

L18 PHOTOELECTRIC (L18-A, L18-AV, L18-F) LINEAR ENCODER



The sealed linear encoder L18 is used to convert linear displacements of machine key components into electrical signals containing information about the value and direction of the displacement.

The encoder consists of a glass grating scale installed into a rigid hollow housing and a ball-bearing-guided reading head. To be able to work in harsh environments such as lubricants and chips, the encoder has sealing lips. Filtered air can be supplied into the housing of the encoder for extra protection.

The photoelectric unit of the reading head generates sinusoidal micro-current or TTL square-wave (standard RS422) output signals.

The encoder has three versions by its output signals:

L18-A - Sinusoidal signals, with amplitude approx. $11 \mu A_{pp}$, require external subdividing electronics.

L18-AV - Sinusoidal signals, with amplitude approx. $1 V_{pp}$, require external subdividing electronics.

L18-F - Square-wave, with integrated subdividing electronics for interpolation x1, x2, x5, x10, x25, x50.

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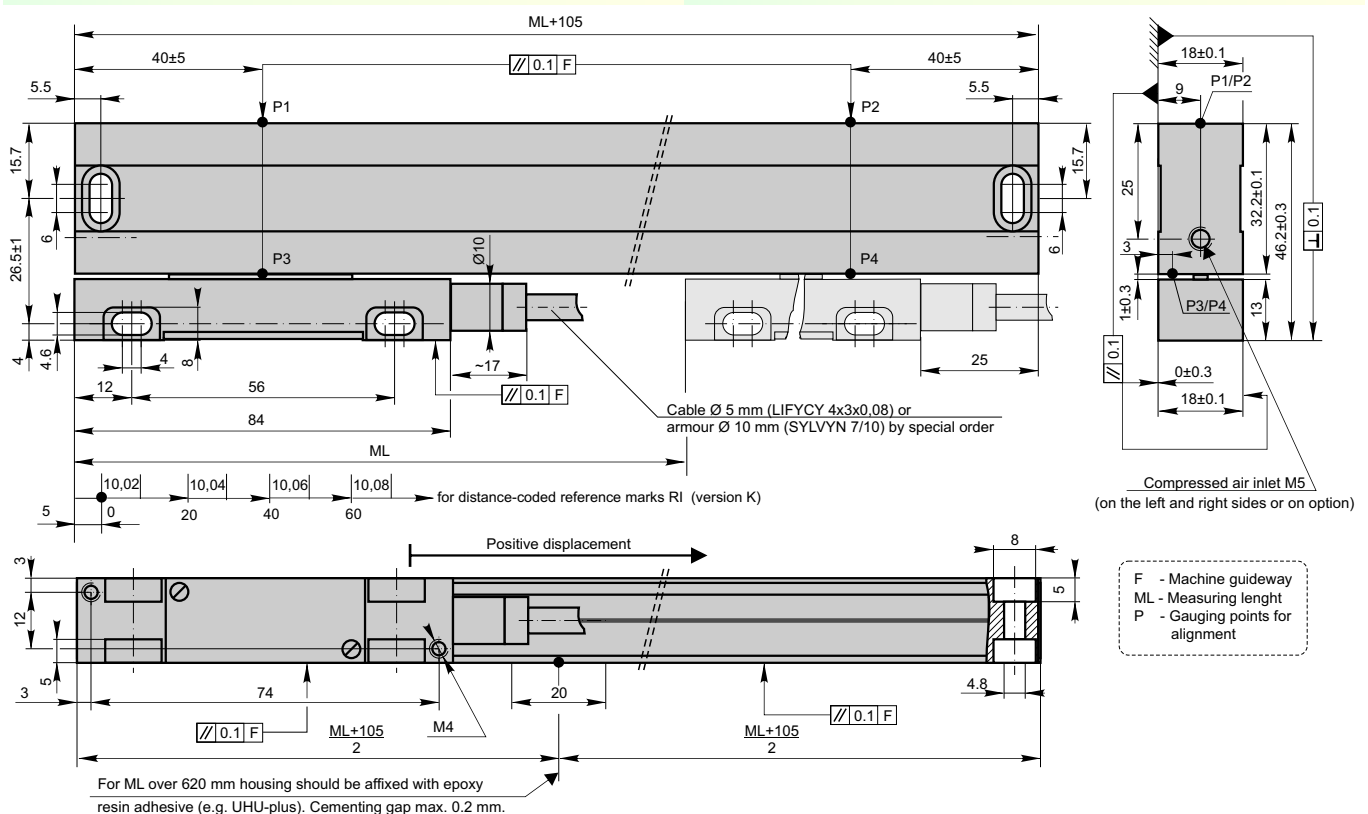
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■ Mechanical Data

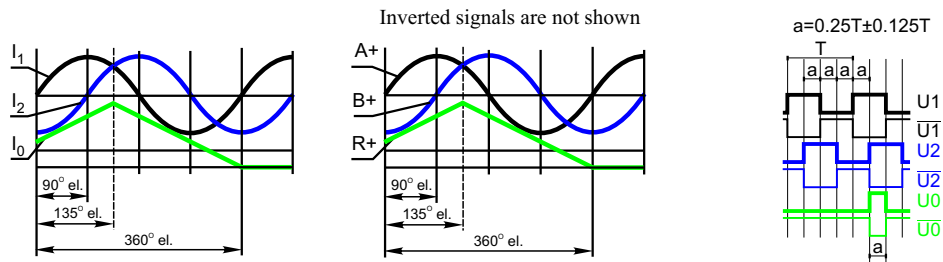
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| ◆ Measuring lengths (ML), mm | 70, 120, 170, 220, 270, 320, 370, 420, 520, 620, 720, 820, 920, 1020, 1140, 1240 | ◆ Max. traversing speed: | |
| ◆ Accuracy grades to any metre within the ML (at 20°C) | ±10; ±5 µm ±3 µm on option | -when interpolation factor is 1,2,5,10 | 1 m/s |
| ◆ Grating period | 20 µm; 40 µm (on option) | -when interpolation factor is 25 | 0,5 m/s |
| ◆ Reference marks (RI) | | -when interpolation factor is 50 | 0,4 m/s |
| -standard for ML ≤ 1020 mm | 35mm from both ends of ML | ◆ Required moving force with sealing lips | < 3 N |
| -standard for ML > 1140 mm | 45mm from both ends of ML | ◆ Protection (IEC 529) | |
| -optional | one RI at any location, or two or more RI's separated by distances of n x 50 mm or distance-coded | -without compressed air | IP53 |
| | | -with compressed air | IP64 |
| | | ◆ Weight | 0.4 kg + 0.8 kg/m |
| | | ◆ Operating temperature | 0...+50°C |
| | | ◆ Storage temperature | -20...+70°C |
| | | ◆ Permissible vibration (40 to 2000 Hz) | ≤ 30 m/s ² |
| | | ◆ Permissible shock (11 ms) | ≤ 100 m/s ² |



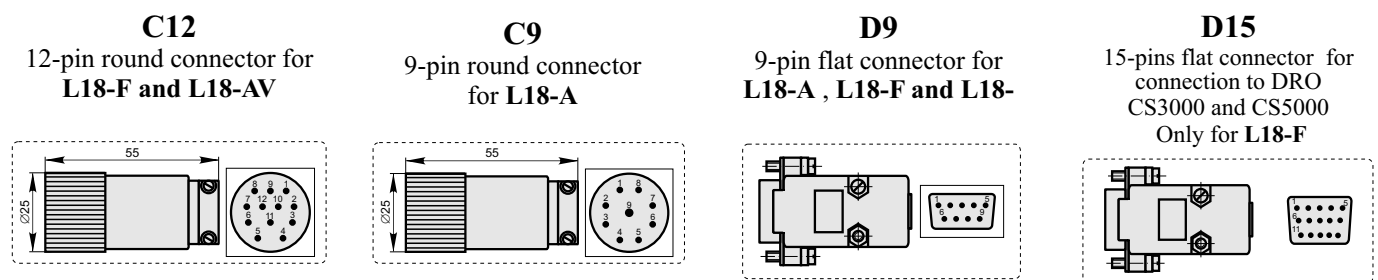
Electrical Data

| Version | L18-A $\sim 11 \mu\text{A}_{pp}$ | L18-AV $\sim 1\text{V}_{pp}$ | L18-F \square TTL |
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| ◆ Power supply | +5 V $\pm 5\%$ / < 90 mA | +5 B $\pm 5\%$ < 120 mA | +5 V $\pm 5\%$ / < 120 mA |
| ◆ Light source | LED | LED | LED |
| ◆ Resolution dividing | Depends on external subdividing electronics | Depends on external subdividing electronics | 5; 2.5; 1; 0.5; 0.2; 0.1 μm (after 4-fold in subsequent electronics) |
| □ Incremental signals | Two sinusoidal I_1 and I_2 . Amplitude at 1 k Ω load: $I_1 = 7-16 \mu\text{A}$ $I_2 = 7-16 \mu\text{A}$ | Two sinusoidal A+ and B+ and their inverted A- and B- Amplitude at 120 Ω load: $A = 0.6-1.2 \text{ V}$ $B = 0.6-1.2 \text{ V}$ | Square-wave U1, U2 and their inverted $\overline{U1}$, $\overline{U2}$. Signal levels at 20 mA load current: low ("0" logic) $\leq 0.5 \text{ V}$ high ("1" logic) $\geq 2.4 \text{ V}$ |
| ◆ Reference signal | One quasi-triangle I_0 . Signal magnitude at 1 k Ω load: $I_0 = 2-8 \mu\text{A}$ (usable component) | One quasi-triangle R+ and its inverted R- Signal magnitude at 120 Ω load: $R = 0.2-0.8 \text{ V}$ (usable component) | Square-wave U0 and its inverted $\overline{U0}$. Signal levels at 20 mA load current: low ("0" logic) $\leq 0.5 \text{ V}$ high ("1" logic) $\geq 2.4 \text{ V}$ |
| ◆ Maximum operating frequency | 50 kHz | 50 kHz | 50x kHz, when interpolation factor is 1,2,5,10 1000 kHz when interpolation factor is 25,50 |
| □ Direction of signals | I_2 lags I_1 at reading head displacement from left to right | B+ lags A+ at reading head displacement from left to right | $U2$ lags $U1$ at reading head displacement from left to right |
| ◆ Standard cable length | 3 m, without connector | 3 m, without connector | 3 m, without connector |
| □ Maximum cable length | 5 m | 25 m | 25 m |

Note: If cable extension is used the power supply conductor section should be not smaller than 0.5 mm².



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