

MLP08041

High Performance Microstepping Driver

User's Guide



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MLP08041 High Performance Microstepping Driver Features

- High Torque Output
- Output Current 10.0 Amps Peak
- 200 to 800 steps/rev (1,2, and 4 selectable step operations)
- Short Circuit Protection
- Over-Temperature and Over/Under-Voltage Shutdown
- No Minimum Inductance
- Optical Isolation
- Motor ON/OFF input

Introduction

The MLP08041 High Performance Microstepping Driver has an output current capability of 2.0 Amps minimum to 10.0 Amps maximum (Peak Rating). The MLP08041 driver operates with either an AC voltage of 35-132 Volts or a DC voltage of 50-185 Volts. The inputs are optically isolated (+5VDC minimum to +7VDC maximum). The clock input is set to receive either positive or negative edge clocks with a maximum frequency of 40KHz. The MLP08041 driver offers direction control and motor current ON/OFF capabilities. The Reduce Current Enabled automatically reduces motor current to 50% of set value after the last step is made. The driver has built-in features to indicate power on (Green LED), fault conditions (Red LEDs), and Open Collector output.

With the MLP08041, various step resolutions can be implemented by the onboard jumpers. These divisions range from 200 steps per revolution to 800 steps per revolution. The bipolar drive configuration handles 4, 6 and 8 lead motors. Protection devices have been added to this driver for *Phase to Phase Short-Circuit, Motor Mis-Wire, Over-Temperature* and *Over/Under-Voltage* conditions.

Pin Descriptions

The inputs on the MLP08041 are optically isolated with the anode (+) and cathode (-) both brought out to the user. With no current going through the Clock and Direction opto-diodes, the input is considered high. To enable the Motor On/Off input, current must go through the opto-diode. To enable the input a minimum of 1.0 mA needs to be sourced or sunk through the opto-diode. This is done simply by placing a voltage of +5 to +7 VDC across the two inputs of the opto-diode. If sourcing current into the inputs, then all three cathodes (-) should be tied together and grounded as shown in Figure 4. If sinking current, then all three anodes (+) should be tied together to the +voltage as shown in Figure 3. The Ready output on the MLP08041 is an opto-decoupled open collector output. When normal operation occurs, this output will conduct current into the emitter. Care must be taken not to pass more than 50mA through this transistor.

Optically Isolated Inputs

The following inputs to the MLP08041 are Optically Isolated.

Item	Pin #
Clock	3 & 4
Direction	1 & 2
On/Off	5 & 6

Table 1: Optically isolated pinout

To enable an input, apply a DC voltage source of +5VDC to +7VDC across the inputs. The Anodes (+) are pins 1, 3, and 5 and the Cathodes (-) are pins 2, 4, and 6.

P1: 8 Pin Input Terminal Description

Pin #	Description
1	Direction Anode (+): This isolated input is used to change the direction of the motor. Physical direction also depends on the connection of the motor windings.
2	Direction Cathode (-)
3	Step Clock Input Anode (+): A positive going edge on this isolated input advances the motor one increment. The size of the increment is dependent on the Microstep Select Inputs of JP3 and JP4.
4	Step Clock Input Cathode (-)
5	ON/OFF Anode (+): This isolated input is used to enable and disable the output section of the driver. When HIGH (closed) the outputs are enabled. However, this input does not inhibit the step clock.
6	ON/OFF Cathode (-)
7	Ready (Collector): The Ready output on the MLP08041 is an opto-decoupled open collector output. When normal operation occurs, this output will conduct current into the emitter. Care must be taken not to pass more than 50mA through this transistor.
8	Ready (Emitter)

Table 2: Pin descriptions for input terminal connector (P1)

TB1: 6 Pin Motor Terminal Description

Pin #	Description
1	AC IN or DC GND
2	AC IN or DC +VIN
3	Phase 1A: Phase 1 of the Step Motor
4	Phase 1B: Phase 3 of the Step Motor
5	Phase 2A: Phase 2 of the Step Motor
6	Phase 2B: Phase 4 of the Step Motor

Table 3: Pin descriptions for motor terminal block connector (TB1)

Power Supply Requirements

The MLP08041 has an input line voltage ranging from 35-130VAC. TB1 pin 2 is used as the hot terminal and is internally fused, TB1 pin 1 is used as the neutral terminal. A DC input of 50-185 volts can also be used to power the drive. To connect the DC to the drive, place the positive voltage wire on TB1 pin 2 and place the ground wire on the TB1 pin 1.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Input Voltage: 132 VAC or 185 VDC

Output Current: 10.0 AMPS PEAK

Max Plate Temperature: 70° C

Storage Temperature: 0° to +50° C

Input Voltage (For isolated inputs): +7V at 1mA

Ready Output Signal: Open Collector max. 30V / 50mA (optically isolated)

Electrical Specifications

Item	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input Voltage (Power)	95	120	140	VAC
Input Voltage (Power)	135	170	200	VDC
Phase Output Current	1.41		7.07	A (RMS)
Phase Output Current	2		10	A (PEAK)
Input Voltage (Inputs)	3.5		7	VDC
Clock Frequency	0		40	kHz
Chopping Frequency	30	32	34	kHz
Operation Temperature	0		70	C

Table 4: MLP08041 electrical specifications

Hook Up Drawings

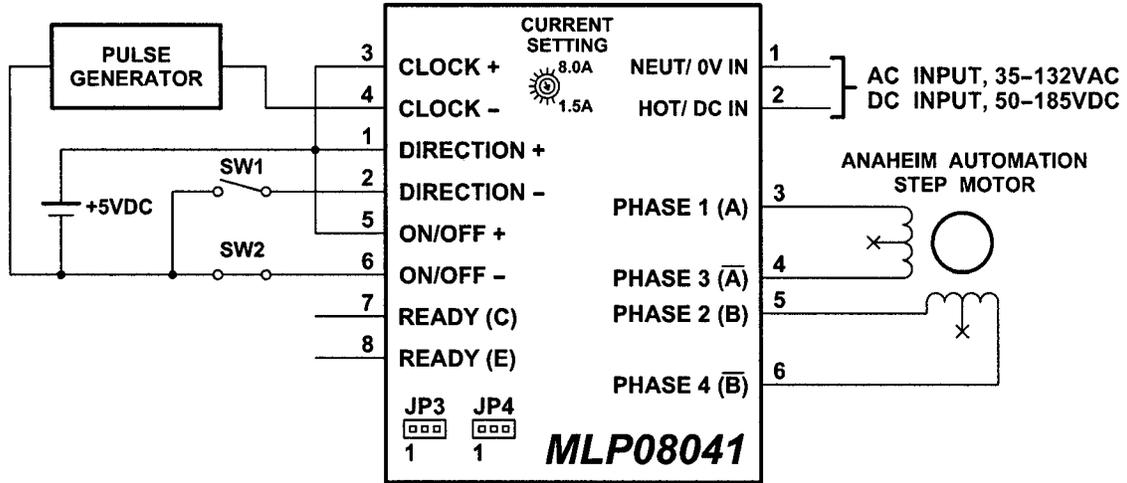


Figure 1: Hook up for current sinking inputs

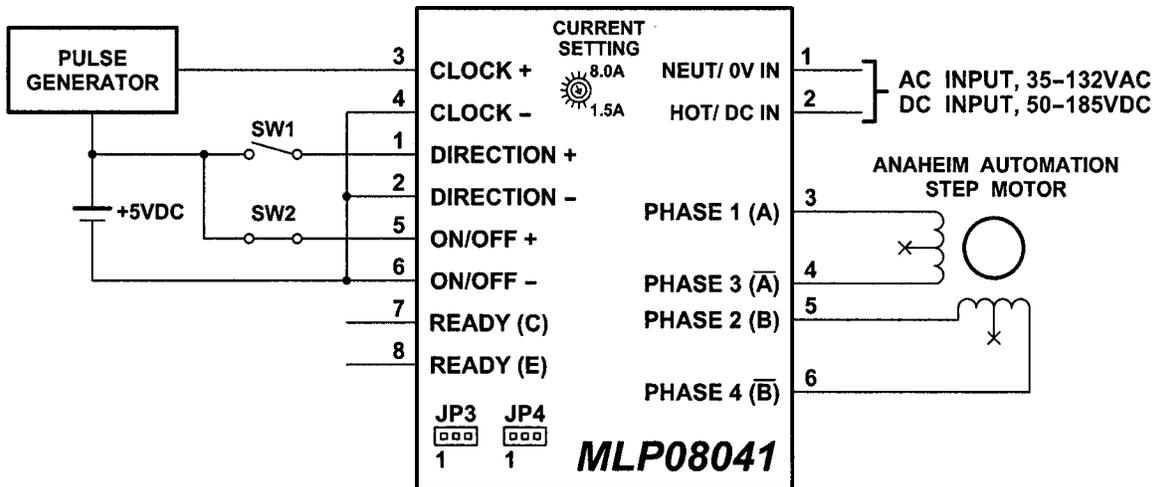


Figure 2: Hook up for current sourcing inputs

Motor Selection

The MLP08041 is a Bipolar Microstep Driver that is compatible with both Bipolar and Unipolar Motor Configurations, (i.e. 8 and 4 lead motors, and 6 lead center tapped motors).

Step motors with low current ratings and high inductance will perform better at low speeds, providing higher low-end torque. Motors with high current ratings and low inductance will perform better at higher speeds, providing more high-end torque. Higher voltages will cause the current to flow faster through the motor coils. This in turn means higher step rates can be achieved. *Care should be taken not to exceed the maximum voltage of the driver.*

Since the MLP08041 is a constant current source, it is not necessary to use a motor that is rated at the same voltage as the supply voltage. What is important is that the MLP08041 is set to the appropriate current level based on the motor being used. Refer to the following chart for setting the current potentiometer based on the current code in the part number of the motor. Examples of motor part numbers are shown below. Anaheim Automation offers a comprehensive line of step motors in 14, 17, 23, 34 and 42 frame sizes. Contact the factory to verify motor compatibility with the MLP08041.

Step Motor Current Setting Guide

Motor Example	Motor Current Number Code	Unipolar Rating	Series Peak Rating	Parallel Peak Rating	Series Current Setting	Parallel Current Setting
23D 102S	02	1.0A	1.0A	2.0A	----	0%
23L 303D-LW8	03	1.5A	1.5A	3.0A	----	10%
34N 104S-LW8	04	2.0A	2.0A	4.0A	0%	25%
23L 4005D-LW8	05	2.5A	2.5A	5.0A	5%	38%
34A 106B	06	3.0A	3.0A	6.0A	13%	50%
34N 207S-LW8	07	3.5A	3.5A	7.0A	18%	63%
34K 108S-LW8	08	4.0A	4.0A	8.0A	25%	75%
42N 209S-CB	09	4.5A	4.5A	9.0A	32%	88%
23L 310S-LW8	10	5.0A	5.0A	10.0A	38%	100%
34D 311D	11	5.5A	5.5A	11.0A	43%	100%
42K 112S-CB	12	6.0A	6.0A	12.0A	50%	100%
34D 213S	13	6.5A	6.5A	13.0A	57%	100%
34N 314S-LW8	14	7.0A	7.0A	14.0A	63%	100%
42N 115D-CB	15	7.5A	7.5A	15.0A	68%	----
34K 416S-LW8	16	8.0A	8.0A	16.0A	78%	----
42D 119D	19	9.5A	9.5A	19.0A	95%	----
42N 322S-CB	22	11.0A	11.0A	22.0A	100%	----
42D 225S	25	12.5A	12.5A	25.0A	100%	----

Table 5: Table selection for Anaheim Automation motor current settings

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Microstep Selection

Jumpers JP3 and JP4 select the microstep resolution of the driver. Table 6 shows the standard resolution values along with the associated positions for the select switches. The standard waveforms are sinusoidal. The steps/rev are based on a 200 step/rev motor.

Resolution	Steps/Rev	JP4	JP3
1	200	Position 2-3	Position 2-3
2	400	Position 1-2	Position 2-3
4	800	Position 1-2	Position 1-2

Table 6: Microstep selection on JP4 and JP3

Setting the Output Current

The output current on the MLP08041 is set by an onboard potentiometer. This potentiometer determines the per phase peak output current of the driver. The relationship between the output current and the potentiometer value is as follows:

Peak Current	Potentiometer Setting	Peak Current	Potentiometer Setting
2.0A	0%	6.8A	60%
2.8A	10%	7.6A	70%
3.6A	20%	8.4A **	80%
4.4A	30%	9.2A **	90%
5.2A	40%	10.0A **	100%
6.0A	50%	---	---

Table 7: Potentiometer values with respect to the output current
Refer to Table 5 for specific motor current settings.

** Current settings above 7.6 Amps (70%) may require additional cooling.

Reducing Output Current

Reducing the output current is automatically set and occurs approximately 1 second after the last positive going edge of the step clock input. The amount of current per phase in the reduction mode is approximately 50% of the set current.

Determining Output Current

The output current for the motor used when microstepping is determined differently from that of a full/half step unipolar driver. In the MLP08041, a sine/cosine output function is used in rotating the motor. The output current for a given motor is determined by the motor's current rating and the wiring configuration of the motor. There is a current adjustment potentiometer used to set the output current of the MLP08041. This sets the peak output current of the sine/cosine waves. The specified motor current (which is the unipolar value) is multiplied by a factor of 1.0, 1.4, or 2.0 depending on the motor configuration (series, half-coil, or parallel).

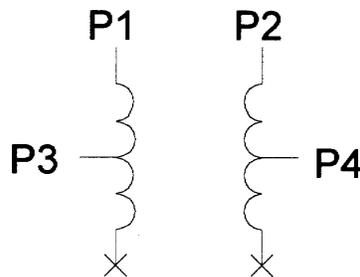
Step Motor Configurations

Step motors can be configured as 4, 6, or 8 leads. Each configuration requires different currents. Refer to the lead configurations and the procedures to determine their output current.

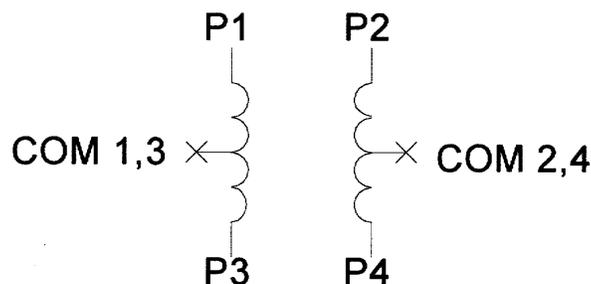
WARNING! Step motors will run hot even when configured correctly. Damage may occur to the motor if a higher than specified current is used. Most specified motor currents are maximum values. Care should be taken to not exceed these ratings.

6 Lead Motors

When configuring a 6 lead motor in a **half-coil configuration** (connected from one end of the coil to the center tap), multiply the specified per Phase (or unipolar) current rating by 1.4 to determine the current setting potentiometer value. This configuration will provide more torque at higher speeds when compared to the series configuration.

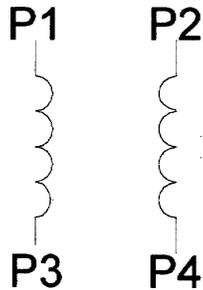


When configuring the motor in a **series configuration** (connected from end to end with the center tap floating) use the specified per Phase (or unipolar) current rating to determine the current setting potentiometer value.



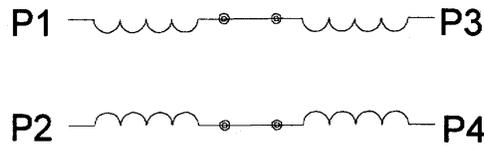
4 Lead Motors

Multiply the specified **series** motor current by 1.4 to determine the current adjustment potentiometer value. Four Lead Motors are usually rated with their appropriate series current, as opposed to the *Phase Current*, which is the rating for 6 and 8 lead motors.

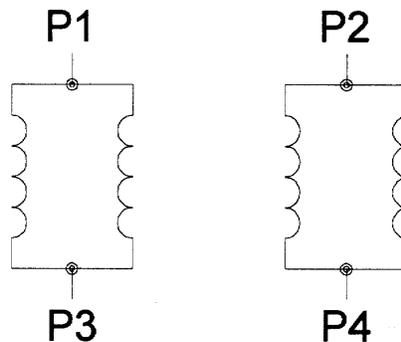


8 Lead Motors

Series Connection: When configuring the motor windings in series, use the per Phase (or unipolar) current rating to determine the current setting potentiometer value.



Parallel Connection: When configuring the motor windings in parallel, multiply the per Phase (or unipolar) current rating by 2.0 to determine the current setting potentiometer value.



NOTE: After the current has been determined, according to the motor connections above, use Table 3 to choose the proper setting for the current setting potentiometer.

Connecting the Step Motor

Phase 1 and 3 of the step motor is connected between pins 1 and 2 on the motor connector (TB2). Phase 2 and 4 of the step motor is connected between pins 3 and 4 on the motor connector (TB2). The motors case should be grounded to pin 5 on the motor connector (TB2) for protection. Refer to Figures 1 and 2 for TYPICAL APPLICATION HOOK-UP.

NOTE: The physical direction of the motor with respect to the direction input will depend on the connection of the motor windings. To reverse the direction of the motor with respect to the direction input, swap the wires on Phase 1 and Phase 3.

WARNING: Do not connect or disconnect motor wires while power is applied!

Short-Circuit, Mis-Wire, and Over-Current Conditions

If it is found that there is a condition that causes an over current in the driver phase transistors, the Red LED CR22 will turn on solid and power will be shut off to the motor. To reset the drive turn power off, check wiring, and turn power back on.

Over-Temperature

If it is found that there is an over temperature on the heat sink, the Red LED CR23 will turn on solid and power will be shut off to the motor. To reset the drive turn power off, check wiring, and turn power back on.

Over/Under-Voltage Conditions

If it is found that there is an over or under voltage on the motor bus voltage, the Red LED CR24 will turn on solid and power will be shut off to the motor. To reset the drive turn power off, check wiring, and turn power back on.

Dimension Drawing

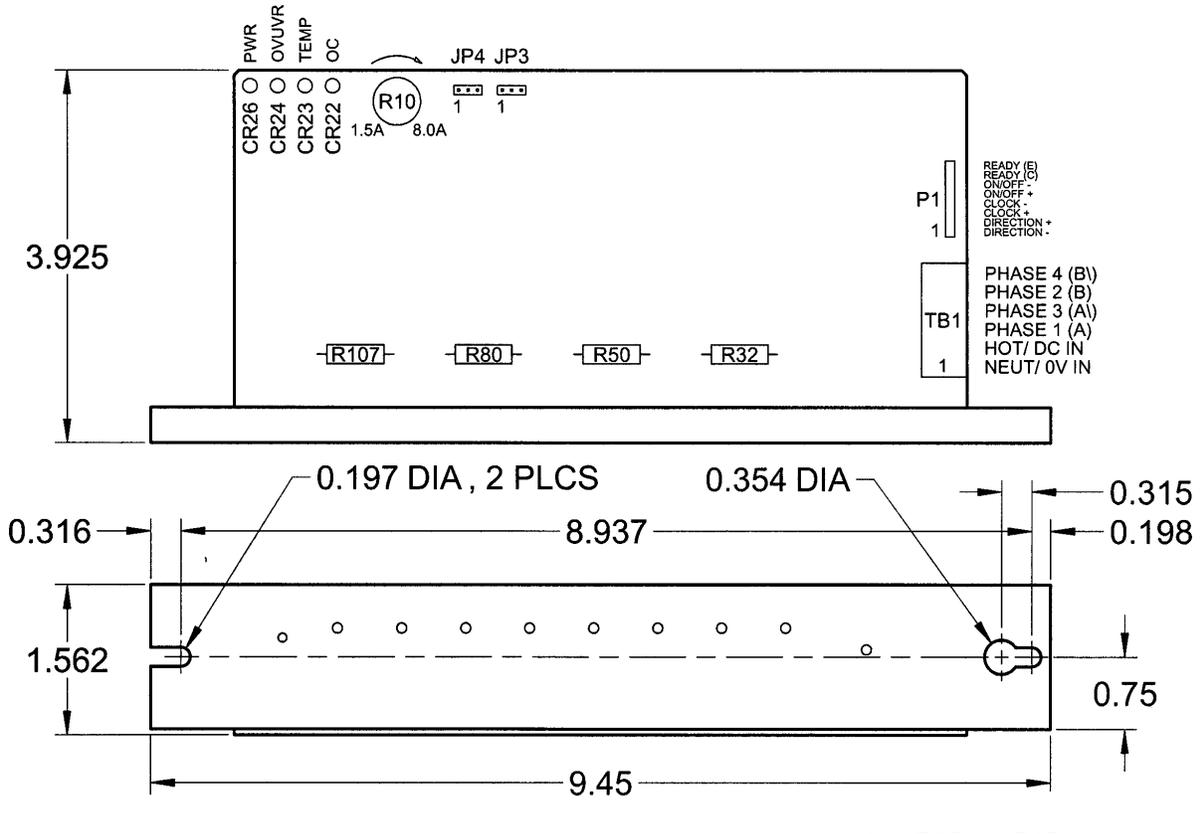
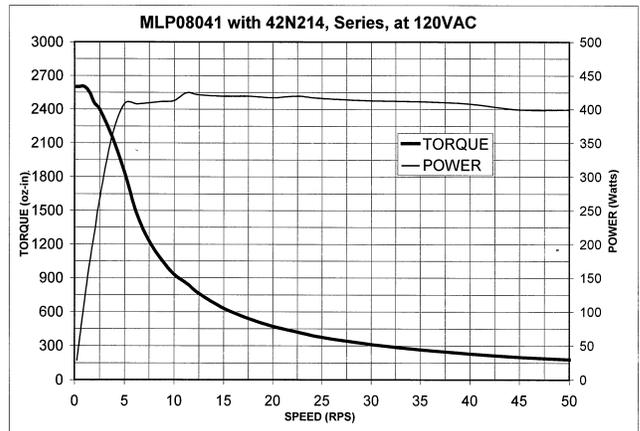
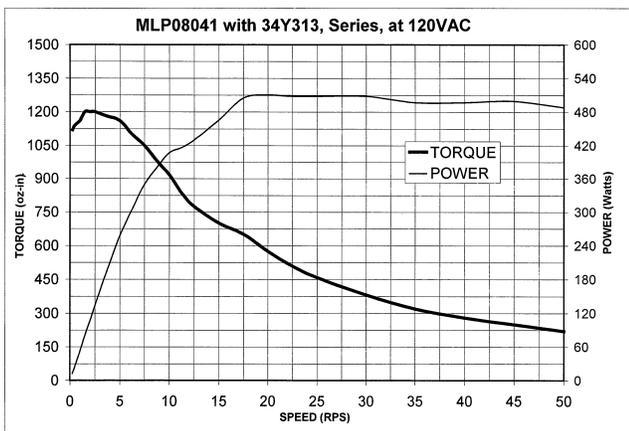
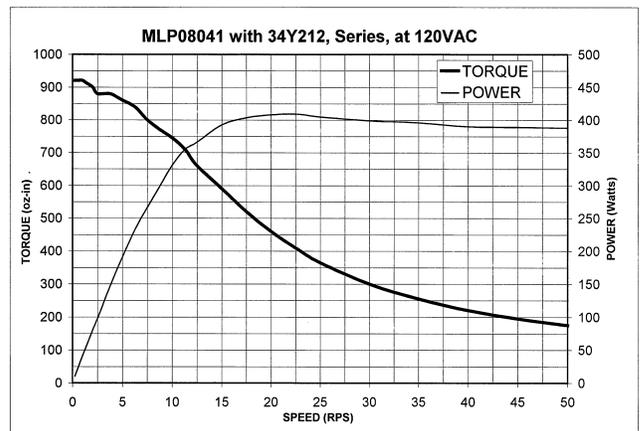
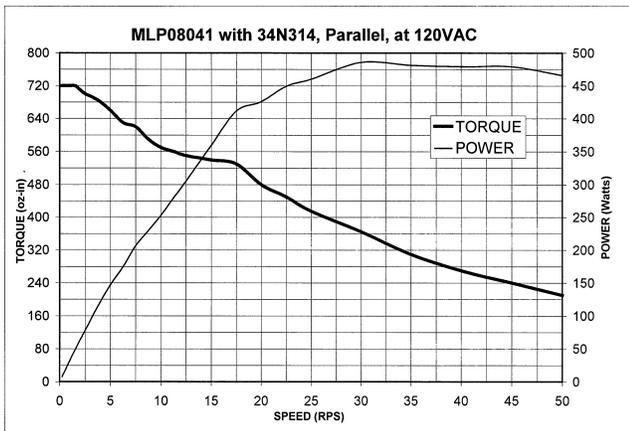
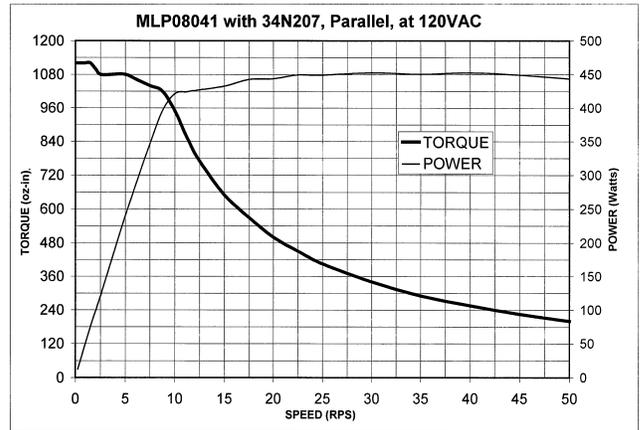
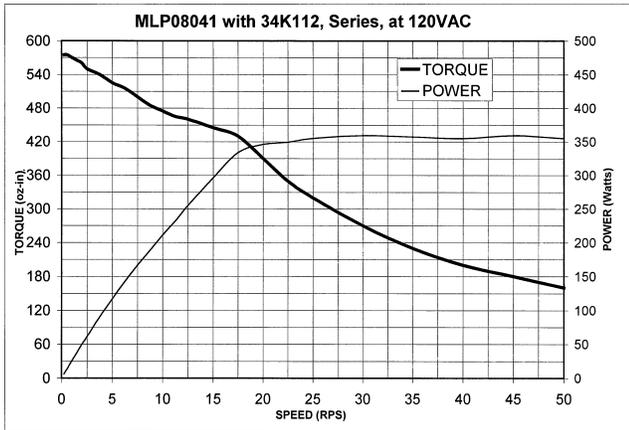


Figure 5: MLP08041 dimensions

Torque Speed Curves



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