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Mini8[®] Controller Control, Optimize, Simplify

Unique Features

The key features of the Mini8 Controller include:

- 16 control loops
- 32 analog inputs
- Modular & compact
- Setpoint programming
- Math and logic
- Communications protocols
 - Modbus RTU
 - DeviceNet®
 - Profibus DP
 - Modbus TCP
 - EtherNet/IP
 - EtherCAT
- Help defend OEM knowledge and IP with OEM security



Benefits

- Complements your PLC
- World-class control algorithm
- Accurate analog measurement
- Flexible communication options
- Compact modular design
- Reduction in panel real estate
- Can reduce total system costs



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Mini8 controller

The Mini8[®] loop controller offers high performance control usually only found in Eurotherm® panel-mount PID controllers. It is also a very competitive and compact data acquisition device. Its modular design enables its I/O and feature set to be selected to cater for a wide range of applications from simple to complex.

The Mini8 controller is an ideal partner to a PLC. Able to multi-drop on either serial, DeviceNet or Ethernet communications, it offers a cost-effective alternative to performing analog measurement or loop control in a PLC. Implementing these functions in the Mini8 controller helps reduce the cost of a PLC system, relieving it of the burden of performing analog functions, often allowing a lower specification processor to be used.

The Mini8 controller's feature set is comparable with the Eurotherm EPC3000 programmable controllers including its high performance PID control together with a range of features such as Math, Logic, and Timing blocks. Cascade control function and the ability to use remote I/O with Eurotherm PID blocks extends the control capability.

When used in a data acquisition installation, the controller's high density analog I/O can be combined with the Eurotherm 6000 series paperless graphic recorder.



Recipes

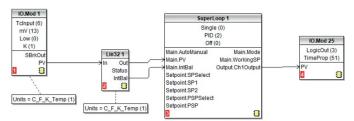
Using a PC tool, recipes can be created that can be used to change the operating parameters of the Mini8 controller simply by selecting a new recipe via a remote HMI. This is very useful where multiple processes use the same controller but require different control parameters.

Heater Failure Detection

The Mini8 controller with a 3-input current transformer (CT3) card fitted has the capability of detecting failures in heater loads connected to its time proportioned outputs. By measuring the current flowing through the heaters via 3 current transformer inputs the Mini8 controller can, for up to 8 loops, detect Partial Load failure, Over Current, as well as solid state relay (SSR) short or open circuit. Individual load current parameters indicate the measurement for each heater. The current monitor block utilizes a cyclic algorithm to measure the current flowing through one heater per measurement interval.

Eurotherm iTools Graphical Wiring Editor (GWE)

The GWE is an extremely easy way to create applications. It allows users to select the function blocks they wish to use in their application, then connect them together using 'Soft Wiring'. The GWE gives users a pictorial view of exactly what has been configured and can also be used to monitor runtime conditions.



Toolkit Blocks

A range of toolkit functions, including Math, Logic, and Timing blocks can be used to create custom solutions and small machine controllers. Additional toolkit blocks are made available as standard for the 360 wire option of Mini8.

Configuration Lock

The configuration lock function helps protect applications from unauthorized inspection, copying, or tampering. This may be used for example by Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) to protect intellectual property.

Specification

General

Environmental Performance

Power supply voltage: Supply ripple: Power consumption: Operation temperature: Storage temperature: Operating humidity: Applied voltage any terminal:

17.8 V dc min to 28.8 V dc max. 2 Vp-p max. 15 W max. 0 to 55°C (32°F to 131°F) -10 to 70°C (14°F to 158°F) 5% to 95% RH non-condensing 42 V pk max.

The Mini8 controller must be mounted in a protective enclosure.

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

This controller conforms with the essential protection requirements of the EMC Directive 2014/30/EU, by the application of EMC standard EN 61326-1. This instrument satisfies the general requirements of the industrial environment defined in EN 61326-1.

Electrical Safety

Safety:

FMC

Meets EN 61010-1, installation category II, pollution degree 2

CE, UKCA, EAC, UL/cUL Listed (File E57766)

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sustainability lifecycle information

INSTALLATION CATEGORY II

This controller complies with the European Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU, by the application of the safety standard EN 61010-1.

POLLUTION DEGREE 2

Normally, only non-conductive pollution occurs. Occasionally, however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation shall be expected.

Physical

Dimensions: Weight: Mounting:	W 124mm (4.8") x N 108mm (4.2") x D 115mm (4.5") 1Kg (2.2lbs) typical DIN rail to EN 50022 35mm x 7.5mm or 35mm x 15mm horizontally
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Communications

Network Communications Support

Modbus RTU:		EIA422, EIA485 3-wire or 5-wire, user selectable
	Baud rates:	4800, 9600, 19200
DeviceNet:		CAN, 5-pin standard "open connector" with screw terminals
	Baud rates:	125k, 250k, 500k
Modbus/TCP:		Standard Ethernet RJ45 connector
	Data rates:	10Base-T 100Base-T

Modbus, DeviceNet, and Modbus/TCP are mutually exclusive options. Refer to the Mini8 controller order code.

Configuration Communications Support

Modbus RTU:	The EIA232 configuration port (RJ-11 socket) is located to the right of the Power connector. The Mini8 Controller is configured using iTools configuration software running on a PC.
Fixed I/ O Resources	
The PSLL card supports 2 independent and isolated relay contacts	

The PSU card supports 2 independent and isolated relay contacts.

Relay output types:	On/Off (C/O contacts, "On" closing the N/O pair)
Contact current: Terminal voltage: Contact material: Snubbers: Contact isolation:	<1 Å (resistive loads) <42 V pk. Gold Snubber networks are NOT fitted 42 V pk max.
The PSU card supports 2 independent	nt and isolated logic inputs
Input types:	Logic (24 V dc) -28.8 V to ± 5 V dc

Input logic 0 (off): Input logic 1 (on): Input current: Detectable pulse width: Isolation to system:

+10.8 V to +28.8 V dc 2.5 mA (approx.) at 10.8 V; 10 mA max at 28.8 V supply 110 ms min. Isolation to system: 42 V pk max.

Input/Output Cards

TC8 8-Channel, ET8 8-Channel and TC4 4-Channel TC Input Card

The TC8 and ET8 support 8 independently programmable and electrically isolated channels, supporting all standard and custom thermocouple types. The TC4 supports 4 channels to the same specification.

When subject to the necessary field calibration, Mini8 controllers manufactured by Eurotherm using the ET8 option are suitable for use in Nadcap applications in all furnace classes, as defined in AMS2750F clause clause 3.3.1

Channel types: Input Range: Resolution:	TC, mV -77 mV to +77 mV 20 bit ($\Sigma\Delta$ converter), 1.6 μ V with 1.6 s filter time
Temperature coefficient:	 <±50ppm (0.005%) of reading/ °C (TC4/TC8) <±1µV/C ±25ppm/C of measurement, from 25°C ambient (ET8)
Cold junction range: CJ rejection:	-10°C to +70°C (14°F to 158°F) > 30:1 (TC4/TC8) 100:1 (ET8)
CJ accuracy:	±1°C (TC4/TC8) ±0.25°C (ET8)
Linearization types: Total accuracy:	C, J, K, L, R, B, N, T, S, LINEAR mV, custom ±1° C ±0.1% of reading (using internal CJC) (TC4/TC8) ±0.25°C ±0.05% of reading at 25°C ambient (ET8)
Channel PV filter:	0.0 seconds (off) to 999.9 seconds, 1st order low-pass
Sensor Break: Input resistance:	AC Detector Off, Low or High resistance. Trip levels >100Mohms
Input leakage current: Common mode rejection: Series mode rejection: Isolation (channel-channel): Isolation to system:	<100 nA (1 nA typical) >120 dB, 47 – 63 Hz >60 dB, 47 – 63 Hz 42 V pk max 42 V pk max

DO8 8-Channel Digital Output Card

The DO8 supports 8 independently programmable channels, the output switches requiring external power supply. Each channel is current and temperature protected, foldback limiting occurring at about 100 mA.

The supply line is protected to limit total card current to 200 mA

The 8 channels are isolated from the system (but not from each other). To maintain isolation it is essential to use an independent and isolated PSU.

Channel types:	On/Off, Time Proportioned
Channel supply (V cs):	15 V dc to 30 V dc
Logic 1 voltage output:	> (V cs – 3 V) (not in power limiting)
Logic 0 voltage output:	< 1.2 V dc no-load, 0.9 V typical
Logic 1 current output:	100 mA max. (not in power limiting)
Min. pulse time:	20 ms
Channel power limiting:	Current limiting capable of driving shortcircuit load
Terminal supply protection:	Card supply is protected by 200 mA selfhealing fuse
Isolation (channel-channel):	N/A (Channels share common connections)
Isolation to system:	42 V pk max.

RL8 8-Channel Relay Output Card

The RL8 supports 8 independently programmable channels. This module may only be fitted in slot 2 or 3, giving a maximum of 16 relays in a Mini8 Controller

The Mini8 controller chassis must be earthed (grounded) using the Protective Earth stud.

Channel types: Maximum contact voltage: Maximum contact current: Contact snubber Minimum contact wetting: Min. pulse time: Isolation (channel-channel): Isolation to system:

On/Off, Time Proportioned 264 V ac 2 A ac Fitted on module 5 V dc, 10 mA 220 ms 264 V max, 230 V nominal 264 V max, 230 V nominal

CT3 3-Channel Current-Transformer Input Card

The CT3 supports 3 independent channels designed for heater current monitoring. A scan block allows periodic testing of nominated outputs to detect load changes (failure).

W

A (current)

Better than ±2% of range

Channel types:
Factory set accuracy:
Current input range:
Transformer ratio:
Input load burden:
Isolation:

Load Failure Detection

Requires CT3 module Max number of loads: Max loads per CT: Alarms:

Commissioning: Measurement interval:

None (provided by CT) 16 Time Proportioned Outputs

0 mA to 50 mA rms, 50/60 Hz nominal 10/0.05 to 1000/0.05

6 loads per CT input 1 in 8 Partial load failure, Over current, SSR short circuit, SSR open circuit Automatic or manual 1 sec - 60 sec

DI8 8-Channel Logic Input Card

The DI8 supports 8 independent input channels.

Input types: Input logic 0 (off): Input logic 1 (on): Input current:
Detectable pulse width: Isolation (channel-channel):

Isolation to system:

Logic (24 V dc) -28.8 V to +5 V dc +10.8 V to +28.8 V dc 2.5 mA (approx.) at 10.8 V; 10 mA max at 28.8 V supply 110 ms min. 42 V pk max. 42 V pk max.

0 to 420 ohms, -242.02° C to +850° C for Pt100 (403.6°F to 1562°F) ±0.1 ohms ±0.1% of reading,

 $\pm 0.3^{\circ}$ C $\pm 0.1\%$ of reading, -200° C to +850° C (-328°F to 1562°F) 0.008 ohms, 0.02° C (32.036°F) 0.016 ohms, 0.04° C (32.072°F) peak to peak, 1.6 s channel filter0.06 ohms,

0.15° C peak to peak, no filter ±0.02 ohms, ±0.05° C (32.09°F) ±0.002% of ohms reading per °C ambient change relative to normal ambient 25° C

(77°F) 22 ohms max in each leg. Total resistance

including leads is restricted to the 420 ohm maximum limit. 3 wire connection assumed

RT4 Resistance Thermometer Input Card (Pt100)

The RT4 supports 4 independently programmable and electrically isolated resistance input channels. Each channel may be connected as 2 wire, 3 wire, or 4 wire.

Resistance/Pt100

22 to 420 ohms

Channel types: Input range:

Calibration error:

Resolution: Measurement noise:

Linearity error:

Temp coefficient:

Lead resistance:

Bulb current: 300 µA 42 V pk max 42 V pk max Isolation (channel-channel): Isolation to system:

RT4 Resistance Thermometer Input Card (Pt1000)

The RT4 supports 4 independently programmable and electrically isolated resistance input channels. Each channel may connected as 2 wire 3 wire or 4 wire.

matched leads

Channel types:	Resistance/Pt1000
Input range:	0 to 4200 ohms, –242.02° C to +850° C for Pt1000 (403.6°F to 1562°F)
Calibration error:	±0.6 ohms ±0.1% of reading, 220 to 4200 ohms ±0.2° C ±0.1% of reading, -200° C to +850° C (-328° F to 1562°F)
Resolution:	0.6 ohms, 0.15° C (32.27°F)
Measurement noise:	0.2 ohms, 0.05° C (32.09°F) peak to peak, 1.6 s channel filter 0.6 ohms, 0.15° C (32.27°F) peak to peak, no filter
Linearity error:	± 0.2 ohms, $\pm 0.05^{\circ}$ C (32.09°F)
Temp coefficient:	±0.002% of ohms reading per °C ambient change relative to normal ambient 25° C (77°F)
Lead resistance:	22 ohms max in each leg. Total resistance including leads is restricted to the 4200 ohm maximum limit. 3 wire connection assumed matched leads.
Bulb current:	300 µA
Isolation (channel-channel):	42 V pk max
Isolation to system:	42 V pk max

Isolation to system:

AO8 8-Channel and AO4 4-Channel 4-20 mA Analog Output Card

The AO8 supports 8 independently programmable and electrically isolated mA output channels for 4-20 mA current-loop applications. The AO4 supports 4 channels to the same specification. The AO4 and AO8 modules may only be fitted in slot 4.

Channel types: Output range: Setting accuracy: Resolution: Isolation (channel-channel): Isolation to system:

mA (current) Output 0-20 mA, 360 ohms load max. ±0.5% of reading 1 part in 10000 (1 uA typical) 42 V pk max. 42 V pk max.

Software Features

Toolkit Blocks

User wires:		Orderable options of 30, 50, 120, 250 or 360 32/40* real values
User values:		Add, subtract, multiply, divide, absolute
2 input math:	24/32* blocks	difference, maximum, minimum, hot swap, sample and hold, power, square root, Log, Ln, exponential, switch AND, OR, XOR, latch, equal, not equal,
2 input logic:	24/40* blocks	greater than, less than, greater than or equal to, less than or equal to AND, OR, XOR
8 input logic:	4 blocks	
8 input multiple or	perator:	Maximum, Minimum, Average. Input/Outputs
	4 blocks	to allow cascading of blocks
		8 sets of 8 values selected by input
8 input multiplexe	r: 4/8* blocks	parameter
		2 decades (8 inputs giving 0 to 99)
BCD input:	2 blocks	Max, min, time above threshold
Input monitor:	2 blocks	
32 point linearizat	ion:	32-point linearization fit
	2/8* blocks	Characterization by poly fit table
Polynomial fit:	2 blocks	Smooth transition between two
Switchover:	1 block	input values
		OnPulse, OnDelay, OneShot, MinOn Time
Timer blocks:	8 blocks	Up or down, Directional flag
Counter blocks:	2 blocks	Alarm at Threshold value
Totalizer blocks:	2 blocks	Transducer Auto-tare, calibration &
Transducer scalin	g: 2 blocks	comparison cal
* available with 360 win	es	

Process Alarms

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Number of alarms: Alarm types:	64 General purpose alarms (analog, digital, rate of change), 32 Sensor break Absolute high, absolute low, deviation high,
	deviation low, deviation band, sensor break, logic high, logic low, rising edge, falling
Alarm modes:	edge, edge Latching or non-latching, blocking, time
	delay

Recipes

Recipes are a software orderable option.				
Number of recipes: Tags:	5 40 tags in total			



PID Control Loop Blocks

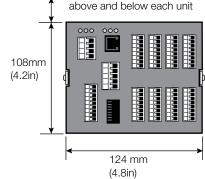
Number of Loops:

Control modes:

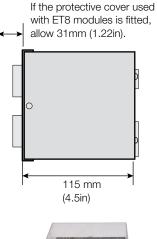
Control outputs: Cooling algorithms: Tuning: Auto manual control:

Setpoint rate limit: Output rate limit: Other features: 0, 4, 8, 16 or 24 Loops (order options). 24 loop option for SuperLoop only On/Off, single PID, Dual channel OP Cascade (SuperLoop only) Analog 4-20 mA, Time proportioned logic Linear, water, fan, or oil 3 sets PID, One-shot auto-tune Bumpless transfer or forced manual output available Ramp in units per sec, per min or per hour Ramp in % change per second Feedforward, Input track, Sensor break OP, Loop break alarm, remote SP, 2 internal loop setpoints





Allow a minimum of 25mm (1in) for terminals and cables in front of the unit.





Mounting Information

The Mini8 controller is intended to be horizontally mounted on symmetrical DIN Rail to EN 55022-35 or 35mm x 35mm x 15mm

Protective Cover

When ET8 modules are fitted, also fit the clear protective cover to enhance thermal stability. The figure here shows the cover in place. The cover can be mounted either way up.

Communications Interface LEDs

Legend	Color	Function	Action				
RN	Green	Run mode	On - Running Blinking - Standby/Config Off - Not Running				
CC	Green	Configuration activity	On - N/A Blinking - Config Traffic Off - No Traffic				
FC	Green	Field comms activity	Off - No traffic or offline Blinking - Comms Traffic	Modbus, EtherNet			
NET	Bi-Col	Network status Enhanced DeviceNet	Off – Offline Blinking Green - Online but no connections On Green - Online with connections Blinking Red - Connection timed out On Red - Total connection loss Blinking Red/Green – Issue with Comms detected				
MOD	Bi-Col	Module status Enhanced DeviceNet	Off - Power not supplied to net On Green - DeviceNet interface On Red - Power not supplied t Checksum Blinking Red/Off - Recoverable between network and DeviceN Blinking Red/Green - Power-up states or invalid Baud rate	e operational o controller or incorrect fault detected. Comms. loss let interface.			

LED)s						
Leg	end	Color	Function			Actio	n
Ρ		Green	Indicates Power	' si		- Power On Power Off	
A		Red	Indicates Relay	A	On – Energized Off – De-Energized		
В		Red	Indicates Relay	ndicates Relay B state On – Energiz Off – De-En			
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Power Supply

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Legend	Supply				
24 V	24 V dc				
24 V	24 V dc	Linked			
0 V 0 V					
GND Ground					
This terminal can accept wire					

sizes 0.2 – 2.5 mm (24 – 12 AWG).

Power Supply Specification Power supply voltage: 17.8 V dc min. to 28.8 V dc max. Power comsumption: 15 W max.

S	Standard I/O Connections					
	Legend	Function				
	D1	Digital Input 1				
	D2	Digital Input 2	Note:			
	С	Digital Input Common	Digital Inputs:			
	A1	Relay A n/open	ON requires greater than			
	A2	Relay A n/closed 10.8 V with				
	A3 Relay A Common 2 mA drive, 3 V max.		2 mA drive, 30 V max			
	B1 Relay B n/open Relay					
	B2	Relay B n/closed Contacts: 1 A max.,				
	B3	Relay B Common	42 V dc max.			

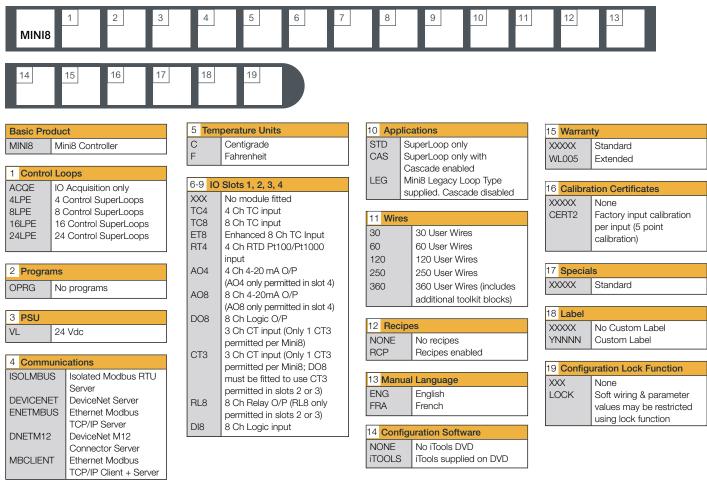
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Communications Communications connection terminals are version dependant.	

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ET8/TC8	3/TC4		RT4				DI8				CT3
Thermod	couple In	put	2, 3, 4 V	2, 3, 4 Wire RTD Input			Logic Input			Trar	nsformer Input
	to Channel: to system: 4		 Isolation Channel to Channel: 42 V pk. Channel to system: 42 V pk. 				Isolation Channel to Channel: 42 V pk Channel to system: 42 V pk.			Isolation • Channel to Channel: N/A • Channel to system: N/A	
Note : TC4 supp 1 to 4 only	oorts Chann y.	els		Wire			Note : Input specification as for Standard I/O above.		Note : Isolation provided by current transformers.		
Legend	Function		Legend	Function	Connection 2 3	s 4	Legend	Function		Legend	Function
А	TC1+		A	CH1 I+	ררר		A	D1+		4	NA
В	TC1-		В	CH1 S+	「竹竹	1	В	D1-	I	3	NA
С	TC2+	_	С	CH1 S-	ᆛᆛᆿ	1	С	D2+	(0	NA
D	TC2-		D	CH1 I-			D	D2-	1	C	NA
E	TC3+		E	CH2 I+	ברר		E	D3+		Ξ	NA
F	TC3-		F	CH2 S+	白白白	1	F	D3-	1	=	NA
G	TC4+		G	CH2 S-	겁니다	1	G	D4+		G	NA
Н	TC4-		Н	CH2 I-			Н	D4-	1	Н	NA
1	TC5+		1	CH3 I+	_ 		1	D5+			In1 A
J	TC5-		J	CH3 S+	- 너 너구	1	J	D5-		J	In1 B
К	TC6+		K	CH3 S-	니니니	1	К	D6+		<	No connection
L	TC6-		L	CH3 I-			L	D6-		_	In2 A
М	TC7+		M	CH4 I+			М	D7+		M	In2 B
Ν	TC7-		Ν	CH4 S+	5 ተ ተ 7	1	Ν	D7-		N	No connection
0	TC8+		0	CH4 S-	ᆛᆛᆛ	1	0	D8+		С	In3 A
Ρ	TC8-		Р	CH4 I-			Р	D8-	1	D	In3 b

DO8 Logic Output

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 Isolation Channel to Channel: N/A Channel to system: 42 V peak with independant supply 						
Note: Requires 24 V dc supply. * Linked internally.						
	Legend	Function				
*	A	Supply in +				
	В	Supply in +				
	С	OP1+				
	D	OP2+				
	E	OP3+				
	F	OP4+				
	G	Supply & OP 🕂				
	Н	Supply & OP -				
	•	Supply in +				
	J	Supply in +				
	К	No connection				
	L	In2 A				
	М	In2 B				
	Ν	No connection				
	0	Supply & OP —				
	Р	Supply & OP				

Order Codes



Accessories

SUBMINI8/SHUNT/249R.1	2.49 ohm Precision resistor
RES250	250 ohm resistor for 0-5 V dc OP
RES500	500 ohm resistor for 0-10 V dc OP
CTR100000/000	10 A Current transformer
CTR200000/000	25 A Current transformer
CTR400000/000	50 A Current transformer
CTR500000/000	100 A Current transformer

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