

# 4-20 mA & Serial Data Output Transmitter for Position or Rate from Quadrature Encoders



#### **Features**

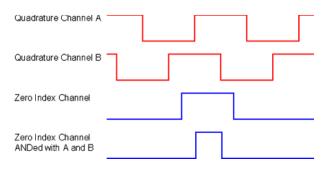
- 4-20 mA, 0-20 mA, 0-10V or -10V to +10V transmitter output, 16 bits, isolated
- RS232 or RS485 serial data output, Modbus or Laurel ASCII protocol, isolated
- Dual 120 mA solid state relays for alarm or control, isolated
- Accepts low-level differential or single-ended 5V logic level signals from shaft encoders, linear encoders, incremental encoders or optical encoders
- Programmable for position, angle or rate
- Quadrature count x1, x2 or x4 with combined pulse rate to 250 kHz
- Zero channel input
- Analog output resolution 0.0015% of span (16 bits), accuracy ±0.02% of span
- 5V, 10V or 24V dc transducer excitation output, isolated
- Universal 85-264 Vac / 90-300 Vdc or 10-48 Vdc / 12-32 Vac power











The Laureate quadrature transmitter accepts A & B quadrature encoder signals to provide an analog output that tracks position, length, angle, or rate. The A & B quadrature signals are 90° out of phase, and their phase relationship determines whether up counts (+) or down counts (-) are produced.

One, two or four quadrature transitions may be counted at a maximum combined rate of 250 kHz and be scaled internally to ±999,999. counts. The input circuitry which may be jumpered for either single-ended input signals or for balanced line driver signals. Anti-jitter circuitry eliminates errors produced by vibration of the encoder. In the event of a power failure, the current total may be stored in non-volatile memory and can be used as the starting point for counting when power resumes. Power fail or zero index capabilities are alternate meter setup choices.

A zero index pulse, if provided by the encoder, is used by the transmitter to correct for any cumulative pulse count errors. Special circuitry corrects for width of the zero index pulse.

#### Available for Total or Rate:

 With the Standard main board, the transmitter totalizes the quadrature counts and then scales the total in software for the output. A zero index Z signal can be added as a third input to the A & B signals. The analog output is generated by an ultralinear 16-bit (65,536 step) digital-to-analog converter (DAC) for 0.02% output accuracy. With the Extended main board, the transmitter can be programmed to output either total or rate or rate. For example, the output can track the speed of a moving slab from the RPM of a roller. The update rate for rate is a programmed gate time + 30 ms + 0-2 pulse periods.

#### Standard features of Laureate transmitters include:

- 4-20 mA, 0-20 mA or 0-10V analog transmitter output, isolated, jumper-selectable and user scalable. All selections provide 16-bit (0.0015%) resolution of output span and 0.02% output accuracy of a reading from -99,999 to +99,999 counts that is also transmitted digitally. Output isolation from signal and power grounds eliminates potential ground loop problems. The supply can drive 20 mA into a 500Ω (or lower) load for 10V compliance, or 10V into a 5 kΩ (or higher) load for 2 mA compliance.
- Serial communications output, isolated. User selectable RS232 or RS485, half or full duplex. Three protocols are user selectable: Modbus RTU, Modbus ASCII, or Laurel ASCII. Modbus operation is fully compliant with Modbus Over Serial Line Specification V1.0 (2002). The Laurel ASCII protocol allows up to 31 Laureate devices to be addressed on the same RS485 data line. It is simpler than the Modbus protocol and is recommended when all devices are Laureates.
- Dual solid state relays, isolated. Available for local alarm or control. Rated 120 mA at 130 Vac or 170 Vdc.
- Transducer excitation output, isolated. User selectable 5V@100 mA, 10V@120 mA or 24V@50 mA.
- Universal 85-264 Vac power. Low-voltage 10-48 Vdc or 12-32 Vac power is optional.

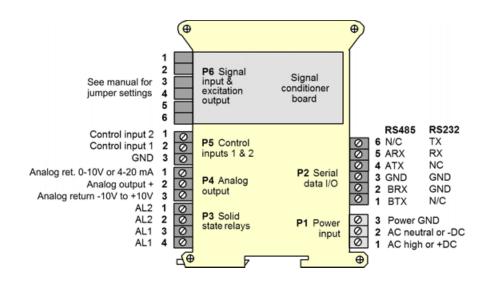
**Easy Transmitter programming** is via Laurel's Instrument Setup Software, which runs on a PC under MS Windows. This software can be downloaded from this website at no charge. The required transmitter-to-PC interface cable is available from Laurel (P/N CBL04).

# **Specifications**

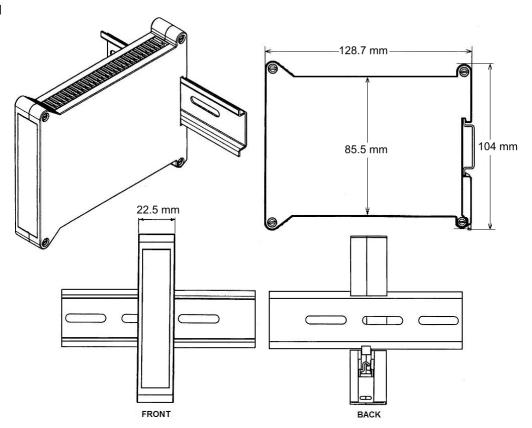
Quadrature Inputs		
Type Transitions Monitored Max Pulse Rate Internal Counts Position Error	Differential or single-ended quadrature x1, x2 or x4 250 kHz at x1, 125 kHz at x2, 62.5 kHz at x4 -999999 to +999999 No error contributed by transmitter	
Quadrature Position Mode		
Zero Adjust Span Adjust	-999999 to +999999 0 to ±999999	
Quadrature Rate Mode		
Conversion Technique Output Update Rate Gate time Time Before Zero Output Time Base Accuracy Zero Adjust Span Adjust	Inverse period 30 ms + 0-2 signal periods Selectable 10 ms to 199.99 s Selectable 10 ms to 199.99 s Calibrated to ±2 ppm -999999 to +999999 0 to ±9999999	
Analog Output (standard)		
Output Levels Compliance, 4-20 mA Compliance, 0-10V Output Resolution Output Accuracy Output Update Rate Output Isolation	4-20 mA, 0-20 mA, 0-10 Vdc, -10 to +10Vdc (user selectable) 10V ( 0-500Ω m load ) 2 mA ( 5 kΩ load ) 16 bits (65,536 steps) ±0.05% of output span 25/sec max 250V rms working, 2.3 kV rms per 1 minute test	
Serial Communications (	standard)	
Signal Types Data Rates Output Isolation Serial Protocols Modbus Modes Modbus Compliance Digital Addressing	RS232 or RS485 (half or full duplex) 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200 baud 250V rms working, 2.3 kV rms per 1 min test Modbus RTU, Modbus ASCII, Laurel ASCII RTU or ASCII Modbus over Serial Line Specification V1.0 (2002) 247 Modbus addresses. Up to 32 devices on an RS485 line w/o a repeater.	
Dual Relay Output (standard)		
Relay Type Load Rating	Two solid state relays, SPST, normally open, Form A 120 mA at 140 Vac or 180 Vdc	
Sensor Excitation Output (standard)		
Output Levels Output Isolation	5V@100 mA, 10V@120 mA, 24V@50 mA (jumper selectable) 50V from signal ground	
Power Input		
Standard Power Low Power Option Power Frequency Power Isolation Power Consumption	85-264 Vac or 90-300 Vdc 10-48 Vdc or 12-32 Vac DC or 47-63 Hz 250V rms working, 2.3 kV rms per 1 min test 2W typical, 3W with max excitation output	
Mechanical		
Dimensions Mounting Electrical Connections	129 x 104 x 22.5 mm case 35 mm rail per DIN EN 50022 Plug-in screw-clamp connectors	

Environmental	
Operating Temperature Storage Temperature Relative Humidity Cooling Required	0°C to 55°C -40°C to 85°C 95% at 40°C, non-condensing Mount transmitters with ventilation holes at top and bottom. Leave 6 mm (1/4") between transmitters, or force air with a fan.

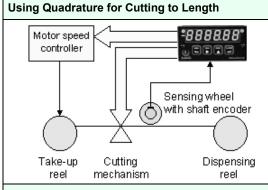
### **Pinout**



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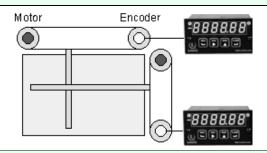


# **Application Example**



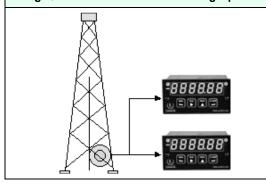
Controlling the repetitive cutting of material to length is an excellent application of a Laureate quadrature transmitter or Laureate quadrature meter. The quadrature encoder shares the shaft of a sensing wheel, whose rotation corresponds to lineal displacement of material. The transmitter compares the displacement reading against setpoint information, and then uses its dual relays to first slow down and then cut the material.

#### **Using Quadrature for X-Y Positioning**



Accurate X-Y position or rate can be obtained from two shaft encoders, which convert linear position to quadrature signals as a shaft turns. In addition to serving as a transmitter, each Laureate transmitter or meter can use its optional dual relay setpoint capability for closed loop control.

#### **Using Quadrature to Monitor a Drilling Operation**



Quadrature can be used to track position and vertical drilling speed of the bit in an oil drilling operation. A shaft encoder is rotated by a cable that moves with the drilling shaft. In this application, the same encoder signal is applied to a first Laureate quadrature transmitter for position, and to a second quadrature transmitter for rate. Both transmitters can send a 4-20 mA signal to a control room and be alarmed. In this application, quadrature provides much higher immunity to noise and jitter than a magnetic pickup.

# **Ordering Guide**

Create a model a model number in this format: LT60QD, CBL04

Transmitter Type	LT Laureate 4-20 mA & RS485 output transmitter	
Main Board	6 Standard Main Board (for position, length or angle) 8 Extended Main Board (for bidirectional rate or position)	
Power	<b>0</b> Isolated 85-264 Vac or 90-300 Vdc <b>1</b> Isolated 12-32 Vac or 10-48 Vdc	
Input Type	QD Quadrature	
Accessories	CBL04 RS232 cable, 7ft. Connects RS232 screw terminals of LT transmitter to DB9 port of PC.	
	CBL02 USB to RS232 adapter cable. Combination of CBL02 and CBL04 connects transmitter RS232 terminals to PC USB port.	