







HEC

High Efficiency Contactor

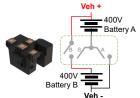
HEC (High Efficiency Contactor) is Sensata's high-voltage battery reconfiguration technology in 800V battery electric vehicles (BEVs). It enables seamless switching between 400V and 800V battery configurations, ensuring compatibility with both 400V and 800V DC fast chargers, and supporting drive operation at either voltage.

The HEC integrates mechanically synchronized contacts, providing an inherently safe and highly efficient switching mechanism.

With up to five distinct battery configuration states—including independent access to each 400V battery for advanced functions such as battery balancing or limp-home mode—the HEC delivers unmatched safety, ruggedness, simplified integration, reduced cooling needs, and significant system-level savings compared to alternative solutions.







400V Battery A Optional:





Battery configuration states

Key specifications

- Up to five battery configuration states:
 - » Standard states: Series Mode (800V Drive/ Charge), Parallel Mode (400V Drive/Charge), Isolation Mode (All open)
 - » (Optional) Single-path states: A-only (Battery A only), B-only (Battery B only)
- Continuous current up to 1000 A
- Contact resistance: ~50 μΩ (low & stable)
- · Shock robustness 90 g
- Short-circuit withstand 25 kA
- Operate time: <0.5 s
- Hold power: 0 W (bi-stable design)
- · Position feedback: ASIL-D compliant sensor

Preliminary & Indicative Figures

Key benefits

- Flexible Configuration Supports standard battery configurations (Series-800V, Parallel-400V, Open-Isolated) and singlepack selection (A-only / B-only) for battery balancing and limp-home modes.
- Inherently Safe Unique mechanical design prevents incorrect switching, eliminating short-circuit risk.
- Robust Performance Withstands shortcircuit events up to 25 kA and mechanical shocks over 90 q.
- Compact & Lightweight Reduces system component count by over 50%; no extra cooling or special equipment required.
- High Efficiency No holding power (bistable design); ultra-low contact resistance minimizes energy loss.

Applications



Switchable Battery 400V/800V



Vehicle-to-Grid



Autonomous driving



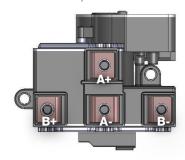
Bi-stable



MW Charging

HEC Technical Specifications

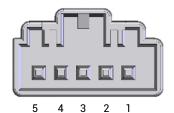
Connection Specifications



A+ (Battery Pack A+) A- (Battery Pack A-)

B+ (Battery Pack B+)

B- (Battery Pack B-)



Pinout (from top to bottom)

- 1. Actuator power (+ or -)
- 2. Actuator power (+ or -)
- 3. Position sensor Output (SENT)
- 4. Position sensor GND
- 5. Position sensor supply 5V

Female housing with male pins, Tyco Electronics (TE 1-1418778-1)
*Custom connector on demand

Dimensions



- 1. M6 bolts to be used
- 2. All dimensions are in mm
- Please contact Sensata technologies for tolerances and custom envelope dimensions

Preliminary & Indicative Figures

Parameters	Value

Specifications		
System Voltage	Up to 1000 V	
Continuous Current	>500 A up to 1000 A *Depending on cooling (Active / Passive), busbar size and material, others.	
Initial Device Resistance	~50 μΩ	
Shock Capability	90 g	
Short Circuit Withstand	25 kA (no rupture - no fire - no explosion)	
Weight	<500 g	
Dimensions (LxWxH)	100x82x71mm (without connector) 100x97x71mm (with connector)	
Mechanical Endurance (1x state change)	100K times	
Operating Time (1x state change)	<0.5 s	
Operating Voltage	9V to 16V	
Temperature Range	-40°C to +85°C	
Current Consumption	0 A in position (Bi-stable design) <2 A (5 A peak) when moving	
Quiescent Current	< 20 mA on position sensor 5 V	
Position Sensing Communication	SENT protocol	

Safety

ASIL C	Achieved with the position sensor feedback
ASIL D	Can be achieved with ECU specific programming (contact Sensata for more details)

Insulation Performance

Dielectric Strength —	2500 V _{DC} for 1 min, between HV contacts
	2500 V _{DC} for 1 min, between HV and LV contacts
Insulation Resistance (Initial)	1000 MΩ at 1000 V_{DC} , between HV contacts
	$1000~\text{M}\Omega$ at $1000~\text{V}_{\text{DC}}$, between HV and LV contacts

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