



Obsidian 4X Obsidian 8X/12X/24X/36X

Next Generation of Web Based, High Dynamic Range, GPS/PTP Ready, Multi-Channel Recorders

Ready for the right tool for the job?

The **Obsidian 4X/8X/12X/24X/36X** is Kinemetrics' NEW multi-channel seismic recorder and a new paradigm in *open-architecture* seismic data acquisition systems defining the *World's Next Generation* of seismic products. It is designed to give *you* the flexibility required by *the earthquake monitoring solutions of tomorrow,* being the *most versatile* seismic recorder of today. No more and no less than you need.

You expect outstanding data fidelity and spectral purity. High accuracy data timing is of course required. But it goes beyond that. There are several standard recorded data formats to select from, or you can add your own. On the fly processing of parametric data using your algorithms. Interface to major data center software packages using *their* protocols. For timing use GPS where it makes sense and/or PTP when several units are connected via Ethernet along with DC power.

And when you're ready to get into Earthquake Early Warning Systems (EEWS), the **Obsidian 4X/8X** is ready too. Balance communications bandwidth and data latency with not one but two mechanisms to deliver *ultra-low* latency data.

Why struggle with limited keypads and hard to read displays when you're usually not there anyway? Access the system using your favorite web browser remotely or locally and wirelessly. Where it makes sense to retrieve data locally, do it with a simple thumb drive without commands or buttons.

And for those whose job it is to maintain the station we developed Streamlined Station Maintenance (SSM) that allows you to use your browser to log maintenance activities such as software updates, site inspections, or battery replacements right on the unit. These logs can be automatically uploaded to your data center for archiving, reducing paper work in the field.

Choose from a suite of built-in Kinemetrics features, add-on packages from trusted providers or expand the capabilities of the system yourself. It's the *open-architecture* seismic data acquisition system!

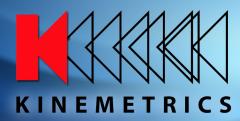
Quanterra and Kinemetrics data acquisition products provide data availability of over 99% in several large networks year after year. Our users will tell you so.



FEATURES

- 4, 8, 12, 24 and 36 high resolution sensor channels configuration
- 24-bit Delta Sigma converter, one per channel
- Built-in GPS, built-in PTP
- Record and communicate multiple sample rates
- · Multiple data formats and telemetry protocols
- Ultra-Low latency data for Earthquake Early Warning Systems
 - * 0.1sec data packet
 - * 0.01sec DFS at 100sps
- Streamlined Station Maintenance (SSM)
- Data offloaded automatically to removable thumb drives connected to a USB host port. Parallel recording (mirroring) data on an external USB thumb drive.
- · Wireless communications via USB based Wi-Fi
- Extensive state-of-health monitoring, including input and system voltages, internal temperature, humidity, communication link diagnostics
- Application Programming Interface (API) to develop your own add-on software modules. You can customize realtime data processing, file formats, stream data using your own protocol, shape data with a custom filter, and so on.
- IP Security through SSH and SSL
- Optional Terminal strips for easy sensor connection
- Transient and EMI/RFI protection on all connections
- System Status LEDs
- Rugged aluminum extruded case designed for 1m drop and 1m temporary immersion (IP67)
- · Designed for RoHS Compliance and easy re-cycling
- Designed for the lowest Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)





SPECIFICATIONS

Channels

Obsidian: Obsidian: 3 +1 sensor channels digital recorder

2 x (3+1) Channels (Obsidian 8X) 3 x (3+1) Channels (Obsidian 12X) 6 x (3+1) Channels (Obsidian 24X) 9 x (3+1) Channels (Obsidian 36X)

Input level: 5Vpp, 10Vpp, 40Vpp Differential Input

Data Acquisition

Type: Individual 24-bit Delta Sigma converter per channel

Anti-alias filter: Double Precision FIR Filter Causal/Acausal;

>140 dB attenuation at output Nyquist

Dynamic range: 200 sps ~127 dB (RMS noise to RMS clip - Typical)

100 sps ~130 dB (RMS noise to RMS clip - Typical)

Frequency response: DC to 80 Hz @ 200 sps

Sampling rates: 1, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 250, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000 sps

Channel skew: None – simultaneous sampling of all channels

Acquisition modes: Continuous, triggered, time windows

Output data format: 24 bit signed (3 bytes) in user selectable format Parameter calculations: Calculations of key parameters in real-time,

including JMA intensity

Real time digital output: Ethernet or RS-232 output of digital stream

Trigger

Type: IIR bandpass filter (three types available)
Trigger selection: Independently selected for each channel
Threshold trigger: Selectable from 0.01% to 100% of full scale

Trigger voting: Internal, external and network trigger votes with

arithmetic combination

Additional trigger: STA/LTA, Time Window

Timing

Type: Oscillator digitally locked to GPS or PTP:

Integrates completely with system, providing timing, internal oscillator correction and position information.

Shared timing: 3 Ports for shared timing for multiple local units

Timing: accuracy: <1 microseconds of UTC with GPS or PTP

Storage

Data slot: Internal SDHC Card Slot, standard 32 GB

System slot: Internal SDHC Card Slot, 4 GB

Recording capacity: Approximately 42 kB per channel per minute on

Memory Card of 24-bit data @ 200 sps.

(33 days of 4x200sps recording on 8GB Data card)

SDHC Format: Linux EXT4

Data: Offloaded automatically to removable thumb drives

connected to a USB host port. Parallel recording (mirroring) data on an external USB thumb drive.

USB drives format: FAT32

Communications

Ethernet interface: Real Time Telemetry (Multiple destinations TCP/IP

Protocol), Parameter set up, and event retrieval (FTP/ SFTP) RS-232 interface: Real Time Telemetry (over modem, radio, etc.), Parameter set up, and event

retrieval

Modem: Built in modem, Remote access, initiated by user or by

the Obsidian

Telemetry: Real-time data via DFS, SEEDLink, Earthworm, Antelope

compatible ORB server, or Altus SDS protocols.

Instrument Software

Type: Multi-tasking operating system supports simultaneous

acquisition and interrogation; allows remote

and automatic firmware upgrades

Security: Supports SSH and SSL

System control: Configure sample rate, filter type, trigger type and voting, maintains communications and event storage

File formats: Kinemetrics EVT, MiniSEED, SAC, COSMOS,

MATLAB, SUDS, SEISAN, ASCII, others

Intelligent alerting: Initiate communications when an event is detected or if an

auto-diagnostic failure occurs

Auto-diagnostics: Continuously check system voltages, temperature, humidity,

and timing system integrity

Rapid setup: Can be configured from a parameter file

System timing: Supports PTP Slave and PTP Master timing (Using

Internal GPS as Master clock), NTP and External 1PPS

I/O and Display

Power input: Mil-style connector for DC power input, external

battery connection, Power over Ethernet (Option)

Interfaces: 10/100 BaseT Ethernet Port

(M12 connectors) 3 x USB 2.0 Host Ports

USB 2.0 Device 3 x RS-232 DFS Port (RS232) Linux Console (RS232)

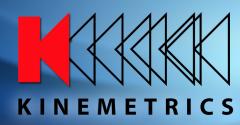
POTS Modem

3 x Time/Power Ports (1PPS In/Out, Switched Power)

GPS Antenna (TNC)

EMI/RFI protection: All I/O lines EMI/RFI and transient protected

LED: System, power and event status, Ethernet Link & Data





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Power Supply

Type: Internal high efficiency switched power supply and

battery charger system with extensive SOH outputs
DC input: 9-28 VDC (>15.5VDC for Battery Charger Operation)

External AC/DC: Universal Input 100-250 VAC 50/60 Hz

Power module: Output 15.5 VDC

Internal battery Digitally temperature compensated output for External

charger: Valve Regulated Lead Acid (VRLA) batteries with reverse

protection and deep discharge recovery.

Fuses: None. Uses resettable Polyswitch protection

Current drain:

Obsidian 4X: 180ma @12V (without sensors)
Obsidian 8X: 265mA @12V (without sensors)
Obsidian 12X: 350mA @12V (without sensors)
Obsidian 24X: 605mA @12V (without sensors)
Obsidian 36X: 860mA @12V (without sensors)

Environment

Operating temp: -20° to 70°C Operation Humidity: 0-100% RH (Non-condensing)

Physical

Size:

Obsidian 4X: 14" (L) x 5.5" (D) x 6.8" (H)
Obsidian 8X: 19" (L) x 7.5" (D) x 6.8" (H)
Obsidian 12X: 19" (L) x 7.5" (D) x 6.8" (H)
Obsidian 24X: 19" (L) x 7.5" (D) x 13.6" (H)
Obsidian 36X: 19" (L) x 7.5" (D) x 13.6" (H)

Enclosure rating: IP67 Equivalent
Environmental: RoHS Compliant Unit

Support Software

Altus File Viewer: Multiplatform program for rapid review of waveforms

and event information.

Antelope: Comprehensive commercial network operational and

management system for medium and large networks

Earthworm: Comprehensive public domain network operational and

management system for medium and large networks

NMS: Commercial PC-based network management system for

small to medium sized networks via modem or real-time

data

RockTalk: Multiplatform program for command and control

Rockhound: Commercial open architecture user-extensible real-time

data collection and processing software that runs on a

variety of computers

PSD: Commercial Pseudo Spectral Density software for

earthquake data analysis

SMA: Commercial Strong Motion Analyst software for

earthquake data analysis and processing

K2COSMOS: Conversion software from Altus EVT file format to

COSMOS v1.20 format (COSMOS format can also be

produced natively from the Obsidian)

Miscellaneous: Format converters to ASCII and other formats. Web

Server for command and control, Optional Software
Development Kit and Compilers. Contact Kinemetrics for

other options.

Specifications subject to change without notice