SIP Fuchs III+

• For wide frequency range investigations on complex resistivity of sediments and rocks



The *SIP Fuchs III+* system measures the frequency dependence of resistivity (amplitude and phase) of rocks and sediments over 8 decades. At non-mineralized sediments the frequency dependence is controlled by the pore space structure. This delivers additional information for an improved characterization and discrimination of the materials. The *SIP Fuchs III+* instrument is also suitable for large exploration depths, for investigations of low conductive materials and for measurements with unconventional electrode configurations. SIP measurements are also possible in noisy environments often found in laboratories as well as in densely populated areas.

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Spectral Induced Polarizatior

equipment consists of:

- a base unit with build-in 50 W transmitter, signal generation, data management & synchronism
- 2 10 remote units for true parallel current and voltages recording
- 1 2 remote reference units for telluric noise recording
- PC software to control the whole system
- an optional external 600 W transmitter





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▲ DATA AQUISITION SOFTWARE

During the measurement the main menu of the PC (Laptop) displays (real time) the recorded time series of current and voltage(s). This makes a first data quality check very easy. The measurement starts at the highest frequency. Thereby the recording time increases from a few milliseconds up to tens of minutes per frequency. Depending on the lowest measured frequency the acquisition of a complete spectrum takes less than a minute (f_{min} =1 Hz) up to tens of hours (f_{min} =0.1 mHz). A second quality check permits the observation of the confidence limits of amplitude and phase.

FIBER OPTICAL DATA TRANSMISSION

For data transmission and system synchronization optical fibre are used. This eliminates uncontrolled cross coupling between transmitter and receivers and increases measuring accuracy because potential cables can be shortened to the distance between the electrodes.

ACTIVE GUARDING TECHNIQUE

Active guarding technique lowers the input capacity of the voltage measuring remote units. Low input capacity is most important to increase the noise immunity in a laboratory environment. It also reduces systematical errors which appear at high frequencies if the contact resistance of the voltage probes is very high.

▼ GEOELECTRICAL REFERENCE TECHNIQUE

A multi-channel coherency analysis allows an identification and cancellation of external noise voltages. Soft- and hardware support up to 2 noise monitors, which have to be placed in a distance of up to 200 m from the profile. Thus the confidence intervals of the data can be reduced up to more than factor of ten. The data set, which is shown below, was measured next to a dc powered railway line (Schönholz - Berlin). This new technique does not prolong measuring time.



Comparison between measurement with and without Geoelectrical Reference Technique (GRT). This data set was measured next to a dc powered railway line (S-Bahn station Schönholz – Berlin).

RANGE OF APPLICATIONS

- Humus
- Seashore
- Arable land
- Historical buildings
- Contaminated sites
- Archaeological sites
- Laboratory measurements
- Nuclear waste disposal sites
- Estimation of hydraulic permeability
- Groundwater exploration in arid areas
- Discrimination between clay and saline water
- Detection and characterization of electronic conductors (mineral exploration)



Base Unit with or without built-in 50 W Transmitter available





50 W & 600 W Transmitter



Remote Unit (current)



Remote Unit and Remote Reference Unit (voltage)



Technical Specifications

Base Unit

- Frequency range: 0.1 mHz 40 kHz
- Signal shape: sinusoidal
- Optical interfaces to 5/10 RUs
- Optical interfaces to 2 RRU
- PC interface: 920 kBit/s (USB 1.2)
- 50 watt built-in transmitter: ±400V, ±125mA or ±200V, ±250mA
- Interface to ext. 600 watt transmitter
- Powered by ext. 12 V car-battery
- Weight: 10 kg
- Plastic case size: 50 x 35 x 18 cm³

Remote Units (RU)

- A/D converter: 24 Bit
- Data rate: 96 kHz / 2ⁿ, n=0,1,2...14
- Input range (voltage):
 ±10 V. ±0.4 V
- Input range (current): ±2.5 A, ±0.1 A (1 Ω shunt), ±25 mA, ±1 mA (300 Ω shunt)
- Time series: max. 64 k samples
- Data format: 32 Bit
- Digital power line filter
- Digital drift filter
- Optical cable length: 2-1000 m
- Battery capacity: <10 h
- Weight: 5 kg
- Case: cable drum Ø 23 cm

Remote Reference Units

- Same data as remote unit (voltage)
- Can used also as remote unit

PC

- Windows W7-10
- Control of the whole system
- Time series recording, storing, displaying, transfer function, confidents limits

Optional ext. 600 W Transmitter

- Frequency range: DC 40 kHz
- Maximum output: ±400 V, ±1.5 A
- Powered by: 230 VAC, 47-63 Hz
- Weight: 41 kg
- Plastic case size: 57 x 63 x 62 cm³

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