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opaque liquids — Determination of  
kinematic viscosity and calculation of  
dynamic viscosity**

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de la viscosité cinématique et calcul de la viscosité dynamique*



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## Introduction

Many petroleum products, and some non-petroleum materials, are used as lubricants, and the correct operation of equipment depends upon the appropriate viscosity of the liquid being used. In addition, the viscosity of many petroleum fuels is important for the estimation of optimum storage, handling and operational conditions. Thus the accurate measurement of viscosity is essential to many product specifications.