Grid Solutions

Hydran 201Ti (Mark IV)
Essential DGA monitoring for transformers

Transformers are key and expensive components of the electrical grid and knowledge of their health condition is essential to having a reliable network. When a transformer’s insulation system is overstressed, gases are produced that dissolve in the oil. Dissolved Gas-in-oil Analysis (DGA) is recognized as the best indicator of developing faults.

The Hydran™ 201Ti is a small and easy to setup continuous Dissolved Gas-in-oil Analysis (DGA) monitor. It provides the basic information used by IEEE® Standard C57.104 and can be used as an essential first line of defence for the transformers in your fleet to obtain advance warning of a failure condition and minimize the risk of an unplanned outage.

The 201Ti uses fuel cell technology (described as fixed instruments - method 3 in the standard) and is now available with a choice of either the world renown “Hydran Composite Gas” sensor which responds 100% to Hydrogen and is also sensitive to Carbon Monoxide, Acetylene and Ethylene or the more basic “Hydrogen Only” sensor which focuses purely on Hydrogen gas generation.

Because the monitoring unit mounts on a single valve and uses Dynamic Oil Sampling, there is no need for a pump or extra piping to connect to different valves. Due to its uncomplicated features and the easily understood information it provides, the 201Ti has been amongst the monitors of choice for many years, with one of the largest installed base of any DGA monitor.

Key Benefits

• Continuously measures key fault gas to give you an insight into the transformer’s condition
• Choice of gas sensor: traditional “Composite gas” or more basic “Hydrogen only”
• Communicates gas ppm and gas rate of change values remotely to avoid site visits and enable remote supervision
• Fourth generation of this continuously improved design, with over 25,000 units sold worldwide

Applications

Power Utilities

• Simple and effective solution for less-critical transformers
• Focuses and prioritizes asset replacement strategy

Industrial Plants

• Reduces the risk of process interruption due to power failure
• Minimizes costly production downtime

Easy Asset Supervision

• Permanently mounts on a single transformer oil valve. No extra piping or pump required
• “Composite gas” sensor responds 100% to Hydrogen (general fault gas) and is also sensitive to Carbon Monoxide (overheated paper), Acetylene (arcing) and Ethylene (overheated oil) thus covering main failure root causes
• “Hydrogen only” gas sensor is simpler and responds 100% to Hydrogen gas only, the general fault gas

Configurable Alarms

• An alarm is raised when an abnormal level of fault gas is detected
• Two alarm levels (one for Alert and one for Alarm) can be set to show increasing severity
• Alarms can be set on gas ppm levels or on gas rate of change (ROC) over an hour or a day
• Automatic self-test every 15 days will trigger service alarm if it detects a fault, including power failure, oil valve closed, sensor or battery needing replacement

Human Interface

• Backlit LCD display of gas information
• Keypad to stop unit and acknowledge alarms
• Compatibility with GE’s acclaimed Perception™ software to download, trend and analyze transformer data

Mark IV Improvements

• Completely overhauled with improved sensor durability, new electronic boards and power supply to make it RoHS compliant while increasing device reliability and capabilities
• Local USB port to replace the RS-232 port no longer found on most field laptops
• Digital output of registers using Modbus® protocol communication over isolated RS-485

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Controllers

The Hydran 201Ti can be connected to optional controllers to facilitate communication with multiple units and create a local network.

- The Ci-1 controller is a one channel controller that replicates some of the human interface functions (gas value display, alarm buttons). This is ideal when the 201Ti is mounted out of reach on an upper valve of the transformer. It also brings down the alarm relay contacts and the analogue output for easier wiring.

- The Ci-C controller receives the gas ppm data from up to four 201Ti, providing a single communication point for all four monitors. It has no alarm relay or analogue output. This is ideal when protecting 3 single phase transformers + 1 spare.

It is possible to “daisy-chain” up to 32 controllers or 201Ti through their RS-485 port. The maximum chain distance (all cables added up) is 1200m (4000ft). All the 201Ti connected to any of the daisy-chained controllers can be accessed through any controller in the local network, thus facilitating communication by only having to fit one RS-232 modem for example.

### Technical Specifications

**MEASUREMENTS**

**Fuel cell type sensor behind a gas permeable membrane in contact with transformer insulating oil**

- **Range**: 25–2000 ppm (volume/volume, H₂ equivalent)
- **Accuracy**: ±10% of reading ±25 ppm (H₂ equivalent)
- **Response time**: 10 minutes (90% of step change)

**“Composite Gas” Sensor**

- **Relative sensitivity**
  - H₂: 100% of concentration
  - CO: 35 ± 4 % of concentration
  - C₂H₂: 8 ± 2 % of concentration
  - C₂H₄: 1.5 ± 0.5 % of concentration
- **Repeatability**: highest of ±5% of reading or ±5 ppm

**“H₂ Only” Gas Sensor**

- **Relative sensitivity**: H₂: 100% of concentration
- **Repeatability**: Interference from CO, C₂H₂ and C₂H₄ less than 3% of concentration

**Features**

- **Display**: Backlit LCD, 2 lines x 16 characters
- **Keypad**: to setup unit and acknowledge alarms
- **Digital Communication**: USB port (type B connector) for local connection to laptop computer for configuring the system
- **RS-485 (terminal block), isolated to 2000 Vac RMS, for supervisory link connection to optional controllers and for remote communication**
- **Gas level (ppm) and gas rate of change (hourly or daily ppm) outputs using Modbus® or Hydran Protocols over RS-485**
- **Analog Communications**: Gas level ppm output using 4-20mA for 25–2000 ppm range, 10V load maximum, isolated to 2000 Vac RMS
- **Alarms**: 3 different alarms: Gas Alert (Hi), Gas Alarm (HiHi) and Service Alarm (battery, sensor, temp)

- **3 dry contact relays (type C, SPDT), NO/NC, 3A@250Vac resistive load, 3A@30Vdc resistive load**

**Manual Sampling**: Easily accessible external oil sampling port for glass syringe with Luer stop cock

**Environmental Conditions**

- **Operating ambient temperature**: -40°C to +55°C (-40°F to +131°F)
- **Operating ambient humidity**: 0–95% RH, non-condensing
- **Oil temperature at valve**: -40°C to +105°C (-40°F to +221°F with finned heat sink adapter option)
- **Oil pressure at valve**: 0–700KPa (0–100psi) Vacuum resistant sensor

**Enclosure Rating**: NEMA Type 4X certified, meets requirements of IP56

**Power Requirements**: 90–132 Vac or 180–264 Vac switchable, 47–63 Hz, 475VA max

**Mechanical**

- **Cylindrical shape, mounts on either 1", 1.5" or 2" female NPT valve**

- **Dimensions**: diameter 178mm (7") x length 180mm (7-1/8")

- **Installed weight**: 5.6kg (12lb)

- **Shipping weight**: 6.9Kg (15lb)

**Options**

- **Adapters for non NPT valves**
- **Finned heat sink adapter (1.5"), for use when ambient temperature is above 40°C (104°F) or oil temperature is above 80°C (176°F)**
- **Special tube wrench for sensor installation and removal**
- **H201Ci-1 one-channel controller**
- **H201Ci-C four-channel controller**

**Product Ordering Part Numbers**

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