Multilayer Piezoelectric Actuators

AHB Series Metal Sealed 85°C, High Performance

Overview
Multilayer piezoelectric actuators are ceramic elements used to convert electrical energy into mechanical energy such as displacement or force by utilizing the piezoelectric longitudinal effect.

KEMET’s multilayer piezoelectric actuators are produced based on our unique element structure design and piezoelectric ceramic materials with high electrostrictive factors. Compared to conventional piezoelectric actuators, they are smaller in size but can generate higher displacements and forces at low voltages.

The AHB Metal Sealed 85°C High Performance series actuators are less impacted by ambient humidity due to insulation from the atmosphere. As a result, long operational life and high performance have been attained which are ideal for use in various high reliability applications such as semiconductor device production equipment and optical communication equipment.

Benefits
- High reliability: Realization of MTTF = 36,000 hours at 85°C and 100 V
- Large displacement type
- Operating temperature range from −25°C to +85°C
- Built-in pre-load mechanism and mounting attachments allowing for easier installation into equipment
- Accurate nanometer positioning
- Minimum mechanical abrasion
- Large generated force of 800 N
- Long operational life
- RoHS/REACH compliant

Applications
Typical applications include fine adjustment of various X-Y table steppers, mirror/prism positioning, linear motors, fluid flow control valve drive, vibration source and manipulators.
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Ordering Information

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<td>Housing Construction and Operating Temperature Range</td>
<td>Nominal Displacement (μm)</td>
<td>Maximum Voltage (VDC)</td>
<td>Generated Force (N)</td>
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<td>Drive Block Configuration</td>
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<td>Lead Type</td>
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<td>AH = Encapsulated in Metal Case, High Performance Type</td>
<td>B = Bellows (pre-load), maximum operating temperature of 85°C</td>
<td>The first two digits specify the displacement values. The last digit is an exponent of 10. Example: 170 = 17 μm</td>
<td>C = 150</td>
<td>The first two digits specify the values. The last digit is an exponent of 10. Example: 801 = 800 N = 80 kgf</td>
<td>N = Female thread type</td>
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Element Structure

KEMET’s multilayer piezoelectric actuators are designed using unique element structure technology and proprietary ceramic materials with high electrostrictive factors.

This particular structure and technology involved provide a unique product with below advantages compared to other similar solutions:

Against electromagnetic actuators
- Faster response
- Higher resolution for positioning
- Large generated force
- Low power consumption
- No electromagnetic noise

Against bimorph piezoelectric actuators
- 7 times the energy conversion efficiency of the bimorph type actuator
- Lower power consumption
- Large generated force
- Stable displacement, reduced shift and creep phenomena
- 100 times the response speed of the bimorph piezoelectric actuator

Against stacked piezoelectric actuators
- Compact size (less than 1/10 the specific volume of the stacked piezoelectric actuator)
- Low drive voltage
- Easy to use
- Inexpensive
## Dimensions in mm

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**AHB***C801FD0LF**

**AHB***C302WD1-A0LF &
**AHB***C362WD1-A0LF**

**AHB550C172WD1-A0LF**

**AHB500C451WD1-A0LF**

*Lead wire: AWG26, UL1993
Red color: (+)
White color: (–)
## Performance Characteristics

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<td>At 150 VDC</td>
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<td>Generated Force (Compression Resistance)</td>
<td>See Table 1 - Ratings &amp; Part Number Reference</td>
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<td>Capacitance</td>
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<td>Capacitance Tolerance</td>
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<td>f = 1 kHz, V = 1 V rms (&lt; 10 µF) f = 120 Hz, V = 1 V rms (&gt; 10 µF)</td>
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<td>Dissipation Factor</td>
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<td>Insulation Resistance</td>
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<td>Resonance Frequency</td>
<td>See Table 1 - Ratings &amp; Part Number Reference</td>
<td>Both ends of the element are in free state. Typical values of the element under our test conditions.</td>
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<td>Airtightness</td>
<td>1 X 10⁻⁸ atm cc/second or less</td>
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<td>Temperature Cycle Test</td>
<td>Displacement: Initial value ±30% Capacitance: Initial value ±30% tan δ: Less than initial rated value Insulation Resistance: 1 MΩ or more</td>
<td>Room temperature (3 minutes) At −25°C for 30 minutes Room temperature (3 minutes) At +85°C for 30 minutes Repetition of 10 cycles of the above</td>
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<td>Solvent Resistance Test</td>
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<td>HeatResistance Test</td>
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<td>Temperature: 150 ±3°C Time: 96 ±4 hours</td>
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Environmental Compliance

All KEMET Multilayer Piezoelectric Actuators are RoHS and REACH Compliant.

Article 33(1) of the REACH Regulation states that manufacturers and importers of articles (products) are required to notify their customers of the presence of any Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in their products exceeding 0.1% by weight and provide instructions on safe use of the product.

KEMET Corporation reports regarding the Article 33(1) of REACH Regulation as follows:

1. Applicable Product:
   Multilayer piezoelectric actuators (AE, ASB, ASL and AHB Series).

2. Report for content of REACH SVHC list:
The product(s) above contain a substance by more than 0.1 wt% per product weight that was published in the 8th update of the REACH SVHC substances (December 19, 2012).

3. Regarding safety of the multilayer piezoelectric actuators (Piezoceramic products):
The Piezoceramic that is used in this product becomes ceramic by sintering powder containing PZT as a main ingredient. It is chemically stable, with minimum risks toward the human body or environment within the intended use of the product. Please note that risks could occur in the case of inhalation or accidental oral uptake of powder ceramics.

4. Technical product information on the multilayer piezoelectric actuators (Piezoceramic products):
The manufacturing technique of the “piezoceramic products” whose main ingredient is Lead Titanium Zirconium Oxide (PZT) has been established, and there is no alternative material that can exhibit superior performance than PZT at this moment. Please note that the piezoceramic is listed as an exempt on RoHS (2011/65/EU) Annex III (7c.1).

5. Responsibility of piezoceramic manufacturers:
Piezoceramic manufacturers report information regarding PZT containment in their products to the customers to obey the article 33 of the REACH regulation.
### Table 1 – Ratings & Part Number Reference

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<th>Part Number</th>
<th>Capacitance (µF)</th>
<th>Resonance Frequency (kHz)</th>
<th>Insulation Resistance (MΩ)</th>
<th>Generated Force (N) at Maximum Voltage of 150 VDC</th>
<th>Displacement (µm)</th>
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### Custom Design Parts

Customized parts are available on request. Please contact KEMET. Below guidelines can be used as reference regarding generated displacement and generated force.

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<td>Generated Force</td>
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<td>Product Shape</td>
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Electrical Characteristics

Figure 1 - Voltage vs. Displacement- 1

Figure 2 - Voltage vs. Displacement- 2

Figure 3 - Generated Force vs. Displacement- 1

Figure 4 - Generated Force vs. Displacement- 2
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![Graphs showing voltage vs. displacement, generated force vs. displacement, and temperature vs. displacement for AHB550C801ND0LF.](attachment:graphs.png)

| AHB700C801ND0LF          |                                  |                             |

![Graphs showing voltage vs. displacement, generated force vs. displacement, and temperature vs. displacement for AHB700C801ND0LF.](attachment:graphs.png)

| AHB800C801ND0LF          |                                  |                             |

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![Graphs showing Voltage vs. Displacement, Generated force vs. Displacement, and Temperature vs. Displacement for AHB151C362WD1-A0LF.](image)
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## Reliability

The majority of failure modes on multilayer piezoelectric actuators are short-circuits due to degraded insulation. Although the cause of degradation of insulation has not been clarified, it has been found that the failure rate varies greatly between static uses (DC voltage application) and dynamic uses (pulse voltage application). Like other electrical components, piezoelectric actuators can be affected by humidity as well as applied voltage and ambient temperature. KEMET has added the metal sealed piezoelectric actuators featuring high reliability by eliminating the effects of the ambient atmosphere.

This section describes reliability guidelines for static and dynamic usage of the metal sealed type actuators. Reliability of our multilayer piezoelectric actuators is represented by MTTF (mean time to failure) in case of static usage. The number of repetitions is considered to represent the reliability in the case of dynamic usage.

Please refer to the calculation formula and the calculation result example, and check in advance with the driving conditions actually used by the customer.

### DC Voltage Application

$MTTFr$ of the metal sealed type under the actual operating conditions is calculated from the reference $MTTFs$ and the acceleration factor as it is in the case of the resin coated type. However, since the internal element is sealed from the atmosphere, it is not affected by the atmospheric humidity. Therefore, equation (1) below is used.

$$ (1) \quad MTTFr = MTTFs \times A_v \times A_t $$

$MTTFr$: Estimated value  
$MTTFs$: Reference value ($= 36,000$ hours)

$A_v$: Acceleration factor for drive voltage = $(100/V_{r})^2$  
$V_{r}$: Actual voltage (V)

$A_t$: Acceleration factor for ambient temperature = $1.5^{(85-T_r)/10}$  
$T_r$: Actual ambient temperature ($^\circ$C)
Reliability cont.

Example 1: The following calculation is made for the case of use at 25°C and 150 V.
\[
MTTF_r = 36,000 \times \left(\frac{100}{150}\right)^2 \times 1.5^{\left(85 - 25\right)/10}
\]
\[
\approx 182,250 \text{ hours (20.8 years)}
\]

Example 2: The following calculation is made for the case of use at 80°C and 150 V.
\[
MTTF_r = 36,000 \times \left(\frac{100}{150}\right)^2 \times 1.5^{\left(85 - 80\right)/10}
\]
\[
\approx 19,600 \text{ hours (2.2 years)}
\]

Pulse Voltage Application

Similarly to the resin coated type, it is extremely difficult to estimate reliability for the metal sealed type products by using an equation.

In KEMET’s testing on the ASB170C801NP0, there was no failure confirmed up to 1,000 hours (equivalent to 100 million pulses applied) under the conditions below:

- Temperature: 85 ±2°C
- Humidity: 90 to 95% RH
- Load: 200 N to 500 N (20 kgf to 50 kgf)
- Drive voltage waveform: rectangular wave, 30 Hz, 0 to 100 V, duty ratio at 30%
User’s Guide

Handling Notes
This product uses piezoelectric ceramics inside (refer to the simple structural diagram).

Piezoelectric ceramics are generally hard and brittle, so they are vulnerable to external forces such as impacts, so be careful not to apply bending, twisting, tension, unbalanced load, or impact forces to this product.

Simple Structural Diagram

Fixing Method
• Carefully prevent the piezoelectric actuators from being bent, twisted or applied tensile force.

Reference: Twisting and Tension Tolerance

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Caution Example

- Install the actuator so that the center axis of the generated displacement is aligned with the center axis of the load.
- Select the mounting bracket (female thread type or flange type) according to the mounting method and install the element utilizing the bracket.
- Fix the element securely so that the generated force and displacement cannot be deteriorated.
- Connect the driven item at the displacement generating end after securing the mounting portion, so that it avoids unnecessary stress applied at the time of installation.
- Though this product is designed to apply a compressive force to the internal element by the metal case, avoid any usage that can cause bending, twisting, or tension force when the device is in use.

Driving Method

- Connect the red lead wire to the positive (+) terminal of the power supply. Also prevent reverse voltage application.
- In driving applications, it is necessary to take consideration of hysteresis, ringing, creep, and other similar phenomenons.
- For pulse driving, it is also necessary to be aware of self-heat generation, charge/discharge current, and the power supply’s impedance.

Generated Force and Load Relation

Static load: No load value change when actuator moves.

Fluctuating load: Load value changes by spring reaction when actuator moves.

Static load: Initial position (0V position) is dropped by spring constant but total displacement has the same value under static load.

Fluctuating load: Displacement is changed by relation between generated force and spring constant of actuator.
Handling Precautions

Precautions to be taken when using multilayer piezoelectric actuators
(Please read these precautions before using our products)

1. Before using or designing a system using our products, read the precautions and specifications listed below.

2. The main failures with multilayer piezoelectric actuators are deterioration of insulation resistance, short-circuit and open-circuit.
   Before using the products, systems should be designed carefully to ensure redundancy, prevention of the spread of fire, and prevention of faulty operation allowing occurrence of failures.

3. Use the products after checking the working conditions and rated performance of each multilayer piezoelectric actuator series.

Selection of AE or AER Series (resin coated type) or ASB, ASL or AHB Series (metal sealed type) should be based on the intended working temperature and humidity.

- Connect the red lead wire to the positive (+) terminal of the power supply.
- Avoid electric shocks since a high voltage is in use.
- Never apply excessive tension to a lead wire.
- Do not handle the product by picking up or moving the lead wire.
- Do not disassemble the case of the metal sealed type.
- Machining of the actuator element and replacement of the lead wire are prohibited.
- Avoid excessive physical shock. Otherwise, the internal piezoelectric ceramic element may be damaged.
- If the actuator is exposed to high temperatures above 100°C or if used after long storage periods (more than three months), the device should be polarized by using the circuit configuration and conditions shown at right.
- Do not apply voltage exceeding maximum rating voltage, or rapid charging and discharging.
- Do not use the actuator in high concentrations of highly inflammable gas.
- Align the center axis of displacement of the actuator with the center axis of the mechanical load.
- When operated, the transient response time of the actuator should be less than 1/3 of the resonant frequency in order to prevent damage by ringing.
- Store the metal sealed type preferably in a dry atmosphere (desirably below 40% RH) at ordinary temperatures (-5°C to +40°C). Avoid condensation on the product’s surface.
- Store actuators where there is no vibration.
- Handle products properly as industrial waste. When disposing, please contact your local waste disposal service and make sure the disposal methods meet all legal requirements.
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