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# AC-43 / AC-42 / AC-41 Force Balance Accelerometer

#### **Features**

- ☐ Full Scale: ± 2 g (± 0.625, 1, 4, 5 g optional)
- ☐ Bandwidth DC to 100 Hz
- ☐ MEMS Force Balance Accelerometer
- High accelerations measurement
- High shock survivability
- ☐ Large temperature range
- ☐ High lifetime stability
- □ Cost effective sensor
- □ Low power consumption
- ☐ Simple test and calibration
- ☐ Single Bolt Mounted Enclosure provides up to ± 10° of Leveling Adjustment



### **Outline**

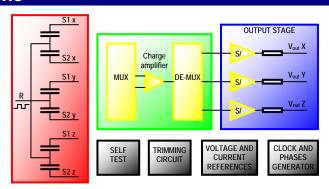
The AC-43 sensor package is a triaxial accelerometer designed for urban and industrial applications regarding strong motion earthquake survey and vibration monitoring as well as alarm and switch systems.

All these applications require rugged sensors with minimum maintenance and a simple method for periodic testing.

The AC-43 accelerometer is based on the modern MEMS (Micro Electro-Mechanical Systems) technology, consisting of sensing cells assembled in a way that optimizes their performances. This combined with the state of the art proprietary circuit design yields this cost effective and reliable accelerometer.

MEMS cells include linear accelerometer sensing elements which measure the capacitance variation in response to any movement or inclination and a factory trimmed interface chip that converts the capacitance variations into analog or digital signal proportional to the motion.

The DC response allows the sensor to be easily repaired, tilt tested or recalibrated in the field. With the help of the TEST LINE the AC-43 accelerometer can be completely tested assuring proper operation.



The AC-43 is typically housed in the standard GeoSIG sealed cast aluminium housing with dimensions of 195 x 112 x 96 mm. The housing also incorporates a single bolt mount with three levelling screws. Stainless steel packaging options are available.

The AC-4x accelerometer is directly compatible with the GeoSIG recorders. It is also designed to be mounted internally in standard GeoSIG recorders.



## Specifications AC-43 / AC-42 / AC-41 Force Balance Accelerometer

#### **General Characteristics**

Application: - Strong-Motion earthquake recording

- Vibration monitoring

- Alarm / Switch systems

Configurations:

AC-43 or AC-43i\*: AC-42-H or AC-42-Hi\*: AC-42-V or AC-42-Vi\*: AC-41-H or AC-41-Hi\*: AC-41-V or AC-41-Vi\*:

■ Triaxial	Biaxial	Uniaxial	Axes X – Y – Z	Alignment** H – H – V
	•		X – Y	H – H
	•		X (or Y) – Z	H – V
		•	X (or Y)	Н
		•	Z	V

\* i : Internal sensor \*\* H: Horizontal, V: Vertical

Full Scale Range: ± 2 g Std

Optional  $\pm 0.625, \pm 1, \pm 4 \text{ or } \pm 5 \text{ g}$ 

**Sensor Element** 

Type: MEMS Force Balance Accelerometer Dynamic Range: 90 dB at 2 g FS (0.1 to 30 Hz)

97 dB at 5 g FS

AC-43-24: > 100 dB at 2 g FS

Noise: 150 ug<sub>RMS</sub>

Nonlinearity: < 0.3 % typ., < 0.6 % for vertical

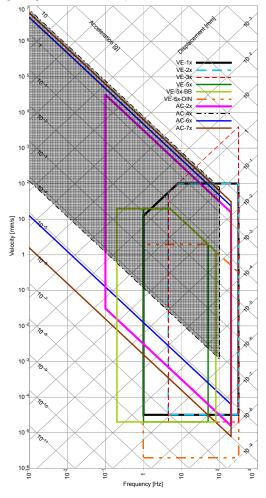
Cross Axis Sensitivity: < 2 % typ. Bandwidth: DC to 100 Hz Span drift:  $100 \text{ ppm/}^{\circ}\text{C}$  Offset Drift:  $\pm 0.8 \text{ mg}$  /  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

Full Scale Output: 0 ±10 V differential (20 Vpp)

optional 2.5 ± 2.5 V single-end (5 Vpp)

0 to 20 mA current loop

Measuring Range: See plot



Power

Supply Voltage: 7 to 15 VDC, single supply

optional, 7 to 30 VDC

Consumption: 9 mA @12 VDC

Connector: Metallic, Shielded, IP67, 12 pins, male optional MIL, Bendix PT07A 14-19P

Mating: Binder / Coninvers type RC

Overvoltage Protection: All pins are protected

**Connector Pin Configuration** 

Pin 1-6 Signal output for axis X, Y, Z

Pin 7,8 Test Input

Pin 9-10 + 12 VDC power supply

Pin 11-12 Not used Case Shielded Ground

**Environment/Housing** 

Housing Type: Cast aluminium
Sealed access cover

Housing Size: 195 x 112 x 96 mm

Weight: 2.0 kg
Index of Protection: IP 65
optional IP68

Temperature Range: - 40 to 85 °C (operating)

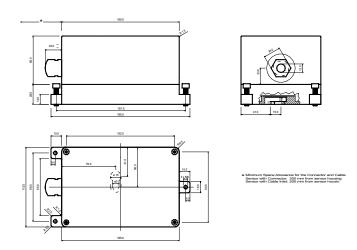
- 40 to 85 °C (non-operating)
Humidity: 0 to 100 % (non-condensing)

Orientation: Can be configured for mounting in any

position.

Mounting: Single bolt, surface mount, adjustable

within ± 10°



Standard AC-4x Floor mounted, Full scale  $\pm$  2 g,

2 m cable with cable inlet and recorder mating connector, concrete anchor bolt

and user manual on CD

Options

Cable & connector: Cable connector

Metallic, Shielded, IP67, 12 pins, male optional MIL, Bendix PT07A 14-19P Cable with shielded twisted pairs for any

length (including mating sensor connector) with open end Cables for connection to GeoSIG

recorder

Connector on user specification mounted

at cable end

Housing: Watertight IP 68 housing

Downhole housing (AC-4x-DH) Stainless steel protective housing

As internal sensor

Mounting: Wall mounted

