

Solartron Covimat variable speed rotational on-line viscometers

Data sheet IP7105



The Covimat 105 range of variable speed rotational on-line viscometers has been specifically designed for on-line measurement of viscosity at controlled shear rates, making it ideal for non-Newtonian fluids.

The system consists of an explosion-proof metering head which is magnetically coupled to a measurement cell containing the fluid to be measured.

Covimat is designed to minimise servicing costs. Thanks to its rugged construction and design, which eliminates glands and seals, service and maintenance is kept to a minimum, and for all configurations the metering head can be separated from the measuring cell without interrupting the production process.

There are five standard rotational speeds available, and these can be reduced by a factor of 10 for the measurement of highly viscous products (Z version). In addition, an external rotational speed control is provided, enabling the meter to be controlled to any speed in the range 10 to 200 rpm or 1 to 20 rpm (Z version).

Immersion and in-line systems are available to suit a wide variety of different applications. The selection of a suitable measuring system is determined by the viscosity range of the product, the pressure, temperature and flow rate.

Principle of Operation

Covimat measures viscosity by the well proven rotational rinciple, allowing a direct comparison with labratory results. A rotating bob in a stationary measurement cell is driven by a motor in the metering head at a constant speed through a magnetic coupling. The drive is coupled in the metering head via a torsion element. A change in viscosity of the product causes the angle of twist of the torsion element to alter. This change is measured inductively and when combined with the rotational speed and measuring bob geometry, provides a measurement of viscosity.



Rotation (bob or cylinder) Flow (process instrument)

Covimat Metering Head

The Covimat metering head is designed to be used with a range of measurement cells, which are chosen to meet the demands of the application.

The metering head is available in two versions:

Standard

PTB approved to EEx d IIB T6, this version enables the speed of rotation to be controlled via a 0-20mA or 0.5-10V input signal. The Z version reduces the speed by a factor of 10.

Switch

This version is designed to be explosion-proof to EExd IIB T6. The speed of rotation is set to one of five preset speeds, using an internal switch; it can also be controlled by a 0-20mA input signal. The Z version reduces the pre-set speeds by a factor of 10.

The output of both versions is a 4-20mA signal proportional to the measured torque/viscosity. This signal can be used with the Solartron 795x Series of Signal Converters, as the basis of a complete viscosity measurement system offering enhanced functionality.



Specification

Viscosity range	Depends on measurement cell	
Achievable accuracy	±1% FS	
System repeatability	±0.5% of reading	
Motor speed range: Standard	10 to 200 rpm	
	1 to 20 rpm (Z version)	
Fixed speeds: Switched	10, 21, 44.7, 94.6, 200 rpm	
	1, 2.1, 4.47, 9.46, 20 rpm (Z version)	
External speed control	0 to 20mA or 0 to 10V	
Transfer function	10 rpm/mA or 20 rpm/V	
Rotational speed accuracy	±0.4% of set value at 20°C (68°F)	
Temperature coefficient - speed	-0.02%/°C	
Output signal	4-20mA proportional to torque/viscosity	
Torsion angle measurement	Inductive	
Maximum torque	4mN-m	
Torque tolerance	±0.3% at 20°C (68°F) at output 1-5V	
Temperature coefficient - torque	+1.3%/°C (+0.07%/°F)	
Linearity	±0.3%	
Temperature range	0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F)	
Supply voltage range	+20 to 28Vdc	
Supply current	<200mA at 24Vdc	
Weight	8.1kg (17.86lb)	
Safety	ATEX II 2G EEx d IIB T6	
EMC rating	EN 61326	

Covimat 105-DD

Application: Low-viscosity, homogeneous products.

Utilises both single and twin gap designs for the flowthrough cell. The small measuring cell volume is also an advantage for batch processes where there are only limited amounts of the product.



Specification

Viscosity range	1 to 13,200cP
Achievable accuracy	±1% FS
Max. temperature of product	90°C (194°F)
Max. pressure	20 bar (290 psig)
Max. flow rate	5 l/min (1.32 USgall/min)
Material of measuring cell	Corrosion-resistant
	stainless steel 316 S11
Material of seal	Synthetic rubber/NBR
Weight	11.1kg (24.4lb)

Viscosity range (via interchangeable cylinders)

Model	Viscosity range
	(cP)
DDA005 *	1 to 460
DDA006 *	5 to 1,350
DDA007 *	10 to 3,100
DDA008	15 to 5,000
DDA009 *	30 to 8,800
DDA010	40 to 11,200
DDA011	50 to 13,200

* Twin gap measuring cells

Covimat 105-TO

Application: Open, unpressurised vessels



Specification

Viscosity range	2 to 358,000cP
Achievable accuracy	±1% FS
Max. temperature of product	65°C (150°F)
Max. pressure	Atmospheric
Material of measuring cell	Corrosion-resistant
	stainless steel 316 S11
Measurement system bearing	Teflon/hard metal
Immersion lengths (mm)	200, 300 or 500
Weight	10 kg (22lb)

Viscosity range (via interchangable bobs)

Viscosity range (cP)		
Dia. (mm)	Standard	with Z option
69.5	2 to 189	20 to 1,890
68.0	3 to 895	30 to 8,950
63.0	12 to 2,460	120 to 24,600
46.0	31 to 10, 865	310 to 108,650
31.0	175 to 35,800	1,750 to 358,000

Covimat 105-DC range

Application: For high temperatures and pressures

DC40D

The DC40D range is suitable for continuous measurement of viscosity at high temperatures and high pressures. To prevent heat losses - and to avoid crystallisation and hardening processes at low throughputs or at high temperatures - the DC40D cells have an isothermal (jacketed) wall. A range of flange options is available and for direct measurement or the product temperature, a thermowell is provided for a temperature sensor.

DC40E

The DC40E range is designed for continuous measurement of viscosity at low pressures and high temperatures. A thermowell is provided to accept a temperature sensor for direct measurement of the product temperature. There is a range of flange options.



Specifications	Covimat DC40E		Covimat DC40D
Viscosity range		1 to 720,000cP	
Achievable accuracy		± 1% FS	
Max. temp. of product	250°C (482°F)		300°C (572°F)
Max. pressure	25 bar (362 psig)		170 bar (2,465 psig)
	or to flange rating		or to flange rating
Max. flow rate		40 l/min (10.57 USgall/min)	
Material of measuring cell		316L stainless steel	
Material of seal		Asbestos free	
Approx. weight of cell +	9.5 kg (20.95 lb)		18 kg (39.69 lb)
adapter (depends on flange)			
*Twin gap measuring cells			

Viscosity ranges (via interchangeable cylinders)		
	Covimat DC40E	Covimat DC40D
Dia. (mm)	Standard (cP)	with Z option (cP)
DS*	1 to 190	10 to 1,900
59	9 to 920	90 to 9,200
57	20 to 2,000	200 to 20,000
51	60 to 6,000	600 to 60,000
35	240 to 24,000	2,400 to 240,000
24	720 to 72,000	7,200 to 720,000



Covimat 105 Ordering Matrix		
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BIZ I	10	
	Signal Converters (optiona	al)
	Type Order No).
	7950 wall (Klippon) 7950 AA	
	7951 panel (Klippon) 7951 AA	
Covimat Measurement Head	7951 panel (D-Type) 7951 AB	Covimat Measurement Head
4-20mA output for DD Flow Cells		4-20mA output for IU & DC flow cells
ATEX approved 810510T		ATEX approved 91051AT
ATEX approved 8105101		ATEX approved (7 version) 81051PT
		ATEX approved (2 version) 8105161
		Coupling piece 00112810
		PT100 Temp. Sensor
		(optional) 81053748A
	Covimat TO Immersion System	1
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Carl and	200mm (7.87in) 00112812	2 Covimat DC40D Flow Beakers
	300mm (11.81in) 00112813	3 Diversion Order No.
	500mm (19.68in) 00112814	4 11/2" ANSI 150 RF 81053AAB
		1 ¹ / ₂ " ANSI 600 RF 81053AAC
		1 ¹ / ₂ " ANSI 900 RF 81053AAD
	a line	DN32 PN40 RF 81053AAE
		DN25 PN100 RF 81053AAF
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Covimat DD Flow Cell		
Description Order No.		Covimat DC40E Flow Beakers
Measuring cell		Description Order No.
(excl. cylinder/bob) 00112405		2" ANSI 150 RF 81053BAB
		DN50 PN40 RF 81053BAE
		2" IRI CLAMP 81053BAG
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Cylinders/bobs	Size Order No	Size Order No
1 - 460 cP * 001124/13	69.5mm 00112350	24mm 00112309
5 - 1.350 cP * 00112443	68mm 00112349	35mm 00112307
10 - 3,100 cP * 00112445	63mm 00112348	51mm 00112305
15 - 5.000 cP 00112446	46mm 00112347	57mm 00112303
30 - 8,800 cP * 00112447	31mm 00112273	59mm 00112302
40 - 11,200 cP 00112448		Double-split 00112242
50 - 13,200 cP 00112449		
* Twin gap measuring cells		

Installation accessories

Correct installation is a key factor in the quest for accurate long-term measurement, particularly where viscosity is used as a critical control parameter and where line values must be referred to base conditions.

The flow through chamber is designed for installation as a local fast loop (slipstream) on a main pipeline, and gives the following advantages:

- minimizes the need for on-site calibration
- improves accuracy
- enhances viscosity referrals
- increases tolerance of solids and entrained gas
- reduces maintenance •

Flow through chambers are available with 1" or 2" NB inlet/outlet tubes, with a choice of weld ends, compression fittings or flanges, and an optional thermal jacket.

For direct pipeline fitting and improved thermal performance, Solartron's range of prepared collars (weldolets) are available for pipe diameters of 4", 6", 8" or 10" nominal bore. See data sheet B782703 for more details

More details of Solartron transducers, signal converters and flow computers are given in the following brochures:

Density transducers	IP7003
Gas Density and Specific Gravity Products	B1253
795x Series Signal Converters	B1251
795x Series Flow Computers for the gas industry	B1248
795x Series Flow Computers for oil and refined products	B1249
Installation accessories	B782703

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