FlexiForce® Standard Force & Load Sensors Model # A201



Physical Properties

Thickness 0.208 mm (0.008 in.) Length 197 mm (7.75 in.)*

optional trimmed lengths: 152 mm (6 in.), 102 mm (4 in.), 51 mm (2 in.)

Width 14 mm (0.55 in.)

9.53 mm (0.375 in.) diameter Sensing Area

Connector 3-pin Male Square Pin (center pin is inactive)

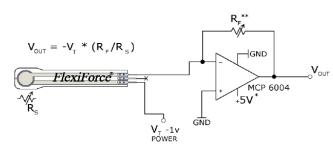
Substrate Polyester (ex: Mylar) Pin Spacing 2.54 mm (0.1 in.)

Standard Force Ranges (as tested with circuit shown below)

0 - 1 lb. (4.4 N) 0 - 25 lb. (110 N) 0 - 100 lb. (440 N)*

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 ($1k\Omega$ min.) Conversely, the sensitivity can be increased for measurement of lower forces by increasing the drive voltage or resistance of the feedback resistor.

Recommended Circuit



- Supply Voltages should be constant
- ** Reference Resistance R_F is $1k\Omega$ to $100k\Omega$
- Sensor Resistance $\rm R_{_{\rm S}}at$ no load is $\rm > 5 M\Omega$
- Max recommended current is 2.5mA

Typical Performance

Linearity (Error) $< \pm 3\%$

Repeatability $< \pm 2.5\%$ of full scale Hysteresis < 4.5 % of full scale

Drift < 5% per logarithmic time scale

Response Time < 5µsec

15°F - 140°F (-9°C - 60°C) **Operating Temperature**

*Force reading change per degree of temperature change = $\pm 0.2\%$ /°F (0.36%/°C)

**For loads less than 10 lbs., the operating temperature can be increased to 165°F (74°C)

High-temp model (HT201) available, functioning in environments up to 400°F (204°C)

Evaluation Conditions

Line drawn from 0 to 50% load

Conditioned sensor, 80% of full force applied Conditioned sensor, 80% of full force applied

Constant load of 25 lb (111 N)

Impact load, output recorded on oscilloscope

Time required for the sensor to respond to an input force



^{*} Length does not include pins, please add 31.75 mm (0.25 in.) for pin length to equal a total length of 203.2 mm (8 in.).