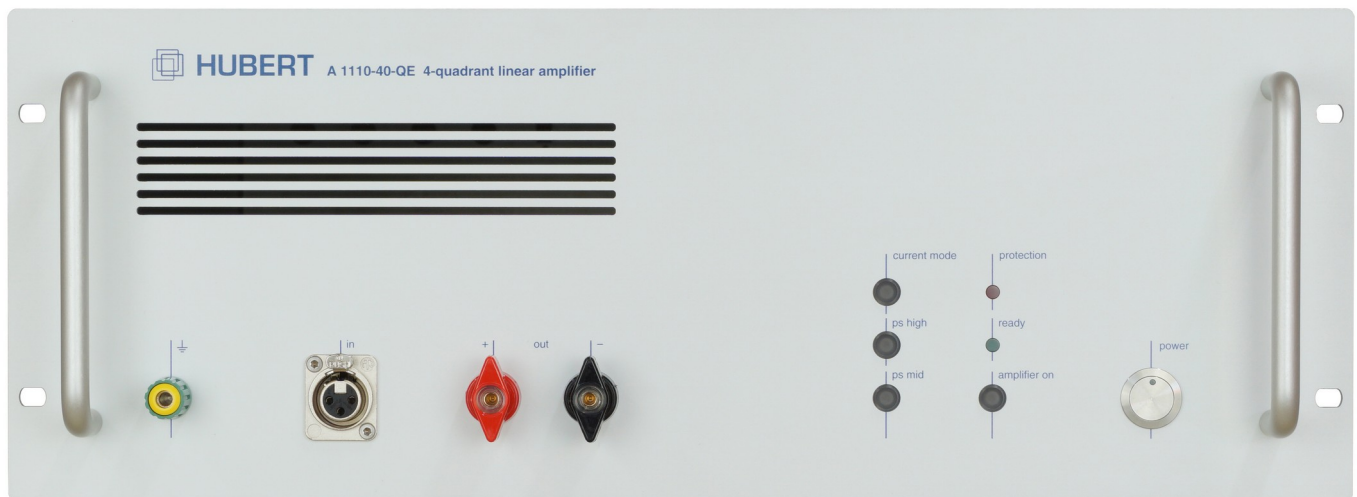


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Operating Manual



A1110 QE-Series

4-Quadrant Voltage and Current Amplifier



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1 Introduction

1.1 Product models

These operating instructions are valid for the following models:

- A1110-05-QE (Rev. B)
- A1110-05-QE-100 (Rev. B)
- A1110-40-QE (Rev. B)
- A1110-40-QE-100 (Rev. B)

1.2 Device Description

The A1110-40-QE is a linear, extreme-broadband, precision power amplifier designed for all applications which require fast-changing signals with high performance.

The A1110-40-QE can be operated as a voltage amplifier or current amplifier. The current amplifier offers a constant, frequency-invariant output current for inductive loads.

Three optional operating voltages per polarity are available for high-voltage/low-current or low-voltage/high-current applications. The voltage switch-over can be implemented optionally as manual or automatic. Especially in case of very low-impedance loads, the operating voltage can be reduced to 1/10 which is associated with a corresponding reduction of the power loss. Output voltage and output current can be limited and observed on low-impedance monitor outputs.

The device is equipped with a temperature-controlled, quietly-running fan. As well as an over-temperature protection, a power-loss calculation and an absolute-current monitoring guarantees perfect short-circuit and overload protection.

An interlock offers the possibility of a remote-controlled security system. The device can be operated by using elements on the front panel. Additionally the device can be controlled with the supplied A1110 Control Software via an USB or Ethernet connection.

The functionality of the device can be further extended with various product options. You can find more information on this at www.drhubert.de on the respective product pages.



NOTICE



Always read the enclosed data sheet

The separate data sheet is part of these operating instructions and must also be read and understood. Device-specific modifications on customer request can only be found in the data sheet! The data sheet is part of the scope of delivery of the device and can be downloaded from our website www.drhubert.com.



1.3 Scope of Delivery

- Power cable
- USB cable
- Adapter BNC/XLR
- USB thumb-drive including
 - Application software HUBERT A1110 Control
 - Manual HUBERT A1110 Control
 - This manual
 - Datasheet



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2 For Your Safety



2.1 Used Symbols and Notations

2.1.1 Warning Level

	DANGER	
Type and source of danger		
Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.		

	WARNING	
Type and source of danger		
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.		

	CAUTION	
Type and source of danger		
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury or property damage.		

	NOTICE	
Type and source of danger		
Indicates important information about the product or procedures that should be considered for the correct functioning of the device.		

2.1.2 Used Warning Symbols



Warning about a dangerous voltage



Warning about general danger





Description of what should be done or what to pay attention to



2.2 General Safety Advice

The following general safety instructions must be observed during the use of this device. Disregarding this advice or specific warnings in this manual will violate safety standards in the intended uses of this equipment.

The manufacturer is not responsible for consequences resulting from disregarding the advice and warnings.

**DANGER**

Electrical voltage – Danger of electric shock

Parts under voltage:

Always cover all parts under voltage that inevitably arise during operation.

Touching of cables, sockets and plugs:

Never touch the contacts of cables, sockets or plugs directly after disconnecting them, as there is a risk of electric shock.

Contact between amplifier outputs and PE:

Touching an amplifier output and PE at the same time can result in a life threatening electric shock.

Earth the device:

The device fulfills the requirements for protection class I. To avoid the risk of electric shock, the device housing must be earthed and therefore always operate the device via the supplied three-core power cable with protective conductor. The mains cable may only be plugged into a grounded socket with a protective earth contact. An interruption of the protective earth conductor inside or outside the device reduces the safety of the device and is prohibited.

Safety Regulations for the work with electrical equipment:

- Disconnect mains!
- Prevent reconnection!
- Test for absence of harmful voltages!
- Ground and short circuits!
- Cover or close of nearby live parts!

Devices with a heavy current connection:

Devices with a heavy current connection may only be operated via a 4-pole RCD with ≤ 40 ms at $5 \times I_{\Delta n}$. If it is not possible to install the RCD in the building installation, then our device must be connected to the mains supply via a mobile distributor with the appropriate RCD.

Do not open the housing:

Covers must not be removed by the operating personnel. Maintenance and repair work is reserved exclusively for qualified service personnel.



CAUTION



Important notes

The device must be used exclusively for its intended purpose.

The device is only approved for operation within the connected loads specified on the type label.

Do not insert any mechanical parts, especially metal parts, into the device through the ventilation slots.

Protect the unit from moisture, humidity and condensation. Avoid using liquids near the device.

Never connect loads while the amplifier outputs are switched on.

Operate the device exclusively on the public power supply system (no generators/UPS).

To avoid personal injury and property damage, make sure that the equipment and components used in the test are not overloaded. Read all operating instructions for the devices used thoroughly and ensure that all defined device limits are adhered to. If there are doubts about the suitability of the devices for the test to be performed, contact the manufacturer of the device.

2.3 Intended Use

2.3.1 Hardware

The device is intended exclusively for use as an LF power amplifier. Typical applications are the operation as voltage and current amplifier on low impedance passive loads. Active loads are only permitted under certain conditions in agreement with the manufacturer.



CAUTION



Operation on active loads

Active loads are only permitted under certain conditions in agreement with the manufacturer.

The device may only be operated within the technical data and under the ambient conditions specified in this manual.

Changes to the device are not permitted without the consent and release of the manufacturer. Proper and safe operation of the device requires correct installation and careful operation. This manual is part of the device and must always be accessible to the user. Observe all safety regulations listed in this manual.



CAUTION



The improper use leads to the exclusion of any liability claims.

The operator alone is liable for all damage caused by improper use.

2.3.2 Software



'A1110 Control' and 'A1500 Control' are software developed to control and configure HUBERT power amplifier. Take into account technical data and applications described in this manual. Changes to the software are not permitted without the consent and release of the manufacturer. Proper and safe operation of the software requires correct installation and careful operation. This





manual is part of the software and must always be accessible to the user. Observe all safety regulations listed in this manual.

2.4 User

Operation may only be performed by qualified persons.

	CAUTION	
<p>Reading and understanding the operating instructions</p> <p>Never use the device without having read and understood the operating instructions. Always contact the manufacturer if you have any questions.</p>		

Qualified persons within the meaning of the safety instructions in this manual are authorized persons for commissioning and operating systems in accordance with the standards of safety technology.

	DANGER	
<p>Risk of injury in case of insufficient qualification</p> <p>Improper work can lead to personal injury and damage to property. Any work may only be carried out by persons who have the necessary training, knowledge and experience.</p>		





3 Important Information for Initial Operation

3.1 Introduction

It is imperative that the following operating instructions for the 4-quadrant power amplifier and the connected peripherals are read before installation and commissioning. Further information can be found in „White Paper No. 1“ on our website www.drhubert.com.

It is also imperative that the following operating instructions for the 4-quadrant power amplifier and the connected peripherals are read before installation and initial startup. Furthermore, the configuration and initial startup of the amplifier with the connected load must be carried out by appropriately trained and qualified personnel.

**CAUTION**



Monitoring of output current and output voltage
The monitor outputs of the fast 4-quadrant power amplifier should always be used to monitor the voltage and current at the DUT in order to detect unwanted RF oscillations or other instabilities (extensive overshoots) at an early stage.

3.2 Connecting the Power Outputs

Do not connect the 4-quadrant power amplifier output to any other amplifier, external power supply, signal source or other active, inappropriate loads. These special electrical components are not excluded as a load in principle but it requires a suitable security concept.

**NOTICE**



Application Support
In the implementation of your application, our technical support is happy to help!

**CAUTION**

Overvoltage at the Power Output
The amplifier has no protection against overvoltage at the power output!

Example: In the case of an inductive load, switching off the amplifier can lead to high voltages at the outputs and possibly to the destruction of the 4-quadrant power amplifier.

Take the appropriate safety measures (see option "Overvoltage Protection").

**CAUTION**

Do not connect the outputs to the signal ground or the protective earth!
Multiple earthing can lead to unstable operation or interfere with current monitoring.





3.3 Parallel Operation (Voltage Amplifier)

By connecting several 4-quadrant power amplifiers in parallel, the output current can be increased.

For safe operation it is absolutely necessary to

- only use identical amplifier models
- observe the wiring instructions and cable specifications for stable signal processing (e.g. equal cable length)
- ensure adequate mains supply
- ensure contact protection at the power outputs, life-threatening voltages can occur

For the operating mode "current amplifier" please contact our technical support.

	CAUTION	
Parallel operation with an external active load or source is not permitted!		

3.4 Series Operation (Voltage Amplifier)

By connecting several 4-quadrant power amplifiers in series, the output voltage can be increased.

For safe operation it is absolutely necessary to

- only use identical amplifier models
- observe the wiring instructions and cable specifications for stable signal processing
- ensure adequate mains supply
- ensure contact protection at the power outputs, life-threatening voltages can occur

For the operating mode "current amplifier" please contact our technical support.

	CAUTION	
Series operation with an external active load or source is not permitted!		

For the operating mode "current amplifier" please contact our technical support.

3.5 Series Operation of DC- and 4-Quadrant Power Amplifier

In a series connection of a DC source and a 4-quadrant power amplifier, systems with different transmission characteristics (e.g. slew rate) and operating voltages are often used. Communication between the systems is also not always guaranteed.

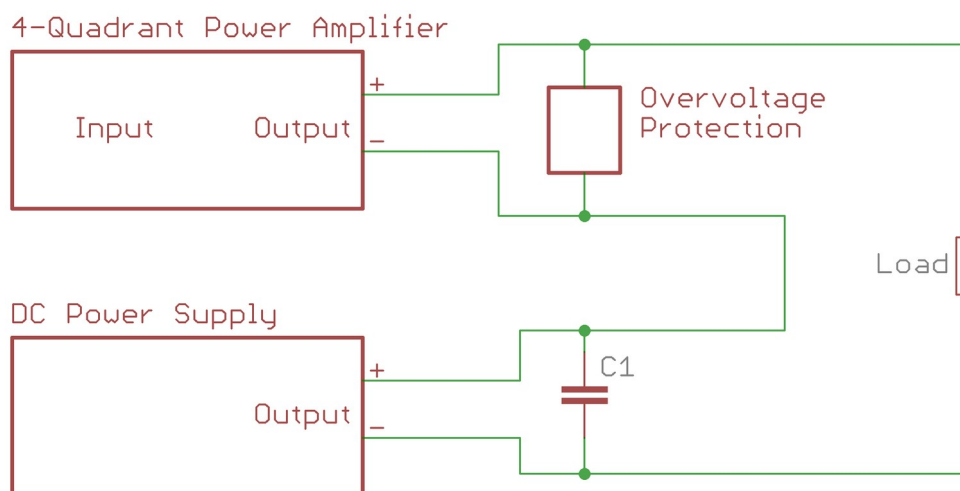


Figure 1: DC- and AC-Source (4-Quadrant Power Amplifier) in Series Operation

In the event of an error (for example the over-current protection of the power amplifier triggers, i.e. the output becomes high-impedance), this can lead to voltages at the amplifier output that are (permanently) above its supply voltage. Permanently if the DC source does not turn off.

	CAUTION	
Overvoltage at the Power Output		
The amplifier has no protection against overvoltage at the power output!		

	NOTICE	
Overvoltage Protection		
The device option "Overvoltage Protection" offers convenient overvoltage protection.		



4 Operating Elements

4.1 Front Panel Elements A1110-40-QE/-05-QE

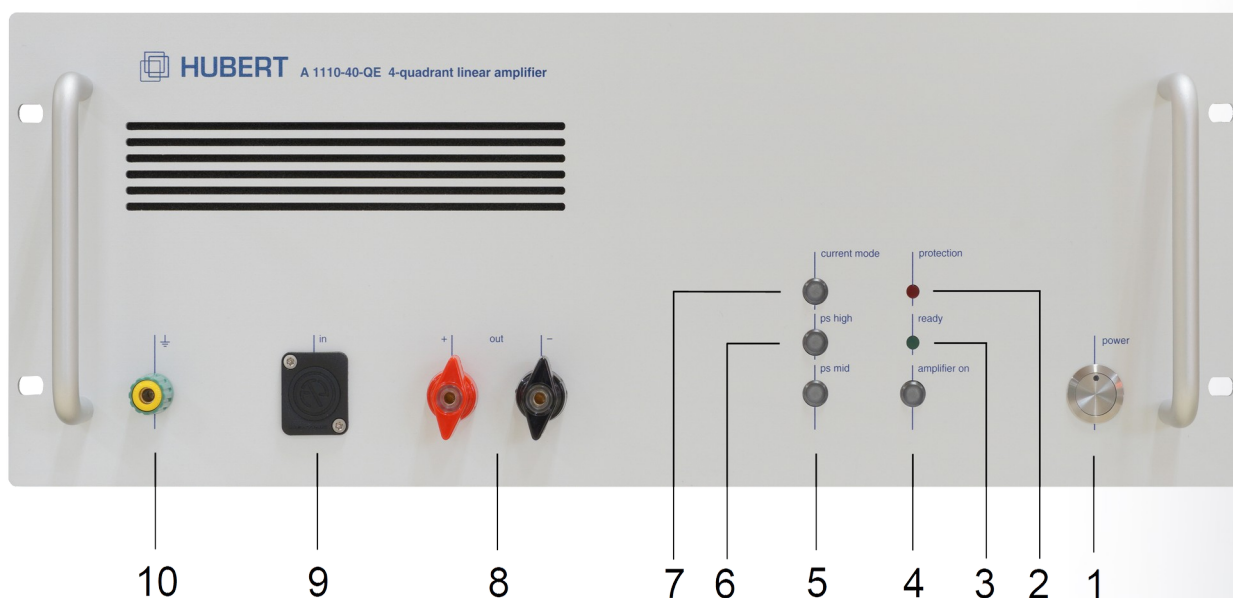


Figure 2: Frontpanel A1110-40-QE

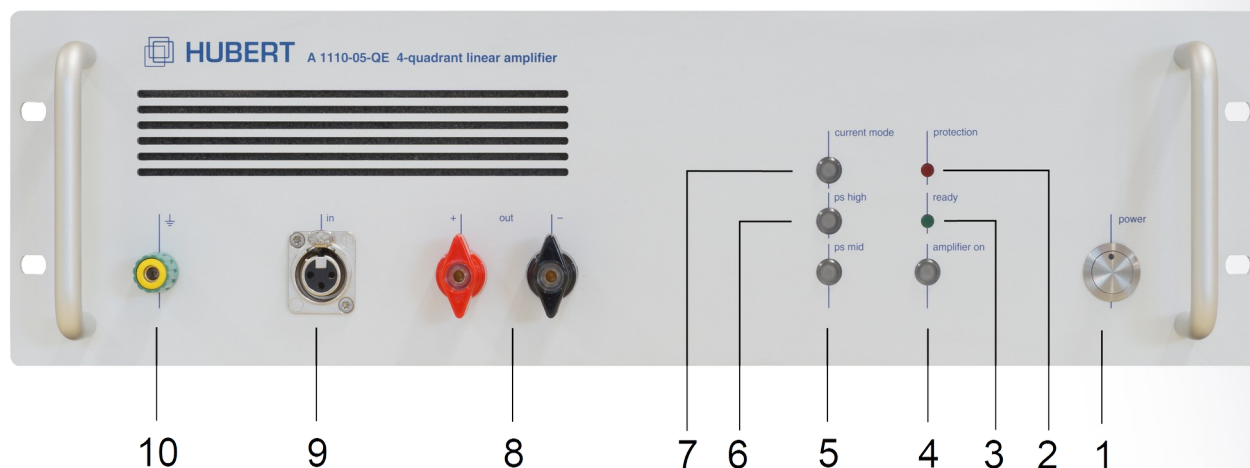


Figure 3: Frontpanel A1110-05-QE

[1] POWER BUTTON

On / Off switch.

(Here is implemented the switchover ready to operate / standby. The standby mode is signaled by the weakly-lit, blue LED. The power supply disconnection is implemented with the switch on the rear side.)



CAUTION



Do not switch under load!



[2] PROTECTION LED

Signals the intervention of a protection mechanism.

Red LED lights up constantly: Over-temperature disconnection; the device switches on automatically after the drop of the temperature.

Red LED flashes slowly ($\approx 1/s$): Disconnection because of exceeding the permissible power loss.

Red LED flashes fast ($\approx 3/s$): Hardware defective! The device must be sent to the manufacturer.

[3] READY LED

Green LED lights up when the amplifier is ready for operation.

[4] AMPLIFIER ON BUTTON

Green LED lights up, the amplifier is switched on.

[5] PS MID BUTTON

Operating voltage switch

Yellow LED lights up at medium operating voltage

[6] PS HIGH BUTTON

Operating voltage switch

Yellow LED lights up at high operating voltage

If both LEDs, PS MID and PS HIGH, are off, the automatic operating voltage switch is activated.

[7] CURRENT MODE BUTTON

Switching the operating mode. Please observe the notes in chapter "Operating mode current control".

Yellow LED off: Amplifier is in voltage amplifier mode.

Yellow LED lights up: Amplifier is in current amplifier mode.

!	NOTICE	!
The current mode of this device is locked ex works!		
If it is necessary for you to enable it, please contact us here at HUBERT first, so we can give you specific advice related to your planned project.		

[8] OUT+ / OUT-

Binding posts with flat clamp, amplifier output

Off-ground structure, reference potential (minus socket) is not connected with protective ground conductor.

!	CAUTION	!
Do not connect outputs with signal ground or protective ground conductor!		

[9] IN



Symmetrical signal input; Insulated XLR socket

Pin1 = GND

Pin2 = +Signal

Pin3 = -Signal

The enclosed BNC-XLR adapter serves for the connection of asymmetric sources or Pin1 and Pin3 must be connected.

[10] GROUND SOCKET

Internal connection with the protective ground conductor.



4.2 Back Panel Elements A1110-40-QE/-05-QE

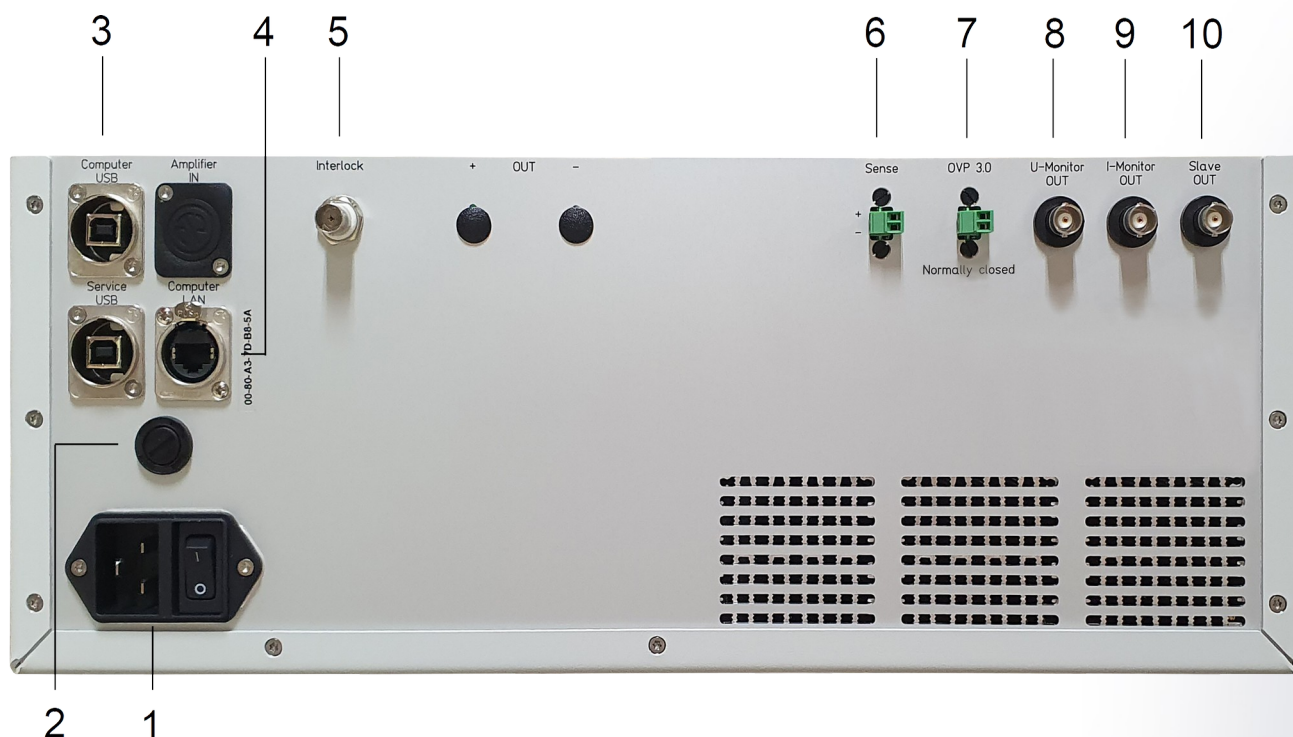


Figure 4: Backpanel A1110-40-QE



Figure 5: Backpanel A1110-05-QE

[1] POWER PLUG WITH MAINS SWITCH

Power Supply

[2] FUSE HOLDER

For fuses 32x6.3 mm

[3] COMPUTER USB

USB-B socket for connection to a computer



[4] COMPUTER LAN

RJ45 socket for connection to a network

[5] INTERLOCK

BNC socket with short-circuit plug.

Remote-controlled safety system enables the amplifier to be switched off by an external switch (normally closed contact).

LED indicators when shutdown is triggered: Amplifier On off and Ready on.

[6] SENSING

The DC voltage drop on the load line can be regulated between 0.5 V and 2 V. Observe polarity!

[7] OVP-PROTECTION OUT (OPTIONAL)

Galvanically isolated transistor switching output for monitoring overvoltages at the amplifier output.

[8] U-MONITOR OUT

Isolated BNC socket. Signal output for monitoring the amplifier output voltage.

[9] I-MONITOR OUT

Isolated BNC socket. Signal output for monitoring the amplifier output current.

[10] SLAVE OUT

Isolated BNC socket. Signal output for controlling an additional amplifier.



5 Notes on Operation

5.1 General Information

Make sure there is enough space behind and in front of the amplifier to allow air to circulate freely through the unit. Cool air is sucked in through the slots on the left and right sides of the front panel. Do not connect the amplifier to the power outlet until input and output are wired. Allow the amplifier to warm up for 15 minutes after power-up to stabilize its operating points.

5.2 Operating Voltages



CAUTION



Check your product model

This chapter applies only to the models mentioned. Read the appropriate chapter for your product to prevent damage to the device.

Before you start "amplifying", we recommend that you consider the choice of operating voltage for effective and safe operation of the A1110-40-QE (see also White Paper No.1: Hubert Power Amplifier).

The operating voltage should always be selected according to the load:

- High operating voltage for high output voltages and low output currents
- Low operating voltage for low output voltages and high output currents

The A1110-40-QE has three operating voltages and the two operating modes Auto and Manual. Please refer to the data sheet for detailed information on the operating voltages.

In Auto operating mode, the operating voltage is switched automatically depending on the signal amplitude. This mode is suitable for real-time applications with DC voltages and sinusoidal signals where high sink power is required at inductive loads. The rise time for pulsed signals must not be less than 10 μ s.

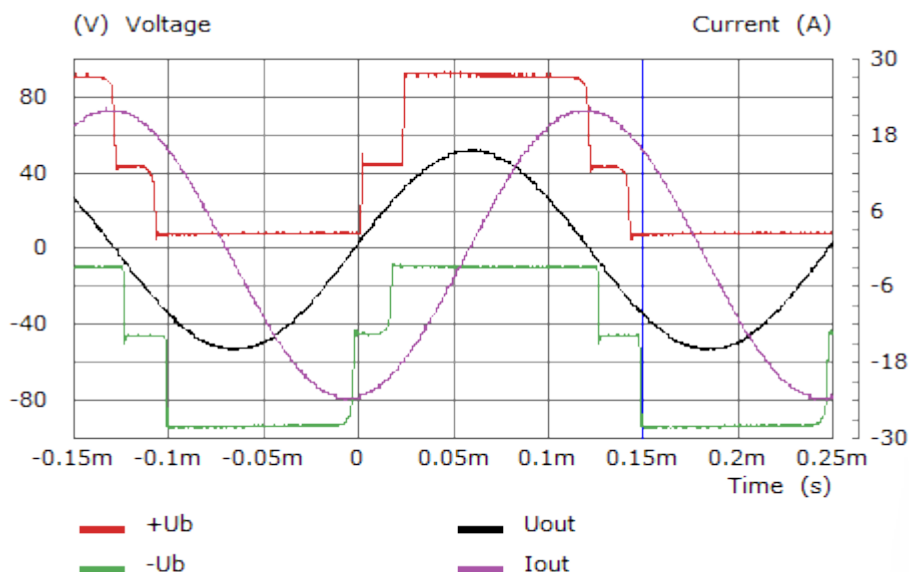


Figure 6: Output Voltage and Current @ Load=86 uH

The figure above shows the 4-quadrant amplifier at work on an air coil. At the time of the blue marker (0.15 ms), the output current is positive ($I_{out}=15.5 \text{ A}$) and the output voltage ($U_{out}=-35 \text{ V}$) is negative. The amplifier operates as a sink in the 2 quadrant of the U-I diagram.

The negative operating voltage is accordingly switched to -90 V and the positive operating voltage is switched to a minimum of +10 V. This minimizes the power loss in the amplifier.

For very fast pulse processing and high signal quality, the operating voltage can be switched manually. Unbalanced operating voltages are also possible and the A1110-QE can therefore also be used as an active load in this operating mode (see data sheet for maximum sink power).

The high operating voltage is suitable for achieving the desired output voltages on high-impedance loads ($>5 \Omega$). For example, 50 VDC output voltage is generated at 10Ω with 5 VDC input voltage. 5 ADC then flows through the load.

In order to allow larger currents to flow at low-impedance loads ($<1 \Omega$), the low operating voltage U_{mid}

Example:

Load: $R_L = 1 \Omega$

An output voltage $U_a = 5 \text{ VDC}$ is required for a load current $I_L = 5 \text{ ADC}$. The power loss at high operating voltage U_{high} is therefore:

$$P_v = (U_B - U_a) \cdot I_L = (90 \text{ V} - 5 \text{ VDC}) \cdot 5 \text{ ADC} = 425 \text{ W}$$

If you now switch to the operating voltage U_{mid} , the following picture emerges:

$$P_v = (U_B - U_a) \cdot I_L = (35 - 5 \text{ VDC}) \cdot 5 \text{ ADC} = 150 \text{ W}$$

As you can see from this example, it makes more sense to operate the amplifier with a low operating voltage for low-impedance loads and with a high operating voltage for high-impedance loads.



An illustration with the maximum output voltages and output currents (U-I plot) can be found in the data sheet.

5.3 Connecting the load

The output of the A1110-QE has pole terminals with flat toggles. The integrated 4 mm safety socket is only suitable for currents < 32 A. When wiring your load, please also ensure adequate protection against accidental contact; life-threatening voltages can occur.



For safe and stable operation, the cables should be as short as possible and of the same length. The cable cross-section should not be less than 4 mm^2 .

5.4 Initial Operation in Operating Mode Voltage Amplifier

Connect the mains cable and switch on the mains voltage at the mains switch. The illuminated **power** button signals standby and you can switch the device on.

After a short time, ready lights up and the amplifier is now **ready** for operation.

Start the software and establish a data connection with the amplifier. Select the **Voltage Mode** operating mode and the required operating voltage according to your application. Use **Amplifier On** to switch on the signal input and the power output and signal processing can begin.

 **CAUTION** 

Do not switch off the mains supply under load!

The corresponding signal forms can be controlled at the **Voltage Monitor Out** and **Current Monitor Out** outputs.

5.5 Initial Operation in Operating Mode Current Amplifier

In the “current control” operating mode, the A1110-QE behaves like a voltage-controlled current source and supplies an almost frequency-independent constant load current to an inductive load. Figures 7 and 8 show examples of the transients of the output voltage and current in the “current control” and “voltage control” operating modes on an inductor.

 **NOTICE** 

With this device the current mode is blocked ex works!

If you need to activate it, please contact our support team and ask for specific advice regarding your project.

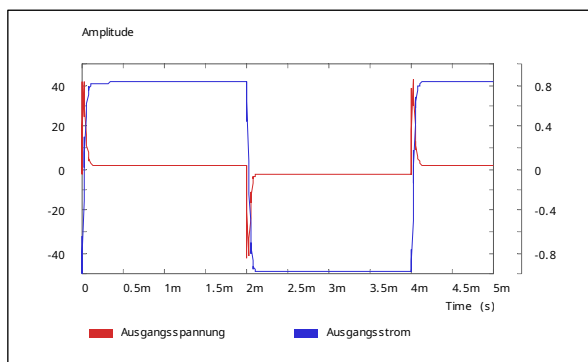


Figure 7: Controlled Current Mode

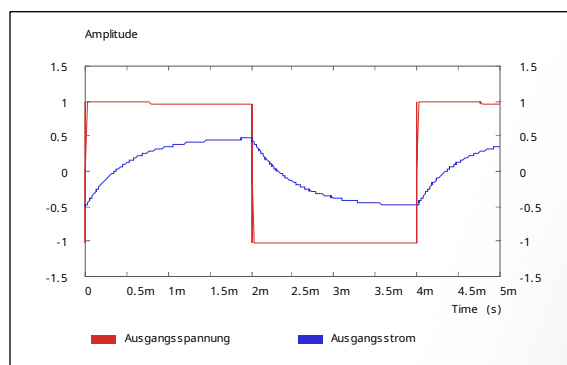


Figure 8: Controlled Voltage Mode

Since the load is an integral part of the control in the “Current control” operating mode, the amplifier must be compensated with an RC network adapted to the load for stability reasons.

Since the load represents an integral part of the control in the "current control" mode, the amplifier must be compensated for stability reasons with an RC network adapted to the load.

The following instructions for safe operation of the A1110-40-QE must also be observed:

1. Never put the amplifier into operation without load.
2. A DC current path must always be existing through the load.
Never employ capacitors in the signal path.
3. Wire up the amplifier completely before operational startup.
4. Pay attention to correct compensation.
5. Monitor the output current for stability.
6. Do not change the operating mode during operation.

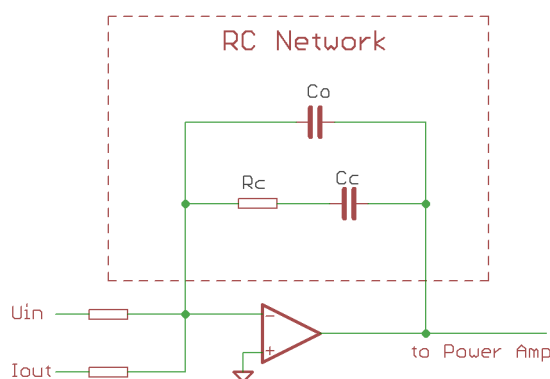


Figure 9: Simplified Current Controller

The figure above shows the RC network required for the current controller.



If no customer-specific solution was required, the following networks are equipped ex works:

No	Load	Rc	Cc	Current Range
1	1 Ohm + 500 μ H	100 k Ω	10 nF	high
2	0,1 Ohm + 200 μ H	68 k Ω	4,7 nF	high
3	1 Ohm + 1 mH	150 k Ω	22 nF	high
4	4 Ohm + 1,8 mH	200 k Ω	1 nF	high
5	<i>Reserved for Option-01</i>			
6	<i>Reserved for Option-01</i>			

Table 1: Compensation networks

The selection is made by software. Please also note the corresponding recommended current measuring range.

Network No 7 allows the determination of a suitable compensation by means of a switchable capacitor bank and a variable resistor.

If you ordered your device with Option-01 Custom Current Amplifier, your custom network is installed in slot #5 or #6.

We will be happy to help you implement a suitable network for your application.

After you have wired the amplifier and **connected it to the load**, you can enable the mains voltage at the mains switch. The illuminated **power** button signals standby and you can switch on the unit. After a short time, the **Ready LED** is lit and the amplifier is now ready for operation.

Start the software for further settings and retrieving its status. Now establish a data connection to the amplifier. Select the required operating voltage and the required compensation network according to your application.

- Activate the **Current Mode**. This connects the amplifier output to the load → the control loop is closed.
- Switch on the signal input and the power output by selecting **Amplifier On**. The signal processing can begin.

At the outputs **Voltage Monitor Out** and **Current Monitor Out**, the corresponding signal forms can be checked.

Leaving the Current Mode follows in reverse order:

- Switch off the signal input with **Amplifier Off**
- Disable the **Current Mode**. The load can now be removed from the amplifier output



CAUTION



Never remove the load from the amplifier output in Current Mode!

5.6 Sensing

Voltage drops occur via supply lines, which ensure that the entire voltage is not measured at the load. With the sensing option, the output voltage of the amplifier is regulated to such an extent that the desired voltage is present at the load. The internal voltage drop is thus compensated.

The option can be controlled via our “HUBERT A1110 Control” software or via a command set.

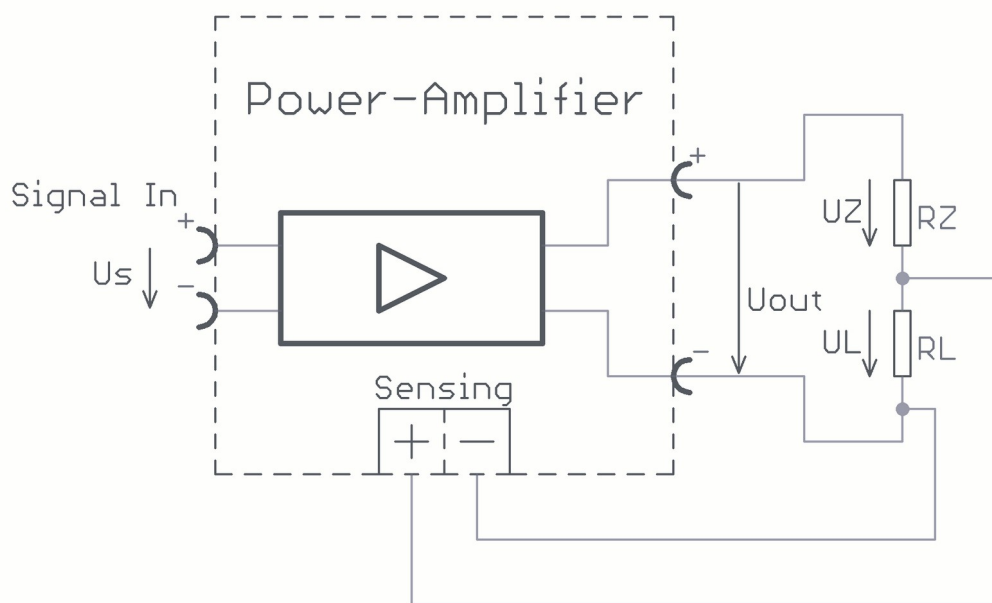


Figure 10: Exemplary test setup with sensing option used

In the standard case, sensing is deactivated (0 mV). Without active sensing, a lower voltage drops across the load (R_L) due to the supply line resistance (R_Z). If sensing is activated to 500 mV, 1000 mV or 2000 mV via the application software, the amplifier compensates for the voltage drop via the lead resistance. This means that the voltage at the load corresponds to the input voltage multiplied by the gain factor of the amplifier (x10). The voltage value set for sensing indicates the maximum readjusted voltage.



5.7 Adjustable Output Resistance

This extension complements our A1110 series power amplifiers with a programmable internal resistance. This option allows the amplifier output resistance, which is a few milliohms, to be compensated to zero. Depending on the requirements, the internal resistance of the power amplifier can be set from 0 m Ω to 200m Ω with a resolution of 1m Ω . The option is optimized for DC voltage operation. This option is used for electrical testing of electrical and electronic components in motor vehicles in accordance with the LV124 or VW80000, VW80300, etc. standards.

The option can be controlled via our “HUBERT A1110 Control” software or via a command set.

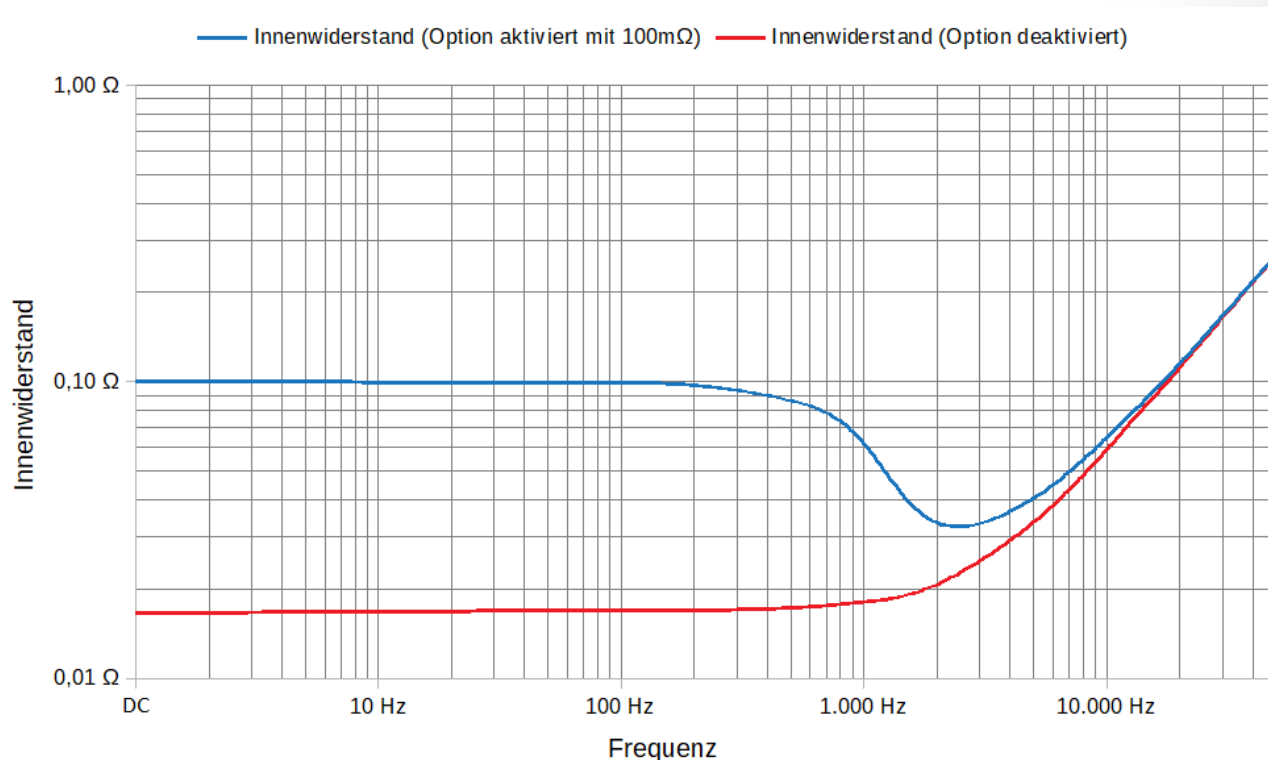


Figure 11: internal resistance vs. frequency



NOTICE



When using the “Adjustable output resistance”, you must have selected the Voltage mode and it must not be used at the same time as the Sensing option.

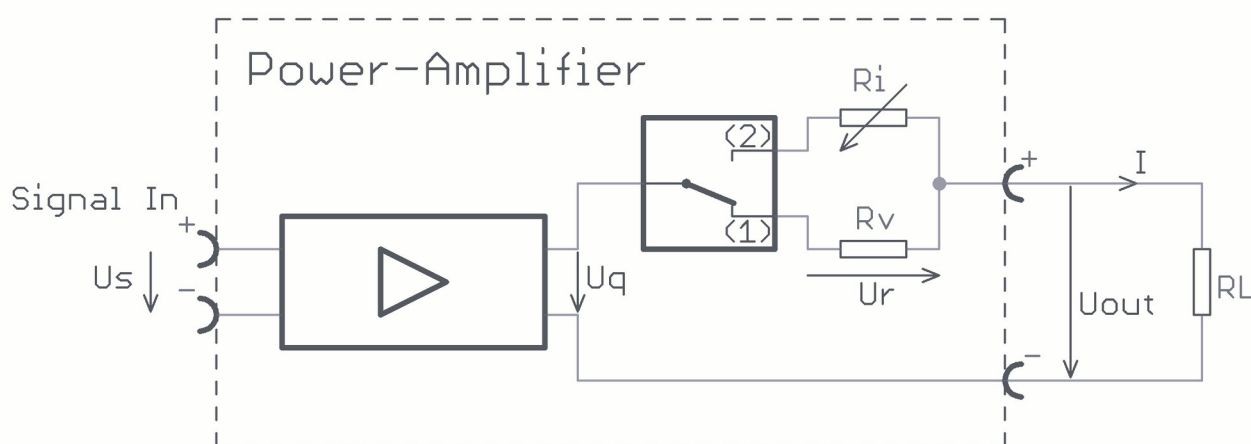


Figure 12: Power amplifier with adjustable output resistance

Amplifier output resistance: $R_v \approx 17 \text{ m}\Omega$ (different for each amplifier / see data sheet)

Adjustable output resistance: $R_i = 0 \dots 200 \text{ m}\Omega$ (variable)

Switching the output resistors: [1] Option deactivated, [2] Option activated

Load: $R_L = 1 \text{ }\Omega$

Input Signal: $U_s = 1 \text{ V}_{DC}$

- IDLE**

In this operating mode, no load is connected to the output terminals, so no output current flows ($I = 0 \text{ A}_{DC}$). For $U_s = 1 \text{ V}_{DC}$, $U_q = 10 \text{ V}_{DC}$ (amplification factor = 10) is obtained. As there is no voltage drop across U_r ($U_r = R_v * I = 17 \text{ m}\Omega * 0 \text{ A}_{DC} = 0 \text{ V}_{DC}$ or $U_r = R_i * I = 100 \text{ m}\Omega * 0 \text{ A}_{DC} = 0 \text{ V}_{DC}$), the voltage is present at the output terminals ($U_q = U_{out}$).

- WITH LOAD (OPTION DEACTIVATED [1])**

Now we connect a load to the output of the amplifier and obtain the current $I = U_q / (R_v + R_L) = 10 \text{ V}_{DC} / (17 \text{ m}\Omega + 1 \text{ }\Omega) = 9,83 \text{ A}_{DC}$. This means that a voltage of $U_r = R_v * I = 17$



$m\Omega \cdot 9,83 A_{DC} = 0,17 V_{DC}$ drops across the amplifier output resistor. The output voltage at the amplifier is now $U_{out} = U_q - U_r = 10 V_{DC} - 0,17 V_{DC} = 9,83 V_{DC}$.

- **WITH LOAD (OPTION ACTIVATED [2] $R_i = 0 \Omega$)**

Now we activate the option and set an output resistance of $R_i = 0 m\Omega$ and receive the electricity $I = U_q / (R_i + R_L) = 10 V_{DC} / (0 m\Omega + 1 \Omega) = 10 A_{DC}$. This means that a voltage of $U_r = R_i \cdot I = 0 m\Omega \cdot 10 A_{DC} = 0 V_{DC}$ drops across the adjustable output resistor. The output voltage at the amplifier is now $U_{out} = U_q - U_r = 10 V_{DC} - 0 V_{DC} = 10 V_{DC}$.

- **WITH LOAD (OPTION ACTIVATED [2] $R_i = 0,1 \Omega$)**

If you change the output resistance to $100 m\Omega$, you get the current $I = U_q / (R_i + R_L) = 10 V_{DC} / (100 m\Omega + 1 \Omega) = 9,09 A_{DC}$. This means that a voltage of $U_r = R_i \cdot I = 100 m\Omega \cdot 9,09 A_{DC} = 0,91 V_{DC}$ drops across the adjustable output resistor. The output voltage at the amplifier is now $U_{out} = U_q - U_r = 10 V_{DC} - 0,91 V_{DC} = 9,09 V_{DC}$.



6 Applications

Please find more information in sections „Use Cases“ and „Knowledge Base“ on our website www.drhubert.com.

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7 Application Software

Our devices are supplied with the latest version of the HUBERT A1110 Control application software (see USB stick). Please refer to the software user manual for further operating instructions.

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8 Integration into Automated Test Systems

The command set for integrating the A1110-QE into automated test systems is described below. A command frame is defined as follows:

<length of the frame> <command word> <opt. parameter>

The commands described in this section are ASCII/hex values that are transmitted as hex numbers using a terminal program (e.g. HTerm, 9600 baud, 8 bits, one stop bit, no parity). These do not correspond to the SCPI standard and are defined as a pure byte protocol.

The amplifier sends either the command or parameters as confirmation for a received and executed command frame (see table below). The settings for the behavior in the event of power loss shutdown and restart are saved in the device. For example, the amplifier can be configured so that it switches on again automatically after a configurable time (10-254 s) in the event of a power loss switch-off.

8.1 Remote Controls

Command frame (Tx)	Confirmation (Rx)	Remark and parameter description
<0x02><0x04>	<1 Byte>	Sending of the temperature in °C
<0x02><0x10>	<1 Byte>	Send device status: Bit 0: Ready Bit 1: Overload Bit 2: Overtemperature Bit 3: Don't care Bit 4: Interlock active Bit 5/6: Don't care Bit 7: Device on/off
<0x03><0x20> <Parameter>	<1 Byte>	Setting of the switch-on state: Bit 0: operational readiness after overload (0: off; 1:on) Bit 1: device on/„Amp-On“ when switching on (0: off; 1:on) Bit 2: device on/„Amp-On“ after being switched on again after Overload (0: off; 1:on)
<0x03><0x21> <Parameter>	<1 Byte>	Setting of the switch-on delay time after an overload disconnection in seconds (0x0A until 0xFE).
<0x02><0x22>	<1 Byte>	Sending of the switch-on state: Bit 0: operational readiness after overload (0: off; 1:on) Bit 1: device on/„Amp-On“ when switching on (0: off; 1:on) Bit 2: device on/„Amp-On“ after switching on again after overload (0: off; 1:on)
<0x02><0x23>	<1 Byte>	Setting of the switch-on delay time after an overload disconnection in seconds
<0x02><0x25>	<2 Byte>	Sending of firmware version (component 1) 1. Byte: Main-Revision 2. Byte: Sub-Revision
<0x03><0x28> <Parameter>	<0x28>	Setting of the current measuring range: 0x00: High 0x01: Low
<0x03><0x29> <Parameter>	<1 Byte>	Setting of the required RC network: 0x01 bis 0x07



Command frame (Tx)	Confirmation (Rx)	Remark and parameter description
<0x03><0x2A> <Parameter>	<0x2A>	Setting of the amplifier operating mode: 0x00: Voltage Mode 0x01: Current Mode
<0x03><0x2B> <0x00>	<0x2B>	Resetting of the Interlocks in Latching-Mode
<0x04><0x2D> <1. Parameter> <2. Parameter>	<2 Byte>	Setting of the Limit Control: 1. Parameter: Highbyte (0x00 bis 0x0F) 2. Parameter: Lowbyte (0x00 bis 0xFF)
<0x0B><0x2E> <1. Parameter> <2. Parameter> <3. Parameter> <4. Parameter> <5. Parameter> <6. Parameter> <7. Parameter> <8. Parameter> <2. Parameter> <3. Parameter> <4. Parameter> <5. Parameter> <6. Parameter> <7. Parameter> <8. Parameter> <9. Parameter>	<0x2E>	Setting of the extended switch-on configuration of the amplifier: 1. Parameter: Current measurement range 0x00: High 0x01: Low 2. Parameter: RC-Network 0x01 until 0x07 3. Parameter: Amplifier operating mode 0x00: Voltage Mode 0x01: Current Mode 4. Parameter: 0x00: No other value is permissible! 5. Parameter: Highbyte of the limit control (0x00 bis 0x0F) 6. Parameter: Lowbyte of the limit control (0x00 bis 0xFF) 7. Parameter: Interlock Mode 0x00: latching 0x01: live 0x02: don't care 8. Parameter: Limit Control 0x00: Current 0x01: Voltage 9. Parameter: Operating Voltage (see command 0x54) 0x00: High 0x01: Low 2. Parameter: RC-Netzwerk 0x01 bis 0x07 3. Parameter: Verstärkerbetriebsart 0x00: Voltage Mode 0x01: Current Mode 4. Parameter: 0x00: es ist kein anderer Wert zulässig! 5. Parameter: Highbyte des Limit Controls (0x00 bis 0x0F) 6. Parameter: Lowbyte des Limit Controls (0x00 bis 0xFF) 7. Parameter: Interlock Mode 0x00: latching 0x01: live 0x02: don't care 8. Parameter: Limit Control 0x00: Current 0x01: Voltage 9. Parameter: Betriebsspannung (siehe Tab. Befehl 0x54)
<0x02><0x2F>	<9 Byte>	Sending of the extended switch-on configuration of the amplifier (see above)
<0x03><0x35> <Parameter>	<1 Byte>	On/Off switching of the amplifier: 0x00: off 0x01: on
<0x02><0x38>	<12 Byte>	Query the operating parameters. 1. Parameter: Current measurement range (see 0x28) 2. Parameter: RC-network (see 0x29) 3. Parameter: Amplifier operating mode (see 0x2E)



Command frame (Tx)	Confirmation (Rx)	Remark and parameter description																										
		4. Parameter: Don't care 5. u. 6.Parameter: Limit Control Value 7. u. 8.Parameter: Limit Control Value 9. Parameter: Interlock Status (0: inactive; 1:active) 10. Parameter: chosen interlock-mode (0:Latching; 1:Live) 11. Parameter: Limit Control Modus (0:Current; 1:Voltage) 12. Parameter: chosen operating voltage (see 0x54) 1. Parameter: Strommessbereich (siehe 0x28) 2. Parameter: RC-Netzwerkes (siehe 0x29) 3. Parameter: Verstärkerbetriebsart (siehe 0x2E) 4. Parameter: Don't care 5. u. 6.Parameter: Limit Control Value 7. u. 8.Parameter: Limit Control Value 9. Parameter: Interlock Status (0: inactive; 1:active) 10. Parameter: gewählter Interlock-Modus (0:Latching; 1:Live; 2:Don't Care) 11. Parameter: Limit Control Modus (0:Current; 1:Voltage) 12. Parameter: gewählte Betriebsspannung (siehe 0x54)																										
<0x02><0x3A>	<2 Byte>	Query firmware revision																										
<0x02><0x42>	<1 Byte>	Query the 1 st error memory Bit 0: Transformer temperature exceeded Bit 1: Exceeded operating voltage limits Bit 2: Temperature exceeded Bit 3: Powerloss exceeded Bit 4: Low Voltage Detection at the controller Bit 5: Overcurrent Bit 6: Hardware error Bit 7: Don't care																										
<0x03><0x42><0x01>	<1 Byte>	Querying the 2nd error memory Bit 0: Overvoltage protection Bit 1: Open loop Bit 2: n.a. Bit 3: n.a. Bit 4: Current limit exceeded (pulse) Bit 5: Current limit exceeded (emergency brake) Bit 6: Current limit exceeded (low current range) Bit 7: n.a.																										
<0x02><0x51>	<128 Byte>	Sending of the device ID																										
<0x82><0x52> <128 ASCII Parameter>		Setting the device ID (blank 0x20) Standard: "Device #1"																										
<0x03><0x53> <Parameter>	<0x53>	1. Parameter: setting of the limit controls (0x00: Current; 0x01 :Voltage)																										
<0x03><0x54> <Parameter>	<0x54>	<table><tr><th rowspan="2">Parameter</th><th colspan="2">Operating voltage</th></tr><tr><th>+</th><th>-</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td colspan="2">Automatic</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Mid</td><td>Automatic</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>High</td><td>Automatic</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Automatic</td><td>Mid</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Mid</td><td>Mid</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>High</td><td>Mid</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>Automatic</td><td>High</td></tr></table>	Parameter	Operating voltage		+	-	1	Automatic		2	Mid	Automatic	3	High	Automatic	4	Automatic	Mid	5	Mid	Mid	6	High	Mid	7	Automatic	High
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Command frame (Tx)	Confirmation (Rx)	Remark and parameter description		
		8	Mid	High
		9	High	High
<0x03><0x5D> <Parameter>	<0x5D>	Setting the Sensing Option (0: off; 1: 500 mV; 2: 1000 mV; 3: 2000 mV)		
<0x02><0x5E>	<1 Byte>	Sending the Sensing-Parameter (0: off; 1: 500 mV; 2: 1000 mV; 3: 2000 mV)		
<0x03><0x4C><1 Byte>	<0x4C>	Setting the output resistor: 0x00 : 0 mΩ 0x01 : 1 mΩ ... 0xC7 : 199 mΩ 0xC8 : 200 mΩ		
<0x02><0x4D>	<1 Byte>	Sending the output resistance		
<0x03><0x4D><1 Byte>	<0x4D>	Switching the adjustable output resistance option on/off: 0x00 : off 0x01 : on		
<0x02><0x4E>	<1 Byte>	Query the status of the Adjustable output resistance option: 0x00 : off 0x01 : on		

Table 2: Remote-Befehle

8.2 Error-Codes

Code	Description
0xFC	Illegal command. The option may not be available.
0xFD	Timeout. An incomplete command frame was received.
0xFE	Unknown command.

Table 3: Error-Codes



9 Maintenance, Support and Service

9.1 Maintenance and cleaning

The device is maintenance-free. A factory calibration can be carried out if required. The frequency of the factory calibration is determined by the operator.

Only clean the device with a damp cloth. Only use solvent-free cleaning agents without aggressive components.

9.2 Service

If you have any further questions about this product, please visit the [support area](#) on our website www.drhubert.de.

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10 Decommissioning and Disposal

10.1 Decommissioning

1. Turn off the device.
2. Unplug the power plug.
3. Remove all cables.
4. Store the device in its original packaging or equivalent.

10.2 Disposal

Dispose of the device in accordance with local regulations for the disposal of electrical and electronic components.

11 Warranty and disclaimer

Dr. Hubert GmbH warrants this amplifier product for normal use and operation within specifications for a period of two (2) years from date of shipment and will repair or replace any defective product which was not damaged by negligence, misuse, improper installation, accident or unauthorized repair or modification by the buyer. This warranty is applicable only to defects due to material or workmanship. Dr. Hubert GmbH disclaim any other implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Dr. Hubert GmbH will not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages (including damages for loss of profits, loss of business, loss of use or data, interruption of business and the like), even if Dr. Hubert GmbH has been advised of the possibility of such damages arising from any defect or error in this manual or product.

12 EU Guidelines

This device complies with the relevant European Union harmonisation legislation:

- EMC Directive
- Low Voltage Directive
- RoHS Directive



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