

Introduction to Soft Robotics

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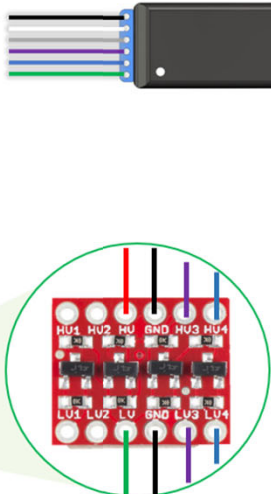
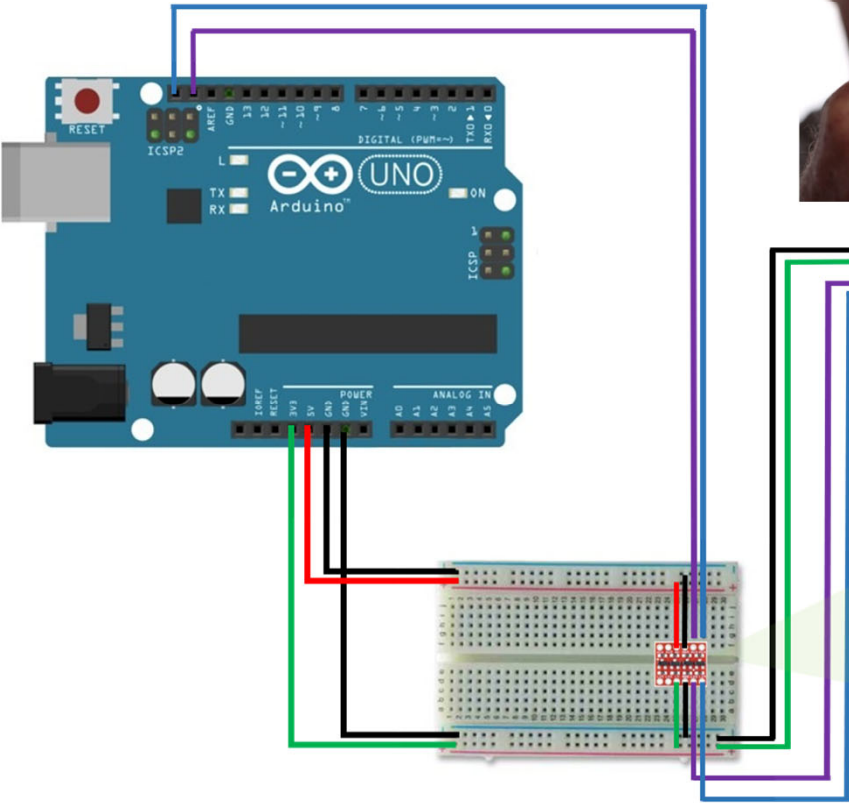
Tutorial 1: Bendlabs sensor



bendlabs

One Axis

Sensor Specifications	Electrical Specifications
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dimensions: 100mm x 7.62mm x 1.27mm (3.94in x 0.30in x 0.05in)- Average Sensitivity: 0.274 pF/°- Repeatability: 0.18°- Life Cycle: >1M cycles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Sensitivity: 0.016° LSB- Voltage: 1.62 - 3.63V- Output: I²C



4-channel Logic Level Converter

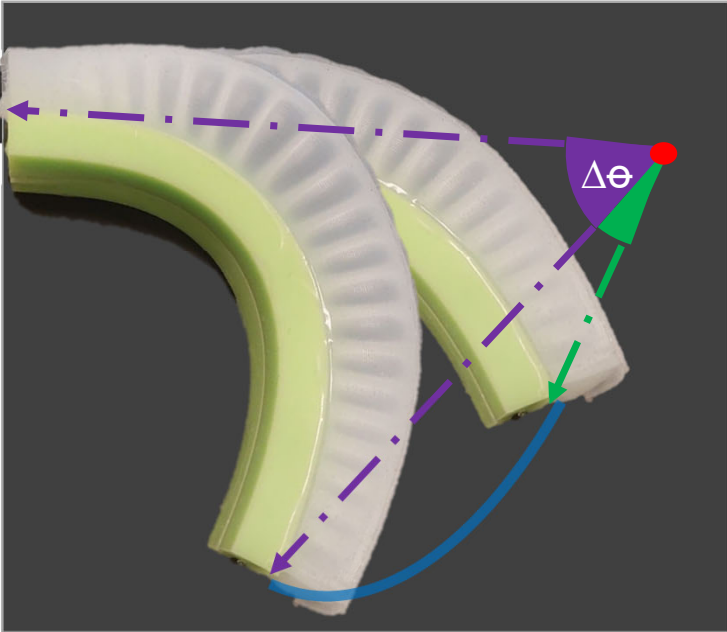


Figure 1. Bendlabs sensor – Logic Level Converter – Arduino connection diagram

Code Information

Arduino libraries

- Download ads Arduino driver at [GitHub Link](#)
- Copy folder **ads_driver** into **Arduino/Libraries** folder
- Open the **ads.h** file located at **ads_driver** folder
- Change the command **ADS_DFU_CHECK(1)** to **ADS_DFU_CHECK(0)**
- Save the changes
- Download **SoRo_Tutorial_1** sketch at [GitHub Link](#)

Arduino Calibration

- Compile and Upload **SoRo_Tutorial_1** sketch at Arduino Uno Device
- Open the serial monitor
- Put the Bendlabs sensor in the 0° position
- Type **0** and press **Enter**
- Put the Bendlabs sensor in the 90° position
- Type **9** and press **Enter**

Tutorial 2: MPX5100 Integrated Silicon Pressure Sensor

MPX5100, 0 to 100 kPa, Differential, Gauge, and Absolute, Integrated, Pressure Sensor

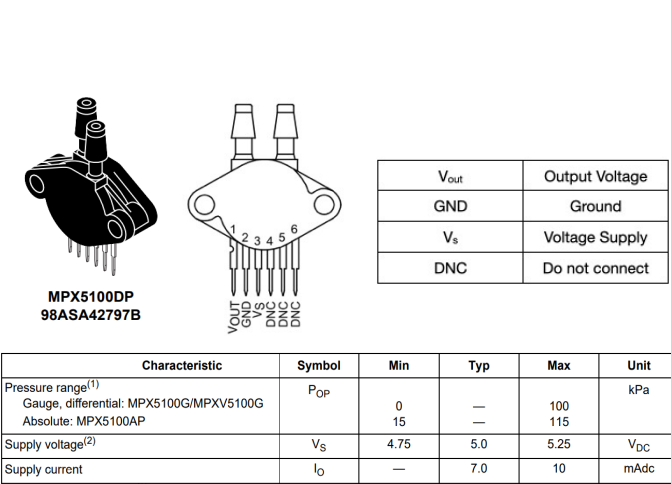


Figure 1. MPX5100DP Pinout (top view), Pin functions, and mechanical and electrical specifications

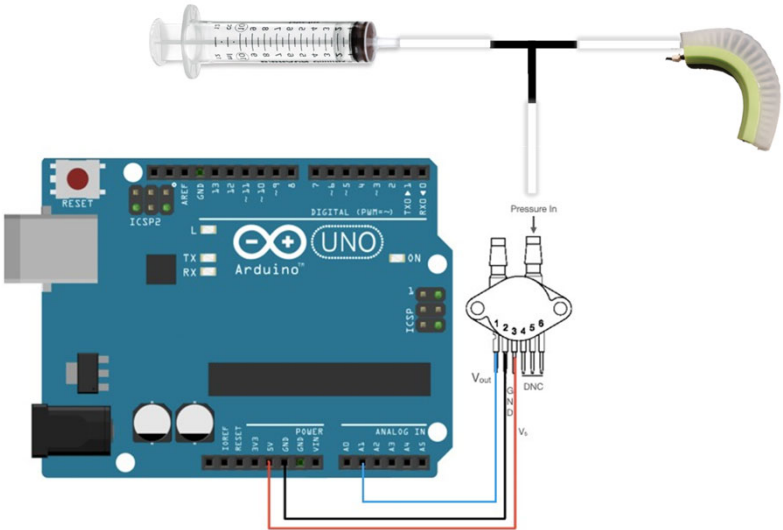


Figure 2. MPX5100DP – Arduino connection diagram

Nominal Transfer Value:

$$V_{OUT} = V_S (P \times 0.009 + 0.04) \pm (\text{Pressure Error} \times \text{Temp. Mult.} \times 0.009 \times V_S)$$

$V_S = 5.0 \text{ V} \pm 0.25 \text{ V}$

Figure 8. Transfer function (MPX5100D, MPX5100G, MPXV5100G)

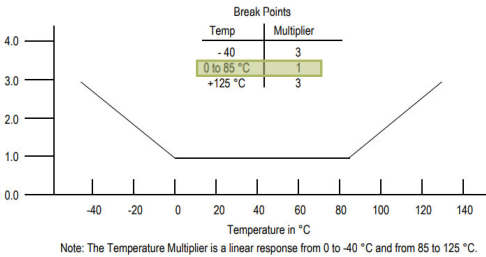


Figure 9. Temperature error multiplier (MPX5100D, MPX5100G, MPXV5100G)

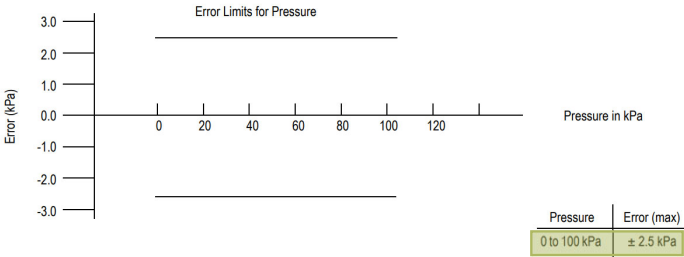


Figure 10. Pressure error band (MPX5100D, MPX5100G, MPXV5100G)

Code Information

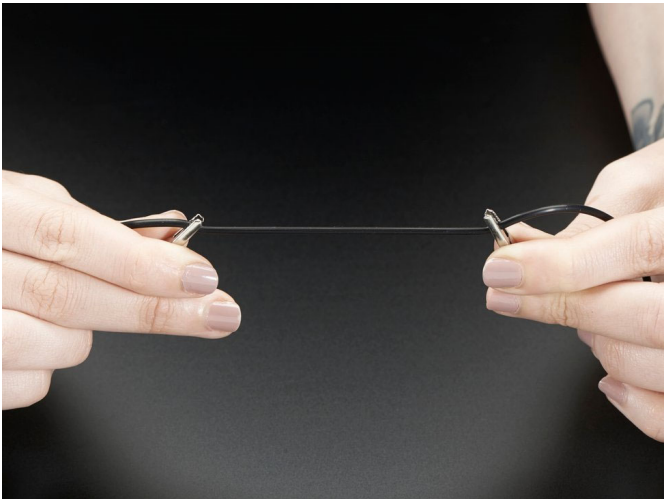
Arduino Calibration and plotting

```
//Pressure sensor calibration factors  MPX5100 Series Integrated Silicon Pressure Sensor analog input (0 to 100 kPa)  Vout=Vs(P * 0.009 + 0.04),  Vs=5V = 1024,  P =  
  
const float SensorOffset = 4.44; //pressure sensor offset  
const float SensorGain = 0.109;  // pressure sensor proportional relation
```

```
// read the input on analog pin 1:  
float pressure_sensorValue = (analogRead(PRESSURE_SENSOR)*SensorGain-SensorOffset); //Do maths for calibration
```

```
Serial.print(sample[0]);    // Angle data  
Serial.print(",");  
Serial.print(pressure_sensorValue);    // pressure data in kpa  
Serial.print(",");  
Serial.println(resistance_sensorValue); // Stretch data
```

Tutorial 3: Conductive Rubber Cord Sensor



TECHNICAL DETAILS

Length: approximately 1 meter = 39 inches
Diameter: 2mm
Resistance: 350-400 ohms per inch / 140 - 160 ohms per centimeter

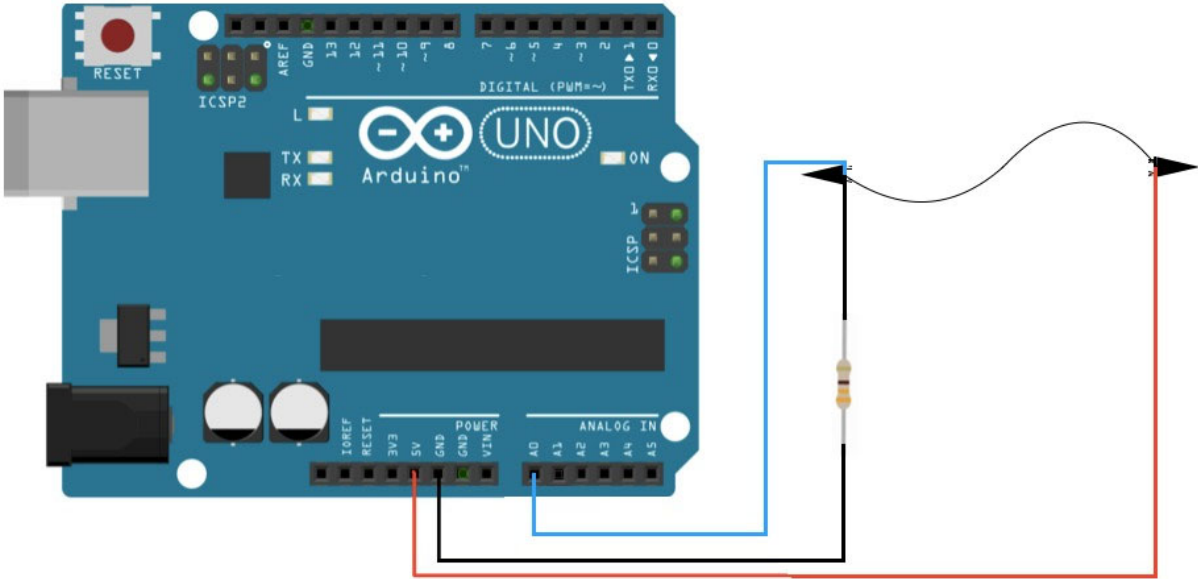


Figure 1. Conductive Rubber Cord Sensor – Arduino connection diagram

Code Information

Arduino Calibration and plotting

```
//Pressure sensor calibration factors |  
  
const float SensorOffset2 = 330; //pressure sensor offset  
const float SensorGain2 = 337590; // pressure sensor proportional relation
```

```
// read the input on analog pin 0:  
float resistance_sensorValue = (SensorGain2/analogRead(RUBBER_SENSOR)-SensorOffset2); //Do maths for calibration
```

```
Serial.print(sample[0]); // Angle data  
Serial.print(",");  
Serial.print(resistance_sensorValue); // pressure data in kpa  
Serial.print(",");  
Serial.println(resistance_sensorValue); // Stretch data
```