



# Leave Surveillance to the Top

## Alfa Laval ThinkTop® AS-Interface

### Concept

The ThinkTop® is a uniform modular control unit that consists of a proven no-touch, set-and-forget sensor system with light-emitting diodes (LEDs), solenoid valves and valve control sensor board for connection to any PLC (Programming Logic Controller) system with one of the three interfaces; Digital, AS-Interface and DeviceNet. ThinkTop is offering a solution that utilizes all the features available on Alfa Laval butterfly, single-seat and Mixproof valves and is designed for use in the dairy, food and beverage, and biopharm industries; ThinkTop provides real-time information about valve operating status 24/7 while helping to improve production performance and secure traceability.

### Working principle

ThinkTop is an automated control unit that can be fitted with up to three solenoid valves and who convert the electrical PLC and sensor signals into mechanical energy to open or close the air-operated valve, using the physical stimulus of an indication pin mounted on the valve stem. ThinkTop fits onto all Alfa Laval sanitary actuators equipped with mushrooms. Installation is straightforward; no special expertise, adapters or tools are required. To initiate manual setup, simply press the push-button startup sequence. Or set up without dismantling the control head using the optional IR keypad for remote control.



### TECHNICAL DATA

#### Communication

Interface option 1 . . . . . AS-Interface v2.1, 31 node  
 Supply voltage . . . . . 29.5V - 31.6 VDC  
 Slave profile . . . . . 7.F.F.F  
 Default slave address . . . . . 0

#### Communication

Interface option 2 . . . . . AS-Interface v3.0, 62 node  
 Supply voltage . . . . . 29.5V - 31.6 VDC  
 Slave profile . . . . . 7.A.7.7  
 Default slave address . . . . . 0

#### Sensor board

Max current consumption . . . . 45mA  
 Feedback signal #1 . . . . . Closed valve  
 Feedback signal #2 . . . . . Open valve  
 Feedback signal #3 . . . . . Seat-lift 1  
 Feedback signal #4 . . . . . Seat-lift 2  
 Feedback signal #5 . . . . . Status  
 Valve tolerance band options . . 5  
 Default tolerance band . . . . . ± 5 mm  
 Sensor accuracy . . . . . ±0.1 mm  
 Stroke length . . . . . 0.1 - 80 mm

#### Solenoid valve

Max current consumption . . . . 45mA  
 Air supply . . . . . 300-900 kPa (3-9 bar)  
 Type of solenoids . . . . . 3/2-ways or 5/2-ways  
 Numbers of solenoids . . . . . 0-3  
 Manual hold override . . . . . Yes  
 Throttle air in/out 1A, 1B . . . . 0-100 %  
 Push-in fittings . . . . . ø6 mm or 1/4"

### PHYSICAL DATA

#### Materials

Steel parts . . . . . Stainless steel and Brass  
 Plastic parts . . . . . Blue Nylon PA 12  
 Seals . . . . . Nitrile (NBR) rubber

#### Environment

Working temperature . . . . . -20 °C to +85 °C  
 Protection class . . . . . IP66 and IP67  
 Protection class equivalent . . . . NEMA 4.4x and 6P

#### Cable connection

Main cable gland . . . . . PG11 (4 - 10 mm)  
 Max wire size . . . . . 0.75 mm<sup>2</sup> (AWG 19)  
 Optional cable gland . . . . . PG7 (4 - 6,8 mm)

#### Note!

For further information: See also ESE00356

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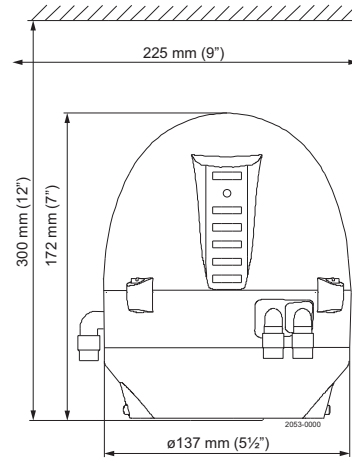
### Options

- Communication interface
- Solenoid valve configurator
- Pneumatic tubing interface

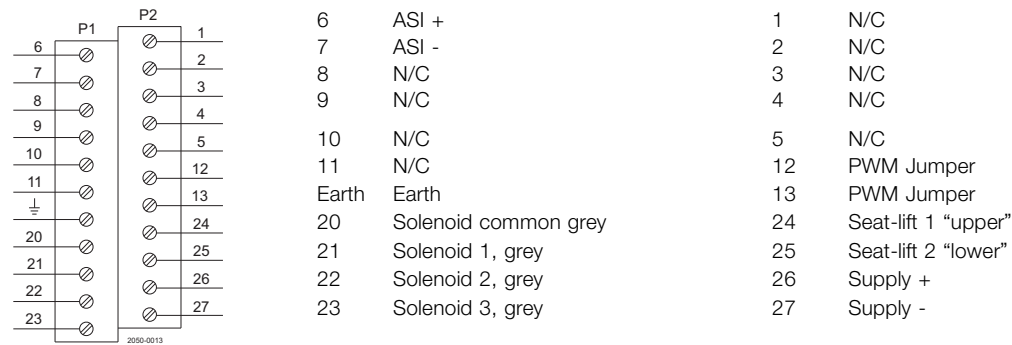
### Accessories

- Remote programming (IR keypad)
- For upper seat-lift detection on Mixproof valves:
  - External PNP sensors (Refer to Brackets and Inductive Sensors)
  - Cable gland PG7
  - External sensor bracket (Refer to Brackets and Inductive Sensors)
- Various cable options
- Threaded plate for indication pin on SRC, SMP-BC and i-SSV valves
- Special indication pin for Unique SSV-LS, Unique SSV High Pressure valves
- Adaptor for Unique SSSV valves

### Dimensions



### Electrical connection



### AS-Interface bits assignment

For AS-interface version with 31 and 62 node, the following bit assignment can be used.

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| DI0 | Feedback #1 Closed valve               |
| DI1 | Feedback #2 Open valve                 |
| DI2 | Feedback #3-4 Seatlift 1 or Seatlift 2 |
| DI3 | Feedback #5 Status                     |
| DO0 | Out #1 Not connected                   |
| DO1 | Out #2 Solenoid valve 1                |
| DO2 | Out #3 Solenoid valve 2                |
| DO3 | Out #4 Solenoid valve 3                |

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