Benthos DAT

Directional Acoustic Transponder (DAT)

All-In-One: Range, Bearing, and Data Communication

The Benthos DAT (Directional Acoustic Transponder) is an extension to the Teledyne Benthos ATM-900 Series modem which automatically estimates the azimuthal and vertical arrival angles of a message sent by a remote modem or acoustic pinger. The system is a "modified" ultra-short baseline (USBL) which uses a broadband component of a typical modem message to form estimates of arrival angle(s). While conventional USBL devices employ tonal signals, the appropriate processing of wide band signals provides far better combined range and arrival angle estimation, especially at low Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR). The device offers a clear 360 degree field of view in azimuth, and an approximate vertical coverage spanning + 90° overhead to -50° below horizontal. Optionally, the DAT can be operated in a passive pinger receiver mode for locating acoustic sound sources including Black Box pingers.

The DAT's compact size and low power consumption make it appropriate for both surface and subsurface platforms. Acoustic modem, USBL, and pinger locator functionality can now be integrated on Autonomous Underwater Vehicles in one system. Mounting the DAT on an AUV, as an inverted USBL system, can provide navigational accuracy unsurpassed by other systems.



PRODUCT FEATURES

- Acoustic Modem and USBL Functionality in One Package
- Compact Form Factor
- Lower Power Consumption
- · Multiple frequency options (LF, MF, and Band-C)
- Available either in a pressure housing or as an OEM board set with matching transducer



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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Processing

Connection

ACOUSTIC MODEM

Data Rate 140 - 15,360 bps **Data Storage**

6MB datalogger standard

Data redundancy, 1/2 rate convolutional coding

multipath guard period selection

MFSK and PSK modulation schemes

2 - 6 km common, greater distances possible Distances/Range

20+ km available using repeater functionality

Low frequency (LF) 9-14 kHz **Frequencies** Mid frequency (MF) 16-21 kHz

Band C 22 - 27 kHz

Transmit omni-directional (Toroidal pattern) **Transducer**

Remote transducer head options available.

Call for details.

MBH-16-MP connector on unit, 9 pin RS-232

cable included

Port 1 RS-232, Port 2 RS-232, power, ground,

spare (1 PPS option)

USBL

Receive - azimuth 360 degrees, **Beamwidth** vertical +/- 50 degrees

Range, 0.3 meters

Accuracy Angle,+/- 0.3 degrees RMS

OEM KITS

PCB on chassis (long/short option) Kit Supplied with

Remote transducer (straight/right angle option)

Interface pigtail

INTEGRATED DAT

500m, 2000m, and 6000m housing options Depth

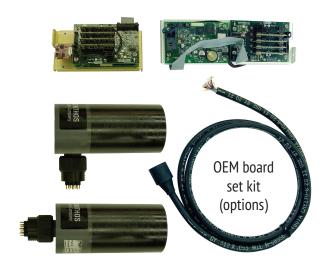
are available

5.5 in (14 cm) diameter x 33.9 in (86 cm) length Size

(dimensional drawing available)

Weight 26 lbs (11 kg) dry, 12 lbs (5 kg) wet

300 W•Hr internal batteries (can also Power be powered by external source)







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