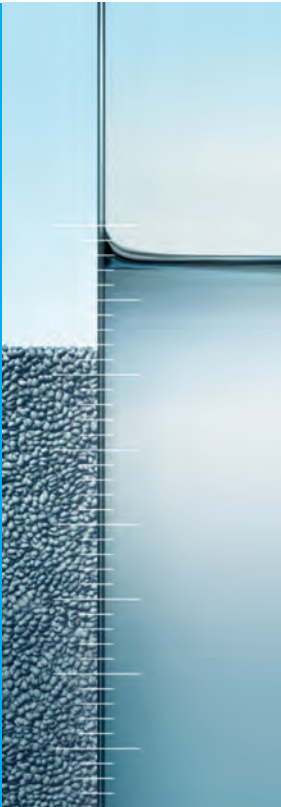


Continuous level measurement in liquids and bulk solids

Selection and engineering guide
for the process industry

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Continuous level measurement in liquids

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Step by step

This selection and engineering guide provides information on different measuring principles for continuous level/interface measurement in liquids as well as their application and installation.

The pamphlet contains two separate chapters: Level measurement in liquids and Level measurement in solids.

The first chapter specifically covers continuous measurement in liquids. A separate selection guide is available for point level detection (see the supplementary documentation CP00007F).

Overview of measuring principles

First of all, we show you an overview of the Endress+Hauser measuring principles for continuous level/interface measurement in liquids in diagrams on the first pages. Subsequently, you are introduced to the mode of functioning of the measuring principle and the respective product family.

Checklist

You should be aware of the application requirements for the correct selection of a suitable instrument. The checklist provides an overview and is supposed to help you to consider or record this data as completely as possible.



Selection of the measuring principle

The appropriate measuring principle is first selected according to the application and its criteria (tank, bypass, stilling well, etc.). Select the principle which meets, if possible, all of the criteria required by you or your plant. The measuring principles are classified according to „non-contact“ and „contact“ criteria. The ideal measuring principle/instrument is stated first and in a blue frame. Max. technical data is always used.



Instrument selection

Now change to the area of the selected measuring principle where you can choose the appropriate instrument from a product family. Compare your application and process data with the instrument data.

Engineering

After the selection of the optimum instrument check the installation instructions at the end of the respective measuring principle. They contain basic directions for the safe installation and use of the instrument. You will find more extensive engineering instructions in the respective Technical Information of the instrument.



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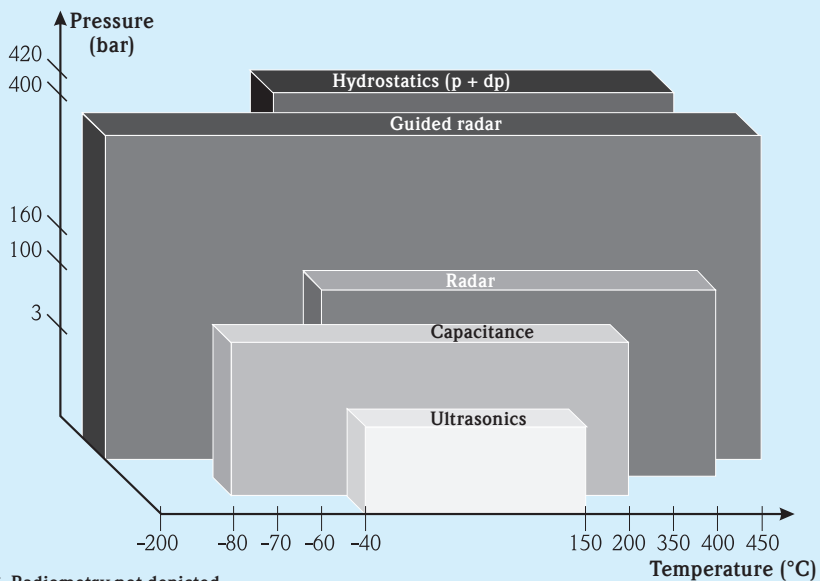
1. Overview of the measuring principles

Segmentation

	Point level	Continuous
Liquids	Vibronics Conductive Capacitance Float switch Radiometrics	Radar Guided radar Ultrasonics Hydrostatics (p + dp) Capacitance Radiometrics
Bulk solids	Vibronics Capacitance Paddle Microwave barrier Radiometrics	Guided radar Radar Ultrasonics Electromechanical level system Radiometrics



Process conditions*



* Radiometry not depicted

Non-contact measurement from outside and, therefore, no application limits.

Endress+Hauser offers you a solution adapted to your application and tailored to your process requirements.
You can select the best technology for your application from the wide product range of Endress+Hauser.

„You only pay what you really need“.

Endress+Hauser takes this statement seriously and offers a large number of different measuring principles which vary in price and functionality.

1. Overview of measuring principles



Radar

Micropilot works with high-frequency radar pulses which are emitted by an antenna and reflected from the product surface. The time of flight of the reflected radar pulse is directly proportional to the distance traveled. If the tank geometry is known, the level can be calculated from this variable.

Micropilot

Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement also under extreme conditions. Unaffected by density, temperature, conductivity and humidity. No impairment by vapor pressure.

- Process temperatures up to +450°C/+842°F
- Process pressures up to 160bar/2320psi



Guided radar

Levelflex works with high-frequency radar pulses which are guided along a probe. As the pulse impacts the medium surface, the characteristic impedance changes and part of the emitted pulse is reflected. The time between pulse launching and receiving is measured and analyzed by the instrument and constitutes a direct measure for the distance between the process connection and the product surface.

Levelflex

Reliable and maintenance-free measurement in liquids, also in turbulent media and foam. Unaffected by density, temperature, conductivity and humidity. No impairment by vapor pressure. Measurement of interface and level.

- Process temperatures up to +450°C/+842°F
- Process pressures up to 400bar/5,800psi



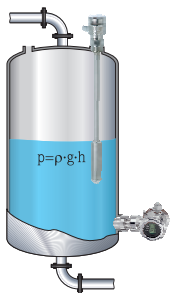
Ultrasonics

Ultrasonic measurement is based on the time-of-flight principle. A sensor emits ultrasonic pulses, the surface of the media reflects the signal and the sensor detects it again. The time of flight of the reflected ultrasonic signal is directly proportional to the distance traveled. With the known tank geometry the level can be calculated.

Prosonic S/M/T

Non-contact and maintenance-free measurement without impairment by product properties, e.g. dielectric constant, conductivity, density or humidity.

- Process temperatures up to +150°C/+302°F
- Process pressures up to 3bar/44psi



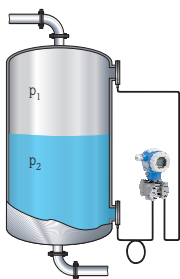
Hydrostatics (pressure)

Hydrostatic level measurement in open tanks is based on the determination of the hydrostatic pressure which is generated by the height of the liquid column. The obtained pressure is thus a direct measure for the level.

Conerabar, Deltapilot

Unaffected by dielectric constant, foam, turbulence and obstacles. Condensate-proof, watertight and long-term stable Contite measuring cell with optimized temperature shock behavior (Deltapilot S).

- Process temperatures up to +400°C/+752°F



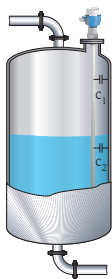
Hydrostatics (differential pressure)

In closed, pressurized tanks, the hydrostatic pressure of the liquid column causes a difference in pressure. The same leads to a deflection of the measuring element which is proportional to the hydrostatic pressure.

Deltabar

Unaffected by dielectric constant, foam, turbulence and obstacles. High overload resistance.

- Process temperatures up to +400°C/+752°F
- Process pressures up to 420bar/6,090psi
- Unaffected by ambient temperatures (Deltabar electronic dp)



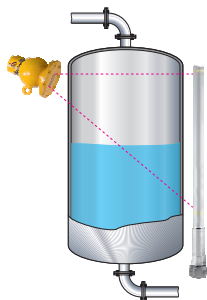
Capacitance

The principle of capacitive level measurement is based on the capacitance change of a capacitor. The probe and the tank wall form a capacitor whose capacitance is dependent on the amount of product in the tank: an empty tank has a lower, a filled tank a higher capacitance.

Liquicap

Exact measurement from the end of the probe to the process connection without any blocking distance. Very fast response times. Unaffected by density, turbulence and vapor pressure.

- Process temperatures up to +200°C/+392°F
- Process pressures up to 100bar/1,450psi



Radiometry

The gamma source, a cesium or cobalt isotope, emits radiation which is attenuated as it passes through materials. The measuring effect results from the absorption of radiation by the product to be measured which is caused by level changes. The measuring system consists of a source and a compact transmitter as a receiver.

Gammapilot M

Non-contact measurement from outside for all extreme applications, e.g. very corrosive, aggressive and abrasive media.

- Unaffected by media
- Any process temperature
- Any process pressure
- Unaffected by gammagraphy (FHG65)

For more detailed information, please contact our application consultant in your country or use the Applicator selection guide.

1. Overview of measuring principles

	Radar	Guided radar	Ultrasonics
			
			
Process temperature	-196...+450°C/ -321...+842°F	-196...+450°C/ -321...+842°F	-40...+150°C/ -40...+302°F
Process pressure	-1...+160bar/ -14.5...+2,320psi	-1...+400bar/ -14.5...+5,800psi	-0.3...+3bar/ -4.4...+44psi
Measuring range	0.3...70m/1...229ft	0.2...45m/0.7...148ft (longer upon request)	0.07...20m/0.2...65ft
Instrument accuracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> C-band²: ±6mm ±0.24" K-band²: ±2mm ±0.08" Option: ±1mm/0.04" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> < 15m: ±2mm < 49ft: ±0.08" > 15m: ±10mm > 49ft: ±0.4" of distance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> < 1m: ±2mm < 3.2ft: ±0.08" > 1m: ±0.2% > 3.2ft: ±0.2% of distance
Function may be affected by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foam Extreme turbulent, boiling surfaces Conductive build-up on antenna connection Strong build-up formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme build-up formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foam Extreme turbulent, boiling surfaces Strong build-up or strong condensate at the sensor
Accuracy may be affected by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall effects Interfering reflections / signal strength (obstacles in the signal beam.) Extreme pressure changes e.g. 1.2% at Δ 50bar/725psi (+20°C/+68°F, air) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interfering reflections by obstacles near the probe (not for coaxial probe) Extreme pressure changes e.g. 1.2% at Δ 50bar/725psi (+20°C/+68°F, air) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher vapor pressure may change the time of flight Temperature layers in the gas phase Interfering reflections Fast temperature change
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurement up to abs. 0%¹ DC < 1.4 Lateral installation or from below 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurement up to abs. 0%³ DC < 1.4 Strong mechanical stress in agitator applications Lateral installation or from below Extreme foam formation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measurement up to abs. 0%¹ Vapor pressure > 50mbar/0.73psi (+20°C/+68°F) Blocking distance⁴ Lateral installation or from below

¹ E.g. dish bottom, conical outlet

² C-band: 6GHz
K-band: 26GHz

³ Measurement only up to the probe end

Capacitance	Radiometrics	Hydrostatics (pressure)	Hydrostatics (differential pressure)
			
			
-80...+200°C/ -112...+392°F -1...+100bar/ -14.5...+1,450psi	Unaffected by temperature and pressure	-70...+400°C/ -94...+752°F n.a.	-70...+400°C/ -94...+752°F/ 420bar/6,090psi
0.1...10m/0.3...32ft	0.05...12m/0.16...39ft, cascadable	0.1...100m/0.3...328ft (1mbar...10bar/ 0.1psi...145psi)	from 0.1m/0.3ft (1mbar...40bar/ 0.1psi...580psi)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±1% of measuring distance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±1% of measuring distance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±0.075% of the set span 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±0.075% of the set span
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Plastic tank ■ Extreme conductive build-up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ External radiation (gammagraphy), solution with Gamma Modulator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dynamic pressure fluctuations by agitator or whirling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dynamic pressure fluctuations by agitator or whirling
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Conductivity <30µs/cm: changing dielectric constants ■ Conductive build-up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Extreme pressure fluctuations ■ Extreme build-up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Density change ■ Very fast temperature change ■ Tk⁵ of capillaries and diaphragm seals (process and ambient temperature) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Density change ■ Tk⁵ of capillaries and diaphragm seals (process and ambient temperature) ■ Dynamic pressure, e.g. caused by agitator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Agitator blade ■ Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm ■ DC <2.0 ■ Media diffusing through PTPE, e.g. chlorine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Non-contact measurement from outside and, therefore, no application limits ■ Observe radiation protection laws ■ Further information from our sales team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Curing build-up ■ Strong density fluctuations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Curing build-up ■ Vacuum and simultaneously temperatures > +200°C/+392°F (diaphragm seal) ■ Strong density fluctuations

⁴ Measurement is possible up to the blocking distance (BD) of the sensor

⁵ Tk = Temperature coefficient

2. Checklist

You should be familiar with all of the requirements of your application for the selection of the right instrument. The checklist on page 9 provides an overview of relevant process data and will help you to take the same into consideration. If we have not included all of the details, please supplement the list by your criteria.

The checklist is required both for the selection of the measuring principle and the selection of the instrument.

TIP

Copy this checklist and complete it to have all relevant data at your disposal in the selection process.

Radiometry is not included in detail in the following chapters. For specific information please contact our sales team.

The following table compares the individual measuring methods and is supposed to assist in a first preselection.

Selection guide	Radar	Guided radar	Ultrasonics	Hydrostatic	Capacitance
Condensate	O	+	O	+	+
Foam formation	O	+	O	+	O
Conductivity 1...100µs/cm	+	+	+	+	O
Changing media (density)	+	+	+	–	+
Low DC	O	O	+	+	O
Viscosity	+	O	+	+	O
Build-up formation	+	O	+	O	O
Small tank (blocking distance)	O	O	O	+	+
Hygienic application (cleanability)	+	+	+	+	+
Pressurization	+	+	O	+	+
Simple maintenance (disassembly)	+	O	+	O	O
Independent of installation site	O	+	O	O	+
Unaffected by obstacles	O	+	O	+	+
Small tank (fast level change)	O	O	O	+	+
Vapor pressure > 50mbar / +20°C, > 0.73psi / +68°F)	+	+	O	+	+
CIP/SIP temperature cycles	+	+	+	+	+

+ = recommended

O = restricted (observe limits)

– = not recommended



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Details of medium	Medium			
	Density	g/cm ³		
	Conductivity	μS/cm		
	Dielectric constant (DC)			
	Resistance/e. g. coating			
Non-contact measurement		yes	no	
Process data	Process temperature	min.	max.	
	Process pressure	min.	max.	
	Vapor pressure	min.	max.	
Process connection	Type of connection / size			
Installation	Tank (height, Ø)	yes	no	
	Nozzle dimensions	mm / inch		
	Assembly position (from above/from below) ¹⁾			
	Free space	min.	max.	
	Bypass (Ø)	yes	no	
	Stilling well (Ø)	yes	no	
Electric connection	2-wire	yes	no	
	4-wire	yes	no	
Digital communication	HART®, PROFIBUS®, FOUNDATION™ fieldbus, relay			
Approvals	Ex (Ex ia/Ex d)	yes	no	
	WHG	yes	no	
	Shipbuilding	yes	no	
	EHEDG	yes	no	
	3-A	yes	no	
Certificates/ manufacturer declarations	3.1	yes	no	
	NACE	yes	no	
	FDA-listed material	yes	no	
	SIL	yes	no	
	Calibration certificates	yes	no	
Special requirements				

¹⁾ Only applicable to level measurement by pressure instruments

3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

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Non-contact

	Radar Micropilot		Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M/T	
	 FMR5x		<div> <div> (separated)  FMU90  FDU9x </div> <div> (compact)  FMU4x  FMU30 </div> </div>	
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ For highly viscous media ■ High resistance ■ Universally usable (free adjustable measuring range) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High resistance ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Integrated alarm/point level relay ■ Free adjustable measuring range 	
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Vapor pressure ■ Many obstacles 	
	→ guided radar, hydrostatics → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics → hydrostatics		→ guided radar, hydrostatics → radar, guided radar, capacitance → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics	

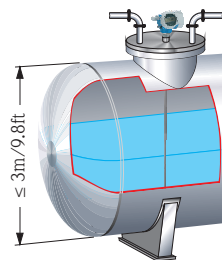
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Contact

Horizontal cylindrical storage tank

- Calm surface (e.g. bottom filling, filling via immersion tube or rare free filling from above)
- Accuracy 3...10mm/0.12...0.4"
- Free space measurement (without stilling well, top mounted)
- Tank diameter up to 3m/9.8ft
- Changing media
- Installation from above



Our proposal

Guided radar
LevelflexFMP5x
(coax)

- Unaffected by changing media
- No impairment by the installations of
 - Tank baffles
 - Nozzle dimensions
 - Double reflection
- Coaxial probe

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
-196...+450°C/-321...+842°F
-1...+400bar/-14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
6m/20ft (coax), longer upon request

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| ■ Strong build-up formation (e.g. high viscosity, crystallizing media, etc.) | → radar, ultrasonics |
| ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) | → hydrostatics |

Hydrostatics
Deltapilot M

FMB5x

- Unaffected by foam
- Unaffected by installation situation
- Unaffected by DC value

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±0.1%, (typ. 3...10mm/0.12...0.4")
-10...+80°C/+14...+176°F
Ambient pressure
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
Typically up to 100m/328ft
(10bar/145psi)

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| ■ Density change | → guided radar, radar, ultrasonics |
| ■ Strong build-up formation | → radar, ultrasonics |

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Capacitance
Liquicap M

FMI5x

- Ground tube probe
- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- Calibration not required in conductive liquids
- No blocking distance

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

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| ■ Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm | → guided radar, radar, ultrasonics |
| ■ Strong, conductive build-up formation | → radar, ultrasonics |

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Our proposal

Radar Micropilot



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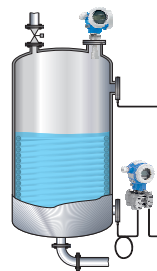
Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M/T



Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Non-contact and unaffected by head pressures ■ Universally useable due to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Flexible measuring range ■ Changing, highly viscous or aggressive media (100 % PTFE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High resistance ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Integrated alarm/point level relay
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy ±2mm/±0.08" ■ Process temperature -196...+450°C/-321...+842°F ■ Process pressure -1...+160bar/-14.5...+2,320psi ■ Process connection Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections ■ Maximum measuring range 70m/229ft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2-/4-wire (HART®, DP, PA, FF) ±2mm/±0.08" +0.17% of the distance ■ -40...+105°C/-40...+221°F ■ -0.3...+3bar/-4.4...+44psi ■ Threads, Tri-Clamp, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS) ■ 20m/65ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam → guided radar, hydrostatics ■ Many obstacles → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) → hydrostatics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam → guided radar, hydrostatics ■ Vapor pressure > 50mbar/0.73psi (20°C/+68°F) ■ Many obstacles → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics

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Vertical storage tank

- Calm surface (e.g. bottom filling, filling via immersion tube or rare free filling from above)
- Accuracy 3...10mm/0.12...0.4"
- Free space measurement (without stilling well/bypass)

Contact

Our proposal

Guided radar Levelflex



FMP5x

- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
-196...+450°C/-321...+842°F
-1...+400bar/-14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
6m/20ft (coax), longer upon request

- Strong build-up formation (e.g. high viscosity, crystallizing media, etc.)
- Low DC value (< 1.4)

→ radar,
ultrasonics

→ hydrostatics

Hydrostatics Deltapilot, Cerabar, Deltabar



- Tried and tested technology providing easy engineering and commissioning
- Unaffected by
 - DC values
 - Tank baffles
 - Foam

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±0.075% of the set span
-70...+400°C/-94...+752°F
420bar/6,092psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
Typically up to 100m/328ft
(10bar/145psi)

- Density change
- Strong build-up formation

→ guided radar,
radar,
ultrasonics
→ radar,
ultrasonics

→ Please note:
Hydrostatics continued on Page 66

Capacitance Liquicap M



FMI5x

- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- Calibration not required in conductive liquids
- No blocking distance

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm
- Strong, conductive build-up formation

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radar, radar,
ultrasonics

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ultrasonics

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Radar Micropilot



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Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M



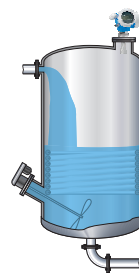
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Non-contact and unaffected by head pressures ■ Universally useable due to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Flexible measuring range ■ Changing, highly viscous or aggressive media (100 % PTFE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High resistance ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Integrated alarm/point level relay ■ Fast measuring frequency (4-wire)
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08"$ $-196...+450^{\circ}\text{C}/-321...+842^{\circ}\text{F}$ $-1...+160\text{bar}/-14.5...+2,320\text{psi}$ Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections 70m/229ft	2-/4-wire (HART®, DP, PA, FF) $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08" + 0.17\%$ of the distance $-40...+105^{\circ}\text{C}/-40...+221^{\circ}\text{F}$ $-0.3...+3\text{bar}/-4.4...+44\text{psi}$ Threads, Tri-Clamp, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS) 20m/65ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles in the radar beam ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → guided radar, hydrostatics → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics → hydrostatics

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Buffer tank

- Agitated surface (e.g. permanent free filling from above, mixing jets, slowly turning mixer, lateral installation)
- Free space measurement (without stilling well)
- Foam spots, islands
- Pressurized
- Fast temperature changes (cleaning)



Contact

Hydrostatics Cerabar, Deltabar

FMD72
(electronic dp)



PMD5x, PMD7x, FMD7x

- Unaffected by foam
- Unaffected by installation situation
- Unaffected by DC value
- Electronic dp

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±0.075% of the set span
-70...+400°C/-94...+752°F
420bar/6,092psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
Typically up to 100m/328ft
(10bar/145psi)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Density change ■ Strong build-up formation ■ Ratio head-pressure to hydrostatic pressure max. 6:1 for electronic dp | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → guided radar, radar, ultrasonics → radar, ultrasonics, bubble system → radar, guided radar, dp |
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Guided radar Levelflex



FMP5x

- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- Unaffected by agitated surfaces

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
-196...+450°C/-321...+842°F
-1...+400bar/-14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
6m/20ft (coax), longer upon request

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong lateral load ■ Strong build-up formation (e.g. high viscosity, crystallizing media, etc.) ■ DC starting at 1.4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → radar, ultrasonics, hydrostatics → radar, ultrasonics → hydrostatics |
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Capacitance Liquicap M



FMI5x

- For small tanks with fast filling and discharging operations
- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- No blocking distance

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm ■ Strong, conductive build-up formation ■ Strong lateral load | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → guided radar, radar, ultrasonics → radar, ultrasonics → radar, ultrasonics, hydrostatics |
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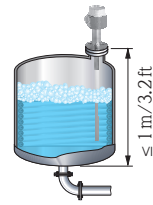
3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

Notes

B

Recipient tank (e.g. bottling facilities)

- Pressurized
- Fast temperature changes (cleaning)
- Fast filling and discharging operations
- Tank < 1m/3.2ft in height
- Strongly foaming surface



Contact

Our proposal

Capacitance Liquicap M



FMI5x

Guided radar Levelflex



FMP5x

Hydrostatics Deltapilot, Deltabar, Cerabar



2 x PMC/PMP5x,
2 x PMC/PMP7x

Advantages

- Fastest response times in filling and discharging operations
- Maximum tank exploitation – no blocking distance
- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank baffles

- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- Unaffected by product properties (conductivity, density)

- Electronic dp
- Unaffected by foam
- Unaffected by installation situation
- Unaffected by DC value
- Fast response times
- Unaffected by ambient temperatures

Technical data

■ Connection

2-wire (HART®)

- Accuracy
- Process temperature
- Process pressure
- Process connection
- Maximum measuring range

±1.0%
–80...+200°C/–112...+392°F
–1...+100bar/–14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod),
10m/32ft (rope)

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
–196...+450°C/–321...+842°F

–1...+400bar/–14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
6m/20ft (coax), longer upon request

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)

±0.075% of the set span
–40...+150°C/–40...+302°F
40bar/580psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections
Typically up to 100m/328ft (10bar/145psi)

Application limits

- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm

→ hydrostatics

- Extremely fast filling and discharging operations (response times < 0.7sec)
- Highly accurate measurements in the lower and upper area
- DC starting at 1.4

→ capacitance

→ capacitance

→ hydrostatics

- Density change
- Electronic dp-ratio head pressure to hydrostatic pressure max. 6:1

→ capacitance
→ capacitance, guided radar

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B

Recipient tank
(e.g. bottling facilities)

3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

B

Non-contact

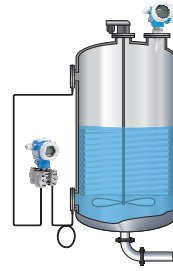
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	Radar Micropilot  FMR5x		Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M <div> <div> (separated)  FMU90 FDU9x </div> <div> (compact)  FMU4x </div> </div>	
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Non-contact and unaffected by head pressures ■ Universally useable due to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Flexible measuring range ■ Changing, highly viscous or aggressive media (100 % PTFE) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High resistance ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Integrated alarm/point level relay ■ Fast measuring frequency (4-wire) 	
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) ■ Extreme turbulences 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Vapor pressure ■ Many obstacles ■ Fast temperature changes ■ Strong turbulences 	
	} → hydrostatics		→ hydrostatics → radar → hydrostatics → radar → hydrostatics	

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Process tank with agitator

- Agitated surface
- Single-stage agitator (< 60 RPM)
- Pressurized
- Free space measurement (without stilling well/bypass)
- Foam formation is possible depending on the application



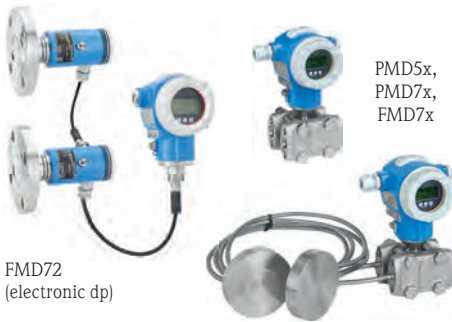
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Process tank
with agitator

Contact

Our proposal

Hydrostatics Deltabar



PMD5x,
PMD7x,
FMD7x

FMD72
(electronic dp)

- Tried and tested technology providing easy engineering and commissioning
- Unaffected by
 - DC values
 - Tank baffles
 - Foam
 - Strongly fluctuating ambient temperatures

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
 $\pm 0.075\%$ of the set span
 -70...+400°C / -94...+752°F
 420bar/6,090psi
 Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
 hygienic connections
 40m/131ft (4bar/58psi)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Density change ■ Strong build-up formation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → radar, ultrasonics → radar, ultrasonics, bubble system |
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3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

B

Non-contact

Our proposal

Radar Micropilot



FMR5x

Ultrasonic Prosonic S/M

(separated)

(compact)



Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Non-contact and unaffected by head pressures ■ Universally useable due to flexible measuring range <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Installation for stilling wells > 4m ■ Also with ball valve 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High resistance ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Integrated alarm/point level relay ■ Unaffected by stilling well material
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08"$ ■ Process temperature: $-196\dots+450^\circ\text{C}/-321\dots+842^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-1\dots+160\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+2,320\text{psi}$ ■ Process connection: Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/229ft 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2-/4-wire (HART®, DP, PA, FF) ■ $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08" + 0.17\%$ of the distance ■ $-40\dots+105^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+221^\circ\text{F}$ ■ $-0.3\dots+3\text{bar}/-4.4\dots+44\text{psi}$ ■ Threads, Tri-Clamp, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS) ■ 20m/65ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Large changes in the stilling well cross section ■ Arrangement, size of equalizing openings ■ Plastic stilling wells ■ DC starting at 1.4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → guided radar, capacitance → guided radar, capacitance → ultrasonics, guided radar → float 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Vapor pressure → radar

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B

Stilling well

- Measurement in metal pipes (installed in the tank)
e.g. immersion tube
- Nominal width typ. DN 40...DN 150/1.5"...6"

Contact

Our proposal

Guided radar Levelflex



FMP5x

Capacitance Liquicap M



FMI5x

- Unaffected by the stilling well geometry
- Divisible rod probe

- Unaffected by the stilling well geometry

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
-196...+450°C/-321...+842°F
-1...+400bar/-14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
longer upon request

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

- Contact between probe and stilling well
- Highly viscous products (> 1000 cst)
- Max. stilling well length 10m/33ft
- DC starting at 1.4

→ radar,
ultrasonics

→ radar,
ultrasonics
→ float

- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm

→ guided radar,
radar,
ultrasonics

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3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

B

Non-contact

Radar
Micropilot



FMR5x

Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Measurement with ball valve possible ■ For highly viscous media (100% PTFE possible) ■ Universally usable (free adjustable measuring range) 	
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ±2mm/±0.08" -196...+450°C/-321...+842°F -1...+160bar/-14.5...+2,320psi Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections 70m/229ft	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles ■ Low DC value (< 1.4) 	→ guided radar, hydrostatics → guided radar, capacitance, hydrostatics → hydrostatics

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Bypass

- Measurement in metal pipes (installed outside the tank)
- Replacement of displacer/float vessels, compensation vessels
- Nominal width typ. DN 40...DN 150/1.5"...6"



B

Contact

Our proposal

Guided radar Levelflex



FMP5x

Capacitance Liquicap M



FMI5x

- No impairment by bypass connections
- Unaffected by changing media
- Safe operation in case of filling via upper connection ("coaxial probe")

- For small tanks with fast filling and discharging operations
- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- No blocking distance

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART®
±2mm/±0.08"
-196...+450°C/-321...+842°F
-1...+400bar/-14.5...+5,800psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
10m/33ft (rod), 45m/148ft (rope),
longer upon request

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

- Strong build-up formation (e.g. high viscosity, crystallizing media, etc.)
- Low DC value (< 1.4)

→ radar

→ hydrostatics

- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm
- Strong, conductive build-up formation

→ guided radar,
radar

→ radar,
hydrostatics



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3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

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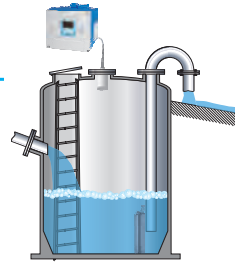
Non-contact

Our proposal		
Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M		Radar Micropilot
 <p>(separated)</p> <p>FMU90</p> <p>FDU9x</p> <p>(compact)</p> <p>FMU4x</p>		 <p>FMR5x</p>
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Overspill-protected, heated sensors with self-cleaning effect ■ Universal use due to flexible measuring range ■ Operation and display at easily accessible mounting locations possible incl. integrated point level relay and integrated control functions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Universally usable (free adjustable measuring range) ■ Unaffected by temperature layers ■ Free of maintenance
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-/4-wire (HART®, DP, PA, FF) ■ Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08'' \pm 0.17\%$ of the distance ■ Process temperature: $-40\dots+105^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+221^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-0.3\dots+3\text{bar}/-4.4\dots+44\text{psi}$ ■ Process connection: Threads, Tri-Clamp, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS) ■ Maximum measuring range: 20m/65ft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08''$ ■ Process temperature: $-196\dots+450^\circ\text{C}/-321\dots+842^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-1\dots+160\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+2,320\text{psi}$ ■ Process connection: Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/229ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles <p>} → hydrostatics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong formation of foam ■ Many obstacles <p>} → hydrostatics</p>

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Pump shaft/overflow construction/ rain water basin



B

Contact

Our proposal

Hydrostatics Deltapilot M / Waterpilot



FMB53



FMX21/
FMX167

- Tried and tested technology, providing easy engineering and commissioning
- Unaffected by tank baffles, mounting situation and foam
- Operation and display possible at easily accessible mounting locations

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±0.1%
-10...+80°C/+14...+176°F
Ambient pressure
Mounting clamp, cable mounting screw
200m/656ft (20bar/290psi)

- Risk of sludge formation/
pollution (build-up)

→ ultrasonics, radar

Capacitance Liquicap M



FM15x

- For small tanks with fast filling and discharging operations
- Unaffected by nozzle dimensions and tank obstacles
- No blocking distance

2-wire (HART®)
±1.0%
-80...+200°C/-112...+392°F
-1...+100bar/-14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS),
hygienic connections
4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm
- Strong, conductive build-up formation

→ guided radar,
radar

→ radar,
hydrostatics

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3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

B

Non-contact

Our proposal

Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M



Radar Micropilot



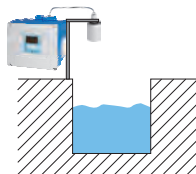
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No flow impairment Overspill-protected, heated sensors with self-cleaning effect Operation and display at easily accessible mounting locations possible incl. integrated point level relay and preprogrammed flow curves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Universally usable (free adjustable measuring range) Unaffected by temperature layers Free of maintenance
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection: 2-/4-wire (HART®, DP, PA, FF) Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08'' + 0.17\%$ of the distance Process temperature: $-40...+105^\circ\text{C}/-40...+221^\circ\text{F}$ Process pressure: $-0.3...+3\text{bar}/-4.4...+44\text{psi}$ Process connection: Threads, Tri-Clamp, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS) Maximum measuring range: 20m/65ft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08''$ Process temperature: $-196...+450^\circ\text{C}/-321...+842^\circ\text{F}$ Process pressure: $-1...+160\text{bar}/-14.5...+2,320\text{psi}$ Process connection: Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygienic connections Maximum measuring range: 70m/229ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong formation of foam Many obstacles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong formation of foam Many obstacles

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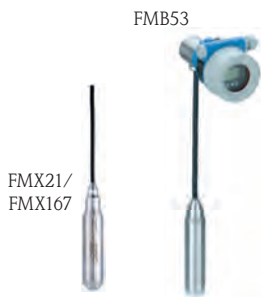
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Channel measurement (free flowing)



- Risk of flooding, foam formation
- Obstacles
- Condensate formation (icing in winter) on sensor and instrument
- Build-up on the sensor and contacting obstacles (ice formation in winter, suspended solids)
- Installation at open basins or underground

Hydrostatics Waterpilot / Deltapilot M



- Unaffected by obstacles / installation situation
- Unaffected by foam formation
- Simple commissioning, calibration is not required

2-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±0.1%
-10...+80°C/+14...+176°F
Ambient pressure
Mounting clamp, cable mounting screw

200m/656ft (20bar/290psi)



- Risk of sludge accumulation / pollution (build-up formation) → ultrasonics, radar
- Installation not in flowing water → ultrasonics, radar

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3. Selection of the measuring principle according to the application

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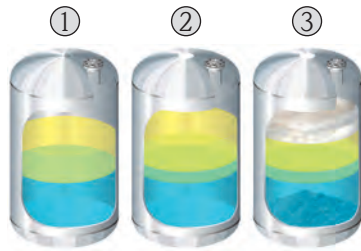
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	<div>①</div> <div>Guided radar</div> <div>Levelflex</div> <div>  </div> <div>FMP51/52/54</div>	<div>① ②</div> <div>Multiparameter</div> <div>Levelflex</div> <div>  </div> <div>FMP55</div>
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Simultaneous acquisition of interface layer and total level ■ Not affected by the density of the medium ■ No wet calibration required ■ Direct replacement of displacers in existing displacer chambers ■ Probes can be shortened (rod) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Simultaneous acquisition of interface layer and overall level, also in case of emulsions ■ Precise and reliable measurement ■ Independent of medium density ■ Wet calibration not required ■ PTFE-coated probe
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature ■ Process pressure ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	2-wire (HART®/PA), 4-wire $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08"$ (overall level); $\pm 10\text{mm}/\pm 0.39"$ (interface level) $-196\dots+450^\circ\text{C}/-321\dots+842^\circ\text{F}$ $-1\dots+400\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+5,800\text{psi}$ Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygiene connections 6m/20ft (coax), 10m/33ft (rope/rod), longer upon request	2-wire (HART®/PA), 4-wire $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08"$ (overall level); $\pm 10\text{mm}/\pm 0.39"$ (interface level) $-50\dots+200^\circ\text{C}/-58\dots+392^\circ\text{F}$ $-1\dots+40\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+580\text{psi}$ Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygiene connections 6m/20ft (coax), 10m/33ft (rope), 4m/13ft (rod), longer upon request
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dielectric constant (DC value) of the upper medium must be determined ■ DC value changes of the upper medium influence accuracy ■ DC value of the upper medium may be max. 10 ■ Difference of the DCs between the two media must be >10 ■ For interface measurement, the thickness of the upper phase must be min. $60\text{mm}/2.36"$ ■ Emulsion layers up to max. $50\text{mm}/1.97"$ allowable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dielectric constant (DC value) of the upper medium must be determined ■ DC value changes of the upper medium affect the accuracy ■ DC value of the upper medium may be max. 10 ■ DC value difference between both media must be >10 ■ For interface layer measurement, the thickness of the upper phase must be minimum $60\text{mm}/2.36"$

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Interface measurement

- ① Interface liquid/liquid
- ② With emulsion layer
- ③ Multiphase measurement
- Recommendation



Non-contact

① ②

Capacitance Liquicap



FM151/52

- Tried and tested instrumentation
- No wet calibration required
- Not affected by the density of the medium
- Unproblematic use in emulsion layers
- Ideal for very small measuring ranges
- Extremely fast response time

2-wire (HART®)
±1%

–80...+200°C/–112...+392°F
–1...+100bar/–14.5...+1,450psi
Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), hygiene connections

4m/13ft (rod), 10m/32ft (rope)

- Difference of the dielectric constant (DC value) between the two media must be >10.
The upper medium may not be conductive
- Accuracy impairment in case of nonconductive build-up on the probe
- The smaller the vessel the higher the influence of DC changes in the upper medium
- The bigger the quotient DC(below) / DC(above) the better the accuracy
- The total level is not measured

① ② ③

Radiometrics GammapiLOT



FMG60

- Non-invasive and maintenance-free measuring method
- Unaffected by pressure and temperature
- Only slight influence by build-up
- Unproblematic use in emulsion layers
- Solutions for multiphase measurements using several detectors

4-wire (HART®, PA, FF)
±1% of measuring distance

Independent (non-invasive)
Independent (non-invasive)
Independent (non-invasive)

Adaptable to application

- Medium density changes influence the accuracy
- The overall level is not measured (possible with a further source and detector)
- Calibration with the medium is required
- Radiation Protection Law

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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Radar

Required application data

- Pressure and temperature
- Dielectric constant of the medium (DC)/media group
- Required material compatibility
- Nozzle diameter/nozzle height
- Measuring range
- Required accuracy
- For stilling well/bypass:
Internal pipe diameter

Dielectric constant (DC)

The reflection properties of a medium are determined by the dielectric constant (DC).

The following table shows the allocation of different DC values to media groups. If the dielectric constant of a medium is not known, we recommend to use a DC value of 1.9 for sizing in order to maintain a safe measurement.

Application limits for radar level measurement

- $T < -196^{\circ}\text{C} / -321^{\circ}\text{F}$
or $T > +450^{\circ}\text{C} / +842^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 160\text{bar} / 2320\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 70\text{m} / 229\text{ft}$
- Dielectric constant < 1.4
- Process connection $< 1\frac{1}{2}"$

! For reliable measurement:
Use a horn antenna whenever possible. In addition,
this should have the largest possible diameter.

Advantages




- Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement
- Unaffected by medium properties like density and conductivity
- For high temperatures up to +400°C/+842°F
- Measurement from outside of the tank

Media group	DC value	Examples
A	1.4...1.9	non-conductive liquids, e.g. liquified gas ¹⁾
B	1.9...4	non-conductive liquids, e.g. benzene, oil, toluene ...
C	4...10	e.g. concentrated acid, organic solvents, ester, analin, alcohol, acetone, ...
D	Larger than 10	Conductive liquids, aqueous solutions, diluted acids and alkalis

- ¹⁾ Treat ammonia (NH₃) like a medium of group A, i.e. measurement in stilling wells always with FMR54. Alternatively, measurement with guided radar FMP54 respectively FMP51 including option "gastight feed-through"
- Measuring range: Larger than 40m/131ft → Micropilot with option "advanced dynamics" max. measuring range 70m/229ft
- Accuracy: More precise than 2mm/0.08" → Micropilot S (FMR5XX), or on request

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle





Radar – process industry

	Micropilot FMR50 K-Band ²		Micropilot FMR51 K-Band ²		Micropilot FMR52 K-Band ²	
						
Technical data						
■ Process pressure	-1...+3bar/ -14.5...+43.5psi		-1...+160bar/ -14.5...+2320psi		-1...+16bar/ -14.5...+232psi	
■ Process temperature	-40...+130°C/ -40...+266°F		-196...+450°C/ -321...+842°F		-40...+200°C/ -40...+392°F	
■ Accuracy	±2mm/±0.08"		±2mm/±0.08"		±2mm/±0.08"	
■ Process connection	G 1½", 1½" NPT, DN 80... DN 150/3"...6"		R 1½", DN 50...DN 150/2"...6", Tri-Clamp		DN 50...DN 150/2"...6", Tri- Clamp, hygienic connections	
■ Wetted parts	PTFE, PVDF, Viton, PP, sealings		316L/1.4435, Alloy C, PTFE, sealings		PTFE	
■ Measuring ranges	30m/98ft		40m/131ft		40m/131ft	
■ Gastight feedthrough	—		Optional		Optional	
■ Technical Information	TI 01039F		TI 01040F		TI 00345F	
Applications						
Horizontal storage tank cyl.	O		+		+	
Vertical storage tank	+		+		+	
Buffer tank	+		+		+	
Recipient tank	—		—		—	
Process tank	O		+		+	
Stilling well	—		+		+	
Bypass	—		O		+	
Pump shaft	+		+		+	
Channel measurement	+		O		O	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Ammoniacal gas phase■ Strong build-up formation■ Low DC■ Only PTFE resistant■ Custody transfer measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ FMR54 in stilling well→ FMR54 with air purge→ FMR51→ FMR52→ FMR540	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Ammoniacal gas phase■ Strong build-up formation■ 316L/1.4435 or Alloy C non-resistant■ Hygiene requirements■ Custody transfer measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ FMR54 in stilling well→ FMR54 with air purge→ FMR50, 52, 52→ FMR52, 53→ FMR5xx	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Ammoniacal gas phase■ Strong build-up formation■ Small connections with low DC■ Low DC and high nozzle■ Custody transfer measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">→ FMR54 in stilling well→ FMR54 with air purge→ FMR53→ FMR51→ FMR5xx

+ = recommended

O = restricted (observe limits)

- = not recommended

 Micropilot FMR53 C-Band¹		 Micropilot FMR54 C-Band¹		 Micropilot S FMR53x C-Band¹ / custody transfer		 Micropilot S FMR540 K-Band² / custody transfer	
-1...+40bar/ -14.5...+580psi -40...+150°C/ -40...+302°F ±6mm/0.24" R1½", DN50...DN150/2"...6", hygienic connections 316L/1.4435, PTFE, PVDF, sealings 20m/65ft Optional TI 01041F		-1...+160bar/ -14.5...+2320psi -196...+400°C/ -321...+752°F ±6mm/0.24" DN 80...DN 250/3"...10"		-1...+40bar/ -14.5...+580psi -40...+200°C/ -40...+392°F ±1mm/±0.04" DN 80...DN 250/3"...10"		-1...+16bar/ -14.5...+232psi -40...+200°C/ -40...+392°F ±1mm/±0.04" DN 80...DN 250/3"...10"	
		316L/1.4435, Alloy C, PTFE, ceramics, graphite, sealings		316Ti/1.4571, PTFE, 316L/1.4435, HNBR, sealings 25m/82ft Standard TI 00344F		316L/1.4435, PTFE, PEEK, sealings 40m/131ft Standard TI 00412F	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Nozzle height >250mm /9.8" ■ Low DC 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Free space with nozzle <DN 150/6" ■ Stilling well with ball valve ■ Hygiene requirements ■ 316L/1.4435 or Alloy C non-resistant 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Free space and many baffles 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Strong condensate or build-up formation ■ Existing stilling wells with non-ideal measuring conditions 	
} → FMR51, 52, 54		→ FMR51, 52, 53 → FMR51, 52 } → FMR52, 53		→ FMR540		→ FMR53x → FMR532	

¹C-Band = 6GHz²K-Band = 26GHz

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Measuring range in dependence on the type of tank

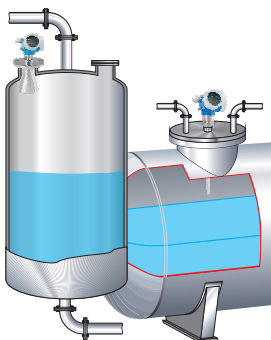
Process conditions and medium for Micropilot FMR50/FMR51/FMR52









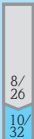









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Storage tank / Channel measurement

Calm surface

(e.g. bottom filling, filling via immersion tube or rare free filling from above)

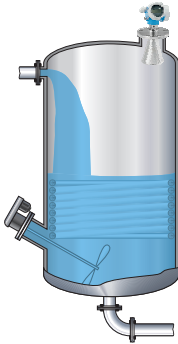


	Horn/antenna diameter															
FMR50	40mm/1.5"	—	* 80mm/3"	** 100mm/4"												
FMR51	40mm/1.5"	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	100mm/4"												
FMR52	—	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	—												
Measuring range in m/ft																
Media group A: DC = 1.4...1.9 B: DC = 1.9...4 C: DC = 4...10 D: DC = > 10	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D				
																
 Standard: Max. measuring range = 40m/131ft																
 With application package "Advanced dynamics": Max. measuring range = 70m/229ft Min. measuring range = 5m/16ft																

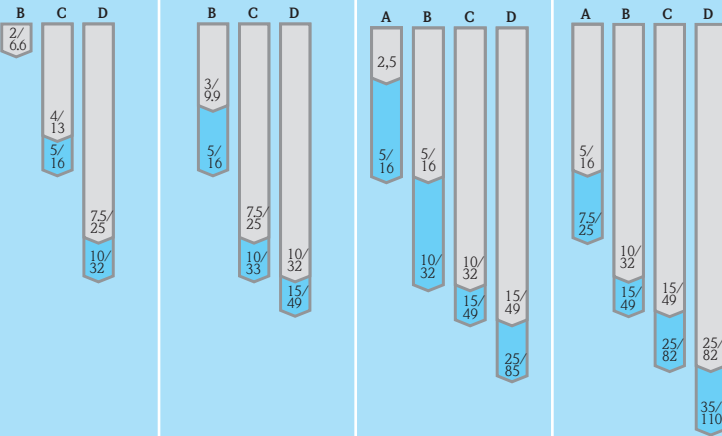
* Advised max. measuring range = 20m/65ft; with "advanced dynamics" = 30m/98ft

** Advised max. measuring range = 30m/98ft; with „advanced dynamics“ = 40m/131ft

(e.g. permanent free filling from above, mixing jets, slowly turning mixer, lateral installation)



40mm/1.5"	—	80mm/3"	100mm/4"
40mm/1.5"	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	100mm/4"
—	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	—



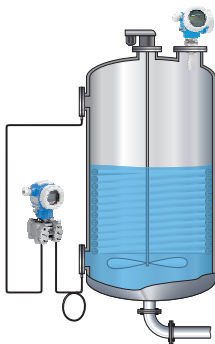
4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Measuring range in dependence on the type of tank

Process conditions and medium for Micropilot FMR50/FMR51/FMR52

Tank with single-stage propeller agitator

Turbulent surface,
single-stage agitator
<60 U/min./<60 RPM



	Horn/antenna diameter			
FMR50	40mm/1.5"	—	80mm/3"	100mm/4"
FMR51	40mm/1.5"	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	100mm/4"
FMR52	—	50mm/2"	80mm/3"	—
	Measuring range in m/ft			
Media group A: DC = 1.4...1.9 B: DC = 1.9...4 C: DC = 4...10 D: DC = > 10 <div>Standard: Max. measuring range = 40m/131ft</div> <div>With application package "Advanced dynamics": Max. measuring range = 70m/229ft Min. measuring range = 5m/16ft</div>	<div>C</div> <div>D</div> <div>2/0.6</div> <div>3/9.8</div> <div>5/16</div>	<div>B</div> <div>C</div> <div>D</div> <div>2/0.6</div> <div>3/9.8</div> <div>7.5/25</div> <div>5/16</div> <div>10/32</div>	<div>B</div> <div>C</div> <div>D</div> <div>2.5/8.2</div> <div>5/16</div> <div>12/39</div> <div>8/26</div> <div>15/49</div>	<div>B</div> <div>C</div> <div>D</div> <div>4/13</div> <div>5/16</div> <div>8/26</div> <div>15/49</div> <div>10/32</div> <div>20/65</div>

Stilling well



Bypass



40...100mm/1.5...4"

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40...100mm/1.5...4"

40...100mm/1.5...4"

50...80mm/2...3"

50...80mm/2...3"

A, B, C, D



C, D



For media groups A and B use
Levelflex with coax probe.

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

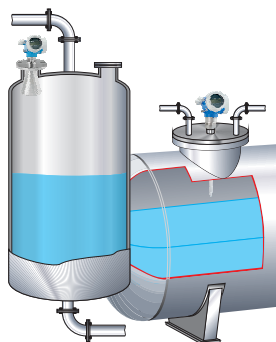
Radar – process industry

Measuring range in dependence on the type of tank, process conditions and medium for Micropilot FMR53/FMR54.

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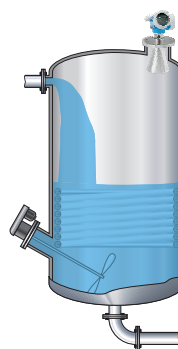
Storage tank¹⁾

Calm surface
(e.g. bottom filling, filling via immersion tube or rare free filling from above)



Buffer tank¹⁾

Agitated surface
(e.g. permanent free filling from above, mixing jets)



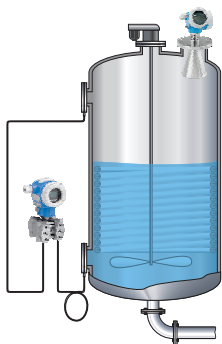
	Horn/antenna diameter							
FMR53	Rod antenna	—	Rod antenna	—				
FMR54	150mm/6"	200mm/8" 250mm/10"	150mm/6"	200mm/8" 250mm/10"				
Measuring range in m/ft								
Media group A: DC = 1.4...1.9 B: DC = 1.9...4 C: DC = 4...10 D: DC = > 10	B C D		B C D		B C D		B C D	

¹⁾ For media group A use stilling well (20m/65ft).

²⁾ Possible for media groups A and B, e.g. with a stilling well in the bypass.

Tank with single-stage propeller agitator¹⁾

Turbulent surface,
single-stage agitator
<60 U/min./<60 RPM

**Stilling well****Bypass**

Rod antenna

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150mm/6"

200mm/8"
250mm/10"

80...250mm/3...10"

Planar antenna
150...300mm/6... 12"80...250mm/3...10"²⁾**B****C****D**4/
136/
208/
26**B****C****D**6/
208/
2610/
32**A, B, C, D**20/
65**A, B, C, D**20/
65**C, D**20/
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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

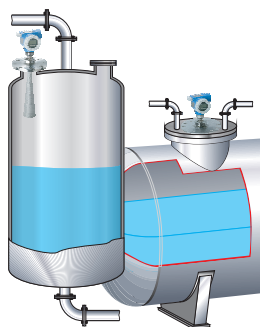
Measuring range depending on the type of tank

Process conditions and medium for Micropilot S FMR530/531/532/533/540

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Storage tank

Highly accurate measurement,
custody transfer



Horn/antenna diameter			
FMR530		150mm/6"	200mm/250mm 8"/10"
FMR532			
FMR533			
FMR540	100mm/4"		
Measuring range in m/ft			
Media group A: DC = 1.4...1.9 B: DC = 1.9...4 C: DC = 4...10 D: DC = > 10 <div>Standard: Max. measuring range = 40m/131ft</div> <div>With application package "Advanced dynamics": Max. measuring range = 70m/229ft Min. measuring range = 5m/16ft</div>	B C, D <div>20/ 65</div> <div>30/ 99</div>	B <div>10/ 32</div>	B C D <div>15/ 49</div> <div>20/ 65</div> <div>25/ 82</div>

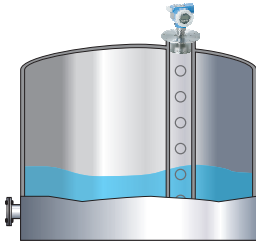
Storage tank

Highly accurate measurement,
custody transfer



Stilling well

Highly accurate measurement,
custody transfer



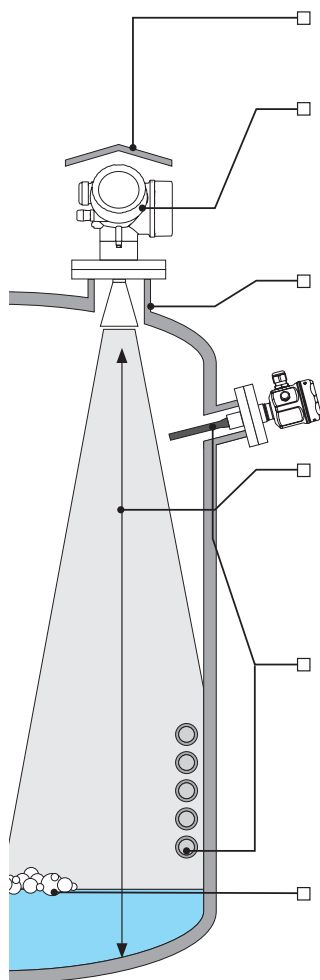
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		150mm/6"
	450mm/18"	
200mm/8"		

B, C, D	B, C, D	A, B, C, D
A vertical grey bar representing a measurement point. At the bottom, it is labeled "40/131".	A vertical grey bar representing a measurement point. At the bottom, it is labeled "40/131".	A vertical grey bar representing a measurement point. At the bottom, it is labeled "38/125".

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions radar – free space



Weather protection cover

- Always recommended for outside installation to avoid strong temperature changes of electronics

Installation

- Not in the center
 - Not above the fillstream
 - Distance to wall: $\sim \frac{1}{6}$ of the tank diameter, at least, however, 30cm/12" (6GHz), or 15cm/6" (26GHz)
- If these conditions cannot be met: Use stilling well
- Lateral installation on request

Nozzle

- FMR51/54 horn antenna should protrude from the nozzle. Please note the max. nozzle length, otherwise use antenna extension
- FMR50/52 note the max. nozzle length
- The inactive part of the rod antenna should be longer than the height of the nozzle. Please contact our application consultant if this is not possible
- Please note the information in the Technical Documentations

Measuring range

- Measurement is possible up to the tip of the antenna, on principle, however, the end of the measuring range should not be closer than 50mm/2" to the tip of the antenna because of corrosion and build-up formation
- The measuring range starts where the radar beam meets the tank bottom. With dish bottoms or conical outlets, the level cannot be detected below this point

Tank installations

- Avoid any installations like limit switches, temperature sensors, etc. within the signal beam (see table below)
- Symmetrical installations, e.g. vacuum rings, heating coils, flow breakers, etc. may impair measurement

Optimization options

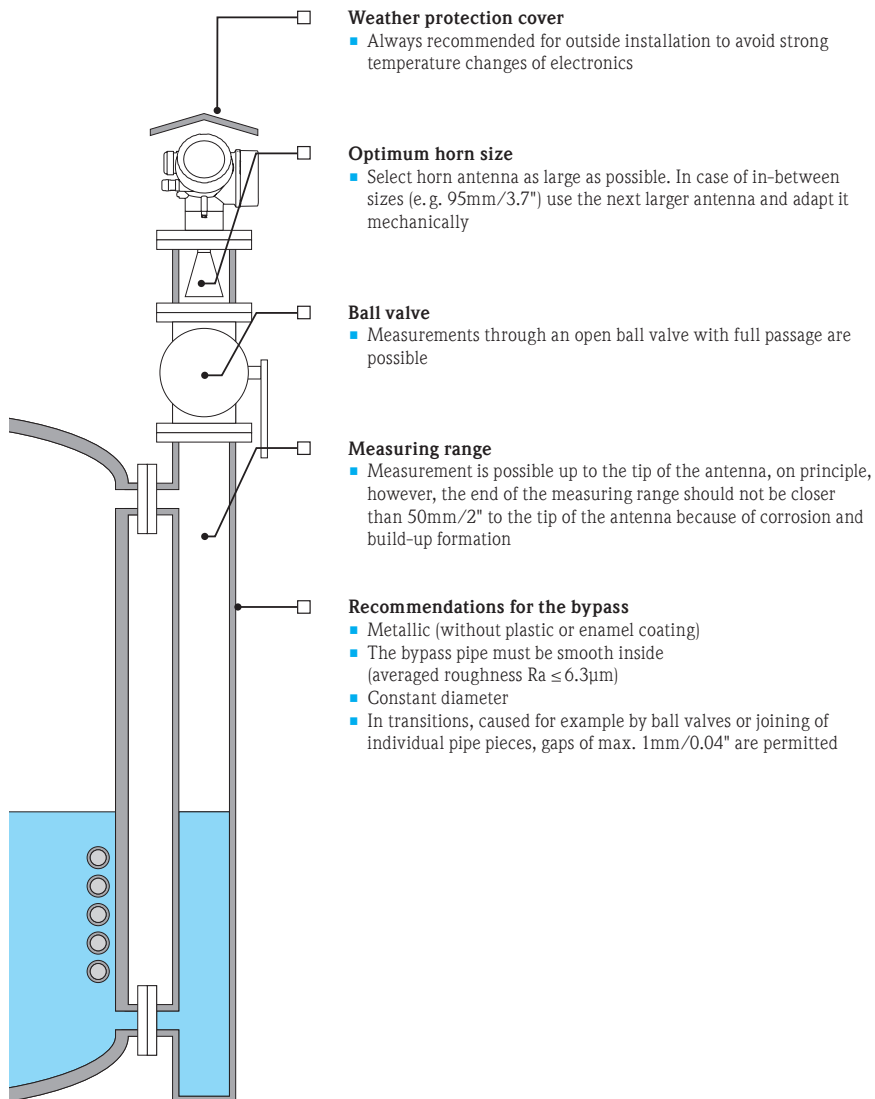
- Size of antenna: The larger the antenna diameter the smaller the beam angle (see table below, the less interference echoes)
- A stilling well or a Levelflex can always be used to avoid interference

Foam of formation

- Radar pulses may be absorbed by foam
- The surface of foam can reflect. Solution: Trial measurement with 26GHz or e.g. Levelflex or hydrostatic measurement

Version FMR	54			53	50	51	50	50	530			533	540	
	DN150	DN200	DN250	Rod	DN40	DN50	DN80	DN100	DN150	DN200	DN250	Parabol	DN100	
Beam angle	23°	19°	15°	30°	23°	18°	10°	8°	23°	19°	15°	7°	4°	8°
Max. nozzle length without extension [mm/"]	205/ 8.1	290/ 11.5	380/ 15	250/ 10	500/20				180/ 7.1	260/ 10.2	350/ 13.8	200/ 7.9	50/ 2	430/ 17

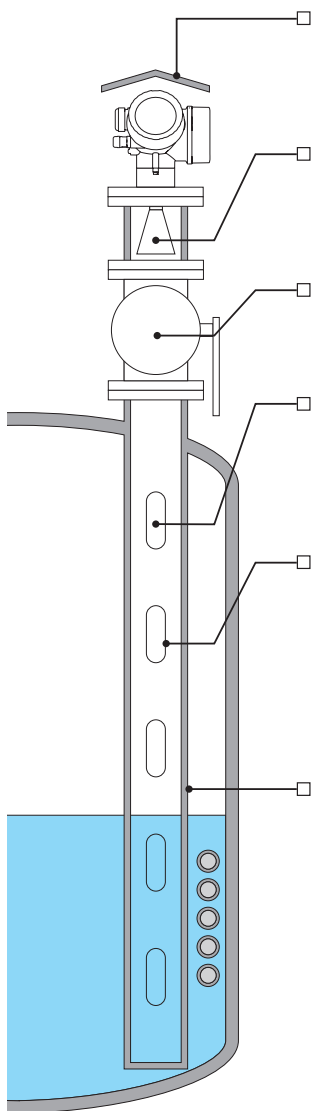
Installation instructions radar – bypass



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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions radar – stilling well



Weather protection cover

- Always recommended for outside installation to avoid strong temperature changes of electronics

Optimum horn size

- Select horn antenna as large as possible. In case of in-between sizes (e.g. 95mm/3.7") use the next larger antenna and adapt it mechanically (inner diameter of stilling well \approx diameter of horn)

Ball valve (if available)

- Measurements through an open ball valve with full passage are possible

Measuring range

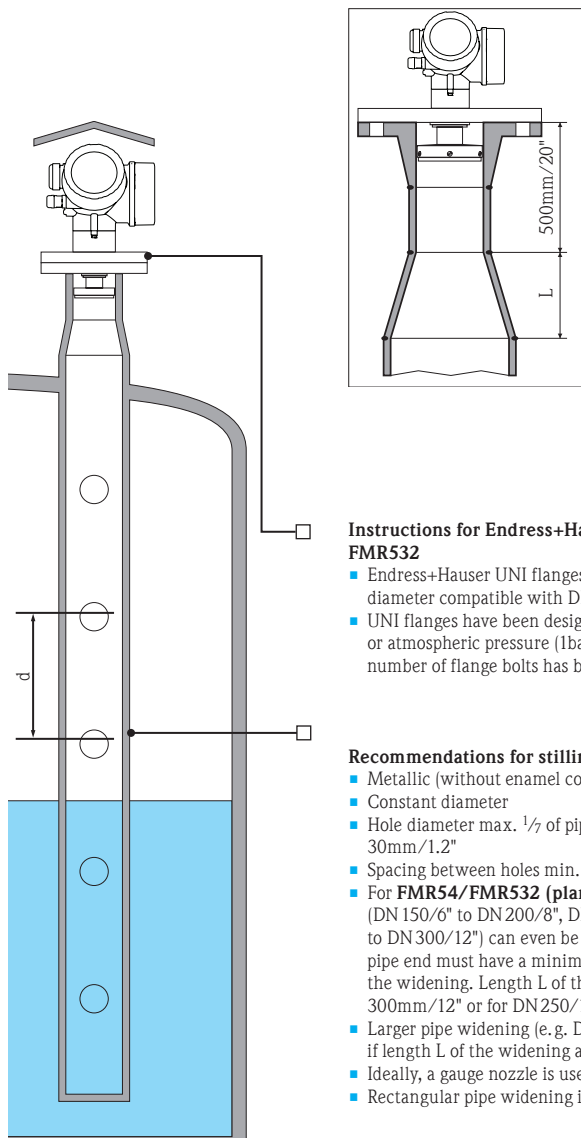
- Measurement is possible up to the tip of the antenna, on principle, however, the end of the measuring range should not be closer than 50mm/2" to the tip of the antenna because of corrosion and build-up formation

Slots/holes

- As few holes/slots as possible
- Slot width or hole diameter max. $\frac{1}{10}$ of pipe diameter
- Deburred
- Length and number do not affect the measurement
- Slots/holes 180° offset (not 90°)

Recommendations for stilling wells

- Metallic (without enamel coating, plastic upon request)
- Constant diameter
- Welding seam as even as possible and placed in the axis of the slots
- The stilling well must be smooth inside (averaged roughness $R_a \leq 6.3\mu\text{m}$)
- Do not weld through the wall of the pipe, the inside of the pipe must remain smooth
- In transitions, caused for example by ball valves or joining of individual pipe pieces, gaps of max. 1mm/0.04" are permitted



Instructions for Endress+Hauser UNI flanges in FMR54/FMR532

- Endress+Hauser UNI flanges are designed with a pitch circle diameter compatible with DIN, ANSI and JIS counter flanges
- UNI flanges have been designed for **unpressurized** operation or atmospheric pressure (1bar/14.5psi absolute pressure). The number of flange bolts has been partly reduced

Recommendations for stilling wells

- Metallic (without enamel coating, plastic upon request)
- Constant diameter
- Hole diameter max. $\frac{1}{7}$ of pipe diameter and not bigger than 30mm/1.2"
- Spacing between holes min. 30cm/12"
- For **FMR54/FMR532 (planar antenna)** a gradual widening (DN 150/6" to DN 200/8", DN 200/8" to DN 250/10", DN 250/10" to DN 300/12") can even be accepted. In such cases, the upper pipe end must have a minimum length of 500mm/20" prior to the widening. Length L of the widening must be an additional 300mm/12" or for DN 250/10" to DN 300/12" 450mm/18"
- Larger pipe widening (e.g. DN 150/6" to DN 300/12") is possible, if length L of the widening amounts to 450mm/18"
- Ideally, a gauge nozzle is used as upper pipe end
- Rectangular pipe widening is not permitted

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Guided radar

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Required application data

Level measurement

- Pressure and temperature
- Dielectric constant (DC) of the medium
- Required material compatibility
- Nozzle diameter: DN, PN, nozzle height
- Measuring range

Additional for interface measurement

- Dielectric constant (DC) of both liquids

Application limits for Levelflex guided level radar

- $T < -196^{\circ}\text{C} / -321^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $T > +450^{\circ}\text{C} / +842^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 400\text{bar} / 5,800\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 45\text{m} / 148\text{ft}$ (longer upon request)
- Dielectric constant < 1.4
- Process connection $< \frac{3}{4}"$
- Measuring range $> 10\text{m} / 32\text{ft}$ for interface measurement (upon request)

Dielectric constant (DC)

The reflection properties of a medium are determined by the dielectric constant (DC).

The following table shows the allocation of different DC values to media groups. If the dielectric constant of a medium is not known, we recommend to use a DC value of 1.9 for sizing in order to maintain a safe measurement.

Media group	DC	Typical liquids	FMP50	FMP51
1	1.4...1.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Liquefied gases, e.g. N_2, CO_2 	4m/13ft	6m/20ft not with rope
2	1.6...1.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Liquefied gas, e.g. propane ■ Solvent ■ Frigen / Freon ■ Palm oil 	12m/39ft	25...30m/ 82...98ft
3	1.9...2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mineral oils ■ Fuel 	12m/39ft	30...45m/ 98...148ft
4	2.5...4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Benzene, styrene, toluol ■ Furan ■ Naphthalene 	12m/39ft	45m/148ft
5	4...7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chlorobenzene, chloroform ■ Nitrocellulose lacquer ■ Isocyan, aniline 	12m/39ft	45m/148ft
6	> 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aqueous solutions ■ Alcohols ■ Acids, lyes 	12m/39ft	45m/148ft

Advantages

- Unaffected by medium surface (agitated surface, foam)
- Unaffected by tank obstacles
- Additional measuring safety through End of Probe (EoP) recognition
- DC starting at 1.6 without stilling well (1.4 for coax probe)




Max. measuring ranges

FMP52	FMP53	FMP54	FMP55
—	4m/13ft	6m/20ft not with rope	6m/20ft not with rope
12...15m/ 39...49ft	6m/20ft	25...30m/ 82...98ft	10m/33ft
15...25m/ 49...82ft	6m/20ft	30...45m/ 98...148ft	10m/33ft
25...35m/ 82...115ft	6m/20ft	45m/148ft	10m/33ft
35...45m/ 115...148ft	6m/20ft	45m/148ft	10m/33ft
45m/148ft	6m/20ft	45m/148ft	10m/33ft

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Guided radar – process industry

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	 Levelflex FMP50	 Levelflex FMP51	 Levelflex FMP52
Technical data			
■ Process pressure	–1...+6bar/–14.5...+87psi	–1...+40bar/–14.5...+580psi	–1...+40bar/–14.5...+580psi
■ Process temperature	–20...+80°C/–4...+176°F	–40...+200°C/–40...+392°F	–50...+200°C/–58...+392°F
■ Accuracy	< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"	< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"; > 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4"	< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"; > 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4"
■ Process connection	G/NPT ¾"	G/NPT ¾" and 1½", DN 40...200/1.5"...8"	Tri-Clamp 1½" to 3", DIN 11851, DN 40...DN 150/1.5"...6"
■ Wetted parts	Rope/rod: 316L, PPS	Rope: 316, rod and coax: 316L, Alloy C (C22/2.4602), ceramics	PTFE, PFA
■ Measuring ranges	0.3...4m/1...13ft (rod) 0.3...12m/1...39ft (rope)	0.3...10m/1...33ft (rod), 1...45m/3.2...148ft (rope), 0.3...6m/1...20ft (coax)	0.3...4m/1...13ft (rod) 1...45m/3.2...148ft (rope)
■ Gastight feedthrough	—	Optional TI 01001F	Optional TI 01001F
■ Technical Information	TI 01000F	TI 01001F	TI 01001F
Applications			
Horizontal storage tank cyl.	O	+	—
Vertical storage tank	+	+	+
Buffer tank	O	+	+
Recipient tank	+	O	O
Process tank	—	—	—
Stilling well	+	+	O
Bypass	O	+	O
Pump shaft	—	—	—
Channel measurement	—	—	—
Interface measurement	—	+	+
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aggressive media → FMP52 ■ High pressure/temperatures > 80°C/176°F; 6bar/87psi → FMP51, FMP54 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aggressive media → FMP52 ■ Interface with emulsion → FMP55 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High process temperatures (> 150°C) → FMP54 → Possible diffusion through the probe coating → Limited lifetime ■ Interface with emulsion → FMP55

+ = recommended

O = restricted (observe limits)

— = not recommended



**Levelflex
FMP53**



**Levelflex
FMP54**



**Levelflex
FMP55**

–1...+16bar/–14.5...+232psi
–20...+150°C/–4...+302°F
< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"

Tri-Clamp, DIN 11851,
SMS, DIN 11864, NEUMO
316L/1.4435, PEEK

0.3...6m/1...20ft (rod),

—
TI 01002F

–1...+400bar/–14.5...+5,800psi
–196...+450°C/–321...+842°F
< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08";
> 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4",
±5mm/±0.02" (coax)
G/NPT 1½", DN 50...DN 100/2"...4"

Rope: 316, rod and coax: 316L,
ceramics, graphite, Alloy C (C22/2.4602)
0.3...10m/1...33ft (rod),
1...45m/3.2...148ft (rope), 0.3...6m/
1...20ft (coax)
Standard
TI 01001F

–1...+40bar/–14.5...+580psi
–50...+200°C/–58...+392°F
< 10m/33ft: ±2mm/0.08";
±5mm/±0.02" (coax)

DN 50...DN 150/2"...6"

PTFE, PFA

0.3...4m/1...13ft (rod)
1...10m//3.2...33ft (rope)
0.3...6m/1...20ft (coax)
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■ Interface with
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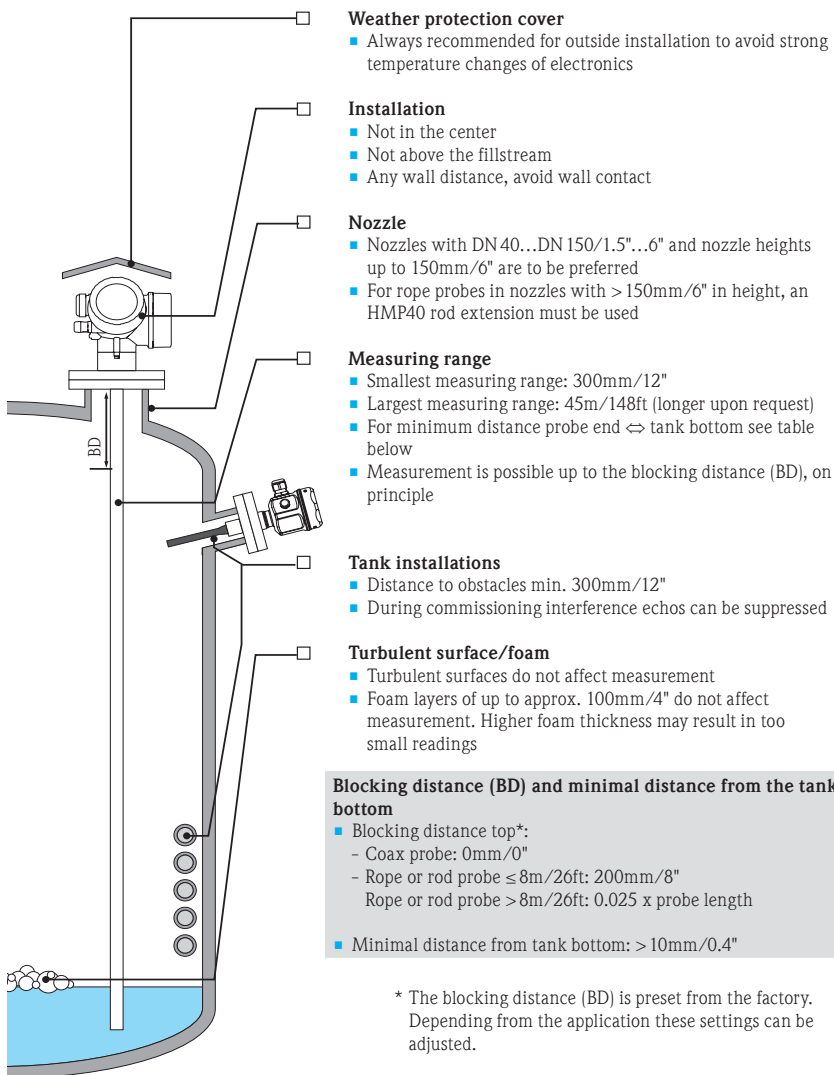
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** = use coax system in favor
(coax probe, bypass, stilling well)

*** = coax system required
(coax probe, bypass, stilling well)

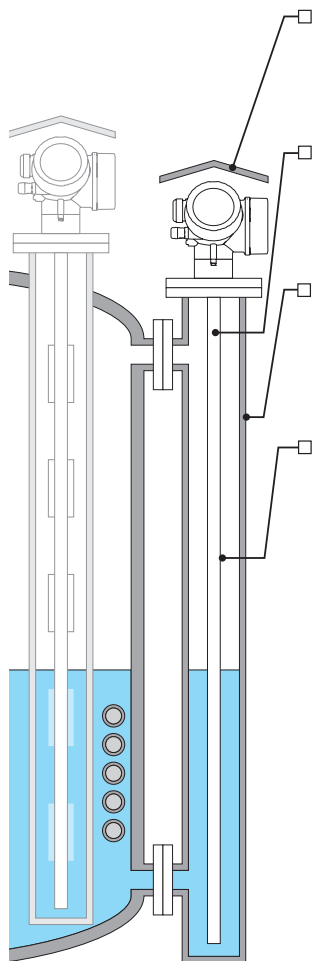
4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions guided radar – free field



If the DC value in rope probes is < 7 , measurement is not possible in the tensioning weight area ($0...250mm/10"$ from the end of the probe - lower blocking distance). Less accurate measurement is possible in the lower area of the probe.

Installation instructions guided radar – stilling well/bypass



Weather protection cover

- Always recommended for outside installation to avoid strong temperature changes of electronics

Measuring range

- Smallest measuring range: 300mm/12"
- Largest measuring range: 10m/33ft (longer upon request)

Pipe diameter

- Pipes of DN 40 ... DN 150/1.5" ... 6" are to be preferred, these diameters do not have any top blocking distance, measurement is possible up to the bottom edge of the process connection

Bypass/measuring tube

- Metallic pipe
- No special requirements of bypass pipe or stilling well
- Welding seams protruding internally up to approx. 5mm/0.2" do not impair measurement
- Wall contact by rod probes must be excluded. Use a centering disk at the end of the probe, if required

Additional instructions for interface measurement

- Rod probes can be installed up to a diameter of 100mm/4". For larger diameters, a coax probe is recommended
- The pipe must not have any gradation
- In case of interface layer measurement, the centering disk must be of plastic material

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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Ultrasonics

Required application data

- Pressure and temperature
- Vapor pressure of the medium (at 20°C/68°F)
- Required material compatibility
- Nozzle diameter/nozzle height
- Measuring range
- Required accuracy
- For bypass/stilling well:
Internal pipe diameter

Application limits for ultrasonic level measurement in liquids

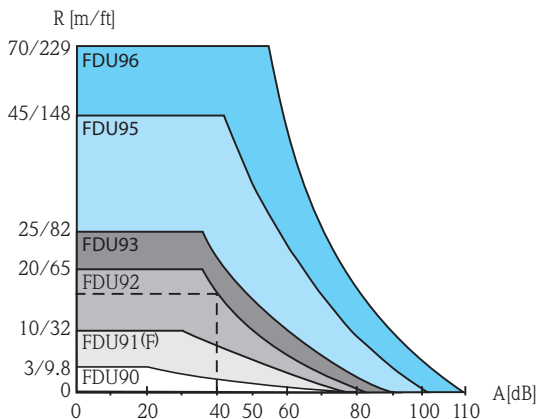
- $T < -40^{\circ}\text{C}/-40^{\circ}\text{F}$ or $T > 105^{\circ}\text{C}/221^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p < -0.3\text{bar}/-4.4\text{psi}$ and $p > 3\text{bar}/44\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 20\text{m}/65\text{ft}$
- Vapor pressure $> 50\text{mbar}/0.73\text{psi}$ (20°C/68°F)
- Process connection $< 1\frac{1}{2}"$
- Strong temperature fluctuations in the measuring range can affect the accuracy

Damping caused by process

Surface of liquid		Filling curtain in the detection range		$\Delta\text{-Temp. sensor} \leftrightarrow \text{medium surface}$	
Calm	0dB	None	0dB	Up to 20°C/ 68°F	0dB
Waves	5...10dB	Small quantities	5...10dB	Up to 40°C/ 104°F	5...10dB
Strong turbulence	10...20dB	Large quantities	10...40dB	Up to 80°C/ 176°F	10...20dB
Foam	Ask Endress+Hauser	—	—	—	—

For applications, the sum of dampings (dB) and thus the range (m/ft) can be determined in the diagram from the table.

Range calculation and sensor selection Prosonic S FDU9x



Example (for FDU92):

- Very turbulent surface: 20dB
- Small quantities of filling curtain in the detection range: 10dB
- $\Delta\text{-Temperature up to } 40^{\circ}\text{C}$: 10dB
- Total: 40dB
- range approx. 15m/49ft from diagram

Vapor pressure of the medium (20°C/68°F)

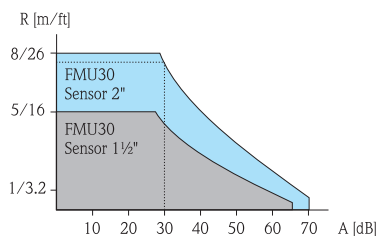
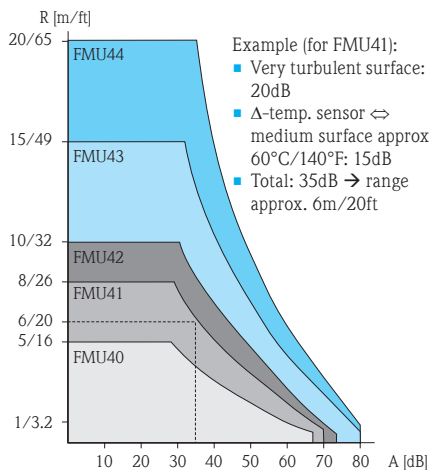
The vapor pressure of the medium at 20°C/68°F is an indication for the accuracy of ultrasonic level measurement. If the vapor pressure at 20°C/68°F is lower than 50mbar/0.73psi, ultrasonic measurement is recommended. If the vapor pressure at 20°C/68°F is above 50mbar/0.73psi, the accuracy of the measurement will be affected. To achieve the highest accuracy results, radar level measurement is recommended.

Advantages

- Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement
- Unaffected by product properties, e.g. DC, density, etc.
- Calibration without filling or discharging
- Self-cleaning effect of sensors due to moved transmitting diaphragm

Vapor pressure	Examples
< 50mbar/0.73psi (20°C/68°F)	Water, water solutions, water-solids solutions, dilute acids (hydrochloric acid, sulphuric acid, ...), dilute lyes (caustic soda solution, ...), oils, fats, lime water, sludges, pastes, ...
> 50mbar/0.73psi (20°C/68°F)	Ethanol, acetone, ammonia, ... For best accuracy results → radar

Range calculation and selection of sensor for Prosonic M FMU4x and FMU30



Example (for FMU30 2" sensor):

- Strong turbulence surface: approx. 20dB
- No dust formation: 0dB
- Filling curtain in detection range: 10dB
- Total: approx. 30dB
→ range approx. 7.8m/26ft from diagram

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Ultrasonics – process industry

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	Prosonic T FMU30 		Prosonic M FMU40/41 		Prosonic M FMU42/44 	
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process pressure Process temperature Accuracy Process connection Wetted parts Measuring ranges Point level detection Technical Information 	–0.3...+2bar/–4.4...+29psi –20...+60°C/–4...+140°F ±3mm/±0.12" or 0.2% of distance G/NPT 1½" or 2"		–0.3...+2bar/–4.4...+29psi –40...+80°C/–40...+176°F ±2mm/±0.08" or 0.2% of distance G/NPT/1½" or 2"		–0.3...+1.5bar/–4.4...+22psi –40...+80°C/–40...+176°F ±4mm/±0.16" or 0.2% of distance DN 80/100/150/200, ANSI 3"/4"/6"/8", JIS 10K/ 80 (100)/100 (150/200) PVDF/EPDM/Viton 0.4...10m/1.3...32ft (FMU42) 0.5...20m/1.6...65ft (FMU44)	
	PP/EPDM 0.25...5m/0.8...16ft (1½") 0.35...8m/1.1...26ft (2") — TI 440F		PVDF/EPDM 0.25...5m/0.8...16ft (FMU40) 0.35...8m/1.1...26ft (FMU41) — TI 365F		— TI 365F	
Applications	1½"	2"	FMU40	FMU41	FMU42	FMU44
Horizontal storage tank cyl.	+	O	+	O	O	–
Vertical storage tank	+	+	+	+	+	+
Buffer tank	–	–	+	O	–	–
Recipient tank	–	–	–	–	–	–
Process tank	O	O	+	+	+	+
Stilling well	O	O	+	+	+	+
Bypass	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pump shaft	O	O	O	O	O	O
Channel measurement	O	O	O	O	O	O
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For higher resistance Foam/high turbulence possible Fast filling and discharging rate Point level detection 	→ FMU42, FDU9x → FMU30 (2") → FMU42, FDU91 → FMU90 + FDU9x → FMU90 + FDU9x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For higher resistance Foam/high turbulence possible Fast filling and discharging rate Point level detection 	→ FMU42, FDU9x → FMU41, FMU42/ FDU91 → FMU90 + FDU9x → FMU90 + FDU9x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foam/ high turbulence possible Fast filling and discharging rate Point level detection 	→ FMU44/ FDU92 → FMU90 + FDU9x → FMU90 + FDU9x

+ = recommended

O = restricted (observe limits)

– = not recommended

Prosonic S
FDU90

Prosonic S
FMU90/95
FDU91

Prosonic S
FMU90/95
FDU91F

Prosonic S
FMU90/95
FDU92


–0.3...+3bar/–4.4...+44psi
 –40...+80°C/–40...+176°F
 $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08" + 0.17\%$ of distance
 rear side thread 1" G/NPT or ceiling mounting option, front side thread 1½" G/NPT
 PVDF
 0.07...3m/0.2...9.6ft

1, 3 or 6 relays
 TI 396 / TI 397

–0.3...+3bar/–4.4...+44psi
 –40...+80°C/–40...+176°F
 $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08" + 0.17\%$ of distance
 G/NPT 1"
 (accessory flange FAX50)

PVDF
 0.3...10m/1...32ft

1, 3 or 6 relays
 TI 396 / TI 397

–0.3...+3bar/–4.4...+44psi
 –40...+105°C/–40...+221°F
 $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08" + 0.17\%$ of distance
 G/NPT 1"
 (accessory flange FAX50), Tri-Clamp DN 80
 316L
 0.3...10m/1...32ft

1, 3 or 6 relays
 TI 396 / TI 397

–0.3...+3bar/–4.4...+44psi
 –40...+95°C/–40...+203°F
 $\pm 4\text{mm}/\pm 0.16"$ or 0.2% of distance
 G/NPT 1"
 (accessory flange FAX50)

PVDF
 0.4...20m/1.3...65ft

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■ Foam/high turbulence possible
 ■ * For tank farm scanner FMU95

→ FDU91

■ Foam/high turbulence possible
 ■ Flange-flush assembly
 ■ * For tank farm scanner FMU95

→ FDU92

→ FDU91F

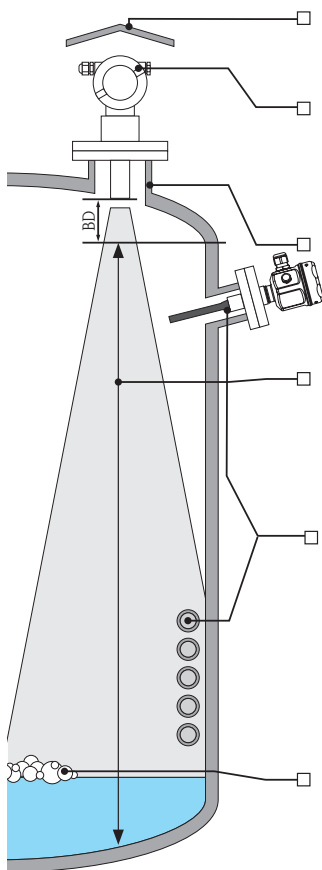
■ If foam/high turbulence possible
 ■ * For tank farm scanner FMU95

→ FDU92

■ * For tank farm scanner FMU95

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions ultrasonics – free space



Weather protection cover

- Always recommended for outside installation to avoid strong temperature changes of electronics (Prosonic M/S)

Installation

- Not in the center
- Not above the fillstream
- Distance to wall: $\sim \frac{1}{6}$ of the tank diameter (min. 30cm/12")
- If these conditions cannot be met: Check stilling well

Nozzle

- The sensor membrane should be below the nozzle, if this is not possible, please compare the dimensions of the nozzle with the table below
- Please contact Endress+Hauser if nozzle dimensions are different

Measuring range

- Measurement is possible up to the blocking distance (BD) of the sensor
- The measuring range begins where the ultrasonic beam meets the tank bottom. With dish bottoms or conical outlets, the level cannot be detected below this point

Tank installations

- Avoid any installations like limit switches, temperature sensors, etc. within the signal beam (see table)
- Symmetrical installations, i.e. heating coils, flow breakers, etc. can also interfere with the measurement

Optimization options

- Use a sensor with a smaller beam angle
- A stilling well or a sound guiding tube can always be used to avoid interference. Please clarify build-up tendency of the medium

Formation of foam

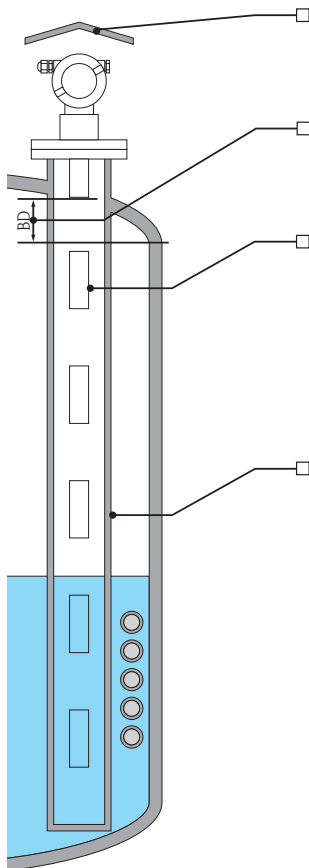
- Ultrasonic signals may be absorbed by foam
- The surface of foam can reflect. Solution: Trial measurement with ultrasonics or e.g. hydrostatic measurement

Max. nozzle length (mm/")	Sensor type							
	FMU40 FMU30 (1½")	FMU41 FMU30 (2")	FMU42	FMU44	FDU90	FDU91	FDU91F	FDU92
DN 50 /2"	80				50 ²			
DN 80 /3"	240	240	250		340 ¹ /250 ²	340	340	
DN 100 /4"	300	300	300		390 ¹ /300 ²	390	390	
DN 150 /6"	400	400	400	400	400 ¹ /300 ²	400	400	400
Beam angle	11°	11°	11°	11°	12°	9°	12°	11°
BD (m/ft)	0.25/0.8	0.35/1.15	0.4/1.3	0.5/1.6	0.07/0.23	0.3/1	0.3/1	0.4/1.3

Recommended nozzle dimensions, nozzle length from sensor diaphragm, beam angle (3 dB)

¹ Mounted at backside thread

² Mounted at frontside thread



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Measuring range

- Measurement is possible up to the blocking distance (BD) of the sensor

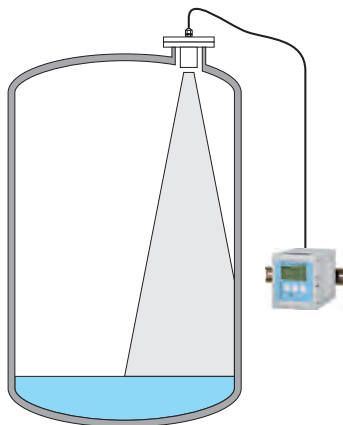
Slots/holes (for stilling wells)

- Slot width or diameter of holes max. $\frac{1}{10}$ of pipe diameter
- Deburred
- Length and number do not affect the measurement
- At least one ventilation hole ($> 10\text{mm}/0.4''$) is to be provided in the blocking distance of the sensor

Recommendations for stilling wells

- Any rigid pipe (metal, glass, plastics, ...)
- The stilling well must be smooth inside
- Constant diameter
- Applicable to stilling wells: Do not weld through the wall of the pipe, the inside of the pipe must remain smooth
- The assembly of individual pipe pieces may only cause a gap of max. $1\text{mm}/0.04''$
- Recommended minimum inner diameter $> 80\text{mm}/3''$. Please observe sensor dimensions to choose the right inner diameter

Separate instrumentation with FMU9x



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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Capacitance

Required application data

- Pressure and temperature
- Conductivity/dielectric constant of the medium (DC)/media group
- Required material compatibility
- Measuring range
- Required accuracy
- Mounting position

Starting from a conductivity of 100µS/cm the measured value is not affected by the dielectric constant and the conductivity of the medium.

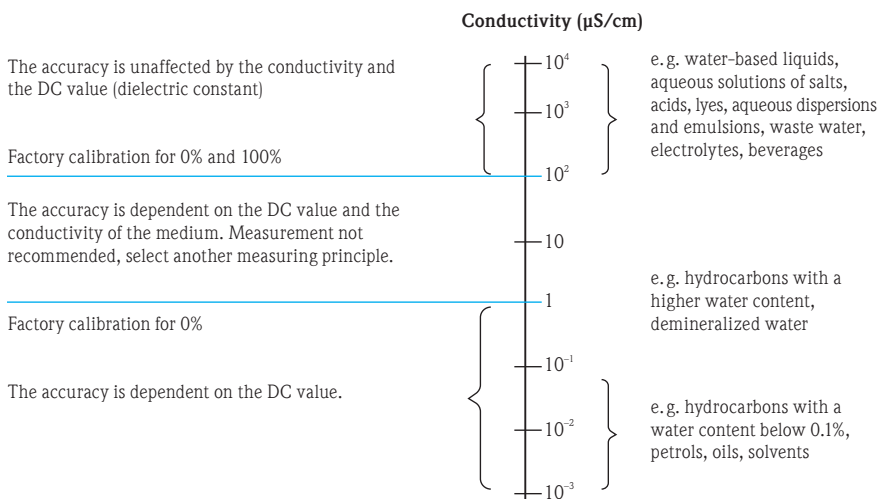
The following table describes different media.

For reliable measurement: Provide proper ground connection between process connection and tank. If required, establish ground connection by potential compensation line. In plastic tanks, use probe with a ground tube or double rod probe Liquicap T, if possible.

Application limits for capacitance level measurement

- $T < -80^{\circ}\text{C}/-112^{\circ}\text{F}$ or $T > +200^{\circ}\text{C}/+392^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 100\text{bar}/1,450\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 10\text{m}/3.2\text{ft}$

Operating range of Liquicap M



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**Liquicap M
FM151**



**Liquicap M
FM152**



**Liquicap T
FM121**



Technical data

- Process pressure
- Process temperature
- Accuracy
- Process connection

- Wetted parts
- Measuring ranges
- Gastight feedthrough
- Technical Information

–1...+100bar/–14.5...+1,450psi
–80...+200°C/–112...+392°F
±1%
Thread ½"...1½", Flanges EN,
ANSI, JIS, hygienic
316L, PFA, PTFE
Rod probe up to 4m/13ft
Optional
TI 00401F

–1...+100bar/–14.5...+1,450psi
–80...+200°C/–112...+392°F
±1%
Thread ½"...1½", Flanges EN,
ANSI, JIS, hygienic
316L, PFA, FEP
Rope probe up to 10m/32ft
Optional
TI 00401F

–1...+10bar/–14.5...+145psi
–40...+100°C/–40...+212°F
±1%
Thread 1½"
316L, PP, carbon fiber
to 2.5m/8.2ft
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TI 393F

Applications

Horizontal storage tank cyl.

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Vertical storage tank

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Buffer tank

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Recipient tank

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Process tank

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Channel measurement

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Interface measurement

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Application limits

- Insufficient clearance towards ceiling
- Changing, non-conductive media or conductivity between 1...100µs/cm

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- Highly viscous liquids >2000cst

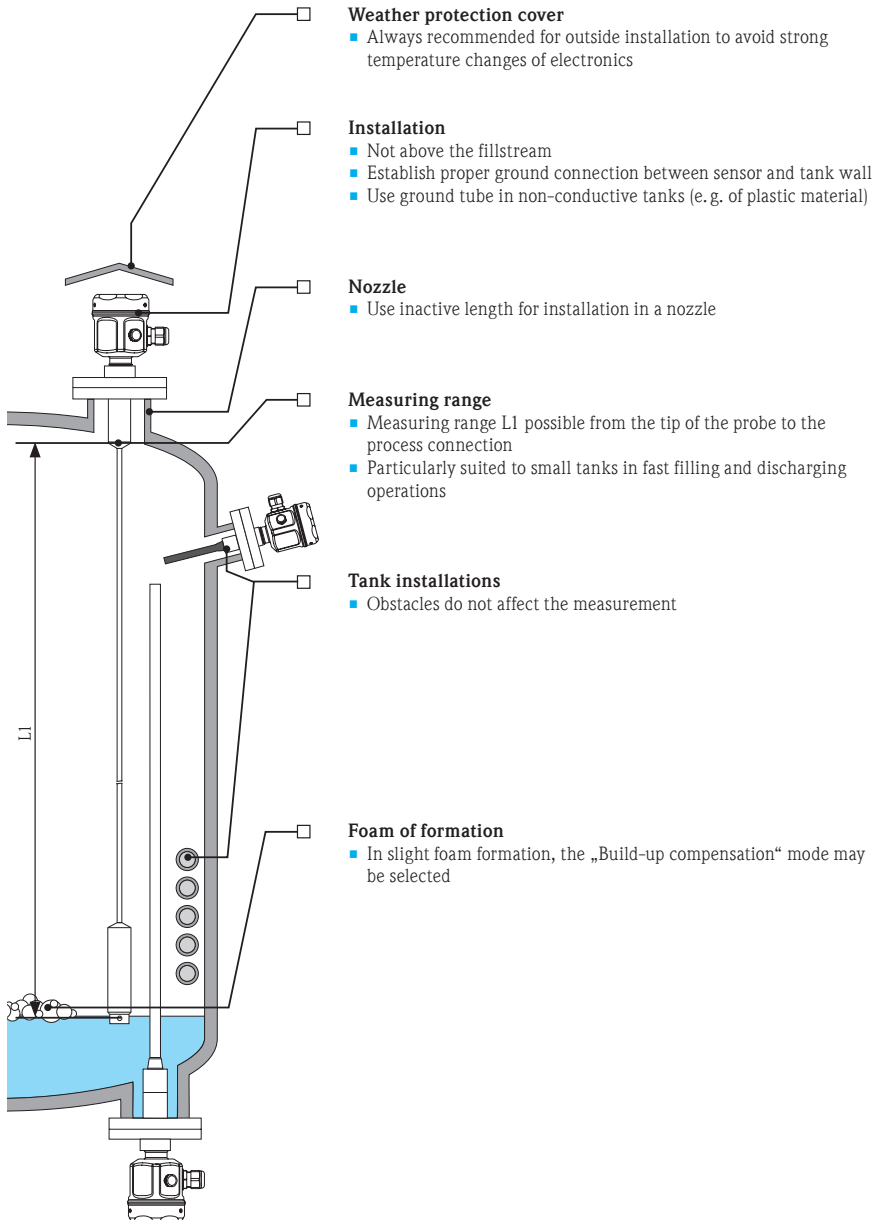
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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions capacitance



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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Hydrostatics (pressure / differential pressure)

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Required application data

- Pressure and temperature
- Medium density
- Required material compatibility
- Process connection
- Measuring range
- Required accuracy
- Ambient conditions (temperature change, moisture, ...)

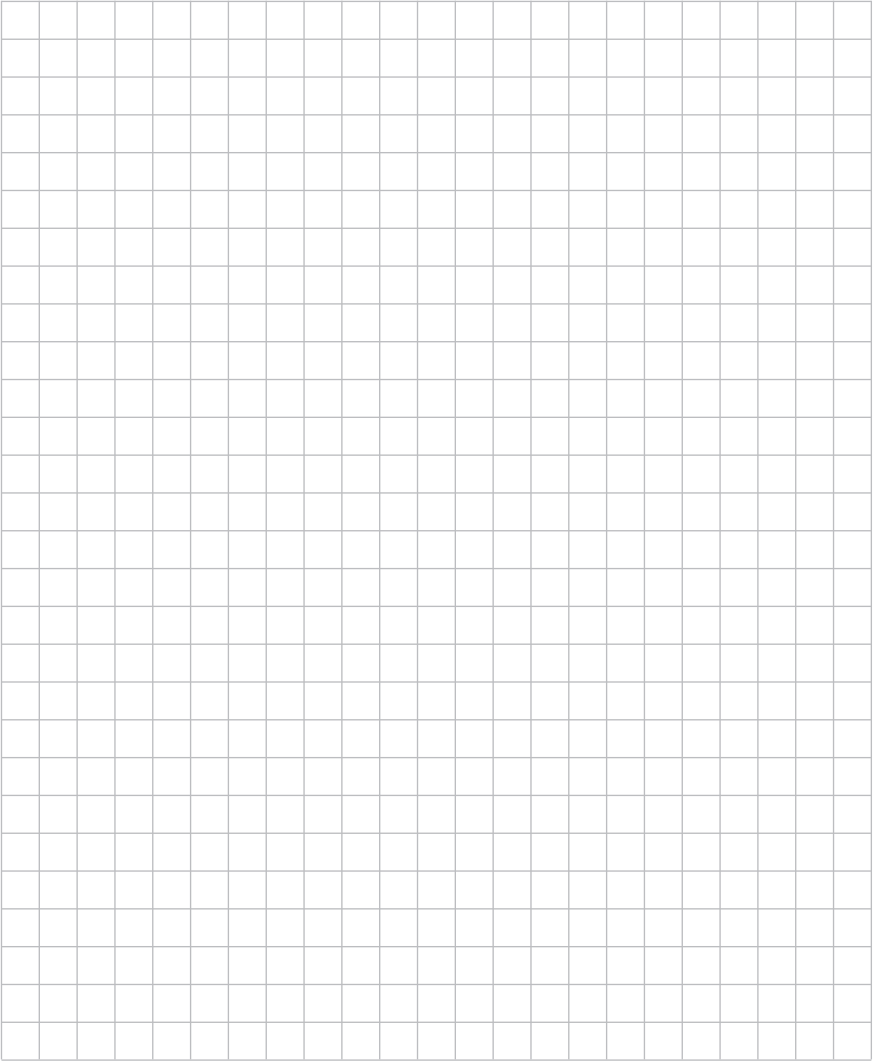
Application limits for hydrostatic level measurement

- $T < -70^{\circ}\text{C} / -94^{\circ}\text{F}$ or
 $T > +400^{\circ}\text{C} / +752^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 420\text{bar} / 6,090\text{psi}$

Advantages




- Unaffected by surface foam
- Unaffected by tank obstacles/tank geometries
- Simple engineering
- Established technology

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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Hydrostatics – process industry

	 <p>Cerabar M PMC51</p>	 <p>Cerabar M PMP55</p>	 <p>Deltapilot M FMB50</p>
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Process pressure ■ Process temperature ■ Accuracy ■ Process connection ■ Wetted parts ■ Gastight feedthrough ■ Measuring cell ■ Technical Information 	10mbar...40bar/ 0.15...580psi -40...+125°C/ -40...+257°F ±0.2% (0.1% option) Thread, flange, hygienic connections 316L, Al ₂ O ₃ , sealings , PVDF — Ceramics TI 00436P	100mbar...40bar/ 1.5...580psi -70...+400°C/ -94...+752°F ±0.2% Thread, flange, hygienic connections 316L, Alloy, Tantal, PTFE — Metal welded TI 00436P	100mbar...10bar/ 1.5...145psi -10...+100°C/ +14...+212°F ±0.2% (0.1% option) Thread, flange, hygienic connections 316L, Alloy — Contite, condensate-proof, water-tight, metal welded TI 00437P
Applications			
Horizontal storage tank cyl.	O	O	O
Vertical storage tank	+	+	+
Buffer tank	O	O	O
Recipient tank	O	—	O
Process tank	O	O	+
Stilling well	—	—	—
Bypass	—	—	—
Pump shaft	—	—	—
Channel measurement	—	—	—
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If pressurized, possibly use differential pressure measurement with two pressure transmitters (electronic dp). Observe ratio head pressure to hydrostatic pressure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If pressurized, possibly use differential pressure measurement with two pressure transmitters (electronic dp). Observe ratio head pressure to hydrostatic pressure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If pressurized, possibly use differential pressure measurement with two pressure transmitters. Observe ratio head pressure to hydrostatic pressure

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Cerabar S
PMC71



Cerabar S
PMP75



Deltapilot S
FMB70



5mbar...40bar/
0.07...580psi
-40...+150°C/
-40...+302°F
±0.075% (0.05% option)
Thread, flange, hygienic
connections
316L, Al₂O₃, sealings, PVDF

Standard
Ceramics

TI 383P

40mbar...400bar/
0.58...5800psi
-40...+400°C/
-40...+752°F
±0.075%
Thread, flange, hygienic
connections
316L, Alloy, Tantal, PTFE

Standard
Metal welded

TI 383P

5mbar...10bar/
0.07...145psi
-10...+100°C/
+14...+212°F
±0.1%
Thread, flange, hygienic
connections
316L, Alloy

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Contite, condensate-proof,
water-tight, metal welded
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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

	Waterpilot FMX167/FMX21 	Deltapilot M FMB51/52/53 	Deltabar M PMD55 
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Process pressure ■ Process temperature ■ Accuracy ■ Process connection ■ Wetted parts ■ Gastight feedthrough ■ Measuring cell ■ Technical Information 	100mbar...20bar 0.15...290psi -10...+70°C/ +14...+158°F ±0.2% Mounting clamp, cable mounting screw 316L, Al ₂ O ₃ , FKM, EPDM, PE, FEP, PUR — Ceramics TI 00351P/TI 413P	5mbar...10bar/ 0.07...145psi -10...+80°C/ +14...+176°F ±0.2% (0.1% option) Thread, flange 316L, Alloy, PE, FEP — Contite, condensate-proof, water-tight, metal welded TI 00437P	1mbar...40bar/ 0.1...580psi -40...+85°C/ -40...+185°F ±0.1% (0.075% option) Oval flange (¼...18 NPT), IEC 61518 316L, Alloy — Metal welded TI 00434P
Applications			
Horizontal storage tank cyl.	—	+	O
Vertical storage tank	—	+	O
Buffer tank	—	O	+
Recipient tank	—	O	—
Process tank	—	—	+
Stillling well	—	—	—
Bypass	—	—	O
Pump shaft	+	+	—
Channel measurement	O	O	—
Application limits		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If pressurized, possibly use Deltabar FMD72 electronic dp. Observe ratio head pressure to hydrostatic pressure ■ FMB51: Rope variant ■ FMB52: Rod variant 	

*In case of an open tank or shaft use DB53 with mounting clamp.

Deltabar FMD72 	Deltabar S PMD75 	Deltabar S FMD77 	Deltabar S FMD78 
400mbar...10bar/ 0.15...145psi -40...+125°C/ -40...+257°F Single sensor ±0.05% System ±0.07% Thread, flange, flush-mounted hygienic connections 316L, Alloy C276 Standard Metal welded TI 1033P	1mbar...40bar/ 0.1...580psi -40...+125°C/ -40...+257°F ±0.075% (0.05% option) Oval flange (¼...18 NPT), IEC 61518 316L, Alloy, Monel, Tantal Standard Metal welded TI 382P	10mbar...16bar/ 0.15...232psi -40...+400°C/ -40...+752°F ±0.075% Flanges 316L, Alloy, Monel, Tantal, PTFE Standard Metal welded TI 382P	10mbar...16bar/ 0.15...232psi -70...+400°C/ -94...+752°F ±0.075% Thread, flange, hygienic connections 316L, Alloy, Monel, Tantal, PTFE Standard Metal welded TI 382P
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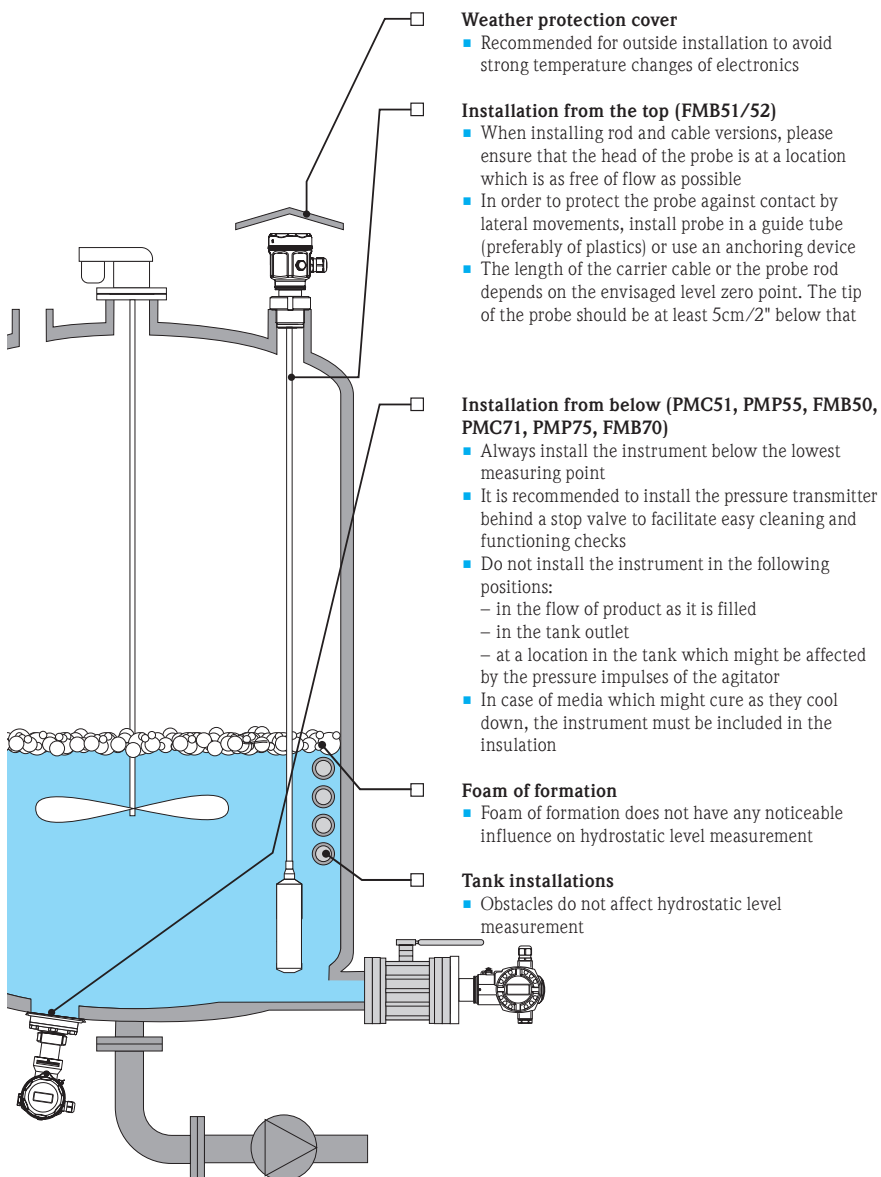
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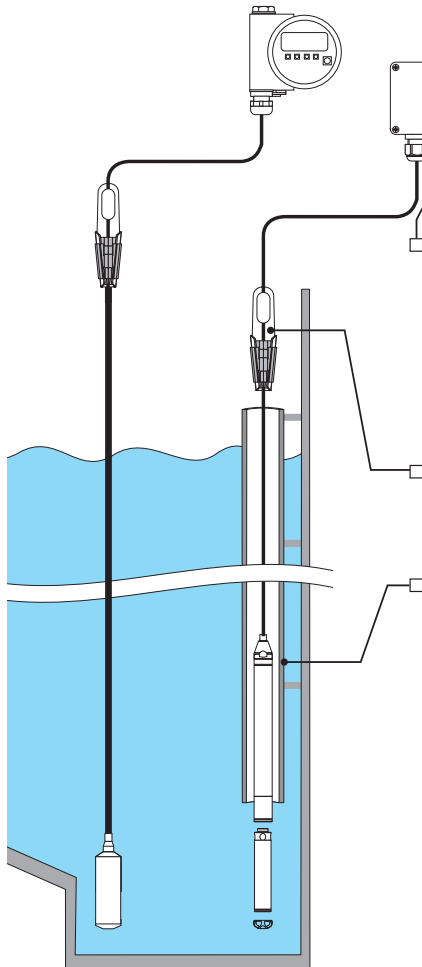
- = not recommended

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions hydrostatics (pressure) open tanks



open wells or basins (FMB53/FMX167/FMX21)



Field housing/terminal box

- The sensor is connected to a field housing or terminal box via a carrier cable. Both offer optimum moisture and condensate protection and are suited to outdoor installation
- If a terminal box is not used in FMX167/FMX21, the cable must end in a dry room

Mounting clamp/cable mounting screw

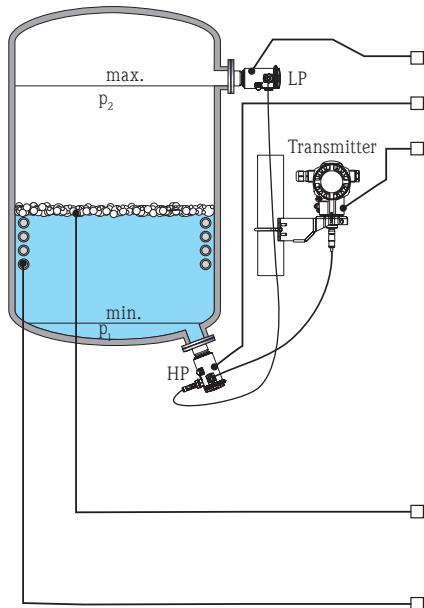
- The carrier cable is fastened by an mounting clamp/cable mounting screw above the well or basin

Guide tube

- Lateral movement of the level probe might cause measuring errors. Therefore, install the probe in a location which is free of flow and turbulences or use a guide tube
- The internal diameter of the guide tube should be at least 1mm/0.04" larger than the external diameter of the selected sensor
- An additional weight may be ordered as an accessory

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions hydrostatics (differential pressure)



Closed tanks with Deltabar FMD72 electronic dp

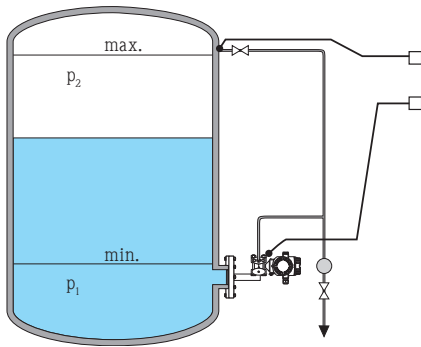
- LP (low pressure) install sensor above the maximum measuring point
- HP (high pressure) if possible, install sensor below the minimum measuring point
- In case of outdoor installation it is recommended to mount the transmitter at a position where it is protected against the environment
- It is recommended to install the pressure transmitter behind a stop valve to facilitate easy cleaning and functioning checks
- Do not install the instrument in the following positions:
 - in the flow of product as it is filled
 - in the tank outlet
 - at a location in the tank which might be affected by the pressure impulses of the agitator
- In case of media which might cure as they cool down, the instrument must be included in the insulation

Foam of formation

- Foam of formation does not have any noticeable influence on hydrostatic level measurement

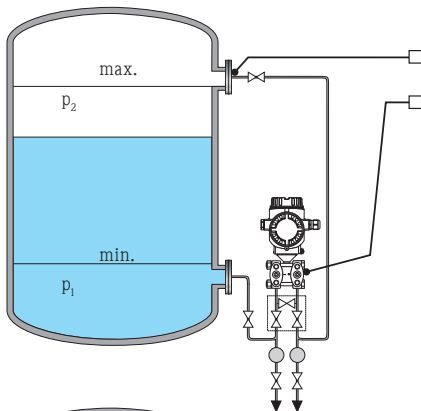
Tank installations

- Obstacles do not affect hydrostatic level measurement



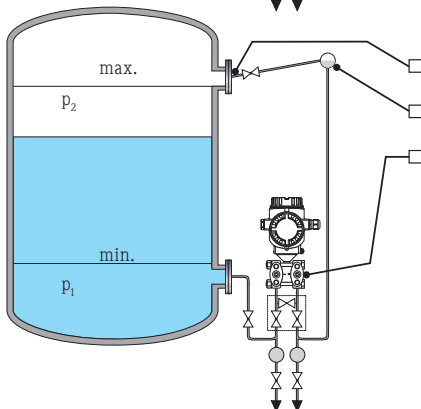
Closed tanks with FMD77 (diaphragm seal plus side)

- Always connect the minus side above the maximum level
- Install Deltabar S FMD77 directly at the tank below the lower measuring connection
- Generally speaking, the installation of separators and discharge valves makes sense to collect deposits, pollution or liquids in the upper pressure piping and to remove them
- Calibrate at operating temperature



Closed tanks with PMD75/PMD55 (pressure piping)

- Always connect the minus side above the maximum level
- Always install Deltabar S PMD75 / Deltabar M PMD55 below the lower measuring connection so that the lower pressure piping is always filled with liquid
- Generally speaking, the installation of separators and discharge valves makes sense to collect deposits, pollution or liquids in pressure piping and to remove them
- Calibrate at operating temperature

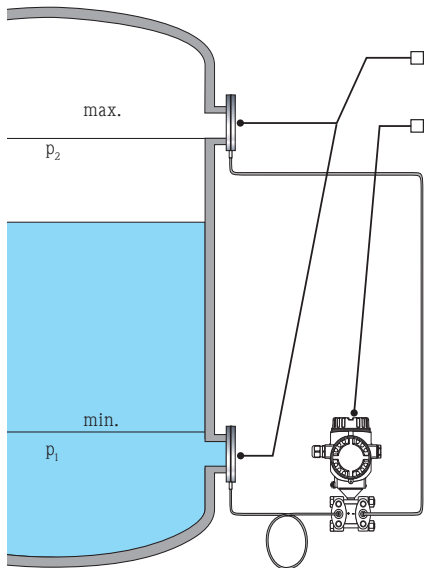


Closed vapor-pressurized tanks with PMD75/ PMD55 (pressure piping)

- Always connect the minus side above the maximum level
- The filled condensate vessel safeguards constant pressure on the minus side
- Always install Deltabar S PMD75 / Deltabar M PMD55 below the lower measuring connection so that the lower pressure piping is always filled with liquid
- In case of measurements in media with a solids content, e.g. polluted liquids, the installation of separators and discharge valves makes sense to collect deposits and remove them
- Calibrate at operating temperature

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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

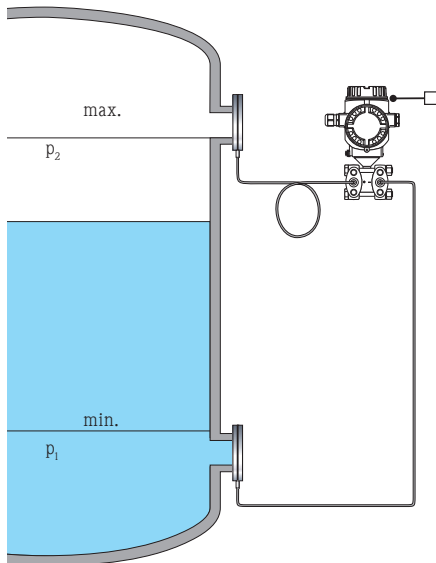


Closed tanks with FMD78 (capillary diaphragm seal)

- Level measurement is only safeguarded between the upper edge of the lower and the lower edge of the upper diaphragm seal
- In vacuum applications, it is recommended to install the pressure transmitter below the lower diaphragm seal. This will avoid a vacuum load of the diaphragm seal caused by the presence of filling oil in the capillaries

Optimizing measures

- In order to avoid additional pressure fluctuations and a defective instrument, the capillaries should be installed free of vibrations
- The capillaries may not be installed in the vicinity of heating or cooling pipes which would impair exact measuring results
- It is recommended to insulate the capillaries in a colder or warmer environment, if appropriate apply Deltabar electronic dp
- In case of two-sided diaphragm seal systems, the ambient temperature and the length of both capillaries should be identical
- Two identical diaphragm seals (e.g. diameter, material, etc.) should always be used for the minus and plus side



Installation of the pressure transmitter above the lower diaphragm seal

- If the pressure transmitter is installed above the lower diaphragm seal, the maximum height (see Technical Information) may not be exceeded
- The maximum difference in height depends on the density of the filling oil and the lowest pressure which may occur in the diaphragm seal of the plus side (empty tank) at any time

Continuous level measurement in bulk solids

Selection and engineering guide
for the process industry



Step by step

This selection and engineering guide provides information on different measuring principles for continuous level measurement in Bulk solids as well as their application and installation.

The pamphlet contains two separate chapters: Level measurement in liquids and Level measurement in solids.

The second chapter specifically covers continuous measurement in liquids. A separate selection guide is available for point level detection (see the supplementary documentation CP00007F).

Overview of measuring principles

First of all, we show you an overview of the Endress+Hauser measuring principles for continuous level measurement in solids in diagrams on the first pages. Subsequently, you are introduced to the mode of functioning of the measuring principle and the respective product family.

Checklist

You should be aware of the application requirements for the correct selection of a suitable instrument. The checklist provides an overview and is supposed to help you to consider or record this data as completely as possible.

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Selection of the measuring principle

The appropriate measuring principle is first selected according to the application and its criteria (Silo/bunker, slim/narrow silos, mechanical conveyor systems, crusher and stockpiles).

Select the principle which meets, if possible, all of the criteria required by you or your plant. The measuring principles are classified according to „non-contact“ and „contact“ criteria. The ideal measuring principle/instrument is stated first and in a blue frame.

Max. technical data is always used.

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Instrument selection

Now change to the area of the selected measuring principle where you can choose the appropriate instrument from a product family.

Compare your application and process data with the instrument data.

Engineering

After the selection of the optimum instrument check the installation instructions at the end of the respective measuring principle. They contain basic directions for the safe installation and use of the instrument. You will find more extensive engineering instructions in the respective Technical Information of the instrument.

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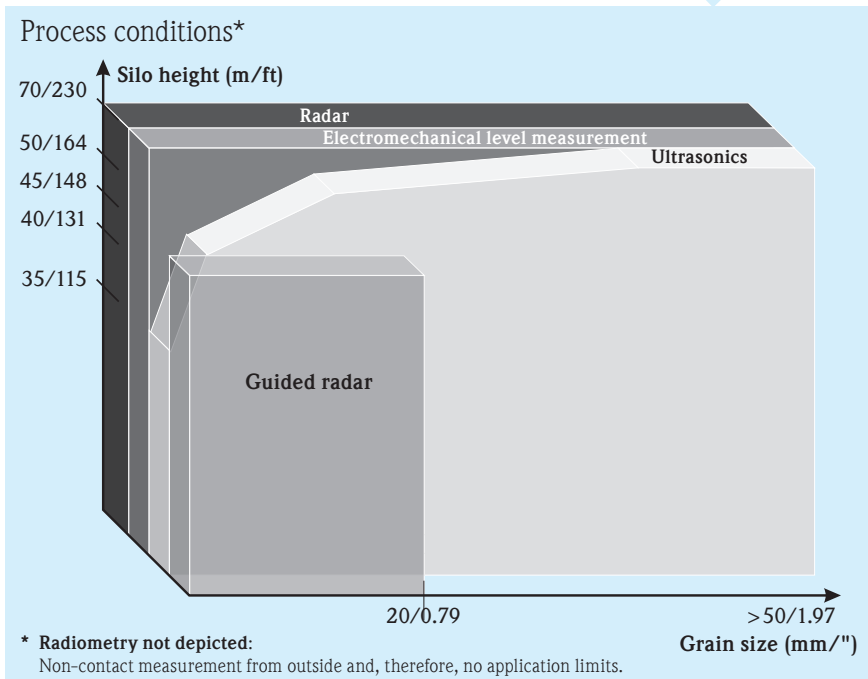
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1. Overview of the measuring principles

Segmentation

	Point level	Continuous
Liquids	Vibronics Conductive Capacitance Float switch Radiometrics	Radar Guided radar Ultrasonics Hydrostatics Capacitance Radiometrics
Bulk solids	Vibronics Capacitance Paddle Microwave barrier Radiometrics	Guided radar Radar Ultrasonics Electromechanical level system Radiometrics



Endress+Hauser offers you a solution adapted to your application and tailored to your process requirements.
You can select the best technology for your application from the wide product range of Endress+Hauser.

„You only pay what you really need“.

Endress+Hauser takes this statement seriously and offers a large number of different measuring principles which vary in price and functionality.

1. Overview of the measuring principles

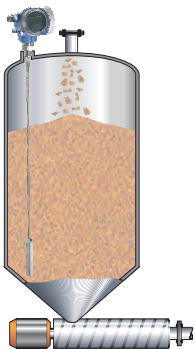


Radar

Micropilot works with radar pulses which are reflected by the medium surface due to a change of the DC value (relative dielectric constant) between the air and the medium. The time between pulse launching and receiving is measured and analyzed by the instrument and constitutes a direct measure for the distance between the antenna and the surface of the bulk solids.

Micropilot

Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement also under extreme conditions. Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, dust formation and humidity.



Guided radar

Levelflex works with radar pulses guided along a probe. As the pulses meet the medium surface, part of the emitted pulse is reflected due to a change of the DC value between the air and the medium. The time between pulse launching and receiving is measured and analyzed by the instrument and constitutes a direct measure for the distance between the process connection and the product surface.

Levelflex

Robust, non-maintenance measurement in solids. Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, dust formation and humidity and almost unaffected by baffles.

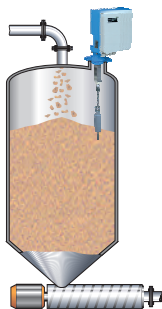


Ultrasonics

Prosonic works with ultrasonic pulses which are emitted by a sensor, reflected by the surface of the medium due to a change of the density between the air and the medium and again acquired by the sensor. The required time of flight is a measure for the distance travelled in the empty part of the silo. This value is deducted from the overall height of the silo to yield the level.

Prosonic S/M/T

Non-contact measurement free of maintenance without impairment by product properties, e. g. dielectric constant or humidity. Unaffected by build-up due to the self-cleaning effect of sensors using diaphragm vibration.

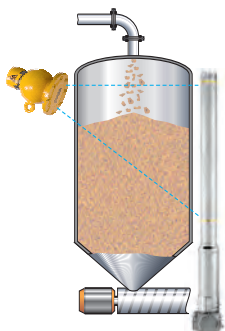


Electromechanical level system

A weight is lowered on a measuring tape. As it meets the surface of the bulk solids, the tensile force of the weight is reduced. This change is recognized, the instrument reverses the sense of rotation of the motor and rewinds the tape. A pulse generator counts the rotations in a non-contact manner as the weight is lowered. Each counted pulse corresponds to an exactly defined distance. If this distance is deducted from the overall distance (height of the vessel), the level results.

Silopilot M/T

Robust system for safe measurements also in extremely dusty environments and low density media. Unaffected by product properties and DC value.



Radiometry

The gamma source, a cesium or cobalt isotope, emits radiation which is attenuated as it passes through materials. The measuring effect results from the absorption of radiation by the product as the level changes. The measuring system consists of a source and a compact transmitter as a receiver.










Gammapilot M

Compact transmitter in different measuring lengths, adaptable to the measuring range. Non-contact measurement from outside, for all extreme applications, e.g. very abrasive, corrosive and aggressive media:
Typical applications: Level measurement in pulp digesters, wood chip silos and fluidized bed reactors or in density and mass flow measurement.

- Unaffected by media
- Any process temperature
- Any process pressure
- Unaffected by gammaography (FHG65)

For more detailed information, please contact our application consultant in your country or use the Applicator selection guide.

1. Overview of the measuring principles

	Radar	Guided radar	Ultrasonics
	 FMR57  FMR56 	 FMP56  FMP57 	 FMU4x  FMU90/95  FDU9x
Process temperature*	-40...+400°C/-40...+752°F	-40...+150°C/-40...+302°F	-40...+150°C/-40...+302°F
Process pressure	-1...+16bar/-14.5...+232psi	-1...+16bar/-14.5...+232psi	-0.3...+3bar/-4.4...+44psi
Measuring range	0.3...70m/1...230ft	0.2...45m/0.7...148ft	0.07...70m/0.2...230ft
Instrument accuracy Surfaces of bulk solids affect accuracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 2m/78": ±20mm/0.8" From 2m/78": ±3mm/0.12" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> < 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"; > 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ±2mm/0.08" + 0.17% of measured distance
Function may be affected by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong build-up formation Surface of bulk solids (grain size/angled surface) Conductive build-up on the antenna Strong fluidization Baffles causing interfering reflections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build-up formation Baffles in the immediate vicinity of the probe Strong fluidization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme dust formation Extreme filling noise Strong build-up formation Surface of bulk solids (grain size/angled surface) Fluidization Baffles causing interfering reflections
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC < 1.6 Baffles in the beam cone Filling curtain in the beam cone Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC < 1.4 Coarse-grained (> 20mm/0.8") and abrasive media Extreme tensile forces Measurement in the filling curtain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blocking distance Baffles in the sonic cone Filling curtain in the sonic cone Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface

*At the process connection

- Overview of application areas
- Limits of operating conditions

Electromechanical level system



Radiometrics



–20...+230°C/–4...+446°F
–0.2...+2bar/–3...+29psi

0.92...70m/3...230ft (special design up to 90m/295ft)

- ±1% of the measuring range
- ±5cm/2" – FMM50
- ±2.5cm/1" – FMM20

- Strong build-up formation
- Wear due to abrasion of mech. components
- Burying due to collapsing product accumulation

- Extreme tensile forces if the risk of collapsing product accumulation on walls prevails
- Measurement during filling

Unaffected by process temperature and pressure

0.05...2m/0.16...6.5ft, cascable as required

- ±1% of the measuring range

- Extreme build-up formation
- Pressure fluctuation
- External radiation (gammaography), solution with Gamma Modulator

- Non-contact measurement from outside and, therefore, no application limits
- Observe radiation protection laws
- Further information from our sales team

2. Checklist

You need to know your specific application requirements for a correct selection. The checklist opposite provides an overview of relevant process data and is supposed to help you to take these into consideration. If we have not included all of the data, please supplement this list with your criteria.

The checklist is used both for the selection of the measuring principle and the selection of the instrument.

Tip





Copy this checklist and complete it to have all relevant data readily available for the selection.

Notes

Name of medium		Please complete		Notes
Medium	Density	g/l (kg/m ³)		
	Grain size (min/max)	mm/inch		
	Rel. dielectric constant (DC)			
	Tacky/build-up forming	yes	no	
	Extreme dust formation	yes	no	
	Abrasive	yes	no	
	Condensate formation	yes	no	
	Corrosive	yes	no	
Non-contact measurement		yes	no	
Applications Drawing available	Silos/bunkers	yes	no	
	Slim, narrow silos ($H/D \geq 8$)	yes	no	
	Stockpiles	yes	no	
	Mechanical conveyor systems (e.g. conveyor belt)	yes	no	
	Crusher	yes	no	
Process conditions	Fluidization	yes	no	
	Pneumatic filling	yes	no	
	Product accumulation on walls	yes	no	
	Formation of angled surfaces, outflow funnels	yes	no	
	Max. measuring distance	m/feet		
Process data	Process pressure	min.	max.	
	Temperature at the housing	min.	max.	
	Temperature at the process connection	min.	max.	
	Process temperature	min.	max.	
Process connection	Threaded connection	yes	no	
	Flange	yes	no	
	Size	Ø		
	Pressure requirements	min.	max.	
	Hygiene requirements	yes	no	
Installation Observe max. ceiling load in contacting measuring methods	Concrete ceiling	yes	no	
	Thickness of concrete ceiling	mm/inch		
Electric connection	2-wire 4...20mA	yes	no	
	4-wire DC, AC	yes	no	
Surface requirements	FDA-listed materials	yes	no	
Approvals	Ex (dust/gas)	yes	no	
Special requirements	Extreme external vibration	yes	no	
Digital communication	PROFIBUS® PA, PROFIBUS® DP, HART®, FOUNDATION™ fieldbus			
Other items				

3. Selection of measuring principle according to application

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	Our proposal		Ultrasonics	
	Radar Micropilot		Prosonic S/M	
	  <p>FMR57</p> <p>FMR56</p>		  <p>(separated)</p> <p>FMU90/95</p> <p>FDU93 FDU95</p> <p>(compact)</p> <p>FMU4x</p>	
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity and filling noise ■ For corrosive and abrasive media ■ Easy installation for large measuring ranges 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Separate instrumentation ■ Connection of up to 10 sensors ■ Attractive price, e.g. silo farms ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Corrosive and abrasive media ■ Relay output for point levels ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, humidity and dielectric constant 	
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy: ±3mm/±0.12" ■ Process temperature*: -40...+400°C/-40...+752°F ■ Process pressure: -1...+16bar/-14.5...+232psi ■ Min. DC value: 1.6 ■ Process connection: DN80, DN100, DN150, DN200, DN250, Assembly bracket ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/230ft 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2-/4-wire (4-20mA HART®, DP, PA, FF) ■ Accuracy: ±2mm/±0.08" +0.17% of measured distance ■ Process temperature: -40...+150°C/-40...+302°F ■ Process pressure: -0.3...+3bar/-4.4...+44psi ■ Min. DC value: — ■ Process connection: Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), wall and assembly arm, assembly bracket ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/230ft 	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DC value < 1.6 ■ Low density (< 10 g/l) ■ Risk of strong build-up formation ■ Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → ultrasonics, electrom. level system → electrom. level system → use of purge air → ultrasonics → guided radar, electrom. level system 	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Temperatures > 150°C/302°F ■ Media with strong dust formation during filling ■ Extreme filling noise ■ Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface ■ Measuring range > 35m/110ft in powdery products 	
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*At the process connection

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Silos/bunkers

- Filling via mechanical or pneumatic conveyance
- Measurement freely into the silo
- Fluidization possible

Our proposal

Guided radar Levelflex



FMP56



FMP57

- Unaffected by silo geometries and the shape of the angled surfaces
- Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity and filling noise
- Unaffected by dust, e.g. in pneumatic filling

Electromechanical level system Silopilot



FMM50



FMM20

- Unaffected by low density of bulk solids and DC value
- Easy installation

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 < 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08"; > 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4"
 -40...+150°C/-40...+302°F
 -1...+16bar/-14.5...+232psi
 1.4
 ¾", 1½", DN40...DN150

45m/148ft

- Abrasive, grained, lumpy products (> 20 mm/0.8"), probe damage
- Max. tensile forces on the rope = 35kN (observe ceiling load)
- Extreme build-up formation on the probe
- High temperatures > 150°C/302°F
- DC < 1.4
- Measuring range > 45m/148ft powdery products
- Low density (< 10g/l)

- radar, ultrasonics
- radar, ultrasonics, electrom. level system
- radar with purge air, ultrasonics
- radar, electrom. level system
- ultrasonics, electrom. level system
- radar, electrom. level system
- electrom. level system

4-wire, 4-20mA, relay
 ±2.5cm/±1" (FMM20), ±5cm/±2" (FMM50)
 -20...+230°C/-4...+446°F
 -0.2...+2bar/-3...+29psi
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 DN100 PN16 (hole size)

70m/230ft (special design up to 90m/295ft)

- Risk of weight being buried
- Strong mechanical wear to be expected
- Measurement during filling





- radar, ultrasonics
- radar, ultrasonics
- guided radar, radar, ultrasonics

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 Electrom. level system continued on Page 110

3. Selection of measuring principle according to application

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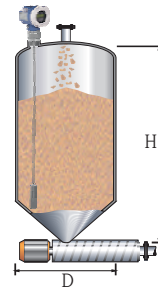
*At the process connection

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→ Please note:
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Slim, narrow silos, vessels

- Filling via mechanical or pneumatic conveyance
- Measurement freely into the silo
- Fluidization possible
- Ratio $H/D \geq 8$



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Slim, narrow silos, vessels

Our proposal

Guided radar Levelflex

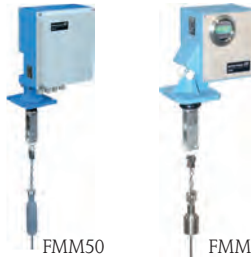


FMP56

FMP57

- Unaffected by silo geometries and the shape of the angled surfaces
- Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity and filling noise
- Unaffected by dust, e.g. in pneumatic filling

Electromechanical level system Silopilot



FMM50

FMM20

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45m/148ft

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- radar, ultrasonics
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- Risk of weight being buried
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- radar, ultrasonics
- guided radar, radar, ultrasonics

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3. Selection of measuring principle according to application

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Stockpiles

- Filling via conveyor belts/derrick-type belts
- Level measurement for conveyor belt control
- The most varied grain sizes
- May be exposed to environmental conditions (e.g. wind)



Our proposal

	Radar Micropilot		Ultrasonics Prosonic S/M	
	 FMR57  FMR56		(separated)  FMU90/95  FDU93  FDU95 (compact)  FMU4x	
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity, filling noise and weather impairment ■ Purge air connection is standard (FMR57) ■ Easy installation with alignment facility 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Separate instrumentation ■ Connection of up to 10 sensors ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Robust sensor (vibration) ■ Relay output for point levels ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, humidity and dielectric constant ■ Easy assembly/overall size (under conveyor belt derricks) ■ Good price/performance ratio 	
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy: $\pm 3\text{mm}/\pm 0.12''$ ■ Process temperature*: $-40\dots+400^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+752^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-1\dots+16\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+232\text{psi}$ ■ Min. DC value: 1.6 ■ Process connection: DN80, DN100, DN150, DN200, DN250, assembly bracket ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/230ft 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-/4-wire (4-20mA HART®, DP, PA, FF) ■ Accuracy: $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08'' \pm 0.17\%$ of measured distance ■ Process temperature*: $-40\dots+150^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+302^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-0.3\dots+3\text{bar}/-4.4\dots+44\text{psi}$ ■ Min. DC value: — ■ Process connection: Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), wall and assembly arm, assembly bracket ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/230ft 	
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DC value < 1,6 ■ Risk of strong build-up formation ■ Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface ■ Poor access to the instrument 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Media with strong dust formation during filling ■ Angled surface/funnel with a reflecting, smooth surface ■ Extreme filling noise 	
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*At the process connection

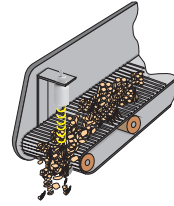
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3. Selection of measuring principle according to application





Mechanical conveyor systems (e.g. conveyor belts)

- Monitoring of belt load
- Monitoring of feed points
- Strong abrasion (→ non-contact)
- Fast response times required
- Vibration possible



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Our proposal

	<div> <div>  <p>Radar Micropilot</p> <p>FMR57</p> </div> <div>  <p>FMR56</p> </div> </div>		<div> <div>  <p>(separated)</p> <p>FMU90/95</p> <p>FDU91 FDU92</p> </div> <div>  <p>(compact)</p> <p>FMU4x</p> </div> </div>
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity, filling noise and weather impairment ■ Purge air connection is standard (FMR57) ■ Easy installation with alignment facility 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Separate instrumentation ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors ■ Robust sensor (vibration) ■ Relay output for point levels ■ Up to 3 measurements/sec ■ Easy assembly under conveyor belt derricks (overall size) and above the conveyor belt/crusher
Technical data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection: 2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ■ Accuracy: $\pm 3\text{mm}/\pm 0.12''$ ■ Process temperature*: $-40\dots+400^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+752^\circ\text{F}$ ■ Process pressure: $-1\dots+16\text{bar}/-14.5\dots+232\text{psi}$ ■ Min. DC value: 1.6 ■ Process connection: DN80, DN100, DN150, DN200, DN250, assembly bracket ■ Maximum measuring range: 70m/230ft 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2-/4-wire (4-20mA HART®, DP, PA, FF) ■ $\pm 2\text{mm}/\pm 0.08'' \pm 0.17\%$ of measured distance ■ $-40\dots+150^\circ\text{C}/-40\dots+302^\circ\text{F}$ ■ $-0.3\dots+3\text{bar}/-4.4\dots+44\text{psi}$ ■ Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), wall and assembly arm, assembly bracket ■ 70m/230ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DC value < 1,6 ■ Risk of build-up formation ■ Strong vibration, poor access to the instrument ■ Fast measurement > 1 measurement/s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → ultrasonics → use of purge air → ultrasonics → ultrasonics, separated instrumentation → ultrasonics, separated instrumentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Observe blocking distance ■ Strong vibration, please use separated instrumentation

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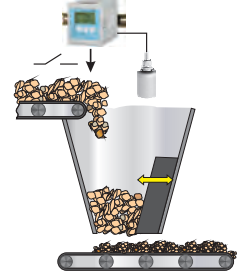
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3. Selection of measuring principle according to application

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Crusher

- Monitoring of crusher level
- Strong abrasion (→ non-contact)
- High mechanical load (→ non-contact)
- Fast response times required
- Vibration possible



Our proposal

Radar Micropilot



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Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unaffected by the density of bulk solids, temperature, humidity, filling noise and weather impairment ■ Purge air connection is standard (FMR57) ■ Easy installation with alignment facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Separate instrumentation recommended ■ Attractive measuring point price ■ Self-cleaning effect of sensors, unaffected by build-up ■ Additional point levels, programmable ■ Robust sensor (vibration) ■ Easy assembly under conveyor belt derricks (overall size) and above the conveyor belt/crusher
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Connection ■ Accuracy ■ Process temperature* ■ Process pressure ■ Min. DC value ■ Process connection ■ Maximum measuring range 	2-wire (HART®, PA, FF), 4-wire HART® ±3mm/±0.12" -40...+400°C/-40...+752°F -1...+16bar/-14.5...+232psi 1.6 DN80, DN100, DN150, DN200, DN250, assembly bracket 70m/230ft	2-/4-wire (4-20mA HART®, DP, PA, FF) ±2mm/±0.08" +0.17% of measured distance -40...+150°C/-40...+302°F -0.3...+3bar/-4.4...+44psi — Threads, flanges (DIN, ANSI, JIS), wall and assembly arm, assembly bracket 70m/230ft
Application limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DC value < 1,6 ■ Risk of build-up formation ■ Strong vibration, poor access to the instrument 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → ultrasonics → use of purge air → ultrasonics → ultrasonics, separated instrumentation ■ Possibly protection against mechanical damage (e.g. mount higher or protect by a grid)

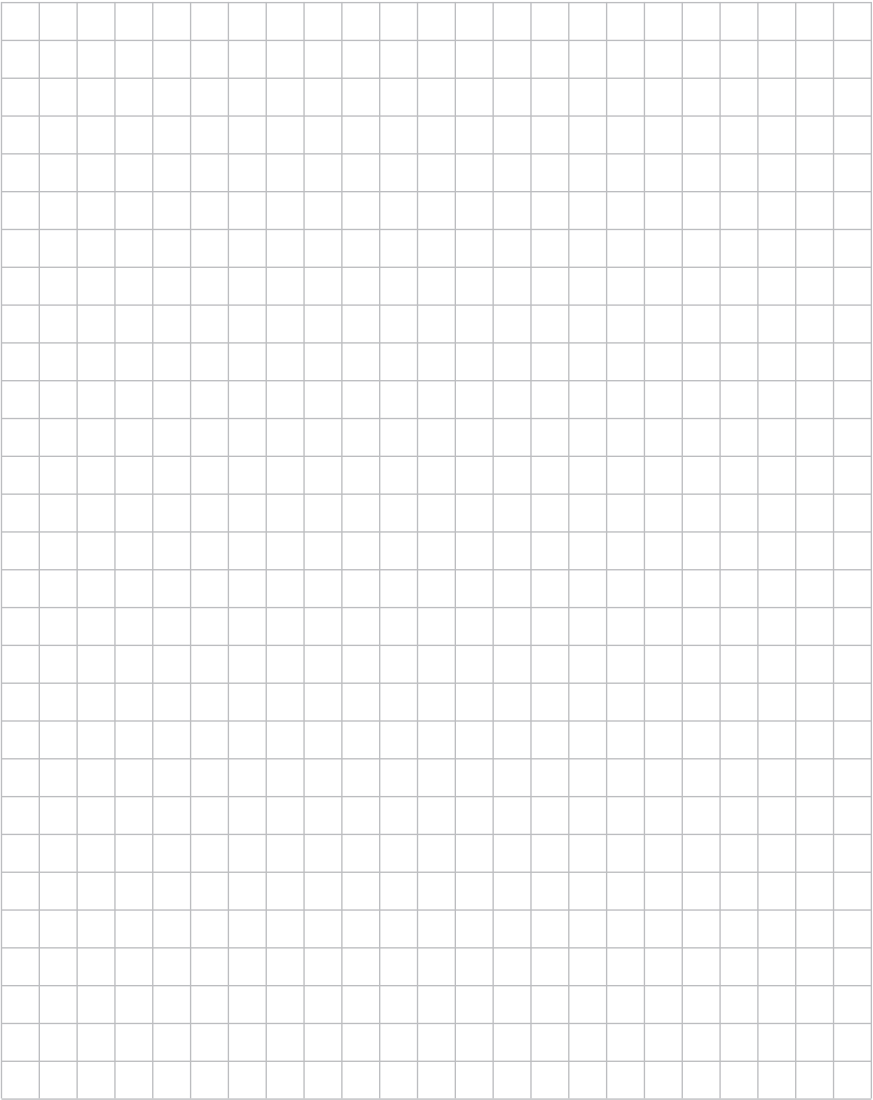
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Notes

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4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Radar

Required application data

- Measuring range (min/max)
- DC value of the medium (DC)/media group
- Grain size
- Nozzle diameter/nozzle height
- Pressure and temperature

Dielectric constant (DC)

The reflection properties of a medium are determined by the DC value.

The following table describes the allocation of different DC values to groups of media. For very loose or loosened bulk solids, the respectively lower group is applicable.

Application limits for level measurement by radar instruments in bulk solids

- $T < -40^{\circ}\text{C}/-40^{\circ}\text{F}$ or $T > 400^{\circ}\text{C}/752^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 16\text{bar}/232\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 70\text{m}/230\text{ft}$
- Dielectric constant < 1.6
e.g. Aerosil, Perlite
- Process connection $< \text{DN } 80/3''$



Media group	DC value	Examples
A	1.6...1.9	Plastic granulate, white lime, special cement, sugar
B	1.9...2.5	Cement, gypsum
C	2.5...4	Cereal, seeds, ground stones, sand
D	4...7	Naturally moist (ground) stones, ores, salt
E	> 7	Metal powder, carbon black, carbon dust

Reduction of the max. possible measuring range by:

- Media with poor reflection properties (low DC value)
- Large angle of repose
- Extremely loose surface of bulk solids, e.g. bulk solids with a low density in pneumatic filling. Please use the respectively lower media group in this case
- Build-up formation (particularly if moisture is present in the process)

Radar

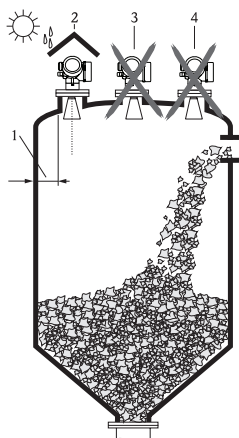
- Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement
- Unaffected by product properties like density
- Unaffected by temperature, filling noise and dust development
- Unaffected by vessel materials
- Freely adjustable measuring range

	<p>Micropilot Horn / parabolic antenna</p>  <p>FMR57</p>		<p>Micropilot Plated horn antenna</p>  <p>FMR56</p>
	<p>Typical applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Silos, open stockpiles with highly dust-generating media ■ Stockpiles, bunkers with measuring ranges > 30m/98ft ■ High, narrow silos/cells ■ High temperatures up to 400°C/752°F ■ Very abrasive bulk solids 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Smaller silos, vessels, bunkers, stockpiles up to max. measuring range 30m/98ft ■ Very abrasive bulk solids
Special features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ For small nozzle dimensions (horn) ■ Precise beam focusing in high, narrow silos/cells (parabolic) ■ Optional alignment facility ■ Purge air connection is standard 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Plastic horn, metalized ■ Optional alignment seal ■ Optional assembly bracket
Technical Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Process pressure ■ Process temperature* ■ Antenna typ ■ Max. Measuring range ■ DC value ■ Accuracy ■ Process connection ■ Process-contacting materials 		
	<p>–1...+16bar/–14.5...+232psi –40...+400°C/–40...+752°F Horn: DN80, DN100 Parabolic: DN200, DN250 50m/164ft (horn) 70m/230ft (parabolic) 1.6 ±15mm/0.6" Thread 1½ (G, NPT) DN80...DN250/3"...10" DN200...DN250/8"...10" 316L / 1.4435/1.4404</p>		<p>–1...+3bar/–14.5...+232psi –40...+80°C/–40...+176°F Horn, plated with PP 30m/98ft 1.6 ±15mm/0.6" Assembly bracket DN80...DN250/3"...10" PBT, PP</p>

*At the process connection

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions – radar



Installation

- Not centered [3]
- Not above filling curtain [4]
- Distance to the wall [1]: $\sim 1/6$ of vessel diameter, at least however 20cm/7.9"

Weather protection cover [2]

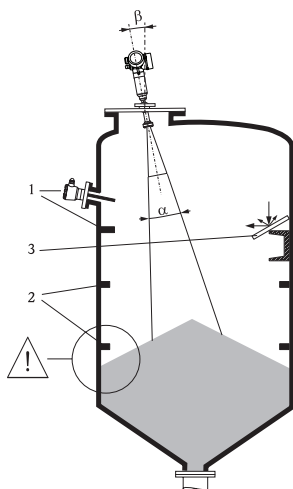
- Always recommended for installation outside (solar radiation and rain)

Connection for purge air or plating

- Connection for purge air:
FMR57, already integrated. In case of strong dust generation, clogging of the antenna is avoided. Not possible for FMR56
- Horn plating:
FMR57, FMR51, see accessories
FMR56, already integrated PP plating of the horn, avoids clogging

Baffles in vessels

- Make sure that baffles [1] like limit switches, struts, etc. are not within the beam cone (see also the beam angle table in this respect (next page))
- Symmetrically arranged baffles [2], e. g. discharge aids etc. may impair measurements

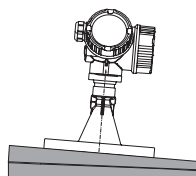
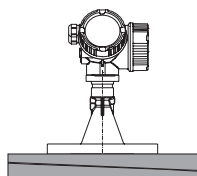
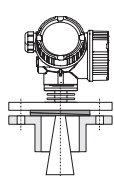


Optimizing measures

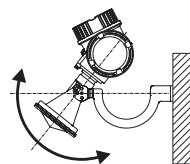
- Size of antenna: The larger the antenna the smaller the beam angle and the lower the interfering echoes
- Interference echo suppression: Electronic suppression of interfering echoes optimizes the measurement
- Inclined installed metallic plates [3] disperse the radar signals and reduce interfering echoes

Alignment

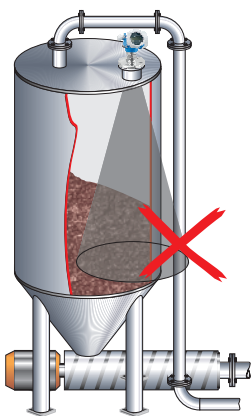
- Serves the avoidance of interfering reflection and improved measurement since the measurement can be aligned to the angle of repose
- An alignment of the instrument is recommended
FMR57, with optional alignment device
FMR56, FMR51 with optional alignment seal or assemble bracket



Variable alignment with optional alignment seal



Assemble bracket



Measurement in plastic vessels

If the external wall of the vessel consists of a non-conductive material (e.g. GFK), microwaves may also be reflected by external interfering sources, e.g.

- Metal lines/pipes
- Conductors
- Grids

Ensure during installation that the beam cone of the radar instrument for bulk solids is free of any interfering sources.

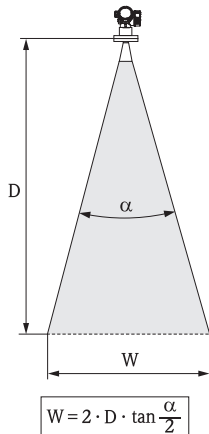
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Beam angle

The beam angle is defined as the angle α at which the energy density of the radar waves assumes half the value of the max. energy density (3dB width).

Radar waves are also emitted outside of the beam cone and may be reflected by interfering sources.

Cone diameter **W** in dependence on the type of antenna, beam angle (α) and distance **D**.



Size of antenna FMR56	Horn antenna	
	80mm/3"	100mm/4"
Beam angle α	10°	8°

Size of antenna FMR57	Horn antenna		Parabolic antenna	
	80mm/3"	100mm/4"	200mm/8"	250mm/10"
Beam angle α	10°	8°	4°	3.5°

Distance (D)	Cone diameter (W)			
	80mm/3"	100mm/4"	200mm/8"	250mm/10"
5m/16ft	0.87m/2.8ft	0.70m/2.24ft	0.35m/1.12ft	0.3m/0.98ft
10m/32ft	1.75m/5.6ft	1.40m/4.48ft	0.70m/2.23ft	0.61m/2ft
15m/49ft	2.62m/8.57ft	2.10m/6.85ft	1.05m/3.42ft	0.92m/3.01ft
20m/65ft	3.50m/11.37ft	2.80m/9.09ft	1.40m/4.54ft	1.22m/4ft
30m/98ft	5.25m/17.15ft	4.20m/13.71ft	2.10m/6.84ft	1.83m/6ft
40m/131ft	7.00m/22.92ft	5.59m/18.32ft	2.79m/9.15ft	2.44m/8ft
50m/164ft	8.75m/28.7ft	6.99m/22.94ft	3.50m/11.45ft	3.06m/10.04ft

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Guided radar

Required application data

Level measurement

- Measuring range
- Consider ceiling load by max. tensile force at the point of measurement
- Calculation of tensile force by Endress+Hauser
- DC value (DC) of the product
- Pressure and temperature
- Resistance requirements
- Existing nozzle diameter:
DN, PN, nozzle height

Application limits for Levelflex guided level radar

- $T < -40^{\circ}\text{C}/-40^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $T > 150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$
(higher temperatures upon request)
- $p > 16\text{bar}/232\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 45\text{m}/148\text{ft}$
(longer upon request)
- Dielectric constant < 1.4

Dielectric constant (DC)

The reflection properties of a medium are determined by the dielectric constant (DC).

Media group	DC	Typical bulk solids	Max. measuring range	
			Metallic uninsulated probes	PA-coated rope probes
1*	1.4...1.6	■ Plastic powder	20...25m/66...82ft	—
2	1.6...1.9	■ Plastic granulates ■ White lime, special cement ■ Sugar	25...30m/82...99ft	12...15m/ 39...49ft
3	1.9...2.5	■ Cement, gypsum ■ Flour	30...45m/99...148ft —	— 15...25m/49...82ft
4	2.5...4	■ Cereal, seeds ■ Ground stones ■ Sand	— 45m/148ft	25...30m/82...99ft 25...30m/82...99ft
5	4...7	■ Naturally moist (ground) stones, ores ■ Salt	45m/148ft	35m/110ft
6	> 7	■ Metal powder ■ Carbon black ■ Carbon dust	45m/148ft	35m/110ft

For very loose or loosened bulk solids, the respectively lower group is applicable.

Reduction of the max. possible measuring range by:

- Extremely loose surface of bulk solids, e.g. bulk solids with a low density in case of pneumatic filling
- Build-up formation, particularly of humid products.

! FMP56 max. measuring range: 12m/39ft

*Media group 1: Take into account restrictions for strongly damping media
e.g. ground material, wheat bran, silicic acid

Guided radar

- Unaffected by product surface (e.g. angled surface)
- Unaffected by baffles in the silo
- Additional safety for measurements by EoP*¹ evaluation
- Safe measurements also during filling

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Guided radar

Typical applications

Special features

Technical Data

- Process pressure
- Process temperature*²
- Max. Measuring range
rope probe
rod probe
- DC value
- Accuracy

- Process connection
- Process-contacting materials

Levellflex



FMP56

- Powdery solids
- Plastic granulates
- High and narrow silos
- Reflecting surfaces

- Exchangeable probes (rope)
- Coated rope probes (for cereal, flour)
- Measurement during filling

–1...+16bar/–14.5...+232psi
–40...+120°C/–40...+248°F

12m/39ft

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1.4

< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08";
> 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4"

¾" (G, NPT), adapter flange
304, 1.4301

Levellflex



FMP57

- Powdery and grained bulk solids
- Plastic granulates
- High and narrow silos
- Reflecting surfaces

- Exchangeable probes (rod, rope)
- Coated rope probes (for cereal, flour)
- Measurement during filling

–1...+16bar/–14.5...+580psi
–40...+150°C/–40...+302°F

45m/148ft

4m/13ft

1.4

< 15m/49ft: ±2mm/0.08";
> 15m/49ft: ±10mm/0.4"

1½" (G, NPT), flange
304, 1.4301

*¹ The patented End-of-Probe (EoP) algorithm enables Levelflex to provide accurate and reliable level measurement in media with a low DC value (flour, cement, lime, PE granulates, PP granulates and various powders) also during pneumatic filling and fluidized discharge

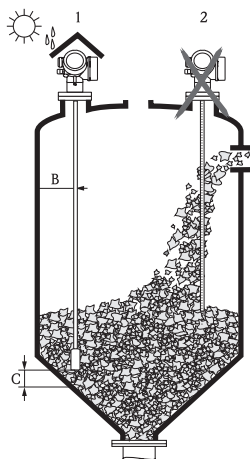
*² At the process connection

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions – guided radar

Probe selection

- Use rope probes for bulk solids in normal circumstances. Rod probes are only suited to short measuring ranges up to approx. 2m/6.5ft in bulk solids. This is particularly true for applications in which the probe is installed laterally and inclined and only for light and free-flowing bulk solids
- In case of large silos, the lateral load on the rope may be so high that a rope with a plastic jacket must be used. We recommend a PA-coated rope for milled products like cereal, wheat and flour

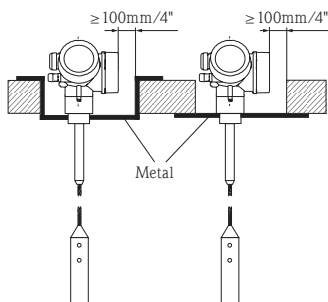


Installation

- Do not install rod and rope probes in the filling curtain [2]
- Install rod and rope probes at a distance to the wall [B], so that in case of build-up on the wall a distance to the probe of at least 100mm/4" remains
- Install rod and rope probes with the largest possible distance to baffles. In case of distances < 300mm/12", an interference echo suppression must be included in commissioning
- When rod and rope probes are installed in plastic vessels, the minimum distance of 300mm/12" is also applicable to metallic parts outside of the vessel
- Rod and rope probes may not contact metal vessel walls or bottoms. The minimum distance of the probe end to the bottom of the vessel is applicable [C]: > 10mm/0.4". For exceptions see the section "Fixation of rope probes"
- Avoid bending the rope probe sharply during installation or operation (e.g. by product movements against the wall of the silo) by the selection of a suitable point of installation

Weather protection cover [1]

- Always recommended for installation outside (solar radiation and rain)



Installation in concrete silos

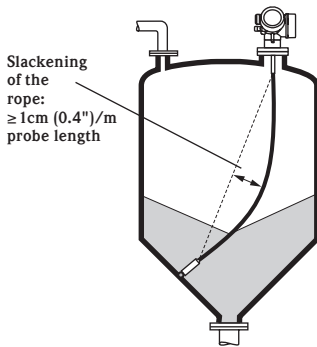
- In concrete silos, the largest possible distance [B] of the probe to the concrete wall – min. 0.5m/19.7" – is to be observed. Optimum $\geq 1\text{m}/39"$
- The installation into a concrete ceiling must be flush with its bottom edge

Expansion of rope probes by tension and temperature

- 6mm/0.23" rope probe
 - Elongation by tension: At max. permissible tensile load (30kN) = 13mm (0.5")/m rope length
 - Elongation by temperature increase from 30°C/86°F to 150°C/302°F = 2mm (0.08")/m (ft) rope length
- 4mm/0.16" rope probe
 - Elongation by tension: At max. permissible tensile load (12kN) = 11mm (0.4")/m rope length
 - Elongation by temperature increase from 30°C/86°F to 150°C/302°F = 2mm (0.08")/m rope length

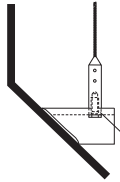
Fixation of rope probes

- The fixation of the probe end may be required if otherwise the probe contacts the silo wall, the cone, the baffles/struts or other parts at times or if the probe converges closer than 0.5m/19.7" to a concrete wall. The probe weight provides an internal thread for this purpose:
 - 4mm/0.16" rope: M 14
 - 6mm/0.23" rope: M 20

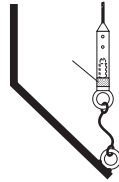


- Please use preferably the 6mm/0.23" rope probe because of its higher tensile-loaded capacity when fixing a rope probe
- The point of fixation must either be reliably grounded or reliably insulated. If a fixation with reliable grounding is not possible, the insulated lug offered as an accessory may be used
- The rope must be loose to avoid extremely high tensile loads and the risk of breakage. Adjust the rope to a length which exceeds the required measuring range so that the rope slackens in the middle $\geq 1\text{ cm (0.4")/m}$ rope length!

Reliably grounded point of fixation:



Reliably insulated point of fixation:



Tensile load

- Bulk solids exert tensile forces on rope probes. Their intensity increases with:
 - The length of the probe or max. cover
 - The density of the product
 - The diameter of the silo and
 - The diameter of the probe rope
- The diagrams in the Technical Information TI 01004F show typical loads in frequently occurring bulk solids as reference values. The calculations take the following conditions into account:
 - Freely suspended probe (end of probe not fixed)
 - Freely flowing bulk solids (mass flow). The core flow cannot be calculated.
 In case of collapsing product accumulation on walls higher loads may occur

- The tensile force values contain a safety factor of 2 (compensation of the fluctuation range in freely flowing bulk solids)
- Since the tensile forces largely depend on the flow properties of the product, a higher safety factor is required for sluggishly flowing products and if a risk of product accumulation on walls exists. Use rather a 6mm/0.23" rope than 4mm/0.16" in critical cases
- The same forces also act on the ceiling of silos. The tensile forces are larger on fixed ropes, but they cannot be calculated. Please observe the tensile-loaded capacity of the probes or ensure that this capacity is not exceeded
- If the max. tensile load is exceeded, please verify whether a non-contact ultrasonic or level radar instrument should be used for the application

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Ultrasonics

Required application data

- Measuring range
- Product grain size
- Product surface (soft, hard)
- Dust-generating product (strong, low)
- Filling curtain in the measuring range
- Nozzle diameter/nozzle height
- Pressure and temperature

Application limits for ultrasonic level measurement in solids

- $T < -40^{\circ}\text{C}/-40^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $T > 150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p < -0.3\text{bar}/-4.4\text{psi}$ and $p > 3\text{bar}/44\text{psi}$ (relativ)
- Measuring range $< 70\text{m}/230\text{ft}$ (ideal conditions)
- Process connection $< 1\frac{1}{2}"$
- Strong temperature fluctuations in the measuring range can affect the accuracy

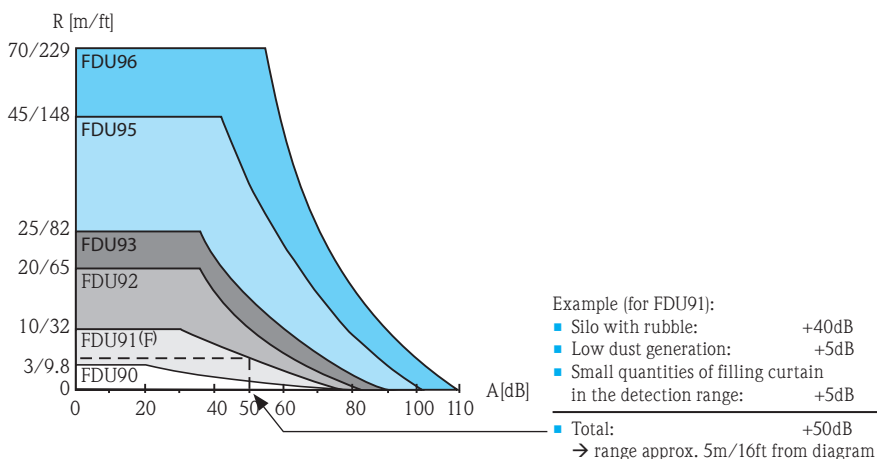
Damping caused by process

Product surface		Filling curtain in the detection range	
Hard, rough (e.g. gravel)	40dB	None	0dB
Soft (e.g. peat, dust-covered clinker)	40...60dB	Small quantities	5dB
		Big quantities	5...20dB

Dust		$\Delta\text{-temp. sensor} \leftrightarrow \text{product surface}$	
No dust generation	0dB	Up to $20^{\circ}\text{C}/68^{\circ}\text{F}$	0dB
Low dust generation	5dB	Up to $40^{\circ}\text{C}/104^{\circ}\text{F}$	5...10dB
Strong dust generation	5...20dB	Up to $80^{\circ}\text{C}/176^{\circ}\text{F}$	10...20dB

For different applications, the max. measuring distance can be estimated from the sum of dampings (dB) and the range diagram (see also example below).

Range calculation and sensor selection Prosonic S FDU9x

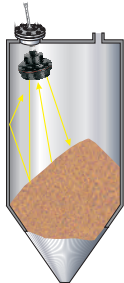
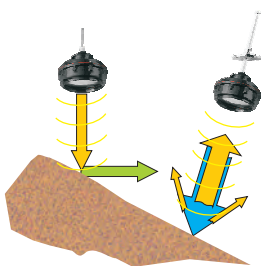


Sensor alignment

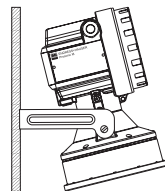
- Angled surfaces are formed in silos for bulk solids. These cause the ultrasonic signal to be laterally reflected which can lead to a reduced signal intensity

Remedial measures:

- The sensors should be aligned as vertically as possible in relation to the product surface
- This is facilitated by the FAU40 alignment device or the assembly bracket



FAU40 for Prosonic S

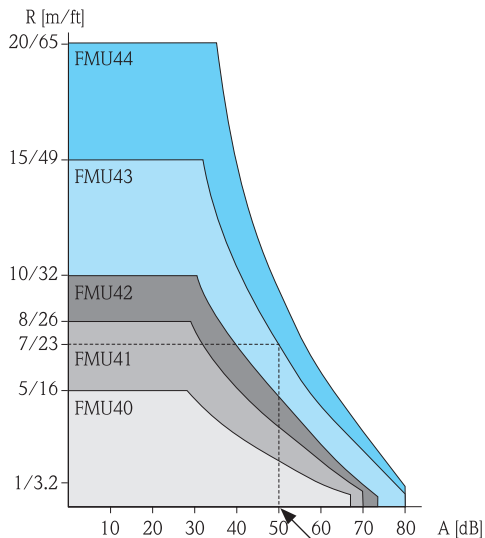


Installation with assembly bracket for Prosonic M

Advantages

- Non-contact, maintenance-free measurement
- Unaffected by product properties, e.g. DC value, density, etc.
- Calibration without filling or discharging
- Self-cleaning effect of sensors due to moved sensor diaphragm
- Separate instrumentation options in rough ambient conditions
- Cost-effective instrumentation for silo farms with FMU95 multichannel system

Range calculation and sensor selection Prosonic M FMU4x



Example (for FMU43):

- Product surface hard, rough: +40dB
- Low dust generation: +5dB
- Small quantities of filling curtain in the detection range: +5dB
- Total: +50dB
- range approx. 7m/23ft from diagram

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Ultrasonics

- Non-contact and maintenance-free measurement
- Unaffected by dielectric constant, density or humidity
- Unaffected by build-up due to the self-cleaning effect of sensors by diaphragm vibration

Prosonic S FMU9x



Typical applications

- Measurement of coarse to fine-grained materials in silos, on belts, stockpiles and in crushers
- Measurement under rough process conditions (vibration, build-up, corrosion, abrasion)
- Measurement in low structural heights

Special features

- Separate instrumentation up to 300m/984ft
- Up to 6 additional point level, alarm outputs
- Automatic recognition of connected sensors
- Up to 10 sensors can be connected → attractive price in silo farms
- 4...20mA HART® or PROFIBUS® DP

Technical Data	FDU90	FDU91	FDU91F	FDU92	FDU93	FDU95	FDU96
■ Process pressure from -0.3/-4.4...			+3bar/ +44psi		+2bar/ +29psi	+0.5bar/ +7.2psi	+2bar/ +29psi
■ Process temperature* from -40...	+80°C/ +176°F	+80°C/ +176°F	+105°C/ +221°F	+95°C/ +203°F	+95°C/ +203°F	+80°C/ +176°F *1	+150°C/ +302°F
■ Max. Measuring range	1.2m/ 3.9ft	5m/16ft	5m/16ft	10m/32ft	15m/49ft	45m/150ft	70m/230ft
■ Blocking distance	0.07m/ 0.23ft	0.3m/1ft	0.3m/1ft	0.4m/1.3ft	0.6m/2ft	0.7m/2.3ft (0.9m//2.9ft*1)	1.6m/5.2ft
■ Accuracy	±2mm/0.08" +0.17% of measuring distance						
■ Process connection	1", 1½"	1"	1", Tri-Clamp, collar flange	1"	1"	1"	1"
■ Process-contacting materials	PVDF	PVDF	316L	PVDF	UP, Alu, PTFE	UP, 316L*, PE	UP, Alu, PTFE
■ Beam angle α	12°	9°	12°	11°	4°	5°	6°

*At the process connection

*1 High temperature = 150°C/302°F

Prosonic M FMU4x



FMU40



FMU41



FMU42



FMU43



FMU44

Typical applications

- Measurement from coarse to fine-grained materials in recipient tanks, on belts at feed points
- Measuring range up to 10m/32ft

Special features

- Compact instrumentation (2 or 4-wire)
- Attractive price
- Robust aluminum housing
- 4..20mA HART®, PROFIBUS® PA or FF

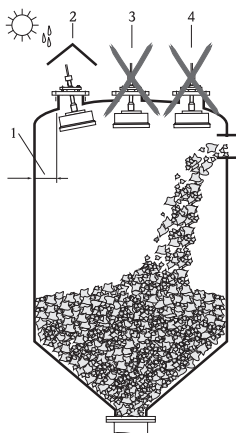
Technical Data	FMU40	FMU41	FMU42	FMU43	FMU44
■ Process pressure	-0.3...+2bar/-4.4...+29psi		-0.3...+1.5bar/-4.4...+22psi		
■ Process temperature*	-40...+80°C/-40...+176°F				
■ Measuring range (solid)	2m/6ft	3.5m/11ft	5m/16ft	7m/22ft	10m/32ft
■ Blocking distance	0.25m/0.8ft	0.35m/1.15ft	0.4m/1.3ft	0.6m/2ft	0.5m/1.6ft
■ Accuracy	±2mm/0.08" o. 0.2% of measuring distance*2		±4mm/0.15" of 0.2% of measuring distance*2		
■ Process connection	1.5"	2"	DN80/3"; DN100/4"; DN150/6" assembly bracket	DN100/4"; DN150/6"; DN200/8" assembly bracket	DN100/4"; DN150/6"; DN200/8" assembly bracket
■ Process-contacting materials	PVDF EPDM	PVDF EPDM	PVDF EPDM o. Viton, flange PP, PVDF, 316L	UP/316L, EPDM, flange PP, PVDF, 316L	PVDF EPDM o. Viton, flange PP, 316L
■ Beam angle α	11°	11°	9°	6°	11°

*At the process connection

*² The higher value is applicable

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Installation instructions – ultrasonics



Installation

- Not centered [3]
- Not above filling curtain [4]
- Distance to wall: $\sim 1/6$ of the vessel diameter, at least however 20cm/7.9" [1]
- If 2 or several sensors are used in one vessel, please use separate instrumentation (FMU90/95 + FDU9x)

Weather protection cover [2]

- Always recommended for installation outside (solar radiation and rain) – Prosonic M

Nozzle

- The sensor diaphragm should protrude from the nozzle. If this is not possible, please compare the dimensions of the nozzle with the table: Nozzle length (next page)

Measuring range

- Measurement is possible up to the blocking distance (BD) on principle
- The measuring range starts where the ultrasonic lobe meets the bottom of the silo. In dished or torispherical heads or conical outlets, levels below this point cannot be detected

Silo baffles

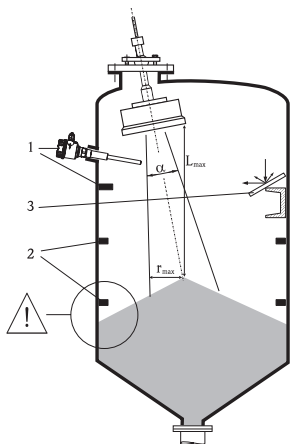
- Make sure that baffles [1] like limit switches, struts, etc. are not within the beam cone (see also the beam angle table in this respect α)
- Symmetrically arranged baffles [2], e.g. discharge aids etc. may impair measurements

Optimizing measures

- Use a sensor with a smaller beam angle. → The smaller the beam angle the lower the occurrence of interfering echoes
- Interference echo suppression: Electronic suppression of interfering echoes optimizes the measurement
- Plates installed in an inclined manner [3] disperse the signal and can avoid interfering echoes

Alignment

- Serves the avoidance of interfering reflections and improved measurements since the measurement can be aligned to the angled surface (accessory FAU40 or assembly bracket)



	FMU40	FMU41	FMU42	FMU43	FMU44	FDU90	FDU91	FDU91F	FDU92	FDU93	FDU95	FDU96
Beam angle α	11°	11°	9°	6°	11°	12°	9°	12°	11°	4°	5°	6°
L_{max} (m/ft)	2/6	3.5/11	5/16	7/22	10/32	1.2/3.9	5/16	5/16	10/32	15/49	45/150	70/230
r_{max} (m/ft)	0.19/0.6	0.34/1.1	0.39/1.3	0.37/1.2	1.96/6.4	0.13/0.4	0.39/1.3	0.53/1.7	0.96/3.1	0.52/1.7	1.96/6.4	3.6/11.8
Blocking distance (m/ft)	0.25/0.8	0.35/1.15	0.4/1.3	0.6/2	0.5/1.6	0.07/0.23	0.3/1	0.3/1	0.4/1.3	0.6/2	0.7/2.3 (0.9/2.9*)	1.6/5.2

*High temperature = 150°C/302°F

Nozzle Ø	Max. nozzle length in mm/inch (L)											
	FMU40	FMU41	FMU42	FMU43	FMU44	FDU90	FDU91	FDU91F	FDU92	FDU93	FDU95	FDU96
DN50/2"	80/3.15					50 ²⁾ /1.97 ²⁾						
DN80/3"	240/ 9.45	240/ 9.45	250/ 9.84			390 ¹⁾ , 250 ²⁾ / 15.4 ¹⁾ , 9.84 ²⁾	340/ 13.4	250/ 9.84*				
DN100/4"	300/ 11.8	300/ 11.8	300/ 11.8	300/ 11.8		390 ¹⁾ , 300 ²⁾ / 15.4 ¹⁾ , 11.8 ²⁾	390/ 15.4	300/ 11.8*				
DN150/6"	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8	400/ 15.8	400 ¹⁾ , 300 ²⁾ / 15.8 ¹⁾ , 11.8 ²⁾	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8*	400/ 15.8			
DN200/8"	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8	400/ 15.8	400 ¹⁾ , 300 ²⁾ / 15.8 ¹⁾ , 11.8 ²⁾	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8*	400/ 15.8	520/ 20.5		
DN250/10"	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8	400/ 15.8	400 ¹⁾ , 300 ²⁾ / 15.8 ¹⁾ , 11.8 ²⁾	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8*	400/ 15.8	520/ 20.5	630/ 24.8	
DN300/12"	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8	400/ 15.8	400 ¹⁾ , 300 ²⁾ / 15.8 ¹⁾ , 11.8 ²⁾	400/ 15.8	300/ 11.8*	400/ 15.8	520/ 20.5	630/ 24.8	800/ 31.5
Beam angle α	11°	11°	11°	6°	11°	12°	9°	12°	11°	4°	5°	6°
Blocking distance (m/ft)	0.25/ 0.8	0.35/ 1.15	0.4/ 1.3	0.6/ 2	0.5/ 1.6	0.07/ 0.23	0.3/ 1	0.3/ 1	0.4/ 1.3	0.6/ 2	0.7/ 2.3	1.6/ 5.2

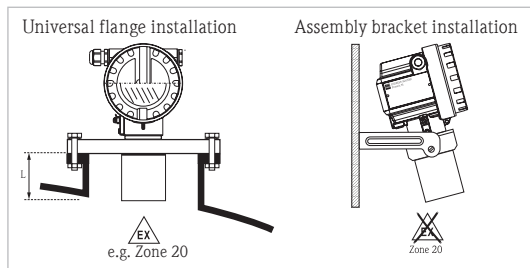
* Applicable to flush flange installation, for assembly via G/NPT 1" starting DN100 see FDU91

¹⁾ Mounted at backside thread of the Sensor FDU90

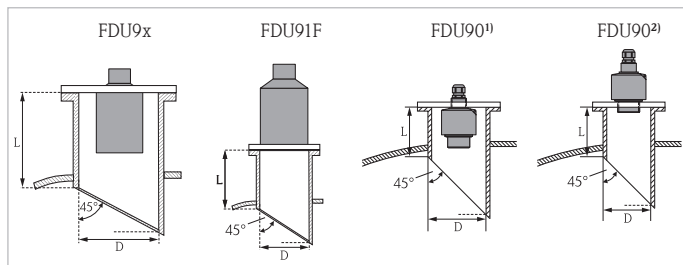
²⁾ Mounted at frontside thread of the Sensor FDU90

Options for installation

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Prosonic S FDU9x



4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Electromechanical level system

Required application data

- Measuring range
- Consider ceiling load by max. tensile force at the point of measurement
- Product grain size
- Pressure and temperature
- Resistance requirements
- Nozzle height

Application limits for the electromechanical level system

- $T < -20^{\circ}\text{C}/-4^{\circ}\text{F}$ or $T > 230^{\circ}\text{C}/446^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $p > 2\text{bar}/29\text{psi}$
- Measuring range $> 70\text{m}/230\text{ft}$
- Tensile force $> 500\text{N}$

Recommendation concerning the selection

The following aspects should be observed in the selection of the sensing weight:

- The sensing weight may neither sink into the product nor slide off the angled surface during the measuring operation
- The sensing weight must be able to withstand the chemical properties of the product and the temperature prevailing in the bunker/silo

Model	Sensing weight	Application	Temperature	Materials
FMM50	Normal weight, cylindrical with removable spike	Coarse bulk solids, e.g. coal, ore or stones and granulates	Complete temperature range	Steel, stainless steel
FMM50	Umbrella weight	Very light and loose bulk solids, e.g. flour or carbon dust	Max. $150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$	Steel or stainless steel with Polyester
FMM50	Bag weight	Bunkers with mills downstream	Max. $150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$	Bag made of Polyester, stainless steel
FMM50	Cage weight	Fine-grained bulk solids	Complete temperature range	Steel, stainless steel
FMM50	Oval float	Granulates	Max. $70^{\circ}\text{C}/158^{\circ}\text{F}$	Rigid PVC
FMM50	Bell weight	Light and loose bulk solids	Complete temperature range	Steel, stainless steel
FMM20	Normal weight, cylindrical with removable spike	Granulates and compacted bulk solids	Max. $150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$	Steel, stainless steel
FMM20	Normal weight, cylindrical	Granulates and compacted bulk solids	Max. $70^{\circ}\text{C}/158^{\circ}\text{F}$	Plastics
FMM20	Umbrella weight	Very light and loose bulk solids, e.g. flour or carbon dust	Max. $150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$	Steel or stainless steel with polyester
FMM20	Bag weight	Bunkers with mills downstream	Max. $150^{\circ}\text{C}/302^{\circ}\text{F}$	Polyester, stainless steel



Sensing weights FMM20

- 1 Stainless steel sensing weight
- 2 Plastic sensing weight
- 3 Bag weight
- 4 Umbrella weight



Sensing weights FMM50

- 1 Cylindrical sensing weight with spike
- 2 Umbrella weight
- 3 Bag weight
- 4 Cage weight
- 5 Oval float
- 6 Bell weight



Weight	Ex	Special features
3.5kg/8lbs	Yes	In case of downstream crusher or mill facility --> use "tape breakage" signal function or cage weight
3.5kg/8lbs	Yes	Large square surface --> avoids deep immersion into the product
0.25kg/0.5lbs (empty), 3.5kg/8lbs (full)	Yes	Tie the bag so that the content cannot escape
3.5kg/8lbs	Yes	Avoids subsequent damage since the weight cannot enter the discharging facility
3.5kg/8lbs (full)	Dust-Ex not permitted	
4.3kg/9.5lbs	Yes	If the umbrella cannot be used any more in high temperatures or special product properties
1.5kg/3.3lbs	Yes	In case of downstream crusher or mill facility --> use "tape breakage" signal function
1.5kg/3.3lbs	Dust-Ex not permitted	In case of downstream crusher or mill facility --> use "tape breakage" signal function
1.5kg/3.3lbs	Yes	Large square surface --> avoids deep immersion into the product
0.25kg/0.5lbs (empty), 1.5kg/3.3lbs (full)	Yes	Tie the bag so that the content cannot escape

4. Instrument selection within the measuring principle

Electromechanical level system

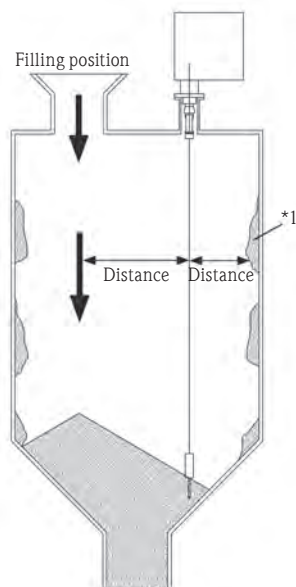
- Unaffected by product properties
- Light bulk solids
- Unaffected by DC value

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	<p>Silopilot M FMM50</p> 	<p>Silopilot T FMM20</p> 
Typical applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bunkers and silos with powdery, fine-grained or coarse-grained bulk solids 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bunkers and silos for light bulk solids, e.g. cereals, plastics granulate, powder
Special features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Easy commissioning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Easy commissioning
Technical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Process pressure ■ Process temperature* ■ Max. measuring range ■ Accuracy ■ Tensile force ■ Process connection ■ Process-contacting material ■ Ambient temperature ■ Electronics ■ Approvals ■ Ingress protection 	<p>–0.2...+2bar/–3...+29psi –20...+230°C/–4...+446°F 70m/230ft ±5cm/±2" or ±1 pulse Max. 500N On counterflange DN100 PN16 Alu, steel or stainless steel (301 modified, 304, 316, 316Ti), Nomex, PVC –40...+70°C/–40...+158°F 4...20mA / relay ATEX II 1/2D IP67</p>	<p>–0.2...+2bar/–3...+29psi –20...+150°C/–4...+302°F 32m/105ft ±2.5cm/±1" or. ±1 pulse Max. 150N On counterflange DN100 PN16 Alu, steel or stainless steel (301 modified, 304, 316, 316Ti) plastic, polyester –40...+60°C/–40...+140°F 0/4...20mA / relay ATEX II 1/2D IP67</p>

*At the process connection

Installation instructions – electromechanical level system



Installation

- Not in the filling curtain or in the area of collapsing product accumulation on walls
- Measuring point as close to the center of the slope as possible
- The sensing weight may neither sink into the product nor slide off the angled surface during the measuring operation
- Max. angle of inclination 2°

Weather protection cover

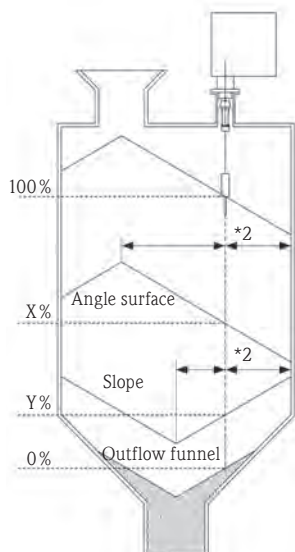
- Always recommended for installation outside (solar radiation and rain)

Compressed air connection

- Already integrated and the penetration of dust can be avoided in case of strong dust generation

Tank baffles

- The measurement section should not pass baffles and struts at too close a distance. The measuring tape must not touch any baffles and struts

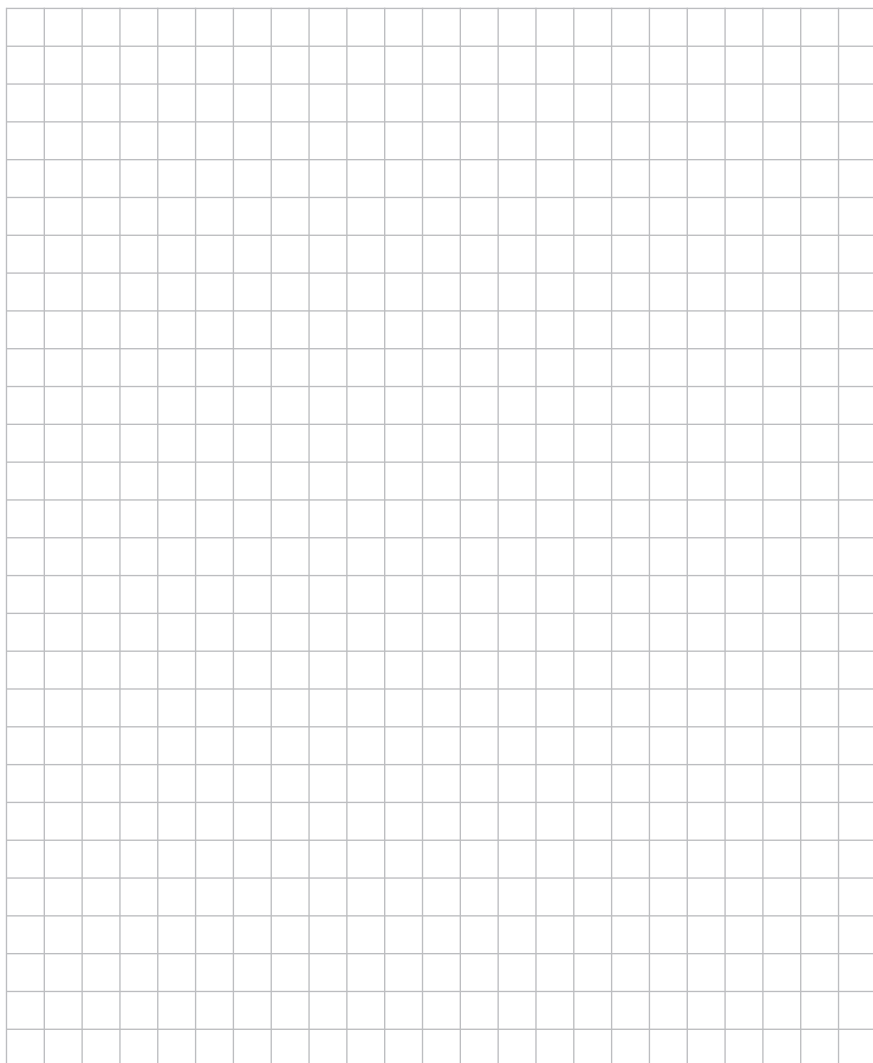


*1 Accumulation (product build-up on the wall of the vessel)

*2 Choose a measuring point located approximately in the middle of the slope

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