SmartCost

compact ultrasonic level transmitter with two thresholds for pump or alarm control

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This single-chip operated transmitter has been designed for use in tanks, basins and canals and is characterized by easy calibration procedures. If the probe is being used just as e two-threshold transmitter (min and max), calibration is performed by simply pressing two push buttons. The complete configuration also including pump or alarm control, is achieved simply connecting the transmitter to a PC through the RS485 port. The two transmitter relays may be setup as thresholds, as pump controls as self-diagnostic alarms, should malfunctioning occur. The ultrasonic transducer and electronics are enclosed into a 2" GAS. SmartCost is intended to operate with temperatures up to 80°C and is appropriate for applications involving aggressive chemical acids or liquids and even stirring devices (mixer).



4÷20 mA Level/Distance transmitter up to 5 m
2 calibration push-buttons + RS485
2 built-in programmable relays (5A, 250Vac)
2" thread or flanged mechanical connection
IP66 and IP68 versions
Power supply 20÷30 Vdc or 24, 115, 230 Vac

Measurement principle

The **SmartCost** level transmitter measuring technology is based on the emission of a short ultrasonic pulse. The ultrasonic wave runs towards the surface of the product to be measured and bounces on the surface, then backrunning towards the sensor. The time elapsed between wave emission and reception is defined as flight time and is proportional to the measured distance and ultimately to the level.

Implementation

The **SmartCost** incorporates a powerful single-chip allowing the completely digitized acquisition and processing of the acoustic signal immediately after the ultrasonic (physical) transducer, a significant feature which has been implemented using an extremely high-speed processor. The signal processing technique is therefore of the DSP type (digital signal processor) allowing to achieve special stability, disturbance immunity and accuracy which are unique, even within this class of products. While normally operating, a built-in self-diagnostic control system monitors essential functions, detecting any echo absence (lost echo), reading instability or electronic fault occurrence. Such self-diagnostic monitoring allows to use one of the two relays available on the **SmartCost** as a malfunctioning alarm. The reliability during operation is ensured by the manufacturing techniques and materials used, involving forced ageing cycles (i.e. temperature range) and by the use of silicon components of demonstrated quality and reliability.

The device described in this data-sheet has been entirely designed and implemented by SGM LEKTRA. The Company acts as research laboratory as appropriately approved by M.U.R.S.T. (Ministry for University and Scientific and Technological Research).

Device versions

On the IP66 version the calibration push-buttons are housed into the connection head of the transmitter. On the IP68 version of the same transmitter, the access to push-buttons on transmitters is no longer possible as waterproofing prevents opening the transmitter (which is in fact entirely welded and filled with waterproofing resin). The electric connection has no length limit and is obtained through electric wires connected to a watertight shunt box (IP66) also housing the calibration switches.



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<u>TECHNICAL DATA</u>	
Housina:	PP
Mechanical installation:	2" G.M. BSP
Protection class:	IP66 or IP68
Electrical connection: Internally extrac	table terminal
board (IPG65 version) output cable (IP68)	
Working temperature: - 30 to + 60°C (80°C fo	r short period)
Pressure: 0.5 to 1.5	bar (absolute)
Power supply: 24 Vdc or 24, 44	8, 118, 230 Vac
Power consumption:	2.0W
Analogic output: 4÷20 mA; max	load 750 ohm
Output relay: n°2 relays; 5A 230 Vac	(n.o. contact)
Max meas. distance range: 5 m (7 m with Extended Range)	
The above distance must be intended from perfect	
reflecting surfaces]	
Communication port:	RS485
Blocking distance: 0.25 m (0.4 m with Ext	tended Range)
lemperature compensation: P1100	; $-30 \text{ to} + 80^{\circ}\text{C}$
Accuracy: ± 0.5% (of the meas	ured distance)
In any case not bette	er than $\pm 1 \text{ mm}$
Resolution: two puch buttons or a	via PS485 port
LED display: aroon LED indicating	ha Roado port
vellow LEDS: PEL1 and PE	2 conditions
yellow LEDS. RELI allu RELZ CONDITIONS	







Calibration

Probe calibration is performed acting on the two P1 and P2 push bottons or using the RS485 communication port. To perform these operations through a PC the "LC" software is available.

Order code



Order code example



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