



H-377

THERMISTOR TEMPERATURE PROBE

CONTENTS & WARRANTY

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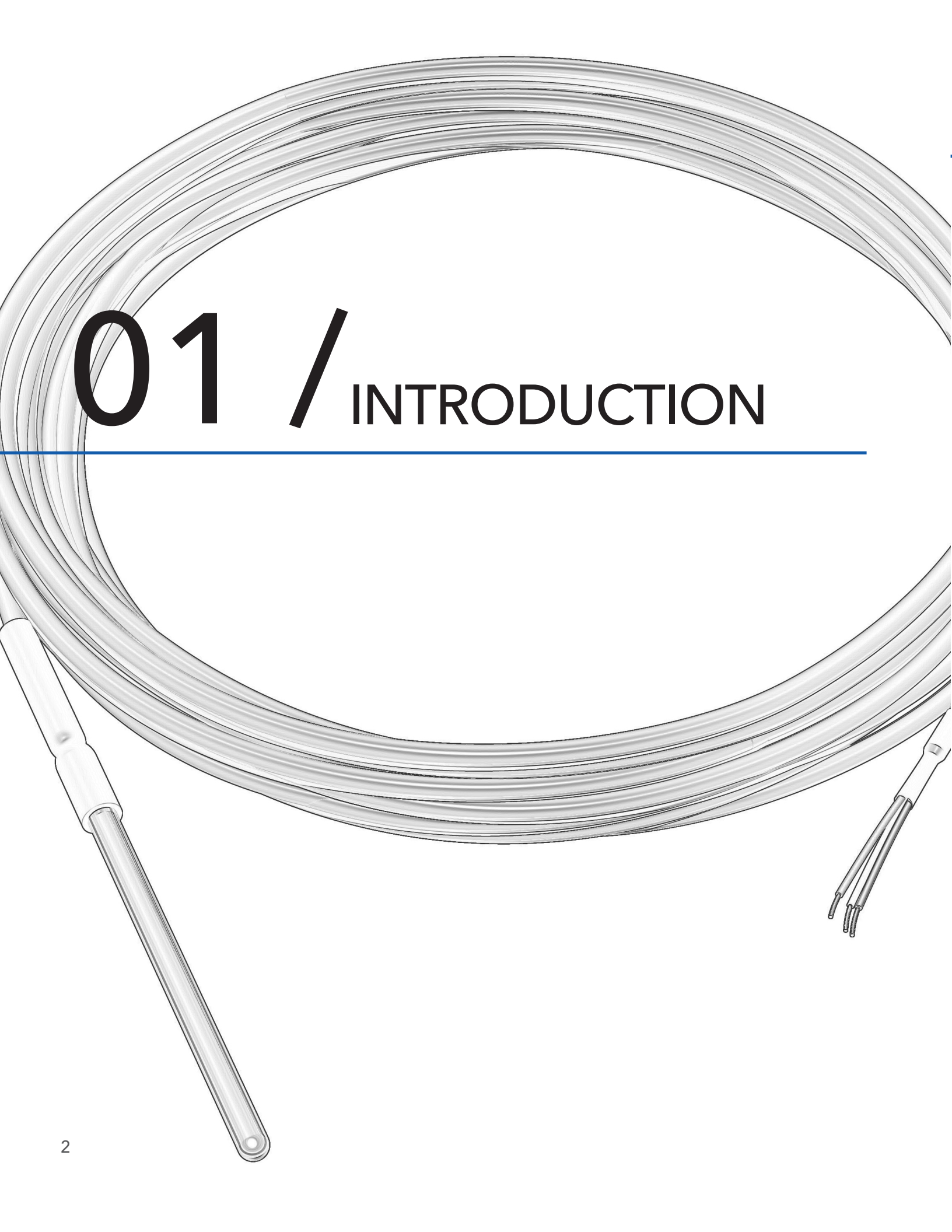
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01 / INTRODUCTION

The WaterLOG® H-377 temperature probe uses an NTC thermistor, and a precision reference resistor fully potted in a stainless steel tube for accurate water or air temperature measurement.

Key Features:

- Measurement range: -40 °C to +80 °C
- Measurement accuracy: ±0.2°C
- Sealed stainless steel probe for water/air temperature measurement
- Includes 100 feet of shielded cable
- Easily used with the WaterLOG H-350XL™ or H-500XL™

Theory of operation

The H-377 uses a thermistor and resistor combination for a simple, yet precise temperature measurement of water or air. The thermistor is classified as a Negative Temperature Coefficient (NTC) thermistor. This means that as the ambient temperature increases, the resistance of the thermistor decreases. The resistance of the thermistor has a non-linear relationship with the ambient temperature according to the Steinhart and Hart equation as follows:

$$T = 1 / (a + b (\ln Rt) + c(\ln Rt)^3)$$

Where **T** is the ambient temperature in degrees Kelvin, **Rt** is the resistance of the thermistor, **Ln** signifies the natural logarithm, and **a, b, and c** are the thermistor coefficients. The thermistor coefficients a, b, and c are determined by simultaneously solving the Steinhart and Hart equation for three temperature values and three corresponding resistance values taken from a Resistance vs. Temperature chart provided by the thermistor manufacturer. The thermistor coefficients for the H-377 are as follows:

$$a = 0.0010291636 \quad b = 0.0002391251 \quad c = 0.0000001566$$

The H-377 combines the thermistor with a 20K Ohm precision reference resistor, and when a +5.0 V precision excitation voltage is applied to the probe, an analog voltage related to the ambient temperature is produced. The thermistor resistance can be calculated as a function of the analog output voltage as follows:

$$Rt = 20000 * ((5/V)-1)$$

Where V is the analog voltage from the probe. Once the thermistor resistance is determined, it can be applied to the Steinhart and Hart equation in order to calculate the ambient temperature.

Using the H-377 with the H-350XL™ or the H-500XL™

The H-377 connects directly to the analog input section of the H-350XL™ or H-500XL™. Temperature from the H-377 can be logged to the memory card, sent to a GOES transmitter, etc. The following sections explain how to use the H-377 with the H-350™ or H-500XL™.

Wire Connections

The H-377 has three pigtail wire terminations that connect directly to the analog input section of the H-350XL™ or H-500XL™. Table 1 shows the pin each wire should be connected to:

| H-377 Wire | Terminal Connection |
|------------|---------------------|
| Red | +5Vref |
| White | Vin |
| Black | Agnd |

Table 1: H-377 Wire Connections

Recording the Temperature

Temperature from the H-377 may be recorded by the H-350™ or H-500XL™ by entering the Steinhart and Hart equation directly into a user math function or by entering a special built in function. The user function containing either the Steinhart and Hart equation or the special built in function would then be selected as the data source for the temperature measurement.

The box below shows an example of how the Steinhart and Hart equation would be entered using the functions menu from the PC menu mode of the H-350XL™ or H-500XL™.

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Functions Menu 01 to 10 (Esc to Return)

1 - Fnt01 = @0.0010291636
2 - Fnt02 = @0.0002391251
3 - Fnt03 = @0.0000001566
4 - Fnt04 = @20000*((5/ana1)-1)
5 - Fnt05 = (1/(fnt01+fnt02*(ln(fnt04))+fnt03*(ln(fnt04))^3))-273.15

7 - Fnt07 = 0
8 - Fnt08 = 0
9 - Fnt09 = 0
0 - Fnt10 = 0

N - Next
V - View Values

Enter Option >

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In this example, functions 1 through 3 are used to define the thermistor coefficients a, b, and c. Function 4 is used to calculate the thermistor resistance based on the analog output voltage from the H-377 connected to analog input channel one. Function 5 is used to calculate the temperature in degrees Celsius using the Steinhart and Hart equation (note: function 5 uses the space for both functions 5 and 6). The @ sign included in functions 1 through 4 signify that these functions need not be included in the logging report. Function 5 would be selected as the data source in the logging report, GOES data options, etc. for the temperature measurement.

The next box shows an example of how to enter the special built-in functions for recording the temperature with the H-350XL™ or H-500XL™. These special functions combine all of the equations entered in the previous example into one simple function call. These special built-in functions are available beginning with firmware version 1.13.

Functions Menu 01 to 10 (Esc to Return)

1 - Fnt01 = h377c(ana1)

2 - Fnt02 = h377f(ana1)

3 - Fnt03 = 0

4 - Fnt04 = 0

5 - Fnt05 = 0

6 - Fnt06 = 0

7 - Fnt07 = 0

8 - Fnt08 = 0

9 - Fnt09 = 0

0 - Fnt10 = 0

N - Next

V - View Values

Enter Option >

In this example, the function h377c(ana1) is entered into function 1 in order to record the temperature in degrees Celsius, and the function h377f(ana1) is entered into function 2 in order to record the temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. Function 1 or 2 would be selected as the data source for recording the data.

For questions about logging, please consult the H-350XL™ or H-500XL™ owners manual.

Useful Conversions

The following equations are useful for converting the temperature units.

$C = 5/9 * (F - 32)$ To convert degrees F to degrees C

$F = 9/5 * C + 32$ To convert degrees C to degrees F

$C = K - 273.15$ To convert degrees K to degrees C

SPECIFICATIONS

| PERFORMANCE | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Accuracy | Accuracy | ±0.2° C |
| Response Time | Sampling | <0.7 Seconds |
| | Maximum Excitation | <4 Seconds |
| Range | Operating Temperature | -40° to 80°C |
| General | Temperature Sensor | 10K Thermistor |
| MECHANICAL / POWER | | |
| Size | Sensor | 4 in. L x 0.2 in. W (102mm x 5.08mm) |
| | Sensor Cable | 100 ft. (33m) |
| Weight | Sensor Shipping | 1.5 lbs (0.68kg.) With cable |
| Material | Shield Plates | UV stabilized white thermoplastic |
| | Shield Mounting Bracket | Aluminum |
| | Shield U-bolt Clamp | White stainless steel |
| Power Requirements | Sensor Voltage Input | 3.5-50 volts DC |
| | Sensor Consumption | 0.0005mA |
| Connection | Shield Mounting bracket and U-bolt clamp | |
| General | Sensor Protection | IP67 |
| | Radiation Shield Available | H-380-SS natural aspiration shield suitable for incident rain up to 68 km/hr. Includes adapter for smaller temperature probe. |
| COMMUNICATION | | |
| Output Data Parameters | Analog Signals | Vishay/Dale precision 20K resistor in line with 10K thermistor |

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