OPERATION MANUAL
MODEL 4803A ACCELEROMETER



WARRANTY

Measurement Specialties, Inc. accelerometers are warranted during a period of one year from date of shipment to original purchaser to be free from defects in material and workmanship. The liability of Seller under this warranty is limited to replacing or repairing any instrument or component thereof which is returned by Buyer, at his expense, during such period and which has not been subjected to misuse, neglect, improper installation, repair, alteration, or accident. Seller shall have the right to final determination as to the existence and cause of a defect. In no event shall Seller be liable for collateral or consequential damages. This warrant is in lieu of any other warranty, expressed, implied, or statutory; and no agreement extending or modifying it will be binding upon Seller unless in writing and signed by a duly authorized officer.

RECEIVING INSPECTION

Every Measurement Specialties, Inc. accelerometer is carefully inspected and is in perfect working condition at the time of shipment. Each accelerometer should be checked as soon as it is received. If the unit is damaged in any way, or fails to operate, a claim should immediately be filed with the transportation company.

SERVICE CONCERNS

If a Measurement Specialties, Inc. instrument requires service, first contact the nearest Measurement Specialties, Inc. representative. They may be able to solve the problem without returning the unit to the factory. If it is determined that factory service is required, call Customer Service at the regional headquarters for an RMA number before return.

RETURNS

All units being returned to the factory require an RMA (Return Material Authorization) number before they will be accepted. This number may be obtained by calling Customer Service at the regional headquarters with the following information; model number(s), quantity, serial number(s), and symptoms of the problem, if being returned for service. You must include the original purchase order number if under warranty.

RECALIBRATION SERVICES

The Vibration Sensors Design Center and its two manufacturing facilities in China and France offer factory re-calibration services for Piezoresistive, Piezoelectric and Integrated Electronics Piezoelectric (IEPE, ISOTRON, ICP, etc.) accelerometers. NIST (US), DKD (Germany), COFRAC (France) traceable calibration services on sensitivity at 100 Hz (102 or 120 Hz in Europe) and full frequency sweeps are offered. Contact the regional headquarters for pricing information.

DESCRIPTION

The Model 4803A is a triaxial amplified MEMS accelerometer packaged in a welded stainless steel housing with integral temperature compensation. The accelerometer incorporates a miniature side-mounted connector with a detachable mating cable assembly. The Model 4803A is offered in ranges from ±2 to ±500g and incorporates mechanical stops for over-range protection up to 5,000g. The accelerometer is hermetically sealed and is offered with a flat frequency response up to 1500Hz.

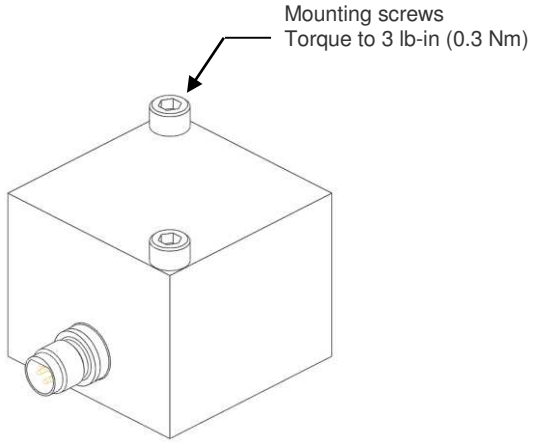
INSTALLATION

The model 4803A accelerometer is designed to be screw mounted but can also be adhesively mounted if the installation does not allow for screw mounting.

Screw Mounting

For screw mounting of accelerometers the following guidelines should be followed:

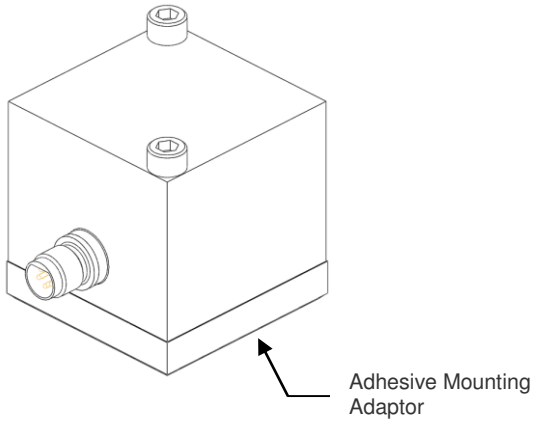
- The mounting surface should be clean and free of any residue or foreign material.
- The mounting surface should be smooth, flat, and with a maximum surface roughness of 32 micro-inches rms.
- Apply a light coating of coupling fluid (machine oil or silicone grease) on the mating surface to maximize the usable frequency range.
- Torque screws to recommended limits. Use manual torque wrench (do not use electric tools).



Adhesive Mounting

To avoid damaging the accelerometer during subsequent removal, it is recommended to use an adhesive mounting adaptor for this method of attachment (model AC-D02744 adaptor is offered). For adhesively mounting of accelerometers the following guidelines should be followed:

- The mounting surface should be clean and free of any residue or foreign material.
- The mounting surface should be smooth, flat, and with a maximum surface roughness of 64 micro-inches rms.
- For best high frequency performance a cyanoacrylate adhesive is recommend. A thin layer offers best frequency response.
- Soften adhesive cured adhesive with a chemical debonder (eg. acetone) prior to removal. Gently shear accelerometer loose from the mounting surface after waiting a few minutes for the debonding agent to penetrate the epoxy. Make sure not to use excessive force as this may damage the accelerometer.

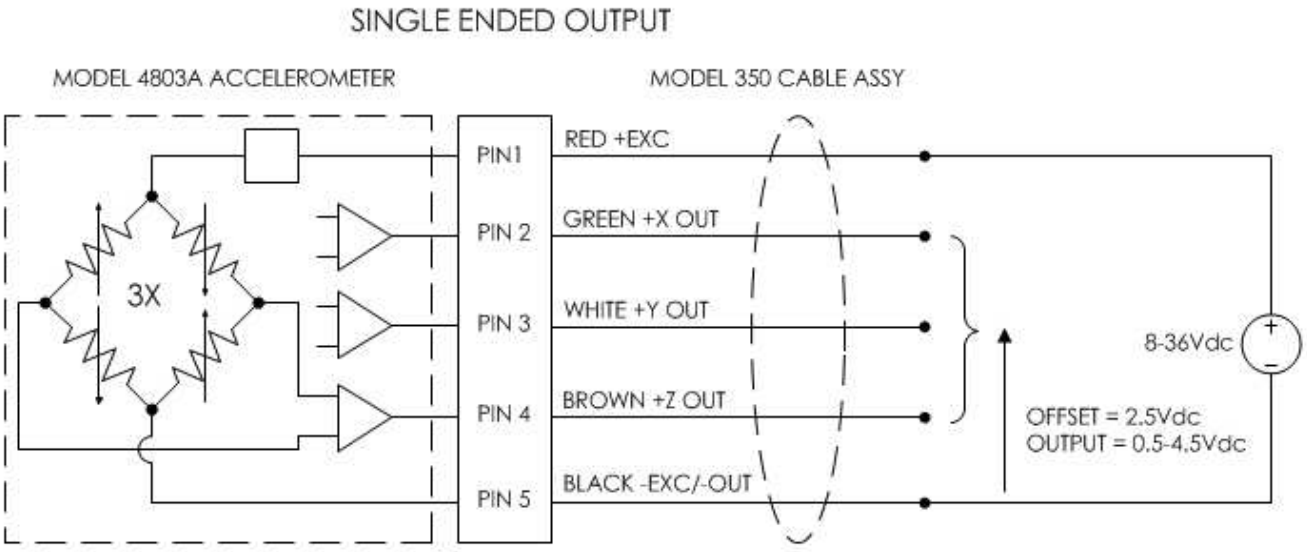


WIRING

The accelerometer is designed to be operated from 8-36Vdc excitation and provide a 0.5 to 4.5V full scale output. The output is DC-coupled and should be used in single-ended mode. The electrical hookup for operation is detailed below.

Single-Ended Operation

For single-ended operation a 2.5Vdc bias will be present on the output leads and the output of the accelerometer will be 0.5-4.5V full scale. The accelerometer should be used with the model 350 cable and should be connected to the signal conditioner as detailed below.



CABLE ROUTING

The model 4803A accelerometer incorporates a miniature side-mounted connector with a detachable mating cable assembly (model 350A). For reliable operation it is recommend that a small amount of thread locking compound is used to secure the connector plug during testing. For long term use in a wet or oily environment it is recommended that the connector interface is protected with a silicone sealant and a flexible heat shrink tubing.

The cable assembly should also be properly secured at regular intervals during testing. It is recommended to use clamps, wax, or tape to secure the cable to minimize cable motion that can add noise to the output signal. The initial attachment should be within two to three inches of the accelerometer with some slack in the cable to prevent tension at the connector joint

Avoid routing cables near high-voltage wires and also ground the shield at the signal conditioner to minimize ground loops. The housing of the 4803A has a conductive surface connected to the shell of its integral connector. Therefore, single-point grounding is required in order to prevent ground loops. If mounting the accelerometer to a structure that is not electrically isolated, the shield of the cable should be left floating at the signal conditioner.

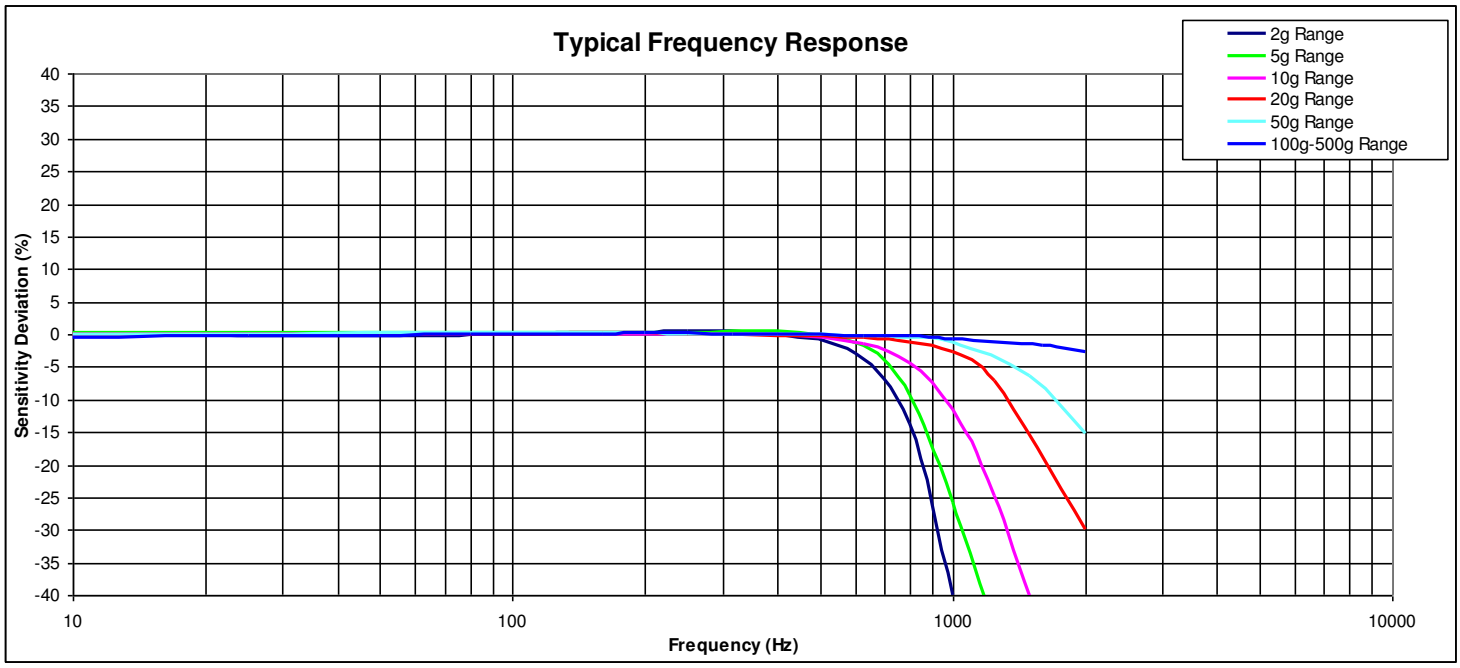
NOISE FLOOR SPECIFICATIONS

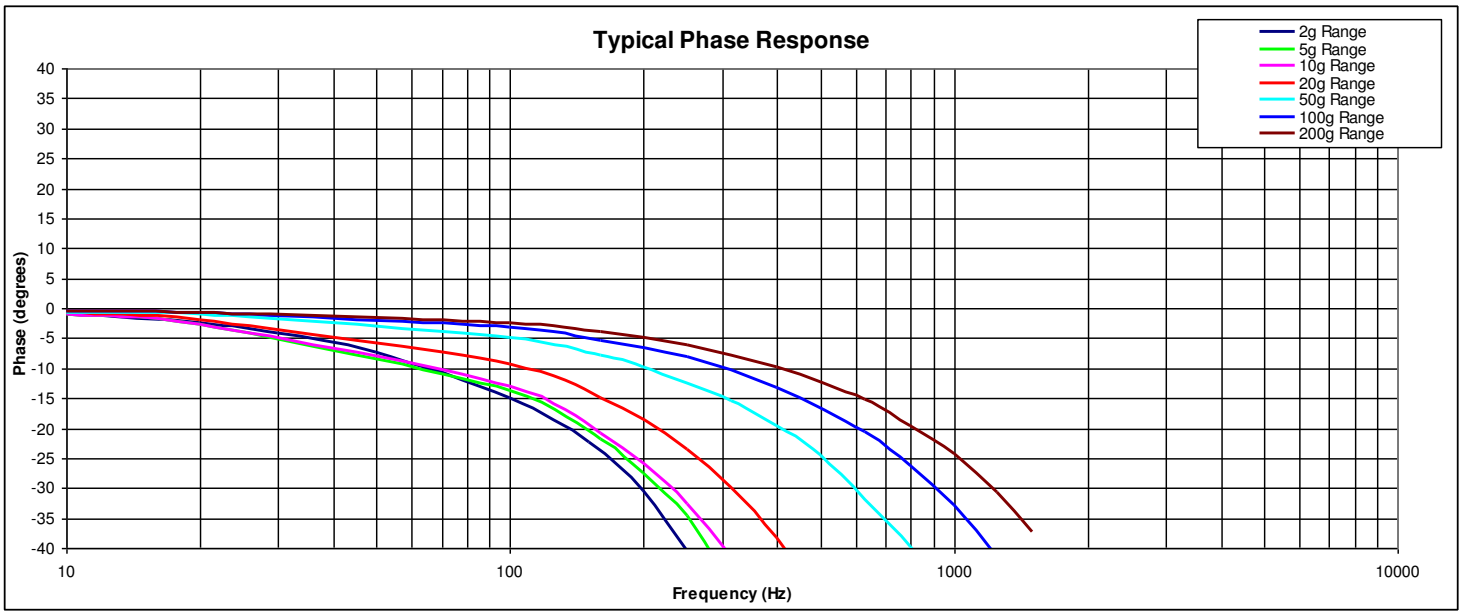
The model 4803A accelerometer incorporates an ultra low-noise circuit which offers micro-g resolution. The noise specifications for this accelerometer are detailed in table below.

FULL SCALE RATING (g-pk)	SENSITIVITY (mV/g)	±5% AMPL PASSBAND (Hz)	PASSBAND NOISE (µVrms)	SPECTRAL NOISE (µg-rms/√Hz)	DYNAMIC RANGE (dB)
2	1000	200	500	35	72
5	400	300	300	38	76
10	200	400	300	75	76
20	100	700	350	132	75
50	40	1000	400	316	74
100	20	1500	400	516	74
200	10	1500	400	1033	74
500	4	1500	400	2582	74

FREQUENCY RESPONSE & PHASE DEVIATION CURVES

The typical frequency response and phase deviation curves for the model 4803A accelerometer are illustrated below.





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