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Special Wrench for B-Nuts Reduces Torque Stress in Tubing

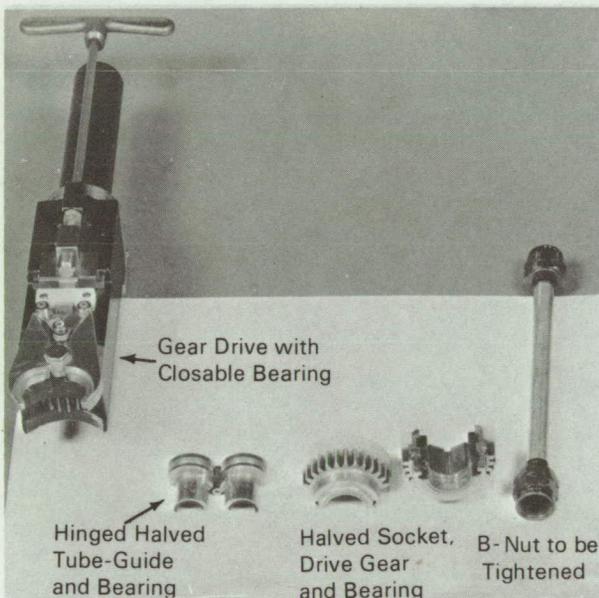


Figure 1. Unassembled Components

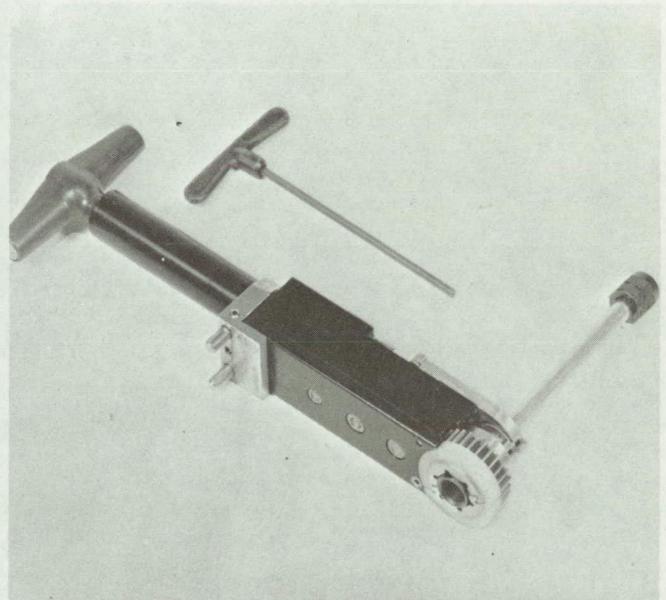


Figure 2. Wrench Assembled on a Nut

A novel gear-driven torque wrench with bearing support can be used to tighten the B-nut connection of a partially supported fluid line, with minimum stress to the adjacent tubing and fittings.

The new wrench has a unique, manually clamped, split-half socket assembly and drive, with split special gears and bearings. The guide bearing, gear and socket assembly is retained using the T-handled socket to actuate the split collar (Fig. 1). When the wrench is around the nut, the torque drive is operated by the larger handle (Fig. 2).

The wrench may be useful for working with weak or brittle lines such as glass tubing.

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