

Hydran M2-X



Enhanced Monitoring with Extended Sensor Life

When a transformer's insulation system is overstressed, the oil and paper undergo chemical degradation producing both hydro-carbon gases and moisture that dissolve into the insulating oil. This increased ageing will shorten the transformer's life, impact its reliability and in some cases can even lead to catastrophic failures.

The Hydran M2-X is the next generation of the field-proven family of Hydran DGA monitoring solutions. It provides continuous monitoring of gas and moisture levels to alert users of developing faults and minimize the risk of unplanned outages. The M2-X builds on GE's strong domain expertise to deliver an optimized, low maintenance monitoring device with an extended sensor life.

Key Benefits

- Small form factor, no moving parts, low maintenance, and support for APM software analytics, enabling fleet level deployments
- Condition monitoring for a wide range of transformers with mineral insulating oils or ester based fluids (natural and synthetic)
- Extending beyond DGA monitoring, through the connection of sensors, the Hydran M2-X can monitor other parameters such as top oil temperature, load current and through the use of IEEE based mathematical models, can provide further insight on changing transformer conditions
- Providing critical transformer gas behavior data for Asset Performance Management (APM) strategies, facilitating planning of site intervention and maintenance activities
- Supports a wide range of communication methods and protocols to enable easy and secure integration with GE's digital platforms including Perception™ transformer fleet management software, DS Agile substation HMI, PREDIX™, and other APM software tools, historians and SCADA systems

Applications

Advanced, flexible and expandable DGA monitoring solution tailored for utility and industrial transformers.

Easily integrates with Kelman multi-gas DGA devices and the Multilin 845 protection & control relay to provide continuous synchronization of chemical and electrical measurements for enhanced transformer monitoring.

Proven Technology

- Field proven solution, delivering online DGA solutions for over 40 years
- Over 50,000 Hydran units sold worldwide
- Estimated sensor life in excess of 10 years*
- 7 year product warranty

Expandable

- Compatible with various transformer oil types (standard mineral insulating oils and newer natural and synthetic ester based fluids)
- Available with the traditional Hydran composite gas (H₂, CO, C₂H₂, C₂H₄) sensor or with a discrete Hydrogen only (H₂) sensor
- Easily upgradable in the field to accept analogue signals to monitor other key transformer parameters
- Computation of winding hot spot and other IEEE transformer models for enhanced diagnostics of the transformer's condition (depending on sensors installed)
- Integrates with Kelman multi-gas DGA devices

Intuitive

- Easy to install on a single existing transformer valve, often without an outage required
- Integrated display and keypad for simplified local user interaction and data visualization
- Built-in moisture sensor provides water in oil measurement, critical to identifying paper degradation and leaking gaskets
- Compatible with GE's acclaimed Perception™ software to download, trend and analyze transformer health data

Technical Specifications

MEASUREMENTS

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

Range	25-2000 ppm (volume/volume H ₂ equivalent)
Accuracy**	±10 % of reading ±25 ppm
Response time	10 minutes (90 % of step change)

"Composite Gas" Sensor

Relative sensitivity	H ₂ : 100 % of concentration CO: 15 ± 4 % of concentration C ₂ H ₂ : 8 ± 2 % of concentration C ₂ H ₄ : 1.5 ± 0.5 % of concentration
Repeatability	Highest of ±5 % of reading or ±5 ppm

"Discrete H₂" Gas Sensor (Mineral oil only)

Relative sensitivity	H ₂ : 100 % of concentration Interference from CO, C ₂ H ₂ and C ₂ H ₄ less than 3 % of concentration
Repeatability	Highest of ±5 % of reading or ±10 ppm

Moisture Sensor

Thin film capacitive type sensor immersed in insulating oil

Range	0-100 % RH
Accuracy	± 2 % RH
Repeatability	± 2 % RH

FEATURES

Display

Backlit LCD, 128 x 64 pixels

Keypad to setup unit and acknowledge alarms

Communications

Standard RS-232 port (DB-9 connector), for local connection to computer for configuring the system

Standard RS-485 (terminal block), isolated to 2000Vac RMS, for remote communication or connection to local Hydran network
Optional: TCP/IP over Ethernet Copper or Fiber Optic 10/100Mbps/s

Protocols

Standard: Modbus®, DNP 3.0
Optional: IEC 61850 over TCP/IP

Alarms

Gas and Moisture Alert (Hi), Gas and Moisture Alarm (HiHi), System Alarms

Gas alarms can be set on gas level reached or on hourly or daily trend (gas level rate of change)

Moisture alarms can be set on level reached or average level

Alarms can also be configured for optional additional analogue inputs or for calculation results from optional transformer models

5 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 use with glass syringe with Luer stopcock

ENVIRONMENT

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 adaptor option

Oil pressure at valve 0-700KPa (0-100psi)
Vacuum resistant sensor

Enclosure

Material: Aluminum
Rating: NEMA Type 4X certified, meets requirements of IP56

Power Requirements

90-132 Vac or 180-264 Vac switch mode universal power supply, 47-63 Hz, 650VA max

Mechanical

Has a 1.5" NPT male thread, can mount on 1.5" NPT valve or greater using optional adaptors

Dimensions 315 x 219 x 196 mm
12.4 x 8.63 x 7.72"

Installed weight 7.5 Kg (16.5 lb)

Shipping weight 9.0 Kg (20 lb)

PRODUCT OPTIONS & SENSORS

Finned heat sink adaptor (1.5") for use when ambient temp > 40 °C (104 °F) or oil temp > 90 °C (194 °F).

Valve adaptors 2" to 1.5"

Transformer models calculations (for mineral oil only)

Analogue input cards, 4-20mA, 10V load max, isolated to 2000Vac RMS

Dual digital input cards for dry contacts, internal wetting 24Vdc, isolated 2000Vac

Analogue output cards, 4-20mA, 10V load max, isolated to 2000Vac RMS

PSTN analogue modem V92/56K

GSM/GPRS wireless modem

Network Ethernet communication using copper or multimode fiber optic (ST)

Oil temperature sensor, magnetic mount, (4-20mA)

Split core load CT (4-20mA)

Ambient temperature sensor (4-20mA)

Anodized Aluminum Enclosure - CRC required (minimum quantities applicable)

Hydran M2X	Ox	Sx	Ax	Bx	Cx	Dx	Px	Gx	VCx	Vx	Ex	Mx	Lx	Selection Description
Oil type	O1 NE SE													Mineral Oil Natural Ester Oil (CRC Required) Synthetic Ester Oil
Sensor type		S1 H2												Composite gas sensor Hydrogen only sensor
Card slot A,B,C,D			A0 A1 A2 A3	B0 B1 B2 B3	C0 C1 C2 C3	D0 D1 D2 D3								No analogue card Analogue Input card, 4-20mA Analogue Output card, 4-20mA Digital dual input card
Communication Protocol Options							P0 P1 P2 P3 P4 P5							Modbus/DNP3 over RS 232/RS 485 Standard Modbus/DNP3 over TCP/IP Ethernet Card wired connection, 10/100 Mbps/s Modbus/DNP3 over TCP/IP Ethernet MM Fibre, ST connectors, 10/100 Mbps/s Modbus/DNP3 over PSTN Analog Modem Modbus/DNP3 over GPRS/3G/4G Wireless Modem (CRC Required) IEC-61850 Protocol over TCP/IP, with RJ45 Connector (CRC Required)
Valve Type								G0 G1						Installation on gate valve (standard) Installation on globe valve
Valve Connection								VC0 VC1 VC2						Standard Connection - 1.5" Male NPT Valve adaptor 2" Male NPT to 1.5" Female NPT Valve adaptor 1" Male NPT to 1.5" Female NPT
Heat Finned Adaptor									VO V1					No Finned Heat-Skin Adaptor Finned Heat-Skin Adaptor - 1.5" Male NPT
Enclosure											E0			Aluminum -Standard
Transformer Models												M0 M1		No Transformer Models Transformer Models Enabled (Requires additional sensors)
Language													L0 L1 L2 L3 L4	English labels and manuals French labels and manuals Spanish labels and manuals German labels and manuals Russian labels and manuals

*Fuel cell sensor life projection based on accelerated aging test showing estimated MTTf of 11.5 years

**Accuracy is quoted for the sensors at calibration, for H₂ equivalent performance

GE Grid Solutions
Lissie Industrial Estate East
Unit 1, 7 Lissie Walk
Lisburn BT28 2LU
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0) 2892 622915

GEGridSolutions.com

GE, the GE Monogram, Hydran, Perception, DS-Agile and PREDIX are trademarks of the General Electric Company.

Modbus is a registered trademark of Schneider Automation, Inc. IEEE is a registered trademark of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Inc. IEC is a registered trademark of Commission Electrotechnique Internationale.

GE reserves the right to make changes to specifications of products described at any time without notice and without obligation to notify any person of such changes.

© Copyright 2021, General Electric Company. All Rights Reserved.

HydranM2-X-Brochure-EN-2021-12-Grid-GA-1644

