

Nano Strain Gauge

The Invisible Touch for Precise Force Sensing

Description	Features
<p>Potentially the smallest commercially available strain sensor in a wheatstone bridge configuration. Measures forces where no space for conventional techniques are available. The sensor can either be printed directly onto your material or subassembly, or be integrated within a thin film.</p> <p>The size of a full wheatstonebridge can be reduced to a ultimately area of only a few micrometres. This enables the possibility to make literally any material or subassembly force-sensitive. digid's sensor delivers exceptional performance with a high gauge factor flexibility for a wide range of applications.</p> <p>The nano strain gauge, makes force measurements possible on devices where is was not accessible before. Enabling new opportunities for automation and data gathering for e.g. predictive maintenance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Sensitivity (e.g. 400 N/V on MEMS) • Wheatstonebridge footprint: 100 x 100 μm^2 • Adjustable Impedance from kΩ to 100MΩ • High impedance strain gauge enables usage of ultra thin wires due to neglectible wire resistance • Optimized for low power applications • Wide temperature range • Thermal output: $\pm 1 \mu\text{strain/K}$ uncompensated • Long term stable • Vector Force Components customizable • Printable on various components • Available as full/ half/ quarter bridge configuration • Fully encapsulated sensor and traces
Application flexibility	
<p>Ideal for tailored solutions in multiple industries, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • medical • automotive • aerospace • industrial automation 	

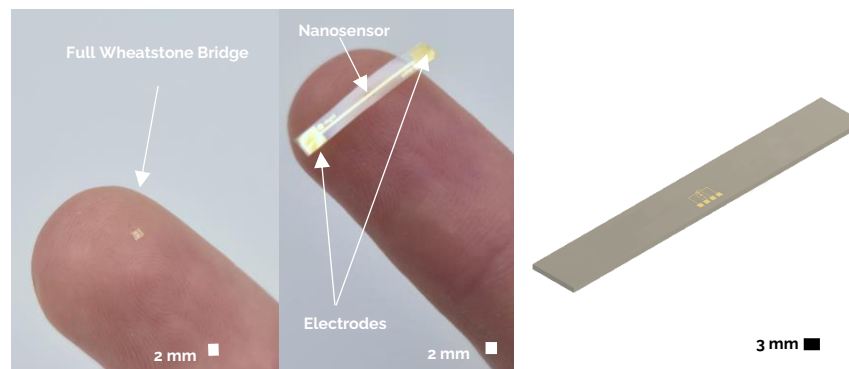


Figure 1: Polyimide based strain gauges with the digid nanosensor technology. **Left:** Wheatstone bridge sensor in $0.5 \times 0.8 \text{ mm}^2$ size and single stain gauge sensor (**middle**). **Right:** Custom made force sensor on a metallic subassembly.

General Specifications	
Accuracy	1%
Precision	nN
Resolution	Customer specific (depends on sampling rate)
Sensitivity [V/N]	400
Reliability	>> 1e9 bending cycles
Material Substrate	Si-based, Metals, Polymers, Ceramics, Glass
Base Resistivity [Ω]	k Ω to 100M Ω
Operating Temperature [$^{\circ}\text{C}$]	-250 to +250
Temp Effect on Output [$\mu\epsilon/\text{K}$]	2 bewteen 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Excitation Vottage [V]	0.010 to 3.8
Wiring per singel sensor	2 wires, 50 AWG
Wiring per Wheatstone Bridge	4 wires, 50 AWG
Contact	Soldering, Conductive Expoy, wireonding
Gauge Factor	>10
Individual Sensor footprint [nm^2]	10 x 10

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