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Continuous Level Transmitters

XM-300 Analog Output (Proportional Voltage) XT-300 Signal Conditioned Output (4-20mA, 0-5 VDC, 0-12 VDC)

Designed for continuous liquid level sensing, Gems transmitters are considered "components".

Operating Principle

The XM/XT-300 utilizes reed switch/magnet technology. A magnet-equipped float rises or lowers with corresponding liquid level. The magnetic field generated from the float actuates a series of reed switches mounted within a sealed hollow tube. The series of reed switches is combined with resistors to form a voltage divider.

When regulated DC voltage is applied to an XM-300, the resulting voltage output is directly proportional to liquid level. An XT-300 is an XM-300 with a signal conditioned output, for use in applications that require unregulated input voltage or current output.



Installation/Mounting

Units operate normally in any attitude, from vertical to a 30° inclination, up or down.

Thread Treatment

<u>Sealing</u>: Due to potential compatibility problems, when sealing plastic threaded units, a pipe sealant that is compatible the plastic sensor mount as well as your mounting coupling is recommended.

<u>**Tightening:**</u> When threading the plastic sensor into a plastic or metal coupling, the installer should use a suitable wrench and tighten the threads 1 to 1-1/2 additional turns past hand-tight. Over-torqueing of the threads will result in damage to the plastic mounting plug.

Wiring Diagrams



Calibration

The signal conditioner on your XT-300 has been Factory-set. You do not need to calibrate.

Troubleshooting

Proportional version:

Verify proper wiring and power supply. If transmitter is not functioning properly, isolate the transmitter from the system and wire per **Fig. 1**. Assuming you have a standard Top-Mounted unit, the meter should read 0VDC with the float at the bottom and your input voltage (for example 5VDC) with the float at the top of transmitter. If unit is still not operating properly, please consult Factory for further troubleshooting details.

Signal Conditioner version:

Verify proper wiring and power supply. If transmitter is not functioning properly, isolate the transmitter from the system and wire per **Fig. 2.** Assuming you have a standard Top-Mounted unit, the meter should read 0VDC with the float at the bottom and either 5VDC or 10VDC (depending on your configuration) with the float at the top of transmitter. If unit is still not operating properly, please consult Factory for further troubleshooting details.

4-20 mA version:

Verify proper wiring, power supply, and loop resistance. If transmitter is not functioning properly, isolate the transmitter from the system and wire per **Fig. 3**. Assuming you have a standard Top-Mounted unit, the meter should read 4mA with the float at the bottom and 20mA with the float at the top of the transmitter. If unit is still not operating properly, please consult Factory for further troubleshooting details.









E Using 4-20mA Signal Conditioners

The minimum excitation required for operation of transmitters with 4-20mA, DC signal converters **(See Chart)** can be determined for given total loop resistance from the graph shown. (Total loop resistance = the sum of the DC termination resistance plus loop resistance.) For optimum operation, which is a function of source voltage $(+V_A)$ and total loop resistance, the source voltage value used should be above the minimum load line for the related loop resistance.

Excitation Required for Transmitters



Important Points!

Product must be maintained and installed in strict accordance with the National Electrical Codes and Gems technical brochure, instruction bulletin, and any applicable electrical code in the country in which the product is installed. Failure to observe this warning could result in serious injuries or damages.

For hazardous area applications involving such things (*but not limited to*) ignitable mixtures, combustible dust and flammable materials, use an appropriate intrinsically safe interface device.

**WARNING: To prevent ignition of flammable or combustible atmospheres, disconnect power before servicing.

The pressure and temperature limitations shown on the individual catalog pages and drawings for the specified level sensors must not be exceeded. These pressures and temperatures take into consideration possible system surge pressures/temperatures and their frequencies.

Selection of materials for compatibility with the media is critical to the life and operations of Gems level sensors. Take care in the proper selection of materials of construction: particularly wetted materials.

Electrical entries and mounting points in an enclosed tank may require liquid/vapor sealing.

Physical damage sustained by the product may render it unserviceable.

Warranty

Gems Sensors, the seller, warrants its products to be free from defects in material and workmanship in normal use and service for a period of one year from date of shipment. Gems Sensors reserves the right and option to refund the purchase price in lieu of repair or replacement upon evaluation of the returned original part. Modification, misuse, attempted repair by others, improper installation or operation shall render this guarantee null and void. Imo Industries Inc., Gems Sensors, makes no warranty of merchantability or fitness for a part or purpose.

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