

## DATUM™ Stabilizer Control System

*Dynamic Adaptive Technology for Universal Motion Control*



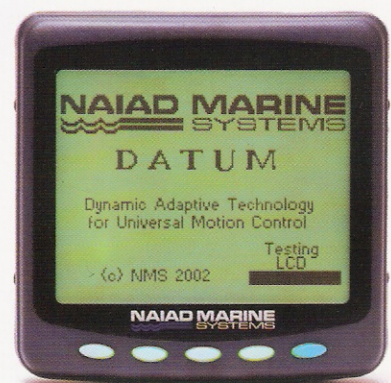
*VT Naiad Marine, the world leader in yacht stabilization, offers a breakthrough in motion control technology for the modern yacht. The DATUM digital control system represents the culmination of decades of stabilization experience combined with cutting-edge technological innovation.*

### *CANbus: The Digital Network*

The DATUM is the world's first purely digital three-term (angle, velocity, acceleration) stabilizer control system featuring sophisticated adaptive technology and operating on a distributed network. The DATUM utilizes CAN (Controller Area Network) technology; a proven and highly reliable serial communications protocol that has become an open international standard. CAN provides a continuous stream of data to all monitoring and control devices in the network. This modern control architecture is ideally suited for high-speed mobile control applications and is heavily relied upon in aerospace, automotive and other performance-driven and reliability-critical applications. It is featured in Formula One and NASCAR racing, the United States Military's most advanced fighter aircraft, as well as in safety and medical equipment from elevators to X-Ray machines. The easily expandable distributed controller minimizes cable runs and space consumption while enhancing mounting and configuration flexibility. The result is a neater, more reliable, expandable and higher performing motion control system than any other system available today.

### *Modern Graphical Display*

The DATUM's *Graphical Display* sets a new standard in functional elegance. Multi-page graphics are intuitive, user-friendly and easily customized to suit operator preferences. Noticeably absent are 1970's-era LEDs, trim pots and switches. The Display is daylight readable and is easily mounted in any location and orientation. Multiple Displays may be connected to the network. The Display features five programmable soft keys. While underway, the stabilizer system may operate in the 'Active' (normal proportional) or 'Adaptive' (self-tuning) mode using simple commands through the Display. When the stabilizer system is equipped with the optional *Stabilization at Anchor (S@A™)* feature, the Display also allows the operator to select the 'Underway' or 'Anchor' (zero forward speed) mode of operation.



### *Robust Control Modules*

The flexible, compact and robust *Control Module* is CE approved and specifically designed for the harsh marine environment. It stands up to vibration, shock, temperature extremes and salt spray. Identical Modules control fins, tabs, foils, interceptors, power packs, thrusters and an array of other devices.



The Modules are easily connected to a notebook computer for programming, downloading factory settings and uploading sea-trial results. Changes made at any one Module are automatically broadcast to all others on the network, reducing the possibility of errors and dramatically saving time. DATUM programming is so versatile, that every Module is supplied loaded with identical software regardless of its intended control function. Since each Module shares a common database, a newly installed module *self-configures* in less than 10 seconds, fully assuming all functions of any module it replaces. For ocean voyagers desiring to carry on-board spares, no matter the complexity of the Motion Control system, there is never a need for more than one spare Module.

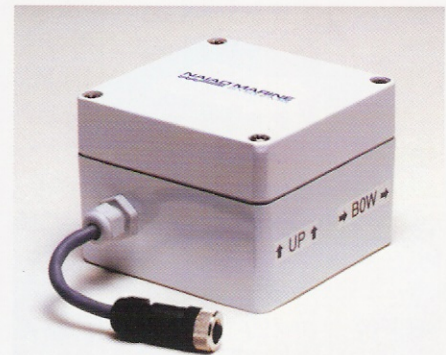
### Adaptive Technology

All NAIAD control systems feature fully proportional closed loop performance, resulting in continuously modulated fin position management and smooth, exact operation. The innovative DATUM takes performance to a previously unattainable level by continuously sampling and *self-adjusting* the gain (sensitivity) settings of each of its signals to precisely match varying sea conditions and vessel headings. The DATUM's ability to self-learn and automatically adapt to its operating environment results in *continuously optimized* fin commands and astonishingly superior roll reduction performance.



### Motion Sensor Package

Highly accurate aerospace-grade roll angle and velocity sensors are neatly configured in the DATUM's *Motion Sensor Package*. The compact and durable sealed enclosure comes in two sizes: one configured for roll control and one with double the number of sensors for both roll *and* pitch control. When controlling pitch, active trim tabs or other engineered control surfaces are utilized. Working in concert with the balance of the DATUM, the highly accurate Motion Sensor Package allows extraordinary motion control performance. The DATUM is a genuine Deterministic (real-time) control system combining high-speed closed loop control techniques with programming methods derived from advanced aerospace applications. In fact, the DATUM's software processing rates are the same degree of accuracy and determinism as military aircraft flight and gas turbine engine controls!



### Unrivaled Versatility: Stabilization at Anchor, Ride Control

NAIAD's innovative and versatile DATUM can be configured for underway active roll stabilization using fins or tabs, for Stabilization at Anchor (S@A™) or, when equipped with appropriate control surfaces, for pitch + roll stabilization (Ride Control). The DATUM can also be easily retrofitted to extract the highest possible performance from pre-existing stabilizer equipment. Contact us today to learn why the DATUM is clearly the best choice in advanced stabilization controls.

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