

L2 Features

- NEW! Higher resolutions, now available!
- 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 32-5,000 CPR (128-20,000 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.



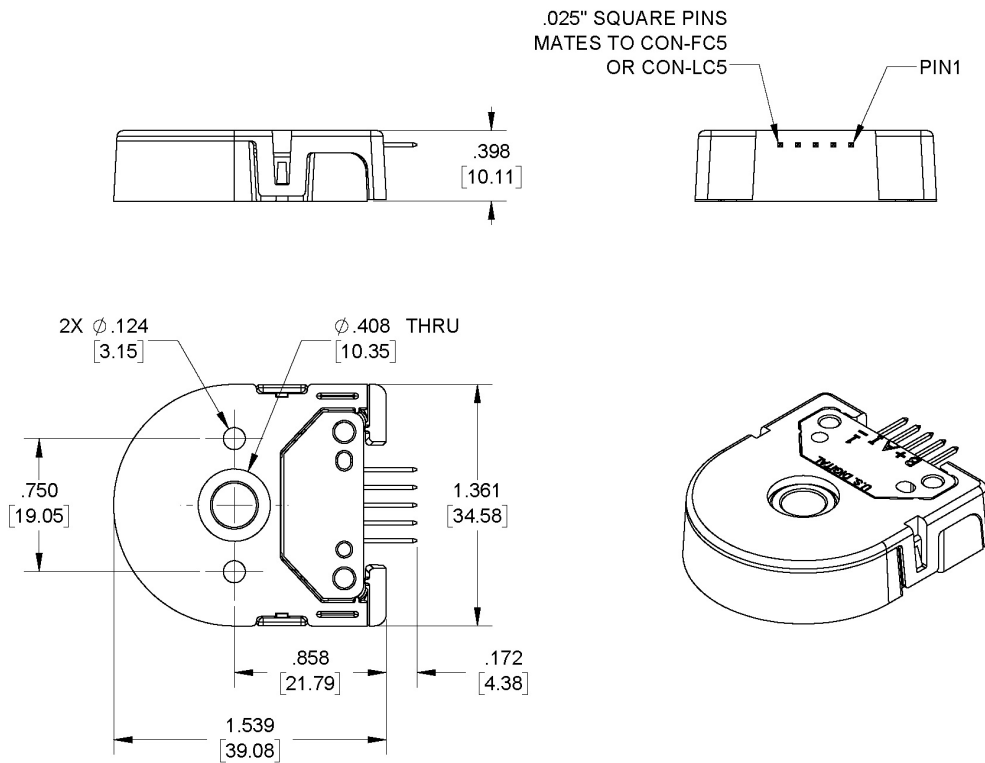
The L2 optical rotary encoder contains a precision machined aluminum hub with a specially patterned Mylar disk. This disk, in combination with our proprietary optical encoder module, creates a system that is highly tolerant to mechanical misalignment.

This optical encoder is designed for use with a high-retention connector. After making each selection in the Product Configurator, compatible cables and connectors will be displayed below and must be purchased separately.

Mechanical Drawings

L2 Motor Encoder (Default)

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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
For CPR = 2000, 2048, 2500:: Max. RPM (1) Max. A/B Frequency	minimum value of $((21.6 \times 10^6) / \text{CPR})$ and (60000) 360	RPM kHz
For CPR = 4000, 4096, 5000:: Max. RPM (1) Max. A/B Frequency	minimum value of $((43.2 \times 10^6) / \text{CPR})$ and (60000) 720	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 (#2-56)	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 54 72	33 62 85	mA mA mA	CPR < 500, no load CPR \geq 500 and < 2000, no load CPR \geq 2000, no load
Low-level Output		0.25	0.5 0.5	V V V	$I_{OL} = 8mA$ max., CPR < 2000 $I_{OL} = 5mA$ max., CPR \geq 2000 no load, CPR \geq 2000
High-level Output	2.0 2.0	4.8 3.5		V V V V	$I_{OH} = -8mA$ max., CPR < 2000 $I_{OH} = -5mA$ max., CPR \geq 2000 no load and CPR < 2000 no load and CPR \geq 2000
Output Current Per Channel	-8 -5		8 5	mA mA	CPR < 2000 CPR \geq 2000
Output Rise Time		110 50		nS nS	CPR < 2000 CPR \geq 2000, $\pm 5mA$ load
Output Fall Time		100 50		nS nS	CPR < 2000 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

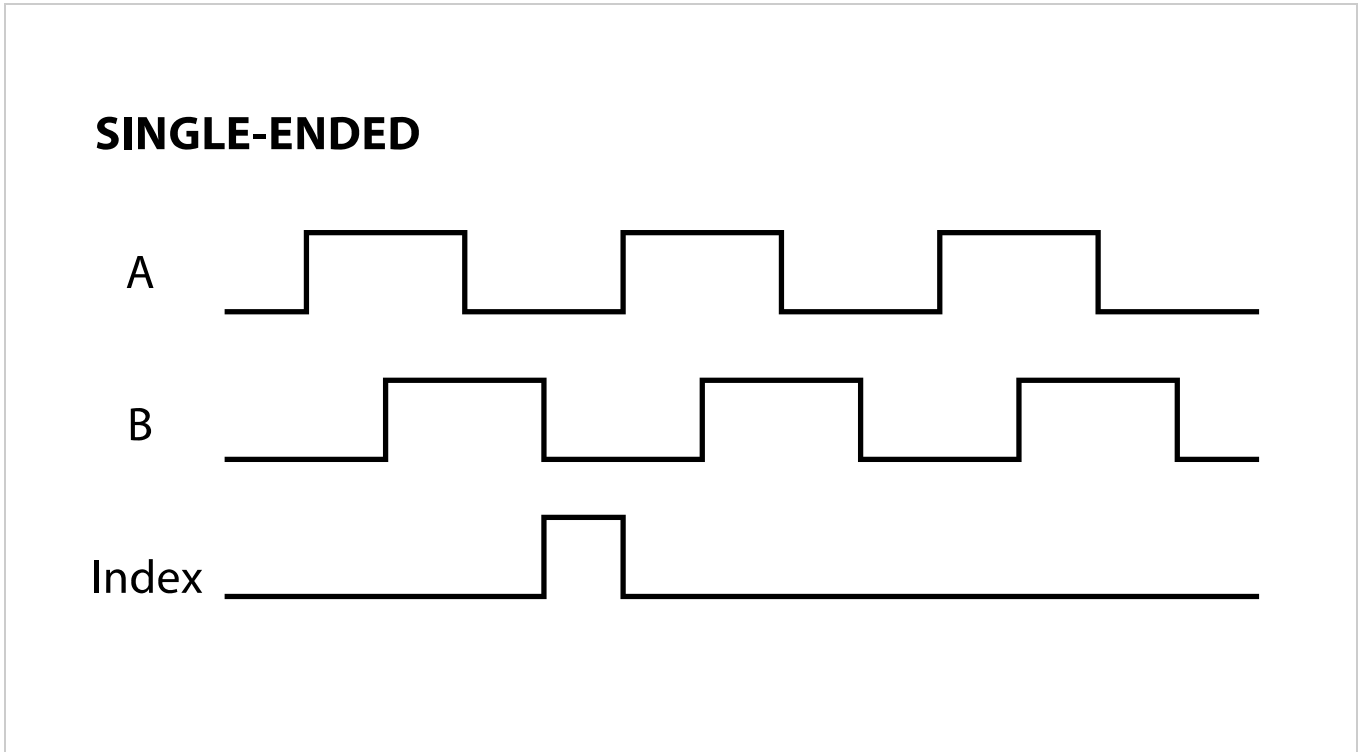
Description: Socket Head Set Screw, 4-48 UNC x 1/8"

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

Quantity Required: 1

Screw is included

OUTPUT WAVEFORMS



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
		079 (2.0mm)	IE (Index)	D (Default)	D (Default)	Bulk (B) - Includes one centering, hex and spacer tool per order, plus an extra set per 100 encoders.
	32	118 (3.0mm)	NE (Non-Index)			Individual (1) - Includes one centering, hex, and spacer tool per order, plus an extra set per 100 encoders.
	50	125 (1/8")				Individual (2) - Includes one centering, hex, and spacer tool with each encoder.
	96	156 (5/32")				
	100	157 (4.0mm)				
	120	188 (3/16")				
	192	197 (5.0mm)				
	200	236 (6.0mm)				
	250	250 (1/4")				
	256	276 (7.0mm)				
	360	313 (5/16")				
	400	315 (8.0mm)				
	500					
	512					
	540					
	720					
	800					
	900					
	1000					
	1024					
	1250					
	2000					
	2048					
	2500					
	4000					
	4096					
	5000					

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.