

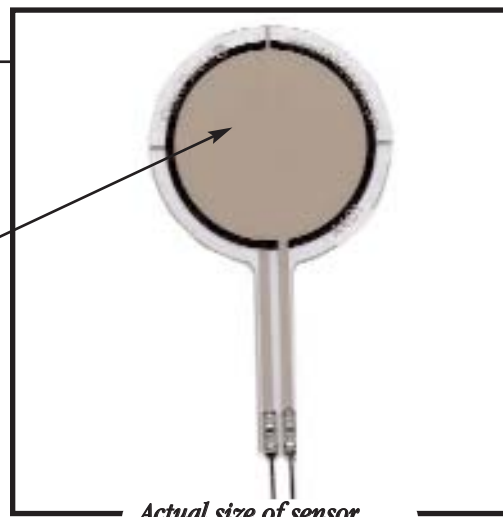
FlexiForce®

Standard Force & Load Sensors Model # A401

Physical Properties

Thickness	0.208 mm (0.008 in.)
Length	56.8 mm (2.24 in.)
Width	31.8 mm (1.25 in.)
Sensing Area	25.4 mm (1 in.) diameter
Connector	2-pin Male Square Pin
Substrate	Polyester (ex: Mylar)
Pin Spacing	2.54 mm (0.1 in.)

Sensing area



Standard Force Ranges (as tested with circuit shown below)

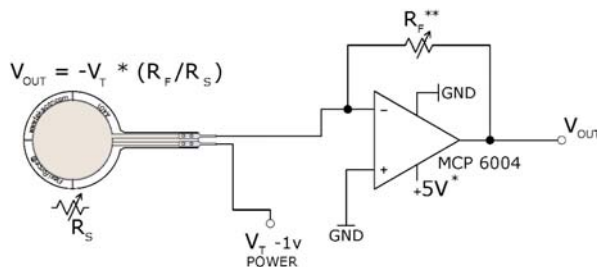
Force Range:

0 - 25 lb. (110 N)

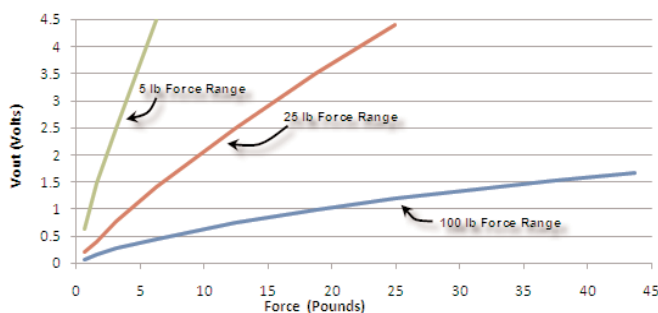
Force Range Adjustments

Measurement ranges of 0-1 lb and 0-7000 lb are achievable with the A401 sensor by utilizing the recommended circuitry. The force range can be extended by reducing the drive voltage, V_T , or the resistance value of the feed-back resistor, R_F . Conversely, the sensitivity can be increased for measurement of lower forces by increasing V_T or R_F .

Recommended Circuit



- * Supply Voltages should be constant
- ** Reference Resistance R_F is 1kΩ to 100kΩ
- Sensor Resistance R_S at no load is >5MΩ
- Max recommended current is 2.5mA



Typical Performance

Linearity (Error)	< ±3%
Repeatability	< ±2.5% of full scale
Hysteresis	< 4.5 % of full scale
Drift	< 5% per logarithmic time scale
Response Time	< 5 μsec

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

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

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

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