



Introduction

When using a regulated power supply for a drive, it is very likely that regenerative energy will cause problems when rapidly decelerating a load from a high speed. Under these conditions, the kinetic energy of that load is transferred back through the drive electronics to the power supply connection. This increase in voltage can trip the overvoltage protection of a switching power supply, causing it to shut down. The RC880 regeneration clamp is designed to solve this problem by absorbing the regenerated energy in a capacitor and shunting the excess energy through a power resistor.

Knowing the inertia of the system, along with the change in speed and the time required to decrease speed, will allow for the regenerated power to be calculated. If in doubt, it is a good idea to use the RC880 for test purposes in the first installation. If the "regen" LED on the RC880 never flashes, you may not need the clamp.

Electrical Specifications						
Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit		
Power Supply voltage	-	-	80	VDC		
Input Current (RMS)	-	-	15	Amps		
Output Current (RMS)	7.0(max)/Channel, but no more than 15(max) total			Amps		
Clamp circuit activation Voltage	1	1.3	1.6	V (Vout-Vin)		
Clamp circuit inactivation Voltage	0.3	0.5	0.7	V (Vout-Vin)		
Capacitance	-	3000		μF		
Resistance	9.9	10	10.1	Ω		
Continuous Power Dissipation	-	50		W		
Peak Power Dissipation	-	800		W		

Environmental Specifications			
Heat Sinking Method	Natural cooling or fan-forced cooling		
Surrounding Air Conditions	Avoid dust, oily mist and corrosive air		
Operating Temperature	0 - 40°C (32 - 104°F)		
Maximum Ambient Humidity	90% non-condensing		
Shock	5.9m/s ² maximum		
Storage Temperature	-10 - 70°C (14 - 158°F)		



LED Status
The RC880 has two LEDs to indicate status.
Power is ON when the green LED is solid. The red LED indicates clamp (or shunt) circuit activation.

	LED		Status	
е		Solid	Power is on	
		Flashing or Solid	Clamp Circuit Actvation	

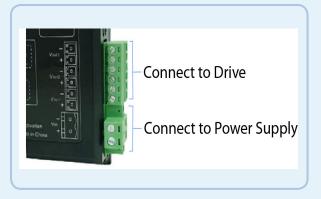
Connections

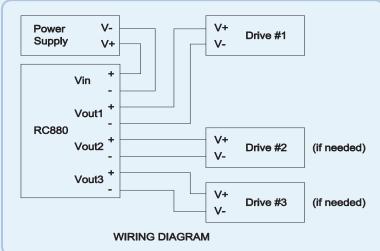
Connect the power supply "V+" terminal to the RC880 terminal labeled "Vin+" and the power supply "V-" terminal to the RC880 terminal labeled "Vin-". Then, connect the RC880 terminal labeled "Vout+" to the drive terminal "V+" and the RC880 terminal labeled "Vout-" to the drive terminal "V-". The RC880 has a maximum of 3 channels to allow for connecting up to 3 drives.

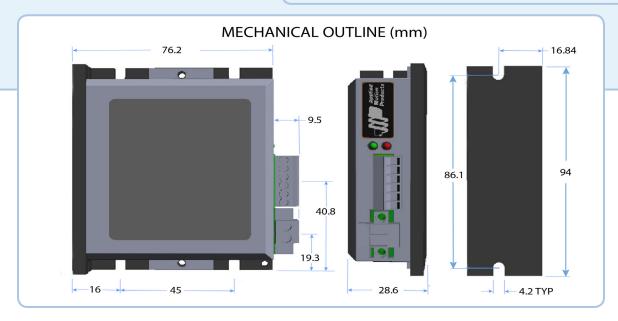
Use AWG18 or AWG20 wires for connection.

BE CAREFUL NOT TO REVERSE THE WIRES.

A REVERSE CONNECTION WILL DESTROY YOUR DRIVE.







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