HORIZONTAL IN-PLACE INCLINOMETER SYSTEM

GEOKON®



Model 6185 Biaxial MEMS Tilt Sensors.

APPLICATIONS

The remote, continuous, and automatic monitoring of:

- The stability of structures, underground openings, and foundations
- The stability of tank foundations and subway tunnels
- Ground movements and differential settlements in, around and above tunnels and underground openings



GeoNet Addressable Data Logger

OPERATING PRINCIPLE

The basic principle of operation is the utilization of MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems) tilt sensors to make accurate measurements of inclination over segments of an inclinometer casing installed under the structure being studied.

The Model 6185 Horizontal In-Place Inclinometer System consists of a string of Biaxial MEMS Tilt Sensors, installed in sections of stainless steel tubing, which are manufactured to customer-selected lengths (see table on next page). Spring-loaded wheel assemblies, located between each segment, allow the inclinometer to positively engage the vertically oriented grooves of the inclinometer casing¹ in which it is installed. The entire string is normally affixed to the end of the casing by a mounting bracket.

Each segment in the inclinometer string is mechanically connected with quick-connect ball joints and electrically connected by means of waterproof connectors on a four-wire bus cable. The cable from the outermost sensor connects the string to the chosen readout (PC, data logger, SCADA system, etc.).

The output from each string consists of calibrated tilt readings and temperatures for each sensor, which can be easily imported into MS Excel, or other inclinometer visualization software, without the need to convert raw data into engineering units.

¹ Fits any standard casing with groove diameter from 58 mm to 90 mm.

ADVANTAGES

MEMS tilt sensors operate over a wide angular range, with high sensitivity, and excellent long-term stability. In addition, their low profile and low mass makes them very resistant to shock loads.

Digital inclinometer systems offer greater noise immunity than analog types and are capable of signal transmission over cable lengths up to 1200 m, depending on the number of sensors in the string.

Other advantages of automated In-Place Inclinometer readings include the ability for increased frequency of readings, which can be critical for online (real-time) monitoring applications.

Addressable In-Place Inclinometer systems also allow the user to

optimize the spatial resolution within the borehole by allowing for different gauge lengths in the same string.

Inclinometers can be customized to meet your needs. Our staff will work with you throughout the process Common customizations include sensor length, sensor spacing, materials, etc.

DATA ACQUISITION

The Model 6185 Horizontal In-Place Inclinometer System uses industry standard Modbus® Remote Terminal Unit (RTU) protocol to communicate, in particular. It employs an RS-485 (half duplex) electrical interface, recognized for its prevalence, simplicity, and success as a robust, industrial physical layer.

Monitoring can be accomplished using GeoNet Addressable Data Loggers, the Model 8020-38 Addressable Bus Converter, Model 8600 Series Data Loggers, Campbell Scientific data loggers, or any other device capable of operating as a Modbus RTU client and having an RS-485 port.



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS		
Bange ¹	+90°	

Range ¹	±90°
Resolution ²	0.00025° (0.004 mm/m)
Precision ³	±0.0075° (±0.13 mm/m)
Nonlinearity	$\pm 0.005^{\circ}$ across $\pm 30^{\circ}$ range (± 0.09 mm/m)
Temperature Dependent Uncertainty	±0.001° across ±5° angular range (±0.016 mm/m) ±0.0016° across ±15° angular range (±0.026 mm/m) ±0.0026° across ±30° angular range (±0.042 mm/m)
Operating Temperature	–40 °C to 65 °C (–40 °F to 149 °F)
Power Supply Voltage	12 VDC ±20%
Operating Current ⁴	12 mA ±1 mA
Standby Current ⁴	2 mA ±0.1 mA
Maximum Supply Current ⁵	500 mA
Sensor Diameter	25.4 mm (1")
Standard Sensor Length ⁶	0.5 m, 1 m, 2 m, 3 m, 2 ft., 5 ft., 10 ft.
Sensor Weight	0.5M: 0.55 kg (1.22 lb.), 1M: 0.97 kg (2.14 lb.), 2M: 1.80 kg (3.98 lb.), 3M: 2.64 kg (5.82 lb.), 2FT: 0.64 kg (1.42 lb.), 5FT: 1.40 kg (3.10 lb.), 10FT: 2.67 kg (5.90 lb.)
Materials	316 Stainless Steel, Engineered Polymer
Electrical Cable	Four Conductor, Foil shield, Polyurethane jacket, nominal OD = 7.9 mm
Minimum Sensor Spacing	0.5 m
Interface	RS-485
Protocol	MODBUS
Baud Rate	115,200 bps
Temperature Accuracy	±0.5 °C
Ingress Protection	IP68 to 3 MPa (300 m head water)

¹Calibrated Range: ±30°

²99% confidence interval (i.e. 99 out of 100 individual readings fall within this tolerance).

³Includes random walk (changes between consecutive readings that have no discernible cause) and seismic noise during testing.

⁴ Operating and standby current are for each individual sensor in a string. ⁵ Per entire string.

⁶ Custom spacing available upon request.

ORDERING INFORMATION

6185-0.5M: MEMS Digital In-Place Addressable Inclinometer, Horizontal, Biaxial, sensor for 0.5 m spacing 6185-1M: as above, 1 m spacing 6185-2M: as above, 2 m spacing 6185-3M: as above, 3 m spacing 6185-2FT: as above, 2 ft. spacing 6185-5FT: as above, 5 ft. spacing 6185-10FT: as above, 10 ft. spacing 6185-10FT: as ab

6185T-1M: as above, 1 m spacing 6185T-2M: as above, 2 m spacing 6185T-3M: as above, 3 m spacing 6185T-2FT: as above, 2 ft. spacing 6185T-10FT: as above, 5 ft. spacing 6185T-10FT: as above, 10 ft. spacing 6185-1-1: Connecting Tube, lengths <1.5 m (5 ft.)

(5 to 10 ft.) 6185-2: Mounting Bracket 6180-3-1: Readout Cable, lengths <15 m (50 ft.), bare leads 6180-3-2: Readout Cable, 16 to 30 m (50 to 100 ft.) 6180-3V: as above, lengths >30 m (100 ft.) 6180-1: Pulley Cable Assembly, used with dead end pulley assembly for IPI installation, specify required length 6180-6: Retrieval Cable Assembly, facilitates string removal in installations where only one end of the casing is open, specify required length 6550-1-#: Dead End Pulley Assembly, specify casing and return pipe sizes *Each string is comprised of a customer-specified number of 6185 sensors, and one of each of the following: 6185T, 6185-1, 6185-2, 6180-3

6185-1-2: Connecting Tube, 1.6 to 3 m

COMPATIBLE READOUTS AND DATA LOGGERS

8910 Series: GeoNet Wireless LoRa® Data Acquisition System 8920, 8930, 8950 Series: GeoNet Cellular, Wi-Fi, and Satellite Network Data Loggers 8940: GeoNet Data Loggers 8020-38: Addressable Bus converter 8600 Series: Multi-Channel Data Loggers



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