

Title (en)

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR POSITION CONTROL OF A MECHANICAL PISTON IN A PUMP

Title (de)

SYSTEM UND VERFAHREN ZUR POSITIONSSTEUERUNG EINES MECHANISCHEN KOLBENS IN EINER PUMPE

Title (fr)

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE PERMETTANT DE COMMANDER LA POSITION D'UN PISTON MECANIQUE DANS UNE POMPE

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[origin: WO2007061957A2] Embodiments of the systems and methods disclosed herein utilize a brushless DC motor (BLDCM) to drive a single-stage or a multi-stage pump in a pumping system for real time, smooth motion, and extremely precise and repeatable position control over fluid movements and dispense amounts, useful in semiconductor manufacturing. The BLDCM may employ a position sensor for real time position feedback to a processor executing a custom field-oriented control scheme. Embodiments of the invention can reduce heat generation without undesirably compromising the precise position control of the dispense pump by increasing and decreasing, via a custom control scheme, the operating frequency of the BLDCM according to the criticality of the underlying function(s). The control scheme can run the BLDCM at very low speeds while maintaining a constant velocity, which enables the pumping system to operate in a wide range of speeds with minimal variation, substantially increasing dispense performance and operation capabilities.

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