Iris-Syscal for Dummies

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Turn Syscal on

- 1. If using external battery, connect it to \pm sockets in the Tx panel and push small lever to "ext".
- 2. Pull out the break button on the right side.
- 3. Next to the Rx panel, push small lever to "on".
- 4. Turn knob under on/off lever and leave it a bit open (for ventilation of internal system).

Before field campaign

- 1. Create survey type as file abmn.txt. This file is a list of *all* source-receiver pairs with xyz coordinates for each electrode. The joint-inversion Matlab package **gerjoii** can do this: gerjoii2iris_dc.m.
- 2. Turn Syscal and laptop on.
- 3. Connect laptop to *Syscal* through USB and port "com 1" in the *Rx* panel.
- 4. In laptop open Electrepro and follow,
- 5. Open→abmn.txt,
- 6. Upload. There is a shortcut button for Upload that looks like $\equiv \square$.
- 7. In *Syscal* follow Sequence \rightarrow Upload PC and write down the memory #.

During field campaign

1. Plug in electrode cable and turn Syscal on.

NOTE: Syscal reads the cable 1–36 beginning from electrode furthest of Syscal, so if survey consists of $n_{elect} < 36$ then start counting from the end of the cable onwards and leave remaining entries in cable without electrode connection.

- 2. In the main menu: $Config \rightarrow Mode \rightarrow Change \rightarrow Automatic sequence \rightarrow Choose survey.$
- 3. Put in your sequence (from the abmn.txt file) and choose Switch type to internal switch pro.
- 4. In the main menu: Config→Name and put your name, i.e. ASTERIX.
- 5. Check specific parameters in Config→,
 - Stack and choose Quality factor.
 - Options and choose source type (ip or er) and signed/un-signed voltage values.
 - Tx.param and choose ρ and time of injection.
 - Tx.param→Vab requested fixed in 800V.
 - El. array (i.e. ASTERIX) and choose,

mixed/poly dip
no channel: 10.

• Skip elect and choose,

first: 1, last: n_{elect}

where n_{elect} is total number of electrodes.

- 6. DO NOT do: Config→Load default.
- 7. In menu press Tools→RS-CHECK, then press START (on the keyboard!!) and write down memory #. This will initiate the survey.

RS-CHECK gets stuck

In the case RS-CHECK gives 999.99 kOhms for all electrodes, chances are either your cable and/or cable-connector are broken. To trouble-shoot this issue:

- 1. Connect a banana cable to electrode position P2 in the Syscal top panel.
- 2. In the *Syscal* menu go to Check Switch→Check each electrode and check each electrode position on your cable with the other end of the banana cable.

Keep in mind that *Syscal* counts electrodes in reverse from the *Syscal*. If you are using one 36 electrode cable *Syscal* will look for electrodes 36-19 and NOT 1-18.

After field campaign

- 1. Turn Syscal and laptop on and connect them with USB to "com 1".
- 2. In laptop open *Prosys II* and do: Communication→Data Download→Syscal Pro.
- 3. In *Syscal* open Memory→Explore and find memory interval #'s where the data was written.
- 4. Write memory interval in Prosys II.
- 5. In *Syscal* do: Memory→Data Download.
- 6. Rename your csv output file to your-survey.csv.

Looking at the data

- 1. Turn your laptop on and go to ER-gerjoii/raw/your-survey/dc-data/and put your-survey.csv there.
- 2. Edit your-survey.csv file to have no spaces in the first column and save it as your-survey.txt.
- 3. Open two terminals in directory ER-gerjoii/dc-processing/: one with Matlab and one plain.
- 4. Edit dc_process.py to match your directory and file names.
- 5. In the plain terminal do python dc_process.py.
- 6. Edit datavis_dc2.m for the std cutoff and a-spacing you want to plot for the dipole-dipole surveys.
- 7. In the Matlab terminal do datavis_dc2;.
- 8. Comment on how the data looks while drinking coffee and discuss cut-off std.
- 9. Once you are ready to use it in the inversion, in the Matlab terminal do iris2gerjoii_dc;.