

L2 Features

- Kit version for mounting on a motor or other shaft
- Low profile, only 0.398 in. tall
- Supports 12 shaft sizes (2 to 8 mm and 1/8 to 5/16 in.)
- For NEMA 17 to NEMA 34 and larger motors
- Resolutions from 32-1,250 CPR (128-5,000 PPR)
- 2 channel quadrature TTL square wave output
- Optional Index channel
- High retention connector/cable (sold separately)



US Digital L2 Motor Encoder Description

The US Digital L2 motor encoder is a low-profile rotary encoder with a height of 0.398" that mounts directly to a motor or other rotating shaft. This optical encoder features a rugged, glass-filled polymer housing and is designed for easy installation into space-limited applications. The L2 has a standard 0.75 in. bolt spacing mount.



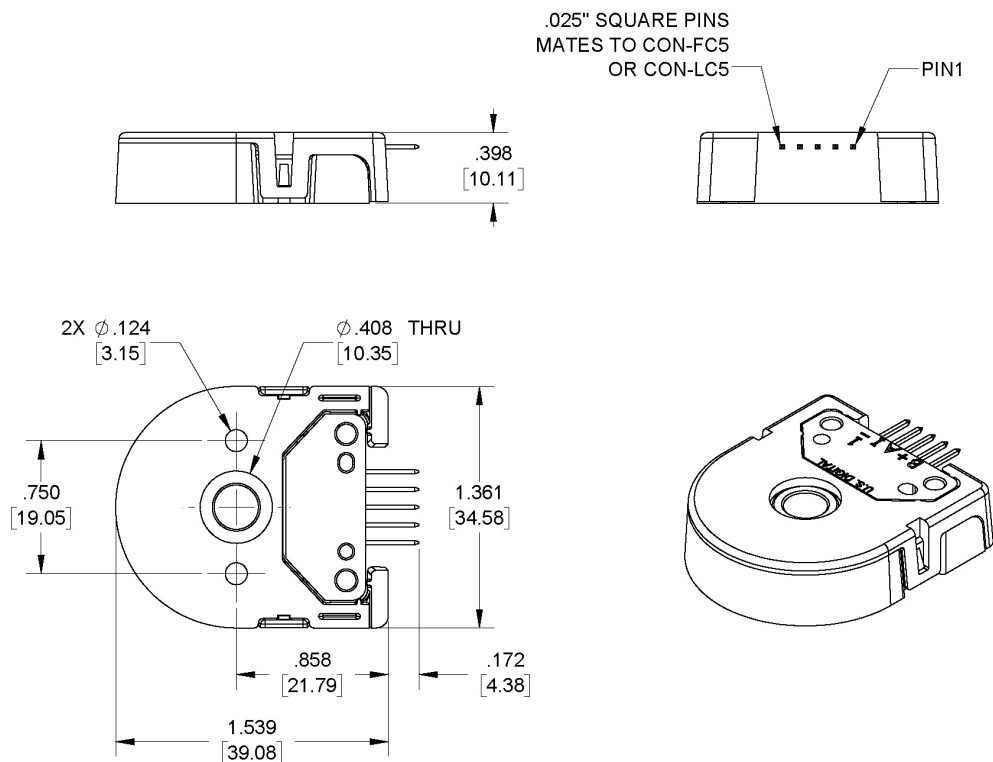
The L2 optical rotary encoder contains a precision machined aluminum hub with a specially patterned Mylar disk. This disk, in combination with our proprietary optical encoder module, creates a system that is highly tolerant to mechanical misalignment.

The L2 incremental encoder has a single-ended output and is designed for use with a high-retention connector/cable, which are sold separately.

Mechanical Drawings

L2 Motor Encoder (Default)

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UNITS: INCHES [MM]
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Specifications

ENVIRONMENTAL

PARAMETER	VALUE	UNITS
Operating Temperature, CPR < 2000	-40 to 100	C
Operating Temperature, CPR ≥ 2000	-25 to 100	C
Electrostatic Discharge, IEC 61000-4-2	± 4	kV
Vibration (10Hz to 2kHz, sinusoidal)	20	G
Shock (6 milliseconds, half-sine)	75	G

MECHANICAL

PARAMETER	VALUE	UNITS
Max. Shaft Axial Play	±0.010	in.
Max. Shaft Runout	0.004 T.I.R.	in.
Max. Acceleration	250000	rad/sec ²
For CPR ≤ 1250: Max. RPM (1) Max. A/B Frequency e.x. CPR=1250, Max. RPM=14400 e.x. CPR=100, Max. RPM=60000	minimum value of $((18 \times 10^6) / \text{CPR})$ and (60000) 300	RPM kHz
Typical Product Weight	0.53	oz.
Codewheel Moment of Inertia	8.0×10^{-6}	oz-in-s ²
Hub Set Screw	#4-48	
Hex Wrench Size	0.050	in.
Mounting Screw Size	#2-56 or #4-40	
Required Shaft Length (2)	minimum 0.398	in.
Index Alignment to Hub Set Screw	180 Typical	degrees
Technical Bulletin TB1001 - Shaft and Bore Tolerances	Download https://www.usdigital.com/media/yyvb4qsy/tb_1001.pdf	

(1) 60000 RPM is the maximum rpm due to mechanical considerations. The maximum rpm due to the module's maximum frequency response is dependent upon the module's resolution (CPR).

(2) Including Axial play.

TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

PARAMETER	VALUE	TORQUE
Hub Set Screw	2-3	in-lbs
Base Mounting Screw (#4-40)	4-6	in-lbs

PHASE RELATIONSHIP

A leads B for clockwise shaft rotation, and B leads A for counterclockwise rotation viewed from the cover side of the encoder.

ELECTRICAL

- Specifications apply over the entire operating temperature range.
- Typical values are specified at $V_{CC} = 5.0V_{DC}$ and $25^{\circ}C$.
- For complete details, see the EM1 (<https://www.usdigital.com/products/encoders/incremental/components/modules/em1/>) or EM2 (<https://www.usdigital.com/products/encoders/incremental/components/modules/em2/>) product pages.

PARAMETER	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNITS	CONDITIONS
Supply Voltage	4.5	5.0	5.5	V	
Supply Current		27	33	mA	CPR < 500, no load
		54	62	mA	CPR $\geq$ 500 and < 2000, no load
		72	85	mA	CPR $\geq$ 2000, no load
Low-level Output			0.5	V	$I_{OL} = 8mA$ max., CPR < 2000
			0.5	V	$I_{OL} = 5mA$ max., CPR $\geq$ 2000
			0.25	V	no load, CPR $\geq$ 2000
High-level Output	2.0			V	$I_{OH} = -8mA$ max. and CPR < 2000
	2.0			V	$I_{OH} = -5mA$ max. and CPR $\geq$ 2000
	4.8			V	no load and CPR < 2000
	3.5			V	no load and CPR $\geq$ 2000
Output Current Per Channel	-8		8	mA	CPR < 2000
	-5		5	mA	CPR $\geq$ 2000
Output Rise Time		110		nS	CPR < 2000
		50		nS	CPR $\geq$ 2000, $\pm 5mA$ load
Output Fall Time		100		nS	CPR < 2000
		50		nS	CPR $\geq$ 2000, $\pm 5mA$ load

PIN-OUT

PIN	DESCRIPTION
1	Ground
2	Index
3	A channel
4	+5VDC power
5	B channel

Note: 5-pin single-ended mating connector is CON-C5 (<https://www.usdigital.com/products/accessories/connectors/con-c5/>) or CON-LC5 (<https://www.usdigital.com/products/accessories/connectors/con-lc5/>)

ACCESSORIES

1. Centering Tool

Part #: CTOOL - (Shaft Diameter)

This reusable tool centers the shaft within the encoder base during assembly. It must be used for the proper functioning of the encoder.

2. Hex Tool

Part #: HEXD-050

Hex driver, 0.050" flat-to-flat for #3-48 or #4-48 set screws. Included with **-B** or **-1** packaging options for order quantities of 10 or more.

Part #: HEXW-050

Hex wrench, 0.050" flat-to-flat for #3-48 or #4-48 set screws. Included with **-B** or **-1** packaging options for order quantities of 9 or less. Included with **-3** packaging option for all order quantities.

3. Spacer Tool

Part #: SPACER-L2

This reusable tool sets the correct spacing between the disk and sensor during assembly. It must be used for the proper functioning of the encoder.

4. Screws

Part #: SCREW-256-250-PH

Description: Pan Head, Phillips #2-56 UNC x 1/4"

Use: Base Mounting

Quantity Required: 2

Screws are not included

Part #: SCREW-440-188-PH

Description: Pan Head, Phillips 4-40 UNC x 3/16"

Use: Base Mounting

Quantity Required: 2

Screws are not included

Part #: SCREW-440-250-PH

Description: Pan Head, Phillips #4-40 UNC x 1/4"

Use: Base Mounting

Quantity Required: 2

Screws are not included

Part #: SCREW-448-063-SS

Description: Socket Head Set Screw, 4-48 UNC x 1/16"

Use: Hub/Disk Mounting for 5/16" - 10mm Bore

Quantity Required: 1

Screw is included

Part #: SCREW-448-125-SS

Description: Socket Head Set Screw, 4-48 UNC x 1/8"

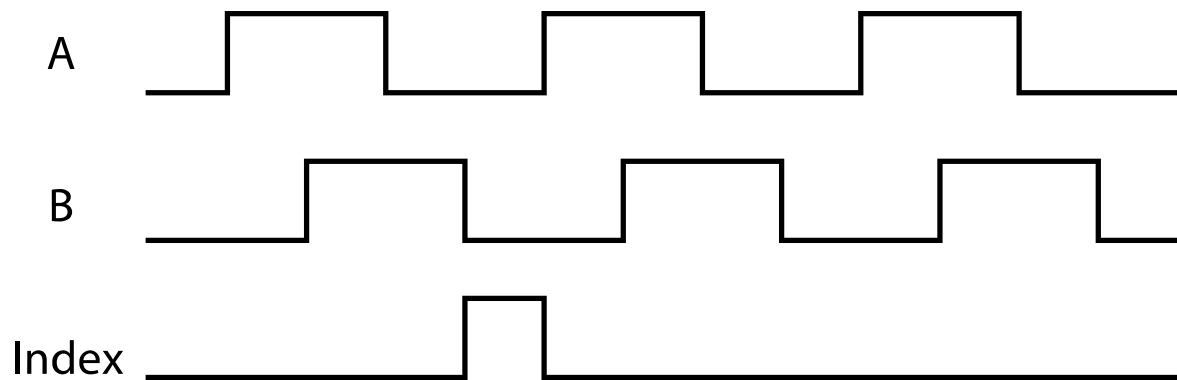
Use: Hub/Disk Mounting for 2mm - 1/4" Bore

Quantity Required: 1

Screw is included

OUTPUT WAVEFORMS

SINGLE-ENDED



Notes

- US Digital® warrants its products against defects in materials and workmanship for two years. See complete warranty (<https://www.usdigital.com/company/warranty>) for details.
- Cables and connectors are not included and must be ordered separately.

Configuration Options

L2	CPR (Cycles Per Revolution)	Bore Size	Index	Cover	Base	Packaging
			IE (<i>Index</i>)	D (<i>Default</i>)	D (<i>Default</i>)	Bulk (B) - Includes one centering, hex and spacer tool per order, plus an extra set per 100 encoders.
			NE (<i>Non-Index</i>)			Individual (1) - Includes one centering, hex, and spacer tool per order, plus an extra set per 100 encoders.
	32	079 (2.0mm)				Individual (2) - Includes one centering, hex, and spacer tool with each encoder.
	50	118 (3.0mm)				
	96	125 (1/8")				
	100	156 (5/32")				
	120	157 (4.0mm)				
	192	188 (3/16")				
	200	197 (5.0mm)				
	250	236 (6.0mm)				
	256	250 (1/4")				
	360	276 (7.0mm)				
	400	313 (5/16")				
	500	315 (8.0mm)				
	512					
	540					
	720					
	800					
	900					
	1000					
	1024					
	1250					

PLEASE NOTE: This chart is for informational use only. Certain product configuration combinations are not available. Visit the L2 product page (<https://www.usdigital.com/products/L2>) for pricing and additional information.