

# Wireless Structural Health Monitoring















**Protecting Infrastructure with 21st Century Technology** 





#### Resensys Wireless SenSpot™

Wireless SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors offer a breakthrough technology for realtime and long-term structural health monitoring.

#### Sample applications of SenSpot™ sensors :

- Bridge piers and abutments: monitoring tilt, horizontal displacement, settling, deflection, instability of foundation
- **Structural elements:** monitoring strain (stress) in girders, beams, truss members, detecting overstrain, fatigue
- Bearings and expansion joints: monitoring bearing tilt, movement of joints, temperature response, detecting bearing malfunction
- **Bridge load rating:** fast, easy, reliable load carrying capacity calculation assisted by strain response of bridge elements
- Other structures: airframes, pipelines, tunnels, towers, buildings, cranes, etc.

# Total wireless solutions for remote Structural Health Monitoring

#### SenSpot™ Features

- Maintenance free, low-power: minimum battery life of 10 years
- Wireless communication: IEEE 802.15.4, 2.4GHz
- Small size and lightweight: 2in × 2in × 1in, 5oz (50mm x 50mm x25mm, 142 gr).
- Easy mounting: quick installation, self-adhesive or flange mount
- Wide working temperature: -40 to +150°F (-40 to +65°C)
- Long communication range: 0.62mi (1.0Km) free space
- Fully weather proof: Ingress Protection of IP65

#### **Types of SenSpot™ Sensors**

- Strain (stress), resolution: 1 μStrain
- Vibration (acceleration), resolution: 1mg
- Tilt & inclination, resolution: 0.5 arc seconds (0.00016 degree)

· Humidity, resolution: 1% RH

Displacement, resolution: 4mil (0.1mm)

Temperature , resolution: 0.5 °C

Certification: MIL-STD-461F





#### RESENSYS PRODUCTS

- SenSpot<sup>™</sup>: attached to structure (as many as needed, typically 10-200 per structure)
- □ SeniMax<sup>™</sup>: collects data on site of SenSpot<sup>™</sup> and sends to remote server (one per structure)
- SenScope<sup>™</sup>: software package that analyzes data & generates alerts





Displacement SenSpot™ (monitoring expansion, crack progression)



Tilt SenSpot™ (monitoring pier movements, foundation settling, bearing movement)



Strain SenSpot™ (monitoring stress/strain on members)

# Resensys Remote Monitoring System

- SenSpot™ sensors: attached to the structure, any number, any combination
- **SeniMax™:** collects data from on-site SenSpot™ sensors and sends it to a remote server (one unit can cover up to 250 SenSpot™).
- Repeater: extends the range of SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors when needed (in massive structures).
- SenScope™: software for sophisticated data analysis, visualization.



Cellular / WiFi
Or Direct Download



SeniMax™

Remote Transmission Gateway Covers up to 250 SenSpot™ sensors

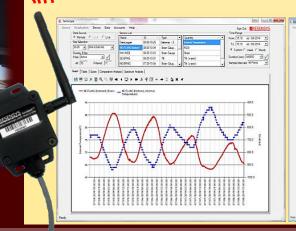


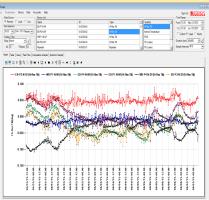
Cloud / Server Storage

Internet



SenScope™







## Resensys SeniMax™ Gateway

SeniMax<sup>™</sup> receives data from SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors and transmits data to a cloud based database system.

SeniMax<sup>™</sup> is a high performance wireless data collector and remote communication gateway designed for years of uninterrupted and reliable monitoring.

SeniMax<sup>™</sup> uses Resensys's proprietary breakthrough energy efficient communication and scheduling technology. As a result, even when it is disconnected from solar cells, it still has a full month of energy reserve for reliable operation.



SeniMax™ Dimensions: 150mm x 20mm x 100mm (6in × 8in × 4in)

#### SeniMax™ Features

Energy self sufficient: solar powered

Wireless protocols:

IEEE 802.15.4

HSPA (3G), GPRS

IEEE 802.11 / Wireless LAN

IEEE 802.3 / Ethernet

**Low profile:** small, easy to install **Weatherproof:** IP67 protection

Coverage: up to 250 SenSpot™ sensors

Lightweight: 1.5Kg (3.0 lb)



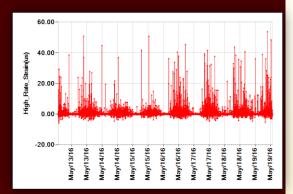








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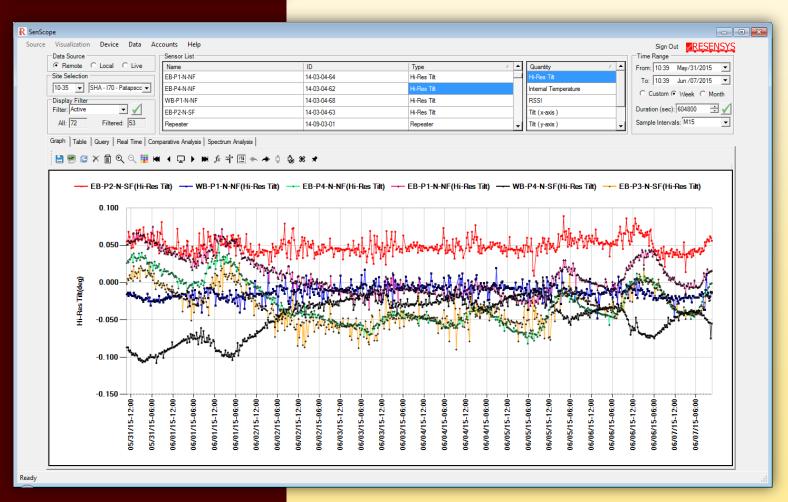


#### Resensys SenScope™ Software

SenScope™ is a software package for real-time monitoring and structural diagnosis. SenScope™ is capable of converting large volumes of data into specific structural diagnostics information. The information generated by SenScope™ facilitates decision—making and accelerates the course of action for maintenance/repair.

#### SenScope<sup>™</sup> features

- Communication with Resensys SenSpot<sup>™</sup> and SeniMax<sup>™</sup>
- · Real-time data visualization and management
- Automated structural diagnostics, alert generation & management
- Alert generation with customizable alert levels
- Archiving of historical data of the structure
- Capability of adding user notes per SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensor
- Capability of providing e-mail or text message alerts
- Report automation

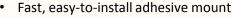


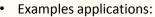


#### Strain SenSpot™

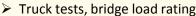
#### A revolutionary method for monitoring strain, fatigue damage awareness, and load rating

- Long-term and continuous monitoring of strain (stress)
- Detecting short-lived and transient high-strain events, e.g., caused by fast moving trucks on highway bridges or by turbulence on airframes
- Fatigue awareness, fatigue life analysis





- Highway bridges
- Airframes

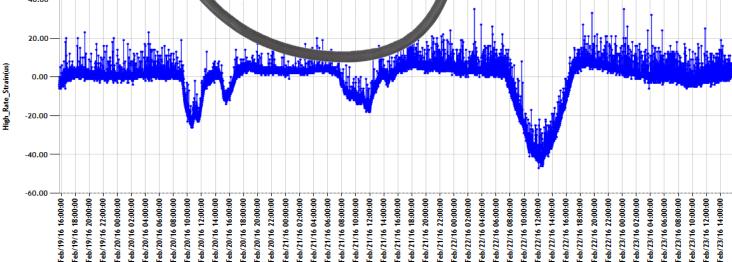
















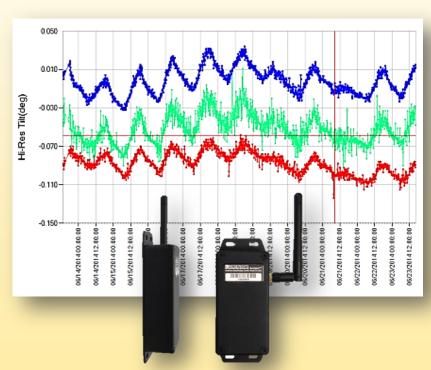




## Tilt/Inclination SenSpot™

A breakthrough tool for precise monitoring of tilt, inclination, settling, bending, deformation, and deflection

- Monitoring deflection, bending, settling of piers, abutments at high precision (resolution 0.00016 degree or 0.5 arc seconds)
- Monitoring vertical/ horizontal displacement in spans, pylons, piers using analytical model
- Detecting change in tilt caused by settling, deformation, or permanent change in loading.
- Detecting any over-tilting or unhealthy change in tilt that may affect overall safety of the structure.

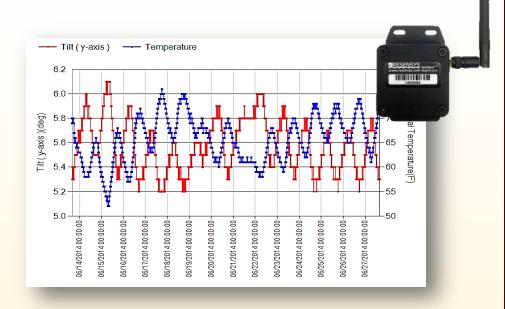


Using Resensys's high precision tilt SenSpot sensors, movement, settling, deformation and abnormal tilting of bridge piers are detected at an early stage, before such issues become major problems or lead to safety compromise and/or road closure.

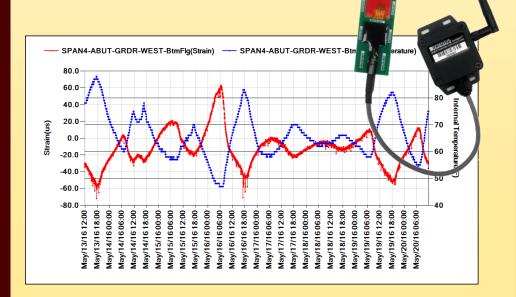
High precision tilt data helps calculate vertical/horizontal displacement of piers, pylons and spans.



#### Monitoring bearings and girders



- Bearings are designed to accommodate the expansion and contraction of a bridge deck and superstructure as a result of temperature change.
- Accumulated stress as a result of malfunctioning bearings can damage a structure by forming (fatigue) cracks in steel, piers, and abutments.
- Resensys SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors provide accurate information about tilt, temperature and strain on bridge bearings; the system can detect instances where the bearings are partially or completely frozen.
- As a secondary measurement, in addition to the tilt SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors on bearings, strain SenSpot<sup>™</sup> sensors can be used to monitor stress on girders. When bearings become completely or partially frozen, overstrain is likely to happen in girders of the spans next to malfunctioning bearings.













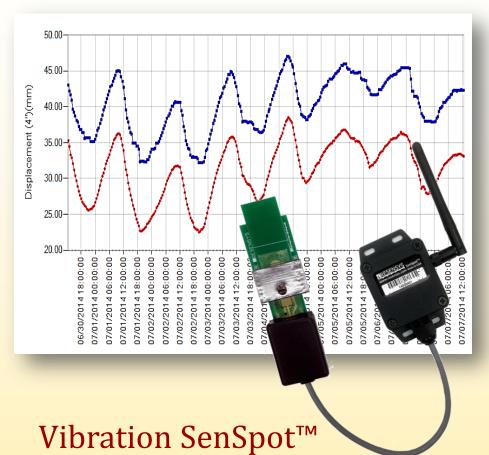




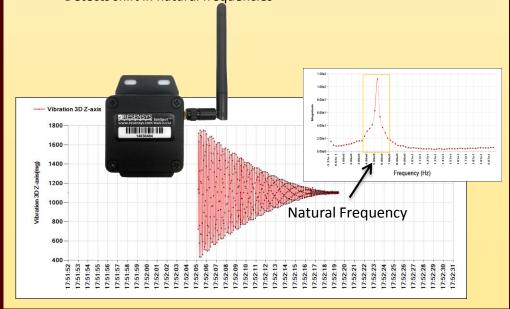


### Displacement SenSpot™

- Monitors expansion joints
- Monitors activity / propagation of existing cracks.
- · Monitors movement



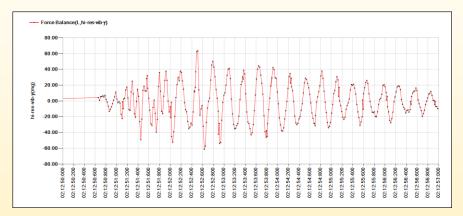
- Monitors single axis or tri-axial acceleration
- Calculates natural frequencies/ modal analysis
- Detects shift in natural frequencies





# Monitoring buildings: settling, vibration, crack

- SenSpot<sup>™</sup> displacement meter is used for measurement and progress of the existing cracks in a structure. This device has a sliding element which moves with displacement of structure or growth of a crack.
- SenSpot™ inclination/tilt is used to monitor smallest movements in walls or floors caused by settling in foundation.
- SenSpot™ Humidity/Temperature reports environmental conditions.



Seismic activity waveform reported by a Resensys vibration SenSpot™ earthquake on December 30, 2015 in British Columbia, Canada.

**Other Applications**: Tunnels, towers, pipelines, and cranes are more examples of structures that can use Resensys Structural Health Monitoring Systems.







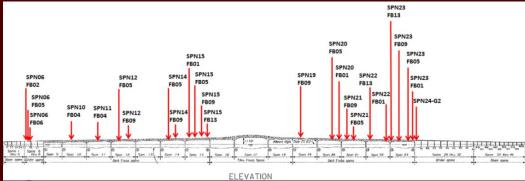






#### SenSpot<sup>™</sup> for Bridge Load Rating

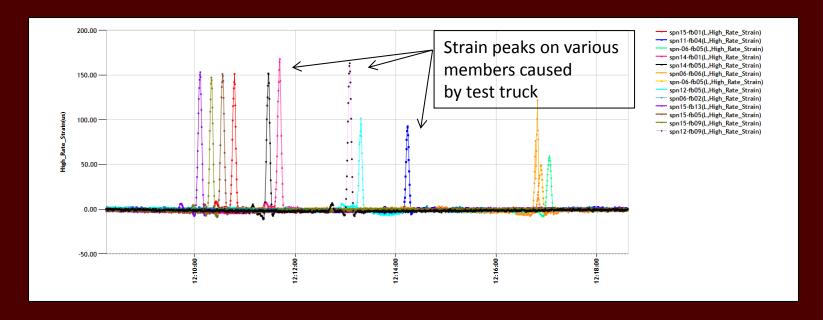






A breakthrough method for fast and accurate bridge load rating:

- Attach adhesive mount wireless strain SenSpots™ to critical members (e.g., beams, girders, truss members, gussets);
- 2. Drive truck of known weight over the bridge;
- 3. Calculate load carrying capacity using the responses





#### Featured Monitoring Projects

- Gold Star Memorial Bridge, Connecticut (I-95 Over Thomas River): monitoring girders, bearings, gusset plates, and truss members.
- I-70 Bridge over Patapsco River, Maryland: monitoring bearings, girder, piers.
- Robert Norris Bridge, Virginia: monitoring floor beams, girders.
- Portage Creek, Victoria Island, Canada: monitoring piers, abutments, expansion Joints.
- East Capitol Bridge over Anacostia River: monitoring piers, abutments.
- I-495 over Northwest Branch Bridge, Maryland: monitoring bearings, girders.
- Soekarno Bridge, Indonesia: monitoring vibration, temperature, humidity, wind speeds and direction, and strain on pier, pylon, girders, abutments.
- US40 Bridge over Licking Creek, Maryland: monitoring bearings, girders
- I-81 Bridge over Potomac River, Maryland. monitoring piers
- C130 legacy airplane: monitoring cargo ramp
- US-522 over Potomac River, Maryland: monitoring bearings, girders.
- Calgary Airport Tunnel: monitoring temperature, displacement across the tunnel.















# SenSpot™ Sensors Monitoring Major Bridges



Resensys SenSpot™ sensors monitor 6000 -foot Gold Star Memorial Bridge (I-95 over Thomas River, Connecticut)





# SenSpot™ Sensors Monitoring Major Bridges







Resensys SenSpot™ sensors monitor 10,000 -foot Robert Norris Bridge, Virginia





Resensys was founded in 2008 with the mission of protecting infrastructure systems against aging, deterioration, and collapse. For this purpose, Resensys offers a range of structural monitoring solutions based on its award winning ultra low power wireless sensor network technology, known as SenSpot™. Resensys wireless SenSpot sensors provide a versatile platform for remote monitoring of structures on a wide range of structural quantities; examples include strain (stress), vibration, tilt, inclination, temperature, humidity, and acoustic emission events. Having monitored all these important structural quantities in real time, SenSpot sensors provide reliable tools to measure overstrain, metal fatigue, formation of cracks, movement and stability of foundation, as well as monitoring vibration and performing modal analysis. Currently, Resensys's SenSpots are the world's most energy efficient wireless monitoring sensors and a SenSpot sensor provides a minimum of 10 years of monitoring using a small ½-AA battery.

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