

Sensor Specifications:

1. Pressure sensor:

Details: Flexiforce Pressure Sensor - 100lbs.

Link: <https://www.sparkfun.com/products/8685>

Specifications:

4.4N(0-1lb)
111N(0-25lb)
445N(0-100lb)

In order to measure forces above 100 lb (up to 1000 lb), apply a lower drive voltage (-0.5 V, -0.10 V, etc.) and reduce the resistance of the feedback resistor (1k Ω min.) Conversely, the sensitivity can be increased for measurement of lower forces by increasing the drive voltage or resistance of the feedback resistor.

Communication Protocol: analog-in pins

Arduino Sample Code:

```
// Reads A0 every 100ms and sends voltage value over serial

void setup()
{
  // Start serial at 9600 baud
  Serial.begin(9600);
}

void loop()
{
  // Read the input on analog pin 0:
  int sensorValue = analogRead(A0);

  // Convert the analog reading (which goes from 0 - 1023)
  to a voltage (0 - 5V):
  float voltage = sensorValue * (5.0 / 1023.0);

  // Print out the value you read:
  Serial.println(voltage);

  // Wait 100 milliseconds
  delay(100);
}
```

2. Voltage sensor:

Details: Phidgets Precision Voltage Sensor

Link: <http://www.robotshop.com/en/phidgets-precision-volt-sensor.html>

Specifications:

- Measures voltage from -30V to +30V
- Current Consumption: 3.6mA
- Typical Error: $\pm 0.7\%$
- RoHS compliant

Communication Protocol: analog-in pins

3. Current sensor:

Details: Pololu $\pm 5A$ ACS714 Current Sensor

Link: <http://www.robotshop.com/en/pololu-5a-accs715-current-sensor.html>

Specifications:

Current sense: 0.185 V/A

- Effect based linear current sensor
- logic voltage: 4.5 V - 5.5 V
- Supply current: 13 mA
- Two mounting holes on the logic side

Communication Protocol: analog-in pins