





DSIMS Diver Signature Integrated Measurement System

Overview

Omnitech's Diver Signature Integrated Measurement System was developed in partnership with Defense Research and Development Canada. DSIMS measures the acoustic, magnetic, electric and pressure signatures of Navy Divers, for training and prior to deployment for mine clearing operations.

Sensors are mounted in a Manta Mine shaped underwater housing and detect acoustic, magnetic, electric field and pressure signals. The analog signals are conditioned (amplified, filtered and buffered) by circuitry in the Sensor Interface Unit and sent to the Underwater Data Acquisition Unit (DAU) located five meters away.

Digitized DSIMS data from the DAU is sent via Ethernet-over-VHDSL (or optional fiber link), to a ruggedized operator console at the surface or on shore.

Sensors

The Sensor Interface Unit connects to the Underwater Data Acquisition Unit using the Analog Signal Cable and is secured to the base plate of the Mine Shape. The SIU contains up to two tri-axis magnetometers, one electric field sensor (2 or 3 axis options), one hydrophone, a high precision pressure



DSMIS Sensor Unit, Manta Mine Shape (left), Enclosed Sensors (top right)

sensor and a high output LED indicator. Ancillary sensors measure mine shape orientation, temperature and water depth. Additional options are available for video recording, seismic, ambient and artificial light sensors.

- Acoustic, magnetic, electric potential and pressure signature measurement
- Specialized software and mine algorithms
- Real-time data displays and optical feedback to divers without affecting signature measurement
- copper or fiber Ethernet link to surface of shore



DSMIS Sensor Unit (pressure case removed)



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Software

Specialized DSIMS software acquires, analyzes and displays diver signatures in real-time. If enabled, the selected mine algorithms can signal detection levels to the diver through a set of high power, underwater LED indicators *without affecting any diver signatures*. Visual and audible alerts provide feedback to console operators. The interface allows creation, editing and selection of mine algorithms from menu options or custom software add-ons. Sensor data is recorded for future analysis or playback in unprocessed, full bandwidth files. Data in the displays is corrected for platform orientation.



Operator Software Dialog

Maturity

DSIMS was developed as a joint effort between Defense Research and Development Canada (DRDC Atlantic) and Omnitech Electronics. The effort began in 2003. Three versions of DSIMS have been designed and built. User feedback has been a major factor in the refinement of the design, with the key objectives being a small, easily portable, highly reliable and accurate measurement system for diver signatures.



Diver Training at DRDC Test tank

Customization

Omnitech can customize a DSIMS with many sensor configurations, types and construction according to customer specifications. Systems can be configured for short term easy deployment or long term permanent installations. All software source code and data interface specifications are provided to customers with support and customization assistance. Contact Omnitech for more information.



Dry End Interface Unit

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Performance and Specifications

Sensor Parameter	Specification	Options	Units	Comments			
Acoustic							
Model	omni-			piezo ceramic, cylindrical, sealed			
	directional						
Bandwidth	5 – 20k	1 – 100k	Hz				
Sensitivity	-195 ± 1		dBV re 1µPa				
Gain	40, 60	20,40,60,80	dB	software selectable			
Max Signal Level	175	200	dB re 1µPa	at minimum gain			
Self Noise (Min. Level)	30		dB re 1µPa/√Hz	at 1kHz			
Dynamic Range	130	150	dB	gain + ADC range			
Digitization	24	16	bits				
Magnetic							
Model	MAG-03 Series			Bartington Instruments			
Quantity	1	2		3-axis (use of 2 magnetometers			
Qualitity				allows gradient measurements)			
Bandwidth	DC – 500	DC – 900	Hz				
Measurement Range	± 100		μΤ				
Self Noise	6		pT ∕√Hz @ 1Hz				
Dynamic Range	109	112	dB				
Digitization	24		bits				
Electric Field							
Quantity	X,Y pairs	X,Y,Z pairs					
Electrodes	Ag-Ag-Cl						
Bandwidth	0.002 - 500		Hz				
Electrical Noise	4 (5)		nV/√Hz @ 1Hz	bracketed value is nV/m			
				equivalent noise			
Measurement Range	±3, 10, 30, 100		mV	full-scale output, 4 gain settings			
Digitization	24		bits				



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Pressure						
Model	Integrated					
Measurement Range	0-700		kPa	selectable depth conversion by programmable factor		
Accuracy	± 5		kPa			
Resolution	0.01		kPa			
Sample Rate	1	up to 2000	Sp/sec	increased sample rate for signature measurement		
Orientation / Temperature						
Model			deg	provides orientation of mine shape on seafloor		
Heading	0 - 360		deg			
Accuracy	± 1		deg			
Resolution	0.1		deg			
Pitch / Roll	± 30		deg			
Accuracy	± 1		deg			
Resolution	0.1		deg C			
Temperature	-5 to 50		deg C			
Accuracy	0.5		deg C			
Resolution	0.1		Sp/sec			
Acceleration		± 2	G	optional 3-axis raw acceleration		
Resolution		± 1	mg			

*Customizations are available upon request. Please contact Omnitech for information regarding the modification of any sensor specification or the integration of additional sensors.



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System Diagram





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