PROCESS REFRACTOMETER
FOR CONCENTRATION
MEASUREMENT OF CHEMICALLY
AGGRESSIVE LIQUIDS
TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

K-Patents Saunders Body PR-23-W and K-Patents Teflon Body PR-23-M Refractometers provide accurate means for measuring liquid concentrations in chemically aggressive solutions that corrode, foul or otherwise destroy metal parts as well as in ultra-pure fine chemical processes, where metal parts cannot be used.

CHLOR-ALKALI INDUSTRY

CORROSIVE CHEMICALS

ULTRA PURE FINE CHEMICALS

ELECTRONIC CHEMICALS

Acetic acid CH3COOH, Ammonium fluoride NH4F, Ammonium hydroxide NH4OH, Ammonium sulphate (NH4)2SO4

Calsium hypochlorite Ca(ClO)2, Copper chloride CuCl2, Citric acid C6H8O7, Chromic acid CrO3

Ferric chloride FeCl3, Fluosilic acid, Formic acid HCO2H

Hydrochloric acid HCl, Hydrofluoric acid HF, Hydrogen peroxide H2O2, Buffered HF (BHF), Aqua Regia HNO3/HCl

Lactic acid C2H4(OH)COOH

Magnesium chloride MgCl2, Nickel chloride NiCl2, Nitric acid HNO3

Phosphoric acid H3PO4, Potassium carbonate K2CO3 · 11/2 H2O, Potassium hydroxide KOH, Potassium thiocyanate KSCN, Potassium nitrate KNO3

Sodium bicarbonate NaHCO3, Sodium carbonate Na2CO3, Sodium chloride NaCl, Sodium dichromate Na2Cr2O7 · 2H2O, Sodium hydroxide NaOH, Sodium hypochlorite NaClO2, Sulphuric acid H2SO4 and more.
The K-Patents Saunders Body Refractometer PR-23-W is designed for use in chemically aggressive solutions and ultra-pure fine chemical processes in large-scale production and in large pipelines (diameter 50, 80 or 100mm/2”, 3” or 4”).

The K-Patents PR-23-W is delivered with a Saunders (diaphragm) valve body and can be mounted either in a vertical or horizontal pipe. The Saunders body material is Graphite cast iron, which provides a solid mechanical base for the sensor installation.

The cast iron is lined with 3mm PFA (Perfluoralkoxy) fluoroplastic that gives the body a high chemical resistance. The sensor wetted parts materials are Teflon® PTFE (Polytetrafluoroethylene) and Sapphire (Al₂O₃). The material of the sensor cover is stainless steel AISI 316 L.

The K-Patents Teflon Body Refractometer PR-23-M is designed for small pipe sizes.

The sensor wetted parts Teflon® PTFE or Kynar® PVDF (Polyvinylidenefluoride), Sapphire (Al₂O₃), and Kalrez® are carefully selected because they have high chemical and mechanical resistance.

The external materials AISI 316L (sensor cover) and polyamid 6.6 (electrical connector) withstand chemically aggressive gases and splashes of the process liquid.

The measurement accuracy of either Refractometer model is not influenced by particles, bubbles, colour or temperature changes of the process liquid.
DIGITAL MEASUREMENT
PRINCIPLE

The light source sends light against the interface between the prism and the process solution, where the rays meet the surface at different angles.

Depending on the angle, some rays are totally reflected. Some rays are only partially reflected, and most of the light is refracted into the process solution.

Thus an optical image with a dark sector and a light sector is created.

The angle corresponding to the shadow line is called the Critical Angle of Total Reflection. The Critical Angle is a function of the refractive index and hence the concentration of the solution.

K-Patents Refractometer PR-23-W/M sensor is factory calibrated to measure refractive index $n_0$ and temperature $T$ in standard units. Each sensor has identical calibration $n_0 = 1.32...1.53$ (corresponding to 0-100% b.w.). One or two sensors can be connected to one indicating transmitter.

Because the sensors have identical calibration, and each sensor gives Refractive Index $n_0$ and temperature as output, all sensors can be freely interchanged without optical calibration or parameter changes.

Each sensor comes with a calibration certificate comparing a set of standard liquids to the actual sensor output. The calibration and accuracy can be easily verified on-site with certified refractive index liquids and K-Patents documented verification procedure.

REMOTE USABILITY

The PR-23-W/M ease-of-use is significantly improved by a built-in web server that can be accessed via Ethernet. It is possible to obtain a remote display with real-time measurement data and diagnostics, and remotely alter instrument configuration settings or update program versions without having to go to the field.

Only a cross-over cable and data acquisition software are needed for collecting the data from a PR-23-W/M refractometer. The communication is built on standard protocols (UDP/IP) and K-Patents offers ready-to-install software for the data acquisition.

The K-Patents data acquisition software is expandable in case the user wants to modify the program. The program is written in Java and is therefore system independent. It can be tailored to almost any computing environment.
K-Patents PR-23-W and PR-23-M Process Refractometers advance the patented CORE-optics (Compact Optical Rigid element), which incorporates the optical components: LED (light emitting diode), prism and CCD-camera as well as the temperature sensor in one rigid module. The integral probe type temperature sensor responds fast to the changes of the process liquid temperature. The CORE-optics module is isolated from the sensor body and therefore external forces like pressure, flow and temperature changes do not influence the measurement.

The CORE-optics is patented.
SPECIFICATIONS

Refractive Index range, standard: Full range, \( n_1 \pm 0.2400...1.5300 \) (corresponds to 0...100% b.w.), sapphire prism

Refractive Index range, option: \( n_1 \pm 2.6000...1.4700 \), sapphire prism

Accuracy: \( n_1 \pm 0.0002 \), typically corresponds to \( \pm 0.1\% \) b.w.

Repeatability \( n_1 \pm 0.0001 \), typically corresponds to \( \pm 0.05\% \) b.w.

Speed of response: 1s undamped, damping time selectable up to 5 min

Patented CORE-Optics: No mechanical adjustments and digital measurement with 3648 pixel CCD element, sodium D-line light emitting diode (LED), built-in Pt-1000 temperature sensor

Temperature compensation: Automatic, digital compensation

Instrument verification: With standard \( n_1 \) liquids and K-Patents documented procedure (ISO 9000)

Ambient temperature: Sensor: -20 °C...45 °C (-4 °F...113 °F), Indicating transmitter: 0 °C...45 °C (32 °F...122 °F)

Process temperature: -20 °C...130 °C (-4 °F...266 °F)

Sensor protection class: IP67, Nema 4X

Approvals for hazardous locations: Non-Sparking/Non-Incendive version: ATEX certified for Zone 2 area, Ex II 3 G; EEx nA IIC T4 Gc; FM certified for Class I, Div. 2, Groups A, B, C & D, hazardous locations, T6; CSA certified for Class I, Div. 1, Groups A, B, C & D, T4; IECEx certified, Ex nA IIC T4 Gc Intrinsically safe version: ATEX certified for Zone 0 area, Ex II 1 G, Ex ia IIC T4 Ga; FM certified for Class I, Div. 1, Groups A, B, C & D, T4 (for U.S.A. and Canada); IECEx certified, Ex ia IIC T4 Ga

Approval for electrical safety: cCSAus certified, Equipment Class I, Poll. Deg. 2 / Transmitter, Poll. Deg. 3 / Sensor, Install. Cat. II

SENSOR PR-23-W:

- Process connection with PFA (Perfluoroalkoxy) lined Saunders (diaphragm)
- Valve body 2", 3" or 4"; valve body material Graphite cast iron
- Saunders body process connection: DIN-flange DN50 PN 16/DIN-flange DN80 PN 16/DIN-flange DN100 PN 16/ANSI-flange 4" 150 psi/ANSI-flange 3" 150 psi/ANSI-flange 2" 150 psi / JIS-flange 10k 50A/ JIS-flange 10k 80A/ JIS-flange 10k 100A

Sensor wetted parts: Teflon® PTFE (Polytetrafluoroethylene), prism gasket Teflon® PTFE, prism sapphire, O-ring Kalrez, adaptor sapphire

Sensor weight: with 2" Saunders body 15 kg (33 lbs)/3" 26 kg (57 lbs)/4" 33 kg (73 lbs)

Process pressure: max. 10 bar (145 psi)

SENSOR PR-23-M:

- Process connection with Thread G1/2" (F) or Thread NPT 1/2" (F)
- Sensor wetted parts: Teflon® PTFE or Kynar® PVDF (Polyvinylidene fluoride), prism gasket Teflon® PTFE, prism sapphire, O-ring Kalrez, adaptor sapphire

Sensor weight: 5.5 kg (12 lbs)

INDICATING TRANSMITTER DTR:

- Display: 320x240 pixel graphical LCD with LED backlight, keypad with 8 membrane keys
- Current output: Two independent current outputs, 4-20 mA, max. load 1000 Ohm, galvanic isolation
- Ethernet connection: 10/100 Mbit/s, data acquisition over UDP/IP Protocol with data logging software
- Power: AC input 100-240 VAC/50-60 Hz, optional 24 V DC, 30 VA
- Alarms/Wash relays: Two built-in signal relays, max. 250 V/3 A
- Sensor connectivity: One or two sensors can be connected to one DTR. Sensors independent with own parameter sets and usable in different applications. Two current outputs configurable independently to indicate process concentration or temperature of either sensor.

Indicating transmitter weight: 4.5 kg (10 lbs)

Transmitter protection class: Enclosure IP66, Nema 4X (indoor use)

INTERCONNECTING CABLE:

- IEC 61158-2 compliant two-wire cable
- Interconnecting cable length: Standard 10 m (33 ft), max. 200 m (660 ft). Cable fittings to Indicating transmitter: European cable glands M20x1.5 or US conduit hubs

PATENTS: See www.kpatents.com

ORDERING INFORMATION:

- Sensor type and process connection
- Desired scale
- Properties of process solution
- Process temperature range
- Process pipe size
- Process flow rate
- Supply voltage and frequency
- Options and accessories