

RS-232 Signal Conditioner for Electrolytic Tilt Sensors

Part Number: 1-6200-006

Operating Specifications

Communications	RS-232
Analog Input Resolution	16 bits (10 bits oversampled)
Operating Range	0% to 100% of sensor range
Supply Voltage	3.3 V DC to 5 V DC
Supply Current	16 mA @ 5 V DC, 11 mA @ 3.3 V DC
Operating Temperature	-40 °C to 85 °C
Storage Temperature	-40 °C to 125 °C
Sensors Controlled	1 or 2
Axes of Measurement	1 or 2
Temperature Sensor Range	-40 °C to 125 °C

Physical Characteristics

Housing	None
Electrical Connections	7 Pin, 2.54 mm (0.1") spacing
Weight	4 g
Length	32 mm (1.25")
Width	32 mm (1.25")
Hole Center	27 mm (1.05")

Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
1-6200-006	Signal Conditioner, 1 or 2 Axis, RS-232

Compatible With

Part Number	Description
0717-4313-99	Tilt Sensor, ±50°, 2 Axis
0717-4315-99	Tilt Sensor, ±60°, 2 Axis
0717-4318-99	Tilt Sensor, ±60°, 2 Axis
0717-4319-99	Tilt Sensor, ±50°, 2 Axis
0717-4321-99	Tilt Sensor, ±40°, 2 Axis
0717-4322-99	Tilt Sensor, ±45°, 2 Axis
0717-4323-99	Tilt Sensor, ±50°, 2 Axis
0703-1602-99	Tilt Sensor, ±25°, 1 Axis
0703-0711-99	Tilt Sensor, ±3°, 1 Axis

Related Products

Part Number	Description
1-6200-005	Signal Conditioner, 1 or 2 Axis, SPI
1-6200-007	Signal Conditioner, 1 or 2 Axis, Analog/PWM
1-6200-008	Signal Conditioner, 1 or 2 Axis, RS-485
1-6200-012	Signal Conditioner, 1 or 2 Axis, Analog/RS-232

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Description

The 1-6200-006 RS-232 signal conditioner can be used with any Fredericks electrolytic tilt sensor. This signal conditioner can be connected to a dual-axis tilt sensor or 1 or 2 single-axis tilt sensors to provide single or dual-axis position measurement over the sensor's range.

Fredericks [0717 series wide range tilt sensors](#) can be mounted directly to the PCB for a complete inclinometer solution. Single-axis sensors must be mounted externally to the PCB and connected with wires.

Key Features and Benefits

- Very low power consumption
- Simple integration into a new or existing design
- Excellent resolution and repeatability of measurements
- -40 °C to 85 °C operating temperature for industrial applications
- Live text and video chat technical support

Applications

- [Recreational vehicle \(RV\) leveling systems](#)
- [Geotechnical and structural monitoring](#)
- [Construction tools, laser leveling](#)
- [Construction machinery and equipment](#)

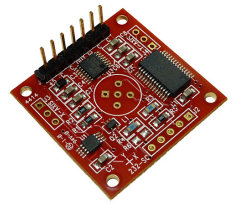
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RS-232 Settings

Baud Rate	9600
Data Bits	8
Parity	None
Stop Bits	1

RS-232 Commands

'X'	X axis output (0 to 65535)
'Y'	Y axis output (0 to 65535)
'T'	Temperature output (0 to 1023)
'S'	Output X, Y, temperature at set intervals
'R'	Stop timed interval output
'1' to '5'	Delay (in seconds) for set intervals
'@' 'Z' '#'	Set current position as zero
'&' 'C' '*'	Clear saved zero position



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Electrical Connections

J1 Pin 1 (+5)	Supply (+)
J1 Pin 2 (C)	Supply (-)
J1 Pin 3 (C)	Ground
J1 Pin 4 (OUT)	RS-232 transmit (TX)
J1 Pin 5 (IN)	RS-232 receive (RX)
J1 Pin 6 (C)	Ground
J1 Pin 7 (C)	Ground
L1	Dual axis sensor connection
J3	Single axis sensor x axis connection
J4	Single axis sensor y axis connection

Converting Temperature Values

The board temperature output is a 10-bit value (0 to 1023). To convert that value to a temperature in °C, use the following equation:

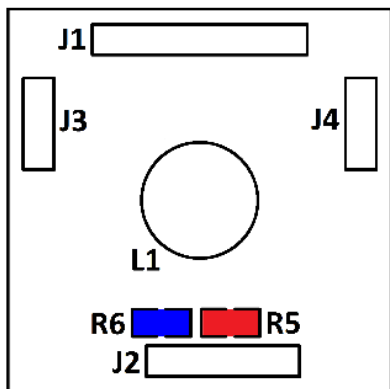
$$\text{Temperature in } ^\circ\text{C} = (((\text{output}/1023) * \text{supply voltage}) - 0.5) / 0.01$$

Board Configuration

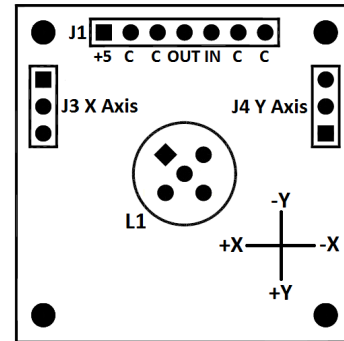
The 1-6200-006 signal conditioner can be configured to operate one dual-axis sensor or two single-axis sensors. Dual-axis sensors can be mounted directly to the board, whereas single-axis sensors must be mounted off the board and connected with wires.

The board must be configured for either dual-axis sensors or single-axis sensors. This configuration is determined by the resistor values of R5 and R6.

- For a dual-axis sensor: R5 (red) is 10 kΩ, R6 (blue) is not installed (open circuit). The sensor is connected to L1.
- For single-axis sensors: R5 (red) is not installed (open circuit), R6 (blue) is 1 kΩ. Sensors are connected to J3 and J4.

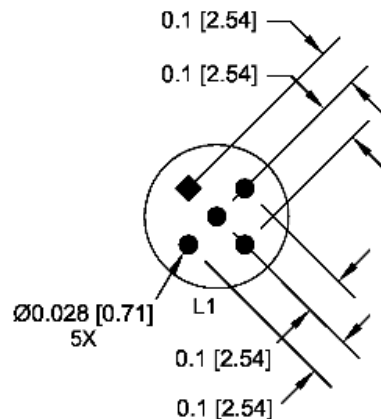
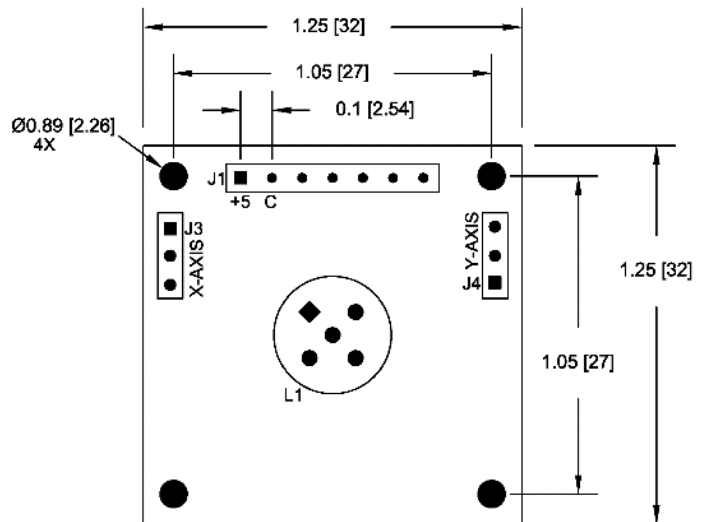


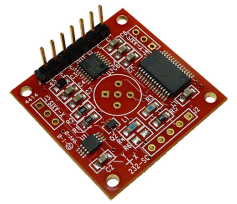
Pin Diagram and Direction of Measurement



Note that the direction of measurement only applies when a dual axis sensor is mounted on the PCB.

Dimensional Drawings





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Example RS-232 Command and Response Byte Values

Retrieve X axis tilt value which returns 32768 (0° tilt):

Command

Byte	0
ASCII	X
Hex	0x58

Response

Byte	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
ASCII	3	2	7	6	8	<lf>	<cr>
Hex	0x33	0x32	0x37	0x36	0x38	0x0A	0x0D

Additional Documentation

AN1000	Electrolytic Tilt Sensor Excitation
AN1001	Temperature Compensation of Electrolytic Tilt Sensors
AN1003	Configuring Tera Term to Use with TFC Tilt Products
AN1005	Converting Tilt Angle to Degrees
AN1006	Obtaining Measurements from TFC Signal Conditioners

Certifications and Ratings

- RoHS Compliant

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