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USER MANUAL FOR DIGR-1500/E CONTROLLER

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1. Technical data

Power supply voltage U_{nap} 110-230V 50/60Hz
Maximum output current 4.5 A
Output voltage 5-100% U_{nap} with 1% steps
Output frequency 20-100 Hz with 0.2 Hz steps
2x digital input 24V DC
1x digital output 24V DC max. 120 mA
1x analogue input 0-10V DC
Auxiliary output voltage 24V DC max. 150 mA
 10V DC max. 10 mA
Protection level IP54
Operational temperature 10-55°C
Dissipated power 10 W
Interference suppression EN 55011/A
Short circuit resistance 1.5 kA
Weight 1.3 kg

2. Description

The DIGR-1500/E controller is designed for control of vibration feeders driven with an electromagnetic coil. Two basic parameters, i.e. output voltage amplitude and frequency are controlled. The operation of the controller is defined with 18 different parameters that are set by the user from the control panel. Control of the controller is possible either from the control panel or using external analogue and digital signals.

The controller is designated for installation outside of the switchboard. The controller includes also a safely separated 24V DC power supply for feeding sensors and for 10V DC power supply for analogue input feeding.

Small size and effective user functions create prerequisites for deployment of these controllers operating both independently and together with a master control system in most feeder applications.
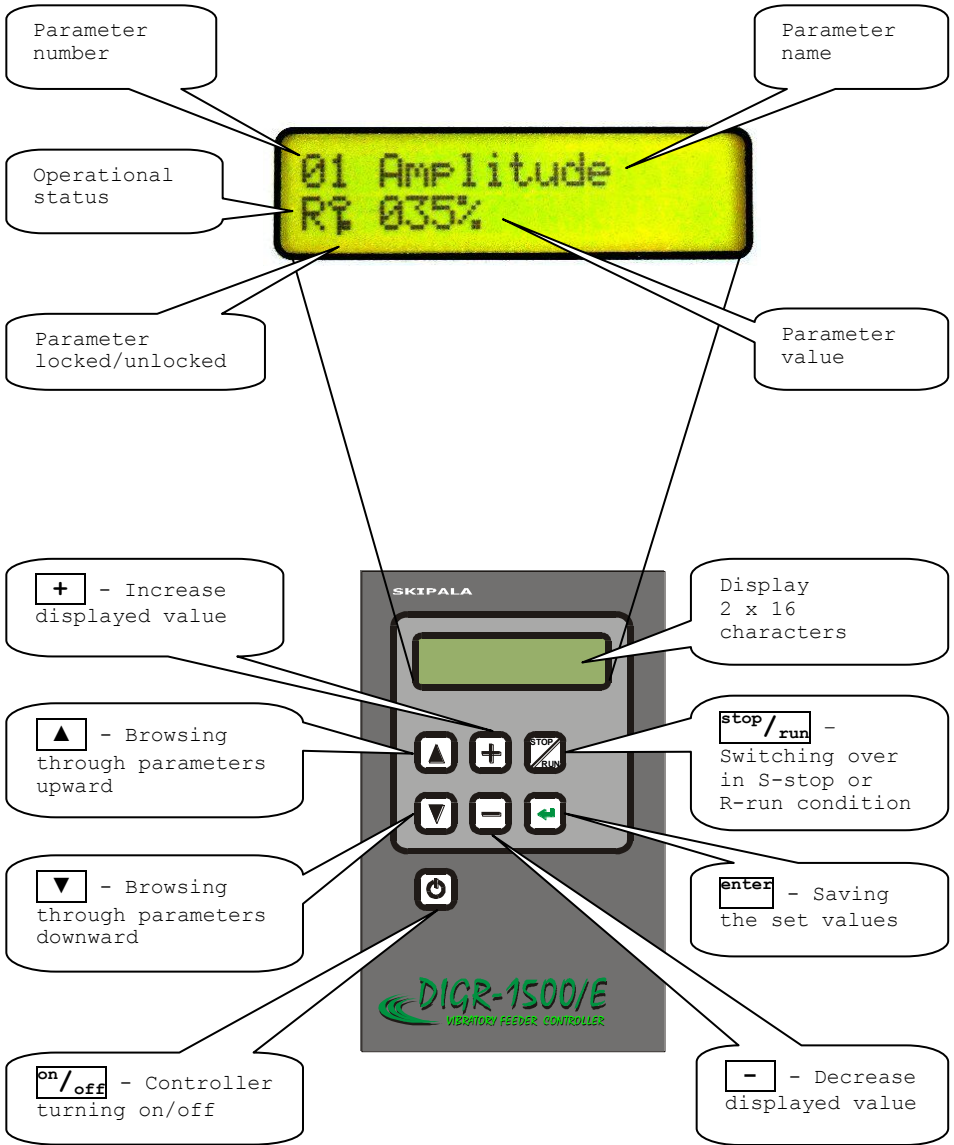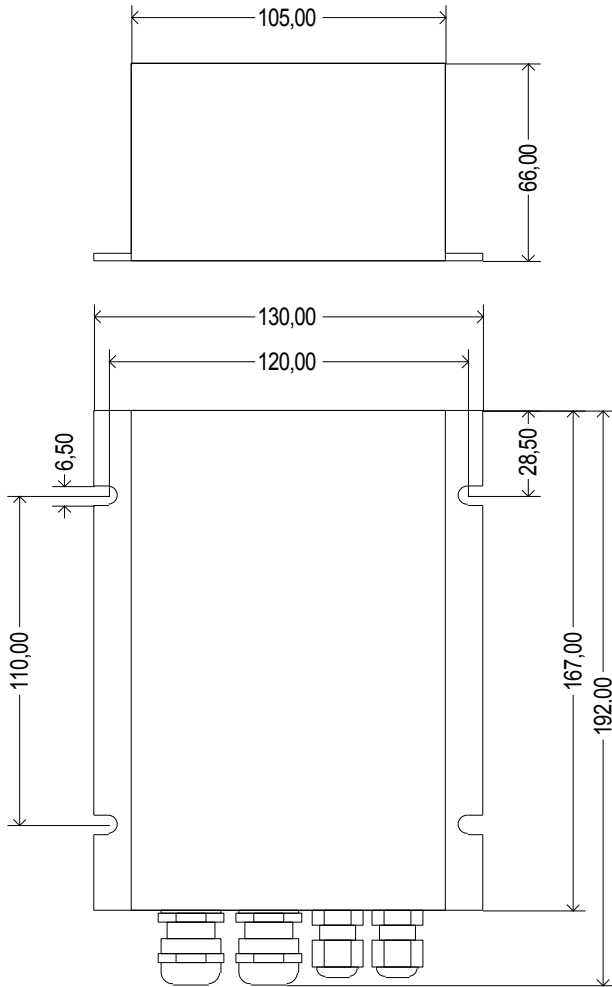
Fig. 1 – Description of controls

Parameter number

Parameter name

Operational status

Parameter locked/unlocked

Parameter value

01 Amplitude
R⸠ 035%

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+ - Increase displayed value

Display 2 x 16 characters

▲ - Browsing through parameters upward

stop/run - Switching over in S-stop or R-run condition

▼ - Browsing through parameters downward

enter - Saving the set values

on/off - Controller turning on/off

− - Decrease displayed value

Fig. 2 – Basic dimensions

Fig. 3 – *Connection of controller external parts*

Power supply
110-230V AC

T 8A

U
V
PE

Vibration
feeder

Digital
input IN1
(max. stock
level)

PNP

+24V
S
0V

1
2
3

+24V Internal
power
0V supply

Digital
input IN2
(min. stock
level)

PNP

+24V
S
0V

4
5
6

Analogue
input AIN
(amplitude
control)

7 +10V
8
9

5k/N

Digital output OUT

10
11
12
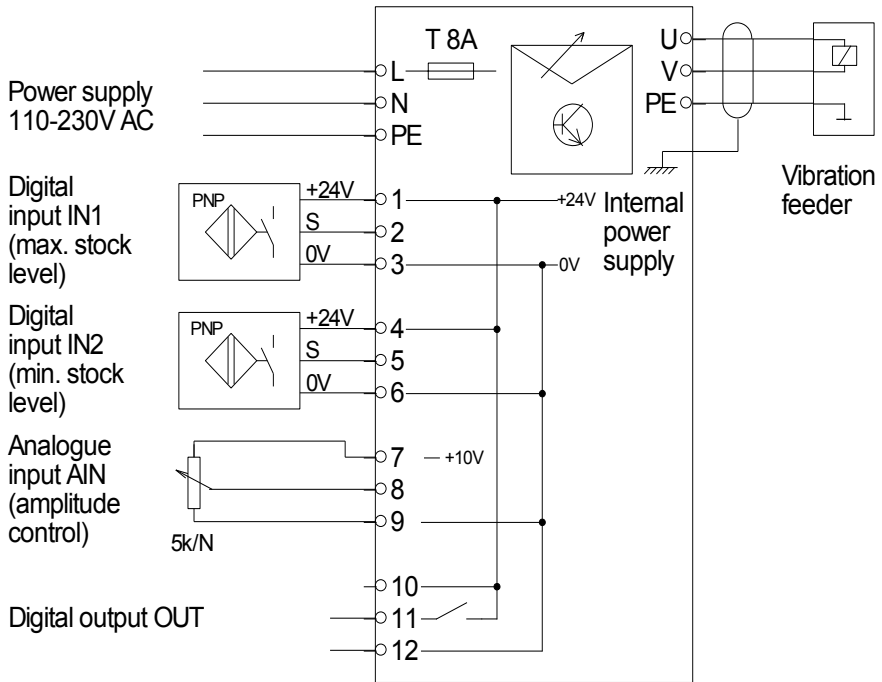
Alternative amplitude
control

560 Ω

0-20mA
0V

8
9

0-10V
0V

8
9
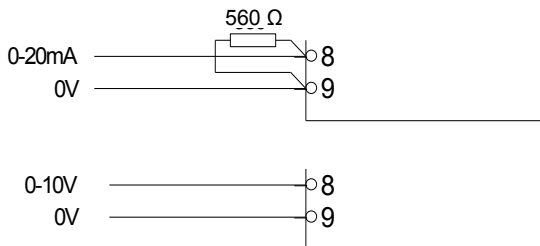
3. Connection

Connection of external electric components of the controller may be carried out only by the person with adequate electro-technical qualification. Connection may be done only if the controller is disconnected from the mains.

⊗ **Caution!** Electric charge remains in capacitors after controller disconnection from the mains. This electric charge may become a cause of **fatal injury!** The lid may be removed only if the controlled has been disconnected from the mains for at least 2 minutes!

3.1. Installation

The controller can be installed either in the horizontal position or in the vertical position with outlets facing downward.

⊗ **Caution!** The controller should be mounted to a mechanically stable part of equipment free of direct vibrations.

Drill four holes with a drill with diameter of 4.2 mm in the base plate to which the controller should be mounted and cut M5 threads in them. The pitch of the holes is apparent from Fig. 2. Mount the controller using 4 M5x8 screws with fan washers.

⊗ **Caution!** Washers are needed so when tightened the layer of elox is cut and the controller is conductively joined to the body of the machine.

3.2. Lid disassembly

Unscrew four M3 screws mounting the controller lid (Fig. 4) and remove the lid (Fig. 5).

Fig. 4 – Lid disassembly
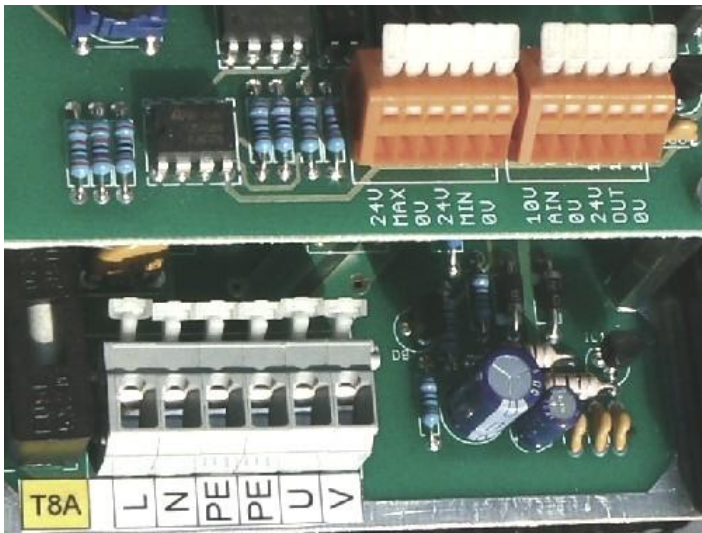
M3

M3

M3

M3

Fig. 5 – Lid removal

To allow better access to the terminal block, we
recommend dismounting also the part with outlets
(Fig. 6).

Fig. 6 – Removal of the part with outlets

There are connecting terminals under this lid (Fig. 7).

Fig. 7 – Connecting terminals

3.3. Connection of the power section

The controller is provided with an internal T8A fuse. Capacitors are charged at turning and the current peak occurs. For that reason, preliminary protection with minimum value of 10 A and slow switching off characteristic of the D type should be selected; e.g. the circuit breaker LSN10D/1 supplied by OEZ Letohrad. If more controllers are connected to the equipment, it is necessary to connect them to different phase wires or ensure their sequential switching on, because of the current peak.

Perform connection in accordance with Fig. 3. If the power supply cable delivered is not suitable for you, remove it and feed power voltage to the L, N, PE terminals. Connect the feeder coil to the PE, U, V terminals. A shielded cable should be used for this connection.

Termination of the power cables is illustrated in Fig. 8. Select the wire section areas as follows:

Wire cross section area $0.75 - 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$
Cable diameter   8 - 10 mm

⊗ **Caution!**   The protective wire should be at least by 15 mm longer than the other wires.

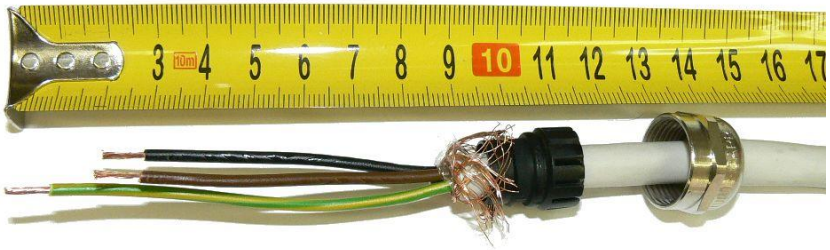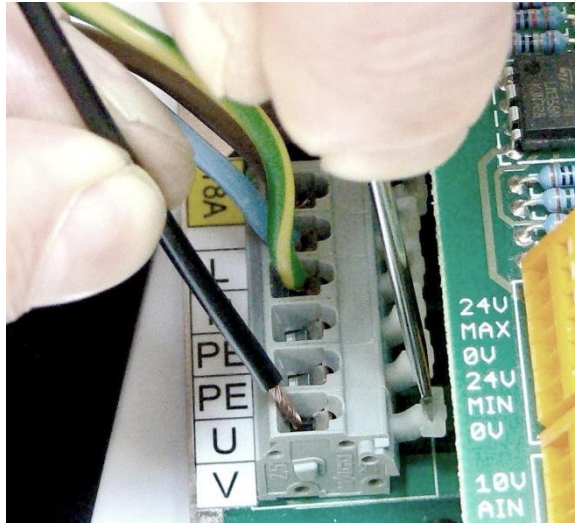*Fig. 8 – Termination of power cables*

Fig. 9 – Connection of wires

3.4. Connection of the control section

Wire cross section area $0.08 - 0.5$ mm^2
Cable diameter $3 - 6.5$ mm

Connect the sensors, digital and analogue signals as required by a specific application, in accordance with Fig. 3.   Detailed explanation - please see Section 8.11.. The inputs and output are fed with safely separated voltage of 24V DC.

3.5. Lid reassembly

After completing connection of the external parts of the controller, carry out reassembly of the part with grommets and top lid.   Only then you can turn power supply on.

4. Operational condition

Operational condition is shown on the display as the first symbol of the bottom line (Fig. 1). The controller can be in one of four statuses:

$\lightning$ The controller is energized, however, all activities are turned off.

S   STOP - The controller is turned on and it is in the S-stop condition. Output power voltage is blocked, the feeder is idle. Viewing and modifications of all parameters and saving the parameters in the memory is possible.

R   RUN (operation)- The controller is turned on and it is in the R-run condition. Output voltage is connected and the feeder is vibrating. Viewing and modifications of all parameters are possible.

W   WAIT - The controller is turned on and it is in the W-wait condition. Output power voltage is blocked, the feeder is idle. The controller waits for a signal from sensors or from a master control system. Viewing and modifications of all parameters are possible.

5. Turning on

Controller turning on can be carried out using two methods:

a) Turning on is to be carried out by depressing the button $\boxed{^{on}/_{off}}$. Turning off can be carried out by depressing the button again.
This method of turning on is suitable in case that the controller operates independently without link to any other electric equipment.
$\boxed{\text{⊗ \textbf{Caution!}}}$ Internal circuits of the controller are still energized and for that reason, such turning off cannot be considered as safe disconnection from the mains! This condition is indicated on the display with the symbol $\lightning$.

b) Turning on is carried out automatically after power supply voltage connection. For this purpose, it is necessary to set the parameter No. 13 to 1 (see Section 8.13.). This method of turning on is suitable if controller power supply is connected through a connecting component (contactor) from a master electric device.

6. R-run / S-stop

The controller is ready for operation after turning on. It is either in the R-run or W-wait condition in dependence upon setting of functions of digital inputs (parameter No. 11). The controller is switched over in the S-stop condition after depressing the $\boxed{\text{stop}/_{\text{run}}}$ button. When depressing the button again, the controller will be switched from the S-stop in R-run or W-wait condition.

7. Setting and saving of parameters

Select the required parameter using the $\boxed{\blacktriangledown}$ and $\boxed{\blacktriangle}$ buttons. If it has not been locked (key symbol), the value of parameter can be modified using the $\boxed{+}$ or $\boxed{-}$ keys. Saving the set parameters is possible only when the controller is in the S-stop condition (see Section 6.). Saving can be carried out by depressing the $\boxed{\text{enter}}$ button. All parameters are saved together in the memory.

8. Description of parameters

8.1. Parameter No. 01 Amplitude

The controller controls output voltage amplitude within the maximum range of 5-100% with 1% steps. The effective value of voltage depends on power supply voltage. Range of setting is restricted with the value of the parameter No. 05 Maximum amplitude and No. 06 Minimum amplitude.

8.2. Parameter No. 02 Frequency

The controller controls output voltage frequency within the maximum range of 20-150 Hz with 0.2 Hz steps. Range of setting is restricted with the value of the parameter No. 07 Maximum frequency and No. 08 Minimum frequency.

⊗ **Caution!** When setting lower frequency than that for which the feeder coil has been designed – usually 50 Hz, growth of output current takes place. It is necessary to control this current in order to avoid coil overloading resulting in its burning. Output current should not exceed 1.2 multiple of nominal current of the feeder coil.

8.3. Parameter No. 03 Delay at switching over in the R-run condition

If at least one sensor monitoring feeder output magazine filling (parameter No. 11) is not connected to the controller, we recommend setting the delay to the value of 0 s. If one or two sensors are connected, the delay has the following meaning:

The controller is in the W-wait condition. If switching over from the W-wait condition in the R-run condition should take place on the basis of information received from sensors, it does not occur immediately but with a certain time delay. The setting range is 0-99 s. Use of the delay is explained using the following example: The feeder has filled the output magazine and is idle. Progressive withdrawal of components from the magazine takes place. Components are shifted in the magazine, which may result in a short interruption of the signal from the stock level sensor. If the delay would be set to 0 s, switching over in the R-run condition would occur in spite of the fact that the output magazine has not been emptied. The delay should be longer than the signal interruption time. This interruption will be ignored then and the controller will be switched over in the R-run mode only after real magazine emptying.

8.4. Parameter No. 04 Delay at switching over in the W-wait condition

If at least one sensor monitoring feeder output magazine filling (parameter No. 11) is not connected to the controller, we recommend setting the delay to the value of 0 s. If one or two sensors are connected, the delay has the following meaning:

The controller is in the R-run condition. If switching over from the R-run condition in the W-wait condition should take place on the basis of information

received from sensors, it does not occur immediately but with a certain time delay. The setting range is 0-99 s. Use of the delay is explained using the following example: the feeder is in the R-run condition and fills the output magazine. Individual components are passing the level sensor and create brief impulses. If the delay would be set to 0 s, switching over in the W-wait condition would occur in spite of the fact that the output magazine has not been filled up. The delay should be longer than the duration of the signal created with one component passing the level sensor. This interruption will be ignored then and the controller will be switched over in the W-wait condition only after real magazine filling up.

8.5. Parameter No. 05 Amplitude, maximum limit

It is possible to limit setting of the maximum amplitude value in the parameter No. 01 using this parameter.

8.6. Parameter No. 06 Amplitude, minimum limit

It is possible to limit setting of the minimum amplitude value in the parameter No. 01 using this parameter.

8.7. Parameter No. 07 Frequency, maximum limit

It is possible to limit setting of the maximum frequency value in the parameter No. 02 using this parameter.

8.8. Parameter No. 08 Frequency, minimum limit

It is possible to limit setting of the minimum frequency value in the parameter No. 02 using this parameter.

☺ **A hint for you:** If it is ascertained that the feeder operates optimally within a certain frequency and amplitude ranges, set the ascertained limitation using the parameters No. 05 - No. 08 and lock these parameters. The operator can then correct the amplitude and frequency values in the admissible range only without any more significant effect on correct operation of the feeder.

8.9. Parameter No. 09 Starting time

It is desirable in some cases the feeder to be started and stopped smoothly. The value of amplitude at feeder starting and stopping is modified with this parameter. The range of setting of this value is 0-6 s. The time interval applies to starting from 0% to 100% and stopping from 100% to 0%. If e.g. the parameter No. 01 Amplitude is set to 50% and the parameter No. 09 Starting time is set to 4 s, amplitude will be increased continuously for 2 s during starting and also reduced continuously for 2 s during stopping.

8.10. Parameter No. 10 Current, maximum limit

This parameter informs about the maximum output current with which the controller can be loaded. The value has been set by the manufacturer and cannot be modified.

☹ **Caution!** Exceeding this value may result in damage of the controller.

## 8.11. Parameter No. 11 Inputs and Output functions

Utilization of the inputs and output is defined by setting of this parameter. The controller can use two digital inputs, one analogue input and one digital output according to requiurments of a specific application.

For digital inputs use PNP type sensors. The digital output is supplied by safely separated 24V DC power supply. The output can be loaded by maximal current 120 mA.

☺ **A hint for you:** You can connect the digital output for example to a pneumatic valve, which controls air nozzles, switches or sheders. It can also be used as a signal for superior PLC control system, or as the signal when the controllers are connected into a cascade.

Parameter No. 11 is divided into 3 separated numerals (Fig. 10).

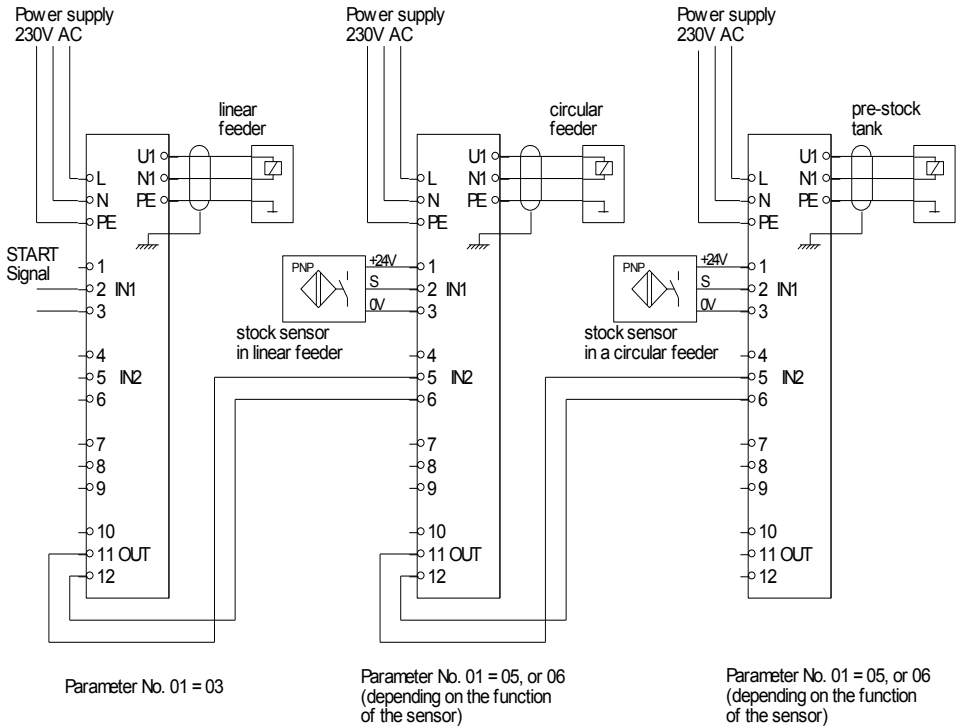*Fig. 10* – parameter description No. 11
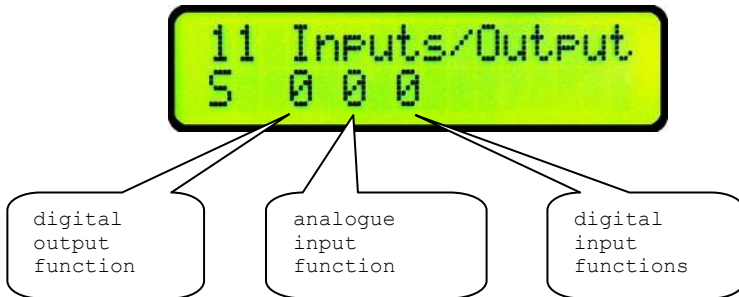
8.11.1. Digital input functions

0- Digital inputs are not used.
1- The signal from the stock level sensor is connected to the digital input IN1. The sensor reacts to the presence of the pieces so that if a piece is present, the sensor output is 24V. If there is no piece present, output is 0V. The controller turns on and off with a delay that is given by the parameter no. 03 and no. 04. Input IN2 is not active.
2- Two sensors – for max. stock level and min. stock level – are connected to the digital inputs IN1 and IN2. Sensors reacts to the presence of the pieces so that if a piece is present, the sensor output is 24V. If there is no piece present, output is 0V. If the min. stock level sensor is not registering any pieces, the controller works. This will stop when both sensors register some pieces. The controller turns on and off with a delay that is given by the parameter no. 03 and no. 04.
3- The signal from the stock level sensor is connected to the digital input IN1. The sensor reacts to the presence of the pieces so that if a piece is present, the sensor output is 0V. If there is no piece present, output is 24V. The controller turns on and off with a delay that is given by the parameter no. 03 and no. 04. Input IN2 is not active.

☺ **A hint for you:** Use this setting also in case when you control the feeder from a master PLC control system. Supply the START signal from PLC to the terminal No. 2 and supply common zero potential of the control voltage to the terminal No. 3.

4- Two sensors – max. stock level and min. stock level – are connected to the digital inputs IN1 and IN2. Sensors reacts to the presence of the pieces so that if a piece is present, the sensor output is 0V. If there is no piece present, output is 24V. If the min. stock level sensor not register pieces, the controller works. This will stop when both sensors register some pieces. The controller turns on and off with a delay that is given by the parameter no. 03 and no. 04.

5- Input IN1 behaves exactly the same as when the parameter in set to 1. In addition input IN2 is connected, which has the function START-STOP. This setting is used when connecting two or more controllers into a cascade (eg. Assembly of Fig. 11). The digital input IN1 is connected to the stock level sensor and input signal IN2 is connected to RUN from the previous controller in a cascade. If the input IN2 is 24V and input IN1 is 0V, the controller works.

6- Input IN1 behaves exactly the same as when the parameter in set to 3. In addition input IN2 is connected, which has the function START-STOP. This setting is used when connecting two or more controllers into a cascade (eg. Assembly of Fig. 11). The digital input IN1 is connected to the stock level sensor and input signal IN2 is connected to RUN from the previous controller in a cascade. If the input IN2 is 24V and input IN1 is 24V, the controller works.

Fig. 11 – *Example: connection of controllers into a cascade*

Parameter No. 01 = 03

Parameter No. 01 = 05, or 06
(depending on the function
of the sensor)

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(depending on the function
of the sensor)

8.11.2. Analogue input functions

0- Input is not used.
1- The value of amplitude is given by the analogue signal of 0-10 V. The parameter No. 01 is ignored.
2- The input is configured as digital. Signal 24V input switch causes the amplitude to the minimum value, which is determined by parameter No. 06. ☺ **A hint for you:** Use this setting if you need to reduce speed during operation of the feeder. For example, when adding material to the scales when the value closer to the desired weight.

3- The input is configured as digital. Signal 24V input switch causes the amplitude to the maximum value, which is determined by parameter No. 05.

4- The input is configured as digital that has the function START-STOP.

8.11.3. Digital output functions

0- Output is set to logic 1, if the regulator is in R-run condition.

```
LEVEL

RUN  ____|‾‾‾‾‾|_____

OUT  ____|‾‾‾‾‾|_____
                    TIME
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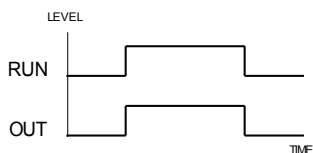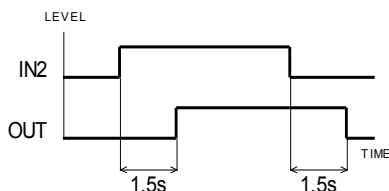
1- If the digital input IN2 is set to logic 1, the output is set to logic 1. It is set back to logic 0 with a timeout of 0.3 s.
The settings can be used for example to control air jet which blown away badly oriented parts.
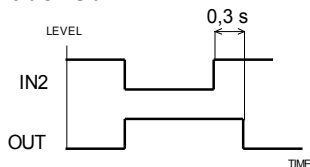
```
            0,3 s
LEVEL      |←→|

IN2  ____|‾‾‾‾‾‾‾|_____

OUT  ____|‾‾‾‾‾‾‾‾‾‾|_____
                    TIME
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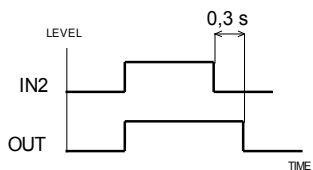
2- If the digital input IN2 is set to logic 1, the output generates a single impulse 0.5 s.
The settings can be used for example to control air jet which blown away badly oriented parts.

```
LEVEL

IN2  ____|‾‾‾‾‾|_____|‾|____

OUT  _____|‾‾‾|_____|‾‾‾|__
                          TIME
          0,5s        0,5s
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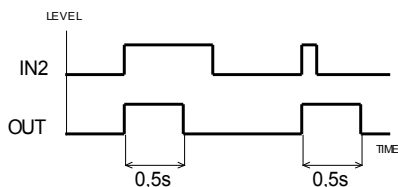
3- The output copies the status of digital input IN2
   with a delay of 1.5 s. Settings can be used for
   example to control air jet that blow away excess
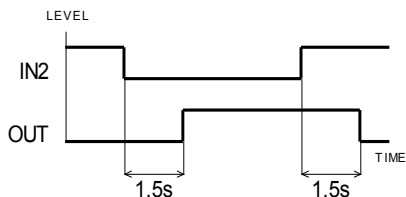   parts after the tank is filled.

4- Inverse to the value 1. If the digital input IN2
   is set to logic 0, the output is set to logic 1.
   It is set back to logic 0 with a timeout of
   0.3 s.

5- Inverse to the value 2. If the digital input IN2
   is set to logic 0, the output generates a single
   impulse 0.5 s.
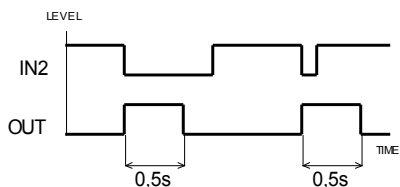
6- Inverse to the value 3. The output follows the
   inverted digital input IN2 with a delay of 1.5 s.

7- The output is designed to control air valve, which closes the main air supply. The valve opens after the arrival of START signal and after 0.6 s the feeder starts. After stopping the feeder the air is closed with a delay of 1.2 s.
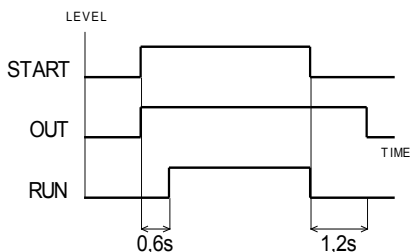
8.12. Parameter No. 12 Wave type
It defines the course of output voltage.
Value   0: full sinusoid
           1: half sinusoid, equivalent of
              unidirectional rectification

8.13. Parameter No. 13 After turning on
It defines controller behaviour after power supply connection.
Value   0: automatic turning on is blocked
           1: controller automatic turning on is
              carried out after power supply voltage
              connection

8.14. Parameter No. 14 Language
Language selection.
Value   0: English
           1: Czech *
* Can be standardly ordered German or Russian, eventually agreed an other language.

8.15. Parameter No. 15 Password
The locked parameter are unlocked by password entering.
The password is defined from the factory as the three-position number 108 and cannot be modified. Its purpose is protection of the controller against accidental rewriting the locked parameters only.

8.16. Parameter No. 16 Locking

Using this parameter, you can lock or unlock modification of individual parameters No. 01 - No. 14. Parameter No. 16 is always locked; for that reason, before modifying it, you have to enter the password (see the parameter No. 15). Then select the number of the parameter that you wish to lock or unlock using the `+` or `−` keys. Depress the button `enter`. The key symbol will appear behind the parameter number. It means that the selected parameter is locked. Unlocking is to be carried out using the same method. The key symbol disappears after depressing the button `enter` and the parameter is unlocked.

8.17. Parameter No. 17 Information

If you wish to obtain more information on this product, please visit our website http://www.skipala.cz

8.18. Parameter No. 18 Service functions

These features are intended for debugging vibratory feeder.
0- Service functions are disabled
1- Random stop. This function causes the controller to stop at a random time in the interval 10-120 s. Stopping time is 10 s. Function is used to simulate the operation of a vibratory feeder in real conditions.

8.19. Factory settings

In case of any complications in controller operation, it is possible to carry out RESTART during which the factory settings of all parameters will be restored. RESTART is to be carried out as follows:

- disconnect the regulator from the power supply mains and wait for at least 2 minutes until capacitors are discharged
- depress the `enter` button and hold it depressed
- connect the controller to the mains
- release the button `enter`

The values of parameters for factory settings are listed in the table below (see Fig. 12).

Fig. 12 – _table of parameters_

parameter	value range	factory values	values for your application
01 Amplitude	5-100%	34%	
02 Frequency	20-100Hz	50Hz	
03 R-run delay	0-99s	0s	
04 W-wait delay	0-99s	0s	
05 Amplitude, max.lim.	15-100%	100%	
06 Amplitude, min.lim.	5-90%	5%	
07 Frequency, max.lim.	24-100Hz	100Hz	
08 Frequency, min.lim.	20-96Hz	20Hz	
09 Starting time	0-6s	1.0s	
10 Current, max.lim.	4.5A	4.5A	
11 In/Output functions	000-716	000	
12 Wave type	0-1	0	
13 After turning on	0-1	0	
14 Language	0-1	0	
15 Password		000	
16 Locking		all unlocked	
17 Information			
18 Service function	0-1	0	

9. Maintenance

The controller does not require any special maintenance. Only regular inspections in accordance with ČSN 33 2000-1 and ČSN 34 3100 standards and regulation No. 50/78 Coll. should be carried out. In the event of any defect, any repairs are forbidden and it is necessary to send the controller to the manufacturer for repair.

☺ **A hint for you:** In the case of complications with the operation of the controller, reset the factory setting of the parameters (Section 8.19.).

10. Disposal

After expiration of service life of the controller, the controller should be handed over to a specialized company or to the manufacturer for professional disposal.

11. Guarantee

The product is covered with the guarantee with the period of duration of 12 months from the date of sale.

Serial number:

Seller: Date of sale:

12. ES DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

In accordance with Act No. 22/97 Coll. on the technical requirements for products, as amended.

Manufacturer: **Karel Skipala**
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Czech Republic
ID No.: 48608017
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Identification of the product:
Name: Digital power controller
Model: **DIGR-1500/E**

We declare that the above-mentioned product fulfils the respective provisions of the following EU regulations:
Government Directive No. 17/2003 Coll. (Directive of the European Parliament and the Council 2006/95/EC)
Government Directive No. 616/2006 Sb. (Directive of the European Parliament and the Council 2004/108/EC)

Description of the product: The product is designed for regulating vibration feeders driven by an electromagnetic coil.

List of technical and harmonized standards used:
ČSN EN 61010-1 ed.2:11, čl. 5, 5.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.4, 5.1.5.2, 5.1.7, 5.3, 5.4, 6, 6.1, 6.2.2, 6.4, 6.5.2, 6.5.2.3, 6.5.2.5, 6.5.3, 6.7, 6.9.2, 6.7.1.2, 6.7.1.3, 6.8.2, 6.8.4, 8.2, 8.2.1, 8.2.2, 8.3, 8.3.1, 10.5.2, 10.5.3; ČSN EN 60695-2-11:01, ČSN EN 61000-6-2 ed.3:06, ČSN EN 61000-6-4 ed.2:07+A1:11

Source materials for issuing the EC Declaration of Conformity: **Certificate No. 1150127** issued on February 27, 2015 by the Electro-technical testing institute, certified body No. 3018.

The two last digits of the year in which the CE indication was attached to the product: 15

In Rybník on February 27, 2015   Karel Skipala
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