

Fiber Optic Grating Inclinometer



Article Overview

A Fiber Optic Grating Fixed Inclinometer uses fiber Bragg grating (FBG) sensors to measure tilt or angular displacement with high sensitivity, accuracy, and environmental robustness.

Working Principle

Fiber optic inclinometers employ fiber Bragg gratings (FBGs) inscribed in optical fibers, which reflect specific wavelengths of light. When the sensor experiences tilt, the FBGs undergo strain or bending, causing a shift in the reflected wavelength. This shift is measured by a demodulator and converted into angular displacement. Designs often use cantilever or pendulum structures to translate tilt into strain on the FBG, enhancing sensitivity and accuracy .

Sensor Design

- Cantilever-based FBGs: Thin cantilevers with FBGs mounted on them detect deflection due to tilt. Perpendicular arrangements reduce cross-axis sensitivity, achieving values as low as 0.9275% .
- Suspension or pendulum structures: Bearings or plumb-based suspension reduce mechanical friction, improving repeatability and long-term stability .
- Array configurations: Multiple FBGs along a tube or fiber allow reconstruction of the sensor contour and detection of complex deformations .

Performance Characteristics...

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