SUGAR CONSISTENCY MONITOR

Model 970-C





PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

This consistency monitor is designed primarily to reliably measure massecuite consistency in sugar vacuum pans. The instrument provides a continuous indication of this important variable in pan operation over all ranges encountered in high- or low-grade sugar boiling.

This monitor is a convenient guide for experienced operators and an invaluable tool for training new sugar boilers. The zero and span adjustments expand readability in critical viscosity or consistency ranges. The monitor has a standard electrical output signal of 4 to 20mA, and other outputs are available.

In addition to pan consistency measurement, this instrument's narrow viscosity range makes it useful in measuring concentration in sugar melters, evaporator syrups and molasses dilution tanks, and even slurries such as milk of lime where density is a troublesome measurement and can introduce serious time lags into control loops. In industries other than sugar where consistency is an important variable, it monitors the concentration of evaporated whey, distillery slops, fruit and vegetables or tomato products.

Since optimum consistency varies by pan, operators can experiment to find the ideal level for a particular pan. Using the 970-C monitor to maintain this level, boilers can avoid excessively "tight" massecuites and therefore avoid poor pan circulation. Likewise, operators can pinpoint an optimum dropping consistency that produces high crystal yield without unduly long discharging time.

FEATURES

- Simple installation
- Wide dynamic range
- Linear isolated output
- High accuracy and reliability
- Field serviceable

- Stainless steel sensor
- Designed for durability
- Low maintenance
- One-year limited warranty

PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

The measuring element consists of a stainless steel probe terminating in a small propeller-type rotor driven by a DC motor. This sensor is installed below the pan heating surface. Increasing viscosity of pan contents raises the torque on the rotating element and lowers its speed, causing an increase in motor armature current, which is measured by the monitor.

The 0 to 100 scale of the monitor can be set to cover one or several decades of viscosity by means of the span and zero adjustments on the cover. For sugar pans, the zero is normally set with the probe running in syrup of the lowest concentration of interest, say 60 Brix (6 to 8 centipoise), and the span set to read 100 with the motor stalled (infinite viscosity). When boiling relatively high purity strikes, the reading will be around 35% with the massecuite well "pulled together" to a 15 or 20% crystal yield and rise to 85 or 90% during final concentration to dropping consistency. Mid-scale will be about 450 cp.

SPECIFICATIONS

SENSOR

Insertion probe Type

Rotor Size 1.75"

316 stainless steel, high temperature plastic **Wetted Parts**

32°F to 250°F (0°C to 125°C) Process Temp.

Pressure 0 to 30 psia

Water Supply Less than 0.5 gallons/hour at 10 psi above process

Mounting 2" NPT male

Wiring #22 AWG or larger 2-conductor

Dimensions

Probe Diameter 1.75" Probe Length 24"

Junction Box 6" x 6" x 6"

TRANSMITTER

Display 3-1/2 digit LCD (0 to 199.9 scale)

2 to 200,000 cP Range Input Model 970-C sensor

Output 4 to 20 mA into 600 ohms max., other outputs available

Resolution 0.05% full scale Repeatability 0.5% full scale

Ambient Temperature 32°F to 120°F (0°C to 50°C) **Enclosure** NEMA 1 or NEMA 4X

Dimensions

NEMA 1 11" wide x 6" high x 4" deep

NEMA 4X 11.875" wide x 7.25" high x 6.75" deep

Mounting

NEMA 1 Panel or wall mount **NEMA 4X** Wall or pipe mount

Power 115 or 230 VAC @ 50/60 Hz, 25 Watts **Shipping Weight** 20 to 25 lbs. depending on options

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