Installation instructions for Differential Pressure Sensor
Delta-P
Part-No. 60100

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Differential Pressure Sensor Delta-P for Particulate Filter Applications

The pressure sensor described underneath is mainly used to monitor the soot loading of a particulate filter on a diesel engine or gas turbine. The signal of the sensor is not sufficient to determine an optimized timing for regeneration of the DPF. It is part of a soot loading model that should be calculated permanently by the ECU. The sensor helps to determine the content of ashes remaining permanently in the filter. The soot loading model should be calculated in the background with the differential pressure as one of several inputs. Further input values are:

- engine load
- EGT (exhaust gas temperature)
- backpressure

The triggering of the regeneration only based on the sensor signal is not recommended due to the following reasons:

- Increase of tolerances at high and low temperatures
- signal drift over lifetime
- filter overloading if sensor fails

Usually the arithmetic soot loading model triggers the filter regeneration. Additionally time controlled regeneration should be implemented as a back-up system to avoid filter overloading in any case. During regeneration of an overloaded filter extremely high temperatures easily melt ceramic of metal filter systems. **Fire Danger!** The remaining ashes after regeneration cycles can be determined with the differential pressure sensor. The soot loading model can then be adjusted to the increasing ash content.

The installation place of the sensor has to ensure that the gas temperature never exceeds 130°C. Cooling loops or prolonging the tube system helps to adjust the temperature management. The sensor has a very quick response time.

**Technical Data:**

- Pressure measuring range (p1..p2): 100 kPa
- Operating temperature: -40°C...+135°C
- Energy consumption: 10 mA max.

**Electrical connection:**

The pinning is engraved in the connector housing:

Pin 1: supply voltage Vcc +5V stabilized provided by ECU
Pin 2: Ground
Pin 3: Output 0...+5V

The molded connector is similar to a standard connector by AMP/Tyco. For the opposite connection the following Tyco parts are required:

- 1 pcs 1813271-1 Body
- 3 pcs 964274-3 Terminal
- 3 pcs 964971-1 Grommet

Adapting connectors to wires can optionally done by EngineSens Motorsensor according to your requirements.
Signal output

Linear output 0.5... 4.6 V depending on differential pressure. The range 0V...0.2V is reserved for a diagnosis signal. In an analogue way the upper range 4.8V...5.0V is also reserved for sensor diagnosis.

Nominal signal Output

The signal output is described by a linear function:

\[ U = (0.82 \times \Delta p + 10) \times 0.05 \text{ [V/kPa]} \]

Where:
- \( U \) = signal output voltage [V] DC
- \( \Delta p \) = differential pressure [kPa]

Example with \( \Delta p = 70 \text{ kPa} \):

\[ U = (0.82 \times 70 \text{ kPa} + 10) \times 0.05 \text{ V/kPa} = 67.4 \text{ kPa} \times 0.05 \text{ V/kPa} = 3.37 \text{ V} \]

A pre-resistor is required if the sensor diagnosis should be activated. OBD capabilities and open circuit can only be detected in conjunction with a 5 kΩ resistor. This resistor has to be applied as shown in the sketch underneath.
**Lifetime**

A differential pressure sensor is a part with limited lifetime. The pressure sensing cell consists of oxide ceramics and is resistant against exhaust gases. Nevertheless a lifetime expectation of 120,000 km in normal vehicle use can be considered as average.

**Installation Instructions**

Similar to an oxygen probe it has to be avoided that water and condensate can damage the interior of the sensor. Therefore the sensor should be mounted with the hose connections showing downwards. The flanged hose is to be routed within a cone of 20° from the vertical. Attention Off-Road-Vehicles: The sensor must not be installed below wading depth of the vehicle. Avoid stone crush and water impact areas!

The force of the hose on the housing must not exceed 40 N. During operation the pulling force of the hose onto the socket is limited to 20 N per nozzle. The maximum gas temperature is limited to 130°C.

The untreated exhaust gas flows through a hose to the 8 mm port. The cleaned exhaust gas after filter goes through a 6 mm hose to the low-pressure port. Hose clamps are used to fix the hoses. (Not included) 

EngineSens Motorsensor offers precisely fitting formed hoses with aluminium cover as accessory (part-no. 60102).

![Differential pressure sensor with hoses part-no. 60102](image)

**Tolerance**

Typical tolerances of a new product are in the range of ±1.2%...1.6% of the output signal. At the end of lifetime ca. 0.4% have to be added.

**Tolerance expansion factor**

In the range +10°C...+85°C the standard tolerance of ±1.6% output is valid. In the range +85°C...+140°C this tolerance increases continously from 1.0 (@ +85°C) to factor 1.75 (@ +140°C) of the standard tolerance. In the range −40°C...+10°C it is vice versa. See diagram below.

![tolerance expansion](image)

**Response Time**

Response Time $\tau_{90} < 10$ ms

The response time is defined as time from zero to max. 90% pressure difference.
Limitations

The storage temperature is limited to +145°C. This temperature must never be exceeded even if the sensor is installed on the vehicle. It is important that the heat dissipation of a stopped hot engine does not overshoot the limits of the sensor probe. The maximum tolerable pressure difference is 200 kPa.

The described sensor probe is used in many variants on diesel engines of the Volkswagen Group. These variants have all different fixing points. Our part offers the opportunity to use two different points for the screw. This gives a lot of flexibility. Usually a screw M6x20 is sufficient to install the sensor properly.

Always good success!

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