

Technologies for seismology, engineering and geophysics

SS08BH is a triaxial broad-band seismometer designed installation in boreholes. This solution offers automatic levelling and motorised hole-lock system, wide temperature operations and safe transport. The sensor uses the symmetric architecture recovering Z,Y,X velocity signal from U,V,W homogeneous transducers; this methodology allows higher precision in reconstruction of real ground motion.

Applications

- * Reservoir microseismic monitoring
- * Observatory grade Earthquake seismology
- * Global Scale Seismicity monitor
- * Earthquake Early Warning Systems
- * Seabed installation compatible

Main features

- * Small diameter to fit 100mm boreholes (4 inches)
- * Hole lock mechanism to use the sensor at any hole deep
- * Auto levelling mechanism to compensate up to +/-5°
- * Ultra low noise design
- * Fast setup, data are useable few minutes after deployment
- * Intrinsic robustness
- * Low power consumption allows unit to be used in remote istallation with limited energy source
- * Possibility to have embedded digitizer with accurate sync
- * Detachable cable for easier transportation
- * Made in EU (Italy)



Housings

Different housing are available upon request, for example borehole / posthole deployment using stainless steel AISI316 or titanium housing and motorized automatic levelling for high tilt compensation.



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Specifications

Configuration: U,V,W (output to physical motion Z, Y, X)
Principle of operation: Force Feedback with capacitive transducer
Nominal sensitivity: 1500V/m/s* (customizable at order)
Velocity output: Selectable Z, Y, X or U, V, W mode
Pass-band: 120-20s to 100Hz (customizable at order)

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Number of channels: 3 + 3 (Z, Y, X and virtual mass UVW status)
Peak output: +/- 20V (differential output, 40V p-p)

Clip level: 13 mm/sec (nominal @ 1500 V/m/s, see chart)

Output impedance: 2 x 100 Ohm

Mass position output: +/- 10V from U,V,W signals

Dynamic range: > 135dB in range 0.1 - 10Hz (see chart) Calibration input: 1 with transducer selection (U,V,W, all)

Power supply input: 9-36Vdc isolated

Power consumption: < 500mW* @ 12Vdc (1W maximum depending on conditions)
Protections: Surge and reverse-voltage, with self-resetting fuses

Calibration coil: 16 ohm

Self noise: <USGS NLNM between 0.03 to 10Hz*

Levelling: Manual with lockable paddles, integrated level Max. tilt olerance: +/- 5° automatic/remote levelling function

Operating temperat.: -20/+50°C Storage temperature: -40/+80°C

Humidity: 0-100% even condensing (with plugged-in connectors)

Protection grade: IP68K

Mass lock: Not necessary Max. shock allowed: 5g half sine

Digital interface: RS485 for diagnostics and test

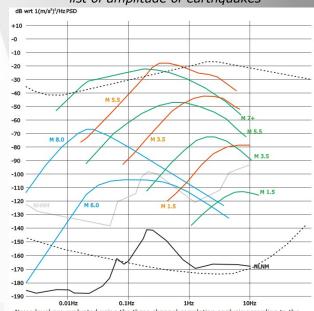
Weight: approximately 10kg, depends on configuration Dimension: diameter 88.9 mm, 1472mm with coupling extension

diameter with retracted shaft: 95mm diameter with extended shaft: 132 mm ideal mount pipe diameter: 127mm

Max depth: 500 meters (50 bars pressure)

Enclosure: AISI316
Norm conformity: CE

Clip and noise level compared to NLNM and a list of amplitude of earthquakes



Noise level are evaluated using the three channel correlation analysis according to the method explained by R.Sleeman, A.Van Wettum and J.Trampert (Bullettin of Seismologica Society of America Vol.96 N1. Febr 2006).

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