**DESCRIPTION**

_Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver_

A metal box-style control amplifier for controlling HydraForce proportional valves. The metal housing is potted and is IP65 rated. Remote mounting is required. This controller has seven outputs that provide accurate control of hydraulic proportional and directional valves for a variety of hydraulic functions.

**OPERATION**

This controller will accept inputs from a joystick potentiometer with or without center tap, from a standard potentiometer, or from commonly available control signals such as 0–5 VDC, ±5 VDC, 0–10 VDC, ±10 VDC, 0–20 mA, and ±20 mA. It is designed for circuits using dual solenoid proportional four-way valves, single solenoid proportional flow and pressure controls, single or dual solenoid on/off valves, or half-speed functions.

**FEATURES**

- Adjustments easily accessible and clearly labeled.
- One unit covers supply voltages from 9 to 32 VDC.
- Current sensing circuit maintains output current regardless of changes in input voltage and coil resistance.
- High/Low range input provides reduced output for training or operation of equipment in tight spaces.
- No internal fuses; circuit limits current electronically.
- Short circuit proof and reverse polarity protected.
- User selectable Deadband Jump.
- Adjustable Min. and Max. current.
- Pump Enable output active only when joystick is active.
- Asymmetrical or symmetrical ramps—user selectable using Dip Switch 2.
- Center Null feature accommodates joystick or potentiometer centering errors.

**RATINGS**

- **Supply Voltage:** 9–32 VDC
  - Coil rating must be matched with supply voltage: \( R_{COIL} \leq \frac{(V_{SUPPLY} - 1.5 \text{ V})}{I_{Max}} \).
- **Control Input Signal Options:** User selectable using Dip Switch 1:
  - Voltage Inputs: 0–5 VDC (2.5 VDC=0); 0–10 VDC (5 VDC=0); ±5 VDC (0 VDC=0); ±10 VDC (0 VDC=0)
  - Current Inputs: 0–20 mA (10 mA=0); ±20 mA (0 mA=0)
- **Joystick Potentiometer Input:** 10K potentiometer recommended; 5K to 50K pots can be used; The potentiometer connection provides a 5.0 VDC bias voltage as well as a 2.5 VDC center tap driving voltage. A remote joystick potentiometer with or without center tap can be used.
- **Low Range Input (I_{Max}/2):** Full speed unconnected; 50% speed activated by applying 9–32 VDC through an external switch.
- **Input Resistance:** Current Mode: 250 Ohms
  - Voltage Mode: 0–5 VDC, 1.38M Ohms
  - ±5 VDC, 750K Ohms
  - 0–10 VDC, 750 K Ohms
  - ±10 VDC, 1.75M Ohms
- **Output Current:** up to 2000 mA (see ordering info.)
- **Minimum Current Range:** 0–2000 mA (adjustable)
- **Maximum Current Range:** 0–2000 mA (adjustable)
- **Ramp Up and/or Down:** 0.01–5.0 seconds (independently adjustable using Dip Switch 2)
- **Dither Frequency:** 70–350 Hz (adjustable)
- **Dither Amplitude:** 0–10% of maximum current (adjustable)
- **Operating Conditions:** −40° to 85°C; 0 to 85% relative humidity
Schematic diagram of the Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver, showing various components and connections.

**Schematic Diagram: Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver**

- **Active Reverse Polarity Protection**
- **Step-Down Converter**
- **Step-Up DC/DC Converter**
- **Short Circuit Protected Digital Outputs**
- **Voltage Generator**
- **Protected Reference Voltage Generator**
- **Symmetrical or Non-Symmetrical Ramp Generator**
- **Signal Processing Deadband and Channel Separation**
- **Voltage to High Frequency PWM Converter**
- **Current Sensing and Short Circuit Protection**
- **Error Amplifier**
- **Low Pass Filter**
- **Digital Outputs**

**Dimensions: Standard Model with Spade Connectors - Part No. 4000149**

- Dimensions: 3.88 x 98.4 mm
- Mounting Holes: 4 holes, 0.25 (6.35) Diameter

**Dimensions: Model with Screw Terminals - Part No. 4000230**

- Dimensions: 3.88 x 98.4 mm
- Mounting Holes: 4 holes, 0.25 (6.35) Diameter

**All Dimensions for Reference Only**

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CONNECTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS

Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver

Connection Options

- **Power Input**: +9–32VDC
  - **Ground**: GND
- **Control Inputs**
  - Signal: IN (not used), Disable, I-Max/2 Signal, +10V Ref., +2.5V Ref., +5V Ref.
- **Dither Adjustments**: CW to Increase
  - **Dither Level**: 0–10% of rated I-Max.
  - **Dither Frequency**: 70–350 Hz

Adjustments

**Proportional Outputs**
- Solenoid Ap (High)
- Solenoid Ap (Low)
- Solenoid Bp (High)
- Solenoid Bp (Low)

**Digital Outputs**
- Ad+
- Ad–
- Bd+
- Bd–
- Abd+
- Abd–
- Cd+
- Cd–

**Electronic Deadband**

**Dither**
- **Dither Level**
- **Dither Frequency**

**Power Input**
- 9...32V

**Control Inputs**
- **Signal**
- **IN (not used)**
- **Disable**
- **I-Max/2**
- **Signal**
- **+10V Ref.**
- **+2.5V Ref.**
- **+5V Ref.**

**Dither Adjustments**
- **CW to Increase**
- **0–10% of rated I-Max.**
- **70–350 Hz**

**Digital Outputs**
- Ad+
- Ad–
- Bd+
- Bd–
- Abd+
- Abd–
- Cd+
- Cd–

**Solenoid Adjustments**

**Solenoid 'A' Ramps**
- Symmetrical: 1=ON, 2=OFF
- Non-Symmetrical: 1=OFF, 2=ON

**Solenoid 'B' Ramps**
- Symmetrical: 3=ON, 4=OFF
- Non-Symmetrical: 3=OFF, 4=ON

**Joystick Deadband**
- No Joystick Deadband: 5=ON
- Joystick Deadband: 5=OFF

**Dither Adjustments**
- **Dither Level**
- **Dither Frequency**

**Proportional Adjustments**
- 0–2.0 amps
- **CW to Increase**

**Ramp Time Adjustments**
- 0.01 to 5 seconds
- **CW to Increase**

**Settings**
- Settings shown are for Symmetrical Up and Down Ramps for Solenoids 'A' and 'B'. Electronic Deadband is selected for Joystick Input or Control Signal.

**NOTE**: Do not change switch positions while unit is powered.

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**Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver**

**APPLICATION INTERFACE INFORMATION**

**Input Specifications:**
For proper operation, match the power supply voltage with the rating of the coil. Operating this driver with a supply voltage lower than the coil’s rated voltage may result in reduced maximum current output.

**Output Specifications:**
All outputs are capable of operating a 2 amp solenoid or relay. Each output can withstand an indefinite short circuit to power or ground. Each output is protected from “over voltage” with a recirculating diode. For proper operation of this driver, the solenoid coils should have no polarity or protection diodes. The maximum current output of this driver should not exceed the current rating of the coil.

**Joystick Deadband:**
Deadband is the zone of the joystick or threshold of the control signal where no action is generated by movement of the joystick or application of the control signal. “Deadband Jump” will be provided by safety microswitches if they are installed on the joystick. **This feature can be enabled or disabled using Dip Switch 2.**

**Joystick Center Null:**
If the joystick does not have safety microswitches installed, this effect can be achieved by external connections to the input side of this driver. Connect the joystick potentiometer to the +5V Reference and connect the midpoint terminal to the +2.5V Reference. This ensures that the mechanical and electrical centers of the joystick are consistent with each other.

**CONTROL SIGNAL INTERFACE**

**POTENTIOMETER INTERFACE**

Select Current or Voltage Input and Value on Dip Switch 1

Select Current or Voltage Input and Value on Dip Switch 1

(0–5 VDC example shown)
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TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

**Application A**
Dual Solenoid 4-Port Proportional Valve

**Application B**
Directional 3-Position 4-Way Control Valve

**Application C**
Directional 3-Position 4-Way Control Valve

**Application H**
Directional 2-Position 4-Way Control Valve

**Application F1**
Directional 2-Position 2-Way Control Valve

**Application E**
Directional 2-Position 4-Way Control Valve

**Application F2**
Directional 3-Position 3-Way Control Valve

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TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

**Application D**
Directional 3-Position 4-Way Control Valve

**Application G**
Directional 2-Position 2-Way Control Valve

**Application I**
PExx Proportional Pilot-Operated, 3-Position, 4-Way, Spring-Centered Directional Valve

**Application J**
SPxx-47 Direct-Acting, Proportional, 3-Position, 4-Way, Spring-Centered Directional Valve
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JOYSTICK MOTION

Typical Examples of Analog and Digital Output vs. Various Types of Input

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2 Amp

0 Amp

Ap

Solenoid A

Proportional Output

Bp

Solenoid B

Proportional Output

ABp (See Note Below)

Solenoids A & B

Proportional Output

Ad

Solenoid A

Digital Output On/Off

Bd

Solenoid B

Digital Output On/Off

ABd (Pump Enable; Ad or Bd ON)

Solenoids A & B

Digital Output On/Off

Cd

Latching

Digital Output On/Off

Note: The ABp signal can be used to drive a single solenoid: Externally short the SAL and SBL terminals, and connect the solenoid to SBL and either SAH or SBH.

Typical Joystick Motion Correlated to Output Signal

Single Axis with Seven Outputs and ±7.5° Electronic Deadband Illustrated (other values are available)
Dual Solenoid Multifunction Valve Driver

JOYSTICK MOTION

Typical Joystick Outputs:
The Dual Solenoid Driver has multiple outputs available to support a variety of hydraulic circuits. The diagram on the previous page shows the outputs of the Driver as they relate to the movement of a remote joystick, with the Deadband function selected (dipswitch setting on Driver).

The joystick has its own potentiometer which senses movement and signals the Driver to automatically activate its additional outputs. The potentiometer output will signal the Driver, causing the Ad, Bd and Abd signals to be generated electronically.

The Dual Solenoid Driver can be used to replace joystick outputs that might otherwise be generated by microswitches or trigger switches. Problems normally encountered with mechanical switches can be eliminated because the Driver produces its outputs electronically.

Some typical mechanical push-button and joystick-actuated microswitches are illustrated below.

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