

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

NIVOCAP 2-wire capacitive level transmitters provide an ideal solution for level measurement of conductive or non-conductive liquids. The probe of the instrument and the reference probe (which can be either the metal wall of the tank or installed separately) operate as opposing plates of a capacitor. Between the plates of this capacitor the air is replaced by a medium with greater dielectric constant than the air during filling the tank, therefore the capacitance is changing directly proportional to the level. The incorporated electronic circuitry measures the capacitance difference and converts it to an output signal proportional to level.

MAIN FEATURES

- Maximum 20 m measurement range
- Vertical mounting
- Rod or cable probe versions
- -30 °C ...+200 °C medium temperature
- Max. 40 bar medium pressure
- 32 point linearization table
- Indirect assignment of 0% and 100%
- 4 20 mA + HART® output
- Ex version
- IP67 protection

APPLICATIONS

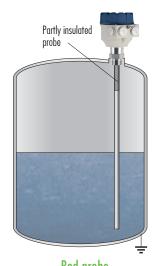
- Level and volume measurement
- Level measurement of conductive and non-conductive materials
- Level measurement of liquids
- For high pressure and high temperature mediums

CERTIFICATIONS

ATEX (Ex ia)



MEASUREMENT ARRANGEMENTS



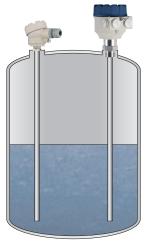
Rod probe

Metal tank and
non-conductive medium.

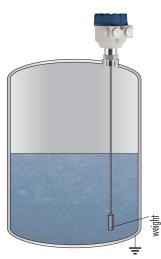
The rod probe is insulated partly
at the process connection.



Rod probe
With coaxial tube reference probe



Rob probe
With reference rod probe



Cable probe with weight
Metal tank

TECHNICAL DATA

Version		Rod probe	High temperature rod probe	Cable probe		
Measurement range (Ln)		0.	1 – 20 m			
Capacitance range		0 pF – 5 nF				
Min. capacitance change		Max. (l _{out}) SPAN: 10 pF or 10% FS				
Saturation capacitance of the insulated probe		~6	~200 pF/m			
Relative dielectric constant		$oldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_{r}$ min. 1.5				
Process connection		As per order codes				
Material of	Threaded part	1.4571 stainless steel				
wetted parts	Probe	Fully or partially PFA o	Fully or partially FEP coated steel cable			
Housing material		Plastic (PBT), paint coated aluminium or stainless steel				
Medium temperature		-30 °C +130 °C	-30 °C +200 °C	-30 °C +130 °C		
Ambient temperature		-25°C +70 °C				
Medium pressure		Max. 4	Max. 1.6 MPa (16 bar)			
Power supply / consumption		12 – 36 V DC / max. 800 mW, overvoltage protection against transients				
	Output signals	Analogue: 4 – 20 mA (3.9 – 20.5 mA) $R_{\rm max} = U_{\rm f}$ -11.4 V/0.02A Error indication: 3.8 mA or 22 mA				
		Digital communication: 4 – 20 mA + HART®				
Output		Display module: SAP-202, 6 digit LCD, dimensions, bargraph				
data		Current loop test: 10 mV / 1 mA via resistor in series				
	Damping time	0, 3, 6 – 300 sec selectable				
	Linearity error	±0.3% FS				
	Temperature error	±0.02% /°C FS				
Electrical connection		2x M20x1.5 cable glands + internal thread for 2x ½" NPT cable protective pipe, cable outer diameter: Ø7 − Ø13 mm, wire cross section: max. 1.5 mm²				
Electrical protection		Class III				
Ingress protection		IP67				
Mass		~2.5 kg with 0.5 m probe	~3 kg with 0.5 m probe	~2 kg with 3 m probe		

SPECIAL DATA FOR Ex CERTIFIED MODELS

Туре		C□□-2□□-□ Ex / C□□-3□□-□ Ex		
Protection type		Intrinsically safe		
Ex marking		© ∥1 G Ex ia IIB T6T3 Ga		
Instrinticallly safe data		Ci \leq 15 nF, Li \leq 200 μ H, Ui \leq 30 V, li \leq 140 mA, Pi \leq 1.0 W		
T 1 1 10 10 10	T6T4 temperature class	Tambient: -25 °C +70 °C; Tmedium max. 80 °C 120 °C		
Temperature classification	T3 temperature class	Tambient: -25 °C +45 °C; Tmedium max. 190 °C		

PROBE SELECTION

Consequences of the capacitive operation principle: Relative dielectric constant of the medium should be taken into consideration. Measurement will be accurate only in case of suitable probe and reference probe selection.

	Medium			
	Conductive	Non	Non-conductive	
	Conductive	ε _r > 2	2 > ε _r > 1.5	
Insulated probe, reference probe			-	
Partly insulated probe, reference probe	-			

	Reference probe				
	Rod	Tube	Tank wall		
Conductive tank			-		
Non-conductive tank			-		