General Description

The OMEGA® PX138 Series uses state-of-the-art micro-machined silicon pressure sensors in conjunction with stress-free packaging techniques to provide highly accurate, temperature-compensated pressure transducers for the most demanding applications. When operated from an 8 Vdc regulated power source, they provide a 1 to 6 Vdc output. Other regulated voltages from 7 to 16 volts can be used, but the output will change in proportion to the excitation.

PX138 pressure transducers are available in absolute and differential models. Differential models can also be used to measure gage pressure or vacuum by simply varying the pressure connections. To measure gage pressure, make the pressure connection to port B and leave port A open to the atmosphere. For vacuum measurement, connect to port A and leave port B open. When using absolute models, connect to port A.

Available Models

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PX138 Pinouts

1 = + Excitation (Black dot is next to pin 1)
2 = Common
3 = + Signal
4 = No Connection
Read Before Installation

Fluid hammer and surges can destroy any pressure transducer and must always be avoided. A pressure snubber should be installed to eliminate damaging hammer effects. Fluid hammer occurs when a liquid flow is suddenly stopped, as with quick-closing solenoid valves. Surges occur when flow is suddenly begun, as when a pump is turned on at full power or a valve is quickly opened. Liquid surges are particularly damaging to pressure transducers if the pipe is originally empty. To avoid damaging surges, fluid lines should remain full (if possible), pumps should be brought up to power slowly, and valves should be opened slowly. To avoid damage from both fluid hammer and surges, a surge chamber and a pressure snubber should be installed on every transducer.

Symptoms of fluid hammer and surge’s damaging effects:
1. Pressure transducer exhibits an output at zero pressure (large zero offset). If zero offset is less than 10% FS, user can usually re-zero meter, install proper snubber, and continue monitoring pressures.
2. Pressure transducer output remains constant regardless of pressure.
3. In severe cases, there will be no output.
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Specifications

Excitation Voltage: 8 Vdc (7 to 16 limits)
Output: 1 to 6 V (@ 8 V excitation)
Linearity and Hysteresis: ±0.1% FS typical, 0.5% max. (0.5% typ., 1% max. for 0.3 psi range)
Repeatability: ±0.1% FS typical, 0.3% max.
Zero Balance Diff: 3.5 Vdc ±0.05 Vdc (@ 8 V excitation)
Abs: 1 Vdc ±0.05 Vdc (@ 8 V excitation)
Storage Temperature: -40 to 125°C (-40 to 257°F)
Compensated Temp. Range: 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F)
Zero Temp. Effects: ±0.5% FS (±1% FS for 0.3 psi)
Span Temp. Effects: ±0.5% FS (±1% FS for 0.3 psi)
Proof Pressure: >3X FS pressure
Burst Pressure: >5X FS pressure
Common Mode Pressure: 50 psi
Media Compatibility: For use with clean, dry, non-corrosive gases
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WARNING: These products are not designed for use in, and should not be used for, human applications.

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FOR WARRANTY RETURNS, please have the following information available BEFORE contacting OMEGA:

1. Purchase Order number under which the product was PURCHASED,
2. Model and serial number of the product under warranty, and
3. Repair instructions and/or specific problems relative to the product.

FOR NON-WARRANTY REPAIRS, consult OMEGA for current repair charges. Have the following information available BEFORE contacting OMEGA:

1. Purchase Order number to cover the COST of the repair,
2. Model and serial number of the product, and
3. Repair instructions and/or specific problems relative to the product.

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