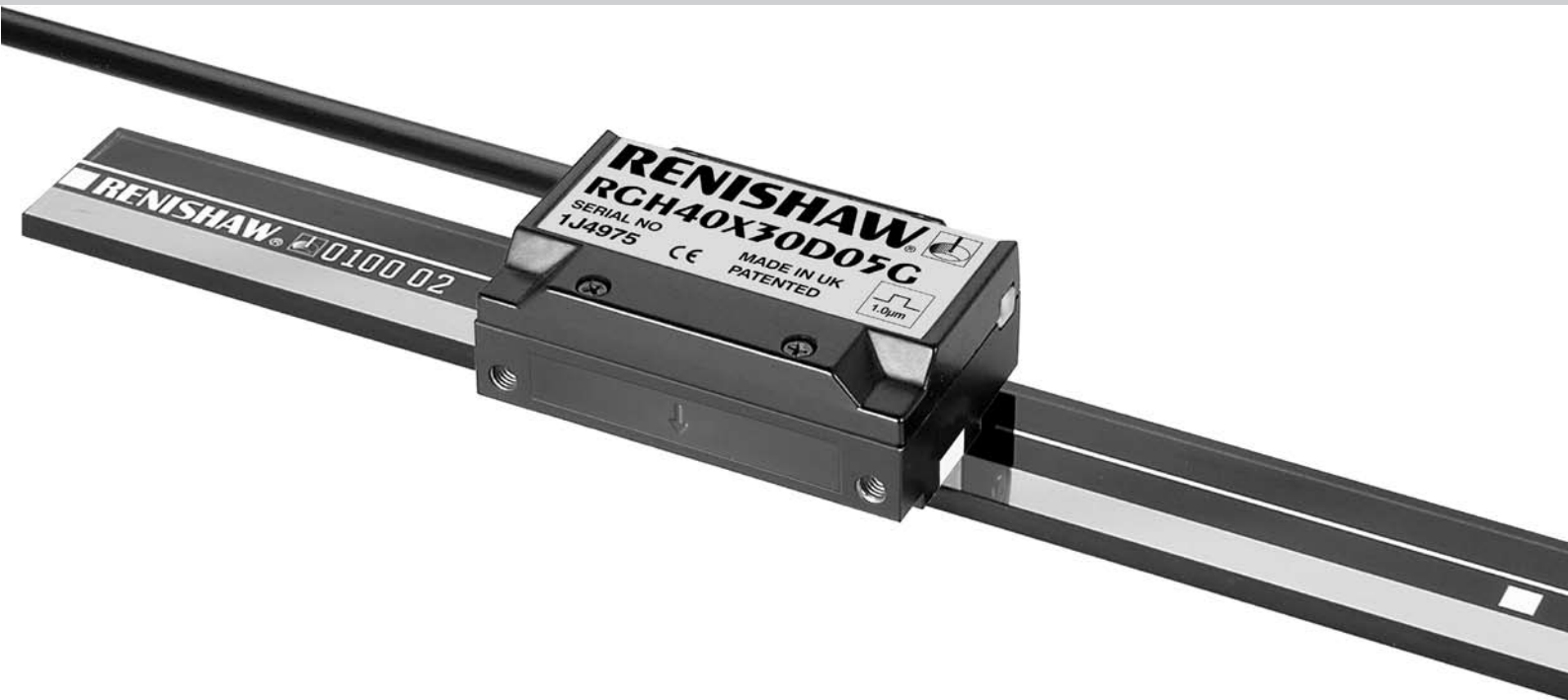


# RGH40 series readhead



**Renishaw's RGH40 readhead offers all the benefits of the market proven RG4 linear encoder system - high-speed, non-contact performance with filtering optics to guarantee reliable performance over light oils, dust and scratches.**

The RGH40 readhead is designed for use with Renishaw's RGS40-G (40 µm pitch chrome grating) glass scale and RESR angle encoder. Enclosed within a rugged, die-cast housing, the readhead uses proven solid state components to give outstanding reliability.

Dual limit switch sensing is also included as standard to provide dedicated signals for each end-of-axis indication, together with a repeatable reference or datum mark.

Installation is quick and easy to achieve thanks to generous set-up tolerances and Renishaw's unique set-up LED that indicates when optimum conditions have been achieved. This removes the need for expensive oscilloscopes or set-up equipment.

These added benefits give RGH40 readheads greater flexibility, broadening the range of applications of the existing RG2 and RG4 systems, from co-ordinate measuring and layout machines to electronics assembly and test, high speed motion control, semiconductor manufacture and a host of custom linear motors.

#### Digital range

RGH40T - 10 µm resolution  
RGH40D - 5 µm resolution  
RGH40G - 2 µm resolution  
RGH40X - 1 µm resolution  
RGH40N - 0.4 µm resolution  
RGH40W - 0.2 µm resolution  
RGH40Y - 0.1 µm resolution  
RGH40H - 50 nm resolution

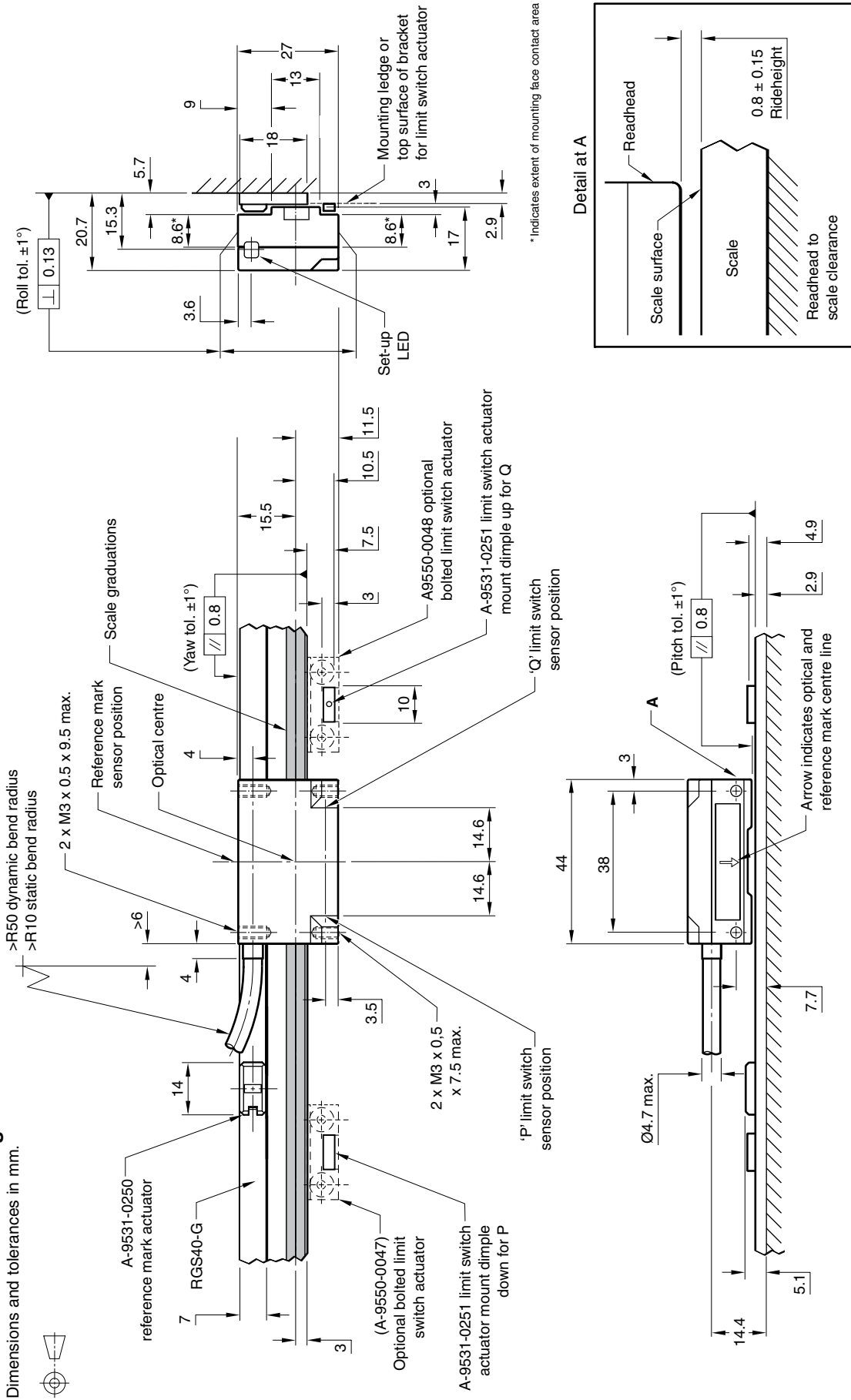
#### Analogue range

RGH40A - 1 Vpp differential

- Non-contact open optical system
- Large installation tolerances
- High speed operation - up to 10 m/s
- Industry standard digital and analogue output options
- Resolutions from 10 µm to 50 nm
- Integral reference and dual limit sensors
- Integral set-up LED
- Uses Renishaw RGS40-G glass scale and RESR angle encoder

## RGH40 Installation drawing

Dimensions and tolerances in mm.



**NOTE:** For use with RESR, see RESR installation guide (M-9559-0675)

**NOTE:** Mounting ledge not shown on front view

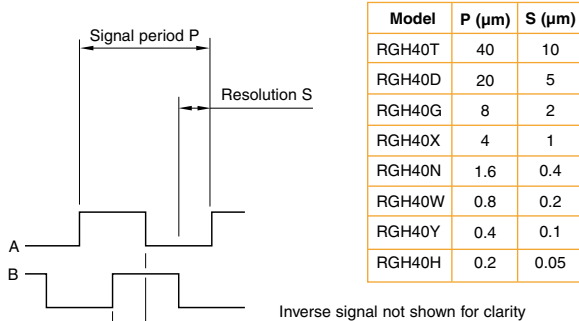
### Detail at A

## Output specifications

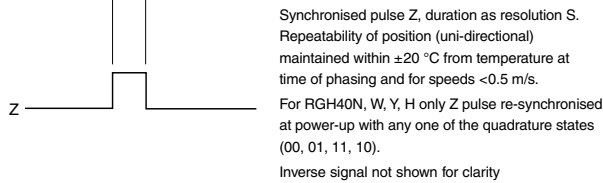
### Digital output signals - RGH40T, D, G, X, N, W, Y, H

Form - square wave differential line driver to EIA RS422A (except limit switch P, Q, Alarm E- and external set-up signal X)

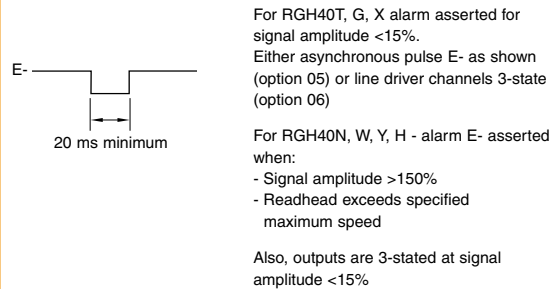
#### Incremental 2 channels A and B in quadrature (90° phase shifted)



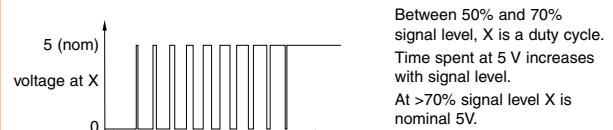
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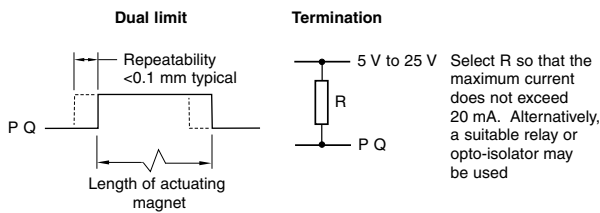
#### Alarm single-ended line driver output



#### Set-up

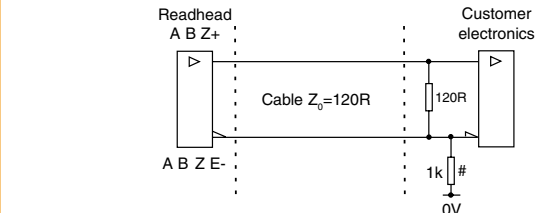


#### Limit open collector output



Asynchronous pulse P, Q Actuation device A-9531-0251, A-9550-0047, A-9550-0048, A-9531-2052, A-9531-2054

#### Recommended signal termination

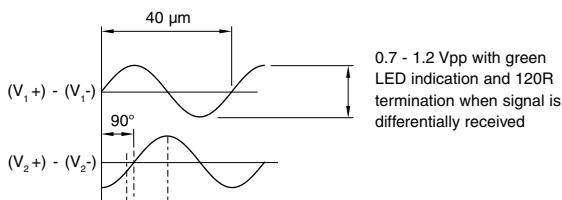


Standard RS422A line receiver circuitry.

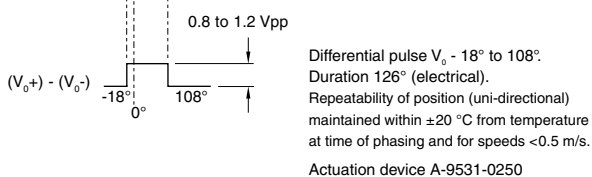
# Only required on alarm channel E- for fail safe operation and to ensure alarm signal is asserted at low signal amplitude on RGH40N, W, Y, H when output is 3-stated.

## Analogue output signals - RGH40A

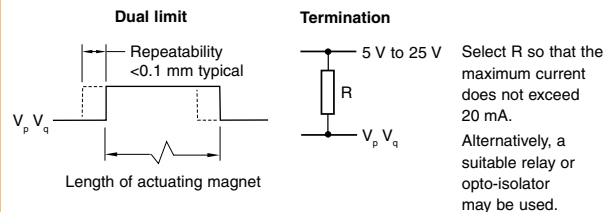
### Incremental 2 channels V<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>2</sub> differential sinusoids in quadrature (90° phase shifted)



#### Reference

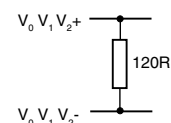


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## Operating and electrical specifications

### Speed performance

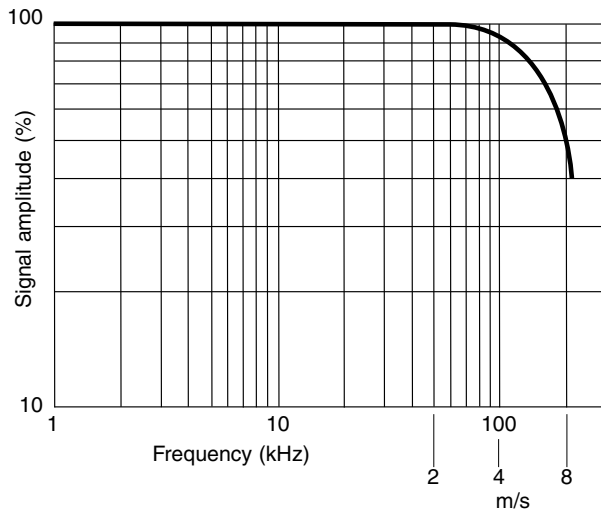
#### Clocked output readheads

The RGH40N, W, Y, H readheads are available with a variety of different clocked outputs. The clocked options have been designed to prevent fine edge separations being missed by receiving electronics utilising slower clock speeds. Depending on the clock frequency chosen, each option has a different maximum speed and associated minimum recommended counter clock frequency.

Digital readheads					
Head type	Maximum speed (m/s)		Minimum recommended counterclock frequency (MHz)		
T	10		$\left(\frac{\text{Encoder velocity (m/s)}}{\text{Resolution } (\mu\text{m})}\right) \times 4$ safety factor		
D	8				
G	6				
X	4				
N, W, Y, H option	N	W	Y	H	Minimum recommended counter clock frequency (MHz)
61	3.0	2.5	1.3	0.6	20
62	2.6	1.3	0.7	0.3	10
63	1.3	0.7	0.35	0.15	5

#### Analogue type A readheads

Characteristic applies to RGS40-G scale and RESR rings



<b>Power supply</b>	5 V ± 5 %	120 mA (typical), 175 mA (RGH40N, W, Y, H)
	Ripple	200 mVpp @ frequency up to 500 kHz maximum.

**NOTE:** For digital outputs, current consumption figures refer to unterminated readheads. A further 25 mA per channel pair (eg A+, A-) will be drawn when terminated with 120 Ω.  
Renishaw encoder systems must be powered from a 5 V dc supply complying with the requirements for SELV of standard EN (IEC) 60950.

<b>Temperature</b>	Storage -20 °C to +70 °C Operating 0 °C to +55 °C
<b>Humidity</b>	Operating 80% maximum relative humidity (non-condensing) Storage 95% maximum relative humidity (non-condensing)
<b>Sealing</b>	IP50
<b>Acceleration</b>	Operating 500 m/s <sup>2</sup> BS EN 60068-2-7:1993 (IEC 68-2-7:1983)
<b>Shock (non-operating)</b>	1000 m/s <sup>2</sup> , 6 ms, ½ sine BS EN 60068-2-27:1993 (IEC 68-2-27:1987)
<b>Vibration (operating)</b>	100 m/s <sup>2</sup> max @ 55 Hz to 2000 Hz BS EN 60068-2-6:1996 (IEC 68-2-6:1995)
<b>Mass</b>	Readhead 50 g Cable 38 g/m
<b>EMC compliance</b>	BS EN 61000 BS EN 55011
<b>Cable</b>	12 core, double shielded, maximum outside diameter 4.7 mm Flex life >20 x 10 <sup>6</sup> cycles at 50 mm bend radius

Connector options	Code	Connector type	Application
	D	15 pin D type plug	RGH40T, D, G, X, N, W, Y, H
	L	15 pin D type plug	RGH40A
	V	12 pin circular plug	RGH40A
	W	12 pin circular coupling plug	RGH40A
	F	Unterminated cable	All readheads
	X	16 pin in-line connector	All readheads

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