The FOD is Ideal for long-term structural deformation monitoring or for surface mounting across joints and cracks.

Description

The FOD optic linear position and displacement transducer is an absolute position transducer that provides highly precise position and displacement measurements.

The FOD is the fiber optic version of the Linear Variable Differential Transformer (LVDT), but unlike it, the FOD requires no electrical signal and associated wiring. The FOD is completely immune to EMI and RFI and carries no risk of current leakage or ignition.

The FOD can be located kilometers away from the signal conditioner. These characteristics make the FOD well suited for difficult-to-reach locations and hazardous environments such as those containing explosive materials or prone to lightning strikes.

Our unique design is based on Fabry Perot interferometer principle. By connecting this device to one of our Fabry-Perot fiber optic readout units or dataloggers, it becomes an absolute position and displacement transducer.

Its compact size, immunity to EMI/RFI, resistance to corrosive environments, high accuracy and reliability make it the best choice for linear position and displacement measurements.

Key Features

- High resolution
- Intrinsically safe
- Immune to EMI/RFI
- Rugged waterproof stainless steel housing for outdoor use

Applications

- Crackmeter: Determining crack opening in concrete and masonry structures
- Jointmeter: Measure expansion joint movements
- Measuring fault movements in rock

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Specifications

Control unit

- Linear stroke: 20 mm or 40 mm (spring-loaded shaft)
- Accuracy: 0.01% FS
- Resolution: 0.002 mm
- Volumetric resolution: 0.01 cc
- EMI/RMI susceptibility: Intrinsic immunity

Cable: CFO-3STD
Housing material: Aluminum or stainless steel
Connector: ST
Operating temperature: -40 to +80°C
Dimensions (length × O.D.): 144 mm × 19 mm (other sizes available)

Sensor Configurations

Ordering Information

Please specify:
- Model
- Probe dimension
- Fiber Optic Cable length
- Type of anchoring
- Fiber optic readouts instruments