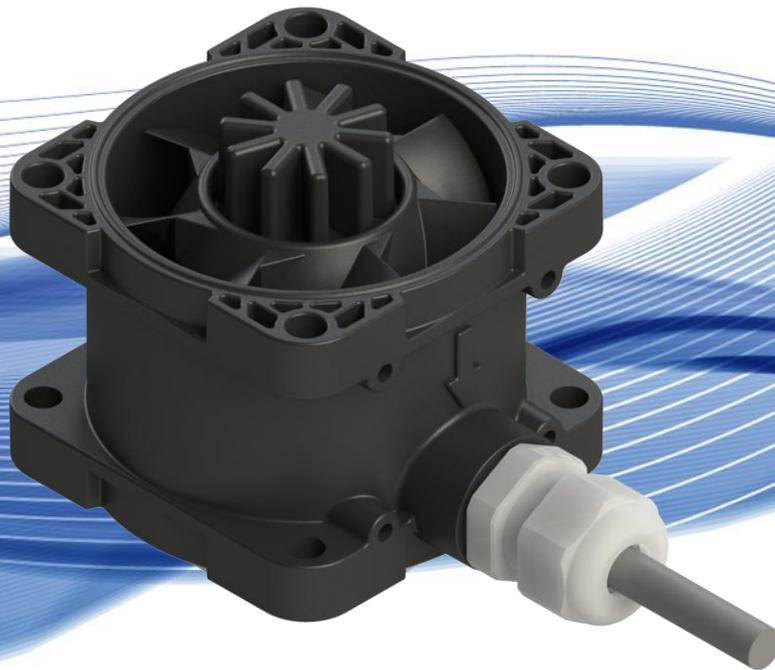


## MagLev Fan Technology For Harshest Environments



### BFS-i03

1420 Pa	(5.7 inH <sub>2</sub> O)
200 m <sup>3</sup> /h	(118 cfm)

No Bearings. No Seals. No Problems.

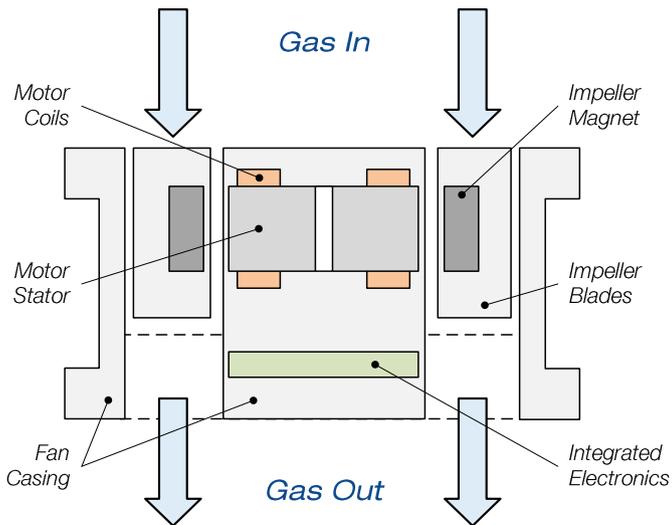


Figure 1: Schematic of the BFS-i03

## INTRODUCTION

Levitronix® has developed a revolutionary axial fan that has no bearings to wear out or seals to break down.

Based on the principles of magnetic levitation, the fan impeller is suspended and driven contact-free by the magnetic field of the bearingless motor (Figure 1).

Both impeller and casing are hermetically encapsulated in chemically resistant and electrically dissipative plastics (Figure 2), enabling safe operation in the harshest environments, including explosive atmospheres.

Flow rate, pressure and fan speed are precisely and quickly controlled by the integrated closed-loop controller, with PLC interface or RS485 bus with Modbus protocol.

BFS fans are an ultra-compact and power dense solution with minimal wiring requirements, thanks to high-speed operation and fully integrated motor and electronics.

## SYSTEM BENEFITS

- Chemically resistant design for exposure to aggressive media.
- Certified for use in explosive atmospheres.
- Closed-loop flow or pressure control possible with additional sensor.
- Ultra-low particle generation and maintenance due to lack of bearings and dynamic seals.
- Hermetically sealed with single material in media contact - no safety or integrity concerns.
- Inline washdown with aggressive cleaning agents possible, e.g. to remove photo-resist deposits.
- Low vibration due to active unbalance compensation.

## APPLICATIONS

- Exhaust control and boosting in semiconductor processing chambers and fabs.
- Gas flow control in coating and baking chambers.
- Flow control in ultra-pure environment.

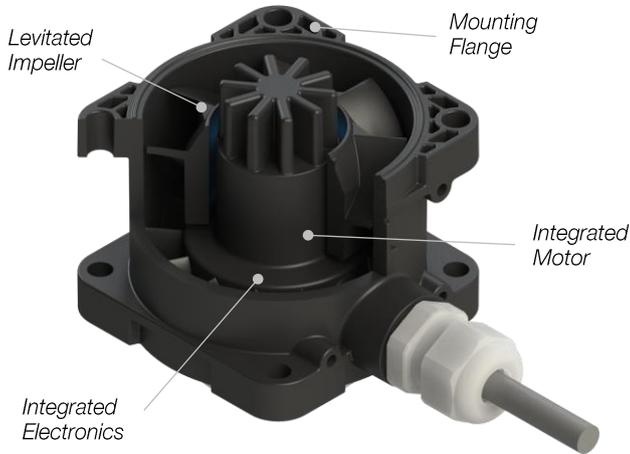


Figure 2: Components of the BFS-i03

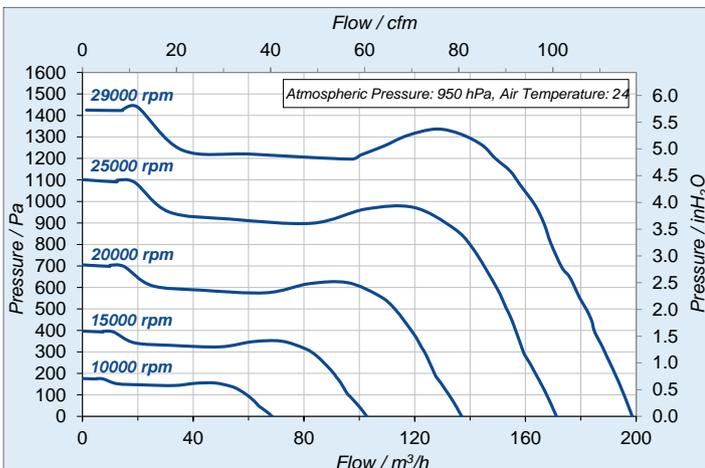


Figure 3: Pressure/flow curves (typical data for BFS-i03)

## INSTALLATION

The fans can be adapted to a wide variety of ducts. Multiple fans may be used in series to achieve higher pressure, or in parallel to achieve higher flow rate (Figure 4).

The interface panel *FIP-1.1* is available for easy wiring of multiple fans, for example:

- Individual control of up to four fans through a single power and fieldbus connection (Figure 5, left).
- Analog synchronization of two or more fans for parallel or serial operation (Figure 5, right).

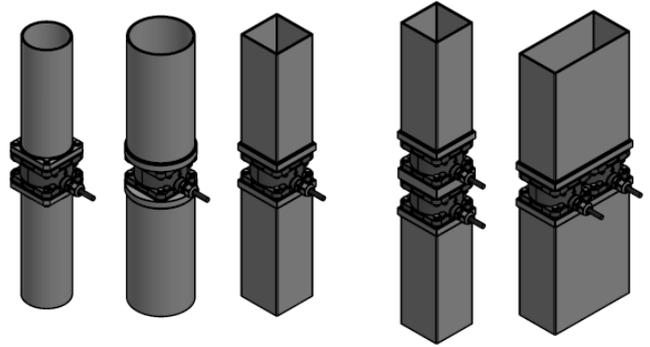


Figure 4: Example duct configurations

## INTERFACES

Basic control is possible through the PLC interface:

- Speed control with one analog input.
- Closed loop process control with additional flow or pressure sensor on second analog input.
- Monitoring of actual speed or process value.

The RS485 bus offers full functionality including parameter logging, debugging and service, through one of the following means and for several fans at once (Figure 6):

- PC (*Levitronix® Service Software*).
- Handheld user panel *LUI-B.1*.
- Fieldbus (Modbus RTU protocol).

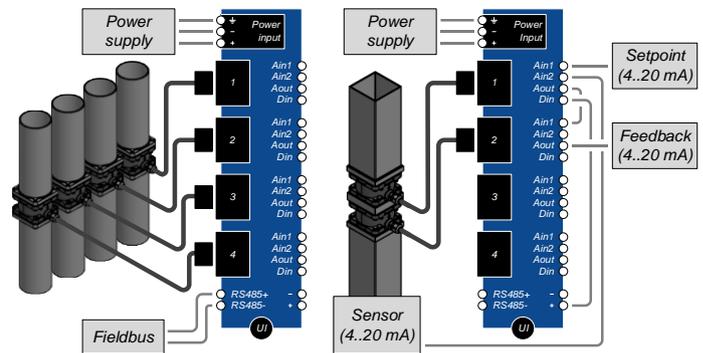


Figure 5: Example of interface panel setups

## ATEX / IECEx RATING

The *BFS-i03.1* is ATEX / IECEx certified for installation in ATEX Zone 1 for gas. An Ex conform solution is needed for the motor cables to leave the ATEX area (e.g. a certified cable sealing, as in Table 2, Pos. 10).

- Ex marking of fan:

CE<sub>1258</sub> UK<sub>2503</sub> CA<sub>2503</sub> Ex II 2G Ex h mb IIC T6 Gb

- Max. allowed gas temperature is 40°C.
- Gas group IIC with T6 rating: all gases are allowed.

System configurations with interfacing options and accessories are shown in Figure 7 and Figure 8.

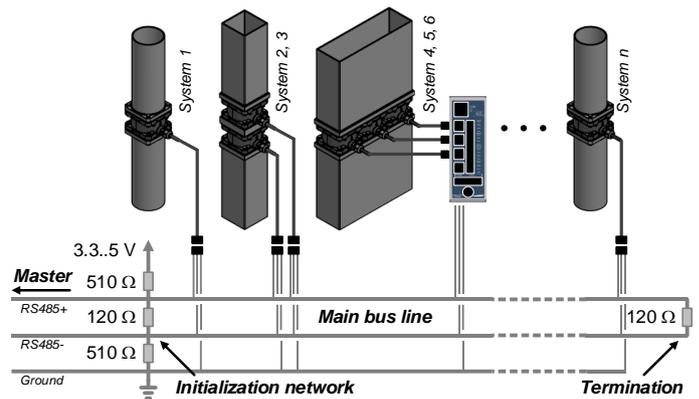


Figure 6: Multi-fan array on RS485 fieldbus

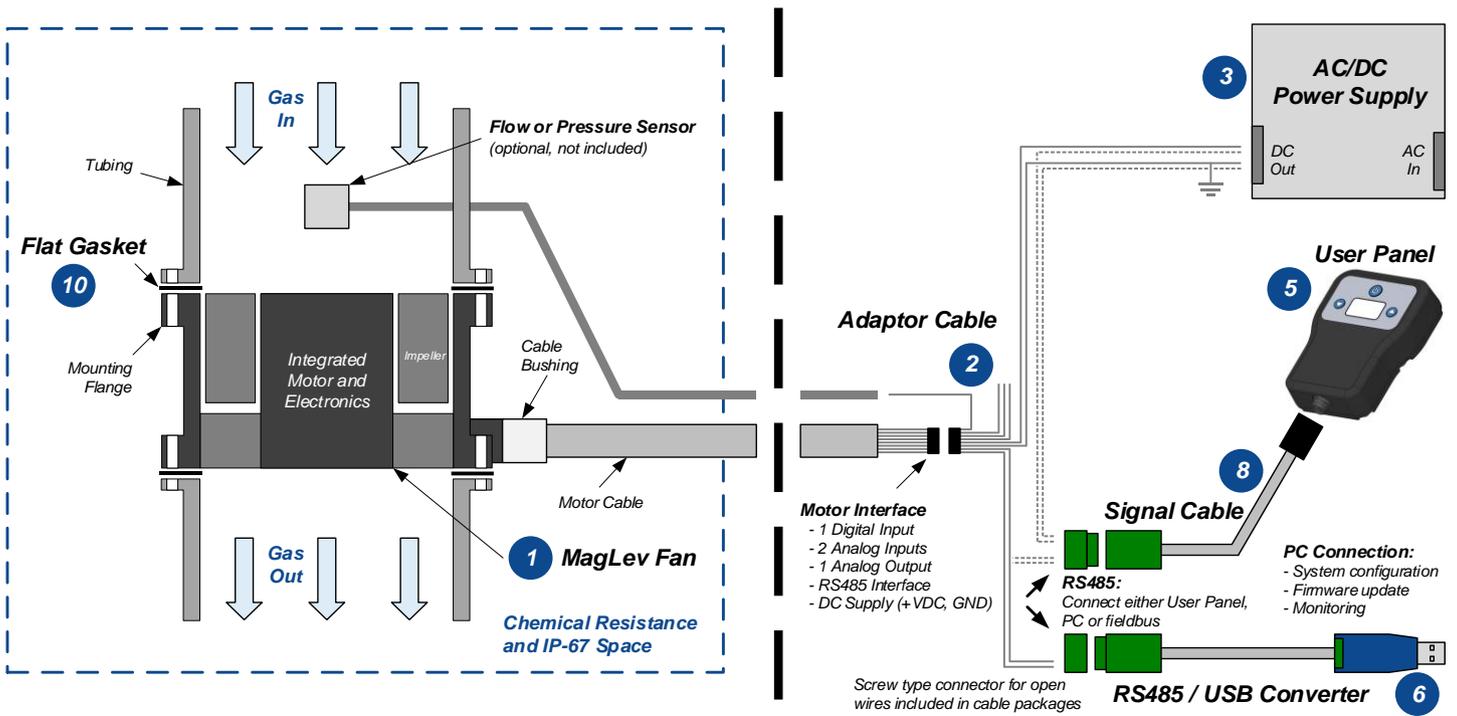


Figure 7: Standard system configuration (left) and possible connection with open wire adaptor (right)  
 Note: Connection options (right of dashed line) are interchangeable with Figure 8

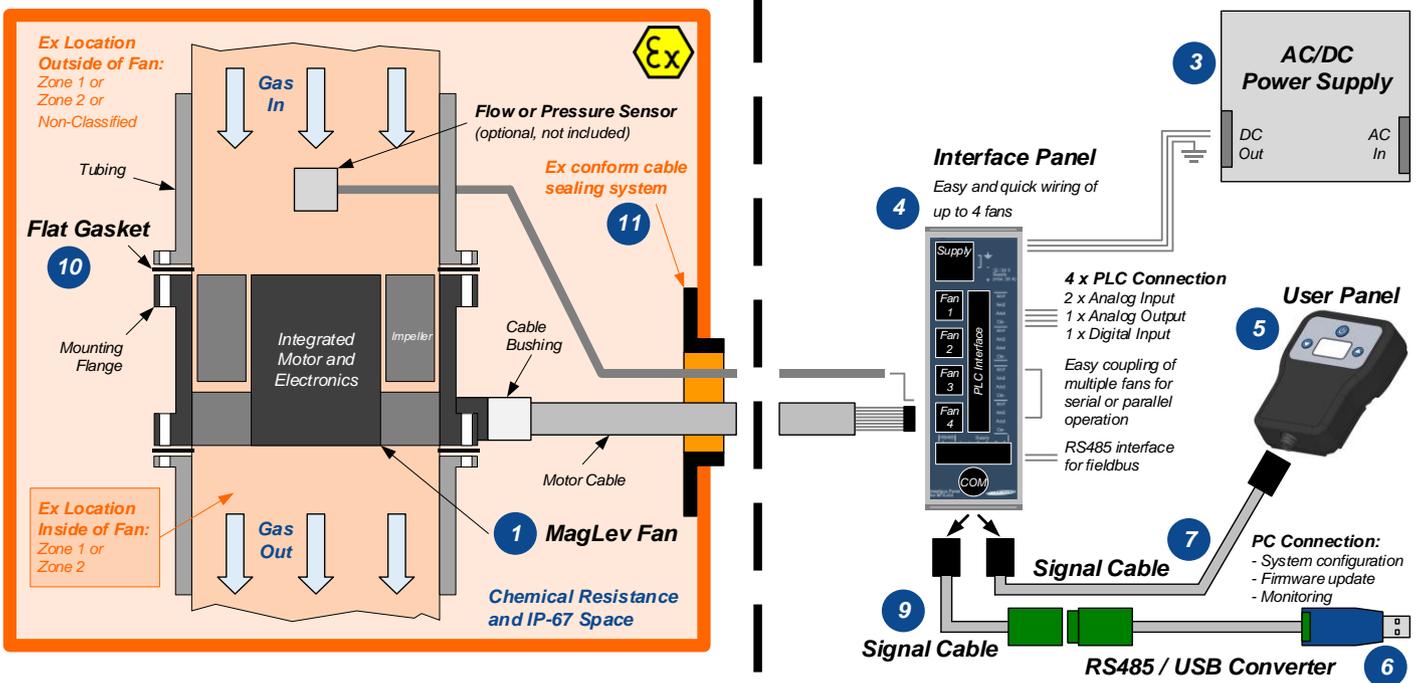


Figure 8: ATEX/IECEx system configuration (left) and possible connection with interface panel (right)  
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# DIMENSIONS OF MAIN COMPONENTS

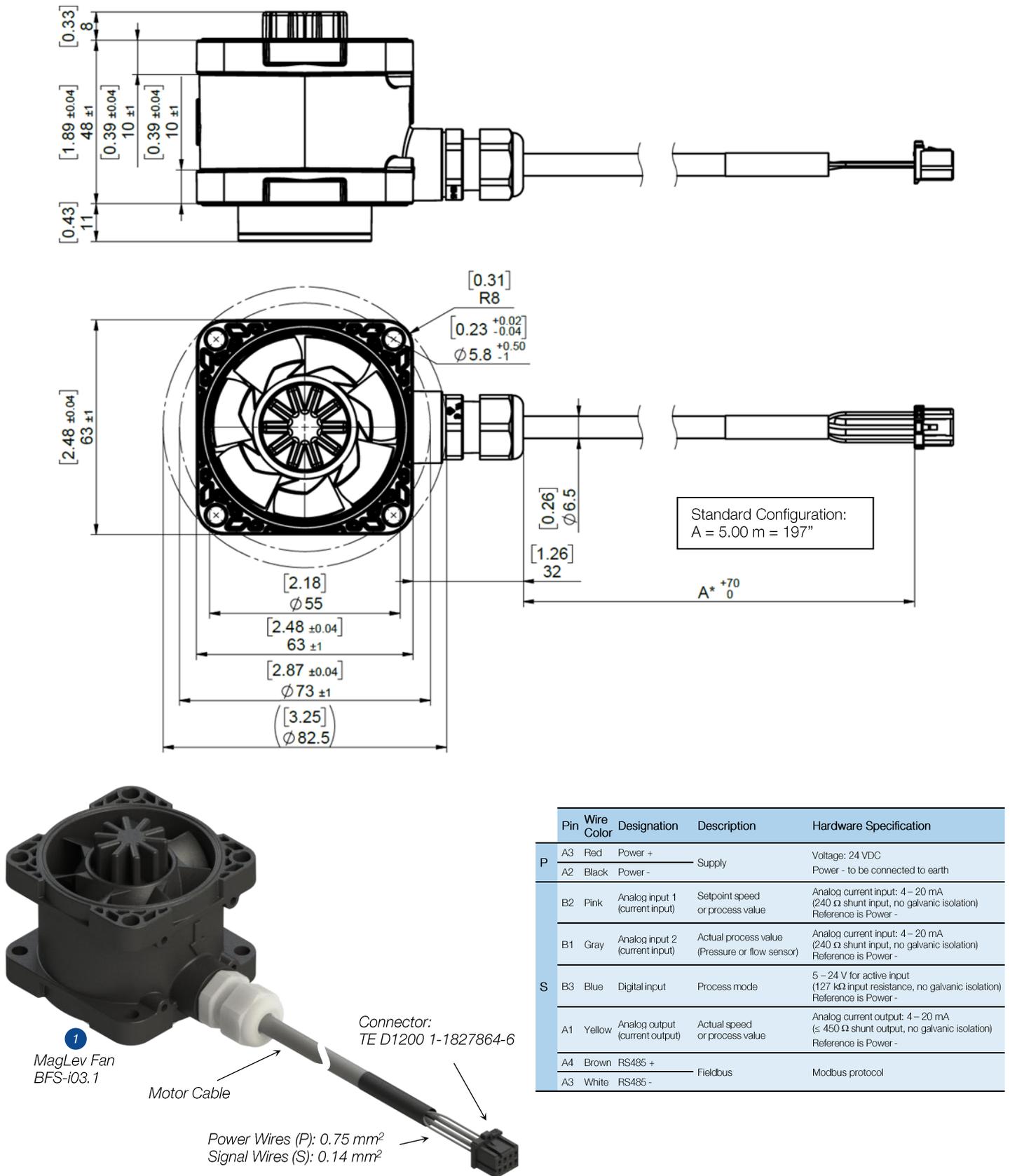


Figure 9: Basic dimensions and interface description of BFS-i03 fan  
Note: Non-tolerated dimensions are for reference only, dimensions in [inch] are rounded only

# ORDER INFORMATION

Pos.	Component	Article Name	Article #	Characteristics	Value / Feature
1	Bearingless Fan (ATEX / IECEx)	BFS-i03.1	100-10259	Voltage, Power Input	24 V DC +10%/-5%, 120 W (Option: 12 V DC ±5%, 20 W, with reduced max. speed of 15000 rpm)
				Max. Pressure, Max. Flow	1420 Pa (5.7 inH <sub>2</sub> O), 200 m <sup>3</sup> /h (118 cfm)
				Point of Max. Power	1260 Pa, 140 m <sup>3</sup> /h, 29000 rpm (optional 12 V supply voltage: 350 Pa, 70 m <sup>3</sup> /h, 15000 rpm)
				ATEX / IECEx Marking	 II 2G Ex h mb IIC T6 Gb
				Ambient and gas temperature range	0 to 40 °C
				IP Rating	IP67
				Electrical Interfaces	PLC with 2 analog inputs 4-20 mA 1 analog output 4-20 mA 1 digital inputs 0-24 V
					RS485 interface, Modbus protocol (extended control or service through fieldbus or Levitronix® Service Software)
				Standard Firmware	V5.38x
				Mechanical Interface	Flange on both motor sides with mounting holes 4 x Ø 5.8 mm on diameter 73 mm. Flange inside Ø 55 mm, outside 63 x 63 mm
				Cable Length	5 m with TE connector for power and PLC signals
				Materials	Polypropylene, electrically conductive, flame retardant (UL94 V0). Cable: PVC jacket, PVDF bushing
				Weight	0.5 kg, 1.1 lb

**Table 1: Specification of standard configuration**

Pos.	Component	Article Name	Article #	Characteristics	Value / Feature
2	Adaptor Cable Hybrid	ICH-5.1-03 (0.3 m)	190-10544	Specifications	PVC insulated open wires (2 x 0.75 mm <sup>2</sup> for power, 6 x 0.14 mm <sup>2</sup> for signals) with TE connector
				Purpose	Connection of fan cable to DC power supply and PLC signals
3	AC/DC Power Supply	TIB 120-124 ' (Traco)	100-40031	Voltage Output / Input	24 V DC / 85 – 264 V AC
				Power Output	120 W (180 W for 4 s)
				Certification or Standards	CB, UL, CSA, Semi F47
4	Interface Panel	FIP-1.1 ' 1	100-91638	Structure/Design	DIN-rail mountable PCB with connectors for: - 4 x BFS-i03 fans (TE Connectivity 1-1827875-4) - 1 x Power supply connector (Wago 2624-3103) - 18 x PLC push-in (analog input / outputs, digital inputs, RS-485) - 1 x Circular COM for LUI-B.1 or RS485 to USB Converter
				Purpose	Easy wiring of power and PLC signals for up to four BFS-i03 fans
5	User Panel	LUI-B.1-06	100-30549	Specifications	Firmware A8.00, IP65, 5 to 24 V supply voltage
				Purpose	Control of fan via handheld device with display and menu buttons
6	USB-RS485 Adaptor	YN-485I-TR	100-30392	Structure/Design	USB connector (A) with termination resistor and cable (2 m) with connector pair (B and C) for external RS485 wire connection. Magnetically isolated. Included is a USB space saver cable (D)
				Purpose	Control or service of fan via USB port of a PC with Levitronix® Service Software
7	IP Adaptor Cable Signal 6 Wires	ICS-1.1-10 (1 m) ICS-1.1-30 (3 m)	190-10344 190-10345	Specifications	PVC jacket, connectors: circular to circular type
				Purpose	Connection of user panel (LUI-B.1) to interface panel (FIP-1.1)
8	IP Adaptor Cable Signal 6 Wires	ICS-1.2-10 (1 m) ICS-1.2-50 (5 m)	190-10440 190-10346	Specifications	PVC jacket, connectors: circular type to screw type
				Purpose	Connection of user panel (LUI-B.1) to adaptor cable (ICH-5.1) and 5 to 24 V supply
9	IP Adaptor Cable Signal 6 Wires	ICS-1.3-50 (5 m)	190-10389	Specifications	PVC jacket, connectors: circular type to screw type
				Purpose	Connection of interface panel (FIP-1.1) to USB adaptor (YN-485I-TR)
10	Flat Gasket for BFS-i03 Flange		190-10609	Specifications	FKM, 63 x 63 x 3 mm, ID 55.5 mm
				Purpose	Sealing between BFS fan and ducting
11	ATEX Cable Sealing System	ACS-A.1 (Roxtec)	100-90292	Materials	Sleeve (A) and Gasket (B): Stainless Steel, EPDM Frame(C) and 2x Cable Module (D): Roxylon (EPDM Rubber)
				Note	Lubricant (E) and measurement plates (F) are included

**Table 2: Specification of standard accessories**

Note 1: See user manual for a list of tested power supplies for one or multiple fans



Figure 10: Standard fan



Figure 11: Accessories

*Levitronix®* is the world-wide leader in magnetically levitated bearingless motor technology. *Levitronix®* was the first company to introduce bearingless motor technology to the Semiconductor, Medical and Life Science markets. The company is ISO 9001 certified. Production and quality control facilities are located in Switzerland. In addition, *Levitronix®* is committed to bring other highly innovative products like the *LEVIFLOW®* flowmeter series to the market.



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