

4-channel bridge amplifier

The BR2-4 is an all-purpose bridge amplifier for 4 channels (also employable as a DC differential amplifier). It enables measurement of four bridges, load cells, strain gauges and inductive LVDTs, supplied with a software selectable choice of either DC or CF (AC carrier frequency) excitation.

The BR2-4 is a successor model of the BR-4 and available as a modular plug-in for the imc CRONOScompact and as a configuration module for imc CRONOS-SL.



imc CRONOS-SL-2 (rear)



imc CRONOS-SL-2 (front)

Highlights

- DC and Carrier frequency mode (5 kHz)
- Lead wire compensation with single and dual sense line configurations are supported (e.g. 5/6-wire-circuit with full bridge)
- Symmetric bridge supply of 1 V, 2.5 V, 5 V and with DC and CF (AC) mode
- Software selectable quarter bridge completion 120 Ω and 350 Ω switchable
- Cable breakage recognition
- Supports imc Plug & Measure (Transducer Electronic Data Sheets (IEEE 1451.4)

Overview of available variants

Order Code	article no.	remarks
CRSL/BR2-4-D	11800103	with DSUB-15 sockets

Included accessories

Documents
Getting started with imc CRONOScompact & imc CRONOS-SL (one copy per delivery / system)
Device certificate



Technical Specs - CRSL/BR2-4

Inputs, measurement modes, terminal connection			
Parameter	Value	Remarks	
Inputs	4		
Measurement modes DSUB-15	bridge sensor strain gauge LVDT voltage measurement current measurement current-fed sensors IEPE/ICP	ACC/DSUBM-B2 full-, half- and quarter bridge inductive transducers (CF) voltage or bridge mode globally selected for all four channels with current plug: ACC/DSUBM-I2 with IEPE/ICP extension plug (DSUB-15): ACC/DSUBM-ICP2I-BNC-S/-F, isolated, basic functionality (ICP-operation)	
Measurement modes LEMO Terminal connection	full, half- and quarter bridge LVDT voltage measurement		
DSUB-15	2x DSUB-15 or 4x LEMO.1B.307(308)	2 channels per plug 1 channel per plug	

Sampling rate, Bandwidth, Filter, TEDS			
Parameter	Value	Remarks	
Sampling rate	20 kHz (max)	per channel	
Bandwidth	8.6 kHz (DC) 3.9 kHz (CF)	-3 dB -3 dB	
Filter cut-off frequency characteristic order	2 Hz to 5 kHz	Butterworth, Bessel low pass filter 8. order Anti-aliasing filter: Cauer 8. order with f _{cutoff} = 0.4 f _s	
Resolution	16 Bit	internal processing 24 Bit	
TEDS - Transducer Electronic DataSheets	conforming to IEEE 1451.4 Class II MMI	esp. with ACC/DSUBM-TEDS-xx (DS2433) not supported: DS2431 (typ. IEPE/ICP sensor)	

Technical Data Sheet



General	Value typ.	min. / max	Remarks
Overvoltage protection		±50 V	long term (differential- and SENSE-inputs)
		±80 V	short-term
Input impedance	10 ΜΩ		range ±5 mV to ±2 V
	1	ΜΩ	range ±5 V to ±50 V
			and for deactivated device
Input current		40 nA	
Input capacitance	300 pF		
Auxiliary supply			for IEPE (ICP)-expansion plug
voltage	+5 V	±5 %	independent of integrated
available current	>0.26 A	>0.2 A	sensor supply, short circuit proof
internal resistance	1.0 Ω	<1.2 Ω	power per DSUB-plug

Voltage measurement			
Parameter	Value typ. min. / max.		Remarks
Input ranges	±50 V / ±25 V / ±10 V ±5 V / ±2 V / ±1 V ±500 mV / ±250 mV / ±100 mV ±50 mV / ±25 mV / ±10 mV / ±5 mV		
Gain error	0.02 %	≤0.05 %	of reading (measurement value)
Gain drift	60 ppm / K	<100 ppm / K	
Offset drift	0.02 %	≤0.05 % ≤0.1 % ≤0.2 %	of measurement range range ≥±25 mV range = ±10 mV range = ±5 mV
Input offset-drift	0.05 μV / K	0.3 μV / K	DC voltage measurement
Non-linearity	<200	ppm	
Common mode voltage (max.)	±50 V ±2.8 V		ranges ±50 V to ±5 V ranges ±2 V to ±5 mV
Common mode rejection ratio (CMRR) range: ±5 mV to ±25 mV ±50 mV to ±100 mV ±250 mV to ±2 V ±5 V to ±50 V ±5 mV to ±2 V ±5 V to ±50 V all ranges SNR (signal to noise ratio)	>120 dB >110 dB 95 dB 95 dB >54 dB >100 dB >68 dB >54 dB >50 dB >90 dB >88 dB >82 dB >75 dB		f ≤ 50 Hz f = 5 kHz full-scale / rms-noise full bandwidth ranges ±100 mV to ±50 V range ±25 mV range ±10 mV range ±10 mV range ±5 mV
Input noise, voltage (RTI)	>69 dB 16 nV/√Hz _{rms} 16 µV _{pk-pk} 2 µV _{rms}		DC-Mode (range ±5 mV) spectral noise density 1 kHz 0 Hz to 10 kHz 0 Hz to 10 kHz

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Voltage measurement				
Parameter Value typ. min. / max. Remarks				
	0.6 μV _{pk-pk}		0.1 Hz to 10 Hz	

Current measurement with shunt plug			
Parameter	Value Remarks		
Input ranges	±40 mA / ±20 mA / ±10 mA ±5 mA / ±2 mA / ±1 mA ±400 μA / ±200 μA / ±100 μA		
Shunt impedance	50 Ω	shunt plug ACC/DSUBM-12, not for LEMO version	

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Bridge measurement				
Parameter	Value typ.	min. / max.	Remarks	
Mode	DC,	, CF		
Sensors	LVDT, strain gauge: full-, half-, quarter bridge piezo-resistive bridge transducer potentiometer		directly connectable	
Measurement mode	full-, half-, q	uarter bridge		
Input ranges	±1 mV/V to ±400 mV/V ±2 mV/V to ±800 mV/V ±5 mV/V to ±2000 mV/V		for bridge voltage: 5 V 2.5 V 1 V	
Bridge supply DC CF (5 kHz)	1 V; 2.5 V; 5 V (symmetric) 1 V; 2.5 V; 5 V (peak)		set globally for 4-channel groups corresponding to ±0.5 V, ±1.25 V, ±2.5 V corresponding to RMS: 0.7 V; 1.8 V; 3.5 V	
Internal quarter-bridge completion	120 Ω, 350 Ω		selectable	
Min. bridge impedance	120 Ω , 10 mH full bridge 60 Ω , 5 mH half bridge		bridge supply = 1 V to 5 V, I _{load} ≤ 42 mA	
Bridge impedance (max.)	5	kΩ		
Gain error	<0.0	05 %	of measurement value	
Offset after bridge balance	<0.0	02 %	of the range	
Input offset-drift	0.01 μV/V / K		DC full bridge (Bridge supply=5 V, 1 mV/V range) without ext. bridge offset	
Drift of bridge balance	50 ppm/K	<90 ppm/K	of compensated offset value	
Equivalent offset drift corresponding to balanced ext. bridge offset	0.05 μV/V/Κ 0.09 μV/V/Κ		full bridge (DC or CF), ext. bridge offset = 1 mV/V 1 mV/V input range	
Half-bridge drift (int. half-bridge)	0.05 μV/V/K	1 μV/V/K	DC or CF	
Bridge balancing range	≥measurement range not less than: ≥±5 mV/V ≥±10 mV/V ≥±25 mV/V		for bridge supply = 5 V for bridge supply = 2.5 V for bridge supply = 1 V	

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Bridge measurement			
Parameter	Value typ.	min. / max.	Remarks
Cable length (max.)	1	0 m y length)	$A = 0.14 \text{ mm}^2$, $R = 130 \text{ m}\Omega/\text{m}$, 65 Ω
Cable-Compensation			
full bridge / half bridge	3-wire-te	echnique echnique -calibration	any cable for symmetric (similar) cables one-time non-adaptive compensation
quarter bridge	full compensation	n 3-wire-technique	including Gain-Correction!
Automatic shunt-calibration	0.5 (mV/V	for 120 Ω and 350 Ω bridges
Input noise (bridge)			range: 1 μV/V (bridge voltage = 5 V)
DC full bridge	3 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	$0.39~\mu\text{V/V}_{\text{rms}}$	0 Hz to 10 kHz
	0.9 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	$0.12~\mu\text{V/V}_{\text{rms}}$	1 kHz, lowpass filter
	0.3 μV/V _{pkpk} , 0.04 μV/V _{rms}		100 Hz, lowpass filter
	0.1 μ\	V/V _{pkpk}	10 Hz, lowpass filter
DC half-/quarter bridge	3.3 μV/V _{pkpk} , 0.45 μV/V _{rms}		0 Hz to 10 kHz
	1.1 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	$0.15~\mu\text{V/V}_{\text{rms}}$	1 kHz, lowpass filter
	$0.35 \; \mu V/V_{pkpk'}, 0.05 \; \mu V/V_{rms}$		100 Hz, lowpass filter
	0.3 μ\	V/V _{pkpk}	10 Hz, lowpass filter
CF full bridge, half bridge	3.5 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	0.47 μV/V _{rms}	0 Hz to 10 kHz
	1.7 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	$0.22~\mu\text{V/V}_{\text{rms}}$	1 kHz, lowpass filter
	0.6 μV/V _{pkpk} ,	$0.07~\mu\text{V/V}_{\text{rms}}$	100 Hz, lowpass filter
	0.3 μV/V _{pkpk}		10 Hz, lowpass filter