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#### VTS Series – Vibration Tolerant Tilt Sensors

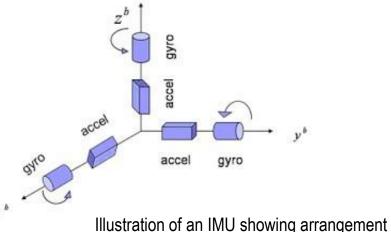






## Glossary

- VTS <u>V</u>ibration-Tolerant <u>Tilt Sensor</u>
  - VTS is the name given to all CW sensors produced using IMU technology
- MEMS <u>Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems</u>
  - MEMS devices consist of miniaturized mechanical and electro-mechanical elements. MEMS sensors are used primarily to convert a mechanical signal into an electrical signal. Examples include microphones for mobile phones, pressure sensors for blood pressure monitoring, and inertial sensors for roll detection.
- IMU <u>Inertial Measurement Unit</u>
  - A MEMS device that incorporates 3x miniaturized accelerometers and 3x miniaturized gyroscopes into a single chip package.



of accelerometers and gyroscopes



#### **VTS Series – Overview**



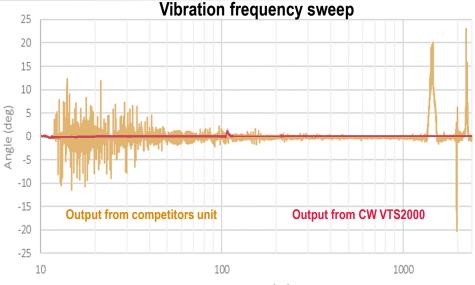


- Vibration-tolerant
  - Unaffected by parasitic vibration
  - Fast responding
  - Improves safety, reliability and efficiency
- Thermally compensated
  - Internal temperature monitoring
  - Limits thermal drift errors
  - Improves safety, reliability and efficiency
- Dual-sensing per axis
  - Redundancy for error detection
  - Internal cross-checking
  - Improves safety, reliability and efficiency

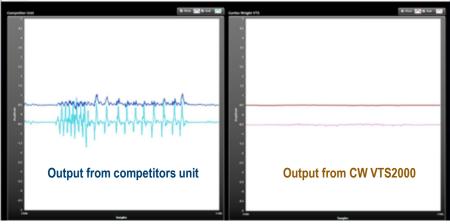


# **VTS Series – Vibration Tolerance**

- Unaffected by parasitic vibration
  - Unwanted accelerations (e.g. engine vibration, mechanical movement, and acoustic noise) can distort tilt measurement
  - Complex VTS algorithms isolate unwanted data and only transmit true position data
- Fast responding
  - Filtering traditional accelerometer based tilt sensor outputs through damping induces signal delay
  - Fast-acting VTS algorithms provide rapid response to changes in tilt angle
- Improves safety, reliability and efficiency
  - Protects the operator from tip-over while eliminating downtime from nuisance trips



Frequency (Hz)



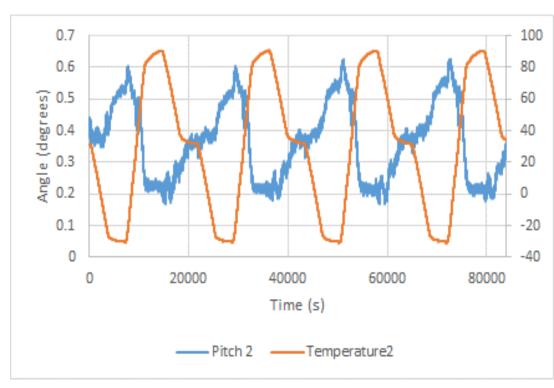
Horizontal vibration



## **VTS Series – Thermal Compensation**

#### Internal temperature monitoring

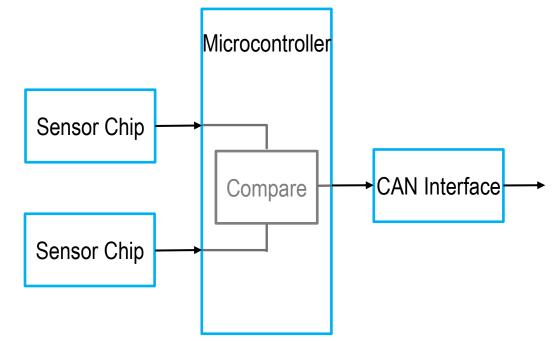
- VTS series sensors include on-board temperature sensing to identify operating conditions
- Limits thermal drift errors
  - Complex, fast-acting VTS algorithms incorporate measured temperature data to address thermal drift errors associated with IMU technology
  - Each sensor is calibrated for the operating temperature range (-40 to +85°C) to optimise the accuracy of output data
  - VTS thermal compensation ensures output deviation resulting from thermal drift is kept at <0.004°/K</li>
- Improves safety, reliability and efficiency
  - VTS provides accurate noise free reliable output data eliminating downtime from nuisance trips caused by acceleration induced noise spikes





### **VTS Series – Dual-Sensing**

- Redundancy for error detection
  - Sensors that rely on a single source of measurement data are susceptible to errors associated with false readings (e.g. as a result of physical damage)
  - The VTS series utilises a dual-sensing architecture to validate the output data and detect errors
- Internal cross-checking
  - Signals from each chip are compared by the on-board microprocessor to verify signal veracity
  - If there is a difference in signals, then an error is assumed and a message put on the CAN bus to indicate this
- Improves safety, reliability and efficiency
  - Provides vehicle electronics with all the data needed to enforce a safe condition, protecting operators and equipment







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