# LORD APPLICATION NOTE

# **Sensors for Displacement Measuring**

Sub/Microminiature LVDTs and Gauging LVDTs for Precise Results

### Why measure displacement?

- · Detects strain & deflection in materials/structures
- · Adds process control for production-line monitoring
- · Ensures linear & angular motion control
- · Provides dimensional gauging for quality control
- · Serves as reliable indicator of system degradation



## Microminiature LVDTs

M-LVDT® Linear Displacement Sensor



Outside Diameter: 1.5 mm (standard version) 1.8 mm (high resolution)

**Linear Stroke Length:** 3, 6, 9 mm (standard) 1.5 mm (high resolution)

**Approx. Body Length:** 4mm + 2.5x stroke length

### MG-LVDT® Linear Displacement Gauge Sensor



**Outside Diameter:** 1.8 mm (smooth body)

**Linear Stroke Length:** 3, 6, 9 mm (standard) 1.5 mm (high resolution)

**Approx. Body Length:** 4mm + 6x stroke length



## LORD MicroStrain LVDTs:

- $\cdot$  offer excellent length-to-sensing stroke ratio
- $\cdot$  have frictionless design for use over millions of cycles
- $\cdot$  are designed for use in harsh fluids and environments
- $\cdot$  offer simple integration with plug-and-play usability
- $\cdot$  are easily customized to your specific requirements

## Subminiature LVDTs

S-LVDT<sup>®</sup> Linear Displacement Sensor

Outside Diameter: 4.76 mm (3/16 inch)

Linear Stroke Length: 4, 8, 24, 38 mm (standard) 6 mm (high resolution) 500 µm or less (nano)

**Approx. Body Length:** 10mm + 3x stroke length

SG-LVDT<sup>®</sup> Linear Displacement Gauge Sensor

**Outside Diameter:** 

6.0 mm (smooth body) 8.0 mm for 38 mm stroke

**Linear Stroke Length:** 4, 8, 24, 38 mm (standard) 6 mm (high resolution) 500 µm or less (nano)

**Approx. Body Length:** 10mm + 5x stroke length



# LORD Sensing-MicroStrain LVDTs

- $\cdot$  Microminiature LVDT resolution: 300nm to 4.5  $\mu m$
- $\cdot$  Subminiature LVDT resolution: 125nm to 9.5  $\mu m$
- · Stainless steel housing for long-lasting performance
- · Low Signal to Noise ratio (M/MG-LVDT 2000:1, S/SG-LVDT 4200:1)
- $\cdot$  Engineered for operation in temperatures from -55° to 170° C
- · Keyed 4-pin Lemo connector compatible with LORD MicroStrain DEMOD signal conditioners

### **REAL-WORLD APPLICATIONS:**



### Assembly Verification

Employing a LVDT provides verification of proper assembly dimensions, especially when it is used in differential mode (when one sensor finds a reference surface, the other locates the part in question).

## Precise Feedback For Motion Control

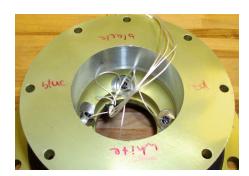
LORD Sensing-MicroStrain LVDTs are ideal for motion control applications, particularly ones requiring secondary confirmation of motion, or for other applications that cannot use standard encoders. *Examples: robotics, semiconductor material handling, aperture control, valve position on vehicles, electronic cam motion loop* 

### **Aerospace Fuel Tank Monitoring**

Using an SG-LVDT with a custom-designed hermetic housing and an integrated connector allowed customers to monitor the deflection of a rocket fuel tank, which in turn enabled researchers to monitor the amount of fuel expended.

### **Condition Monitoring**

A multiple-MG-LVDT setup allowed aircraft OEM customers to determine motion in 6DoF, which successfully monitored degradation in elastomeric bearing stiffness.



All solutions are backed by LORD Sensing-MicroStrain's world-recognized Support Staff. For pricing and ordering information, contact us: 802.862.6629 or sensing\_sales@lord.com

