AT-5000 EasyApp
Battery Powered Rotor Telemetry System

Applications
- Torque testing for half-shafts / propshafts and driveshafts
- Replacement of slip rings and in-line torque transducers
- Torsional strain testing
- RTD temperature measurement
- Voltage measurement

Highlights
- Easy application and installation
- Small size – typically requires only 0.7 to 0.9 inch (17.78 to 22.86 mm) radial shaft clearance
- 95 hours for 1000 ohm and 75 hours for 350 ohm strain gages, continuous use
- Digital telemetry
  - high data integrity and noise immunity
  - exceeds legacy FM telemetry and slip rings
- Two systems (Channel A and B) can be used side-by-side for multi-channel requirements
- Manual shunt calibration invoked at transmitter

A replacement for slip rings and legacy FM telemetry
A revolutionary advance in miniature telemetry, the AT-5000 series replaces slip rings and legacy FM telemetry, offering a perfect solution for applications requiring dependable data retrieval and easy installation.

The AT-5000 EasyApp utilizes a small battery powered transmitter mounted using an aramid fiber strap to directly measure, digitize, and transmit true torque data from rotating half-shafts, driveshafts and rotors of all sizes and speeds. The system is also used for temperature, voltage, and acceleration sensing.

How it works:
The AT-5000 EasyApp uses a long life lithium battery to excite a strain gage, and to power the AT-5000 telemetry electronics on the rotating shaft. The small signal resulting from torque applied to the shaft is amplified, anti-alias filtered and digitized (typically at 11718 samples per second). The digital data is reliably RF transmitted off the rotating shaft to a nearby pickup coil, which is connected to a Receiver. The Receiver converts the digital data to an analog voltage output (adjustable from 0 +/- 1.0 to +/- 10 volts). This DC to 1 kHz (or optionally higher) bandwidth voltage output can be fed directly to a data acquisition system, FFT analyzer or an oscilloscope.

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Transmitter Modules - Sensor Inputs

Three transmitter modules are available:
1.) Full Bridge Strain Gage: Including other bridge-style transducers, including pressure transducers, resistive accelerometers, load cells, torque transducers, etc.
2.) Temperature: Type K thermocouple is standard. Standard range is -58 to -750 °F (-50 to 400 °C). RTD sensors can also be used; contact Accumetrics.
3.) Voltage: 0 to 100 mV; external voltage divider can be provided for high voltage measurement. Voltage: Up to 2700 V measure with optional external dropping resistor.

Transmitter Modules - Sampling Rate / Typical Bandwidth

Channel A Transmitter
7812 samples per second; DC to 1.2 kHz frequency response; 4 MHz transmitter.

Channel B Transmitter
11718 samples per second; DC to 1.2 kHz frequency response (DC to 5 kHz available); 6 MHz transmitter frequency. (Channel A and B units can be co-located for 2-channel use.)

Transmitter Module Specification

- Non-linearity <0.1% of full scale (typical)
- Digital Resolution 12-bit (0.025% of full scale)
- Gain Drift 100 PPM/°C typical, exclusive of external gain resistor
- Offset Drift 0.7 μV/°C typical (0 - 85 °C)
- Bandwidth DC to 1.2 kHz (up to 5 kHz bandwidth available; AC coupling also available)
- Power Typically <4 mA current draw from 3.6 V battery, excluding sensor excitation
- Temperature -40 to 185 °F (-40 to 85 ºC) High Temperature option is available

Specifications are provided for a 2.81 mV/V typical input.

Battery Specifications

- Battery Voltage 3.6 volt open circuit; 3.4 volts loaded. Low battery indication is transmitted to receiver at approximately 2.7 volts
- Bridge Excitation 2/3 length AA. Single use Lithium battery. Note: Non-rechargeable batteries. Do not store or use in applications with exposure to >302 °F (150 ºC) temperatures
- Battery Life 95 hours for 1000 ohm and 75 hours for 350 ohm strain gages, continuous use

Receiver Specifications

- Power 12 volts Nominal (9 to 18 VDC) Optional AC power supply 90-240 VAC, 12 VDC output
- Output Range, Output Signals and Adjustments ±10 volts. Output gain can be adjusted to allow lower outputs (i.e. 5 volts). (RSSI) Received Signal Strength Indicator -2 to +4 Volts (antenna signal strength). Zero adjust, Gain adjust, and Unipolar/ Bipolar output selection
- Dimensions NEMA style box: 3” x 6” x 4.25” height / width / depth 76.20 mm x 152.40 mm x 107.45 mm
- Temperature 32 to 125 °F (0 to 50 °C)

Pickup Coil Choices

- Flexible Loop 24” / 610 mm ID includes 10 ft cable to receiver
- Rigid Brass Loop Rugged 1/4” brass loop. 1.25” x 1.61” x 2.94” phenolic base. Includes 10 ft cable to receiver

Housing Chart

- Transmitter for > 0.9” / 22.86 mm Diameters
  - Radial Height 0.78” to 0.87” 19.80 mm to 22.10 mm
  - Axial length 2.0” / 50.80 mm
  - Weight 0.185 lb / 0.085 kg

- Transmitter for > 2.0” / 50.8 mm Diameters
  - Radial Height 0.67” to 0.76” 17.00 mm to 19.30 mm
  - Axial length 2.0” / 50.80 mm
  - Weight 0.152 lb / 0.067 kg

- Transmitter for > 8.0” / 203.2 mm Diameters
  - Radial Height 1.0” to 1.1” max 25.40 mm to 27.95 mm
  - Axial length 2.0” / 50.80 mm
  - Weight 0.233 lb / 0.11 kg

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