

KS 50-1 *TCont*

Temperature controller for tempering units and hot runners

EXPERT functions for tempering units and hot runners

TTY or RS 485/422 interface

BluePort® front interface and BlueControl® software

Maintenance manager and error list

Start-up circuit and boost function

Self-Tuning to the setpoint without oscillation

3-point controller for water, fan and oil cooling

expert line

EXPERT FUNCTIONS

- Start-up and shut-down of tempering units
- For operating hot-runner systems
- Serial TTY or RS 485/422 interface
- Start/stop functions for local and remote operation

STANDARD FUNCTIONS

- Universal continuous/switching version, i.e. reduced stocks
- 100 ms cycle time, i.e. also suitable for fast control loops
- Freely configurable analog output, e.g. as process value output
- Customer-specific linearization
- Settings can be blocked via password and internal switch for high security
- Extended temperature range up to 60 °C allows mounting close to the process
- Easy 2-point or offset measurement correction
- Emergency operation after sensor break by means of the „output hold“ function
- Logical combination of digital outputs, e.g. for general alarm
- Built-in transmitter power supply
- Splash-water proof front (IP 65)

APPLICATIONS

- Plastics processing
- Tempering units
- Hot runners
- Driers

DESCRIPTION

The temperature controller KS 50-1 *TCont* is intended for precise and cost-effective control tasks, primarily with tempering units and hot runners. The process value signal is connected via a universal input. A supplementary analog input can be used for heating current measurement or as an external set-point input. Every KS 50-1 *TCont* has three process outputs that can be 3 relays or 2 relays plus a universal output. This universal output can be used for operating a solid-state relay, a continuous current/voltage output or to energize a two-wire transmitter. Additionally there are two additional opto coupler outputs.

The selectable function „start-up“ ensure increased lifetime of high-performance electrical heating elements (e.g. hot runner moulds).


Plug-in module

KS 50-1 *TCont* controllers are built as plug-in modules. This enables them to be replaced very quickly without tools, and without disturbing the wiring.

Self-tuning during start-up and to the setpoint

This new function determines the optimum settings for fast line-out without overshoot. With three-point controller configuration, the „cooling“ parameters are determined separately, thus ensuring an optimum match to the process. By pushing a button the KS50-1 *TCont* determines the best control parameters at the actual setpoint. This function does not require oscillation, and performs a minimal deviation of the process value. An automatic start of the self-tuning function can be disabled.

Display and operation

Clear information are given by ten indicator LEDs in the front panel that display operating mode, I/O states, and errors. The -key switches the controller into the manual mode directly. If required, the direct switch over can be disabled or the key can be configured e.g. reset the latched alarms. Due to the flexible use of the function key, an external switch or contact is not required in many cases, e.g. because remote/local switch-over can now be done directly.

Front interface and Engineering Tools

Control parameter adjustment in seconds has now also been implemented in the KS 50 class of instruments. Via the BlueControl® software incl. its simulation functions, and especially the convenient BluePort® front panel interface, the required set-up for a specific control task can be determined without a detailed study of the operating instructions. Of course almost all adjustments can be done comfortably over the instrument front. (see page 7, BlueControl®)

Password protection

If required, access to the various operating levels can be protected with a password. Similarly, access to a complete level can be blocked.

TECHNICAL DATA

INPUTS

SURVEY OF THE INPUTS

Input	Used for:
INP1	x (process value)
INP2	Heating current, ext. set-point
di1	Operation disabled, switch-over to second setpoint SP.2, external setpoint SP.E, fixed output value Y2, manual operation, controller off, disabling of manual key, reset of stored alarms, boost, parameters 1 / 2, safety temperature limiter, start/stop with local operation, sensor operating mode, level alarm, flow alarm
di2	
di3	

PROCESS VALUE INPUT INP1

Resolution:	> 14 Bit
Decimal point:	0 to 3 decimals
Limiting frequency:	adjustable 0.000...9999 s
Scanning cycle:	100 ms
Measured value correction:	2-point or offset correction

Thermocouples (Table 1)

Input impedance:	≥ 1 MΩ
Effect of source resistance:	1 μV/Ω

Cold junction compensation

Max. additional error	± 0.5 K
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Sensor break monitoring

Sensor current:	≤ 1 μA
Operating sense configurable (see page 4)	

Table 1 Thermocouple ranges

Thermocouple		Range		Accuracy	Resolution (∅)
L	Fe-CuNi (DIN)	-100...900°C	-148...1652°F	≤ 2K	0.1 K
J	Fe-CuNi	-100...1200°C	-148...2192°F	≤ 2K	0.1 K
K	NiCr-Ni	-100...1350°C	-148...2462°F	≤ 2K	0.2 K
N	Nicrosil/Nisil	-100...1300°C	-148...2372°F	≤ 2K	0.2 K
S	PtRh-Pt 10%	0...1760°C	32...3200°F	≤ 2K	0.2 K
R	PtRh-Pt 13%	0...1760°C	32...3200°F	≤ 2K	0.2 K
	special	-25 ... 75 mV		≤ 0.1%	0.01%

Table 2 Resistance transducers

Type	Sensor current	Range		Accuracy	Resolution (∅)
Pt100	0.2 mA	-200...850°C	-328...1562°F	≤ 1 K	0.1 K
Pt1000		-200...850°C	-328...1562°F	≤ 2 K	0.1 K
Resistance*		4500 Ω		≤ 0.1%	0.01%

* The characteristic of a KTY 11-6 is preadjusted (-50...150 °C)

Table 3 Current and voltage

Range	Input resistance	Accuracy	Resolution (∅)
0-10 Volt	≈ 110 kΩ	≤ 0.1 %	0.6 mV
0-20 mA	49 Ω (voltage requirement ≤ 2.5 V)	≤ 0.1 %	1.5 μA

Resistance thermometer

Connection:	3-wire
Lead resistance:	max. 30 Ohm
Input circuit monitor:	Break and short circuit

Input circuit monitor: 12.5% below span start (4...20mA → 2mA)

Resistance measuring range

The BlueControl® software can be used to match the input to the sensor KTY 11-6 (characteristic is stored in the controller).

Physical measuring range:	0...4500 Ohm
Linearization segments:	16

Current and voltage signals

Span start, end of span:	anywhere within measuring range
Scaling:	selectable -1999...9999
Linearization:	16 segments, adaptable with BlueControl®
Decimal point:	adjustable
Input circuit monitor:	12.5% below span start (2mA, 1V)

SUPPLEMENTARY INPUT INP2

Resolution	> 14 Bit
Scanning cycle:	100 ms
Accuracy:	better 0.1%

Heating current measurement

via current transformer

Measuring range:	0...50mA AC
Scaling:	adjustable -1999...9999 A

Current measurement range

Input resistance:	approx. 120 Ω
Span:	configurable within 0 to 20mA
Scaling:	adjustable -1999...9999

CONTROL INPUT DI1

Configurable as direct or invers switch or push-button !

Connection of a potential-free contact suitable for switching „dry“ circuits.

Switched voltage:	2.5 V
Switched current:	50 μA

CONTROL INPUTS DI2, DI3

Configurable as switch or push-button !
Optocoupler input for active triggering

Nominal voltage:	24 V DC external
Current sink (IEC 1131 Type 1)	
Logic "0"	-3...5 V
Logic "1"	15...30 V
Current requirement:	approx. 5 mA

TRANSMITTER SUPPLY U_T

Output:	22 mA / ≥ 18 V
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If the universal output OUT3 is used there may be no external galvanic connection between measuring and output circuits!

FUNCTIONS

Control behaviour

- Signaler with adjustable switching differential (ON/OFF controller)
- PID controller (2-point and continuous)
- Delta / Star / Off or 2-point controller with switch over from partial to full load
- 2 x PID (heating/cooling)
- 3-point stepping controller

Two parameter sets for manual gain scheduling

Self-tuning control parameters or adjustable manually via front keys or BlueControl® software.

Behaviour with 2- and 3-point controllers

- *Standard behaviour:*
For precise matching of the required output value at the output signal limits, the controller changes the cycle times for heating and cooling automatically and continuously.
- *With constant cycle times:*
The length of the shortest heating and cooling pulse is adjustable.
- *Water cooling linear (heating=standard):*
To ensure a sufficient cooling effect, the cooling function starts only after reaching an adjustable temperature value. The pulse length is adjustable, too and remains constant for all output values.
- *Water cooling nonlinear (heating=standard):*
The general function is described above but the controller additionally takes in consideration that the water cooling is usually much stronger than the heating (thus preventing unfavorable behavior when changing from heating to cooling).

Set-point functions

- Adjustable set-point gradient 0.01...9999 °C/min
- Set-point control
- Set-point/cascade control
- Program controller with 10 segments (set-point/section time)

Behaviour with sensor break or short circuit:

- Control outputs switched off
- Switch-over to a safe output value
- Switch-over to a mean output value (PID controller)

SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

Boost-Function

The boost function provides a short-term increase of the set-point, e.g. with hot runner control, in order to clear nozzles of "frozen" rests of material.

Start-up circuit

For temperature control, e.g. with hot runners. High-performance heating elements with magnesium oxide insulation must be heated slowly, to remove any humidity and to prevent destruction.

LIMIT SIGNALLING FUNCTIONS

Max., Min. or Max./Min. monitoring with adjustable hysteresis.

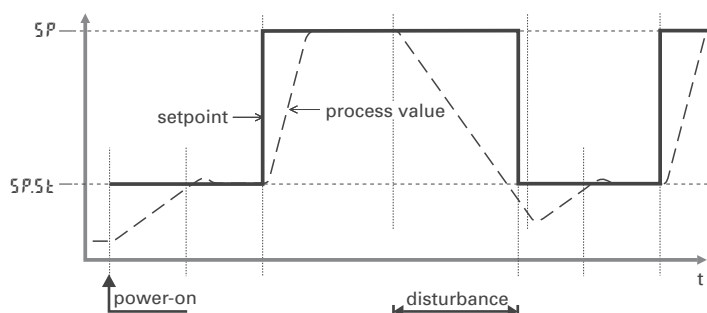
Signals which can be monitored:

- Process value
- Control deviation
- Control deviation with suppression during start-up or set-point changes
- Effective set-point
- Output signal Y
- Control deviation always compared to internal setpoint SP even if SP2 or SP.E is activated.

Functions

- Input signal monitoring
- Input signal monitoring with latch (reset via front key or digital input)
- Adjustable discriminator time of 0 ... 9999 seconds

Several limit signals or alarms can be OR-linked before being output.
Applications: Release of a brake with motor actuators, general alarms, etc



ALARMS

Heating current alarm

- Overload and short circuit
 - Open circuit and short circuit
- Limit value adjustable 0...9999 A

Control loop alarm

Automatic detection if there is no response of the process to a change of output value.

Sensor break or short circuit

Depending on selected input type, the input signal is monitored for break and short circuit.

MAINTENANCE MANAGER

Display of error signals, warnings, and latched limit messages in the error list. Signals are latched, and can be reset manually.

Possible signals in the error list:

Sensor break, short circuit, reversed polarity
Heating current alarm
Control loop alarm
Fault during self-tuning
latched limit messages
e.g. re-calibration warning (If the adjusted operating hours are exceeded a message is displayed)
e.g. maintenance interval of actuator (If the adjusted switching cycles are exceeded a message is displayed)
Internal fault (RAM, EEPROM, ...)

Flashing Error LED indicates active alarm in the error list:



Start-up circuit



When the process is controlled towards the start-up set-point, the output value is limited. The start-up set-point is kept constant during the start-up holding time. After that, the main setpoint SP is controlled. If a disturbance reduced the process value, the start-up circuit is activated again..



OPERATION AND DISPLAY

Display

Process value: LED with 7 segments, 10.5 mm
Lower display: LED with 7 segments, 7.8 mm

Operating functions

The functions of the -key and the -key are configurable:

Function		
Remote (no front operation)		X
SP.2 (2nd setpoint)		X
Y.2 (2nd output value)	X	X
SP.E (external setpoint)	X	X
Manual operation	X	X
C.OFF (controller function off)	X	X
Lock of manual key		X
Reset of latched limits and error list	X	X
Boost		X
Parameter set 1/2		X
Programmer run/stop		X

Several functions can be combined e.g. SP.2 and parameter set switch-over (gain scheduling) with only one key.

EXPERT FUNCTIONS

PROTOCOL

The KS 50-1 TCont supports a protocol that is widely used in the plastics processing industry, with specifications according to Arburg, Engel, and others.

TEMPERING UNITS

- Functions:
- Start of controller operation (r)
 - Cooling to return flow temperature (k),(a),(s)
 - Switch-off (p)
 - Exchange of setpoint and process value

- Connection:
- Heating, cooling
 - Pump control
 - Safety temperature limiter (STL)

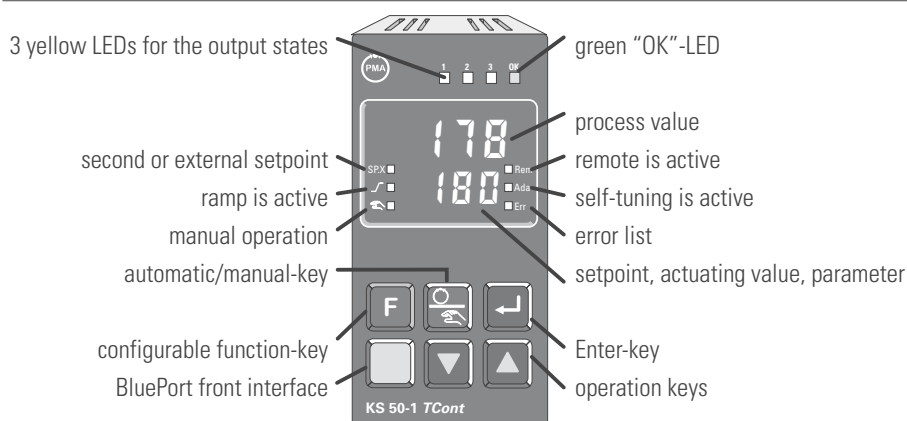
- Switch-overs:
- Remote / Local
 - Local start / stop

- Status information:
- Sensor operating mode internal/external
 - Level alarm
 - Flow alarm

- Return flow temperature:
- Adjustable via **SP.2**

- Limit value for STL:
- Adjustable via **L. r. f.**

Display and operation:



HOT RUNNERS

- Functions:
- Controller operation (r)
 - Positioner operation (s)
 - Disabling a channel (a)
 - Exchange of setpoint and process value

- Connection:
- Heating, cooling

- Switch-overs:
- Remote / Local

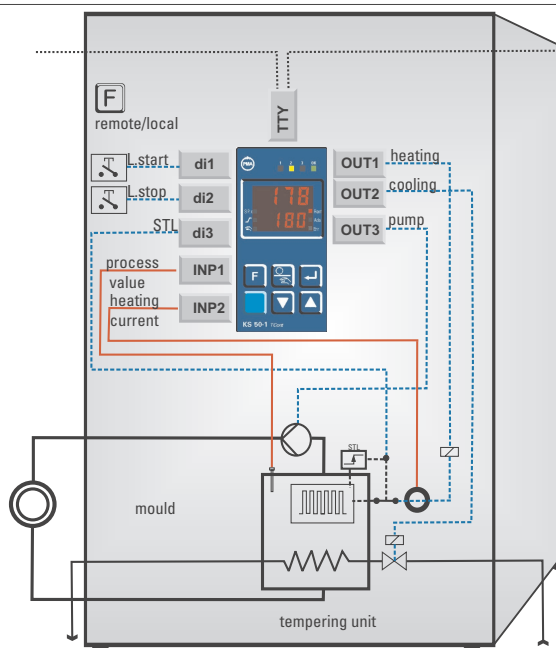
POWER SWITCH-ON

After power-up, the controller goes into the remote mode and then into the standby mode until the normal controller mode is activated.

LOCAL OPERATION

Starting / stopping the controller in the local mode is possible via the inputs di1...di3 or by switching the setpoint SP on and off.

Connection example:



POWER SUPPLY

Depending on version:

AC SUPPLY

Voltage:	90...260 V AC
Frequency:	48...62 Hz
Power consumption:	approx. 7 VA

UNIVERSAL SUPPLY 24 V UC

AC voltage:	20.4...26.4 V AC
Frequency:	48...62 Hz
DC voltage:	18...31 V DC
Power consumption:	approx. 7 VA (W)

BEHAVIOUR WITH POWER FAILURE

Configuration, parameters, and adjusted set-points, control mode: Non-volatile storage in EEPROM

BluePort® FRONT INTERFACE

Connection of PC via PC adapter (see „Accessories“). The BlueControl® software is used to configure, set parameters, and operate the KS 50-1 TCont.

BUS INTERFACE

RS 485/422

Screened cables must be used.

Galvanically isolated	
Physical:	RS 485/422
Transmission speed:	2400, 4800, 9600, 19.200 Bit/sec
Parity:	Even, odd, none
Address range:	1...32
Number of controllers per segment:	32

TTY (20 MA CURRENT LOOP)

Screened cables must be used.

Galvanically isolated	
Physical:	20 mA current loop
Transmission speed:	2400, 4800, 9600, 19.200 Bit/sec
Parity:	Even, odd, none
Address range:	1...32
Voltage drop:	≤ 2.2V
Number of controllers per bus:	≥ 6

PROTOCOLS

Selection via parameter **P r o t**

- MODBUS RTU
- Protocol for tempering units*
- Protocol for hot runner systems*

* according to Arburg specification

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Protection modes

Front panel:	IP 65
Housing:	IP 20
Terminals:	IP 00

Permissible temperatures

For specified accuracy:	0...60°C
Warm-up time:	< 15 minutes
Temperature effect:	< 100ppm/K
For operation:	-20...65°C
For storage:	-40...70°C

Humidity

75% yearly average, no condensation

Shock and vibration

Vibration test Fc (DIN 68-2-6)

Frequency:	10...150 Hz
Unit in operation:	1g or 0.075 mm
Unit not in operation:	2g or 0.15 mm

Shock test Ea (DIN IEC 68-2-27)

Shock:	15g
Duration:	11ms

Electromagnetic compatibility

Complies with EN 61 326-1

- Meets the immunity requirements for continuous, unattended operation
- Meets the radiation requirements of Class B for rural areas
- In case of surge interference, increased measurement errors must be expected

GENERAL

Housing

Material:	Makrolon 9415, flame-retardant
Flammability class:	UL 94 V0, self-extinguishing

Plug-in module, inserted from the front

Safety tests

Complies with EN 61010-1 (VDE 0411-1):
Over voltage category II
Contamination class 2
Working voltage range 300 V
Protection class II

Certifications

UL certification (applied for)

Electrical connections

- Flat-pin connectors 1 x 6.3 mm or 2 x 2.8 mm to DIN 46 244
- Screw terminals for conductor cross-section from 0.5 to 2.5mm²

Mounting

Panel mounting with two fixing clamps at top/bottom or left/right
Close mounting possible

Mounting position:	not critical
Weight:	0.27 kg

Accessories supplied with unit

Operating instructions
2 fixing clamps

ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT

BlueControl® (Engineering Tool)

PC-based program for configuring, setting parameters, and operating (commissioning) the KS 50-1 TCont controller. Moreover, all the settings are saved, and can be printed on demand. Depending on version, a powerful data acquisition module is available, complete with trend graphics.

Visibility masks

The BlueControl® software can be used to hide any number of controller parameters and configuration settings. This ensures that only certain parameters can be changed on-site. All critical and safety-relevant parameters are invisible!

Two parameters are only visible.

Name	Description	Visible
Setp	Setpoint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SP.Lo	lower setpoint range	<input type="checkbox"/>
SP.Hi	upper setpoint range	<input type="checkbox"/>
SP.2	2nd setpoint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
r.SP	setpoint ramp [/min]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SP.bo	boost setpoint	<input type="checkbox"/>
t.bo	boost duration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Y.St	start-up setpoint	<input type="checkbox"/>
SP.St	setpoint for start-up	<input type="checkbox"/>
t.St	start-up time [min]	<input type="checkbox"/>

Simulation

The built-in simulation serves to test the controller settings, but can also be used for general training and observation of the interaction between controller and control loop.

Software requirements:

Windows 95/98/NT/2000.

Configurations that can only be implemented via the BlueControl® software (not via the front-panel keys):

- Customer-specific linearizations
- Enable „forcing“ for inputs/outputs.
- Adjustment of limits for operating hours and switching cycles
- Switch-over to 60 Hz mains frequency
- Master/slave configuration
- Disable operator actions and operating levels, plus password definition
- Prevent automatic optimization of cycle times T1, T2

Hardware requirements:

A PC adapter (see „Accessories“) is required for connecting the controller.

Updates and demo software can be downloaded from:
www.pma-online.de

BlueControl®, versions and functionality:

Functionality	Mini	Basic	Expert
parameter and configuration setting	yes	yes	yes
controller and control loop simulation	yes	yes	yes
download: writes an engineering to the controller	yes	yes	yes
online mode/ visualisation	SIM only	yes	yes
creation of user defined linearizations	SIM only	yes	yes
configuration of extended operating level	SIM only	yes	yes
upload: reads an engineering from the controller	SIM only	yes	yes
basic diagnosis function	SIM only	yes	yes
file, save engineering data	no	yes	yes
printer function	no	yes	yes
online documentation, help system	no	yes	yes
measurement correction (calibration procedure)	no	yes	yes
program editor	SIM only	SIM only	yes
data acquisition and trend function	SIM only	SIM only	yes
network and multiuser licence	no	no	yes
personal assistant function	no	no	yes
extended simulation	no	no	yes
extended diagnostic and service functions	no	no	yes

ORDERING INFORMATION

KS 50-1 TCont

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Flat-pin connectors

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Screw terminals

1

90..250V AC, 3 relays

0

24VAC / 18..30VDC, 3 relays

1

90..250V AC, 2 relays + mA/V/logic

2

24VAC / 18..30VDC, 2 relays + mA/V/logic

3

RS485/422 + U_T + di2/3 + OUT5/6

1

TTY + U_T + di2/3 + OUT5/6

3

Standard configuration

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Configuration to specification

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no manual

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manual german

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manual english

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Standard (CE certified)

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UL-certified (on request)

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ACCESSORIES

Description		Order no.
Current converter 50A AC		9404-407-50001
PC adapter, for connecting the BlueControl® software to the BluePort®		9407-998-00001
Standard rail adapter		9407-998-00061
Operating manual KS 50-1 (Standard)	German	9499-040-62818
Operating manual KS 50-1 (Standard)	English	9499-040-62811
Operation notes TCont	German	9499-040-64418
Operation notes TCont	English	9499-040-64411
BlueControl® Mini	German/English/French	www.pma-online.de
BlueControl® Basic	German/English/French	9407-999-11001
BlueControl®Expert	German/English/French	9407-999-11011



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