# Valve control module VAEM

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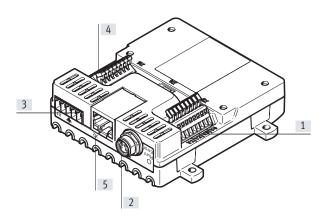


### Key features

#### Overview

- 8 channels for actuating valves, can be individually controlled
- · Maximum precision through current control
- Extremely fast valve actuation with a time resolution of 0.2 ms
- Very easy parameterisation and diagnostics of solenoid valves via graphical user interface (GUI)
- Control via graphical user interface (GUI), Ethernet interface or RS232 interface as well as external 24 V trigger input
- Small and easy to integrate

#### Design



- [1] Valve outputs 1 ... 4
- [2] RS232 interface
- 3] Power supply, trigger input
- [4] Valve outputs 5 ... 8
- [5] Ethernet interface

### Function

The valve control module VAEM is an electronic control unit with integrated, adjustable holding current reduction for controlling up to 8 solenoid valves.

It communicates using the ASCII protocol via a communication interface according to the client-server principle.

### Valve control function

- · Setting/reading the nominal voltage
- Selecting a valve/reading the valve selection
- · Setting/reading the switching time
- · Setting/reading the delay time

### Operating mode

Internal start

- The start command is transmitted from the software to the valve control module via the RS232 or Ethernet interface
- The opening time of the selected valves is determined on the basis of the previously stored parameter values

#### External start

- The start command is initiated by an external trigger signal
- The opening time of the selected valves is determined on the basis of the previously stored parameter values

- Setting/reading the pickup time
- Setting/reading the inrush current
- · Setting/reading the holding current
- Setting/reading the current reduction time

### Manual trigger

- The start command is initiated by an external trigger signal
- The opening time of the selected valves is the same as the trigger signal duration

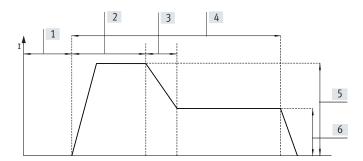
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#### Function

Holding current reduction

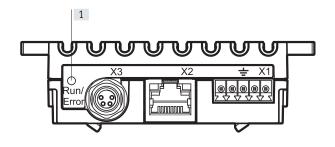
The integrated holding current reduction reduces the current consumption to the set holding current after the adjustable pickup time has elapsed. This:

- Reduces the heat generation of the solenoid valve coil
- Increases the service life of solenoid valves
- Lowers power consumption
- Improves the switching times of solenoid valves



- [1] Start delay
- [2] Switching phase with inrush current
- [3] Current reduction
- [4] Operating phase
- [5] Inrush current
- [6] Holding current

### Status indicator



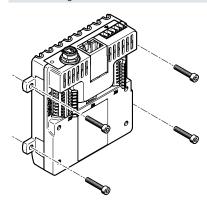
### [1] Status indicator LED

The LED status indicator allows the operating status of the valve control module to be monitored.

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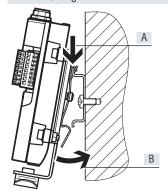
### Mounting

Wall mounting



Sturdy wall mounting of the valve control module using four through-holes.

### H-rail mounting

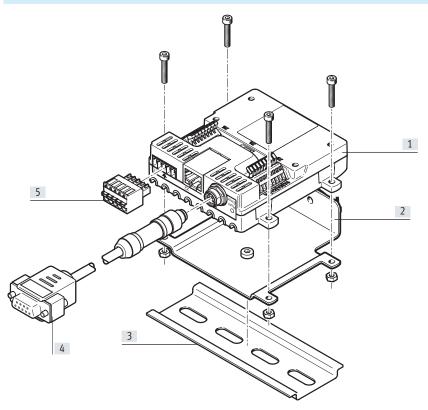


The H-rail mounting VAME-V3-H consists of a mounting bracket and a clamp:

- The clamp is screwed tightly onto the the mounting bracket (two mounting directions possible)
- The mounting bracket is screwed onto the valve control module using four screws
- The mounted unit is lowered onto the H-rail from above (arrow A) and clipped into the H-rail at the bottom (arrow B).

# Peripherals overview

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Accessor	ies		
		Description	→ Page/Internet
[1]	VAEM	Valve control module	11
[2]	VAME	H-rail mounting	11
[3]	NRH-35	H-rail	11
[4]	NEBC	Connecting cable	11
[5]	NECC	Terminal strip	11

### Valve control module VAEM

# Type codes

001	Series	
VAEM	Electrical module	
002	Module function	
V	Valve control	

003	003 Valve control					
S8	Individual connection 8x					
004	Bus protocol/activation					
EPRS2	EtherNet and RS232					





General technical data	
Parameterisation	Individually for each output
Diagnostics via LED	Error
	Run
Diagnostics via bus	Short circuit/overload at output
	Undervoltage in load supply
	Wire break at the output
	Parameterisation error
Mounting position	Any
Control elements	DIL switch for baud rate
Max. number of outputs	8
Communication interface	
Protocol	ASCII via RS232
Connection type	Socket
Galvanic isolation	No
Connection technology	M8x1, A-coded to EN 61076-2-104
Number of pins/wires	4
Function	Parameterisation and commissioning
Transmission rate [kBd]	9.6 115.2
Electrical connection output	
Function	Switching output
Connection type	2x terminal strips
Connection technology	Spring-loaded terminal
Number of pins/wires	8
Conductor cross section [mm <sup>2</sup> ]	0.08 0.57
Ethernet interface	
Connection type	Socket
Connection technology	RJ45
Transmission rate [Mbps]	10/100
Function	Parameterisation and commissioning
Protocol	Modbus TCP

Technical data – Electrical components		
Nominal operating voltage	[V DC]	24
Permissible voltage fluctuations	[%]	± 10
Load voltage range	[V DC]	824
Inrush current, per output	[mA]	20 1000
Inrush current, total	[A]	ζ= 4
Holding current, per output	[mA]	20 400
Holding current, total	[A]	ζ= 1.8
Pickup time	[ms]	ζ= 100
Time resolution	[ms]	0.2
Trigger level	[V]	Level 14 24
Intrinsic current consumption at nominal operating	[mA]	36
voltage		
Reverse polarity protection		For operating voltage
Pollution degree		2
Power supply		
Connection technology		PCB connector, contact spacing 3.5 mm
Number of pins/wires		5
Function		Digital trigger input
		Power supply
Connection type		Plug

Technical data – Mechanical components		
Dimensions W x L x H	[mm]	92 x 100 x 28
Product weight	[g]	98
Type of mounting		With through-hole

Operating and environmental conditions				
Storage temperature [	[°C]	-20 70		
Ambient temperature [	[°C]	0 50		
Degree of protection		IP20		
Corrosion resistance class CRC <sup>1)</sup>		0 - No corrosion stress		
CE marking (see declaration of conformity) <sup>2)</sup>		To EU EMC Directive		
		To EU Low Voltage Directive		
Shock resistance		Shock test with severity level 2 to FN 942017-5 and EN 60068-2-27		
Vibration resistance		Transport application test with severity level 2 to FN 942017-4 and EN 60068-2-6		
Certification		RCM trademark		
Relative humidity	[%]	0 - 95		
		Non-condensing		
Nominal altitude of use		<= 2000		

<sup>1)</sup> Corrosion resistance class CRC 0 to Festo standard FN 940070

No corrosion stress. Applies to small, visually unimportant standards-based parts such as threaded pins, circlips and clamping sleeves which are usually only available on the market in a phosphated or burnished version (and possibly oiled) as well as to ball bearings (for components < CRC 3) and plain bearings.

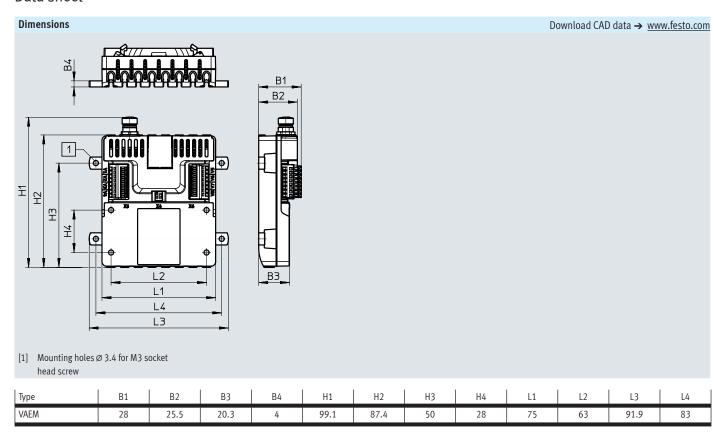
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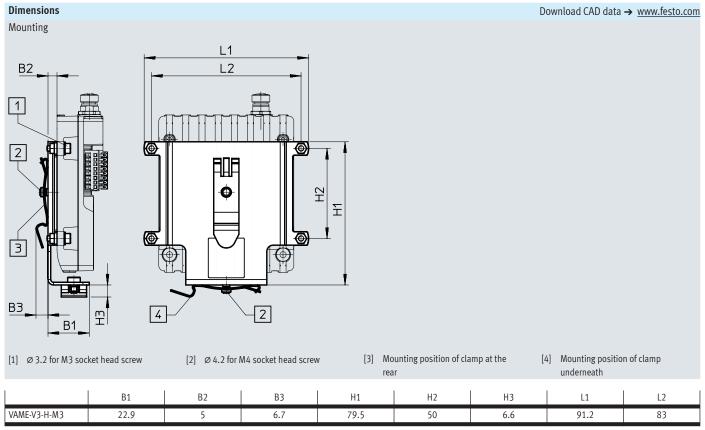
Materials	
Housing material	PA PA
Housing colour	Black
Note on materials	Contains paint-wetting impairment substances
	RoHS-compliant

<sup>2)</sup> For information about the area of use, see the EC declaration of conformity at: www.festo.com/catalogue/vaem 

Support/Downloads.

Connecting elements					
	Pin	Function			
Power supply, trigger input					
1 2 3 4 5	1	Power supply: 24 V DC			
F. + . + . + . +	2	Power supply: GND			
+ + + +	3	FE			
	4	Trigger input: GND			
	5	Trigger input: 24 V DC			
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Valve outputs 1 4					
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1	Connection of valve 1			
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	2				
	3	Connection of valve 2			
	4				
	5	Connection of valve 3			
	6				
	7	Connection of valve 4			
	8				
Valve outputs 5 8					
	1	Connection of valve 8			
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	2				
	3	Connection of valve 7			
	4				
	5	Connection of valve 6			
	6				
	7	Connection of valve 5			
	8				
RS232 interface					
4 _ 2	1	GND			
700	2	TxD			
3 0/1	3	RxD			
	4	NC			





Ordering data		1		
		Part	t no.	Туре
alve control module				
	For up to 8 solenoid valves		8088772	VAEM-V-S8EPRS2
erminal strip				
	For valve control module		8106756	NECC-L8G5-C1
-rail mounting				
	For H-rail to EN 60715		8108940	VAME-V3-H-M3
onnecting cable				
	Straight plug, M8x1, A-coded	1.5 m	8099218	NEBC-M8G4-ES-1.5-N-SB-S1G9-RS2-S7
		2.5 m	8086524	NEBC-M8G4-ES-2.5-N-SB-S1G9-RS2-S7
-rail				
	H-rail to EN 60715		35430	NRH-35-2000