

AW Series

Weldable strain gauge



Capable of measuring static and dynamic strain in high temperature range

Can be mounted in narrow or curved areas

Sealed structure made of a special alloy with excellent corrosion resistance

Various measurement applications are available (optional)

Compact base (min. L10 x W3 mm)



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Weldable Strain Gauges **AW** series (AWM·AWMD·AWH·AWHU·AW·AWC)

These strain gauges have strain sensing elements fully encapsulated in corrosion-resisting metal tubes made of stainless steel or Inconel (except AW-6-350). The strain gauge backings are also made of the same material, and the gauges are installed by spot welding to metal specimens using a dedicated spot welder.

Spot welding

The W-50RC is a charge discharge type spot welder designed to minimize thermal damage to the metal material being measured. Welding energy is not affected by fluctuations in the power supply because of the stabilizing circuit.

Туре

AWM	-196~+300° C Quarter bridge 3-wire	AW-6	$-196 \sim +300^{\circ}$ C Quarter bridge 3-wire
CE	AWM-8-1A Gauge base : Inconel 600 AWM-8-1B Gauge base : SUS304	CE	AW-6-350-11-4FB01LT AWCA-6-350-11-4FB01LT AWRA-6-350-11-4FB01LT
AWMD	-196~+800° C for dynamic strain Full bridge	AWC	-20~+100° C Quarter bridge 3-wire
CE	AWMD-5 Gauge base : Inconel 600 AWMD-8 Gauge base : Inconel 600		AWC-8B-11-3LTSB
AWH	$-196 \sim +600^{\circ}$ C for static strain Full bridge $-196 \sim +650^{\circ}$ C for dynamic strain	AWHU	-196~+800° C Full bridge
CE		CE	AWHU-5 Gauge base: Inconel 600
	AWH-4-7A/AWH-8-7A Gauge base: Inconel 600 AWH-4-7B/AWH-8-7B Gauge base: SUS304		AWHU-8 Gauge base: Inconel 600

AW series coding system

1	(2)	3	4	5	6	7	8
AWM	-8	-1	В		-2		-17.0
AWMD	-5	-	Α	KM	-2	(6F)	-1.6Hz*
AWMD	-8	-	Α		-2		-1.6Hz*
AWH	-8	-7	Α		-2		-11.0
AWHU	-5	-9	Α	KM	-2	(6F)	-12.7

*: High-pass filter only for AWMD Either one available among 1.6, 7.2 or 16Hz.

①Туре		②Gauge length	③Temperature compensation range	④Gauge base*1	⑤ Option
AWM : static/dynamic 3	300°C	8 : 8mm	0 : −196℃~ RT 1 : RT ~+300℃ 2 : BT ~+350℃		E: Ground earth
dynamic only 8	300°C	8 : 8mm	3 :RT ~+400°C	A : Inconel 600 Applicable thermal expansion coefficient of 11ppm/°C or closer B : SUS304 Applicable thermal expansion coefficient of 17ppm/°C or closer	F: Compression fittings K: Narrow gauge width
AWH: static 6 dynamic 6	600℃ 650℃	4:4mm 8:8mm	4 : RT ~+450℃ 5 : RT ~+500℃ 6 : RT ~+550℃		W=3mm (excluding AWHU) M: Small junction type of sleeve B Φ 2.0mm L=20mm
AWHU: static/dynamic 8	300°C	5 : 5mm 8 : 8mm	7 : RT ~+600°C 8 : RT ~+650°C 9 : RT ~+800°C 10 : Others NB1: Dynamic use AWMD is not applicable. NB2: R Deom temperature		 AWHU and AWMD-5 are normally provided with small junction P: NDIS type plug attached*² R: Bend of gauge backing or pipe Z: Filter-less (AWMD)

⑥MI cable	⑦Supplied cable length	®Temperature compensation materials or High-pass filter		
2 : Φ1.6mm 2m	No marks: Φ 4.1mm shielded vinyl cable of 0.5m	Materials available for temperature-		
Core cable of neat-resistive	Except for standard length, required length is given in bracket	compensation		
copper	Example: 4.5m long to (4.5)	10.9: SUS430 or equivalent		
	(6F): Φ 1.6mm shielded fluoroethylene propylene cable (FEP) of	11.0: Mild steel (ferritic) or equivalent		
	0.5m for AWHU-5/-8, AWMD-5	12.7: INCONEL 600 or equivalent		
	Except for standard length, required length is given after suffix 6F.	17.0: SUS304 or equivalent		
	Example: 4.5m long to (6F4.5)	High-pass filter for only AWMD		
		1.6Hz 7.2Hz 16Hz		

*1: Select code A for thermal expansion coefficient of 11ppm/°C or closer, or B for coefficent of 17ppm/°C

*2: For option code P, NDIS plug is attached to the end of cables following Temperature-compensation board or High-pass filter.

AW series (AWM/AWMD)

AWM-8 **(€**

The AWM is usable up to 300° C for both static and dynamic strain measurement. The backing material is available in Inconel 600 or SUS304 which should be selected according to the test specimen material.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge I Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)
AWM-8-1A-2-11.0	0		Inconel 600	For static/dynamic use	Room-temperature	Mild steel equivalent	11×10 ⁻⁶ /°C	100
AWM-8-1B-2-17.0	0	LIOXVVOXIU.7	SUS304	-196~+300°C	~ +300°C	SUS304 equivalent	17×10⁻6/°C	1 120

Leadwire 1.6 mm dia. MI cable 2 m, 4.1 mm dia. shielded vinyl cable 0.5 m (Quarter bridge with 3-wire) Minimum order quantity is 1 strain gauge.

External dimensions



The AWMD is applicable up to 800° C and it is dedicated to dynamic strain measurement. A high pass filter is a standard accessory. Using the high pass filter, unnecessary direct current component or low frequency component (thermal output, drift etc.) in the measurement signals can be neglected.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)
AWMD-5-AKM-2(6F)-1.6Hz*	5	L10xW3xT0.7	Inconel 600	for dynamic use	NI/A	Incorol 600 couivelent	12×10-6/°C	60
AWMD-8-A-2-1.6Hz*	8	L16xW5xT0.7	Inconel 600	_196~+800°C	N/A	inconei 600 equivalent	12×10-7 C	120

*High-pass filter only for AWMD Either one available among 1.6, 7.2 or 16Hz.

Leadwire AWMD-5: 1.6 mm dia. MI cable 2 m, 1.6 mm dia. shielded fluorinated resin (FEP) cable 0.5 m (Full bridge)

AWMD-8 : 1.6 mm dia. MI cable 2 m, 4.1 mm dia. shielded vinyl cable 0.5 m (Full bridge)

Minimum order quantity is 1 strain gauge.

External dimensions



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AW series (AWH/AWHU)

AWH-4 / AWH-8 **(€**

The backing material of these gauges is available in either of Inconel 600 or stainless steel to be selected according to the material to be measured. The sensing part has half bridge configuration with active element and dummy element, and it is measured in full bridge method using the attached temperature compensation circuit board. This gauge is applicable to static measurement in temperature up to 600°C and applicable to dynamic measurement up to 650°C.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)	
AWH-4-7A-2-11.0	4		Inconel 600			Mild steel equivalent	11×10⁻ ⁶ /°C	60	
AWH-4-7B-2-17.0	4	LIUXVV3XIU.0	SUS304	static : -196~+600°C dynamic : -196~+650°C	static : RT~+600°C	SUS304 equivalent	17×10 ⁻⁶ /°C	00	
AWH-8-7A-2-11.0			Inconel 600		dynamic : N/A	Mild steel equivalent	11×10⁻ ⁶ /°C	120	
AWH-8-7B-2-17.0	0	°	L 10XVV5X10.0	SUS304			SUS304 equivalent	17×10 ⁻⁶ /°C	120

Leadwire 1.6 mm dia. MI cable 2 m, 4.1 mm dia. shielded vinyl cable 0.5 m (Full bridge) Minimum order quantity is 1 strain gauge.

External dimensions



AWHU-5 / AWHU-8 **(€**

These gauges can be used in temperature up to 800°C for both static and dynamic measurement. However, owing to the construction of the sensing element, measurement is recommended in temperature at 600°C or above. The sensing part has half bridge configuration with active element and dummy element, and it is measured in full bridge method using the attached temperature compensation circuit board. Since these gauges have small backings and thin sleeves and cables as standard specifications, they are applicable to narrow and/or curved areas.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)
AWHU-5-9AKM-2(6F)-12.7	5	L10xW3xT0.8	Incorol 600	For static/dynamic use	Room-temperature	Inconel 600	11×10-6/°C	60
AWHU-8-9AKM-2(6F)-12.7	8	L16xW3xT0.8	inconer 600	-196~+800°C	~ +800°C	equivalent	11×10-7 C	120

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Leadwire 1.6 mm dia. MI cable 2 m, 1.6 mm dia. shielded fluorinated resin (FEP) cable 0.5 m (Full bridge) Minimum order quantity is 1 strain gauge.

External dimensions



Note

Our AWH and AWHU series strain gauges are adjusted to make the thermal output as small as possible in consideration of the material to be measured, the MI cable length and the range of measurement temperature. These strain gauges will be supplied on made-to-order basis except AWH-4-7A-2-11.0 and AWH-8-7A-2-11.0.

* Lead wire lengths other than the standard length are available on request. (Made to order: MI cable length is in increments of 1 meter. Vinyl cable length is in increments of 0.5 meters.)

AW series (AW/AWC)

CE AW-6-350/AWCA-6-350/AWRA-6-350

These gauges have corrosion-resisting stainless steel backing with thickness of 0.08mm. They are easily installed by using the dedicated spot welder W-50RC. are suited for strain measurement in high temperature up to 300° C, for measurement of specimen to which adhesion is not applicable or for long term measurement.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)
AW-6-350-11-4FB01LT	6	L24xW5	SUS304	-196~+300°C	+10 ~ +100°C	Mild steel	11×10⁻ ⁶ /°C	350
AWCA-6-350-11-4FB01LT	6	29x29	SUS304	-196~+300°C	+10 ~ +100°C	Mild steel	11×10⁻ ⁶ /°C	350
AWRA-6-350-11-4FB01LT	6	29x29	SUS304	-196~+300°C	+10 ~ +100°C	Mild steel	11×10⁻ ⁶ /°C	350

Leadwire Φ 0.2mm Twisted cross-linked fluorinated resin(PTFE) sheathed leadwire of 0.1m standard (Quarter bridge with 3-wire) * Lead wire lengths other than the standard length are available on request. (Made to order.) Minimum order quantity is 5 strain gauges



AWC-8B (E

These gauges are fully encapsulated in a stainless steel tube. It enables long term strain measurement in harsh environment.

Туре	Gauge length (mm)	Gauge I Dimension (mm)	base Materials	Operating temperature (°C)	Temperature compensation range (°C)	Test specimen	Applicable coefficient of linear thermal expansion (×10 ⁻⁶ /°C)	Resist- ance in (Ω)
AWC-8B-11-3LTSB	8	L28×W5×T1	SUS304	-20~+100°C	+10 ~ +100°C	Mild steel	11×10 ⁻⁶ /°C	120

Leadwire Φ 5mm 0.3mm² 3-core shielded vinyl leadwire of 3m standard (0.1Ω/m) (Quarter bridge with 3-wire) * Lead wire lengths other than the standard length are available on request. (Made to order.)

Minimum order quantity is 1 strain gauge

External dimensions



Accessories/Options/Installation example (for weldable strain gauges)

W-50RC SPOT WELDER



Specifications

Welding energy	Two ranges of 1 to 10 watt second and 5 to 50 watt second (continuously variable) 60 watt second at maximum (AC110V 50Hz)					
Output voltage	Approx. 32 V at maximum					
Output pulse width	Approx. 5 millisecond					
Welding interval	2 welds/second at maximum (at 50 watt second)					
Continuous use time	Approx. 15 minutes (at 1 weld/second, 30 watt second, 23°C±5°C)					
Welding holder	Holder type III					
Welding force	4.9 to 19.6 N					
Welding tip	Fixing part Φ3 mm, Tip Φ1 mm					
Welding cable length	2m					
Environment	0 to 50°C, 85%RH or less (no condensation)					
Power supply Rated voltage Maximum power consumption	AC90 to 110V 50/60Hz or AC220V±10% 50/60Hz 550 VA peak (160 millisecond) 210 VA/ 2 times/second					
Dimensions	300(W) × 200(H) ×195(D) mm (except projecting parts)					
Weight	Approx. 13 kg					
Standard accessories 1 Operation manual. 1 AC power cable 1 Welding tip. 3 Abrasive paper(#400). 5 Hexagonal wrench (width across flats 2.5 mm) 1 Shoulder belt 1						

This is a spot welder used for installing weldable strain gauges and fixing leadwires. The welding energy is controlled in two ranges of 1~10 and 5~50 watt second. Its short welding pulse width of approximately 5 millisecond causes very little thermal damage on the material to be welded. The welding energy is not influenced by changes in the power source voltage owing to the adoption of stabilizing circuit. Electrical cables are stored inside the housing for convenience in field applications.







Fixing of fluorocarbon resin coated leadwires



Examples of option



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Strain gauge installation by resistance welding

Spot Welder W-50RC

Trial Welding (peeling test)

The dedicated spot welder is used for the installation of weldable strain gauges. In order to securely install the

In order to securely install the weldable strain gauge on the test object, it is necessary to find the welding conditions suited to the test object

Fixing the sleeve A

Align the center of the strain gauge with the positioning mark, and press down on the gauge so that the gauge is flush against the test object. Fix the sleeve A using the supplied metal ribbon as shown in the figure.

Fixing the cable

Fix the MI cable and the vinyl cable so as to avoid any load applied to the fixed sleeve A. Slightly curve the cable and fix it toward the direction of the cable end so that any excessive load is not applied to the cable. Especially, if the MI cable is fixed along a straight line, the sensing element may be damaged by a kink in the leadwire.

Temporarily fixing the gauge sensing part

Align the gauge sensing part with the positioning mark, and temporarily fix each one point on both sides of the strain gauge as shown in the figure by resistance welding.

Order of resistance welding

Perform resistance welding in the order shown in the figure. The appropriate welding interval is approximately 0.8mm. Refer to the operation manual for the details.





The supplied metal ribbon is exactly the same material and thickness as the gauge base of the welding type strain gauges, and should be used for test welding and cable fixing.

AW-6, AWC, AWH-B, and AWM-B types come with stainless steel ribbons, while AWH-A, AWM-A, AWMD, and AWHU types come with Inconel 600 ribbons.

Attached metal ribbon :

Inconel 600	2 sheets	30 to 50 x 5 x 0.08mm
SUS304	3 sheets	32 x 11 x 0.08mm



High Temperature Weldable Strain Gauge

> AW series

- > AWM-8 Quarter bridge with 3-wire system
- <u>AWMD-5, AWMD-8 (for dynamic measurement only)Full bridge</u>
- > AWH-4/AWH-8 Full bridge
- > AWHU-5/AWHU-8
- > AW-6-350/AWCA-6-350/AWRA-6-350 Quarter bridge with 3-wire system
- AWC-8B Quarter bridge with 3-wire system

AW series High temperature Weldable strain gauge

These strain gauges have strain sensing elements fully encapsulated in corrosion-resisting metal tubes (except for AW-6). They are suited to use in various environment including in liquids or gases. Installation is easily done using dedicated spot welder W-50R.

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