

Shillington-Malawi LC4x4 Generalized Response and Calibration Factor

These calculations are for the generalized case and assume the signal is in the sensor frequency range giving a flat response. Frequency response ranges are indicated.

SENSOR RESPONSE INFO:

For the Differential Pressure Gauge (DPG) sensitivity:

Using measurements from strain gauge full scale outputs, the average is about 57 mv/7e3 PA. (FSO is 75e-3V/7e3PA). According to Cox *et al* there is a mechanical attenuation factor due to the compressibility of the oil and the compliance of the chamber. They estimate this as 0.86. Willoughby *et al* say they measured the response and deduced this factor as 0.924. Using a value of 0.9 is suggested until a better value can be determined. Thus the STAGE 1 gain should be 5.7e-2*0.9/7e3 or:

S(DPG) = 7.3 μV/Pa -or- (7.3e-6 V/Pa)

flat response: 0.002 Hz (500 sec) to ~30+ Hz

Frequency response information:

Parameter	Nominal Value	Units
Zeros (1)	0	Rad/s
Poles (1)*	-0.012568	Rad/s
Normalization	1	
Normalization Frequency	0.3	Hz

* Single Pole @ (1/-79.57).

For the High-Tech Hydrophone sensitivity:

For the custom High-Tech Hydrophone (HTI-90-U) the manufacturer calibration files give a sensitivity of -182.7 dB re 1V/μPa. This hydrophone loses ~2 dB in sensitivity per ~6000m in depth (10,000 psi) so for typical ocean depth around 3km we correct ~1 dB and use -183.7 dB re 1V/μPa. Using amplitude spectra throughout (e.g. X[db] =20*log10[X/Xref]), this gives S(hyd-HTI) = 10**(-183.7/20) * 1V/μPa = .653 mV/Pa (@ 3000m water depth). Thus:

S(hyd-HTI) = 0.653 mV/Pa -or- (6.53e-4 V/Pa)

flat response: 0.05 Hz to 7.5 kHz (@ 3000m depth)

Frequency response information:

From Brian Spychalski at High Tech Inc. (personal communication: June 03, 2014):

- 1: HPF at input of preamp created by ceramic element 12.8nF (nom.) and 300 meg ohm resistor (0.04Hz)
- 2: There is another HPF at opamp set at 0.02Hz.
- 3: LPF at opamp is set at 7.5KHz.

Parameter	Nominal Value	Units
Zeros (2)	0 0	Rad/s
Poles (3)	-24.127431 -0.1256637 -47124	Rad/s
Normalization	47124	
Normalization Frequency	500	Hz

For the Trillium-240-OBS seismometer sensitivity:

the manufacturer quotes 1196.5 V*s/m over +/-20V for a full differential signal. SIO-4x4-LP uses only a single-sided input to the A/D, effectively halving the sensitivity, thus:

S(T240-ss) = 598.25 V/m/s *flat response: 0.004167 Hz (240 sec) to 35 Hz*

Trillium 240 OBS Seismometer Frequency response information:
(From Trillium 240 OBS User Guide - page 10)

Table 3-2 Poles and zeroes

Parameter	Nominal values	Units
z_n	0 0 -108 -161	rad/s
p_n	-0.01815 ±0.01799i -173 -196 ±231i -732 ±1415i	rad/s
k	2.316 x 10 ⁹	
S_{sensor}	Passband sensitivity at 1Hz 1196.5	V*s/m
f_0	Normalization frequency 1	Hz

**NOTE: Sensor sensitivity listed in Table 3-2 is for full differential response; SIO uses single sided input (halving this number to 598.25 V*s/m).

For the L28LB seismometer sensitivity:

Transduction constant --> 1.57 * sqrt(R-coil) V/m/s with R-coil = 630 ohm nominally this gives 39.53 V/m/s. SIO uses 70% coil current damping, (R-shunt-ss = (7860+51) ohm single-sided, divide by 2 to effective R-shunt damping for differential signal), thus R-shunt-diff = 3956 ohm, which gives:

S(L28) = 34.10 V/m/s *flat response: ~4.5 Hz and above*

Frequency response information (for a damped oscillator):

Two zeros at 0, two poles at $\omega_0(\delta \pm i\sqrt{1-\delta^2})$ where $\delta = 0.701$ (damping value).

Parameter	Nominal Value	Units
Zeros (2)	0 0	Rad/s
Poles (2)	19.820 +/- i*20.164	Rad/s
Normalization	-1	
Normalization Frequency	4.5	Hz

ELECTRONICS RESPONSE INFO:

The sensitivity of the A/D is as follows:

With reference filter voltage of V-filt = 100 ohm the voltage range is +/- 2.47 V, max counts over this range are -Vref = -6,100,300 to +Vref = 6,102,081.

This gives $S(a/d) = 4.94 / 12,202,381 = 0.405 \times 10^{-6} \text{ V/count} = 0.405 \text{ microV/count}$, or:

$S(a/d) = 0.405 \text{ } \mu\text{V/count}$

Note: A/D reaches full 24-bit range (i.e. -8388608 to 8388607) @ overvoltage of +/- 3.3 V. However, the response in this overvoltage range is roughly nonlinear.

Note2: If V-filt = 10 ohm the voltage range is +/- 2.50 V → $S(a/d) = 0.410 \text{ microV/count}$.

PRE-AMP GAIN INFO:

Pre-amp gain settings for sensor/channel on all LC4x4 OBS deployments are:

- gain(DPG) = 64**
- gain(hyd-HTI) = 16**
- gain(T240-ss-high) = 0.200**
- gain(L28) = 64**

Note: To keep the Trillium on scale at the A/D input (max +/- 2.47 V), signal from the Trillium seismometers output are attenuated using an analog voltage divider on the pre-amp board:

V-T240-div = $R\text{-T240-gnd-eff} / (R\text{-T240-sig} + R\text{-T240-gnd-eff}) = 795 / (6980 + 795) = 0.102$

V-T40-high = $V\text{-T40-div} = R\text{-T40-gnd-eff} / (R\text{-T40-sig} + R\text{-T40-gnd-eff}) = 1746 / (6980 + 1746) = 0.200$

TOTAL SYSTEM RESPONSE INFO:

Total system response then becomes: $S(\text{total}) = S(a/d) / [S(\text{sensor}) * \text{gain}]$

LC4x4 Generalized Total System Response:

LC4x4-LP units:

DPG pressure response = 0.867 mPa/count (500 sec to ~30+ Hz)
= 8.67e-4 Pa/count

Trillium-240-OBS Velocity response = 3.385 (nm/s)/count (240 sec to 35 Hz)
= 3.385e-9 (m/s)/count

LC4x4-SP units:

Hydro-HTI pressure response = 38.76 μPa/count (~0.05 Hz to 7.5 kHz)
= 3.876e-5 Pa/count

L28 Velocity response = 0.186 (nm/s)/count (~4.5 Hz and above)
= 1.86e-10 (m/s)/count