

# Inductive Couplers

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Balluff non-contact connectors are extremely suitable for the quick connection and disconnection of modules without disturbing communication at the fieldbus levels. New requirements can be implemented within a very short period and with maximum flexibility.

Non-contact connectors are installed via plug-and-play, making retrofitting extremely simple. Even maintenance is much easier. Cable breaks and mechanical wear are a thing of the past. Units are easy to disconnect, safe and powerful. Power and signals are transferred reliably over an air gap.





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# Principles of operation



#### How Non-Contact Connectors Work

Balluff non-contact connectors use a magnetic induction principle with resonant circuit that enables transfer of power and data over an airgap without any physical contact. When connected, power goes out to the devices and signals come back from the devices. Depending on the specific product of interest, different information can be passed. Power only, discrete inputs and outputs, can be sent across the connectors as well as analog signals. Each base head is mounted on the controller side of the application and as many remote heads as needed are mounted on the sensor/actuator side of the application. Balluff inductive coupling (non-contact) connectors are also available with IO-Link to enable transfer of even more data or to connect smart devices on the remote side.

### The benefits at a glance

#### Inductive couplers increase flexibility

- Simplify cable routing
- Radial coupling and axial rotation permissible
- Data transmission to previously inaccessible machine parts

#### Inductive couplers offer a reliable connection

- Digital data exchange, optimum signal quality
- Insensitive to vibrations or contact chatter
- Can be used in harsh environments, in humidity, dust and oil (IP 67)

#### Inductive couplers overcome obstacles

Connection can be established across non-metallic obstacles – such as plexiglass or a thin wall.







# Throughout the production process



# Press shop

### Automatically changing and securely identifying tools

In die sensors attached to tools on the press detect the alignment of the material and help with die protection. These positioning signals from the sensors are reliably transmitted over an inductive coupler.

Inductive couplers enable automatic tool changing because manual plug-in of mechanical connectors is no longer necessary. In conjunction with a network interface, tools can be identified, allowing for automatic press configuration like shut height values by storing the value with the tool.

In addition, on transfer rail change parts, power and signal can be reliably coupled and changed with the tool.





The inductive coupling system serves as a contact-free connection between the press and the tool. Typically the base is mounted in the bolster of the press in a common area.



# Rotary tables

### **Entirely without slip rings**



### Radial transmission

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In the case of radial transmission, the BIC system is mounted in such a way that the base and remote components align during the index positions of the rotary table.



#### Axial transmission

In the case of axial transmission, the BIC system is located in the central axis of the rotary index table. Continuous communication is possible, independent of the position of the table.





# Assembly automation

Sensors are mounted on pallets that convey components from one processing station to the next processing station. They check the correct alignment of the components and monitor the position of the clamping units. The non-contact inductive coupling system is responsible for supplying the power to the sensors and transmitting the sensor signals to the control system.

Communication is established at each station as soon as the base and remote align. A mechanical connection is no longer necessary.







# Quick tool change

Fast format changes are important for high productivity. However, plugs make it difficult to change grippers on robots.

BIC inductive couplers render mechanical connectors unnecessary. They transmit signals contact-free over an air gap. This ensures freedom from wear, guarantees tools are changed quickly and provides a large degree of flexibility.

#### A further benefit:

The unique identity of the tool can be ensured through an ID stored in the sensor/actuator hub. This excludes the possibility of incorrect allocation.



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### Non-Contact Connectors Family overview/selector

	Movement	Number of Signals	Remote Voltage	Remote Current
	Power Only			
		0	24 VDC	500 mA
	Discrete Inpu	it Only		
	Axial	1	12 VDC	30 mA
		2	12 VDC	50 mA
		4	12 VDC	30 mA
			12 VDC	40 mA
=		8	12 VDC	100 mA
			12 VDC	150 mA
			12 VDC	200 mA
			24 VDC	400 mA
			24 VDC	300 mA
			24 VDC	500 mA
	Radial	8	24 VDC	160 mA
	Discrete Inpu	t/Output		
-⊂»⊂	Axial	4 In / 4 Out	24 VDC	300 mA
<b>&gt;</b>				
	Analog Input	Only		
	Axial	1x 010 V	18 VDC	10 mA
	Axial	1x PT100 Thermocouple		
	IO-Link (see I	O-Link section)		
	Axial	3 bytes (M30) In	24 VDC	500 mA
) <b>~</b>		3 bytes (Q40) In	24 VDC	500 mA
		10 bytes (M30) In	24 VDC	500 mA
		32 bytes In/32 bytes Out Parameter Data (Q40)	24 VDC	500 mA



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#### **Discrete Input Only**

Means signal transmission in one direction. Two or three-wire sensors are connected depending on the version. The power is supplied by the remote side. 1, 4 or 8 digital signals are transmitted depending on the system. Special systems for analog signals or PT100 temperature sensors are also available.





Only power transmitting units for actuators, load units or an energy supply.



# Non-Contact Connectors Family overview/selector

Gap Distance	Base (Stationary)		Remote (Moving)	
	PNP	NPN	PNP	NPN
05 mm	BIC0007		BIC0008	
04 mm	BIC0029	BIC002C, BIC005T	BIC002K	BIC002L, BIC005P
02.5 mm	BIC0077		BIC0078	
0.53 mm	BIC0015		BIC001N	
05 mm	BIC001A		BIC001T	
215 mm	BIC001J		BIC001Y	
25 mm	BIC0048		BIC0045	
38 mm	See page 207		See page 207	
05 mm	BIC0011		BIC0012	
412 mm	BIC0028		BIC0023	
05 mm	BIC0009		BIC000A	
02 mm	BIC003N		BIC003P	
311 mm	BIC003C		BIC0039	
02.5 mm	BIC0046		BIC0043	
14 mm	BIC0047		See page 209	
0 5 mm	BICODOC		DICOODE	
 05 mm			BICOULE	
05 mm	BIC005A		BIC005C	
05 mm	BIC0053		BIC0054	
05 mm	BIC0070		BIC00/1	



#### Discrete Input/Ouput

For the transmission of signals in two directions. Four sensors and four independent control signals are processed on the moving side. Power and signals are coupled inductively.



#### Analog Input Only

Special systems for the transmission of 1 or 4 analog inputs of the 0...10 VDC type.





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### Non-Contact Connectors Power only 500 mA



Power Only	
Туре	Power Only
Max Remote Current	500 mA
Working Range	05 mm
Base	BIC0007
Remote	BIC0008
Number of Signals	0
Housing Size	M30
Remote Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%
Base Current Consumption	≤1A
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 10%
Connector Type	M12 4wire







Single Input Only			
Туре	Input Only		Input Only
Number of Signals	1		2
Transmission Distance	04 mm		12.5 mm
PNP Input Base	BIC0029		BIC0077
PNP Input Remote	BIC002K		BIC0078
NPN Input Base	BIC002C*	BIC005T	
NPN Input Remote	BIC002L*	BIC005P	
Max. Remote Current	≤ 30 mA		≤ 50 mA
Remote Supply Voltage	12 VDC ± 1.5	VDC	12 VDC ± 1.5 VDC
Housing Size	M18		M12
Base Current Consumption	≤ 150 mA		
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%		24 VDC ± 5%
Connector Type	PUR 3-wire		M12 5-pin

\*Consult factory for availability



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Input Only	Input Only
4	4
0.53 mm	05 mm
BIC0015	BIC001A
BIC001N	BIC001T
≤ 30 mA	≤ 40 mA
12 ± 1.5 VDC	12 ± 1.5 VDC
M18	M30
≤ 700 mA	≤ 200 mA
24 VDC ± 5%	24 VDC ± 5%
PUR 7-wire	PUR 7-wire
	Input Only         4         0.53 mm         BIC0015         BIC001N         ≤ 30 mA         12 ± 1.5 VDC         M18         ≤ 700 mA         24 VDC ± 5%         PUR 7-wire

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### Non-Contact Connectors Discrete input only, 8 signals







8 Input Only - Tubular Housing		
Туре	Input Only	Input Only
Number of Signals	8	8
Transmission Distance	25 mm	05 mm
PNP Input Base	BIC0048	BIC0009
PNP Remote	BIC0045	BIC000A
Max. Remote Current	≤ 150 mA	≤ 500 mA
Housing Size	M30	M30
Remote Supply Voltage	12 ± 1.5 VDC	24 VDC ± 5%
Base Current Consumption	≤ 1A	≤ 1A
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 10%	24 VDC ± 10%
Connector Type	PUR 11-wire	M12 12-pin
Recommended Cables, 5 m straight PUR		BCC06UL, BCC06UW



#### 8 Input Only - Tubular Housing

Туре	Input Only
Number of Signals	8
Transmission Distance	05 mm
PNP Input Base	BIC0011
PNP Remote	BIC0012
Max. Remote Current	≤ 400 mA
Housing Size	M18
Remote Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%
Base Current Consumption	≤ 1A
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 10%
Connector Type	PUR 9-wire



### Non-Contact Connectors Discrete input only, 8 signals







Input Only	Input Only
8	8
215 mm	38 mm
BIC001J	See Chart Below
BIC001Y	See Chart Below
≤ 100 mA	≤ 200 mA
12 ± 1.5 VDC	12 ± 1.5 VDC
80x80	40x40
≤ 950 mA	≤ 1.2 A
24 VDC ± 5%	24 VDC ± 10%
PUR 12-wire	PUR 11-wire
	Input Only 8 215 mm BIC001J BIC001Y ≤ 100 mA 12 ± 1.5 VDC 80x80 ≤ 950 mA 24 VDC ± 5% PUR 12-wire





#### 8 Input Only - Block & Radial Housings

Туре	Input Only	Input Only	
Number of Signals	8	8	
Transmission Distance	412 mm	02 mm	
PNP Input Base	BIC0028	BIC003N	
PNP Remote	BIC0023	BIC003P	
Max Remote Current	≤ 300 mA	≤ 160 mA	Non-
Remote Supply Voltage	24 ± 1.5 VDC	24 VDC	Conr
Housing Size	90x90	Radial Mount (Ø45mm shaft)	
Base Current Consumption	≤ 1.2 A	≤ 700 mA	
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%	24 VDC ± 5%	
Connector Type	PUR 11-wire	Sensors - M8 Female 3-pin	
		Power - M16 Female 3-pin	
		Signals - M16 Male - 12-pin (cables not included)	



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## Non-Contact Connectors Discrete input/output





Discrete Input/Output	Base
Туре	Input/Output
Number of Signals	4 In / 4 Out
Transmission Distance	311 mm
Base	BIC003C
Remote	BIC0039
Max. Remote Current	300 mA
Input Type	PNP
Housing Size	M30
Remote Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%
Base Current Consumption	≤ 1500 mA
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 10%
Connector Type	11-wire

### Non-Contact Connectors Analog input only – 1x 0...10 V, 4x 0...10 V PT100 thermocouples





Analog		
Туре	Analog Voltage Input	
Input Type	010 VDC	
Number of Signals	1	
Transmission Distance	02.5 mm	
Base	BIC0046*	
Remote	BIC0043*	
Remote Max Current	≤ 10 mA	
Remote Supply Voltage	18 ± 1.5 VDC	
Housing Size	M18	
Base Max Current Consumption	≤ 150 mA	
Base Supply Voltage	24 VDC ± 5%	
Connector Type	PUR 3-wire	

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### Remote sensor – non-contact transmission of temperature values

The thermal remote sensors are compatible with PT100 thermocouples for sensing temperature on moving components while they are being processed. The thermocouple detects the temperature of the object and changes its resistance value, which is processed by the transmitter. The digitized information is passed to the output sensor. The latter converts the digital values into an analog signal (4...20 mA) and transmits it to the external controller.

PT100 thermocouples	Base	Remote	
Size	M18×1	M18×1	
Working range	14 mm		
Mounting	Not flush	Not flush	
Base		BIC0047	
Remote 0+100° C	BIC0041		
Remote 0+300° C	BIC004C		
Power supply UB incl. ripple		24 V DC ±5 %	
Rated operating current le		≤ 200 mA	Non
No-load supply current I0 max.		≤ 150 mA	Conne
Output signal		420 mA	<b></b> _
Connection type	5 m PUR cable	5 m PUR cable	
No. of wires × cross-section	3×0.3 mm2	3×0.3 mm2	

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# Non-Contact Connectors Accessories



#### Mounting Brackets for Tubular Housings\*

M18 Plastic Mount	BAM00F2
M30 Plastic Mount	BAM00HN
M30 Magnet Mount	BAM02MU

\*See sensor catalog for alternate mounting options



#### Terminal Junction Blocks for Cable Out Remote Side BICs\*\*

4x M12 ports, 8 signals, plastic	BPI006H
8x M12 ports, 8 signals, plastic	BPI006K

\*\*For variations and details, see page 168.







Double-Ended Cables for BICs and BPIs with Quick Disconnect Connectors
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M12 Straight-M12 Straight, 12pole, 0.6m	BCC088E
M12 Straight-M12 Straight, 12pole, 1m	BCC088F
M12 Straight-M12 Straight, 12pole, 2m	BCC088H



#### Single-Ended Cable for BICs with Quick Disconnect Connectors

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M12 Female Straight, 12pole	BCC M41C-0000-1A-049
M12 Female Right Angle, 12pole	BCC M42C-0000-1A-049
M12 Male Straight, 12pole	BCC M41C-0000-2A-049
M12 Male Right Angle, 12pole	BCC M42C-0000-2A-049

		1	2	
Jacket Color and	Material	<b>★</b>		Lengths
Material	Color	12-wire	020 =	2 meters
PVC Shielded	Gray	VX8C25	050 =	5 meters
PUR Shielded	Black	PX0C25	100 =	10 meters



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Cables for Radial BICs	
M12, Female, 4wire, 5m	BCC05FE
M12, Female, 8-wire, shielded, 5m	BCC00YF
M16, Female, 3-wire, 5m	BCC014K
M16, Male, 12-wire, 5m	BCC014M