

One More Talk About Multiplexing

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iMPDV for Focused Experiments

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Motivation for iMPDV: Focused Experiments

Small Focused Experiments: 1 – 12 CH	Intermediate Focused Experiments: 12 – 24 CH	Integrated Experiments: 32 - 64 64 - 128 > 128
Gas Gun: elastic, EOS, Phase Materials: recompre AP	Shockwave Experiments ssion, grain (mesoscale), spall	
	Integrated Experiments	L, NTS/U1A, LLNL/S300
Very high velocity (NIF, Z)	Pulsed Power Explosive ICE	
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Our Design Approach

- ► iMPDV is "best of" from lessons learned and MPDV fielding experiences
- Modularize for improved serviceability
 - Standardized electrical and fiber-optic connections
- Minimize "number of moving parts" complexity
- User-friendly operation
 - Minimize learning curve intuitive operation similar to traditional PDV
- New multiplexing architecture (neither Gen-1, 2 or 3)
 - Mode 1: Time multiplexing (1×6) for optimal photometric sensitivity
 - Mode 2: Frequency multiplexing (4×1) for maximum record length
- Provide built-in capabilities
 - Cross-timing: Internal, "built-in" system that also has external timing marks
 - Self-check mode: Automated optical signal flow verification
 - Health mode: Electrical power, temperature, and communications
 - Shot mode information: OBR values and signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) calculator for each data channel



Innovative! A new approach for stockpile E-O diagnostics that leverages 3-D printing

- Serviceable by non-SME (module replacement)
- Portable ½ rack
- Internal health monitor (temperature, communications, power)
- Provide self-contained cross-timing system
 - Optical cross-timing mark onto each data window
 - Allow for internal and/or external optical cross-timing
- ► Self-contained system → no external fiber cross-connects
- ► Autonomous operations via internal FPGA → no PC required
- Laser modes: Class I & Class IV (key control and interlocks included)



Measurement Capabilities

- ► Two multiplexing modes (frequency × time) are selectable
 - 1×6 time mux'd to maximize SNR
 - 4×1 frequency mux'd for long data records
- Time mux window $\tau = 50$, 100, or 200 µs (*configurable*)
- Photometric sensitivity (a.k.a. SNR): P_{min} ≈ PDV or MPDV-3 (≈ −60 dBm)
- One-fiber and two-fiber probes (selectable, able to mix and match)
- Selectable laser power
 - Gated or CW high power, P ≥ 200 mW
 - CW low power, P < 10 mW (eye safe)
- Homodyne- and heterodyne-capable (selectable)
- Built-in cross-timing accounts for variability from fiber delay temperature



- → 24-channel capability
- ➔ 16-channel capability

Operational (Fielding) Capabilities

Two Operating Modes

- 1. Remote operations: LabView VI via e-net
 - Bunker controls, including Run Ready and Fire Ready closures
 - SIS laser safety interlocks
 - Emergency stop
- 2. Local "manual" operation
 - No PC required
 - Bunker permissive and external delay generator NOT required
- Plug-n-play: No external interconnects, only connections are fiber-optic probes
- Self-check: Mode verifies internal optical signal path
- LUNA (or "blink test") capable
- ► OBR capable: Measure during operations; sensitivity P_{min} ~ -60 dBm



A Design Requirement: Serviceability

... move away from fully integrated chassis with very complex electro-optic systems that require SME to troubleshoot and/or repair

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Modular Approach Leverages 3-D Printing

A 3-D printed pre-amp module. Design is specific to components and fiber-optic routing requirements.



Performance Analysis: SNR Modeling

First, choose optical amplifiers appropriate to insertion losses (IL) inherent to time multiplexing

Channels 1 - 16Estimated Insertion Loss = $16 \pm 3 \text{ dB}$

→ Choose EDFA with Gain ≅ 23 dB (Lightwave 2020)

Channels 17 - 24Estimated Insertion Loss = 22 to 24 dB

Choose EDFA with Gain ≅ 33 dB (OptiLab)



Model parameters: P(sig) = -40 dBm, P(LocOsc @ PD) = -4 dBm



SNR Modeling: Calculate SNR = f(IL)



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Operations Part 1a: User Controls



Operations Part 1b: User Controls



Operations Part 2: Fiber-Optic Connections

One-Fiber Probe -Patch-Panel

> SIS Interlock Run Control Run Status

PC Comm



System Complexity & Cost



M & S Cost

• \$450k → \$19k per data channel

Number of Modules

•	MPDV	6
•	Pre-Amp EDFA	6
•	High-Power EDFA	3
•	MEMS Switching	1
•	Nano Switching	5
•	Front End	1
•	Optical Cross-Connect	2
•	Polarization Control	1
•	Cross-timing	1

Labor Estimate ~1¹⁄₄ FTE

Summary

We've designed and built a multi-functional, robust, self-contained, portable, 24-channel MPDV system for focused experiments

- Optimized (shot noise limited) SNR performance
- ► Time or frequency multiplexed
- Heterodyne or homodyne operation
- Class I or Class IV operations
- Single-fiber or two-fiber probes
- Manual control (including touch panel) or remote control (LabView)
- Modular architecture for robustness
- Built-in cross-timing (each data window)
- Built-in self-check mode
- Cost per channel comparable to PDV



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