

*Analog Strain Signal Conditioner*

# **SGA21 / SGA21-2S**



## **User Manual**

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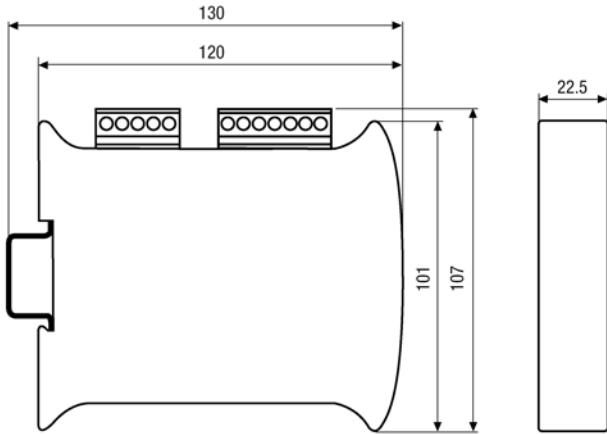
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## 1. Introduction

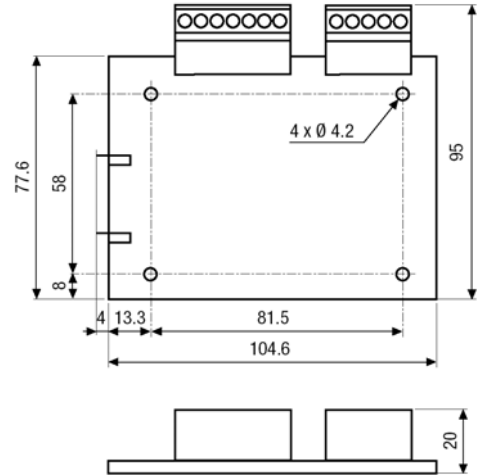
The SGA21 device is an analog sensor conditioner. It is mainly used with strain gage sensors such as load cells, torque sensors or pressure sensors. The SGA21-2S version includes 2 adjustable set points.

## 2. Presentation

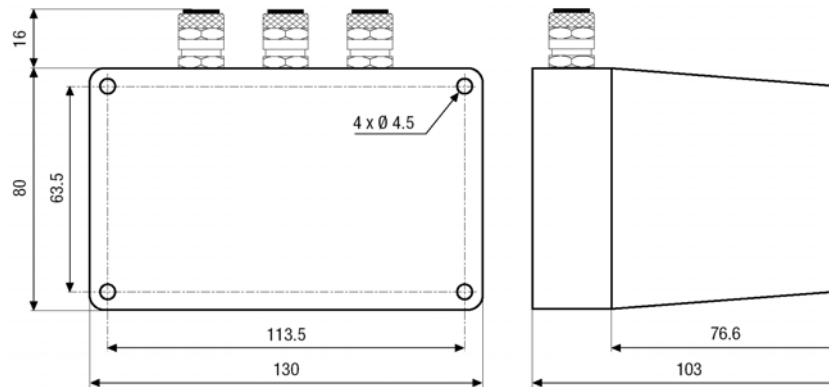
SGA21, DIN rail model



SGA21-1, Board model



SGA21-3, IP65 Housing model

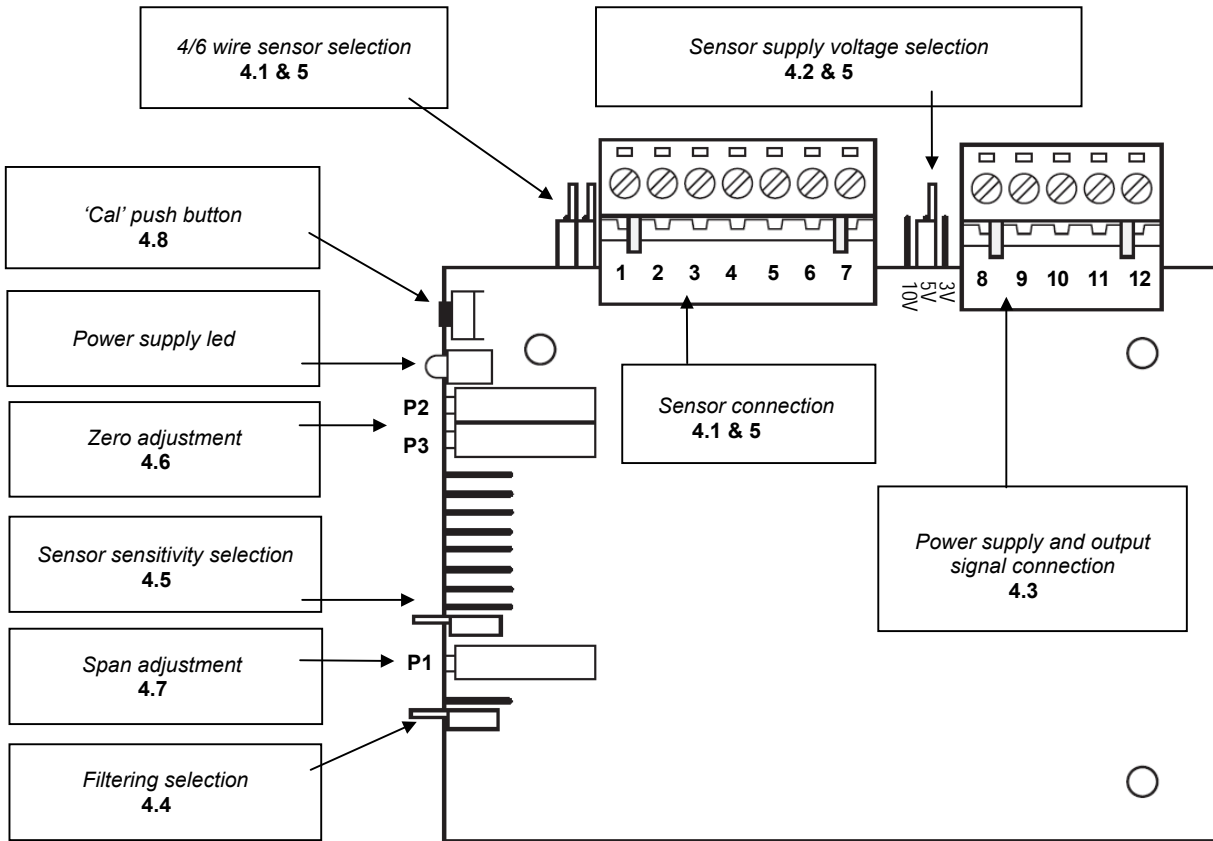


## 3. General specifications

Power supply	<b>24±4</b>	<b>VDC</b>
Overall accuracy	<b>0.05</b>	<b>%</b>
Zero temperature drift	<b>&lt;0.035</b>	<b>%/°C (FS*)</b>
Span temperature drift	<b>&lt;0.02</b>	<b>%/°C (FS*)</b>
Operating temperature range	<b>0...+70</b>	<b>°C</b>
Sensor supply voltage (jumper selection)	<b>3, 5, 10</b>	<b>V</b>
Min. sensor impedance	- voltage 3, 5V <b>80</b> - voltage 10V <b>160</b>	<b>Ω</b>
Span adjustment	<b>0.15 ... 12</b>	<b>mV/V</b>
Max. supply current SGA21/SGA21-2S	<b>120/170</b>	<b>mA</b>
Voltage output	<b>+/-10, 0-10</b>	<b>V</b>
Current output	<b>4-20</b>	<b>mA</b>
Load impedance (Voltage output)	<b>&gt;2000</b>	<b>Ω</b>
Load impedance (Current output)	<b>&lt;500</b>	<b>Ω</b>
Output capacitive load	<b>&lt;1</b>	<b>nF</b>
Filter (jumper selection)	<b>10</b>	<b>Hz</b>
Bandwidth (up to)	<b>20</b>	<b>KHz</b>

\*FS = Full Scale

## 4. Wiring and setting devices positioning

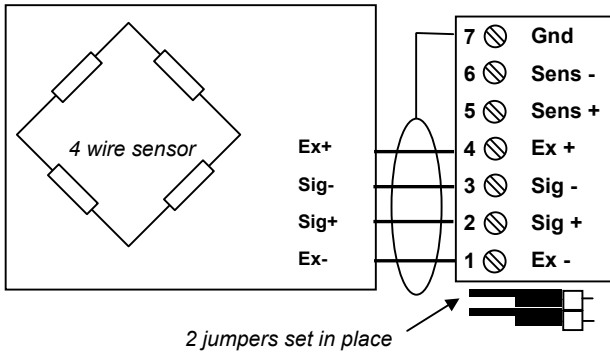


### 4.1 Sensor connections

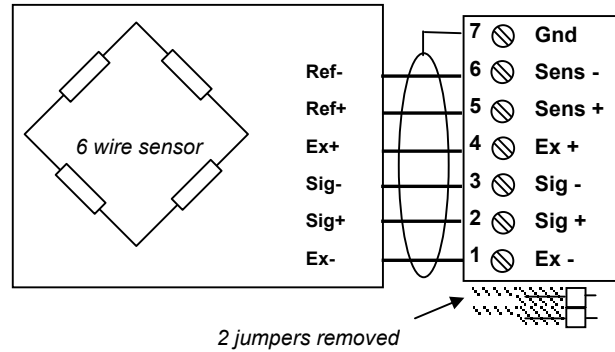
The SGA21 is able to manage up to 4 load cells (350Ω) connected in parallel through a junction box (Excitation jumper must be set to 5VDC or 3VDC for 4 load cell systems).

- Sensor connection

4 wire sensor. The two jumpers stay in place.



6 wire sensor. The two jumpers are removed.



### 4.2 Sensor supply voltage

Set the jumper in position corresponding to the selected voltage : 3VDC, 5VDC or 10VDC.

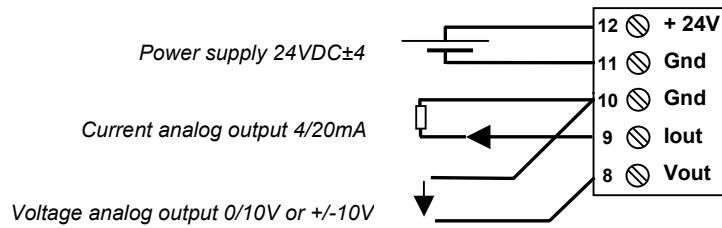
The load cells are generally supplied in 5V (default value).

3V voltage is useful for some particular sensors, 10V is recommended for low sensitivity (or low output signal) sensors.

**Warning :**

- With 10VDC supply voltage, only 2 load cells (350 Ω) can be connected.
- For load cells used in ATEX area and protected by Zener barriers, do not use 10V supply voltage.

### 4.3 Power supply and analog outputs

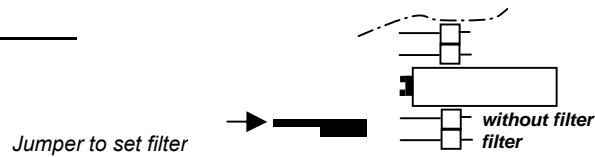


4/20mA current analog output and 0/10V voltage analog output can be used simultaneously. The 'Gnd' points are internally connected in the circuit board.

### 4.4 Sensor signal filtering

The filter is a second order low-pass type with **10Hz** cutting frequency. The filter is generally used to eliminate troubles caused by vibrations of the installation. If a faster response time is necessary, it's recommended to disable the filter.

- Enable filtering



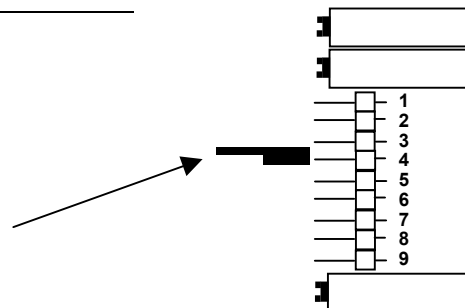
### 4.5 Sensor sensitivity selection

To get the correct signal on the analog output (0/10V or 4/20mA), set the sensor sensitivity jumper according to the following table:

*Note* : The load cell sensitivity is indicated on the quality control sheet attached with the load cell.

- Positioning of configuration jumper

Sensor sensitivity (mV/V)			Jumper position
Sensor power supply 3V	Sensor power supply 10V	Sensor power supply 5V	
0.50 → 0.66	0.15 → 0.20	<b>0.30 → 0.40</b>	<b>X</b>
0.66 → 0.93	0.20 → 0.28	<b>0.40 → 0.56</b>	<b>1</b>
0.93 → 1.30	0.28 → 0.39	<b>0.56 → 0.78</b>	<b>2</b>
1.30 → 1.80	0.39 → 0.54	<b>0.78 → 1.08</b>	<b>3</b>
1.80 → 2.50	0.54 → 0.75	<b>1.08 → 1.50</b>	<b>4</b>
2.50 → 3.40	0.75 → 1.02	<b>1.50 → 2.05</b>	<b>5</b>
3.40 → 4.65	1.02 → 1.40	<b>2.05 → 2.80</b>	<b>6</b>
4.65 → 6.50	1.40 → 1.95	<b>2.80 → 3.90</b>	<b>7</b>
6.50 → 8.80	1.95 → 2.65	<b>3.90 → 5.30</b>	<b>8</b>
8.80 → 12.50	2.65 → 3.75	<b>5.30 → 7.50</b>	<b>9</b>



#### Example

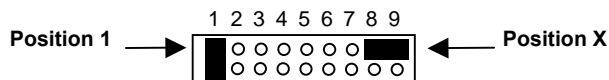
Load cell with 500kg capacity and 2mV/V sensitivity.  
Load cell supply voltage : 5V

Maximum load to be measured : 200kg for 10V

Sensitivity for a 200kg load =  
(200kg/500kg) x 2mV/V = 0.8mV/V

The jumper will be set in position number 3

For X position, put the jumper between 8 and 9.



## 4.6 Zero adjustment

- Verify that no load (except the load receptor) is applied on the load cell.
- Approach the zero with P2 potentiometer and make a fine adjustment with P3 potentiometer.
  - Analog output 0/10V : voltmeter displays 0V.
  - Analog output 4/20mA : ampere meter displays 4mA.

## 4.7 Span adjustment

- After zero adjustment, apply a known load on the load cell.
- Adjust span with P1 potentiometer until the analog output signal complies with the applied load.

**Example** : If the applied load is the maximum load, adjust P1 until output signal is 10V or 20mA.

If the applied load is not the max. load. For example, with a 200kg load cell and only a 100kg load available for the adjustment : Adjust P1 to obtain :  
 $10V \times (100kg / 200kg) = 5V$  (or  $12mA$ )

- Remove the load and verify the zero adjustment. If necessary, make a new zero adjustment followed by a new span adjustment.

## 4.8 Shunt calibration / control

If the load cell specifications are known :

- Output resistance (Z) and Sensitivity (S).

It is not necessary to put a calibrated weight on the load cell for span adjustment.

You just have to :

1. Connect the load cell
2. Select the load cell sensitivity (4.5)
3. Adjust the zero (4.6)

Then :

4. While maintaining pressure on the push button 'Cal', adjust the output voltage (or current) with P1 potentiometer. The adjustment value is defined by the following formula :
  - For 0/10V analog output :  $V_{(V)} = [(Z+1) / S] \times 0.025$
  - For 4/20mA analog output :  $I_{(mA)} = [(Z+1) / S] \times 0.04 + 4$With Z = output load cell resistance ( $\Omega$ )  
S = Load cell sensitivity (mV/V)
5. Release the push button 'Cal' and check the zero adjustment. If necessary, make a new zero adjustment and start again this process.

### Example

Load cell with 500kg capacity, 2mV/V sensitivity and 350 $\Omega$  output resistance

Voltage of 0/10V output (to obtain 10V at 500kg)

$$V = [(350\Omega + 1) / 2mV/V] \times 0.025 = 4.387V$$

Output current (to obtain 20mA at 500kg)

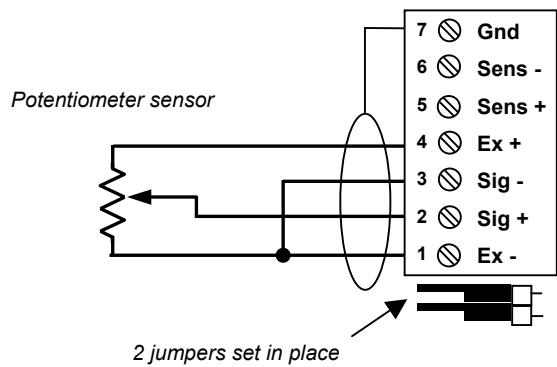
$$I = [(350\Omega + 1) / 2mV/V] \times 0.04 + 4 = 11.02mA$$

In case of calculation result > 10V or 20mA please call our offices

## 5. Optional potentiometer input

To obtain a 0/10V (or 4/20mA) output signal for the total potentiometer coarse, set up the SGA21 as follow :

- **Sensor supply voltage**
  - Put the jumper in position 3V
- **Sensor sensitivity**
  - Put the jumper in position 9
- **Span adjustment**
  - Make a fine adjustment with P1 potentiometer.

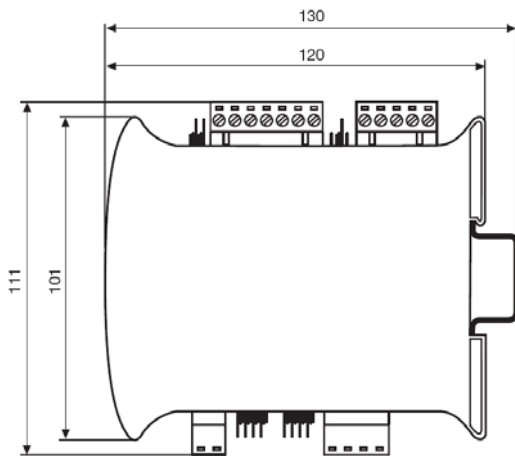


## 6. Set points option : SGA21-2S

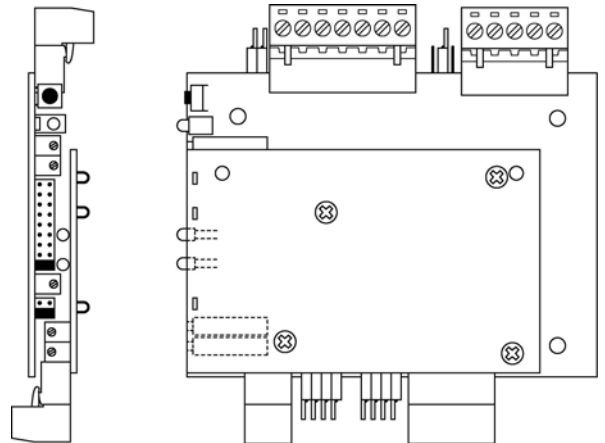
The SGA21-2S version includes all the previous functionalities and, in addition, the possibility to manage 2 set points thanks to an additional electronic board.

### 6.1 Presentation

SGA21-2S, DIN rail model



SGA21-1, Board model

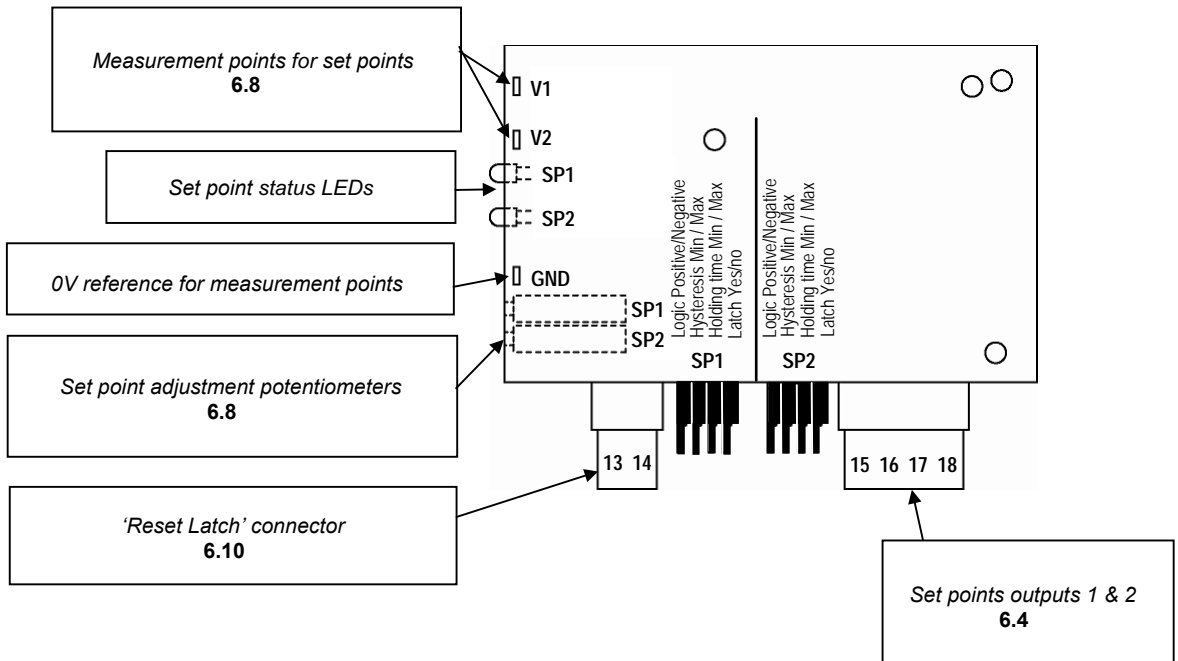


### 6.2 General specifications of set points

Number of set points		2	
Adjustment		Potentiometers	
Relay features	Technology	Photorelays	
	On-state current max (@40°C)	0.4	A
	Off-state voltage	55	V
	On-state resistance	2	Ω
	Isolation voltage	2500	Vrms
Functioning direction		Selected	
Hysteresis		1.1 / 0.2	% FS*
Holding time		5 / 600	ms
Latch		Yes	
Response time		7	ms

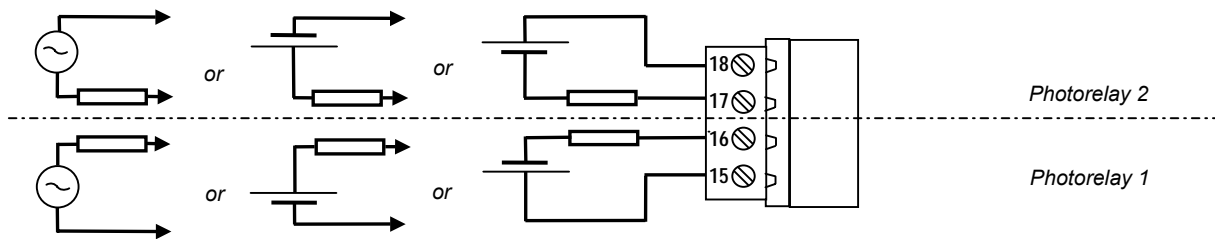
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### 6.3 Wiring and setting devices positioning



Note : Each set point can be adjusted separately.

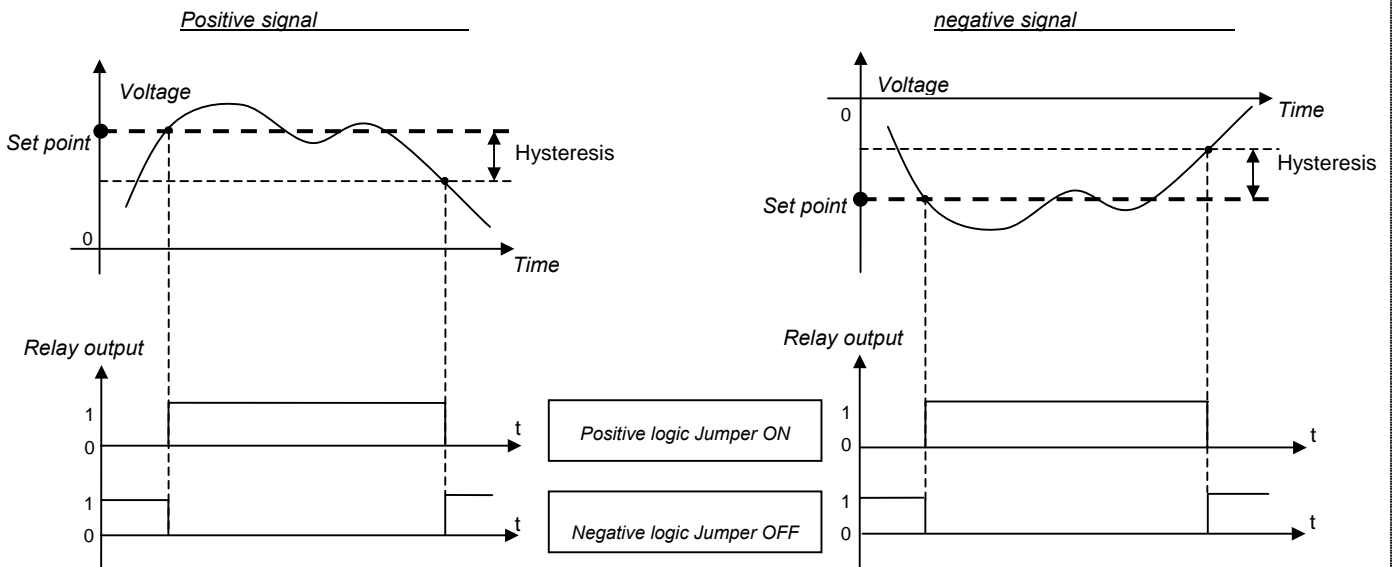
### 6.4 Photorelays connections



### 6.5 Photorelays functioning direction

The photorelays can be used with positive or negative logic. For this, put or remove the corresponding jumper (Logic Positive/Negative).

### 6.6 Set points functioning



## 6.7 Hysteresis

To avoid oscillation of the set point relays, a hysteresis is applied (jumper Hysteresis Min/Max).

- If the jumper is removed, the hysteresis value is 20mV (0.2% of FS).
- If the jumper is in place (by default), the hysteresis value is 110mV (1.1% of FS).

## 6.8 Set points adjustment

The set points can be adjusted with experiments or by using a voltmeter.

**Experimental adjustment:** Apply on the load cell the load corresponding to the wanted set point. Adjust the potentiometer until the state of the corresponding light changes.

**Adjustment with voltmeter:** Connect the voltmeter between the measurement points (V1 or V2) and GND (voltmeter input "-" connected to GND). Adjust the corresponding potentiometer to the desired set point voltage. The adjustment error is <2% with maximum hysteresis and <0.5% with minimum hysteresis.

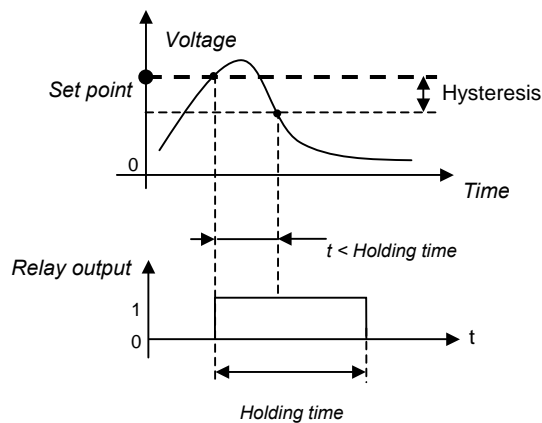
**Example:** the SGA21 is adjusted for 10V (or 20mA) output with max. load.

For a requested set point at 80% of max. load, adjust the potentiometer (SP1 or SP2) to obtain 8V on measuring point.

## 6.9 Holding time

It is possible to maintain the set point during a minimum time depending on the 'Holding timeMin/Max' jumper position :

- Jumper in place: Holding time = 5ms
- Jumper removed: Holding time = 600ms



## 6.10 Latching

It is possible to latch the set point by engaging the latch function .

To enable the latch function, just remove the 'Latch Yes/No' jumper.

Release of latched set point is possible by powering off the SGA21 or by realizing a short-circuit on the 'Reset latch' connector.

