

# Application News

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High Performance Liquid Chromatography

Analysis of Sugars in Orange Juice and Grape Juice by Prominence-i and Differential Refractive Index Detector

As sugars display little ultraviolet absorption, a differential refractive index detector or an evaporative light scattering detector is used for their detection.

The new Prominence-i integrated high-performance liquid chromatograph can be connected to the RID-10A differential refractive index detector. Since the column oven can accommodate a 30-cm column for use in sugar analysis (ligand exchange column), and the temperature can be controlled up to 85 °C, it therefore supports applications that require a long column and high column temperature.

Here, we introduce an example of sugar analysis in juices using the Prominence-i with the RID-10A.

## Analysis of Sugar Standard Solution

Fig. 1 shows the results of analysis of a standard mixture of four sugars (maltotriose, sucrose, glucose, fructose) using a 10  $\mu$ L injection (each at 20 g/L). The analytical conditions were as shown in Table 1. For the analytical column, we used the Shim-pack SCR-101N, a specialized sugar-analysis column that supports both the gel filtration and ligand exchange modes.

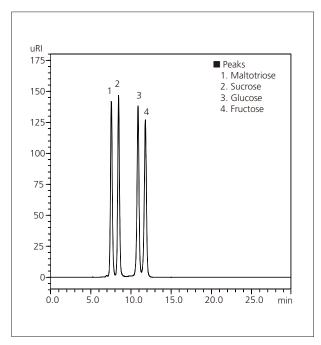


Fig. 1 Chromatogram of a Standard Mixture of Four Sugars (20 g/L each, 10 μL injected)

Table 1	Analytical	Conditions
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Column	: Shim-pack SCR-101N (300 mm L. × 7.9 mm I.D., 10 µm)
Mobile Phase	: Water
Flowrate	: 0.6 mL/min
Column Temp.	: 80 °C
Injection Volume	: 10 μL
Detection	: RID-10A
	Polarity +, Cell temp. 40 °C, Response 1.5 sec

### Linearity

Fig. 2 shows the linearity obtained using the conditions listed in Table 1. Calibration curves were generated for the four sugars using concentrations ranging from 0.4 to 20 g/L, and the mean area value obtained from each set of the three repeat measurements. Excellent linearity was obtained, with a coefficient of determination greater than  $R^2$ =0.9999 for all of the substances.

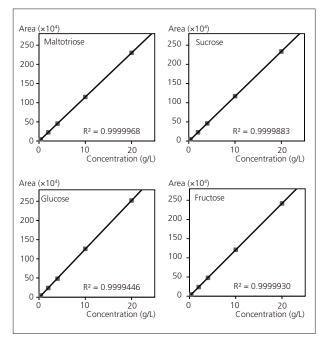


Fig. 2 Calibration Curves of a Standard Mixture of 4 Sugars (0.4 - 20 g/L, 10 µL injected)

# Analysis of Orange Juice

Fig. 3 and 4 show the chromatograms obtained from analysis of Orange Juice A and Orange Juice B, respectively. Both Orange Juice A and B were diluted with water to obtain 10-fold dilutions, respectively, and after filtering the solutions through a 0.2  $\mu$ m membrane filter, 10  $\mu$ L each was injected. The analytical conditions used were the same as those shown in Table 1.

Sucrose, glucose and fructose were detected in both types of orange juice. Table 3 shows the content values for the respective sugars detected in the juices.

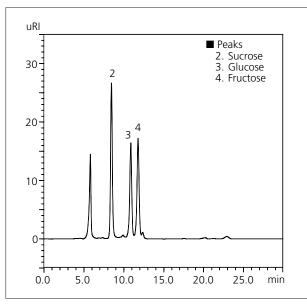


Fig. 3 Chromatogram of Orange Juice A (10 µL injected)

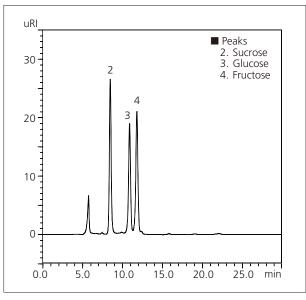


Fig. 4 Chromatogram of Orange Juice B (10 µL injected)

Table 3 Content of Each Sugar in Orange Juices

	Content (g/L)	
	Orange juice A	Orange juice B
Sucrose	36	36
Glucose	25	28
Fructose	27	34

#### Analysis of Grape Juice

Fig. 4 shows a chromatogram obtained from analysis of grape juice. The grape juice was diluted with water to obtain a 10-fold dilution, and after filtering the solution through a 0.2  $\mu$ m membrane filter, 10  $\mu$ L of the prepared sample was injected. The analytical conditions used were the same as those shown in Table 1.

Glucose and fructose were detected in the grape juice. Table 4 shows the content values of the detected sugars.

#### Table 4 Content of Each Sugar in Grape Juice

	Content (g/L)
Glucose	50
Fructose	56

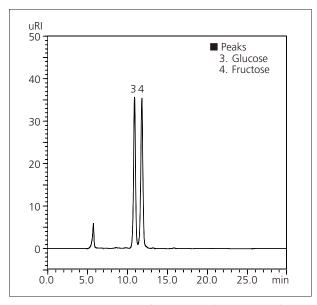


Fig. 5 Chromatogram of Grape Juice (10 µL injected)

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