

# PCUS® pro ARRAY – PHASED-ARRAY ULTRASONIC FRONTEND

Compact industrial phased-array ultrasonic frontend for automated testing of wheelsets, axles and complex-shaped geometries.

## DRIVING PROBES WITH UP TO 64 ELEMENTS IN 16:64 CONFIGURATION

The PCUS® pro Array is a complete phased-array ultrasonic frontend for use in automated and manual inspection systems.

An integrated scanner interface allows the direct connection of up to four incremental encoders. Testing at high speeds and with fully flexible parameterization is possible due to the high data transfer speed of up to 40 MB/s and the full parallel FPGA design. The 64 independent transmitters allow large transmit apertures.

The PCUS® pro Array delivers an unreached signal to noise ratio and high dynamic range together with an accurate 14 bit analog to digital converter. The device can be used with the PCUS® pro Lab software or with .NET SDK (Software Development Kit), which enables customized solutions and get the total control over all hardware features.

All devices are calibrated and tested against the ISO 18563-1 ultrasonic standard. New features can be implemented with firmware updates.



1 PCUS® pro Array frontend – front side.

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| Category           | Characteristics                              | Value  |
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| <b>General</b>     | Dimensions (L, W, H)                         | 190 x 190 x 65 mm <sup>3</sup>                               |
|                    | Weight                                       | 1.9 kg   |
|                    | Operating temperature and humidity range     | 5...50 °C @ 75 % relative humidity (non-condensing)          |
| <b>Transmitter</b> | Number of transmitters                       | 64   |
|                    | Transmitter pulse voltage into internal 50 Ω | -20 to -180 V adjustable                                     |
|                    | Pulse  | Negative rectangle pulse                                     |
|                    | Output impedance                             | < 15 Ω   |
|                    | Pulse width                                  | 0 to 500 ns, in steps of 3.125 ns                            |
|                    | Pulse fall time                              | < 9 ns   |
|                    | Pulse delay                                  | 0 s to 40 µs, in steps of 3.125 ns                           |
| <b>Receiver</b>    | Pulse repetition frequency                   | Up to 2 kHz  |
|                    | Number of receivers                          | 16 (4:1 multiplexed)   |
|                    | Input mode                                   | Pulse/Echo mode for array transducers                        |
|                    | Frequency range                              | 500 kHz to 30 MHz (-3 dB)                                    |
|                    | Input impedance                              | 50 Ω   |
|                    | Filters                                      | Two analog band filters per channel (user defined)           |
|                    | Preamplifier gain                            | 0/40 dB switchable   |
|                    | Main amplifier gain                          | 0...80 dB, maximum input signal 10 Vpp (100 % screen height) |
|                    | TGC  | 0...80 dB, max. 40 dB/µs                                     |

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| <b>Signal path</b>              | Probe delay   | 0 to 819 µs in steps of 12.5 ns                                  |
|                                 | Maximum recording length  | 65,535 samples per channel                                       |
|                                 | A/D converter   | 14 bit, 80 MS/s  |
|                                 | Gates   | One start gate and four measurement gates                        |
|                                 | Rectification   | None, positive-, negative-, or full-wave                         |
| <b>Interface and connectors</b> | Array transducer connector  | I-Pex or Hypertronics NEBV19/16PFD/THA                           |
|                                 | PC interface  | USB 2.0 high-speed: Bulgin connector PX0443, max. 40 MB/s        |
|                                 | Trigger in/out  | TTL high or low active (Lemo 00)                                 |
|                                 | Scanner interface inputs  | DSUB-25 socket (4 encoders, RS422/485)                           |
|                                 | Power supply  | 12–24 V DC, max. 48 W (30 W typical); Bulgin connector PX0412/2S |
| <b>Software</b>                 | Digitally signed drivers for Windows® (Windows® 7 or higher), x86 and x84 |  |
|                                 | Managed Windows® SDK based on .NET 4.8                                    |  |
| <b>System conformity</b>        | The PCUS® pro Array system meets all relevant requirements of ISO 18563-1 |  |

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