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Force Column Load Cell FCL

USER'S MANUAL



Read the user's manual carefully before starting to use the unit or software.
Producer reserves the right to implement changes without prior notice.

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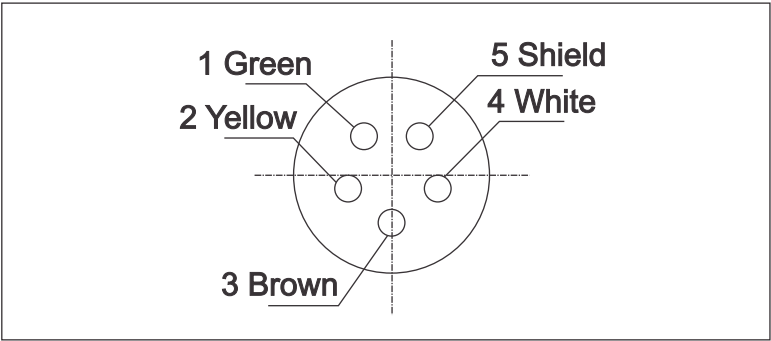
1. Technical Specification


Model	FCL
Rated capacity(R.C.)	0.5tf, 1tf, 3tf, 5tf
Rated output(R.O.)	1mV/V
Nonlinearity	0.5% of R.O.
Hysteresis	0.5% of R.O.
Repeatability	0.1% of R.O.
Creep	0.05% of R.O.
Zero balance	±2% of R.O.
Excitation recommended	10V (max. excitation 15V)
Terminal resistance input , output	350Ω±1%
Insulation resistance bridge	2000MΩ
Temperature range, compensated	-10~60°C
Temperature range, safe	-20~80°C
Temp. effect on rated output	±0.01% of LOAD/10°C
Temp. effect, on zero balance	±0.02% of R.O./10°C
Safe overload	120% R.C..
Connector Cable	Standard Ø5mm 4core, 2mtr
	Contact Factory for longer length
Ingress Protection	IP65 (for higher rating contact factory)
Weight	300 gm

02. Electrical Connection

The FCL output signal is mV/V based on strain gauges. An amplifier is required for condition the signal. All DC amplifiers and carrier-frequency amplifiers designed for strain gauge measurement systems can be used.


Connection to Amplifier



5 Pin	Function
Pin 1	Signal Positive (Sig +Ve)
Pin 2	Signal Negative (Sig -Ve)
Pin 3	Excitation Positive (Exc +Ve)
Pin 4	Excitation Negative (Exc -Ve)
Pin 5	Shield 

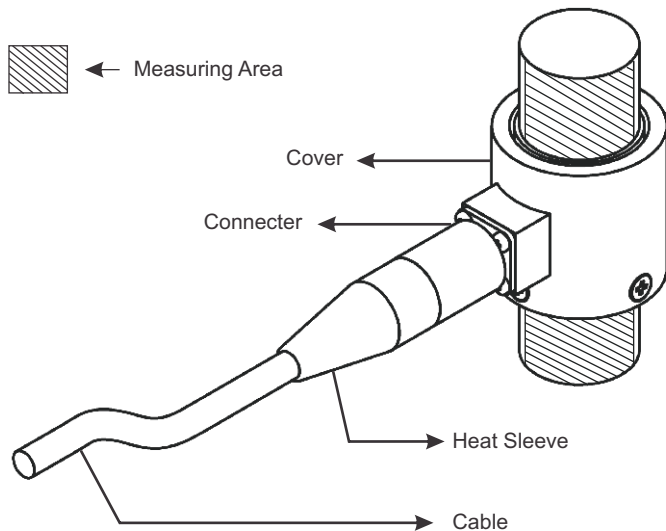
02. Electrical Connection

Free cable ends

Wire	Function
Green	Signal Positive (Sig +Ve)
Yellow	Signal Negative (Sig -Ve)
Brown	Excitation Positive (Exc +Ve)
White	Excitation Negative (Exc -Ve)
Aluminium Color	Shield 

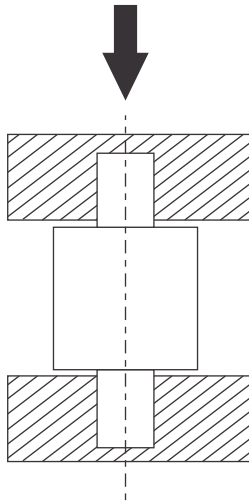
The output signal is positive for the above connection. If negative output is required, interchange the polarity of output signal.

03. Product Description

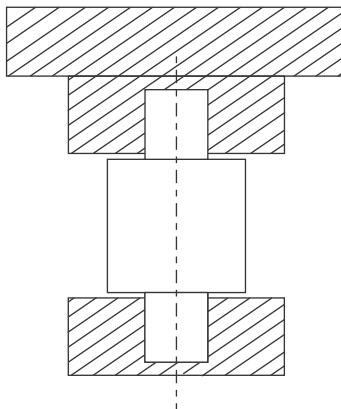


04. Procedure

Load must be in center in-line whether its compression (or) tension force.

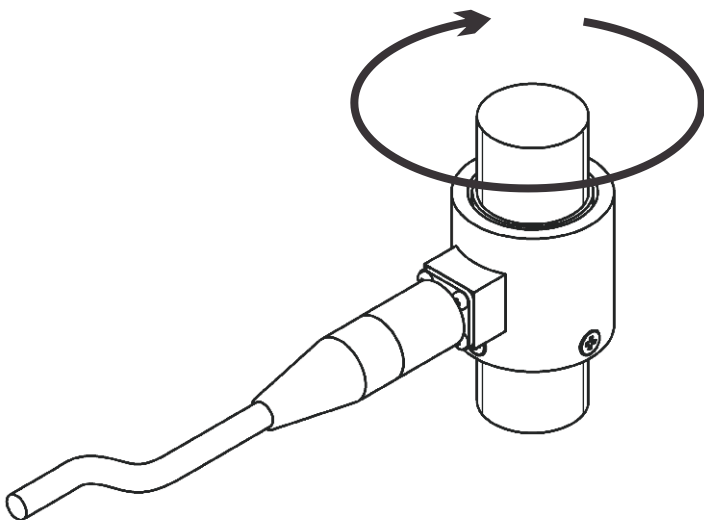


Load must be flat and parallel when compensating linkages are not used



04. Procedure

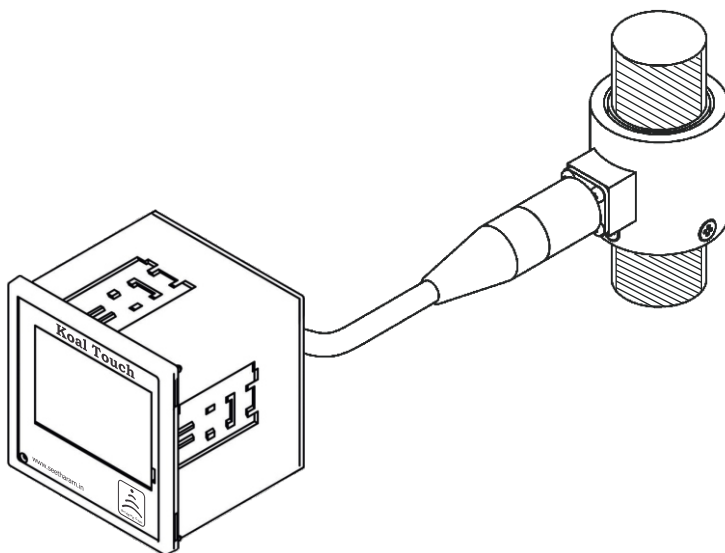
TORQUE DURING INSTALLATION



Capacity (kgf)	Torque (NM)
100	1000
200	2000
500	5000
1000	10000
2000	20000
3000	30000
5000	50000
10000	100000

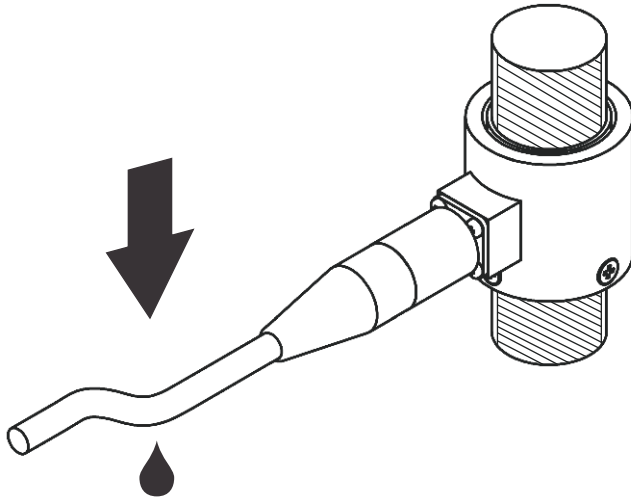
05. Safety

- When installing the sensor, connect it to an instrument and monitor the output to prevent possible overload.
- If not sure about force to be measured. Use feedback control to prevent sensor from overloaded.



In an environment with a high amount of moisture or humidity, create a drip loop on the cable to prevent any water from flowing into the sensor.

05. Safety



- Study do's and don't
- Make connection according to color code of sensor connection to amplifier.
- Make measurements

06. Precautions

- Do not install the control lines or communication cables together with the main circuit lines or power cables. Keep a distance of 100mm or more between them. Failure to do so may result in malfunction due to noise.
- With cable extensions, ensure that connection is perfect with low contact resistance and continue to connect the cable shield extensively.
- Stray current can destroy the load cell therefore do not pass welding current through the load cells. But never weld closer than 1.2 meter (4 feet) to any load cell without removing the load cell.

Note

- Protection class of your force transducer will decrease if the cable connection is not tight and water can penetrate in the cable. Transducers can be irreparably damaged and fail in these circumstances.
- When several force transducers are interconnected, the load/force distribution is not always uniform.

07. ⚠ Warning

The transducer must not be modified from the design or safety engineering point of view except with our express agreement. Any modification shall exclude all liability on our part for any damage resulting there from.

08. ✓ DO'S

- Visual inspection of product.
- Use stable power supply to prevent high voltage surges.
- Do not remove or tamper the covers of your sensor.
- Monitor the temperature of the environment to ensure that it does not exceed the Sensors operating temperature.
- Use flat, parallel and clean mounting surfaces. A dirty environment or an uneven surface can easily distort your data.
- The warming-up period of the sensor is approximately 5 minutes.
- Make sure that the load you apply on your Load Cell is applied in-line
- For Hydraulic or Pneumatic Pressure applications, slowly monitor the load on the Load Cell to avoid a dynamic overload
- If you think the Load Cell was overloaded, check the zero
- If several bolts are used to mount the sensor, make sure to tighten them down in a 12 o'clock, 6o'clock, 9 o'clock, and 3 o'clock in a cross like manner (the same technique that is used when bolting your tires).
- The sensor package should have included a Calibration Certificate. This is a very important document detailing the calibration data unique to your sensor

09. ☑ DON'T

- Exceeding the following
 - a. Limit force
 - b. Lateral limit forces
 - c. Bending and torsional torques
 - d. Breaking forces
 - e. Permissible dynamic loads
 - f. Temperature limits
 - g. Electrical load limits
- Pull or yank on the Load Cell cable.
- Placing heavy fixtures on the Load Cell that may overload it. Again, very critical for low capacity models.
- Pinching and flexing the cable may cause damage, especially if it's left in such a position for extended periods.

10. EMC Protection

Electrical and magnetic fields can often induce interference voltages in the measuring circuit. Please comply with the measuring circuit. Please comply with the following points:

- Use shielded low-capacitance measurement cables only.
- Do not route the measurement cable parallel to power lines and control circuits. If this is not possible, protect the measurement cable with metal tubing.
- Avoid stray fields from transformers, motors and contact switches
- Please note that compensating currents flowing across the cable shield can cause significant interferences. If the sensor and its evaluation unit have different electrical potentials, an electrical connection with very low resistance must be provided.
- Connect all devices in the measurement chain to the same grounded conductor.
- Always connect the cable shield extensively on the amplifier side, to create the best possible faraday cage.