

Optional BCD Interface

Hardware Input / Output Protocols

The digital interface is made through a 26 pin connector which also provides power (+5 volts/100 ma maximum) and ground outputs. The ground should be connected to the control system to maintain commonality between the actuator and the controlling device. If you intend to provide your own power supply, make sure that it has an isolated output or that it shares a common ground with the controlling system.

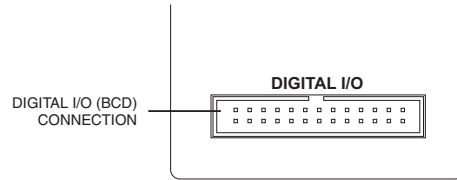


Figure 11: Digital I/O connector on rear panel

Digital input/output control of the actuator is designed for simplicity and flexibility of function. The simplest control of the actuator can be accomplished in modes 1 and 2 with a single control line for the STEP function. Mode 3 requires only two output control lines – STEP and HOME. The chart on the next page lists other control options.

The inputs are held to a logical high (+5 volts) by pull-up resistors, and are designed to be driven low either by contact closure, 5 volt digital logic, or open collector transistor outputs. The signal polarity is defined as “negative true” – asserting the signal involves shorting the signal (in the case of contact closure) or driving it (in the case of logic or transistor signals) to within 0.8 volts of ground potential. These input signals must be at least 30 milliseconds in duration.

The outputs are also “negative true” signals driven by standard high speed CMOS gates, capable of driving standard logic input gates. They include the BCD position, motor run, rotational direction, and error signals. If the actuator stops out of position due to a stuck valve, the BCD output is set to “0” (all lines high for a negative true output).

Digital Input Protocols

The input modes are selected during factory setup/programming.

Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) input mode (default)

For the 96 possible input positions, all 8 digital input data lines are required. Refer to the chart on the next page for the signal line definitions.

Parallel Input Mode

In this mode, the data input lines are redefined so that each input line equates to only one actuator position; any and all combinations of data input lines are invalid. This mode can support only 8 positions: 1 BCD = position 1; 2 BCD = position 2; 4 BCD = position 3; 8 BCD = position 4; 10 BCD = position 5; 20 BCD = position 6; 40 BCD = position 7; and 80 BCD = position 8. The offset value SO is set to 1, and since the number of positions is limited to 8, any user-set NP value greater than 8 will revert to 8. (See the chart on the next page for more explanation of NP and SO.)

Binary Input Mode

This mode allows up to 128 possible input positions. All 8 digital input data lines are required. Refer to the chart on the next page for the signal line definitions.