

Force Sensors

FSS Low Profile Force Sensors

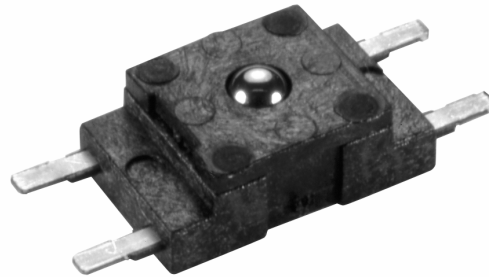
FS Series

FEATURES

- True Surface Mount Technology
- Maximum peak reflow temperature of 260 °C [500 °F]
- Compact, commercial grade package
- Robust performance characteristics
- Adaptable package design
- Precision force sensing
- Reliability rated at 20 million MCTF at 25 °C [77 °F]
- Electrically ratiometric output
- Extremely low deflection (30 microns typ. @ Full Scale)
- High ESD resistance 8 kV
- Available signal conditioning
- Optional terminal configurations

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

- Medical infusion pumps
- Ambulatory noninvasive pump pressure
- Occlusion detection
- Kidney dialysis machines
- Load and compression sensing
- Variable tensions control
- Robotic end-effectors
- Wire bonding equipment



The FS Series sensors provide precise reliable force sensing performance in a compact commercial grade package at a cost effective price. The sensor features a proven sensing technology that uses a specialized piezoresistive micromachined silicon sensing element. The low power, unamplified, uncompensated Wheatstone bridge circuit design provides inherently stable mV outputs over the force range.

Force sensors operate on the principle that the resistance of silicon-implanted piezoresistors will increase when the resistors flex under any applied force. The sensor concentrates force from the applications, through the stainless steel ball, directly to the silicon-sensing element. The amount of resistance changes in proportion to the amount of force being applied. This change in circuit resistance results in a corresponding mV output level change.

The sensor package design incorporates patented modular construction. The use of innovative elastomeric technology and engineered molded plastics result in load excitation capacities of 4.5/5.5 kg over-force. The stainless steel ball provides excellent mechanical stability and is adaptable to a variety of applications. The FSS sensor delivered 20 million operations in Mean Cycles to Failure (MCTF) reliability testing at 50 °C [122 °F]. This test determines the number of possible sensor operations at full scale until failure. Various electric interconnects can accept prewired connectors, printed circuit board mounting, and surface mountings. The unique sensor design also provides a variety of mounting options that include mounting brackets, as well as application specific mounting requirements.

WARNING

PERSONAL INJURY

DO NOT USE these products as safety or emergency stop devices or in any other application where failure of the product could result in personal injury.

Failure to comply with these instructions could result in death or serious injury.

WARNING

MISUSE OF DOCUMENTATION

- The information presented in this product sheet is for reference only. Do not use this document as a product installation guide.
- Complete installation, operation, and maintenance information is provided in the instructions supplied with each product.

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PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS @ 5.0 ± 0.01 Vdc Excitation*, 25 °C [77 °F]

| Parameter | Min. | Typical | Max. | Units |
|---|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| Null Offset | -15 | 0 | +15 | mV |
| Operating Force | 0 | – | 1500 | grams |
| Sensitivity. | 0.1 | 0.12 | 14 | mV/gram |
| Linearity (B.FS.L.)** | – | ± 1.5 | – | % span |
| Repeatability @ 300 g | – | ± 10 | – | grams |
| Null Shift | | | | |
| 25 °C to 2 °C [77 °F to 35.6 °F] | – | ± 0.5 | – | mV |
| 25 °C to 40 °C [77 °F to 104 °F] | – | ± 0.5 | – | mV |
| Sensitivity Shift | | | | |
| 25 °C to 50 °C [77 °F to 122 °F] | – | 5.5 | – | % span |
| 25 °C to 0 °C [77 °F to 32 °F] | – | 5.5 | – | % span |
| Input Resistance | 4.0 K | 5.0 K | 6.0 K | Ohms |
| Output Resistance | 4.0 K | 5.0 K | 6.0 K | Ohms |
| Overforce | – | – | 4,500 | grams |
| ESD (direct contact, terminals and plunger) | 8 | – | – | kV |

* Non-compensated force sensors, excited by constant current (1.5 mA) instead of voltage, exhibit partial temperature compensation of Span.

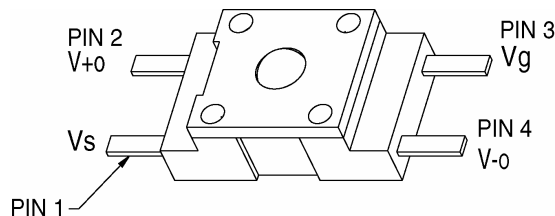
** BFS.L: Best Fit Straight Line

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS

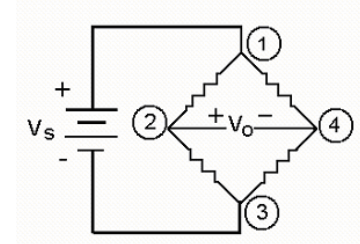
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|-----------------------|---|
| Operating temperature | -40 °C to 85 °C [-40 °F to 185 °F] |
| Storage temperature | -40 °C to 100 °C [-40 °F to 212 °F] |
| Shock | Qualification tested to 150 g |
| Vibration | Qualification tested to 0 to 2 kHz, 20 g sine |
| MCTF | 20 million at 25 °C [77 °F] |
| Solderability | 5 sec at 315 °C [599 °F] per lead |
| Output ratiometric | Within supply range |

Note: All force related specifications are established using dead weight or compliant force.

SENSOR PINOUT



EXCITATION SCHEMATIC Excitation 5 Vdc Typ., 12 Vdc Max.



FS SERIES CIRCUIT

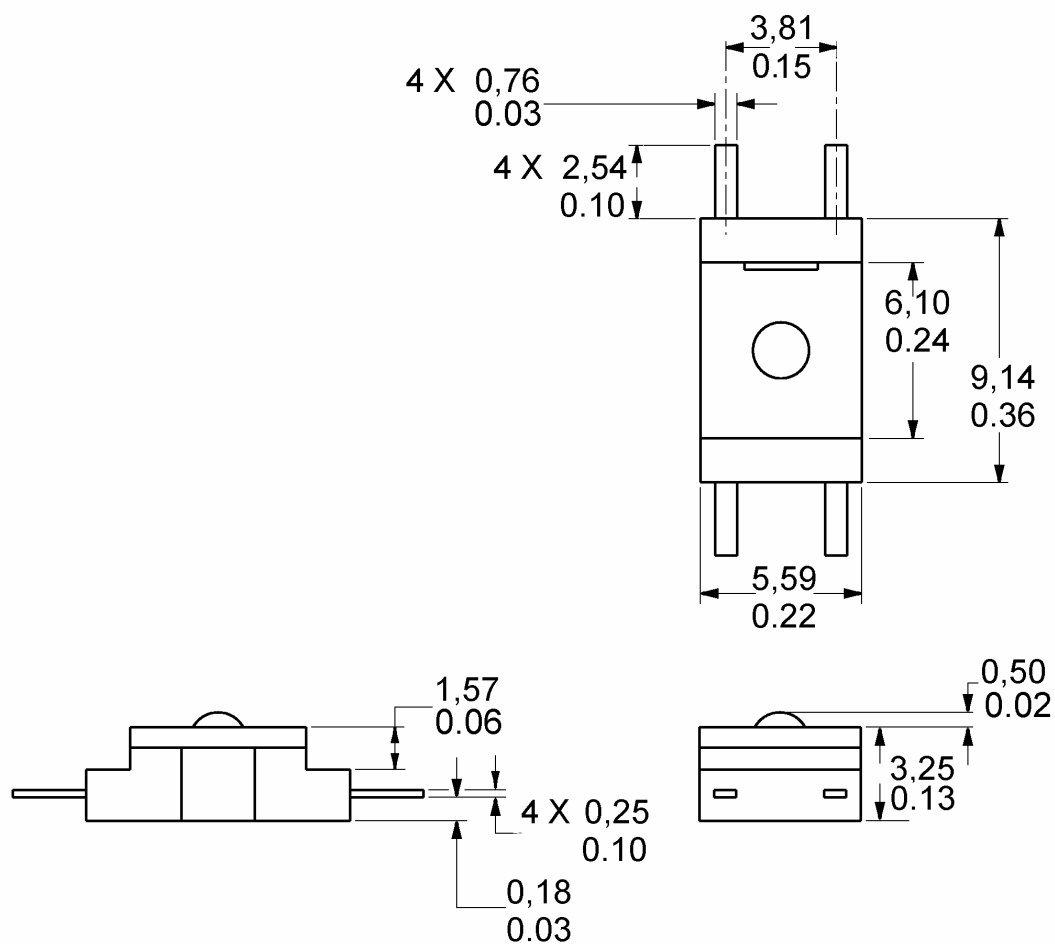
1. Circled numbers refer to sensor terminals (pins).
Pin 1 = Supply V_s (+)
Pin 2 = Output V_o (+)
Pin 3 = Ground V_g (-)
Pin 4 = Output V_o (-)
2. The force sensor may be powered by voltage or current. Maximum supply voltage is not to exceed 12 volts. Maximum supply current is not to exceed 1.6 mA. Power is applied across Pin 1 and Pin 3.
3. The sensor output should be measured as a differential voltage across Pin 2 and Pin 4 ($V_o = V_2 - V_4$). The output is ratiometric to the supply voltage. Shifts in supply voltage will cause shifts in output. Neither Pin 2 nor Pin 4 should be tied to ground or voltage supply.

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MOUNTING DIMENSIONS (for reference only) mm/in



DESCRIPTION

| Catalog Listing | Packing Style |
|-----------------|---------------|
| FSS1500NST | Tube |
| FSS1500NSB | Bubble Pack |
| FSS1500NSR | Tape and Reel |

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