

# Acceleration loop powered sensors with dynamic vibration output

## PC420A dual output series

Wilcoxon's 4-20 mA vibration sensors integrate easily with an existing PLC, DCS or SCADA system. The PC420A series dual output sensors provide 24/7 monitoring of overall machine vibration for continuous trending, alerting users to changing machine conditions and helping to guide maintenance in prioritizing the need for service. The choice of true RMS, true peak or peak output allows you to choose the sensor that best fits your industrial requirements. True peak is useful for detecting loose parts such as valves on reciprocating machinery.

The 4-20 mA output of the PC420A series is proportional to acceleration vibration. An output of 4 mA indicates a level of 0 g or no vibration present. A full-scale reading of 20 mA indicates that the maximum range (RMS or peak) of vibration is present. The dynamic output signal is derived from an internal buffered amplifier. The dynamic output requires the 4-20 mA loop be powered. No constant-current supply diode is necessary, the BOV at the dynamic output is developed by the internal amplifier.

**Table 1: PC420Ax-yy-Dz dual output model selection**

x (4-20 mA output type)	yy (4-20 mA full scale)	z (dynamic scale)
R = RMS output, acceleration	05 = 5 g	A = acceleration 100 mV/g
P = Calculated peak output, acceleration	10 = 10 g	V = velocity 100 mV/ips
TP = true peak output, acceleration	20 = 20 g	

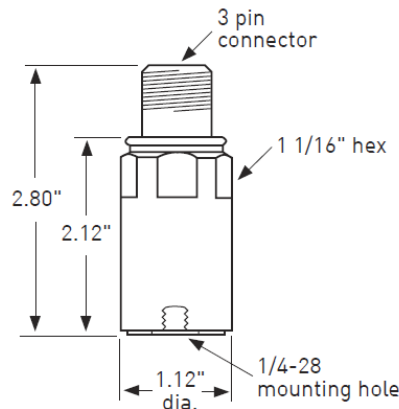
### Key features

- Peak equivalent, true RMS or true peak output
- Corrosion resistant
- Hermetically sealed
- ESD protection
- Overload protection
- Reverse wiring protection
- Dynamic signal output

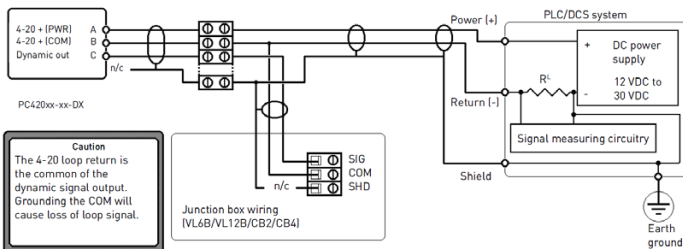
### Certifications



Connections	
Function	Connector pin
ground	shell
loop positive (+)	A
loop negative (-), dynamic common	B
dynamic output	C



Note: Dynamic output must be galvanically isolated when connected to an on time system



**Caution**  
The 4-20 loop return is the common of the dynamic signal output. Grounding the COM will cause loss of loop signal.

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### SPECIFICATIONS

<b>OUTPUT, 4-20 mA</b>		
Full scale 20 mA, ±5%	see table 1 on page 1	
Frequency response	± 10% ± 3 dB	10 Hz - 1.0 kHz 4.0 Hz - 2.0 kHz
Repeatability	± 2%	
Transverse sensitivity, max	5%	
<b>OUTPUT, DYNAMIC</b>		
	<b>PC420Ax-yy-DA</b>	<b>PC420Ax-yy-DV</b>
Sensitivity, ±10%	100 mV/g	100 mV/in/sec
Full scale	20 g	1.5 ips at 1 kHz
Frequency response:	±3 dB	2.5 Hz - 10 kHz
Amplitude nonlinearity, max	1%	
Resonant frequency, mounted, nominal	25 kHz	
Transverse sensitivity, max	5%	
<b>Power requirements (two-wire loop power):</b>		
Voltage at sensor terminal	10 - 30 VDC	
Loop resistance <sup>1</sup> at 24 VDC, max	700 Ω	
Turn on time, 4-20 mA loop	< 30 seconds	
Dynamic output, bias output voltage	+3.3 VDC, re: connector pin B	
	<b>PC420Ax-yy-DA</b>	<b>PC420Ax-yy-DV</b>
Dynamic output noise, equiv. g, 2.5 Hz - 10 kHz	2 mg	0.002 ips
Grounding	case isolated, internally shielded	
Temperature range	-40 to +85° C	
Vibration limit	250 g peak	
Shock limit	2,500 g peak	
Sealing	hermetic	
Sensing element design	PZT ceramic / shear	
Weight	162 grams	
Case material	316L stainless steel	
Mounting	1/4-28 tapped hole	
Output connector	3-pin, MIL-C-5015 style	
Mating connector	R6G type	
Recommended cabling	J9T3A	

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### Accessories supplied:

- SF6 mounting stud (metric mounting available)
- Calibration data (level 2)

DC supply voltage	R <sub>L</sub> (max resistance) <sup>2</sup>	R <sub>L</sub> (minimum wattage capability) <sup>3</sup>
12 VDC	100 Ω	1/8 watt
20 VDC	500 Ω	1/4 watt
24 VDC	700 Ω	1/2 watt
26 VDC	800 Ω	1/2 watt
30 VDC	1,000 Ω	1/2 watt

**Notes:** <sup>1</sup> Maximum loop resistance (R<sub>L</sub>) can be calculated by:

$$R_L = \frac{VDC - 10 V}{20 mA}$$

<sup>2</sup> Lower resistance is allowed, greater than 10 Ω recommended.

<sup>3</sup> Minimum R<sub>L</sub> wattage determined by: (0.0004 x R<sub>L</sub>).

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