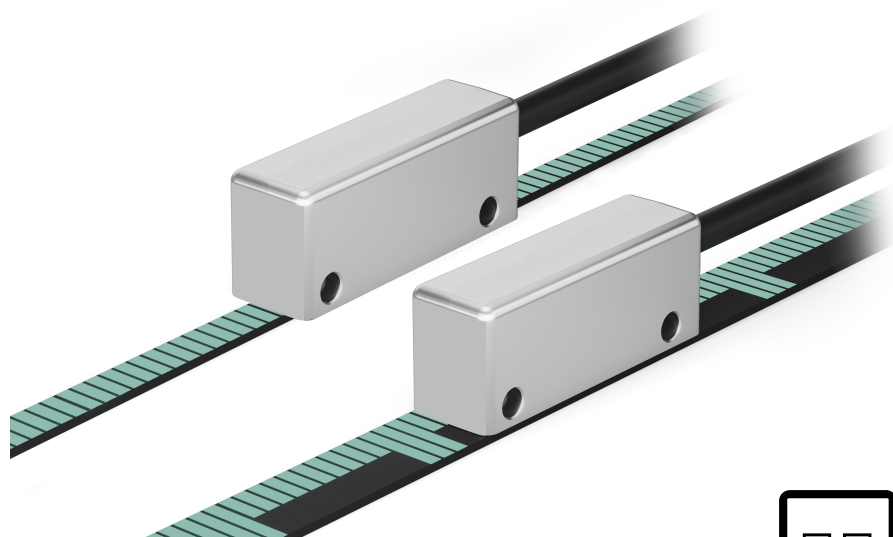


SME91 SME92 SME95



- Incremental linear encoder for 1-, 2- & 5-mm pole pitch tapes
- Resolution options between 0.05 μm and 100 μm
- Measuring length up to 100 m / 328 ft
- IP67 protection rate
- Wide mounting tolerances up to 2.5 mm / 0.098"

Suitable for the following models:

- SME91
- SME92
- SME95

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Typographic and iconographic conventions

In this guide, to make it easier to understand and read the text the following typographic and iconographic conventions are used:

- parameters are coloured in **GREEN**;
- alarms are coloured in **RED**;
- states are coloured in **FUCSIA**.

When scrolling through the text some icons can be found on the side of the page: they are expressly designed to highlight the parts of the text which are of great interest and significance for the user. Sometimes they are used to warn against dangers or potential sources of danger arising from the use of the device. You are advised to follow strictly the instructions given in this guide in order to guarantee the safety of the user and ensure the performance of the device. In this guide the following symbols are used:

	This icon, followed by the word WARNING , is meant to highlight the parts of the text where information of great significance for the user can be found: user must pay the greatest attention to them! Instructions must be followed strictly in order to guarantee the safety of the user and a correct use of the device. Failure to heed a warning or comply with instructions could lead to personal injury and/or damage to the unit or other equipment.
	This icon, followed by the word NOTE , is meant to highlight the parts of the text where important notes needful for a correct and reliable use of the device can be found. User must pay attention to them! Failure to comply with instructions could cause the equipment to be set wrongly: hence a faulty and improper working of the device could be the consequence.
	This icon is meant to highlight the parts of the text where suggestions useful for making it easier to set the device and optimize performance and reliability can be found. Sometimes this symbol is followed by the word EXAMPLE when instructions for setting parameters are accompanied by examples to clarify the explanation.

Preliminary information

This guide is designed to provide the most complete and exhaustive information the operator needs to correctly and safely install and operate the following **incremental linear encoders**: **SME91**, **SME92**, and **SME95**.

The SME91, SME92, and SME95 incremental linear encoders are ideally suited for advanced **motion control needs in linear motors**, servomotors, and various motion control applications thanks to their high **resolution down to 50 nm**, the fine **accuracy better than $\pm 10 \mu\text{m}$** , and the reliable operation even at **fast speeds up to 100 m/s**.

They are compact and rugged, featuring a zinc die-cast housing and an **IP67 protection rating** which enable installation even in harsh industrial environments. The operation is magnetic and contactless, rendering them insensitive to dust, moisture, oil, contaminants, and vibrations.

The reading head can be paired with the 5 mm or 10 mm wide MTI magnetic tapes. The tape has alternating magnetic north/south poles that are magnetized at a fixed distance called the pole pitch. The pole pitch is 1 mm for the SME91; 2 mm for the SME92; and 5 mm for the SME95. The conversion electronics inside the sensor translates the magnetic fields of the tape into electrical signals equivalent to those of a rotary incremental encoder. The readhead must be paired with the appropriate magnetic tape (see the "3.2 Sensor and scale combination" section on page 10).

These linear encoders can also optionally integrate a sensor for reading the **Reference marks for the homing function**. The reference signal can be provided for each pole (the so-called Index signal i.e., every 1 mm for the SME91, every 2 mm for the SME92, and every 5 mm for the SME95), every 20 mm, every 50 mm, and in any custom position along the travel according to individual requirements when the marks are encoded in the additional track of the 10 mm wide magnetic tape. The max length of the tape is 2.3 m (7.546 ft) when the additional reference track is provided.

The SME91, SME92, and SME95 encoders offer **ABO /ABO quadrature signals** through the **Line Driver RS-422 output** circuit. SME95 encoder also adds the **Push-Pull output** circuit. The power supply is +5Vdc $\pm 5\%$ for the SME91 and the SME92 models, +5Vdc $\pm 5\%$ and +10Vdc +30Vdc for the SME95 model. They are also equipped with an LED for diagnostic information (position, frequency, and speed error) and a high-flex cable suitable for use in cable drag chains.

1 Safety summary



1.1 Safety

- Always adhere to the professional safety and accident prevention regulations applicable to your country during device installation and operation;
- installation and maintenance operations have to be carried out by qualified personnel only, with power supply disconnected and stationary mechanical parts;
- device must be used only for the purpose appropriate to its design: use for purposes other than those for which it has been designed could result in serious personal and/or the environment damage;
- high current, voltage and moving mechanical parts can cause serious or fatal injury;
- warning ! Do not use in explosive or flammable areas;
- failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the equipment;
- Lika Electronic assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these requirements.



1.2 Electrical safety

- Turn OFF the power supply before connecting the device;
- connect according to the explanation in the "Electrical connection" section on page 16;
- the wires of unused output signals must be cut at different lengths and insulated singularly;
- in compliance with 2014/30/EU norm on electromagnetic compatibility, the following precautions must be taken:
 - before handling and installing the equipment, discharge electrical charge from your body and tools which may come in touch with the device;
 - power supply must be stabilized without noise; install EMC filters on device power supply if needed;
 - system and control cabinet must be connected to the same ground potential;
 - the nominal operating voltage must be observed even if there is a voltage drop along the supply line;
 - always use shielded cables (twisted pair cables whenever possible);
 - avoid cables runs longer than necessary;
 - avoid running the signal cable near high voltage power cables;



- mount the device as far as possible from any capacitive or inductive noise source; shield the device from noise source if needed;
- to guarantee a correct working of the device, avoid using strong magnets on or near by the unit;
- minimize noise by connecting the cable shield (or the connector housing) and the frame to ground. Make sure that ground is not affected by noise. The connection point to ground can be situated both on the device side and on user's side. The best solution to minimize the interference must be carried out by the user;
- do not stretch the cable; do not pull or carry by cable; do not use the cable as a handle.



1.3 Mechanical safety

- Install the device following strictly the information in the "Mechanical installation" section on page 9;
- mechanical installation must be carried out with stationary mechanical parts;
- do not disassemble the unit;
- do not tool the unit;
- delicate electronic equipment: handle with care; do not subject the device to knocks or shocks;
- protect the unit against acid solutions or chemicals that may damage it;
- respect the environmental characteristics of the product;
- we suggest installing the unit providing protection means against waste, especially swarf as turnings, chips, or fillings; should this not be possible, please make sure that adequate cleaning measures (as for instance brushes, scrapers, jets of compressed air, etc.) are in place in order to prevent the sensor and the magnetic tape from jamming.



CAUTION

Keep magnets away from the measuring system, it could be damaged by strong magnetic fields.

Use only demagnetized tools for assembly and maintenance.

Improper storage of the magnetic tape rolls can lead to magnetic interaction between the layers and thus to a reduction of the measurement accuracy.

2 Identification

The device can be identified through the **order code** and the **serial number** printed on the label applied to its housing. Information is listed in the delivery document too. Please always quote the order code and the serial number when reaching Lika Electronic for purchasing spare parts or needing assistance. For any information on the technical characteristics of the product refer to the technical catalogue.



Warning: encoders whose order code ends with "/Sxxx" may have mechanical and electrical characteristics different from standard and be supplied with additional documentation for special connections (Technical Info).

3 Mechanical installation

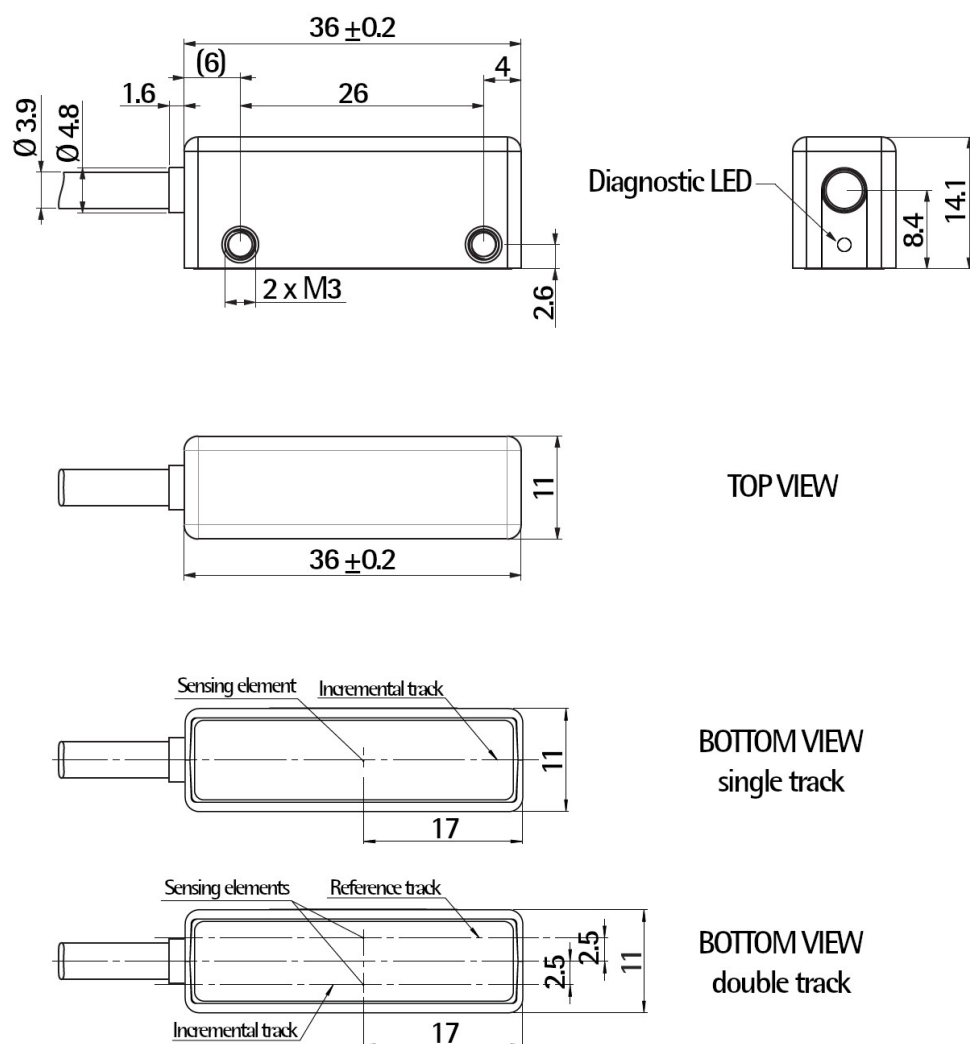


WARNING

Installation must be carried out by qualified personnel only, with power supply disconnected and mechanical parts compulsorily in stop.

3.1 Overall dimensions

(values are expressed in mm)



3.2 Sensor and scale combination

The sensor has to be compulsorily paired with its specific type of magnetic scale as indicated in the table below. For any information on the scale please refer to the specific documentation.

Sensor	Single track MTI tape (with "N" and "I" options)	Double track MTI tape (with "R" option only)
SME91	MTI-0100	MTI-01R2 MTI-01R5
SME92	MTI-0200	MTI-02R2 MTI-02R5
SME95	MTI-0500	MTI-05R2 MTI-05R5

3.3 Magnetic tape

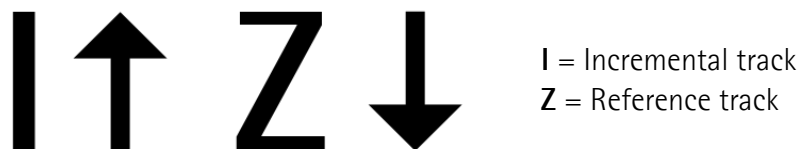
As stated, each sensor model must be compulsorily paired with its specific type of magnetic scale (see the previous section). For detailed information on the tape and how to mount it properly, please refer to the specific technical documentation.

Make sure that the mechanical installation complies with the system requirements for distance, planarity, and parallelism between the readhead and the scale indicated in Figure 4 all along the entire measuring length.

The MTI magnetic tape can be equipped with a cover strip to protect its magnetic surface (see the order code of the magnetic tape).

When the sensor is paired with a single track tape (MTI-0100, MTI-0200, and MTI-0500, regardless of whether the width is 5 mm or 10 mm), the readhead can be mounted in both directions over the tape, see Figure 1 (but you must consider the positive counting direction).

When the readhead is paired with a double track tape (MTI-01R2, MTI-01R5, MTI-02R2, MTI-02R5, MTI-05R2, and MTI-05R5), you must comply with the exact mounting direction shown in Figure 2. Check the print on the tape!



The arrow in Figure 1 and Figure 2 indicates the **standard counting direction** (the rising edge of A signal leads the rising edge of B signal) when the sensor moves in the direction indicated by the arrow; further information in the "4.6 Counting direction" section on page 19.

3.4 Mounting the sensor

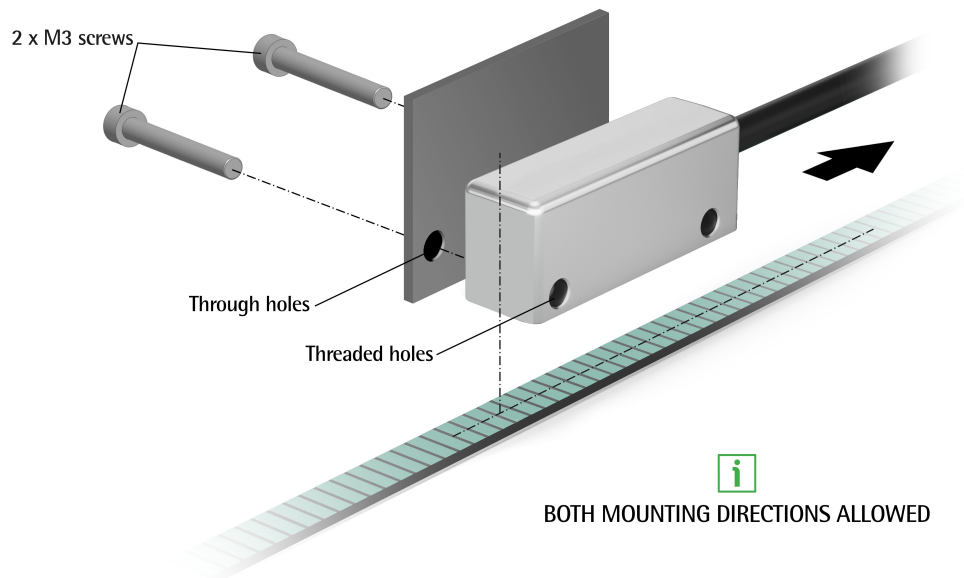


Figure 1 - Mounting the sensor with 5 mm and 10 mm wide single track magnetic tapes

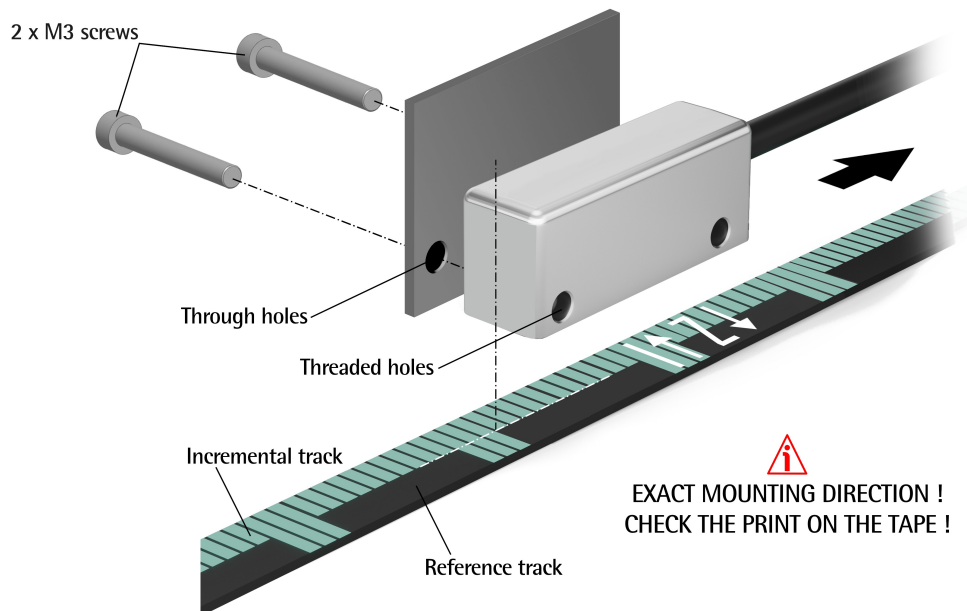


Figure 2 - Mounting the sensor with 10 mm wide double track magnetic tape

**WARNING**

When the double track magnetic tape (with both incremental and Reference tracks: MTI-0xR2 and MTI-0xR5) is used, please check the sensor – scale mounting direction shown in Figure 2. Check the print on the tape!

Make sure that the mechanical installation complies with the system requirements concerning distance, planarity, and parallelism between the sensor and the scale as shown in Figure 4. Avoid contact between the parts.

Install the unit providing protection means against waste, especially swarf as turnings, chips, or filings; should this not be possible, please make sure that adequate cleaning measures (as for instance brushes, scrapers, jets of compressed air, etc.) are in place in order to prevent the sensor and the magnetic scale from jamming.

Fix the sensor by screwing **two M3 screws** into the threaded holes of the reading head.

We recommend the screw to be screwed at least 6 mm into the reading head.

Assuming the mounting support to be 4 mm thick, then the screw will be at least 10 mm long and maximum 15 mm so as not to protrude too much.

Either cylinder head or countersunk head screws can be used.

The recommended tightening torque is **0.4 Nm**.

You must provide through holes for M3 screws (\varnothing 3.2 ... 3.4 mm) in your mounting support.

The recommended **minimum bend radius** of the cable is: **$R \geq 20$ mm** (static installation); **$R \geq 40$ mm** (dynamic installation).

Install the sensor and the magnetic scale as shown in the Figures. As previously stated, the arrow is intended to indicate the standard counting direction (the rising edge of A signal leads the rising edge of B signal).

Please note that the MTI magnetic scale can be provided with a cover strip to protect its magnetic surface (see the order code). Therefore the distance between the sensor and the magnetic scale is different whether the cover strip is applied or not.

Distance from the scale

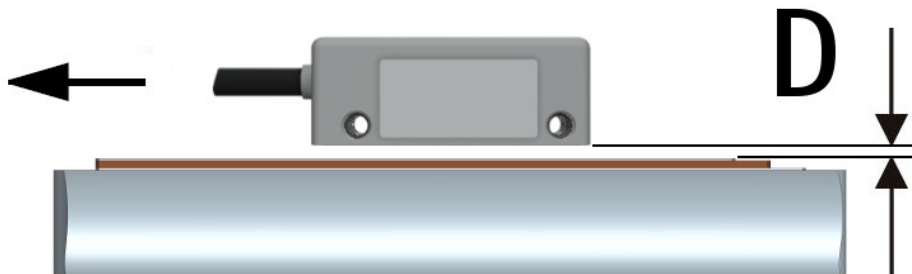


Figure 3 - Distance of the sensor from the magnetic tape

The distance D (see Figure 3) between the bottom of the encoder and the MTI magnetic scale must be as follows:

Sensor	Distance D between sensor and MTI tape	Distance D between sensor and cover strip
SME91	0.1 mm ÷ 0.5 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.019"	0.1 mm ÷ 0.3 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.012"
SME92	0.1 mm ÷ 1.0 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.039"	0.1 mm ÷ 0.7 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.027"
SME95	0.1 mm ÷ 2.5 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.098"	0.1 mm ÷ 2.2 mm 0.004" ÷ 0.087"

For better operation we suggest the following distance D:

Sensor	Recommended distance D between sensor and MTI tape
SME91	0.25 mm / 0.010"
SME92	0.50 mm / 0.019"
SME95	1.30 mm / 0.051"



WARNING

Make sure that the mechanical installation complies with the system requirements for distance, planarity, and parallelism between the readhead and the scale as shown in Figure 4 all along the entire measuring length.

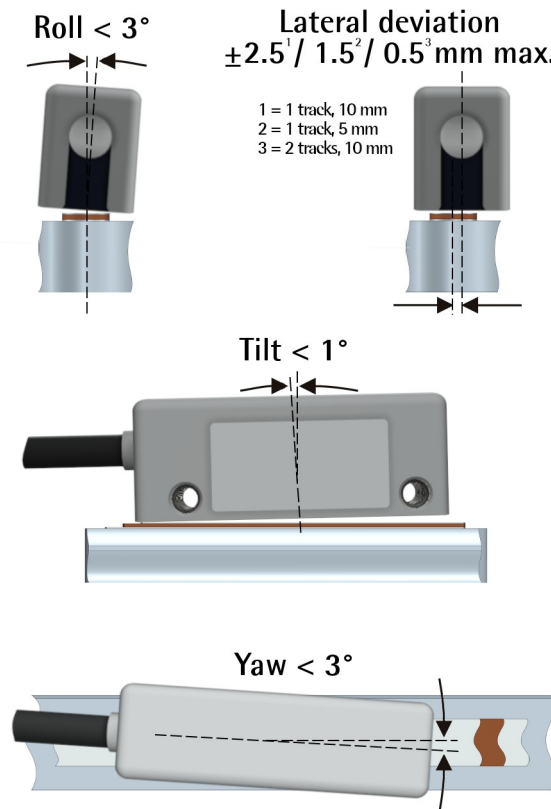


Figure 4 - Encoder / tape mounting tolerances

3.5 Measuring length

The **length of the single-track tape** can be theoretically unlimited. The tape is supplied in rolls up to 100 m / 328 ft long.

The **length of the double-track tape** can be max. 2.3 m / 7.546 ft.

The sensor area must always be fully within the limits of the tape magnetic surface, then the **maximum measuring length** is the maximum length of the tape minus the length of the sensor head (and two additional safety sections at both ends each one being min. 1-pole pitch long). For instance, if we use the MTI-0500 tape: if the travel in your application is 500 mm / 19.685", then the length of the tape to be installed will be at least: 500 mm / 19.685" (measuring length) + 36 mm / 1.417" (length of the readhead, see the Figure on page 9) + 2 x 5 mm (the length of two pole pitches of the MTI-0500 tape for safety reasons) = 546 mm / 21.496".

3.6 Standard counting direction

The positive counting direction (the rising edge of A signal leads the rising edge of B signal) is achieved when the sensor moves on the tape according to the arrow shown in the previous Figures. For further information see the "4.6 Counting direction" section on page 19.

4 Electrical connection



WARNING

Electrical connection must be carried out by qualified personnel only, with power supply disconnected and mechanical parts compulsorily in stop.



WARNING

If wires of unused signals come in contact, irreparable damage could be caused to the device. Thus they must be cut at different lengths and insulated singularly.

4.1 Cable and connector connections

Function	B8 cable	M12 8-pin
0Vdc	Blue	1
+Vdc ¹	Red	2
A	Brown	3
/A	Green	4
B	Grey	5
/B	Yellow	6
0 ²	Pink	7
/0 ²	White	8
Shielding	Shield	Coupling screw

1 See the order code for power supply voltage level



EXAMPLE

SME95-L1-... +Vdc = +5Vdc ± 5%
 SME95-YC2-... +Vdc = +10Vdc +30Vdc

2 Index "I" (see the "4.7 Index "I"" section on page 19) or Reference "R" (see the "4.8 Reference "R"" section on page 20) signals, see the order code. With "N" order code the signals are not provided, the wires must be cut at different lengths and insulated singularly.



NOTE

All sensors can provide inverted signals.
 A = A signal;

/A = inverted A signal (or complementary signal).

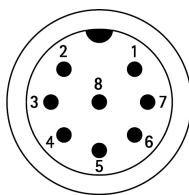
All Lika's magnetic sensors can provide AB0, /AB0 output signals. You are advised to always connect the inverted signals if the receiving device will accept them. Otherwise each output should be insulated singularly.

4.2 B8 cable specifications

Model:	22380 – PUR drag chain cable
Cross section:	2 x 0.20 mm ² + 3 x 2 x 0.055 mm ² (twisted)
Jacket:	PUR, fleece and aluminium foil wrapped overlaying, surface silk-matt, resistant to acids, alkalis, fuels, coolant liquid, solvents, UV rays
Shield:	Tinned copper braid, coverage > 95%
Outer diameter:	3.9 ±0.10 mm / 0.153" ±0.004"
Min. bend radius:	Outer diameter x 5, fixed application Outer diameter x 10, dynamic application
Work temperature:	-50°C +90°C / -58°F +194°F, fixed application -40°C +90°C / -40°F +194°F, dynamic application
Conductor resistance:	Max. 100 Ω/Km (0.20 mm ²), max. 354 Ω/Km (0.055 mm ²)

The total length of the cable that connects the sensor and the receiving device should not exceed the values stated in the "Cable lengths" section of the linear encoders' catalogue; they are specific for each type of output circuit. If you need to reach greater distances please contact Lika Electronic Technical Dept.

4.3 M12 8-pin connector specifications



Male
Frontal side
A coding

4.4 Ground connection

Always use shielded cables. Connect the cabinet side of the cable shield to protective earth (PE). System and control cabinet must be connected to the same ground potential. The coupling screw of the M12 connector is connected to shield.

4.5 ABO, /ABO output channels

The sensing head with digital output signals converts the analogue signals into quadrature signals (A/B pulses) and transmits them to the controller. The two digital square wave signals A and B are electrically phase shifted by $90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$. The sign of the phase shift indicates the direction of movement of the sensing head. Every change of A or B (rise to fall or vice versa) is a count for the increment counter (up/down counter). If the signal A is in advance, then the counter increments. If the signal B is in advance, then the counter decrements. Thus the controller always knows the position of the sensing head without having to query the sensor periodically (real-time capability). The length of the signal 0 is $90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$ electrical.



NOTE

To ensure proper function, the A and B signals have to be evaluated depending on their direction.

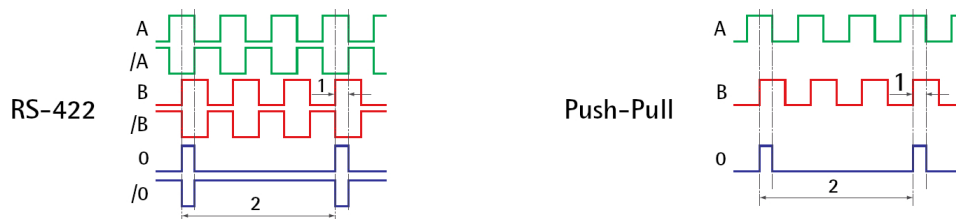


Figure 5 - Output signals scheme

- 1 Phase shift of A and B signals = $90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$ electrical
- 2 Signal period depending on the Reference track pattern or as a periodic Index according to the pole pitch

If you need to know the interpolation factor, then you have to divide the pole pitch value by the resolution indicated in the order code.



EXAMPLE

Let's suppose we are using the SME95-xxx-**0010**-... linear encoder paired with the MTI-0500 magnetic scale; as the pole pitch is 5 mm / 0.1968" long and the resolution is 10 µm = 0.01 mm, this means that the interpolation factor is x500 (5 mm / 0.01 mm).



WARNING

The position value issued by the sensor is expressed in pulses; to convert the pulses into a metric measuring unit you must multiply the number of detected pulses by the resolution expressed in millimetres or micrometres.



EXAMPLE

SME95-xxx-**0010**-...

resolution = 10 µm = 0.01 mm

detected pulses = 71

position value = 71 * 10 = 710 µm = 0.71 mm



NOTE

The **standard counting direction** (the channel A leads the channel B) is to be intended with sensor moving as shown in Figure 3.

4.6 Counting direction

By default the phase relationship between A and B channels is so that the rising edge of A channel leads the rising edge of B channel when the encoder moves in the direction shown by the arrow in Figure 3 (see the "4.5 ABO, /ABO output channels" section on page 18). Thus the counter in the subsequent electronics will get a count up. It cannot be changed.

4.7 Index "I"

Index signals (0, /0) are available with "I" order code only. With either "N" or "R" order codes the Index output signals are not supplied. As shown in Figure 5, the periodic Index pulse is synchronised with A and B channels and is provided once per pole. It is always sent at the same position inside the pole, thus the distance

between two index pulses is the pole pitch. It has a duration of $90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$ electrical and an amplitude according to the power supply voltage level.

4.8 Reference "R"

Reference signals (0, /0) are available with "R" order code and in combination with the double track magnetic tapes MTI-01R2, MTI-01R5, MTI-02R2, MTI-02R5, MTI-05R2, MTI-05R5. With either "N" or "I" order codes the Reference output signals are not supplied. They provide a datum position along the scale for use at power-up or following a loss of power. The Reference pulse is synchronized with A and B channels and has a duration of $90^\circ \pm 10^\circ$ electrical. The Reference pulse can be supplied every 20 mm (when the sensor is paired with the MTI-01R2, MTI-02R2, or MTI-05R2 tapes) or every 50 mm (when the sensor is paired with the MTI-01R5, MTI-02R5, or MTI-05R5 tapes), or at any custom interval (on request). The amplitude is according to the power supply voltage level.

4.9 Diagnostic LED (Figure 6)

One LED is located on the back side of the encoder enclosure, under the cable, and is intended to show visually the work status of the device and the type of error, should one be active, as explained in the following table.



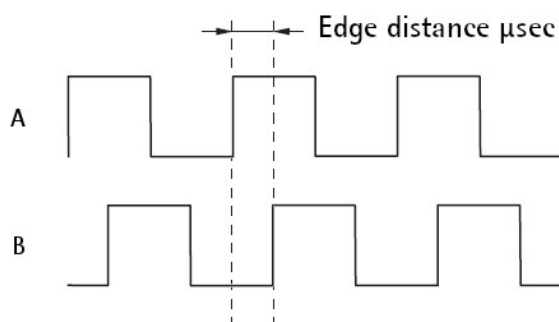
Figure 6 – Diagnostic LED

LED GREEN (power supply and operation)	Description
OFF	The encoder is off, the power is not supplied.
ON low Green	The encoder is supplied and running properly, the strength of the magnetic field is adequate. No error is active.
ON bright Green	The encoder is supplied and running properly, the strength of the magnetic field is optimal. No error is active.

LED RED (error active)	Description
Flashing Red	It warns of the presence of an error. The number of red flashes of the LED indicates the type of fault, according to following list. Flashes start after a blinking sequence.

1 red flash	The strength of the magnetic field is too high.
2 red flashes	The strength of the magnetic field is too low.
3 red flashes	The range of the magnetic fluctuation is too large.
4 red flashes	The output frequency is too high.
5 red flashes	The movement speed is too high.
6 red flashes	The movement speed is too much high (latched).
7, 8 red flashes	The movement speed is too high for internal signal processing with the current programming (latched).
9, 10, 11 red flashes	Internal error 9, 10, 11 (latched).

4.10 Edge distance



The edge distance feature has to be selected under the option EDGE DISTANCE in the order code. It can be defined as the **minimum spacing time** between two

following signal edges at output. The value is expressed in μsec and calculated referring to all edges.

When choosing the resolution of the encoder and its related minimum edge distance, consider attentively also both the travel speed of your application and the max. frequency that the subsequent electronics is able to evaluate.

Unexpected situations with high travel speed to be considered are:

- micro-vibrations;
- heavy accelerations and decelerations.

Signals will be output at the highest speed when the sensor comes to a standstill exactly on a graduation mark, resulting in a frequent change of the output signal by ± 1 increment.

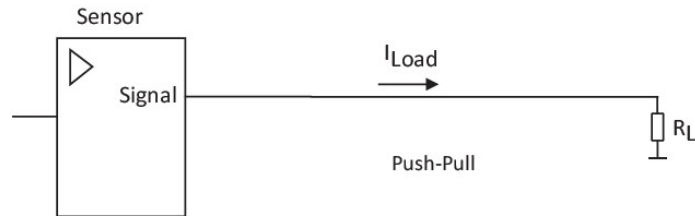
Please note that the minimum edge distance value is in relation with the max. speed value. For slower speeds the effective edge distance is necessarily greater.

Also the **max. mechanical travel speed** indicated in the datasheet has always to be considered attentively. It attests a mechanical permissible limit of the unit.

Order code	H			J			A			B			
Edge distance (μsec)	0.28			0.6			1			2			
Max. counting frequency (kHz)	3500			1750			1000			500			
Resolution (μm) vs max. possible speed (m/s)	0.7	-		0.35	-		0.2	-		0.1	-		N050 (50 nm)
	7		-	3.5		-	2		-	1		-	N500 (500 nm)
	14			7			4			2			0001 (1 μm)
	28			14			8			4			0002 (2 μm)
	70			35			20			10			0005 (5 μm)
	>100			70			40			20			0010 (10 μm)
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	91	92	95	91	92	95	91	92	95	91	92	95	SME model

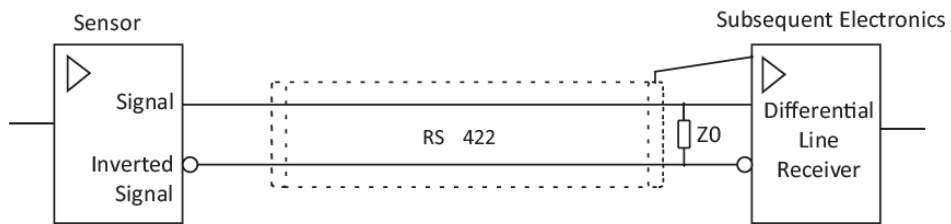
4.11 Recommended output circuit

Push-Pull (YC order code)



Maximum 50 mA per channel when the supply voltage is either +5Vdc or +24Vdc

Line Driver (L order code)



Load resistor $Z_0 = 120 \Omega$ at receiving end

5 Maintenance and troubleshooting

The magnetic measurement system does not need any particular maintenance; please always consider it is a delicate electronic equipment and therefore it must be handled with care. From time to time we recommend the following operations:

- Check the mounting tolerances between the sensor and the magnetic scale all along the measuring length. Wear of the machine may increase the tolerances.
- The surface of the magnetic scale must be cleaned periodically using a soft cloth to remove dust, chips, moisture etc.

The following list shows some typical faults and errors that may occur during installation and operation of the magnetic measurement system. Refer also to the "4.9 Diagnostic LED (Figure 6)" section on page 20.

Fault:

The system does not work (no pulse output).

Possible cause:

- The scale or the sensor has been mounted incorrectly (the active part of the scale does not match the active side of the sensor). Check the mounting directions of both the sensing head and the magnetic tape.
- The gap between the sensing head and the magnetic tape is too large or too small. Adjust the mechanical position of the sensing head over the magnetic tape.
- A magnetic piece or an inappropriate strip is in between the sensor and the scale. Only non-magnetic materials are allowed between the sensor and the scale.
- The sensor touches the scale: the mounting tolerances are not met. Adjust the mechanical position of the sensing head over the magnetic tape. Check if the active side of the sensor is damaged.
- The required voltage supply is not provided. Check if the power supply is present and the sensing head is connected properly.
- The voltage is too low or too high. Provide the required operating voltage.
- The cables are not connected properly. Check the connections for compliance with the circuit diagram.
- The sensor has been damaged by a short circuit or a wrong connection. You must replace the sensing head.
- An internal error of the conversion electronics has occurred (interpolator). You could be required to replace the sensing head.

Fault:

The measured values are inaccurate.

Possible cause:

- The mounting tolerances between the sensor and the scale are not met all along the whole measurement length. Adjust the mechanical position of the sensing head over the magnetic tape.
- The connection cable runs near to high voltage cables or the shield is not connected correctly. See the "4 -Electrical connection" section on page 16.
- The presence of external noise may cause malfunctioning or a decrease in the quality of the signals. Use shielded cables, ensure proper connections and contacts.
- The max. counting frequency of your receiving device is too low.
- A section of the magnetic scale has been damaged mechanically or magnetically along the measuring length. The magnetic poles of the magnetic tape are damaged in some places.
- The measuring error is caused by torsion of the machine structure. Check parallelism and symmetry of machine movement.

Fault:

The position signal is very noisy.

Possible cause:

- Contacts are poorly shielded. Use shielded cables, ensure proper connections and contacts.

Fault:

The linearity deviation is out of tolerance.

Possible cause:

- The sensing head does not move parallel to the magnetic tape. The gap between the sensing head and the magnetic tape is too large. Adjust the mechanical position of the sensing head over the magnetic tape.
- Thermally induced length variations happen (related to 20°C). Provide electronic temperature compensation in the electronic evaluation unit.

**NOTE**

If an error occurs switch off and then on again the encoder and check whether the problem is cleared up and the LED turns ON solidly green.

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