Pressure sensors

Pressure transmitters for PCB mounting (voltage output)

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Description

- TDK pressure transmitters are based on our inhouse designed and produced piezo-resistive pressure sensing elements (MEMS Technology).
- The T-series electronic compensates non-linearity and temperature errors and supplies a highly accurate calibrated output signal with a high immunity against electromagnetic influences (EMI).

Features

- Suitable for gauge measurement:
  Air, non-aggressive gases (gas humidity 0...100% r.h.) and non-aggressive fluids.
  Unsuitable for substances which react with glass, silicon, stainless steel, silicone glue ($p_r \leq 10$ bar) or epoxy glue ($p_r > 10$ bar).
- Voltage output proportional to pressure: 0.5…4.5 V
- RoHS-compatible
- Dual-in-line package for PCB mounting

Dimensional drawings

Type KD for gauge pressure
(4.8mm tube fitting)

Type KC for gauge pressure
(M5 thread connection)

Dimensions in mm
1. Technical data

**Absolute maximum ratings**

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<td>% FS/K</td>
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2. Characteristics

Simple output (ACR)

\[ V_{AD} + V_{FS} \]

\[ V_{AD} \]

\[ 0 \]

\[ p_r \]

Symmetrical output (ACS)

\[ V_{AD} + \frac{1}{2} V_{FS} \]

\[ V_{AD} \]

\[ -p_r \]

\[ 0 \]

\[ +p_r \]

3. Connection diagram

![Connection diagram](image)

4. Terminal assignment

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<td>Output signal</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>5...8</td>
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<th>Pressure measurement</th>
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<td>Rated pressure ( p_r ) bar</td>
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<td>[0.250]</td>
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<td>[1.000]</td>
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<td>ACR 0.100 KD V4 TN L D</td>
<td>ACR 0.250 KD V4 TN L D</td>
<td>ACR 0.400 KD V4 TN L D</td>
<td>ACR 1.000 DC V4 TN L D</td>
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Other rated pressures upon request
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6. Symbols and terms

1) Storage temperature range $T_{st}$
A storage of the pressure sensor within the temperature range $T_{st,min}$ up to $T_{st,max}$ and without applied pressure and supply voltage will not affect the performance of the pressure sensor.

2) Operating temperature range $T_a$
An operation of the pressure sensor within the temperature range $T_{a,min}$ up to $T_{a,max}$ will not affect the performance of the pressure sensor.

3) Compensated temperature range $T_c$
While operating the pressure sensor within the temperature range $T_{c,min}$ up to $T_{c,max}$, the deviation of the output signal from the values at 25 °C will not exceed the temperature coefficients. Out of the compensated temperature range, the deviations may increase.

4) Rated pressure $p_r$
Within the rated pressure range 0 up to $p_r$ (symmetrical output: $-p_r$ up to $+p_r$) the signal output characteristic corresponds to this specification.

5) Over pressure $p_{ov}$
Pressure cycles within the pressure range 0 up to $p_{ov}$ will not affect the performance of the pressure sensor.

6) Supply voltage $V_{CC}$
$V_{CC,max}$ is the maximum permissible supply voltage, which can be applied without damages. $V_{CC,min}$ is the minimum required supply voltage, which has to be applied for normal operation.

7) Signal output current $I_A$
$I_{A,max}$ is the maximum permissible sink current of the signal output. Exceeding (e.g. short circuit) may cause irreparable damages.

8) DC voltage resistance $V_{is}$
The pressure sensor withstands a high voltage between the stainless steel pressure connection and the electrical connection $V_{CC}$, $V_A$ and GND (all short circuited) without damage.

9) Offset $V_{A0}$
The offset $V_{A0}$ is the signal output $V_A (p = 0)$ at zero pressure.

10) Signal span (Full Scale)
Simple output: $V_{FS} = FS = V_A (p_r) - V_{A0}$
Symmetrical output: $V_{FS} = FS = V_A (+p_r) - V_A (-p_r)$

11) Non-linearity L (including pressure hysteresis)
The non-linearity is the deviation of the real sensor characteristic $V_A = f(p)$ from the ideal straight line. It can be approximated by a polynomial of second order, with the maximum at $p_x = p_r / 2$.
The equation to calculate the non-linearity is:

$$L = \frac{V_A (p_r) - V_{A0}}{V_A (p_r) - V_{A0}} \cdot p_r$$

12) Response time $t_{10-90}$
Delay between a pressure change (10…90% $p_r$) and the corresponding signal output change (10…90% FS).

13) Supply voltage rejection SVR
While varying the supply voltage within the range $V_{CC,min}$ up to $V_{CC,max}$ at constant pressure and temperature, the signal output change will not exceed SVR$_{max}$.

14) Temperature hysteresis
The temperature hysteresis is the change of offset, starting from the value at 25 °C after a temperature change and return to 25 °C. Determined during temperature cycles in operating temperature range (cycles with 1 K/min).

15) Temperature coefficients of offset $TCV_{A0}$
Offset at temperature $T_x$: $V_{A0}(T_x) = V_{A0}(25 °C) + V_{FS}(25 °C) \cdot TCV_{A0}$
Values are valid within the compensated temperature range $T_{C,min}$ up to $T_{C,max}$.
Out of the compensated temperature range, the deviation may increase.

16) Temperature coefficients of span $TCV_{FS}$
Span at temperature $T_x$: $V_{FS}(T_x) = V_{FS}(25 °C) \cdot [1 + (TX - 25 °C) \cdot TCV_{FS}]$
Values are valid within the compensated temperature range $T_{C,min}$ up to $T_{C,max}$.
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Cautions and warnings

Storage (general)

All pressure sensors should be stored in their original packaging. They should not be placed in harmful environments such as corrosive gases nor exposed to heat or direct sunlight, which may cause deformations. Similar effects may result from extreme storage temperatures and climatic conditions. Avoid storing the sensor dies in an environment where condensation may form or in a location exposed to corrosive gases, which will adversely affect their performance. Plastic materials should not be used for wrapping/packing when storing or transporting these dies, as they may become charged. Pressure sensor dies should be used soon after opening their seal and packaging.

Operation (general)

Media compatibility with the pressure sensors must be ensured to prevent their failure. The use of other media can cause damage and malfunction. Never use pressure sensors in atmospheres containing explosive liquids or gases.

Ensure pressure equalization to the environment, if gauge pressure sensors are used. Avoid operating the pressure sensors in an environment where condensation may form or in a location exposed to corrosive gases. These environments adversely affect their performance.

If the operating pressure is not within the rated pressure range, it may change the output characteristics. This may also happen with pressure sensor dies if an incorrect mounting method is used. Be sure that the applicable pressure does not exceed the over pressure, as it may damage the pressure sensor.

Do not exceed the maximum rated supply voltage nor the rated storage temperature range, as it may damage the pressure sensor.

Temperature variations in both the ambient conditions and the media (liquid or gas) can affect the accuracy of the output signal from the pressure sensors. Be sure to check the operating temperature range and thermal error specification of the pressure sensors to determine their suitability for the application.

Connections must be wired in accordance with the terminal assignment specified in the data sheets. Care should be taken as reversed pin connections can damage the pressure transmitters or degrade their performance. Contact between the pressure sensor terminals and metals or other materials may cause errors in the output characteristics.

Design notes (dies)

This specification describes the mechanical, electrical and physical requirements of a piezoresistive sensor die for measuring pressure. The specified parameters are valid for the pressure sensor die with pressure application either to the front or back side of the diaphragm as described in the data sheet. Pressure application to the other side may result in differing data. Most of the parameters are influenced by assembly conditions. Hence these parameters and the reliability have to be specified for each specific application and tested over its temperature range by the customer.
**Handling/ Mounting (dies)**

Pressure sensor dies should be handled appropriately and not be touched with bare hands. They should only be picked up manually by the sides using tweezers. Their top surface should never be touched with tweezers. Latex gloves should not be used for handling them, as this will inhibit the curing of the adhesive used to bond the die to the carrier. When handling, be careful to avoid cuts caused by the sharp-edged terminals. The sensor die must not be contaminated during manufacturing processes (gluing, soldering, silk-screen process).

The package of pressure sensor dies should not be opened until the die is mounted and should be closed after use. The sensor die must not be cleaned. The sensor die must not be damaged during the assembly process (especially scratches on the diaphragm).

**Soldering (transducers, transmitters)**

The thermal capacity of pressure sensors is normally low, so steps should be taken to minimize the effects of external heat. High temperatures may lead to damage or changes in characteristics. A non-corrosive type of flux resin should normally be used and complete removal of the flux is recommended. Avoid rapid cooling due to dipping in solvent. Note that the output signal may change if pressure is applied to the terminals during soldering.

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