# L-GAGE<sup>®</sup> LG Laser Gauging Sensors



# Datasheet



- Self-contained Class 2 modulated visible laser gauging sensor needs no separate controller
- Narrow effective beam is excellent for precision gauging applications such as distance, height, or thickness measurement
- Resolution to better than 3 microns for LG5 Series models and better than 10 microns for LG10 Series models
- Banner's unique scalable analog output automatically distributes the output signal over the width of the programmed sensing window 1
- Analog and discrete (switched) outputs with independent window limits
- Analog output slope is either positive or negative, depending upon which window limit is programmed first
- Fast, easy-to-use integrated push-button TEACH-mode programming; no potentiometer adjustments - Remote TEACH function for security and convenience
- Unique feature holds analog output value for 2 seconds upon loss of signal
- Modulated laser beam and narrow optical band-pass filter provide a high level of ambient light immunity, including immunity from high-energy factory lighting
- Alarm output for signal saturation and overload of discrete output
- Output response is programmable for three speeds •
- Supply voltage: 12 to 30 V dc

### WARNING: Not To Be Used for Personnel Protection

Never use this device as a sensing device for personnel protection. Doing so could lead to serious injury or death. This device does not include the self-checking redundant circuitry necessary to allow its use in personnel safety applications. A sensor failure or malfunction can cause either an energized or de-energized sensor output condition.

# Models

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Analog Current Output Models (4–20 mA)	Analog Voltage Output Models (0–10 V dc)	Sensing Distance	Focal Point <sup>2</sup>	Cable <sup>3</sup>	Discrete Output
LG5A65PI	LG5A65PU			2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)	
LG5A65PIQ	LG5A65PUQ	-	Beam size at 53 mm: 0.4 x 0.6 mm (0.016 x 0.024 inches)	Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	PNP (Sourcing)
LG5A65NI	LG5A65NU	-		2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)	NPN (Sinking)
LG5A65NIQ	LG5A65NUQ	45 to 60 mm (1.8 to		Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	
LG5B65PI	LG5B65PU	2.4 inches)	53 mm (2.1 inches) Beam size at 53 mm: 0.1 mm (0.004 inches)	2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)	PNP (Sourcing)
LG5B65PIQ	LG5B65PUQ	-		Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	
LG5B65NI	LG5B65NU	-		2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)	NPN (Sinking)
LG5B65NIQ	LG5B65NUQ	-		Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	
LG10A65PI	LG10A65PU			2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)	
LG10A65PIQ	LG10A65PUQ	75 to 125 mm (2.9 to		Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	PNP (Sourcing)
LG10A65NI	LG10A65NU	A Ginchos) Beam size at 125 mm <sup>-</sup> 0.6 x 0.8 mm	2 m (6.5 ft) (8-wire)		
LG10A65NIQ	LG10A65NUQ	1	-	Pigtail QD (8-pin Euro)	NPN (Sinking)

Patent(s) issued or pending



<sup>2</sup> The focal point is the distance, measured from the sensor lens, at which the laser image is smallest. 3

To order the 9 m (30 ft) cable model, add suffix "W/30" to the cabled model number (LG5A65PI W/30).

# Overview

Banner's Class 2 visible laser displacement sensor brings a sophisticated yet cost-effective solution to precision measurement applications. L-GAGE Series sensors feature all-in-one design and require no separate controller.

The L-Gage Laser Gauging System operates in two modes: TEACH (or programming) and RUN. Near and far sensing window limits are set quickly using simple push-button or remote signal TEACH-mode programming. One sensor can simultaneously provide both analog and discrete (switched) outputs. Sensing window limits for each output may be independently programmed. The analog signal features Banner's unique scalable output (patent pending), which automatically distributes the output signal over the width of the programmed sensing window.

The L-GAGE Laser Gauging Sensor boasts many additional features, including selectable response speed, self-diagnostics with alarm output, comprehensive status indicator system, and unique output "hold" function in case of momentary signal loss in profiling applications.

## **Optical Triangulation**

The design of the L-GAGE Laser Gauging Sensor is based on optical triangulation. An emitter transmits visible laser light through a lens, toward a target. The laser light beam from the emitter bounces off the target, scattering some of its light through another lens to the sensor's PSD (position-sensitive device) receiver element. The target's distance from the receiver determines the angle the light travels to the receiver element; this angle in turn determines where the received light will fall along the PSD receiver element.

The position of the light on the PSD receiver element is processed through analog and digital electronics and analyzed by the microprocessor, which calculates the appropriate output value. The analog output provides a variable signal that is proportional to the target's position within the user-programmed analog window limits. The discrete (switched) output energizes whenever the target is located between the user-programmed discrete window limits. Analog and discrete window limits may be the same, or programmed independently.



# Indicators

Signal LED. The Signal LED indicates the strength and condition of the sensor's incoming signal.

Signal LED Status	Indicates	
OFF No signal is received, or the target is beyond the range limitations of the sensor (with tolerance beyond the recommended minimum and maximum sensing distance)		
Flashing at 2 Hz	Received signal is adequate for processing	
Flashing at 10 Hz	Received signal is in saturation (signal is too strong); alarm output energizes	
ON Solid Received signal is within the nominal conditions for the sensor		

Output LED. The Output LED lights when the discrete output is conducting.

Power ON/OFF LED. The Power ON/OFF LED indicates the operating status of the sensor.

Power ON/OFF LED Status	Indicates
OFF	Power is OFF
Flashing at 2 Hz	Discrete or alarm output is overloaded
Flashing at 1 Hz	Power ON, Laser is disabled
ON Solid	Sensor is operating normally (power is ON, Laser enabled)

Power Up/Laser Enable. When powering up the sensor, the following should occur:

- All LEDs turn ON for 1 second
- Allow 1.25 second delay for Laser Enable at power up. (If sensor is already powered up, allow 0.25 second for Laser Enable.)

# **Configuration Instructions**

### Sensor Programming

Program the sensor using either the sensor's keypad or via remote programming. Remote programming is also used to disable the keypad for security, preventing unauthorized or accidental programming adjustment on the production floor.



### **Remote Programming**

For remote programming, connect the sensor's yellow wire to +5 to 30V dc, with a remote programming switch connected between them. The impedance of the remote teach input is 18 k $\Omega$  minimum (65 k $\Omega$  minimum at 5V).

To program the sensor, follow the sequence of input pulses, button pushes, and "clicks" for programming on the sensor buttons. The duration of each pulse (corresponding to a push button "click"), and the period between multiple pulses, are defined as: 0.04 seconds < T < 0.8 seconds.

### Analog Output Slope

The L-GAGE Laser Gauge may be programmed for either a positive or a negative output slope, based on which condition is taught first. If the near limit is taught first, the slope will be positive; if the far limit is taught first, the slope will be negative. Banner's unique scalable analog output (patent pending) automatically distributes the output signal over the width of the programmed sensing window. Factory analog output is 0 to 10V dc (LG..U models) or 4 to 20 mA (LG..I models).



#### Analog output as a function of target position

The L-GAGE also features a 2-second hold upon loss of the analog signal, which is useful for profiling and similar applications. In the event of analog signal loss for longer than 2 seconds, the analog output goes to 0V dc (LG..U models) or 4 mA (LG..I models).

## Teaching Analog Limits Using the Auto-Zero Feature (Analog Output)

For some analog applications, a sensing distance set point centered within a sensing window may be required. The TEACH procedure is simple: teaching the same limit twice causes the sensor to program a window centered on the position taught. This window is 10 mm wide (taught position  $\pm$  5 mm).

## Teaching Fixed-Field Sensing Mode (Discrete Output)

Teaching the same limit twice creates a sensing window with the far limit at the teach distance and the near limit at the minimum operating range of the sensor (approx. 42 mm for LG5 Series models, and approx. 60 mm for LG10 Series models).

Beam Dimensions (Typical)				
	Focal Point	Distance	Beam Width (X)	Beam Height (Y)
	LG5 Series			
		45 mm	0.3 mm	0.5 mm
	53 mm (2.1 inches)	53 mm	0.1 mm	0.1 mm
		60 mm	0.3 mm	0.5 mm
	70 mm (2.8 inches)	45 mm	0.6 mm	0.9 mm
		53 mm	0.4 mm	0.6 mm
		60 mm	0.3 mm	0.4 mm
	LG10 Series			
	180 mm (7.1 inches)	75 mm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm
		100 mm	0.8 mm	1.1 mm
		125 mm	0.6 mm	0.8 mm

The focal point is the distance, measured from the sensor lens, at which the laser image is smallest.

# Teaching Limits for Either Analog or Discrete Output

Either output may be programmed first. For the button or the remote wire, a button click or pulse is: 0.04 seconds  $\leq T \leq 0.8$  seconds.

1. Enter programming mode.

Method	Action	Result
Push <b>Button</b>	Push and hold the button for Analog or Discrete output for more than 2 seconds $^{4}$	TEACH LED turns ON: Red — Analog output Green — Discrete output Sensor is waiting for first limit
Remote Input No action required		

2. Teach the first limit.

Method	Action	Result
Push Button	Position the target for the first limit and click the same button	TEACH LED flashes at 2 Hz Sensor learns first limit and waits for second limit
Remote Input	Position the target for the first limit. For the analog output, double-pulse the remote line. For the discrete output, single-pulse the remote line.	TEACH LED turns ON: Red — Analog output Green — Discrete output TEACH LED flashes at 2 Hz Sensor learns first limit and waits for second limit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Sensor returns to Run mode if the first TEACH condition is not registered within 120 seconds.

3. Teach the second limit.

Method	Action	Result	
Push Button	Position the target for the second limit and click the same button	TEACH LED goes OFF	
Remote Input	Position the target for the second limit and single-pulse the remote line	Sensor learns second limit and returns automatically to RUN mode	

4. Repeat for the other output if a second output is desired.

# Teaching Limits for Analog and Discrete Outputs Simultaneously

Both analog and discrete outputs will have identical limits. For the button or the remote wire, a button click or pulse is: 0.04 seconds  $\leq$  T  $\leq$  0.8 seconds.

1. Enter programming mode.

Method Action		Result	
Push Button	Push and hold either button for more than 2 seconds <sup>5</sup> Briefly click the other button	TEACH LED turns ON: Yellow Sensor is waiting for first limit	
Remote Input	No action required		

2. Teach the first limit.

Method	Action	Result
Push <b>Button</b>	Position the target for the first limit and click either button	TEACH LED flashes at 2 Hz, alternating Red and Green Sensor learns first limit and waits for second limit
Remote Input	Position the target for the first limit and triple-pulse the remote line	TEACH LED turns ON: Yellow Sensor learns first limit and waits for second limit TEACH LED flashes at 2 Hz, alternating Red and Green

3. Teach the second limit.

Method Action		Result	
Push Button	Position the target for the second limit and click either button	TEACH LED goes OFF Sensor learns second limit and returns automatically to Run mode	
Remote Input	Position the target for the second limit and single-pulse the remote line		

# Sensor Configuration

Response Speed. Use the Speed push button to toggle between the three response speed settings. The combination of indicator lights (Fast and Slow) will tell you which of the three is selected:

Slow	Fast	Analog Output Frequency Response (-3 dB)	Discrete Output Response Speed
ON	OFF	4.5 Hz	100 milliseconds
ON	ON	45 Hz	10 milliseconds
OFF	ON	450 Hz	2 milliseconds

Push Button Lockout. Enables or disables the keypad to prevent accidental or unauthorized adjustment of the programming settings.

	Procedure		
	Push Button	Remote Wire (0.04 sec. < T < 0.8 sec.)	Result
Enable/Disable Push Buttons	Not available via push button	Four-pulse the remote line	Push buttons are either enabled or disabled, depending on previous condition

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Sensor returns to Run mode if first TEACH condition is not registered within 120 seconds.

# Installation Notes

Some targets (those with a stepped plane facing the sensor, a boundary line, or rounded targets) pose specific problems for sensing distances. The following two images illustrate sensor orientations for typical targets.



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### WARNING: Class 2 Safety Notes

Low-power lasers are by definition incapable of causing eye injury within the duration of the blink, or aversion response of 0.25 seconds. They must also emit only visible wavelengths (400-700 nm). Therefore, an ocular hazard can only exist if an individual overcomes their natural aversion to bright light and stares directly into the laser beam. The device requirements for these lasers are to have a [hazard] label and to have an indicator light to indicate laser emission.

The two operational safety rules are:

- Do not permit a person to stare at the laser from within the beam
- Do not point the laser at a person's eye at close range



# WARNING:

**Beam Paths** 

The beam emitted by a class 2 laser product should be terminated at the end of its useful path. Open laser beam paths should be located above or below eye level where practical.

CAUTION: Do Not Disassemble for Repair

This device contains no user-serviceable components. Do not attempt to disassemble for repair. Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure. A defective unit must be returned to the manufacturer.

# Wiring Diagrams

Wiring connections are functionally identical for either integral or QD cable.



4 to 20 mA (LG..I models) or 0 to 10V dc (LG..U models)

\*The bare shield wire is connected internally to the sensor housing and should be connected as follows:

- 1. If the sensor housing is mounted so that it is in continuity with both the machine frame and earth ground, connect the bare wire (also) to earth ground.
- 2. If the sensor housing is mounted so that it is insulated from the machine frame, connect the bare wire to -V dc (together with the blue wire).
- 3. If the sensor is mounted so that it is in continuity with the machine frame, but not with earth ground, do not connect the bare wire (i.e. cut off the bare wire).

Conversion from Current to Voltage Output (LGxI Models Only)



Typical Voltage Response		
Value of R	alue of R Output Voltage	
250 Ω	1 to 5 V	
500 Ω	2 to 10 V	

\*\*For best results, install a small amount of capacitance (e.g., 0.1  $\mu F)$  in parallel with the load resistor

# Specifications

#### Supply Voltage

12 to 30 V dc (10% maximum ripple); 50 mA max at 24 V dc (exclusive of load) Supply **Protection** Circuitry

Protected against reverse polarity and transient over voltages

#### Sensing Range

LG5: 45 to 60 mm (1.77 to 2.36 inches) LG10: 75 to 125 mm (2.95 to 4.92 inches)

Delay at Power-up 1.25 seconds

Sensing Beam

650 nm visible red IEC and CDRH Class 2 laser; 0.20 mW radiant output power

#### Adjustments

Response speed: Push button toggles between Slow, Medium, and Fast (see Output Response Time)

Window limits (analog or discrete): TEACH-mode programming of near and far window limits (see programming procedure). Limits may also be taught remotely.

Analog output slope: The first limit taught is assigned to the minimum analog output.

#### Construction

Housing: Zinc alloy die-cast, plated and painted finish Cover plate: aluminum with painted finish Lens: acrylic

#### Connections

2 m (6.5 ft) or 9 m (30 ft) 7-conductor shielded PVC-jacketed attached cable, or 150 mm (6 in) 8-pin Euro-style pigtail quick-disconnect. Mating QD cables are purchased separately.

#### Analog Resolution and Repeatability of Discrete Trip Point<sup>6</sup>(LG5)

Fast: < 40 microns @ 50 mm

Medium: < 12 microns @ 50 mm Slow: < 3 microns @ 50 mm

#### Analog Linearity<sup>6</sup> (LG5)

±60 microns (±0.002") over 45 to 60 mm sensing window ±10 microns (±0.0003") over 49 to 51 mm sensing window

Minimum Window Size (Analog or Discrete) LG5: 1.5 mm (0.06 inches)

LG10: 5 mm (0.2 inches)

#### Color Sensitivity (typical)

LG5: < 75 microns (0.003 inches) for white to dark gray ceramic target LG10: < 100 microns (0.004 inches) for white to dark gray ceramic target

#### Remote TEACH and Laser Control Input Impedance

#### 18 k $\Omega$ minimum (65 k $\Omega$ at 5V dc)

Remote TEACH

To teach: Connect yellow wire to +5 to 30 V dc To disable: Connect yellow wire to 0 to +2 V dc (or open connection)

#### Output Configurations

Discrete (switched) and alarm outputs: SPST solid-state switch; choose NPN (current sinking) or PNP (current sourcing) models Analog current output (LG...I Models): 4 to 20 mA or 20 to 4 mA (current sourcing)

Analog voltage output (LG...U Models): 0 to 10 V dc or 10 to 0 V dc (voltage sourcing)

#### Output Ratings

Discrete (switched) and Alarm outputs: 100 mA maximum OFF-state leakage current: less than 5 microamps Output saturation voltage - PNP outputs: less than 1.2 volts at 10 mA and less than 1.6 volts at 100 mA Output saturation voltage - NPN outputs: less than 200 millivolts at 10 mA and less than 600 millivolts at 100 mA Analog output (LG...I Models): 1 k $\Omega$  max at 24 V dc, max load resistance = [(Vcc -4.5)/0.02] $\Omega$ 

Analog output (LG...U Models): 2.5 ko minimum load impedance

#### Output Protection

Discrete and alarm outputs are protected against continuous overload and short circuit

Analog Output (-3 dB) Response Time

Fast: 450 Hz (1 millisecond average with 1 millisecond update rate) Medium: 45 Hz (10 millisecond average with 2 millisecond update rate) Slow: 4.5 Hz (100 millisecond average with 5 millisecond update rate)

#### Discrete Output Response Time

Fast: 2.0 milliseconds ON and OFF Medium: 10 milliseconds ON and OFF Slow: 100 milliseconds ON and OFF

Analog **Resolution** and Repeatability of Discrete Trip Point<sup>®</sup>(LG10) Fast: < 150 microns @ 100 mm Medium: < 50 microns @ 100 mm Slow: < 10 microns @ 100 mm

#### Analog Linearity<sup>6</sup> (LG10)

 $\pm 200$  microns ( $\pm 0.008$  inches) over 75 to 125 mm sensing window  $\pm 20$  microns ( $\pm 0.0008$  inches) over 95 to 100 mm sensing window

Hysteresis (Discrete Output) LG5: < 0.2 mm (0.008 inches) LG10: < 1.0 mm (0.04 inches)

#### Temperature Drift

LG5: ±7 microns/°C LG10: ±25 microns/°C

#### Laser Control

To enable laser: Connect green wire to +5 to 30 V dc To disable laser: Connect green wire to 0 to +2 V dc (or open connection) 250 millisecond delay upon enable/disable

<sup>6</sup> Resolution and linearity specified @ 24 V dc, 22 °C, using a white ceramic test surface (see Application Notes)

#### Application Notes

For comparison, a white ceramic test surface has approximately 91% of the reflectivity of a white Kodak test card with a matte finish. A dark gray ceramic test surface has approximately 11% of the reflectivity of a white Kodak test card with a matte finish. (Allow 15-minute warm-up for maximum linearity.)

### **Operating Conditions**

Temperature: -10 °C to 50 °C (14 °F to 122 °F) Maximum relative humidity: 90% at +50 °C, non-condensing

Environmental rating

IP67, NEMA 6

Vibration and Mechanical Shock

Vibration: 60 Hz, 30 minutes, 3 axes Shock: 30G for 11 milliseconds, half sine wave, 3 axes

Certifications



Required Overcurrent Protection



WARNING: Electrical connections must be made by qualified personnel in accordance with local and national electrical codes and regulations.

Overcurrent protection is required to be provided by end product application per the supplied table. Overcurrent protection may be provided with external fusing or via Current

Supply wiring leads < 24 AWG shall not be spliced.

For additional product support, go to www.bannerengineering.com.

Supply Wiring (AWG)	Required Overcurrent Protection (Amps)	
20	5.0	
22	3.0	
24	2.0	
26	1.0	
28	0.8	
30	0.5	

### Resolution

The following charts illustrate the L-GAGE resolution with respect to speed (typical, using a white ceramic target).



# Dimensions



# Mounting hardware (M4) is included.

# Accessories

### Cordsets

8-Pin Threaded M12/Euro-Style Cordsets with Shield						
Model	Length	Style	Dimensions	Pinout (Femal	Pinout (Female)	
MQDC-806	1.83 m (6 ft)	Straight	44 Typ. — •	$ \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 1 \\ 7 \\ 6 \end{array} $ $ \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{array} $		
MQDC-815	4.57 m (15 ft)		M12 x 1 → ø 14.5 →	1 = White 2 = Brown	5 = Gray 6 = Pink	
MQDC-830	9.14 m (30 ft)			3 = Green 4 = Yellow	7 = Blue 8 = Shield	

# Brackets



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