII chars for Formulas, now also the Hexadecimal nomenclature is available.

13.2.2 Program Constants

- Constant (internal array of constants x = 0..15). Constants can be defined at “Configuration” Window.

A typical constants is:

\[ \pi = 3.1416 \text{ (3.1415926535897932384626433832795)} \]

13.2.3 Operators

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>+</td>
<td>Addition</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>Subtraction</td>
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<tr>
<td>*</td>
<td>Multiplication</td>
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<tr>
<td>/</td>
<td>Division</td>
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<tr>
<td>%</td>
<td>Module (division remainder)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a</td>
<td>Absolute value</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>^</td>
<td>Exponentiation (a power b)</td>
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<tr>
<td>d</td>
<td>Derivate vs time dx / dt (dt = 20 ms = 0.02 s)</td>
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<tr>
<td>s</td>
<td>Sinus (x)</td>
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<tr>
<td>l</td>
<td>Log (x)</td>
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<tr>
<td>i</td>
<td>Integral (x)</td>
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<tr>
<td>( )</td>
<td>Parenthesis to define the order of operations</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>?</td>
<td>Conditional operator, example: ((C0 &gt; 1000) \text{ ? } 50 : 30)</td>
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13.2.4 Test constants

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<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>Inertia of current test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>t</td>
<td>(dt) Time lapse between samples (20 ms)</td>
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13.3 Formula examples

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Torque (N*m):</th>
<th>Torque calculated from roller and load cell:</th>
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<tr>
<td>$d \left( \frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot 2 \right) \cdot I \cdot 50 + C39$</td>
<td>$d \left( \frac{\text{&quot;Roller rpm&quot;}}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot 2 \right) \cdot \text{Inertia}$</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>$\frac{\text{&quot;Load Cell&quot;}}{dt}$</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>$\text{or}$</td>
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<td></td>
<td>acceleration (Rad/s) * “Inertia” (kg/m$^2$) + &quot;Load Cell&quot; (N*m)</td>
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<tr>
<th>Power (Watt)</th>
<th>Torque (N*m) * Speed (Rad / s)</th>
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<tr>
<td>$(d \left( \frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot 2 \right) \cdot I \cdot 50 + C39) \cdot C30 / 60 \cdot K0 \cdot 2$</td>
<td>$\frac{\text{Torque (N * m) * Speed (Rad / s)}}{60 \cdot K0 \cdot 2}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Is equivalent</td>
<td>$\text{or}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$C33 \cdot C30 / 60 \cdot K0 \cdot 2$</td>
<td>$\text{Torque channel (N * m) * Speed (Rad / s)}$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Note: to convert to HP divide by 736</td>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Speed (m/s)</th>
<th>Integral of (Roller / 60 * PI) * (Diameter / 1000) * dt</th>
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<tr>
<td>$\frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot 2 \cdot D / 1000 / 2$</td>
<td>$\text{or}$</td>
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<tr>
<td>$= \frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot D / 1000$</td>
<td>$\text{Integral of &quot;Roller speed&quot; (rad/s) * Diameter (m) * dt}$</td>
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<tr>
<th>Distance (m):</th>
<th>Integral Speed (m/s) * dt</th>
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<tr>
<td>$i \left( \frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot 2 \cdot D / 1000 / 2 \right) \cdot t$</td>
<td>$\text{or}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$= i \left( \frac{C30}{60} \cdot K0 \cdot D / 1000 \right) \cdot t$</td>
<td>$\text{Integral Speed (m/s) * dt}$</td>
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$K0 = 3.1416$ (PI)
14. OBDII

Sportdyno provides support to Sportdevices OBDII interface from version 3.8. This interface is mainly provided for acquiring Engine RPM from the car (specially for diesel engines), although there are other interesting channels (PIDs) as Engine Coolant Temperature, Air Intake Temperature, Engine load, Throttle Position, etc that can be acquired.

OBDII is a set of standardised protocols. Each car normally will have only one protocol. Depending on the protocol the communications will be faster or slower. For instance K-Line protocols are quite slow, it is not recommended to acquire more than two channels (PIDs) per cycle. Nevertheless other protocols as CAN are faster and allow acquiring more channels per cycle.

Although OBDII is mainly used on cars, some motorcycles such as some Triumph motorcycles, also use OBDII. Motorcycle manufacturers are committed to change to OBDII protocols to fulfil the testing requirements for official homologation process and periodic verifications.

14.1 OBDII Window / Real Time

OBDII Connection mode:
- **Disconnected.** Sportdyno will close the connection
- **Direct FTDI connection.** Most of our OBDII interfaces include a mechanism for detecting the OBDII automatically and provide authentication. Use this option by default.
- **Manual Connection.** For old OBDII devices or licenses acquired by separate user can configure a manual connection and a manual License authentication.
Manual Connection:

(This is not recommended connection method, try first Direct Connection)

**OBDII COM:** According to COM Filter, the program will load in this combo box those COMs of the specified type. Current Sportdevices OBDII uses a FTDI chip, thus Filter has to be set to “FTDI”. As the connection procedure is a slow process, there is no an automated COM discovery process by now.

Note that default recommended connection is based on FTDI chip (automatic). No search is necessary.

**COM Filter:** As mentioned before, the filter allows loading certain COMs (as there can be several of them in the system). Current OBDII Interface is identified when setting filter="FTDI"

Note that first OBDII versions used a Bluetooth link (using Windows Pairing method) thus filter="Bluetooth". Other OBDII used a dedicated Bluetooth Hardware that was identified with filter="Silabs". Also some of the first cable units use “Prolific” or “Silabs” chips.

**Baud:** By default, current OBDII interface always use Baud=38K. Old versions may need Baud=115K setting (specially Bluetooth to COM USB card)

**Status and Protocol:** During the OBDII connection establishment, the driver will show the status of the connection (searching PIDs 00.. etc). After connection is complete, it will show the protocol name and details for that car. Normally each car has only one protocol, but there are cars with combinations of slow protocols and CAN.

**PID list:** Channel identifiers are called PIDs in the OBDII nomenclature.

Once the OBDII device has been identified, and the connection has been established with the car, the program will show the list of available PIDs. Each car has only some PIDs. Manufacturers are not obliged to implement all PIDs. Nevertheless most car have a fixed subset including: Engine RPM, Engine coolant Temp, Intake Air Temp, etc

Once the PIDs are listed, user should choose only a few PIDs (enable column) to be acquired, as OBDII is not very fast in general, and acquisition cycle should not be more than 500 ms (approx). On slow protocols as K-line, even only two PIDs can reach the 500 ms limit, but with CAN BUS time is about 100 ms for 3 PIDs.

These channels will be automatically acquired on both Gauges Window, and Test Recording.

### 14.2 OBDII Authentication

(Only at manual connection) As OBDII is a pay-for feature in Sportdyno, an authentication mechanism has been provided.

Some of the first OBDII units have special info recorded on them, and thus they do not need the manual authentication. Current version do not require manual authentication.

User has to send us an email with the Network info that the “Copy” button provides.

Then an authentication key is sent to the user, and the user enters it on the software, and press “Check” button.

This key can only be used in one computer
14.3 OBDII Window / Faults
OBDII interface can read ECU faults and list at the Faults Tab. There is a database of all public OBDII faults in the OBDII_DTCS.csv file. Faults can be cleared at car ECU using the Clear DTC button.
15. xDS (Suzuki, Honda, Kawa)
Clicking at Connections/xDS menu or at lower-right corner on the xDS icon SportDyno will open the xDS window (Suzuki SDS, Honda HDS, Kawa KDS). This window allows connecting SportDyno to the xDS link and choosing the ECU channels to be acquired (note that some protocols are slow like KDS, and only a few channels can be acquired at a reasonable speed).

15.1 XDS Connection:
Select one of the three available protocols and enable the Connect XDS checkbox, and SportDyno will enter the connection loop until it detects a valid connection.

- Suzuki SDS
- Honda HDS
- Kawasaki

ECM ID: Some protocols can read the ECU identifier (informative)

ECU type: Only for Suzuki SDS, two type of ECUs exist, data package is similar but scales for engine RPM, and temperatures are different. By now SportDyno does not implement a database to associate each ECU with its type and the selection has to be done manually, but this something that is very quickly verified when engine is idling.

Live Data: SportDyno will show all available channels. User can enable or disable them by clicking over the “enable” cells, for optimizing the data transfer (for KDS protocol) and test channels usage.
15.2 Throttle Calibration:
Most ECUs send the throttle value uncalibrated (say from 23% to 106%). If the user needs that a calibrated value in the test, this window has to be used.

- **Green box** shows the raw value from ECU, uncalibrated
- **Blue box** shows the value after calibration (when it is complete)
- **Calibrate at 0%**: with throttle full closed, press this button to store the “cal value at 0%”
- **Calibrate at 100%**: with throttle full open, press this button to store the “cal value at 100%”. Then calibration is ready. Realtime tab will show the calibrated value.

15.3 Faults Tab
Current version of Sportdyno can read DTCs (faults) from Suzuki SDS protocol, and also can clear them at the ECU
16. External Data Sources
Sportdyno 4.0 implements many new digital data links (data which is acquired directly to PC, not through the SPx unit): OBDII, xDS, CAN, EGA (Exhaust Gas Analyzer, compatible with EC997), OMEGA Infrared sensors, Power Supply Telemetry, Modbus analog cards.

16.1 Serial interfaces
EGA (Exhaust Gas Analyzer), OMEGA Infrared sensors and Power Supply Telemetry are included in the basic Sportdyno License (they are free when purchasing the SPx unit). But CAN and MODBUS channels are not free, you have to use the License button to get your computer data and request a License to Sportdevices

16.2 CAN / MODBUS License

Press copy button to get your computer data at clipboard and send an email to info@sportdevices.com

License Key will activate both: CAN BUS and MODBUS connectivity.

CAN BUS and MODBUS open a big range of channels expansion for Sportdyno data acquisition capability:
- 48 channels for ECU listener
- and 32 channels for extra analog channels.
16.3 CAN BUS

16.3.1 CAN Interface compatibility
Sportdyno is compatible with 3 commercial USB-CAN interfaces:

- **USB CAN A1+** (Chinese, cheap interface)
- **LAWICEL CAN** (intermediate price)
- **PEAK CAN** (most popular, less cheap)

Note that USB-CAN interface is not included with the price of CAN License

Once the CAN Interface type is selected, user can configure:

- **CAN baudrate** (250 Kb or 500 Kb are the most common baudrates), check the device documentation
- **Refresh rate**: it depends on the device being acquired. Most devices will work fine with a refresh date of 100 ms. Allowed range is 10 ms to 100 ms

16.3.2 CAN Listeners
Sportdyno CAN operation is based on that broadcast function is active in the device to be acquired. This is valid for CIO308 modules (analog inputs) and most ECUs, but not for OBDII CAN which has its own adapter.

16.3.2.1 CIO308 Modules Listener.
CIO308 analog device provides 8 analog inputs fully configurable for the following input types:

- 0-10V input
- 4-20 ma input
- Thermocouple K-type
- PT 100 - 2 wire - Low range
- PT 1000 - 2 wire - Low range
- Resistance measurement
SportDyno allows acquiring up to 4 CIO308 modules with IDs 1 to 4, with the channel keys from 0xD8 to 0xF8. Module “listeners” can be enabled or disabled in this window to configure / remove their corresponding channels in the test.

Default **CAN baud rate** for CIO308 is 250 Kbit. Please send an email to info@sportdevices.com to get more information about the CIO modules.

### 16.3.2.2 CAN ECU Listener.

ECU must have broadcast function active. By now, we provide two definition files for the following ECUs and modes:

- **Megasquirt short datagram** (7 datagrams, ID=1512 to 1516)
- **Megasquirt long datagram** (64 datagrams, ID=1520 to 1563)

Other ECU definition files will be added to this list.

SportDyno allows enabling / disabling the ECU listener. It will use the channels reserved for OBDII or xDS. Keys from 0x90 to 0xBF, with a total of 48 channels.

As ECU available channels can be potentially more (about 300 in Megasquirt Long Datagram) than the allocated room by SportDyno (48), the user has to configure the active channels with the dotted button (see picture above). Here available ECU channels are selected to be acquired within the test.
16.4 MODBUS
MODBUS is a classical bus in industrial automatization. It is based on a single link with RS485 differential lines (2 wires + GND optional). Thus an USB-RS485 adapter has to be used. There are lots of adapters compatible with Sportdyno, as long as they provide a virtual COM (same as for RS232 USB-serial adapters).

We have implemented compatibility with one MODBUS device to provide a cheap solution, but it is much more limited than the CAN CIO308 modules, as it has fixed 8 x 0-10V inputs, no other modes are available.

MODBUS is a protocol based on enquiry-response, not broadcast. Despite MODBUS defines standard protocols we cannot warranty that our implementation is 100% with any MODBUS module apart from the one we used. Please send an email to info@sportdevices.com to get more information about the compatible devices.

For configuring the RS485 connection, you have to find out:

- **Virtual COM.** It is assigned by Windows during the installation of the USB-RS485 adapter.
- **Device Baud Rate.** Common baud rates for MODBUS devices are 9600 and 19200 baud, but most of them can be configured with an external tool to a higher speed.
- **Refresh Interval.** Each device has a maximum allowed enquiry rate. A recommended value is 100 ms or slower.
Appendix I. What is new in this version? (Main topics)

- **SP5 Support**
- **AWD Support**
- **Data Links:**
  - OBDII Support (also integrated on Ratio calculation)
  - xDS Support (Suzuki SDS, Honda HDS, Kawasaki KDS)
  - CAN and MODBUS support
    - Analog CIO308 modules
    - CAN ECU data link
    - Analog MODBUS modules
  - Other serial links
    - OMEGA IR sensors,
    - Exhaust Gas Analyzer,
    - Power Supply telemetry (3.1)
- **Guided Test Mode.** Sportdyno will show direction messages during the test to ease the learning of test procedure to new users, to supervise dyno operation (AWD), and to minimize mistakes.
- **Configuration Management:**
  - PID configuration rearranged on PID monitor window
  - Throttle Configuration
  - Configuration supervision algorithm
  - Reviewed config loading and saving
  - Gauges Window also allows to load and save its layout
- **Improved low pass filter** for braked dynos
- **Appearance:**
  - Improved printed chart (standard HP and TQ style)
  - Renewed gauges
  - General appearance clean-up
- **Big sections of code have been rewritten for the AWD support.**