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INSTALLATION & OPERATION MANUAL

BCD315 SERIES DC Source Battery Charger



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IMPORTANT & SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS — This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for the battery charger.

ALL BATTERY CHARGERS

1. **CAUTION** — To reduce risk of injury, charge only lead acid or sealed gel cell type rechargeable batteries. Other types of batteries may burst causing personal injury and damage.
2. Do not expose battery charger to rain or snow.
3. Use of an attachment not recommended or sold by the battery charger manufacturer may result in a risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
4. Do not disassemble battery charger; take it to a qualified serviceman when service or repair is required. Incorrect reassembly may result in a risk of electric shock or fire.
5. To reduce risk of electric shock, disconnect battery charger from batteries and DC supply before attempting any maintenance or cleaning. Turning off controls will not reduce this risk.
6. **WARNING** — RISK OF EXPLOSIVE GASES.
 - a. **WORKING IN VICINITY OF A LEAD-ACID BATTERY IS DANGEROUS. BATTERIES GENERATE EXPLOSIVE GASES DURING NORMAL BATTERY OPERATION. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT EACH TIME BEFORE SERVICING EQUIPMENT IN THE VICINITY OF THE BATTERY, YOU READ THIS MANUAL AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS EXACTLY.**
 - b. To reduce risk of battery explosion, follow these instructions and those published by battery manufacturer and manufacturer of any equipment you intend to use in vicinity of battery. Review cautionary marking on these products and on engine.
7. **PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS**
 - a. Someone should be within range of your voice or close enough to come to your aid when you work near a lead-acid battery.
 - b. Have plenty of fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing, or eyes.
 - c. Wear complete eye protection and clothing protection. Avoid touching eyes while working near battery.
 - d. If battery acid contacts skin or clothing, wash immediately with soap and water. If acid enters eye, immediately flood eye with running cold water for at least 10 minutes and get medical attention immediately.
 - e. NEVER smoke or allow a spark or flame in vicinity of battery or engine.
 - f. Be extra cautious to reduce risk of dropping a metal tool onto battery. It might spark or short-circuit battery or other electrical part that may cause explosion.



- g. Remove personal metal items such as rings, bracelets, necklaces, and watches when working with a lead-acid battery. A lead-acid battery can produce a short-circuit current high enough to weld a ring or the like to metal, causing a severe burn.
 - h. NEVER charge a frozen battery.
 - i. If necessary to remove battery from service, always remove grounded terminal from battery first. Make sure all accessories are off, so as not to cause an arc.
 - j. Be sure area around battery is well ventilated.
 - k. Clean battery terminals. Be careful to keep corrosion from coming in contact with eyes.
 - l. Study all battery manufacturer's specific precautions such as removing or not removing cell caps while charging and recommended rates of charge.
 - m. Add distilled water in each cell until battery acid reaches level specified by battery manufacturer. This helps purge excessive gas from cells. Do not overfill. For a battery without cell caps, carefully follow manufacturer's recharging instructions.
8. BATTERY CHARGER LOCATION
- a. Never place battery charger directly above battery; gases from battery will corrode and damage converter.
 - b. Never allow battery acid to drip on battery charger when reading gravity or filling battery.
9. O/P CONNECTION PRECAUTIONS
- a. Connect and disconnect DC output connections only after setting battery charger switch to off position.

Analytic Systems does not recommend the use of the BCD315 Series Battery Chargers in life support applications where failure or malfunction of this product can be reasonably expected to cause failure of the life support device or to significantly affect its safety or effectiveness.

Analytic Systems does not recommend the use of any of its products in direct patient care. Examples of devices considered to be life support devices are neonatal oxygen analyzers, nerve stimulators (whether used for anesthesia, pain relief, or other purposes), autotransfusion devices, blood pumps, defibrillators, arrhythmia detectors and alarms, pacemakers, hemodialysis systems, peritoneal dialysis systems, neonatal ventilator incubators, ventilators for both adults and infants, anesthesia ventilators, and infusion pumps as well as any other devices designated as "critical" by the U.S. FDA.



Introduction

This all new single board design incorporates state of the art switchmode technology for unmatched efficiency and ultra-quiet operation. Multiple stages of filtering reduce radiated or conducted noise to very low levels. Extra features include adjustable output voltage, audible and visual indicators for low input voltage, low output voltage and over temperature and a dry contact alarm relay output.

Safety features include reverse input protection, over-temperature protection, current limiting, and short circuit protection with automatic recovery, input undervoltage shutdown, reverse battery protection and output overvoltage crowbar.

Optional features include a high quality digital volt/ammeter (factory install only), and remote panel monitoring with On/Off control.

Specifications

Input Voltages					
Nominal (ip)	12	24	36	48	72
Actual (Vdc)	11-16	20 - 35	30-45	40 – 60	65 – 90
Input Amps (max)	30	18.7	12.5	9.4	5.7
Input Fuse (slow blow)	MDA-25	MDA-25	MDA-20	MDA-15	MDA-10
Output Voltages					
Nominal (op)	12	36	24	48	
Float (Vdc)	13.6 ± 0.05	40.8	27.2 ± 0.05	54.4 ± 0.05	
Absorption Voltage (Vdc)	14.4	43.2	28.8	57.6	
Charging Amps	20	6.7	10	5	
Absorption to Float	3.0 Amps	1 Amp	1.5 Amps	0.75 Amps	
Battery Banks	1 or 2				
Battery Size (Amp Hours)*	80 – 120	50-80	40 – 60	20 – 30	
Output Adjust	± 1.0 volts				
Output Fuses	AGC 25	AGC 10	AGC 15	AGC 7	
Output Crowbar	16.0 ± 0.5 V	48 ± 2.0 V	32.0 ± 1.0 V	64.0 ± 2.0 V	
Temperature Compensation Coefficient	-30mV / °C	-45mV / °C	-60mV / C	-120mV / °C	



POWER CONNECTION

The unit is supplied with power leads 1 meter long. This should normally be adequate to connect to a source of power. If you must extend the power leads, be sure to use at least a good quality (typeTEW) AWG12 wire. The wire colours are:

Red - Positive

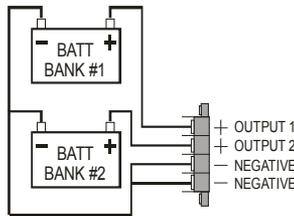
Black- Negative

All connections should be made inside an appropriate junction box. Refer to the specifications table for the correct sizing of the circuit breaker in the distribution panel.

A ground stud is provided to bond the chassis to local ground to reduce or eliminate EMI.

To ensure spark free connections the power switch must be in the OFF position prior to making the connections to the battery bank(s).

The unit may be hooked to 1 or 2 battery banks. If you are hooking up 2 battery banks keep in mind that they MUST share a common ground!



Operation

Prior to turning on the unit, you must decide on which charging profile, 2 or 3 stage charging, to use. To help you decide, please see the following section entitled 2 or 3 Stage Charging to determine the charging profile.

Once you have decided on the charging profile you must set the switch to the correct position. The switch is located to the right of the output terminal on the front panel. Set the switch to the correct position as shown on the label.

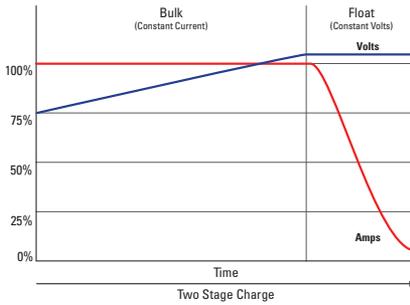
To turn the unit on, simply move the power switch to the ON position. The alarm buzzer will sound and the Low Output LED will come on briefly, and then the green OUTPUT ON LED will illuminate.

When the unit is first turned on, it will charge the batteries at maximum current and the charging light will be on. After a period of time which may be minutes to hours, the batteries will reach the absorption voltage (3-stage) or float voltage (2-stage), and the charging current will reduce as necessary to maintain the batteries at that voltage. Once the charging current has dropped to a low level (about 10% of the charging current rating), the charging light will go off, and if set to 3-stage charging the voltage will drop to the float level. You may check



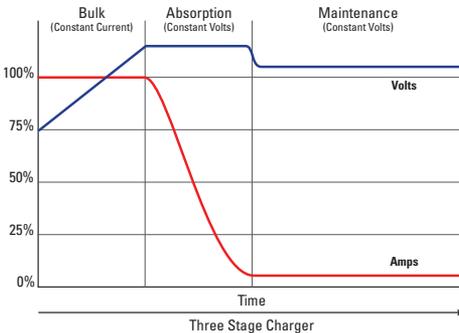
this voltage at the output terminals of the unit with a good digital voltmeter. As shipped from the factory, the unit is preset for a float voltage of 13.6, 27.2 or 36.3 VDC, which is generally recommended for lead-acid batteries. The output adjust potentiometer is located to the right of the 2 stage / 3 stage select switch. If you wish to adjust this voltage, reach in with a very small flat blade screwdriver to rotate the potentiometer. Please Note that this adjusts both the float and absorption voltages at the same time. Clockwise increases the output voltage, and counter clockwise decreases it. It is advisable to check with the battery manufacturer before changing the float voltage.

2 or 3 Stage Charging



This charger features user selectable 2 or 3 stage charging. The charging profile is selected by moving the slide switch on the front panel up to 3 stage or down for 2 stage charging.

A two-stage charger provides a constant current until the battery reaches its rated capacity and then switches to a “float” voltage. The current then reduces as necessary to maintain the battery at the float voltage. The charger can be connected to the battery indefinitely and will provide the appropriate profile. A two-stage charger is recommended in most instances since it is the most versatile and can be permanently connected to attenuate the characteristic discharge of unused batteries. A load can be put on the battery or batteries without altering its ability to keep the battery at optimal charge.





A three-stage charger is the fastest charger. It charges the battery at a constant current until the battery voltage reaches a slightly elevated level. The battery is maintained at this voltage while the charging current diminishes to a low value, and then the battery is switched to the float voltage where it can be maintained indefinitely. However, the charger cannot differentiate between a current going to a load on the battery, or being absorbed by the battery, so it can overcharge a battery supplying current to a load. A two-stage charger is preferred for “loaded” batteries and a three-stage for idle or unloaded batteries during recharging.

All of Analytic Systems’ chargers include adjustable output voltage for charging standard or deep cycle lead-acid, VLRA or gel type batteries.

Meters

A high quality digital meter can be added to the voltage converter (factory installed only). The meter shows simultaneous voltage and current on either of the two output terminals. A toggle switch permits selection between the output terminals. The meter features bright red LED readouts to permit easy monitoring from many feet or meters away.



Troubleshooting

If the red **OVERTEMP LED** and the audible alarm come on, the unit has overheated, and it will shut down until it cools off sufficiently. You may not have allowed sufficient space around the unit for cooling, or there may be too many devices connected to the output of the unit. Either reduce the number of devices connected to the unit, or reposition the unit for better cooling. If necessary, direct a stream of moving air over the unit.

If the yellow **LOW INPUT LED** and the audible alarm comes on, the input voltage has dropped to below a usable level.

If the **LOW OUTPUT LED** and the audible alarm come on, and the green **OUTPUT ON LED** is completely off, the output of the unit has been shorted out, or there has been an internal failure. Turn the unit off, disconnect all the loads connected to it, and turn it back on again. If it comes on normally, turn it off again, reconnect one load, and turn it back on. Continue reconnecting loads until the short circuit condition returns. Turn the unit off, disconnect the faulty load, and reconnect it only after the fault is found and rectified. If the condition still exists even after all the loads have been disconnected, the unit is defective, and must be returned to the factory or an authorized service center for repair.

If the unit will not turn on at all, check the input fuse. To do this, first turn off the unit and disconnect the power cord. Next, remove the negative battery lead and cover the end with non conductive material such as tape. Repeat this with the other battery lead. This will prevent an accidental discharge from the battery. Remove the fuse and check it with an ohmmeter. If it is blown, replace it with a new one. If that fuse blows as well or the unit still will not turn on, it is defective, and must be returned to the factory or an authorized service center for repair.

If the batteries are hooked up backwards the output fuses will blow. To change them follow the same procedure as for the input fuse.

If both the input and output fuses are good and the unit still does not function it must be returned to the factory for servicing.



Limited Warranty

1. The equipment manufactured by Analytic Systems Ware (1993) Ltd. (the "Warrantor") is warranted to be free from defects in workmanship and materials under normal use and service.
2. This warranty is in effect for:
 - a. 3 Years from date of purchase by the end user for standard products offered in our catalog.
 - b. 2 Years from date of manufacture for non-standard or OEM products
 - c. 1 Year from date of manufacture for encapsulated products.
3. Analytic Systems will determine eligibility for warranty from the date of purchase shown on the warranty card when returned within 30 days, or
 - a. The date of shipment by Analytic Systems, or
 - b. The date of manufacture coded in the serial number, or
 - c. From a copy of the original purchase receipt showing the date of purchase by the user.
4. In case any part of the equipment proves to be defective, the Purchaser should do the following:
 - a. Prepare a written statement of the nature of the defect to the best of the Purchasers knowledge, and include the date of purchase, the place of purchase, and the Purchasers name, address and telephone number.
 - b. Call Analytic Systems at 800-668-3884 or 604-946-9981 and request a return material authorization number (RMA).
 - c. Return the defective part or unit along with the statement at the Purchasers expense to the Warrantor; Analytic Systems Ware (1993) Ltd., 8128 River Way, Delta, B.C., V4G 1K5, Canada.
5. If upon the Warrantor's examination the defect proves to be the result of defective material or workmanship, the equipment will be repaired or replaced at the Warrantor's option without charge, and returned to the Purchaser at the Warrantor's expense by the most economical means. Requests for a different method of return or special handling will incur additional charges and are the responsibility of the Purchaser.
6. Analytic Systems reserves the right to void the warranty if:
 - a. Labels, identification marks or serial numbers are removed or altered in any way.
 - b. Our invoice is unpaid.
 - c. The defect is the result of misuse, neglect, improper installation, environmental conditions, non-authorized repair, alteration or accident.
7. No refund of the purchase price will be granted to the Purchaser, unless the Warrantor is unable to remedy the defect after having a reasonable number of opportunities to do so.
8. Only the Warrantor shall perform warranty service. Any attempt to remedy the defect by anyone else shall render this warranty void.
9. There shall be no warranty for defects or damages caused by faulty installation or hook-up, abuse or misuse of the equipment including exposure to excessive heat, salt or fresh water spray, or water immersion except for equipment specifically stated to be waterproof.
10. No other express warranty is hereby given and there are no warranties that extend beyond those described herein. This warranty is expressly in lieu of any other expressed or implied warranties, including any implied warranty of merchantability, fitness for the ordinary purposes for which such goods are used, or fitness for a particular purpose, or any other obligations on the part of the Warrantor or its employees and representatives.
11. There shall be no responsibility or liability whatsoever on the part of the Warrantor or its employees and representatives for injury to any person or persons, or damage to property, or loss of income or profit, or any other consequential or resulting damage which may be claimed to have been incurred through the use or sale of the equipment, including any possible failure of malfunction of the equipment, or part thereof.
12. The Warrantor assumes no liability for incidental or consequential damages of any kind



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