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Polymer Strain Gage (P-DMS)

Properties

- > Polymer paste screen printed to PCB board
- > Captures strain and compressive deformations
- > Small deformations cause change in the electrical resistance
- > Polymer strain gage on populated PCB board
- > Direct integration into PCB design
- > Cost-effective solution



Additionally, polymer strain gages (P-DMS) for the detection of strains and compressions are part of our portfolio. In contrast to ordinary strain gages, the polymer paste is printed directly on FR4 material, thus avoiding process-critical adhesive bonding and bonding of the DMS. A cost-effective solution that can be integrated directly into the PCB design and allows for further electronic assembly. Even the smallest deformations cause electrical resistance changes.

Your advantages:

- > long-term experience in the field of printed electronics
- > Integration of the polymer strain gage technology at an early stage of development
- > Cost of optimization starts early during development phase
- > In-house development, design and manufacturing
- > Joint-development, tailored to customer needs
- > Prevention of process critical adhesive bonding of polymer strain gage on substrate
- > No contact (bonding) of the polymer strain gage necessary

Further information regarding the operating principle can be found in our <u>video</u>.



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<u>In series:</u> Printed polymer strain gage on PCB

- Polymer strain gage in a piano (combination of piano and electric piano)
- According to an idea of Mario Aiwasian, Founder of ALPHA Pianos GmbH (www.alpha-pianos.com)
- Integrated in outstanding electronic musical instruments of the highest quality, with unique technical properties and exceptional design

Development and Innovation: Printed polymer strain gage on spring steel

> Smart spring technology wins innovation award at Blechexpo 2015

Possible applications for pressure-sensitive pastes:

- > As sensor for pressure distribution in shoes
- > Keystroke velocity sensitivity for electric piano
- > Musical instruments such as electrical guitar or DJ control unit with pressure sensitive keys



