Miniature Pipe Profiling Sonar



Model 2512E



The Model 2512E Pipe Profiling Sonar provides an acoustic method for profiling the interiors of liquid filled pipes or boreholes. This method does not require draining of the pipes as with camera surveys and provides accurate quantified data which can not be obtained from a camera display alone.

The equipment comprises of an underwater Scanning Unit (which may be skid, float, tractor or ROV mounted) and a compact Ethernet interface Unit. To complete the system a "Windows" P.C. with an Ethernet port is required to run the 2512E system software.

The Scanning Unit is a rugged stainless steel cylinder with a pressure balanced Peek transducer housing at one end, and the umbilical cable connector at the other. The standard Scanning Unit is rated at 100m operational depth. Two lead-acid batteries could be used to power the Scanning Unit together with a Laptop P.C. for a completely portable solution. Internal Pitch and Roll sensors display in analogue and digital form the orientation of the sonar in the pipe.

The Ethernet Interface Unit connects to the host P.C. running under the "Windows" operating system. (XP upwards is supported). The Ethernet Interface has inputs for a cable payout encoder so that the distance travelled may be displayed to 0.1m resolution allowing accurate determination of where flaws exist in the pipe relative to the deployment position. The Ethernet Interface is powered from the AC mains supply and is electrically isolated from the supply generated for the underwater scanner.

FEATURES INCLUDE

- Real Time continuous scanning over a full 360° in 1 second
- Windows user-friendly software with Ethernet connection minimises training time
- Direct capture to Hard Disk for high resolution image save and restore
- Dual tracking cursor for accurate on-screen measurements
- 360° Internal Pitch and Roll sensors
- Quadrature cable counter interface built in
- 500m cable drive as standard, fibre-optic system optional
- Automatic profile detection and output in ASCII format for import into third party 3D modelling software







High resolution image capture



Stand-alone Ethernet Interface Unit



Ethernet Interface Unit with AC-DC Power Supply



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The resolution and update speed of the Model 2512E Pipe Profiling Sonar is second to none in the field of mechanically scanned sonar's. The angular resolution of the system is 0.9° which gives 400 sectors per revolution. For each sector the data is over sampled and peak detected. The digitally generated graphics display uses 256 colours to represent the signal amplitude. At a minimum full-scale range of 125mm this gives a range resolution of 0.5mm and at 2m range the resolution is 3.3mm.

The acoustic beamwidth of 1.8° ensures that the finest detail from the pipe surface is recorded. A 3 axis accelerometer inside the scanner displays the attitude of the sonar to a resolution of 0.1°. The sonar has been engineered for operations in hostile extended environments. The transducer and drive motor are totally enclosed in an oil-filled pressure balanced housing which is hermetically sealed from the stainless steel electronics pod.

The system has many applications other than inside pipes where short range high precision measurements are required with a rapid screen update.

2MHz

500kHz

178mm

50mm

100m

0.4 kg

0.75 kg

Logarithmic

1.8 degrees conical

3 Axis accelerometers

resolution 0.1 degrees

transducer housing

0 to + 40 degrees C

-20 to +70 degrees C

+14VDC at 1A maximum

Stainless Steel 316 with Peek

2512E Pipe Profiling Sonar System Specification

Software Features

Display Modes: Polar - full 360° coverage Sector - 30° to 270° arc width at 30° to 330° centre angles in 30° steps Range Settings (mm): 125, 187, 250, 375, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000 5, 7.5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 60, 80 Range Settings (in): Range Resolution: 1/200, 1/400, 1/600 of full scale range Minimum Range: 50mm Angular Resolution: 0.9 degrees Tx Pulse Length: Variable 4usec to 20usec Display Resolution: 400 sectors Colour Control: 8 bit multiple palettes with min, max and step control to optimise dynamic range NMEA style profile string via RS232 ASCII Output: Windows XP Upwards

Operating System:

Options Include:

- Cable drum with slip rings (various lengths)
- Fibre-optic drive modules for extended cable length
- Float Assembly

Underwater unit

Acoustic Frequency: Beam Width: Receiver: Bandwidth: Pitch/Roll Sensors:

Power Requirements: Overall Length: Diameter: Finish:

Operating Depth: Operating Temp: Storage Temp: Weight in Water: Weight in Air:

Ethernet / PSU Interface

Protocols: Power Input:

Power Output: Cable Payout Input: Dimensions:

10/100 Base-T Ethernet 110v/230v AC 50/60Hz Switch Selectable +14v to +24v DC 1 Amp +5V Quadrature Width: 180mm Depth: 180mm Height: 110mm

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