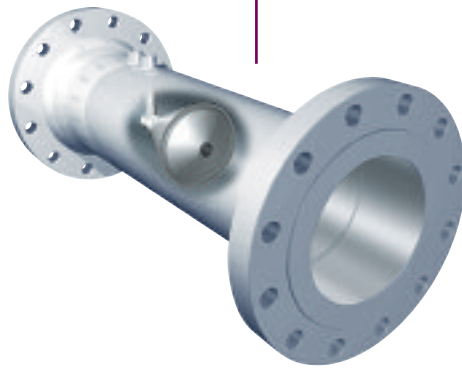


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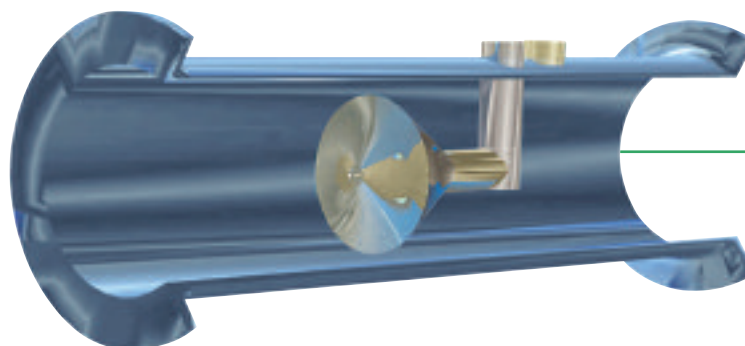


For the Real World.



# V-Cone – A New DP Technology

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*Cut away view of centrally-located cone.*

## High Performance in “Real World” Applications

**M**cCrometer’s V-Cone is an innovative flowmeter that takes differential pressure-type flow measurement to another level. Designed for the harshest operating environments and for the widest variety of fluids, this advanced flowmeter consistently outperforms traditional DP devices and other major flow technologies. The V-Cone offers better accuracy and repeatability,

wider rangeability, installation flexibility and reduced maintenance. Its performance is so outstanding, some users say it deserves a technology name all its own.

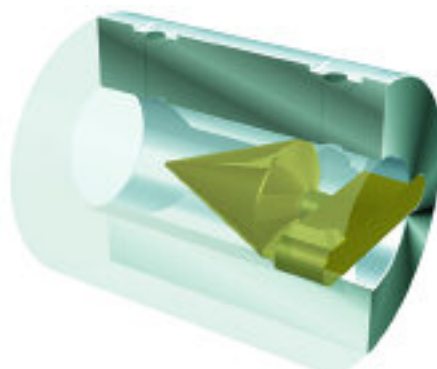
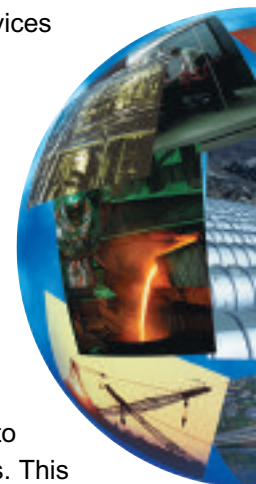
## Accuracy You Can Count On

The key benefit to the V-Cone’s unique design is its ability to provide repeatable accuracy of up to  $\pm 0.5\%$  of rate under even the most difficult flow conditions, and over a wide range of Reynolds numbers. Whether measuring swirling fluids or low pressure flows,

the V-Cone delivers the accuracy and reliability other devices only achieve under lab conditions.

## Acts as own flow conditioner

The V-Cone’s enhanced performance is due to the shape and position of the cone in relation to the measurement ports. This allows the V-Cone to act as its own flow conditioner, fully conditioning



*The Wafer-Cone® can be fitted between two flanges for more compact installation. It is available in a variety of materials and the cone can be easily replaced to accommodate changing flow conditions.*

# for Difficult-to-Measure Applications

and mixing the flow prior to measurement. The result is a low amplitude, high frequency signal with little "signal bounce." Readings are always precise and reliable, including in low pressure flow situations.

## Maximum Installation Flexibility

The V-Cone's ability to condition the flow prior to measurement results in another significant benefit:

*The V-Cone forms very short vortices as the flow passes the cone. These short vortices create a low amplitude, high frequency signal for excellent signal stability.*



*The V-Cone's contour-shaped cone also directs the flow without impacting it against an abrupt surface. As a result, the beta edge of the cone is not subject to wear by dirty fluids. Because it remains unchanged, V-Cones rarely, if ever, require recalibration.*

installation flexibility. Because the V-Cone can accurately measure disturbed flow, it doesn't require the upstream or downstream straight pipe runs of many other flowmeters. This key feature means the V-Cone can be installed virtually anywhere in a piping system or easily retrofit into an existing piping layout. The result can be significant cost savings. It also means the V-Cone can fit where other flowmeters can't due to limited-space or weight requirements.

## Low-to-No Operating Costs

The V-Cone assures long-term performance. It has no moving parts to replace and maintain. In addition, the contoured shape of the cone directs the flow without impacting it against an abrupt surface. Instead, a boundary layer forms along the cone, directing fluid away from the beta edge. Because the beta edge remains unchanged, the calibration of the meter is accurate for a much longer time, possibly indefinitely.

*Pipe flow is rarely ideal. Practically any change to the piping can disturb even a well-developed flow. The contoured shape and location of a suspended cone in the V-Cone Flowmeter overcomes this by reshaping the velocity profile upstream. As the flow approaches the cone, the flow profile "flattens" toward the shape of a well-developed profile – even in extreme flow conditions.*



## V-Cone Performance Advantages

### Flexible Design Meets Range of Needs

The V-Cone Flowmeter offers exceptional sizing flexibility. It can be sized for line diameters of 1/2" to over 120". It also comes in two standard configurations: a precision flow tube or insertion weld-on saddle meter. A variety of construction materials is also available.

### McCrometer Application Support

At McCrometer, all we make are flowmeters. We have 50 years of

flow measurement experience in municipal, industrial and agricultural markets.

Our knowledgeable staff can accurately evaluate your flow application and specify the best metering technology for your specific flow condition. For a free evaluation of your flow application or to find out about our other flowmeter products, contact your McCrometer representative today.



- high accuracy
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- high repeatability
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- conditions flow before measuring
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- minimum straight pipe requirements
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- broad rangeability
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- low headloss
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- clean or dirty liquids, wet gases, slurries
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- low signal noise
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- self cleaning

# Difficult-to-Measure Applications

Ideal for  
Tough  
Applications



**T**he McCrometer V-Cone Flowmeter is a patented technology that accurately measures flow over a wide range of Reynolds numbers, under all kinds of conditions and for a variety of fluids. It operates on the same physical principle as other differential pressure-type flowmeters, using the theorem of conservation of energy in fluid flow through a pipe.

The V-Cone's remarkable performance characteristics, however, are the result of its unique design. It features a centrally-located cone inside the tube. The cone interacts with the fluid flow, reshaping the fluid's velocity profile and creating a region of lower pressure

immediately downstream of itself. The pressure difference, exhibited between the static line pressure and the low pressure created downstream of the cone, can be measured via two pressure sensing taps. One tap is placed slightly upstream of the cone, the other is located in the downstream face of the cone itself. The pressure difference can then be incorporated into a derivation of the Bernoulli equation to determine the fluid flow rate.

The cone's central position in the line optimizes the velocity of the flow at the point of measurement, assuring highly accurate, reliable flow measurement regardless of the condition of the flow upstream of the meter.

## Advanced DP Technology: Principles of Operation



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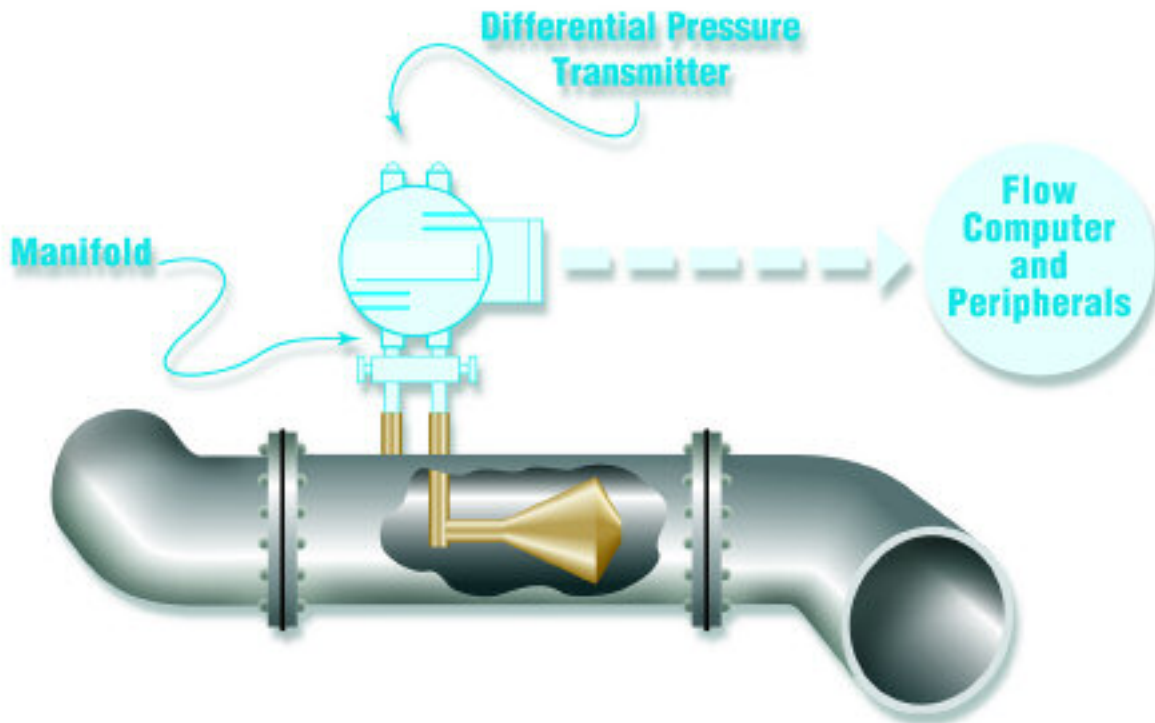
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**Standard Accuracy:** From  $\pm 0.5\%$  of actual flow (certain fluids and Reynolds number applications require special calibrations to achieve this value).

**Repeatability:**  $\pm 0.1\%$  or better.

**Flow Ranges:** 10:1 and greater.

**Standard Beta Ratios:** 0.45 through 0.80, special betas available.

**Head Loss:** Varies with beta ratio and DP.

**Installation Piping Requirements:** Typically 0-3 diameters upstream and 0-1 diameters downstream of the cone are required, depending on fittings or valves in the adjacent pipeline.

**Materials of Construction Include:** Duplex 2205, 304, or 316 stainless steel, Hastelloy C-276, 254, SMO, carbon steels. Special materials on request.

**Line Sizes:** 0.5" to 120" or larger.

**End Fittings:** Flanged, threaded, hub or weld-end standard. Others on request.

**Configurations:** Precision flow tube and wafer-type.

- Calibrated for customer application.
- ASME B31.3 construction available.

**Approvals for the V-Cone:**

- Canadian custody transfer approved.
- Meters in compliance with PED97/23/EC are available upon request.
- The V-Cone is manufactured under a quality management system that is certified to ISO 9001:2000.



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