

3rd Mexican Hydrographic Conference

Ciudad del Carmen, Campeche

April 27th-29th 2016



Who We Are



Industry leader in underwater acoustics

- EdgeTech (formerly EG&G Marine)
 - Started in 1966 by Doc Edgerton
 - Over 50 years making sonar systems
- ORE Offshore affiliated with EdgeTech over 10 years adopted the EdgeTech name in 2012
 - Formed in 1963
- Facilities in Massachusetts and Florida



Core Competencies



- Engineering
 - Acoustic
 - Ceramics, transducers, hydrophones, arrays
 - Algorithms
 - Mechanical
 - High level of experience with electronics, housing, array, packaging, cabling
 - Software
 - Firmware and user-level expertise
 - Test
 - Specials, custom solutions
 - New product development emphasis





The 6205 Combined Swath Bathymetry and Side Scan Sonar



EdgeTech's MPES Technology



- Coverage of up to 12 x water depth.
- IHO Special Order compliant
- Over 200° Swath Coverage
- Co-registered Dual Frequency Side Scan Imagery
- Chirp pulses for higher accuracy and extended range
- Multipath and Wake Suppression
- Lightweight and modular package
- Superior Data Quality & Integrity







Co-Registered Bathymetry & Side Scan



- Bathymetry & Simultaneous Dual Frequency Side Scan Sonar
- Precisely Co-Registered Bathymetry & Side Scan Imagery
- Longer Arrays for Higher Resolution Imagery
 - 1 to 3cm Range Resolution

6205 Advantages



Three types of data collected:

- Bathymetry
- Backscatter
- Sidescan (Dual Frequency)



Technical Specifications



SWATH BATHYMETRY & SIDE SCAN SONAR

KEY SPECIFICATIONS

BATHYMETRY					
Sonar Frequency	230 kHz		550 kHz		
Beamwidths*	1° x 0.7°		1° x 0.5°		
Max Sounding Depth**	225 m		120 m		
Max Swath Width***	400 m		200 m		
Max Swath Sector		200°			
Max Number of Soundings		800			
Sounding Patterns	Equidistant and Equiangular				
SIDE SCAN SONAR IMAGERY					
Frequency	230 kHz		550 kHz		1600 kHz
Horizontal Beamwidth (2-way)	0.54°		0.36°		0.20°
Range Resolution	30 mm		10 mm		6 mm
Max Range**	250 m		150 m		35 m
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Acquisition Software



- EdgeTech's Discover Bathymetric
- Compatible 3rd Party Software for Acquisition:
 - QINSy
 - Hypack
 - SonarWiz
 - Fugro Winfrog (Starfix)
 - EIVA
- Coming Soon:
 - Triton
 - PDS2000
 - OIC CleanSweep
- Postprocessing via jsf:
 - QINSy QIMERA
 - Hypack
 - CARIS

Why MPES?



- Many MBES Systems on the Market
 - Not Suitable for Shallow Water
 - Limited Swath Angle (Typical 130° or less)
 - No Side Scan Imagery (Limited to Backscatter)
- Typical Interferometry Systems Too Noisy w/ Nadir Gap
 - Efficiency Gains Lost due to Nadir Gap
 - Noisy Data = Lots of Data Cleaning
- Better Spatial Resolution than Beam Formers, but without the Nadir gap traditionally associated with Interferometers

SURVEYORS NEED SOLUTION FOR SHALLOW WATER SURVEY OPERATIONS!





Survey Work Conducted in 2 days!

7 Hours on Day 18 Hours on Day 2

Survey Area





VERTICE	LATITUD	LONGITUD
A	18° 37' 56.23" N	091° 50' 36.74" W
В	18° 38' 14.43" N	091° 50' 22.37" W
C	18° 38' 15.98" N	091° 50' 11.75" W
D	18° 38' 01.89" N	091° 49' 57.25" W
E	18° 37' 52.84" N	091° 49' 44.50" W
F	18° 37' 50.14" N	091° 49' 26.27" W
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Sidescan Coverage Report













Bridge Survey (2 lines)





Bridge Survey (2 lines)















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Motion Compensation (Beam Average)















Description of Survey Process

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6205 Frequency Options



• The 6205 is available in three standard frequency options:



230 kHz Bathymetry : to 225m depth below transducers
With 230 & 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan



– 550 kHz Bathymetry :to 120m depth
With 230 & 550 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan



 – 550 kHz Bathymetry :to 120m depth With 550 & 1600 kHz Dual Frequency Side Scan
Also available: Exchangeable arrays.



6205 components





Inertial Navigation Unit




Radio Modem













GeoSurvey Mexicana Vessel











Sound Velocity Profiler



Teledyne Odom Hydrographic Digibar Pro Profiling Sound Velocimeter

For Seafloor and Riverbed Surveys

The Digibar Pro is the most cost-efficient and accurate means of determining water column sound velocities. It quickly calibrates acoustic systems regardless of sea state or current and is faster and safer than the traditional bar check method.

Digibar Pro uses "sing-around" technology, which automatically compensates for all factors influencing sound velocity, including salinity, depth, and temperature.





PRODUCT FEATURES

- Velocity profiles downloaded to a computer
- Handheld display/logger with computer interface
- Battery operated

- Detachable cable (in lengths up to 100 meters)
- Sampling by depth or time
- Stainless steel probe
- Waterproof

- Lightweight
- Portable
- Optional transit cases
- Optional Cable Reel
- Optional Kellems grip





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PATCH TEST Calibrations



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PATCH TEST Calibrations



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Mooring Lines









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Validation and Quality Control

System Coverage – Shallow



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- Typical Single Head MBES
 - Multi-Beam Echo Sounder (MBES)
 - Coverage around 3.5 to 4 x water depth
 - Line Spacing typically 3 x water depth
 - Limited to 130° Swath Coverage
- Typical PDBS
 - Phase Differencing Bathymetric Sonar
 - Coverage of up to 10 x water depth.
 - Gap at Nadir means full overlap required
 - Line Spacing typically 4 x water depth
 - Noisy Data
- EdgeTech's New MPES Technology
 - Multi-Phase Echo Sounder (MPES)
 - Coverage of up to 12 x water depth.
 - IHO Special Order compliant coverage over 9x water depth
 - Over 200° Swath Coverage







MPES vs. PDBS





Full Swath Coverage Vs. Nadir Gap

6205 Mounting Examples for Small and Large Vessels











What is a PATCH TEST?

- Patch tests are performed after initial installation, and periodically thereafter if the sensors are modified, to quantify any residual biases from the initial system alignment.
- Five individual tests:
 - Four that determine the physical misalignments of the transducer (port roll, starboard roll, pitch, and yaw).
 - One that determines the latency, or lack of synchronization, between the position and depth data acquisition.
- Examples provided in QPS Software





When and Why We Do it

- After the installation of a new EdgeTech 6205 Sonar Head.
- When Performance Test data is poor. Maybe the Sonar Head was moved?
- Damage or Deterioration to your Mounting.
- Required by Project Specifications.
- For Quality Control, not Quality Assurance Test... (similar to bar check of single-beam system)



Survey Hints and Warnings

Hints:

- Test in the deepest section of the survey area.
- Except for Latency, run lines at your normal survey speed.
- Run each test twice to confirm results.
- Average multiple tests for final values.

DGPS Warning:

- Make sure you have good GPS positioning. RTK GPS is recommended. Slight position error may lead to Patch Test errors.
- If HDOP is high, perhaps best to perform Patch Test at another time.

Assuming 3ft DGPS shift in 40ft of water

- Latency Test: +/- 0.4 seconds.
- Pitch Test: +/- 4.4 degrees.
- Yaw Test: +/- 4.3 degrees.



How to Perform a 6205 Patch Test

Roll:



d = 3 to 4 x water depth

- One Value for Port, One Value for Stbd
- Need Flat / Smooth Deep Bottom
- Requires overlap for Port and Stbd Separately
- 3 Opposing Lines Spaced at 3 to 4 x Water

Depth

- Same / Equal Speeds





How to Perform a 6205 Patch Test



- One Value for both Port and Stbd
- Need Flat / Smooth Deep Bottom to an Object

or Sloped Bank Feature

- Requires 2 Runs Over an Opposite / Reciprocal Line
- Same / Equal Speeds
- One Value for Time Latency
- Need Flat / Smooth Deep Bottom to an Object

or Sloped Bank Feature

- Requires 2 Runs Over the Same Line in the Same Direction
- Unequal Speeds
- One Value for both Port and Stbd
- Need Flat / Smooth Deep Bottom to an Object

or Sloped Bank Feature

- Requires 2 Parallel / Adjacent Lines Running in the Same Direction
- Same / Equal Speeds







Keep in Mind...

Also keep in mind that your Boat Operator will make or **BREAK** your Patch Test.

The more precise the Boat Operator can run the Patch Test lines, the better the results will be.

Therefore, the Boat Operator should run the Roll, Pitch, Latency and Yaw lines as close as possible to the **Drawn Line**.





Patch Test Procedures

The order that you collect your Patch Test data does **NOT** make any difference, but the order in which you process it, **DOES**...

Order of Processing:

- Find the Latency offset first.
- Apply Latency, then do both Roll tests (port/stbd).
- Apply Latency and Roll, then do the Pitch test.
- •Apply Latency, Pitch, and both Roll offsets, then finish with the Yaw test.



6205 Roll Test

Treat as a Dual Head Multibeam

- Different result for each transducer, port and stbd.
- Cut perpendicular to and in between the lines to analyze port-port / stbd-stbd overlap cross section.





Results

- After running the data thru all five (5) tests, then re-run them all again.
- This is done because you now have "rough" adjustments for all five (5) offsets, and the Patch Test can now produce "finer" results for each.
- After this second run-thru, **repeat for a third time**, but only use the smallest two (2) Step Increments and their respective # of Steps.
- This will produce your "Best Results".
- Keep a record of all past results, and use their Average.

Validation and Quality Control



- No data cleaning performed, 50 cm resolution (finest required by NOAA at this depth)
- 6205 meets IHO Special Order out to 10 x water depth, for uncertainty (≤ 50 cm at this depth)
- 6205 reports realtime uncertainty for sonar portion of Total Propagated Uncertainty (TPU)
- Sounding Density > 5 per cell (NOAA Spec)





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System Performance – Results 1 *EdgeTech*

- EdgeTech 6205 test line differenced from a reference surface
 - Approximate Depth = 10 m
- Results
 - Error bars show 95% confidence level






- Results
 - Approximate Depth = 10 m
 - Red line shows IHO S44 SO : 95% confidence level < 0.26m out to 9 x water depth!



 Physics / Acoustics and Functioning of deployed Equipment



ACTIVE vs PASSIVE SONAR



Side Scan Sonar



- Sideways looking ; 2 sides
- Wide vertical beam
- Narrow horizontal beam
- Towed body





Side Scan Sonar : Time based





Side Scan Sonar is essentially a time based system

Wide Vertical Beam: Tow Height



- **EdgeTech** For Side Scan Sonar, the optimum tow height, h, is
- selected. For deeper towed systems this will mean the use of a winch and cable.
 - For armoured tow cable the ratio of cable out to tow depth is typically around 3:1.

Performance

- Range
 - Better coverage
 - Fewer lines
- Resolution
 - Is that one object, or two ?
 - Better Imagery
- Speed
 - Faster Surveys

How to deliver improved performance, in real world conditions, at an affordable price ?



Range



- Definition of maximum Range?
 - See an echo from a target (and how large?)
 - Delineate shadows behind the target, so as to aid identification.
- Either way, it's a matter of signal strength and noise.

What affects Range ?



- Signal Strength
 - Absorption (depends on frequency, water temperature and salinity).
 - Altitude (grazing angle reflected energy)
- Noise
 - Water Depth (surface noise /backscatter)
 - Ambient Noise
 - System Noise

Absorption

EdgeTech

- Frequency
- Temperature
- Salinity
 - Magnesium Sulphate
 - Boric Acid



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Absorption : Effect on Range





CHIRP



- Compressed High Intensity Radar Pulse
- Linear FM chirp pulses
 - Provide high energy signals, with superior resolution
 - After match filtering the returns are shorter in time



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pulse_compression

Improving Signal Strength



- Wideband, Low amplitude, linear FM chirp pulses
 - Provide high energy signals
 - CW: Tx power typ. 1kW, Pulse length ~ 50us
 - Energy = 1e3 * 50e-6 = 0.05 Joules
 - Resolution = 3.75cm (depends on pulse length)
 - CHIRP: Tx 200W, pulse length ~3ms, BW = 40Khz
 - Energy = 200*3e-3 = 0.6 Joules
 - Resolution = 1.8cm (depends on bandwidth)

Reducing Noise



- Digital Towfish no cable noise
- Linear FM chirp pulses (again!)
 - Implementation of matched filter processing
 - As before, but with added white noise



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pulse_compression

EdgeTech Full Spectrum®



More Signal...

Less Noise....

Better Range

Real Ranges



Frequency	Range
100 (120) kHz	250 to 500m
300 (230) kHz	150 to 300m
400 (410) kHz	130 to >200m
600 (540) kHz	100 to 150m
900 (850) kHz	50 to 75m
1600 kHz	30 to 35m

- Shallow water (< 30m)
 - Range may be limited by noise from surface reflections, channel effects etc.

Range Performance





400 kHz Data

Data out to 150m

5:19.9666 E

43 : 20.4258 N

5:19.9841 E

43 : 20.4470 N 121.00

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Slant Range





Applications of Equipment Deployed *EdgeTech*



Example Customers

A far from complete listing:

- Military / Hydro
 - United Kingdom
 MOD
 - France (SHOM)
 - India DSR/NHO
 - Canada
 - Sweden
 - Egypt
 - Atlas
 - Thales
 - Kongsberg

- Research
 - NOAA (USA)
 - Scripps Institute of Oceanography (USA)
 - CEFAS (UK)
 - KORDI (Korea)
 - Maritime Institute (Poland)
 - Institute of Marine Survey and Planning (China)
 - Geological Survey of Ireland

- Commercial
 - C&C Technologies
 - EGS Asia
 - Fugro Survey
 - Gardline Surveys
 - GSE Rentals (UK)
 - NCS Subsea (USA)
 - Odyssey Marine
 - Sonar Equipment
 Services (UK)
 - Survey Equipment
 Services (USA)
 - Watergate
 (Nigeria)



Scour and Inspection







Pipeline Data Example





Pipeline Data Example





Salvage and Hazard Detection









Salvage



Sunken overturned barges

Vertical surfaces properly imaged

Target Detection





*Altitude = 20m

Site Clearence





Pre-Dredged Channel





Post-Dredged Channel





Bottom Classification and Habitat Analysis *EdgeTech*





Eel Grass Side Scan & Co-Registered Bathymetry

Water Depth less than 1 meter at Chart Datum



Bottom Classification and Habitat Analysis *EdgeTech*



Data: New River, FL - Swath



550 kHz Data

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- Channel width circa 40m
- Depths in the centre of the channel from: 3 m to 12 m
- 0.5m bins

Run as a single line !



Data: New River, FL Overview



Run as a single line !

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