

# RMS and peak acceleration loop powered sensors

## PC420A series

Wilcoxon's PC420A series sensors provide a 4-20 mA output proportional to vibration, allowing for continuous trending of overall machine vibration. This trend data alerts users to changing machine conditions and helps guide maintenance in prioritizing the need for service. The choice of RMS or peak output allows you to choose the sensor that best fits your requirements.



**Table 1: PC420Ax-yy model selection guide**

| x (4-20 mA output type)                  | yy (4-20 mA full scale) |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| R = RMS output, acceleration             | 05 = 5 g                |
| P = calculated peak output, acceleration | 10 = 10 g               |
|                                          | 20 = 20 g               |
|                                          | 50 = 50 g               |

**Note:** True peak output is available on PC420ATP series models.

### Key features

- True RMS or calculated peak output
- Easily integrated into existing process control systems
- Intrinsically safe certified and explosion-proof models available
- True peak output available
- Manufactured in an approved ISO 9001 facility

### Certifications



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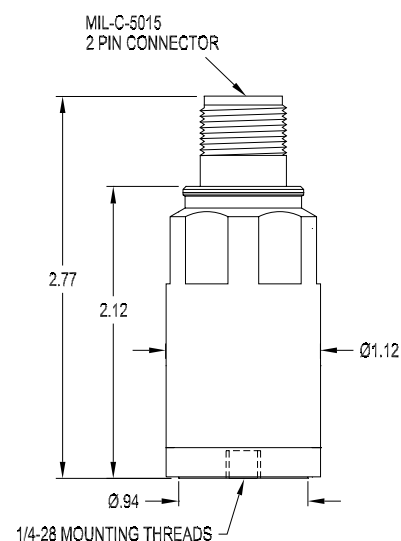
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### SPECIFICATIONS

|                                             |                                    |                  |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Full scale, 20 mA, ±5%                      | see Table 1 on page 1              |                  |
| Frequency response:                         | ±10%                               | 10 Hz - 1.0 kHz  |
|                                             | ±3 dB                              | 1.0 Hz - 2.0 kHz |
| Repeatability                               | ±2%                                |                  |
| Transverse sensitivity, max                 | 5%                                 |                  |
| Power requirements, 2-wire loop power:      |                                    |                  |
| Voltage at sensor terminals                 | 12 - 30 VDC                        |                  |
| Loop resistance <sup>1</sup> at 24 VDC, max | 700 Ω                              |                  |
| Turn on time, 4-20 mA loop                  | <30 seconds                        |                  |
| Grounding                                   | case isolated, internally shielded |                  |
| Operating temperature range                 | -40° to +105° C                    |                  |
| Vibration limit                             | 250 g peak                         |                  |
| Shock limit                                 | 2,500 g peak                       |                  |
| Sealing                                     | hermetic                           |                  |
| Sensing element design                      | PZT, shear                         |                  |
| Weight                                      | 160 grams                          |                  |
| Case material                               | stainless steel                    |                  |
| Mounting                                    | 1/4-28 tapped hole                 |                  |
| Output connector                            | 2 pin, MIL-C-5015 style            |                  |
| Mating connector                            | R6 type                            |                  |
| Recommended cabling                         | J9T2A                              |                  |

Accessories supplied: SF6 mounting stud (metric mounting available); calibration data (level 2)

| Connections       |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Function          | Connector pin |
| loop positive (+) | A             |
| loop negative (-) | B             |
| ground            | shell         |



**Notes:** <sup>1</sup> Maximum loop resistance ( $R_L$ ) can be calculated by:

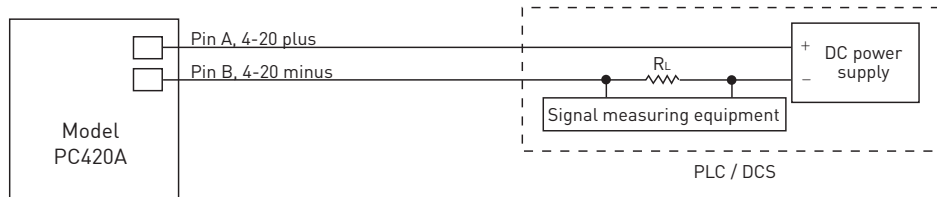
$$R_L = \frac{V_{DC \text{ power}} - 10 \text{ V}}{20 \text{ mA}}$$

| DC supply voltage | $R_L$ (max resistance) <sup>2</sup> | $R_L$ (minimum wattage capability) <sup>3</sup> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 12 VDC            | 100 Ω                               | 1/8 watt                                        |
| 20 VDC            | 500 Ω                               | 1/4 watt                                        |
| 24 VDC            | 700 Ω                               | 1/2 watt                                        |
| 26 VDC            | 800 Ω                               | 1/2 watt                                        |
| 30 VDC            | 1,000 Ω                             | 1/2 watt                                        |

<sup>2</sup> Lower resistance is allowed, greater than 10 Ω recommended.

<sup>3</sup> Minimum  $R_L$  wattage determined by:  $(0.0004 \times R_L)$ .

Typical circuit



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