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Overview



The Geosense® VWTS 6000 vibrating wire temperature sensor is used primarily for the measurement of internal temperature in concrete structures, soil, rock or water.

The sensor operates on the principle that when plucked, a tensioned wire vibrates at its resonant frequency. The square of this frequency is proportional to the strain in the wire.

Around the wire is a magnetic coil which when pulsed by a vibrating wire readout or data logger interface plucks the wire and measures the resultant resonant frequency of vibration.

The sensor consists of a tensioned wire clamped inside a stainless steel cylinder. Changes in temperature cause the stainless steel body to expand and contract at a different rate to that of the vibrating wire thus altering the resonant frequency.

The thermal response of the VWTS 6000 is relatively slow and is therefore not suitable for measuring rapidly changing temperatures.

The VWTS 6000 vibrating wire temperature sensor is fitted with an internal gas-discharge tube for lightning protection.



APPLICATIONS

Monitoring temperatures in or on:

Dams

Concrete structures

Geothermal wells

Soil & rock temperatures

Water temperature

FEATURES

Accurate

High resolution

Long-term stability

Insensitive to long cable lengths.

Accuracy

Integral Thermistor

Integral lightening protection

Suitable for remote reading and data logging



Specifications

GENERAL	
Operating temperature range	-20°C to +80°C*
Non linearity	<0.5% FS
Operating frequency	2000 to 3500 Hz
Cable	4 x 22 AWG (shielded)
Cable Type	Type 900 - VW Sensor with Foil Screen & Drain Wire
Weight	210 g
Dimension	20mm diameter x 140mm long
*Other ranges available on request	
ORDERING INFORMATION	
Cable length	
Terminal box - number of terminals	
Special mounting brackets	

READOUT

The VWTS-6000 vibrating wire temperature sensor may be read by the VW-2106 or any vibrating wire readout device and may be readily data logged using Campbell Scientific or any other data loggers with vibrating wire interface modules.

Vibrating wire temperature sensors output a frequency signal and are therefore insensitive to resistance changes in connecting cables caused by contact resistance or leakage to ground.

Cable may be readily and simply extended on site without special precautions. Gauges may be read up to 3000 metres away from their installed location without change in calibration.

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