505E (Extraction / Admission)
Digital Control for Steam Turbines

Applications

The 505E controller is designed to operate single-extraction and/or admission steam turbines of all sizes and applications. This steam turbine controller includes specifically designed algorithms and logic to start, stop, control, and protect single-extraction and/or admission steam turbines or turbo-expanders, driving generators, compressors, pumps, or industrial fans. The 505E control’s unique PID structure makes it ideal for applications where it is required to control steam plant parameters like turbine speed, turbine load, turbine inlet pressure, exhaust header pressure, extraction or admission header pressure, or tie-line power.

The control’s special PID-to-PID logic allows stable control during normal turbine operation and bumpless control mode transfers during plant upsets, minimizing process over- or undershoot conditions. The 505E controller senses turbine speed via passive or active speed probes and controls the steam turbine through HP and LP actuators connected to the turbine steam valves.

The 505E controller senses extraction and or admission pressure via a 4–20 mA transducer and uses a PID through a ratio/limiter function to accurately control extraction and/or admission header pressure, while protecting the turbine from operating outside of its designed operating envelope. The controller uses the specific turbine’s OEM steam map to calculate its valve-to-valve decoupling algorithms and the turbine operating and protection limits.

Description

The 505E control is packaged in an industrial hardened enclosure designed to be mounted within a system control panel located in a plant control room or next to the turbine. The control’s front panel serves as both a programming station and operator control panel (OCP). This user-friendly front panel allows engineers to access and program the unit to the specific plant’s requirements, and plant operators to easily start/stop the turbine and enable/disable any control mode. Password security is used to protect all unit program mode settings. The unit’s two-line display allows operators to view actual and setpoint values from the same screen, simplifying turbine operation.

Turbine interface input and output wiring access is located on the controller’s lower back panel. Unpluggable terminal blocks allow for easy system installation, troubleshooting, and replacement.

- Field-configurable steam turbine controller
- Integrated operator control panel
- Integrated first-out problem indicator logic
- User-friendly menu format
- Make configuration changes on-line (single unit)
- Large LED display
- Modbus® communications
- Integrated valve decoupling & protection calculation logic
- Multiple decoupling modes
- Sulfur-resistant conformal coated
Cost-Effective Design

The 505E control is designed to function as the turbine control, system sequencer, operator control panel, and first-out indicator. This encompassing design minimizes external system devices as well as system installation, wiring, and troubleshooting.

This field configurable controller allows major functional changes to be made at site, often by knowledgeable plant personnel, and minor functional changes to be on-line as process changes require. The 505E control’s first-out-indicator logic indicates internal as well as external system related alarm and shutdown conditions, greatly simplifying and reducing system troubleshooting.

Communications

The 505E controls can communicate directly with plant Distributed Control Systems and/or CRT-based operator control panels, through two Modbus®* communication ports. These ports support RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 communications using ASCII or RTU Modbus protocols.

Communications between the 505E and a plant DCS can also be performed through hardwired connections. Since all 505E PID setpoints can be controlled through analog input signals, interface resolution and control is not sacrificed.

*—Modbus is a trademark of Schneider Automation Inc.

System Protection

- Integral Overspeed Protection Logic
- First-out Indication (10 individual shutdown inputs)
- Turbine Operating Envelope Limiters
- Bumpless transfer between control modes if a transducer failure is detected
- Local/Remote Control priority and selection
- Failsafe Shutdown Logic

Control

The following PIDs are available to perform as process controllers or limiters:
- Speed/Load PID (with Dual Dynamics)
- Extraction / Admission PID
- Auxiliary PID (limiter or control)
- Cascade PID (Header Pressure or Tie-Line Control)

Control Specifications

INPUTS
- Speed: 2 MPUs (1–30 Vrms) or proximity probes (24 Vdc provided), 0.5 to 15 kHz
- Discrete Inputs: 16 Contact Inputs (4 dedicated, 12 programmable)
- Analog Inputs: 6 Programmable Current Inputs (4–20 mA)

OUTPUTS
- Valve/Actuator Drivers: 2 Actuator Outputs (4–20 mA or 20–160 mA)
- Discrete Outputs: 8 Relay Outputs (2 dedicated, 6 programmable)
- Analog Outputs: 6 Programmable Current Outputs (4–20 mA)

COMMUNICATION
- Serial: 2 Modbus (ASCII or RTU) Comm Ports (RS-232, RS-422, or RS-485 compatible)

Control Accessories

Control Assistant (Configuration Management Tool)
The Woodward Control Assistant software program is a computer-based service tool that can be used with the 505E control to upload, save, and download controller configurations. Optionally, this service tool can also be used to trend unit parameters, to compare differences in configuration files, and to verify if control settings have been changed.

Functionality

The 505E’s control capabilities are:
- Speed/Frequency Control
- Extraction / Admission Header Pressure Control
- Turbine or Generator Load Control or Limiting
- Turbine Inlet Header Pressure Control or Limiting
- Turbine Exhaust Header Pressure Control or Limiting
- Plant Import/Export Power Control or Limiting
- Isochronous Load Sharing between units (with DSLC™ control)

Features

- Critical Speed Avoidance (3 speed bands)
- Auto Start Sequence (hot & cold starts)
- Valve Limiter(s)
- Security (Program is Password Protected)
- Dual Speed/Load Dynamics
- First-Out Indication (Shutdowns)
- Zero Speed Detection with proximity probe (< 0.5 Hz)
- Peak Speed Indication for overspeed trip
- Two Programmable Functions Keys on the 505E’s front panel
- Two independent Modbus comm links
- Remote analog setpoints for Speed/Load, Ext/Adm, Aux, and Cascade
- Program upload/download capability
- Feed-forward decoupling algorithm for compressors
Redundant Controlled Single Valve Steam Turbine

505 Dimensions
(Do not use for construction)
Operating Conditions

- –25 to +65 °C ambient air temperature range
- Optional NEMA type 4 (watertight and dust-tight, indoor/outdoor) enclosure for bulkhead mounting with a temperature range from –25 to +55 °C
- Approximate dimensions 14L x 11H x 4D inches (356 x 279 x 102 mm)
- Approximate bulkhead enclosure dimensions 20L x 20H x 7.6D inches (508 x 508 x 193 mm)
- Humidity: Lloyd’s ENV2 test #1
- Dry heat: Lloyd’s ENV3
- Salt fog: US MIL-STD-810 method 509.2 procedure 1
- Shock: meets US MIL-STD-810C, method 516.2-1, procedure 1B
- Vibration: Lloyd’s ENV2 test #1
- Certifications: CE (18–32 Vdc version only), UL, & cUL

Pollution Resistance

- Particulate Pollution Resistance: IEC 664-1 Pollution Degree 2 (Normally only nonconductive pollution occurs. Temporary conductivity caused by condensation is to be expected.)
- Gaseous Pollution Resistance: The polyacrylate conformal coating withstands NO2, CO2, SO2, and H2S gases per IEC 60068-2-60:1995 Part 2.60 Methods 1 and 4 (Flowing Mixed Gas Corrosion Test). It will withstand levels typical of telecommunications and computer installations as defined by Battelle Labs Class III (between IEC 60721-3-3 classification 3C1 and 3C2, light industrial to urban industrial, heavy traffic).

Basic Functional Control Diagram

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