

Technical documentation

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NHS series

Versatile High Precision HV Module in NIM Standard

- 6 channel, 100 V – 6 kV versions
- very low ripple and noise
- front panel control with 1,44" TFT display
- voltage and current control per channel
- programmable parameters
- hardware voltage and current limits



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DANGER!



DANGER!

"Danger!" indicates a severe injury hazard. The non-observance of safety instructions marked as "Danger!" will lead to possible injury or death.

WARNING!



WARNING!

"Warning!" indicates an injury hazard. The non-observance of safety instructions marked as "Warning!" could lead to possible injury or death.

CAUTION!



CAUTION!

Advices marked as "Caution!" describe actions to avoid possible damages to property.

INFORMATION



INFORMATION

Advices marked as "Information" give important information.



Read the manual.



HIGH VOLTAGE

Attention high voltage!



Important information.

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The device may only be operated within the limits specified in the data sheet. The permissible ambient conditions (temperature, humidity) must be observed. The device is designed exclusively for the generation of high voltage as specified in the data sheet. Any other use not specified by the manufacturer is not intended. The manufacturer is not liable for any damage resulting from improper use.

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- Observe the technical data and environmental conditions specified in the product documentation.
- You may only put the product into operation after it has been established that the high-voltage device complies with the country-specific regulations, safety regulations and standards of the application.
- The high-voltage power supply unit may only be installed by qualified personnel.

Important safety instructions

WARNING!



WARNING!

To avoid injury of users it is not allowed to open the unit. There are no parts which can be maintained by users inside of the unit. Opening the unit will void the warranty.

WARNING!



WARNING!

The high-voltage cable must be professionally connected to the consumer/load and the connection insulated with the appropriate dielectric strength. Do not power the consumer/load outside of its specified range.

WARNING!



WARNING!

Before connecting or disconnecting HV cables or any operation on the HV output or the application, the unit has to be switched off and discharge of residual voltage has to be finished. Depending on application residual voltages can be present for long time periods.

WARNING!



WARNING!

Do not operate the unit in wet or damp conditions.

WARNING!



WARNING!

Do not operate the unit in an explosive atmosphere.

WARNING!



WARNING!

Do not operate the unit if you suspect the unit or the connected equipment to be damaged.

CAUTION!



CAUTION!

When installing the units, make sure that an air flow through the corresponding air inlet and outlet openings is possible.

INFORMATION



INFORMATION

Please check the compatibility with the devices used.

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1 General description

CAUTION!



CAUTION!

The devices must only be used in combination with iseg approved crates.

The iseg NHS modules are multi-channel high voltage power supplies in 1/12 NIM standard cassette format. With up to 6 channels each single channel has an independent voltage and current control. By offering different configurations and options this module perfectly covers various types of applications such as detector supply, experimental setup or lab use. Several NHS modules can be daisy-chained by CAN and controlled for example by iseg iCS system. The module is made of best components such as 24 bit ADC and 20 bit DAC, an excellent front panel control with TFT display plus comprehensive security features.

2 Package contents / Accessories

Hardware	included	optional
NHS 60 xx	6 channel Standard module	See chapter 4.2 Options
NHS 62 xx	6 channel High Precision module	
Notes: replacement characters: x – depending on model, see 11 Order guides		

Table 1: Package contents

3 Overview

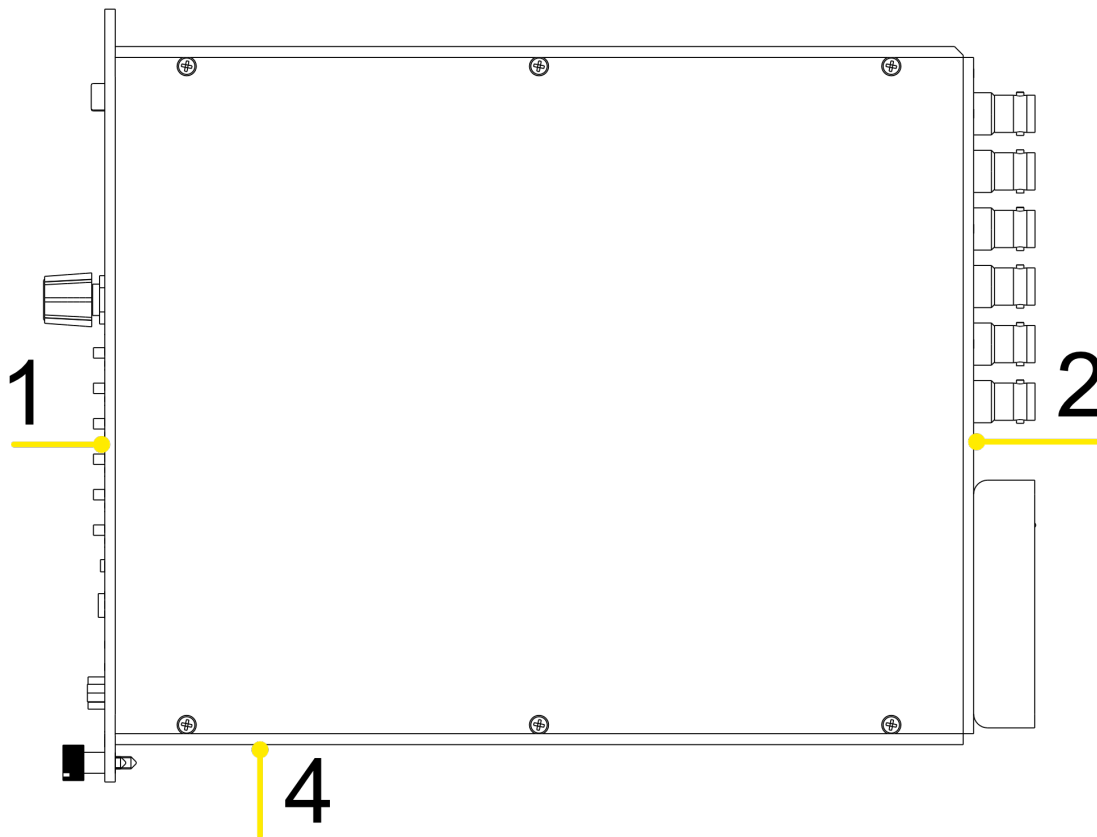


Schaubild 1

Number	Description	Detailed explanation in chapter
[1]	Front side	Display, controls, Can and safety loop
[2]	Back side	High-voltage output, power supply
[4]	Bottom side	Jumper (SL)

Table 2: description Overview

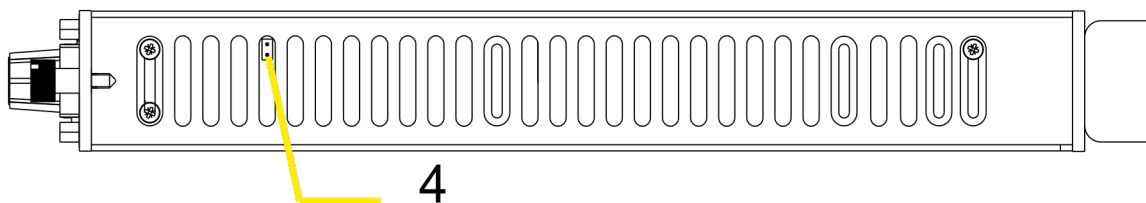


Schaubild 2

Number	Description	Detailed explanation in chapter
[4]	Jumper	Jumper (SL)

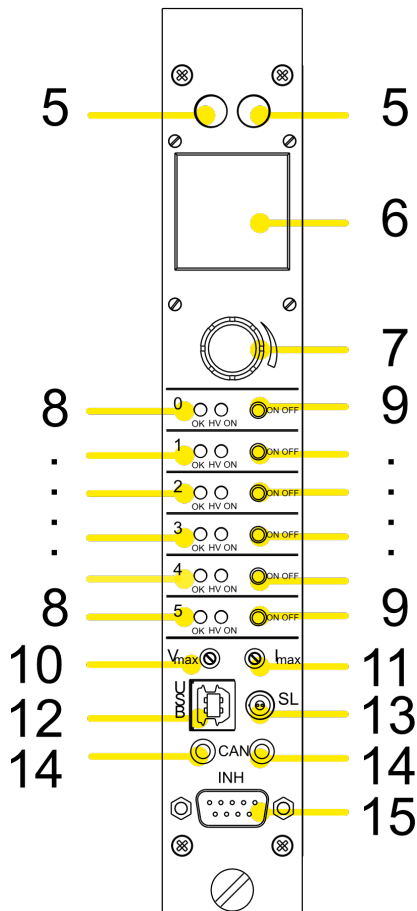


Figure 3: front side

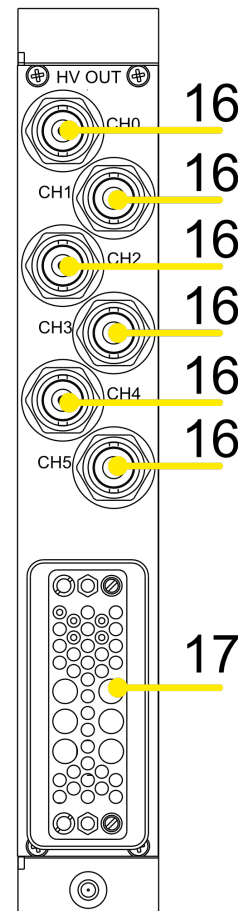


Figure 4: back side

Number	Description	Detailed explanation in chapter
[5]	button	for navigation inside the menus
[6]	display	shows monitor and control values
[7]	rotary encoder	button to navigate in menu and set values
[8]	Status Led (per channel)	signals condition, signals output voltage
[9]	Switch (per channel)	channel on or off
[10]	Limit potentiometer	Hardware limit V_{max}
[11]	Limit potentiometer	Hardware limit I_{max}
[12]	USB connector	USB connector
[13]	SL connector	Safety Loop connector
[14]	CAN connector	CAN connector
[15]	INH connector	Inhibit connector
[16]	HV connector	High voltages connector
[17]	NIM connector	supply connector

Table 3

4 Technical Data

SPECIFICATIONS	NHS Standard		NHS High Precision
Polarity	Factory fixed, positive or negative		
Floating principle	Common Ground		
Potential difference	none		
Ripple and noise (f > 10 Hz)	< 10 mV _{p-p}		< 5 mV _{p-p}
Ripple and noise (f > 1 kHz)	< 2 – 3 mV _{p-p}		< 1 – 2 mV _{p-p}
Stability			
Stability – [ΔV_{out} vs. ΔV_{in}]	$1 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot V_{nom}$		
Stability – [ΔV_{out} vs. ΔR_{load}]	$1 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot V_{nom}$		
Long term stability (1h warmup) 24h	< $5 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot V_{nom}$		< $2 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot V_{nom}$
Temperature coefficient	50 ppm / K		30 ppm / K 10 ppm / K (option TC)
Resolution – The resolution of measurable values depends on the settings of the sampling rate and the digital filter!			
Resolution voltage setting	$2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot V_{nom}$		
Resolution current setting	$2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot I_{nom}$		
Resolution voltage measurement ⁽¹⁾	$2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot V_{nom}$		$1 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot V_{nom}$
Resolution current measurement – full range ⁽¹⁾	$2 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot I_{nom}$		$1 \cdot 10^{-6} \cdot I_{nom}$
Resolution current measurement [$I_{out} < 20 \mu A$] (2nd range) ^{(1) (3)}	n/a		50 pA
Measurement accuracy – The measurement accuracy is guaranteed in the range $1\% \cdot V_{nom} < V_{out} < V_{nom}$ and for 1 year			
Accuracy voltage measurement	$\pm (0.01\% \cdot V_{out} + 0.02\% \cdot V_{nom})$		$\pm (0.01\% \cdot V_{out} + 0.01\% \cdot V_{nom})$
Accuracy current measurement – full range	$\pm (0.01\% \cdot I_{out} + 0.02\% \cdot I_{nom})$		$\pm (0.01\% \cdot I_{out} + 0.01\% \cdot I_{nom})$
Accuracy current measurement (2nd range) ⁽³⁾	n/a		$\pm (0.01\% \cdot I_{out} + 4 \text{ nA})$
Sample rates ADC (SPS)	5, 10, 25, 50, 60, 100, 500 ⁽²⁾		5, 10, 25, 50 ⁽²⁾ , 60, 100, 500
Digital filter averages	1, 16, 64 ⁽²⁾ , 256, 512, 1024		
Voltage ramp	up to $0.2 \cdot V_{nom} / s$ opt. up to $0.75 \cdot V_{nom} / s$		
Hardware limits	Potentiometer per module [V_{max} / I_{max}]		
Operating mode	Full module and channel control via: Front panel, USB interface: iseq SCPI, CAN interface: EDCP (Enhanced Device Control Protocol)		
Module status	green LED turns on if the channel has the status “Ready” yellow LED turns on if the channel has the status “HV ON”		
System connector	NIM standard compliant connector, see Figure 22		
HV connector	BNC SHV		
Digital Interface	USB interface (potential free), see Figure 19 CAN interface (potential free), see Figure 18		
Case	1/12 NIM standard cassette		
Safety Loop socket	Lemo 2pole, see Figure 16		
Single channel inhibit connector	SUB-D9 male, see Figure 15		

SPECIFICATIONS	NHS Standard	NHS High Precision
Protection	INHIBIT, Safety loop, short circuit, overload, hardware V/I limits Overload and short circuit protected (ATTENTION: there is only one short circuit or arc per second allowed!)	
Power requirements of supply voltages	± 24 V: 1.5 A (0.6 A for NHS 6y01x) at full load, 0.3 A with no load at nominal voltage + 6 V: < 0.3 A	
Operating temperature	0 ... 40 °C	
Storage temperature	-20 ... 60 °C	
Humidity	20 – 80 %, not condensing	
Notes: ¹⁾ The resolution of measurable values depends on the settings of the sampling rate and the digital filter! ²⁾ Standard factory settings ³⁾ not available with Option L		

Table 4: Technical data: Specifications

4.1 Configurations

CONFIGURATIONS NHS SERIES					
Type	V _{nom}	I _{nom}	Max. I _{in} (A) at 24V	Item Code	Options ⁽¹⁾
NHS STANDARD SERIES					
NHS 60 01x	100 V	10 mA	0.6	NH060001x106oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 05x	500 V	15 mA	1.5	NH060005x156oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 10x	1 kV	8 mA	1.5	NH060010x805oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 20x	2 kV	4 mA	1.5	NH060020x405oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 30x	3 kV	3 mA	1.5	NH060030x305oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 40x	4 kV	2 mA	1.5	NH060040x205oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS 60 60x	6 kV	1 mA	1.5	NH060060x105oooccrk	VCT, ID
NHS HIGH PRECISION SERIES					
NHS 62 01x	100 V	10 mA	0.6	NH062001x106oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 05x	500 V	10 mA	1.2	NH062005x106oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 10x	1 kV	8 mA	1.5	NH062010x805oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 20x	2 kV	4 mA	1.5	NH062020x405oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 30x	3 kV	3 mA	1.5	NH062030x305oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 40x	4 kV	2 mA	1.5	NH062040x205oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
NHS 62 60x	6 kV	1 mA	1.5	NH062060x105oooccrk	VCT, ID, TC, L
Notes: 1) – the "IU" option is always preset (default) replacement characters: o – options, c – connector, r – revision, k – customization, x – polarity (negative/positive/mix)					

Table 5: Technical data: Configurations

4.2 Options

OPTIONS / ORDER INFO	INFO	EXAMPLE	ITEM CODE HEX CODING
POLARITY	positive: x = P , negative x = N , mix: x = X	NHS 60 10 P	
SINGLE CHANNEL INHIBIT - down	ID		400
SINGLE CHANNEL INHIBIT - up	IU ⁽¹⁾		000
VOLTAGE CORRECTION by TEMPERATURE	VCT		008
LOWER TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT	TC	T10	004
LOWER OUTPUT CURRENT	L ($I_{nom} = 100 \mu A$)		
Notes: ¹⁾ – the "IU" option is always preset (default).			

Table 6: Technical data: Options and order information

5 Handling

5.1 Connection

The supply voltages are connected to the module via the NIM-connector (see Figure 22) on the rear side of the module. An USB connector see (Figure 19) and two 3,5mm audio jack connectors for the CAN interface (see Figure 18) are located on the front panel. The second CAN connector can be used to daisy-chain several NHS modules.

5.2 Front Panel Control

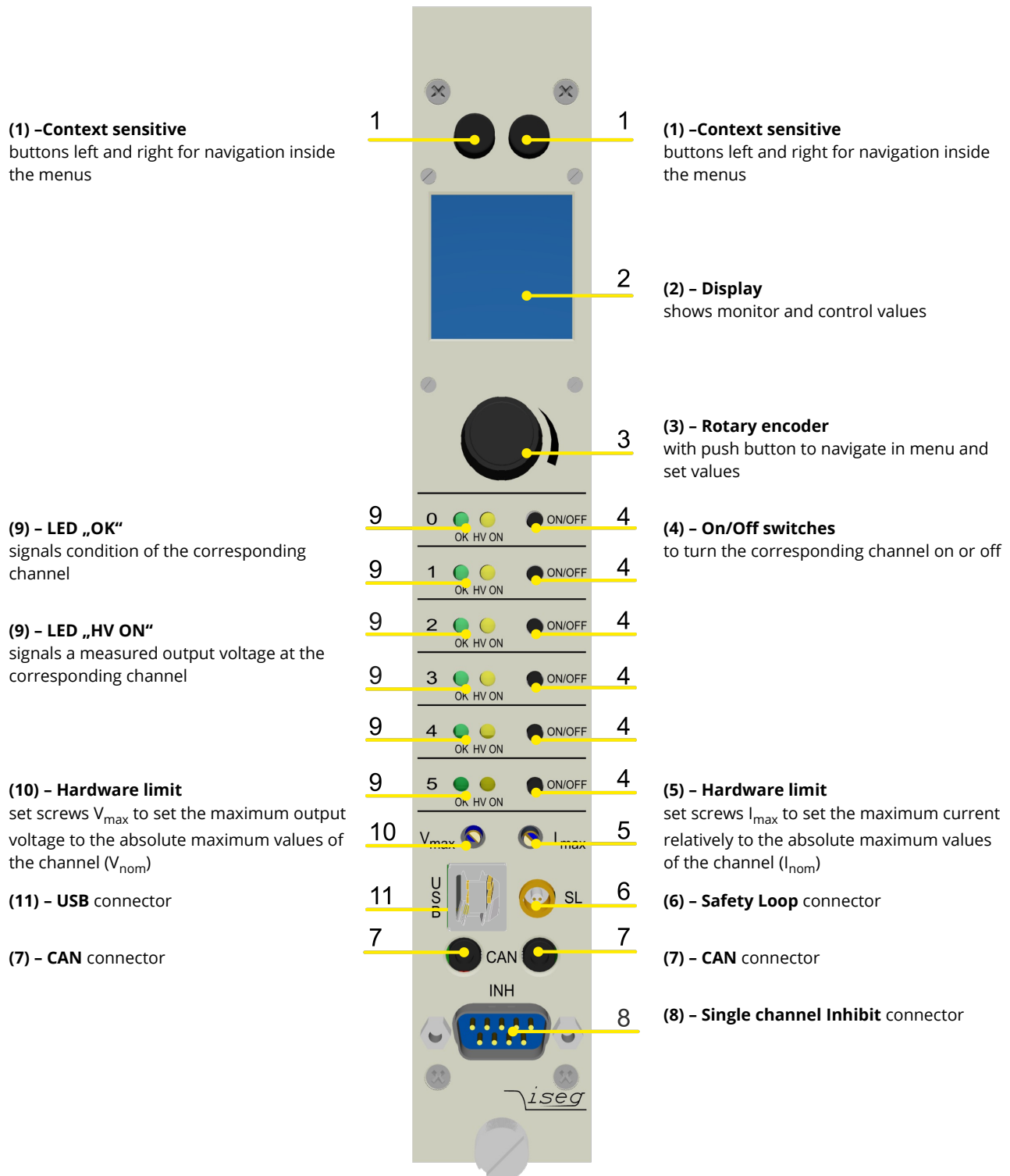


Figure 5: NHS front

5.2.1 Main screen (Channel List)

After start up of the NHS the display will show a Main screen similar to the following image which consists of 5 elements:

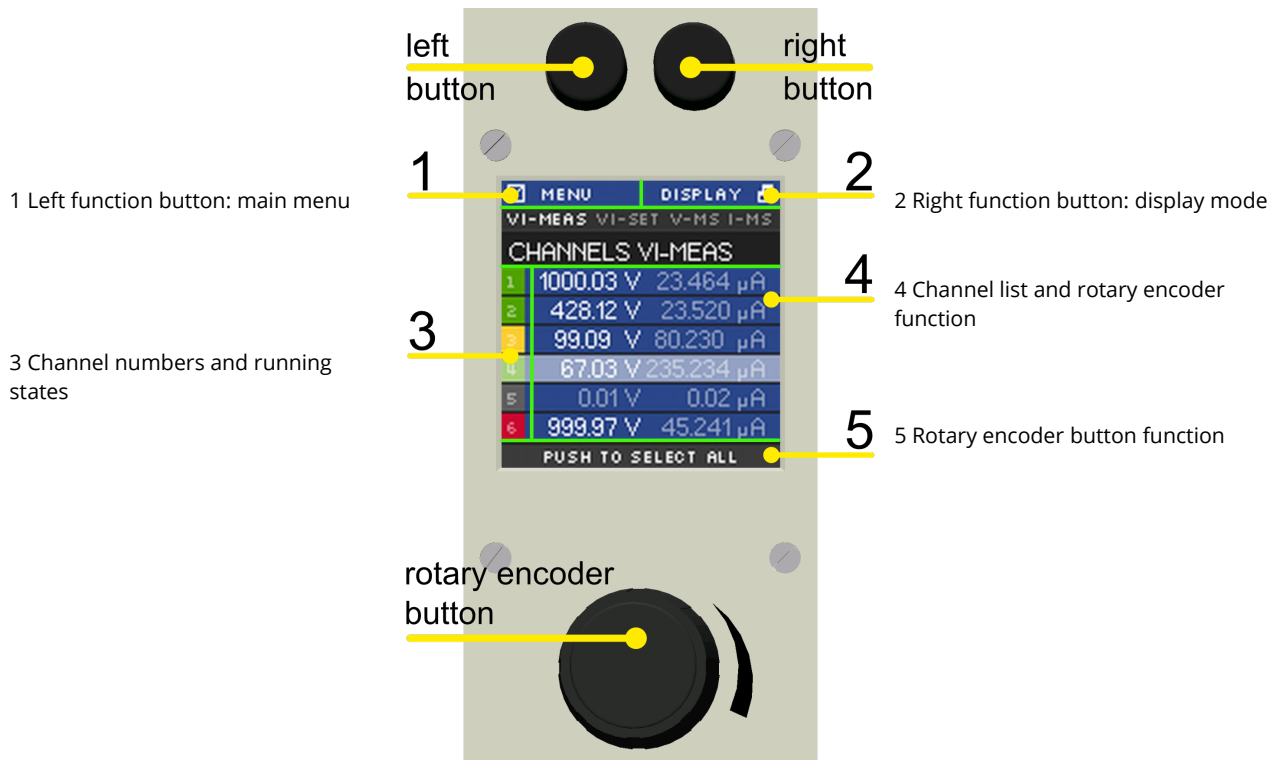


Figure 6: NHS front

1 Left function button: main menu

Shows the function of the left button. If the user pushes the left button in Main screen, the display will show the Menu screen.

2 Right function button: display mode

If the user pushes the right button in Main screen, the Main screen will switch to the next display mode, which is shown directly above the channel list.

Following display modes are available:

- | | | | |
|----|---------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | VI-MEAS | → | voltage and current – measured values |
| 2. | VI-SET | → | voltage and current – set values |
| 3. | V-MS | → | voltage – measured and set values |
| 4. | I-MS | → | current – measured and set values |

3 Channel numbers and running states

This is part of the channel list (4) and shows the corresponding channel number. The background color signals the running state of each channel. The background colours means the following:

Black	→	the channel is switched off
Green	→	the channel is switched on
Yellow	→	the channel is switched on but no regulation (CV, CC) is active
Orange	→	the channel is switched on but has unmasked error event(s)
Red		the channel has at least one masked error event

4 Channel list and rotary encoder function

The channel list shows-dependent on the display mode-measure and/or set values of voltage and current for each channel.

In display mode VI-MEAS the following can be seen:

If a channel is switched off, the values of V_{meas} and I_{meas} are gray.

If a channel is in constant voltage regulation, V_{meas} value is white and I_{meas} value is gray

If a channel is in constant current regulation, V_{meas} value is grey and I_{meas} value is white

The channel row which is slightly brighter is the marked channel by the rotary encoder. Turning the rotary encoder counter-clockwise will mark the channel above the current channel and turning clockwise will mark the channel below the current channel.

5 Rotary encoder button function

If the user presses the button of the rotary encoder, the menu will switch to the channel menu of the marked channel.

5.2.2 Menu Screen

By pressing the left button in Main screen, the display will switch to the menu screen, that looks similar to the image below:

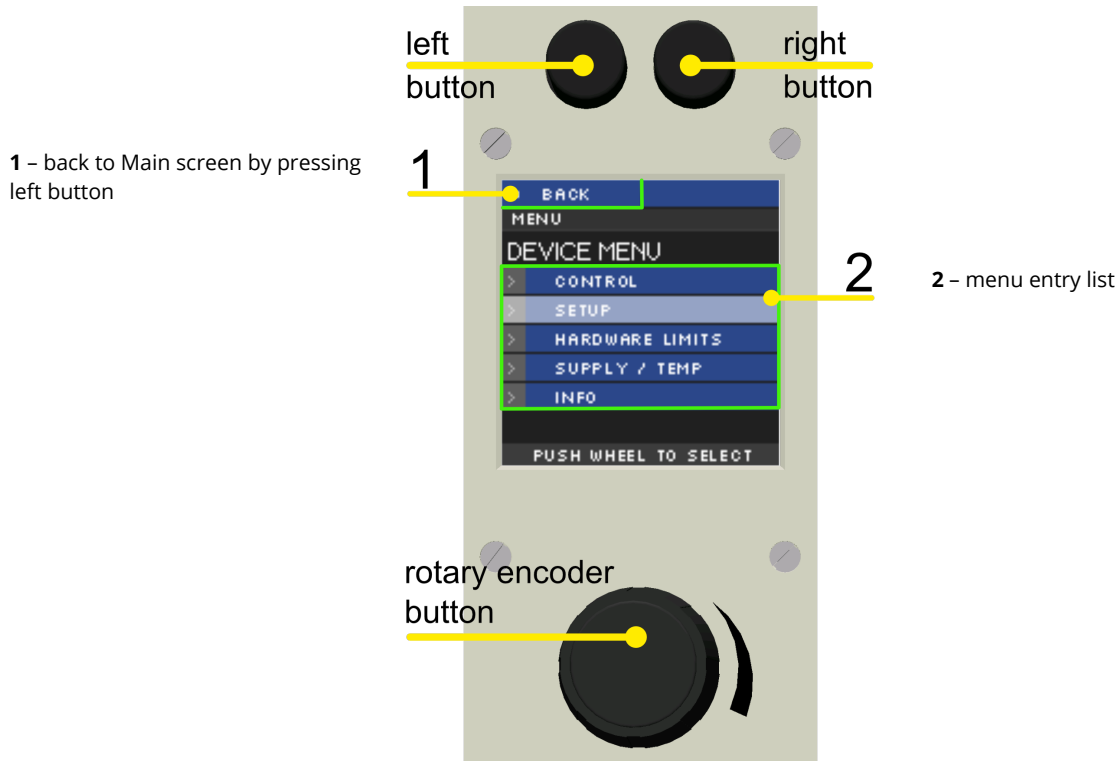


Figure 7: NHS –Menu Screen

The menu screen shows menu entries to set up behavior and check information of the device hardware. To enter a menu entry, the user has to mark an entry by turning rotary encoder and then pressing the rotary encoder button. The selected entry is then shown in the menu path.

1 – back to menu screen

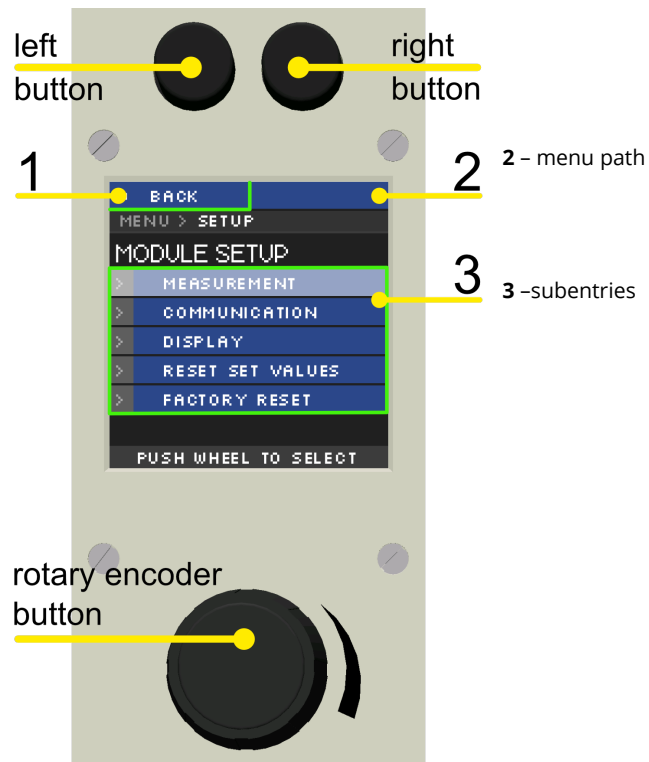


Figure 8: NHS -Menu Screen

5.2.3 Editing Menu Entries

A Menu entry that has a fixed amount of possible values can be easily edited by turning the rotary encoder, the selected value will be shown at the bottom of display screen.

A submit and save of the selected value is done by pressing the rotary encoder button.

A reset to its default value is done by pressing the right button.

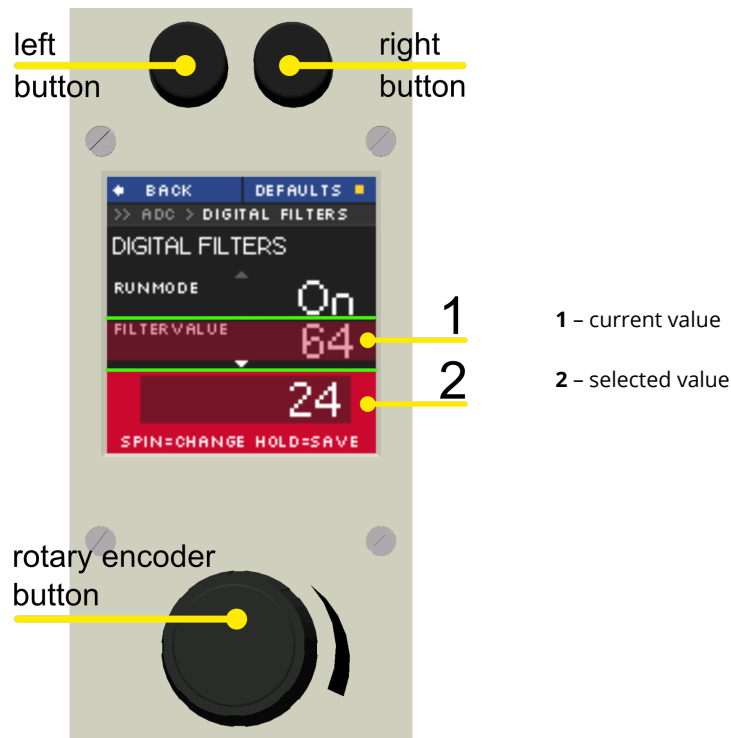


Figure 9: NHS –Menu Entries

A menu entry with a none-fixed amount of values e.g. voltage ramp speed is edited a little bit different.

The selected value is also shown at the bottom of the display but with a digit highlighted by a cursor. A short press on the rotary encoder button and the cursor will jump to the next lower digit. Turning the rotary encoder changes the selected value in the resolution of the corresponding digit.

A submit and save of the selected value is done by pressing and holding the rotary encoder button for more than one second.

5.2.4 Channel Details

To change the set values of a channel or to monitor one single channel with larger digits, the Channel screen needs to be entered. This can be done in Main screen by turning the rotary encoder until the wished channel is marked and then pressing the rotary encoder button to select it. A screen similar to the following will be shown.

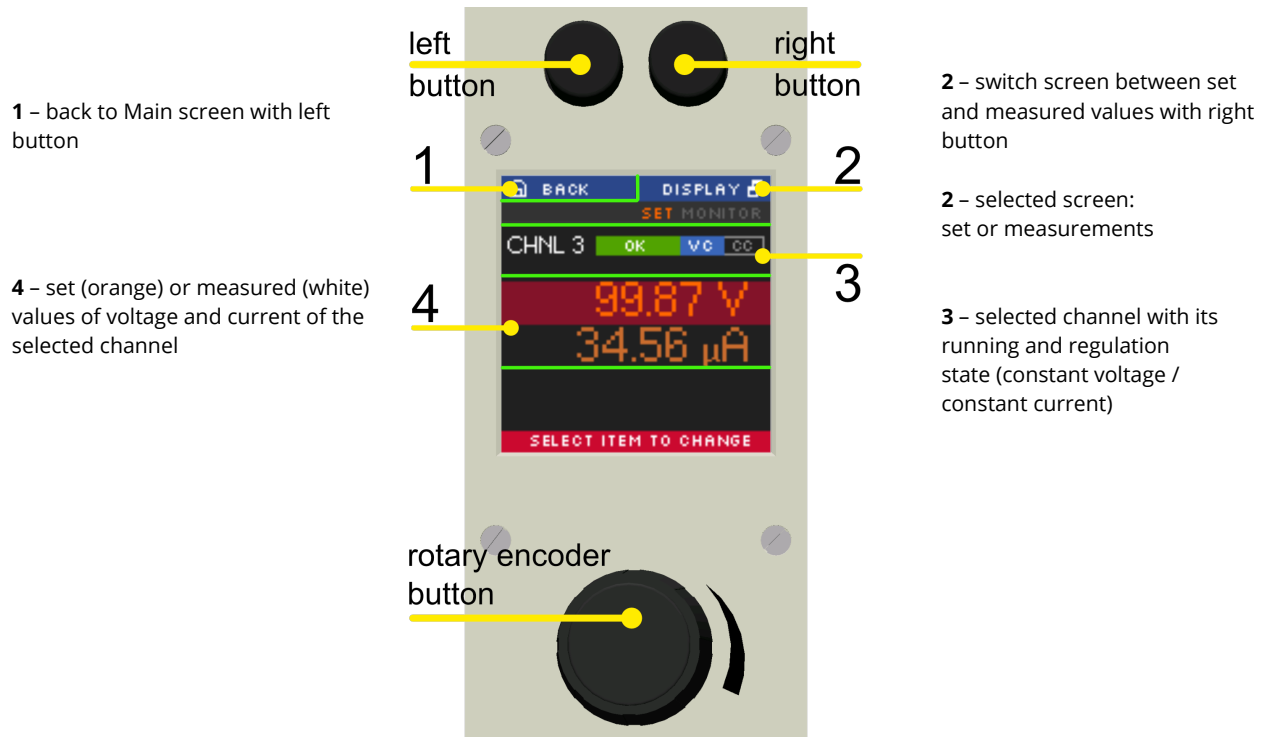


Figure 10: NHS – Channel Details

5.2.5 Editing Channel Set Values

In the channel screen it is possible to edit set values of the selected channel. This is done by marking current or voltage value by turning rotary encoder and applying this by pressing the rotary encoder button. An edit field beneath the shown values will be displayed. The edit value is shown with a digit hi-lighted by a cursor. A short press on the rotary encoder button and the cursor will jump to the next lower digit. Turning the rotary encoder changes the selected value in the resolution of the digit. Submit and apply of the edit value is done by pressing and holding the rotary encoder button for more than one second. There are two modes of editing available: manual and auto-apply. In manual mode, the edited value is not accepted until the user applied it with pressing and holding the rotary encoder button. In auto-apply mode the edit value is immediately accepted as turning the rotary encoder.

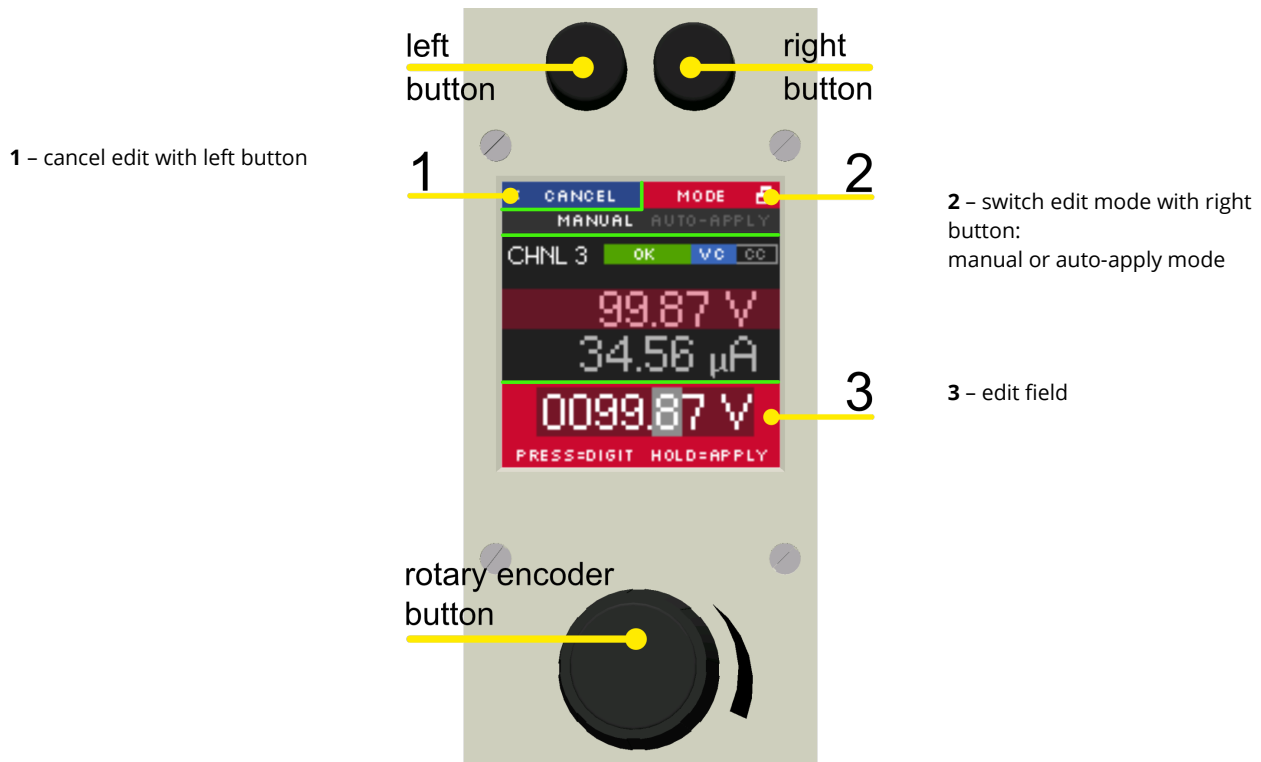


Figure 11: NHS – Editing Channel Set Values

5.2.6 Menu Structure

Available Menu entries are:

Entry	Subentry	Subentry	Content
CONTROL	VOLTAGE RAMP	–	Set voltage ramp speed
	CURRENT RAMP	–	Set current ramp speed
	CLEAR ALL EVENTS	–	Clear all events
	SET KILL ENABLE	–	Set mode Kill Enable/Disable
SETUP	MEASUREMENT	ADC SAMPLE RATE	Set ADC sample rate
		DIGITAL FILTER	Set digital filter steps
	COMMUNICATION	CAN BUS BITRATE	Set CAN bus bitrate
		CAN BUS ADDRESS	Set CAN bus ID
	DISPLAY	POWER SAVE	Set display power safe mode
	RESET SET VALUES	–	Reset all set values
	FACTORY RESET	–	Reset all settings to factory default
HARDWARE LIMITS	–	–	Shows hardware limits V_{max} and I_{max} . This screen is automatically shown, if the hardware limits were changed.
SUPPLY / TEMP	–	–	Shows supply voltages and temperature
INFO	–	–	Shows serial number, firmware name and release, nominal voltage and current

Table 7: menu structure

5.3 Channel Switches and LEDs

For each channel of the NHS device there is one “On/Off” switch to turn the channel on and off and there are two LEDs (“OK” and “HV ON”) to signal status of the channel.

The green LED “OK” signals the general condition of the channel and the yellow LED “HV ON” signals measured output voltage at the corresponding channel or is flashing shortly every time the user presses the corresponding “On/Off” switch.

Following behaviors are possible:

LED “OK”	LED “HV ON”	Meaning
not illuminated	not illuminated	An error event occurred, the channel cannot be switched on.
not illuminated	illuminated	An error occurred but there is still a measured voltage at the channel.
illuminated	not illuminated	The channel is switched off and can be turned on.
illuminated	illuminated	The channel is turned on and there is output voltage at the channel.
	flashing	The channel is ramping up or down

Table 8: LED status

5.4 Remote Control

The NHS devices offer two remote control interfaces: USB and CAN.

With the USB connector, one NHS can be controlled with the iseg SCPI instruction set. Available control applications are [iseq Terminal](#) and [iseq SCPI Control](#), see 12 Appendix. Please consider the “SCPI Programmers-Guide” document for further details.

With the CAN interface connectors, up to 64 NHR/NHS devices can be controlled on one CAN line. Therefore every device has to have a unique CAN Bus address, which can be configured in the Device Menu. Please consider [CAN EDCP Programmers-Guide](#), see 12 Appendix, for further details.

5.5 Protection Features

5.5.1 Hardware Limit

The maximum output voltage for all channels (hardware voltage limit) is defined through the position of the corresponding potentiometer V_{max} . The maximum output current for all channels (hardware current limit) is defined through the position of the corresponding potentiometer I_{max} . The greatest possible set value for voltage and current is given by $V_{max} - 2\%$ and $I_{max} - 2\%$, respectively. The output voltage and current are limited to the specified value. If a limit is reached or exceeded in any channel the green LED on the front panel turns off.

5.5.2 Safety Loop

A safety loop can be implemented via the safety loop socket (SL) on the front panel.

If the safety loop is active, then an output voltage in any channel is only present if the safety loop is closed and an external current in a range of 5 to 20 mA of any polarity is driven through the loop. The loop can be activated by removing the internal jumper, see Figure 4: back side. The jumper can be accessed via a ventilation slot on the bottom of the module.

If the safety loop is opened during the operation, the output voltages are shut off without ramp. Furthermore, the corresponding bits in the „ModuleStatus“ and „ModuleEventStatus“ registers are set ([CAN EDCP Programmers-Guide](#), see 12 Appendix. After closing the loop again, the „ModuleEventStatus“ register must be reset to turn the channels on again.

By factory setup the safety loop is not active (the corresponding bits are always set). The loop can be activated by removing the internal jumper. The jumper can be accessed via a ventilation slot on the bottom of the module (see [dimensional drawings for exact position](#), Figure 13: detailed view of Figure 12, Safety Loop (SL)).

5.5.3 Single channel Inhibit

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INHIBIT is an external signal, that switches off the high voltage for the device or a specific channel.

The Sub-D connector (Figure 15) on the bottom of the front panel allows to install an Inhibit for each channel. The pin assignment is as follows or chapter 9.1 INHIBIT

Channel 0 – 5 / GND	0	1	2	3	4	5	GND		
SUB-D9 connector pin	1	2	3	6	7	8	4	5	9

Table 9: INHIBIT connector pinout

The INHIBIT signals are TTL-level, the signal logic is defined by selected option. The following configurations are possible:

Option 1 – IU (default)

INHIBIT signal logic: LOW-active (LOW → HV-generation stopped)
default state: HIGH (internal pull-up resistor applied)
open INHIBIT signal input: HV enabled

Option 2 – ID

INHIBIT signal logic: LOW-active (LOW → HV-generation stopped)
default state: LOW (internal pull-down resistor applied)
open INHIBIT signal input: HV disabled

Option 3 – NIU

INHIBIT signal logic: HIGH-active (HIGH → HV-generation stopped)
default state: HIGH (internal pull-up resistor applied)
open INHIBIT signal input: HV disabled

Option 4 – NID

INHIBIT signal logic: HIGH-active (HIGH → HV-generation stopped)
default state: LOW (internal pull-down resistor applied)
open INHIBIT signal input: HV enabled

The INHIBIT signal must be applied for at least 100 ms to guarantee a detection. If an Inhibit signal is detected, the channel status bit “isExternallnhibit” and the channel event status bit “EExternallnhibit” are set. One of the following reactions to this signal can be programmed (see chapter “[6.5.1.7 External channel inhibit](#)” in the [CAN_EDCP_Programmers-Guide.pdf](#), see 12 Appendix)

- No Action (default)
- Turn off the channel with ramp
- Shut down the channel without ramp
- Shut down all channels without ramp

When the INHIBIT is no longer active, the Inhibit flag must be reset before the voltage can be switched on again.

5.6 The function "Delayed Trip"

5.6.1 Operating principle

The function "*Delayed Trip*" provides a user-configurable, time-delayed response to an increased output current (I_{out}) higher than the set current (I_{set}). The response to this kind of event can be, for example, to ramp down the channel with the programmed ramp. A detailed description for the configuration can be found in the [CAN EDCP Programmers-Guide](#), see 12 Appendix.

By a programmable timeout with one millisecond resolution, the trip can be delayed up to four seconds. During this time, the output current is limited to the value of I_{set} (constant current mode).

The hardware regulation signals, constant voltage (CV) or constant current (CC), are sampled every millisecond by the microprocessor. Once the constant current mode is active, the programmed timeout counter is decremented. If the HV channel returns to constant voltage mode before timeout (i.e. $I_{out} < I_{set}$), the counter will be reset. So this process can be restarted if the current rises again.

To guarantee a sufficient resolution for the current set values, a nominal current adequate to the application should be selected. iseq offers HV modules with nominal currents reduced to 100 μA in all voltage classes. These are designated e.g. for semiconductor detectors, which only require a few microampere operating current.

5.6.2 Modules with two current measurement ranges

High Precision HV modules with two current ranges are a particular case. In these HV modules the high current output is combined with a picoampere resolution in the low current measurement range. The range switching is done by the microprocessor depending on I_{meas} :

High measuring range: $I_{nom-low} < I_{meas} < I_{nom}$

Low measuring range: $0 < I_{meas} < I_{nom-low}$

The typical value for $I_{nom-low}$ is 20 μA .

As long as a set current in the high measuring range is used, everything is working as described above. If a set current in low measuring range is specified, the current limitation is set to 120 % of the low measuring range.

Example: $I_{nom-low} = 20 \mu A \rightarrow$ current limitation is set to 24 μA if $I_{set} = 10 \mu A$

Now the channel operates in the low measuring range only. A software comparison of set current I_{set} and measured current I_{meas} is performed in addition to the described hardware CC and CV signals sampling.

With this principle, two requirements are met:

- the output current will not exceed 24 μA even during fast changes and
- the delayed trip function is extended into the region of very small currents (picoampere) for these HV modules.

For the software comparison, a delay between 80 milliseconds and 1 second must be expected. This depends on the modules ADC (Analog-to-digital-converter) configuration.

This time can be adjusted by changing the ADC sample rate to meet the requirements of the application. Higher ADC sample rates lead to shorter delays but also reduce the resolution.

If the *Delayed Trip* function is activated the voltage ramp should be limited to 1 % of V_{nom} before. Higher values could trigger a trip by internal charge balancing during a ramp, even though the output current does not exceed the set value I_{set} .

If the connected load contains capacities or if I_{set} is very small, it might be necessary to further reduce the ramp speed. Alternatively, the *Delayed Trip* can be activated only after the completion of the ramp.

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An activated KillEnable feature disables the Delayed Trip function.

An active *KillEnable* function disables the *Delayed Trip* function. If *KillEnable* is active and a trip occurs, the channel is shut down without ramp at the fastest hardware response time (smaller than 1 ms). However, the actual discharge time strongly depends on the connected load.

6 Options

6.1 VCT – voltage correction by temperature

This option allows a temperature dependent correction of the output voltage. The temperatures are measured with a distinct sensor for each channel. An user-adjustable VCT-coefficient allows to specify a linear relationship between the measured temperature and the output voltage. As an option one sensor per module can be ordered.

6.1.1 Technical data

Sensor type	EPCOS B57867S0502F140
Temperature range	- 40 ... 80°C
Accuracy of temperature measurement	± 0.5 K (0 ... 60°C)
Resolution of temperature measurement	1 mK (0 ... 60°C)
Temperature update rate	15 updates/min

Table 10: Technical data VCT sensor

6.1.2 Operation

The connector of the temperature sensor must be plugged in the slot of the corresponding channel on the VCT-connector at the rear panel (see Figure 14: backplane with VCT option) of the HV-module.

A programmable VCT-coefficient for each channel defines the rate and the direction of the voltage correction. The temperatures, measured at the sensors can be read out from the module.

At the time a HV-channel is switched on or the output voltage is set by the user, the module registers the temperature (T_{ref}) of the corresponding sensor and the set voltage as reference values.

If the temperature (T) at the sensor changes, the output voltage is automatically adjusted according to the formula:

$$V = V_{ref} + a \cdot (T - T_{ref})$$

a: VCT-coefficient

Example: A channel is set to 60V. At the time it is switched on a temperature of 25°C is measured. The VCT-coefficient is set to +1V/K. If the temperature now increases to 26°C the output voltage will increase to 61V. (For channels with a negative output voltage the voltage changes from -60V to -61V).

A VCT-coefficient of -1V/K would decrease the voltage to 59V.

Notes:

- During operation the values for V_{set} are adjusted. If a channel is switched off the adjusted set value will be kept, not the original value set by the user.
- If the VCT-coefficient is modified during operation, V_{ref} and T_{ref} are reset to the present values to prevent a sudden voltage change.
- If the temperature sensor is dis- and reconnected during operation, V_{ref} and T_{ref} are reset to the present values to prevent a sudden voltage change.
- The temperature dependent voltage correction can be deactivated by setting the VCT-coefficient to 0 or by disconnecting the temperature sensor. If this is done during operation, the channel will keep the actual voltage set.
- If the temperature sensor is disconnected a temperature of -273.15°C is shown for that channel.
- The VCT data points are described in the reference manual [CAN EDCP Programmers-Guide](#) and in the manual [iseq Hardware Abstraction Layer](#), see chapter 12 Appendix.

6.2 Single Channel Inhibit (IU, ID, NIU, NID)

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INHIBIT is an external signal, that switches off the high voltage for the device or a specific channel.

This option specifies the logic of single channel INHIBIT signal see chapter 5.5.3 Single channel Inhibit for details.

6.3 L – Lower output current (HP only)

The output current is limited to a lower value, e.g. $100\ \mu\text{A}$. With this option only one current measurement range available.

6.4 T10 – Lower temperature coefficient (HP only)

Improved temperature coefficient of 10ppm/K

7 Dimensional Drawings

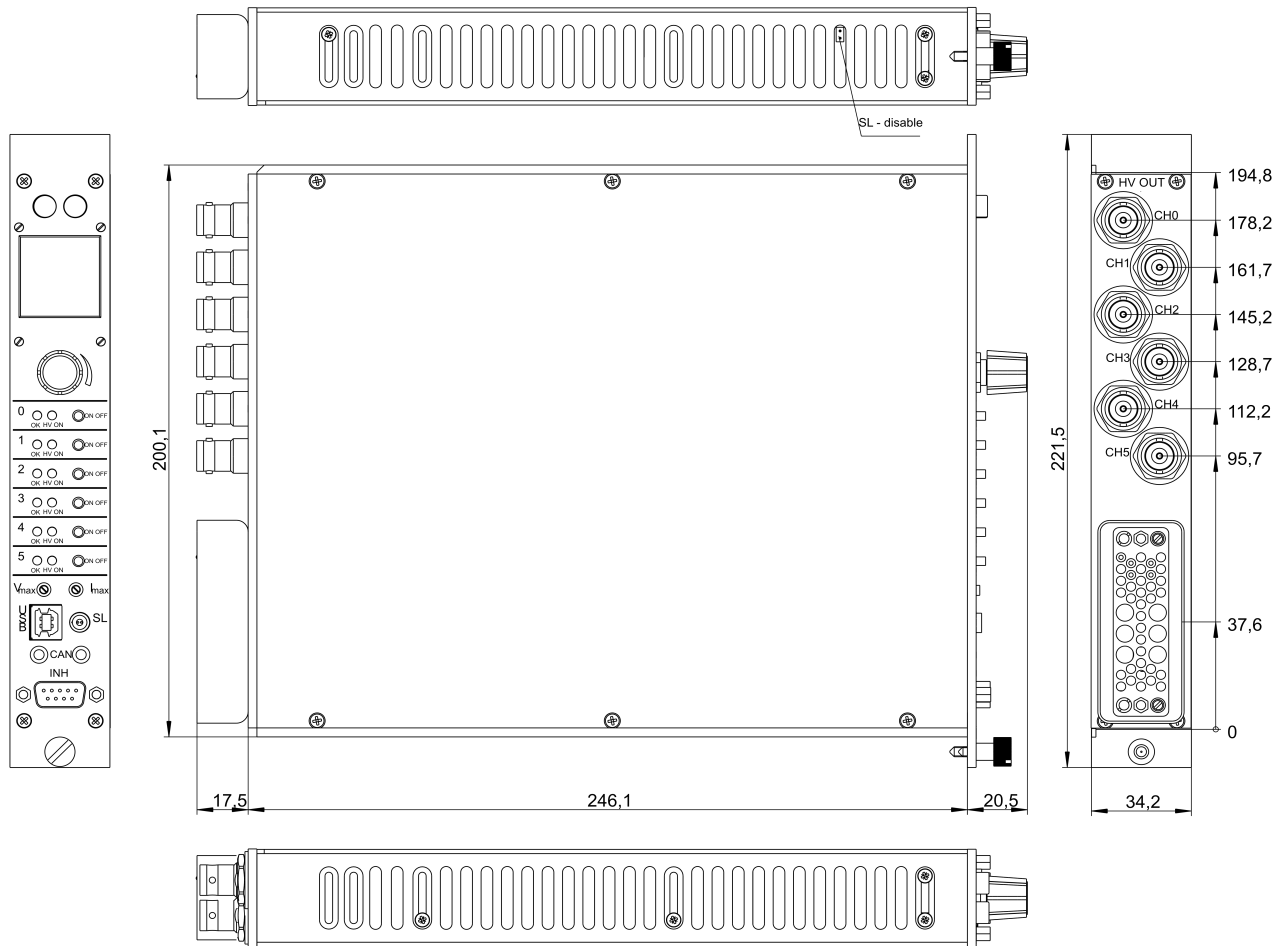


Figure 12: Dimensional Drawing NHS

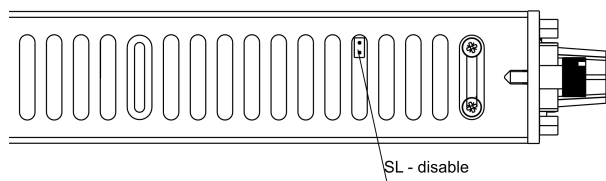


Figure 13: detailed view of Figure 12, Safety Loop (SL)

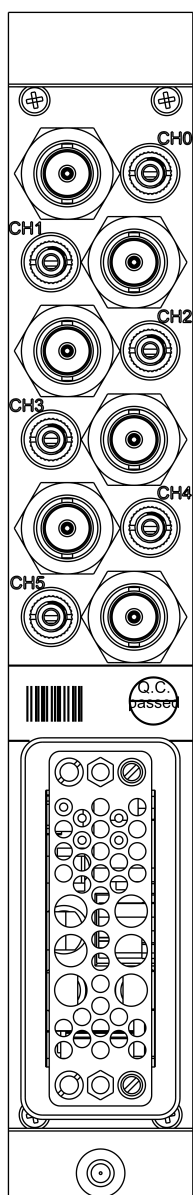
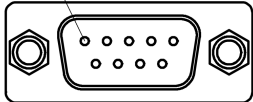






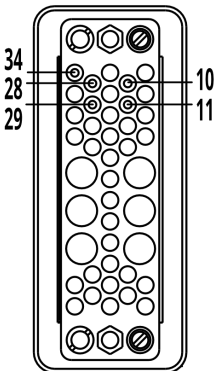


Figure 14: backplane with VCT option

8 Connectors assignments

CONNECTORS – POWER SIDE		PART NUMBERS (manufacturer code / iseg accessory parts item code)	
INHIBIT	D-SUB9 – male	CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 15		connector	D SUD9 Female, (DIN 41652)
		manufacturer	various manufacturer
		iseg part number	
SAFETY LOOP		CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 16		part number	FGG.00.302.CLAD30
		manufacturer	LEMO Elektronik GmbH
		iseg part number	Z201466
VCT	2,5 mm, JACK PLUG	CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 17		connector	TS Jack plug 2,5 mm
		manufacturer	various manufacturer
		iseg part number	Z592774
CAN	3,5 mm, JACK PLUG	CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 18		connector	TRS Jack plug 3,5 mm
		manufacturer	various manufacturer
		iseg part number	Z592811
USB-B		CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 19		connector	USB USB 1.0/ 2.0, Type B, plug
		manufacturer	various manufacturer
		iseg part number	
BNC		CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 20		part number	BNC connector 50Ω
		manufacturer	various manufacturer
		iseg part number	Z200303 crimp
			Z200969 solder

CONNECTORS – POWER SIDE		PART NUMBERS (manufacturer code / iseg accessory parts item code)	
SHV		CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 21	part number	R317.005.000	
	manufacturer	Radiall	
	iseg part number	Z592474	
NIM		CABLE SIDE	
 Figure 22	connector	NIM Standard	
	manufacturer	various manufacturer	
	iseg part number	Z200280 without contacts	

9 PIN assignments

9.1 INHIBIT

PIN	INHIBIT	DESCRIPTION
1	CHANNEL 0	
2	CHANNEL 1	
3	CHANNEL 2	
4	GND	
5	GND	
6	CHANNEL 3	
7	CHANNEL 4	
8	CHANNEL 5	
9	GND	

Table 11: Inhibit assignments

9.2 Safety Loop

PIN	NAME	DESCRIPTION
1	SL	Safety loop
2	SL	Safety loop

Table 12: Safety Loop assignments

9.3 VCT - voltage correction by temperature

PIN	NAME	DESCRIPTION
T	Tip	Signal
S	Sleeve	GND

Table 13: VCT

9.4 CAN

PIN	NAME	DESCRIPTION
T	Tip	CAN-H
R	Ring	CAN-L
S	Sleeve	GND

Table 14: CAN assignments

9.5 NIM

PIN	NAME	DESCRIPTION
10	+6 V	
11	-6 V	
28	+24 V	
29	-24 V	
34	GND	

Table 15: NIM assignments

10 Accessories

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Only use genuine iseq parts like power cables, CAN cables and terminators for stable and safe operation.

ACCESSORY ITEM			ORDER ITEM CODE
CAN to host:	from Jack plug 3.5mm to D-SUB female	Length: 1 m	Z515404
CAN daisy-chain:	from Jack plug 3.5mm to Jack plug 3.5mm	Length: 15 cm	Z515554
VCT Sensor cable:	from Jack plug 2.5mm (2pol) to Probe	Length: 10 m	Z585877

Table 16: Accessories

11 Order guides

CABLE ORDER GUIDE					
POWER SUPPLY SIDE CONNECTOR	V_{max}	CABLE CODE	CABLE DESCRIPTION	LOAD SIDE CONNECTOR	ORDER CODE <i>LLL = length in m⁽¹⁾</i>
BNC	500V	01	HV cable shielded 9kV (Lemo 106330)	open	BNC_C01-LLL
SHV	$\leq 5kV$	04	HV cable shielded 30kV (HTV-30S-22-2)	open	SHV_C04-LLL
S08	$\leq 8kV$	04	HV cable shielded 30kV (HTV-30S-22-2)	open	S08_C04-LLL
Notes:					
1) Length building examples: 10cm \rightarrow 0.1, 2.5m \rightarrow 2.5, 12m \rightarrow 012, 999m \rightarrow 999					

Table 17: Guideline for cable ordering

CONFIGURATION ORDER GUIDE (item code parts)									
NH	06	2	060	P	105	000	02	0	0
High Voltage, Distinct Source	Numbers of channels	Class	V_{nom}	Polarity	I_{nom} (nA)	Option (hex)	HV-Connector	Revision	Customized Version
	06 = 6 channel	0 = Standard 2 = High Precision	three significant digits • 100V For Example: 060 = 6000V	p = positive n = negative x = mix	two significant digits + number of zeros For Example: 105 = 1mA	Sum of the hex codes (see Table 6: Technical data: Options and order information) For Example: 008 = VCT (VOLTAGE CORRECTION by TEMPERATURE)	02 = SHV	one digit 0 = no revision A = first revision B = second revision	one digit 0 = no customization

Table 18: Item code parts for different configurations

12 Appendix

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CAN EDCP Programmers-Guide	
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iseqIOC (EPICS Input / Output Controller)	
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Iseq TERMINAL	
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Iseq Control1	
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Iseq Control2	
https://iseq-hv.com/download/?dir=SOFTWARE/iseqControl2	
iseq SCPI control	
https://iseq-hv.com/download/?dir=SOFTWARE/iseqSCPIcontrol/current/	
Manufacturers website (connectors)	
LEMO Elektronik GmbH	https://www.lemo.com/
Radiall	https://www.radiall.com/

13 Glossary

SHORTCUT	MEANING
V_{nom}	nominal output voltage
V_{out}	output voltage
V_{set}	set value of output voltage
V_{mon}	monitor voltage of output voltage
V_{meas}	digital measured value of output voltage
V_{p-p}	peak to peak ripple voltage
V_{in}	input / supply voltage
V_{type}	type of output voltage (AC, DC)
V_{ref}	internal reference voltage
V_{max}	limit (max.) value of output voltage
$\Delta V_{out} - [\Delta V_{in}]$	deviation of V_{out} depending on variation of supply voltage
$\Delta V_{out} - [\Delta R_{load}]$	deviation of V_{out} depending on variation of output load
V_{bounds}	voltage bounds, a tolerance tube $V_{set} \pm V_{bounds}$ around V_{set} .
I_{nom}	nominal output current
I_{out}	output current
I_{set}	set value of output current
I_{mon}	monitor voltage of output current
I_{meas}	digital measured value of current
I_{trip}	current limit to shut down the output voltage
I_{in}	input / supply current
I_{max}	limit (max.) value of output current
I_{limit}	current limit
I_{bounds}	current bounds, a tolerance tube $I_{set} \pm I_{bounds}$ around I_{set} .
P_{nom}	nominal output power
P_{in}	input power
P_{in_nom}	nominal input power
T	temperature
T_{REF}	reference temperature
ON	HV ON/OFF
/ON	HV OFF/ON
CH	channel(s)
HV	high voltage
LV	low voltage
GND	signal ground
INH	Inhibit
POL	Polarity
KILL	KillEnable

14 Warranty & Service

This device is made with high care and quality assurance methods. The factory warranty is Standard 36 months. Please contact the iseg sales department if you wish to extend the warranty.

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Repair and maintenance may only be performed by trained and authorized personnel.

For repair please follow the RMA instructions on our website: www.iseg-hv.com/en/support/rma

15 Disposal

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All high-voltage equipment and integrated components are largely made of recyclable materials. Do not dispose the device with regular residual waste. Please use the recycling and disposal facilities for electrical and electronic equipment available in your country.

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