

Reflective Fiber Optic Displacement Sensor Circuit



Overview

FDS (Reflective Optical Fiber Displacement Sensor) based on intensity modulation. The former is used for detection by interference principle of coherent light, so it has a good performance.

Key Takeaways

A reflective fiber optic displacement sensor uses a light source, transmitting and receiving fibers, a reflective surface, and a photoelectric conversion circuit to measure displacement based on reflected light intensity.

Working Principle

Reflective fiber optic displacement sensors operate on intensity modulation. Light from a source, typically an LED, is transmitted through a fiber to a reflective surface. The reflected light is collected by a receiving fiber, and the intensity of this light varies with the distance or angular displacement of the reflector relative to the fiber end face ().

The sensor can measure linear or angular displacement depending on the probe design (). The sensor typically has three regions of operation: Blind region: Very close to the fiber, minimal light is received. Linear region: Partial overlap of reflected light with the receiving fiber, producing a linear relationship between displacement and received intensity.

Non-linear region: At larger distances, the relationship becomes non-linear ().

Circuit Design

The circuit for a reflective fiber optic displacement sensor generally includes:

Photoelectric Conversion Circuit: Converts the optical signal from the receiving fiber into a voltage signal. This may include a photodiode or phototransistor with amplification stages (). **Signal Amplification:** Pre-amplifier and intermediate amplifier stages boost the weak optical signal to a measurable voltage level ().

Filtering: Band-pass filters remove noise and unwanted frequency components to improve signal quality ().

AC to RM

S Conversion: Converts the AC signal from the photodetector into a DC voltage proportional to displacement (). **Data Acquisition:** The amplified and filtered signal can be fed into a data acquisition system, such as a LabVIEW-controlled platform, for real-time measurement and analysis ().

Design Considerations

Fiber Geometry: The spacing, radius, and numerical aperture of transmitting and receiving fibers affect sensitivity and linearity (). **Reflector Surface:** Plane or concave reflectors influence the modulation characteristics and blind region size ().

Robustness: Taguchi methods or simulation-based optimization can be used to make the sensor insensitive to noise and manufacturing tolerances ().

Linearity: Using differential or dual-fiber configurations can improve linearity over a limited measurement range ().

Practical Implementation

A typical setup includes: Transmitting fiber connected to an LED light source. Receiving fiber connected to a photodetector circuit. Reflective target whose displacement is to be measured.

Amplifier and filter circuit to condition the signal. Data acquisition system for visualization and analysis (). By carefully designing the fiber arrangement, reflector geometry, and signal processing circuit, reflective fiber optic displacement sensors can achieve high sensitivity, compact size, and immunity to electromagnetic interference, making them suitable for industrial and laboratory applications ().

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Photograph of prototype for fiber optic displacement sensor. (a) Overlap area for $s = 0$; (b) Overlap area for $s = S1 (>0)$. Performance parameters with asymmetrically inclined fibers sensor

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Optical fiber is comprised of a central core with a high refractive index surrounded by cladding with a low refractive index. When light enters the core, repetitive total internal reflection at the boundary of the

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