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Quantum Node (QN)



The Quantum Node is designed to work without the need for radio communication with the Central Recording System. The node acquires GPS signal for timing and communicates locally to the user through Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) network.

The Quantum Node consist of 16GB local data storage, internal battery and integrated vertical 5Hz or 10Hz high-sensitivity phone or a MEMS sensor (Accuseis).

The rugged waterproof housing protects the ground station electronics from rough handling of seismic field crews.

Features

- Compact design and light weight allow easier equipment deployment across challenging terrains and dense vegetation
- Rugged watertight casing provides additional protection of ground electronics for extended product life
- Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) technology – delivers communication between the user and equipment to improve field operations involving deployment and equipment status collection with minimal power consumption

High-speed USB interface is also included for routine data downloading when connected to the iX Transcriber computer:

- Positive Operation LEDs provide instant verification of Node and Sensor Health, Quality of GPS Signal, Battery Voltage
- Low power consumption allows up to 50+ days of continuous seismic data recording
- Hibernation Mode

Hibernation Mode

Normally the Node will not be powered on when laying on any side or on upside-down position. Once a node is in upright position, it turns on automatically see: [See Node Deployment](#)

Typically, the Quantum Node is stored, transported, and carried for deployment in a “Node Carrier” as pictured below. This ensures the Node does not power up (and consume battery) unnecessarily or have false deployments while going to the receiver location.



As in the picture below, where a user or shipper handler may mistakenly turn the container on its side. This would result in half the Nodes in “normal operating mode” to be in a “ON” setting and searching for GPS trying to get ready for recording and consuming Battery



Hibernation mode is a selection made by the user while the Node is in the Download/Charge rack. On “hibernate”, see [Connectivity](#)

A Node set to “Hibernate” will not turn on, no Bluetooth, no GPS and very low battery consumption.

Nodes will **exit** hibernation mode at the time when the unit(s) is docked in a Download and Charge rack.

From that point on, unit(s) resume the Quantum's normal operational behaviors

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Quantum Node Specifications

Quantum Node built in Geophone



FEATURES

- All-in-one single component recording unit
- Lightweight node weighing only 650g
- 50 days typical, 24 Hr operation
- Local 16 GB data storage
- Optional HyperQ long range wireless QC using technology

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

No.of Analog Channels:	1	A/D Converter:	24-bit
Data Storage Capacity:	16 GB non-volatile flash memory	Sample Rates:	1 ms, 2 ms, or 4 ms
Integrated Battery:	Rechargeable Li-ion	Gains:	0 dB, 6dB ¹ , 12 dB, 18dB ¹ , 24dB ¹
Battery Life:	50 days typical, 24 Hr operation	Maximum Input Signal (RMS):	3.535 V @ 0 dB, 1.768 V @ 6 dB
	42 days typical, 24 Hr operation [with HyperQ]		0.884 V @ 12 dB, 0.442 V @ 18dB
Wireless Communication:	Bluetooth LE, Optional HyperQ		0.221 V @ 24 dB
GPS:	L1-GPS/QZSS, GLONASS, BeiDou, Galileo	Equivalent Input Noise* (RMS):	1.408 μ V @ 0 dB
Timing Accuracy:	$\pm 5 \mu$ s		0.712 μ V @ 6 dB, 0.368 μ V @ 12 dB
Sensor:	Vertical 5Hz or 10Hz high-sensitivity geophone	Instantaneous Dynamic Range*:	128 dB @ 0 dB, 128 dB @ 6 dB
Charging Temperature:	+5 °C to + 40°C		128 dB @ 12 dB, 127dB @ 18 dB
Operating Temperature:	-40 °C to + 70 °C	System Dynamic Range*:	124 dB @ 24 dB
Water Immersion:	IP68	Total Harmonic Distortion:	<0.1% with 10Hz HS phone
			<0.2% with 5Hz HS phone
PHYSICAL		Channel Matching:	Better than 1%
Size:	10.9 cm x 9.8 cm x 10.7cm (Excl. spike) (4.4" x 3.9" x 4.2")	Anti-Alias Filter:	3dB @ 0.876 fN [Nyquist]
Weight:	0.65 kg [1.43lbs] incl internal battery and geophone	Filter Options:	Minimum and Zero Phase

ANALOG SPECIFICATIONS

		AUTOMATED TESTS
		Unit temperature, sensor tilt, system equivalent input noise, sensor noise, dynamic range, geophone DC resistance, THD, natural frequency, damping, sensitivity

¹ Gain option when operating in hybrid with G3[®] HD

*Typical specifications @ 2 ms @ 25°C
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Quantum Node with external connector

This node can be configured (using Quantum Config) to use either the internal built in Geophone or an external geophone such as a Marsh phone.



External Connector



FEATURES

- Single component recording unit with external geophone connector
- Supports deployment in marsh environments using marshphones
- Operated through IX1 command and control software
- Compatible with current Quantum units and system infrastructure
- Ability to operate in hybrid mode with G3i HD

NODE SPECIFICATIONS

- External Connector type: KCK
- Geophone configurations supported: 6x2 array, single high-sensitivity geophone and single high-sensitivity marshphone
- Integrated Battery: Rechargeable Li-ion
- Data Storage Capacity: 16GB non-volatile flash memory
- Wireless Communication Interfaces: Bluetooth LE
- GPS: L1-GPS /QZSS, GLONASS, BeiDou, Galileo



NODE FLOAT (OPTIONAL)

- Node floatation device suitable for marsh nodal operations
- Size: 30.48 cm x 30.48 cm x 7.92 cm
(12" x 12" x 3.12")
- Weight 1.2 kg [2.64 lbs]

Quantum Node, internal MEMS Sensor - Accuseis



ACCUSEIS SENSOR OPTION

FEATURES

- All-in-one single component recording unit with internal MEMS sensor
- Operated through iNOVA's iX Studio command and control software
- Patented MEMS accelerometer and custom electronics to record P-wave data
- Offers flat amplitude and phase response over a wide frequency range
- Insensitivity to tilt-degradation enables faster deployment
- Automatic tilt correction and updating of measured tilt



GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

No. of Digital Channels:	1
Data Storage Capacity:	16 GB non-volatile flash memory
Integrated Battery:	Rechargeable Li-ion
Battery Life:	23 days typical, 24 Hr operation
Wireless Communication:	Bluetooth LE, HyperQ
GPS:	L1-GPS /QZSS, GLONASS, BeiDou, Galileo
Timing Accuracy:	+20 μ s
Charging Temperature:	+5 °C to +40 °C
Operating Temperature:	-40 °C to +70 °C
Water Immersion:	IP68

SENSOR SPECIFICATIONS

Digital Quantization:	24-bits
Sample Rate:	1 ms, 2 ms, or 4 ms
Time Standard:	Phase locked to GPS clock
Full Scale [Peak]:	Normal Mode: 3.3 m/s ² (335mG) Large Signal Mode: 4.9 m/s ² (500mG)
Noise:	Normal Mode: 0.3 μ m/s ² /Hz (30nG/Hz) 3 Hz to 400 Hz
Dynamic Range:	118 dB [normal mode]
Frequency response:	0 to 400 Hz
Digital High-Cut Filter:	0.82 Nyquist
Total Harmonic Distortion:	< -100 dB
Filter Options:	Minimum or Zero Phase

PHYSICAL

Size:	10.9 cm x 9.8 cm x 8.61 cm [Excl. spike] (4.4" x 3.9" x 3.4")
Weight:	0.52 kg (1.14lbs) incl internal battery and MEMS accelerometer

AUTOMATED TESTS

Unit temperature, sensor tilt, sensor noise, auto DC offset calibration, response accuracy test.

Operation

The Quantum Nodes are typically placed at every receiver station. The node turns on automatically after placing it on the ground in upright position. The node LED is flashing orange at the beginning while it runs tests and acquires GPS time fix.

Normally after GPS fix is made, the LED starts flashing green (slow) indicating that node is awake and working properly. When LED is flashing red, the node is tilted more than 10° from the vertical position or other error has occurred.

The QC Tool can be used to connect to the unit to finish the deployment, perform QC, collect status data or troubleshoot, if required.

Quantum Field Deployment, Harvest and QC Tools

The QC Tool is used for local communication with the Quantum Nodes (QN). The QC Tool is a rugged Tablet device running the QC Tool software or can be installed on an Android Tablet (OS version 7.0 or greater) supporting BLE (version 4.0 or greater).

The QC Tool uses Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) communication protocol and can quickly acquire QC and status information from the deployed nodes.

The QC Tool can also be used to monitor real-time seismic data acquisition by Quantum Nodes in the field.



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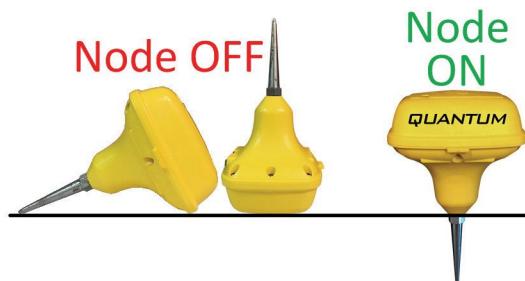
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Node Deployment

Note

Before deployment, the nodes should be fully charged and must be pre-configured with survey specific parameters while plugged into docking station and connected to the iX1 Transcriber.

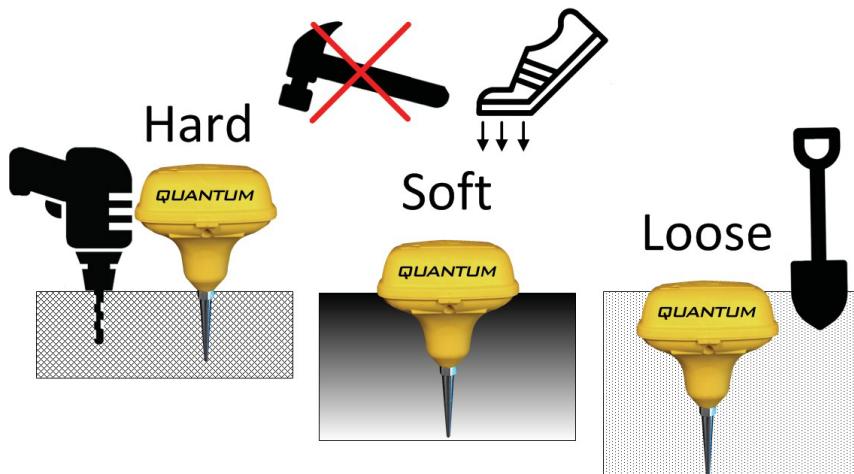
The node is off service when laying on any side or on upside-down position. Once node is in upright position, it turns on automatically. Refer to the figure below.



Note

INOVA recommends to keep the nodes off service before actual deployment.

Depending on the ground condition, there are different scenarios of the node installation. Refer to the figure below.



- Optimally, the top of the node should be flushed with the ground. If desired, the node can be buried under a few centimeters of soil.
- On the hard surfaces a hole can be drilled to the depth of the spike before installation.
- In case of the loose gravel, the shovel can be used to dig a hole which then can be refilled with the same material after node installation.

Warning!

Do not use impact tools such as hammers during the node layout.

Important!

If the nodes have been transported by more than a few hundred kilometers from the last deployment position, it is important to re-acquire the GPS almanac before starting a new project. The nodes must be placed outside with a good sky view. It may take up to 20 minutes to update the GPS satellite almanac and ephemeris data.

After setting the node vertically on the ground, it turns on automatically and the LED starts flashing orange while it performs a self-test and acquires a GPS Fix. Once a GPS Fix is acquired, the LED starts flashing green (slow) indicating that node is in the data acquisition mode.

Now the node can be accessed by the QC Tool over Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) network to gather the QC/Status data or troubleshooting, if required.

Deep Sleep Mode



- Ultra low-power mode
- No data acquisition or GPS timing
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This mode is automatically initiated when node is tilted more than 30° of upright vertical position

Self-Test Mode



- Node performs the self-tests
- LED is flashing green and orange (once per second)

Orange is a combination of a green and red LEDs flashing simultaneously.

GPS Fix or Warning Mode



- Node is acquiring the GPS Fix
- LED is flashing orange (once per second)

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Data Acquisition Mode



- Node already passed the self-test and acquired GPS Fix
- Node is acquiring the seismic data
- LED is flashing green (every five seconds)

Error Mode



- Node is tilted more than 10° from the vertical upright position
- Other error has occurred
- LED is flashing red (once per second)

NOT Configured - Error Mode



- Node has no configuration
- Orange LED quick flashes then to Red
- LEDs are flashing Orange to Red (once per second)

Self-Test Error Mode



- Node failed the self-test
- LED is flashing green or orange with immediately following red
- All operations still continue as normal

QC Status Transfer Mode



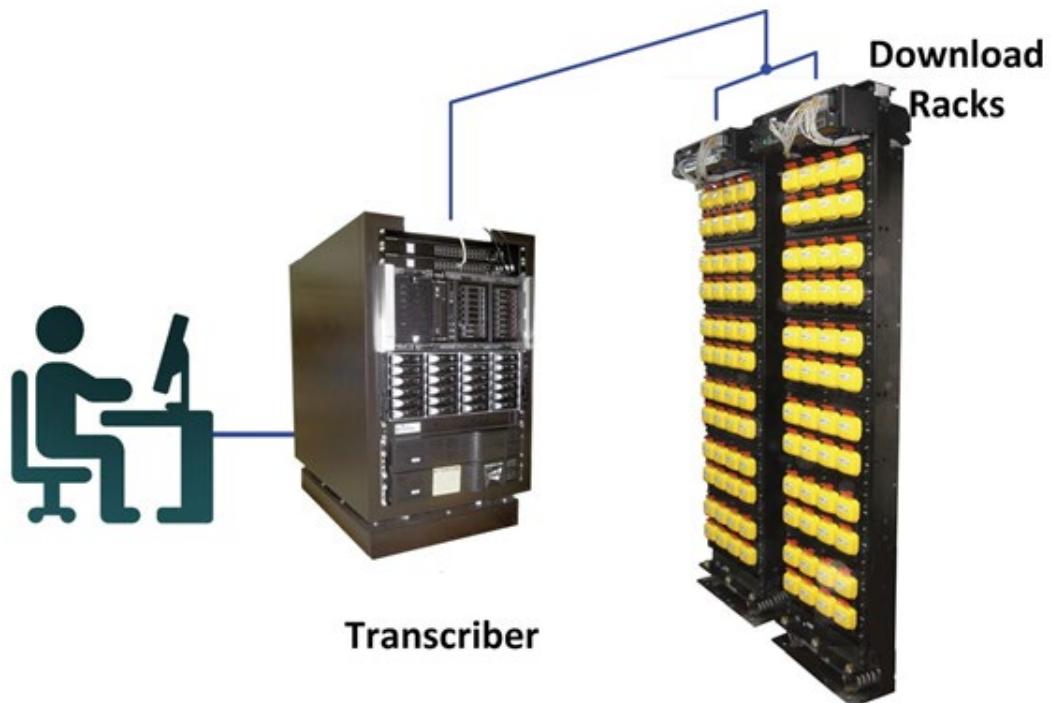
- Node connected to Field QC Tool
- LED is flashing green and red (fast)

Quantum Data Download System

The Quantum Data Download System consists of a Transcriber computer and data download racks, which house the nodes for:

- Data off-load
- Battery charging
- Re-configuration including firmware upgrade.

Refer to "[Transcriber \(TX1\)](#)" for additional information.



Quantum Data Download Racks

Features and Specifications



DOWNLOAD AND CHARGE RACKS STANDARD RACK FOR QUANTUM



FEATURES

- Integrated Quantum data download and battery charging
- Suitable for TPM and CPM Standard, TPM Lite or CPM Lite Systems
- Supports up to 48 Quantum nodes

SPECIFICATIONS*

Capacity:	48 Quantum units
Interface:	Ethernet
Power and Voltage:	1350W, 110 to 240 VAC
Operating Temperature:	0 °C to +40 °C
Storage Temperature:	-15 °C to +50 °C

PHYSICAL

Size:	203.2 cm x 56.64 cm x 39.37 cm
	80" x 22.3" x 15.5
Weight:	95.8 kg (211 lbs)

PORTABLE RACK FOR QUANTUM



FEATURES

- Integrated Quantum data download and battery charging
- Suitable for TPM or CPM Ultra-lite Systems
- Supports up to 16 Quantum nodes
- Portable for easy transporation and setup

SPECIFICATIONS*

Capacity:	16 Quantum Units
Interface:	Ethernet
Power and Voltage:	600W, 110 to 240 VAC
Operating Temperature:	0 °C to +40 °C
Storage Temperature:	-15 °C to +50 °C

PHYSICAL

Size:	76.2 cm x 38.1 cm x 50.8 cm
	30" x 15" x 20"
Weight:	17.5 kg (38.6 lbs)

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Operations

The nodes are detected by the system automatically and battery charging process starts immediately after docking. The node LED indicates the charging and off-loading statuses. See below.

Node LED Status (Docked)

The node can be easily placed into the download rack by clicking it into a docking station.



To place the node into the docking station:

- Position wide lip in the backside of the docking station
- Push the node into the docking station towards the wall

To extract the node from the docking station:

- Pull red handle away from the node
- Take the node out of the docking station

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LED Status	Description
	Fully Charged and Off-Loaded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The battery is fully charged Data is off-loaded from the node Node is ready for deployment
	Charging and Off-Loaded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The battery is charging Data is off-loaded
	In Bootloader Mode <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Node is in Bootloader Mode Node Firmware is not loaded
	Fully Charged, Not Off-Loaded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The battery is fully charged
	Charging, Not Off-Loaded <p>The battery is charging</p>
	Charge Warning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The battery temperature is out of limits The charge current is too high
	Docked, Not Charging <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection is established Battery is not charging (warning)
	Data Off-Loading / Firmware Upgrade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection is established Data is off-loading from the node Firmware update is in progress
	Node Location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Node location is requested by system

Quantum Self-Tests

For Accuseis Quantum Nodes- see “[Quantum with Accuseis BITS](#)”

Test Overview (Geophone)

Each Quantum Node is equipped with an internal calibration and testing circuit. This includes a signal generator (DAC-digital-to- analog converter) that provides the signals required to test the node’s electronics and sensor (geophone). Using a series of switches and several signals generated by the DAC, various tests are performed to characterize the performance and quality of the node.

An automatic QC test is performed by the node at each start up during deployment. Also, the node can be programmed to run additional QC tests according to the schedule which is defined in the iX Studio (Quantum Config) and transferred to iX Transcriber to configure the nodes before deployment.

Note

Due to the expected very noisy conditions near the download racks, some sensor tests are irrelevant (tilt, ambient noise) and others impractical when node is docked.

The Quantum Node runs the following group of internal tests:

Channel Test	Name in Reports		Deployment		Docked	
	iX Transcriber	iX Studio	BITs	QC	BITs	History BITs
Equivalent Input Noise	EIN at XX dB Gain	Full Band	X	X	X	X
Dynamic Range	DR at XX dB Gain	DR	X	X	X	X
Front-End Offset	Offset at XX dB Gain		X		X	X
Gain Accuracy	Gain at XX dB Gain	Gain	X	X	X	X
Geophone Test	Name in Reports		Deployment		Docked	
	iX Transcriber	iX Studio	BITs	QC	BITs	History BITs
DC Resistance	GeophoneResistance	Resistance	X	X	X	X
Ambient Noise	Sensor Noise	Noise	X	X		X
Tilt ³	Tilt Angle	Tilt	X	X		X
Distortion ¹	Sensor THD		X			X ²
Sensitivity	Sensitivity		X			X ²
Resonance Frequency	Nat. Frequency		X			X ²
Damping	Damping		X			X ²

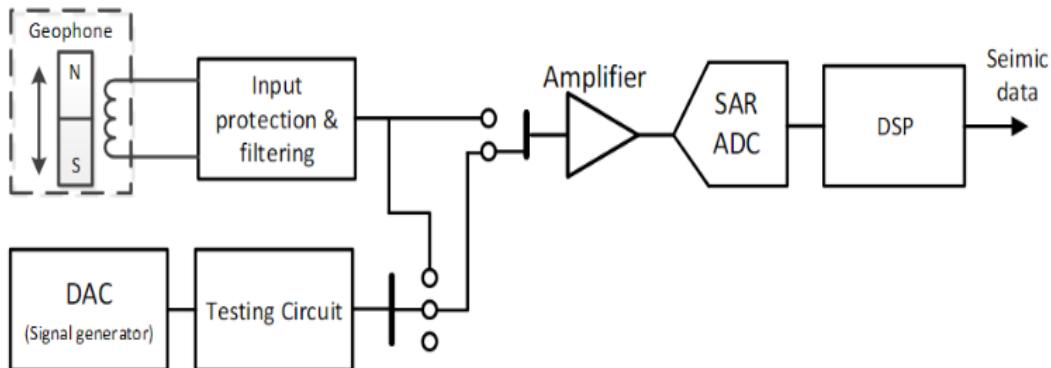
¹ Test evaluates a total harmonic distortion of the geophone and input channel.

² Tests are evaluated during the data download and charge processes and can be viewed only in the Quantum History BITs domain.

³ Sensor tilt is evaluated and recorded continuously.

Channel Tests

Gain Test



The **Gain Test** is designed to ensure that all nodes across the spread have consistent gain values. The test includes the following steps:

1. The channel input is isolated from the sensor.
2. The channel input is connected to the internal signal generator (DAC) and constant voltage is applied
3. In Field, one second of data is recorded at the Node configured preamp gain using production filter and sample settings.
4. The BITS initiated from TX1 test all the available gains
5. The gain factor is calculated using the following formula:

$$Sum = \sum_{i=N_{Skip}}^N X_i$$

$$Gain\ Test\ Result = Average = \frac{Sum}{(N - N_{Skip})}$$

6. The test results are compared against manufacturer's tolerances.

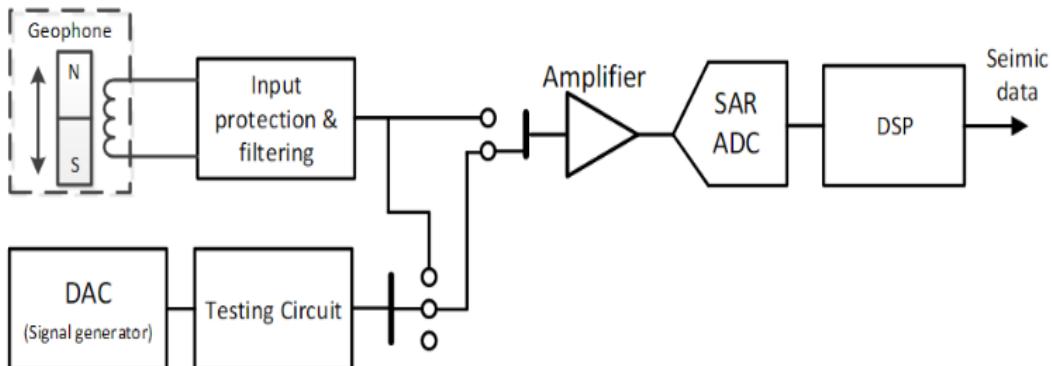
Test	Bound	0dB	6dB	12dB	18dB	24dB
Gain (factor)	Upper	1.171	2.198	4.278	8.303	16.620
	Lower	0.869	1.798	3.680	7.321	14.846

The trace data of gain test is identified by the [byte 218](#) of its trace header being 0x01 in hex or 1 in decimal. If using INOVA plotter, it shows simply "Gain" test in the field.

In the **TX1**, in the **Quantum BITs history** or **NODE Status**, Columns to display as well as Threshold tolerance may be chosen, example below:

	Gain 0dB	Gain 6dB	Gain 12dB	Gain 18dB	Gain 24dB	
1	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	1.02	1.99	4.00	7.83	15.85	15.85
4	1.02	1.99	4.01	7.82	15.85	15.85
5	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	1.02	1.99	4.01	7.82	15.84	15.84
0	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	>=0.869 & <=1.171	>=1.798 & <=2.198	>=3.68 & <=4.278	>=7.321 & <=8.303	>=14.846 & <=16.62	
Messages						

Front-End Offset and Equivalent Input Noise Tests



The test data is acquired for both tests simultaneously. Front-end offset is a measure of the displacement of the DC signal with respect to zero for a given preamp gain. Equivalent Input Noise (EIN) test result shows the smallest possible signal that can be measured by the channel.

The test includes the following steps:

1. The channel input is isolated from the sensor.
2. The channel input is connected to a low-value termination resistor in the testing circuit.
3. One second of data is recorded at configured preamp gain using production filter settings.
4. The values for offset and noise are calculated by taking the mean and standard deviation of the measurements respectively.

$$V_{\text{offset}} = \text{Mean} (V_{\text{measured}})$$

$$V_{\text{noise}} = \text{Std} (V_{\text{measured}})$$

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The trace data of offset/noise test is identified by the [byte 218](#) of its trace header being 0x02 or 2. The test results are compared against manufacturer's tolerances.

In the TX1, in the **Quantum BITs history** or **NODE Status**, Columns to display as well as threshold tolerances may be chosen, example below

Drag a column header here to group by that column								
	EIN at 0dB, uV	EIN at 6dB, uV	EIN at 12dB, uV	EIN at 24dB, uV	Offset 0dB, uV	Offset 6dB, uV	Offset 12dB, uV	Offset 24dB, uV
4	1.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	-86.87	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	1.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	-86.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	1.42	0.67	0.38	0.14	-86.51	-55.02	-37.79	-25.75
7	1.42	0.74	0.38	0.13	-83.91	-88.52	-90.57	-93.18
8	1.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	-82.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	1.47	0.71	0.37	0.13	-82.39	-87.28	-89.26	-91.81
10	1.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	-81.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 ms<=2,686		2 ms<=1,358	2 ms<=0.7	2 ms<=0.253	>= -300 & <=300	>= -600 & <=600	>= -1100 & <=1100	>= -4600 & <=4600

Instantaneous Dynamic Range

The equivalent input noise values are also used to calculate the channel instantaneous dynamic range as the ratio between the largest signal input value and the smallest equivalent input noise value. Data from the noise test and Gain tests are used

$$DR(dB) = 20 \log_{10} \left(\frac{V_{peak}}{\sqrt{2} \times V_{noise}} \right)$$

Table 3. DR (minimum) Thresholds

	Preamp Gain (dB)					Sample Rate (ms)
	0	6	12	18	24	
DR Min (dB)	119.0	118.9	118.6	117.8	115.5	1
	122.0	121.9	121.6	120.8	118.5	2
	125.0	124.9	124.6	123.8	121.5	4

In the TX1, in the **Quantum BITs history** or **NODE Status**, Columns to display as well as threshold tolerances may be chosen; an example is shown below:

Drag a column header here to group by that column							
	DR 0dB, dB	DR 6dB, dB	DR 12dB, dB	DR 18dB, dB	DR 24dB, dB	DR at Config Gain, dB	
4	127.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	127.6	
5	128.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	129.0	
6	127.8	128.5	127.4	127.5	124.3	127.9	
7	127.7	127.6	127.2	126.8	124.8	127.9	
8	127.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	128.0	
9	127.5	128.0	127.5	126.5	124.6	127.6	
10	128.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	128.3	
2 ms>=122		2 ms>=121.9	2 ms>=121.6	2 ms>=120.8	2 ms>=118.5	>=122	

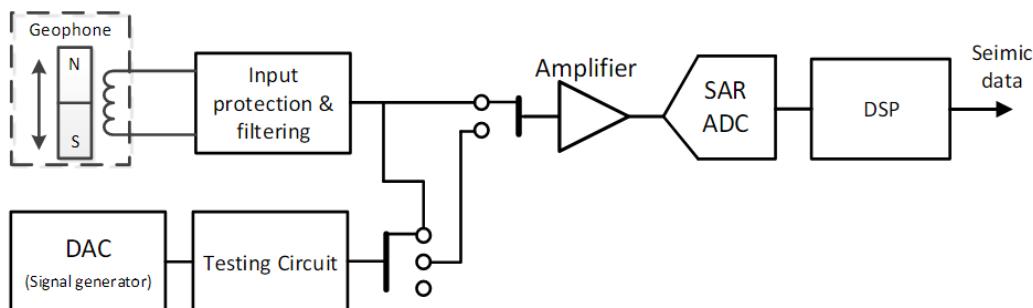
Geophone Tests

In the **TX1 Quantum BITs history** window, columns for the user to display and threshold tolerances may be chosen, an example below:

	Geophone Model	Geophone Resistance, Ohms	Sensor THD, %	Nat. Frequency	Damping	Sensitivity	Sensor Noise, uV	Tilt Angle	BITs Type
237	PS_5GR	1833	0.037	4.90	0.609	78.1	1083.8	91.0	In Rack
238	PS_5GR	1817	0.076	5.04	0.612	81.8	614.8	1.3	In Field
239	PS_5GR	1822	0.076	5.04	0.612	81.8	614.8	1.4	In Rack
240	PS_5GR	Open	0.029	0.00	0.000	0.0	1.6	1.2	In Field
241	PS_5GR	1888	0.037	4.90	0.609	78.1	1083.8	1.6	In Field
242	PS_5GR	1841	0.033	4.98	0.589	80.9	603.5	2.0	In Field
243	PS_5GR	1849	0.039	4.97	0.589	80.9	428293.7	2.2	In Field

>=1758 & <=1943 <= 0.20000002980232 >=4.65 & <=5.35 >=0.56 & <=0.64 >=76.00 & <=84.00 <=10

DC Resistance Test



The **DC Resistance Test** measures the geophone resistance. The test includes the following steps:

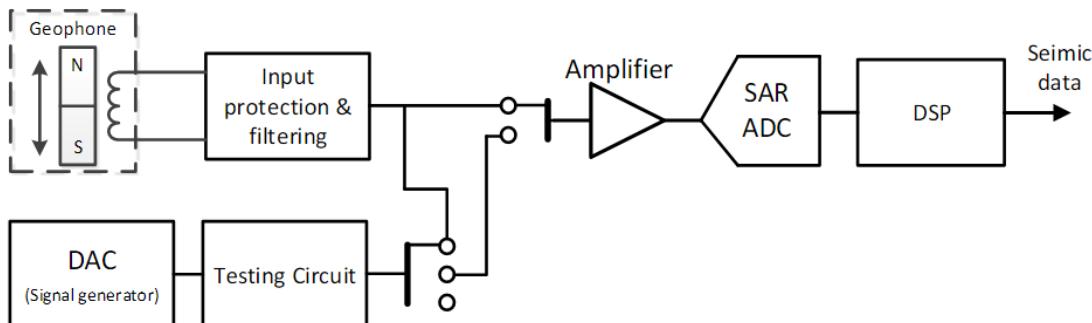
1. The channel input is connected to the sensor.
2. The channel input is driven by an internally generated DC voltage ($V_{DAC}=+4.6875V$, $R_{source}=2 k\Omega$).
3. One second of data is recorded at 0dB preamp. gain.
4. The sensor resistance is calculated from the measured DC voltage (V_{ADC}) using the following formula:

$$R_{geophone} = \frac{V_{ADC} * R_{source}}{V_{DAC} - V_{ADC}}$$

5. The test results are compared against the geophone test tolerances.

The trace data of resistance test is identified by the [byte 218](#) of its trace header being 0x04, 4 decimal, or "Resistance" test on the plotter. The trace will be in the SEGY file at the configured sample rate.

Distortion Test



The **Distortion Test** measures the total harmonic distortion of the sensor using a signal generated by the DAC. The response to this signal is analyzed and compared with the fundamental frequency of the applied signal.

The test includes the following steps:

1. The channel input is connected to the sensor.
2. The channel input is driven by an internally generated sine wave of 11.9048Hz with an amplitude corresponded to 0.7 inch/s coil-to-case velocity.
3. One second of data is recorded at 0dB preamp. Gain and 1 msec sample rate.
4. The FFT analyses with Kaiser window is performed to calculate the energy of the fundamental, and up to the fifth harmonic after data is harvested from the node. The THD is then calculated using the following formula:

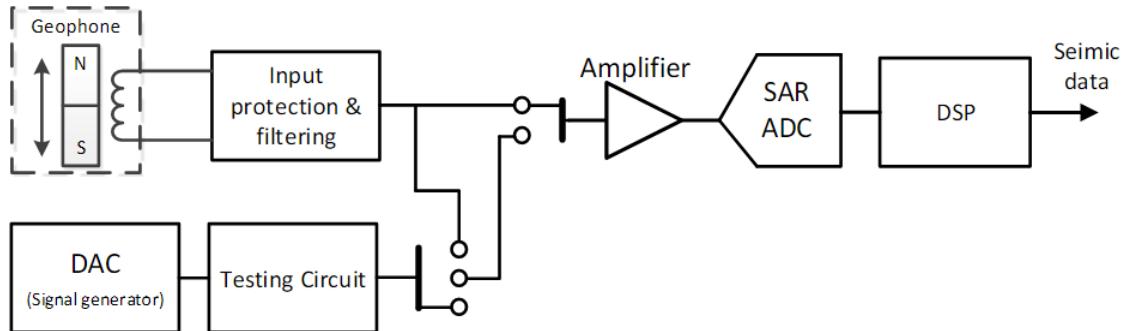
$$THD = \frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + V_4^2 + V_5^2}}{V_1}$$

Where V_n is the RMS value of the nth harmonic voltage and V_1 is the RMS value of the fundamental frequency, which is the 11.9048Hz test frequency in this case.

5. The test results are compared against the geophone test tolerances.

The trace data of THD test is identified by the byte 218 of its trace header being 0x81 or 129.

Noise Test



The **Noise Test** measures the ambient noise recorded from the geophone.

The test includes the following steps:

1. The channel input is connected to the sensor.
2. One second of data is recorded at 0dB preamp. gain.
3. The standard deviation of one second record is calculated using the following formula:

$$V_{\text{geophone_noise}} = \text{Std} (V_{\text{measured}})$$

4. The test results are compared against the geophone test tolerances.

The trace data of sensor noise test is identified by the [byte](#) 218 of its trace header being 0x80 in hex, 128 in decimal and "Sensor Noise" test on the plotter.

Tilt Test

The geophone tilt (inclination) measurements are constantly performed to ensure that node is in upright position within the geophone tilt specification (less than 10° from vertical position). It is measured by using a dedicated accelerometer which is mounted on board of the internal PCB.

Note

The node LED flashes red indicating that geophone is tilted beyond the specification.

The tilt values are also recorded in the node's metadata file.

Impedance Test

(Sensitivity, Damping, Natural Frequency)

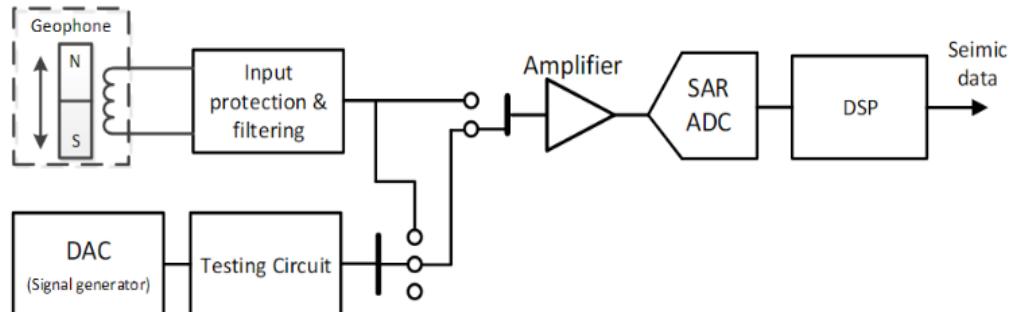


Image A (refers to items 1 and 3 below)

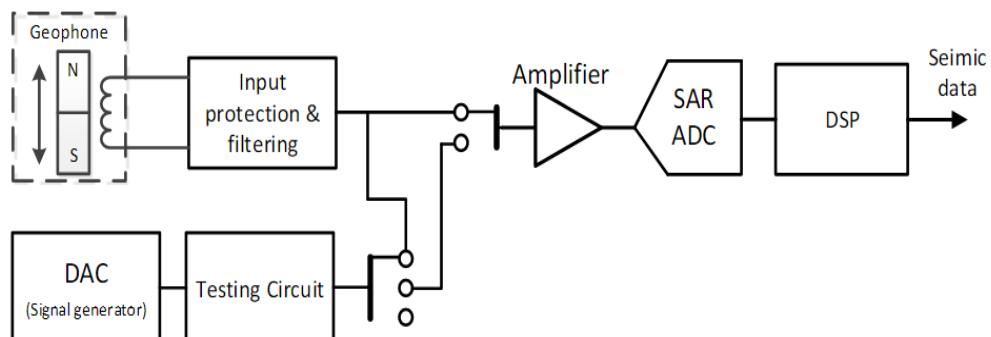


Image B (refers to items 2 and 4 below)

Four Sine wave signals are used for this test. All traces are second in length @ 1msec sample rate.

1. 5Hz internal (DAC) **no sensor /Geophone connected** (* image A)
2. 5Hz internal **with sensor /Geophone connected** (* image B)
3. 10Hz internal (DAC) **no sensor /Geophone connected** (* image A)
4. 10Hz internal **with sensor /Geophone connected** (* image B)

The data collected are processed following INOVA proprietary algorithm in the frequency domain and the processing will result in the measurements of natural frequency/damping/sensitivity.

The trace data of the four sine waves in the test are identified by the [Byte 218](#) of its trace header being 0x82 / 0x83 / 0x84 / 0x85 in hex or 130/131/132/133 in decimal.

Quantum with Accuseis BITS

[Receiver QC details](#)

Accuseis Node Test	Name in Reports		Deployment		Docked	
	iX Transcriber	iX Studio	BITs	QC	BITs (run)	History BITs
Sensor Noise ¹	Noise,ug	Geophone Noise	X	X		X
Response Accuracy	Response,dB	Response	X	X		X
Sensor Tilt ²	Tilt Angle	Tilt	X	X		X
Auto DC offset Calibration	TBD	TBD				

¹ Test evaluates total noise of Node data channel.

² Sensor tilt is evaluated and recorded continuously.

Sensor Noise (Accuseis)

This test records a time record of data and calculates the RMS value for that time series. A check is performed against a user configurable upper limit to determine pass or fail.

The trace data of sensor noise test is identified by the [byte](#) 218 of its trace headers.

Refer to the document "INOVA Disk Tape and Tape Image Formats .pdf" included in the base software install package

Response Accuracy Test (Accuseis)

The MEMS sensor operates within a forced feedback mode with the electronics. As such, the output of the forced feedback operation is telling in terms of its overall function. By injecting a sinusoidal test signal of a programmed amplitude and frequency into the MEMS sensor, one can measure the response of the MEMS and determine through one test – it's sensitivity, forced feedback operation, amplitude and phase response. The response from MEMS is digitized, filtered and recorded, converted into frequency domain, the amplitude of the known frequency harmonics is evaluated against an expected range to determine a pass or fail. This test is the equivalent of all the following geophone tests: natural frequency, sensitivity, damping and THD.

The trace data of Response test is identified by the byte 218 of its trace header.

Refer to the document “INOVA Disk Tape and Tape Image Formats .pdf” included in the base software install package

Sensor Tilt - same method as Geophone tilt- see Tilt test

Byte 218 Trace header

SEG-Y Trace Header	
[123-124]	0
[125-126]	Raw
[127-128]	0
[129-130]	0
[131-132]	0
[133-134]	Unknown
[135-136]	0
[137-138]	0
[139-140]	Unknown
[141-142]	219
[143-144]	Zero
[145-146]	0
[147-148]	0
[149-150]	0
[151-152]	219
[153-154]	24
[155-156]	580
[157-158]	2021
[159-160]	167
[161-162]	17
[163-164]	43
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[201-201]	Quantum Node
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[211-212]	0
[213-214]	0
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[219-219]	Gain
[220-220]	0
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[223-224]	0
[225-226]	0
[227-227]	0x00(Hex)
[228-228]	0x00(Hex)
[229-230]	0x00(Hex)
[231-238]	1307900629000000
[239-239]	0
[240-240]	N/A

Quantum Auxiliary Box

INOVA QUANTUM AUX KIT (FNL41090)



Included with the Quantum Aux Box Kit are 4 Quantum Nodes specially adapted to enable external connection of signals. They have a 2 pin Lemo connector

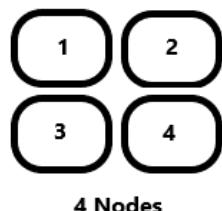


(these are push in connectors, do not no twist)

The Geophone portion of the nodes have been disabled.

An 8 pin "Input" connector is on the right side of the case

The Nodes are arranged in the following order:



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Quantum Node

Auxiliaries are normally used to acquire signals such as:

- Timebreak
- Dynamite Uphole
- Vibrators signals such as Sweep (TREF or Pilot), Ground Force and others.

Nodes will need to be removed from the Aux box for [Config](#), [Data Download](#) and

Battery charging. Simply lift the Node upward from the foam and disconnect the LEMO connector.

When the NODES are in the download/charge Rack they should be selected and configured as [“Aux/Wireline”](#)

When configuring an AUX/ Wireline the Sensor type and Location information will be ignored.

When preparing to download the Aux Nodes you may need to assign channels,

This is done in the Unit Deployment History Domain, see [Assign Aux / Wireline of Deployment](#)

NOTE: During a Project, once a Node has been assigned, subsequent deployments and reconnecting the NODE for future downloads the config and channel assignment will be retained.

Included with the Kit is a Generic Interface cable see [SFL41036](#) – this cable allows for direct BNC single channel inputs to each NODE.

Note due to input limitations of the NODE, attenuation of the signals may be required.

See Node [Specifications](#)

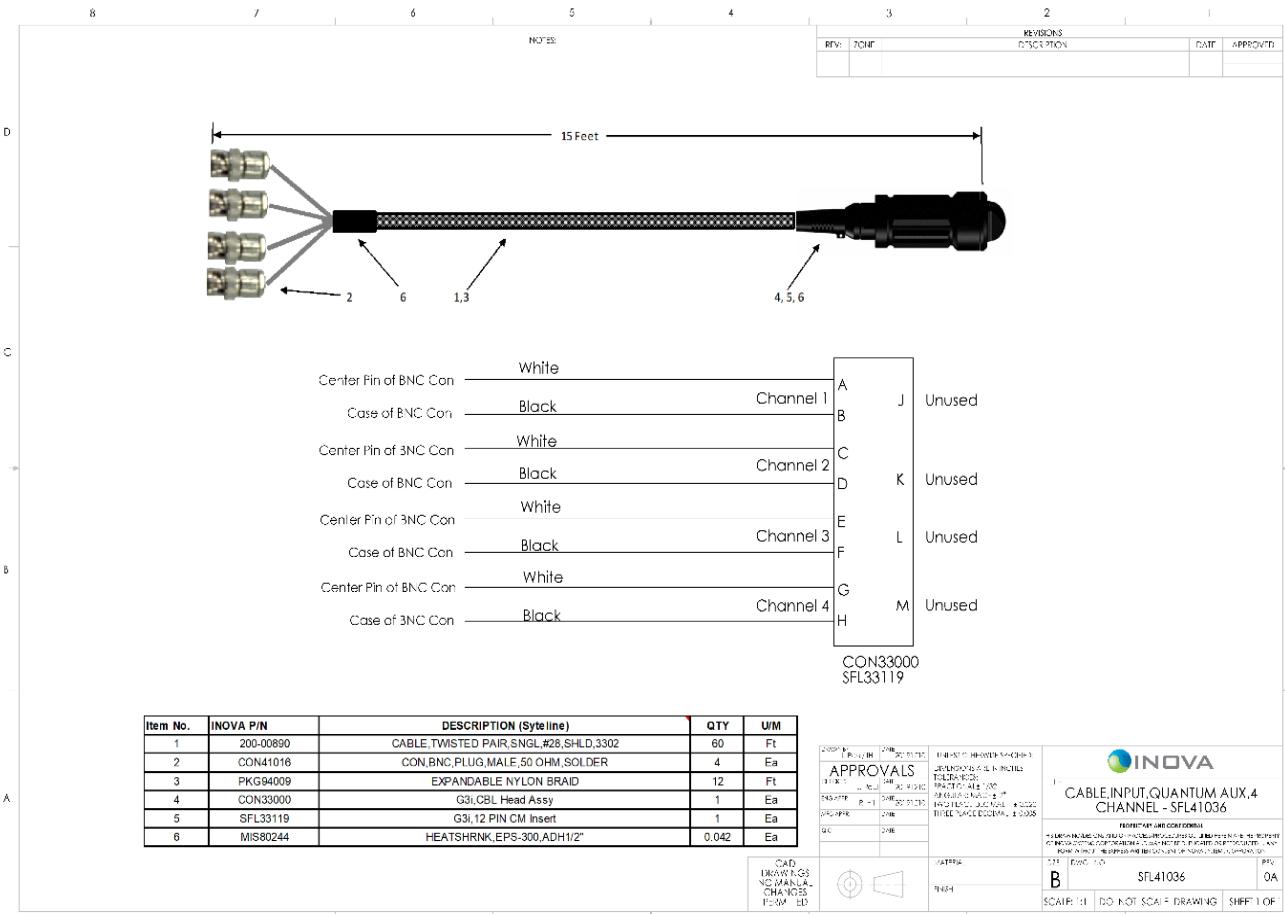
Pre- attenuated Optional Cables include:

- P/N [SFL30090](#) VibPro HD to Quantum Aux Box cable - used at VibPro HD [Encoder](#)
 - P/N [SFL30091](#) ShotPro HD to Quantum Aux Box Cable - used at ShotPro HD [Encoder](#)
 - P/N [SFL30099](#) VibPro HD Scaled Output to Quantum AUX Box Cable

SFL30099 may be used at the Vibrator, connected to the VPHD Scaled Output Connector, this is considered a test cable to acquire Vibrator signature signals for validation.

Typically, **Vibrator Source Signature** files ([VSS](#)) are stored internally within the VibPro HD and transferred via USB flash.

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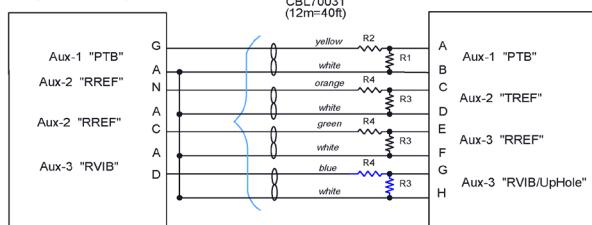
Quantum Node

SFL30090

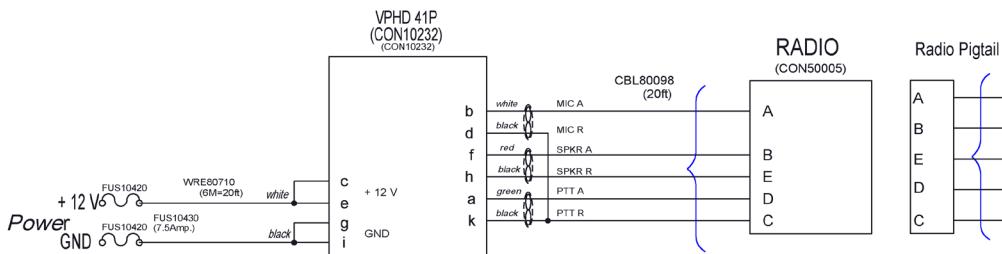
NOTES: 1. Do not tape the top portion of the cables to the bottom portion of cables during manufacturing.

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REV.	DESCRIPTION	DATE	APPROVED
1B	- To delete radio pigtail (SFL97932) from the BOM and drawing. - To delete CON50015 from BOM.	20200210	Frank Z. ECH140520
1C	- To change resistor values (replaced three R1 with three R3 and replaced three R2 with three R4).	20200226	Frank Z. ECH140526
1D	- To add radio pigtail (SFL97932) back the BOM and drawing. - To increase length of CBL70031 from 10m to 12m. - To add a 100Ω resistor in series with the common ground.	20200922	Frank Z. ECH140559
E	- Previous drawing has a missing connection line from Q3i cable head (pin B, D, F and H) to pin 10 of the CON10735 connector.	20210817	Asher Shuaiban ECH150537

VPHD 18P
(CON10735)



VPHD 41P
(CON10232)
(CON10233)



NOTES:

R1=1kOhms (RES21184), R2= 10 kOhms (RES20870), R3=75 Ohms, R4=3.4kOhms

Symbol indicates Shielded twisted paired wires

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NOTES:

SPHD BNC male (BNC10024)

MIS80010 (6 ft/1.8288m)

SPHD (CON80865+CON40014)

(T.B TTLACT) 16

(REF PULSE) 35

(ANALOG UPHOLE) 30

(GND/BATT-) 1, 20

SPHD to Quantum Aux Cable - SFL30091

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NOTES:
R1=1kOhms (RES21184), R2= 27 kOhms (RES)
Symbol indicates twisted paired wires

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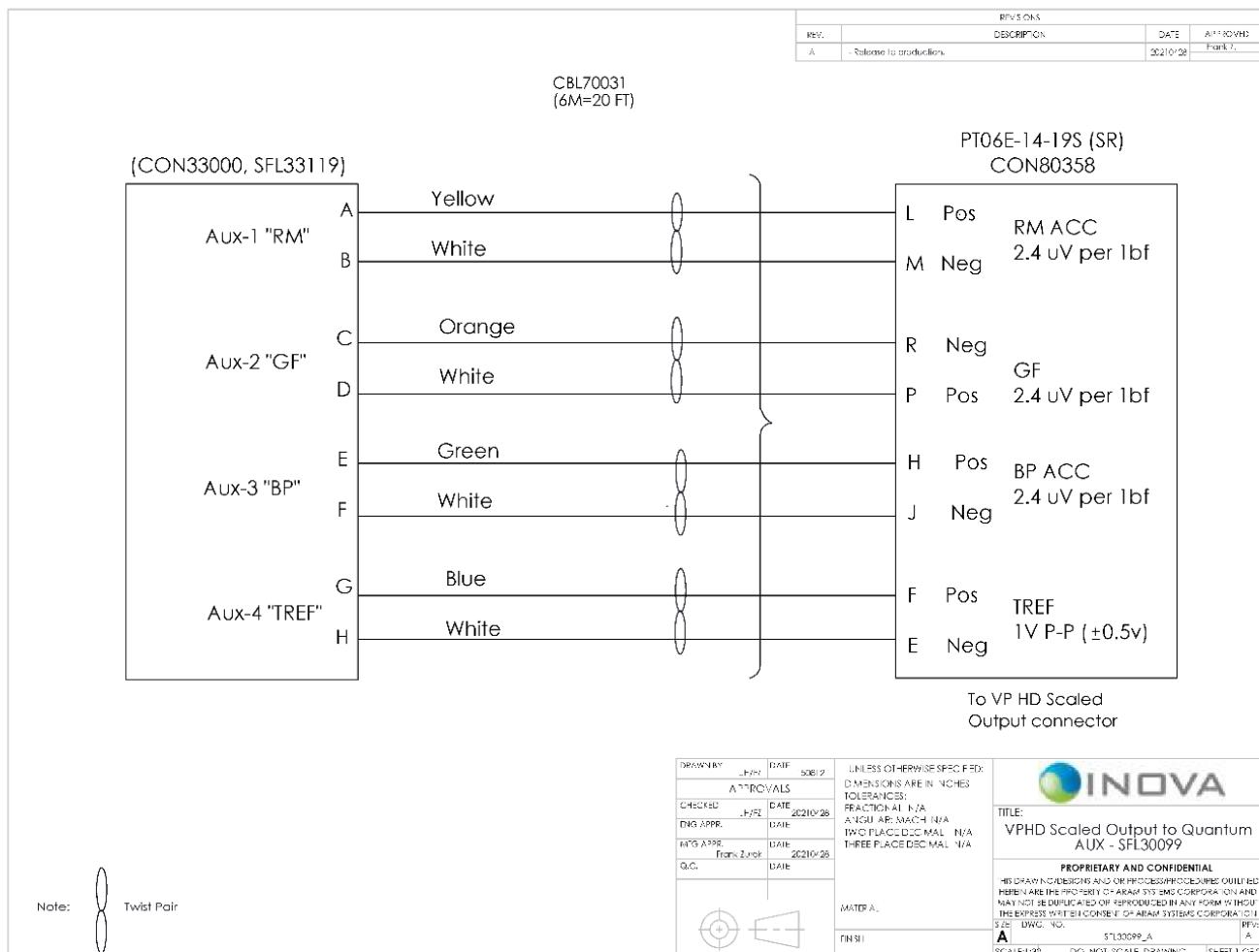
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“Compliance Statements”

Federal Communications Commission

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- 2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

To comply with FCC exposure limits for general population / uncontrolled exposure, this device should be installed at a distance of 20 cm from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other transmitter.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment. This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Quantum NODE

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

This device contains licence-exempt transmitter(s)/receiver(s) that comply with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's licence-exempt RSS(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1) This device may not cause interference.
- 2) This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

This device should be installed and operated with minimum distance 0.2 m from human body.

L'émetteur/récepteur exempt de licence contenu dans le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes:

- 1) L'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage.
- 2) L'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Cet appareil doit être installé et utilisé à une distance minimale de 0.2 m du corps humain.