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Thank you for choosing the Innova-Sonic® Model 203 Economical Transit-Time Ultrasonic Flow Meter with SLSI CMOS and low-voltage wide-pulse sending technology. This manual contains important information about your meter. Before installing and operating this flow meter, please read this manual carefully and follow its instructions.

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# WARNINGS IN THIS MANUAL

Warning, attention, and note statements are used throughout this book to draw your attention to important information.



# WARNING

"Warning" statement appears with information that is important to protect people and equipment from damage. Pay very close attention to all warnings that apply to your application. **Failure to comply with these instructions may damage the meter and personal injury.** 



# **ATTENTION**

"Attention" statements in this manual indicate that failure to comply with stated instructions may result in damage to the meter or faulty operation of the flow meter.

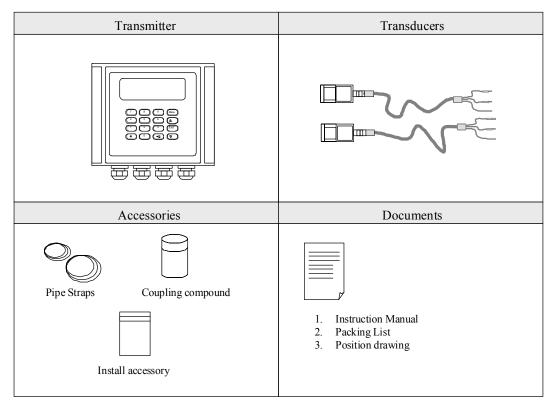


# NOTE

"Note" indicates that ignoring the relevant requirements or precautions may result in flow meter damage or malfunction.

# **Product Components**

Inspect the flow meter prior to installation. Check the parts against the packing list. Make sure that there is no transport damage.



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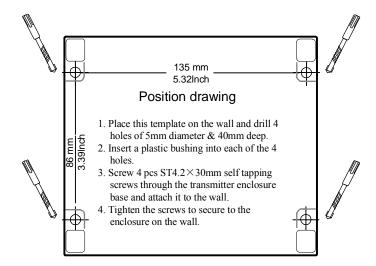
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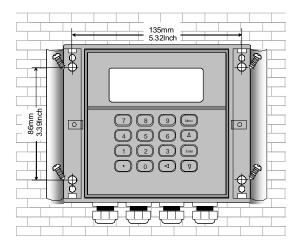
# 1. Transmitter Installation and Wiring

# 1.1. Inspection prior to Transmitter Installation

You will find a "Position Drawing" in the packing. Please use it as a template for flow meter installation. Drill 4 installation holes at the positions shown on the drawing (use 5.5mm drill).



Take out the enclosed screws and plastic bushings. Insert the plastic bushings into the installation holes. Put the flow meter in position and screw in the screws.





# **ATTENTION**

When installing please ensure the front cover is secure and will not fall open.

# 1.2. Wire Connections

# 1.2.1. Power Supply Option

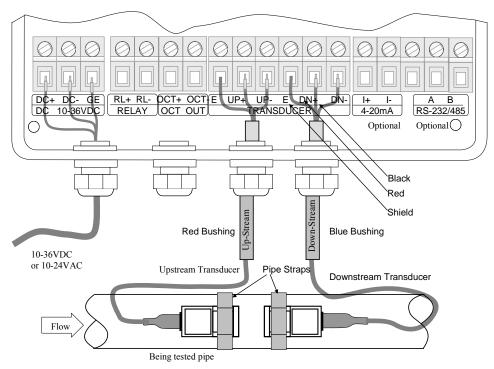
Factory standard power supply is 10~24VAC or 10~36VDC/1A max.

# 1.2.2. Transmitter Wiring

Once the electronics enclosure has been installed, the flow meter wiring can be connected.

Viewing the TB, you will find the transmitter interface labels from left to right:

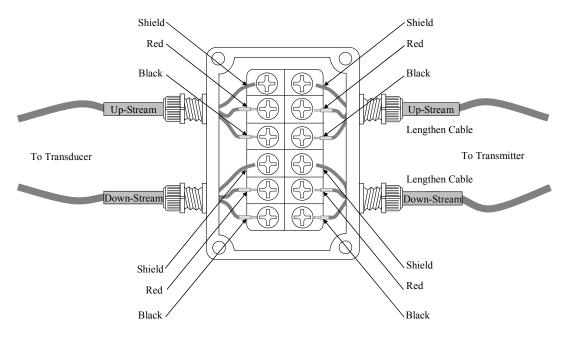
Power supply, Relay output, OCT Output, Downstream transducer, Upstream transducer, 4-20mA, RS232, RS 485 interface.



# 1.2.3. Longer Cables (> 9 m)

Standard cable length is 9 meters (30 ft); it can be lengthened to be 30 meters (100 ft) via a junction box.

# 1.2.4. Junction Box Connections



# 1.2.5. Junction Box Requirements

The flow meter uses a sealed waterproof junction box and installed  $6\times2$  press-connections, Dimensions of the box are  $115\times90\times55$ mm.

# 1.2.6. Cable Specifications

Name: Shielded Twisted Pair Standard: JB8734.5-1998

Diameter: Φ5 mm

Twist Line Space: 50 mm

Multi Core Line: 0.4 mm<sup>2</sup>/radix

Guage: AWG 20#

Core Line Color: Red and Black

Shield Floor: 128 Intwine



# **WARNING**

Wire with power off. The flow meter must have reliable grounding before installation.

# 1.3. Powering on

As soon as the flow meter is switched on, the self-diagnosis program will start to run. If any error is detected, an error code will display on the screen (Refer to Error Diagnostic section of this manual). After the self-diagnosis, the system will run automatically using the last input parameters.

When the meter is switched on, gain adjustment can be monitored in Menu M01. After S1, S2, S3, S4 are displayed on the upper left corner of the screen, the system will begin measuring. Normal condition is indicated by code "\*R" on the upper left corner of the screen.

If it is the first use or install on a new site, the customer will need to input the new installation site parameters. The system will default to the last menu settings and automatically display them at next power on.

# 1.4. Keypad Functions

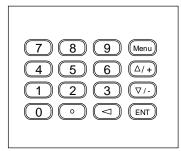
Follow these guidelines when using the flow meter keypad (Refer to Keypad Figure):

① ~ 9 And • To input numbers.

Backspace or delete characters to the left.

And The Return to the last menu or to open the next menu. Acts as "+" and "-" functions when entering numbers.

Select a menu. Press this key first, input two menu numbers and then enter the selected menu. For example, to input a pipe outside diameter, press where "11" is the menu ID to display the parameter for pipe outside diameter.



# 1.5. Keypad Operation

The flow meter uses menus to enter/display data. The operator can input parameters, modify settings or display measurement results by "visiting" a specific menu. These menus are arranged by 2-digit serial numbers (including "+" sign) from 00~99, then to +0, +1, etc. Each menu ID code has a defined meaning. For example, menu M11 indicates the pipe outside diameter, while menu M25 indicates the mounting spacing between the transducers

To visit a specific menu, press the key, then input the 2-digit menu ID code. For example, to input or check the pipe outside diameter, press the her 11 1 keys.

Another method to visit a particular menu is to press which and which is the current menu ID code is M02, press which key to enter menu M01, press the who button again to enter menu M00; then, press the who go back to menu M01, and press the who key again to enter menu M02. Menus are separated into three types: (1) Data Type, such as M11, M12; (2) Option Type, such as M14; (3) Display Type, such as M01, M00.

You can check/enter numerical data by visiting the Data Type menus. If you want to modify the data, input the digits and press or press first, input the digits then press again to confirm.

Example 1: To enter a pipe outside diameter of 219.234, the procedure is as follows:

Press Men 1 1 keys to enter menu M11 (the numerical value displayed currently is the previous value). Now press NT key. The symbol ">" and the flashing cursor are displayed at the left end of the second line on the Screen. Then input pipe OD and press enter to confirm. 2 1 9 • 2 3 4



You can select various configurations by using pull down menus in the Option Type menus. If you want to

modify these, press first, the symbol ">" and the flashing cursor are displayed at the left of the Screen. Use and to scroll pull down menu options, then press to confirm the selected option; or enter the corresponding value directly and press to confirm.

For example, if the pipe material is not "Stainless Steel", Press Menu 1 4 to enter menu M14, press ENT to modify the options. Scroll to "1. Stainless Steel" option by pressing 4 and 7., then press ENT to confirm the selection; It is also possible to press 1 key to change the selection and wait until "1.Stainless Steel" is displayed on the second line of the screen, then press ENT to confirm.

Pipe Material [14 >1. Stainless Steel



#### **ATTENTION**

Generally, press the key first if you want to change data. If there is no response ", it means that system is locked by a password. To "Unlock" it, select "Unlock" in Menu M47 and enter the original password.

# 1.6. Flow Meter Menu Descriptions

Menus are assigned as follows:

- 00~09 Flow Totalizer Display: display flow rate, positive total, negative total, net total, velocity, date & time, present operation and flow results today
- 10~29 Initial Parameter Setup: to enter pipe outside diameter, pipe wall thickness, fluid type, transducer type, transducer mounting method and spacing, etc.
- 30~38 Flow Units Options: to select the flow unit such as cubic meters, liters or other units, turn totalizers on/off and reset totalizers, etc.
- 40~49 Setup options: set Scaling factor, system lock (Menu M47), etc.
- 50~89 Input and output setup: date and time, ESN, communication baud rate setting, etc.
- 90~94 Diagnostics: Signal strength and signal quality (Menu M90), TOM/TOS\*100 (Menu M91), flow sound velocity (Menu M92), total time and delta time (Menu M93), Reynolds number and factor (Menu M94), etc.
- +0~+5 Appendix: power on/off time, total working hours, on/off times and a single-accuracy function calculator.



#### Attention

other menus not listed are for hardware adjustment (factory use)

# 2. Setup Shortcuts

Example, pipe has diameter of DN200, measuring water, Pipe Material is carbon steel, No Liner

# Step 1. Pipe outside diameter:

Press Manual keys to enter menu M11, enter the pipe outside diameter of \_\_\_

200, then press the key to

Pipe Outer Diameter 200 mm

# Step 2. Pipe wall thickness

Press Moru 1 2 key to enter menu M12, enter the pipe wall thickness of 6, then press the NT key to confirm.

Pipe Wall Thickness 6 mm

# Step 3. Pipe Material

Press Moro 1 4 keys to enter menu M14, press the ENT key to bring up the scoll down options, press the 4/4 or 1/2 key to scroll to the correct pipe material (in this case carbon steel), then press the ENT key to confirm.

Pipe Material [14 0. Carbon Steel

# Step 4. Transducers type

Although other types are available, select STANDARD transducers

Transducer Type [23 0. Standard

# Step 5. Transducer mounting methods

Press were 24 key to enter menu M24, press the key, press the fent key, press the fent key to select transducer-mounting method, and press the fent key to confirm. IN MOST CASES, start with the the V method and switch to the Z method if signal strength/quality is insufficient.

Transducer Mounting 0. V

# Step 6. Transducer spacing

Press West to enter menu M25, THE METER WILL CALCULATE THE CORRECT SPACING FOR THE MOUNTING METHOD selected in menu 24 above. Install as directed

Transducer Spacing 159.86 mm

# Step 7. Display measurement result

Press well keys to enter menu M01 to display measurement results. \*R indicates normal operation

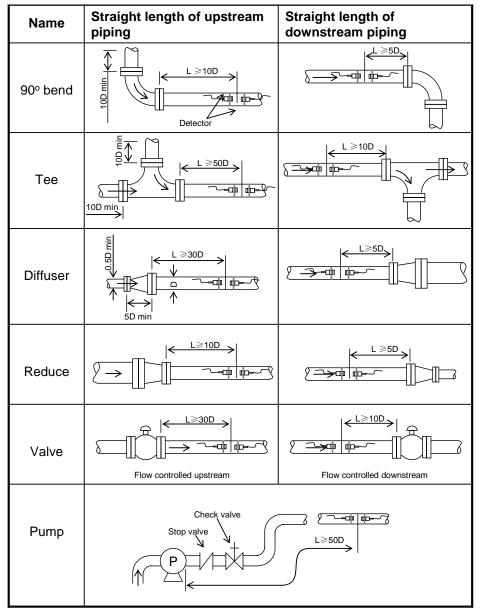
Flow 0.1129 m3/h \* R VeI 1.0415 m/s

# 3. Measurement Site Selection

When selecting a measurement site, it is important to select an area where the fluid flow profile is fully developed. Use the following guidelines to select a proper installation site:

Choose a section of pipe that is always full of liquid, such as a vertical pipe with flow in the upward direction or a full horizontal pipe.

Ensure enough straight pipe length at least equal to the figure shown below for the upstream and downstream transducers installation.



Ensure that the pipe surface temperature at the measuring point is within the transducer temperature limits.

Consider the inside condition of the pipe carefully. If possible, select a section of pipe where the inside is free of excessive corrosion or scaling.

# 4. Transducer Installation

# 4.1 Installing The Transducers

Before installing the transducers, clean the pipe surface where the transducers are to be mounted. Remove any rust, scale or loose paint and make a smooth surface. Choose a section of sound conducting pipe for installing the transducers. Apply a wide band of sonic coupling compound down the center of the face of each transducer as well as on the pipe surface, ensure there are no air bubbles between the transducers and the pipe wall, and then attach the transducers to the pipe with the straps provided and tighten them securely.



#### NOTE

The two transducers should be mounted at the pipe's centerline on horizontal pipes. Make sure that the transducer mounting direction is parallel with the flow.

During the installation, there should be no air bubbles or particles between the transducer and the pipe wall. On horizontal pipes, the transducers should be mounted in the 3 o'clock and 9 o'clock positions of the pipe section in order to avoid any air bubbles inside the top portion of the pipe. (Refer to Transducer Mounting). If the transducers cannot be mounted horizontally symmetrically due to limitation of the local installation conditions, it may be necessary to mount the transducers at a location where there is a guaranteed full pipe condition (the pipe is always full of liquid).

# 4.1.1 Transducer Spacing

After entering the required parameters, the spacing between the ENDS of the two transducers is considered as the standard transducer spacing (Refer to Top View on transducer mounting methods). Check the data displayed in Menu M25 and space the transducers accordingly.

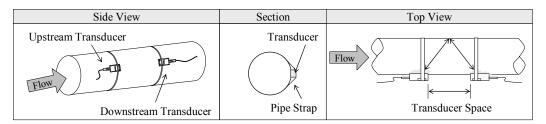
# 4.1.2 Transducer Mounting Methods

Three transducer mounting methods are available. They are respectively: V method, Z method and N method. The V method is primarily used on small diameter pipes (DN100 $\sim$ 300mm,  $4"\sim$ 12"). The Z method is used in applications where the V method cannot work due to poor signal or no signal detected. In addition, the Z method generally works better on larger diameter pipes (over DN300mm, 12") or cast iron pipes.

The N method is an uncommonly used method. It is used on smaller diameter pipes (below DN50mm, 2").

# 4.1.3 V Method

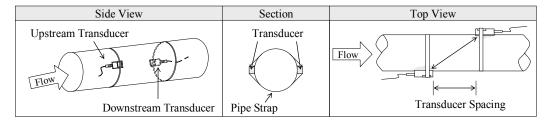
The V method is considered as the standard method. It usually gives a more accurate reading and is used on pipe diameters ranging from 25mm to 400mm ( $1\sim16''$ ) approximately. Also, it is convenient to use, but still requires proper installation of the transducers, contact on the pipe at the pipe's centerline and equal spacing on either side of the centerline.



# 4.1.4 Z Method

The signal transmitted in a Z method installation has less attenuation than a signal transmitted with the V method Use for big pipes, if there are some suspended solid in the fluid, or the scaling and liner are too thick . This is because the Z method utilizes a directly transmitted (rather than reflected) signal which transverses the liquid only once.

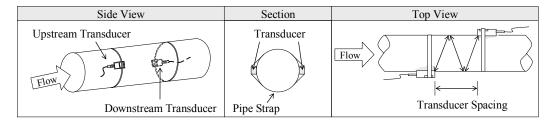
The Z method is able to measure on pipe diameters ranging from 100mm to 800mm ( $4'' \sim 32''$ ) approximately. Therefore, we recommend the Z method for pipe diameters over 300mm (12'').



# 4.1.5 N Method (not commonly used)

With the N method, the sound waves traverse the fluid three times and bounce twice off the pipe walls. It is suitable for small pipe diameter measurement.

The measurement accuracy can be improved by extending the transit distance with the N method (uncommonly used).



# 4.2 Transducer Mounting Inspection

Check to see if the transducer is installed properly and if there is an accurate and strong enough ultrasonic signal to ensure proper operation and high reliability of the transducer. This can be confirmed by checking the detected signal strength, total transit time, delta time and transit time ratio.

The "mounting" condition directly influences the flow value accuracy and system reliability. In most instances, you need only apply a wide band of sonic coupling compound lengthwise on the face of the transducer and stick it to the outside pipe wall to get good measurement results. However, the following inspections still need to be carried out in order to ensure the high reliability of the measurement and long-term operation of the instrument.

# 4.2.1 Signal Strength

Signal strength (displayed in menu M90) indicates a detected strength of the signal both from upstream and downstream directions. The relevant signal strength is indicated by numbers from 00.0~99.9. 00.0 represents no signal detected while 99.9 represents maximum signal strength.

Normally, the stronger the signal strength detected, the more stable the measurement value obtained.

Fine tune the sensor placement by adjusting the transducers to obtain the maximum signal strength.

System normal (\*R) requires signal strength over 60.0, which is detected from both upstream and downstream directions. If the signal strength detected is too low, the transducer installation position and the transducer mounting spacing should be re-adjusted and the pipe should be re-inspected. If necessary, change the mounting method to be Z method.

# 4.2.2 Signal Quality (Q value)

Q value is short for Signal Quality (displayed in menu M90). It indicates the level of the signal detected. Q value is indicated by numbers from 00~99. 00 represents the minimum signal detected while 99 represent the maximum. The transducer position should be adjusted until the signal quality detected is as strong as possible.

# 4.2.3 Total Time and Delta Time

"Total Time and Delta Time", which displays in menu M93, indicates the condition of the installation. The measurement calculations in the flow meter are based upon these two parameters. Therefore, when "Delta Time" fluctuates widely, the flow and velocities fluctuate accordingly, and the signal quality detected is too poor. It may be the resulted of poor pipe-installation conditions, inadequate transducer installation or incorrect parameter input. Generally, "Delta Time" fluctuation should be less than  $\pm 20\%$ . Only when the pipe diameter is too small or velocity is too low can the fluctuation be wider.

# 4.2.4 Transit Time Ratio

Transit Time Ratio indicates the transducer mounting spacing is accurate. The normal transit time ratio should be 100+/-3 Check it in menu M91.

#### **ATTENTION**

If the transit time ratio is over 100±3, it is necessary to check:



- (1) If the parameters (pipe outside diameter, wall thickness, pipe material, liner, etc.) have been entered correctly,
- (2) If the transducer mounting spacing is accordance with the display in menu M25,
- (3) If the transducer is mounted at the pipe's centerline on the same diameter,
- (4) If the scale is too thick or the pipe mounting is distorted in shape, etc.

# WARNINGS

- (1) Pipe parameters entered must be accurate; otherwise the flow meter will not work properly.
- (2) During the installation, apply enough coupling compounds in order to stick the transducers onto the pipe wall. While checking the signal strength and Q value, move the transducers slowly around the mounting site until the strongest signal and maximum Q value can be obtained. Note that the larger the pipe diameter, the more the transducers may have to be moved



- (3) Check to be sure the mounting spacing is accordance with the display in menu M25 and the transducer is mounted at the pipe's centerline on the same diameter.
- (4) Pay special attention to those pipes with seams, since such pipe is always irregular.
- (5) If the signal strength is always displayed as 0.00, that means there is no signal detected. Thus, it is necessary to check that the parameters (including all the pipe parameters) have been entered accurately. Check to be sure the transducer mounting method has been selected properly, the pipe is not worn-out, and the liner is not too thick. Make sure there is indeed fluid in the pipe or the transducer is not too close to a valve or elbow, and there are not too many air bubbles in the fluid, etc. With the exception of these reasons, if there is still no signal detected, the measurement site has to be changed.

# 5. Operating Instructions

# 5.1 System Normal Identification

Press the Moni 08 keys. If the letter "\*R" is displayed, it indicates system normal.

- If the letter "E" is displayed, it indicates that the current loop output is over ranged by 100%. This refers to the settings in menu M57. Enter a larger value in Menu M57, and the letter "E" will disappear. It can be ignored if no current loop output is used.
- If the letter "Q" is displayed, it indicates that the frequency output is over ranged by 120%, This refers to
  the settings in Menu M69. Increase the input value in Menu M69, and the letter "Q" will disappear. It can
  be ignored if no frequency output is used.
- If the letter "H" is displayed, it indicates that the ultrasonic signal detected is poor. For more information, please refer to "Error Diagnoses".
- If the letter "G" is displayed, it indicates that system is adjusting the signal gain prior to the measurement. Also, it means system normal. Only when the adjustment takes too long without stopping, can the system be identified as abnormal. You will normally see this at start up.

Letter "I" indicates no signal is being detected. Check that the transducer wiring connections are correct, the transducers are installed firmly, etc.

Letter "J" indicates a hardware defect exists. Normally, such a defect is temporary; it can be eliminated by system reboot (power off and restart).

Letter "F" indicates hardware defect.

For further information, please refer to "Error Diagnoses".

# 5.2 Zero Set Calibration

With no movement of liquid in the pipe, the meter should read zero.

For an ultrasonic flow meter, the measurement difference from zero point cannot be ignored at low flow. It is necessary to perform a static zero set calibration to improve low flow measurement accuracy.

Press Menu M42 to set the Zero, press first, and then wait the readings displayed at the lower right corner reducing to be "0". If this is carried out with flow, the flow will be displayed as "0", M43 can help to restore factory settings. You should note that, even with no flow, there could still be movement of fluid in the pipe due to temperature or pressure differentials.

# 5.3 Scale Factor

Scale factor refers to the ratio between "actual value" and "reading value". For example, when the measured value is 2.00, and it is indicated as 1.98 on the instrument, the scale factor reading is 2/1.98. This means that the best scale factor constant is 1.

However, it is difficult to keep the scale factor as "1" on the instrument especially in batch productions. The difference is called "consistency".

During operation, there still exists possible difference in pipe parameters, etc. The "scale factor" may be necessary when used on different pipes. Thus, scale factor calibration is specially designed for calibrating the differences that result from application on different pipes. The scale factor entered must be one that results from actual calibration. The scale factor can be input in Menu M45.

# 5.4 System Lock (Unlock)

System lock is readable but uneditable to prevent operation error due to unauthorized tampering.

Press the  $\bigcirc$  keys, if displays "Unlock" on the screen, then press the  $\bigcirc$  key, enter a  $1\sim4$  numerically long password, and then press the  $\bigcirc$  key to confirm.

Unlock it by using the selected password only. Press (A) (T) (S) if displays "lock" on the screen press the key and enter the correct password, then press (EN) to confirm. Keep the password in mind or recorded in a safe place, otherwise the instrument cannot be used.

# 5.5 4~20mA Current Loop Verification

With a current loop output exceeding an accuracy of 0.1%, the flow meter is programmable and configurable with multiple output modes such as flow rate or fluid velocity. Select in Menu M55. For details, please refer to "Menus Display Explanations".

In Menu M56, enter a 4mA flow rate or fluid velocity value. Enter the 20mA flow rate or fluid velocity value in Menu M57. For example, if the flow range in a specific pipe is 0~1000m3/h, enter 0 in Menu M56 and 1000 in Menu M57.

Calibrating and testing the current loop is performed in Menu M58. Complete the steps as follows:

Press (\*\*Small), move (\*\*) or (\*\*) to display "0mA", "4mA", "8mA", "12mA", "16mA", "20mA" readings, connect an ammeter to test the current loop output and calculate the difference. Calibrate it if the difference is within tolerance. If the difference is without tolerance, refer to the "Analog Output Calibration" to calibrate the current loop.

Check the present current loop output in Menu M59 as it changes along with change in flow.

# 5.6 Frequency Output

The flow meter is provided with a frequency output transmitter function. The high or low frequency output displayed indicates the high or low flow rate reading. The user can reset the frequency output as well as flow rate per his requirements.

For example: if a pipe flow range is  $0\sim3000$ m3/h and the relative frequency output required is  $123\sim1000$ Hz, the configuration is as follows:

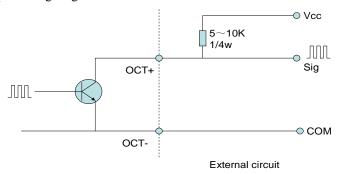
In Menu M68 (low limit frequency output flow value), input 0;

In Menu M69 (high limit frequency output flow value), input 3000;

In Menu M67 (low limit frequency range) input 123; (high limit frequency range) input 1000.

There is no output circuit specially assigned to frequency output. It only can be transmitted through OCT, i.e. select the fifth item in Menu M78 (item "5. FO").

Typical OCT Output wiring diagram as below:



OCT Output wiring diagram

# 5.7 Totalizer Pulse Output

Each time the flow meter reaches a unit flow, it may generate a totalizer pulse output to a remote counter.

The totalizer pulse output can be transmitted through OCT or Relay output. So it is necessary to configure OCT or Relay accordingly. (Please refer to Menu M78, M79) For example, if it is necessary to transmit the positive totalize pulse through a Relay, and each pulse represents a flow of 0.1m3; the configuration is as follows:

- 1. In Menu M33, select totalizer the flow unit "Cubic Meter(m3)";
- 2. In Menu M34, select the scale factor "x0.1";
- 3. In Menu M79, select "3.Net totalizer pulse output".

# 5.8 Alarm Programming

The on-off output alarm is generated through OCT or Relay output. The on-off output signal is activated under the following conditions:

- 1. The transmitter can not receive the ultrasonic signals;
- 2. Alarm #1 is out of limit;
- 3. Alarm #2 is out of limit.

# 5.9 Recover the Factory Default

Press Menu M37, press eye keys to recover the factory default.

# 5.10 4~20mA Analog Output Calibration



#### NOTE

Each flow meter has been calibrated before leaving factory. It is unnecessary to carry out this step except when the current value (detected while calibrating the current loop) displayed in Menu M58 is not identical with the actual output current value.

The hardware detect menu must be activated prior to calibration the Analog Output. The procedure is as follows:

Press enter password "4213068", then press to activate the detect menu. With no effect to next power on, this menu will close automatically as soon as the power is turned off.

Press to calibrate the current loop 4mA output. Use an ammeter to measure the current loop output current.

At the same time, press for to adjust the displayed numbers. Watch the ammeter until it reads 4.00. Stop at this point, the 4mA has been calibrated.

Then, press to calibrate the current loop 20mA output. The method is the same as 4mA calibration.

The results are automatically saved in EEPROM and won't lose when power off.

# 5.11 ESN

We provide the Flow meter with a unique electronic serial number to identify each Flow meter for the convenience of the manufacturer and customers. The ESN is able to be viewed in Menu M61.



# **ATTENTION**

Other Operation refers to "6.2 Menus Display Explanations".

# 6. Menus Display Explanations

# 6.1. Menus Display Codes

Flow	Totalizer Display		
00	Flow Rate/Net Totalizer		
01	Flow Rate/Velocity		
02	Flow Rate/POS Totalizer		
03	Flow Rate/NEG Totalizer		
04	Date Time/Flow Rate		
08	System Error Codes		
09	Net Flow Today		
Initia	al Parameter setup		
11	Pipe Outer Diameter		
12	Pipe Wall Thickness		
14	Pipe Material		
23	Transducer Type		
24	Transducer Mounting Method		
25	Transducer Spacing		
26	Parameters Setups		
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29	Empty Pipe Setup		
Flow	Units Options		
30	Measurement Units		
31	Flow Rate Units		
32	Totalizer Units		
33	Totalizer Multiplier		
34	Net Totalizer		
35	Pos Totalizer		
36	NEG Totalizer		
37	Totalizer Reset		
38	Manual Totalizer		
	p Options		
40	Damping		
41	Low Flow Cutoff Value		
42	Set Static Zero		
43	Reset Zero		
44	Manual Zero Point		
45	Scale Factor		
46	Network identifying address code		
47	System Lock		
	t and output setup		
55	CL Mode Select		
56	CL 4mA Output Value		
57	CL 20mA Output Value		

58	CL Check		
59	CL Current Output		
60	Date and Time		
61	ESN		
62	Serial Port Parameter		
63	AI1 Value Range		
64	AI2 Value Range		
67	FO Frequency Range		
68	Low FO Flow Rate		
69	High FO Flow Rate		
70	LCD Backlit Option		
72	Working Timer		
73	Alarm #1 Low Value		
74	Alarm #1 High Value		
75	Alarm #2 Low Value		
76	Alarm #2 High Value		
77	Beeper Setup		
78	OCT Output Setup		
79	Relay Output Setup		
82	Date Totalizer		
83	Automatic Correction		
Calo	rimetry		
84	Energy Units Select		
85	Temperature Select		
86	Specific Heat Ratio Select		
87	Energy Totalizer ON/OFF		
88	Energy Multiplier		
89	Reset Energy Totalizer		
	noses		
90	Signal Strength and Quality		
91	TOM/TOS*100		
92	Fluid Sound Velocity		
93	Total Time and Delta		
94	Reynolds Number and Factor		
	endix		
+0	Power ON/OFF time		
+1	Total Working Hours		
+2	Last Power Off Time		
+3	Last Flow Rate		
+4	ON/OFF Times		
-0	Hardware Adjusting Entry		

NOTE: The other menu features are retained by manufacturers and the menus in gray background are optional functions.

# 6.2 Display Explanation

While reading this section, please compare it with the instrument in order to improve your understanding.

Menu () ()

Flow Rate / Net Totalizer

Display flow rate and net totalizer.

If the net totalizer has been turned off (refer to M34), the net totalizer value displayed is the total prior to its turn off.

Flow 0.1154m3/h \* R NET 0x1m3

Menu 0 1

Flow Rate / Velocity

Display flow rate and velocity.

Flow 0.1129m3/h \* R Vel 1.0415m/s

Menu 0 2

Flow Rate / Positive Totalizer

Display flow rate and positive totalizer.

Select the positive totalizer units in Menu M31.

If the positive totalizer has been turned off, the positive totalizer value displayed is the total prior to its turn off.

Flow 0.1129 m3/h \* R POS 0 x 1m3

Menu 0 3

Flow Rate / Negative Totalizer

Display flow rate and negative totalizer.

Select the negative totalizer value in Menu M31.

If the negative totalizer has been turned off (refer to M36), the value displayed is the total prior to turn off.

Flow 0.1120m3/h \* R NEG 0x1m3

Menu (0) (4)

Date Time / Flow Rate

Display the current date time and flow rate.

The time setting method can be found in Menu M60.

03-04-03 15:49:40 \* R Flow 0.1116 m3/h

Menu (0) (8)

System Error Codes

Display the working condition and the system error codes. More than one error code can occur at the same time.

The explanations of error codes and detailed resolution methods can be found in "Error Diagnoses".

\*R -----System Normal

Menu (0) (9)

Net Flow Today

Display net total flow today.

Net Flow Today M09 0.458748 m3

Menu 1 1

Pipe Outer Diameter

Enter the pipe outside diameter or enter the pipe circumference in Menu M10. The pipe outside diameter must range from 10mm to 6000mm.

Pipe Outer Diameter 50 mm

Note: Enter either pipe outside diameter or pipe circumference.

Menu 1 2

Pipe Wall Thickness

Enter the pipe wall thickness.

Pipe Wall Thickness 4 mm

Menu 1 4

Pipe Material

Enter pipe material. The following options are available (by (by (1/2)) buttons or numerical keys):

0. Carbon Steel	Stainless Steel
2. Cast Iron	3. Ductile Iron
4. Copper	5. PVC
6. Aluminum	7. Asbestos
8. Fiber Glass-Epoxy	

Pipe Material [14 0. Carbon Steel

Menu 2 3

Transducer Type

- 0. Standard
- 1. Ty-45B
- "Standard" is clamp-on type transducer,
- " Ty-45B" is WS inserted type transducer(optional).

Transducer Type [23 0. Standard

Menu 2 4

Transducer Mounting

Four mounting methods are available:

- 0. V
- 1. Z use
- 2. N (for small pipe)

Transducer Mounting
0. V

Menu 2 5

Transducer Spacing

The operator must mount the transducer according to the transducer spacing displayed (be sure that the transducer spacing must be measured precisely during installation). The system will display the data automatically after the pipe parameter had been entered.

Transducer Spacing 148.666 mm

Menu 2 6

Initial Parameter Setups and Save

Setups

Entry to SAVE

Load and save the parameters. 18 different sets of setup conditions/groups are available to load and save by three methods (i.e.-you can load and save 18 different applications):

- 0. Entry to Save
- 1. Entry to Load
- 2. To Browse

Select "Entry to Save", press An ID code and the original parameters are displayed in the menu. Press UP or DOWN ARROW to move the ID code, then

press the key again to save the current parameter in the current ID room.

When selecting "Entry to Load", press ENT, and the system will read and calculate the parameters automatically and display the transducer mounting spacing in Menu M25.

Holding with Poor Sig

Parameter

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Empty Pipe Setup [29

Menu 2 8

Holding with Poor Sig

Select "Yes" to hold last good flow signal displayed if the Flow meter experiences a poor signal condition. This function will allow continued data calculation without interruption.

Menu 2 9

**Empty Pipe Setup** 

This parameter is used to overcome the possible problems that usually show up when the pipe being measured is empty. Since signals can be transmitted through the pipe wall, the flow meter may still read a flow while measuring an empty pipe. To prevent this from happening, you can specify a value. When the signal quality falls below this value, the measurement stops automatically. If the flow meter is already able to stop measuring when the pipe is empty, a value in the range of 30 to 40 should also be entered in this menu to ensure no measurement when the pipe is empty.

\* It should be understood that the instrument is NOT designed to function correctly on an empty pipe.

Menu 3 0

Measurement Units Options

Select the measurement unit as follows:

- 0. Metric
- 1. English

Factory default is metric.

Measurement Units In 0. Metric

# Menu (3) (1)

Flow Rate Units Options

The following flow rate units are available:

0. Cubic Meters (m3)

1. Liters (1)

2. USA Gallons (GAL)

3. Imperial Gallons (Imp gal)

4. Million Gallons (mg)

5. Cubic Feet (cf)

6. USA Barrels (US bbl)

7. Imperial Barrels (Imp bbl)

8. Oil Barrels (Oil bbl)

The following time units are available:

/Day /Hour /Min /Sec

Factory default is Cubic Meters/hour

# Menu 3 2

**Totalizer Units Options** 

Select totalizer units. The available unit options are as same as those found in Menu M31. The user can select units as their requirement. Factory default is Cubic Meters.

# Menu (3) (3)

**Totalizer Multiplier Options** 

The totalizer multiplier acts as the function to increase the totalizer indicating range. Meanwhile, the totalizer multiplier can be applied to the positive totalizer, negative totalizer and net totalizer at the same time. The following options are available:

0. X0.001(1E-3)

- 1. X0.01
- 2. X0.1
- 3. X1
- 4. X10
- 5. X100
- 6. X1000
- 7. X10000(1E+4)

Factory default factor is x1

# Menu (3) (4)

ON/OFF Net Totalizer

On/off Net Totalizer. "ON" indicates the totalizer is turned on, while "OFF" indicates it is turned off. When it is turned off, the net totalizer displays in Menu M00 will not change. Factory default is "ON".

Flow Rate Units [31 m3/h

Totalizer Units [32 Cubic Meter (m3)

Totalizer Multiplier 0. x0.001(1E-3)

Net Totalizer [34 ON Menu (3) (5)

ON/OFF POS Totalizer

On/off POS Totalizer. "ON" indicates the Flow meter starts to totalize the value. When it is turned off, the positive totalizer displays in Menu M02 will not change. Factory default is "ON".

POS Totalizer [35 ON

Menu (3) (6)

ON/OFF NGE Totalizer

On /off NGE Totalizer. "On" indicates the totalizer is turned on. When it is turned off, the negative totalizer displays in Menu M03 will not change.

Factory default is "ON".

NEG Totalizer [36 ON

Menu (3) (7)

**Totalizer Reset** 

Totalizer reset; all parameters are reset. Press press or varrow to select "YES" or "NO". After "YES" is selected, the following options are available:

None: No reset;

All: Reset all totalizers;

NET Totalizer Reset;

POS Totalizer Reset;

NEG Totalizer Reset.

If the user wants to delete all the already set parameters and set back to the factory default, press in this menu and then the flow meter will reset to be the factory default automatically.

Totalizer Reset? [37 Selection



# Attention

This operation will delete the entire user's data and reset as the factory default. Please consider carefully before taking this operation.

(Menu)(3)(8)

Manual Totalizer

The manual totalizer is a separate totalizer. Press to start, and press to stop it. It is used for flow measurement and calculation.

Manual Totalizer [38 Press ENT When Ready

Menu 4 0

**Damping Factor** 

The damping factor ranges from  $0 \sim 999$  seconds. 0 indicates no damping; 999 indicates the maximum damping.

The damping function will stabilize the flow display.

Damping [40 10 sec

in applications.

Its principle is the same as that in a single-section RC filter. The damping factor value corresponds to the circuit time constant.

Usually a damping factor of 3 to 10 is recommended

Menu 4 1

Low Flow Cutoff Value

Low Flow Cutoff is used to make the system display as "0" value at lower and smaller flows to avoid any invalid totalizing. For example, if the cutoff value is set as 0.03, system will take all the measured flow values below  $\pm 0.03$  as "0". Usually 0.03 is recommended in most applications.

Menu 4 2

Set Static State Zero

When fluid is in the static state, the displayed value is called "Zero Point". When "Zero Point' is not at zero in the Flow meter, the difference is going to be added into the actual flow values and measurement

differences will occur in the Flow meter.

Set zero must be carried out after the transducers are installed and the flow inside the pipe is in the absolute static state (no liquid movement in the pipe). Thus, the "Zero Point" resulting from different pipe mounting locations and parameters can be eliminated. The measuring accuracy at low flow is enhanced by doing this and flow offset is eliminated.

Press wait for the processing instructions at the right corner bottom to reach 0.

Performing Set zero with existing flow may cause the flow to be displayed as "0". If so, it can be recovered via Menu M43.

Menu 4 3

Reset Zero

Select "YES"; reset "Zero Point" which was set by the user.

Menu 4 4

Manual Zero Point

This method is not commonly used. It is only suitable for experienced operators to set zero under conditions when it is not preferable to use other methods. Enter the value manually to add to the measured value to obtain the actual value. For example:

Actual measured value =250 m3/H

Low Flow Cutoff Val. 0.01 m/s

Set Zero [42 Press ENT to go

Reset Zero [43 NO

Manual Zero Point [44 0 m3/h Value Deviation =-10 m3/H

Flow meter Display =240 m3/H

Normally, set the value as "0".

Menu 4 5

Scale Factor

The scale factor is used to modify the measurement results. The user can enter a numerical value other than "1" according to the actual calibration results.



(Menu) (4) (6)

Network IDN

Input system identifying code, these numbers can be selected from  $0\sim65535$  except that 13 (0DH ENTER), 10 (0AH Newline), 42 (2AH \*) and 38 (26H&) are reserved. System IDN is used to identify the flow meter to a network.



Menu (4) (7)

System Lock

Lock the instrument.

Once the system is locked, any modification to the system is prohibited, but the parameter is readable. "Unlock" using your designated password. The password is composed of 1 to 4 numbers.



Menu (5) (5)

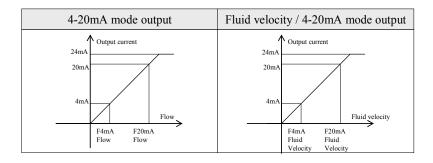
Current Loop Mode Select

CL Mode Select [55 0. 4 - 20 mA

Select the current loop mode. The following options are available:

0. 4-20mA Output Mode
1. 4-20mA vs. Vel
2. 4-20mA vs. Energy
3et up the 4-20mA output to. be flow rate mode
4-20mA output to. be flow velocity mode
4-20mA output to. be energy mode

Other different current output characteristics are displayed in below figures. The user can select one of them according to his actual requirements.



In two graphs shown above, flow  $F_{4mA}$  indicates the value that the user entered in Menu M57; and flow  $F_{20mA}$  indicates the value that the user entered in Menu M58. In the 4-20mA modes,  $F_{4mA}$  and  $F_{20mA}$  can be selected as a positive or negative flow value as long as the two values are not the same.

In 4-20mA flow rate mode, the output current is indicated as velocity. In 4-20mA energy mode, the output is indicated as energy.

# Menu (5) (6)

CL 4mA Output Value

Set the CL output value according to the flow value at 4mA. The flow unit's options are the same as those in Menu M31. Once "4-20mA vs.Vel." is selected in Menu M56, the unit should be set as m/s.

# CL 4 mA Output Value 0 m3/h

Menu (5) (7)

20mA Output Value

Set the CL output value according to the flow value at 20mA. the flow unit is the same as that found in Menu M31. Once "4-20mA vs.Vel." is selected in Menu M57, the unit should be set as m/s.

CL 20 mA Output Value 14400 m3/h

Menu (5) (8)

CL Check Verification

Check if the current loop has been calibrated before leaving the factory. Press ENT to start, press UP to display 0mA, 4mA, 8mA, 12mA, 16mA, 20mA, and at the same time, check with an ammeter to measure the current loop output current and calculate the differences to see if it is under the permitted tolerance. If not, refer to the "Analog Output Calibration" to calibrate.

CL Checkup [58 Press ENT WhenReady

Menu 5 9

**CL Current Output** 

Display CL current output. The display of 10.0000mA indicates that CL current output value is 10.0000mA.

If the difference between displaying value and CL output value is too large, the current loop then needs to be re-calibrated accordingly.

CL Current Output [59 15.661 mA

Menu 6 0

Date and Time Settings

Date and time modifications are made in this menu. The format for setting time setting is 24 hours. Press wait until ">" appears, the modification can be made.

YY- MM- DD HH:MM:SS 03-04-04 10:05:04

Menu 6 1

ESN

Display electronic serial number (ESN) of the instrument. This ESN is the only one assigned to each Flow meter ready to leave the factory. The factory uses it for files setup and the user uses it for management.

Ultrasonic Flowmeter S/N=05071188

Menu 6 2

Serial Port Settings

This menu is used for serial port setting. Serial port

RS-232 Setup [62 9600. None is used to communicate with other instruments.

The serial port parameters setting of the instrument that applies the serial port connection must be consistence. The first selected data indicates baud rate, 9600, 19200, 38400, 56000, 57600, 115200 are available.

The second option indicates parity bit, None (No verification).

Data length fixed to 8;

Stop bit length for a fixed length.

The factory default serial port parameter is "9600, None"

Menu 6 3

AI1 Analog Input Value Range

This menu is for entering Analog Input 4mA and 20mA for temperature or pressure value.

Menu 6 4

AI2 Analog Input Value Range

This menu is for entering Analog Input 4mA and 20mA for temperature or pressure value.

Menu 6 7

Set FO Frequency Range

Set up high FO frequency range. It must be higher than the low FO frequency. Ranges from 1-9999Hz. Factory default is 1~1001 Hz.

Note: The frequency output is transmitted through OCT Serial Port; therefore the OCT must be set to the frequency output mode.

Menu 6 8

Low FO Flow Rate

Set up low FO flow rate, i.e. the corresponding flow value when output signal frequency is at the lowest FO frequency. For example, when the low FO

frequency is 1000Hz, low FO flow rate is 100m3/h then when the frequency output is 1000Hz, the low flow at this moment measured by the Flow meter is 100m3/h.

Menu 6 9

High FO Flow Rate

Enter the high FO flow rate, i.e. the corresponding flow value when frequency output signal is at highest FO frequency. For example, when the low FO frequency is 3000Hz, low FO flow rate is 1000m3/h then when the frequency output is 3000Hz, the low flow at this moment measured by the Flow meter is 1000m3/h.

Al 1 Value Range [63 10 - 100

Al 2 Value Range [64 10 - 100

FO Frequency Range 1 - 5000

Low FO Flow Rate [68 0 m3/h

High FO Flow Rate [69 26550 m3/h

Menu (7) (0)

LCD Backlit Option

Select LCD backlit controls.

- 0. Always OFF,
- 1. Always ON,
- 2. Lighting For nn sec

Keep the backlight off can save about 30mA power.

Menu (7) (2)

Working Timer

Display the totalized working hours of the Flow meter since last reset. It is displayed by HH:MM:SS. If it is necessary to reset it, press (ENT), and select "YES".

Menu (7) (3)

Alarm #1 Low Value

Enter the low alarm value. Relevant alarm is turned on in Menus M78 and M79; any of the measured flow, which is lower than the low value, will activate the alarm in the OCT hardware or Relay output signal.

Menu (7) (4)

Alarm #1 High Value

Enter the high alarm value. Relevant alarm is turned on in Menus M78 and M79; any of the measured flow, which is higher than the high value, will activate the alarm in the OCT hardware or Relay output signal.

Menu 7 5

Alarm #2 Low Value

Enter the low alarm value. Relevant alarm is turned on in Menus M78 and M79; any of the measured flow, which is lower than the low value, will activate the alarm in the OCT hardware or Relay output signal.

(Menu) (7) (6)

Alarm #2 High Value

Enter the high alarm value. Relevant alarm is turned on in Menus M78 and M79; any of the measured flow, which is higher than the high value, will activate the alarm in the OCT hardware or Relay output signal.

(Menu) (7) (7)

Beeper Setup

Set up the beeper on-off state.

0. ON Beeper ON
1. OFF Beeper OFF

LCD Backlit Option

O. Always ON

Working Timer [72 00000011:16:38

Alarm #1 Low Value 0 m3/h

Alarm #1 High Value 14400 m3/h

Alarm #2 Low Value 0 m3/h

Alarm #2 High Value 14400 m3/h

BEEPER Setup [77 0. ON Menu (7) (8)

**OCT Output Setup** 

Set up the output trigger event sources of the OCT hardware output components.

The following signal options are available:

1. Not Ready(NO*R)	2. Alarm #1
3. Alarm #2	4. NET Int Pulse
5. Energy Pulse	6. FO

Menu (7) (9)

Relay Output Setup

Set up the output trigger event sources of the OCT hardware output components. RELAY is single-tool for controlling the external device.

The following signal options are available:

0.	Not Ready(NO*R)	1.	Alarm #1
2.	Alarm #2	3.	NET Int Pulse

Menu 8 2

Date Totalizer

In this menu, it is possible to review the historical flow data totalizer for any day of the last 64 days, any month of the last 64 months and any year of the last 5 years.

Press or use the for or to review totalizer in days, months and years. "0" for day, "1" for month, "2" for year.

Use the or voto review the totalizer in some day, some month, some year.

For example, to display the flow total for July 18,2000, the display "------" at the upper right corner of the screen indicates that it was working properly the whole day. On the contrary, if "G" is displayed, it indicates that the instrument gain was adjusted at least once. Probably it was offline once on that day. If "H" is displayed, it indicates that poor signal was detected at least once. Also, it indicates that the operation was interrupted or problems occurred in the installation.

For more information please refer to "Error Code and Resolutions".

Menu (8) (3)

Automatic Flow Correction

With the function of automatic flow correction, the flow lost in an offline session can be estimated and automatically adjusted. The estimate is based on the average value, which is obtained from flow rate before going offline and flow measured after going online the next time, multiplied times the time period that the meter was offline. Select "ON" to use this function and "OFF" to cancel this function.

OCT Output Setup [78 0. Not Ready(NO\* R)

RELAY Output Setup

0. Not Ready (NO \* R)

Date Totalizer [82 0. Day

00 03-04-05 G-H-I -0 m3

00 03-04-05 ----->4356.78 m3

Automatic Correction YES

Menu 8 4

**Energy Unit Select** 

Select Energy Units, the factory default unit is GJ.

The following options are available:

- 0. Kilocalorie (Kc)
- 1. MBtu
- KJ 2.
- 3. Btu

Menu 8 5

Temperature Select

Select temperature signal source of energy calculation

- 0. Input from AI1, AI2
- 1. Fixed Difference in temperature

Menu 8 6

Specific Heat Select

Select the following 2 kinds of specific heat value:

- 0. Standard Specific Heat CJ-128
- 1. Fixed Specific Heat

Generally specific heat water is 0.0041868GJ/M3

Menu 8 7

**Energy Totalizer Switch** 

Select "ON" represents to open Energy Totalizer.

Select "OFF" represents to close Energy Totalizer.

**Energy Multiplier** 

Menu (8) (8)

Select Energy Multiplier range:  $10^{-4} \sim 10^{6}$  (E-4~E6)

Menu 8 9

Reset Energy Totalizer

Select "YES" to reset Energy Totalizer value.

Menu 9 0

Signal Strength and Signal Quality

Display the measured signal strength and signal quality Q value upstream and downstream.

Energy Units Select 0. Giga Joule (GJ)

Temperature Select 0. From Al 1,Al 2

Specific Heat Select 0. Standard

Energy Totalizer ON

Energy Multiplier

Reset Energy Total

Strength+Quality [90 UP:00.0 DN:00.0 Q=00

Signal strength is indicated from  $00.0 \sim 99.9$ . A reading of 00.0 indicates no signal detected, while 99.9 indicates maximum signal strength. Normally the signal strength should be  $\geq 60.0$ . Signal quality Q is indicated by  $00 \sim 99$ . Therefore, 00 indicates the poorest signal while 99 indicates the best signal. Normally, signal quality Q value should be better than 50

During the installation, pay attention to the signal strength and signal quality, the higher, the better. The strong signal strength and high quality value can ensure the long-term stability and the high accuracy of the measurement results.

Menu 9 1

TOM/TOS\*100

Display the ratio between the actual measured transmit time and the calculated transmit time according to customer's requirement. Normally the

ratio should be 100±3%. If the difference is too large, the user should check whether the parameters are entered correctly, especially the sound velocity of the fluid and the installation of the transducers. This data is of no use before the system is ready.

Menu 9 2

Fluid Sound Velocity

Display the measured fluid sound velocity. Normally this value should be approximately equal to the entered value in Menu M21. If the difference is too large, it probably results from an incorrect value entered in Menu M21 or improper installation of the transducers.

Menu 9 3

Total Time and Delta Time

Display the measured ultrasonic average time (unit:

uS) and delta time of the upstream and downstream (unit: nS) time. The velocity calculation in the Flow meter is based on the two readings. The delta

time is the best indication that the instrument is running steadily. Normally the fluctuation in the ratio of the delta time should be lower than 20%. If it is not, it is necessary to check if the transducers are installed properly or if the parameters have been entered correctly.

Menu 9 4

Reynolds Number and Factor

Display the Reynolds number that is calculated by the Flow meter and the factor that is set currently by the Flow meter. Normally this scaling factor is the average of the line and surface velocity factor inside the pipe.

TOM TOS\* 100 [91 0.0000%

Fluid Sound Velocity 1443.4 m/s

Totl Time, Delta Time 8.9149uS, - 171.09nS

Reynolds Number [94 0.0000 1.0000



Power ON/OFF Time

To view the power on/off time and flow rate for the last 64 update times to obtain the offline time period and the corresponding flow rate. Enter the menu, press and for the display the last update before the last 64 times of on/off time and flow rate values. "ON" on right hand indicates that time power is on; "00" on the upper left corner indicates "00-07-18 12:40:12" the date time; flow rate is displayed in the lower right corner.

ON/OFF Time [+0 Press ENT When Ready

00-07 18 12:40:12 \* ON 123.65 m3/h



**Total Working Hours** 

With this function, it is possible to view the total working hours since the Flow meter left the factory. The figure on the right indicates that the total working

hours since the Flow meter left the factory is 1107 hours 1 minutes 41 seconds.

Total Work Hours [+1 00001107:01:41

Menu (4/+) (2)

Last Power Off Time

Display the last power off time.

Menu 4/+ 3

Last Flow Rate

Displays the last flow rate.

Menu 4 / + 4

Total ON/OFF Times

Display total on/off times since the Flow meter left the factory.

Menu ▼ / - 0

Analog Output Verification

Please refer to the 5.5 "4~20mA Analog Output Verification (Optional)"

Last Power Of f Time 03-04-04 11:33:02

Last Flow Rate [+3 100.43 m3/h

ON/OFF Times [+4 40

Hardware Adjusting Entry

# 7. Error Diagnoses

The ultrasonic Flow meter has advanced self-diagnostics functions and displays any errors in the upper right corner of the LCD via definite codes in a date/time order. Hardware error diagnostics are usually performed upon each power on. Some errors can be detected during normal operation. Undetectable errors caused by incorrect settings and unsuitable measurement conditions can be displayed accordingly. This function helps to detect the errors and determine causes quickly; thus, problems can be solved in a timely manner according to the solutions listed in the following tables.

Errors displayed in the Flow meter are divided into two categories:

Table 1 is for errors displayed during self-diagnostics upon power on. "\* F" may be displayed on the upper left corner of the screen after entering the measuring mode. When this occurs, it is necessary to power on for self-diagnostics once again to detect and solve possible errors using the table below. If a problem still exists, please contact the factory or the factory's local representative for assistance.

Table 2 applies when errors caused by incorrect settings and signals are detected and are announced by error codes displayed in Menu M08.

# 7.1 Table 1. Self-diagnoses and Error Solutions (upon power on)

LCD Display	Cause	Solution	
Rom Parity Error	System ROM illegal or error	Contact the factory	
Stored Data Error	System stored data block error	Power on again or contact the factory	
SCPU Fatal Error	SCPU circuit fatal error	Power on again or contact the factory	
Timer Slow Error Timer Fast Error	System clock error	Contact the factory	
CPU or IRQ Error	CPU or IRQ problem	Power on again	
System RAM Error	System RAM questionable	Power on again or contact the factory	
Time or Bat Error	System date time chip error	Power on again or contact the factory	
No Display, Erratic or Abnormal Operation	Bad wiring connection	Check wiring connections	
Stroke Key - No Response	Keypad locked or bad plug connection	Enter the unlock password if the keypad is locked	

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# 7.2 Table 2. Error codes and solutions (during operation)

Code	M08 Display	Cause	Solution
*R	System Normal	System normal	No errors
*J	SCPU Fatal Error	Hardware defect	Contact the factory
		Signal not detected.	Attach transducer to the pipe and tighten it securely. Apply a plenty of coupling compound on transducer and pipe wall.
		Spacing is not correct between the transducers or not enough coupling compound applied to face of transducers.	
*I	Signal Not Detected	Transducers installed improperly.	Check the initial parameter settings.
		Scale is too thick.	Remove the scale or change the scaled pipe section. Normally, it is possible to change a measurement location. The instrument may run properly at a new site with less scale.
		New pipe liner.	Wait until liners solidified and saturated.
*H	Low Signal Strength	Low signal strength.  Cause refers to above-mentioned reasons.	Solution refers to above-mentioned solutions.
*H	Poor Signal Quality	Poor signal quality All reasons are included in the above-mentioned causes.	Solution refers to above-mentioned solutions.
*F	Refer to Table 1.	Error in self-diagnoses during power on.	Power on again; resolve it by the method listed in Table 1. If it is still a problem, contact the factory.
		Permanent hardware error.	Contact the factory.
*G	Adjusting Gain>S1 Adjusting Gain>S2 Adjusting Gain>S3 Adjusting Gain>S4 (Display in Menus M00,M01,M02,M03)	Adjusting gain for normal measurement.  Stop in S1 or S2 and only switch between S1 and S2 indicates a poor waveform or low signal strength. All reasons may be included in above-mentioned items.	
*K	Pipe Empty. Set in Menu M29	No fluid in pipe or settings incorrect.	Once fluid is detected in the pipe, set 0 in Menu M29.

# 7.2 Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Question: New pipe, high quality material, and all installation requirements met: why still no signal detected?

Answer: Check pipe parameter settings, installation method and wiring connections. Confirm if the coupling compound is applied adequately, the pipe is full of liquid, transducer spacing agrees with the screen

readings and the transducers are installed in the right direction.

Question: Old pipe with heavy scale inside, no signal or poor signal detected: how can it be resolved?

Answer: Check if the pipe is full of fluid. Try the Z method for transducer installation (If the pipe is too close to a wall, or it is necessary to install the transducers on a vertical or inclined pipe with flow upwards instead of on a horizontal pipe).

Carefully select a good pipe section and fully clean it, apply a wide band of coupling compound on each transducer face (bottom) and install the transducer properly.

Slowly and slightly move each transducer with respect to each other around the installation point until the maximum signal is detected. Be careful that the new installation location is free of scale inside the pipe and that the pipe is concentric (not distorted) so that the sound waves do not bounce outside of the proposed area.

For pipe with thick scale inside or outside, try to clean the scale off, if it is accessible from the inside. (Note: Sometimes this method might not work and sound wave transmission is not possible because of the a layer of scale between the transducers and pipe inside wall).

Question: Why is the flow rate still displayed as zero while there is fluid obviously inside the pipe and a symbol of "R" displayed on the screen?

Answer: Check to see if "Set Zero" was carried out with fluid flowing inside the pipe(Refer to Menu M42). If it is confirmed, recover the factory default in Menu M43.

# 8. Product Overview

# 8.1 Introduction

The Innova-Sonic 203 is a state-of-the-art universal transit-time Flow meter designed using SLSI technology and low voltage broadband pulse transmission. While principally designed for clean liquid applications, the instrument is tolerant of liquids with small amounts of air bubbles or suspended solids found in most industrial environments. The flow meter used only measuring water.

# 8.2 Features of Innova-Sonic 203

With distinctive features such as high precision, high reliability, high capability and low cost, the Flow meter features other advantages:

- 1. SLSI technology designed. Less hardware components, low voltage broadband pulse transmission, low consumption power, high reliability, anti-jamming and outstanding applicability.
- 2. User-friendly menu designed. Parameters of pipe range, pipe material, pipe wall thickness, output signals, etc can be conveniently entered via the menus.
- U.S., British and Metric measurement units are available.
- 3. Daily, monthly and yearly totalized flow: Totalized flow for the last 64 days and months as well as for the last 5 years are may be viewed.

Power on/off function: allows the viewing of time and flow rate as power is switched on and off 64 times. Also, the Flow meter has manual or automatic amendment during offline sessions.

Self-contained signal output, open collector, frequency.

4. Parallel operation of positive, negative and net flow totalizes with scale factor (span) and 7 digit display, while the output of totalize pulse and frequency output are transmitted via open collector.

# 8.3 Theory of Operation

When the ultrasonic signal is transmitted through the flowing liquid, there will be a difference between the upstream and downstream transit time (travel time or time of flight), which is proportional to flow velocity, according to the formula below.

$$V = \frac{MD}{\sin 2\theta} \times \frac{\Delta T}{T_{up} \bullet T_{down}}$$

$$\Delta T = T_{up} - T_{down}$$

# Remarks:

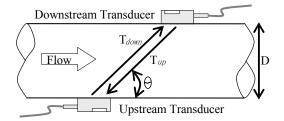
V Medium Velocity

M Ultrasonic frequency of reflection

D Pipe Diameter

 $\theta$  The angle between the ultrasonic signal and the flow

 $T_{up}$  Transit time in the forward direction  $T_{down}$  Transit time in the reverse direction



# 8.4 Specifications

# Performance Specifications

#### Flow Range:

0 to +/- 40 ft/s (0 to +/- 12 m/s)

#### Accuracy:

+/- 1.0% of reading (from 0.5 to 4.0 mps; 1.5 to 13 fps)

#### Repeatability:

+/- 0.3% of reading

# Pipe Size:

1" to 48" (25mm to 1200mm)

# **Operating Specifications**

# Output:

Analog: 0/4 to 20mA (max load  $750 \Omega$ )

Pulse output: 0 to 9999Hz, OCT, (min. and max. frequency is adjustable)
Relay output: SPST, max 1 Hz, (0.3 A@ 125VAC or 1A @ 30VDC)

Digital output: RS 232 (RS 485 optional)

**Power Supply:** 10 to 24 VAC, 1A and 10 to 36 VDC **Keypad:** 16 (4×4) key with push buttons

Display: 40 character, 2 line (20×2) lattice alphanumeric, backlit LCD

**Temperature:** Transmitter: 14°F to 122°F (-10°C to 50°C) Clamp-on transducer: 32°F to 140°F (0°C to 60°C)

Humidity: Up to 99% RH, (non-condensing).

# **Physical Specifications**

Transmitter: IP 65 (PC/ABS)

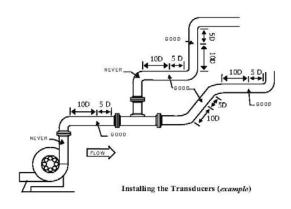
Transducer: Encapsulated design IP 68 standard/maximum cable length:

30m/100ft

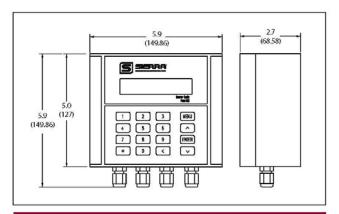
Weight Transmitter: Approximately 1.5 lb. (.7kg) Transducer: approximately

0.9lb. (0.4kg)

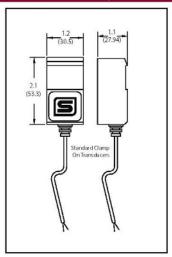
# **Suitable Locations**



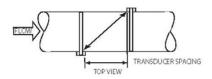
# **Transmitter Dimensional Specifications**

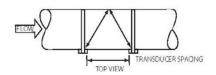


**Clamp-on Transducer Dimensional Specifications** 



# **Transducer Spacing Requirements**





# 9. Appendix1-Serial Interface Network Use and Communications Protocol

# 9.1 Overview

The flow meter has communication protocol. It can also be connected to a RS-485.

Two basic schemes can be chosen for networking, i.e. the analog current output method only using the flow meter or the RS232 communication method via serial port directly using the flow meter. The former is suitable to replace dated instruments in old monitoring networks. The later is used in new monitoring network systems. It has advantages such as low hardware investment and reliable system operation.

When the serial port communication method is directly used to implement a monitoring network system, the address identification code (in menu M46) of the flow meter is used as network address code. Expanded command set with [W] is used as communication protocol. Thus analog current loop and OCT output of flow meter can be used to control the opening of a control valve. The relay output can be used to power-on/off other equipment. The analog input of the system can be used to input signals such as pressure and temperature. The system provides an RTU function for flow measurement.

RS-232(0~15m) or RS-485(0~30m) can be directly used for data transmission link for a short distance. Current loop, radio transmission and modem can be used in medium or long distance transmission.

When the flow meter is used in a network environment, various operations can be performed at the host device, except for programming of the address identification code, which needs to be done at the flow meter keyboard. The command answer mode is used in data transmission, i.e. the host device issues commands and the flow meter answers correspondingly.



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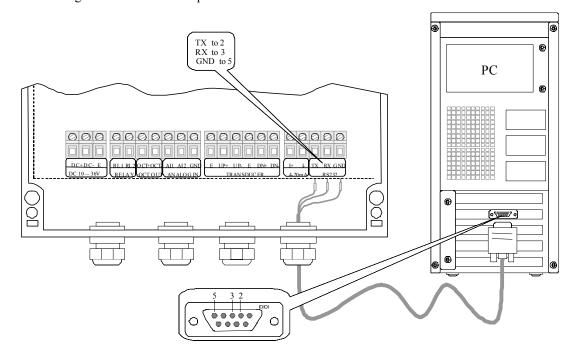
In the communication protocol used functions, RS232 and RS485 serial communications can not be used at the same time.

# 9.2 Serial Port definitions

Flow meter-RS232:
 TXD receive
 RXD send
 GND
PC:
 PIN 1 empty
 PIN 2 RXD receive
 PIN 3 TXD send
 PIN 4 ground
 PIN 5 ground
 PIN 6 empty
 PIN 7 empty
 PIN 8 empty
 PIN 9 empty

# 9.3 Direct connection via RS232 to the host device

See the below Figure Flow meter serial port definitions.



# 9.4 Communication Protocol and The Use

The communication protocol format used by the ultrasonic flow meter is an expanded set of the Fuji FLV series flow meter protocol. The host device requests the flow meter to answer by sending a "command". The baud rate of asynchronous communication (Primary station: computer system; Secondary station: ultrasonic flow meter) is generally 9600bit/s. A single byte data format (10 bits): one start bit, one stop bit and 8 data bits. Check bit: none.

# 9.4.1 Basic Commands

A data character string is used to express basic commands and a carriage return character is used to express the end of the command. The order applies to both RS232 and RS485. The characteristic is that the length of data is flexible. Frequently used commands are as follows:

#### Communication commands

Command	Description	Data format
DQD(cr)(lf)*0	Return daily instantaneous flow	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr) *1
DQH(cr)(lf)	Return hourly instantaneous flow	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr)
DQM(cr)(lf)	Return instantaneous flow per minute	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr)
DQS(cr)(lf)	Return instantaneous flow per second	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr)
DV(cr)(lf)	Return instantaneous velocity	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr)
DI+(cr)(lf)	Return positive accumulative flow	±dddddddE±d(cr) *2
DI-(cr)(lf)	Return negative accumulative flow	±dddddddE±d(cr)
DIN(cr)(lf)	Return net increment	±dddddddE±d(cr)
DIE(cr)(lf)	Return totalized energy value	±dddddddE±d(cr)
E(cr)(lf) Return instantaneous energy value		±dddddddE±d(cr)
AI1(cr)(lf) Return analog input value of AI1 (Temperature, Pressure, etc.)		±dddddddE±d(cr)
AI2(cr)(lf) Return analog input value of AI2 (Temperature, Pressure, etc.)		±dddddddE±d(cr)
DID(cr)(lf) Return identification code of instrument (address code)		ddddd(cr) 5 bits in length
DL(cr)(lf) Return signal intensity		UP:dd.d, DN:dd.d, Q=dd(cr)
DS(cr)(lf)	Return percentage of analogous output (AO)	±d.ddddddE±dd(cr)
DC(cr)(lf)	Return current error code	*3
DT(cr)(lf) Current date and time		yy-mm-dd, hh:mm:ss(cr)
LCD(cr)(lf)	Return currently displayed content on LCD display	
ESN(cr)(lf)	Return electronic serial number	ddddddt(cr)(lf) *7
W	Networking command prefix of numeric string address	*8
&	Function sign of command "add"	

#### Note:

- 0. (cr)expresses carriage return. Its ASCII value is 0DH. (lf) expresses line feed. Its ASCII value is 0AH.
- 1. "d" expresses 0-9 number. 0 value is expressed as +0.000000E+00.
- 2. "d" expresses 0-9 numbers. There is no decimal point in integral part before "E".
- 3. The status of the machine is expressed by 1-6 letters. See the section of error code for the meaning of the characters. For example, "R" and "IH".
- 4. Eight "dddddddd" express electronic serial number of the machine. "t" expresses the type of the machine.
- 5. If there are multiple flow meters in a data network then the basic commands cannot be used alone. The prefix N or W must be added. Otherwise, multiple flow meters will answer simultaneously, which will causes chaos in the system.

# 9.4.2 Function Prefix and Function Sign

#### Prefix W

Usage of prefix W: W+ numeric string address code +basic command. Value range of the numeric string is 0~65535, except 13 (0DH carriage return), 10 (0AH line feed), 42 (2AH \*) and 38 (26H &). If the instantaneous velocity of No. 12345 flow meter is to be accessed, the command W12345DV(CR) can use issued. Corresponding binary code is 57H, 31H, 32H, 33H, 34H, 35H, 44H, 56H and 0DH

# Function sign &

Function sign & can add up to 5 basic commands (Prefix P is allowed) together to form a compound

command sent to the flow meter together. The flow meter will answer simultaneously. For example, if No. 4321 flow meter is requested to simultaneously return: 1] instantaneous flow, 2] instantaneous velocity, 3] positive accumulative flow, 4] thermal accumulative quantity, 5] AII analogous input current value, the following command is issued:

# W4321PDQD&PDV&PDI+&PDIE&PBA1(CR)

Simultaneously returned data are likely as follows:

- +0.000000E+00m3/d!AC(CR)
- +0.000000E+00m/s!88(CR)
- +1234567E+0m3 !F7(CR)
- +0.000000E+0GJ!DA(CR)
- +7.838879E+00mA!59(CR)

# 9.4.3 Modbus Protocol

The meter uses standard MODBUS protocol, which can be connected to another manufacturer's control device tied to an industrial network. There are two transmission modes: RTU and ASCII. The meter communicates with a standard MODBUS network in the RTU transmission mode. MODBUS protocol supports 03 function codes to read the data registry.

Read the information sent by the host (controller):

Slave flow meter Address	Operating Function Code	First address of Register (Code No.)	Registry number	Error Check (2 bytes)
(0x00-0xfe)	0x03	0x00	(0x11)	CRC (Verify)

(Table 1)

The slave meter receives information frames from host successfully, and the command is validated, then the slave device sends out a return signal. The frame format is shown below:

Slave flow meter Address	Read Operation Function Code	Data Bytes	Number of Data Bytes N	Error Check (Only for data redundancy)
(0x00-0xfe)	0x03	(0x11)		CRC (Verify)

(Table 2)

The range of slave flow meter address (the address of flow meter) is from 0 to 254. For example: Address = 00019 (it can be checked in the Menu 46), decimal number 19, converts Address into 1-byte hexadecimal data 0x13, and then the address of the slave flow meter in the MODBUS protocol is: 0x13. The following slave addresses are unavailable: 13 (0DH), 10 (0AH), 42 (2AH), 38 (26H).

The first address (code) of the data registry and the number of the registry are the meter's data transmitted via MODBUS. Refer to table 3 for its expression:

Parameter	First address register (number)	registry number	Error Check (calculate 3 bytes)
Instantaneous Flow Rate (m3/ hour)	0x00	0x11	0x5b40

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Positive Totalizer	0x11	0x0e	0x88dc
Negative Totalizer	0x1f	0x0e	0xabd3
Totalizer	0x2d	0x0e	0xc824
Instantaneous Thermal Flow Rate	0x3b	0x11	0x822f
Thermal Totalizer	0x4c	0x0d	0xc05c
Analog input value 1	0x59	0x0d	0x3cda
Analog input value 2	0x66	0x0d	0x2971
Analog input value 3	0x73	0x0d	0xd5f7
Analog input value 4	0x80	0x0d	0x9365

(Table 3)

Error Check: uses the CRC verification method, using the standard CCITT polynomial method (See Table 4). Error check is formed using 16-bit with high 8-bit bytes in the beginning and low 8-bit bytes at the end. 8-bit bytes of the first high-and low 8-bit bytes in the post

Specification	Generating Polynomial	Shorthand
CRC16-CCITT	x16+x12+x5+1	0x1021

(Table 4)

# Example:

Host sends out :  $0x10\ 0x03\ 0x00\ 0x11\ CRC$  code high byte CRC code low byte.

Slave flow meter receives the information frame sent by the host, judges out the command as follows: Reads daily instantaneous flow rate from slave flow meter with address 0x10 (decimal 16).

Slave flow meter responds to the host:  $0x10 \ 0x03 \ 0x11 \ 17$  bytes of data CRC code high byte CRC code low byte (CRC comes from cyclic redundancy of 17 data bytes)

Reading Parameters	Command Frame Sent by Host
Instantaneous Flow Rate (m3/hour)	100300115b40
Positive Totalizer	1003110e88dc
Negative Totalizer	10031f0eabd3
Totalizer	10032d0ec824
Instantaneous Thermal Flow Rate	10033b11822f
Thermal Totalizer	10034c0dc05c
Analog input value 1	1003590d3cda

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Analog input value 2	1003660d2971
Analog input value 3	100373d5f7
Analog input value 4	1003809365

If the command sent to the slave flow meter from the host can not be recognized, then the slave flow meter does not return to the host.

Note: please refer to the relevant information for MODBUS protocol details.