

# Control fundamentals

## HERVAC

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# Why do we need controllers?



**Save time**

**Save space**

**Save material**

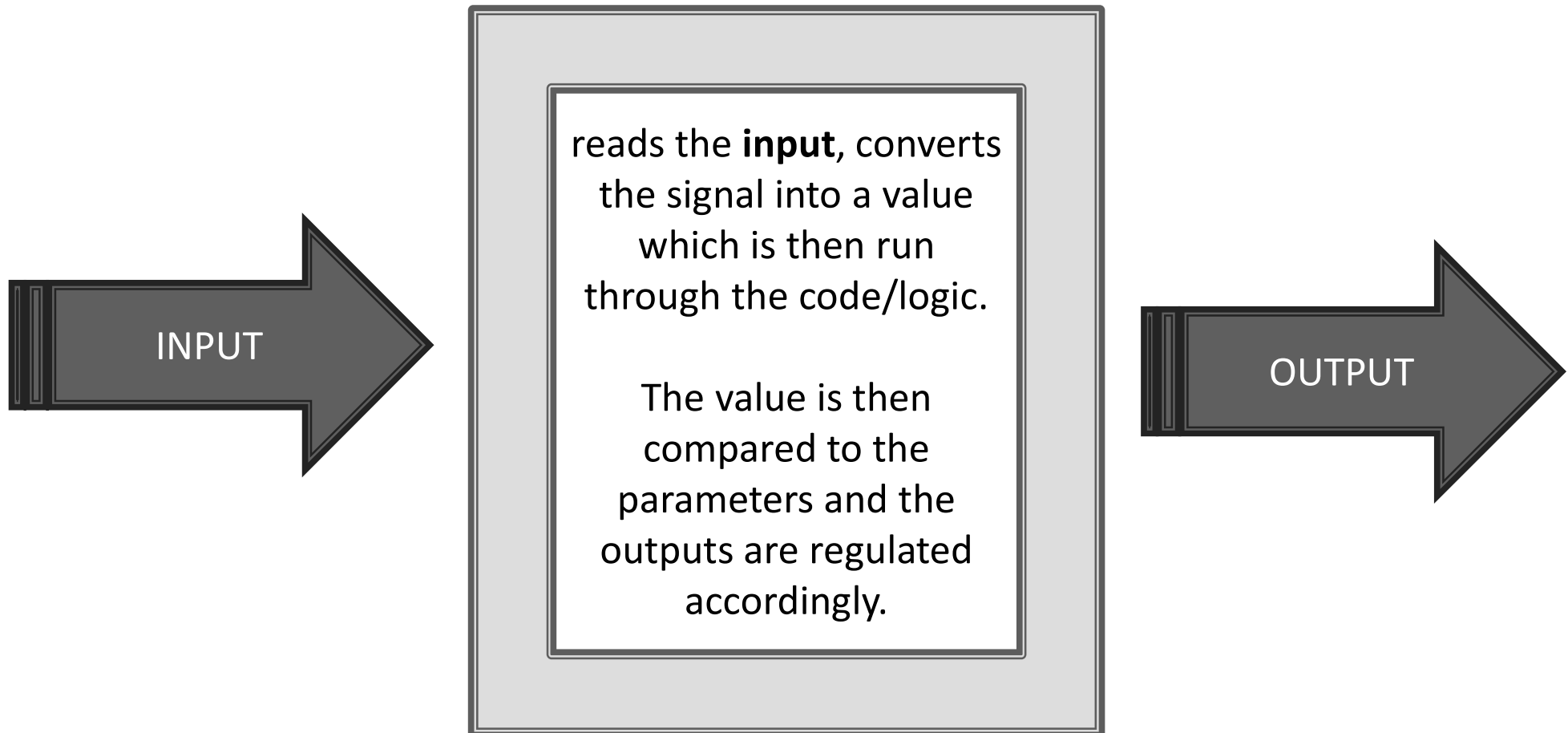
**Prevent error**

**Gain Efficiency**



# Inputs and Outputs

## Controller





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ANALOG ~	
INPUT (A.I)	OUTPUT (A.O)
<b>Temperature Resistance inputs:</b> <a href="#">NTC</a> <a href="#">PTC</a> <a href="#">PT1000</a> <a href="#">PT100</a>	<b>0-10Vdc</b> Most common, usually used to <a href="#">modulate the speed of a Comp VFD</a> or EC condenser fans or <a href="#">chilled / hot water actuators</a> <a href="#">Fan speed controllers</a> 3 Way actuator valves etc.
<b>4-20mA inputs:</b> <a href="#">Transducers</a> <a href="#">Humidity / Gas sensors</a>	<b>4-20mA</b> Not so common, same principle
<b>DC Voltage Inputs:</b> <a href="#">Ratiometric</a> 0-10Vdc signals	
Analog inputs are inputs that vary in value constantly. Depending on how far away these values are from a set point - the controller will know how to govern it's outputs or create alarms etc.	



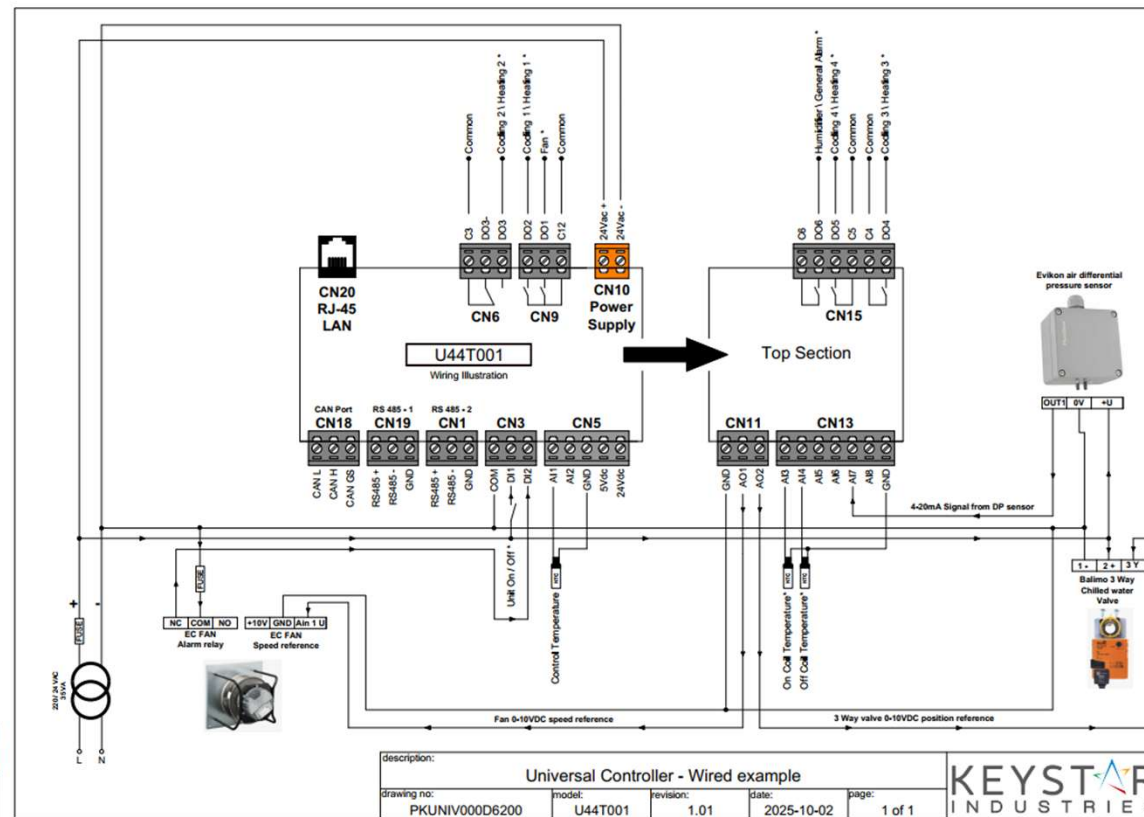
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DIGITAL 0 / 1	
INPUT (D.I)	OUTPUT (D.O)
<p><b>Volt Free</b></p> <p><b>24V AC or DC</b></p> <p><b>220Vac</b></p>	<p>A relay output from a controller is either on or off.</p> <p>It usually 'relays' power to a contactor, which in turn starts a compressor, or relays power to a solenoid, starts a fan etc.</p>
<p>Digital inputs are mainly used to give the controller a 0 / 1, off / on, open / closed signal</p>	<p>Relays also feed a voltage signal (220/24/volt free) into a digital input of a controller</p>
<p>Then, depending on how the controller is setup to manage that digital signal - it will perform a certain task, examples:</p>	
<p>Trip a compressor and create an alarm</p> <p>Start a defrost cycle</p> <p>Change a set point</p> <p>Enable a standby mode</p>	



# Signal flow direction is critical!

The DIRECTION that your SIGNAL or VOLTAGE FLOWS is CRITICAL!



**So how does a controller actually work?**

# STANDARD SOLUTIONS



**What does the future hold?**

**Moving Beyond the 'islands of automation'!**

**A.I Driven Plugins, control and monitoring**

**Preventative maintenance (without being annoying)**

**Fuzzy logic?**

# Thank you for your attention

▶ Any Questions ?