



Photoelectric sensors V18, Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor

VL18-3N3940



Model Name > [VL18-3N3940](#)
Part No. > [6013644](#)



Illustration may differ

At a glance

- Cylindrical M18 housing
- Sensing distance up to 3.7 m
- 3- or 4-wire
- Straight or right-angle housing
- Metal or plastic housing

Your benefits

- Simple, standardized design ensures easy mounting, alignment and replacement
- Compact, space-saving design easily fits in tight application spaces
- Polarizing filter prevents false readings on reflective surfaces, reducing downtime



Features

Sensor/detection principle:	Photoelectric retro-reflective sensor
Housing design (light emission):	Cylindrical, angled, angled 90°
Housing length:	75 mm
Thread diameter (housing):	M18 x 1
Optical axis:	Radial
Sensing range max.:	0.05 m ... 3.7 m ¹⁾
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Type of light:	Visible red light
Light source:	LED ³⁾
Light spot (distance):	150 mm (3 m)
Sensitivity adjustment:	Potentiometer, 270°
Angle of dispersion:	2.8 °

^{1) 2)} C110A ³⁾ Average service life of 100,000 h at T_A = +25 °C

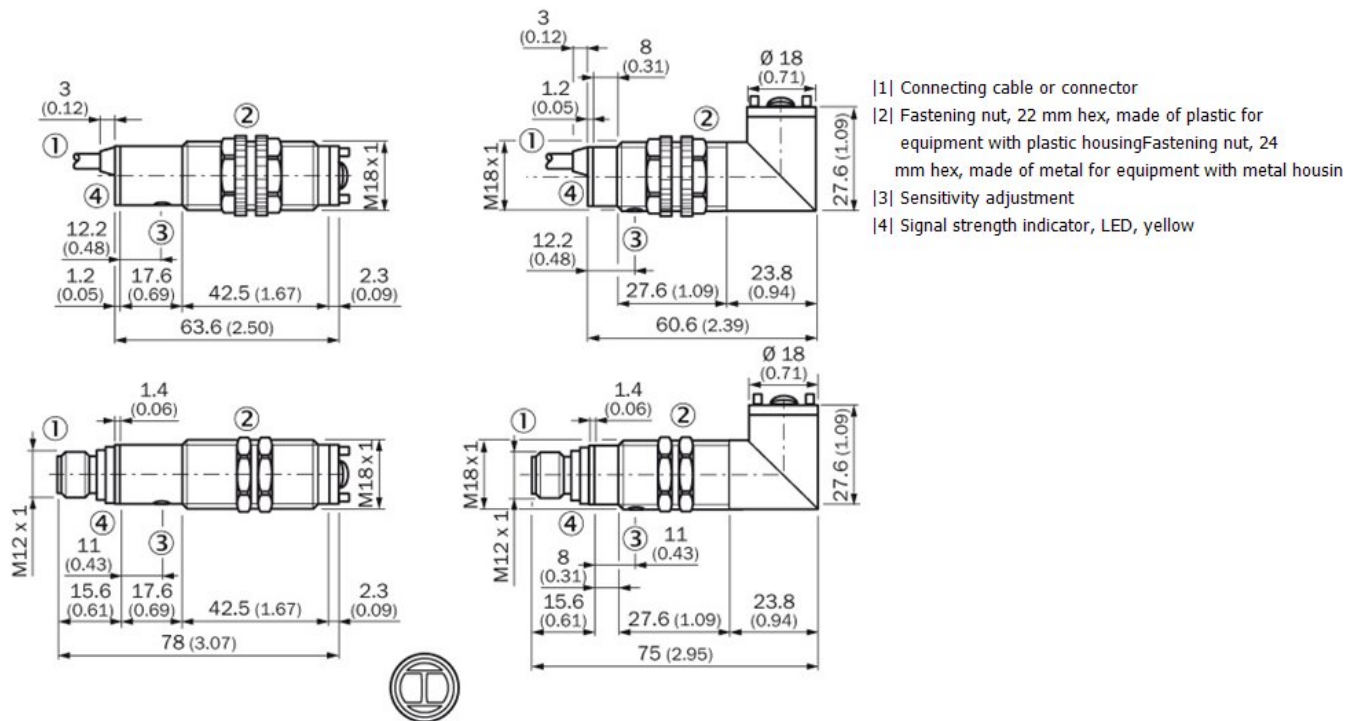
Mechanics/electronics

Supply voltage:	10 V DC ... 30 V DC ¹⁾
Ripple:	≤ 10 % ²⁾
Power consumption:	≤ 30 mA ³⁾
Output type:	NPN, Dark-switching, open collector
Output current I _{max} ..:	100 mA ⁴⁾
Response time:	≤ 2 ms ⁴⁾
Switching frequency:	250 Hz ⁵⁾
Connection type:	Connector M12, 4-pin

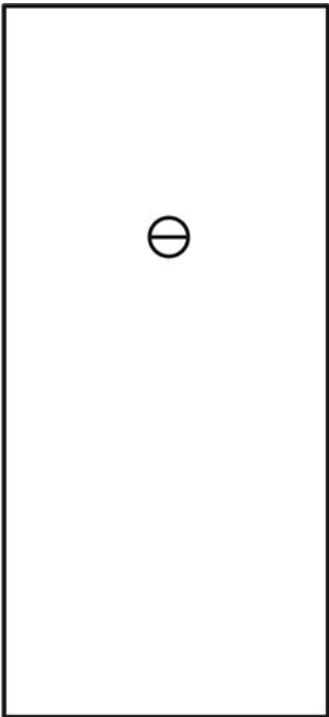
Circuit protection::::	A, B, C, D ^{6) 7) 8) 9)}
Protection class:	III
Weight:	100 g
Polarisation filter:	✓
Housing material:	PBT/PC
Optics material:	PMMA
Enclosure rating:	IP 67
Ambient operating temperature:	-25 °C ... 70 °C
UL File-No.:	UL No. NMFT2.E175606

¹⁾ Limit values ²⁾ May not exceed or fall short of V_S tolerances ³⁾ Without load ⁴⁾ Signal transit time with resistive load ⁵⁾ With light/dark ratio 1:1 ⁶⁾ $A = V_S$
connections reverse-polarity protected ⁷⁾ B = inputs and output reverse-polarity protected ⁸⁾ C = interference suppression ⁹⁾ D = outputs overcurrent and short-circuit protected

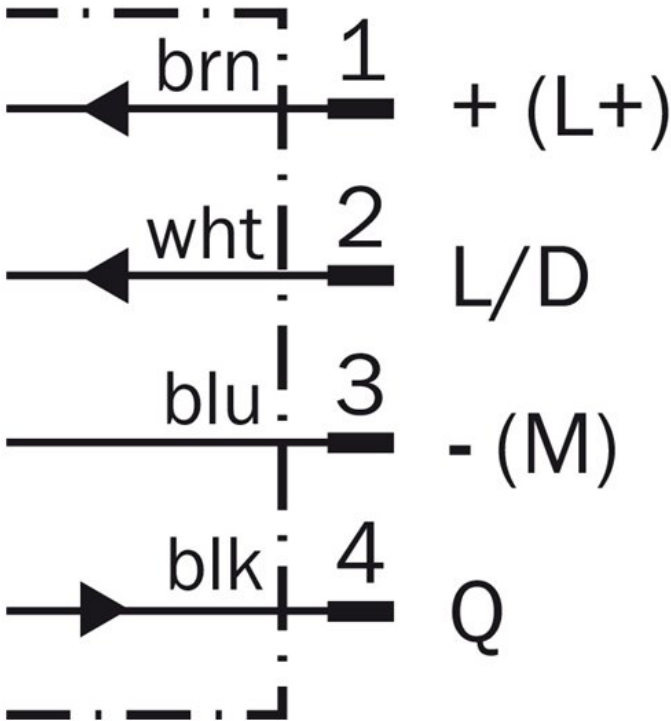
Dimensional drawing



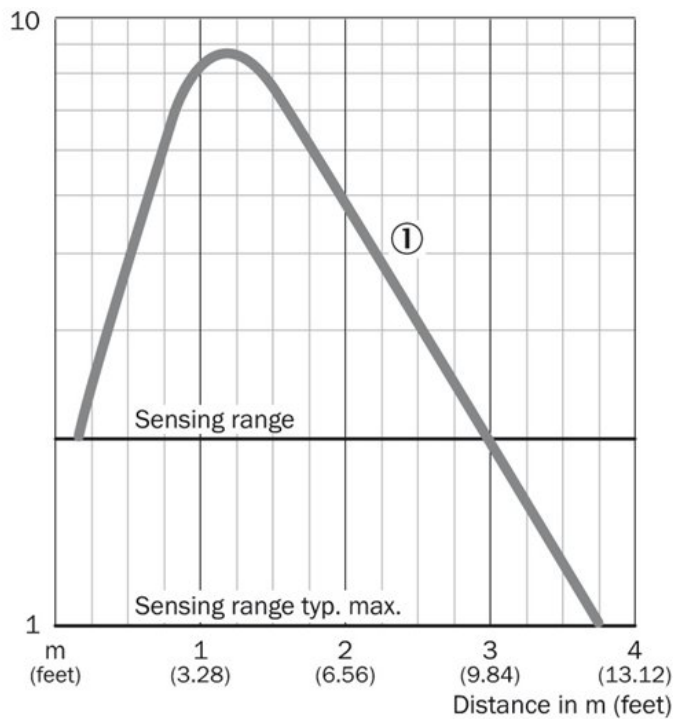
Adjustments possible



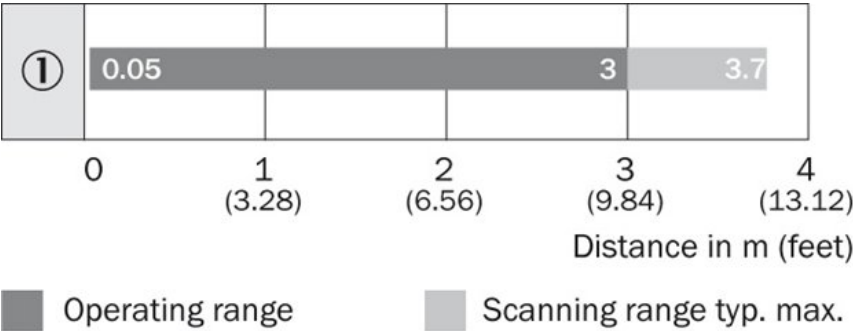
Connection diagram



Characteristic curve

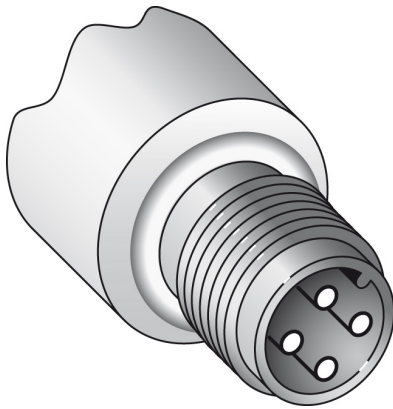


Sensing range diagram



① Reflector type C110

Connection type



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