

# Orbis™

## Through-hole Analogue Sin/Cos and Commutation Rotary Encoder

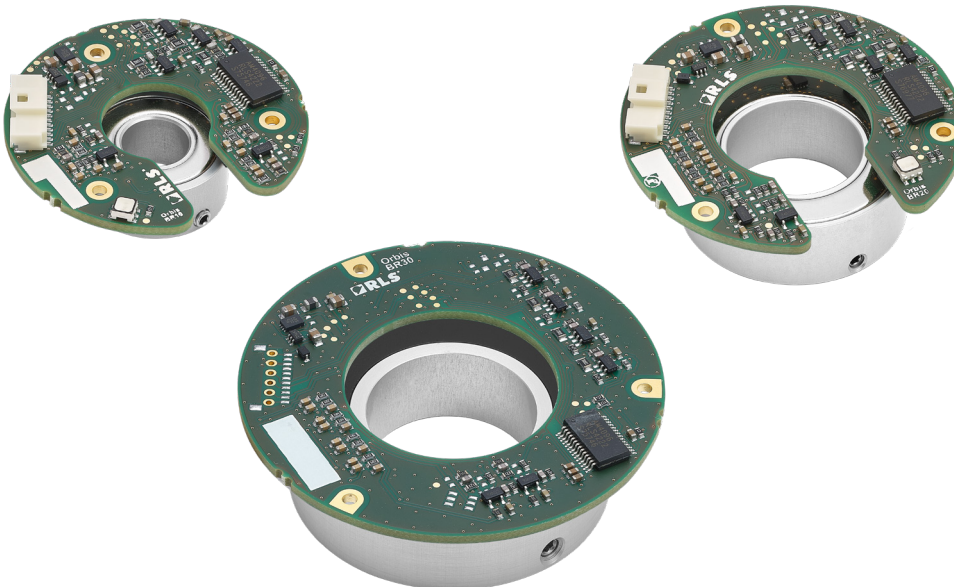
VARIOUS SIZES

WIDE  
INSTALLATION  
TOLERANCES

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CONTACT

**Orbis™ family is extended by Analogue sin/cos, Incremental and Commutation through-hole encoders.**

Orbis Analogue provides sinusoidal outputs with a single sine/cosine period per revolution. Orbis Commutation is designed for use in BLDC motor feedback applications requiring both A, B, Z incremental and U, V, W commutation signals. To simplify alignment to the motor rotor, the encoder allows setting of the zero position.



### Features and benefits

- ▶ 5 V power supply
- ▶ Analogue output with one sin/cos per revolution
- ▶ Incremental with up to 4096 cpr
- ▶ UVW up to 16 poles
- ▶ Available ID: 12, 22, 30 mm
- ▶ Wide installation tolerances
- ▶ Through-hole design
- ▶ Zeroing function
- ▶ Non-contact, frictionless design



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## General information

The encoder consists of a diametrically magnetised permanent ring magnet and a printed circuit board. The encoders are available in various designs and sizes, from 12 mm to 30 mm internal diameter. The output signals are provided in industry-standard analogue, commutation and incremental formats.

The geometrical arrangement of RLS's proprietary Hall sensors on the PCB enables the generation of one period of sine and cosine signals per revolution. Resolutions from 64 to 1024 pulses per revolution (256 to 4096 counts per revolution with  $\times 4$  evaluation) are available. U, V, W commutation signals are output simultaneously with 1 to 8 pole pairs (2 to 16 poles).

For digital absolute outputs see **BRD01** data sheet at [RLS Media Center](#).



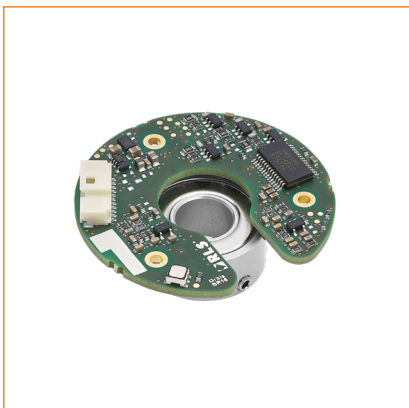
Orbis readhead

Two options available:  
permanent magnet or  
magnetic actuator with  
the permanent magnet

Orbis system

## Choose your Orbis absolute magnetic encoder system

Orbis BR10 system



Max. 12 mm ID

Orbis BR20 system



Max. 22 mm ID

Orbis BR30 system



Max. 30 mm ID

## Storage and handling

### Storage temperature



With connector  
-40 °C to +105 °C

Without connector  
+15 °C to +30 °C before soldering  
-40 °C to +120 °C after wires are soldered

### Operating temperature



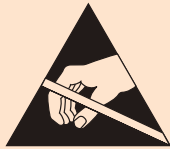
-40°C to +105 °C with connector  
-40°C to +120 °C without connector

### Humidity



With connector  
Up to 70% non- condensing

Without connector  
Up to 10 % before soldering  
Up to 70 % non-condensing, after wires are soldered



#### **Readhead is ESD sensitive - handle with care.**

Do not touch electronic circuit, wires or sensor area without proper ESD protection or outside of ESD controlled environment.

## Chemical resistance

RLS products are often used in industrial applications and exposed to chemicals that can affect their internal and external components. While our products are designed to be resistant to many harsh chemicals and environments, long-term resistance will depend on exposure, temperature, and concentration. Most chemicals our products are exposed to are not in continuous contact. Therefore, a material that might not be resistant when submerged in a chemical will last indefinitely when wiped down by that same chemical once a day.

For further information or to confirm compatibility with a chemical in your environment, [contact RLS](#).

## Packaging

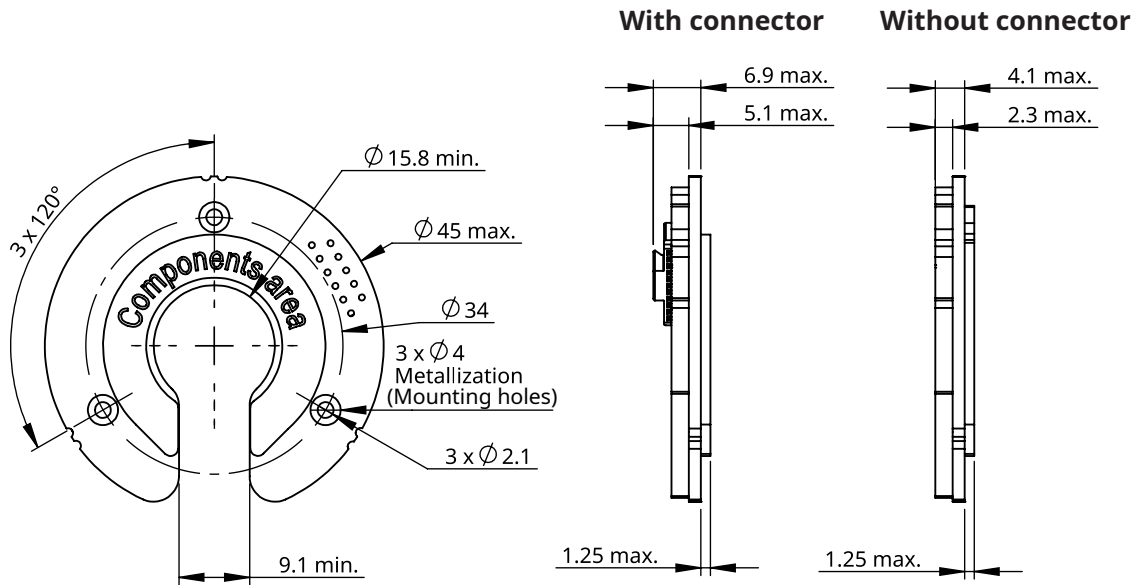
Less than 20 products are packed individually in an antistatic box. If the order quantity is 20 systems and larger, the parts are packed in antistatic plastic trays. Magnets and readheads are packed separately.

# Dimensions drawing

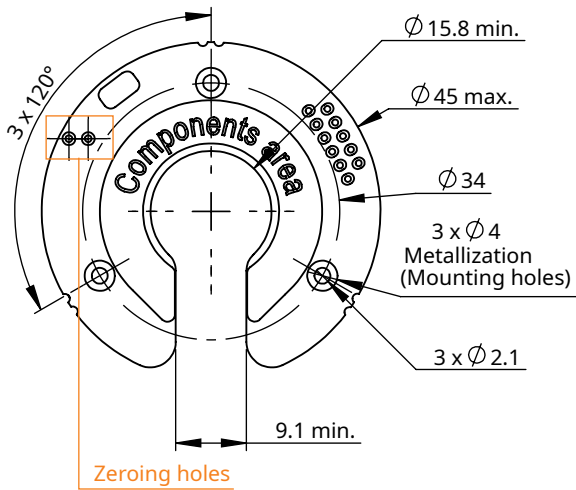
Dimensions and tolerances are in mm. Dimensions without tolerance values are in accordance with ISO 2768-m.



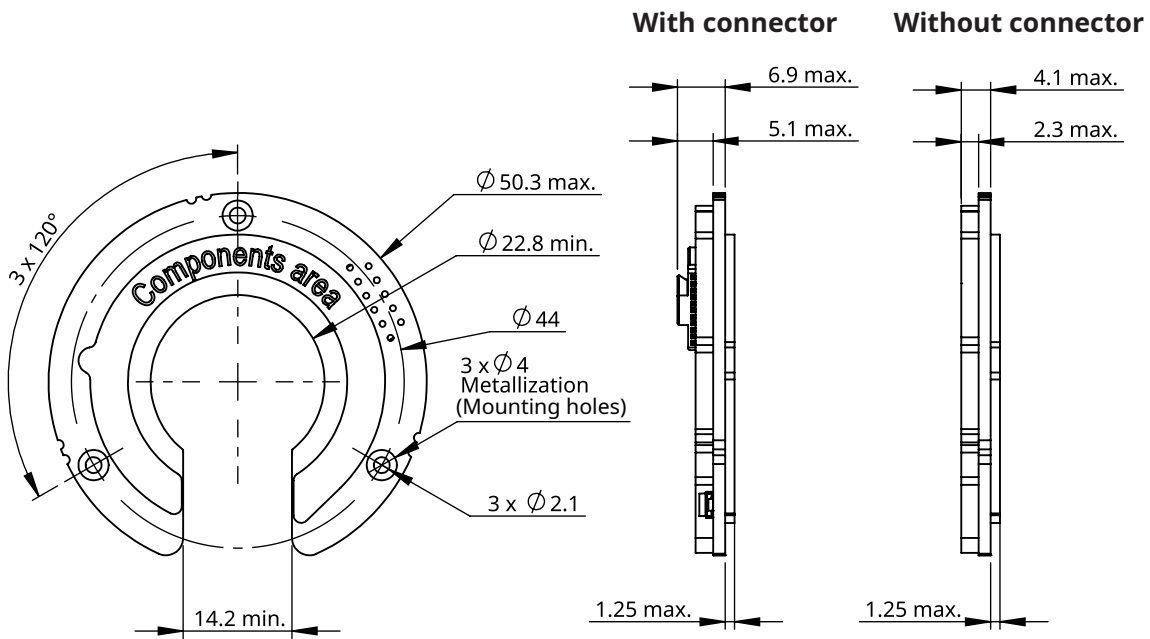
## BR10 Readhead



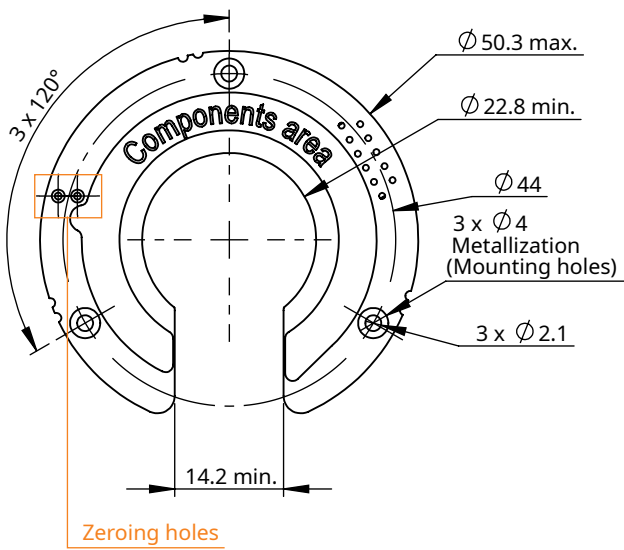
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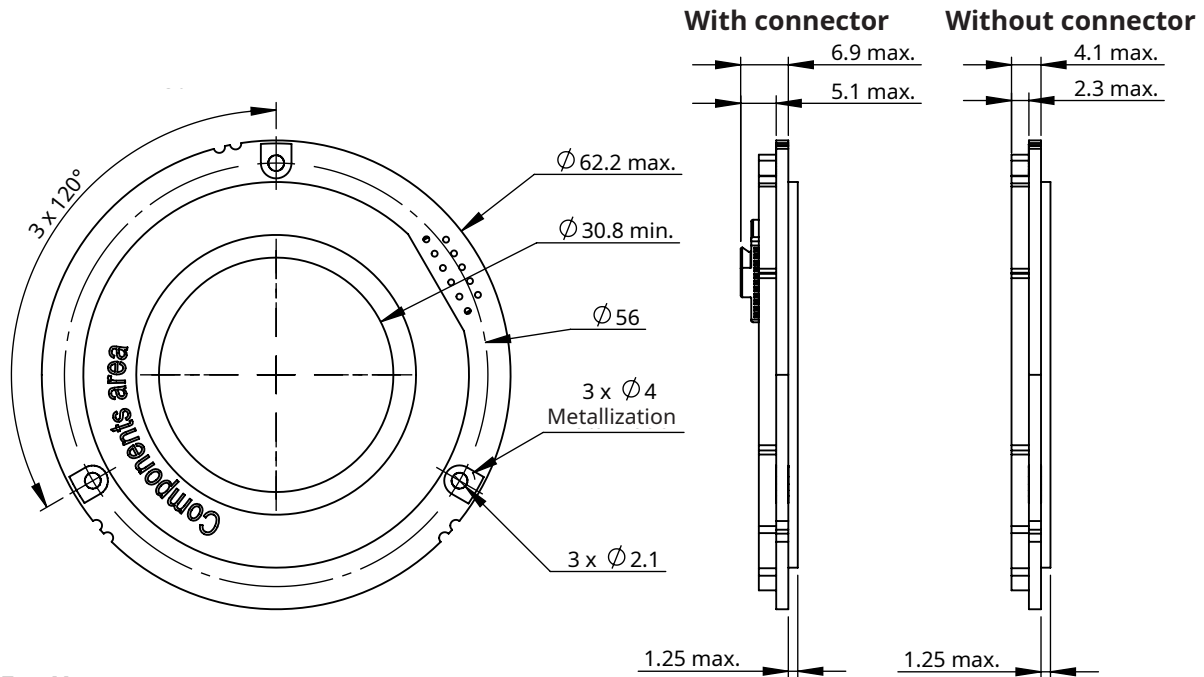
**BR20 Readhead**



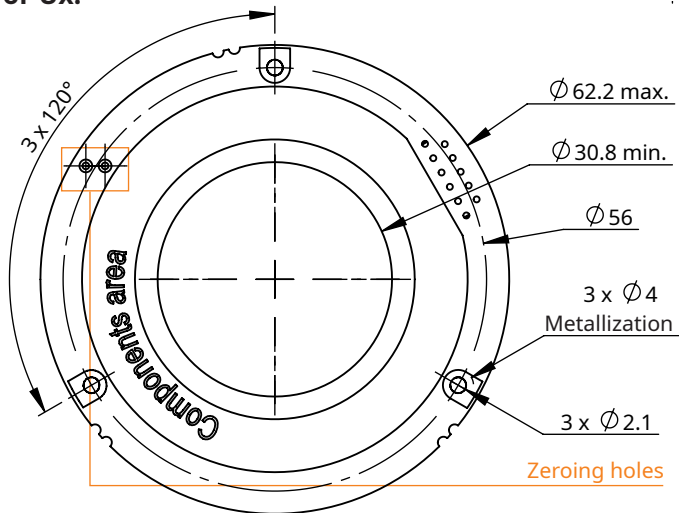
**For Ux:**



## BR30 Readhead

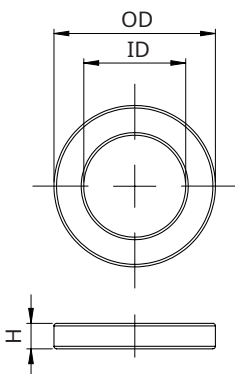


For Ux:



## BM magnets and magnetic actuators

### Permanent magnet

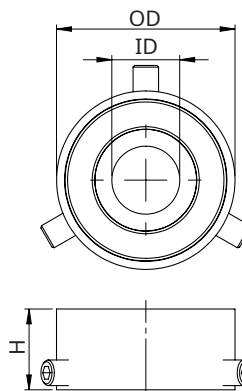


Available magnets:

ID	OD	H
12	19	3
22	32	4
30	44	4

ID, OD and H tolerances are  $\pm 0.05$ .

### Magnetic actuator (magnet included)

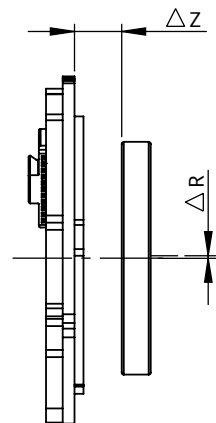
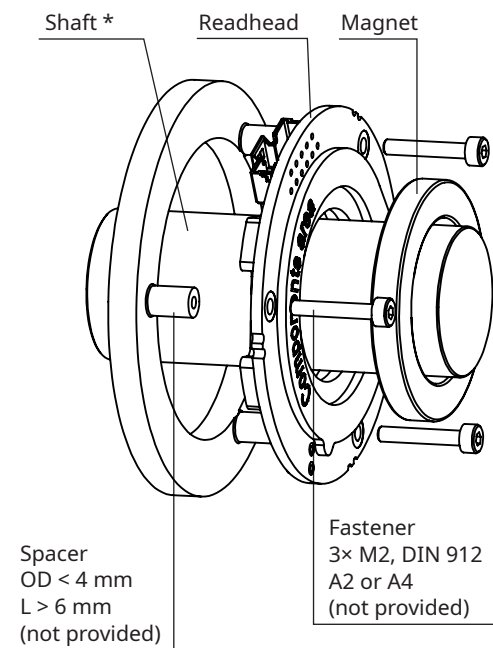
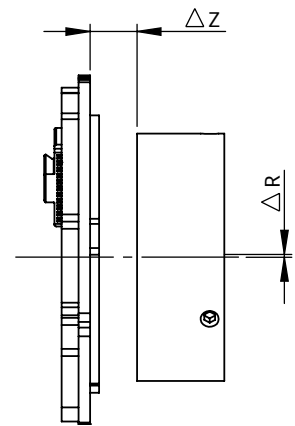
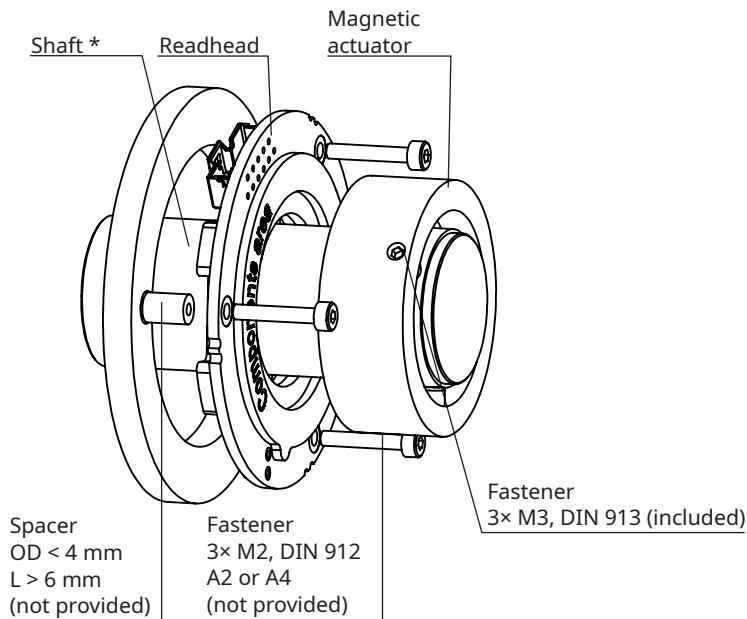


Available actuators:

ID	OD	H
6	21	9.5
8	21	9.5
10	22	9.5
20	34	12
25	48	13

ID tolerances are H7.

## Installation drawing



\* Recommended shaft tolerance for application with magnetic actuator is g6.

Readhead should only be mounted on the gold plated surfaces around the mounting holes. **See Installation instructions.**

For recommended tightening torques, refer to the document TTD01 available at [RLS Media center](#).

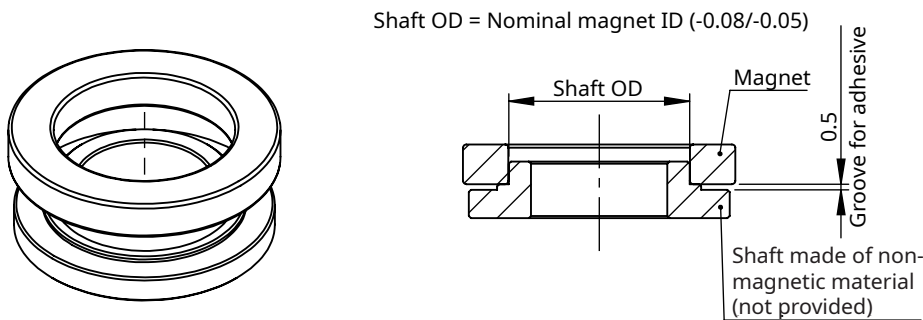
**Specifications in this data sheet applies to magnet mounting with non-ferrous shafts. If ferrous shafts are used, the encoder specifications may change. In this case, the use of actuators is recommended.**

## Installation by gluing

### Application

Adhesive mounting uses materials such as industrial adhesives, epoxy resins, or adhesive tapes to join components. Before starting the assembly, always refer to the adhesive manufacturer's instructions. These include critical details such as surface preparation, application method, curing time, and environmental conditions (temperature, pressure, humidity). If no specific instructions are provided, you may follow the standard procedure below as a general guideline:

1. Clean both the shaft and the contact surfaces of the ring with alcohol. The surfaces must be clean, dry and free of dust, oil and grease.
2. Apply the Loctite EA 9514 adhesive evenly around the entire perimeter of the magnet to ensure even bonding and alignment.
3. Cure at a maximum of 130 °C for 45 minutes.

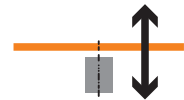


## Installation instructions

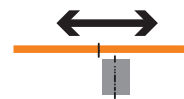
Precise magnet and readhead installation is key to achieve good overall accuracy.

### Installation tolerances

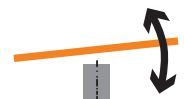
Axial ( $\Delta Z$ ) displacement (ride height)*	Magnet with 12 mm ID	4 mm $\pm$ 1 mm
	Magnet with 22 mm ID	5.5 mm $\pm$ 1 mm
	Magnet with 30 mm ID	4 mm $\pm$ 1 mm



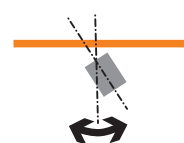
Radial ( $\Delta R$ ) displacement of the sensor*	Max. 0.5 mm
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Perpendicularity readhead	1°
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Perpendicularity magnet	2°
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— - Readhead    ■ - Magnet

\*See **Installation drawing**.

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## External magnetic field

The operating principle of any magnetic encoder is to sense changes in the magnetic field of the magnetic actuator. External magnetic fields generated by permanent magnets, electric motors, coils, magnetic brakes, etc. can affect the operation of the encoder. The accuracy of Orbis is degraded in the presence of external magnetic field. Magnetic flux density in radial direction to magnet is more critical than axial direction.

## Technical specifications

### System data

<b>Reading type</b>	Axial reading
<b>Maximum speed</b>	BR10, BR20: 30,000 rpm BR30: 25,000 rpm

### Electrical data

<b>Supply voltage</b>	5 V $\pm$ 10 %
<b>Current consumption</b>	Max. 35 mA
<b>Connection</b>	Molex 501568-1107 or soldering pads (through holes)
<b>Short circuit protection</b>	Yes
<b>Reverse polarity protection</b>	Yes
<b>ESD protection</b>	HBM, max. $\pm$ 2 kV

### Mechanical data



<b>Mass</b>	Readhead	5.3 g
	Magnetic actuator (ID)	6 mm: 6.0 g; 10 mm: 5.7 g; 8 mm: 5.5 g; 20 mm: 25 g; 25 mm: 48 g
	Magnet (ID)	12 mm: 3.8 g; 30 mm: 16.8 g; 22 mm: 12.7 g
<b>Magnet material</b>	12 mm, 22 mm	NdFeB with Ni-Cu-Ni protective layer
	30 mm	NdFeB + epoxy resin
<b>Actuator material</b>		Anodised aluminium

### Environmental data

<b>Operating and storage temperature</b>	-40°C to +105 °C (with connector) -40°C to +120 °C (without connector)*
<b>Humidity</b>	0 % to 70 % non-condensing*
<b>External magnetic field</b>	Max. $\pm$ 10 mT (AC) on top side of readhead. External magnetic field decreases accuracy of encoder.
<b>Shock</b>	100 G (6 ms, standard EN 60068-2-27:2009)
<b>Vibration</b>	40 G (55 Hz – 2000 Hz, standard EN 60068-2-6:2008)

\* For more information see chapter [Storage and Handling](#).

## Status indicator LED

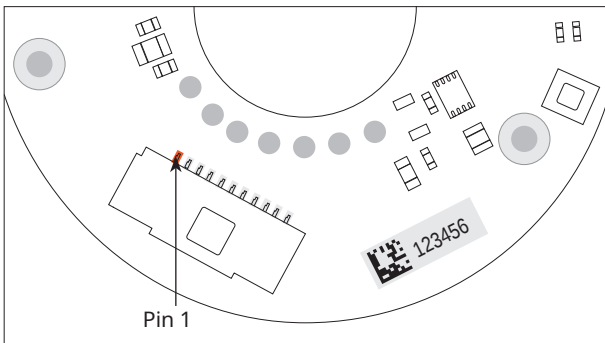
LED signal	Status
 Green	Encoder is powered on.
 No light	No power supply.

If option E (-40 °C to +125 °C) is selected in [Part numbering](#), the board does **not** include a connector and LED.

# Electrical connections

Pin	AC	BC	Ux
1		Vdd	GND
2		Vdd	Vdd
3		GND	Z-
4			Z+
5			B+
6			B-
7	VB	VB+	A-
8	-	VB-	A+
9			U
10	VA	VA+	V
11	-	VA-	W

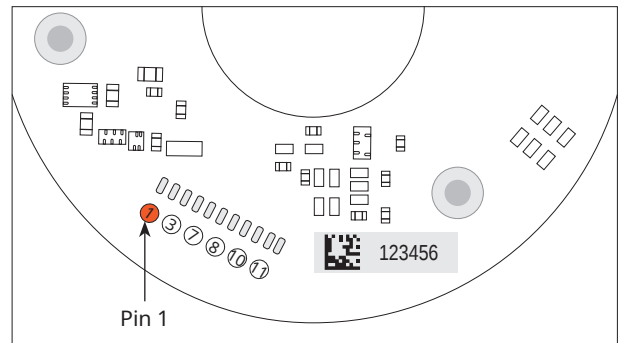
## Pinout



### With connector Molex 501568-1107

**Sizes** BR10, BR20, BR30

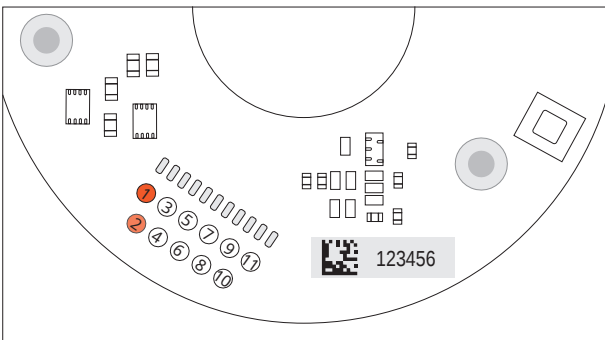
**Outputs** AC, BC, Ux



### Soldering pads

**Sizes** BR10, BR20, BR30

**Outputs** AC, BC



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**Sizes** BR10, BR20, BR30

**Output** Ux



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# Analogue outputs

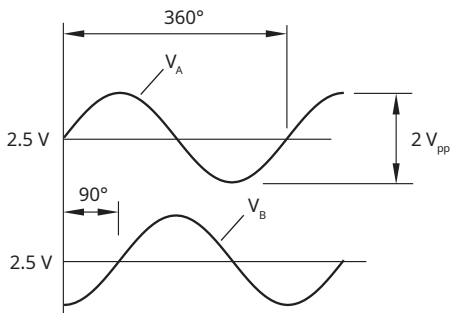
## AC - Analogue sinusoidal output

2 channels  $V_A$  and  $V_B$  sinusoids (90° phase shifted, single ended)

<b>Power supply (<math>V_{dd}</math>)</b>	5 V $\pm$ 10 %
<b>Current consumption</b>	Max. 35 mA
<b>Internal serial impedance</b>	10 $\Omega$
<b>Signal amplitude*</b>	2 $\pm$ 0.2 $V_{pp}$
<b>Temperature drift</b>	-2 mV/°C
<b>Signal offset (<math>V_{ref}</math>)</b>	2.5 V $\pm$ 1 %

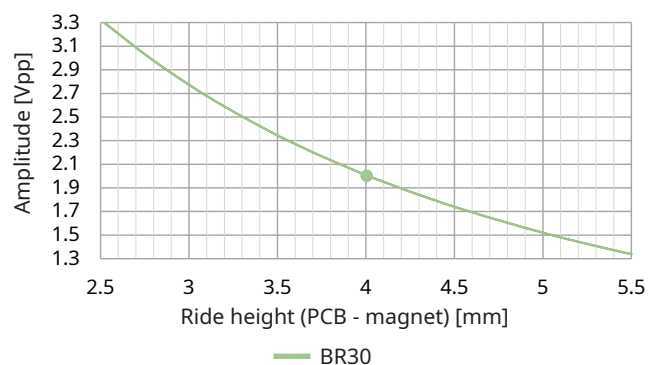
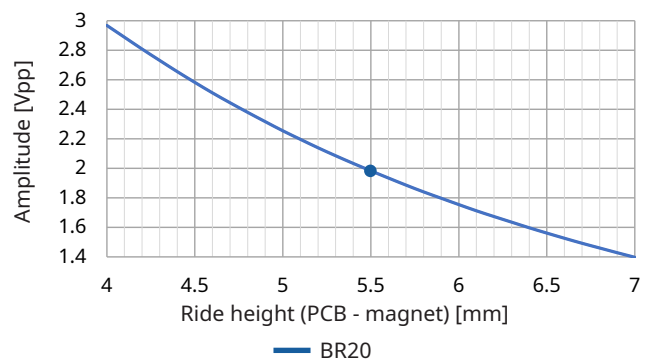
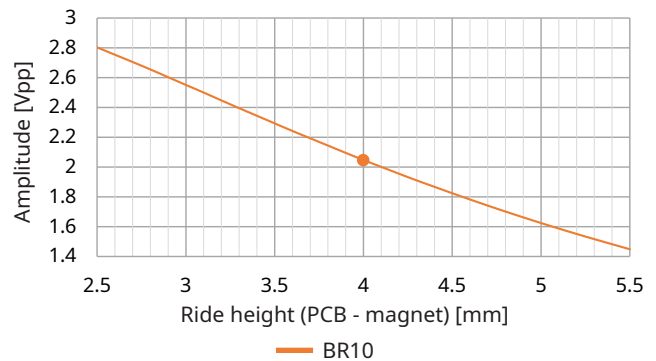
\*At 23 °C and 4 mm ride height (BR10, BR30)  
At 23 °C and 5.5 mm ride height (BR20)

### Timing diagram



$V_A$  leads  $V_B$  for clockwise rotation of the magnet

### Amplitude vs. ride height



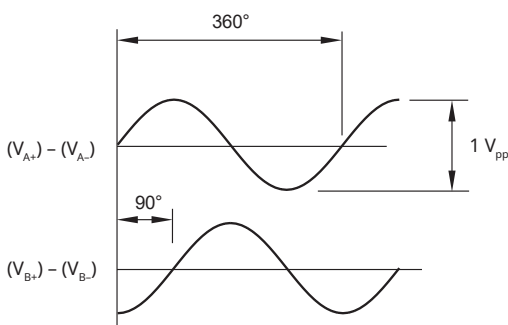
## BC - Differential analogue sinusoidal output

4 channels  $V_{A+}$ ,  $V_{A-}$ ,  $V_{B+}$ ,  $V_{B-}$  sinusoids (90° phase shifted, single ended)

<b>Power supply (<math>V_{dd}</math>)</b>	5 V $\pm$ 10 %
<b>Current consumption</b>	Max. 35 mA
<b>Internal serial impedance</b>	10 $\Omega$
<b>Signal amplitude*</b>	0.5 V $\pm$ 0.1 V (1 $V_{pp}$ )
<b>Temperature drift</b>	-1 mV/°C
<b>Signal offset (<math>V_{ref}</math>)</b>	0 $\pm$ 5mV

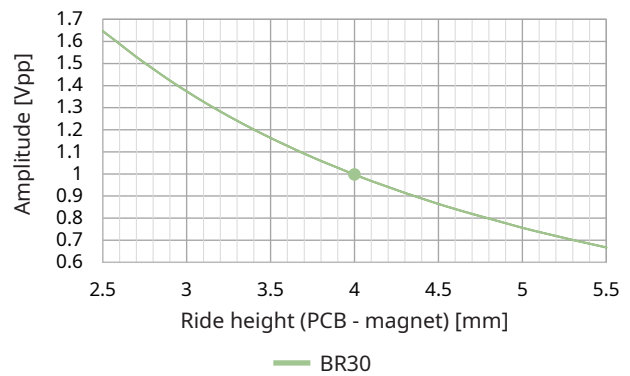
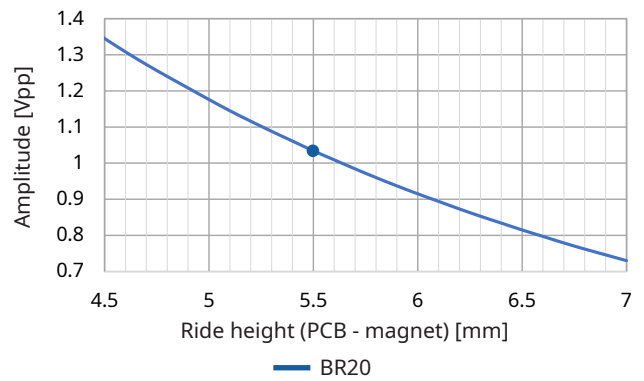
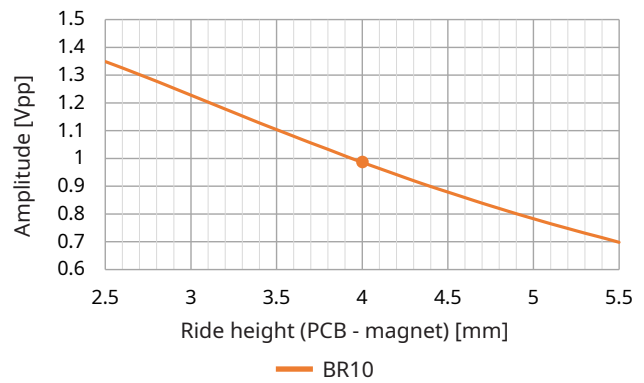
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### Timing diagram



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### Amplitude vs. ride height



# Commutation outputs

## Ux - Commutation single ended + incremental with line driver

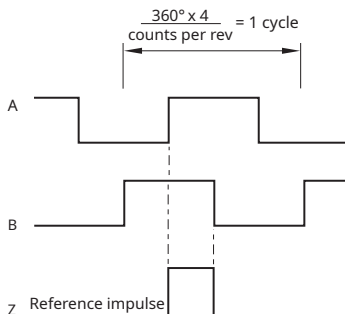
<b>Power supply (<math>V_{dd}</math>)</b>	5 V $\pm$ 10 %
<b>Current consumption</b>	Max. 35 mA (unloaded output)
<b>Accuracy</b>	$\pm$ 0.5°
<b>Hysteresis</b>	0.2° typ.
<b>Temperature drift</b>	0.004° / C
<b>Incremental outputs</b>	A, B, Z, A-, B-, Z- (RS422)
<b>Incremental resolution (cpr)</b>	256; 512; 1,024; 2,048; 4,096
<b>Commutation outputs</b>	U, V, W (single ended)
<b>Number of poles for commutation outputs</b>	2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16

### Incremental outputs

There are three signals for the incremental output: A, B and Z. Signals A and B are quadrature signals, shifted by 90°, and signal Z is a reference mark. The reference mark signal is produced once per revolution. The width of the Z pulse is 1/4 of the quadrature signal period and it is synchronized with the A and B signals. The position of the reference mark is at zero. The chart below shows the timing diagram of A, B and Z signals with clockwise (CW) rotation of the magnet and positive counting direction. B leads A for CW rotation.

#### Timing diagram - Incremental

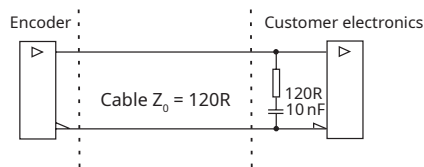
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B leads A for clockwise rotation of magnet.

#### Recommended signal termination

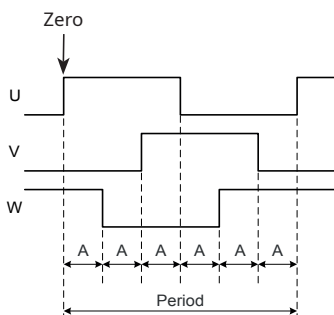
For incremental outputs



### Commutation outputs

UWV outputs can be output as digital signals. The number of signal periods equals number of pole pairs. The timing diagram shows the signals when the position data is increasing. The U signal always starts at zero position regardless the signal period length. The resolution should be set to 4096 to ensure accurate transitions of the signals.

#### Timing diagram - Commutation



Encoder zero position can be set by shortening the zeroing holes on the board.

#### UVW outputs

Pole	A	Period	Pole pairs*
2	60°	360°	one
4	30°	180°	two
6	20°	120°	three
8	15°	90°	four
10	12°	72°	five
12	10°	60°	six
14	8.57°	51.42°	seven
16	7.50°	45°	eight

\* Number of pole pairs equals number of periods per revolution.

# Part numbering

## Readhead

	BR	10	AC	A	01S	12	D	D	00
<b>Series</b>	BR - Orbis board-level readhead								
<b>Size</b>	10 - Magnet type compatibility 12 20 - Magnet type compatibility 22 30 - Magnet type compatibility 30								
<b>Communication interface</b>	AC - Absolute analogue single ended, 5 V BC - Absolute analogue differential, 5 V Ux - Commutation single ended <b>UA</b> - One period per revolution (2 poles) <b>UB</b> - Two periods per revolution (4 poles) <b>UC</b> - Three periods per revolution (6 poles) <b>UD</b> - Four periods per revolution (8 poles) <b>UE</b> - Five periods per revolution (10 poles) <b>UF</b> - Six periods per revolution (12 poles) <b>UG</b> - Seven periods per revolution (14 poles) <b>UH</b> - Eight periods per revolution (16 poles)								
<b>Communication interface variant</b>	A - N/A (standard)								
<b>Resolution</b>	01S - one sine/cosine per revolution (for AC and BC only) For <b>Ux</b> : <b>08B</b> - 256 counts per revolution <b>09B</b> - 512 counts per revolution <b>10B</b> - 1,024 counts per revolution <b>11B</b> - 2,048 counts per revolution <b>12B</b> - 4,096 counts per revolution								
<b>Magnet type compatibility</b>	12 - BM120A190AxABA00 or actuator BA060-BA100 22 - BM220C320AxABA00 or actuator BA200ABxxAA00 30 - BM300C440BxBBA00 or actuator BA250ABxxAA00								
<b>Operating temperature range</b>	D - -40 °C to +105 °C E - -40 °C to +125 °C								
<b>Connector option</b>	D - Molex 501568-1107 H - Soldering pads with through holes								
<b>Special requirements</b>	00 - No special requirements								

Not all part number combinations are valid. Refer to the table of available combinations on the following page.

### Table of available combinations

Series	Readhead size	Communication interface	Communication interface variant	Resolution	Magnet type compatibility	Operating temperature range	Connector option	Special requirements
BR	10	AC	A	01S	12	D	D	00
		BC				E	H	
		Ux				D	D	
						E	H	
						D	D	
						E	H	
	20	AC		01S	22	D	D	
		BC				E	H	
		Ux				D	D	
						E	H	
						D	D	
						E	H	
30	AC	01S	30	D	D			
	BC			E	H			
	Ux			D	D			
				E	H			
				D	D			
				E	H			

For digital absolute outputs see BRD01 data sheet at [RLS Media Center](#).

## Magnet

**BM 220 C 320 A 1 A B A 00**

### Series

**BM** - Orbis magnet

### Inner diameter

**120** - 12 mm

**220** - 22 mm

**300** - 30 mm

### Thickness

**A** - 3 mm

**C** - 4 mm

### Outer diameter

**190** - 19 mm

**320** - 32 mm

**440** - 44 mm

### Material

**A** - NdFeB

**B** - NdFeB + epoxy resin

### Grade

**1** - Grade 1 tested magnet

**2** - Graded magnet (for AC and BC outputs only)

### Surface finishing

**A** - NiCuNi

**B** - None

### Temperature range

**B** - -40 °C to 120 °C

### Packaging

**A** - Standard packaging

### Special requirements

**00** - No special requirements

Not all part number combinations are valid. Refer to the table of available combinations below.

## Table of available combinations

Series	Inner diameter	Thickness	Outer diameter	Material	Grade	Surface finishing	Temperature range	Packaging	Special requirements
BM	120	A	190	A	1/2	A	B	A	00
	220	C	320			B			
	300	C	440	B					



## Magnetic actuator

	BA	060	AB	01	A	A	00
<b>Series</b>	BA - Orbis magnetic actuator						
<b>Shaft diameter</b>	060 - 6 mm 080 - 8 mm 100 - 10 mm 200 - 20 mm 250 - 25 mm						
<b>Form</b>	AB - With 3 fasteners						
<b>Magnet type</b>	01 - BM120A190A1ABA00 03 - BM220C320A1ABA00 04 - BM120A190A2ABA00 (for AC & BC) 05 - BM220C320A2ABA00 (for AC & BC) 06 - BM300C440B1BBA00 07 - BM300C440B2BBA00 (for AC & BC)						
<b>Material</b>	A - Anodized aluminium						
<b>Packaging</b>	A - Standard packaging						
<b>Special requirements</b>	00 - No special requirements						

Not all part number combinations are valid. Refer to the table of available combinations below.

### Table of available combinations

Series	Shaft diameter	Form	Magnet type	Material	Packaging	Special requirements
BA	060	AB	01 / 04	A	A	00
	080					
	100					
	200		03 / 05			
	250		06 / 07			

# Accessories

## For AC and BC outputs



Cable assembly, 1 m  
**ACC048**

See chapter **Cable assemblies**.



Cable assembly, 3 m  
**ACC066**

See chapter **Cable assemblies**.



Cable assembly, 1 m  
**ACC067**

See chapter **Cable assemblies**.



USB interface (incremental encoders)  
**E201-9Q**



Magnet viewer  
**MM0001**

## For Ux output



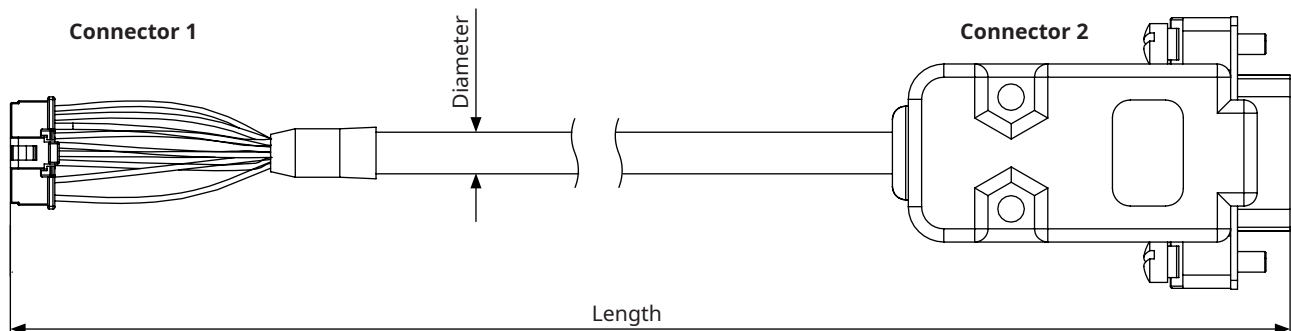
Cable assembly, 12 core  
**ACC001** cable assembly 0.3 m  
**ACC002** cable assembly 0.5 m  
**ACC003** cable assembly 1 m

See chapter **Cable assemblies**.

## Cable assemblies

Cables with crimped connectors

Part number	Diameter	Length	Connector 1	Connector 2	Notes
ACC001	5 mm	0.3 m	Molex 501330-1100 and 501334-0000	-	Shielded
ACC002		0.5 m			
ACC003		1.0 m			
ACC048	6.2 mm	1.0 m		Flying leads	Twisted pairs, shielded, up to +75 °C
ACC066		3.0 m			
ACC067		1.0 m			



Connector 1	Connector 2	Wire color	AC	BC
Pin number				
1	5	Brown	5 V supply *	
2	-	-		
3	9	White	0 V (GND) *	
4	-	-		
5	8	Pink		
6	4	Grey		
7	2	Red	VB	VB+
8	3	Blue	-	VB-
9	1			
10	6	Green	VA	VA+
11	7	Yellow	-	VA-

\* Pins are internally connected on PCB.

Connector 1	Wire color	Ux
Pin number		
1	Blue	GND
2	Red	Vdd
3	Brown	Z-
4	White	Z+
5	Green	B+
6	Yellow	B-
7	Grey	A-
8	Pink	A+
9	Black	U
10	Violet	V
11	Grey / Pink	W

### Cable specifications

<b>Part numbers</b>	ACC001, ACC002, ACC003	ACC048, ACC066, ACC067
<b>Cable specifications</b>	LI12YC12Y	LiYCY (TP)
<b>Configuration</b>	12 × 0.14 mm <sup>2</sup>	4 × 2 × 0.14 mm <sup>2</sup>
<b>Rated voltage</b>	250 V	350 V
<b>Temperature range</b>	Operating -30 °C to +125 °C Storage -40 °C to +125 °C	Operating -40 °C to +75 °C (fixed) -5 °C to +70 °C (bending) Storage -40 °C to +80 °C
<b>Environmental conformation</b>	RoHS conform 73/23/EWG-Guideline CE conform Halogen free	RoHS and REACH compliant Flame-retardant according IEC 60332-1-2 Approvals based on VDE 0812 Classification ETIM 5.0 Class-ID: EC000104

ACC067 can be used for direct connection to E201-9Q encoder interface.

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