

# Direct Connection Terminal Block between Devices: Self-aligning Connector

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development

Simplifies assembly of units such as e-Axle (contributing to automation)

Terminal block that completes electrical connection of inverter and motor during installation

Eliminates connection work and service holes by using male-female mating terminals

## Background or Assignment

Contributes to unit design based on absorption of assembly tolerance using terminal block. Terminal block absorbs misalignment (approx.  $\pm 0.8\text{mm}$  in X and Y directions) between cases, enabling proper connection.

## Solutions to Challenges

Main performance, specifications, and structure

- 1 Increases product compatibility by providing flexibility in the positioning of LA terminals
- 2 Enables significant tolerance absorption by using a flexible braided conductor structure. For example, variations can be achieved using resin attachments (straight or L-shaped).
- 3 Uses round-pin terminals with vibration resistance (proven in mass production and ongoing adoption)
- 4 Compatible with oil-cooled motor with a waterproof and oil-proof structure using a gasket

## Example of Yazaki's development item

The connector is separated into inner housing and outer housing with a braided conductor, enabling each terminal to independently absorb assembly tolerances

