



# T Line - Loop powered in-field converters



# **T201DC**

patented

Contact-less direct current transducer

### General Specifications

- Isolated, contact-less loop powered direct current transducer.
- The device's function and look are similar to a standard alternating current active CT, but with the feature of measuring the continuous component the current.
- No shunt, no wasted power of primary current circuit.
- Powered by the 4 20 mA loop, from 6 to 100 V, polarity reversal, transients to 120 V and surges to 1.5 J protected.
- Eight ranges, unipolar or bipolar, dip-switch selectable.
- · Damping filter availability to improve stable reading.
- Superimposed alternating current tolerance and pulsed current operation to 50 A pk (AC + DC).
- Built-in μC system fault check.
- Over-temperature protection.
- Quick response for over-current (~ 40 ms).
- Suitable for batteries, battery chargers, solar panels, power units and generic dc loads.
- Single wire possible cabling, by powering the device from the measuring current itself, and closing to the system common return.
- Compact size: overall dimensions less than 40 x 40 x 20 mm.
- Electrical endurance and easy to use this device fits every kind of current measurement to 40 Adc.









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Technical features									
INPUT									
Connection	Pass-trough hole; the current enters from the DIP-switch side.								
Hole diameter	12.5 mm, 1/2'.								
Ranges	- Single polarity: 0 – 5 A, 0 – 10 A, 0 – 20 A e 0 – 40 A. - Dual polarity: -5 – +5 A, -10 – +10 A, -5 – +20 A, -10 – +40 A. DIP-Switches selectable.								
Maximum rating	> 1000 A; correct reading range: ± 300 A.								
Superimposed AC (f > 35 Hz)	<ul> <li>- Allowable peak value: -15, +50 A.</li> <li>- Full-wave rectified: -10 – 32 A.</li> <li>- Half-wave rectified: -5 – 16 A.</li> </ul>								
Insulation	When a sheathed wire is used, the insulation voltage is set by sheath properties. On a bare wire, it's stated 1 kV								
OUTPUT AND POWER SUPPLY									
Туре	Passive current loop 4 – 20 mA. Terminals <b>⊙</b> and <b>⊙</b> .								
Terminals	Screw terminal pitch 5.08mm for max 2.5mm <sup>2</sup> cables.								
Polarity	1 (+) incoming current, 2 (-) outgoing current.								
Limits	<ul> <li>Internal fault / Over-temperature: 3.5 mA.</li> <li>Under-range / Over-range: 3.6 / 21.0 mA.</li> <li>True reading: 3.8 / 20.5 mA.</li> </ul>								
Minimum voltage	6 V.								
Maximum voltage	<ul> <li>- 28 V directly wired (R<sub>EXT</sub>=0). Compliant to UL standard.</li> <li>- 100 V with added resistor (see below). Not UL standard compliant.</li> </ul>								
Other protections	<ul><li>Polarity reversal.</li><li>Loop current limiting on hardware fault.</li><li>Over-temperature protection.</li></ul>								
Maximum dissipation power	<ul><li>- 650 mW continuous.</li><li>- 2.5 W pulsed (10 s).</li><li>- 1500 W.ms on surge (500 V, 40 Ω).</li></ul>								
ACCURACY									
Max Errors	- Input section: 0.1 % + 14 mA Output section: 0.05 % + 4 μA.								
Temperature Coefficent	< 150 ppm/K.								
Error due to EMI	< 50 μA, tested on bare wire Φ = 10mm.								
Response Time	<ul><li>Without damping filter: 100 ms.</li><li>With damping filter: 600 ms.</li></ul>								
OVERVOLTAGE CATEGORY									
Bare conductor	CAT. III 300V								
Insulated conductor	CAT. III 600V								



OPERATING CONDITION								
Protection index	IP20.							
Temperature	-10 – +70 °C.							
Storage Temperature	-40 – +85 °C.							
Humidity	10 – 90 % non-condensing							
Altitude	Up to 2000 m a.s.l.							
CASE								
Screw fix	<ul><li>Distance between centers: 30 mm.</li><li>Self-tapping screw diameter: 2.9 mm.</li><li>Depth of thread: 6 mm.</li></ul>							
Weight	51 g.							
Overall dimensions	38 x 40 x 20 mm (without terminals).							
Box material	PA6, black.							
STANDARDS								
	EN61000-6-4 (electromagnetic emission, industry environment). EN61000-6-2 (electromagnetic immunity, industry environment). EN61010-1 (sicurezza).							

DIP-switches										
Single and dual polarity ranges							Damping filter			
DIP-SWITCHES		single polarity	DIP-SWITCHES		Dual polarity		Filter			
1	2	3	range	1	2	3	range	4		
			0 – 5 A	1			25 A	1	With filter	
		1	0 – 10 A	1		1	30 A		Without filter	
	1		0 – 20 A	1	1		35 A			
	1	1	0 – 40 A	1	1	1	40 A			

The symbol  $\blacksquare$  in the above table means switch in ON position( $\blacksquare$ ). The device is factory setted to 0-40 A range, with damping filter ( $\blacksquare$   $\blacksquare$   $\blacksquare$ ).

## External resistor for voltage > 30 V ( $R_{EXT}$ for $U_{LOOP}$ > 30 V)

It's possible to extend the loop supply voltage to 100 V, simply adding an external resistor in series with the device, in order to dissipate excess supplied power. The total loop resistance must comply with the following limits:

$$\frac{U_{\text{LOOP}}^2}{2.6} \le R_{\text{TOT}} \le \frac{U_{\text{LOOP}} - 6}{0.022} \quad [\Omega] \text{ The maximum dissipation on } R_{\text{EXT}} \text{ is: } P_{\text{Rext}} \approx 0.5 \text{ R}_{\text{EXT}} \text{ [mW]}.$$

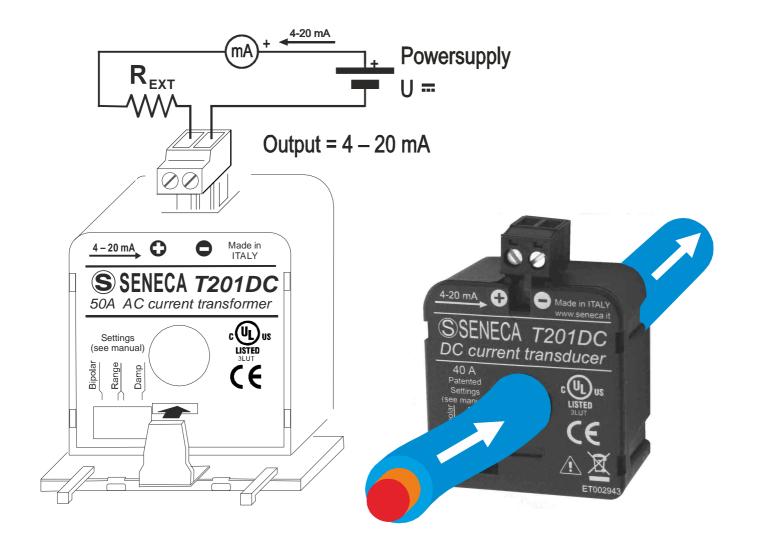
For the resistor choose a power rating at least double of that calculated P<sub>Rext</sub>.

EXAMPLE: With  $V_{\text{LOOP}}$ = 92 V,  $R_s$ =250  $\Omega$ . you have:  $3255 \le R_{\text{TOT}} \le 3909$  [ $\Omega$ ] and  $3005 \le R_{\text{EXT}} \le 3659$  [ $\Omega$ ]

So you have to take a 4 W resistor: 4 W:  $R_{EXT} = 3.3 \text{ k}\Omega$ , 5%, <100 ppm/K

For variable supply voltage,  $R_{\mbox{\tiny EXT}}$  must be valid for both range limits.





### Mounting

The device can be located in any position and place, in accordance with the operating conditions above stated. Use the included holder bracket when fixing to a DIN rail. <a href="WARNING">WARNING</a>: High-strength static magnetic fields may change the output value: let avoid closeness to permanent magnets, electromagnets or iron bulks that cause such a modification of the surrounding magnetic field; try a different arrangement or orientation if zero error was greater than expected.

### Multi-turn primary winding to improve sensibility

You can increase the sensibility of T201DC simply passing several times in the hole with the measuring current, realizing turns with multiplicative effect: for example, passing 5 times in the hole, as to see 4 turns, choosing a 5 A range, you get an equivalent sensibility of 1 A full-scale. When you make this, let dispose the turns with symmetry in order to preserve accuracy: use diametric contraposition with 2 turns, cross disposition with 4 turns, 60° with 6 turns, and so on.



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