



Now with Vortex Technology

Use as part of closed-path eddy-covariance system

Overview

Campbell Scientific's EC155 closed-path analyzer incorporates vortex technology for reduced maintenance, an absolute pressure sensor in the sample cell for more accurate measurements, and a sample cell with improved corrosion protection. The EC155 can be combined with the CSAT3A sonic anemometer, as shown in the main image. The revised CSAT3A has a more aerodynamic and rigid design.

The EC155 is ordered as part of a CPEC300-series system (CPEC300, CPEC306, or CPEC310), which also includes the sample pump, data logger, optional valve module, and optional scrub module to provide a zero air source. The EC155 with anemometer simultaneously measures absolute carbon dioxide and water vapor mixing ratio, sample cell temperature and pressure, and three-dimensional wind speed and sonic air temperature.

Benefits and Features

- › Vortex Intake (U.S. Pat. No. 9,217,692) greatly reduces maintenance frequency compared to traditional in-line filters
- › Heated inlet increases protection against condensation
- › More accurate pressure measurements with the new sample cell absolute pressure sensor
- › Fully integrated, detachable intake
- › Improved corrosion protection with stainless-steel sample cell
- › Improved sonic temperature from more rigid CSAT3 geometry
- › Stream-lined, aerodynamic CSAT3A mounting
- › Slim aerodynamic shape with minimal wind distortion
- › Analyzer, sample cell, and sonic anemometer measurements have matched bandwidths and are synchronized by a common set of electronics
- › Low power consumption; suitable for solar power applications
- › Low noise
- › Small sample cell for excellent frequency response
- › Integrated zero/span connection for simplified field zero/span
- › Field rugged
- › Field serviceable
- › Factory calibrated over wide range of CO₂, H₂O, pressure and temperature in all combinations encountered in practice
- › Extensive set of diagnostic parameters
- › Fully compatible with Campbell Scientific data loggers; field setup, configuration, and field zero and span can be accomplished directly from the data logger
- › Rain: innovative signal processing and transducer wicks considerably improve performance of the anemometer during precipitation events

Technical Description

The EC155 has the following outputs:

- › U_x (m/s) *
- › U_y (m/s) *
- › U_z (m/s) *
- › Sonic Temperature (°C) *
- › Sonic Diagnostic *
- › CO₂ Mixing Ratio (μmol/mol)
- › H₂O Mixing Ratio (mmol/mol)

- › Gas Analyzer Diagnostic
- › Cell Temperature (°C)
- › Cell Pressure (kPa)
- › CO₂ Signal Strength
- › H₂O Signal Strength
- › Differential Pressure (kPa)
- › Source Temperature (°C)

*Requires a CSAT3A Sonic Anemometer Head.

Specifications

Operating Temperature Range	-30° to +50°C
Operating Pressure	70 to 106 kPa
Input Voltage Range	10 to 16 Vdc
Power	5 W (steady state and power up) at 25°C
Measurement Rate	60 Hz
Output Bandwidth	5, 10, 12.5, or 20 Hz (user-programmable)
Output Options	SDM, RS-485, USB, analog (CO ₂ and H ₂ O only)
Auxiliary Inputs	Air temperature and pressure
EC100 Barometer Accuracy	› ±1.5 kPa (> 0°C), increasing linearly to ±3.7 kPa at -30°C (basic) › ±0.15 kPa (-30° to +50°C) (enhanced)
Sample Intake/Sonic Volume Separation	15.6 cm (6.1 in.)
Warranty	3 years or 17,500 hours of operation (whichever comes first)
Cable Length	3 m (10 ft) from EC155/CSAT3A to EC100
Weight	› 0.4 kg (0.9 lb) for mounting hardware › 3.9 kg (8.5 lb) for EC155 head and cables › 1.7 kg (3.7 lb) for CSAT3A head and cables › 3.2 kg (7 lb) for EC100 electronics

Sample Cell Pressure Accuracy ± 1.5 kPa (> 0°C), increasing linearly to ±3.7 kPa at -30°C

Gas Analyzer - CO₂ Performance

Accuracy › Assumes the following: the gas analyzer was properly zero and spanned using the appropriate standards; CO₂ span concentration was 400 ppm; H₂O span dewpoint was at 12°C (16.7 ppt); zero/span temperature was 25°C; zero/span pressure was 84 kPa; subsequent measurements made at or near the span concentration; temperature is not more than ±6°C from the zero/span temperature; and ambient temperature is within the gas analyzer operating temperature range.
› 1% (Standard deviation of calibration residuals.)

Precision RMS (maximum) 0.15 μmol/mol

Nominal conditions for precision verification test: 25°C, 86 kPa, 400 μmol/mol CO₂, 12°C dewpoint, and 20 Hz bandwidth.

Calibrated Range 0 to 1,000 μmol/mol (0 to 3,000 μmol/mol available upon request.)

Zero Drift with Temperature ±0.3 μmol/mol/°C (maximum)

Gain Drift with Temperature ±0.1% of reading/°C (maximum)

Cross Sensitivity (maximum) ±1.1 × 10⁻⁴ mol CO₂ /mol H₂O

Gas Analyzer

Sample Cell Thermistor Accuracy ± 0.15°C (-30° to +50°C)

Gas Analyzer - H₂O Performance

Accuracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Assumes the following: the gas analyzer was properly zero and spanned using the appropriate standards; CO₂ span concentration was 400 ppm; H₂O span dewpoint was at 12°C (16.7 ppt); zero/span temperature was 25°C; zero/span pressure was 84 kPa; subsequent measurements made at or near the span concentration; temperature is not more than ±6°C from the zero/span temperature; and ambient temperature is within the gas analyzer operating temperature range. › 2% (Standard deviation of calibration residuals.)
Precision RMS (maximum)	0.006 mmol/mol Nominal conditions for precision verification test: 25°C, 86 kPa, 400 µmol/mol CO ₂ , 12°C dewpoint, and 20 Hz bandwidth.
Calibrated Range	0 to 72 mmol/mol (38°C dewpoint)
Zero Drift with Temperature (maximum)	±0.05 mmol/mol/°C

Gain Drift with Temperature ±0.3% of reading/°C (maximum)

Cross Sensitivity (maximum) ±0.1 mol H₂O/mol CO₂

Sonic Anemometer - Accuracy

-NOTE-

The accuracy specification for the sonic anemometer is for wind speeds < 30 m s⁻¹ and wind angles between ±170°.

Offset Error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › < ±4.0 cm s⁻¹ (for u_z) › ±0.7° while horizontal wind at 1 m s⁻¹ (for wind direction) › < ±8.0 cm s⁻¹ (for u_x, u_y)
Gain Error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › < ±6% of reading (for wind vector within ±20° of horizontal) › < ±2% of reading (for wind vector within ±5° of horizontal) › < ±3% of reading (for wind vector within ±10° of horizontal)
Measurement Precision RMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › 0.6° (for wind direction) › 0.025°C (for sonic temperature) › 0.5 mm s⁻¹ (for u_z) › 1 mm s⁻¹ (for u_x, u_y)

For comprehensive details, visit: www.campbellsci.eu/ec155 



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