

Title (en)
INERTIAL SENSOR USING SLIDING PLANE PROXIMITY SWITCHES

Title (de)
TRÄGHEITSSENSOR MIT GLEITEBENEN-NÄHERUNGSSCHALTERN

Title (fr)
CAPTEUR INERTIEL UTILISANT DES COMMUTATEURS DE PROXIMITÉ À PLAN DE GLISSEMENT

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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO2014149085A1] A time-domain inertial sensor comprising: a support structure having an electrode plane parallel to an x-y plane of an x-y-z mutually orthogonal coordinate system, wherein the support structure's largest dimension lies within the x-y plane; a proof mass having a first surface parallel to the x-y plane; wherein the proof mass is springedly coupled to the support structure such that the first surface is separated from the electrode plane by a gap; a driver configured to drive the proof mass to oscillate with respect to the support structure in approximately only the x-direction such that, while oscillating, the gap does not vary significantly; and a first, time-domain, proximity switch disposed to switch from an open state to a closed state each time the proof mass is in a first reference position with respect to the support structure.

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