

Consistency / Suspended Solids Sensor



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1. Introduction

The CTX flow-through sensor is used to measure suspended solids in liquids. Combined with the BB2 control box, the sensor is used to measure fiber and particle consistency in the pulp and paper industry. Examples of applications are consistency control, retention control, monitoring white water and suspended solids in white and green liquor.

The sensor is also used in waste water treatment plants and other industries to measure suspended solids and maintain effluent control.

2. A few words about this manual

The manual primarily contains information about the Cerlic CTX sensor. Menu functions and technical data of the BB2 control box can be found in the BB2 manual.

3. Design

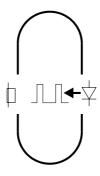
The CTX sensor is made in acid proof stainless steel and is mounted with pipe fittings (DN25) directly onto a 25 mm (1") pipe. The sensor has a self cleaning design which permits precise and reliable measurement with minimum maintenance possible, even in critical applications. The measuring lenses in the steel cell are made of sapphire glass in order to withstand abrasive liquids. Electronic and optical components are well protected within the steel enclosure to handle very demanding environments.

The sensors are available with 50 mm (2" NPT) connections (CTX 20/50) and 25 mm (1" NPT) connections (CTX 20/25, CTX 20/25 LC, CTX 20/25 K). The LC sensor is a special type for very low consistencies. The K sensor is a special type for applications with aggressive media, i.e. white/green liquors, supplied with Kalrez sealings.

A shielded 10 m (33 ft) cable is used for communication between the sensor and the BB2 control box. The cable is made of polyurethane and highly resistant to aggressive substances.

4. Measuring principle

The CTX measures transmitted light through the liquid. The measuring principle is based on the suspended particles' ability to absorb and reflect light .The light source is a light emitting diode (LED) that pulses monochromatic NIR light at high power. The detected measuring signal is inversely logarithmical proportional to the consistency or suspended solids. Signal treatment is done by the BB2 control box. The temperature is measured by the transmitter to be used for temperature compensation of the measured value.





5. Unpacking sensor

The unit has been tested and approved before shipping.

Content

Please check that the content corresponds to your order and packing list.

Damages

If damages occurred during the shipment, immediately contact the carrier as well as your Cerlic representative. The shipment can be returned only after contact has been made with Cerlic.

Packaging

The original packaging is designed to protect the equipment and should be used for storage or if the goods must be returned.

Optional parts can be ordered	P/N
• Butt weld end DN25 - 30x25 mm for CTX 20/25	11203082
• Butt weld end DN50 - 54x50 mm for CTX 20/50	11203320
• 25 mm hose adapter DN25 for CTX 20/25	10305122
• 10 m (33 ft) signal cable, max 10x10 m (10x33 ft)	20805510
 Connection box for two sensors to one BB2 control box with 1 m (3 ft) cable to connect BB2 	11505748
 Brush cleaning device for CTX 20/25 and CTX 20/25 LC 	10603261
• Mounting plate for CTX with brush cleaning device (outside US)	12705528
• Mounting plate for CTX with brush cleaning device (US)	31204066
• Solenoid valve for flushing (outside US)	1705516A
• Solenoid valve for flushing (US)	1705516B





6. Mounting sensor

The CTX 20/25 can be mounted directly in a 25mm (1") pipe, CTX 20/50 in a 50mm (2") pipe. With larger pipes a by-pass line should be used. The sensor shall always be mounted with the cable connector pointing downwards.

There are three ways to mount the sensors – butt weld end connection, NPT-couplings (US) or hose connections. See Dimensions section for more information.

For further instructions on white and green liquor applications, please refer to Appendix 1.

In recycled fiber applications the valve after the sensor should be controlled. Regularly it should open completely in order to purge the sensor. The BB2 control box can control this using the cleaning relay. With printing ink and resin in the pulp, a higher flow rate through the sensor than specified below is required to give representative values.

Please carefully study these installation guidelines to reach maximum performance

- The inlet to the by-pass pipe should be located where the suspension is well mixed and the flow is turbulent. Appropriate distance from a pump discharge or a pipe elbow is about five pipe diameters downstream.
- The by-pass pipe should be as short and straight as possible.
- A turbulent flow gives a better representation of the consistency. In order to obtain the highest possible flow rate in the by-pass pipe, install the by-pass pipe inlet before an elbow or pipe reduction.
- To avoid the water film on pipe walls, the by-pass pipe should extend at least 20 mm (3/4") into the pipe.
- For CTX 20/25 and CTX 20/50 the by-pass pipe should be 25 mm (1") and 50 mm (2") respectively.
- The by-pass pipe should not have any throttling valve or pipe bend closer than 0.5 m (20") before the sensor.
- The by-pass pipe should be made to avoid dewatering of the pulp stock at shutdown. If there is a risk for this, then the valve upstream the sensor should be closed automatically when the pump stops.
- The flow rate in the by-pass pipe should be at least equivalent to the main pipe but not less than 20 l/min (10 gpm) for CTX20/25 and 60 l/min (30 gpm) for CTX 20/50 sensors. At lower rates, there is a risk for dewatering and build up on the glass windows. For pulp stock with printing ink and resin, the flow rate should be twice as high. With automatic flushing, then the flushing water pressure should be at least the same pressure as the air pressure to the cleaning device.



- The temperature of the sensor must not exceed 95°C (203°F)
- Install the sensor to avoid exposure to considerable and fast changes in temperature
- Avoid installation where the sensor is exposed to severe cold weather or direct sunlight
- Protect the sensor from high pressure water spraying
- The sensor should never be submerged under water
- Always install the cables between sensor and control box in conduit when possible
- Install the sensor to avoid extreme vibrations
- The sensor must not be removed while still under process pressure
- The sensor must not be used as a ground point for welding
- If welding is to be done on the pipe system, the cable and the sensor should be removed
- Always remount the protective cover on the sensor connector when the cable is removed

Automatic flushing

Two three-way valves can be used to automatically flush the sensor with water. The flush water temperature shall be close to the temperature of the measured media to avoid temperature stress of the sensor. In some applications where dilution of the measured media is allowed, only one three-way valve can be used, and the flush water can go out the same way as the media. The valves before the sensor must not in any way reduce the flow when open. If there is a risk of turbulence in the valve, it must be placed more than 0.5 m (20") before the sensor.

Sometimes the sensor may need manual cleaning using a bottle brush and diluted acid (5 % hydrochloric acid or sulphamic acid).

For further instructions on white and green liquor applications, please refer to Appendix 1.



7. Removing sensor

- Close all valves to isolate the sensor.
- Disconnect the sensor from the by-pass pipe by using the couplings on each side of the sensor. Remove the sensor and save the Teflon gaskets for reassembly.
- Clean the sensor with a clean cloth. Do not use a wire brush!
- Flush through the sensor thoroughly.

Before the sensor is disconnected the valves in the by-pass pipes must be closed. Make sure that no flow passes through the pipe. If the sensor is disconnected under process pressure this could cause serious injury or even death. Cerlic does not accept any responsibility for accidents caused when the sensor is disconnected while still under line pressure.

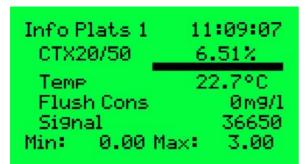
8. Service and maintenance

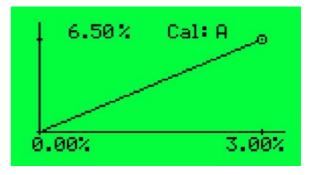
In some applications the measuring cell may need to be cleaned. Use warm water and a small bottle brush to clean the cell; do not use a metallic brush or sharp tools. An acid solution can be used to dissolve coating in the measure cell. Plug one end of the cell and fill it with 5 % hydrochloric acid or sulphamic acid. Leave the sensor for a couple of hours and then flush the cell with plenty of clean water. Repeat the treatment if necessary. If hydrochloric acid does not dissolve the coating, other chemicals may be used as long as they don't affect the O-rings made of Viton

The sensor housing may not be opened, except by Cerlic service personel. Opening the sensor housing will void all warrenty.

9. Sensor information displays

Press and ENTER simultaneously to switch between main menu and the sensor display #1. This first display shows some additional readings to the main values (temperature, the value measured during last cleaning). Press and ENTER simultaneously again to reach the display #2 showing the current calibration set graphically. By pressing and ENTER simultaneously a third time you return to the main display.







10. Sensor menu

Use or to select the sensor in the main display. Press ENTER for five seconds to access the menu for the selected sensor.

Settings

Tag Name of the sensor (10 characters) shown in the main display

Calibration Calibration set "A"-"D" or "Extern". "Extern" will allow remote selection of

calibration set from DCS.

I-Time(s) Integration time, dampening the output signal

Unit "%", "mg/l", "g/l" or ""ppm"

Decimals "Std" or "Extra", number of decimals for the reading **Analog** "None", "Ch1", "Ch2", "Ch3", "Ch4", "Ch1+2" or "Ch3+4".

Pick the analog output(s) to be used with sensor. Ch3-4 are optional.

Second "Temp", "=Prim" or "Clean". If two outputs are chosen, the first will always

give the primary value. The second will either give the temperature (0-100°C), the same signal as the first or the measured value at the last

flushing.

Calibrate

Selected Cal "A"-"D" or "Ext", selection of calibration set

Used Cal Selected calibration set (A-D)

Adjust "No", "Store" or "Lab". "Store" stores the present reading of the sensor and

after input of the corresponding lab result through "Lab" the old lab result

under "Sample #1" is automatically adjusted

Take sample "No", "Zero" or "# 1"-"# 5", see Calibration section

Cons Actual consistency reading

Sample # 1

Sample # 2

Lab test sample # 2

Sample # 3

Lab test sample # 3

Lab test sample # 3

Lab test sample # 4

Sample # 4

Lab test sample # 5

Cleaning

Cleaner "None", "Brush" or "Flush" ("Brush" does not exist for this sensor)

Interval min Time (minutes) between cleaning cycles
Length sec Duration (seconds) of flushing cycle

Freeze sec Extra freeze time of output signal after a flushing cycle

Relay "-", "#1", "#2", "Along #1" or "Along #2". Select relay to operate solenoid for

flush cycle if this sensor is a master with its own relay, or relay used by master if this sensor is a slave. These same relays can be used as "Alarm

relay" below.

Next time The next scheduled cleaning time. Pushing "Enter" on this line will set the

time to current time and start a cleaning cycle. This could be used to test

the "Flush" cycle.

Clean Reading in the end of the last flushing cycle





Scale / Alarm

Max Reading corresponding to 20 mA output signalMin Reading corresponding to 4 mA output signal

Hi-Alarm Reading to activate high alarm, 0 inactivates the alarm **Low-Alarm** Reading to activate low alarm, 0 inactivates the alarm

Alarm Relay "-", "1 and 2", "#1" or "#2". Check that it is not used for cleaning

System

Type Type of sensor

Serial Serial number of sensor
SoftW Software version of sensor

Temp Sensor temperature

MaxTemp The highest sensor temperature recorded

Samples Sub menu to view SA values and consistency values for this calibration set

Selected Cal "A"-"D" or "Extern", selection of calibration set

Used Cal Selected calibration set (A-D)

SA 0 SA value zero sample (clean water)

SA 1 SA value sample #1
Cons 1 Lab test sample #1

And so on for sample #2-5

Info

Menu for Cerlic internal use

MS Linearized light signal, which are SA values in calibration chart

Con Consistency reading

SA 0 SA value for zero sample on clean water

SA 1 SA value sample #1
Cons 1 Lab test sample #1

Ch1a Raw value channel 1 (1000-40000)

Ch1 Raw value channel 1, compensated for intensity

Intens. Current intensity (150-25000)

Zero Int Intensity for clean water, set during zero calibration

I-offset Intensity offset, set during zero calibrationTemp Calib Temperature compensation constant.

Samp/s Samples per second
Service Not accessible for users



11. Calibration

Overview

Calibration is made in a number of steps performed in a consecutive order. Each step is described further down. If one step is redone, all later steps have to be redone:

- 1. Zero calibration, made on clean water by Cerlic before shipping
- 2. Calibrating consistency
- 3. Adjusting calibration of consistency
- It is important that the sensor has been in operation for at least 30 minutes before calibration to have a stable operation
- Single point calibration is recommended. In case of multiple point calibration, sample #2-5 can be calibrated when steps 1-4 above are finalized for sample #1

Zero Calibration

The sensor is zero calibrated at the factory, and does normally not need recalibration. Before doing a zero calibration make sure that it is really needed. The zero point is common for all four calibration sets. If the zero point is recalibrated it will affect all other calibration points in all calibration sets of the sensor. The CTX 20/25 LC sensor cannot be zero calibrated in the mill, it has to be performed by Cerlic.

Make sure the windows are clean, and use clean de-aerated water to check the meter reading. Tap water is best de-aerated in an open bucket for at least two hours.

To run a zero calibration:

- Remove the sensor from the process and clean it thoroughly
- Plug one end of the sensor and fill the cell with clean de-aerated water

NOTE! The sensor must not be submerged into the bucket!

- Press ENTER for five seconds to enter the sensor menu
- Use

 and
 arrows to select "Calibrate" and select "Take sample"
- Select "Zero" and press ENTER
- If you really want to destroy the existing calibrations, change "No" to "Yes", then press ENTER
- After you have filled the sensor with water, press ENTER again
- Wait for the zero calibration to finish. It will take approximately thirty seconds before the unit returns to the menu.

For more information concerning use of menu/dialogues, refer to the manual for BB2.





Calibrating consistency

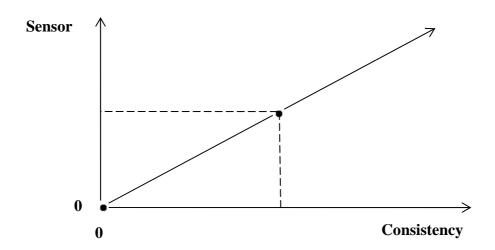
- Select "Calibrate", "Take sample", "#1" and press "ENTER"
- Press "ENTER" to calibrate and take a lab sample
- Take the sample to the lab for analyzing consistency
- The lab results are entered in "Calibrate" and "Sample #1"

Adjusting calibration of consistency

Statistic adjustment of the lab sample value is a much better way to good measurement than frequent recalibration. This is done comparing the lab results with the instrument reading over time. If a systematic discrepancy is detected, the value of the lab sample used in BB2 is changed accordingly. If for example several lab results for a period of time in average shows 5 % more than the instrument, the sample value in BB2 shall be increased 5 % of its value, e.g. if the sample value is 1.00 % it shall be changed to 1.05 %. Using statistic adjustment will gradually improve the accuracy and reliability while a new calibration will restart from scratch. An Excel sheet to help doing statistical adjustment of the calibration can be downloaded from http://www.cerlic.com.

Calibration points

The calibration set is built up of the zero calibration point and at least one calibration point. A calibration point can be disabled by setting the consistency value to zero.







Automatic adjustment of the calibration

The function "Adjust" in the calibration menu is used to automatically adjust the calibration in an easy way. When a sample is taken for the lab, BB2 stores the reading. When the sample has been analyzed, the result is keyed into the BB2 who will compare it to the stored reading and calculate a new sample #1 value. Automatic adjustment only works for single point calibration and is primarily intended as an easy way to get started with a new sensor. Once the automatic adjustment is done, and the sensor gives a sensible reading, statistical adjustment is recommended.

- Select sensor in the menu by using **1** or **↓**
- Press ENTER for five seconds to enter the sensor menu
- Select "Calibrate", "Adjust" and then "Store"
- Press ENTER when taking the lab sample
- Get the sample analyzed
- Select "Calibrate", "Adjust" and then "Lab"
- Press ENTER
- Key in the lab result, then press ENTER

Calibration with multiple points

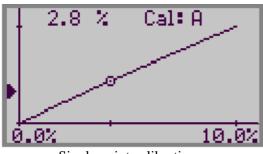
The only cases where multiple calibration point is useful are when the sensor signal is non linear or when the sensor has to be very accurate at widely separated consistencies.

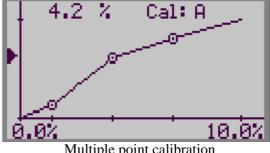
Use the same procedure described in "Calibrating total consistency and ash content (sample #1)" but select sample #2, #3, #4 or #5.



Calibration display

Press • and ENTER simultaneously to switch between main menu and the sensor display #1. This first display shows some additional readings to the main value (temperature, the value measured during last cleaning, raw value of the measurement). Press \blacksquare and ENTER simultaneously again to reach the display #2 showing the current calibration set graphically. By pressing and ENTER simultaneously a third time you return to the main display.



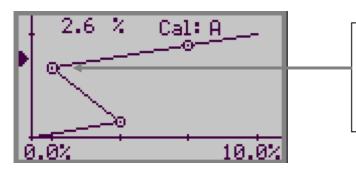


Single point calibration

Multiple point calibration

A calibration set normally consists of zero point and one consistency sample (single point calibration). Up to five samples may be used to create a calibration curve (multiple point calibration). The samples are sorted internally in order of signal intensity. The calibration display shows the calibration set in a graph:

- X-scale displays consistency, from Min (4 mA) to Max (20 mA)
- Y-scale displays the raw sensor signal
- Actual measuring value is shown in numbers and with the arrow on the Y-axis
- Samples outside the scale are not displayed but still used in the calculations. If you want to see a point outside the scale, you may temporarily change the scale in the Scale / Alarm sensor menu.



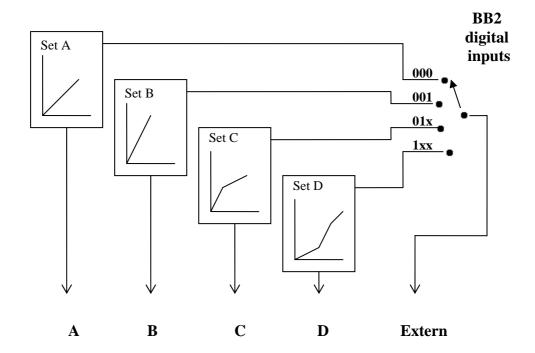
Two samples have probably been exchanged when entering the lab results. The Y-value must always increase with increasing X-value.



Multiple Calibration sets

The sensor can handle four independent calibration sets for different types and qualities of pulp. Each set has up to five calibration points. All four sets have a common zero calibration. The selection of calibration set is done in the menu for setup and calibration or from an external device (DCS). At external selection:

- The external selection overrides the manual selection
- If several sensors are connected to one common BB2, all sensors will change simultaneously to the set selected (A-D)



12. Deposits – alarm and compensation

BB2 has a choice to output the measured value during the last flushing on its second 4-20 mA output. This is useful in demanding applications where it can be used to trigger an alarm to manually clean the sensor. The signal can also be used to compensate the reading for deposits in the sensor, extending the interval between manual cleaning.

13. Scaling

On the "Scale / Alarm" menu the range of the 4-20 mA is selected, as well as alarm limits:

Min sets the 20 mA point output

Max sets the 4 mA point output

Hi-Alarm sets the high alarm set point; a value of zero inactivates the alarm **Low-Alarm** sets the how alarm set point; a value of zero inactivates the alarm





14. Technical data

CTX 20/25 P/N 11305503

Process connection DN25, butt weld ends 30x25 mm (outside US) or 1" NPT

connections (US)

Material SIS2343 / 316SS

Pressure rating PN25 / 365 psig

Enclosure IP65 / NEMA4X

Process temperature $0 - 95^{\circ}\text{C} / 32 - 203^{\circ}\text{F}$

Process pressure Min 1 bar / 15 psig

Light source GaAs diode, 880 nm monochromatic

Measuring principle Straight transmission, 20 mm measuring gap

Connection cable 5-pin M12 connector

Weight 3.7 kg / 8 lbs

Measuring range Min 0-100 mg/l

Max 2 % consistency or 3 % suspended solids

CTX 20/25 K P/N 11305707, Kalrez[®] O-rings for white and green liquor

Other technical data Refer to CTX 20/25

CTX 20/25 LC P/N 11305531, low consistency sensor

Process temperature $0 - 50^{\circ}\text{C} / 32 - 122^{\circ}\text{F}$

Flow $15 - 100 \, l/min / 4 - 25 \, gpm$

Measuring range $\min 0 -10 \text{ mg/l (resolution } 0.1 \text{ mg/l})$

Max 0 - 200 mg/l (measures up to 2000 mg/l but not fully linear)

Other technical data Refer to CTX 20/25

CTX 20/50 P/N 11305506

Process connection DN50, butt weld ends 54x50 mm (outside US) or 2" NPT

connections (US)

Measuring range Min 0-100 mg/l

Max 5 % in by-pass pipe or 8 % directly in pipe

Other technical data Refer to CTX 20/25





Certificate of conformity

The CTX sensors along with their central unit BB2 are in conformance with the following EC Directive(s) when installed in accordance with the installation instructions contained in the product documentation:

73/23/EEC Low Voltage Directive as amended by 93/68/EEC

89/336/EEC EMC Directive as amended by 92/31/EEC and 93/68/EEC

The following standards and/or technical specifications have been applied:

EN 61000-6-4:2001 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) Part 6-4

Generic standards – Emission standard for industrial environments

EN 61000-6-2:2001 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) Part 6-2

Generic standards - Immunity for industrial environments

EN 61010-1:2001 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement,

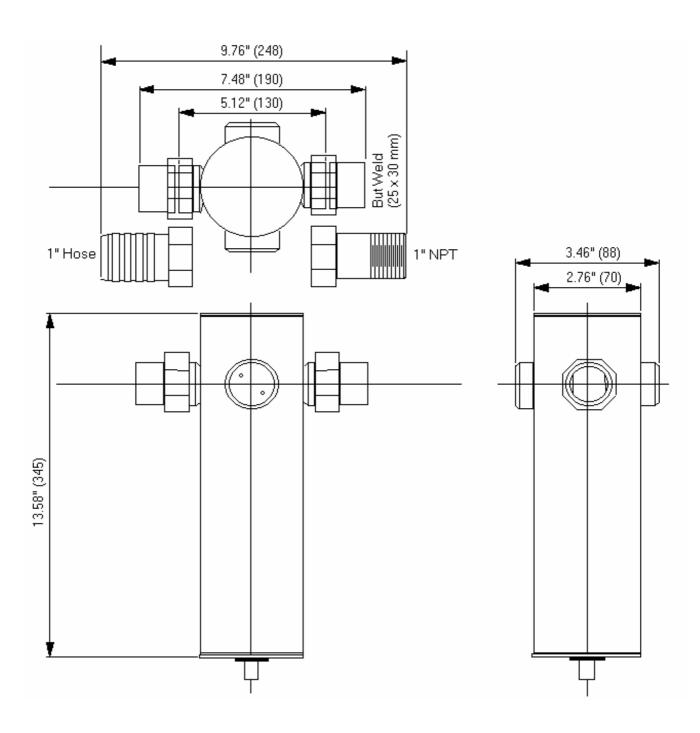
control, and laboratory use





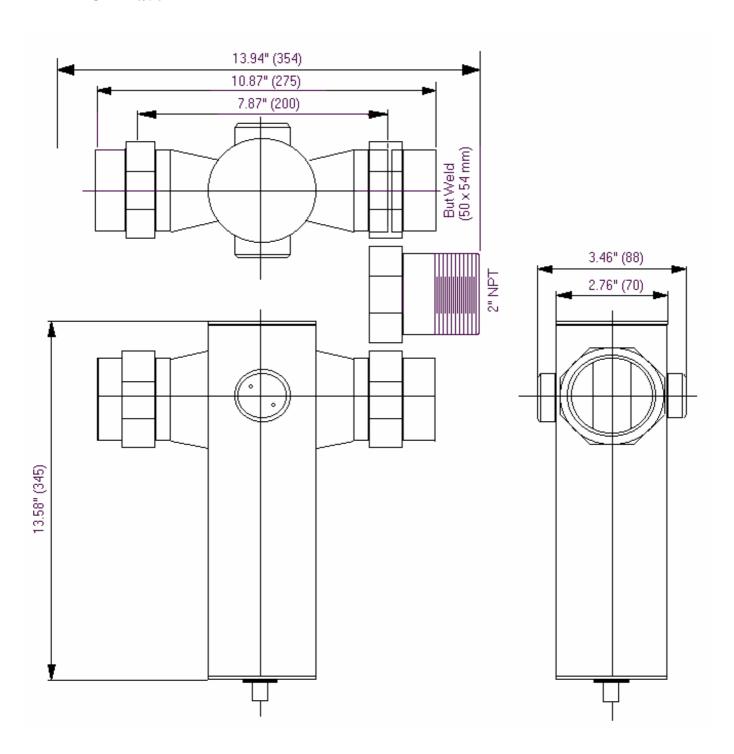
15. Dimensions

CTX 20/25





CTX 20/50







Appendix 1. White and green liquor applications

The CTX 20/25 K sensor is primarily used after white and green liquor filters where you are looking for an early warning of holes in the filter cloth. With an early detection, the damaged cloth can be quickly replaced, preventing excessive amounts of lime mud and dregs in the liquor to disturb later processes.

If used after a clarifier, the sensor reading gives an indication of the amount of lime mud or dregs in the clarifier or whether the clarifier is overloaded. This might also be caused by improper adjustment of the riser pipes.

Installation

The sensor is typically installed in a by-pass pipe with the inlet on the discharge of a pump and return on the suction side. The flow in the by-pass pipe should exceed 20 l/min (10 glm) to have the necessary turbulence. A pressure of 1 bar (15 psig) ensures air bubbles, if any, to be sufficiently compressed not to disturb the measurement. The by-pass pipe inlet should be after a straight pipe of at least 0.5 m after a pipe bend or a pump. The by-pass pipe should also be as short as possible and properly insulated to maintain a high temperature (85 – 95 °C / x –y °F) which reduces the risk of contaminants on the sensor cell windows. The sensor is installed between isolation valves for easy dismantling for inspection or cleaning. The valve prior to the sensor should always be fully open or closed. The flow velocity and pressure are adjusted with the valve downstream the sensor.

Cleaning

For automatic flushing of the sensor with hot water, two 3-way valves can be installed and controlled by the same signal. In some applications where a small amount of water into the liquor can be acceptable, one of the 3-way valves can be excluded. 1-2 times per month the sensor must be dismantled and manually cleaned using an acid solution (5 % hydrochloric acid or sulphamic acid) and a bottle brush. Experience shows that high temperature and high flow velocity prolongs the intervals for manual cleaning. At each process shut-down the sensor must be automatically flushed before going to stand-by.

Clean water reading

The BB2 control box can present the reading from the end of the last flushing cycle on a separate 4-20 mA output. This information can generate an alarm when the contamination of the sensor windows is reaching a critical level. This feature can help to reduce the maintenance and improve the overall performance.

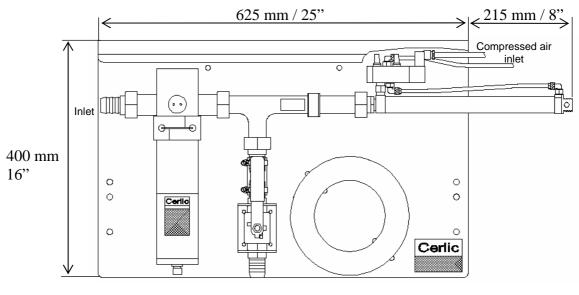
Sampling

Correct manual samples are very important for calibrating and occasionally verifying the calibration. The manual sampler should be installed close to the by-pass inlet. The same rules for pipe bends and pumps, as for the senor, apply.



Appendix 2. Low suspended solids with brush cleaning

Complete package for measuring of the suspended solids can be delivered on a mounting plate, ready for installation. The equipment is normally supplied with an automatic brush-cleaning system to be controlled by the BB2 control box.



Installation

The mounting plate is hung onto a handrail or mounted on a wall. Free space to the right is necessary for maintenance of the cleaning mechanism.

Outlet

Cleaning brush

- The cleaning is done by a brush, which is pushed into the sensor cell by a piston, controlled from the BB2 control box. Typical interval is 45 min.
- During the cleaning the output signal is frozen.
- The brush should be changed depending on the wear caused by the liquid, typically once per year.
- The compressed air should be about 4-6 bars (60-90 psig).

Changing the brush

- 1. Close the valves before and after the sensor and the air supply.
- 2. Loosen the nut that holds the piston assembly to the T-pipe.
- 3. Pull out the piston assembly from the T-pipe
- 4. Loosen the locking nut and remove the brush from the piston.
- 5. Attach the new brush, and tighten the locking nut.
- 6. Push the assembly back in the T-pipe and tighten the nut.
- 7. Open the valves and the air supply. Check the function by going to the cleaning menu. Select "Next time" and push "Enter" to activate a cleaning cycle.